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Cashmere High School drama nominated for Apple Awards



COURTESY OF DAVE ERICKSON
Ali Moran as Sophie and Lily Erdmann as Donna get ready for Sophie's wedding in the CHS production of "Mamma Mia!"



COURTESY OF DAVE ERICKSON
In the CHS production of "Mamma Mia!", Gabby Winchester plays Tanya, Lily Erdmann plays Donna, and Eliana Thomas plays Rosie, all members of the band Donna and the Dynamos.



COURTESY OF DAVE ERICKSON
Gabby Winchester (seated) plays Aunt Julia and Lily Erdmann plays Maude in the CHS production of "Sabrina Fair".

By Quinn Propst
Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE – The Cashmere High School Drama Department has a strong showing for the 2024 Annual Apple Awards, with nominations in every category.

The Numerica Performing Arts Center recently announced nominees for the Apple Awards, which recognize outstanding achievements in high school theater in the region. The awards recognize excellence in musical and stage play performances.

"We are thrilled with the nominations for the Apple Awards recognizing the talent and hard work of our cast, crew and orchestra for both "Sabrina Fair" and "Mamma Mia!," CHS drama director Susan Gubsch said.

Nominations for CHS include Best Overall Musical for "Mamma Mia!," Best Overall Play for "Sabrina Fair," Best Ensemble in a Musical for "Mamma Mia!," and Best Ensemble in a Play for "Sabrina Fair."

Ali Moran as Sophie Sheridan and Lily Erdmann as Donna Sheridan were both nominated for Best Lead Performer in a Musical for their performance in "Mamma Mia!"

Gabby Winchester was nominated for Best Supporting Performer in a Musical for her role as Tanya Cresham-Leigh in "Mamma Mia!"

Best Lead Performer in a Play nominees are Ali Moran as Sabrina

Fairchild in "Sabrina Fair" and Dylan Cornea as Linus Larrabee Jr in "Sabrina Fair".

Best Supporting Performer in a Play nominees are Gabby Winchester as Aunt Julia in "Sabrina Fair" and Lily Erdmann as Maude Larrabee in "Sabrina Fair".

The awards ceremony will be held on Thursday, May 16, at 7 p.m. at the Numerica Performing Arts Center in Wenatchee.

Brian Higgins will direct the awards ceremony. Higgins is a teacher at Wenatchee High School, a frequent performer in local theater, and a director for Quincy's community theater.

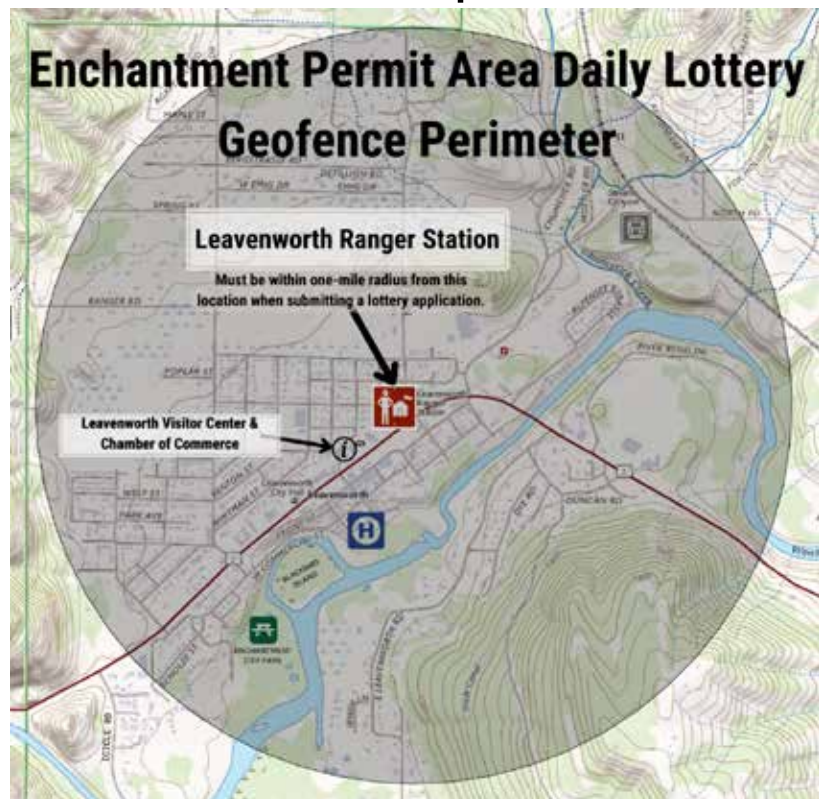
"The evening will run like a Hollywood awards show," Higgins said. "We'll be handing out awards to winners in each category, and interspersed amongst those awards presentations will be performances from nominees and cast members from each of the high schools."

"We are highlighting nominees in each of those performances, both musical and dramatic scenes, and they will, for the most part, perform scenes and songs from the shows their schools performed this year," he said.

"We have a few other performances we'll see during the evening, but we're trying to keep some things as a surprise for our audience," he said.

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New mobile app streamlines Enchantment permit area daily lottery



COURTESY OF USDA FOREST SERVICE
A map graphic showing the geo-fence perimeter for the new Recreation.gov mobile application.

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LEAVENWORTH - The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest has announced a new mobile application process for hikers seeking to obtain an Enchantment Permit Area Daily Lottery permit. Starting May 14, the Forest Service will transition from the previous in-person daily lottery to a new mobile-based geofence lottery system through the Recreation.gov mobile app or mobile browser. This administrative change aims to improve customer convenience and staff efficiency by reducing the impact of the former manual lottery and permit processes.

Wenatchee River District Ranger Erica Taecker stated, "The Okanogan Wenatchee National Forest is pleased to be working with Recreation.gov to pilot this new technology this summer. The Enchantment permit programs help the Forest Service manage visitor use to this high demand area while balancing opportunities for

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Former Snoqualmie City Councilmember Jim Mayhew enters State Senate race in redrawn 12th Legislative District



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SNOQUALMIE - Former Snoqualmie City Council member and business executive Jim Mayhew announced his candidacy for the State Senate in the recently redrawn 12th Legislative District on April 16. The

Democrat, who supports women's reproductive rights and increased funding for public education, will face incumbent Republican Brad Hawkins in what is now considered a competitive "swing" district following a Federal judge's decision to redraw the district boundaries.

The new 12th District spans both sides of the Cascade Mountains, including most of Chelan County and portions of King and Snohomish counties.

Mayhew emphasized his commitment to uniting the diverse communities of the 12th District around shared priorities. "I've

spent my career in business, and then in local government, taking a data-driven approach—rooted in accountability and making every dollar count," said Mayhew. "In state government we need this focus to maximize investments in our schools, the welfare of our kids, the affordability of our communities, protecting the environment, and the safety of our roads and bridges."

Among Mayhew's top priorities are addressing affordable housing, improving access to behavioral health and addiction recovery services, and increasing investments in public education. Drawing on his personal

experiences with poverty and housing insecurity as a child, Mayhew stressed the importance of ensuring that every child in the state has access to quality education, nutrition, and stable home environments.

Mayhew also plans to leverage his business and budgeting expertise to tackle issues such as freight mobility, workforce training, and infrastructure funding. To better understand the needs and perspectives of the district's diverse communities, he will embark on a "listening tour" as part of his campaign.

In the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court's Dobbs decision, Mayhew

has positioned himself as a strong advocate for women's healthcare and autonomy. "One of the clearest contrasts in this race is my unflinching commitment to reproductive health care and rights," he stated.



Jim Mayhew

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Upcoming FFA Plant Sale

Cashmere's Plant Sale will open online on Sunday, April 28, at 6 p.m. The sale link will be on the Cashmere High School and District Websites. Most of the plants at the annual sale are bedding plants, including petunia baskets and geraniums.

and other fun stuff, there are exclusive books and literary items that you can only get on that day."

For more information visit abookforallseasons.com.

Independent Bookstore Day

Join A Book for All Seasons for the 11th annual Independent Bookstore Day on Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. "Independent Bookstore Day is a one-day national party that takes place at indie bookstores across the country on the last Saturday in April," the events page states. "But in addition to authors, live music, cupcakes, scavenger hunts, kids events, art tables, readings, barbecues, contests,

Eastside Rebuild Grand Opening

Eastside Rebuild in Cashmere will celebrate their grand opening on Saturday, April 27 from 3-7 p.m. "Join us to celebrate the Grand Opening of Eastside Rebuild, Waste Loop's salvaged building material retail space and tool library," the event page states. "In addition to checking out the space, we will have activities, lawn games and DIY construction projects, for the whole family to enjoy and the BBQ running all afternoon. Come on down to check out a tool, buy some

lumber, take a tour, or just to say hi and have a veggie burger."

For more information visit wasteloop.org.

Cashmere Community Concert

Portland-based band Thunder Ridge will perform at the Cashmere Community Concert Series on Saturday, April, 27 from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Cashmere Community Church. "This traditional five-piece band will steal your heart with hard driving vocal harmonies and instrumentals," the event page states. "Their repertoire spans the best loved bluegrass standards to their own high powered originals."

For more information visit cashmerecommunityconcerts.com.

May Repair Cafe

Eastside Rebuild In Cashmere will host a Repair Cafe on Wednesday, May 1 from 6-8 p.m. "Repair Cafes are a community space which brings

together skilled volunteer fixers and items that need repair, including textiles, small electronics and appliances, bicycles, and more," the event page states. "These events foster community, reduce waste, and build up the circular economy in NCW."

For more information visit wasteloop.org.

Wenatchee Valley College President's List for winter quarter 2024

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WENATCHEE - Wenatchee Valley College (WVC) has announced its President's List for the winter quarter of 2024, honoring students who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement. To be named to the President's List, students must earn a perfect 4.00 grade point average while completing 12 or more college-level graded credits.

The list includes students from various cities across Washington state, as well as a few from Oregon and North Carolina. Among the honorees are students from Wenatchee, East Wenatchee, Brewster, Cashmere, Chelan, Leavenworth, and other neighboring communities.

Students from North Central Washington:

Brewster: Mareli Arevalo, Evelyn Briseyda Camacho, Magdalena Carrion Buenabad, Jacqueline De la Cruz, Alexandra Diaz, Brisa Glorisel Gutierrez, Yuliana Hidalgo Sr.
Bridgeport: Jeannette Cerda, Bambi Lynn Martinez, Nadia

Iris Moreno Rocha
Cashmere: Shannon Brouse, Mya Clark, Madison Fritz, Gabriel Guzman, Ethan Hudgins, Kate Jacobson, Mollie Renee Mott, Monica Yael Oropeza, Miguel Angel Sanchez Jr., Craig C. Smith, Alyssa N. Zapien
Chelan: Nayeli Chavez Zavala, Avery Evans, Natalie Ann Karcutski, Luis Mendez, Maleigha Peterson, Mariana Isela Sanchez-Mendoza, Kassidy Morgan Wilfong
Dryden: Maizy Groff

East Wenatchee: Mya Korin Ackerman, Jessalyn Alcazar-Castaneda, Savanah Lizet Aldaba, Mia Alto, Emma Bellinger, Apolinar Blanco, Arlen J. Brazill, Julissa Cardenas, Angelica M. Cruz-Garcia, Jade Curtis, Jenna Daley, Kira Runelle Davis, Breanna Karen Deane, Alexa K. Eckhart, Elaine M. Fox, Wennie Pastera Gault, Grant E. Harris, Breisis A. Hefferman, Noelle Addyson Hill, Yessica Ixtlahuac Ramirez, Samuel Richard Kalkowski, Reese Kautzman, Styx Keese, Joshua Kolbo, Jeffrey A. Kunkel, Ariel Lee, Astrid Diane Lima, Joana Esmeralda Luengas, Grass Lugo-Sanchez, Connor

Lyons, Kate Mattern, Eric Mendez, Angela Mendoza, Harlie Miller, Diana Elizabeth Morales-Cruz, Riley L. Morgan, Erandi I. Orozco Sandoval, Emily Grayce Osborn, Bella Rae Otterstetter, Kasey Paquette, Nina Leuyen Pham, Savanna Rose Phillips, Logan Poston, Callissa Jean Rebel, Karen Rivera, Molly Salter, Jade L. Schichi, Cade Michael Schindele, Natalie Brooke Severson, Sarah Rose Sims, Audrey Slagle, Gracelin Swedburg, Ethan James Thrift, Nicholas Royal Tun, Peighton Marie Turner, Sarah Vaughan, Cole Steven Wickel, Jovanna Zamora

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Carlie S. Jones, Leslie Tovar
Manson: Celestina Pacheco
Okanogan: Charlee Marie Buchert

Omak: Jordan Dakin Aguilar, Hailey A. Austin, Mykala Lynn Berntsen, Sadie Grantier, Angelica Camacho-Caballero, April L. Condon, Brianne Ezell, Gracie Huberty Sr., Rita L. Kessel, Zaid Nomani, Christine Lynn Patterson, Elizabeth Lynn Porter, Chad Devon Riggan, Paige Wirth

Oroondo: Gabby Gonzalez-Moreno, Luis Angel Sanchez
Oroville: Miriam Monserrat Gallardo, Veronica Iniguez, Bonny Lee Langford

Pateros: Shannon K. Hampe, Adamary Jocelyn Loyola, Jenessa Scroggie

Peshastin: Coy Allen Latimer, Bart William Palasty

Waterville: Paige Baker, Karen Y. Larsen, Olivia Grace Smoke

Wenatchee: Mya Adams, Jairo Aguilar-Solorio, Alaina Ahrens, Kieraanne Grace Aldrich, Kana Michelle Anderson, Indigo Rose Ballenger, Robert Lee Bamberger, Lydia Grace Barry, Sara Bender, Erin Westie Bishop, Megan Catherine Blakney, Alyssa Shaye Brownlee, Mia Marie Brownlee, Diana D. Buenrostro, Karyna V. Bukovtsova, Monica E. Bunde, James Byrd, Stella M. Byrd, Samantha Kristina Chambers, Clara Clayton, Courtney Arliss Coe, Hunter James-Daniel Collins, Naima Dahoumane, Genesis Karol De La Cruz, Apollo Michael Decker, Amy Marie Defoe, Sam DeLay, Keira Faith Demirjian, Isabelle C. Dressel, Margaret Anderson

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AppleSox seeking host families for summer baseball season

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WENATCHEE - The Wenatchee AppleSox is seeking host families to provide housing for players during the upcoming season, which runs from early June through mid-August. The team is still looking to place eight players with local families.

Host families are required to provide an extra room and bed for the player and must reside in Wenatchee or a neighboring town. In return, host families receive several benefits, including free season tickets, an invitation to the annual

host family appreciation dinner, free registration for host family children to the AppleSox youth instructional clinics, and recognition on the field at the final regular season home game.

AppleSox players, who come from around the country, are considered terrific role models for kids in youth baseball programs and can also be helpful around the house for senior citizens. The team believes these players are a real asset to the community during the summer.

Interested families should be aware that some players have cat allergies and/or may not

have their own transportation. The AppleSox play almost every day during the summer and are on the road for half the season.

Those interested in becoming a host family for the upcoming season are encouraged to contact AppleSox general manager Allie Schank at (509) 665-6900 or via email at allie@applesox.com.



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Wenatchee Valley College announces winter 2024 Deans' List

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WENATCHEE - Wenatchee Valley College (WVC) has released its Deans' List for the winter 2024 academic quarter, recognizing students who have earned a grade point average of 3.5 or higher while taking at least 12 college-level credits.

The list features individuals throughout the region, including Wenatchee, East Wenatchee, Brewster, Cashmere, Chelan, Leavenworth, and many other communities in North Central Washington. WVC also recognized high-achieving students from across the state and country, with honorees hailing from Seattle, Spokane, Oregon, Texas, Hawaii, and as far away as Japan.

Students from North Central Washington:

Brewster: Lynnette Wendy Apolinar, Bella Xochitl Arellano, Cynthia Chacon, Mia Gamble, Jennifer Garcia-Corrales, Yazmin Garcia, Janette Miriam Hernandez, Gabi Huerta, Tajanai Ann Huff, Sandra Munguia, Rae Marie Najera, Elpidio Pamatz-Arevalo, Joanna Perez, Alley Elizabeth Piechalski, Hortencia Rosales, Maritza Torres
Bridgeport: Karim Yair Martinez Silva, Yahaida Perez Sr.
Cashmere: Juliana Alvarado-Villalobos, Ericka Barboza, Miriam G. Bravo, Jonathan Cruz Morelos, Rachel Dean, Lily Ann Erdmann, Adriana Espinoza, Corban Jay Givens, Molly High, Tristan Mallory Hoffman, Anna Lucia Johnson, Oliver L. Kerns, Mercedes

Lanuza, Grace Lynn Lloyd, Erick Martinez Valdez, Crystal Mora, Violet Mora Ochoa, Melissa Beth Reynerson, Aidan R. Sweeney, Leila Tall
Chelan: Angel Jesus Arteaga, Anahi Barajas, Samuel Roy Bordner, Jacqueline Jimenez, Lizzy Knight, Eleno Mendez-Pineda Jr., Charlie Scott Morgan, Nancy Elizabeth Perez Zavala, Daniel Tracy Sanchez, Cameron Bell Smith, Caden M. Viall, Noah Spencer White
Chelan Falls: Zoe Knappert
Dryden: Alex Arellano, Peyton Jean Brown, Juan C. Martinez Nieto, Juana Sarai Palacios Villalobos, Yajaira Reyes-Ibarra
East Wenatchee: Anahi Abarca, Sophie Alto, Joshua Mohan Anantatmula, Yaneli Aragon, Susan Arreola-Chavez, Sophie Batt, Aaron Bergren, Jacob L. Bergren, Isabella Black, Taylor Reade Bonniwell, Joanna Bowman, Luccas J. Bracci, Julio Esteban Capi, Areanna Carreon, Shyanne Chang, Emily J. Cline, Blaine Wynn Clinton, Tawny Kristine Contreras, Leonel Coria-Coria, EllaBeth Xuan Crawford, Max Delzer, Lexie Fennell, Tessa Field, Gracie Nicole Files, Tatsum Fisher, Estephania Elizabeth Flores-Quintero, Kennedy Gaul, Mckennah Gentili, Alexa Gilbert, Eva Casillas, Savana Joy Graham, Ashlynn Grasseeth, Jennifer L. Grecu, Robert C. Grimes, Maja Grk, Kai Andrew Haberlock, Joyce Achieng Henkel Sr., Ava Henn, Jack Howard Hensley, Madison Rae Herdt, Elyse Denise Hernandez-Bejar, Tricia Hopkins, Nicholaus Alan Hopkins, Md Luman Jamali, Lindsay A. Kane, Payton Kelly, Zoe Hovanyi

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Chelan County Sheriff's Report



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April 12

15:27:55 Traffic Offense, 100blk Evergreen Dr
16:02:59 Traffic Offense, 5257 N Cashmere Rd
19:33:30 Juvenile Proble, 4530 E Nahahum Canyon Rd
23:53:08 Domestic Distur, 6306 Kimber Rd

April 13

0:11:42 Suspicious, 6309 Kimber Rd
10:26:54 Rec Stolen Veh, 2 Riverfront Dr
14:41:08 Juvenile Proble, 229 Cottage Ave; Village I
21:17:37 Assist Agency, Us Hwy 2 Mp 115 Wb, Monitor
22:11:28 Assist Agency, 10001 Nahahum Canyon Rd
23:33:54 Alarm, 404 Riverside Meadow

April 14

0:16:05 Accident Unk, Yaksum Canyon Rd & Coates

2:33:52 Burglary, 308 S Division St
3:22:10 Property, S Division St & School Ln
7:09:36 Accident No Inj, Us Hwy 2 Mp 110
11:09:09 Trespass, 6994 Brender Canyon Rd
12:49:01 Assist Public, 102 Titchenal Way
13:30:25 Harass/Threat, 817 Pioneer Ave
14:09:57 Harass/Threat, 3601 Selves Motel Rd
15:09:08 Civil, 917 Pioneer Ave# A204
16:13:06 Trespass, 603 Cottlets Way; Antique Mca
17:07:25 Assist Public, 5660 Sunset Hwy; Middle Un 5
17:33:24 Civil, 3263 Allyn Ln, Monitor
19:20:55 Harass/Threat, 219 Cottage Ave

April 15

3:26:40 Trespass, 93 Riverfront Dr

8:15:55 911, 307 Mission Ave; Liberty Orchards
10:56:06 Malicious Misch, 305 Woodring St#
11:00:42 Theft, 305 Woodring St# 14
11:50:22 Trespass, 1 Big Rock Pl
12:01:49 Assist Public, 4540 Kelly Rd, Monitor
18:31:26 Assist Agency, 3221 Allyn Ln, Monitor

April 16

0:12:21 Disturbance, 318 Peshastin St
5:31:49 Assist Public, 108 Pioneer Ave# 2
10:43:03 Harass/Threat, 5552 Locust Ln # A
14:43:09 Welfare Check, E Parkhill St & Riverfront
15:06:02 Theft, 6011 Sunset Hwy
16:52:01 Accident No Inj, Sunset Hwy & S Division St
17:40:55 Theft, 10 Parkhill St
19:16:50 Harass/Threat, 419 Norman Ave

April 17

0:58:28 Traffic Offense, Pioneer Ave & Mission Creek
5:13:00 Alarm, 5214 Hinman Dr
7:23:42 Suspicious, Cottage Ave Bridge
10:11:55 Harass/Threat, 329 Tigner Rd; Cashmere Hi
19:07:02 Welfare Check, 817 Pioneer Ave
20:46:01 911, 8115 Depot Rd, Dryden

April 18

0:58:28 Traffic Offense, Pioneer Ave & Mission Creek
9:34:04 Trespass, 7886 Stine Hill Rd, Dryden
12:58:36 Animal Problem, 200 Blue Star Way; Blue Star
13:25:10 Property, Brisky Canyon Rd & Brender
16:09:18 Accident No Inj, 117 Aplets Way
16:46:20 Accident No Inj, Yaksum Canyon Rd & Binder
19:59:17 Domestic Distur, 319 Cottage Ave

Community Calendar

Wednesday

Cashmere Rotary Club, meets at Cashmere Presbyterian Church hall, noon. President Mark Shorb. 509-885-0676.
Mission Creek Community Club, meets every month, 7 p.m. (1st and 3rd Wed.)
Cashmere Food Bank, open 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. Cashmere Food Distribution Center, 316 River St., for more information, call Pam, 509-245-6464
Ukulele Circle, Join the Ukulele Circle, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday, at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get the sheet music.

Thursday

Caregiver Support Group, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)
Cashmere Sportsman Assoc., (Cashmere Gun Club), open to the public for trapshooting 7-10 p.m. Private rentals by appointment. Call Brian James, 509-782-3099.
Cashmere American Legion Post #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. Commander Ken Komro, 509-782-4973. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).
Cashmere American Legion Auxiliary #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. President Linda Ingraham, 509-679-0243. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).

Sunday

CHURCH: See the church page for local service times & events.

Monday

Cashmere Wacoka Kiwanis Club, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, lower level. 6:30 p.m. Call Pam Leighton, 509-669-3159. (4th Mon.)
Tillicum Riders, 7 p.m. Chelan County Fairgrounds. Call Cindy, 509-662-5984. (1st Mon.)
Cashmere City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall (2nd & 4th Mon. of each month (unless a holiday, then Tues.).
Planning Committee Meeting, 5 p.m. at City Hall (1st Mon. of each month unless a holiday, then Tues.).
Cashmere Fire Department, Business management, 7 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)
Cashmere Fire Department, meeting, 8 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)
Cashmere School Board Work Session, Board work sessions are typically held towards the beginning of the month at 6:30 a.m. with no action taken. For updated info. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu
Cashmere School Regular Board Meetings, are typically held towards the end of the month at 7 p.m. with action taken. The schedule for meetings is subject to change to accommodate conflicts in schedule or special circumstances. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu for the most up to date info.
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

Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts, Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or levi.ipid@nwi.net (2nd Tues.)
Peshastin Water District, meets at 4:30 p.m. Contact: Steve Keene for meeting location. 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)
Cashmere Chamber of Commerce, Noon, everyone is invited to attend as a guest. Call Executive Director, for meeting location. 509-782-7404. (3rd Tues.)
The Chelan County Cemetery District #2, (Peshastin) meets at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)

NCW Libraries

Cashmere Public Library: 509-782-3314
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Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri., 9-6, Wed. 1-6 and Sat., 10-2. Closed Sun. 300 Woodring Street. Call 782-3314, or online at cashmere@ncwlibraries.org
Cashmere Museum and Pioneer Village
Call for more information 509-782-3230
Chelan County Historical Society Board meets, 7 p.m., Cashmere Museum, 600 Cottlets Way. Call Nicky 509-782-3230. (3rd Thurs.)
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Seeking motivation, high school athletes run with shelter dogs



COURTESY OF ALLISON SZPONAR

Members of the boys' cross-country team at Steinbrenner High School in Lutz, Fla., on one of their regular shelter dog runs in July 2023.



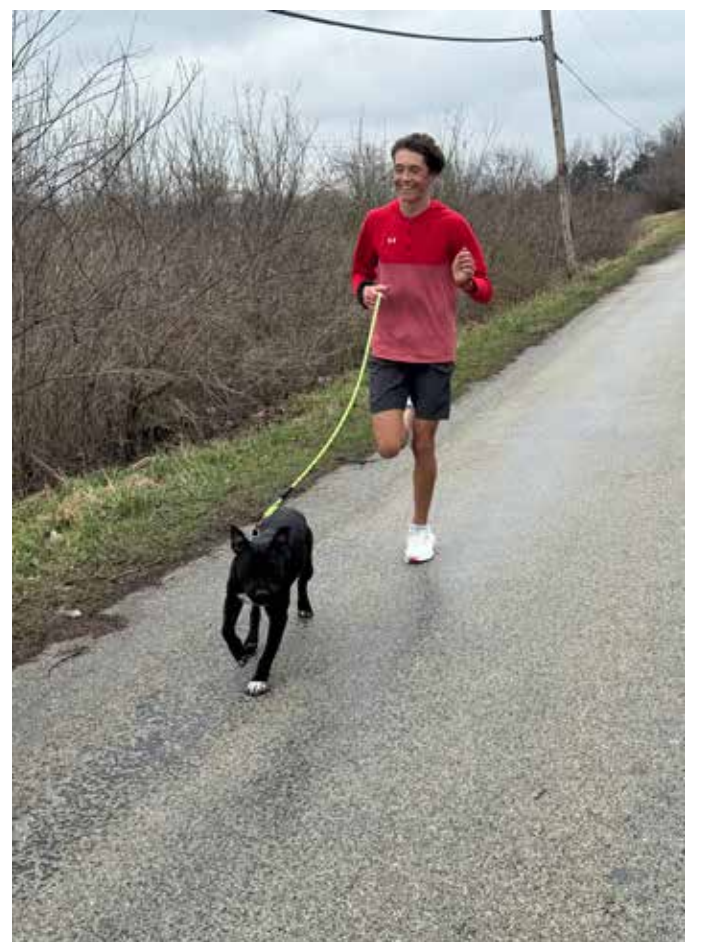
COURTESY OF MARGARET PEIFER

Kodiaks running back Melvin Northrup makes one last push in the fourth quarter of Friday night's Pear Bowl. Cashmere Bulldogs defeated Cascade Kodiaks 63-0.



COURTESY OF ALLISON SZPONAR

Jamin Dewitt, a student at Steinbrenner High School in Lutz, Fla., giving a shelter dog a treat after a run.



COURTESY OF JARRIN WILLIAMS

Gabe Mahn, a sophomore at Rock Island High School in Rock Island, Ill., running with Jax on March 14.

By SYDNEY PAGE
The Washington Post

Daily runs can be a grind for high school athletes, even cross-country runners who love the sport. Finding motivation over summer break can be even harder.

Some coaches send out training plans, others offer prizes. Coach Luis Escobar was brainstorming with his wife when she hit on an idea: get a pack of goofy, energetic shelter dogs to go out with his runners. "The dogs want to go out and run; the kids love dogs, and they love running. It was a perfect marriage," said Escobar, who at the time was the cross-country team coach at St. Joseph High School in Santa Maria, Calif.

He reached out to a Santa Barbara animal shelter, and it was on board. After shelter staff gave the athletes a briefing on best practices for running with canines, the students set out on a mile-long loop around the

shelter.

"It was super fun. The kids were having a great time, the dogs were having a great time," said Escobar, who took a video of the outing that day in 2016 and shared the sweet scene on social media.

"Tails were wagging, kids were smiling," he said.

Little did Escobar know then that the 60-second snippet would fly across the internet, with hundreds of thousands of views overnight.

"It just went out of control in a very, very good way," said Escobar, who now coordinates adult running events.

It has been nearly eight years since that video. Every so often, it resurfaces on social media and starts making the rounds again.

The video shows a group of high school students running with shelter dogs of various size and shape. One student says "good girl!" to encourage his running companion, while

another brings up the rear with a pooch named Fred nestled in his arms.

"Fred's had it," Escobar says in the video.

Not only did the shelter dog run become a staple training activity for St. Joseph's cross-country team, but it also resulted in some adoptions - including by the student who carried Fred. He ended up bringing the dog home.

"Many, many dogs were adopted as a result of this," Escobar said. "That is the thing that I am probably most proud of."

The video inspired other schools to find their own puppy motivators.

"Our athletic director was getting messages and emails from other athletic directors around the country, wanting to know how they could do this project at their school," Escobar said.

After a parent saw a social media post about the dog run,

members of the boys' cross-country team at Steinbrenner High School in Lutz, Fla., started doing shelter dog runs, too. They have been running regularly with shelter dogs from the Humane Society of Tampa Bay for seven years, and the program has been covered in local and national news.

"We just started, and we've never looked back," said Allison Szponar, who coaches the team.

During school breaks and throughout summer, about 15 students stop at the shelter to pick up between 10 and 12 dogs several mornings per week. They drive them to a nearby park to run laps and play together. Some students visit the shelter each week through the year to take the dogs out.

"We put out water bowls and give them treats. They just roll around in the grass, wagging their tails," said CJ Clark, 17, the team captain.

He and his teammates cater

to each canine's fitness level and individual needs - which the shelter communicates to them before every run. The shelter also lets students know if a dog is injured or out of shape and, in some cases, encourages them to walk rather than run.

Rigorous running can strain an animal's tendons and joints, so students usually mix walking and running during their outings, which last about an hour and a half.

"We don't typically do long distance. Nothing over a mile," Szponar said.

Shelter staff sends out dogs with excessive energy, or those who seem to be craving social time.

"They run, they walk, they play with them," said Regan Blessinger, marketing and content manager for the Humane Society of Tampa Bay. "It's such a nice enrichment."

The dogs spend most of their time in a kennel, Blessinger said, and need more physical and mental stimulation, as well as social time with other dogs and people.

"There's a lot of benefits, and the dogs just love it. They get excited to go," she said.

The students look forward to it, too.

"It's really fun," said Brady Peifer, 17, a junior at Steinbrenner High School. "I think it's really good for our team; it teaches us to care more about others than ourselves."

Brady's mother, Margaret Peifer, volunteers and participates in the shelter runs. She and her son also go in their spare time to take the dogs out for some exercise.

"It's been really wonderful for us as a family," said Peifer, whose daughter is a runner on the girls' team and joins them for shelter runs. "We get to know these dogs; we keep track of them all."

"I think my favorite part about it is getting to know the dogs and seeing them get adopted," Brady said.

Shelter staff said the school runs have led to several adoptions over the years - by students and by others in the community who are touched by the effort.

"We absolutely love this," Blessinger said.

Other shelters and schools - inspired by Escobar and programs modeled after his - feel the same way.

Jarrin Williams, the head coach of the boys' cross-country and track and field teams at Rock Island High School in Rock Island, Ill., has been leading shelter runs with his teams since 2019.

"I try to make sure that I provide every opportunity for my athletes to give back," Williams said. "This is one way to do that."

Multiple times throughout the summer and other school breaks - most recently during spring break - Williams and about 10 students will stop at Rock Island County Animal Care and Control to exercise with some canines.

"It makes the dogs better dogs," said Samantha Wiley, an operations manager at the shelter. "They just look so happy."

The students love it as much as the dogs do.

"I've had kids who graduated come back and run with us and the dogs. That's how much they enjoy it," Williams said. "It's really cool that this one thing that is so simple could be so impactful."

Escobar said that in hindsight, he is not surprised his short video had such resonance.

"It was 60 seconds of genuine, organic kindness," he said. "The world needs kindness."

How to Choose An Antihistamine

When I checked in with my 80-year-old stepmother, Joyce, yesterday, she could barely talk.

"I have allergies to pollen every spring, and I usually take Claritin® for them. But this year, it isn't helping. What else can I take?"

When you come in contact with something you're allergic to, your body releases histamine, which triggers a cascade of symptoms we associate with an allergic reaction: nasal congestion, runny nose, itchy, watery eyes, and sinus pressure. Joyce was suffering from all of those.

Antihistamines counteract the effects of histamine by blocking the places where it locks on. Without the ability to lock on, histamine's allergic actions are blocked, and you'll experience relief from your allergic reaction symptoms.

There are 2 main categories of antihistamine medicines: sedating and non-sedating agents. Sedating antihistamines often cause drowsiness and have a drying action. That drying action helps relieve a runny nose and watery eyes. Non-sedating agents are nearly as effective but have less drying action.

Antihistamines don't work the same in everyone. Some will relieve your allergy symptoms better than others. Many try more than one before finding the one that works well for them.

Occasionally, an antihistamine can lose its effectiveness over time, like what happened to Joyce. When that happens, if you switch to a different drug for several months, the original one will regain its effectiveness.

Older antihistamines like Benadryl® (diphenhydramine), doxylamine,

and chlorpheniramine cause drowsiness in most people.

Newer antihistamines like Claritin® (loratadine) and Allegra® (fexofenadine) rarely cause drowsiness. Unfortunately, these non-sedating allergy medicines are much less effective at drying runny noses or watery eyes than older agents.

Zyrtec® (cetirizine) and Xyzal® (levocetirizine) have more drying action and cause much less risk of sedation than older agents. While at least 50% of people notice drowsiness on older agents, barely 10% notice drowsiness on these.

Since Joyce is suffering from a runny nose and watery eyes while taking Claritin®, switching to either Zyrtec® or Xyzal® should give her relief while having a low risk of causing sedation.

If either of those doesn't provide relief, several other older antihistamine options are available: chlorpheniramine, brompheniramine, and triprolidine. I prefer triprolidine because it dries up my runny nose better than any other antihistamine.

Tripolidine was previously only available in combination with a decongestant, as Actifed®. Today, it is in Flonase Night Time Allergy Relief®, along with the Mucinex® Night Shift Cold and Flu, Mucinex® Night Shift Severe Cold and Flu, and Mucinex® Night Shift Sinus.

I do not recommend Mucinex® Night Shift Severe Cold and Flu or Mucinex®

Night Shift Sinus because they contain phenylephrine. Phenylephrine increases blood pressure without relieving nasal congestion.

Joyce could also try Astepro®, a newer nasal spray containing azelastine. Azelastine is both an antihistamine and mast cell stabilizer. It not only blocks the action of histamine but also prevents its release. Astepro® can be used in addition to taking pills or other nose sprays for allergic rhinitis, like the steroid nasal sprays Flonase® and Nasacort®.

If one of these options still doesn't help, she could use Benadryl® (diphenhydramine). It is the most potent antihistamine available without a prescription but can cause significant drowsiness.

Diphenhydramine is sold as a non-prescription sleeping pill as Tylenol PM® and Sominex II. Unlike newer drugs for allergies, Benadryl® needs to be taken 3 to 4 times daily for best results.

If Joyce has to resort to taking Benadryl®, I would suggest she take it just at bedtime and use a less sedating agent or a nasal spray during the day.

Here Are 5 Tips on Choosing an Antihistamine:

1. Don't delay. Antihistamines work best if taken before or as soon as possible after exposure to an allergy trigger. They are less effective after your nose stuffs up and your eyes start itching.



2. Choose not to snooze. Non-sedating antihistamines like loratadine (Claritin®) or fexofenadine (Allegra®) are the safest options if you have to drive or use machinery.

3. Try a different agent. If your first antihistamine choice doesn't help you, try another one. It's not unusual to get very little relief from one antihistamine but have good results with a different one.

4. Consider a combo. You can combine nasal sprays and allergy pills, like using Flonase®, with your antihistamine or Astepro® nasal spray. Adding an oral decongestant to your antihistamine may also help if you still have a stuffy nose.

5. Watch for these warning signs.

If you experience wheezing, shortness of breath, green-colored sputum, or fever, it may be more serious than allergies. Consult your doctor without delay.

Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 44-year veteran of pharmacology and author of *Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely. Get clear answers to your medication questions at her website and blog, TheMedicationInsider.com. ♥2024 Louise Achey*



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Sports Schedule

CASHMERE BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL	
Apr. 30:	Cascade; Away, 4:30 p.m.
CASHMERE GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL	
Apr. 25:	Omak; Home, 4 p.m.
Apr. 30:	Cascade; Away, 4:30 p.m.
CASHMERE BOYS VARSITY SOCCER	
Apr. 25:	Quincy; Home, 6 p.m.
Apr. 27:	La Salle; Home, 1 p.m.
CASHMERE BOYS & GIRLS VARSITY TRACK	
Apr. 26:	Connell Invitational; Away 3:30 p.m.
CASHMERE BOYS & GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS	
Apr. 30:	Cascade; Home, 4 p.m.

Bulldog Scoreboard

BOYS VARSITY BASEBALL	
Apr. 16:	Cashmere 11, Omak 4; Win
Apr. 19:	Cashmere 10, Quincy 0; Win
Apr. 19:	Cashmere 6, Quincy 3; Win
GIRLS VARSITY SOFTBALL	
Apr. 19:	Cashmere 20, Quincy 5; Win
BOYS VARSITY SOCCER	
Apr. 16:	Cashmere 0, Cascade 4; Loss
Apr. 18:	Cashmere 0, Othello 6; Loss
Apr. 20:	Cashmere 2, Tonasket 2; Tie
BOYS VARSITY TENNIS	
Apr. 15:	Cashmere Girls 4, Chelan Girls 1; Win
Apr. 15:	Cashmere Boys 1, Chelan Boys 4; Loss

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Alejandro Rojas Sophomore
Cashmere Boys Soccer

Rojas scored a pair of goals this week. He found the back of the net in the Bulldog's 6-0 win over Omak on Thursday, and also scored Cashmere's lone goal at Quincy on Tuesday. He has helped lead the Bulldogs to a 6-4 record this season. On the season, Rojas has scored three goals and has been a force as a forward in Cashmere's offensive attack.

Coach Flores: "Alejandro worked hard during the offseason to prepare for this season, and it is showing. He scored two goals this week. His physicality and scoring ability has been a great asset for us this season."



Macie Zimmerman Sophomore
Cashmere Girls Fastpitch Softball

Zimmerman had a big day in Cashmere's doubleheader sweep over Cascade on Saturday, and in their CTL victory over Quincy on Tuesday. She finished the week going 5-for-6 at the plate with a double and a triple. She also pitched 10 innings and had 13 strikeouts and only allowed two earned runs. Zimmerman has led the Bulldogs to a 9-3 record this spring. The Bulldogs are currently ranked #4 in the WIAA 1A State RPI rankings. Cashmere's only losses are to #1 Mount Baker, and #2 Kiona-Benton.

Coach Mongeon: "Zimmerman stood out this week as she nearly doubled



up on her season hit total in our three games. She has demonstrated significant improvement offensively. Her pitching efficiency was also remarkable with 13 strikeouts in 10 innings of work."

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Cashmere Bulldogs Sports Roundup

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The Cashmere Bulldogs had a busy week in sports, with action across tennis, baseball, softball, soccer, and track & field.

Tennis: Girls improve to 10-0; Boys fall to Cascade

The CHS girls tennis team stayed undefeated on the season, improving to 10-0 overall and 5-0 in Caribou Trail League play with a 5-0 sweep over Cascade. Faith Kert, Freya Dronen and Hazel Schade won in singles

while both doubles teams were also victorious.

The boys squad fell to 6-4 overall and 2-3 in CTL matches with a 4-1 loss to the Kodiaks. Eighth-grader Albin Eskew picked up the lone win for Cashmere in 1st singles.

Baseball: Bulldogs sweep doubleheader at Quincy

Cashmere earned two key CTL victories at Quincy, winning the opener 10-0 in five innings and the nightcap 6-3. In game one, Jack Niederstadt tossed a 2-hit shutout with 7 strikeouts, while Corey Knoll and Josh

Meros each drove in two runs.

In game two, Jake Peterson went 3-for-4 and Tyler Peterson added two hits and two RBI. Caed Wilkinson struck out 9 over 6 innings to get the win on the mound. The Bulldogs also defeated Omak 11-4 earlier in the week.

Softball: Bulldogs Blast 7 Homers in Quincy sweep

The 3rd-ranked Cashmere softball team exploded for 45 runs and 7 home runs in a doubleheader demolition at Quincy, winning 25-3 and 20-5. The Bulldogs are now

11-3 overall and a perfect 7-0 in CTL action.

Junior Kate Jacobson had an incredible day at the plate, going 8-for-8 with 4 homers and 10 RBI. Lily Wilson added two long balls in the opener, while Dina Schoengarth homered and scored 8 runs. Macie Zimmerman picked up the game one win.

Soccer: Cashmere falls to top-ranked Cascade and 2A Othello

The CHS boys soccer team dropped a pair of matches to fall to 6-5 overall. The Bulldogs hosted undefeated

#1 state-ranked Cascade and fell 4-0. Cashmere battled hard but the Kodiaks led 2-0 at half and added two more goals to seal it.

Playing short-handed due to injuries, Cashmere then lost 6-0 in a non-league contest at 2A Othello. The Huskies led 3-0 at intermission. Senior midfielder Juan Cacho provided solid play for the Bulldogs in the defeats.

Track: Bulldogs pile up victories in Cascade meet

Cashmere track athletes won numerous events at a non-league meet hosted by

Cascade. Michael Acton (pole vault, triple jump), Levin McPherson (110m hurdles, 300m hurdles), Keenan Knoll (800m), Marcelino Torres (javelin), Brody Larson (shot put), Joseph Acton (discus), Sophia Batanoui (800m), and Eley McDevitt & Mackenzie VanBogart (tied in high jump) were all individual winners.

The boys 4x400m relay, girls 4x200m relay, and girls 4x400m relay teams also took home 1st place finishes for the Bulldogs at the highly competitive meet.

He spent 20 years trying to buy back his grandma's 'Passionate Pink' Mustang

By JONATHAN EDWARDS
The Washington Post

Sam McGee picked up the phone in 2022 and dialed the same number he'd called every year for decades. He had the same question he'd been asking for 20 years: Could his family buy back his late grandmother's Ford Mustang that had been sold in 1973 to pay for her funeral expenses?

Since 2001, the answer had been the same. Although the nuance fluctuated from firm denials to "maybe someday" to "I'll think about it," the bottom line had always been no. But in May 2022, McGee told the owner, whose family had kept the car for nearly 50 years, that he was considering buying a similar pink Mustang in Houston, about 200 miles east of him in Boerne, a city outside San Antonio.

"But I really want my grandmother's. Let me know if you're willing to sell it," McGee recalled telling her. "She said: 'Let me think about it a few days.'"

McGee, now 48, would have to wait to learn the fate of his decades-long mission, which was first reported by the San Antonio Express-News and recently covered by the Wall Street Journal. Even though he had never met his grandmother Eva Marie Corcoran, who died by suicide at the age of 42, McGee felt the hole her death and the loss of her cherished "Passionate Pink" Mustang had left in his family. A Mustang aficionado himself, McGee had felt compelled to recover the family vehicle. He also wanted to use the car to raise awareness about suicide

prevention.

Since he believes the car, with its pink exterior and its houndstooth top, is unique, McGee eventually named the suicide prevention campaign "You Are One of One."

"I want it to be a rolling tribute to my grandmother," he said.

McGee first learned of his grandmother's car in the early 1990s while restoring a 1966 Mustang with his dad in high school. As they repaired it on evenings and weekends, his father would occasionally talk about his mother's pink Mustang with an unusual black-and-white checkered top. Since his mother's death had clearly traumatized his father, McGee said he didn't press for more information.

When the internet had become more commonplace by the end of the decade, McGee researched his grandmother's 1968 Mustang. He learned the car was part of a promotion during the first four months of that year in which Ford released different colored Mustangs each month. In February, that color was pink.

McGee believes it was one of only a handful of pink Mustangs sold in the Denver area, where his grandmother lived at the time, and further research led him to believe it was the only one with the houndstooth top.

Around 2001, his grandfather told him the car had been sold to a couple in Selden, Kan., near where McGee's parents were from. McGee found their number and gave them a call. They confirmed the family had bought the car nearly 30 years earlier and still had it. They told McGee they had no

intention of selling it but said he could call every year to keep asking.

McGee did so without fail through the Bush, Obama and Trump administrations and into the first part of President Biden's. Every May, McGee called, and every May, he received a polite rejection.

Some high points broke up the many rejections. In 2007, McGee traveled to Kansas for his grandfather's 80th birthday. Knowing he would be within 40 miles of the car, he asked the owner if he could come by and see it and she agreed. He and his wife made the detour. During the trip, he learned that the car had 53,000 miles on it, had all original parts and had been perfectly preserved. McGee got a picture with the car, sat in the driver's seat and started the engine.

"It kind of just lit my passion on fire," he said.

During a 2021 trip to Colorado for a family wedding, McGee and his father made a 700-mile side trip to see the car. It was the first time McGee's dad had seen it since 1972, when he watched his mother drive it off into the sunset en route to a new life in Denver. It was also the last time he saw his mom alive.

"At that point, I knew I just had to get this thing back," McGee said.

But he didn't - not at that meeting. McGee once again asked the owner to sell and once again was rejected.

Then May 2022 rolled around. McGee made his annual phone call to deliver his quasi-ultimatum involving the other pink Mustang that prompted the owner to take some time to think about it. A few days later, she called back - she would sell.

McGee said he thinks the

owner finally sold him the Mustang because, although it had been driven by her family through two generations, it had been sitting in a barn and then a storage unit for about 15 years. It wasn't being used or worked on. Plus, she seemed to be moved by the McGee family's connection to the car and his plan to use it to help people in crisis, McGee said.

Soon after, McGee and his father drove two days and some 800 miles from Boerne, Tex., to the owner's home in Selden, Kan. During the trip, McGee's father opened up about learning that his mother had died as he was about to graduate from the University of Kansas and start a life with his wife and 2-year-old daughter. He told McGee of Eva's upbringing - about how her aunt and uncle raised her after her own mother died when she was young and about

how she poured her love into the well-being of her children.

McGee said he believes his father's views on suicide shifted, from a taboo subject to something that could be averted if openly talked about.

"It was kind of the ultimate father-son road trip," McGee said.

Because of his grandmother, McGee serves as a board member for Hill Country Family Services, a nonprofit that embeds mental health officers with the local sheriff's department to help families in crisis. He's brought the car to raise awareness of the 988 national crisis hotline and end the stigma associated with talking about mental health. In November, he plans to take it to a "Out of the Darkness" fundraising run organized by the South Texas chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

"We plan on using this car for a long time. It's not going to sit in a museum. It's going to be used for good things," he said.

McGee sees it as a way to honor his grandmother with something that brought her joy more than a half-century ago and that brings him joy now.

"For me, even though it was my grandmother I never knew, it was definitely a little bit of a hole in our family history, and a little bit of a hole in our family's dynamic - something that didn't get talked about a lot.

"And so by getting that car, in some ways, I kind of felt like I was bringing her back."



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Sam McGee, 48, talks about the years he spent trying to buy back his late grandmother's 1968 "Passionate Pink" Mustang in the documentary "One of One," produced by students at Samuel V. Champion High School in Boerne, Tex. McGee is using the car and its backstory for suicide prevention awareness.

If you or someone you know needs help, visit 988lifeline.org or call or text the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at 988.

CHS Drama

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“Ultimately, we want to provide our attendees with a show—a meaningful experience and a chance to celebrate and share their gratitude for the hard work these groups have put in across our communities.”

“All the nominees will get to perform in an opening number for the event,” Gubsch said. “We will also be performing scenes in costume from “Sabrina Fair” and “Mamma Mia!”

“It is going to be a great night celebrating the outstanding high school theater in all of the valley,” she said.

Alex Haley, Director of Programming and Marketing for the Numerica Performing Arts Center, said the nominees were chosen by the Apple Academy, a group of community members, actors, and directors in the Greater Wenatchee Area.

“Schools nominate two performers in each category (Lead and Supporting), and the evaluators can nominate additional standouts they see during the performances,” Haley said.

Academy members attend each show throughout the school year and provide feedback that gets scored for each award category. After all the scores are tabulated, they reconvene to discuss each production and performer in detail, he said.

“Finally, they use a ranked voting system to determine

the final winners, announced during the ceremony,” Haley said. “The Numerica PAC facilitates this entire process but remains neutral throughout. The Apple Academy, presenters, and director of the ceremony are all unaware of the award recipients until they’re presented that night.”

“My personal goal for the evening, second to celebrating those students, is to connect those students to the people in their communities who are continuing to make the arts a part of their daily life,” Higgins said. “To do that, I am inviting people from each of those communities that serve our high schools to be a part of the awards show.”

“Our list of award presenters includes people from Chelan, Cashmere, Wenatchee, Quincy, East Wenatchee and Leavenworth,” Higgins said. “We have representatives from the arts organizations in these communities, including Music Theater Wenatchee and Quincy Valley Allied Arts.”

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for students and can be purchased at NumericaPAC.org or at the Numerica PAC Box Office (123 N. Wenatchee Ave.), which is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The 2024 Apple Awards Nominees

Best Overall Musical

- 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee – Wenatchee High School
- Mamma Mia! – Cashmere

- High School
- The Addams Family – Quincy High School
- The Lightning Thief, Percy Jackson Musical – Eastmont High School

Best Overall Play

- Murder on the Orient Express – Quincy High School
- Radium Girls – Eastmont High School
- Sabrina Fair – Cashmere High School
- The Wonderful Wizard of Oz – Chelan High School

Best Ensemble in a Musical

- Mamma Mia! – Cashmere High School
- The Addams Family – Quincy High School
- The Lightning Thief, Percy Jackson Musical – Eastmont High School

Best Ensemble in a Play

- Murder on the Orient Express – Quincy High School
- Radium Girls – Eastmont High School
- Sabrina Fair – Cashmere High School

Best Lead Performer in a Musical

- Alexi Birrueta Ramos as Gomez Addams in The Addams Family (Quincy High School)
- Ali Moran as Sophie Sheridan in Mamma Mia! (Cashmere High School)
- Emma Banker as Olive Ostrovsky in 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Wenatchee High School)
- Grant Chisholm as Percy Jackson in The Lightning

- Thief, Percy Jackson Musical (Eastmont High School)
- Lily Erdmann as Donna Sheridan in Mamma Mia! (Cashmere High School)
- Maya Scanlon as Logainne Schwartzandgrubienierre in 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Wenatchee High School)
- Savannah Webb as Reno Sweeney in Anything Goes (Wenatchee High School)

Best Supporting Performer in a Musical

- Allie Manly as Alice Beinecke in The Addams Family (Quincy High School)
- Gabby Winchester as Tanya Cresham-Leigh in Mamma Mia! (Cashmere High School)
- Gavin Hundley as Grover in The Lightning Thief, Percy Jackson Musical (Eastmont High School)

- JazzLynn Padron as Pugsley Addams in The Addams Family (Quincy High School)
- Liam Schmidt as Moonface Martin in Anything Goes (Wenatchee High School)
- Rowan Kappler as Luke Castellani in The Lightning Thief, Percy Jackson Musical (Eastmont High School)
- Savannah Webb as Rona Lisa Peretti in 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (Wenatchee High School)

Best Lead Performer in a Play

- Ali Moran as Sabrina Fairchild in Sabrina Fair (Cashmere High School)
- Alicia Lasley Pineda as Greta Ohlsson in Murder in the Orient Express (Quincy High School)
- Annesley Edwards as Grace Fryer in Radium Girls (Eastmont High School)

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- Dylan Cornea as Linus Larrabee Jr in Sabrina Fair (Cashmere High School)
- Rowan Kappler as Arthur Roeder in Radium Girls (Eastmont High School)
- Allie Manly as Countess Adrenyi in Murder on the Orient Express (Quincy High School)
- Clara Lebow as Diane Roeder in Radium Girls (Eastmont High School)
- David Kelly as Scarecrow in The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (Chelan High School)
- Gabby Winchester as Aunt Julia in Sabrina Fair (Cashmere High School)
- Lily Erdmann as Maude Larrabee in Sabrina Fair (Cashmere High School)

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From left to right: Trip Martin as David, Ali Moran as Sabrina, Chandler Clark as Paul and Dylan Cornea as Linus.

Enchantment

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spontaneous recreation within Wilderness. Streamlining the daily permit system will also increase convenience for visitors while helping us better utilize limited staff resources to better serve the public.”

The new mobile application requires interested applicants to be physically located within a 1-mile geofence perimeter centered around

the Wenatchee River Ranger Station in Leavenworth, WA. Applicants must use their mobile phones with “location services” enabled to confirm their location and apply for the lottery.

Wilderness Manager Carly Reed explained, “With the updated Enchantment Permit Area Daily Lottery, applicants won’t have to wait at the ranger station, nor will they need to remain within the geofence perimeter following the lottery application process. Instead,

participants are free to enjoy the local area, grab a bite or hike in other locations. Applicants are only required to be physically within the perimeter briefly to use the mobile application to apply and check on the status of their application. Successful applicants will also need to be within a cellular or Wi-Fi service area to accept and pay for their permit, and to come to the ranger station to pick up their permit before 4 p.m. to be ready for their trip departure the next day.”

Key points for hikers to be aware of include:

- Installing the Recreation.gov mobile app in an area with service coverage prior to applying for the lottery.
- The daily lottery application will be available between 7:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. for overnight hiking trips departing the following day.
- Lottery notifications will be distributed by 11 a.m. to the email associated with the applicant’s Recreation.gov account.

- A \$6 non-refundable application fee is required to participate in the lottery, and successful applicants will have an additional \$5 per-person hiking permit fee per day.
- Successful applicants must pick up their permit in person at the Wenatchee River Ranger Station by 4:00 p.m. on the same day they applied for the lottery.
- The daily lottery application process will only be offered on weekdays, Monday through Friday, during the

permit season from May 15 to October 31. While most Enchantment overnight permits are distributed through the Advanced Lottery process in February, a smaller number of permits are reserved for the daily lottery distribution. No changes are proposed for the Advance Lottery process.

For more information about the Recreation.gov mobile application, including how to install the application, visit Recreation.gov.

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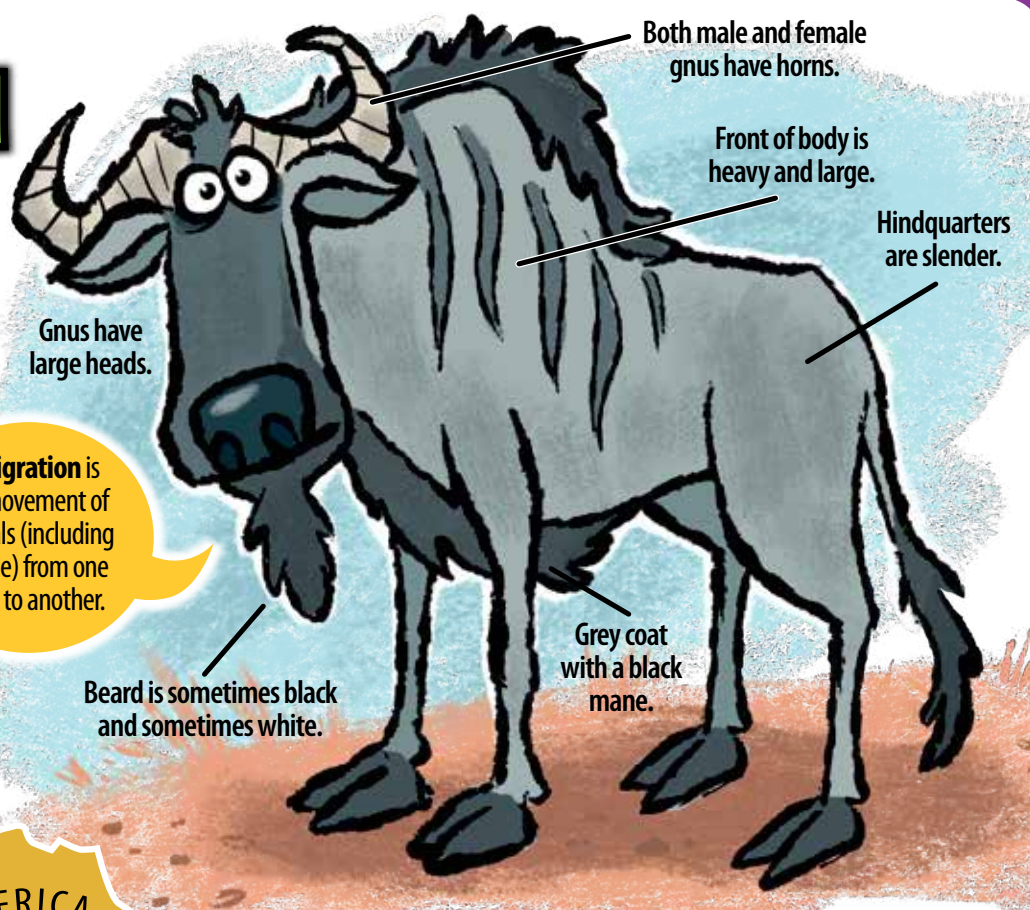
How to Draw a Gnu

The Great Gnu Migration

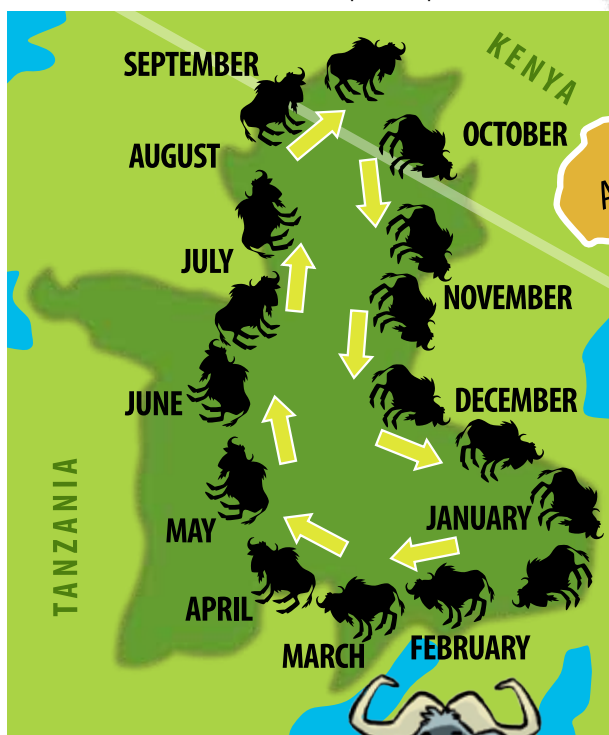
There is an African animal that travels about 1,000 miles every year in what is known as the world's largest animal migration.

This migrating animal is called a **gnu**. They travel in one large herd that has a million gnus! They travel to find food and water. Some people call this enormous migration one of the "Seven Wonders of the Natural World!"

Standards Link: Animals move from place to place for survival.



A **migration** is the movement of animals (including people) from one place to another.



What's a gnu?

It is a member of the antelope family which includes hooved animals with horns that graze. There are about 135 different kinds of animals in the antelope family.

Unscramble the letters to reveal other members of the antelope family.

PHESE

TELACT

TSGAO

The G is silent in the word gnu. It's pronounced like "new."

Find the gnu that's different from all the others.



Extra! Extra! Scavenger Hunt

Look through the newspaper to find:

- A word with a silent letter
- A word that describes a gnu
- An example of the way people travel today

Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.

Baby Gnus

Since gnus travel nearly every day, baby gnus must get up and walk right away. The babies, called calves, start walking within minutes after they are born.

Standards Link: Young animals have features that aid in survival.

Gnu name?

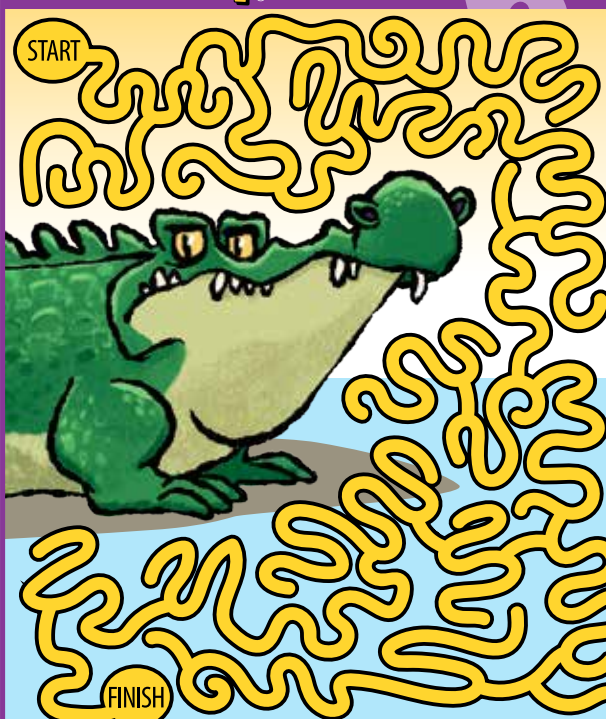
Use the code to discover another name for gnu.

- = B
- = E
- = L
- = T
- = D
- = I
- = S
- = W

W



Kid Scoop Puzzler



Travel Troubles

Gnus face many dangers as they travel. In the grassy plains, they are hunted by predators like lions, cheetahs and hyenas.

Along their migration loop, they cross large rivers filled with crocodiles.

Follow the maze to avoid this hungry crocodile!

Double Double Word Search

- ANTELOPE
- BEARD
- COAT
- FAMILY
- FOOD
- GRAZE
- GNU
- HERD
- HOOVED
- HORNS
- LARGE
- MANE
- MILLION
- NAME
- TRAVEL

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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This week's word: **MIGRATION**

The noun **migration** means a long journey from one place to another.

The gnu **migration** happens as these animals search for fresh, green grasses.

Try to use the word **migration** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family members.

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