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Methow Memorial to expand exhibits at Pateros park

By Mike Maltais
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PATEROS - Following nearly a decade serving as the anchor attraction in Lakeshore Park, the Methow Memorial, a sculpture and interpretative installation celebrating the Methow Tribe, plans are underway to expand the exhibit. The memorial centerpiece is a life-sized metal sculpture by the late Virgil "Smoker" Marchand depicting an Indian spearfisherman mounted on horseback spearing salmon. The scene is recreated from a 1920's photo

of the mounted fisherman working the Methow River.

Pateros school alum Chuck Borg secured city council approval for the ambitious project and assembled a team of supporters to raise funds for and construct the multi-themed display. Along with the mounted fisherman sculpture is a second piece showing an Indian woman placing salmon filets on a drying rack. A painted tipi and large river rock barbecue used for the annual ceremonial salmon complement the stone, driftwood, and native plantings landscaping. Interpretive signs are

placed through the exhibit. One of them reads:

Sacred Salmon

For the Methow and other people in the Columbia River Basin, salmon are an integral and sacred part of the culture.

Eyewitness accounts celebrate a river so full of returning salmon a person could walk across the river atop the backs of clustered fish. Methow fishermen harvested salmon by the thousands during seasonal



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See METHOW Page B2 Spear fisherman

Douglas County PUD to remove cove boat ramp remnant



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Douglas PUD will remove the remnants of this boat ramp on the west end of the lagoon swimming hole adjacent to the Marina RV Park.

By Mike Maltais
Ward Media Staff Reporter

BRIDGEPORT - The Douglas County PUD will be working in the cove lagoon at the Bridgeport Marina RV Park early this year to remove the remnants of an unused boat ramp located there.

"They are going to get in the water and get the concrete section of the old boat ramp out of the water before Feb. 28," Superintendent of Public Works Stuart Dezellem said.

"They have all their permitting place," said Dezellem. "There are two times you can do in-water work in the Columbia River, and one of



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This early photo shows the boat ramp (background) when it was newly installed and provided a launch access that is no longer used.

those ends Feb. 28."

If the PUD does not take advantage of the early window, it will have to wait until after July 15 for the next opportunity.

"Then they will be ready to rock and roll on the rest of it," Dezellem said. The remainder of the project will involve revamping the bank to

allow seating and better use of the swimming area Dezellem said.

The Cove Lagoon is a popular swimming area and, in the past, served as the site of the annual Hooked on Kids Fishing Derby.

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Give NCW fundraising campaign nets record \$904K for local nonprofits

NCW News
Ward Media

WENATCHEE - The Community Foundation of North Central Washington's annual Give NCW campaign raised a record-breaking \$904,765 during the 2024 holiday season, marking a 31% increase from the previous year's total of \$686,899.

The fundraising initiative, which ran from Thanksgiving Day through December 31, supported 85 nonprofit organizations across Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties. The campaign's "Give to All" fund generated more than \$130,000, providing each qualifying nonprofit with an additional \$1,558.65 in support.

"The power of Give NCW comes from every single person who participates," said Jennifer Dolge, Director of Marketing & Communications at the Community Foundation of NCW. "When you combine thousands of individual acts of giving - whether it's rounding up at Plaza Super Jet or making a donation online - you create a wave of positive change that strengthens our entire region."

The campaign facilitated multiple donation channels, including online contributions, donor-advised funds, IRA qualified charitable distributions, and gifts of stock. All credit card processing fees were covered by the campaign, ensuring 100% of donations reached the intended nonprofits.

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Bridgeport installs security cameras to combat vandalism

By Mike Maltais
Ward Media Staff Reporter

BRIDGEPORT - In its efforts to discourage vandalism and tagging in its parks and other areas, the city is installing two camera security systems to monitor both vehicle traffic and citizen activity within the city limits.

Mayor Sergio Orozco reported to the December city council meeting that all cameras are installed at city hall, and work is ongoing to cover Berryman Park as well. Orozco said the city has contracted with The Floyd Company in Twisp for cameras at city hall, Conklin Landing, and Berryman Park.

The city is awaiting the installation

of additional cameras at Berryman Park with the assistance of Douglas PUD fiber and LocalTel.

"PUD was nice enough to allow us to mount four of the cameras on their PUD power poles," said Orozco.

On one pole a camera will be pointed toward the restrooms and one toward the War Memorial. Cameras on the second pole will cover the new playground and public swimming pool.

"We will have another one in the pool that catches most of the outside part," said Orozco. "The nice thing about that one is it is set to record when the pool is not in use."

As the Quad reported last year, the city sustained some restroom vandalism and tagging on structures

in the newly renovated Berryman Park, prompting the council to take steps to discourage similar incidents.

The city has the option of adding more cameras to the two already in operation at Conklin if that becomes necessary.

"So far, everybody has been happy with the quality," said Orozco, "Even the sheriff."

Douglas County Sheriff Kevin Morris addressed the city council last September and requested approval to install two security cameras at the east and west entrances of the city to monitor vehicle traffic in the event criminal activity is reported.

"We applied for a grant from

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Douglas County Sheriff Kevin Morris



COURTESY OF CITY OF BRIDGEPORT

Bridgeport Mayor Sergio Orozco

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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!



Karma Vineyards Winterfest Happy Hour

Karma Vineyards in Chelan will host a Winterfest Happy Hour on Friday, January 17, from 4-8 p.m. "Join us to kick off Winterfest in style," the event page states. "Get ready to celebrate at our 2025 Winterfest Happy Hour."

For more information, visit goodkarmawines.com.

Eagles open house

The Lake Chelan Eagles will host an Open House and Membership Drive on Saturday, January 18. "Interested in joining the Lake Chelan Eagles? This is your opportunity to explore what we offer," the event page

states. Lake Chelan Eagles welcomes everyone to the Club on Saturday, January 18, for our annual Winterfest Open House & Membership Drive! The club opens at 10 a.m. with a chili contest at 3 p.m. and live music at 7 p.m. For more information and a schedule of events, visit lakechelan eagles.com.

Winterfest Fun at Lake Chelan Community Center

The Lake Chelan Community Center will host Winterfest Fun on Saturday, January 18, from 4-6 p.m. "Join us for a free family-friendly Winterfest event," the event page states. "Enjoy live music, complimentary smores around the fire pits, and an

interactive indoor scavenger hunt for a chance to win great prizes. Delicious food, desserts, and drinks are available for purchase. Come enjoy your new community center during Winterfest."

For more information, visit chelancommunity.org.

Storytime

The Pateros Library will host Storytime on Tuesday, January 21, from 10:30-11 a.m. Join us for an hour of stories, songs, rhyming, crafts, and fun! Our program will be geared towards pre-school ages, but all are welcome to attend.

For more information, visit ncwlibraries.org.

Winterfest Fireworks Cruise

Watch fireworks from aboard the Lady of the Lake on the Winterfest Fireworks Cruise on Saturday, January

18, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. "Come join us on the Lady of the Lake and watch the fireworks," the event page states. "You will have the best view on the lake of the fireworks."

For more information, visit ladyofthelake.com.



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Okanogan County Tourism Council provides community kiosks

By MIKE MALTAIS
Ward Media Staff Reporter

OKANOGAN – Starting in 2023, as part of its campaign to promote the visibility of small communities in Okanogan County, the Okanogan County Tourism Council (OCTC) developed a county wide network of information kiosks for each city.

Pateros installed its kiosk along Commercial Avenue near the bus stop and across from the electric vehicle charging station.

The City of Brewster is narrowing down a location to install its OCTC kiosk, according to Brewster Chamber of Commerce Vice President Elizabeth Shepard.

City Public Works Director Lee Webster and Director of Finance Misty Ruiz attended the monthly chamber meeting on Jan. 8, where one of the topics discussed was the most suitable site for the visitor information aid.

"We talked about hopefully getting it somewhere between the playground equipment at the park and the new bathrooms," said Shepard noting the amount of visitor traffic the RV park attracts.

Lacking sufficient board members for a quorum, the official vote on the kiosk will be on the February agenda.

OCTC includes a 2025 calendar of events on its website okanogancountry.com/poi/okanogan-county-tourism-council that are taking place throughout the county including a number in Pateros

and Brewster.

Conconully Outhouse Races – Jan. 18

Just around the corner the outhouse races have been an annual draw down Main Street Conconully for a quarter century. The event features head-to-head races within stated divisions with champions being crowned by the day's end. Visit conconully.com/.

Molson Ice Fishing Derby – Jan. 18

For those who favor fishing over privy pursuits there is the Ice Fishing Derby at Sidley and Molson lakes. Along with breakfast and lunch available at the community center the event features prizes, raffles, and bingo. Visit orovillewachamber.com/#/event-list

Ski to the Sun Marathon & Relay – Feb. 8

Starts at Corral Trailhead, part of Methow Trails on North America's largest trail network. The route takes skiers from the Methow River to Sun Mountain Lodge but is limited to 225 participants. NOTE: This event is already full, but volunteers are always welcome. Email Adrienne at adrienne@methowtrails.com to volunteer.

Okanogan Valley Orchestra and Chorus (OVOC) Variety Show – Feb. 9

Enjoy an evening of music,



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comedy, and theatrical delights performed by local talent beginning at 6 p.m. at the Omak Performing Arts Center. Tickets start at \$10. Visit omakpac.org for more information.

Methow Valley Chamber Music Festival – Feb. 15-16

Presenting Warm Winter Weekend featuring two performances of Maurice Ravel's Piano Trio (piano, violin, cello) with Kevin Krentz on cello, Helen Kim on violin, and Paige Roberts Molloy on piano. Tickets \$48. Visit methowmusicfestival.org or call 509-997-5000.

Winthrop Balloon Roundup – Feb. 28

Watch dozens of colorful balloons fill and launch at Winthrop at one of the nation's only winter hot air balloon events. Launches at 7 a.m.

Visit winthropwashington.com/events/balloon-roundup or call 509-996-2125.

TaikoProject – March 21

An ensemble of taiko drummers uniting ancient Japanese drumming with 21st century American innovation performs at the Omak Performing Arts Center. Founded in 2000, the group has performed and recorded with many notable artists and at prestigious events. Tickets \$10-\$25. Visit omakpac.org.

Triple Fish Challenge – April 11-13

Friday Sunday with a trout pond plus a two-day fishing tournament for adults and kids on Banks Lake in Grant County. Fish for smallmouth bass, walleye, and rainbow trout. Grand prize: \$2,000. Adult registration \$75. Visit reelrecreation.com/triple-fish or call 509-633-3074.

Local events on the OCTC calendar include:

- Pateros Annual Salmon Bake & Cultural Celebration – June 20 (exact date TBD)
- This popular annual event draws a large turnout for those who want to enjoy a lunch of some of the best barbecued salmon this side of the Colville Tribes' First Salmon Ceremony held every May at Chief Joseph Dam.
- Other – though not all – south county events to check out include:
 - Pateros Apple Pie Jamboree – July 18-19-20
 - 19th Annual Brewster King Salmon Derby – August 1-3
 - Terry Troxell Memorial Hydro Classic - August 9-10
 - Brewster Thunderfest-Tony Newton Memorial Classic – Sept. (TBD)
 - Pateros Busker Festival – Sept. 19-20

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- Use my gym membership
- Schedule my annual check-ups at Three Rivers

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Okanogan & Douglas County Sheriff, Brewster Police Dept Report



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Douglas County

Jan 3

15:31:57 Assist Public, 1206 COLUMBIA AVE; BRIDGEPORT
18:50:30 Welfare Check, 384 SR 173, BRIDGEPORT BAR

Jan 4

6:45:24 Parking/Abandon, 104 E LOCUST ST; WATERVILLE
10:06:46 Traffic Offense, SR 17 MP 128, BRIDGEPORT
13:54:16 Domestic Disturbance, 414 E BIRCH ST, WATERVILLE

Jan 5

7:50:33 Parking/Abandon, WALNUT ST & W 3RD AVE, MANSFIELD
10:24:49 Hazard, 15TH ST & DOUGLAS AVE, BRIDGEPORT
16:10:08 Hazard, WHITLAM AVE & BERRY ST, BRIDGEPORT

Jan 6

10:51:37 Civil, 1000 16TH ST #15, BRIDGEPORT
13:51:15 Assist Public, 208 W LOCUST ST, WATERVILLE
15:29:50 Domestic Disturbance, 255 RD I SW, WATERVILLE

Jan 8

10:38:05 Trespass, 255 RD I SW, WATERVILLE
11:43:48 Sex Offense, 2038 RD 3 SW, WATERVILLE
14:00:24 Parking/Abandon, 303 E WALNUT ST, WATERVILLE
20:51:27 Domestic Disturbance, 1926 COLUMBIA BLVD, BRIDGEPORT
22:53:12 Traffic Offense, SR 173 MP 10, BRIDGEPORT

Jan 9

3:48:06 Disturbance, 205 6TH ST, BRIDGEPORT
10:03:40 Harass/Threat, 215 W 2ND AVE, MANSFIELD

Brewster Police Dept.

Jan 3

00:46:33 Agency Assist, JEFFERSON AVE & 13TH ST, BRIDGEPORT
Comments: REQ 2ND ON A DV, M HEARD SCREAMING

FEM, FEM COULD BE HEARD CRYING. CAN HEAR F SCREAMING FOR HELP. SOUNDS LIKE POSS JUV'S PLAYING. 3-4 INDIV PLAYING ON A PORCH.

7:04:31 Animal Noise, W CLIFF AVE, BREWSTER
Comments: ONGOING ISSUE WITH ROOSTER CROWING.
19:37:49 Suspicious, S 7TH ST, BREWSTER, WA
Comments: ADVD THERE IS GOING TO BE A FIGHT IF THE MOM COMES BACK ON THE PROPERTY. ADVD DAUGHTER WAS GOING TO BEAT MOM UP. RP REFUSED TO ANSWER FURTHER QUESTIONS.

Jan 4

15:43:01 Suspicious, E MAIN AVE, BREWSTER
Comments: WHI NISSAN PU W/ EXPIRED IN 2023 CA PLATES.
15:42:33 Animal Problem, W CLIFF AVE, BREWSTER, WA
Comments: 4 SAME DOGS OUTSIDE RP'S RES. RP WAS ADVISED BY LE TO CALL IF THEY RETURN. DOGS ARE WANDERING LOOSE IN NEIGHBORHOOD, BARKING A LOT, AND URINATING/POOPING IN PEOPLE'S LAWNS.

Jan 5

10:49:07 Animal Stray, W GRIGGS AVE, BREWSTER, WA
14:04:27 Mal Mischief, S 4TH ST, BREWSTER, WA
Comments: SPRAY PAINTED AND BUSTED THE WINDOWS OUT OF RP'S VEH. RP THINKS OCCURRED LAST NIGHT, POSS GANG RELATED.

Okanogan County Sheriff

Jan 3

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19:04:06 Custodial Int., JACK WELLS RD, BRIDGEPORT, WA
Comments: Ex Has Rp's Daughter In Long Beach, Ca. And Is Refusing To Put Her Back On The Plane To Have Her Arrive In Spokane. Parenting Plan In Place. Rp Has A Copy.

Jan 5

10:49:07 Animal Stray, W GRIGGS AVE, BREWSTER, WA

Jan 7

4:37:23 Accident Unkinj, OLD HWY 97, BREWSTER, WA
Comments: VEH IN THE SB LN, OFF THE RDWY. UNK INJURIES, UNK OCCUPANTS.

Jan 8

9:17:04 Vin Inspection, JACK WELLS RD, BRIDGEPORT, WA
Comments: VEH ABANDONED W/O TITLE. RP WANTS TO TAKE IT TO JUNK YARD. LIC# UNK. WHO VEH BELONGS TO IS UNKNOWN.
15:25:15 Civil, PEDERSEN RD, PATEROS, WA
Comments: RP RENTED A TRAILER WA/LIC BLK AND GRY FLATBED TO IDENTIFIED M SUBJ IN JUNE OR JULY OF 2023.
19:07:18 911 Abuse, WEST INDIAN AVE, BREWSTER
Comments: REC 911 CALL THEN DISCONNECTED. ON CALLBACK, SPOKE TO JUV WHO SAID IT WAS A MISTAKE.

OBITUARY

Beverly Barbara Russell



It is with great sadness to announce the passing of Beverly Barbara Russell on December 15, 2024, at the age of 74.

Bev was born on April 15, 1950, to Terry and Sherry Hayes of Hayes Ranch outside of Mansfield, Washington. She is a Bridgeport High School graduate of 1968, Bev discovered her future career as a Dental Hygienist and truly loved her profession.

Bev married her husband Richard (Dick) Russell in 1993. They made their

home outside Ephrata where they lived a vibrant and happy life together.

Growing up on a wheat and cattle ranch held many fond memories for Bev. She traveled to Ireland with her dad and sisters in 1996, visiting the town her Grandfather James Hayes lived before he immigrated and homesteaded what would become Hayes Ranch.

Bev leaves behind her husband Dick, her children Mikki (Wade), Sydney (Ryan), Kyle and stepson Robert. Her grandchildren

Clay, Severyn, Cole, McKell and Kyla. Her sisters Theresa, Pat, Sandie, Jacque and her brother Sean along with many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held on Friday, January 17 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church 323 D St. S.W., Ephrata. Rosary 10:30 am. Service 11:00 a.m. Reception St. Rise of Lima School, 520 Nat Washington Way, Ephrata.

OBITUARY

Autumn Marie Evans (Nolen)



Autumn Marie Evans (Nolen), aged 72, passed away peacefully at home in Chelan, WA, on Sunday, January 5, 2025. She was surrounded by her loved ones, including her dogs, Charlie Sue and Frankie May.

Autumn was born in Pullman, WA, in 1952, to parents Jerry and Juanita Nolen. Growing up as the second of 5 children, she loved skiing, ballet, and making mischief with her siblings in her Dad's orchard. Autumn attended Eastmont public schools and went on to graduate from Washington State University with a degree in history, in 1975. Throughout her life, she was never one to shy away from doling out advice. To her credit,

she made a career of it - working as a teacher for over 20 years, retiring in 2017 from Pateros Elementary School. She was a dedicated mother, grandma, wife, teacher, and friend. She enjoyed reading, gardening, guiding her kids and grandkids through the various stages of life, and most of all, spending an afternoon on the water and in the sun with family by her side.

Autumn was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, Nick Nolen. She is survived by her husband, Tim Evans; son and daughter-in-law, Tyler and Raye Evans; daughter and son-in-law, Kyla Evans and Noah Johnson; grandchildren: Colt (Kaylin), Cash (Maggie), and Bailey;

and her beloved dogs. There are many others whose lives she touched along the way.

A memorial service was held at Precht Rose Chapel in Chelan, WA on Friday, Jan. 10, 2025. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Lake Chelan Community Center. More information here: <https://www.chelancommunity.org/donate>. Precht Rose is assisting the family with arrangements. Please leave your thoughts and memories at www.prechtrose.com

Death Announcements

Harvey L. Austin

Harvey L. Austin, 65, of Bridgeport, Washington passed away on January 3, 2025. Barnes Chapel is handling the arrangements for the family.

Sustainable NCW's Bike CoOp expands under Ecology grant



COURTESY OF SUSTAINABLE NCW

Ollie Crain and Loren Honaas stand in front of the Bike Corral. Sustainable NCW's Bike CoOp offered free bike parking at the Wenatchee Valley Farmers Market over the summer as part of its community outreach.

By TAYLOR CALDWELL
Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE – Sustainable NCW's Bike CoOp will be launching its mobile bike repair, CoOp on the Go, after receiving grant funding from the Washington State Department of Ecology through the Air Quality for Overburdened Communities grant program.

Ecology's new grant program funds local projects that improve air quality in communities it has determined are "historically overburdened with health, social, and environmental inequities and are highly impacted by air pollution," which includes Wenatchee and East Wenatchee.

The mobile bike repair will allow the Bike CoOp to reach more communities, providing education and tools to empower both youth and adults to ride their bikes further and more often.

"If you are empowered to bike, then you are helping the environment, because you're not creating greenhouse gas emissions by driving, [and] you are helping yourself because it's a healthy way to move...And biking is community building because it's a little slower and we're not disconnected from each other in our car bubbles," said NCW Executive Director Marlene Farrell.

The Bike CoOp started in spring of last year after Sustainable NCW met with

interested community members to discuss creating a bike cooperative for the Wenatchee Valley. Of those members was Van Brinkerhoff, who has spent the last five years teaching himself repairs through refurbishing abandoned bikes and giving them away.

"What became very apparent, is there's a lot of folks out there that would really like a bike, and some have means to buy a bike, but a lot don't. And so, I kind of saw it moving towards a little bit of a social justice kind of aspect to it," said Brinkerhoff.

Brinkerhoff also started volunteering with the Cashmere Middle School Bicycle Repair Club, where he realized teaching someone

Van Brinkerhoff leads a bike workshop for youth at Triple Point NCW.



COURTESY OF SUSTAINABLE NCW

Loren Honaas helps with a bike repair for the Bike CoOp.

how to repair their bike is just as impactful as gifting a bike, especially for underserved communities.

"Kids get really empowered when they can do their own maintenance on a regular basis. They can go out and ride and have a good time and not worry about, 'Oh, I got a flat tire. Oh, wait a minute, I know how to fix it,'" said Brinkerhoff.

Inspired by his experience, Brinkerhoff brainstormed the idea of a community bike shop, or cooperative, in the Wenatchee Valley with a friend in the bike repair community, Loren Honaas. The two brought the idea to the nonprofit, who was immediately interested.

"Sustainable NCW has always been about the environmental justice side of sustainability as well, so this fits really, really well," said Sustainable NCW Executive Director Marlene Farrell.

The program was established through a committee under Sustainable NCW with a

mission to provide education around repair and safety, build community, advocate for bike route infrastructure, and promote sustainability.

The program started with pilot bike repair workshops with the youth organization Triple Point NCW, as well as providing education and free bike parking at the Wenatchee Farmers Markets over the summer.

When Ecology announced a new grant program in August that funds local projects in communities it determined to be overburdened by air pollution, the CoOp team came up with the idea of a mobile bike repair, where it could reach more communities.

The grant funds will support the purchase of an electric vehicle, trailer, repair equipment, event materials, helmets, repair kits, and bicycles for refurbishment, as well as funding for a part-time position.

Within the first six months,

the mobile bike repair program plans to provide bike safety and repair education to six middle schools in Wenatchee and East Wenatchee, as well as a handful of community events such as the Apple Blossom Festival and its Earth Day Fair.

"Youth can be leaders on this. If they're learning something that can become a life skill, then not only are they doing it for the rest of their lives, but they can bring their families along, which then can bring their friends and neighbors," said Farrell.

SustainableNCW is currently looking for volunteers and plans to hire a part-time project coordinator for the CoOp on the Go initiative in the near future. Repair training will be provided to volunteers. Those interested in getting involved can find out more information at sustainablencw.org/bike-coop.

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Bridgeport hoops splits with Okanogan; boys win big, girls fall



COURTESY OF BRAD SKIFF/BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bridgeport's Ian DeDios, 12, is surrounded by Bulldogs as he drives to the home hoop against Okanogan on Dec. 7. The Bulldogs won the game, 94-40.



COURTESY OF BRAD SKIFF/BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Elisa Garcia, 33, fights for a rebound against Okanogan during Bridgeport's Dec. 7 home game. Okanogan won, 79-29.

Brewster High School

Boys Basketball Schedule					
Tue, Jan 21	7:15 PM	Brewster vs.	Chelan	Away	
Girls Basketball Schedule					
Tue, Jan 21	6:00 PM	Brewster vs.	Chelan	Away	
Girls Wrestling Schedule					
Wed, Jan 8	5:00 PM	Brewster vs.	Lake Roosevelt	Away, Mix & Match	
Boys Basketball Scoreboard					
Tue, Jan 7	Brewster	54	Lake Roosevelt	62	Loss
Fri, Jan 10	Brewster	37	Liberty Bell	75	Loss
Sat, Jan 11	Brewster	36	Lakeside	69	Loss
Girls Basketball Scoreboard					
Tue, Jan 7	Brewster	59	Lake Roosevelt	17	Win
Fri, Jan 10	Brewster	61	Liberty Bell	18	Win
Sat, Jan 11	Brewster	55	Lakeside	51	Win
Girls Wrestling Scoreboard					
Wed, Jan 8	5:00 PM	Brewster vs.	Lake Roosevelt	Away	Mix & Match

Bridgeport High School Scoreboard

Boys Basketball Schedule					
Fri, Jan 17	7:30 PM	Bridgeport vs.	Manson	Away	
Tue, Jan 21	7:30 PM	Bridgeport vs.	Tonasket	Home	
Girls Basketball Schedule					
Fri, Jan 17	6:00 PM	Bridgeport vs.	Manson	Away	
Tue, Jan 21	6:00 PM	Bridgeport vs.	Tonasket	Home	
Boys Basketball Scoreboard					
Tue, Jan 7	Bridgeport	40	Okanogan	94	Loss
Fri, Jan 10	Bridgeport	30	Lake Roosevelt	62	Loss
Girls Basketball Scoreboard					
Tue, Jan 7	Bridgeport	29	Okanogan	79	Loss
Fri, Jan 10	Bridgeport	16	Lake Roosevelt	55	Loss

Pateros High School

Boys Basketball Schedule					
Tue, Jan 14	7:30 PM	Pateros vs.	Oroville	Home	
Girls Basketball Schedule					
Tue, Jan 14	6:00 PM	Pateros vs.	Oroville	Home	
Boys Basketball Scoreboard					
Wed, Jan 8	Pateros	68	Entiat	59	Win
Fri, Jan 10	Pateros	49	Waterville-Mansfield	62	Loss
Tue, Jan 7	Pateros	47	Thorp	42	Win
Girls Basketball Scoreboard					
Fri, Jan 10	Pateros	40	Waterville-Mansfield	30	Win

Waterville High School

Boys Basketball Schedule					
Fri, Jan 17	7:30 PM	Waterville-Mansfield vs.	Wilson Creek	Away	
Sat, Jan 18	5:30 PM	Waterville-Mansfield vs.	Entiat	Home	
Girls Basketball Schedule					
Sat, Jan 18	4:00 PM	Waterville-Mansfield vs.	Entiat	Home	
Boys Basketball Scoreboard					
Mon, Jan 6	Waterville-Mansfield	51	Cascade Christian Academy	51	Win
Fri, Jan 10	Waterville-Mansfield	62	Pateros	49	Win
Sat, Jan 11	Waterville-Mansfield	25	Okanogan	94	Loss
Girls Basketball Scoreboard					
Fri, Jan 10	Waterville-Mansfield	54	Pateros	31	Win

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK **Brewster**

Oscar Churape Boys Basketball Guard #5

Oscar has played JV the last few years of HS and had some big games, including a 40pt game last season. He swung up on Varsity last season, but this year he plays a key role for us. He is a small shooting guard, but can get hot shooting from 3. I think he needs to mix in more attack moves and dump offs, but he knows his role is to shoot and spread the defense. Defensively he is limited, but when he puts the effort in and communicates his is a solid defender. He simply needs to be more consistent. Oscar is having a good senior year so far and I'm happy for him.



Documentary on Nez Perce Tribe's Fight to Save Chinook Salmon to Screen in Omak January 27

NCW News
Ward Media

OMAK — The documentary film "Covenant of the Salmon People" will be screened at the Mirage Theatre in Omak on January 27, at 6 p.m. The event, hosted by Columbiana, is free and open to the public, with donations welcomed. The 60-minute film explores the Nez Perce Tribe's enduring commitment to protecting the Chinook salmon, a keystone species integral to their culture and traditional diet for thousands of years. The documentary examines the growing threats to the Chinook salmon population, including the impact of dammed river

systems and climate change, which pose significant risks to the species' survival. The Nez Perce Tribe, recognized as the oldest documented civilization in North America with archaeological evidence dating back 16,500 years along Idaho's Salmon River, has long regarded the salmon as a vital part of their heritage. The film highlights the tribe's ongoing efforts in salmon recovery and the cultural and environmental significance of these efforts. Central to the documentary is the tribe's stance that breaching the four dams on the lower Snake River is essential for restoring salmon populations and honoring

their ancient covenant with the species. The film raises questions about the federal government's role in addressing the decline of the Chinook salmon and whether decisive action will be taken to prevent the species from disappearing from the tribe's ancestral waters. Members of the Nez Perce Tribe will be present at the screening to discuss the film and engage with attendees during a question-and-answer session. *For more information, attendees are encouraged to contact Columbiana or visit the Mirage Theatre's website at www.omaktheater.com.*

Lake Chelan Chamber gears up for two weekends of Winterfest

Lake Chelan Mirror
Ward Media

CHELAN/MANSON — Chelan and Manson will celebrate the magic of winter with two weekends of Lake Chelan Winterfest this month. Ice Weekend in Chelan will be held on January 17-19. The festivities will include the Famous Ice Bar, ice sculptures and carvings, and a wine walk. There will also be fireworks, a beach bonfire and a Polar Bear Plunge. A new activity this year is Frosty's Winter Trail.

Participants can collect snowman pieces at stops around town and assemble Frosty at the end of the route. During that weekend, there will be more than 50 discounts and specials throughout the Lake Chelan Valley. The celebration continues with Fire Weekend in Manson on January 24-26. Fire Weekend will feature the Fire Bar, live music, a vendor market and fireworks show. At the annual Find Tisly Scavenger Hunt children, and even adults, can go on the hunt for the fun character Tisly and support local businesses. One

lucky participant will win a grand prize. A Bubble Brunch catered by Apple Cup Cafe will offer unlimited bubbles and a chance to learn more about sparkling wine produced in Lake Chelan. Cider Press in Manson will host the event. The weekend will also include the Flames of Intention ceremony, where participants can reflect and set goals for the year ahead. *Event tickets and All-Weekend Passes are available at lakechelanwinterfest.com.*

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Ferguson proposes \$4 billion in cuts to ease budget deficit

By **JUAN JOCOM**
Washington State Journal

OLYMPIA - Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson unveiled a budget-cutting plan to ease a projected \$12 billion statewide budget deficit during a 2025 legislative preview in Olympia Jan. 9.

“Washingtonians expect that we will increase revenue as a last resort. I will not contemplate additional revenue options until we have exhausted efforts to improve efficiency,” Ferguson said.

Estimates of the deficit vary widely, from \$7 billion to \$15 billion. To make up the deficit, Ferguson proposes cutting spending by 6% budget across most state agencies and a 3% budget cut to four-year higher education institutions. The cuts are projected to save \$4 billion. Public K-12 education, community and technical colleges, public safety agencies, and pass-through entitlement benefits delivered by state agencies to eligible Washingtonians are not affected by the cuts.

Ferguson said he will collaborate with legislative leaders and state agencies to identify programs that are not reaching their goals for Washington residents. Some programs could be cut by less than 6 percent, and some could face larger cuts, Ferguson said.

In December, outgoing Gov. Jay Inslee proposed a wealth tax to make up the



JUAN JOCOM/WASHINGTON STATE JOURNAL

Gov.-elect Bob Ferguson speaks during the 2025 legislative preview in Olympia on Jan.9. Ferguson replaces Jay Inslee who served for 12 years.

projected deficit, which would tax residents of Washington who are worth \$100 million or more. Ferguson, however, has expressed skepticism with this plan.

“We are not going to tax our way out of this,” Ferguson said.

Ferguson also shared his previously proposed plans to invest in affordability, transportation and public safety. He is proposing an additional \$100 million over two years to hire more law enforcement officers in the state. Additionally, Ferguson said he also wants to accelerate getting more ferries in operation.

In addition to the current budget shortfall, Ferguson said he wants to look at the whole process the state uses to forecast revenue and expenses.

“I intend to spend some time making sure I understand how we got to this level of a shortfall, and to make sure that I, as a governor, do everything I can to make sure this doesn’t happen again,” Ferguson said.

Ferguson becomes Washington’s next governor on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

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Endless Orchards Cider earns top honors at Best of the Northwest Awards

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CHELAN – Endless Orchard Cider earned top honors at Sip Magazine’s 13th Annual Best of the Northwest Cider Awards, with three of its signature ciders recognized for their exceptional quality and unique flavor profiles.

The awards celebrate the best craft ciders in the region.

Award-Winning Ciders:

- Eternal Sunshine Pineapple-Mango — Imperial (with Adjuncts) — DOUBLE GOLD Summer in

a glass. Eternal Sunshine Pineapple-Mango shines with refreshment. Sweet, but not too sweet, with a medium dry finish.

- Boundless Blueberry Basil — Botanical — SILVER The flavors of Boundless Blueberry-Basil are stimulating, savory and distinct... but never overwhelming.
- Radiant Mimosa Orange — Cocktail Inspired — DOUBLE GOLD Add some sparkle to brunch (or any time of day), Radiant Mimosa-Orange is a classy take on a fresh-squeezed

mimosa. Citrusy goodness.

“We’re honored to have our ciders recognized in such a competitive field,” said Sam Keirse, Cider Operations Manager at Endless Orchard Cider. “We continue to try and push the boundaries of traditional cider-making by combining unexpected flavors that resonate with our customers and elevate their cider experience.”

“Receiving this level of recognition in less than a year since the launch of Endless Orchard is remarkable,” said Vicki Daigneault, General Manager of Endless Orchard. “Our use of Arctic® apples allows the consumer to experience our incredible clarity, crispness, and elevated quality of our ciders.”

To learn more about Endless Orchard Cider or to explore their award-winning collection, visit www.endlessorchardcider.com or follow @endlessorchardcider on social media.

Endless Orchard Hard Pressed Cider is the only cider made using Washington-grown Arctic® apples. The company blends traditional techniques with modern innovation to craft champagne-like ciders. They offer classic blends, seasonal creations, and diverse flavors that cater to all tastes and occasions.



COURTESY OF ENDLESS ORCHARDS CIDER

Endless Orchard Cider's celebrated creations— Eternal Sunshine Pineapple-Mango, Boundless Blueberry Basil, and Radiant Mimosa Orange— earned top honors at Sip Magazine's 13th Annual Best of the Northwest Cider Awards for their exceptional quality and unique profiles.

Community Bulletin Board

Local, Regional Community News & Events

Meetings

Mondays

Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee: Second Monday, 6 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. Okanogan County Commissioners' hearing room, 123 N. Fifth Ave., Okanogan.

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

Tuesday

Okanogan County PUD: The commission meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 3 p.m. Information: okanoganpud.org

Douglas County PUD meetings: The commission meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the East Wenatchee office. Information: douglaspud.org

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

Wednesday

American Legion Post #97: Current members meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post in Brewster. Information: Greg Wagg, 206-550-6474.

American Legion Auxiliary #97: Meets the first Wednesday of each month, at 5 p.m. at the American Legion Post in Brewster.

Brewster Chamber of Commerce: Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 12 p.m. at the Senior Center, 109 Bridge Street. Information email: brewsterwachamber@gmail.com

Death Cafe Chelan: Third Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Chelan Public Library, 216 N. Emerson Street; and 5:30-6:30 p.m., Chelan Senior Center, 534 Trow Avenue, Chelan. Contact: Concie Luna at 509-630-2972 or Vita Monteleone at monte419@nwi.net.

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. in Chelan. 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.

Thursdays

Brewster bus trips: OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Thursday of the month. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc. On the third Thursday of each month, riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Riders request their destination(s). Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

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.

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.

Other Events/meetings

Brewster Senior Meals: The Senior Center serves meals at noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Home delivered meals are delivered those same days. Call 509-689-2815 to reserve meals. For those over age 60 \$5. For those 60 and under \$12.

Senior Center Thrift Store: The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. They are also the Brewster Visitor Information Center and the Brewster Chamber of Commerce meeting room.

Brewster American Legion events: Bingo every Thursday night at 6 p.m. Open to the

public. Friday Steak Dinner starts at 5 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., order from the full breakfast menu. Daily lunch specials except for Mondays and Saturday when they are closed.

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.

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Local businesses played a significant role in the campaign's success through various partnerships. Plaza Super Jet, a Wenatchee-based market, and Icele Brewing Company contributed through charitable roundups. The Taproom by Hellbent Brewing hosted a "Drink Beer. Do Good." fundraising event, while Munchen Haus organized a "Benevolent Night."

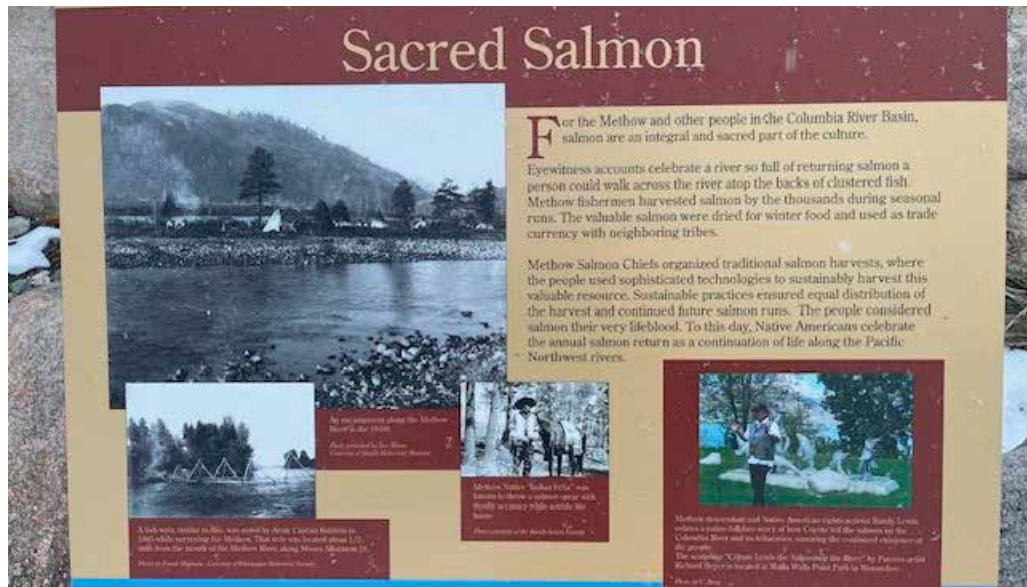
Among the largest beneficiaries were the Pybus Market Charitable Foundation receiving \$50,839, Women's Resource Center of NCW with \$31,029, and Upper Valley MEND collecting \$30,149.

Established in 1986, the Community Foundation of North Central Washington manages \$163 million in assets through more than 690 individual funds and has awarded over \$63 million in grants and scholarships throughout its history.



COURTESY OF COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NCW

Community Foundation of NCW staff members wear branded "Give NCW Turkey Trot" winter hats while posing with a participant in a turkey costume at the 2024 Turkey Trot event in Wenatchee, which kicked off the foundation's annual fundraising campaign that went on to raise a record-breaking \$904,765 for local nonprofits.



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Sacred Salmon interpretive sign

Methow

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runs. The valuable salmon were dried for winter food and used as trade currency with neighboring tribes. Methow Salmon Chiefs organized traditional salmon harvests, where the people used sophisticated technologies to sustainably harvest this valuable resource. Sustainable practices ensured equal distribution of the harvest and continued future salmon runs. The people considered salmon their very lifeblood. To this day, Native Americans celebrate the annual salmon return as a continuation of life along the Pacific Northwest rivers.

Since its May 2017 dedication the exhibit's popularity has fueled the initiative to utilize space adjacent to the memorial



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Salmon drying rack

for further items. Pending council approval Borg's planned additions include a council circle comprised of inlaid stones, more native plants, and added interpretive



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Painted tipi

signage honoring Native American military veterans, and early Methow tribal life.

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People think the state should reduce spending. But some programs deserve more support, poll shows

By Taylor Richmond
Washington State Journal

OLYMPIA - Washington State voters want legislators to cut spending but also support spending more on specific programs, according to a recent poll.

"People are not anti-government," said pollster Stuart Elway during a legislative preview session Jan. 9. "People want government to work and to provide needed services but done efficiently and effectively."

Elway established the Cascade PBS/Elway Poll in 1992. This year, 403 registered voters across Washington State were surveyed between Dec. 26 and 30, with phone calls, text messages and online survey questions. The poll has a 5% margin of error at the 95% confidence level.

As the State Legislature begins Jan. 13, one of the biggest challenges will be a

projected budget deficit of at least \$10 billion over the next four years. Cuts will have to be made to make up the deficit, according to Governor-elect Bob Ferguson, who is proposing a "6% cut across state agencies."

This year's Elway Poll asked voters what they believed was the cause of the projected budget deficit. 40% said governmental waste and overspending.

However, those polled were overwhelmingly in favor of increasing spending when asked about specific proposals likely to be discussed during the upcoming Legislative session.

The poll showed: 74% support more funding for K-12 education; 73% support more money going toward hiring police officers; 68% support limiting annual rent increases; 63% are in favor of more funding for affordable housing; and 61% want the state's tax

structure revised.

Also, during the COVID-19 pandemic, federal funding paid for free lunches to all school students. Now, this funding has now been cut, yet some states continue to provide free lunches. 66% of the survey respondents believe Washington should do the same.

Elway says contradictory numbers like this are common when ideas are asked about separately.

"All ideas sound pretty good at first," he said. "These are more specific proposals, all of which have constituencies." And he added: "Government waste is a general concept, which no one favors."

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2024 GIVE NCW RESULTS

Akin (formerly Children's Home Society of Washington)	\$13,054	Okanogan Behavioral HealthCare	\$3,484
Alano Club of Wenatchee	\$5,112	Okanogan County Child Development Association	\$2,749
Alathea Riding Center	\$14,271	Okanogan County Long Term Recovery Group	\$610
CAFE: The Community for the Advancement of Family Education	\$9,509	Okanogan Highlands Alliance	\$3,829
Camp Fire NCW	\$6,319	Okanogan Land Trust	\$5,399
Cancer Care of NCW	\$12,179	Okanogan Regional Humane	\$3,489
Cascade Community Markets	\$9,449	Only7Seconds	\$26,454
Cascade Fisheries	\$8,034	Our Valley Our Future	\$6,854
Cascade Medical Foundation	\$6,174	Pateros Apple Pie Jamboree	\$3,519
Cashmere Food Bank	\$11,339	Pateros Treehouse Early Education Organization	\$4,184
Cashmere Museum and Pioneer Village	\$9,614	Plain Valley Ski Trails	\$3,459
Chelan-Douglas CASA	\$21,104	Pybus Market Charitable Foundation	\$50,839
Chelan-Douglas Community Action Council	\$22,994	Ridge 2 River Animal Haven and Humane Education	\$6,211
Chelan Douglas County Volunteer Attorney Services	\$16,829	Safe Families for Children	\$5,309
Chelan-Douglas Land Trust	\$27,589	Serve Wenatchee Valley	\$25,563
Chelan Valley Hope	\$9,114	Stage Kids WA	\$11,769
Chelan Valley Housing Trust	\$4,014	Sustainable NCW	\$9,939
Columbia Breaks Fire Interpretive Center Foundation	\$4,104	TEAMS Learning Center	\$4,889
Common Ground Community Housing Trust	\$7,229	The Brave Warrior Project	\$14,986
Communities In Schools of North Central Washington	\$5,539	The Knights Community Hospital Equipment Lend Program (KC HELP)	\$4,849
Community Cultural Center of Tonasket	\$2,704	Thrive Chelan Valley	\$11,099
Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance	\$10,893	Tierra Learning Center	\$7,389
Foundation for Youth Resiliency and Engagement	\$3,734	Together for Youth	\$5,359
Friends of Ukraine Refugees	\$8,584	TREAD (Trails & Recreation Engagement, Advocacy and Development)	\$9,899
Garden Terrace Senior Living	\$8,843	Upper Valley Connection	\$10,299
Habitat For Humanity Of The Greater Wenatchee Area	\$19,739	Upper Valley MEND	\$30,149
Hand in Hand Immigration Services	\$21,528	Velocity Swimming	\$4,329
Icicle Creek Center for the Arts	\$10,199	Waste Loop	\$11,959
Indigenous Roots and Reparation Foundation	\$9,969	Wellness Place	\$14,419
Ingalls Creek Enrichment Center	\$5,124	Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society	\$4,134
Lake Chelan Bach Fest	\$9,635	Wenatchee Kennel Club	\$8,114
Lake Chelan Valley Habitat for Humanity	\$7,229	Wenatchee Outdoors	\$4,044
Master Gardener Foundation of Chelan-Douglas Counties	\$6,624	Wenatchee River Institute	\$14,394
Mobile Meals of Wenatchee	\$13,444	Wenatchee Valley Children's Guild	\$6,019
Mountain Meadows	\$7,679	Wenatchee Valley College Foundation	\$6,469
Mountain Sprouts Children's Community	\$10,629	Wenatchee Valley Dispute Resolution Center	\$5,364
NCW Arts Alliance	\$3,989	Wenatchee Valley Humane Society	\$29,271
NCW Community Toy Drive	\$8,149	Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center	\$22,744
NCW Economic Development District	\$4,109	Wenatchee Valley Symphony Association	\$14,607
North Valley Community Health Association	\$3,174	Wenatchee Valley YMCA	\$16,199
Northwest Immigrant Rights Project	\$12,124	Women's Resource Center of NCW	\$31,029
Numerica Performing Arts Center	\$5,849	YWCA North Central Washington	\$14,189
Okandogs	\$7,409	TOTAL	\$904,765



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Plaza Super Jet staff members present a check for \$7,500 collected through customer roundups at checkout.

Cameras

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WATPA (Washington Auto Theft Prevention Authority) which is through WASFC (Washington Association of Police Chiefs)," said Morris. "We were awarded half of what we asked for."

Those cameras photograph vehicles and license plates and are provided by Flock Safety. Flock has about 400 cameras distributed statewide,

including a system used in Brewster. The grant funds a one-year study using six cameras throughout Douglas County. Two will be installed in Bridgeport, and the others in Rock Island, Waterville, and Orondo. Once the study is completed, Morris will return to the council to offer the city the option to continue using the cameras. The city would then pick up the annual tab of \$3,000 per camera.

"It is an extremely cheap

force multiplier," said Morris. "It is like me putting a deputy on a street corner who is paying attention 24 hours a day."

Morris is collaborating with Superintendent of Public Works Stuart Dezelle, the Washington State Department of Transportation, and Douglas PUD for the placement of the traffic cameras.

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SUDOKU

	6							4
		1				5		2
	2		9					3
			6	4		8	9	
						7		
5		2						3
		3						
6	1							8
	8		3	7				

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!

6	9	3	7	1	4	5	6	2
7	4	2	5	8	3	8	7	9
7	5	3	4	8	6	2	1	9
5	9	2	7	1	8	6	4	3
8	4	6	5	9	3	7	2	1
1	3	7	6	4	2	8	9	5
4	2	5	9	6	7	1	3	8
9	7	1	8	3	4	5	6	2
3	6	8	1	2	5	9	7	4

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

Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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


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Guess Who?

I am an actor born in New York on January 16, 1980. I started my musical career in a comedy hip hop group. I have achieved immense fame after creating groundbreaking Broadway musicals and contributing to movie soundtracks.

Answer: Lin-Manuel Miranda

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SMART FUN AT HOME

One important thing to understand when you read is **cause and effect**.



For example, in the legend of Groundhog Day, when the groundhog sees his shadow, he goes back in his burrow. In this case, the **effect** is that the groundhog goes back in his burrow. That is what happens. What **causes** him to go back in his burrow? Getting frightened by his shadow.

Try It!

1. With a parent or learning buddy at home, select an article from today's newspaper. Read the headline. Discuss what you think caused the news reported in the headline.

2. The headline usually tells what happened. This is called an **effect**. Read aloud to your learning buddy the first paragraph of the article. Does this tell you the **cause**? Read the rest of the article aloud. After each paragraph, stop and discuss what you have learned about what caused the news reported in the headline.

Complete the following:

HEADLINE (effect):

CAUSE(s):

NAME:

NAME OF LEARNING BUDDY:

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Distinguish between cause and effect in text.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **HYPOTHESIS**

The noun **hypothesis** means a suggestion or guess not proved but serves as the basis for further study.

The class was asked to test their **hypothesis**.

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

Sunny Question

Why are sunny winter days **COLD**, while sunny summer days are **HOT**? *Kid Scoop's* winter expert Dr. I. Cicle explains it all!

As you can see, it's a sunny winter day here and ...

YEAH! It's a sunny day! Let's hit the waves, Bro!

Uh, Dude, there's something really wrong with this sand. It's, like, frozen!

That's because it isn't sand. It's snow!

SNOW? But it's, like, sunny today. So why isn't the snow, like, melted?

I'm glad you asked! Let's pretend this snowball is Earth.

Earth is, like, WAY bigger, Dude!

The Earth tilts on its axis as it travels around the sun. In the winter, if the part of the Earth where you live is tilted away from the sun, it gets indirect sunlight.

Indirect sunlight doesn't warm up the Earth as much as the direct sunlight we get in the summer.

That is so cool! Now, why is this sand so COLD?

Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know that weather can be observed, measured and described; changes in weather and seasons are affected by the Earth's position.



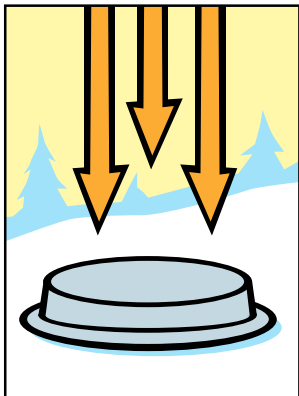
Experiment Tells All

Try this experiment to understand the difference between indirect and direct sunlight.

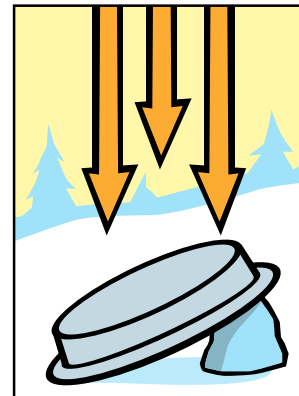
Keep track of your work on a separate sheet of paper like the Scientist's Notebook.

Stuff you need:

- 2 metal pie tins or flat pans
- a sunny winter day
- watch or clock
- a rock



(Fig. 1) direct sunlight



(Fig. 2) indirect sunlight

What to do:

1. Lay one pan flat on the ground in the direct sunlight. (Fig. 1)
2. Tilt the other pan on its side. Lean it against a rock or a shoe. This pan is being hit with indirect sunlight. (Fig. 2)
3. Wait three minutes.
4. Which pan is warmer?

Standards Link: Investigation: Students will make predictions based on observation; answer meaningful questions and draw conclusions.

SCIENTIST'S NOTEBOOK

Question	Hypothesis	Observation	Conclusion
Which pan do you think will feel warmer after three minutes in the winter sun?	What do you think the answer to the question is? <input type="checkbox"/> pan in direct sunlight <input type="checkbox"/> pan in indirect sunlight	Which pan was warmer in three minutes? <input type="checkbox"/> pan in direct sunlight <input type="checkbox"/> pan in indirect sunlight	Was your hypothesis correct? What did you learn from this experiment?

Extra! Extra!

Without the Sun ...

Without the sun we wouldn't have newspapers because newsprint is made from trees and trees need the sun to grow. Look through the newspaper for other things that need the sun to exist.

Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

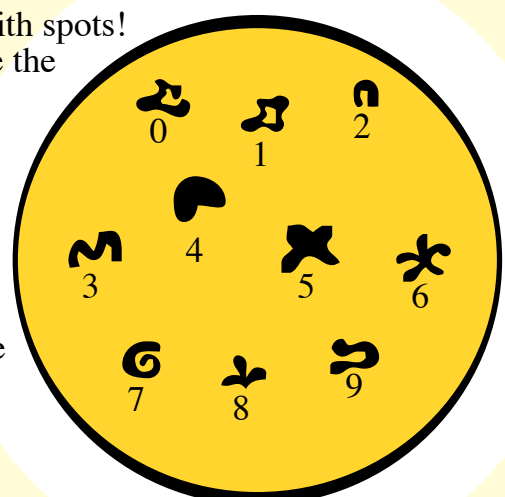
Sun Spot Mystery

The sun is covered with spots! Use the spots to solve the mystery questions.

How far is the sun from the Earth?
 million miles (149.6 million km)

How long does it take the sun to make one complete rotation?
 Earth days

What is the diameter of the sun?
 miles. (1.4 million km)



WARNING! Never look directly at the sun as this can damage your eyesight!

Standards Link: Earth Science: Students know about the sun, planets and stars.

Double Double Word Search

- SUNLIGHT
- EXPERIMENT
- SUMMER
- MILES
- PAPER
- DIAMETER
- HYPOTHESIS
- METAL
- WINTER
- SAND
- SNOWBALL
- PAN
- AXIS
- SHOE

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

S	I	S	E	H	T	O	P	Y	H
D	A	L	L	A	B	W	O	N	S
I	W	N	I	R	E	M	M	U	S
A	S	S	D	N	X	T	N	E	R
M	I	M	E	T	A	L	R	S	E
E	X	P	E	R	I	M	E	N	T
T	A	R	S	G	T	L	P	U	N
E	E	O	H	S	I	N	A	S	I
R	H	T	I	M	N	A	P	N	W

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

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