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# **Roots of Abundance:** The immigrant journey through Leavenworth's pear industry





A picture of men and women sorting, wrapping, and packing pears by famed Pacific Northwest photographer Asahel Curtis.

Pear orcharding involves intense work, including planting, pruning, fertilizing, pest management, irrigation, and harvesting. Each season brings different demands, from winter pruning to summer fruit thinning and fall harvesting.

# Human and Black Bear interactions are persistent in Leavenworth. What will change it?

**By Taylor Caldwell** Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – In the past five years, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has received over 150 calls about black bears from Leavenworth alone. While bear populations haven't increased in the last few years, human and bear interactions have.

To better understand the area's population and behavior, Rich Beausoleil, a carnivore specialist for WDFW, worked on a ten-year research project tracking bears between 2013 and 2023. According Beausoleil, approximately 250 black bears live between just north of Blewett Pass and the Lake Wenatchee area. However, only a handful reside in Leavenworth.



# CSD corrects data errors, finds attendance is higher than state reports

#### **By Taylor Caldwell** Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - Students in Cascade School District (CSD) are attending school more often than state data shows, due to a recently discovered error in schools' attendance reporting to the state.

According to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction's (OSPI) Washington State Report Card, CSD had a 62 percent rate of students attending 90 percent or more of school days during the 2022-2023 school year. However, the schools have been seeing an average daily attendance of around 88 to 89 percent.

"It's a massive difference. So, no, they're not exactly the same number, but you would expect average daily and average yearly to align. It wouldn't be identical necessarily, but they should be close," said CSD Superintendent Dr. Tracey Edou.

The report card data shows that attendance remained steady at 87 percent for seven years, with an average of 87 percent through the 2020-2021 school year. However, starting in 2021-2022, attendance dropped to 62 percent.

Because of the delay in the state's reporting, the CSD Board noticed a mismatch in the data about a year ago for the 2021-2022 school year and assumed the drop was due to the pandemic and quarantine requirements. When the 2022-2023 data reflected the same numbers, red flags were raised.

"The school board had said, 'Can you tell us why? Why are the kids absent? Can you categorize it?" said Edou.

"In the time that we did that 10-year research project, there was no population increase or really a decrease over those 10 years. It

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PHOTO BY GAREN MARTINSON / COURTESY OF WDFW Most black bears seen in Leavenworth are only present for two to three weeks before returning to the mountains.

COURTESY OF WDFW Garbage is often more calorie-efficient than natural food sources, making it

more appealing to black bears.

## City's new "smart" bins face challenges in first few months

#### By Taylor Caldwell

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - Downtown's new Bigbelly bins, intended to increase efficiency, have experienced obstacles in their first few months of installation, such as technology malfunctions and cleanliness issues.

"While we don't have an exact number, the additional maintenance

of the Bigbelly street cans is more than we originally anticipated,' said Communications and Special Projects Manager Kara Raftery. "However, even with the added layer of unexpected maintenance, in terms of the labor effort there is still a net benefit with the Bigbelly street cans."

This spring, the city installed 55 Bigbelly bins, which compact

trash and hold up to 150 gallons, throughout the downtown corridor. Of the 55 trash compacting bins, 10 are Smart Max bins, which can notify public works staff when they are nearing capacity.

During the June 11 meeting. Public Works Director Tom Wachholder told the City Council the crew had run into difficulties getting the selfreporting Smart Max bins to notify

the staff when full. Wachholder also said more time was being dedicated to cleaning the trash chutes of the bins, which were becoming dirtier more quickly due to substances like ice cream sticking as they went down.

"You may have seen some social media on this, but I just want to

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## Housing Advisory Committee and Mayor seek help from Rep. Steele

#### **By Taylor Caldwell**

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH-On June 27, the Housing Advisory Committee (HAC) drafted and signed a letter to State Representative Mike Steele requesting more assistance in solving Leavenworth's housing affordability challenges. The letter precedes a meeting between Mayor Carl J. Florea and Rep. Steele that is anticipated for mid-July.

The letter opened by commending Rep. Steele on his work to address affordable housing challenges in tourist-dependent municipalities and

emphasizing the HAC's commitment finding workforce housing solutions.

"We are reaching out to you to seek your valuable input and perspective on how communities like Leavenworth can support bills aimed at creating a funding stream for workforce housing. We are aware of Washington State Bill 5334, which has significant support, but we will need more to be enacted. We also recognize that the alternative approaches and solutions may exist and we welcome your insight something like this could entail.' HAC Chair Justin Horvath read

from the letter.

ESSB 5334, which would allow local jurisdictions to impose an excise tax on short-term rentals to generate affordable housing funds, passed through the Senate, but stalled out in the House earlier this year.

The letter called for more action to promote affordable housing, with the HAC adding, "We would like to hear your ideas and see your advocacy and advancing legislation to address this critical issue." The HAC requested a meeting with Rep. Steele to discuss actionable options.

"I'm glad you're sending this now because I've got a scheduled meeting

in mid-July and I want him to have this ahead of time....Because he's heard it from me before," said Mayor Florea during the meeting.

The HAC began meeting in February of this year to review and make recommendations to the City Council on housing topics such as how to spend city funds devoted to supporting housing, reviewing development projects requesting city funds, and exploring infrastructure improvements that support housing.

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Edou reviewed the code used by school secretaries for explaining student absences and discovered that the third highest reason students were absent was due to participating in school activities.

"What we noticed was, the school activities are being coded as full-on absences, rather than that the children are doing something related to school, just not specifically in their classrooms. They might be at a sports event, an extracurricular activity, a field trip, they might be testing, they might be seeing the school nurse, you know, all the things that you would do within a school," said Edou.

The schools had been using the code "E" for excused absence, instead of the correct "O" for other. Edou believes this started during the pandemic, when "O" was used for COVID-19 related recording, and never switched back.

Because actual enrollment drives funding, attendance does not have any effect on the school district budget. However, the misrepresentation of CSD's attendance rates inaccurately reflects high chronic absenteeism, affecting public perceptions and district goals.

After sharing her findings to the board on June 24, Edou explained the goal in the 2024-2025 school year will be to correct previous code errors, retrain secretaries, and do regular spot checks to ensure accurate reporting.

The objective here under attendance isn't so much about increasing our attendance rate. First, it's about cleaning up our processes,' said Edou during the meeting.

Edou says that when the 2023-2024

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Hot Dogs in The Park

of a side in Lions Club Park

during the home Swim Meets

on Thursday, July 11, from

event page states. "Come and

For more information, visit

leavenworthlions.com.

from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Meet and greet with

The Art Haus will host a

Magical Meet and Greet with

Belle from Beauty and the

Beast on Saturday, July 13,

Art Haus for tea and painting,"

the event page states. "Belle

"Join Belle at Leavenworth

"All are welcome," the

5-8 p.m.

Belle

join the fun."

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will be available for photos The Leavenworth Lions during the event. Paint a teacup and enjoy light Club will be serving up hot dogs along with your choice refreshments.'

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#### **Book signing**

A Book For All Seasons will host a book signing by local author Dennis Dauble on Saturday, July 13, from 1 to 3 p.m.

"Join us in welcoming local author Dennis Dauble for a book signing for his new book, A Rustic Cabin: Finding a Sense of Place," the event page states.

"Part natural history, part memoir, and part practical advice, A Rustic Cabin is an entertaining account of one man's dream of owning a cabin near a rushing trout stream," the page event states. "His love of place and family will raise your spirit and fill your heart with delight."

For more information, visit abookforallseasons.com.

#### **Community Dinner**

The Leavenworth Methodist Church will host a Community Dinner on Tuesday, July 16, from 5-7 p.m.

"Summer is here," the event page states. "This is an event for everyone...seniors, singles, families and kids. Come share a yummy meal with neighbors and friends."

No RSVP is required.

**THINGS TO DO** 

THIS WEEK

#### **Icicle Creek Chamber Music Festival**

The Icicle Creek Center for the Arts will host the Icicle Creek Chamber Music Festival on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m.

"Icicle Creek Center for

the Arts is proud to present the 30th annual Icicle Creek Chamber Music Festival," the event page states. "A livestream option is also available for Festival Series and Young Artist Series concerts.'

For more information, visit icicle.org.

# **Icicle Creek Center for the Arts Chamber** Music Festival at thirty: a celebration of music, community, and legacy



Canyon Wren Recital Hall, a wood and glass acoustic showcase for music, art, and nature, hosted the opening night of the 30th Icicle Creek Chamber Music Festival on June 28

#### **By CAROLINE MENNA** Ward Media Intern

LEAVENWORTH Summer is when chamber music, the most intimate of musical genres written for a small group of instruments, harmonizes with natural settings. For the last three decades, chamber ensembles have been performed from late June to mid-July under the iconic Sleeping Lady mountain ridge at the Icicle Creek Center for the Arts (ICCA) Chamber Music Festival. "The 30th year of the Icicle Creek Chamber Music Festival is really a testament to the incredible vision of Harriet Bullitt [ICCA's founder] and all the artists and students who have poured their heart and soul into this program, with special thanks to the current Artistic Director, Oksana Ejokina," reflected ICCA Executive Director Phil Lacey. "It is a perfect example of what Icicle Creek strives

to do - presenting world-class performance and education opportunities in a gorgeous, nature-focused setting.'

event, centered The the performance around and celebration of chamber music, features concerts in ICCA's Canyon Wren Hall and through outreach concerts in community locations, such as the Leavenworth Community Farmers Market and Goose Ridge Estate Winery. It features a variety of ensembles ranging from emerging talents to internationally renowned groups, performing repertoires spanning classical eras to contemporary compositions. Educational components such as masterclasses (open to the public) and workshops enhance the festival experience, offering opportunities for musicians to refine their skills. The Festival's origins trace back to a serendipitous evening at the Lake Chelan Bach Fest, where Bullitt, longtime Wenatchee World



COURTESY OF ICICLE CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

ICCA Chamber Music Festival young artists perform Beethoven and Mendelssohn for patrons of **Goose Ridge Estate Winery** 

publisher Wilfred Woods, and pianist Ken Hunnicutt conceived the idea over discussions sparked by a day at Bach Fest. From these informal beginnings emerged a commitment to bring chamber music to Leavenworth.

Today, the Chamber Music Festival is a cornerstone event in ICCA's calendar. As Lacey confirms: "The Festival was the first artistic program ever offered on this campus, and it established the foundation for everything that would come later. We still have guests and donors who were there for the first year and have supported and enjoyed the Festival throughout the years. The ICCA campus was designed for events just like this artist cabins to house faculty and students, almost a dozen rehearsal spaces, and the stunning Canvon Wren Recital Hall where the performances could be showcased. It is incredible to see the Festival activating all corners of the

campus, with music pouring out of every building. [It is] [t] ruly a magical experience."

The festival's impact extends beyond its performances, integrating deeply into the community through outreach programs and free events. As described by Lacey, "Students in attendance at the Festival perform for several free events out in the community each year, with regular appearances at the Farmer's Market, Mountain Meadows, and one or two of the wineries in the area. We also host free master classes and a family-friendly concert in Canyon Wren as well. While the Festival really focuses on providing an amazing educational experience for the

young musicians, they work hard to share their love of chamber music with the public as well."

For those seeking blend of artistic excellence, community spirit, and natural beauty, there is still time left to take in chamber music in Leavenworth this summer. For additional information and tickets: https://icicle.org/findevents/icicle-creek-chamber-

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#### Cascadia Conservation District announces July meeting

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WENATCHEE — The Cascadia Conservation District has announced its upcoming Regular Board meeting, scheduled for Friday, July 19, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in a hybrid format, accommodating both inperson attendance and remote participation via call-in or Zoom.

The meeting's physical location is 1350 McKittrick St., Suite B, in Wenatchee. However, due to space constraints, those wishing to attend in person are required to contact the district office in advance.

Officials have emphasized that detailed information and instructions for participation will be made available on the district's official website, cascadiacd.org. Alternatively, interested parties can obtain more information by calling the District office at 509-436-1601.

The Cascadia Conservation District, which oversees natural resource conservation efforts in the region, regularly conducts these meetings to discuss and make decisions on matters pertaining to local environmental management and conservation strategies.

### New website highlights Tribal Voices on Climate Change

NCW News Ward Media

SEATTLE -The Indigenous Climate Project has launched a newly designed website that highlights oral histories and traditional ecological knowledge of Northwest tribal leaders, unveils a connected middle school curriculum and a new documentary highlighting tribal leaders talking about the impacts of climate change and potential solutions. The project is a partnership between THIS IS INDIAN COUNTRY (TIIC), an indigenous led nonprofit; Washington Wild, a statewide conservation nonprofit; and the Pacific Education Institute (PEI). The project is funded primarily by the BECU Foundation and can be viewed at https://thisisindiancountry. org/climate-project-1.

'Tribes didn't cause climate change, but they have been leading the way in responding to it," said Leonard Forsman, Chairman of the Suquamish Tribe, and President of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (serving 57 Northwest tribes.) "There

has been a growing realization that the experience and traditional knowledge tribes generated over thousands of years, combined with their contemporary science, have much to offer in terms of sustainable environmental management."

"Since August 2022, we have conducted 25 interviews with tribal leaders in the Northwest. The Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) they have shared with us has been lifechanging. From a true sense of place and ancestry guiding them, and an emerging position of political and economic power, the tribes are battling climate change head-on and inspiring us all," said Michael Harris, TIIC President.

"I totally agree. It has been an honor to be affiliated with this program, and we are dedicated to working with tribes in our efforts to support the restoration of natural resources impacted by climate change. The guidance provided by this website is invaluable in this effort," said Tom Uniack, Executive Director of Washington Wild.

"Natural riches flourished

under thousands of years of tribal stewardship. But in the few hundred years since, the harrowing impacts of nontribal society have caused immense water pollution problems, climate change and other dramatic changes in our ecosystem," said Willie Frank III, former Chair of the Nisqually Tribe and son of renown Billy Frank, "Obviously, there are Jr. lessons to be learned about the sustainability tribes have achieved." he said. The oral histories can be

viewed at https://thisisin diancountry.org/tribal-map-1

The Indigenous Climate Project has created a middle school curriculum, written by long-time tribal advocate Steve Robinson, vetted by tribal leaders and PEI entitled, "Climate Change and the Tribes." It, too, is featured on the site, and will provide the basis for a teachers' workshop in August.

"It is more important than ever for students, teachers, and people in general to learn about and practice long-term environmental management principles of the tribes," said Forsman. "There is a huge gap between environmental sustainability and the management practices in mainstream society.'

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#### Community

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

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# Central Cascade Youth Football & Cheer opens registration for 2024 season

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WENATCHEE — Central Cascade Youth Football & Cheer (CCYFC) announced the opening of registration for its 2024 season, offering opportunities for young athletes in both football and cheerleading programs.

The organization, which serves the Chelan and Douglas counties, is accepting registrations for grade-based football teams from first through eighth grade. Cheer squads are

available for participants aged 5 to 16.

CCYFC President Gerard Fillion emphasized the organization's commitment to accessibility, stating, "We offer scholarships, payment plans, and sibling discounts to ensure that financial constraints don't prevent participation."

The organization encourages early registration, setting a July 13 deadline for athletes to receive their gear on the same day. Interested parties can find more information and register on the CCYFC website.

Beyond athletic development, CCYFC aims to instill core values of community service and teamwork. The organization's mission statement highlights a focus on excelling not only in sports but also in academics and community involvement.

CCYFC's program is built around three core values: heart, mind, and spirit. These principles emphasize community mindedness, strategic thinking, and team-oriented success.

For more information, visit www.ccyfc.org.



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# **Chelan County Sheriff's Report**

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#### June 28

- 00:03:02 Miscellaneous, 10851 Chumstick Hwy
- 20:38:50 Welfare Check, 10851 Chumstick Hwy 20:45:38 Theft, 116 River Bend
- Dr; Safeway
- 21:45:08 Civil, 14905 Chumstick Hwy

#### June 29

- 1:56:30 Suicide Threat, 8360 Jefferies St, Peshastin
- 8:47:30 Assist Public, Icicle Rd Mp 1
- 9:09:15 Scam, 10330 Ski Hill Dr 9:38:38 Traffic Offense,
- Commercial St & 9th St 9:57:16 Extra Patrol, 9300blk
- Eagle Creek Rd 10:32:43 Hazard, Us Hwy 2 &
- Icicle Rd 10:59:10 911, 590 Us Hwy 2;
- Enzian Motor 12:45:25 Drugs, 1010 Main St;
- Barn Beach 15:02:02 Water Rescue, 1010
- Main St; Barn Beach 17:06:58 Welfare Check, Us Hwy
- 2 & Icicle Rd 18:31:03 Trespass, 329 Evans St
- 19:53:44 Parking/Abandon,

- June 30
- 0:12:24 Traffic Offense E Leavenworth Rd & Us Hwy 11:54:56 Atl/Atc, 321 Park Ave# G
- 12:40:14 Water Rescue, Lake Wenatchee, Lake Wenatchee
- 13:26:51 Traffic Offense. Chumstick Hwy Mp 5,
- 13:28:23 Harass/Threat, 22002 Stirrup Rd, Plain
- 13:33:11 Property, 220 9th St; Obertal Mall 13:59:32 Assist Agency, Us Hwy
- 2 Mp 105 Wb, Dryden 14:51:15 Suspicious, Peshastin,
- Peshastin
- 15:34:46 Accident Unk, Commercial St & 3rd St 20:34:13 Trespass, 15905 Us
- Hwy 2; Area, Lake Wenatchee

#### July 1

- 9:30:21 Traffic Offense, Beaver Valley Rd Mp 16, Plain
  - 10:11:06 Property, 220 9th St; Happy Fudge
  - 10:46:30 Accident No Inj, Us Hwy 2 & River Bend Dr 13:49:56 Animal Problem, Chumstick Hwy & Little Chumstick

18:32:40 Animal Problem, 932 Front St; Starbucks 20:43:09 Harass/Threat, 100 Ward Strasse # B335 20:57:45 Traffic Offense. 12100blk Chumstick Hwy

Beaver Valley Rd;

#### **July2**

- 12:20:35 Scam, 22704 Saddle St, Plain
- 18:18:44 Assist Public, Main St & Derby Canyon Rd
- 19:27:50 Assist Public, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy
- 20:23:37 Theft, 116 River Bend Dr; Safeway
- 20:28:49 Alarm, 708 Us Hwy 2; Wafd
- 22:00:25 Animal Problem, 108 Snow Creek Ln 19:42:16 Civil, 15255 Us Hwy 2;
- Coles Corn

#### July 3

- 6:41:46 Assist Public, 14193 Chiwawa Loop Rd
- 9:15:31 Traffic Offense, 263 Mine
- St; Berg Rose Apa 12:07:54 Welfare Check, 16999
- Second Creek Rd
- 13:00:21 Traffic Offense, 116

- Rd & Us Hwy 2 8:03:42 Extra Patrol, Kinnikinnick Dr & Cottonwood
  - 11:44:32 911, 590 Us Hwy 2; Enzian Motor 12:35:06 Theft, 116 River Bend

13:05:06 Burglary, 1214

Dans Food Market

2; Bavarian Lodge

Leavenworth Rd

Dr & Us Hwy 2

& W Whitman St

Commercial St

Commercial St

Commercial St

Creek Rd; Area

13:31:24 Accident No Inj, Us

Hwy 2 Mp 100; By Visconti

14:31:30 Assault, 1329 Us Hwy 2;

15:57:43 Fireworks, 3955 Camas

16:55:27 Property, 810 Us Hwy

17:21:38 Assist Public, 9280 E

17:43:18 Accident Injury, Ski Hill

17:49:40 Traffic Offense, Mill St

19:41:05 Animal Problem, 1121

20:45:59 Animal Problem, 1121

21:32:37 Animal Problem, 1127

Commercial St

Dr; Safeway

0:04:42 Welfare Check, Icicle

July 4

#### more information, and updates.

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# 'Horse detective' adopts wild mustangs, reunites them with herds



A band of wild horses in northwestern Colorado.

#### By CATHY FREE The Washington Post

Clare Staples was an entertainment producer in Los Angeles when she learned about a decades-long dispute involving the plight of wild mustangs.

The controversy centered on whether wild horses should run free in western states. Advocates said herds should run free on federal lands, while ranchers complained the feral horses ruined grazing fields that are shared with cattle.

Staples was immediately and firmly in the "run free" camp.

With help from her husband, Christopher Polk Read, Staples started a nonprofit in 2016 and began taking in mustangs that were rounded up by the Bureau of Land Management, posting stories about them on Facebook and Instagram. The horses were rounded up to comply with land use plans and keep rangeland healthy, according to the Bureau of Land Management. They're either sold at auction or held in corrals and fields.

"On the day they're rounded up, these horse families are never going to see each other again," said Staples, 59, founder of the nonprofit Skydog Ranch and Sanctuary, a refuge for wild mustangs and burros that have been purchased at auction and rescued from kill pens and neglectful owners. She also runs two smaller ranches in Malibu, Calif.

Staples began purchasing the horses and working to reunite as many of them as possible with members of their original herds at her 9,000-acre

Bureau of Land Management auctions, including about 15 mustangs specifically so she could reunite them with other horses at her sanctuary that came from the same wild herds, she said. Portland's KOIN 6 recently reported on her efforts.

"We're able to track some of them down by identifying markings with help from photographers who have followed them," Staples said.

"It's a beautiful thing when you can see a wrong righted and witness a happy reunion," she said, noting that mustangs form tight bonds in the wild and remember each other over long periods of time if they're separated.

"Sometimes it's just a boy and a girl horse that were together in the wild, but we have also reunited a mother with her twins," Staples said.

Photographer and wild horse advocate Scott Wilson is among those who supply Staples with photos so she can try to match horses that were captured during the same roundup.

"We have a good record of these horses in the wild, so she will go to an auction with a family in mind," Wilson said. "The federal government isn't presenting you with a family at auction. You're just getting tag numbers.'

"If you're looking for a horse with a tiny white patch over its left eye, Clare will do everything she can to find that horse using photographic documentation," he said.

One of Staples's most joyful reunions involved a horse named Blue Zeus and nine members of his family, she said. She had followed photographs of Bleu Zeus and his Wyoming herd for years on social media, and she said she was devastated when she learned in 2020 that the band of horses had been run into a Bureau of Land Management trap by a helicopter.

and we spent a year tracking them down," she said. "There were a lot of happy tears to see him running with his family again at the ranch."

Staples posted an emotional video of the 2021 reunion on YouTube, and a documentary will be released about Blue Zeus's rescue this fall.

"When they're rounded up, a lot of them slip through the cracks and go to unloving homes," she said.

The conflict between ranchers and wild horse advocates has been simmering for decades, beginning in the 1950s when Velma Bronn Johnston mobilized the public after learning that mustangs were being rounded up by ranchers in Nevada and taken to slaughterhouses.

Currently, about 260 wild horses and 60 burros live at Staples's Oregon sanctuary where they graze, run free and are generally left alone unless they need medical attention, she said. The ranch takes in about 25 equines, both horses and donkeys, each year, using donations to help feed them and pay for veterinary care.

'Wild donkeys have been a big part of our sanctuary from the beginning," Staples said. "They're beautiful, calm and very curious animals."

Most of the burros and horses were rounded up in Oregon and nine other western states by the Bureau of Land Management, then adopted or auctioned for a minimum of \$125

Staples said her love for horses began as a child growing up in Cobham, England, where she found comfort in her neighbors' horse pastures.







COURTESY OF SKYDOG RANCH AND SANCTUARY Clare Staples with a rescued horse named Scout at the Skydog Ranch and Sanctuary.



ranch in Bend, Ore. She also rescued wild donkeys from kill pens and took in horses that had been relinquished to other animal rescue agencies.

"I thought I could become a horse detective of sorts and help reunite some of them," she said.

She's purchased dozens of horses over the years at

"He and his family were separated after the roundup,

"I would go to the fields where the horses were and I'd sit and talk to them and tell them all my problems," she said.

At age 10, she said she let out every horse in a local riding stable one day. "I thought the horses would

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COURTESY OF SCOTT WILSON A colt is captured during a Bureau of Land Management roundup in Colorado in 2022.



Rescued mustangs at Skydog Ranch and Sanctuary roam freely on 9,000 acres.

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COURTESY OF SCOTT WILSON

These wild mustangs were among 867 captured during a 2022 roundup in Colorado's Piceance Basin.

#### Horses

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rather be out running in the fields," Staples recalled.

Fifty years later, she still feels that way.

The Bureau of Land Management plans to capture 20,000 equines this year, which would leave an estimated 67,000 (including about 14,000 new foals) roaming free in 10 western states, said Jason Lutterman, public affairs specialist for the Bureau of Land Management's Wild Horse and Burro Program.

That's far fewer than the large herds found on the land in the 1800s, when there were an estimated 2 million wild horses.

"It's really sad to watch their numbers decrease every year," Staples said.

Although the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971 made it illegal to harass

or kill wild horses on federal land, people still illegally kill them.

In 2022, 25 mustangs were shot to death and left inside Arizona's Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, while 16 were shot in southeastern Utah. Last year, 31 mustangs were killed during a Bureau of Land Management helicopter roundup of 2,000 horses in Nevada.

Those that are captured are put in holding pens and are at risk for disease, Staples said.

Lutterman said there are currently about 60,000 captured mustangs in Bureau of Land Management holding corrals and pastures awaiting new homes.

"If they end up not being adopted or auctioned, they'll graze there for the rest of their lives," he said, adding that each person who purchases a wild horse at auction must sign an affidavit stating they won't sell the animal to slaughter.

"We hold the title for the animal up to a year and do a compliance check to make sure the horse or burro is being well cared for," Lutterman said. After the year is over, the equines are still protected under the 1971 act, he said.

Staples said looking back, she's never felt more of a purpose in her life than rescuing and reuniting wild mustangs.

"When I turned 50, I sat down to find out what made me happy and what I could do that was more purpose driven," she said. "I realized that many of my happiest times were because horses had come into my life and saved me."

"I decided it was time for me to save them right back," Staples said.

Wild horses have such deep bonds. Who are we as humans to think we're the only species that cares about their family?" she said.

#### OBITUARY

# Sheldon (John) Inglet

Sheldon Inglet, 77, passed away peacefully June, 21, 2024 in Cashmere, Washington. He was born March 8, 1947 in Olympia, Washington. He married the love of his life Sharon (Gifford) Inglet on June 18, 1966. They celebrated their 58th anniversary this

year. He served in the Army for



COURTESY OF SKYDOG RANCH AND SANCTUARY her Skydog Ranch and Sanctuary in Bend, Ore.

(John) over 20 years with 2 tours of duty in Vietnam. They resided in Leavenworth over 30 years. He worked at several steel mills and Safeway in Leavenworth. He was preceded

in death by his son Kenneth and is survived by his wife Sharon, son John Inglet III, granddaughters Nichole and Kristin and great-grandson Nicholas.

A celebration of life will be held August 3, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in the Spirit Life Church. Come prepared with stories and anecdotes to share.



COURTESY OF SKYDOG BANCH AND SANCTUARY Clare Staples with a mustang that now lives at Clare Staples with a pair of rescued mustangs at her ranch in Bend, Ore.



COURTESY OF JAMIE BAI DANZA

After Blue Zeus was captured in Wyoming in 2020, Clare Staples eventually tracked him down at an adoption event for older horses and brought him to her sanctuary in Oregon.

# U.S. new-home sales slump to slowest pace since November

**By Michael Sasso** Bloomberg

New-home sales in the US slumped in May as elevated prices and mortgage rates continued to challenge the

While high prices have scared off many buyers, a surge of inventory is helping affordability at the margin. The median sale price of a new home decreased 0.9% from a year ago to \$417,400 in May. At

These horses are among 260 mustangs roaming free on Clare Staples's ranch sanctuary in Bend, Ore.

to the highest level since early February.

COURTESY OF SCOTT WILSON

Over the long term, the US still has a shortage of new homes, Lennar Chairman Stuart Miller said last week on an earnings call, citing "over a decade of underproduction.<sup>3</sup> Meantime, the supply of previously owned homes remains well below prepandemic levels, hampered by high borrowing costs that have discouraged sellers from listing their properties. New-home sales are seen as a more timely measurement than purchases of previouslyowned homes, which are calculated when contracts close. However, the data are volatile. The government report showed 90% confidence that the change in new-home sales ranged from a 26.8% decline to a 4.2% gain.



housing market.

New single-family home sales decreased 11.3% to a 619,000 annual pace last month, the slowest since November, government data released Wednesday show. The figure was below almost all estimates in a Bloomberg survey of economists and reflected declines in all four major US regions.

The sales pace is now at the low end of the range seen over the past year, suggesting limited momentum amid a lack of affordability. Mortgage rates dipped below 7% in mid June for first time since late March, but they remain more than double their levels from the end of 2021.

the same time, the supply of available homes increased to 481,000, still the highest since 2008.

builders including Big Lennar Corp. and KB Home are trying to combat the affordability challenge by buying down customers' mortgage rates or offering price breaks, and so far the strategy has kept the builders' order books full. Both companies reported profit gains in their recently completed second quarters.

Recent data indicate overall housing demand is improving this month. The Mortgage Bankers Association's index of home-purchase applications rose for the last three weeks

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# **Roots of Abundance:** The immigrant journey through Leavenworth's pear industry

This is the second article in a series about the pear industry in Leavenworth. The first installment provided a brief origin story and general history of the tree fruit business in the Upper Wenatchee Valley. This second installment, thanks to the Leavenworth Public Library, the Greater Leavenworth Museum, and the Washington *Historical Society, examines* the two major waves of migration for work in the orchards amid the industry's *intensive growth in the middle* decades of the 20th century.

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#### **By CAROLINE MENNA** Ward Media Intern

LEAVENWORTH - Growing pears in Leavenworth began as a modest agricultural pursuit in the late 1800s. Soon, though, it blossomed into a thriving

industry, drawing in not just the fruits of the land but also waves of immigrants who have left an indelible mark on the greater community. From the Dust Bowl refugees of the 1930s to the Mexican workers of more recent decades, the story of these immigrants is one of resilience, hard work, and the pursuit of a better life.

#### The Okies and Arkies: Fleeing the Dust Bowl

In the 1930s, the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl drove thousands of families from the Great Plains and Prairies to the fertile lands of California, as was popularized by John Steinbeck in his novel The Grapes of Wrath, and to the Pacific Northwest. Among these were the "Okies" from Oklahoma and the "Arkies" from Arkansas. North Central

Washington (NCW), with its burgeoning fruit industry, offered a glimmer of hope for these destitute families.

The journey to NCW was arduous, with many traveling in overcrowded vehicles and living in makeshift camps along the way. Upon arrival, they faced a mixed reception. While there was a demand for labor in the orchards, the newcomers often encountered hostility from locals who viewed them as competition for livelihoods.

Despite these challenges, the Okies and Arkies proved to be hardworking and hardy.

As the Wenatchee World's longtime publisher, Wilfred Woods, recalled (in a 2008 interview published in Gregory D. Hinze's 2010 paper Take Hold: The Arkansas Migration to North Central Washington): Well, of course, these were

the days when everything was picked in apple boxes, handled by hand. The warehousing required a lot of people because they were stacked boxes. There was nothing mechanical about it. They were loaded onto the freight cars by hand and stacked into the refrigerated freight cars. Everything was done by hand. The refrigerated cars were loaded with ice by hand.

Their efforts were crucial in sustaining and expanding the orchard industry in Leavenworth and greater NCW during those economically fragile years.

#### The Arrival of Mexican Workers: Building on a Legacy

The post-World War II era saw significant changes in the agricultural labor force in Leavenworth. As the demand for fruit continued to grow, so did the need for reliable and efficient labor. The Bracero Program (from the Spanish term bracero, meaning "manual laborer"), a U.S. government-initiated program in 1942 and lasting until 1964, brought millions of Mexican workers to the United States, including Leavenworth, under temporary work contracts.

These Mexican laborers, known as "braceros," played a vital role in the industry. They were often tasked with the most grueling jobs, such as thinning and picking the fruit. Despite facing harsh working conditions, low wages, and inadequate housing, the braceros' contributions were indispensable.

After the Bracero Program ended, many Mexican workers chose to stay in the United States, becoming permanent residents and establishing roots in the region. They were soon joined by new waves of immigrants from Mexico and Central America, who sought better economic opportunities for their families. Today, roughly one-third of Chelan County residents are Hispanic.

#### Challenges and Contributions

The immigrant experience in Leavenworth and NCW orchards has been marked by both challenges and contributions. Language barriers, cultural differences, and legal hurdles have often made life difficult for immigrant workers. Many have faced exploitation and discrimination, struggling to secure fair wages and safe working conditions.

Despite these obstacles, many immigrant workers have not only made significant

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"What you want is bears to

move through and not stay,

but people are giving bears a

reason to stay, because they're

rewarding them with the

While Beausoleil believes

that change can happen

through individual action,

such as learning how to limit

attractants at home and

reporting bear sightings,

he sees long-term change

Last fall, the City of

Leavenworth took steps in

that direction, announcing it

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contributions to the orchard industry and the local economy, they have thrived. As NCW-owning orchardist Enrique Betancourt-Gonzalez straightforwardly put it: "The pear industry brought my family here, and it has supported us, and been very good to us. Just like many other migrant families.'

Immigrant labor, management, and ownership in the orchards has been essential in maintaining the region's status as one of the leading fruit producers in the United States. And the cultural diversity brought by these immigrant communities cuisine, festivals, music, dance, language, social structure - has enriched the local social fabric.

The story of immigrant workers in North Central Washington orchards ongoing. As the agricultural industry in Leavenworth faces new challenges, including climate change and global market fluctuations, the contributions of immigrant workers remain as vital as ever.

Caroline Menna is an intern for Ward Media and a rising senior (Class of 2025) at Cascade High School. She will serve as Editor-in-Chief of the Cascade High School Publications Group for the 2024-2025 academic year.

# **Wenatchee Valley Humane Society names Jane Provo as Interim Executive Director**



Jane Provo

NCW News Ward Media

WENATCHEE-The Wenatchee Valley Humane Society (WVHS) has appointed Jane Provo as Interim Executive Director, following the departure of James Pumphrey.

Provo, a former member of the WVHS Board of Directors, brings extensive experience nonprofit management in and a strong commitment to animal welfare to her new role. She has stepped down from her board position to fully dedicate herself to the interim leadership responsibilities.

Patrick Davidson, President of the WVHS Board, expressed confidence in Provo's appointment, stating, "We are grateful to have Jane

Provo stepping into the role of Interim Executive Director." In her new capacity, Provo will manage the dayto-day operations of the humane society, collaborating with staff, volunteers, and community members to advance the organization's mission of improving the lives

Wenatchee Valley area. The WVHS Board has committed to conducting a search for a permanent Executive Director who aligns with the organization's dedication to animal welfare and its broader mission.

of both pets and people in the

The leadership transition comes at a time when many animal welfare organizations face ongoing challenges in animal care and adoption services.

was very, very consistent," said Beausoleil. "They kind of distribute themselves on the landscape, like little puzzle pieces, and they get replaced when animals die. They don't have these wild fluctuations in population size or density."

During the study, Beausoleil observed that most bears spend their entire lives in the mountains. They come Leavenworth to take to advantage of the attractants for about two to three weeks and then leave. Many do not return for the rest of the year. Whether they arrive in early spring or late fall often varies by age class.

While bear population size doesn't fluctuate as dramatically as high-density species such as deer or grouse, Beausoleil says human-bear conflicts do fluctuate due to environmental factors. For instance, a wet and cold spring can limit berry supply, driving bears to seek out other options, such as a town full of for the city's improvement.

In regard to bear-proof garbage totes, the city has been working with Waste Management to encourage residents to opt in for a bearproof garbage tote, which incurs an additional \$14.71 fee per month.

In the commercial zone, the city installed 55 bearresistant bins for pedestrian use throughout the downtown core.

However, the city is still facing challenges with implementing bear-proof garbage totes for commercial businesses, which is managed through Public Works. Most businesses downtown utilize 300-gallon totes, some of which receive daily service. There is not a viable 300-gallon bearproof tote currently on the market.

"The biggest struggle is right now, there are some commercial entities that are using the bear-proof totes, but they're 96-gallons, so they have to have more of them, and space is limited," said Raftery.

According to Raftery, the City Council will be also reviewing ordinance examples and defining its own parameters in the next few months. However, she anticipates hurdles. "How can we require commercial accounts to be BearWise® if we don't have 300-gallon bear-proof totes? There's just some things that we have to work out, [so] whatever we put into code is viable...Same with residents, maybe not everyone can afford the extra fees for a bearproof container from Waste Management, so do we allow them to do the bear-proof tote or have another option? Or does the city look into other options to support that effort?" said Raftery. Tips and resources on how to reduce bear activity at home can be found at bearwise.org.

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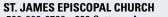
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attractants. Human attractants are also more efficient, with a pound of birdseed providing 1,700 calories, compared to only 600 calories from a pound of blueberries.

"Black bear activity in the Leavenworth area is cyclical, and it is related to a combination of natural food supply and the amount of attractants on the landscape such as trash, compost, and birdseed. With an increase in the amount of yearly visitors to Leavenworth, attractants can also increase. It is a humancaused issue and preventable by securing or removing attractants," said Beausoleil.

Beausoleil ranks Leavenworth as one of the top three locations in the state that experiences constant problems with human-bear conflict. In order to reverse this, Beausoleil says the most important move is to limit

#### Smart bins

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assure the council that the crews are working diligently on trying to get these Big Belly cans to report out when they're full. We're working through some kinks, all in all, [with] the couple of the cans that haven't been reporting out, and then just the cleanliness of them," said Wachholder.

According to Raftery, one bin recently experienced an internal sensor malfunction, but the success rate has still been "fairly consistent" for the bins.

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Report Card comes out in the fall, the attendance rate will likely see a large improvement.

"I think one impact is that I'm hoping that the community understands that all in all, our

to Leavenworth Ski Hill this summer.

"Right now, the city is focusing on sort of this outreach effort and education regarding BearWise® resources and education and techniques," said Kara Raftery, Communications and Special Projects Manager for the city.

The city has been promoting BearWise<sup>®</sup> strategies for residents to implement, such as removing bird feeders and pet food from outside, cleaning grills, and securing garbage. The Chamber of Commerce has also been working on a smart destination campaign in order to bring bear education to tourists.

However, Beausoleil believes the city still has a long way to go. To him, increasing bear-proof totes for residential and commercial waste, as well as adopting an ordinance to limit attractants are necessary

also reported to have a fire in it.

"The recent fire in one of the street cans was believed to have been started by a stilllit cigarette butt. Luckilv, it appears that the bin sustained minimal to little damage," said Rafterv.

The city is leasing the bins for 60 months from Bigbelly Solar, LLC, in an attempt to prevent trash overflow in the downtown corridor, during peak particularly tourism days.

Prior to the Bigbelly bins, the city utilized 32-gallon bins that had to be manually changed out. Last winter, Public Works had to increase its frequency of

students are coming to school. They're learning. They're engaged in lots of different kinds of activities, whether it be sports or extracurricular activities, or field trips or learning about their community apprenticeships, all of these things. Our

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trash collection in order to keep up with the crowds, resulting in additional overtime hours.

Alternatively, the Bigbelly bins have a higher capacity, can be changed using the city's garbage truck, and are bearresistant. When Public Works proposed the bins to the City Council earlier this year, the department estimated it would save approximately 31 staff hours per week, or \$7,300 per month.

The bins have a total monthly cost of \$5,790 to lease, in addition to the \$11,630 onetime shipping fee.

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together with interest as provided in the Note from 7/1/2023 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 8/9/2024. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 7/29/2024 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 7/29/2024 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 7/29/2024 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s) by both first class and certified mail, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable, with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. The list of recipients of the Notice of Default is listed within the Notice of Foreclosure provided to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s). These requirements were completed as of 12/27/2023. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an

interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only until 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this Notice of Trustee Sale to be referred to mediation. If this is an amended Notice of Trustee Sale providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post\_purchase\_couns elors\_foreclosure.htm The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in h i а n s g t 0 n http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/fc/index.cfm?webListAction=sear ch&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dfc The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: http://nwjustice.org/what-clear Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the noteholders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-23-972143-BB. Dated: 4/5/2024 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, QUALITY LOAN President Trustee's Address: SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-23-972143-BB Sale Line: 800-280-2832 or Login to: http://www. qualityloan.com IDSPub #0201778 Published in the Cashmere Valley ecord/Leavenworth Echo on July 10, 31, 2024. #7579

