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Historic glockenspiel to make return to Front Street



The original figures of the historic glockenspiel were carved by Kit Clark in the 1960's.

By Taylor Caldwell Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH The Greater Leavenworth Museum is spearheading a project to restore the historic glockenspiel to its original operating condition.

Located on the east side of the Tannenbaum building overlooking Front Street, the glockenspiel was loved for opening its doors and playing music, as four wooden

figurines danced in a circle around each other.

"I remember, especially on the weekends, people would gather around the Tannenbaum building just before the top of the hour, just to watch the doors open and the dancers come out and dance, and the glockenspiel, with its tones, it's just beautiful," said Ann Osborne Peavey, who grew up in Leavenworth.

According to GLM, Bob Rodgers and Ted Price owned the Tannenbaum building in 1965 when it became one of the first six buildings to undergo the Bavarian remodel. The glockenspiel, built by a young man named Kit Clark and his carpenter father, is believed to have been installed and operated in 1966.

"Kit was a very talented artist. He could paint, draw. He did a lot of metal work. He carved those dolls," said Linda Phippen, sister of Kit Clark.

Phippen witnessed the town transform, with her family playing an active role in its change. According to Phippen, her father was hired to work on many of the Bavarian renovations, and her mother was actively involved in the transformation efforts.

Matt Cade holds one of the wood figures.

"It was like, you graduate from high school and you leave there. There wasn't a whole lot of employment for young people or much reason to stick around the town...So it was just fun to see the development of the town and the tourism, and very interesting," said Phippen.

The glockenspiel operated for decades, drawing a crowd of spectators each time the dancers appeared from behind the doors. It is believed that the glockenspiel ceased operations in 2011, due to a pigeon problem and maintenance challenges. However, the museum is still seeking corroborating information as to when the glockenspiel had its "last dance." Yet, for some, the memory of the

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Fairy tale scavenger hunt brings magic to downtown Leavenworth

By Taylor Caldwell



By Taylor Caldwell

members in support of the ordinance.

"It's a very big tool that's too broad

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – Hidden amongst the Bavarian shops and tourists, Enchanted Leavenworth founder Lisa Barrett recently created a tiny world of magical creatures for people to discover, and save, through a self-guided scavenger quest.

Inspired by German fairy tales, scavenger quest players are tasked with solving a puzzle that will restore the missing magic that protects the creatures of Fairy Tale Trail.

"There is a little bit of a nod to the history of fairy tales in Germany in the guide," said Barrett.

The scavenger hunt works through a mobile-friendly digital guide and map, taking players to physical locations across downtown to find clues, earn small prizes, and receive discounts. Because it's self-



TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA Lisa Barrett created Enchanted Leavenworth, a fairy tale themed scavenger hunt in the heart of Leavenworth.

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Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - City Council approved an ordinance to allow condominiums in residential zoning, following a contentious discussion between the council and members of the community.

"If I wasn't able to buy my house that I did six years ago, I would be looking at a condo. It brings up a lot of emotions," said Council member Shane Thayer.

Ordinance No. 1695 would permit dwellings within residential zoning districts to convert to condominiums under a binding site plan process, also known as common interest ownership. A provision was added to only permit condominium conversion if one or more of the condominium units were built after March 31, 2016.

The Aug. 13 meeting attracted nearly a full house of Planning Commissioners and community

The ordinance did receive letters of opposition, as well as two virtually present community members expressing concerns about the ordinance favoring developers and wanting the city to prioritize city infrastructure and wildfire safety before approval.

in the moment. MEND can do what it does, but we don't need to change the way we're doing the entire structure," said community member Ann Crosby.

The conversation opened with

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The Aug. 13 city council meeting drew a large crowd of people in support of the ordinance.

GladSong Choir raises funds for children in need with benefit concert



COURTESY OF GLADSONG CHOIR

The GladSong Choir of Wenatchee performs inspirational songs to raise money for local charities and good causes.



COURTESY OF GLADSONG CHOIR

Volunteers pack bags for Leavenworth United Methodist Church's backpack program, which provides essential food support to children in need throughout the Cascade School District.

By QUINN PROPST

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - The GladSong Choir of Wenatchee will perform a benefit concert in support of the Leavenworth United Methodist Church's backpack program, which provides essential food support to children in need throughout the Cascade School District.

The concert, which will be held at the Snowy Owl Theater on Sunday, September 15, at 2 p.m., is part of a continued effort to raise funds for the program.

The Backpack program packs bags

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Live music by Elaine Eagle

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1 Week

The Blue Elk Inn will host live music by Elaine Eagle on Friday, August 23, from 6-8 p.m.

"Join us for an evening of live music with pianist and vocalist Elaine Eagle at the Blue Elk Inn," the event page states.

For more information, visit blueelkleavenworth.com.

Low waste cooking series

Waste Loop will host Seasonal Abundance, a lowwaste cooking series featuring cucumbers, on Saturday, August 24, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Tierra Learning Center in Leavenworth.

'Seasonal Abundance: a low waste cooking series is a hands-on workshop bringing together community members to share in the seasonal bounty

of NCW," the event page states. "Participants will learn low waste cooking techniques from local chefs while preparing several recipes using a featured produce item and other regionally bountiful ingredients.'

For more information, visit wasteloop.org.

Cardmaking and Papercraft Art Workshop

The Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center will host a Cardmaking and Papercraft Art Workshop on Saturday, August 24, from 1 to 3 p.m. "The Wenatchee Valley

Museum and Cultural Center and NCW Arts Alliance invite you to this collaborative workshop series featuring regional artists and educators," the event page states. "Play with paper

alongside Cashmerebased artist Rhia Foster. Explore the textures images and you can create layering paper and color." This workshop costs \$35 for members

and \$45 for non-members. Registration is required.

For more information, visit wenatcheevalleymuseum.org.

Astronomy on the Lake

Local Astronomers and Park Rangers will host a night of Astronomy on the Lake on Saturday, August 24, from 9:30 to 10:30 p.m. on the South Beach at Lake Wenatchee South Park.

"Join local astronomers under the stars where they will answer your deepest cosmic questions, dive into the depths of the cosmos, explore

our small harmonious Solar System and massive chaotic celestial objects," the event page states.

For more information, visit parks.wa.gov.

THINGS TO DO

THIS WEEK

Live music by Norman Baker

Bushel and Bee Taproom will host live music by Norman Baker on Sunday, August 25,

from 7 to 9 p.m.

"Norman Baker plays an eclectic range of music from OG country covers to classics to original tunes," the event page states. "He is a phenomenal storyteller and a joy to hang out with in a chill environment with your favorite beer or cider. See you soon."

For more information, visit bushelandbee.com.

The dilemma of civil discourse

n an era marked polarization by and heated rhetoric, the notion of civil discourse has become both a beacon of hope and a subject of intense scrutiny. As we reflect on the state of public conversation

challenge: the bias

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toward civility itself. At first glance, the pursuit most pressing issues.

ourselves: Does our emphasis

Chelan County

Sheriff's Report

the cost of necessary confrontation? there heard?

> movement of the 1960s serves as a reminder that progress often requires disruption. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "Letter from

challenged the notion that tranquility. Today, as we face change to systemic inequality, we must consider whether "civility" sometimes impedes meaningful action.

This is not to advocate for incivility or to dismiss the importance of respectful dialogue. Rather, it is a call

for nuance and self-reflection. As engaged citizens, we must strive to distinguish between unproductive hostility and the righteous indignation that often accompanies calls for change.

communities, In our workplaces, and public forums, we need to reevaluate our approach to discourse. While providing space for diverse viewpoints, we must also be mindful of the power dynamics at play in public conversations. It's crucial to amplify voices that challenge the status quo, even when their methods may not align with traditional notions of civility.

Our collective goal should be to foster a society that is not just polite, but just and equitable. Achieving this may sometimes require us to embrace discomfort and to question our own biases – even those that seem, on the surface, to be virtuous.

As we navigate these

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Lake Colchuck

Plain

complex social dynamics, each of us has a role to play in shaping the nature of our public discourse. We must strive for a balance that allows for passionate advocacy while maintaining the mutual respect necessary for productive dialogue. This might mean:

- 1. Listening actively to perspectives that challenge our own, even when they're expressed forcefully.
- 2. Recognizing that tone policing can be a form of silencing, especially for marginalized voices.
- 3. Distinguishing between civility as a tool for respectful exchange and civility as a shield against uncomfortable truths.
- 4. Creating spaces where difficult conversations can occur without the immediate demand for politeness trumping the need for honesty.

By critically examining our attachment to civil discourse,

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we open the door to a more dynamic and inclusive public sphere. One where the substance of arguments isn't overshadowed by their presentation, and where the urgency of certain issues is given its due weight.

As we move forward, let us work toward a public discourse that is not just civil, but also just, inclusive, and truly transformative. It's a challenging balance, but one that's essential for addressing complex problems and building a society that can evolve through both reasoned debate and impassioned calls for change.

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August 14

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in our society, we find ourselves grappling with a subtle yet pervasive

of civil discourse seems an unequivocally noble goal. It conjures images of reasoned debate, mutual respect, and the free exchange of ideas - cornerstones of a healthy democracy. Indeed, many institutions and leaders have long advocated for such dialogue as the key to addressing our

However, we must ask on civility sometimes come at



From the Publisher

moments when the demand for polite discourse inadvertently silences voices that need to be The civil rights

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Birmingham Jail" eloquently the pursuit of justice should always prioritize social urgent issues from climate our societal preference for

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Community

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.
- Senior Center, Lunch, noon, \$8 per meal

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 guest. Contact info $ilde{ extsf{@}}$ leavenworthmuseum.org for meeting information. (1st Tues.)

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Community Foundation NCW helps local nonprofits flourish with legacy funds grant program



The major regions involved in the first round of the Legacy Funds Grant Program's application process.

By: WILL NILLES Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE Community Foundation NCW (CFNCW) introduced a new grant program aimed at putting money back into the hands of local nonprofits across North Central Washington. The Legacy Funds Grant Program accomplishes this major goal by centralizing locals within nonprofit funding decisions for

their communities. The program operates through locally contributed donations, giving members of each participating community the autonomy to provide funding to the local nonprofit organizations that best confront community needs.

CFNCW Director of Community Grants Jennifer Short shared her optimism for the program.

What excites me the most is that it's an opportunity in any of these communities for local people to donate or leave funds and bequests to their local communities, and these dollars are then decided by local people, in turn, helping local organizations."

reinforced this She excitement for the program with a simple yet powerful statement about its focus,

"Community members get to make decisions for their own communities.'

As Short explains, the Legacy Funds Grant Program accomplishes this goal by forming local advisory boards (LABs) for each participating community, consisting of dedicated local residents. "What the legacy funds

program has done is add these local advisory boards that consist of local community members who get to make those decisions in each of their communities," She mentioned.

The CFNCW selected these LAB members through an application process that ensured the inclusion of advisors with a wide range of local backgrounds and a shared dedication to community involvement. By organizing local boards based on important factors like length of local residency, the process allowed CFNCW to create diverse LABs that understand their complex regions' unique needs.

"We were also wanting to make sure that we were trying to have representation of underserved populations like our BIPOC and LGBTQ [communities]," Short added. "So that everyone is at the table when it comes to making those decisions."

CFNCW carefully tailors these LABs, training each member in the best ways to review and perform site visits of non-profit organizations in their region. The ultimate goal is to provide legacy funds to those who most adequately address community issues. This includes an in-person regional training program for all LAB members.

"There were about 65 to 70 people that came, and they did a mandatory regional training, then over the last few months, I've been working with them to learn how we evaluate the grants, what site visits entail, and guidelines and procedures the Community with Foundation, so that they've got the tools they need to make informed decisions."

Though they feel optimistic about the program's structure, Short explained that CFNCW plans to actively rework it to best suit the needs of organizations in each region.

'Yeah, and this is our first year," she commented. "We'll learn every year, we'll evaluate, and we'll really lean in on that feedback from the local advisory boards and the nonprofits that we serve in our communities."

The first round of legacy fund applications within the Wenatchee Valley, Upper Valley, Chelan Valley, and Cashmere regions closed on August 15. This made way for a round of applications within the Methow Valley starting December 1, finishing with the Okanogan Valley applications set for February 1. Then, the process starts all over again with Cashmere.

With so many communities and organizations involved, CFNCW seeks to streamline its application process to ensure that local nonprofits aren't dissuaded from accessing these crucial funds.

"We've heard a lot of great reflection back from the nonprofits that sure is helpful," Short mentioned optimistically, expanding on

the program's transparency. "You can preview the application questions ahead of time without having to get logged into our system. We just really want it to be an easy process for our nonprofits and community groups.

Cashmere region LAB member and Vice President of Instruction at WVC Tod Treat expressed his excitement about the Legacy Funds Grant Program's potential to impact local communities.

"First of all, by having local individuals working together to prioritize the greatest need and greatest impact, the community itself will benefit from the funding."

This overall focus of placing community members in charge of their own funds, as Tod puts it, will ideally impart each participating region with a continual cycle of straightforward, unrestricted local donation.

"I'm really optimistic that people will increase their giving, and that the giving then increases the annual gift, and then the gifts increase the annual impact, and all of a sudden, you have a system of community improvement that's really exciting.'

To make a donation or to learn more about the Community Foundation of NCW's Legacy Funds Grant Program as well as their many other locally focused efforts, visit cfncw.org.

Will Nilles: (509) 731-3211 or will@ward.media

Chelan County to hold public meeting on floodplain regulations

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CHELAN COUNTY Chelan County officials have announced a community meeting to address concerns and regulations regarding floodplain and floodway areas. The event, scheduled for August 29, will educate residents about permissible activities in floodprone regions. Chelan County The Community Development Department will host the meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. at

the Lake Wenatchee Rec Club. County officials will discuss building codes applicable to properties in floodways and floodplains, as well as their impact on development and flood insurance policies.

Deanna Walter, Community Development director,

to the homeowner through higher insurance premiums," Walter said. "This meeting is an opportunity for us to engage with people, answer their questions and address the whys of floodplain regulations and codes."

The meeting will cover

Enforcement will be present to address public inquiries.

meeting While the location was chosen due to recent questions from Lake Wenatchee residents, officials stress that the issue affects people across Chelan County. particularly those in flood-

more information, and updates.

Leavenworth Public Library. Located at 700 Hwy. 2, Call 509-548-7923 or online leavenworth@ncwlibraries.org Open on Tues., 10-5, Wed., 11-6, Thurs., 10-7, Fri., 10-5 Sat., 10-2. Closed Sun. and Mon.

Other events

- The Greater Leavenworth Museum, is open daily from 11-4, except Thanksgiving and Christmas. Check their Facebook page or website at leavenworthmuseum.org for updates and information.
- Leavenworth Fish Hatchery, 509-548-7641. Trails and grounds are open every day to the public. Please park outside the gate. All animals must be on a leash.

The Peshastin Public Library is currently closed for renovations and will re-open in mid to late summer.

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

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

Meeting Schedules For AA, Alanon, Celebrate Recovery

AA Meetings:

Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AA meetings: 541-480-8946 Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AlAnon meetings: 509-548-7939 509-548-1627, 548-4522, 664-6469, 206-719-3379 Sunday 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St. Tuesday, 7 p.m., Light in the Valley, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin Wednesday, 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St. Thursday, 1 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St. Friday, 7 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, 222 Cottage Ave. **Alanon Meetings**, Call 509-548-7939

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

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emphasized the importance of the meeting. "Illegal buildings and structures built in floodplains impact the county's overall flood insurance rating with FEMA, an issue that everyone should be concerned about because it trickles down

a range of topics, including regulations on clearing, grading, and the installation of sheds and utilities in floodplain areas. Representatives from Community Development, the county's floodplain expert, and Chelan County Code

prone areas.

Attendees will have access to flood maps at the event. Residents unsure about their property's floodplain status can consult the FEMA Flood Map Service Center online at www.fema.gov/flood-maps.

Washington auto shops get state funds for safer degreasers

NCW News Ward Media

OLYMPIA — Washington state's efforts to promote cleaner and safer automotive repair practices are gaining traction, with more than 150 auto shops transitioning to environmentally friendly degreasers since 2021.

The Washington Department product of Ecology's replacement program, which offers financial incentives for businesses to switch from solvent-based degreasers to safer alternatives, continues accept applications. to Eligible auto repair shops can receive up to \$10,000 in reimbursements.

Montgomery, Thatcher who leads the department's

automotive degreaser replacement program, emphasized the importance of the initiative. "There's a variety of products on the market, and it's hard to tell what's safer or not," Montgomery said. "That's why we encourage the switch to EPA Safer Choice certified products-someone else has already done the hard work of figuring out what's safer."

Traditional automotive degreasers often contain toxic chemicals such as methanol. toluene, or hexane, which pose risks to both human health and the environment. These substances can become hazardous waste after use.

reimbursement The amounts are tiered based on the safety and environmental

impact of the alternative Water-based products. cleaners are eligible for up to \$5,000 in reimbursements, while EPA Safer Choice certified products qualify for the maximum \$10,000.

Eligible applicants include shops, businesses, non-profits, and local governments in Washington that service at least one of the following: cars, trucks, buses, semi-trucks, or motorcycles intended for use on public roads.

The Department of Ecology typically responds to applications within five business days. Officials advise businesses to wait for application approval and receipt of a voucher before purchasing new equipment. The product replacement

program, established by the Washington Legislature in 2019, aims to reduce the use of harmful chemicals in consumer products and services by directly compensating small businesses that adopt safer alternatives.

Interested parties can find more information on the agency's automotive degreaser replacement program webpage.



Wenatchee Valley DRC unveils nominees for first-ever Peacebuilder Award

NCW News Ward Media

WENATCHEE — The Wenatchee Valley Dispute Resolution Center (WVDRC) has announced eight nominees for its inaugural Community Peacebuilder Award, recognizing individuals and organizations committed to fostering peace in Chelan and Douglas counties.

The nominees, submitted by community members, represent a diverse crosssection of local leadership and institutions. They include:

- Bob Mark Upper Valley MEND
- Brad Hawkins 12th Legislative District Senator
- Claudia Bovee NCW Libraries
- Hernandez Pinnacles Prep Charter School • Deb Miller – Action Health
- Partners • Debbie Sperry – First
- United Methodist Church
- Indigenous Roots and

Reparation Foundation

• Laurie Peek - Upper Valley MEND

The WVDRC, a nonprofit organization dedicated to peaceful conflict resolution, will announce the award recipient at its Annual Celebration on September 3. The event, to be held at the Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center, will also honor Lynn Yialelis, the center's founding director. The Community

Peacebuilder Award aims to recognize efforts that align

with WVDRC's mission of promoting peaceful conflict resolution in the Wenatchee Valley area.

WVDRC officials encourage community members attend the celebration. Ticket information is available on the organization's website at https://www.wvdrc.org/events.

The center, which serves Chelan and Douglas counties, provides mediation services, conflict resolution training, and community education through a team of volunteer mediators.

For more information, contact: Wenatchee Valley Dispute Resolution Center, (509) 888-0957.

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POINT OF VIEW

More air assets and initial attacks are key to improving fire response

uch attention and resources have been directed in recent weeks to Wenatchee's Balsam Root Fire in early July and the Pioneer Fire currently burning near Lake Chelan. These fires are just two of the many our state will endure during this unusually long fire season.

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Growing up in Wenatchee, wildland fires were once only an occasional summer

issue. Now they are a common occurrence. This disappointing trend involves many factors, including land management practices, climate conditions, and fire suppression tactics as well as population growth and the unfortunate increases in human-caused fires. Despite the causes, the initial attack over the first several hours is the most influential to fire suppression.

In that regard, our region is grateful for the swift response to Wenatchee's Balsam Root Fire. It is another example of a superb job by our local and state firefighters to protect Wenatchee area homes. Unfortunately, information is mixed about the initial attack of the Pioneer Fire near Lake Chelan with firsthand accounts from people in the air and on the lake differing from federal agency leaders.

Regardless of the disputed accounts, we must get to the point where our government can put out fires soon after they start rather than just "managing" them as they

burn. If we can't knock down these fires quickly, they just grow and grow and the collateral damage accumulates. A swift attack is key to keeping us safe, By SENAT OR preserving air quality, preventing large-

HAWKINS scale damage, and sustaining tourism. The state has Senator, 12th enhanced its Legislative resources and has District increased its contract

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pilots, but our region needs more federal aircraft, especially on fires of federal jurisdiction. I have worked closely with Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Commissioner Hilary Franz and our area's legislators to increase state wildfire funding. I'm grateful to her for how she has transformed the agency.

But with federal lands representing vast amounts of Chelan County, more federal aircraft is needed to mitigate threats. Air resources are very expensive, of course, but so is "managing" a fire into the fall with hundreds of personnel and other assets deployed. I would not be surprised if the Pioneer Fire costs eventually exceed \$100 million.

Washington fires often compete with others in the western United States and British Columbia for air resources. Having more federal air resources pre-positioned in the region would improve the initial response and help ensure that our region has resources in times of need.

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In addition to Commissioner Franz, I've been in communications with Congresswoman Kim Schrier, US Senator Patty Murray's office. Chelan County Commissioner Tiffany Gering, and others. I'm grateful for their prompt responses and good communication. If we can make it through these next several weeks, it would be helpful to convene officials for a "wildfire summit" this winter to consider improvements for next fire season.

Beyond responding to active fires, reducing our wildfire risks involves strategically improving our landscapes, removing small diameter trees, clearing underbrush, creating Firewise neighborhoods, prescribing fire, and other proactive efforts, including reducing accidental fires. All of these topics, including firefighting tactics and increased air resources, should be part of the discussion.

Protecting structures and communities is extremely important with active fires, which is where the current focus must be, but a full analysis is needed in the coming months. Figuring out what it will take to better attack these fires in the first few hours will be critical to keeping us safe, maintaining healthy air quality, and preserving our county's tourism opportunities.

Brad Hawkins is State Senator for the 12th Legislative District.

Are You Taking Too Much Medicine

Mary showed me a list of 15 prescription medications that her 75-year-old mother, Patty, was taking.

"Mom is acting tired and confused. Could she be taking too much medicine?"

Looking over the list, I answered, "Yes, it is possible. The more medicines someone takes, the higher the risk of their medications interacting with each other to cause harmful side effects like fatigue, confusion, and falls."

Over 40% of older American adults take 5 or more prescription medicines.

Over 70% of emergency department (ED), urgent care, and doctor's office visits result in the doctor prescribing at least one medication. Doctors feel pressure to provide tangible "care," and medications are the most common medical treatment in the United States.

Some people end up taking multiple drugs for the same thing or new medicines to treat the side effects of their current medications. Taking too many medicines is called polypharmacy.

How did Patty end up taking 15 prescription medications? One common reason could be her doctor not having complete information on the medicines she was already taking.

The American medical care system is fragmented. It's not unusual to see a primary care doctor and several specialists. Unfortunately, many medical care systems don't communicate or update your records promptly. This can create dangerous gaps in knowledge of what has already happened to you.

Mary's mother may have been prescribed a second drug almost identical to one she was already taking because her specialist was not aware of all of her current medications.

Being admitted to the hospital for a new or worsening condition also increases the chance of polypharmacy. One or more of her medicines or doses could have been changed during her hospital stay. Patty may also have been given medications in the hospital that won't be necessary once her condition improves.

One of the most dangerous yet preventable causes of

polypharmacy is taking two similar medicines at the same time. This could have happened to Patty after a hospital stay or doctor's appointment. Doctors don't have much time to talk to you, which can create confusion about whether they are ADDING a new medicine to the others you already are taking or REPLACING one of your medicines. Sometimes, it isn't clear which drug you need to stop when starting a new one. Patty could have been

given a new medicine or a different dose. Then, when the new prescription arrived in the mail, she may not have remembered exactly what her doctor said about it. Was it replacing another medication she already took? If so, which drug did Patty need to stop?

Adults over 65 years old are more likely to get dizziness, fatigue, and confusion from their medicines than younger people. As we age, we gradually lose our ability to tolerate medications without experiencing side effects. Doses that we have taken safely for years can begin to cause problems. This can set you up for getting prescribed even more drugs to address these symptoms, which are actually just side effects of your medication.

We're working with Patty's doctor to eliminate any unnecessary medications. How can you avoid the polypharmacy trap? The best way is to consider any new symptom you experience as a possible side effect of medicine until proven otherwise.

Here are 6 Ways to **Avoid Taking Too Much** Medicine:

1. Be vigilant.

After starting any new medication or after a dose adjustment, report any problems to your doctor right away. It's better to decrease or change that medicine than end up on an additional one to address the side effects.

2. Keep a complete list. Include all the nonprescription medicines and supplements you currently take, plus any allergies or adverse experiences you have had with any medicine.



3. Bring your medication list to EVERY medical visit.

Whenever and wherever you receive medical care, give your medication list to your regular doctor, the Emergency Department, any specialist, even your dentist and chiropractor.

4. Keep your medication list updated.

After any hospital stay or doctor's appointment, update your medication list and any bad reactions to drugs.

5. Clarify any new medicine as either an addition OR a replacement.

Whenever you receive a new prescription medication, make sure you understand whether it is in addition to what you are already taking, if it is a replacement for one of your current medicines, and which medicine to stop.

6. Ask questions.

If you have questions about whether medicines belong together or could be duplications, your pharmacist can help. Then, contact your primary care doctor to clarify what you should be taking.

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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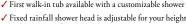
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Country Star Easton Corbin to headline Chelan County Fair, bringing traditional sound to rural Washington

By: WILL NILLES Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE— With preparations for the Chelan County Fair ramping up, award-winning country icon Easton Corbin looks forward to making an appearance as the event's headline performance.

Corbin hails from Trenton, Florida, and is famous for his multiple top-10 Billboard hits, including All Over the Road and A Little More Country Than That.

Traveling all across the nation, Corbin loves getting to play small town shows regardless of the venue.

"Every venue has it's own personality," Corbin shared. "whether it be a county fair, a club, a theater, it's just all a little different. The commonality of [every venue] is, people are there to have a good time and hear some country music, and that's what we're gonna do."

This deep connection and joy for playing in rural communities stems from Corbin's own upbringing on his grandparents' farm. Growing up in a classic agricultural American community, he sees many of the fond elements of his hometown reflected in places like North Central Washington.

"You know, I grew up on a cattle farm, I showed cattle for 4H and FFA, and I take pride in my music being authentic for who I am and where I'm from and how I was raised, so that very much influences my music," he explained, mentioning that he often sees

about the surrounding area, especially in Washington. So much of that is agriculturally related, there's a lot of farming and outdoor stuff that goes on in Washington State."

Corbin looks to bring his best show to Chelan County, providing fans and newcomers alike with a diversified setlist of his top songs, newest releases, and classic covers.

"We're gonna do all the hits we have. We're gonna throw some new songs in there from our latest project. We might do a cover or two, and I don't know, maybe there's not a song that we do in the set but it's a fan favorite. We've had people hold up signs or yell out a song. And it's like, 'you want to hear it? We'll do it!"

This type of fan-centered performance is common for Corbin, as he loves giving the fans what they want. In fact, he has a few highly requested fan favorites in his repertoire.

"One song that I love that's a fan favorite, it never was a radio single, is a song called Tulsa Texas. And we get requests for that song every night."

With a knack for classic country, Corbin plans to stick by his traditional roots, calling on influence from old-school stars like Merle Haggard and George Jones. Although Corbin sees the industry around him as constantly changing, he hopes to stay with his traditional style and continue paying homage to his authentic rural upbringing.

"You know, the industry is ever evolving, it never stays in, I'll always be that as an artist," Corbin said with pride. "I think the key to longevity and success is staying true to who you are and being that constant to your fans, they can always depend on you."

In that same sense of appreciation for American tradition, Corbin loves playing at county fairs across the country, standing by his belief that small town communities are crucial to his fanbase and the nation as a whole.

"I think that's the backbone of our country," he mentioned, "that's really the backbone of our audience. So, doing those county fairs and events like that, I think that's how you stay connected to those smaller communities."

Corbin reinforces this belief through his own childhood memories of county fair performances, remembering the massive impact that one night of good country music can have on a small community.

"Every year, I remember going to a festival or two around my area as a kid, you know, that's the biggest thing that happens in your area all year long," He shared, remembering the importance of performing for rural towns similar to his home. "You always got to remember that, you know, even though we play every night, for a particular group of people, you might be the highlight of their year."

While he continues to prepare for his September 6 performance at the Chelan County Fairgrounds, Corbin is working on an upcoming project that he has yet to announce. Details on the project remain confidential. However, Corbin wants fans to know that something is in



Award-winning country star, Easton Corbin, is set to play as the Chelan County Fair's headliner performance on September 6, shedding the spotlight on small-town Cashmere.

the works.

"I can't give up too much [information] yet, but we definitely got something cooking in the book," he revealed.

With the days to the Chelan County Fair counting down, Corbin can't wait to get back over to Washington State and perform for his local fans while introducing new listeners to his music. Though Washington State is about as far away from Florida as it gets, he explains that his West Coast fans can be just as big.

"I'm looking forward to it. We have a lot of great fans out on the West Coast. And unfortunately, it being such a long ways away, we don't get to get out there as often as we'd like," Corbin admitted. "So when we do get out there, man, it's a great time, and it's a special time to be able to hang out with our fans and share our music with those who are a little farther away but just as big of fans."

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To learn more about the Chelan County Fair and its upcoming featured performances, visit chelancountyfair.com.

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important rural communities being overlooked. "And when we play around big cities, some people don't think much the same. And for me, I like to set my flag on the traditional side of things. No matter what direction the genre goes

Chelan Valley's 'Summer of Love' supports elderly care

By QUINN PROPST

Ward Media Staff Reporter

CHELAN - The spirit of Woodstock is set to come alive once again as Chelan Valley gears up for this year's "Summer of Love" event, commemorating the 55th anniversary of the iconic Woodstock Festival.

The event is a fundraiser for the Chelan Valley Community Nurse program. CVCN is a nonprofit organization that provides free care to elderly and vulnerable people in Chelan Valley to help them stay in their homes longer.

CVCN provides in-home care, including blood pressure checks, medication, and treatment education, particularly after hospital discharge, and management of chronic conditions. The program also offers referrals to physicians, community resources, and support services for both clients and their families.

The Summer of Love event is the nonprofit organization's only fundraiser during the year. The program relies on donations, grants, and this fundraiser to offer free care to elderly people in the community.

Norm Manly will once again emcee the Summer of Love event.

"We've been doing it for several years, and it's a fun event, and we're, you know, raising money for a good organization," Manly said.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, August 24, from

3:30 to 9 p.m. at Watson's Alpenhorn Cafe, located at 7600 South Lakeshore Road.

There will be silent auction items, door prizes, and a costume contest with several categories. At the end of the night, judges will announce the winners.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, wine, and beer will be available for purchase. Crowd favorites Brittany Jean, The B-Side, and Waterdog will provide music.

Manly said people should come to the event not only to support CVCN but also because it is a fun event.

"We've had some really fun times," Manly said. "Usually, it starts off, everybody's just sitting down. You know, you can either bring a chair or you can have a blanket and have your wine or beer, enjoy the music. And then as the evening goes along, then people start dancing, and towards the end of the event. Man, the whole place is just dancing, having a great time."

Tickets for the event are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the gate, with free entry for children under 12. Attendees are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket for festival seating, but coolers are not allowed inside the park.

Tickets can be purchased at the Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce in Chelan or by contacting Norm Manly directly at 509-293-0225.

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Getting to know the residents of Cashmere's local animal sanctuary

WILL NILLES, WARD MEDIA Little Squidward soaks up the mud behind his big friend, Beni. snorting with deep satisfaction.



By: WILL NILLES Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE — A compassionate home for rejected and abused animals resides in the Cashmere area, providing nine different species of critters with their natural habitats while educating locals on the most ethical ways to raise them. Run by nature loving Anna and Eric Gullickson, Ridge 2 River Animal Haven aims to counteract the unethical practices of the agriculture industry by spreading awareness about the direct effects that overconsumption has on animals.

Anna Gullickson acts as president of Ridge 2 River, overseeing the care of each animal resident, training volunteers, and organizing



such a detailed understanding of every animal and their individual needs, Gullickson takes all her visitors on a thorough tour of the sanctuary, making sure to introduce each unique resident in the hopes of teaching people something new.

Gullickson likes to start with their goats and sheep who, like all their animal residents, present a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere. The two goats, Sage and Woody, are twin brothers, rejected from the dairy where they were born. They now chomp away on their cud with a sense of zen nonchalance.

"Sage is super friendly and wants to headbutt and play," Gullickson described with a smile. "And Woody's just also WILL NILLES/WARD MEDIA Sage lazes in the sun in front of his sheep friend, Basil, chewing his cud with the



a big lover and just wants to cuddle."

Though they continue to live happy and comfortable lives, their upbringing within the dairy industry continues to scar them. As is general practice in dairies, both Sage and Woody's horns were seared off at the skull when still extremely young. This causes their skulls to remain somewhat fragile, leaving them highly sensitive and vulnerable to injury.

Regardless, Sage and Woody enjoy healthy lives at Ridge 2 River alongside their Blackbelly Sheep neighbor, Basil, who locals had found tied to a tree in the wilderness.

After surviving with no food and water for three days, Basil now accentuates a bold and independent personality, taking her time to trust new faces.

"Basil is really sassy," Gullickson shared, "but she also is super affectionate at the same time."

Across the lawn from the goats, a little barn rests, full of 14 bunnies taking refuge from the summer sun. With their cuddly appearance and pet store availability, Gullickson says that bunnies are often some of the most misunderstood animals. Commonly bought as gifts for young children, many people don't understand that bunnies are often territorial, require socialization with other bunnies, and don't appreciate being picked up.

Bunnies are also burrowing animals, and they will easily become anxious or depressed

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if they are unable to dig new shelters and pathways. Hence, the many secret passages leading in and out of the bunny barn.

If given the right conditions, however, even territorial bunnies show their fluffy personalities.

"The bunnies, over time, they love getting their medicine as a treat every morning," Gullickson said. "The ones that get meds run up to me, and they get so excited to eat their piece of banana with medicine in it."

Nearby, a covered area full of small trees provides a tiny green oasis for a ragtag flock of chickens, peahens, and ducks. Each feathered resident has their own story and personality, like Roo, the gentleman rooster who protects his hen neighbors and always ensures they eat first. Ridge 2 River rescued Roo after a local advertised him as having one hour before being put into a freezer.

"He'll guard the hens when they're laying their eggs..." Gullickson described Roo's dedication. "When it's time for bed he guides them inside. He takes his duty very seriously."

Farther up the hillside, an unlikely trio naps amongst the dried shrubs and sagebrush. The two resident pigs, Squidward and Beni, share their enclosure with their cat friend, Pearl. Squidward, with malformed back legs and a history of starvation, is extra small for his age. Gullickson believes he may have been raised to be a 'teacup' pig, a fake breed of miniature pig created by starving a piglet of nutrition and preventing its growth by physically restraining it.

Now, Squidward has little to complain about. He is lazing in his personally designed mud puddle and sharing meals with his two close friends.

"Seeing Squidward come from where he was, so grumpy and just unhappy, to the for and learning about so many different creatures.

"Overall, my favorite part of taking care of them is seeing their transition and seeing how they are when they come in," she shared. "And then, after time, when they know that this is their home and they're respected and loved and getting all their needs met, how you see their full personality. Some take a long time, some take less time, but I've been able to gain everyone's trust, and it's incredibly rewarding."

Moving forward with their goal to confront the negative effects of animal exploitation at the hands of massive industries, Ridge 2 River is pursuing the further education of local youth and adults. The Ridge 2 River team believes that real impacts can be made only through the spread of awareness and a more intimate understanding of animals and their needs.

In this educational direction, Gullickson and her team plan to spread their voices, teaching the next generation Washingtonians the of importance of respecting and caring for their fellow creatures through a variety of different avenues.

"We're super excited about the LEAP program and having that this year, and hopefully doing presentations in more classrooms, just getting more field trips up here," Gullickson said, listing off a few of the many ways they seek to educate locals. "We would love more interest in field trips and visitors to the sanctuary where they can meet the residents."

As the sun sets on Cashmere's dusty hills, each of Ridge 2 River's many unique residents rest easy, knowing they have a comfortable and healthy home. While they enjoy their well-deserved sanctuary, the mission to help the millions of other animals neglected and abused by the agriculture industry continues well underway.

For more information on Ridge 2 River Animal Haven and its many residents, visit their official website at ridge2river.org.

Wenatchee Library's 3D Printing Workshops spark creativity and tech skills for all ages

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Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE-For those looking to expand their horizons into the world of computer science, or just trying to escape the summer heat, the Wenatchee Public Library offers a monthly 3D printing workshop for participants of all skill levels. The workshop's central goal is to introduce locals to 3D design in a fun, welcoming, and creative environment.

Leading the workshop is librarian Nik Penny, a local 3Dprinting hobbyist with years of computer science experience. He leads his workshops in crafting simple, highly customizable designs like labeled containers, allowing participants to create and learn at their own pace.

Penny enjoys being able to share such a useful yet daunting skill with community

a teen 3D-printing workshop each month. Though the adults certainly bring an eager attitude, he's always impressed by the passion and creativity of some of the teen participants.

"The teen one's really fun because some of the people who come are interested in engineering," Penny said with a smile. "So that's pretty cool to see people who are wanting to get exposure to this, and we're able to provide it, you know? Then they go on to become professionals who know more than me," he chuckled.

Occasionally, participants take their ideas from the workshop and continue to build on them at home, letting the versatile nature of 3D printing inspire them.

"After coming here and using this software, they made replacement parts for their aero garden. Someone else made a replacement part for an artificial Christmas tree." Penny commented, mentioning a couple of projects that stood out to him. "They did the workshop and learned to use the software, and then went home and made it." Other participants simply want to learn about something new while enjoying the company of friends and neighbors. Local sisters Manoah and Lenae Winter attended the event with no prior experience in 3D printing.

"My sister invited me, and I thought I should do things in the community and utilize what we spend our property taxes on." Manoah said, happy to take advantage of the local library's many engaging resources.

"I'm not really interested in 3D printing, but I'd try another workshop after that." Lenae shared.

"Yeah," Manoah agreed. "I



members from all walks of life.

"It's really cool to give people access to something like this that is maybe a little bit intimidating or expensive to get into," Penny shared.

As well as the adult workshop, Penny instructs



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Wenatchee Librarian Nik Penny helps workshop participants orient themselves within 3D design software.

pig you see today has been amazing," Gullickson said as she used a back scratcher to pet him on his upturned belly. As Gullickson wrapped up

her tour with the Cashmere Record, she touched on what inspires her passion for caring

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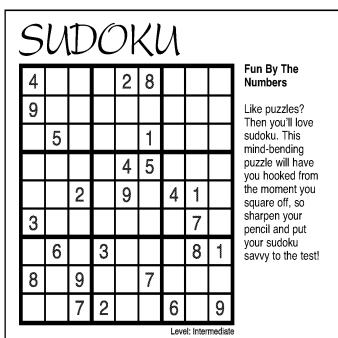
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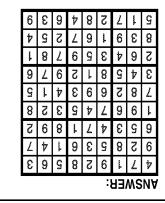
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The GladSong Choir of Wenatchee will perform a benefit concert for Levenworth's feed the kids backpack program in September.

GladSong Choir

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of nutritious food for students in Leavenworth on free and reduced lunches to take home to see them through the weekend, program volunteer and GladSong Choir member Eileen Groby said.

Judy Weaver, who leads the backpack program, emphasized the importance of providing consistent nutrition to children.

"Both Eileen and I are retired, but what we could tell you is kids do not do well in school without being well fed and have good nutritional support," Judy said. "And that's one of the other reasons that we're doing this without good food on the table, for these children, they will not do well in their classrooms. Obviously, we wanted to support families and the kids, but for us, in terms of how they're going to do through those school classes, this will make a ton of difference for them."

"And it does," Groby said. "The nutrition needs to be ongoing. You can't just feed the kids Monday through Friday and then nothing on the weekend. They're not going to be okay if you do that."

The program feeds more than 50 kids each week during the school year.

"Most of the bags run about anywhere between eight to \$10 per bag because we only try to do nutritional kinds of things," Judy said. "We try to do a variety of things. Sometimes, we throw in a little Twinkie or two, but mostly, it's good things for kids with some protein and that sort of thing.

"As a result, when you start multiplying those numbers with \$10 a bag every week for 50 plus bags, we're looking at a pretty high price tag on that," she said.

Judy's husband, Strode Weaver, is also a member of the GladSong Choir and the "finance guy" for the United Methodist Church.

"The target that we generally use is it costs us between 18 and \$20,000 a year," Strode said. "So you can imagine that we're basically fundraising on an ongoing basis."

The backpack program relies on grants, donations, and fundraising efforts like the GladSong concert to continue its mission.

Supporters include the Community Foundation of North Central Washington, the City of Leavenworth, the Women's Golf Tournament, the Women's Service League of Wenatchee, and Morgan Stanley.

Over the years, civic clubs and local churches have helped support the program as well, Strode said.

This will be the third consecutive year that the choir has performed at Snowy Owl to benefit the Backpack-Feed the Kids program. GladSong, now in its third year, was formed after the COVID-19 pandemic and has 35 members. The choir performs a wide range of music genres, including gospel, pop, jazz, and inspirational songs.

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"The whole purpose of the group and our mission statement is to inspire the listener, encourage the singer, and benefit the community," Strode said. "So the whole premise of this group is that we offer ourselves to nonprofits and charitable organizations within the region who wish to have benefit concerts to raise money for their cause."

The choir has raised over \$100,000 in the last two and a half years for local charities and good causes throughout the region, Strode said.

"I think the success that we've had is really a reward in itself," he said.

The concert is free to attend, with donations encouraged. All proceeds will go directly to the backpack program. Volunteers are also welcome to join the effort by helping to pack and deliver the backpacks each Wednesday morning during the school year.

For more information about the concert or to get involved with the backpack program, contact the United Methodist Church at 509-548-5619 or online at leavenworthumc.org.

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Master Gardener Foundation launches brick fundraiser to support local education programs

NCW News Ward Media

WENATCHEE — The Master Gardener Foundation of Chelan-Douglas Counties has relaunched its "Buy a Gardener Program, is offering personalized engraved bricks for \$100 each. These bricks will be placed in the Deer Resistant Garden patio area at the Community Education Garden in Wenatchee. The program hosts "Third Saturday in the Garden" events from March through October, offering seasonal gardening education. Volunteers also staff a Plant and Insect Clinic at the WSU Extension office in environmental stewardship, including food production, to local communities.

The Master Gardener Foundation of Chelan-Douglas Counties is a 501(c) (3) charitable organization,

Fairy tale

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guided, the scavenger hunt can be started at any time and at any point of the trail.

"It's supposed to be just kind of simple and joyful in its nature," said Barrett.

Barrett, who has a background in e-learning, came up with the idea after hosting a scavenger hunt in Enchantment Park for her fiveyear-old's birthday party.

"I just got this thought in my head, like, the town needs a scavenger hunt. It's such a magical town and it's so walkable, and it doesn't have anything like that. It was one of those ideas that didn't go away, and then finding myself having the creative ideas around it," said Barrett.

The scavenger hunt is designed to bring players to seven walkable locations throughout downtown. Each stop has a tiny, magical world of creatures hidden in everyday life, such as unicorns or fairy homes, that players get to discover. In those worlds, players must look for a letter of a word needed to restore magic back to Fairy Tale Trail and earn their wand.

When Barrett came up with the idea, she wanted to



Barrett, with the help of her neighbor, family, and friends, hand crafted the scenes and wrote the clues for the selfguided quest.

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glockenspiel never went away, such as Tom Phillips, who has fond memories of watching it with his wife and four sons over 40 years ago.

"The boys always enjoyed the glockenspiel. In fact, there were many times we'd be at the other end of town, and when they knew it was getting close to the hour, they'd make us come all the way back to watch this thing," said Phillips.

Last fall, Phillips approached

GLM President Matt Cade

about the possibility of

restoring it. The two met with

the building's owners, Robert

and Sherry Schichi, who gifted

the glockenspiel equipment

and agreed to lease the space to the museum in perpetuity.

Phillips volunteered his time as a project manager and

When Phippen caught

wind that the glockenspiel

would be getting restored, she

laughing about it, because he

said that mine was the first

donation that came in for

the glockenspiel when I first

heard that they were going to

be reworking it, or trying to

rework it. So, yeah, I was really

"Matt Cade was really

immediately sent a donation.

contractor.

create more family friendly activities, but she also wanted to bring awareness to those that already exist. As players discover magical creatures, they also get to discover more activities in town.

"I tried to target places that I enjoy going with my family and thinking through, like, how you would kind of recommend family friendly stops throughout town," said Barrett.

Barrett recommends the scavenger hunt for players ages four to 14, but it can be enjoyed by everyone.

"Maybe one day, [we'll have] a kid version and an adult version, because there's the dark side of fairy tales, you know?" said Barrett.

The scavenger hunt takes about an hour to play, and can be found at enchantedleavenworth.com. As the scavenger hunt gets more traction, Barrett hopes to make changes according to the seasons, and add bonus stops.

"I just want to keep adding to it over time and just make it more magical, more magical, and more magical. You know, it's magic. It doesn't really have a roof," said Barrett.

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Each stop on the quest features a magical creature or world hidden amongst everyday life.

work was needed to get it back in operation. However, the wood figurines, which were originally believed to need new paint, looked like new after some soap and water.

"We didn't realize if it even worked when we got in there. It was a matter of, we had some wiring to redo, and we had to clean up some of the gears. And then suddenly we turned it on, and lo and behold, it fired up, music and everything. So that was really exciting," said

Phillips. The project was originally estimated to cost \$40,500. The Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce contributed \$10,000, München Haus contributed \$5,000, and the City of Leavenworth recently approved a reimbursement grant of \$10,000 in Lodging Tax funds for the project. GLM is still working to verify the history of the glockenspiel's beginning and cessation. Those with photos or other historical information regarding the glockenspiel are advised to reach out to GLM. Donations to the glockenspiel refurbishing efforts can be made at leavenworthmuseum. org. If renovations go according to plan, GLM and the Chamber of Commerce anticipate a grand reveal during the first weekend of Oktoberfest.



A bag of nutritional food is sent home with children in need has thanks to the Leavenworth United Methodist Church's backpack to be the leavenworth united Methodist

Garden Brick" fundraiser to support local gardening education programs and projects.

The foundation, which financially supports the WSU Chelan/Douglas County Master The Master Gardener Program, with more than 100 volunteers, provides year-round educational opportunities at the Community Education Garden

Community Education Garden and other locations throughout Chelan and Douglas counties.

Wenatchee during the same months.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will support the WSU Master Gardeners' efforts to provide research-based solutions for horticulture and making donations taxdeductible as allowed by law.

Interested parties can purchase a brick by completing and mailing an order form available at bit.ly/MGFCDC.

Shuttle service connects NCW Cougar fans to WSU football

NCW News Ward Media

WENATCHEE - Washington State University football fans in the Wenatchee area now have a new transportation option for attending home games in Pullman this season.

Wenatchee Valley Shuttle has announced a bus service for WSU alumni and supporters, offering round-trip transportation to all Cougar home games. The service, priced at \$85 per round trip, aims to provide a convenient alternative for fans traveling to Martin Stadium.

Buses will depart from the Wenatchee Train Station five hours before kickoff and load up for the return trip 30 minutes after the game concludes. For the season opener against Portland State on August 31, with a noon kickoff, the bus will leave Wenatchee at 7 a.m., arriving in Pullman at 11 a.m. The return trip is expected to reach Wenatchee around 8 p.m.

Reservations can be made through the company's website, www.wenatcheevalleyshuttle. com.

Wenatchee Valley Shuttle representatives are available at 509-293-5773 for general questions about the service. Football tickets are not included in the transportation fee and must be purchased separately through the WSU ticket office at 1-800-GO-Cougs.

This new service provides an option for fans to avoid the challenges of long-distance driving and parking at WSU home games, potentially increasing attendance from the Wenatchee area.

pleased," said Phippen. The attic space needed a deep cleaning to undo years of pigeon occupancy, which led Phillips to wonder how much

turns the dancers.

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TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA Tom Phillips (right) and his team work on the mechanism that

Condominiums

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council members Zeke Reister and Rhona Baron expressing concern that common interest ownership would not guarantee affordable housing, and could result in more second-homes. The idea of deed restrictions was proposed, but later abandoned due to the suggestion that deed restriction management is inefficient and costly.

Planning Commissioners and community members pushed back on the affordability argument, urging the council to consider the ordinance as a way to create more "middle housing" ownership options that could lower the barrier for first-time home buyers.

"I would urge the council to for divorce the idea of affordability from [Ordinance] 1695 completely because they don't have much to do with each other at all... It creates housing units that are purchasable at less of a price than single family housing units, and a lot of these are going to be infill housing, meaning they're houses that already exist," said community member Simon Farivar.

Baron again brought up the need to regulate the appearance of the condominiums, which would be held to criteria listed under a binding site plan. Baron referred to public fears of more projects being built similar to the unpopular zero-lot line single family residences with attached accessory dwelling units (ADU) on Stafford Street.

"They look at stuff like that. They go, 'Too high, not enough vegetation. Let's talk about the parking...I'm in favor of waiting and hearing from the community and balancing some of these things out. I'm not against it, but I think that there aren't enough things in place to protect and care and listen to the people that have not been happy, and I hate coming in here and having to be their voice," said Baron.

Baron additionally referenced a conversation with her physical therapist in Wenatchee, who had said, "I know a lot of people want to move because they don't like what's happening."

Others pushed back, with council members stating that concerns had been heard, but not always agreed with. Anne Hessburg suggested that code regulations are a separate issue, and should be assigned to the Planning Commission for future consideration.

'They're important things to think about, but that's not what this ordinance is about. So we need to pull it back to the reality of what we're talking about here, and not keep talking about other things. And I don't know if you're doing it consciously, but it's a tactic to create delay. So I don't think that that's a fair approach. Stay grounded in what the ordinance is about. That's the way you should address it as a councilmember," said community member Kurt Peterson.

Community member Celeste Peterson expressed additional frustration at Baron's comments, adding, "We have a big crowd too, and we matter too."

"Right now the people I'm talking to, and there's a whole load of them, do not want this to move forward tonight. It's not that they don't want it to happen, it's that they feel that it needs more time with the public and with the people that need to be heard because they're not being heard. And I don't appreciate any kind of attack on Rona. I think that's unfair," said Council member Sharon Waters.

After a deeper discussion of listening while having differing opinions within the community and among fellow council members, the City Council proceeded to a vote. The majority was in favor, with Waters and Baron opposing.

"I've got reservations, huge ones, but I still think they are overridden by the amount of good this thing can do," said Reister.

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