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Brewster FFA sends 16-strong team to state convention

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Ag instructor Todd Dezellem, second from left, coached the BBQ team of from left, Domingo Cázares, Fred Angel, Angel (Lalo) Rincon, Diego Guzman, Jorge Samperio, and chaperone Jeremy Hemmer.



Angel Rincon scored high marks for his vocal performances.

By MIKE MALTAIS
Ward Media Staff Reporter

BREWSTER – The Bears FFA Chapter sent a team of 16 students to the 95th annual State FFA Convention held at WSU from May 8-10, where the group represented both school and community in memorable fashion. Together with the contests and events, the Brewster students attended workshops teaching them



Members of the 16 student Brewster FFA Chapter pose in front of a statue of the WSU mascot during a campus tour.

about leadership, finding purpose in their life, planning for their futures, how to communicate, and much more. They also toured the WSU campus and met with many businesses and colleges within WSU to learn more about potential departments and careers they may be interested in joining. The Food Science Team of Jessica Perez, Bryan Rosales, Antonia Hernandez, Demian Garcia, and

Stephanie Arreola placed ninth out of 44 teams. “They were one short of getting on stage, but still proud of how many teams they out-performed,” said Jeremy Hemmer. “It was an extremely competitive year, and they are hopeful of getting on stage next year.” On an individual level, Bryan Rosales tied for first place spot but

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Climbers perish, one survives in North Cascades triple tragedy



The Early Winters North and South spires, left, are part of the Liberty Bell group.

By MIKE MALTAIS
Ward Media Staff Reporter

MAZAMA – A rare triple tragedy struck the local climbing community when three King County residents perished after a fall near Liberty

Bell peak in the North Cascades on Saturday, May 10. A fourth member of the party sustained serious head and internal injuries but survived to summon help. On Tuesday, May 12, Okanogan

County Coroner Dave Rodriguez identified the deceased climbers as Tim Nguyen, 63, of Renton, Vishnu Irigredy, 48, of Renton, and Oleksander Martynenko, 36, of Bellevue. The fourth climber, Anton Tselykh, 38, of Renton, is recovering at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. In a scenario more typical of an Everest expedition than a descent of the Early Winters North Spire in the Liberty Bell group, the climbers were tethered together when the accident occurred. Okanogan County Undersheriff Dave Yarnell calculated that the group fell about 200 near-vertical feet and tumbled another 200 feet down a rocky, snow-covered chute. “It’s amazing that anyone survived,” Yarnell said. The accident happened late Saturday morning. Tselykh later reported that he did not regain

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Keynote speakers announced for 2025 Indian Education Summer Teaching Institute in Omak



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Dr. Jeannette Armstrong



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Maya Esquivido Strom

Indigenous theory. Dr. Jeannette Armstrong, Henry Strom and Maya Esquivido-Strom will headline the event as keynote speakers. Dr. Armstrong is Syilx Okanagan, a fluent speaker and teacher of the Nsyilxcn language, and a traditional knowledge keeper. She holds a Ph.D. in Environmental Ethics and Syilx Indigenous Literatures and is an associate professor and Canada Research Chair at the University of British Columbia Okanagan. She also serves on the Traditional Knowledge Subcommittee of the Committee

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Quad embraces all-digital format after 125 years

By MIKE MALTAIS
Ward Media Staff Reporter

BREWSTER – In observance of the final paper issue of the Quad City Herald on May 21, 2025, a nostalgic backward look at its contribution to and coverage of local events seems appropriate. The Quad will continue to report the news online at NCW News (www.ncw.news).

How it all started

There are two versions surrounding the origins of today’s Quad City Herald. While there may be some question as to which is correct, both clearly establish that Brewster’s first newspaper is old, 134 years by one account, 125 years by the other. The website Old News (oldnews.com) credits local resident A.M.B. Young as founder of The Herald Reporter in 1891, the same year that the infamous Dalton gang engineered the first great train



1891 masthead

robbery in California. HistoryLink (HistoryLink.org) on the other hand says David Gillespie started the town’s first newspaper, the Brewster Herald in 1899.

Witness to history

Originally named Bruster after its founder, John W. Bruster (1840-1902), the town’s name was changed to Brewster when the post office opened in 1898. The Brewster Herald witnessed the arrival of the town’s first doctor, Dr. Charles Robert McKinley in 1901, the destruction of much of the town by fire in 1903, the arrival of its first automobile in 1906, and the town’s incorporation in 1910. The Herald reported on the first churches built in 1912, the first railroad in 1914, the first bridge over Columbia in 1927, and the first hospital (McKinley Memorial now Three Rivers) in 1949. There have been many other notable events, not least of which was the nationally recognized 82-game win streak by



1955 masthead

The appearance and style of the masthead saw some changes over the years. Pictured is a 1955 version and a later 2007 look.



2007 masthead

Paper passes hands

Ike and Doris Vallance purchased the business (by then the Brewster Herald-Pateros Reporter-Bridgeport Chief) from the Gillespie’s in 1972, renamed it the Quad City Herald and, according to Ike’s obituary “quickly turned the Quad City Herald into a must-read weekly paper.” After a 42-year run during which the paper became a family affair and community fixture, the Vallances sold in 2014 to the NCW Media combo of Jeff and Audrey Walter (Brewster) and Bill and Carol Forhan (Leavenworth). In his final column, Bill Vallance, now consulting chief for Douglas Okanogan County Fire District 15, wrote: “As I sit here writing I can honestly say I won’t miss the stress of meeting deadlines, but I will miss all that the Quad has become.”

Ward Media entered the picture in the fall of 2023 purchasing the paper from NCW Media.

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Pastries with Parents

The Mansfield Booster Club will host Pastries with Parents on May 22 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

"Start your morning with a sweet treat and some quality time together, Enjoy pastries, coffee, and conversation before the school day begins."

For more information, contact the Mansfield Booster Club or visit their Facebook page.

Author Event – Ana Maria Spagna

The Waterville Library will host an author event with Ana

Maria Spagna on May 24 at 10:30 a.m.

"Join us to meet and listen to local author Ana Maria Spagna as she shares insights into her work and writing process."

For more information, contact the Waterville Library or visit ncwlibraries.org.

STEAM Fridays

The Omak Public Library will host STEAM Fridays on May 23 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

"Each class features a different activity designed to help you explore and discover

your passions in the world of STEAM," the event page states.

For more information, visit ncwlibraries.org or contact the Omak Public Library.

Whiskey Trail at Mellisoni Vineyards

Celebrate Memorial Day weekend with live music by Whiskey Trail at Mellisoni Vineyards on May 24 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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celebration, remembrance, and stunning views, Happy Memorial Day Weekend!"

For more information, visit mellisonivineyards.com or contact the winery directly.

Thank you for letting us be part of your story

This is not the kind of column I ever imagined writing. But here we are — with this, the final edition of the *Quad City Herald*.

For more than 100 years, this newspaper has chronicled the lives, challenges, and triumphs of the people of Brewster, Bridgeport, Pateros, and Mansfield. It has been your hometown paper — covering Friday night football, city council meetings, business grand openings, births and obituaries, floods and fires, Fourth of July parades, and all the quiet, everyday things

that make small towns extraordinary.

Ending that tradition is not a decision we came to quickly, and certainly not without a heavy heart. But the reality is unavoidable: the cost of printing and distributing a weekly newspaper has outpaced the revenue needed to sustain it. Advertising has dwindled. Subscription numbers have declined. And while the Herald still matters deeply to those who read it — and to those of us who produce it — the economics of small-town publishing have changed.

Still, I want to emphasize something important: **the Herald is ending, but community journalism is not.**

Our commitment to telling the stories of the region is unwavering. Moving forward, we'll continue covering these communities through **NCW News**, our free, regional news website, and our daily *Morning Brief* email newsletter. The work continues — just in a different format.

To our subscribers, thank you. Your loyalty kept this publication going for far longer than market forces suggested it could.

To our advertisers, thank you. Your support funded not just pages of print, but pages of history.

To our staff, past and present, thank you. You put your hearts into this paper week after week, deadline after deadline.

And to this community — the readers, the critics, the

tipsters, the letter writers — thank you. You made this more than a newspaper. You made it a part of your lives.

As we close this final edition, we do so with pride in what the *Quad City Herald* has stood for — and with hope for what comes next.

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Money crunch: Nearly 50 WA State Library employees facing layoffs

By JERRY CORNFIELD
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Secretary of State Steve Hobbs is preparing to lay off nearly 50 Washington State Library employees due to a decline in state and federal funding.

In the past two weeks, 47 workers at the main library in Tumwater and at the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library in Seattle learned they are at-risk of losing their jobs, some in June and others in September, because of the lack of resources, Hobbs announced last week.

"It is heartbreaking and distressing to witness the near elimination of our state's Central Library, which has existed since territorial times to enrich our culture and serve as a research hub for our state's residents," Hobbs said in a statement.

Staff in 27 state-funded positions received a layoff date of June 30 while those in 20 federally funded positions have a Sept. 30 date.

Hobbs warned of potentially far-reaching repercussions.

Operating hours of the main state library in Tumwater will be trimmed and it may be closed entirely to the public, curbing access to its trove of historical and governmental collections.

In addition, the Ask A Librarian program that receives thousands of calls each year could go unanswered, and email inquiries will not receive timely responses. Additionally, subscriptions to newspaper

and genealogy databases will be discontinued, and the acquisition of new materials will be drastically limited, said deputy secretary of state Randy Bolerjack.

Similarly, the Talking Book and Braille Library may be closed to the public with phone support reduced and circulation and registration services slowed. Production of braille and audio materials could also be reduced or suspended at the state's only accessible library service for people who are blind or have other disabilities.

Fiscal challenges are playing out on two fronts.

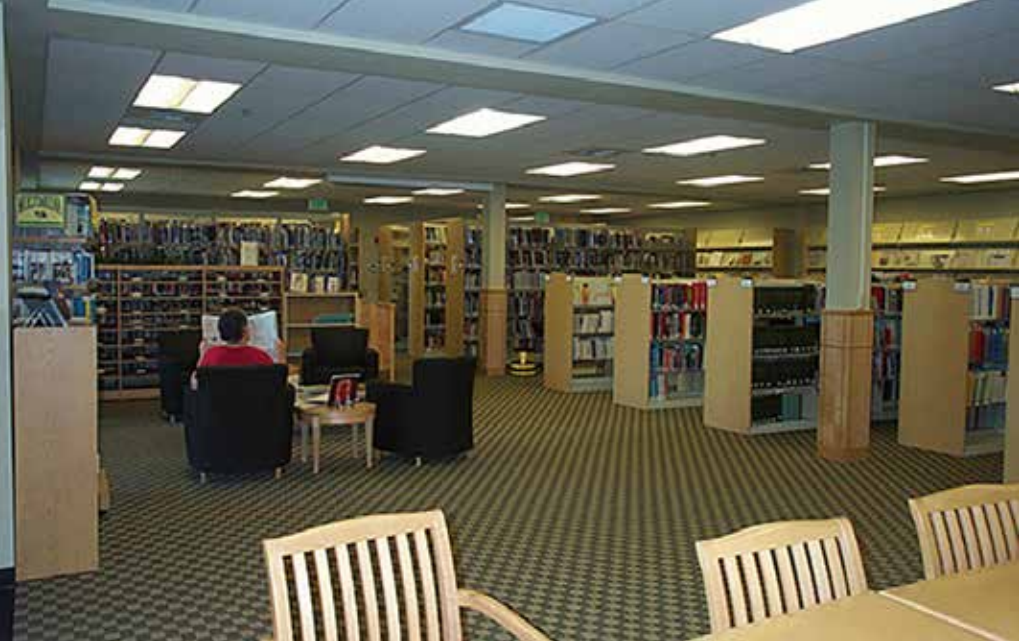
At the state level, the library system continues to suffer from a sluggish housing market that's generated less revenues from fees paid on real estate transactions. A portion of this fee revenue goes to support the library.

The secretary of state's office requested \$6.7 million for the next budget to make up for lower-than-expected receipts and maintain current service levels. While House and Senate budgets contained a smaller sum — \$2.7 million in the House and \$1.2 million in the Senate — there was no money in the final budget passed by the Legislature, Bolerjack said.

Those dollars were counted on to fund 15 jobs in the library in Tumwater and 12 positions at the Talking Book and Braille Library.

A thin silver lining looms.

A bill awaiting action by Gov. Bob Ferguson would impose a new \$50 surcharge on all filings handled by Superior Court clerks, of which \$20 would go to the secretary of state's office for the library, archives and state legacy projects. This would generate up to \$6 million in a full biennium, according to a fiscal analysis.



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Inside the Washington State Library in Tumwater, Wash.

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Okanogan & Douglas County Sheriff, Brewster Police Dept Report

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Douglas County May 9

11:37:55 Trespass, 255 Rd I Sw, Waterville

May 10

05:16:08 Accident Injury, 1009 Rd C Nw, Mansfield

May 11

09:43:12 Domestic Disturbance, 616 Columbia Ave, Bridgeport
18:03:52 Harass/Threat, 119 Hummingbird Rd, Waterville
23:04:01 Assist Public, 234 E 1st Ave, Mansfield

May 12

09:16:16 Theft , 17th St & Foster Ave, Bridgeport
09:47:14 Assist Agency, Bridgeport: Area, Bridgeport
13:58:31 Assist Public, 2415 Tacoma Ave, Bridgeport

May 13

09:29:32 Suspicious, 103 Sagebrush Rd, Waterville
10:34:18 Fraud/Forgery, 51 Rd P Nw, Waterville
12:01:45 Vehicle Theft, 70 Rd 2 Ne, Waterville

May 14

20:49:50 Civil, 331 16th St, Bridgeport

May 15

11:37:18 Assist Agency, 2123 Columbia Blvd, Bridgeport
16:39:17 Runaway, 331 16th St, Bridgeport
19:34:13 Traffic Offense, Sr 17 Mp 134, Bridgeport

Bridgeport Sheriff Dept. May 9

16:02:06 Drugs, Highway 97, Brewster, Comments: Rp Made Contact W Male And He Is High On Something

May 10

22:22:27 Domestic Dispute, S 6th St, Brewster, Comments: Rp Advd Her Husband Is Accusing Her Of Being Bad. His Ex-Wife Is Making Them Argue. Unk Further. Rp Then Disconnected The Line.

May 11

17:25:46 Theft Other, W Main Ave, Brewster, Comments: M Came Into Buy A Phone, Took Iphone 13.

May 12

17:20:11 Traffic Offense, S 7th St, Brewster
20:34:14 Domestic Dispute, S Bridge St, Brewster, Comments: Husband Being Aggressive. Rp Does Not Feel Safe. He Dropped Her Off At A Friends House Earlier

Today And Does Not Believe She Just Stayed There. Took Her Glasses Off Her Face And Put Them Behind Her Back Then Questioned Her About Her Whereabouts. He Was Very Intimidating.

May 13

14:30:56 Citizen Dispute, W Main Ave, Brewster, Officer: Arnold Kevin Comments: Subj Blocked Rp In To The Parking Lot. Veh Has Now Left The Parking Lot, Unk Direction Of Travel. While Attempting To Pull Into The Parking Lot, That Veh Nearly Struck Rp's Veh So She Honked Her Horn. Rp Believes The Other Driver Became Personally Offended And Followed Her Aggressively Out Of Rage W/ Intent To "Attack" Her.

May 14

07:38:03 Agency Assist, Highway 97, Brewster, Comments: Iphone Auto Notification Of Poss Collision. Can Hear Traffic Passing, No Response From Caller.

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20:34:14 Agency Assist, S Bridge St, Brewster, Comments: Husband Being Aggressive. Rp Does Not Feel Safe. He Dropped Her Off At A Friends House Earlier Today And Does Not Believe She Just Stayed There. Took Her Glasses Off Her Face And Put Them Behind Her Back Then Questioned Her About Her Whereabouts. He Was Very Intimidating

May 14

07:54:34 911 Abuse, Brewster Grange Rd, Brewster, Comments: 911 No Answer Before Disconnecting, On Cb Phone Used Voice To Text For Caller, When Asked If There Was An Emergency, Dispatch Only Rec'd Multiple Number Presses, Sent Text To Caller Asking Again If There Was An Emergency Then Line Disconnected Again.

09:00:48 Civil, Monse River Rd, Brewster, Comments: Neighbors Tenants Have Started Piling Junk Onto Rps Property. Now Have Five Junk Vechs Parked On His Land.
15:25:46 Agency Referral, W Beach St, Pateros

May 15

07:38:03 Found Property, Highway 97, Brewster, Comments: Iphone Auto Notification Of Poss Collision. Can Hear Traffic Passing, No Response From Caller.

Historic Freestone Inn in Mazama listed for sale at \$5.99 million



COURTESY OF COLDWELL BANKER CASCADE REAL ESTATE

The main lodge of the Freestone Inn includes 12 rooms and five suites with lake and mountain views. Originally envisioned by outdoorsman Jack Wilson, the lodge opened in 1996 and remains a year-round destination for recreation in the Methow Valley.

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MAZAMA — A celebrated destination in Washington's Methow Valley, the Freestone Inn portfolio is now on the market, offering investors a chance to own a piece of North Cascades history.

The property, located at 31 Early Winters Drive in Mazama, is listed for \$5,995,000. The portfolio includes 12 rooms and five suites in the main lodge, eight rental cabins, a manager's cabin, a commercial kitchen, a restaurant and

bar, Jack's Hut pizza pub, a community pool, and a hot tub. The site comprises 27,750 square feet of hospitality space across 11 buildings.

"The Freestone Inn is a rare investment opportunity that blends scenic beauty, historic significance, and a thriving recreational market," said Adam Rynd, listing agent with Coldwell Banker Cascade Real Estate. Rynd can be reached at 206-799-1059 or adam@cbeascade.com for more information.

The inn's origins trace back to the late 1940s, when Jack



COURTESY OF COLDWELL BANKER CASCADE REAL ESTATE

The Freestone Inn built on the original site of the Wilson Ranch, is now listed for sale at \$5.995 million.

and Elsie Wilson left San Francisco to settle in Mazama and built the original Early Winters cabins, a stock barn, and a one-acre lake. Jack Wilson, known for his passion for the outdoors, led packhorse excursions, hunting trips, and fishing tours, drawing guests from around the world, including celebrities and political figures.

In 1996, Wilson's long-held vision for a full-service resort was realized with the construction of the Freestone Inn on the lake he had created decades earlier. The inn

has since earned accolades including recognition as one of Travel and Leisure magazine's "Top 25 Lodges in America."

Situated near the Methow Valley Trail System and North Cascades National Park, the property remains a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts throughout the year.

The sale presents a unique opportunity to continue a legacy of rustic hospitality and wilderness adventure in one of Washington's most scenic regions.

Bridgeport Middle School Mathletes take second at regional 'Math is Cool' contest



COURTESY OF BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT/FACEBOOK

Bridgeport's 6-8 grade math teams made their mark at the Math is Cool competition at Moses Lake High School, April 26.



COURTESY OF BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT/FACEBOOK

The sixth-grade team displays its second-place ribbons. Math specialist Susan Schuh, right, holds the plaque award.

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Sixth grader Ian Morales placed second overall in individual competition.



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Brewster High School Scoreboard

Boys Varsity Baseball					
Sat, May 17	Brewster	8	River View	4	Loss
Boys Varsity Soccer					
Sat, May 17	Brewster	2	Wahluke	1	Loss

Pateros freshman Sarah Zoretic named WIAA Athlete of the Week



COURTESY OF MIKE ZORETIC
Pateros freshman tennis standout Sarah Zoretic was named a WIAA Athletic of the Week after concluding her season with a 6-3, 6-2 win in the NCW B League Championship, becoming the first league champion in Pateros High School history. She posted an 11-2 regular season record as the team's No. 1 singles player and advances to Districts as the league's top seed with a guaranteed State berth. Zoretic also plays defender on the state-qualifying soccer team, competes in AAU swimming, dances, and maintains a 4.0 GPA.

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Brewster's Uriah Marcille named WIAA Athlete of the Week after record-breaking sprint season

COURTESY OF BREWSTER SPORTS FACEBOOK
Brewster sophomore sprinter Uriah Marcille is the WIAA Athlete of the Week for his track and field accomplishments this season. He has made a remarkable comeback from major ankle surgery and is now leading the 2B classification in the 100m dash. On April 29, Marcille ran a personal best of 10.86—surpassing the current 2B state record of 10.89. In his first 200m race of the season, he clocked another PR at 22.77, ranking third in 2B. He followed up on May 2 with first-place finishes in both the 100m (11.16) and 200m (22.96).

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Museum hosts “Four Minutes of Fame” for local writers to shine on stage

By **ANDREW SIMPSON**
Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE — Write On The River, the group that just brought back their writing workshop after a year hiatus, is teaming up with the Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural Center to present “Four Minutes of Fame: A Night of Wine and Spoken Word” on May 22 from 6-9 p.m.

The Museum has become known for hosting events that feature wine and beer from local vintners and brewers, but the spirits are secondary for one night to the spirit of creativity, as the partnership presents the winners of Write On The River's 2025 Writers Competition at the beginning of the evening, then moves on to showcase local talents.

Four Minutes of Fame is a free open mic for all local

writers. From 6-9 p.m., writers, poets, and spoken word artists will have a maximum of four minutes to share their first drafts or polished final pieces during a night of creativity and camaraderie.

This will be an opportunity to either grab the spotlight yourself for your own four minutes or just sip some wine and enjoy the massive talent that this Valley has to offer. Events like this one give the public a rare opportunity to hear writing in the tone of voice the author intended.

If you or someone you know is interested in reading at this event, you should register online no later than Monday, May 19, and only register if you actually plan to read, as they are building a roster as more people sign up.

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After 30 years, Richard Beyer's “Coyote Reading a Candy Wrapper” is still the landmark everyone looks for when coming to the Museum & Cultural Center.

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Deputies recover stolen ATV, arrest Malaga suspect

By **ANDREW SIMPSON**
Ward Media Staff Reporter

MALAGA — According to a release from Chelan County Sheriff Mike Morrison, Wenatchee Police took a report on Saturday, May 3 of a stolen all-terrain vehicle (ATV) from inside Wenatchee city limits.

Later, a Chelan County Sheriff's Deputy was patrolling in the area of the Malaga Market on the Malaga-Alcoa Highway when he saw an ATV pull out and begin driving recklessly. He attempted to stop the vehicle when he saw that it had no license plate and the driver was continuing to operate it in an unsafe manner, but the driver refused to stop, eventually eluding him by driving into an orchard, which the deputy also saw.

In the orchard off Hurds River Ranch Road, the deputy located the ATV, but the driver was not present. It turned out to be the vehicle

from the stolen ATV report from Wenatchee, and it was returned to its owner.

However, a crime had been committed and the deputy stayed on the case. During the course of his investigation, he found probable cause to arrest Mitchell Plantillas of Malaga.

Five days after the initial theft report, deputies made contact with Plantillas at his residence in the 300 block of Hurds River Ranch Road. There, they took him into custody on charges of theft of the ATV and eluding law enforcement.

According to Sheriff Morrison's report, a search warrant was obtained for the property and other stolen items were located and recovered, including another ATV that had recently been stolen.

The 27-year-old Plantillas was booked into the Chelan County Regional Justice Center. Charges include two

counts of possession of a stolen vehicle, felony eluding, second degree possession of stolen property, second degree trespassing, second degree criminal trespassing and second degree burglary.

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The Malaga Market, the scene of where a Sheriff's Deputy first spotted Mitchell Plantillas on a stolen ATV.

WA budget includes \$150M to maintain health coverage for low-income immigrants

By **JACQUELYN JIMENEZ ROMERO**
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA - Thousands of people who are not U.S. citizens would continue to receive Medicaid-like health care coverage in Washington state under the budget plan the Legislature recently approved.

But the program could make the state a target for Medicaid cuts Republicans in Congress are pursuing.

Washington opened its Apple Health Expansion program for immigrants without legal status last year. Enrollment remains capped based on available funding, which is set to be maintained at roughly \$150 million in the next two-year budget. The budget bill is awaiting a signature from Gov. Bob Ferguson.

This week, Republicans in the U.S. House pushed ahead with legislation that would penalize states that have these kinds of health care programs for immigrants.

The federal government pays 90% of the cost of covering enrollees who qualify for Medicaid under expanded income eligibility guidelines in

the 2010 Affordable Care Act. That match would decrease to 80% if states choose to keep covering immigrants with programs like Washington's.

In total, Washington state received around \$20 billion in Medicaid funding from the federal government during the 2023 federal fiscal year, according to KFF, a nonpartisan health research organization. KFF data also show that, as of 2021, about 821,000 people were covered under the Affordable Care Act expansion where Republicans are looking to reduce the federal match.

Washington's Health Care Authority, which oversees the state's Medicaid program, said they are closely monitoring federal discussions about potential changes to Medicaid funding. But it wasn't immediately clear what the possible cut could mean for the state in dollar terms.

Local advocates have praised the Apple Health Expansion program for immigrants, saying it extends a critical safety net to a community that has been excluded.

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Bob Ferguson signed a trio of bills on Monday related to protecting immigrants in Washington state.

Trio of immigrant rights laws signed by WA governor

By JACQUELYN JIMENEZ ROMERO
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA — Gov. Bob Ferguson signed three bills to protect immigrant rights last week.

These included measures to strengthen state power to inspect private detention facilities, prevent coercion in the workplace, and prohibit bail bond agents from enforcing immigration laws.

Lawmakers put forward the legislation at a time when President Donald Trump is trying to crack down on people crossing into the country illegally and as his administration presses to deport immigrants already in the U.S. without legal authorization.

Here’s a look at what the new state laws would do.

Detention centers

State lawmakers have been pushing for greater transparency at the for-profit immigrant detention center in Tacoma. Previous efforts on this front have landed the state in court battles with the for-profit company that operates the facility, The GEO Group.

House Bill 1232 is the latest attempt to pave the way for the state’s Department of Health to inspect the Northwest ICE Processing Center and enforce compliance with state and federal laws there.

It establishes additional standards for such facilities in areas like sanitation, ventilation and medical care, along with new safeguards against abuse.

The bill also expands the definition of private detention facilities to include those run by nonprofit organizations after The GEO Group, which runs the Tacoma facility, claimed to be singled out under existing law. The nonprofit Martin Hall

Juvenile Detention Facility, near Spokane, will now join the list of these facilities.

Rep. Lillian Ortiz-Self, D-Mukilteo, sponsor of the bill, said she hopes this legislation demonstrates the state is not targeting a single facility.

The law is effective immediately.

Workplace coercion

There is often limited recourse for immigrant workers facing threats or being exploited by their employer. Senate Bill 5104, sponsored by Sen. Bob Hasegawa, D-Seattle, intends to give immigrant workers better tools when facing coercion in the workplace.

The bill would require the state’s Department of Labor and Industries to investigate complaints of coercion and would allow the agency to impose civil penalties when violations occur.

Coercion differs from retaliation because it happens before an employee raises an issue. Retaliation happens after the employee does so.

During the complaint process, when a worker files a complaint, the department will notify the employer, but language in the bill was added to make a worker’s personal information confidential to anyone other than the department and the employee.

“Every Washington worker can and should feel safe to report workplace injustices without fear of coercion or retaliation of any kind,” Ferguson said at the bill signing.

The bill would take effect on July 1.

Bail bond agents

Following an incident in January during a public meeting in Sunnyside, a person claiming to be a “bounty hunter” said that U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement would soon use bail bond agents to arrest people in the U.S. without

legal authorization and pay them \$1,000 for every arrest. ICE had detained two people in Sunnyside around this time.

Senate Bill 5714 would expand the list of unprofessional conduct for bail bond agents to include enforcement of a civil immigration warrant. The Department of Licensing could take disciplinary action against agents found to be in violation.

Bail bond agents already largely lacked the authority to get involved in immigration issues. But Sen. Yasmin Trudeau, D-Tacoma, said she introduced the bill because “people can operate right on the boundaries.” The law, she said, will provide clarification about those boundaries and the penalties for crossing them.

It would also prevent agents from sharing a defendant’s immigration status with anyone outside their business.

The bill would take effect on July 27.

Other legislation

In addition to the laws the governor signed Monday, May 12, the Legislature approved a bill to allow immigrants to use paid sick time for immigration proceedings, which Ferguson signed in April, and a bill to have an expedited pardon process for those facing deportation, which is awaiting the governor’s signature.

Lawmakers also maintained funding in the budget they approved for a state program that provides health care coverage that mirrors Medicaid to a limited number of immigrants without legal status. Ferguson has still not signed off on the budget legislation.

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Washington will offer special education to students longer under new law

By JERRY CORNFIELD
Washington State Standard

OLYMPIA — A new law triggered by a lawsuit will ensure public school students in Washington are offered special education instruction until they are 22 years old.

Gov. Bob Ferguson signed legislation this week to extend the length of a student’s eligibility to the end of the school year in which they turn 22 or graduate high school, whichever comes sooner. The current age limit is 21.

“As the son of a longtime special education teacher, I understand how important it is,” Ferguson said before putting his signature on Senate Bill 5253.

The bill responds to a federal court ruling in 2024 that found Washington in violation of a federal law concerning how long states must provide “free appropriate public education” to students.

Washington law now assures students with disabilities are eligible for special education services between the ages of 3 and 21.

A federal law known as the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, or IDEA, governs how states and public schools deliver special

education and related services to children and youth with disabilities.

It does not require offering “free appropriate public education” to those aged 18 to 21. But, if a state offers free education programming for any adults, it needs to offer those services for students until they turn 22.

In November 2024, a federal court issued an order against the state in the case of N.D. v. Reykdal, a class action lawsuit alleging that Washington’s law violates the IDEA. Washington allowed students up to 21 years old to enroll in its adult education programs and waived the tuition fee for those who could not pay. Making the programs free triggered a requirement to comply with the federal law.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Chris Reykdal requested this year’s bill to align state requirements with the federal statute. It passed unanimously in the Senate and 93-1 in the House. It will take effect July 27, in time for the next school year.

“Ensuring students have access to a free and appropriate public education through their 22nd birthday is a vital step toward equity and opportunity,” Reykdal said in

an email this week.

When the law takes effect, it will continue providing education-related services to students with disabilities until the end of the school year in which they turn 22. These include free admission to the State School for the Blind and the Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Youth, and attendance in education programs at residential schools.

OSPI estimated 300 to 1,200 students could benefit and said costs could range from \$6.8 million to \$27 million per school year to serve them.

Sen. Adrian Cortes, D-Battle Ground, the bill’s sponsor and a special education teacher at Camas High School in southwest Washington, said he has two students who could eventually benefit if they choose to enroll in a transition program for young adults.

“It is not a big population but it is a population that will now be served,” he said.

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A new law in Washington will assure students are offered special education services until they are 22. State Sen. Adrian Cortes, D-Battle Ground, a special education teacher, was the sponsor. He spoke of the need for increased funding and support for public schools at a February rally of educators, parents and students at the Washington state Capitol.

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“Immigrants came forward this session with the full knowledge that doing so could mean deportation — or worse,” Catalina Velasquez, executive director of the Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network, said in a statement.

“These victories are the result of decades of movement-building, sacrifice, and visionary struggle to ensure all immigrants have the resources needed to thrive,” she added.

Federal law prohibits noncitizens from accessing public benefits such as Medicaid, but states can use state dollars to create programs for this community.

About 1.8 million residents in Washington were covered by Medicaid or the related Children’s Health Insurance Program in December, according to U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services figures. Washington’s Medicaid program is called Apple Health.

The Apple Health Expansion program for immigrants designed to mirror Medicaid and is funded solely by the state, whereas the traditional Medicaid program is funded with both federal and state dollars.

The expansion launched on July 1, 2024 with enough funding to cover up to 13,000 people. Within the first 48 hours, all slots were filled, and

an additional 17,000 people signed up for the waiting list.

Washington state Republicans have criticized the program and argue the state needs to be more careful with its spending, especially given a multi-billion dollar budget shortfall lawmakers just worked to solve. They’ve also said that the state shouldn’t be maintaining services for noncitizens while cutting services for others.

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on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada. Strom, a member of the Yakama Nation and a descendant of the Quinault and Nez Perce Tribes, is assistant superintendent for the Office of Native Education at the Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. He has more than 30 years of experience in public

education and has served in various roles including superintendent, teacher, and principal. Esquivido-Strom, of the Nor Rel Muk Wintu Nation and Hupa descent, serves as interim director of tribal government affairs at the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. She holds degrees in American Indian Studies and Social Work, and her work centers on building Native student success across

the state's 34 community and technical colleges. Presenters will lead workshops on topics such as Indigenous history and governance, place-based learning, language revitalization, and strategies for increasing Indigenous visibility in education. Hands-on sessions will also include curriculum development using traditional art forms, storytelling through film, and examples of multigenerational learning models.

“We are honored to welcome educators from across Washington state to our homelands for the Summer Teaching Institute,” said Colville Business Council Chairman Jarred-Michael Erickson. “This gathering is more than an event; it is a commitment to deepening our understanding of Indigenous knowledge systems, and to ensuring that what is taught in classrooms truly reflects the voices and histories of the First Peoples of this land.”

Wenatchee Valley College President Faimous Harrison added, “tmixw — ‘In this place, we are all related’ marks the return of this forum for the first time since 2016 and will positively impact generations of students from PreK-12 all the way through post-secondary education.” The institute is a collaboration between Wenatchee Valley College Omak, the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation,

Omak School District, Paschal Sherman Indian School, OSPI's Office of Native Education, and the North Central Educational Service District.

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Triple tragedy

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consciousness until nightfall. Despite serious internal and head injuries, he extricated himself from the entangled gear and made his way through the darkness, arriving at his car at the trailhead on Sunday morning. Perhaps due to his unfamiliarity with the area, Tselykh did not drive to

Mazama about 16 miles east but instead headed toward Newhalem, 60 miles west. From Newhalem, he contacted 911 from a pay phone. Tselykh was airlifted to Harbor Medical Center in Seattle. A search team headed to the accident site using coordinates from a GPS device carried by one of the deceased climbers. According to evidence found at the scene by rescuers, a rock anchor or piton was found

attached to the climbing rope, indicating that the anchor – of undetermined age and left by a previous climbing party – may have come loose during the descent. Christina Woodworth, a former climbing ranger for the Forest Service, coordinates Okanogan County Search and Rescue (OCSAR), a volunteer group that has been working with the Sheriff's Office since about 1998.

“I was able to talk to the surviving member of the party by phone,” said Woodworth of her May 14 call to Tselykh, in Harborview. Tselykh confirmed that the group was using the single existing anchor for their descent because they could not find another anchor site. Climbing guides consider it a common safety practice to install a backup piton, especially when the age or

condition of the existing one is unknown. Woodworth said no permits or other authorization are required to climb in the area and there is no evidence the group had booked with a local guide service. The combination of rugged terrain and inclement weather limited helicopter-assisted recovery to a single body at a time. Woodworth concurred that it is miraculous Tselykh

survived the fall and noted that the accident is the worst of its kind to occur in the county. “There have been some big accidents in North Cascades Park but nothing like this is our county,” Woodworth said. Many details are known, but the exact cause of the anchor failure is still under investigation. Mike Maltais: 360-333-8483 or michael@ward.media

FFA

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lost the tiebreaker to bring home the second-place plaque). “This is an amazing feat since there were 200 competitors in the contest,” Hemmer said. The Meat Science Team comprised of Alan Pacheco, Rafael Cruz, Kayla Sanchez, and Alexa Maceda) placed among the top eight teams this year and were recognized on stage at the Saturday, May 10 general session. “All four kids (two less than most teams) were ecstatic when I told them we made it,” said Hemmer. “They worked hard this year and are glad that Cruz was able to be a part of this moment since he graduates this year.” In a side comment to the meat science event, Hemmer said Cashmere’s ag instructor was also her high school teacher. She noted that as a reason “why I may be a little competitive in this particular contest.” Ag instructor Todd Dezelle coached the BBQ team of Fred Angel, Angel Rincon, Domingo

Cazares, Diego Guzman, and Jorge Samperio. Despite rave reviews given the team's St. Louis style ribs, they just missed making the top four, Hemmer said. Led by Jenni Churape, the Brewster chapter came together to complete the Chapter Scrapbook commemorating everything the chapter did this year. “While the scrapbook did not place in the contest, it was fun to watch the kids all have a hand in making the pages of memories,” said Hemmer. “Jenni is already making plans to do better next year.” Angel Rincon impressed the audience with his vocal performances during the four-day convention. “I am still receiving texts about Angel Rincon’s performance on Thursday night (May 8),” said Hemmer. “Not only did he blow us away with his skills, but it meant so much to our community and to other chapters with Spanish-speaking students to have him sing a song in Spanish. “ Rincon performed a second

song during the Saturday night session and was named the second-place talent winner. He will be applying for a National FFA talent spot this fall. “If accepted, this would mean a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana, to attend the National FFA Convention and perform on stage in front of thousands of FFA members from all over the country,” said Hemmer. “We are incredibly proud of how brave Lalo has been and cannot wait to see him continue.” “Engelver (Fernando) Ramirez attended the state convention as our Chapter Delegate,” said Hemmer. A chapter delegate serves as the voice for the chapter, discussing and voting on important FFA Issues. Delegates must have a knowledge of parliamentary procedure, be friendly and positive, responsible, organized, and be good representatives of their chapter and FFA. “Fernando went above and beyond his duties as a delegate, making hundreds

of new friends from other chapters, actively participating in discussions and asking important questions,” said Hemmer. “He made an effort to engage with important FFA people during the entirety of the convention.” Judged by the response, Ramirez left a positive impression. “I received multiple texts and phone calls from ag

teachers, professors, and state officers telling me just how wonderful Fernando was during the entire convention,” said Hemmer. He said the FFA state convention reminded him of why he loves FFA so much and cannot wait to go back next year.” Hemmer had high praise for the conduct and competitiveness of the FFA Chapter representatives.

“I am extremely proud of all 16 of our students,” said Hemmer. “Not only did they work hard in their events, but they were amazing representatives of our Brewster community. They were respectful, kind, and positive examples of who our Brewster students are.” Mike Maltais: 360-333-8483 or michael@ward.media

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 Waggoner, 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 second Wednesday of each month at 12 p.m. 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. 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

Okanogan County School Retirees' Association will hold a general meeting 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 27, at Community Presbyterian Church of Omak, 9 Birch St. S. Members will be voting on

a scholarship winner and a budget proposal for next year. Information: Penny Garrison: 509-429-0292.


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: Brewster American Legion is once again serving breakfast from 8 a.m. to Noon. Public welcome as our guests. The 1st Friday of every month, they will be serving prime rib dinners from 5-8 p.m. Post 97 is hosting guest speakers on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. The public is welcome.

Lake Chelan Museum of Wildlife, Natural History & Art Gallery: Open to the public Thursday- Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Sunday Noon to 5 p.m., April to October. Located at 21285 Highway 97A, Chelan, north of the Knapp's Hill Tunnel, approximately 10 minutes south of Chelan.

Chelan Valley Hope: At Chelan Valley Hope, we're proud to serve as a central resource hub, connecting clients with the support they need to build stronger, more stable lives. While we offer many unique services in-house, we also partner closely with local organizations to ensure comprehensive care. For mental health, we refer to CVCH; for health insurance navigation, Lake Chelan Health Hospital; and for food assistance, the Lake Chelan Food Bank. These are just a few of the many incredible partners who help us uplift our community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to every organization and individual working hand in hand with us to create a healthier, more hopeful Chelan Valley.



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Do you know the difference?

WANTS AND NEEDS

Meet Pirate Pierre. He'll be stuck on this island for the next few months until another ship arrives to rescue him. It's a great time to know the difference between **WANTS** and **NEEDS**.

Which is which?
A **NEED** is something you **must have** in order to survive. You need water, food, shelter, clothing and sometimes medicines.

A **WANT** is something you would like to have, but can live without. A computer, cellphone, television and a bike are wants, not needs.

Standards Link: Economics: Understand the difference between basic survival and nonessential items.

True Treasure Map


It's going to be six months until the next pirate ship visits Pierre's island. He made a map of the island.

Circle the places on Pierre's map that will provide **NEEDS**. Cross out places that provide **WANTS**.

Standards Link: Economics: Differentiate between wants and needs.

Help Pierre catch a crab for dinner!

Pierre's Island




Pierre needs fish! How many can you find on this page?

SURVIVAL SUPPLIES

When his ship began to sink, Pirate Pierre had to act quickly to grab things he would **NEED** on the island rather than things he might **WANT**.

How did he do? Circle the things he will **NEED** on the island. Cross out the things he might **WANT** that won't really help him.



WANTS	NEEDS

Extra! Extra!

Wants and Needs in the Newspaper

Look through today's newspaper for five examples of things you **need** to survive. Then find five things you **want**.

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



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