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## NCW bridal show celebrates 40 years of wedding planning excellence



COURTESY OF BRIDAL PREMIERÈ Models show off wedding gowns at the Bridal Premier.



Models display wedding gowns at Bridal Premiere, NCW's largest and

By Quinn Propst Ward Media Staff Reporter

longest running bridal show.

WENATCHEE - North Central Washington's largest and longest running bridal show, Bridal Premierè, will celebrate its 40th anniversary at the 2025 show on Saturday, Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Town Toyota Center in Wenatchee.

More than 60 vendors will be on hand to showcase their wedding related business and products. Admission is free and attendees will have the opportunity to register for door prizes.



COURTESY OF BRIDAL PREMIERÈ

The NCW Bridal Premiere connect brides and grooms with wedding experts to help plan their big day.

Bridal Premierè has assisted thousands of brides and grooms-tobe plan their perfect wedding day, said Katrina Curtis-Anderson event coordinator and owner of Katrina's Wedding Boutique.

The show features wedding and reception venues, wedding gowns, bridesmaids dresses, tuxedos, floral, bakery and cakes, catering, wedding planners, photographers, DJs,

mobile bars and more. Curtis-Anderson said the event offers the opportunity to speak with wedding professionals and get help

planning the big day. However, the event isn't just for

"It's not just for ladies," Curtis-Anderson said. "There's a lot of things for men, you know, whether it's tuxedos or picking out beers or ciders. There's all sorts of things there too, it's not just for weddings, because we have a lot of people that come there for birthdays, quinceaneras, anniversaries, so any type of event."

Curtis-Anderson has been organizing the bridal show since she was 17. Her mother bought the store, now known as Katrina's Wedding

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### Flywheel Investment Conference applications opened February 1 - Over \$150,000 in awards



COURTESY OF NCW TECH ALLIANCE Group photo of 2024 Flywheel Conference winners with the Flywheel Angel Network.

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WENATCHEE – The annual Flywheel Investment Conference, presented by Ogden Murphy Wallace, Microsoft, and Clark Nuber, announces the opening of applications for its highly anticipated

investment competition. Applications opened on February 1, inviting early-stage companies across Washington State to compete for investment awards starting at \$150,000

The 2024 Flywheel Investment Conference was a milestone event, drawing attendees from over 100 zip codes to Wenatchee. Since its inception, Flywheel has received 385 applications, with 48 companies presenting and \$1.5 million awarded in investments. Finalists have gone on to secure millions more in followon funding, cementing Flywheel's

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### Cashmere City Council considers sales tax hike, approves \$450,000 in engineering contracts



By Kirk Beckendorf Special to Ward Media

CASHMERE — The Cashmere City Council has scheduled a February 10 meeting to consider implementing a sales tax increase through its Transportation Benefit District to fund various infrastructure projects throughout the city.

The proposed initial increase of onetenth of one percent would generate an estimated \$110,000 in annual revenue for roadway, sidewalk, and other transportation-related projects. City documents indicate the measure comes in response to rising costs that have forced reductions in services and street projects. Under state law, the district could implement up to three-tenths of one percent increase, though that would require voter approval.

In other business, the council approved four separate agreements with RH2 Engineering Inc. during its January 27 meeting. A controversial \$9,166 additional engineering fee for the SCADA project passed in a 3-1 vote, with Council member Jayne Stephenson opposing. During discussions, Council member Shela Pistoresi expressed concerns about change orders, stating she "wanted to make sure that RH2 knows that change orders were being scrutinized." Director of Operations Steve Croci defended the increase, noting that "RH2 was likely eating a significant amount of the costs for the extra work that was required."

The council unanimously approved three other RH2 Engineering agreements: a \$108,000 capital improvement project to repair the Cottage Avenue sewer mainline, where a 2022 video survey revealed "multiple cracks, breaks and holes";

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### Kyle Davenport enters 2025 APBA season as defending National Champion



COURTESY OF KYLE DAVENPORT

Kyle Davenport and crew chief Tony Parisi are all smiles as they flash their new bling.

#### By Mike Maltais

Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE – The next time Cashmere's Kyle Davenport grips the steering wheel of his 2.5 stock hydro, Bantam, the boat will be sporting a new number and his right hand a National Championship ring.

It has taken just six years for Bantam owner-driver Davenport to make the leap from 2018 race crew member to American Powerboat Association (APBA) 2024 National Champion. That became official on January 22-25 at the APBA National Meeting in Reno, Nevada, where Davenport and crew picked up their award, capping a neck-and-neck competitive season that came down to the final race of the season.

#### Rookie of the Year

It should come as no surprise that Davenport was on a fast track to the



COURTESY OF KYLE DAVENPORT

Davenport delivers his acceptance speech at the awards ceremony.

winner's circle. In his first year of racing in 2019, he was named APBA West Coast Rookie of the Year, a frequent occasion that introduces new faces as the ones to watch ascend racing's ladder of achievement. That said, Davenport had a formidable contender all season in the person of Monkey Business driver J. Michael Kelly, who diverged from the 2.5 stock circuit long enough to drive the H1 Unlimited U-1 Miss Beacon Electric to the coveted Gold Cup title at Seattle

For much of the 2024 season, the Monkey Business Race Team led the points race up to the Sept. 21-22 Hampton Cup Regatta in Hampton, Virginia, where Davenport emerged with a slim three-point lead. The following weekend at the Manson Hydrofest, Davenport increased his lead to 13 points.

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#### Small Change Reuse birthday celebration

Small Change Reuse in Cashmere will host a First Birthday celebration on Saturday, February 1, from 12-3 p.m.

"Happy Birthday to Small Change Reuse," the event page states. "Join us for an all ages Saturday of crafting stations, sweet treats and a fully restocked shop of art and craft supply treasures."

For more information, visit smallchangereuse.com.

#### **NCW Bridal** Premiere 2025

The 2025 NCW Bridal Premiere will be at the Toyota Town Center on Saturday, February 8, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. 'NCW Bridal Premierè is your one and only must attend bridal and wedding event," the event page states. "Be sure to register to win some of the many door prizes. Enjoy viewing the many gorgeous wedding gowns, bridesmaids dresses and tuxedo styles and walking around visiting with the many booths."

For more information, visit town to yot a center.com.

#### Galentine's Charm Party

Brassbound Collective in Cashmere will host a Galentine's Charm Party on Sunday, February 9, from 3-6

"Bring your friends and join us for a Sunday afternoon of designing charm necklaces, bracelets and earrings that sparkle at Brassbound Collective," the event page states. "Sparkly beverages, sweet treats, bestie photo booth and assembly included.'

For more information and to register, visit brassbound collective.com.

#### **Wine and Chocolate**

Wenatchee Visitor's Center and Tasting Room will host a Wine and Chocolate Pairing on Thursday, February 13, from

"Delight in a curated flight of four exquisite wines, thoughtfully paired decadent chocolates from Curate (by Dorrinda), a new chocolate store in downtown Wenatchee," the event page states. "Whether you're looking for the perfect romantic outing, a Galentine's

celebration with friends, or simply a night of indulgence, this is an experience not to be

THINGS TO DO

THIS WEEK

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit numericapac.org.

missed."

Valentine Pet Portraits Fire House Pet Shop in Wenatchee will host Valentine Pet Portraits on Saturday, February 8, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 2-4 p.m.

"Join us Saturday, February 8 for professional pet portraits,' the event page states. "These will be keepsake level photos that are sharable and also frame worthy."

For more information, visit

### In-car speed limiters considered as option to tackle rise in WA traffic deaths

#### By: Jake Goldstein-**S**TREET

Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - An 18-year-old man was allegedly driving 112 mph in a 40 mph zone when he ran a red light and smashed into Andrea Smith Hudson's minivan last year near Renton, killing her and three children who were passengers in her car.

The driver had reportedly been involved in two crashes in the prior 10 months, including one where he was accused of speeding.

"This intentional behavior weaponizes vehicles, turning them into missiles, more dangerous than bullets," Smith Hudson's father, Ted Smith, told the state House Transportation Committee on Thursday. "We need stiff consequences for these thrill seekers, and we must use any tools available to detect and stop this from happening

A bill the committee heard Thursday aims to do that. House Bill 1596, tentatively named the Andrea Smith Hudson Act, would allow drivers with a suspended license to still be able to drive despite a history of street racing or excessive speeding, defined as 20 mph over the speed limit.

But to do so, they would have to install an intelligent speed limiter in their car.

The technology is similar to ignition interlock devices for people with histories of driving under the influence. Those devices require drivers to blow into a breathalyzer to show their blood alcohol concentration before they can start the car.

These devices use GPS to limit speed to the posted limit. Some of them include an override function when drivers need to pass cars or speed up for safety reasons. Under the legislation, they'd only be able to override the limiter three times per month.

Tampering with the device or otherwise violating the terms of the restricted driver's license would be a gross misdemeanor.

Speed limiters have both active and passive options. Active ones restrict the driver's speed, while passive ones alert the driver if they're going over the speed limit. The bill in Washington requires active speed limiters.

The Washington Traffic Safety Commission has recommended making the equipment standard commercial and passenger

Shelly Baldwin, the director of the commission, said tickets and license suspensions don't stop drivers from continuing to speed.

A similar measure recently passed the Virginia state House. New vehicles in Europe are required to have intelligent speed assistance technology installed. In California last year, Gov. Gavin Newsom vetoed a measure requiring passive speed limiters.

Rep. Dan Griffey, R-Allyn, said the Washington bill is "going to save lives."

It's one of several measures lawmakers are discussing in Olympia as they seek to reverse a dramatic rise in deaths on Washington roads.

"It's a multi-faceted crisis that demands a sense of urgency," said Rep. Mari Leavitt, D-University Place, the prime sponsor of the speed limiter measure. "This bill is a proactive solution that aims to protect the public from speed-related injuries and death."

Lawmakers are also trying

again to lower the legal limit for driving drunk from 0.08% to 0.05%. Another bill would create a new civil protection order, focused on impaired driving, that would make drivers comply with certain conditions or potentially face a misdemeanor charge.

In 2023, traffic fatalities in

Washington reached a 33-year high, with 809 deaths. That's up from 743 the year prior and 674 the year before that. Speeding was a factor in about a third of the deaths in 2023. Officials believe, when

finalized, 2024 numbers will show fewer traffic deaths in Washington.

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### Community Foundation seeking local advisory board volunteers

Ward Media

WENATCHEE - The Community Foundation of NCW is seeking new volunteer Local Advisory Board members to review and make decisions on local grants impacting their communities through its Legacy Fund Grant program, which focuses on place-based, community-centered

North Central Washington. Legacy Funds provide grant

funding by their geographic regions in Cashmere, Chelan Valley, Valley, Methow Okanogan Valley, Upper Valley, and Wenatchee Valley. These funds have been established by legacy gifts from donors who wanted to leave a meaningful gift to their community beyond their grant lifetime along with living distribution to charitable donors who want to give back to their community. organizations throughout

Local Advisory Boards (LABs) comprised of community volunteers who have responsibility for reviewing applications and awarding grants. They aim to represent a broad and diverse cross section of each community, including a mix of long-time and newer residents, working and retired individuals, donors, volunteers, and community members. Advisors provide leadership and input, each community, help grow the funds, and inspire people to leave a legacy in their local community. Local Advisory Boards

provide opportunities for more local community members to become involved in community philanthropy. Working alongside the Community Foundation and other advisors to evaluate grant applications from their local nonprofit organizations, volunteers achieve a deep

Each Legacy Fund has a recommend grants to benefit understanding of the needs and assets in their communities. Serving on a LAB also gives individuals an opportunity to become ambassadors for growing local resources that local communities in NCW will need to thrive, for generations to come.

> Learn more about Local Advisory Boards and apply at https://cfncw.org/local advisoryboards/. Application deadline is March 1.



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#### **Community Calendar**

#### Wednesday

**Cashmere Rotary Club**, meets at Cashmere Presbyterian Church hall, noon. President Mark Shorb. 509-885-0676.

Mission Creek Community Club, meets every month, 7 p.m. (1st and 3rd Wed.).

**Cashmere Food Bank**, open 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. Cashmere Food Distribution Center, 316 River St., for more information, call Pam, 509-245-6464

**Ukulele Circle**, Join the Ukulele Circle, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday, at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get the sheet music.

#### **Thursday**

**Caregiver Support Group**, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)

Cashmere Sportsman Assoc., (Cashmere Gun Club), open to the public for trapshooting 7-10 p.m. Private rentals by appointment. Call Brian James, 509-782-3099.

Cashmere American Legion Post #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. Commander Ken Komro, 509-782-4973. (Ist Thurs. of every month, August -June).

Cashmere American Legion Auxiliary #64, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. President Linda Ingraham, 509-679-0243. (Ist Thurs. of every month, August -June).

#### Sunday

**CHURCH:** See the church page for local service times & events.

#### **Monday**

**Cashmere Wacoka Kiwanis Club**, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, lower level. 6:30 p.m. Call Pam Leighton, 509-669-3159. **(4th Mon.)** 

**Tillicum Riders**, 7 p.m. Chelan County Fairgrounds. Call Cindy, 509-662-5984. (Ist Mon.)

Cashmere City Council, 6 p.m., City Hall (2nd & 4th Mon. of each month (unless a holiday, then Tues.).

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Cashmere Fire Department, Business management, 7 p.m.,

above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)

Cashmere Fire Department, meeting, 8 p.m., above City Hall.

Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)

**Cashmere School Board Work Session**, Board work sessions are typically held towards the beginning of the month at 6:30 a.m. with no action taken. For updated info. Visit www. cashmere.wednet.edu

**Cashmere School Regular Board Meetings**, are typically held towards the end of the month at 7 p.m. with action taken. The schedule for meetings is subject to change to accommodate conflicts in schedule or special circumstances. Visit www. cashmere.wednet.edu for the most up to date info.

Chelan Douglas Republican Women, Monthly meeting and luncheon 1st Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Ave. For information and reservations, please call, Angela Dye, President, 509-668-1105 (Ist Mon.)

#### **Tuesday**

**Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts**, Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or levi.ipid@nwi.net **(2nd Tues.)** 

**Peshastin Water District**, meets at 4:30 p.m. Contact: Steve Keene for meeting location. 509-548-5266. **(2nd Tues.)** 

The Chelan County Cemetery District #2, (Peshastin) meets at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)

#### **NCW Libraries**

Cashmere Public Library: 509-782-3314
You can order your books online at ncwlibraries.org or call
1-800-426-READ (7323).

Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri., 9-6, Wed. 1-6 and Sat., 10-2. Closed Sun. 300 Woodring Street. Call 782-3314, or online at cashmere@ncwlibraries.org

**Cashmere Museum and Pioneer Village**Call for more information 509-782-3230

Chelan County Historical Society Board meets, 7 p.m., Cashmere Museum, 600 Cotlets Way. Call Nicky 509-782-3230. (3rd Thurs.)

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

#### Chelan County Sheriff's Report



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#### Jan 24

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9:58:45 Rso, 5634 Locust Ln #A,

10:38:59 Graffiti, 90 S Douglas St, Cashmere, Ca 11:11:24 Miscellaneous, 3221 Allyn Ln, Monitor, Wa 5

13:50:14 Rso, 8650 Dryden Frontage Rd# 5 16:30:54 Disturbance, 314 Cottage Ave, Cashmere, Ca

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#### Jan 25

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#### Jan 30

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## Plans for new gun regulations progress in Washington Legislature

By: Jake Goldstein-Street

 $Washington\ State\ Standard$ 

OLYMPIA - Sandra Ramirez's son Joseph was hanging out with friends last February at the home of a boy whose parents owned a gun.

One of the children found the gun in an unlocked safe, Ramirez told the House Committee on Civil Rights & Judiciary last week. The gun went off, killing Joseph Martinez, 13.

"This tragedy could have been prevented if the firearm was properly locked up," said Ramirez, of Richland. "I don't just see the shooter as responsible for this happening. I see the gun owners, the adults, as who should be held accountable."

Ramirez was testifying in support of House Bill 1152, a proposal in the Washington Legislature to require gun owners to lock up their weapons in their cars and homes. The severity of the punishment for violating the proposed law rises based on the consequences, from a civil infraction to a felony if unsafe storage leads to someone being injured.

The secure storage measure is part of a package of legislation Democratic lawmakers are looking to pass this year in hopes of curbing gun violence in Washington.

The bills would require a permit to purchase guns, restrict bulk purchases of ammunition and firearms, impose an excise tax on firearm and ammunition sales, add new requirements for weapons dealers and further limit the public places where people can carry firearms.

Legislative committees have passed a couple of the bills already. A House panel was set to vote on several more last week, but some members couldn't make the meeting, so the votes were pushed to this Friday.

On Wednesday, House Speaker Laurie Jinkins, D-Tacoma, cited the secure storage bill as a gun reform measure her caucus is interested in prioritizing.

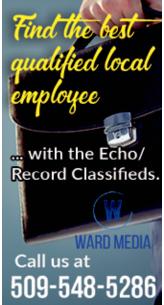
The National Rifle Association, gun shop owners and competitive shooters argued the legislation would infringe on the rights of lawful gun owners. They said lawmakers should instead implement tougher criminal punishments, specifically for gang violence.

In recent years, Democrats have banned untraceable ghost guns that don't have serial numbers as well as the sale of semi-automatic rifles and high-capacity ammunition magazines, among other gun laws

Washington's current gun laws have an A-minus rating from the Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence, ranking ninth in the country.

In 2022, the latest year for which comprehensive federal data is available, the gun death rate in Washington increased 11% from the previous year, for a total of 1,022 deaths, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. About two-thirds of those were suicide.

Guns were also one of the leading causes of death among Washington children that year, claiming 32 lives, on par



Permit to purchase

than drownings.

Perhaps the centerpiece of Democrats' plan to further regulate guns this session is a measure to require buyers to get a permit before being able to get a firearm.

with car crashes and higher

State law already includes a 10-day waiting period before sellers can deliver guns to a buyer. Purchasers also have to prove they've completed a firearm safety program before they can buy.

Under House Bill 1163 from state Rep. Liz Berry, D-Seattle, prospective buyers would have to apply for a five-year permit from the Washington State Patrol. The state patrol's Firearms Background Check Program would issue the permit within 30 days, or 60 days if the applicant doesn't have a state ID.

The state would have to issue the permit as long as the applicant isn't prohibited from buying guns, free on bond awaiting a trial or sentencing on felony charges, or the subject of an outstanding arrest warrant. They also still have to prove completion of a safety course within the past five years.

If denied, applicants can challenge the decision in court. The state can revoke a permit if the person no longer meets the required conditions.

The state patrol anticipates receiving 200,000 permit applications each year. In 2022, the agency received over 500,000 background check requests. About 1% failed.

Julia Berus, an Ingraham High School senior, said she was just feet away when a student was shot and killed at the Seattle school in 2022. She argued a permit to purchase "protects the public by ensuring the background checks occur before a firearm purchase, rather than at the point of sale, making sure that guns don't fall into dangerous bands."

"I personally do not want to be in a situation again where these guns do end up in dangerous hands," Berus told a House panel last week. "Neither do the other 1,000 students at my high school that I am speaking on behalf of right now."

Opponents said their constitutional right to bear arms shouldn't require a permit.

"How many of you would adamantly reject the idea of having to get a permit to speak, write, attend religious services, peacefully assemble, petition, own property or vote?" asked Allen Ernst, a competitive shooter. "You know, other key individual rights afforded to us in our federal and state constitutions."

The measure is already poised to advance further than last year, with a committee

vote scheduled for Friday. If passed, the law would take effect in November 2026.

Sen. Marko Liias, the sponsor of the Senate version, said this could be the year the legislation makes it to the governor's desk.

"I feel really confident that we've got momentum," Liias, a Democrat from Edmonds, said early this month.

About a dozen other states have permit-to-purchase laws on the books.

#### **Buying and selling**

Democrats also want to impose an 11% excise tax on the sale of firearms and ammunition, with exceptions for police and the military.

Washington's tax would be on top of the federal excise tax. Revenue from House Bill 1386, projected at \$35 million in the 2029-2031 biennium, would be earmarked for programs focused on gun violence prevention.

Seattle already has a similar excise tax, costing \$25 per firearm and 2 cents per round of ammunition that is 0.22-caliber or less and 5 cents per round above that size.

Another proposal would limit how many guns or bullets someone can buy. House Bill 1132 aims to stop gun shops from selling more than one gun to an individual buyer in a month, as well as 100 rounds of 0.50-caliber ammunition and 1,000 rounds of all other ammo. The state currently has no such restrictions.

### Violators would be subject to a \$500 fine.

In the 2017 shooting that left 60 dead in Las Vegas, the shooter spewed over 1,000 rounds from 15 guns in under 10 minutes.

Carrie Parsons, of Seattle, was one of the victims. Her mother, Ann-Marie Parsons, urged lawmakers last week to approve the restrictions on bulk purchases. She called it a "straightforward, sensible, effective way to save lives."

Sports shooters said the proposal would stop them from buying enough ammo to compete.

"Shooters who are preparing for the Olympics or other large events can expend anywhere from five to 10,000 rounds a month," said Brian Keelan, of the Washington State Rifle and Pistol Association.

Five states have passed laws limiting the number of guns people can purchase in certain time frames.

Democrats also want to strengthen requirements approved last year for gun shops. In July, employees of firearm dealers will have to undergo fingerprinting and a background check. Shops will also need additional security and surveillance systems.

Senate Bill 5099 would

require the state patrol to inspect 10% of licensed sellers

per year. It also requires dealers and their employees to complete training on how to recognize illegal activity.

Critics said the legislation is overly burdensome for firearm retailers. Jeremy Ball, the owner of Sharpshooting Indoor Range and Gun Shop in Spokane, said the state is losing 20 sellers licensed federally per month because of the additional restrictions.

"None of us can find any data that shows that raising the barrier of entry for firearms retailers and consolidating our industry to publicly traded corporations who care absolutely nothing about the community other than their bottom line is going to yield the results you're looking for," Ball told a Senate committee last week.

Sen. John Lovick, D-Mill Creek, the bill's sponsor, called the bill "common sense for responsible dealers."

"They ensure firearms stay out of the wrong hands," he said. "This bill isn't just about compliance, it's about accountability and safety."

The Senate Law & Justice Committee advanced Lovick's bill onto the Ways & Means panel along party lines last week.

#### Open carry

Last year, lawmakers added public libraries, zoos, aquariums and transit stations to the list of places where gun owners aren't allowed to open carry.

This year, Democrats are looking to add more public places to the list of gun-free zones.

Senate Bill 5098 would also make it a gross misdemeanor to knowingly carry a gun in parks "where children are likely to be present," state or local public buildings and county fairgrounds. The restrictions in public buildings don't include rest areas or ferry terminals.

Gun owners who have a concealed pistol license would be exempt. Signage at each facility would let patrons know about the prohibition.

NRA lobbyist Aoibheann Cline said the expansion would "make it virtually impossible to lawfully carry firearms in Washington."

Sen. Javier Valdez, D-Seattle, cited the example of an August shooting at the Grant County Fair that injured two teen girls to explain the importance of his bill.

The bill has passed out of a Senate committee and now awaits action in Ways & Means.

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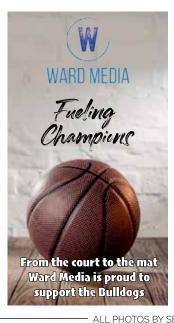


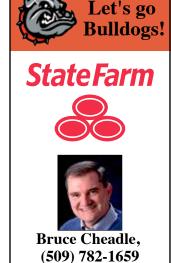
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#### **CASHMERE SCHEDULE**

Girls Wrestling					
Sat, Feb 8	11:00 AM	Warden	Away Girls 1A/2B/1B Sub-District 5 South Tournament		
Boys Wrestling					
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9:00 AM Connell SCAC Postseson Qualifing Match

#### **CASHMERE SCOREBOARD**

Boys Basketball					
Tue, Jan 28	Cashmere	89	Naches Valley	44	Win
Fri, Jan 31	Cashmere	64	Royal	74	Loss
Sat, Feb 1	Cashmere	55	Wapato	70	Loss
Girls Basketball					
Tue, Jan 28	Cashmere	49	Naches Valley	58	Loss
Fri, Jan 31	Cashmere	54	Royal	22	Win
Sat, Feb 1	Cashmere	49	Wapato	63	Loss

#### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

#### **Addie Talley** Sophomore Cashmere Girls Baseball

Talley has been a dominant force in the paint for the Bulldogs this season. Talley remained consistent this week as she contributed strong numbers in all three games

In Tuesday's loss to Cle Elum, Talley tallied 6 points and 8 rebounds. She followed that up with 8 points and 6 rebounds in Friday's win over College Place. On Saturday, in the Bulldogs' win at Kiona-Benton, Talley grabbed another 8 rebounds and scored 7 points. Talley's continued strong rebounding and defensive presence have made her a vital part of the Bulldogs' success this season. Coach Loftus shared

his thoughts on Talley's contributions: "Addie has been a consistent force on the boards all year, averaging a team-high 8 rebounds a game to complement 7 points, with multiple double-doubles. Along with her rebounding, Addie's defensive effort on the opposing team's best post player has been outstanding, constantly holding her matchup below their averages."

Talley's all-around game has been crucial for the Bulldogs as they continue to build momentum. Her ability to impact both ends of the floor makes her an integral part of the team's success.

#### Tom Mcdevitt Junior Cashmere Boys Baseball

McDevitt helped lead the team to three impressive victories this week and a 14-4 record on the season. He has been a standout player all season, not only contributing on the offensive end but also being a key part of the Bulldogs' defense. In Tuesday's win over Cle Elum, McDevitt scored 16 points and grabbed 5 rebounds. His performance only got better from there, as he put up 17 points in Friday's victory against College Place. On Saturday, he rounded out the week with 15 points at Ki-Be. Coach Heyen had high praise for McDevitt, stating, "Tom is an

double figures this season. The past couple of games, he has been on fire, averaging 17 points per game while shooting 75 percent from three and nearly 60 percent on two-point shots. Even when his teammates are leading the scoring, Tom has a huge impact on the game. He's an incredibly hard-working defender both on and off the ball. He leads the team in steals and is our second-leading rebounder, as well as second in total assists. Tom's energy on defense and his ability to knock down shots have been a huge reason the Bulldogs are sitting at 14-4 and ready to make a strong postseason push."

### Bulldogs split home doubledual with Liberty Bell, Okanogan

Cashmere Valley Record Ward Media

**CASHMERE** - The Cashmere Bulldogs had some rather irreverent guests during their double-dual last Jan. 28. Liberty Bell bested the Bulldogs 46-30 in the first half of the night's proceedings. The Bulldogs bounced back to bite the other Bulldogs, the ones from up north, besting Okanogan 51-29.

**The Cashmere Bulldogs split** a doubledual last Jan. 28, losing to Liberty Bell, 46-30 before defeating Okanogan 51-29, with both matches occurring at a sparselyattended Ron Doane Memorial Gymnasium. In the picture, Cashmere's Rafael Rojas wrestling a Liberty Bell Mountain Lion. Rojas lost by points.



Grey Jacobson flexes some serious muscle against a Liberty Bell Mountain Lion wrestler last Jan. 28. The Bulldogs lost the dual, but through no fault of Jacobson, who defeated his opponent via third-round pin. The Bulldogs bounced back to beat Okanogan in the second half of the





### Ballmer Group awards \$20 million in funding for Washington's YMCA youth programs

By Taylor Caldwell Ward Media Staff Reporter

extremely versatile player. He

is one of four players averaging

WENATCHEE - Washington State Alliance of YMCAs was the recipient of a three-year contribution of over \$20 million from the Seattle-based Ballmer Group.

The Ballmer Group, founded by philanthropist Connie Ballmer and her husband Steve Ballmer, former CEO of Microsoft, commits funding to leaders and organizations that have demonstrated the ability to implement initiatives that align with the group's mission to improve economic mobility for children and families in the United States. The contribution to the Washington State Alliance of YMCAs will empower the YMCAs to significantly expand their programs for low-income

youth aged five to 17 years old. "This vital funding is an investment in the resilience and potential of the next generation, helping today's young people explore their

options as shapers and stakeholders of tomorrow's strong communities," said Karen Hedine, Washington State Alliance of YMCAs Chair, and CEO of the Walla Walla YMCA, in a press release.

The contribution will be distributed among the Washington State Alliance of YMCAs, which leverages the collective strength of 14 independent 501c3 nonprofit YMCA associations, including Wenatchee Valley YMCA.

"I know that the other Y's are as excited as we are that we're being recognized as a youth service provider of excellence...It's amazing just

being recognized by them, but more importantly, in their help in wanting to help us bring more efforts towards serving low income families," said Dorry Foster, CEO Wenatchee Valley YMCA. "We can breathe a little bit and be able to explore what else we can do to expand that mission."

The Wenatchee Valley YMCA will receive about \$467,000 of the contribution over the next three-years, which will go towards supporting the Y's teen outreach initiatives, which includes its two teen centers that are available free to every middle school student in the valley, its gang prevention work in Eastmont School District, youth sports, and its Extreme Teen camps.

"Our guarantee is that no child ever is ever denied access or participation due to

the inability to pay, so it helps us with that guarantee," said Foster.

According to Foster, the YMCA has yet to allocate the contribution to specific initiatives, but she is hopeful that the news of the contribution will remind Wenatchee Valley families that the YMCA is there for support. "I hope it brings awareness...We have an enormous, passionate board that helps us assess the community at any given level. But if this allows others to know that we're here for them and they want to come to the table and help us expand that, I think ultimately that would be probably all of our goal, is to be able to serve better, and we can do that with awareness," said Foster.

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WENATCHEE — The Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce is launching a new bilingual business training initiative aimed at supporting Hispanic entrepreneurs in the region.

training series launches

in Wenatchee Valley

The program, called Empresarios en Acción (Entrepreneurs in Action), will offer comprehensive training sessions covering essential business topics including marketing, bookkeeping, business and grant writing, and taxes. The series will be conducted in both English and Spanish to ensure accessibility for all participants.

The initiative, sponsored by SkillSource, will consist of four sessions scheduled throughout 2025, with meetings planned for February 26, April 16, July 16, and October 15.

The training program was developed based on input from Hispanic business owners and community leaders to address specific needs within the local business community. It aims to connect Hispanic entrepreneurs with resources available through the Chamber and its partners.

The Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce, a nonprofit organization with over 600 members, has served the local business community for more than 100 years. The Chamber's offices are located at the intersection of Second Street and Wenatchee Avenue.

Interested participants can find more information about the program at wenatchee. org/empresarios-en-accion or by contacting the Chamber at 509-662-2116 or dandre@



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# RiverCom seeks matching State and Federal funding for new public safety answering point facility

NCW NEWS Ward Media

WENATCHEE - RiverCom, the region's essential 911 call-taking and emergency services dispatching provider, is seeking state and federal support to help fund a new Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) facility that will ensure continued, reliable, and professional 911 services to Chelan and Douglas Counties.

The current RiverCom facility, located on the third floor of the Wenatchee Police Department is no longer adequate to support the growing public safety needs of the region. Built in 2004, the facility faces numerous challenges that limit RiverCom's capacity to meet the growing emergency response needs of the region, including limited space, inadequate electrical capacity, and vulnerability to power outages and natural disasters. A 2019 study from an outside consultant, emphasized the need for a new facility, noting that the existing space is beyond capacity and illequipped to accommodate future growth. Since the 2019 report, RiverCom call volume has increased by 17% and staffing by 12% highlighting an even greater need now than at the time of the study.

"We've been managing with an outdated, overcrowded facility that is simply not up to the task of supporting RiverCom's critical mission," said Doug Jones, RiverCom "Our Director. current staffing levels and operational needs require space, modern infrastructure, and security that this facility can't provide. A new facility will ensure we continue to meet the growing demands of our community, now and into the future."

The RiverCom Administrative Board, which oversees RiverCom, is committed to makingthenewfacility areality. The board consists of elected officials from Wenatchee, East Wenatchee, Chelan County, Douglas County, as well as representatives from the regional fire, police and EMS agencies served by RiverCom.

"The new RiverCom PSAP will not only strengthen local emergency services but also improve coordination between local, state, and federal agencies," said Sheriff Mike Morrison, RiverCom Board Chair. "This is especially

crucial when responding to events, such as wildland fires or search and rescue emergencies, where seamless communication and resourcesharing can make all the difference in saving lives and protecting property."

Wenatchee Mayor Mike Poirier, who also serves as a RiverCom board member, emphasized the regional significance of the project. "This facility is not just for Wenatchee, it serves all the communities in Chelan and Douglas counties. By investing in this state-of-the-art PSAP, we are strengthening our region's overall emergency response capabilities and enhancing public safety for not only our citizens, but our regional tourism as well."

In August 2024, the RiverCom board took a significant step forward by purchasing land for the new facility for \$1.4 million. The property is located at the corner of 5th St. N.E. and N. Lyle Ave. in Douglas County.

RiverCom is in the process of requesting both state and federal community project funding for the remaining finances needed to complete the project. "We've been able to save a good portion



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of project funds through the local communication sales tax, but securing matching state and federal funds will make this project a reality," said Jones, concluding that, "this is a sound investment in regional public safety, ensuring the

citizens of Chelan and Douglas counties receive a fast, reliable, and well-coordinated response when they call 911 in times of crisis."

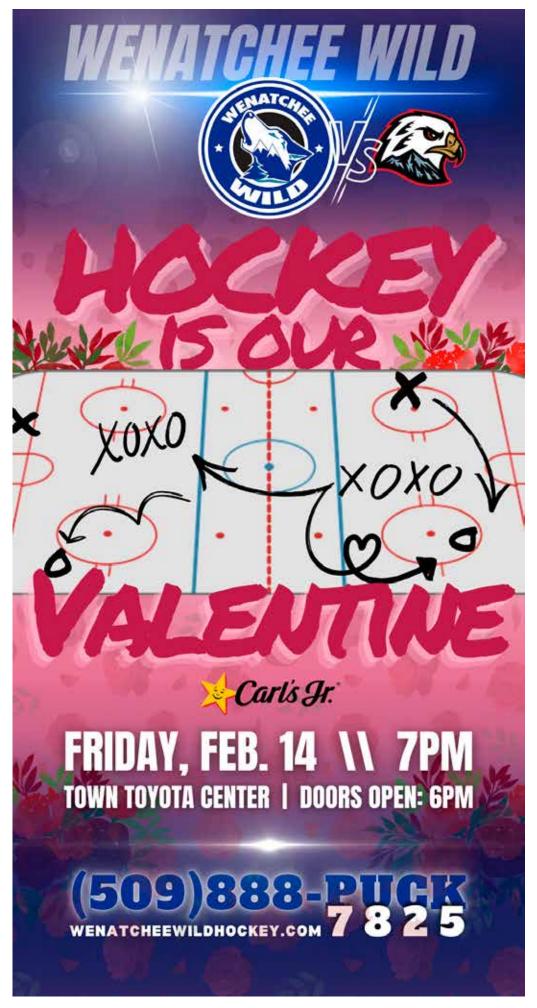
RiverCom receives 150,000 total calls per year and provides emergency dispatching services to all law enforcement, fire and EMS agencies in Chelan and Douglas Counties. In addition, RiverCom owns, operates, and maintains the regional radio communications network used by first responders.





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a \$131,582 contract for water system and roadway improvements at Norman and N. Douglas Streets; and a \$104,510 agreement for sidewalk improvements on Olive and Maple Streets.

Regarding the Norman and N. Douglas Streets project, Croci warned the council that "the project will be very

expensive and that it was likely an amendment would be needed." He noted that the Olive and Maple Streets sidewalk project would be primarily grant-funded, with the city responsible for only 12.5% of the total cost.

The infrastructure projects align with multiple city planning documents, including the City's Comprehensive Plan, the Sewer and Wastewater Plan, and the Transportation

#### **Flywheel** Continued from page A1 role as a catalyst for startup growth in Washington State.

For 2025, Flywheel is unveiling a refreshed format and a new conference date of May 21-23. Enhancements include sector-specific sessions, an expanded hall, exhibitor more networking opportunities, and exciting keynote speakers. The three-day event will culminate in the Top Six Competition on

May 23, where finalists will

compete live for investment

Companies seeking angel investment are encouraged to apply for a chance to secure funding at Flywheel. The Flywheel Conference offers over \$150,000 in total investment opportunities, including a \$50,000 relocation incentive and a \$5,000 audience favorite cash prize awarded by attendee vote.

The competition is open to a diverse range of industries. Washington encouraging State-based companies to showcase their potential. There is no fee to apply. Applicants submitting a complete application will receive a 50% discount on conference tickets and recognition for their participation. Finalists will receive free conference tickets, hotel accommodations, exclusive tours. Applications are due March 17. For details or to apply, visit: flywheelconference.com/apply.

Each year, the Flywheel Angel Network establishes a new LLC to invest in competition winners. The Improvement Plan. Flywheel Conference 2025 Fund LLC will be led by Leonard (Len) Backus, a distinguished startup sales leader. Len has built and led sales teams at over a dozen tech companies, two of which achieved IPOs

and others that successfully

underwent mergers

acquisitions. Currently an angel investor and fractional VP of Sales based in central Washington, Len holds a BS from the University of Washington and an MS from USC as a Hughes Masters Fellow. His experience as VP International for two public companies and his extensive global network in emerging tech and sales channels uniquely position him to lead this year's fund.

The Flywheel Fund is accepting new accredited investors for 2025. Investment participation offers a unique opportunity to support innovative startups based in Washington State. Interested investors are invited to attend the next Flywheel Angel Network Meeting, held virtually on February 19 at noon. Contact information can be found at flywheel conference.



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#### **Kyle Davenport**

Continued from page A1 **Hurricane finish** 

The final showdown involved a 6,000-mile round trip to the Orange Cup Regatta on Lake Hollingsworth in Lakeland, Florida, on Oct. 19-20. The weather forecaster, however, had other plans.

Hurricane Milton made landfall on Oct. 9 and devastated much of central Florida, including Lakeland, canceling the scheduled regatta and ending the racing season. Davenport had the title.

"To be clear, I would rather have gone down there and raced," said Davenport at the time. "Nature had other designs on it, but it certainly would have been fun to go out and race for it."

As the man to catch on the circuit this year, Davenport, 54, said he has no plans to hang up his racing gear anytime soon.

"I have no intention of really ever quitting," said Davenport. "I'd like to be able to continue to stay in the competition at least into my 70's if my body and mind allow it. I hope to be racing for another 20 years or so."

#### Dirt bike to hydro

Prior to switching to hydros, Davenport tried bike racing in

"I've had the competitive side of me my whole life," said Davenport. "I did the Dirty Face motorcycle ride out of Lake Wenatchee."



COURTESY OF KYLE DAVENPORT

Crew member Randy Ogle, left, joins Davenport and Parisi on the podium.

The Dirty Face is an Motorcyclist American Association (AMA) sanctioned event covering about 100 miles within the public lands in the Lake Wenatchee/Entiat area.

"Then I did the whole Hare Scramble series in 2015-16 in the over-40 beginner group," Davenport said.

The AMA website describes a hare scramble as mass-start races with all riders in a single class starting on the same row and then racing all-out to the

Davenport soon realized that being competitive in that sport came with inevitable physical cost.

"For the guys that were good it was not a matter of if I was going to get injured it was a matter of when."

In preparation for the coming season Davenport is having a backup engine built by Blockhead Marine in Auburn. Toward the end of the 2024 season Bantam's Pinto powerplant was running with a warped head, increasing the risk of major damage. Davenport had to finish the Manson heats by changing engine oil after each race to compensate for water buildup in the oil pan.

When he is not behind the wheel of a hydro, Davenport is the chief hydro operator at Rocky Reach Dam. A position he had held since 2018.

#### Ride along - with popcorn

Viewers can log on to Davenport's YouTube channel, BozGoz (youtube.com/@ BozGozRacing) to virtually ride along in the cockpit with the reigning champion driver. A GoPro camera mounted behind the driver provides an armchair and popcorn safe view of the racecourse as Davenport guides his fire engine red No. 6 Bantam around the buoys at speeds near or beyond 100 mph.

The APBA gives one ring out free with the option to purchase more. Davenport bought one for crew chief



COURTESY OF KYLE DAVENPORT Kyle Davenport's APBA National Championship ring.

Tony Paraisi. Davenport's engine builder, Marty Haack at Blockhead Machine also purchased one.

The Bantam crew members include Matt Otulo of Wenatchee, Azura Dugger of Cashmere, her grandfather Randy Ogle of Wenatchee, and Chris and JoAnne Carson of Hoodsport.

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Tentative 2025 race schedule

April 26-27	Yelm - Lake Lawrence	
May 3-4	Chelan	
June 7-8	Decatur, Illinois -Eastern Division	
June 14-15	Richland	
July 4-6	Madison, Indiana	
July 12-13	Olympia - Black Lake- Summer National	
July 27-29	Kennewick — Columbia Cup	
lugust 9-10	Pateros – Western Division	
August 16-17	Oak Harbor	
Sept. 6-7	Brewster	
Sept. 27-28	Manson	

#### **NCW** bridal

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Boutique in 1985, when she was a senior in high school.

"We were prom shopping, and we ended up buying the whole store because my mom thought it would be something fun to do, and she asked if she could name it after me and I said sure," she said.

Curtis-Anderson and her mother started the bridal show that same year and it has been going strong since 1985.

Curtis-According to Anderson, North Central Washington has become sought-after wedding

destination due to its natural beauty and diverse venues, including wineries and outdoor locations. Many brides return to the area from Seattle, Spokane, and beyond to celebrate their weddings in their hometown.

For couples looking to streamline their wedding planning process, the NCW Bridal Premierè offers an opportunity to connect with industry experts and explore the latest trends in a single day. For more information, visit

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is located at Icicle Rd in Leavenworth in Chelan County. This project involves 3.03 acres of soil disturbance for Highway or Road, Utilities construction

Road, Utilities construction activities. The receiving waterbody is Wenatchee River. Any persons desiring to present their views to the Washington State Department Ecology regarding Application, or interested Fcology's action on Application, may notify Ecology in writing no later than 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice. Ecology reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier anti-degradation requirements under WAC 173-201A-320. Comments can be submitted to: ecyrewqianoi@ecy.wa.gov, or Construction Stormwater Washington State Department

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#### **Public Notices**

#### City of Leavenworth 700 US Hwy 2 Leavenworth, WA 98826 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City of Leavenworth for construction of the Water Transmission Main Replacement project. Work to be performed includes: Installing ductile iron 24" watermain and associated fittings, water services, hydrants, valves, and connections to existing main between the bridge over the Wenatchee River on Icicle Road and the intersection of Mill Street and US 2. This work shall include, but is not limited to all roadway restoration required due to the nature of the watermain work. This project also includes minor telemetry upgrades to the City's existing well site. Bid proposals will be received only at Leavenworth City Hall. 700 US 2, Leavenworth, WA 98826 by 2:00:59 PM on Thursday, February 20, 2025, at which time they will be opened, read, and tabulated publicly. Proposals received after the time fixed for opening will not be considered. Contract documents may purchased on www.questcdn.com for \$22.00, nonrefundable, under

for \$22.00, nonrefundable, under project #9517335. Addenda will be published only through the online bidding service. Bidders that do not purchase a bid set will not automatically be notified of addenda and will need to periodically check the on-line plan room for addenda.

A voluntary pre-bid walkthrough of the City's wellsite will take place on

the City's wellsite will take place on February 12th . 2025 at 2:00 PM. An informational copy of the contract documents is on file for inspection at the City of Leavenworth. Direct questions regarding the contract documents to Cai Yamamoto, RH2 Engineering, Inc., (509) 398-3194, cyamamoto@rh2.com.

#### Public Notices

The City of Leavenworth hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into, pursuant to this advertisement, minority and women's business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to the invitation and discriminated against grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award. The City of Leavenworth an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer. All work performed on the project will be subject to state prevailing wage rates. Each bid proposal shall be accompanied by a bid proposal deposit in cash, certified check, cashier's check, postal money order, or surety bond in an amount equal to at least 5 percent of the amount of such bid proposal. Make checks payable to the City of Should Leavenworth. successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance and payment bond within the time stated in the Specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited

to the City of Leavenworth. The City of Leavenworth reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities in the bid or the bidding. No bidder may withdraw their proposal after the hours set for the opening thereof, or before award of contract, unless said award is delayed for a period exceeding 60 calendar days.

This project is funded through the Washington State Public Works Board (PWB) program with state funds. PWB requirements and provision must be met by the general contractors and all the subcontractors. All contractors and subcontractors must be licensed in the state of Washington to conduct business. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on February 5, 12, 2025, #9362

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### **MEDITATION WORD SEARCH**

D Ι Ε Ε T S N Α C R Q Y N Ζ G R Α E G N E Q Ι Ι S W Т 0 0 C G Т C D 0

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

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**Proof It!** 

Are you an eagle-eyed

reader? Read the story

below and circle the seven errors you find. Then

rewrite the story correctly.

**Peanut Professor** George Washington Carver was

born into slavery, but he grew up to be one of America's greatest scientist. He invented

more than 300 products made

it was hard for a Black child to get into school when Carver

was young but. He never gave

up. He eventually finished skool and got a job as a teacher

Carver wanted to help poor

farmers. He told them to grew

peanuts. The farmers thought

Carver invited some farm to

lunch. They had soup, mock chicken, creamed vegetables,

bread, salad, ice cream, cookies

Imagines their surprise when Carver told them that everything was made with peanuts!

at a school in Alabama.

peanuts were weeds.

and coffee.

from peanuts!



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H I S T O R Y

**Black Inventors and Science Pioneers Touching Lives Every Day** 

Have you ever ridden in an elevator, worn shoes, played with a Super Soaker or used a microphone? Then your life has been touched by an African-American scientist.

> Follow the maze to match each inventor with their invention.

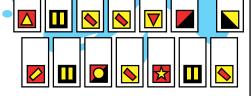


doors that had to be opened and closed by hand. Elevator doors that open and close automatically made riding an

Early elevators had elevator safer.

In 1914, this inventor created a "safety hood" which made polluted air safer to breathe. This was an early version of the gas mask.

This NASA engineer is best known for inventing the Super Soaker water blaster. The success of his invention has funded his own research and he now has more than 100 inventions to his name. Use the code to discover this inventor's name.



#### **INVENTOR CODE**

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If you love to pick up a microphone and sing out a song, you will be glad this

scientist loved electricity and

physics. He invented a small

microphone. His technology

is used in 90 percent of

microphones today and in

cell phones, laptops, baby

monitors and hearing aids.

#### Jan Ernst Matzeliger

He invented a machine that could quickly attach the top of a shoe to the sole. The machine made shoes ten times faster than by hand, making shoes more affordable.

Find the two identical shoes.



#### Replace the missing words.

#### Mae Jemison

Mae Jemison has always had big \_\_\_\_\_. Her big dreams took her into space! She is the first African-American female . In

1992, she flew aboard the space shuttle Endeavor.

Mae loved

and dancing as a child. In college she decided to medicine. After becoming a doctor, she went to Africa with the Peace Corps.

When she returned , she decided to follow another dream—to be an astronaut.

SCIENCE HOME

**DREAMS** STUDY

**ASTRONAUT** 



newspaper for ten words that describe inventors. Use these words to write a poem or a paragraph about inventors.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

### Scoop Puzzle

Cut and paste these sentences in the correct order to discover the beginnings of Black History Month.

week to encourage knowledge of the important contributions by the Black community. What began

eventually became a month-long observance known as Black History Month.

as a week-long celebration to honor equal rights pioneers Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln

Carter G. Woodson was one of the first scholars to study African-American history. He lobbied to establish an African-American history

### Double

**MICROPHONE AMERICAN AFRICAN** 

**HAND** 

**SONG** 

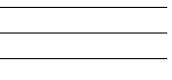
**AIR** 

**COLLEGE SCIENCE HISTORY INVENT DREAMS FEMALE PEACE HONOR BLACK** 

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

BLTNEVNIAA HONORKAYFC SPEACECRES CKDAHOIOMM ISLNLCRTAA EBOLAIESLE NTENAHMIER CGSTGOAHRD ENOHPORCIM

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



# Kid Scoop

This week's word: **AUTOMATIC** 

The adjective **automatic** means a device that acts or is set in motion by itself.

The grocery store doors opened automatically as I walked toward them.

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



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