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Guild B delivers donations to enhance healthcare at Lake Chelan Health Hospital

By QUINN PROPST

Ward Media Staff Reporter

CHELAN - Lake Chelan Health Guild B recently presented two donations to Lake Chelan Health Hospital.

Lake Chelan Health Guild B works to support the greater Chelan community and healthcare providers by raising funds from private donors and members to purchase major medical equipment and address specific hospital needs.

Mary Lou Schoolcraft, President of Lake Chelan Health Guild B, presented checks from recent fundraising events.

"I'm honored to present the results of two recent fundraising events organized by our Guild," Schoolcraft

"Thanks to the dedication of our volunteers, generous donors, and the ongoing support of the hospital,

these events were a great success in supporting both the hospital and the wider community," Schoolcraft said.

"This success highlights what we can achieve when we work together."

The first event, Paint the Town Pink was held in October and raised \$20,000. The theme for the Paint the Town Pink event was "Measure Up, Pressure Down".

"This success was made possible by the incredible teamwork between our Guild and the generosity of our community sponsors and donors," she said.

"The funds raised will go toward standardizing blood pressure machines, directly benefiting patients and improving the care that is provided."

The second event, the Karen Collins Estate Sale, raised \$6,200. Collins was an honorary Guild member.

Collins' family asked the Guild to hold her estate sale as a way to recognize her commitment to the Guild and support of the hospital.

The event was co-led with Vita Monteleone from the Foundation.

"Vita played a crucial role in extending our reach and ensuring a smooth-running event," Schoolcraft

Funds from the estate sale will go towards a new EKG machine for the clinic as their current machine recently failed.

"We are excited about the positive changes these contributions will bring to the hospital and the lives of those who need it most," she said.

"The enthusiasm and generosity we've seen reflect the strength of our community and our shared commitment to making a lasting impact."

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Mary Lou Schoolcraft, President of the Lake Chelan Health Hospital Guild B, presents a check to Jordana LaPorte, Lake Chelan Health Hospital board chair. From left to right: Len England, board member, Diane Tryon of Guild B, Lynette Teeny of Guild B, Mary Lou Schoolcraft, Jordana LaPorte, Aaron Edwards, CEO of Lake Chelan Health Hospital, Doug Gibson, board member, Mary Murphy, board secretary and Lori Withrow, board vice chair.

Discover Lake Chelan Wines event expands to Boise, visits Spokane again



COURTESY OF LAKE CHELAN WINE ALLIANCE

Lake Chelan produced wines have made the area a rising star in the Washington wine scene.

By Quinn Propst

will expand its tasting experiences this year to include Boise, Idaho and will again visit

Community Engagement Renea Roberts said the events will showcase the exceptional wines that have made Lake Chelan a rising



COURTESY OF LAKE CHELAN WINE ALLIANCE

Lake Chelan Wine Alliance tasting events highlight wines produced in the Lake Chelan Valley.

Ward Media Staff Reporter

CHELAN - The Lake Chelan Wine Alliance

Lake Chelan Wine Alliance's Director of

star in the Washington wine scene.

"Lake Chelan wines are experiencing a surge in popularity, thanks to their unique flavor profiles, the exceptional quality of the grapes, and the region's picturesque setting," Roberts said.

"The expansion to include Idaho reflects a recognition of the increasing connection between wine regions in the Pacific Northwest," Roberts said. "By including Idaho, we aim to broaden our audience and showcase

the diversity of wines produced in this corner of Washington."

The first tasting is on February 20 from 6-8 p.m. at the Davenport Hotel's Marie Antoinette Ballroom in Spokane.

The next tasting event will be at Boise's Inn at 500's Capital Room on Thursday, May 8 from 6-8 p.m. Guests will enjoy exclusive tastings of award-winning wines from the Lake Chelan

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Chelan parking passes now available for purchase

By Quinn Propst

Ward Media Staff Reporter

CHELAN - Chelan Parking passes are now available for Chelan and Chelan Valley residents.

The passes provide access to parking at Don Morse Park, Lakeshore Marina and Lakeside Park.

According to Chad Coltman, Chelan's director of communications, the passes are designed to make parking more affordable and accessible for residents who frequently visit these public spaces.

"Residents benefit from parking passes by saving money on daily parking, particularly during busy times of the year," Coltman said.

"It's a money-saving option for those who frequent city parks." "You also won't have to find and deal with lines

at parking kiosks if you've already got your pass,' "Just pop it on your rearview mirror and go."

While parking passes do not sell out, Coltman encourages residents to purchase early to maximize the benefits. Parking passes are available year-round at the

Chelan Parks Office in Don Morse Park during business hours Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to

The passes are valid for the entire calendar year. Residents must provide proof of residency to purchase a pass.

City of Chelan Residents: \$25

Chelan Valley Residents: \$45

City of Chelan residents must have a primary residence within the Chelan city limits.

Chelan Valley residents must live in the zip codes 98816, 98817, 98831, or 98852.

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Lake Chelan School District celebrates 21 board certified teachers

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CHELAN - The Lake Chelan School District announced that 21 of its educators have achieved National Board Certification, the highest credential in the teaching profession.

The district also reported six additional teachers are currently pursuing certification, demonstrating an ongoing commitment to educational advancement in this rural Washington community of approximately 1,300 students.

The certified teachers are Ken Barnes, Cindy Bertomeu, Steve Bovingdon, Brandon Boyd, Carolyn Burdick, Steve Burdick, Kayli Crosby, Jessica Dumont, Amber Finch, Paula Fitzpatrick, Heather Fox, Kim Green, Amanda Mattingly, Cathy Morris, Kristin Nelson, Meghan Perry, Jenifer Rainville, Marty Rothlisberger, Sarah Sanderson, April Slagle, and Shelly Stamps.

Teachers currently pursuing certification include Mayte Castillo, Melissa Collins, Mary Green, Jess Poland, Rob Rainville, and Sarah

National Board Certification requires educators to undergo a rigorous voluntary assessment process, including submission of teaching portfolios, classroom videos, and written reflections, along with comprehensive evaluations of their content knowledge and teaching practices.

Teachers must renew their certification every five years to maintain their status.

"These teachers represent the pinnacle of professionalism and dedication in education. Their commitment to excellence profoundly impacts our students, fostering a learning environment where every student can thrive," said Superintendent Brad Wilson in a written statement.

The certification program has shown measurable impact on student achievement, according to the dis-

Research indicates students of National Board Certified Teachers consistently achieve stronger academic outcomes through innovative teaching strategies and differentiated instruction methods.

The certification process is overseen by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards and is widely recognized as the gold standard in teaching excellence.

The Lake Chelan School District, established in 1892, has demonstrated strong academic performance,

with a 97% four-year graduation rate. More than half of its high school students are enrolled in no-cost, college-level coursework, according to data from the Office of Superinten-

dent of Public Instruction (OSPI). The district serves the Lake Chelan community from its headquarters at 309 E. Johnson Ave., operating with a focused mission to provide comprehensive education to its student population.



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Self Care Sundays at Elevate

Elevate Medical Aesthetics and IV Bar in Chelan will host a Self-Care Sunday Series beginning on Sunday, January 12 at 9 a.m.

"Take time to reset and recharge with our first-ever Self-Care Sunday Series," the event page states. "45 Minutes of Blissful Yoga: Flow through a gentle yoga session led by a certified instructor, designed to soothe your body and

For more information, visit elevatechelan.com.

Journey of Self Discovery

Brave Yoga Chelan will host an intention setting workshop called Journey of Self Discovery on Sunday, January 12, from 1-3 p.m.

"Let's kick off 2025 with a little magic and a lot of heart," the event page states.

"Join us for a two-hour workshop where we'll dream big, set soulful intentions, and let our creativity flow through vision boarding and poetry writing."

For more information, visit braveyogachelan.com.

Tabletop Tuesday

The Cove Wine and Games in Chelan will host Tabletop Tuesday on Tuesday, January 14, from 5-8 p.m.

"The Cove is offering private sessions to teach players the basics of D&D," the event page states.

"Whether you're a budding

explorer or an experienced adventurer, the Cove

For more information, visit insidethecove.com.

Appreciate a **Dragon Day Craft**

The Chelan Library will host an Appreciate a Dragon Day Craft for ages 10 and up on Thursday, January 16, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

"Celebrate imagination and the mythical world of dragons as we paint a dragon eye and share fun facts and trivia about dragons and the significance of dragon eyes in mythology," the event page states.

For more information, visit ncwlibraries.org.

has you covered."

Live music by Greg King

THINGS TO DO

THIS WEEK

Tipsy Canyon Winery in Manson will host live music by Greg King on Thursday, January 16, from 4-6 p.m.

"Come enjoy the night with Tipsy Canyon Winery and Greg King," the event page

"Greg is a singer, songwriter, guitarist, and band leader with a smooth tenor voice. He performs a combination of classic and unique rock covers as well as originals."

For more information, visit tipsycanyon.com.

Public Online Auction Ordnance Headquarters

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Chelan County Sheriff Report

December 27

0:39:46 Suspicious, 240 E Johnson Ave# 10, Ch

2:49:40 911, 960 Boetzkes Ave, Manson. 9:11:27 Hazard, 936 Green Ave,

Manson, Wa Ma 15:51:15 Assist Public, 14449 Us

Hwy 97a; Stormin 16:02:26 911, 13500blk Entiat

River Rd. 17:56:06 Welfare Check, 2218 W Prospect St, Chelan

20:32:51Civil, 321 E Nebraska St,

Chelan **December 28**

0:39:46 Suspicious, 240 E Johnson Ave# 10. Ch

2:49:40 911, 960 Boetzkes Ave,

12:03:14 Harass/Threat, 300blk E Woodin Ave, Chela

12:12:16 Trespass, 1448 Washington St. Manson 911, 960 Boetzke5 Ave,

15:05:39 Traffic Offense, Sr 150 &

E Woodin Ave; Wb, 11:02 Suspicious, 575

Chelan Falls, Wa 17:34:59Accident Link, E Woodin

Ave & N Sanders Sch 18:04:38 Civil. 210 W Gibson

Ave# 14, Che Ch 18:36:36 911, 13500blk Entiat River Rd, 7

19:03:26 Fireworks, 6619 Roaring Creek Rd, Ent 7 21:20:19 Domestic Distur, 405 E

Nixon Ave, Chelan, W Ch **December 29**

0:16:30 Harass/Threat, 130 Olive Ave. Manson. Wa

8:19:32 911, 960 Boetzkes Ave, 11:11:41 Atl/Atc, Echo Valley Ski

Area, Chel 17:39:13 Suspicious, 85 Wapato

Way; Manson Post 22:13:20 Suspicious, 116 E Gibson Ave. Chelan.

22:39:01 Assist Agency, 207 N Emerson St: Chofc. C 22:58:22 Assist Public, 207 N Emerson St; Chofc, C

December 30

0:16:30 Harass/Threat, 130 Olive Ave, Manson, Wa Ma

0:16:43 Traffic Offense, 302 E Woodin Ave; Union 76 0:56:23 Suspicious, 518 W Manson Rd; Chelan La

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Singlet Ma 9:10:32 Malicious Misch, 14108 Kinzel St; Entiat Po En

10:08:30 Vehicle Theft, 1058 E Woodin Ave# C; Cha Ch 11:04:21 Harass/Threat, 310

15:03:47 Theft, 455 Wapato Lake Rd; 12 Tri 15:11:01 Disturbance, 14449 Us

Manson Rd; Red Apple Ch

Hwy 97a; Stormin 17:13:57 Assist Agency, Us Hwy 97a Mp 228, Chelan. 19:50:01 Trespass, 455 Wapato

December 31 0:56:23 Suspicious, 518 W Manson

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Rd; Chelan La Ch 2:12:50 Hazard, Us Hwy 97a & Hyland Ave, E En

9:16:36 Welfare Check, 14825 Stoneridae St. Entia En 9:56:10 Welfare Check, Boyd Rd & Highpoint Ln, Ch 2

11:42:32 Traffic Offense, 25 Wapato Point Pkwy; Moun Ma

14:10:34Animal Problem, 100 Lake Chelan Shores Dr; Ch

14:18:24 Court Order Violation, 401 Washington St# 5; Che C 14:36:00 Welfare Check, Sr 150 &

E Woodin Ave, Che Ch 14:36:18 Welfare Check, Us Hwy 97a & N Apple Bloss Ch 18:38:52 Suspicious, 585 4th St,

Chelan Falls, 2 20:15:52 Fireworks, 703 Boetzkes Ave, Manson, Ma

20:47:47 Alarm, 233 E Wapato Ave; Chelan A Ch 21:47:28 Suspicious, 615 Cooper Gulch Rd. Chela 2

23:03:41 Traffic Offense, Sr 150 & Boyd Rd, Chelan, Ch 23:35:39 Traffic Offense, 422 S

Navarre St; Chelan B Ch **January 1**

2:02:33 Trespass, 104 W Woodin Ave; Campbell

2:11:35 911, 12245 S Lakeshore

Rd# 81. E:06:44 Alarm

Chelan A 8:58:08 Trespass, 110 S Apple Blossom Dr; La

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Way, Chelan, W 16:37:37Animal Problem, Sr 150 & Boyd Rd, Chelan,

18:54:49 Disturbance, 222 E Woodin Ave; Wells Fa 19:42:45 Trespass, 502

Manson Rd; Company C 19:43:51 Trespass, 112 E Woodin Ave: Senor Fr

20:38:07 Harass/Threat, Boyd Loop Rd, Chelan, 20:59:47 Fireworks, 812

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hart Rd. 22:49:25 Suspicious, 402 Manson Rd; The Lake

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150; Lake, Manson,

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Wapato Way; Laundromat

Chelan County Commissioners to take public input on short-term rental code changes

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WENATCHEE – Chelan County will hold a public hearing on proposed modifications to the county's short-term rental regulations, as officials continue to refine rules governing vacation rentals in the

region. The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has scheduled the public hearing for Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 1 p.m. at the Confluence Technology Center in Wenatchee. The meeting will offer both in-person and virtual attendance options through Zoom, with connection details available on the Commissioners' webpage at www.co.chelan.

wa.us/board-of-commissioners. The proposed amendments follow a review initiated by the BOCC earlier this year, target-

ing sections of the code that have generated questions from county staff and residents since its initial adoption in July 2021. The existing code established operating standards for the county's short-term rental in-A previous public hearing

held by the Planning Commission on Nov. 13 drew 75 online participants and 40 in-person attendees. The commission has since submitted its recommendations on the proposed changes to the BOCC, which are now available for public review online.

Members of the public wishing to voice their opinions at the upcoming hearing will be allocated three minutes each for comments. Written submissions are being accepted by

department at CD.Comment@ co.chelan.wa.us prior to the meeting.

the public Following comment period, commissioners may proceed with deliberations and take immediate action on the proposed updates. Alternatively, they retain the option to close the public comment period and continue deliberations at a subsequent meeting.

The proposed modifications and current short-term rental code can be accessed through the county's official website, along with additional meeting information and documenta-

This hearing represents the latest step in the county's efforts to regulate its shortterm rental industry, which has grown to become a key part of the local housing market.

Link Transit expands routes, adds early morning and weekend service

the Community Development

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WENATCHEE Transit launched expanded public transportation services across North Central Washington on January 6, adding earlier departure times and enhanced weekend coverage to 11 routes throughout the

region. The transit authority implemented schedule changes focused on early morning commuter service and increased

major regional hubs, marking one of the largest schedule adjustments in recent years for the system serving the greater Wenatchee Valley and surrounding communities.

New weekday additions included early morning departures on several routes, with Route 2 East Wenatchee to Walmart beginning service at 6 a.m. and Route 18 adding a pre-dawn departure at 4:59 a.m. from Olds Station to

Wenatchee Valley College.

between Wenatchee and Leavenworth adjusted departure times throughout the day, with four trips shifting by five to ten minutes to optimize service de-

Peshastin, replacing it with regular scheduled stops on all Route 22 trips. Weekend service grew on in-

tercity routes. The Wenatchee-

eliminated on-call service in

The transit authority also



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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 Pedi St. In person or JOIN ZOOM MEETING: Meeting ID: 865 5396 3012, Passcode: 98831: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/ 86553963012?pwd=feCLUlQk f3Z2TgEGDFvVaCEHpFl6AB.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 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 Meth-

odist 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://uso2web.zoom. us/j/87284665516. Meeting ID: 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 Pedoi 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 af-

fected 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 ioin 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 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: lakechelanfoodbank.org Non perishable food

County Sheriff's Office announced comprehensive operational changes to enhance supervision and accountability across all patrol shifts beginning in 2025. Sheriff Mike Morrison revealed that patrol supervisors, including both Sergeants and Corporals, will be scheduled alongside deputies during

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Chelan County

Sheriff adds 24/7

county. The initiative addresses previous gaps in supervisory coverage and aligns with law enforcement best practices, according to the department's announcement on December 31,

every patrol shift, establish-

ing round-the-clock supervi-

sory presence throughout the

"Supervisors play a critical role in overseeing investigations, managing critical incidents, evaluating employee performance, and ensuring accountability," Morrison stated in the release. "They are responsible for making real-time decisions during incidents, ensuring deputies comply with legal and procedural standards, and providing coaching and mentorship."

As part of the transparency measures, patrol supervisor vehicles will be clearly marked with "SUPERVISOR" signage and display their assigned in-

supervisor coverage to patrol shifts

COURTESY OF CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office announced comprehensive changes to enhance supervision across all patrol shifts starting in 2025, including clearly marked supervisor vehicles and round-theclock supervisory coverage throughout the county.

signia in multiple locations, making them easily identifiable to the public. This change is scheduled for implementation in early 2025.

The department emphasized that supervisors will manage critical documentation and oversee resources while maintaining service standards across the communities they serve.

"The Sheriff's Office is committed to professionalism, accountability, and public safety," the release stated, adding that these changes represent "a key step in strengthening public confidence and ensuring law enforcement operations meet the highest standards."

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 closed and will re-open in

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Schoolcraft said.

The funds raised from the events are part of a larger effort to improve healthcare

and support the community,

forward to achieving even greater things together," she

"We are proud to be part of this important work and look

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Community Foundation now accepting applications for scholarships

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE - The Community Foundation of NCW is now accepting scholarship applications for students who plan to attend community college, university, or trade school in Fall 2025.

Over 160 scholarships are available to high school seniors, current college students, and non-traditional students, each with unique criteria and award amounts.

Most scholarships seek to support students who have served their community, show growth and potential, and demonstrate financial need.

"Our scholarships have been

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established by people in our region who care about helping local students achieve their education and career dreams" said Julie Mott, scholarship program specialist.

"Each was created with a certain student in mind, so there is really something for everyone. We encourage anyone who plans on going to college or trade school this fall to apply."

The application process is completed online.

A universal application allows students to apply once and qualify for multiple scholarship opportunities.

The application deadline for general scholarships is March 1. The deadline for nursing/ allied health/trade school scholarships is June 1.

If students plan to apply for the latter, it is recommended they apply for general scholarships as well and meet the March 1 deadline.

Students will need to complete the FAFSA before applying, as well as obtaining letters of recommendation from teachers and/or mentors, and school transcripts, so proper planning is highly recommended.

Last year, over \$1.2M in scholarships was awarded to students across North Central Washington.

To learn more and apply, visit www.cfncw.org/scholarships.

Community leaders to address CVRW

Lake Chelan Mirror Ward Media

MANSON - The Chelan Valley Republican Women (CVRW) announced they will commence their 2025 calendar of events with a community leadership forum at Radiance Winery in downtown Manson on Thursday, January 9, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will feature presentations from various community leaders who will outline their objectives and strategic plans for the Chelan Valley region in 2025. The organization has extended an open invitation to both members and non-members, including men, to attend the event.

Radiance Winery, the selected venue for the gathering, will offer food, wine, and beverages for purchase before the formal proceedings begin. Attendees are encouraged to arrive early to allow time for dining and refreshments. The CVRW, a local chapter of the broader Republican women's organization, regularly hosts community events and political discussions in the Chelan Valley area. This meeting marks their first official gathering of the new year.

For additional information about the event or the organization, interested parties are advised to contact the Chelan Valley Republican Women directly.

Link Transit

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Chelan Route 21 added three additional round trips on both Saturday and Sunday.

Route 22's weekend service increased to 45-minute frequency between 8 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Route 28 between Wenatchee

and Cashmere introduced Sunday service for the first time, offering five daily departures from Columbia Station.

Route 32, serving Leavenworth's local area, adjusted to 30-minute intervals between buses, while Route 25 to Waterville underwent schedule restructuring with new morning service times.

Link Transit made new schedule books available to passengers prior to the changes, with digital schedules updating automatically on the morning of the service change.



RUTHEDNA KEYS/WARD MEDIA Mary Lou Schoolcraft, President of the Lake Chelan Health Hospital Guild B, second from left, poses with Guild B members Lynette Teeny, and Diane Tryon by the guild's **Lights of Love Christmas tree** in the Orchard Cafe at Lake Chelan Health Hospital.

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COURTESY OF LAKE CHELAN WINE ALLIANCE

The Lake Chelan Wine Alliance will expand their tasting events to include Boise.

Gold and Gold awards across several North America and PNW wine competitions in

2024. Roberts said.

"Lake Chelan wines are special because of the terroir

- a combination of volcanic and glacial soils, paired with a climate moderated by the lake, which creates ideal conditions for growing grapes," she said.

This leads to wines that are vibrant, crisp, and wellstructured. Visitors also enjoy the close-knit winemaking community, where they can meet winemakers and learn the stories behind each bottle."

The Lake Chelan Wine Alliance is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and supporting the Lake Chelan Valley's wine industry.

With over 85 members, the Alliance works to enhance the reputation of Lake Chelan wines through education, marketing, and community events.

For tickets and more information, visit discoverlakechelanwines.com.

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CONNECTING COMMUNITIES ACROSS NORTH CENTRAL WASHINGTON

Washington's Legislature, by the numbers

By Laurel Demkovich

Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - On Monday, 147 state representatives and senators will descend on the Capitol for 105 days of lawmaking.

Hundreds of others - lobbyists, support staff, press and members of the public - will also filter beneath the dome over the next four months.

Legislators will have to solve a \$10 billion to \$12 billion dollar budget problem and will likely pass hundreds of bills.

Here's a look at some key numbers to know as you follow

98 representatives and 49 Senators

The state Legislature has two chambers, the House of Representatives and the Senate.

The House is the larger of the two with 98 members – two for each district in the state.

The Senate is smaller with only one representative per district.

Democrats control both chambers and grew their majorities in this year's elections.

In 2025, there will be 30 Democrats and 19 Republicans in the Senate and 59 Democrats and 39 Republicans in the House.

31 new people - and counting

The Legislature saw high turnover this year following retirements and lawmakers moving to different elected po-

There will be 31 people in new seats. That includes eight former representatives heading to the Senate.

There's also a handful of lawmakers returning after time off. And some are representing new districts following court-ordered changes to district boundaries.

The rest are newcomers. Three more replacements

are still on the way.

Sen. Patty Kuderer will leave her post in January to become the next state insurance commissioner.

Her vacancy will mean at least one new member in the Senate – likely a current House member. The resulting House vacancy would mean another

new member in that chamber. Meanwhile, Rep. Tana Senn will also leave next month to lead the Department of Children, Youth and Families. Her

vacancy will need to be filled

35 committees

Between the House and the Senate, there are about 35 standing committees where bills start their long journey to becoming law.

They cover topics like economic development, higher education, housing, long-term care and tribal affairs.

Standing committees meet regularly throughout the session to hold public hearings on proposed legislation, amend bills and vote to move them on through the process. It's where much of the bill-writing process happens.

Most committees have less than a dozen members, but the finance committees are much

The House Appropriations Committee, for example, had 31 members last session, and the Senate Ways and Means Committee had 21 members.

There are also joint committees that include members from both chambers and meet periodically throughout the year to discuss specific topics, like veterans' and military affairs, water supply during droughts, and energy supply.



LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES

The Senate chambers at the Washington state Capitol.

7 important cutoff dates

To keep things moving during the session, lawmakers set deadlines for when they must pass legislation.

The first cutoff comes on Feb. 21 when bills must pass through a policy committee in their house of origin or they are likely dead for the year.

The next one comes a week later when the fiscal committee cutoff arrives. All leading up to "house of origin" cutoff on March 12.

Then the process repeats with three more deadlines before "sine die" on April 27 the final scheduled cutoff for anything to pass this session.

274 pre-filed bills and counting

In the month or so before a legislative session starts, lawmakers can pre-file bills.

Doing so doesn't automatically mean the legislation will get a hearing, and it doesn't become a law.

But it does give committee chairs ideas for what they might want to bring forward once the Legislature convenes.

When lawmakers gavel in, hundreds more bills are likely to be introduced.

Some could pass quickly, others could take all session to move along, and many may never be considered. As of Dec. 30, at least 274 bills had been pre-filed.

747 reams of paper

During the 2021 legislative session, when lawmakers worked from home during the COVID pandemic, they used significantly less paper than they normally do.

Christine Rolfes, lead Democratic budget writer at the time, told lawmakers on the final day of that session that not having to print the 1,100page budget saved 747 reams

of paper - or about 37 trees. Although the pandemic

changes to the Legislature, like remote testimony, it didn't change lawmakers' reliance on printed products.

Assuming the Legislature prints their budget like they do most years, it'll require hundreds of reams of paper. And that doesn't include all of the sheets used for agendas, bills, notetaking and more.

2,520 hours

That's how many hours are in the 105 days that lawmakers will have to debate bills in 2025 – assuming that a special session doesn't add more time.

Hopefully, they won't work too many nights or weekends, but they are known for pulling long and late hours, especially as the session nears its end.

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Stemilt donates \$240K to Wenatchee Valley organizations



Stemilt employees gather behind tables filled with wrapped holiday gifts and bicycles for foster children in Chelan and Douglas counties. The company's Community Investment Committee helped coordinate the gift-giving initiative, which provided presents for 112 children in 2024, marking the 12th consecutive year of the program.

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE - Fruit producer Stemilt has contributed \$240,000 to more than 50 organizations throughout the Wenatchee Valley region in 2024, focusing on education, nutrition, and wellness initiatives.

The company reached a \$1.3 million cumulative donation to the Washington Apple Education Foundation (WAEF), supported by proceeds from their annual golf tournament.

The year concluded with the company providing holiday gifts to foster children in Chelan and Douglas counties.

"To serve the community is a true honor and we're privileged to give to numerous organizations in need of support in the Wenatchee area," said Stemilt President West Mathison.

"Our founder and my grand-

father, Thomas K. Mathison, always valued being a steward to the community and the next generation.'

Recipients of the company's 2024 charitable giving included the CAFÉ Yes program, Columbia Valley Community Health, Project Search, and the Wenatchee Valley YMCA, among others.

The donations support local initiatives, from youth sports to healthcare services.

In a separate initiative, Stemilt employees participated in an internal drive collecting 827 winter clothing items for distribution to children of company workers.

The effort was organized as a friendly competition among office staff.

The company also marked its twelfth consecutive year providing holiday gifts to local

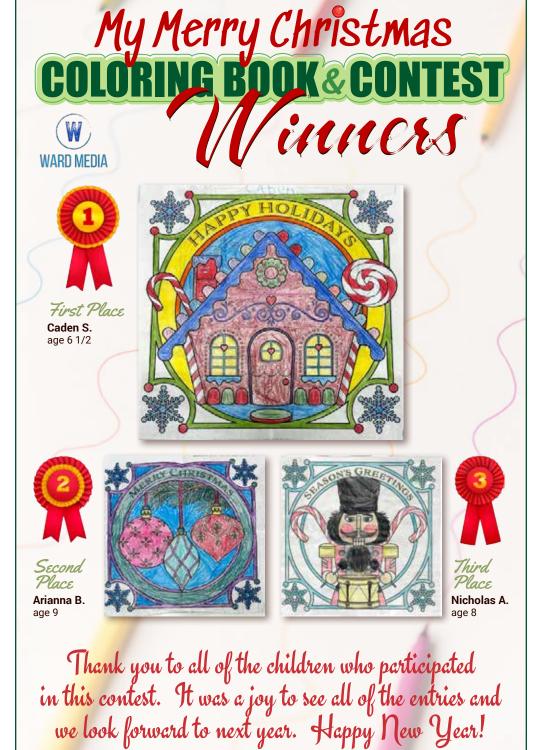
foster children. Working with the Washington State Department of Children, Youth and Family Services and K Connections, Stemilt employees and its Community Investment Committee purchased presents for 112 children ranging from newborns to age 17.

K Connections, a behavioral rehabilitation service provider, manages case services for children, while the state department focuses on building health resilience and improving educational outcomes for youth in the foster care system.

Stemilt, a family-owned operation run by the Mathison family, leads the region's fruit industry in sweet cherries and organic tree fruits.

The company has operated its environmental sustainability program, Responsible Choice®, since 1989.





CONNECTING COMMUNITIES ACROSS NORTH CENTRAL WASHINGTON

Tax debate hangs heavy over approaching Washington legislative session

JERRY CORNFIELD

Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Washington Democrats are preparing for a legislative session where new taxes will be a major focus to solve a multi-billion dollar state budget hole.

House Speaker Laurie Jinkins, D-Tacoma, and Senate Majority Leader Jamie Pedersen, D-Seattle, told the Standard last week that they haven't settled on which tax legislation might be prioritized, but many ideas revolve around taxing wealthy people and companies.

The leaders say they want to "scrub" the budget for savings first. But they face a gap of around \$12 billion or more between the state's expected income and expenses over the next four years.

This means new revenue will likely be necessary to maintain and expand Democrats' priority programs in areas like education, housing and mental health care.

"We are trying to be as transparent as possible about the fact that this is not likely a budget shortfall that can be solved with cuts alone," Pedersen said.

"We are trying to get ideas out on the table soon, so we can have a discussion about them and try to figure out collectively what's the best path forward for the state."

Republicans see the budget situation differently. Senate Minority Leader John Braun,

ity Leader Drew Stokesbary, R-Auburn, want to focus on trimming instead of adding new revenue.

"This is a spending problem. We are not in a recession. There's no decrease in revenue," Braun said.

And he sharply disagreed with Jinkins past assertion that the defeat in November of a ballot initiative to repeal the state's capital gains tax "is a mandate to go do new taxes."

"I don't think so," he said.

Tax proposals

Democrats are already discussing a plethora of tax options as the Jan. 13 start date for the session nears. Those include a "wealth tax." Outgoing Gov. Jay Inslee's proposed budget calls for a 1% tax on an individual's wealth above \$100 million.

This would cover an array of assets, including cash, bonds and stocks. Inslee estimated the tax could apply to about 3,400 people and bring in about \$10.3 billion over the next four

Washington's current twoyear operating budget is just shy of \$70 billion, Inslee's plan is around \$79.5 billion.

These totals do not include transportation programs or construction projects dealt with in separate budgets.

Inslee also proposed some increases in the business and occupation tax which would temporarily impose a surcharge for some bigger busiand then raise the tax for all businesses beginning in 2027.

Those aren't the only ideas on the table for Democrats, who hold wide majorities in both chambers of the Legislature.

An email that Sen. Noel Frame, D-Seattle, mistakenly sent to Republican lawmakers in late December outlined other possibilities for increasing revenue. Those included a levy on companies with large payrolls and high-paid employees, modeled on Seattle's JumpStart tax.

There's also an excise tax on gun and ammunition sales, a lift of the 1% cap on annual property tax increases, and a sales tax on self-storage unit rentals.

Frame is vice chair of finance on the Senate Ways and Means Committee, which handles tax policy.

Pedersen emphasized that the ideas shared in the email were put forward by Frame for discussion and are not policies that necessarily have broad support among Senate Demo-

Jinkins said it's "way too early" to know which proposals may be the most viable or necessary this session.

"It's very hard this far out, before we've scrubbed the budget, to even say what amount of revenue we think will be necessary," Jinkins

Jinkins also acknowledged that tax legislation often ends

"I prefer something that is pretty quick litigation, that we know we can move fairly quickly because we need the money now," she added.

Any new tax idea will get pushback from Republicans and even some Democrats could balk.

Stokesbary said Democrats have failed to exercise "any level of self-control over the past five years" with the state budget and new taxes aren't going to fix that.

The state's two-year operating budget has climbed from around \$52.4 billion in 2019. Stokesbary said the budget is filled with "good ideas" that need to be prioritized so the state can live within its means.

"At one point you have to say 'no'," Stokesbary said.

Rent cap bill likely to reemerge

As Democratic leaders grapple with the budget shortfall, they will also be trying to balance new ideas and familiar priorities.

Expanding the supply and affordability of housing in Washington is near the top of

That will likely include a proposal from last year that would have capped yearly rent increases at 7% for existing residential tenants.

The push for this "rent stabilization" plan failed twice in the Senate.

This year, both caucus leaders recognize many of

their members would like to see it revived.

Pedersen said voters have elected a Senate that is prepared and interested in passing some form of rent stabilization.

But he added the key to getting that proposal through will be passing other bills to increase housing supply and improve affordability.

Making "as much investment as we can in public schools," maintaining access to child care and improving access to mental health services are among the other leading issues for Democrats this year, Pedersen said.

Republicans plan to focus on cost of living, public safety and education.

"Food, gas, housing, child care, health care, are all inunaffordable. creasingly Nothing about the election changed that so far," Braun

Regarding law enforcement, they expressed hope for a bipartisan push to boost hiring of officers across the state because Washington has the nation's lowest number of officers per capita.

Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson made this a pillar of his campaign platform.

Education is also a priority for Republicans.

"We've got a ton of work to do. We still haven't recovered from the [pandemic-era] learning loss. Our kids are performing well below standards and we're not catching up," Braun

Preparing for Trump

One source of tension between Democrats and Republicans in Olympia could be how the state responds to the next Trump presidency.

Ferguson has already said he's prepared for showdowns with the incoming Trump administration over issues like immigration, abortion access and LGBTQ rights.

Both Jinkins and Pedersen are also bracing for clashes.

"We'll be paying a lot more attention to what's coming down from the federal level and trying to anticipate those things when we can and maybe react to stop bad things from happening in Washington," Jinkins said.

Republicans argue that Democrats should stick to state-level issues in the next session rather than straying into federal matters.

"We understand that we might have different priorities, different methods of achieving goals," Stokesbary said. "We'll be less disappointed if [Democrats] spend their time on Washington problems. We'll be really frustrated if they insist on solving the nation's problems when that's not what they were elected to

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Conservation District sets hybrid January board meeting in Wenatchee

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE - The Cascadia Conservation District announced its upcoming Regular Board meeting will be held in a hybrid format, offering both in-person and remote attendance options on Friday, January 17.

The meeting is scheduled for

1:30 p.m. at the district's office, located at 1350 McKittrick St., Suite B. in Wenatchee.

Due to space constraints, officials are requiring advance notification for those planning to attend in person.

Interested parties can participate remotely through either telephone or Zoom videoconferencing platforms.

The district has indicated that detailed connection instructions will be made available through their official website at cascadiacd.org.

Those seeking additional information or wanting to secure a spot for in-person attendance are directed to contact the District office at 509-436-1601.

Washington wildlife commission to meet virtually, discuss whale watching rules

NCW News / Ward Media

OLYMPIA – The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission will convene a virtual meeting Friday to address proposed commercial whale watching regulations and other matters.

The three-hour session, scheduled for January 10 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., will include a briefing and public hearing on proposed rules for commercial whale watching and paddle tour operators.

A final decision on these proposals is set for deliberation during a hybrid meeting scheduled for February 13-15 in Olympia.

The agenda includes consideration of a potential future presentation on Columbia River fisheries management. The Commission will

discuss the recently published William D. Ruckelshaus Center organizational review report and receive a legislative session update during the

Washington Department staff will provide an update on avian influenza in the region.

The meeting will be livestreamed through the Commission's webpage at www. wdfw.wa.gov/about/commis-

sion/meetings, with recordings made available afterward for public viewing.

The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission, appointed by the governor, serves as the policy-setting body for the WDFW.

The department works to preserve, protect, and perpetuate fish, wildlife, and ecosystems while providing sustainable fish and wildlife recreational and commercial opportunities.

The complete meeting agenda can be accessed through the WDFW website at www.wdfw.wa.gov/about/ commission/meetings/2025.

Forest Service announces public meeting on Northwest Forest Plan updates

NCW News / Ward Media

WENATCHEE - The U.S. Forest Service will hold a public meeting this month to discuss proposed changes to the Northwest Forest Plan, which has guided federal forest management since 1994.

The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest headquarters will host the January 16 meeting to present draft amendments to the plan, which governs management of 24 million acres of federal forests across Washington, Oregon and Northern California.

The meeting, scheduled for 5:30-7:00 p.m., will include presentations from Forest Service staff on proposed changes outlined in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The amendments address wildfire risk reduction, climate change adaptation, sustainable timber harvest, and tribal involvement in forest management deci-

The public comment period runs through March 17. During the meeting, attendees can review maps, collect informational materials, and learn about the process for submitting comments on the proposed

The Northwest Forest Plan was implemented in 1994 to establish guidelines for forest conservation and timber harvesting on federal lands.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement outlines proposed updates focusing on

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wildfire management, climate impacts, and local economic considerations.

Forest Service staff will be available at the meeting to discuss the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The meeting will begin with a presentation at 5:45 p.m., followed by an open house format.

Additional public meetings are scheduled across Washington, Oregon and Northern California. Those unable to attend can submit comments through the Forest Service website or by email at SM.FS.NWFPquestion@usda.gov.

The meeting will be held at the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest headquarters, located at 215 Melody Lane in Wenatchee.

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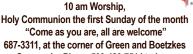
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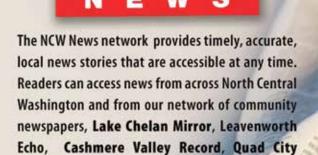
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS LAKE CHELAN RECLAMATION DISTRICT

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 continuously accepted December 2025. Project cost will be \$350,000 or less. In order to qualify, applicants must be: 1) a registered contractor in good State standing in the 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 payment bonds, 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.lcrd.org. Questions concerning applications may be directed to Jennifer Collins by email at icollins@lcrd.org. Published

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN

LODGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION. **Plaintiff**

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: GRUBB and

TIMOTHY W. 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

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NOTICE TO ENGINEERS LAKE CHELAN RECLAMATION DISTRICT 2025 WASTEWATER SYSTEM **UPGRADES**

Provide Scope: 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 Qualifications electronically via jcollins@lcrd.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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Fortune Shines on Freckled Faces

SPOTTVILLE, USA – The Spottville school board passed a new rule last night giving Spottville children with freckles more privileges than children without freckles.



Freckled children will always sit at the front of the classroom and be first in line. They will get to use new pencils and the finest white paper. Children without freckles will have to sit at the back of the room or on the floor. Grocery bags will be used as paper for their assignments.

Many non-freckled children find the Freckle Rule unfair. "This rule stinks!" cried Alison Smythe, age 11. "I can't help it that I don't have freckles. Why can't I eat in the same cafeteria as my friends with freckles?"

Many children with freckles also disagree with the new Freckle Rule. "I plan to fight against this dumb idea," said Dottie Darling, a student at Spottville Elementary School. "Dr. Martin Luther King's message is that discrimination is always wrong, and this new rule is discrimination."

"Disgruntled nonsense," said school board president Spotz McDotter. "The rule is fair to the people that really matter most - people with freckles"

his story may seem a bit silly. Sadly, there is some truth to it. For many years, groups of people in the United States were treated differently just because of the way they looked.

Dr. Martin Luther King knew what it was

the things other people could do. It wasn't

In the 1950s and 60s, many Americans,

against unfair laws that discriminated

Rights Movement.

because of freckles that Dr. King had these

problems. It was because his skin was black.

Black and white, spoke out and even fought

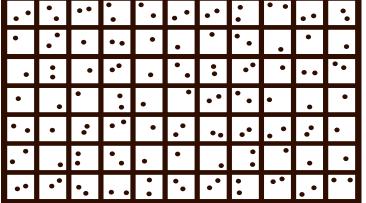
against Black people. Dr. King was one of

the leaders of this struggle called the Civil

Standards Link: History: Students understand the importance of individual action and character.

like to be discriminated against. He had been called names and told he could not do all of

Did Dottie and her friends get rid of the Freckle Rule? To find out, color the spaces with two dots RED and the squares with one dot BLUE.



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EQUALITY

FORTUNE

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DREAM

TEACH

SPOTS

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LAW

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Let Freedom Ring

the Civil Rights

Act made discrimination

Dr. King knew it would

take more than a law to

change people's hearts

to teach people that

and minds. He continued

discrimination was unfair.

Each year on his birthday,

the dream of equality and

freedom should ring true

Americans remember

this man who believed

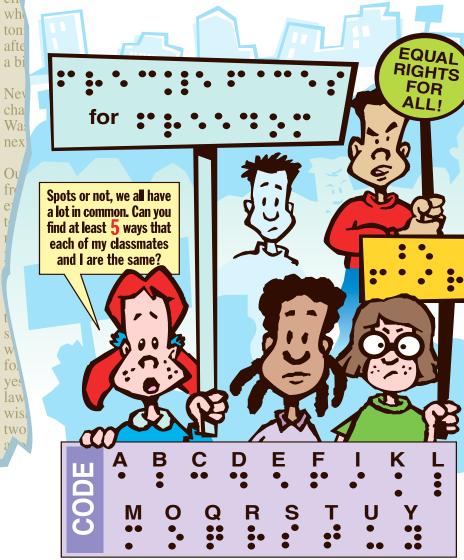
for all.

against the law. However,

fter years of struggle,

What if this news story were true? Are the schools in Spottville treating all children equally?

Dottie and lots of kids from her school are speaking out against the Freckle Rule. Use the code to see what their signs say.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow written directions

Kid Scoop Together Diagram Fun!

Work with a partner at home to complete the following diagram.

- 1. Look at the list of traits. In the upper part of the top oval, write all of your traits.
- 2. Write your partner's traits on the lower part of the bottom oval.
- 3. In the area where the two ovals connect, write the traits you BOTH have.

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CAN'T ROLL HAIR TONGUE

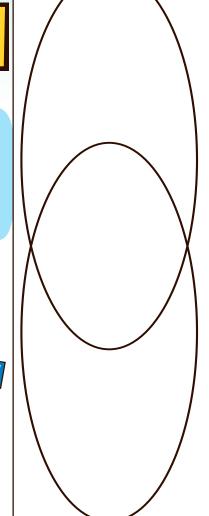
TONGUE

STRAIGHT RIGHT HAIR **HANDED**

CURLY

FRECKLES

LEFT **HANDED NO FRECKLES**



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Kid Scoop This week's word:

VOLUNTEER The verb to **volunteer** means to work or help

someone for no pay.

The fourth grade students volunteer to read to the kindergarten students.

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

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Standards Link: Visual discrimination: Follow written directions.

Find the two bells that

are exactly the same.

Is the dream alive?

Has Martin Luther King's dream come true? Look through the newspaper for examples that show the dream is alive. Do you see examples that show that his dream still isn't alive for all people?

Standards Link: History/Social Science: Students recognize the forms of diversity in their school and community and the benefits and challenges of a diverse population.

ANSWER: Because their horns don't work.



Look through

the newspaper

for pictures and stories that show

the freedoms

Americans enjoy. Cut these out

and make a

poster called:

"The Spirit of

Freedom—The

Standards Link: History: Students understand the

rights of citizenship

Find the words by looking up,

down, backwards, forwards,

sideways and diagonally.

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SESRLLEKST

AAGUWTCTOA

MIQNOHANTM

EESESEEHSK

ELGGURTSQO

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

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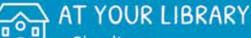
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