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Manson Fire Department celebrates 75 years of service

By QUINN PROPST
Ward Media Staff Reporter

MANSON – New Year’s Day 2025 marked a significant milestone for the Manson Fire Department as it celebrates 75 years of dedicated service to the community.

In 1948 Manson residents presented a petition to the Chelan County Commissioners to form a fire district, Manson Fire Chief Arnold Baker said.

Baker said the commissioners put the measure on the ballot in 1949, and the district was officially formed on January 1, 1950.

In 1950, the Manson Fire District secured land, now known as the Alta Cellars Winery site, from Lakeshore Land Fruit Growers for \$1, with the condition that it would be resold for the same price if vacated. Using bond

funds, the district built its first fire station and purchased a fire truck, laying the foundation for its operations.

The original building had two truck bays. A third bay was added in 1961.

That got the fire department “open for business,” Baker said.

“They got the building, the truck and it all came together pretty quickly,” he said. “Nowadays, it takes a lot more time.”

The station moved to its current location around 1974.

In 1972, the Federal Bureau of Reclamation undertook a major irrigation project for the North Shore of Lake Chelan, covering 6,600 acres. During the construction, the bureau built a building to serve as office space, space for the Water District, and a library.

When the irrigation project was

complete the fire station moved into the building, which is its current location on Manson Boulevard.

“It’s very small, you know, by today’s standards, but it was a lot more room back in the 70s,” Baker said. “And the original rent was \$300 a month, including all the utilities and everything. It was a heck of a heck of a deal.”

In 1994, the department purchased a 1.2-acre property on Wapato Lake Road to build a second station. In 1995, the department built a station on the property and purchased a new fire truck. In 2018, they bought an additional 3.3 acres.

With the passage of the new fire levy in 2024, the department will expand at the Wapato Lake location,

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COURTESY OF THE MANSON FIRE DEPARTMENT
Volunteer firefighters stand in front of the first Manson fire station in 1951. The station was built in 1950.



Many community members came out to the Manson Polar Plunge to support the Manson Fire Department.



Chief Baker and the Manson Junior Firefighters try to warm up near the fire.



Manson firefighters Adam Rasmussen and Doug Pinski participate in the Manson Polar Plunge.



Manson Polar Plunge organizer Gillian Walsh poses with Manson Fire Chief Arnold Baker.



Chief Arnold Baker takes the first plunge at the Manson Polar Plunge on Christmas Day.



Manson firefighter Ronan Walsh and his daughter Grace Walsh attend the Manson Polar Plunge.

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New podcast aims to unite Manson through stories

By QUINN PROPST
Ward Media Staff Reporter

MANSON – Russ McClellan, a fourth-generation resident of Manson, has launched a new podcast called Small Towns Unscripted.

Inspired by his deep roots in the area – his grandmother arrived in Manson by covered wagon from Missouri – and decades of experience in real estate, McClellan aims to foster authentic, positive conversations within the community.

The podcast seeks to counteract the negativity often seen in social media by encouraging meaningful dialogue.

“And so I was like, how do we bring positivity to a small town, and because I’m fourth generation, my kids are fifth, I could probably say I’m a local, covered wagon kind of covers that,” he said. “But I also think the person that moved here yesterday is a local, and I think that we get too hung up on these tribal kind of ideas, that somehow I’ve been here 20 years or five years or 30 years, how about we just start getting to know each other instead?”

McClellan’s goal is to break down barriers between longtime locals and newcomers, emphasizing that everyone in the community has a story worth sharing.

Episodes feature unscripted, long-form interviews with local residents, highlighting their unique stories and contributions.

McClellan, along with Tara Kallian, Desiree Phelps, and Nicole Turner, interview residents to learn more about them and share with listeners.

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Chilly Challenge

Manson’s Polar Plunge makes waves for a good cause

By QUINN PROPST
Ward Media Staff Reporter

MANSON – About 30 brave souls took to the frigid waters of Lake Chelan on Christmas Day to help the Manson Fire Department support the community.

Event organizer Gillian Walsh said about 30 people came out to take the plunge on the cold and damp Christmas Day. “There was a bonfire, Christmas music playing and hot apple cider served to everyone,” she said. “Some people got in and out fast as the water temp was 44 degrees but the Manson Polar Bears stayed for 8 minutes, and it felt amazing.”

Proceeds from the event will help fund the Manson Volunteer Fire

Association’s Season of Hope Fund, a Christmas gift program for Manson families in need.

Manson Fire Chief Arnold Baker took the first plunge at Manson Bay Beach.

“Chief Baker was an excellent sport and got into the water for his first and probably last polar plunge,” she said. “He was amazing.”

“It was an amazing day and such a great turnout by the community and Manson Fire Department,” she said. “How lucky are we to live in a community that genuinely cares about its people.”

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Over \$438,000 awarded in Legacy Fund Grants in Chelan and Douglas counties



COURTESY OF COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NCW
Lake Chelan Valley Habitat for Humanity.

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE – The Community Foundation of NCW has awarded \$438,026 through its new Legacy Fund Grant program to charitable organizations in Cashmere, Chelan Valley, Wenatchee Valley, and the Upper Valley.

Organizations supported through these grants address a wide variety of needs, including food security, housing, education, community enrichment, and more.

These grants will help strengthen communities and empower organizations to expand their impact across North Central Washington. Celebra-

tions and grant award presentations were held in each community, marking the beginning of this new initiative for local philanthropy.

Local Advisory Boards (LAB), consisting of volunteers representing a broad cross-section of their communities, including long-time and newer residents of all ages and backgrounds, conducted over 60 site visits across Chelan and Douglas Counties.

As part of the grant evaluation process, LAB members provide valuable insights and recommendations to ensure grantmaking decisions align with local priorities.

This new process has been well-received within participating commu-

nities, engaging residents throughout the region in local philanthropy in a meaningful way.

“I loved learning more about our community and our non-profits - some of which I was completely unaware of,” said one LAB member. “Seeing the passion of those who give so much and sometimes seem to work magic with what they have to work with. Their dedication is infectious! It was good to meet with LAB members and see and hear different perspectives.”

The creation of Legacy Funds was made possible through generous donations to the Legacy Fund’s Founders

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If you have an exciting event to share, email Reporter Quinn Propst at quinn@ward.media. We'll showcase the five most captivating events of the week, giving your event the recognition it deserves. Even if your event isn't among the top five, it will still be added to our events calendar and featured online. Don't miss this chance to make your event shine!

Friday Night Trivia at The Cove

The Cove Wine and Games will host Friday Night Trivia on Friday, January 3 from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

"Enjoy a fun evening after a long work week filled with brain teasing questions, friendly competition and great prizes," the event page states. "Don't miss out on the fun - come join us for a night of entertainment and challenge paired with your favorite beverage."

For more information, visit insidethecove.com.

Working Girl Special

Hard Row to Hoe Vineyards will offer a Working Girl Special on Tuesday, January 7 from 12-6 p.m.

"Join us for a cheese plate plus a select bottle of wine for just \$25, every Tuesday afternoon at Hard Row to Hoe Vineyards," the event page states.

For more information, visit hardrow.com.

Happy Hour at Amos Rome Vineyards

Amos Rome Vineyards will host Happy Hour on Wednesday, January 8 from 3-5 p.m.

"Join us every Wednesday from 3-5 p.m. in the tasting room for Happy Hour," the event page states.

"One of the Amos Rome owners will be in attendance, pouring a fun sneak peek or library selection. You'll often even get time with

#winemakerTravis."

For more information, visit amosrome.com.

Live music by Curtis Moore

Tipsy Canyon Winery in Manson will host live music by Curtis Moore on Thursday, January 9 from 4-6 p.m.

"Tipsy Canyon Winery is excited to bring you live music from the talented, Curtis Moore," the event page states. "So sit back, relax with a delicious glass of wine, and enjoy the soothing live acoustic sounds of Curtis Moore."

For more information, visit tipsycanyon.com.

5 THINGS TO DO THIS WEEK

Pub Trivia

Stormy Mountain Brewing will host Pub Trivia on Wednesday, January 8 from 6-7:30 p.m.

"Join your friends and family for the local favorite - Stormy Mountain Pub Trivia," the event page states.

"We have fun questions made for all ages - culture, history, sports, and more. Awesome prizes and as always - free to play."

For more information, visit stormymountainbrewing.com.

Mountains of possibility, our shared tomorrow

In these early days of 2025, as winter settles across North Central Washington, I'm struck by an overwhelming sense of possibility. From the snow-dusted orchards of the Wenatchee Valley to the wind-swept plateaus of the Columbia Basin, our communities pulse with an energy that speaks to better days ahead.

The story of our region has always been one of bold dreams realized through steady determination. We see it in our children's faces at school science fairs, in our entrepreneurs



From the Publisher

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opening new businesses downtown, and in our farmers adopting innovative practices that will sustain our agricultural heritage for generations to come. Each day brings fresh examples of how our neighbors turn challenges into opportunities.

This past year showed us, yet again, the remarkable strength that defines North Central Washington. In every corner of our coverage area - from the Upper Valley to Cashmere, from Chelan, Manson, Pateros, and

Brewster to Wenatchee - people stepped forward to lift each other up, to reimagine what's possible, and to build something better together.

Our news team has the profound privilege of sharing these stories of resilience and renewal. We've documented the launch of new community initiatives, celebrated the achievements of our young people, and highlighted the countless ways our residents make this region stronger through their daily acts of kindness and creativity.

Looking ahead, I see so many reasons for optimism. Our communities are growing thoughtfully, our economic base is

diversifying, and our shared commitment to preserving what makes this region special has never been stronger. Yes, we face challenges, but that's nothing new for people who descended from pioneers and dreamers.

We begin 2025 with confidence that North Central Washington's best chapters are yet to be written. This optimism isn't born of wishful thinking - it's grounded in the character of our people and the strength of our communities. Every day, I see evidence that we're not just adapting to change; we're actively shaping it to benefit future generations.

The path forward will require the same grit and grace that have always defined our region. But as I look out over our beautiful valleys and up to our majestic mountains, I know we're ready for whatever comes next. Together, we'll continue writing the remarkable story of North Central Washington.

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Manson Fire Department

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hopefully this year, Baker said.

Plans for the expansion include resident quarters for 12 at the training center and a classroom.

The downtown fire station cannot be staffed 24/7 because it does not have sleeping quarters or the space to add them. So future growth will be focused at the Wapato Lake Rd. location.

"Wapato Lake Road is actually the very center of the fire district," Baker said. "So it's a really good location. But a very unique thing about the fire district five in Manson is all the residents in the fire district are within five miles of both stations. And that five mile is a big thing with the state."

The volunteer fire department has grown from the original eight volunteers to around 40 people. Currently, there are only three staff members, but Baker hopes to add more in the future.

Manson Fire marked the anniversary at their September Awards Banquet with 75th-anniversary shirts for all members, past and present.

The department strives to maintain a good culture through remembering their primary purpose of delivering service to the citizens, Baker said.



A Manson fire truck drives through town.

"It's not an internal culture, as much as it's a culture of being here for the citizens," he said. "They understand that, and they, you know, as being volunteers, that's exactly what they wanted to volunteer for. So it's worked out really well to kind of keep folks focused and motivated."

Baker has been the fire chief for 27 years and is the seventh chief. Of the six previous chiefs, he is related to most of them.

The first Manson Fire Chief was not related to Baker when he became chief.

"The first chief was not my uncle, but after being fire chief for one year, he ran off and married my aunt," he said. "So became my uncle. Second chief was my uncle. There's been six previous fire chiefs, and I'm

PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE MANSON FIRE DEPARTMENT

related to five of them."

"It's been a good career and been, you know, a lot of growth that's happened in these last years," Baker said. "And we've got a great staff of officers and we're adding one more in January."

Covering an 18.5-square-mile service area with a population of approximately 3,600, Manson Fire District 5 provides a range of services, including fire suppression, basic life support, emergency medical transportation, technical rescue, and hazardous materials response.

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Manson Volunteer Firefighters pose in front of the station in 1960. Manson Fire marked its 75th anniversary on New Year's Day.

Death Announcements

Catherine Harris

Catherine Harris, 89, of Chelan, Washington passed away on December 22, 2024. Precht Rose Chapel is handling the arrangements for the family.

Obituary announcements

Robert (Bob) Gervais

On December 23, Robert (Bob) Gervais passed away peacefully at age 92 in his home in Chelan. Robert was born in Syracuse, New York, and spent a lifetime serving his family, his community, and his country.

Bob retired from the Air Force after 22 years of service and came to Chelan, where he involved himself deeply in the community for many years. He served as clinic manager, mayor, city council member, and fire commissioner and helped found both the ambulance service and the Keep It Blue Lake Chelan campaign.



Robert (Bob) Gervais

He joins other family and his beloved wife Sylvia and is survived by his daughter Monique, his grandchildren, and everyone in Chelan whose lives he touched.

A memorial service will be held January 5 at 2 p.m. at Campbell's.

Monique invites community members to send stories about Bob to bobinthecommunity@gmail.com.

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Local, Regional Community News & Events

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Chelan County Sheriff Report

December 20

0:28:41 Suicide Threat 80 Rolling Rock Rd, Chelan 2
 8:42:38 Accident No Inj 238 W Nixon Ave, Chelan, W Ch
 11:36:41 Welfare Check 10912 S Lakeshore Rd, Chel 2
 11:57:42 Harass/Threat 245 Division St, Manson, W Ma
 16:14:16 Harass/Threat 108 N Apple Blossom Dr; Wa Ch
 22:08:41 Dui 7 Wapato Lake Rd; Colvill Ma

December 21

0:28:41 Suicide Threat 80 Rolling Rock Rd, Chelan
 8:53:45 Trespass 2429 Entiat Way, Entiat, Wen
 11:54:26 Domestic Distur 225 W Highland Ave, Chelan Ch
 13:21:27 Vehicle Theft 108 N Apple Blossom Dr; Wa Ch
 15:15:18 Assist Public Chelan, Chelan, Wa Ch
 15:22:50 Assist Public 207 N Emerson St; Chofc, C Ch
 17:01:04 Civil 14425 Olin St# G4, Entiat En
 19:38:44 Traffic Offense 1000blk E Woodin Ave; By F Ch
 20:27:10 Atl/Atc Chelan, Chelan, Wa Ch
 21:48:00 Fraud/Forgery 455 Wapato Lake Rd; 12 Tri Ma
 22:41:37 Traffic Offense Sr 150 & Cotter Rd, Chelan Ch

December 22

2:21:13 Accident Unk 360 Sr 150, Chelan, Wa
 10:12:08 911 322 W Woodin Ave; Grandvie
 13:23:02 Welfare Check 100blk E Woodin Ave, Chela
 16:38:29 Missing Person Us Hwy 97a Mp 229, Chelan,
December 23
 02:21:13 Accident Unk 360 Sr 150, Chelan, Wa Ch
 06:17:01 Hazard Stayman Flats Rd Mp 2, Che 2
 06:25:00 Harass/Threat Manson; Area
 07:39:04 Domestic Distur 2431 Entiat Way, Entiat, Wen
 09:28:18 Parking/Abandon 100blk Boyd Rd; Pullout, C Ch
 12:20:22 Accident Unk E Woodin Ave & N Sanders Sch

17:52:23 Traffic Offense Sr 150 Mp 6, Chelan, Wa Ch
 18:24:49 Animal Problem 2300blk Manson Blvd, Manso Ma
 18:59:34 Traffic Offense 2200blk W Woodin Ave, Chel Ch
 19:38:14 Animal Problem 55 Ward Ln, Manson, Wa Ma
 21:07:00 Assist Agency 212 E Raymond St, Chelan, Ch

December 24

13:48:32 Animal Problem, 209 Stehelin Way, Chelan,
 14:30:10 911, 448 Apple Acres Rd, Chelan
 17:24:12 Theft, 108 N Apple Blossom Dr; Wa
 20:34:50 Property, 108 N Apple Blossom Dr; Wa

December 25

10:05:18 Parking/Abandon, Us Hwy 97a & Cammack Ave,
 11:52:27 Civil, 315 W Gibson Ave# 3, Chel
 12:23:54 Drugs, 2331 Albin Dr# 20, Entiat
 15:24:09 Sex Offense, 207 N Emerson St; Chofc, C
 19:54:20 Assist Public, 339 Apple Acres Rd# 110,

December 26

00:35:01 Suspicious, 105 Salmon Dr; Area, Wenat
 03:09:10 Hazard, Hay Canyon Rd Mp 1, Cashme
 04:08:20 Alarm, 333 Highpoint Pl, Chelan
 04:43:39 Assist Agency, Us Hwy 97 Mp 243, Chelan
 04:57:31 Hazard, 475 Totem Pole Rd, Manson
 08:37:11 Assist Agency, Us Hwy 2 Mp 114 Eb, Monito
 13:17:21 Trespass, 702 Pioneer Ave; Pioneer
 17:11:33 Malicious Misch, 116 River Bend Dr; Safeway
 18:13:02 Hazard, 2400blk W Malaga Rd, Malag
 19:06:58 Assist Agency, 5312 Pine Flats Loop Rd, D
 19:42:15 Welfare Check, 107 Cottage Ave; That Pizz
 20:07:55 Welfare Check, 3400 Us Hwy 97a, Chelan

Meetings

Monday

American Legion #108: First Monday, 7 p.m., Manson Parks & Recreation Building, 142 Pedio St. Contact: Norm Manly, 509-293-0225.

Manson Grange Youth Fairs Program: Third Monday, 6 p.m., Manson Grange Building, youth 5th-8th grade. Contact: Norm Manly, 509-293-0225.

Family and friends Support Group: Third Monday, 7-8:30 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street, Wenatchee. Contact: 509-860-3620

Tuesday

Manson Community Council: Third Tuesday, 6 p.m., Manson Parks Department, 142 Pedio St. In person or JOIN ZOOM MEETING: Meeting ID: 865 5396 3012, Passcode: 98831: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86553963012?pwd=feCLUIQk3Z2TgEGDFvVaCEHpFI6AB.1>

Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group: Second Tuesday, 7-8:30 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street, Wenatchee. Contact: 509-860-3620, website at: tcfwenatcheevalley.org

Lake Chelan Health Hospital board meeting: Fourth Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., board room at Lake Chelan Health, 110 S. Apple Blossom Drive, in person or via the internet. Agenda, login information: lakechelanhealth.org

Manson Grange: Fourth Tuesday, 5 p.m., Manson Grange Hall on Wapato Way. Contact: Norm Manly, 509-293-0225.

Wednesday

TOPS® Chapter Paves the Way to Healthy Lifestyle: Weekly on Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m. TOPS® chapter (weight loss support group) meetings at Lake Chelan United Methodist Church, located at 206 N. Emerson St. Attendees should use the side entrance of the church between the Lake Chelan Health Express Care Clinic and the church. TOPS empowers people to stop dieting and start creating healthy, enjoyable lifestyle habits that will work for them over the long haul.

Manson Fire Dept. Board of Commissioners: Second Wednesday, 3:30 p.m., Station #51 - 250 West Manson Blvd., Manson. Meetings are in person. Contact: Reggie Trusel, Administrative Assistant, 509-687-3222. Agenda at mansonfire.org

Chelan Fire & Rescue Board of Commissioners: Third Wednesday, 3 p.m., Station #71, 232 E. Wapato Ave., Chelan. Meetings are in person and are held via ZOOM you can follow the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87284665516>. Meeting ID: 872 8466 5516 or dial +1 253 215 8782/ Contact: Misty Fifield, Administrative Assistant, 509-682-4476. Agenda at chelan7.com

Death Cafe Chelan: Third Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Chelan Public Library, 216 N. Emerson Street. Contact: Concie Luna or Vita Monteleone at monte419@nwi.net.

Thursday

Lake Chelan Lions Club: First and Third Thursdays, 9 a.m., Manson Parks Building, 142 Pedio St.

Chelan Cancer Support Group:

First Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Lake Chelan Health Hospital. Lunch (purchase from hospital cafe)/meeting in Bragg Room. Meetings are open to anyone impacted by cancer. Including: patients, survivors, caregivers, family members and especially those who are recently diagnosed. It is also open to folks wanting to learn ways to support someone affected by cancer. It's a place where members can offer advice, share coping strategies, and build relationships along their journey. More info: Anne Brooks, 509-682-8718.

Chelan Valley Republican Women:

Second Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Radiance Winery, 71 Wapato Way, Manson. Guests, non-members, men welcome. Food, wine, beverages available for purchase. Arrive early so you have time to order. More info: Pam James, club president, 425-343-2911.

Family Caregivers/Support Group:

Third Thursday, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, Coldwell Banker Board Room, 216 E. Woodin Avenue, Chelan.

Friday

Veterans Outreach - Chelan & Manson: All veterans and their families are invited to join the Veterans Outreach meeting on Friday, December 20. Two sessions, first at Company Creek Pizza in Chelan at 9 a.m. then the Manson Parks building at 10:45 a.m. Questions, contact Norm Manly 509-293-0225.

Saturday

VFW #6853 Post Coffee/Donuts, Every Saturday, 9-11 a.m., 427 S. Bradley Street,

donuts, coffee and conversation.

Other Events

Chelan Valley Hope: Chelan Valley Hope's Winter Coat Drive is in full swing for the winter season. They are accepting new and gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and new socks. All sizes are needed. Donation bins can be found at the following locations; Chelan Valley Hope, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce, Lake Chelan Health Hospital, Chelan Fire & Rescue, Manson Fire Dept., Chelan Elementary (MOE), Lake Chelan Eagles, North Shore Bible Church, Chelan Public Library, Cashmere Valley Bank, Lake Chelan Building Supply in Manson, Church of Nazarene, Roots School and Even Keel Roadhouse. If you are in need of warm winter wear please call or visit us at Chelan Valley Hope, open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.(closed Noon to 1 p.m.). Call 509-888-2114 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Free Blood Pressure Checks:

Chelan Valley Community Nurse program provide free, weekly blood pressure checks to the public 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Chelan Senior Center, 534 E. Trow Avenue, Chelan. For info: Catharine at 509-679-9059, email: chelanvalleycommunitynurse@gmail.com.

SAIL Exercise Classes:

SAIL (Stay Active & Independent for Life) fitness classes are offered at Chelan Senior Center on Monday and Wednesday, 1:15 p.m. Evening SAIL classes are Monday and Thursday evenings, 5:30 p.m., Chelan

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Lake Chelan
WINTER FEST 2025
January 17-26

Fire & Ice

Scan to learn more!

Winter Sports

Chelan, Manson, Entiat
BASKETBALL, WRESTLING



CHELAN HIGH SCHOOL

SCOREBOARD BASKETBALL - BOYS

Sat, Dec 27	Chelan	67	La Center	48	Win
Sat, Dec 28	Chelan	46	Anacortes	58	Loss

SCOREBOARD BASKETBALL - GIRLS

Sat, Dec 27	Chelan	60	La Center	36	Win
Sat, Dec 28	Chelan	52	Quincy	43	Win

SCHEDULE BASKETBALL - BOYS

Tue, Dec 30	7:30 PM	Chelan vs. Okanogan	Home
Tue, Jan 7	7:15 PM	Chelan vs. Liberty Bell	Home

SCHEDULE BASKETBALL - GIRLS

Tue, Dec 30	6:00 PM	Chelan vs. Okanogan	Home
Tue, Jan 7	5:45 PM	Chelan vs. Liberty Bell	Home

SCHEDULE WRESTLING- BOYS

Sat, Jan 4	10:00 AM	Cascade	Away	The Bavarian Wrestling Tournament
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ENTIAT HIGH SCHOOL

SCHEDULE BASKETBALL - BOYS

Fri, Jan 3	6:00 PM	Entiat vs. Bridgeport	Home
Sat, Jan 4	6:00 PM	Entiat vs. Wilson Creek	Home
Tue, Jan 7	7:30 PM	Entiat vs. Cascade Christian Academy	Home

SCHEDULE BASKETBALL - GIRLS

Fri, Jan 3	4:30 PM	Entiat vs. Bridgeport	Home
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Link Transit adds four new buses to serve Waterville and Mission Ridge

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WENATCHEE – Link Transit announced plans to expand its regional transportation services with four new specially equipped buses designed to serve Waterville and Mission Ridge Ski & Board Resort in North Central Washington. The new vehicles feature advanced technology, including automatic chains, self-leveling suspension, and engine-braking systems specifically engineered for mountainous terrain.

The buses display custom graphics depicting ski slope scenes for mountain routes and farming landscapes for plateau service. “We are thrilled to add these new buses to the fleet, which will directly improve service and accessibility for the Waterville and SkiLink routes,” said Nick Covey, CEO of Link Transit. “This investment in our infrastructure reflects Link’s commitment to providing high-quality transit services to North Central Washington.”

The transit authority will unveil the first Waterville bus at a public ceremony scheduled for 3 p.m. January 7, at the Waterville Town Hall garage. The event will include refreshments and opportunities for community members to inspect the vehicle and learn about its features. The SkiLink service provides fare-free transportation from Columbia Station to Mission Ridge Ski Resort, with an additional stop at Lincoln Park. The service operates on

weekends and holidays during the ski season. Route 25 to Waterville connects Columbia Station to the Douglas County Courthouse, serving East Wenatchee and Orondo via Pine Canyon. The route operates daily, with extended hours Monday through Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 7:12 p.m. and weekend service from 8 a.m. to 6:12 p.m. Link Transit offers zero-fare service throughout North Central Washington seven days a week.

Mended Hearts Chapter to host CPR training at January meeting

NCW News / Ward Media

EAST WENATCHEE – The Greater Wenatchee Mended Hearts chapter will host its January meeting on Monday, January 6, featuring CPR training for heart patients and their caregivers from four

North Central Washington counties. The meeting will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Aging & Adult Care Meeting Room in East Wenatchee and virtually via Zoom. The event is open to resi-

dents of Chelan, Douglas, Okanogan, and Grant Counties. Jonah Dobbs, a member of the Lake Chelan Health Emergency Medical Services team for 10 years, will demonstrate hands-only CPR using training manikins and show proper

automated external defibrillator (AED) usage. The Aging & Adult Care Meeting Room is located at 270 9th St NE in East Wenatchee. Those interested in attending either in-person or virtually can register by emailing atthehelmsters@hotmail.com or calling 509-293-1603. Mended Hearts is a national organization that serves heart disease patients and their families.

DNA expert to present modern solutions for family history research at Wenatchee Genealogical Society

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE – The Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society (WAGS) announced it will host a free public presentation on using DNA analysis to overcome genealogical research challenges. The hybrid event, titled “Breaking Down Brick Walls with DNA,” will take place on Monday, January 13, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. Genetic genealogist Kate

Penney Howard will lead the presentation, which aims to help researchers address common ancestral research obstacles. The session will focus on using DNA analysis when traditional genealogical methods have been exhausted, particularly in cases involving unnamed ancestors, immigrants with limited documentation, or mysterious family connections. “When traditional genealogical techniques fail to

give us an answer, we can turn to DNA to find more opportunities to discover clues,” according to the event announcement. The meeting will be held simultaneously at the FamilySearch Center in East Wenatchee and online via Zoom. In-person attendees can participate at 667 10th Street N.E., East Wenatchee. Those wishing to attend virtually can obtain the Zoom access information through the organization’s

website at www.wags-web.org under “Latest News and Events.” WAGS, which celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2021, maintains a library at 127 South Mission in the Museum Annex Building. The library is open to the public on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. For additional information about the event, interested parties can contact the organization at 509-782-4046.

New podcast

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Podcasts drop every Friday. Currently, episodes can be found on the Small Towns Unscripted YouTube channel. McClellan hopes to have the website smalltownsunscripted.com up and running soon. Ultimately, Small Towns Unscripted aims to build a sense of connection and rekindle the neighborly spirit that McClellan fondly remembers from his childhood in Manson. McClellan finds people fascinating and believes that everyone has a unique story. “It’s a great podcast for the curious person,” he said. “I think coming from a curious mindset is a lost art, instead of

a judgmental mindset.” McClellan hopes to offset negativity and judgement with raw and unscripted positivity. “So it’s not that everybody’s going to agree,” he said. “That’s not the goal. I hope they disagree.” “I just hope that we can learn how to disagree with respect and avoid tribalism and actually remember we’re all in this together, and we you know, we’re all humans, and we all have our strengths and weaknesses,” he said. McClellan hopes that through his podcasts people may discover they are more alike than they think. Quinn Propst: 509-731-3590 or quinn@ward.media

Bulletin Board

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Senior Center. SAIL classes are offered to residents of Heritage Heights Assisted Living on Mondays and Fridays at 2 p.m.

Chelan Senior Meals: Served at Chelan Senior Center, 534 E. Trow Avenue, Monday-Friday. Suggested donation for seniors over age 60 is \$5. Fee for persons under age 60 is \$12. Call 509-888-4440 to reserve meals 24 hours in advance. For information about Home Delivered Meals call 509-470-0522. Visit their website at www.octn.org. Follow them on Facebook.

Food Bank food distribution: Lake Chelan Food Bank food giveaway Saturday and Tuesday, 9 - 10 a.m. Drive through distribution at 417 S. Bradley Street. Families are limited to one box per week. Information: lake-

chelanfoodbank.org Non perishable food donations may be dropped off at the Lake Chelan Mirror office, 131 Apple Blossom Drive, Suite 109 (Chelan Business Center).

Chelan Museum: The Chelan Museum on Woodin Avenue is temporarily closed and will reopen March 6. For information: chelanmuseum.com

Household hazardous waste drop off: Chelan County Moderate Risk Waste Facility on Highway 97A in Wenatchee. Open the first Saturday of the month, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Open Tuesday through Friday at the same hours. Free service to Chelan County residents. For the list of items that the facility does, and does not accept, go to https://www.co.chelan.wa.us/solid-waste-management/pages/household-hazardous-wastes

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Ferguson keeping Batiste as Washington State Patrol chief

By **JERRY CORNFIELD**
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA – Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste will soon be serving under his third chief executive.

Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson on Thursday announced Batiste's reappointment to lead the statewide law enforcement agency, a job Batiste has held for nearly two decades.

Also Thursday, Ferguson announced he's retaining three other members of Gov. Jay Inslee's administration: Joel Sacks as director of the Department of Labor & Industries, Allyson Brooks as director of the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, and Bill Kehoe as director of Washington Technology Solutions and the state's chief information officer.

"With our challenges ahead, proven and thoughtful leadership is more important than ever," Ferguson said in a statement. "I am proud that these four individuals will continue their service."

On Friday, he said he was reappointing three additional agency leaders: Drew Shirk as director of the Department of Revenue, Scott McCallum as superintendent for the

Washington State School for the Blind and Shauna Bilyeu as executive director for the Washington Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth.

Ferguson has named leaders of more than a dozen agencies and departments ahead of his inauguration next month.

Ferguson hires

Below are Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson's choices to lead state agencies as of Dec. 20.

Department of Children, Youth and Families – State Rep. Tana Senn, D-Mercer Island

Department of Ecology – Casey Sixkiller

Department of Corrections – Tim Lang

Department of Social and Health Services – Cheryl Strange

Department of Labor & Industries – Joel Sacks

Department of Licensing – Marcus Glasper

Department of Veterans Affairs – David Puente Jr.

Department of Agriculture – Derek Sandison

Department of Revenue – Drew Shirk

Office of Financial Management – K.D. Chapman See

Washington State Patrol – John Batiste

Employment Security Department – Cami Peek



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Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste has been reappointed by incoming Washington governor Bob Ferguson.

Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation – Allyson Brooks

Governor's Office of Indian Affairs – Tim Reynon

Washington Military Department – Maj. Gen. Gent Welsh

Director of Washington Technology Solutions – Bill Kehoe

Washington State School for the Blind – Scott McCallum

Washington Center for Deaf

and Hard of Hearing Youth – Shauna Bilyeu

Batiste could be a prominent figure in advancing Ferguson's public safety agenda, which includes securing funding to help cities and counties hire officers and increasing safety on the state's roadways.

Batiste joined the Washington State Patrol in March 1976, earning promotions through the ranks of sergeant, lieutenant,

captain, and deputy chief.

In 2005, then-governor Christine Gregoire appointed him to be the state patrol's 21st chief.

Gov. Jay Inslee kept him on when he took office in 2013 and Batiste is set to begin work for Ferguson on Jan. 15, 2025.

The Washington State Patrol has 1,100 positions budgeted for commissioned officers and 1,100 for civilian employees.

Of its six bureaus, field op-

erations is the most visible as it is responsible for traffic law enforcement, collision investigation, and motorist assistance on 17,524 miles of state and interstate highways.

The state's crime lab and fire marshal are housed in the agency. And the Investigative Services Bureau includes the Firearms Background Division, a point of contact for all firearm-related background checks.

Sacks has led the Department of Labor and Industries since 2013.

The department oversees Washington's workplace safety laws and workers' compensation insurance program, and enforces the state's wage and hour requirements.

In a release, Sacks said he was honored to join the Ferguson administration.

"I'm passionate about worker safety, and proud of what we've accomplished. As long as there are people hurt and killed on the job, we have a lot more to do," he said.

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WSU Master Gardeners offering free winter classes about garden planning

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WENATCHEE – The WSU Chelan-Douglas Master Gardener Program will offer four gardening classes at Pybus Public Market in January and February.

The winter classes series titled "Productive Winter: A Garden Planning Series" will take place in the market's Board Room, which has its own entrance on the southeast corner of the building.

All classes begin at 10 a.m., will last 45 minutes to 1 hour, and are free to the public.

Advance registration is not required but is appreciated to ensure enough printed materials are available. Web links to register for classes can be found below.

"Winter offers a chance to figure out what worked in your garden this past year and what didn't; that information will help you shape a plan for the next growing season," said WSU Chelan-Douglas Master Gardener Program Coordinator Marco Martinez.

"The class series our program is offering will further inform your decisions and contribute to the best possible outcomes. The information covered in these classes will prove useful whether you're a beginning gardener or an experienced gardener."

Here are additional class details (WSU Master Gardener instructor names in parentheses):

Saturday, Jan. 11: Sustainable garden planning basics (Diane Lee)

If your garden is not meeting your needs or you are starting a garden from scratch, you need to draw a plan of the garden space.

Garden planning will give

you a clear vision of the overall design and the ability to experiment with different ideas before committing to a definitive plan.

Web link to register for this class: bit.ly/cdmgjan11class

Saturday, Jan. 25: Adaptive home landscaping for changing conditions (Al Murphy)

As we face a changing climate, the chance for wildfire increases in our region.

Learn about how to be proactive in protecting your home with fire-resistant and drought-resistant landscaping.

Web link to register for this class: bit.ly/cdmgjan25class

Saturday, Feb. 1: Create a resilient vegetable garden plan (Mary Fran McClure)

Raised beds are popular for growing a wide range of plants.

Get ideas of what works best for your situation, including best location, various types of raised beds, preferred sizes and heights, plus the importance of soil, irrigation and accessibility.

Web link to register for this class: bit.ly/cdmgfeb1class

Saturday, Feb. 8: Basics of a viable vegetable garden (Connie Mehmel)

When it comes to planting vegetables, timing is everything.

All plants have a minimum and maximum soil temperature for seed germination, as well as a minimum and maximum air temperature to grow.

Whether you start your vegetables from seeds or purchase plants from a nursery, learn how to keep them healthy and productive throughout the growing season.

Web link to register for this class: bit.ly/cdmgfeb8class

Child care and early learning central to debate over how to close WA budget gap

By **LAUREL DEMKOVICH**
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA – Gov. Jay Inslee's budget proposal offered some hope for child care and early learning advocates who were prepared to fight against deep cuts.

Inslee's plan would boost child care slots, provider rates and money for early learning facilities. But in an effort to save money, he also proposes delaying the expansion of some expensive programs and subsidies set to take effect next year.

Advocates say it could be much worse, especially given a budget deficit of at least \$10 billion to \$12 billion. No currently filled slots would be affected under Inslee's proposal.

"We're just relieved we're not going backward," said Joel Ryan, executive director of the Washington State Association of Head Start and Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program.

Inslee's budget is far from a final plan. And it is underpinned by his idea to raise revenue through a new tax on the wealthy and higher taxes on businesses.

Those ideas are certain to get pushback from some lawmakers when they convene in January and begin work on budget legislation.

Inslee, meanwhile, is on his way out of office and has limited sway over budget talks. Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson could come to the table with his own ideas about how to approach child care policy and spending.

What's clear though is that without additional revenue or shifting substantial dollars from somewhere else in the budget, the state will likely have to make much deeper cuts than what Inslee proposed.

"The challenge for all of us over the next few months is

that this is going to be considered the high mark," said Katy Warren, deputy director of the Washington State Association of Head Start and ECEAP. "There's no going up from here."

Expansion delays

The biggest change Inslee proposes is delaying expansions planned under the Fair Start for Kids Act.

The 2021 law expands and guarantees access to state-paid early learning programs and subsidized child care for families with lower household incomes. It funded new slots for providers and increased the number of families who can use them.

So far, the investments from that law are working, according to the Department of Children, Youth and Families.

"We're seeing the investments pay off that more families are accessing care that they can afford," agency spokesperson Allison Krutsinger told the House Appropriations Committee earlier this month.

Under the Fair Start for Kids Act, eligibility and access are supposed to continue expanding through 2030. But as eligibility expands so do expenses associated with the programs – one of the big drivers of the state's multi-billion dollar deficit.

Starting in the 2026-2027 school year, the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program is planned to become an entitlement, guaranteeing access to families below a certain income.

This program provides child care and other support services for 3- and 4-year-olds and younger children in some locations.

Meanwhile, Working Connections Child Care, the state's subsidy program, is supposed to increase eligibil-

ity for families with up to 75% of the state median income starting next July.

To save money throughout the next four years, Inslee proposed delaying the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program expansion to the 2030-2031 school year. That delay would save the state about \$146 million through 2027.

Inslee also proposed delaying the subsidy expansion to 2031, a move that would save the state \$119.5 million through 2027.

The delays don't mean cuts to families currently using the programs, but they do mean a longer wait for future families who might have been eligible starting next year, leading to mixed reactions from child care leaders.

"Working parents and child care providers are forced to make unreasonable choices to make child care work with their careers and their bank accounts," Genevieve Stokes, director of Government Relations for Child Care Aware of Washington, said in a statement.

To some, the delays make sense. Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program and Working Connections providers are struggling to hire staff, leaving many slots unfilled.

Warren said Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program advocates were planning to ask for a delay of that program's expansion because there weren't enough providers ready to handle the influx of new children who would be eligible.

Provider pay

To increase the number of providers across the state, Inslee's budget puts new investments into their rates over the next two years.

He proposes an 18% rate increase for Early Childhood

Education and Assistance Program school-day providers starting in July.

He also includes \$510 million to fund rate increases for providers who take Working Connections subsidies. That would bring their rates up to the 85th percentile of 2024 market rates, a requirement under the Fair Start for Kids Act.

Those investments are a welcome relief to advocates who say increased provider pay is long overdue.

"There are families who really need these critical services," Ryan said. "They can't get it if the workforce leaves."

Along with increases to provider pay, Inslee's proposed budget adds more slots for the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program through some restructuring.

He proposes removing 845 unfilled part-day child care slots, which his office said aren't always appealing to parents who work full days.

He then converts 250 of those into full school-day slots and adds 500 more, for a total of 750 more slots starting in 2026.

The budget also sets aside \$58.6 million in the capital budget for construction and improvement of early learning facilities.

Ryan credited the Inslee administration for providing support for early learning though he acknowledged it's not everything advocates were hoping for.

He said they'd push legislators to limit cuts to current slots and prioritize funding for provider rates.

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makes sense not only for the nonprofits receiving the funds, but for growing awareness and support for the work of local charities throughout our region."

Two more communities will have upcoming Legacy Fund Grant opportunities: Methow Valley Fund grant cycle is currently in progress with a deadline of January 15, 2025, and the Okanogan Valley Fund grantmaking cycle will open in February 2025.

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Pursuant to RCW 39.04.190 the District is soliciting applications from vendors who wish to be added to our Vendor List for the purchasing of materials, supplies or equipment in the amount of \$50,000 or less. Interested vendors may obtain an application on the website www.lcrrd.org or by contacting Jennifer Collins at jcollins@lcrrd.org (509) 687-3548. Published in the Lake Chelan Mirror on January 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025. #9104

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS LAKE CHELAN RECLAMATION DISTRICT
2025 SMALL WORKS ROSTER
Pursuant to RCW 87.03.436, the Lake Chelan Reclamation District (District) is accepting applications from contractors for its 2025 Small Works Roster. Applications will be accepted continuously until December 2025. Project cost will be \$350,000 or less. In order to qualify, applicants must be: 1) a registered contractor in good standing in the State of Washington with a WA State UBI number and Contractor's License number; 2) be able to comply with Federal and State prevailing wage requirements as they apply to each project; 3) be able to provide bid bonds, payment bonds, performance bonds, and an endorsed certificate of insurance naming the District as additional insured when called for; 4) complete and submit a Small Works Roster Application. Applications, specifications, and information on work available and selection process may be obtained from the District's website at www.lcrrd.org. Questions concerning applications may be directed to Jennifer Collins by email at jcollins@lcrrd.org. Published in the Lake Chelan Mirror on January 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025 #9099

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN LODGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff v. TIMOTHY W. GRUBB and JOHN/JANE DOE GRUBB, and their marital community, Defendants.
NO. 24-2-00792-04 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION (60 DAYS)
The State of Washington, To: TIMOTHY W. GRUBB and JOHN/JANE DOE GRUBB, and their marital community. You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 25 day of December, 2024, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorney for plaintiff at his (or their) office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The object of this action being to collect unpaid assessments and foreclose a lien for the same. This concerns collection of a debt. Any information obtained or provided will be used for that purpose. The attorney is acting as a debt collector. Signed:/s/Dean H. Pody Pody & McDonald, PLLC Dean H. Pody, WSBA #27585 Patrick M. McDonald, WSBA #36615 Asha A. Abdulle, WSBA #61101 1000 Second Avenue, Suite 1605 Seattle, WA 98104-1094 Published in the Lake Chelan Mirror on December 25, 2024, January 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2025. #9107

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NOTICE TO ENGINEERS LAKE CHELAN RECLAMATION DISTRICT 2025 WASTEWATER SYSTEM UPGRADES
Scope: Provide engineering services to assist the District with sanitary sewer collection system and pressure sewer/lift station improvements, and possibly provide other misc. wastewater and collection engineering services as requested.
Qualification Requirements: Selection criteria include: 1) Qualifications, understanding and experience with the Districts current sewer infrastructure; 2) demonstrated ability to facilitate and interact effectively with the public, District board, District staff and convey that information both orally and in writing; 3) General sewer collection system and pressure sewer/lift station project experience; and 4) any other criteria the District may deem pertinent in the review process.
Submittal Requirements: Submit Statement of Qualifications electronically via email to jcollins@lcrrd.org. Limit response to no more than 15 single-sided pages, including key project personnel, background, proposed subconsultants (if any) with qualifications, relevant project history, references and other information as deemed necessary. Include a cover letter not to exceed one page (not part of page limit).
Note: The District anticipates notifying short listed firms the week of Feb 3rd.
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SUDOKU

Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!
Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

ANSWER:

CRYPTO FUN
Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to slow cooking. Each number corresponds to a letter. (Hint: 16 = E)

A. 12 9 10 12 23
Clue: Vessel

B. 18 19 10 8
Clue: Opposite of fast

C. 18 3 20 20 16 9
Clue: Liquid kept below boil

D. 1 16 15 17 16 9 3 21 16
Clue: Soften fibers

Answers: A. crock B. slow C. simmer D. tenderize

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WORD SCRAMBLE
Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to organization.

T S M Y E S

Answer: System

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Kid Scoop Together Funny Fill-In

Ask a family member for each kind of word below. Then fill in the blanks to create a very silly story to read aloud!

Our Annual Silly New Year Party

My parents like to host a New Year's Eve party

every year. And these _____

parties are hilarious! _____

Dad likes to wear a party hat made from _____

_____ and _____

Mom wears a _____ gown

covered with sparkly _____

They greet each of their guests by shouting

" _____!"

_____ music plays as everyone

begins to dance and _____ Uncle

Ambrose has a _____ voice and

likes to _____ loudly.

People bring lots of _____

appetizers and _____ snacks,

such as cheesy _____, sweet

_____ and spicy _____ on

toothpicks. Aunt Clara always fills the punch

bowl with _____

which the guests look forward to each year.

As the clock strikes midnight, everyone

shouts " _____!" and many

_____ are dropped from upstairs

onto the surprised and delighted party

guests. It's sure a _____ way to

start the New Year!

New Year Bingo

1. Cut out these bingo cards and give one to each player.

2. Once the game starts, everyone looks or listens for the words on their card.

3. When you see or hear one of these words related to New Year's celebrations, cross it out.

4. After one hour, time's up! The player who crossed out the most words wins!

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

RESOLUTION	PARTY	TIMES SQUARE
CELEBRATE	MIDNIGHT	BALLOONS
CALENDAR	CLOCK	2025

TIME	RESOLUTION	CONFETTI
2025	FUTURE	HOUR
PARADE	DAY	EXCITED

MUSIC	HOLIDAY	BALL
PEOPLE	HAPPY	RESOLUTION
LAUGHTER	2025	GOODBYE

Stinky Sock Game

Seat everyone in a circle. Quickly pass a pair of rolled-up socks around as music plays. When the music stops, the person holding the socks leaves the game. The last person left is the Toe-tally Tops!

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.



How many socks do you see here?



Start 2025 with smiles and laughs with these silly games! Being silly can bring smiles and laughs to your friends and family, too!

New Year Guessing Game

Each player chooses something related to New Year celebrations, like balloons or confetti. The other players ask YES or NO questions to try and guess what it is, asking no more than 20 questions. Each time someone asks a question with a NO answer, they have to dance and cluck like a chicken!



Hey, kid! That is NOT how I dance! What the heck?

Double Dancer

Look closely! Only two of these dancers are exactly the same. Can you find them? Have a friend try, too!



Extra! Extra! Silly Headlines

Clip newspaper headlines and paste them together to create silly news items. For example:

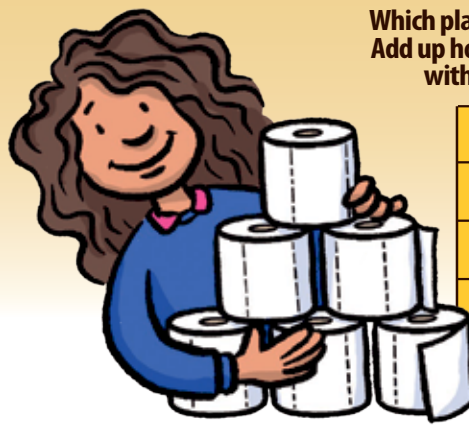
Spaghetti rocket travels to **MOON** hotel

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow simple written directions.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Toilet Paper Tower Toss

Make a tall tower of toilet paper rolls. Take turns trying to knock over as many rolls as you can by tossing a rolled up sock at the tower three times.



Which player knocked over the most rolls? Add up how many rolls they knocked over with each turn to see who won.

Aziz	6	4	2
Carlos	3	2	4
Kendra	4	4	5
Anna	1	4	6
Mia	5	2	3

Standards Link: Math: Calculate sums and differences.

Double Double Word Search

- ASK
- BALL
- CLOCK
- DANCE
- GAME
- HOUR
- MIDNIGHT
- MOON
- MUSIC
- PARADE
- PARTY
- SOCK
- TOSS
- TOWER
- YEAR

Find the words by looking up, down, backwards, forwards, sideways and diagonally.

T	M	D	A	N	C	E	N	E	A
M	O	L	L	A	B	L	O	C	D
I	F	W	A	G	Y	H	O	U	R
D	H	L	E	K	A	E	M	C	Y
N	P	Y	S	R	D	M	S	I	K
I	Z	A	S	A	E	S	E	S	C
G	L	V	R	E	O	C	J	U	O
H	Q	A	R	T	B	G	W	M	S
T	P	V	J	W	Y	E	A	R	J

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

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

What's New?

Look through the newspaper for three things that didn't exist when your parents were born. Ask them which of these things made the biggest difference in their lives.

Standards Link: Follow simple written instructions.



What do frogs shout on the first day of January?

ANSWER: "HAPPY NEW YEAR!"

Write On!

Let's Get Silly!

How would you like to get silly in the New Year? What silly things would you do? Write about them.

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