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Family Files Lawsuit Against Lewis County, Carriage Company for Injuries From Runaway Horse

LITIGATION: Between \$2.5 and \$5 Million in Individual Damages Sought for Those Injured at Southwest Washington Fair

By Natalie Johnson
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Three members of a family injured or otherwise harmed after a horse pulling a carriage ran into a packed midway at the 2016 Southwest Washington Fair have filed a lawsuit against Lewis County and the owner of the horse.

The lawsuit, filed Feb. 22, names John, who goes by Jake, Morgan, his wife, Emily Morgan; and their 4-year-old daughter; Helen Morgan, as plaintiffs and Lewis County and Classic Carriages LLC, owned by Carrie E. Swearingen, as defendants. The suit was filed in Thurston County Superior Court.

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Pocket Gopher Soil Maps Have 'Significant' Error

By Graham Perednia
For The Chronicle

OLYMPIA — The soil type maps used to determine if a Mazama pocket gopher review is needed on Thurston County properties has an error in the range of 300 feet.

"It is such unscientific data," County Commissioner Gary Edwards said at a Tuesday work session.

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Former 911 Dispatcher Sues Lewis County, Alleges Discrimination and Retaliation

COMPLAINT: Woman Accuses County of Releasing Work Schedule to Man Under Investigation for Harassment, Stalking

By Natalie Johnson
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A former Lewis County dispatcher has filed a lawsuit against the county, claiming it violated family and domestic violence leave provisions under state law and retaliated against her for requesting time off.

Jerrie M. O'Connor filed the suit against Lewis County on Jan. 24, according to court documents. The case is filed in Thurston County Superior Court.

O'Connor's complaint states that she

felt forced to resign after months of retaliation, including being disciplined and investigated for taking time off under the state's Domestic Violence Leave law. The lawsuit also accuses Lewis County staff of releasing her schedule to a man under investigation for domestic violence in which O'Connor was the victim.

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Centralia Man Held on \$200,000 Bail for Alleged Meth Lab, Assault



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Above: Workers from the Washington Department of Ecology's Emergency Response Team test chemicals found in an alleged methamphetamine lab on Joppish Road in Galvin on Tuesday afternoon.

Below: Justin G. Bonifield, 47, makes an appearance in Lewis County Superior Court on Wednesday afternoon.



BEER BOTTLE ASSAULT: Justin G. Bonifield, 47, Arrested in Olympia With Help of Thurston County Sheriff's Office

By Natalie Johnson
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A Centralia man was charged Wednesday in Lewis County Superior Court on suspicion of assaulting a woman who, when police arrived, gave up the location of his meth lab.

Justin G. Bonifield, 47, was charged Wednesday afternoon with manufacturing methamphetamine, second-degree assault, harassment — threat to kill, domestic violence, second-degree unlawful possession of a firearm, second-degree possession of stolen property and possession of methamphetamine.

Lewis County Deputy Prosecutor Will Halstead said this is the first charge of manufacturing methamphetamine that he has seen in his seven years

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Demolition Planned



Flood Authority to Pay for Removal of Disused Building
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Property Swap



Centralia College Gets Cedar Park While City Gets Tennis Courts
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Deaths

Martin, Darrell Lee, 63, Centralia
Santo, Roger Raymond, 77, Rochester
Bickel, Paul Anthony, 88, Lacey

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News of the Weird

Library Patron Returns Book He Took in 1982, Plus \$200

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) — A patron who stole a book from a Montana library in 1982 has returned it after reading it at least 25 times, having it restored and having the author sign it.

The man said having the stolen copy of Richard Matheson's 1975 novel "Bid Time Return" had been bugging him. He included a \$200 donation to the Great Falls Public Library while asking "for a chance at redemption here."

The man called the book fascinating and said he considered it one of the greatest sci-fi/romance stories ever written, the Great Falls Tribune reported Tuesday. It is the story of a dying man who falls in love with a portrait and wills himself back in time to meet the woman.

"This is not my book, it belongs in the Great Falls Public Library — wrongfully taken, yes, but if you can, kindly take into consideration it has been loved and cared for all these years and know I am sorry for taking it," the man wrote. Library officials did not release his name.

Library Director Kathy Mora recently told trustees that while she didn't condone the theft, "the effort and funds he put into caring for the book are remarkable."

Photo Op Turns into Chance Encounter with Big Gator on Links

KIAWAH ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — Carrie Moores says she'd only seen alligators at the zoo before relocating last year from Connecticut to South Carolina. That changed this week during a chance encounter with a very big gator on the golf links.

Moores told the Post and Courier of Charleston she was taking photographs at a golf fundraiser for a free medical clinic Monday when the gator approached some golfers who had their backs turned. She quickly snapped the picture and warned the golfers, who hopped in carts and safely drove off.

The alligator then disappeared into a lagoon at the Kiawah Island Club's River Course. Moores said people told her

it was one of the largest gators they'd seen. More accustomed to squirrels in Connecticut, Moores said, "It was literally a dinosaur."

Driver Runs Out of Gas Again After Stealing Squad Car

TULARE, S.D. (AP) — A driver who called for help after running out of gas is accused of stealing a deputy's squad car in South Dakota and leading authorities in a pursuit before once again running out of fuel.

Troy James is charged with felony grand theft. Officials say James called for assistance early Monday on Highway 281 near the town of Tulare, saying his car had stopped and he apparently ran out of fuel.

Sheriff Kevin Schurch told the Aberdeen American News the responding deputy tried to detain James because he was acting bizarrely. Schurch said James pushed the officer out of the squad car and took off. He says James was apparently armed.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol and other officers joined in pursuing James. He was eventually caught about 140 miles away.

J Is Not OK — Swiss Court Nixes Letter as Baby's Name

BERLIN (AP) — J is not OK — as a name, that is, according to a Swiss court.

The Zurich administrative court said in a ruling released Tuesday it had upheld a local registry's office decision to reject the letter as a given name in the best interests of the child, Switzerland's 20 Minuten news website reported.

The court rejected the parents' argument they wanted to honor their daughter's great-grandparents Johanna and Josef with the initial as one of her middle names, saying they could have chosen the already-accepted Jo instead.

Though the parents wanted to pronounce the name "Jay," the court noted the letter is pronounced "Yott" in German, creating confusion. The court also said people would be inclined to put a period after the J, though it wasn't an abbreviation.

Airborne on the Pitch



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Centralia's Mario Silva tries to leap over Rochester goalkeeper Jacob Rigsbee as Rigsbee grabs the loose ball during an Evergreen 2A Conference soccer game at Rochester on Tuesday. See more in today's Sports section and online at www.chronline.com or www.lewiscountysports.com.

Notable Quote

"More than 70 percent of us say we'd like to spend our last days at home, surrounded by people we know and love — and who love us. Ironically, 70 percent of us end up dying in a hospital, nursing home or long-term care facility, according to the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention."

Dr. Ira Byock

Providence Institute for Human Caring
(see page Main 9 for the full commentary)

Today in History

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 30, 1867, U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward reached agreement with Russia to purchase the territory of Alaska for \$7.2 million (the rough equivalent of \$125 million today), a deal ridiculed by critics as "Seward's Folly."

On This Date:

- In 1822, Florida became a United States territory.
- In 1870, the 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which prohibited denying citizens the right to vote and hold office on the basis of race, was declared in effect by Secretary of State Hamilton Fish. Texas was readmitted to the Union.
- In 1923, the Cunard liner RMS Laconia became the first passenger ship to circle the

globe as it arrived in New York.

In 1945, during World War II, the Soviet Union invaded Austria with the goal of taking Vienna, which it accomplished two weeks later.

In 1959, a narrowly divided U.S. Supreme Court, in *Bartkus v. Illinois*, ruled that a conviction in state court following an acquittal in federal court for the same crime did not constitute double jeopardy.

In 1964, John Glenn withdrew from the Ohio race for the U.S. Senate because of injuries suffered in a fall. The original version of the TV game show "Jeopardy!" hosted by Art Fleming, premiered on NBC.

In 1975, as the Vietnam War neared its end, Communist forces occupied the city of Da Nang. James Ruppert, 41, killed 11 members of his family at his

mother's home in Hamilton, Ohio, on Easter Sunday.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan was shot and seriously injured outside a Washington, D.C., hotel by John W. Hinckley, Jr.; also wounded were White House press secretary James Brady, Secret Service agent Timothy McCarthy and a District of Columbia police officer, Thomas Delahanty.

In 1987, at the 59th Academy Awards, "Platoon" was named best picture; Marlee Matlin received best actress for "Children of a Lesser God" and Paul Newman was honored as best actor for "The Color of Money."

In 1991, Patricia Bowman of Jupiter, Florida, told authorities she'd been raped hours earlier by William Kennedy Smith, the nephew of Sen. Edward Kennedy, at the family's Palm Beach estate. (Smith was acquitted at trial.)

The Weather Almanac

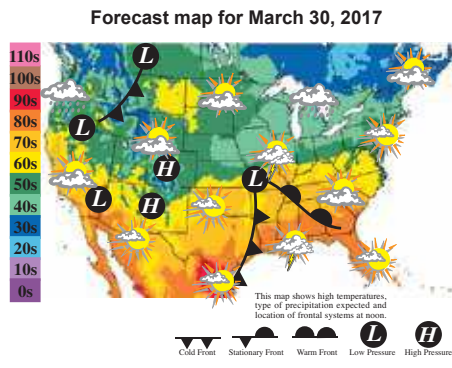
5-Day Forecast for the Lewis County Area

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy
55° 40°	58° 43°	60° 43°	55° 40°	56° 43°

River Stages

Gauge	Flood Stage	24 hr. Change
Chehalis at Mellen St.	65.0	-0.01
Skookumchuck at Pearl St.	85.0	+0.06
Cowlitz at Packwood	10.5	+0.09
Cowlitz at Randle	18.0	+0.14
Cowlitz at Mayfield Dam	---	-0.03

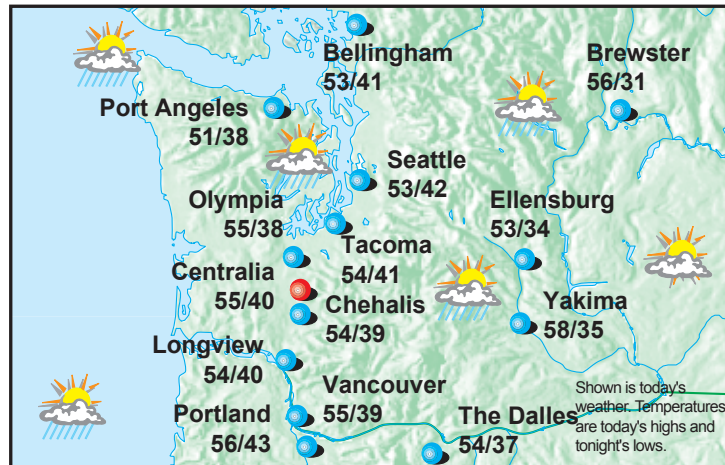
National Map



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Data reported from Centralia
Temperature
 Yesterday's High 55
 Yesterday's Low 46
 Normal High 59
 Normal Low 39
 Record High 81 in 2004
 Record Low 23 in 1954
Precipitation
 Yesterday 0.37"
 Month to date 9.41"
 Normal month to date 4.64"
 Year to date 20.26"
 Normal year to date 16.67"

Regional Weather



Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:52 a.m.
 Sunset tonight 7:39 p.m.
 Moonrise 8:44 a.m.
 Moonset 11:06 p.m.

First 4/3, Full 4/11, Last 4/19, New 4/26

Pollen Forecast

Allergen	Today	Friday
Trees	Low	Moderate
Grass	None	None
Weeds	None	None
Mold	None	None

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Fri. Hi/Lo Wx
Baghdad	81/59 s	82/59 pc
Beijing	61/41 cl	61/39 s
London	68/55 cl	64/52 cl
Mexico City	81/52 s	81/50 s
Moscow	32/18 pc	36/28 fl

National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Fri. Hi/Lo Wx
Anchorage	36/29 mc	44/31 mc
Boise	50/40 sh	63/38 s
Boston	48/34 s	40/35 rs
Dallas	72/53 s	82/60 s
Honolulu	83/71 s	84/72 pc
Las Vegas	81/54 s	72/55 s
Nashville	78/53 t	67/50 sh
Phoenix	86/57 s	71/51 s
St. Louis	71/47 t	55/42 mc
Salt Lake City	55/41 sh	49/42 rs
San Francisco	67/50 s	71/52 s
Washington, DC	52/44 pc	58/50 ra

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Regional Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Fri. Hi/Lo Wx	City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Fri. Hi/Lo Wx
Bremerton	54/42 sh	57/44 pc	Spokane	53/34 sh	56/35 s
Ocean Shores	52/42 sh	53/44 mc	Tri Cities	60/38 mc	60/36 s
Olympia	55/38 sh	57/41 pc	Wenatchee	56/36 s	58/40 s

Come by and view upcoming local events postings at The Chronicle, 321 N. Pearl St., Centralia. The What's Happening Window is located in the middle of the building on Pearl St.

Are you having an event and have posters made?

The Chronicle will post your event in our What's Happening Window! Bring your event poster to The Chronicle, 321 N. Pearl St., Centralia

Level 3 Sex Offender Moves to Ethel Lewis County Unemployment Rate Improves by 1 Percent From Last Year

By The Chronicle

The Lewis County Sheriff's Office announced this week that a Level 3 sex offender recently registered at an address in Ethel.



James M. Keith registered sex offender

James M. Keith, 68, is required to register as a sex offender due to a 1986 conviction in King County Superior Court for first-degree statutory rape.

Keith was convicted of having forced sexual contact with two girls aged 3 and 6 years old over a period of time.

He was sentenced to 20 years in prison and transferred to a work release program two years later. The day after arriving at work release, he escaped, according to the Sheriff's Office, and stayed at a friend's home.

At that home, Keith allegedly followed an 11-year-old girl who lived there into her room, hit her in the head with a wooden mallet, put tape on her mouth and told her to "shut up." He reportedly threatened to "choke her, rape her, then kill her," according to the Sheriff's Office.

He reportedly began to choke the girl, but called 911 and the victim's mother at her request after he saw she was bleeding.

He was charged with first-degree assault for the incident. His other convictions include DUI, theft of a motor vehicle and theft.

Based on his convictions, Keith is believed to present a "clear risk to the community," according to the Sheriff's Office.

Keith is described as a white man standing 5 feet, 6 inches tall and weighing 190 pounds. He has gray hair and blue eyes. He recently registered at an address in the 100 block of Best Drive in Ethel, according to the Sheriff's Office.

By The Chronicle

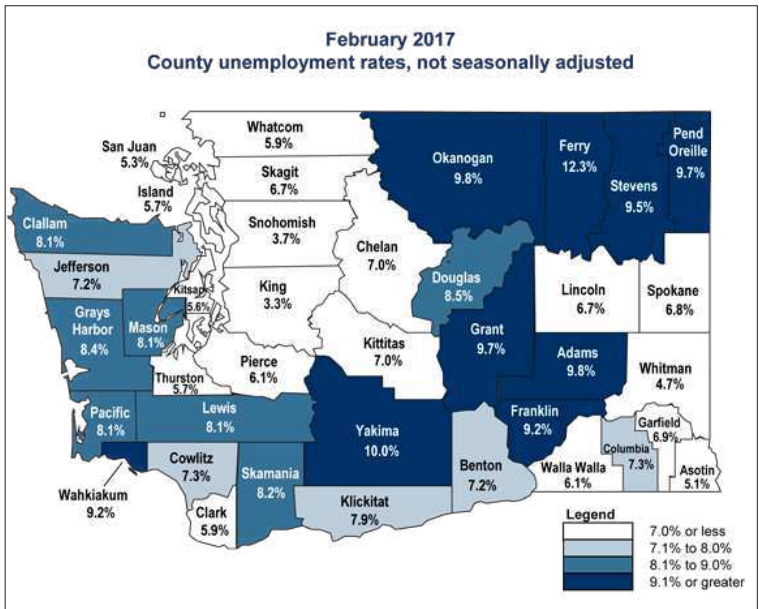
The preliminary unemployment rate for Lewis County in February landed at 8.1 percent, a 1 percent decrease from the unemployment rate in February 2016 which was at 9.1 percent.

In January, the revised unemployment rate for the county was 8.4 percent.

In February, Lewis County had a labor force of 32,490, with 2,633 people unemployed.

Neighboring counties of Grays Harbor and Thurston had February unemployment rates of 8.4 percent and 5.7 percent, respectively.

According to the monthly employment report from the federal Bureau of Labor Statics, on a seasonally adjusted basis preliminary estimates show non-farm employment rose by 6,100 jobs from January to February. It's estimated the private sector gained 4,100 jobs during the month, while the public sector gained 2,000 jobs.



On a non-seasonally adjusted basis, estimates for February 2016 through February 2017 show an increase in employment of 85,100 for the state. The public sector gained an estimated 12,000 jobs over the year, while the private sector added 73,100 jobs.

Lewis County PUD Raises Electricity Rates by Average of 8.4 Percent

By The Chronicle

Rate increases for Lewis County Public Utility District customers were officially approved at a meeting of the district's commissioners Tuesday.

The rate hikes will increase prices, averaged across multiple categories, by 8.4 percent.

Beginning April 1, daily charges will be increased by 20 cents, for a total of 95 cents, for residential, commercial and small industrial customers. Kilowatt-hour charges will be increased by 5.5 percent to 5.763 cents.

The increase was spurred after the district ran a cost of service analysis where staff found a \$3.3 million budgetary shortfall.

Coupled with increasing rates from the Bonneville Power Administration, which the dis-

trict purchases power from, and decreased usage due to more efficient houses and warmer winters, the prices were increased, according to the Lewis County PUD.

The district has also been putting off increasing rates over the last three years by using cash reserves. Consequently, the reserve fund has dropped from \$16 million to \$8 million.

The district also sells excess power largely to California markets, which have seen a glut of energy flood the system and drive down returns for the PUD.

The district has several programs that can help residents lower their power bills through energy efficiency programs and other means.

For more information, visit www.lcpud.org.

Mount St. Helens Institute Seeks Adventurous Volunteers

By The Chronicle

The Mount St. Helens Institute has put out a call for volunteers to help staff the mountain's volcano-centric learning centers and the burgeoning wonderland that surrounds it. The institute offers a variety of different education and recreational programs, including guided hikes, school field trips, visitor center support and community events.

The Mount St. Helens Institute has been helping to facilitate the experience of visitors for more than 20 years and relies heavily on volunteers. New volunteers will be asked to speak with guests at visitor centers, provide information for outdoor enthusiasts on the trail, maintain trails, educate youths and support community events on the

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mountain. Scheduling is flexible to the point that volunteers can sign up for just a single day, or an entire summer.

An orientation will be held for new volunteers during which they will receive training that will help to build a foundation for their service.

Volunteer applications can be accessed and submitted online at www.mshinstitute.org/volunteer. Questions can be aimed at volunteer director Allison Watson at awatson@mshinstitute.org or 360-891-5199.

Men Arrested in Lewis County With 24 Pounds of Meth in Gas Tank Face Federal Prosecution

By The Chronicle

Two men arrested during a seizure of 24 pounds of methamphetamine in Lewis County March 17 are expected to be charged in fed-

eral court, according to the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Martin Alejandro Vega-Vega, 26, and Marco Antonio Lopez-Vega, 25, both of Kent, were arrested after members of the Joint Narcotics Enforcement Team pulled over a vehicle they were driving as part of an ongoing investigation. The traffic stop occurred along northbound Interstate 5 at milepost 81.

Law enforcement seized 24 pounds of individually wrapped packages of methamphetamine from the 2001 Volkswagen Jetta's gas tank.

The investigation is being led by the DEA and the Tahoma Narcotics Enforcement Team, according to the DEA.

"The subjects are pending federal prosecution," Special Agent Jodie Underwood told The Chronicle.

The Joint Narcotics Enforcement Team is a collaborative effort between the Lewis County Sheriff's Office and the Centralia and Chehalis police departments.

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Centralia Transfers Maintenance of Closed Landfill to County

NEW AGREEMENT:
Centralia Still Owns Land, but Management Responsibilities Will Now Be Up to the County

By Justyna Tomtas
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Centralia has transferred certain assets and responsibilities of the city's closed landfill to Lewis County after an unanimous vote by the city council on Tuesday night.

The city will continue to own the property where the Centralia landfill is located, but the county will take over daily maintenance

activities at the site.

Centralia's Public Works Director Kahle Jennings said the same city staff has been in charge of the daily operations and management of the landfill that closed in the '90s, but after a key employee retired, it seemed like the logical time to transition the work to the Solid Waste Disposal District, managed by the county.

According to Jennings, Centralia is one of seven parties legally responsible for the closed landfill, which is under a federal consent decree because it is a superfund site.

Up until the new agreement was approved on Tuesday, Centralia prepared an annual landfill budget, which was then

submitted to the Solid Waste Disposal District and included into their budget.

Once the agreement is in place and outstanding invoices are paid by the city, any funds that remain in the landfill fund will be refunded to the county, and that fund will be closed, Jennings said.

According to the agenda report, both the city and the county remain legally responsible for the maintenance of the closed landfill.

The city council also approved an amended interlocal agreement regarding the landfill which will transfer the duties from Centralia to Lewis County. Jennings said the amendment

was a housekeeping item to update the ordinance to reflect the shift of responsibilities.

The maintenance of the closed landfill is funded by tipping fees customers pay for the disposal of solid waste at facilities managed by Lewis County through its Solid Waste Disposal District.

The city of Centralia will still collect a host fee since the city owns the land.

In another action item, a franchise agreement was signed with Harold LeMay Enterprises Inc. for the collection of solid waste. The agreement will be effective from April 1 to March 31, 2023, unless the agreement is terminated. Under the agreement, Harold LeMay Enterprises Inc. is respon-

sible for customer account billing.

Jennings said the two major changes in the agreement include a slight increase in the franchise fee to just under \$5,000. That money will fund code enforcement of city solid waste codes that make garbage service mandatory in the city. There will also be a new provision for low-income seniors and disabled people that will allow for a reduced rate for a 20-gallon can. The price for once a month pick up for those approved for the exemption will be \$9.50 a month. It will be \$11 a month for twice a month pick up.

Jennings said a message will be placed on the utility bills to let people know the exemption exists.

Flood Authority Pays to Demolish Former Midway Meat Market Building

By The Chronicle

An eyesore for many traveling on Airport Road between Centralia and Chehalis is set to be demolished.

The Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority has agreed to pay for the demolition of the former Midway Meat Market, a large blue building that has been a magnet for graffiti.

Ron Averill, the Centralia representative on the Flood Authority, told the Centralia City Council on Tuesday night that the Flood Authority will take measures along with the demolition to address the septic system on the property so it doesn't pollute the water system. The Flood Authority has committed \$90,000 to the project.

"Instead of a big awful building, we'd see a nice picnic place."

Edna Fund
 speaking about her vision of turning the property into a picnic area

Averill said the county has already put out a request for quotation, which allows companies to bid on the project.

"Hopefully we can get it done in good order," Averill said.

Commissioner Edna Fund said her dream for the property is to turn it into a picnic area. She said the project could perhaps be undertaken by an Eagle Scout. The picnic tables would help

complement the walking trail that passes by the area. The project would be simple in nature, and would include a concrete slab and several picnic tables.

"Instead of a big awful building, we'd see a nice picnic place," Fund said.

Fund said if the picnic area was created and the property then flooded, it would be easier to manage.



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The northwest side of the former Midway Meat Market is seen on Wednesday afternoon along Airport Road in Centralia. The Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority has agreed to pay for the demolition of the Midway Meat Market, a large blue building that has been a magnet for graffiti.

Centralia Downtown Association Seeks Applicants for 360-Degree Tour Project

DEADLINE: Responses to the Request for Proposals are Due on April 28

By The Chronicle

The Centralia Downtown Association has issued a request for proposals for its recently announced 360-degree tour project.

The association is looking for "a strong, technology driven tourism promotion package," according to a press release.

The CDA received \$25,000 from the city of Centralia through the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee from funds collected through a tax at local hotels and motels.

gree virtual tours of downtown businesses on the internet.

"The CDA has received lodging tax from the city of Centralia to create an interactive and immersive experience to attract visitors to our historic downtown," Teva Youngblood, CDA president, said in the release. "This will be done by creating and combining a 360-degree integrated virtual walking tour, short historical videos and a color-coded walking map. Our intent is to ensure the widest dissemination possible to all potential vendors."

Youngblood said the CDA looks forward to receiving competitive offerings focused on a quality and highly innovative

product in the most cost effective manner.

The tour will utilize the newest technologies to allow virtual visitors to "walk" in the downtown area, while exploring shops, restaurants and historical buildings in a virtual reality experience.

Jan Nontell, CDA vice president, said successful bidders will have to provide several deliverables, which include 360-degree photography and videography; animated video production; development of an integrated, interactive 360-degree experience; a web design plan; a printing and digital plan; and a marketing plan. "They will also provide their own project manager," she said.

The proposals to the RFP are

due by 5 p.m. on April 28. The CDA will review and consider all the responses submitted.

Applicants can submit questions to the CDA until April 10. Questions and responses will be shared with all the applicants by April 17. The association expects to make an award on May 12.

The RFP can be found online at www.downtowncentralia.org/

RFP, or by emailing centraliadowntownassociation@gmail.com.

All digital assets, intellectual property, source files and related permissions will be transferred to the CDA upon the completion of the project. The organization selected is also required to provide the CDA with training to provide ongoing maintenance in-house.

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Project to Repair Failing Sanitary Sewer Line Approved by Centralia Council

By The Chronicle

Work will soon be underway to repair a failing sanitary sewer line connection in the alley off of Woodland Avenue between Jackson and Hunt streets in Centralia.

According to the agenda report, a sinkhole developed in the gravel in the alley, which indicated a repair was needed.

Three bids were submitted for the project. The Centralia City Council on Tuesday awarded a contract to DJ's Plumbing in the amount of \$11,761.34.

The funds will come from the 2017 wastewater department budget.

The engineer's estimate for the work was between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

20 Trees to Be Removed in Centralia

By The Chronicle

Twenty trees will be removed from Centralia's right of way after they were either deemed hazardous or responsible for causing damage to roadways and sidewalks.

Three bids were submitted for the work. The council voted to award a contract to Derrick's Tree Service in the amount of \$11,577.40 for the removal of the trees.

The funds for the project are in the street department budget, according to the agenda report.

The item was approved in the consent agenda with an unanimous vote at Tuesday night's council meeting.

Information on where the trees are located, or when they will be removed, was not immediately available.

Tenino Selected to Host Small City Connector Meeting in April

By The Chronicle

The city of Tenino will be hosting the annual Association of Washington Cities "Small City Connector" meeting this year for Southwest Washington cities.

The meetings are designed to allow the leaders of the communities to hear an update on the 2017 legislative session and meet the association's CEO Peter King.

The cities will also be able to learn about new programs from various state agencies to improve infrastructure financing, housing and homelessness programs and energy efficiency, among other topics.

The meeting will be held on April 19 at the Quarry House.



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Three of Five Green Hill Riot Suspects Have Been Sentenced

By The Chronicle

Three of five men charged this month in a gang-related riot at Green Hill School in Chehalis have already pleaded guilty to their charges and been sentenced. Adrian Pimentel Jr., 20, was the most recent to plead guilty, on Wednesday, to one charge of participating in a prison riot. He also pleaded guilty to one count of custodial assault.

He entered an Alford plea to the two charges, meaning he does not admit his guilt, but believes he would be convicted in a trial.

Pimentel was sentenced to 12 months and one day in prison, to begin after he is released from Green Hill.

Angel Flores, 19, pleaded guilty to participating in a prison riot Friday and received the same sentence, as did Brian Mendoza-Laureano Zuniga, 19, who pleaded guilty last week.

Cases for two additional suspects, Juan Daniel Martinez Sanchez, 19, and Eduardo Humberto Moreno, whose age was not available, are still pending.

According to court documents, the riot took place on Aug. 11, 2016, as dinner was coming to a close at Green Hill School.

Guards reported seeing all five suspects, who allegedly identify with the Sureño Mexican gang, participating in a brawl against rival Norteño gang members.

Cases for two additional suspects, Juan Daniel Martinez Sanchez, 19, and Eduardo Humberto Moreno, are still pending.

Green Hill School, run by the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, is a medium-maximum security fenced youth facility for older, male offenders between the ages of 15 and 20.



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Defendants Juan Daniel Martinez-Sanchez, left, Angel Flores, center, and Adrian Pimentel are seen in Lewis County Superior Court at the Lewis County Law and Justice Center in Chehalis.

Cargo Trailer Catches Fire in Chehalis

By The Chronicle

Crews from Lewis County Fire District 6 responded Tuesday afternoon to a report of a fire in a 30-foot cargo trailer in a pallet yard in Chehalis.

The trailer, located in the 1600 block of Bishop Road, was

reportedly converted into a kiln to dry wood.

When crews arrived at 12:20 p.m., they found heavy smoke coming from the trailer. They extinguished the fire approximately 6 minutes after arriving, according to the fire district.

No injuries were reported.

Crews remained at the scene for about an hour to ensure the fire was extinguished.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Courtesy Photo

Firefighters extinguished the cargo trailer fire in about 6 minutes.



The tennis courts along Gold Street — which were owned by Centralia College — are seen on Wednesday afternoon. The college exchanged property with the city of Centralia for Cedar Street Park, which is adjacent to property owned by the college.



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The playground at Cedar Street Park in seen on Wednesday afternoon in Centralia. Centralia College now owns Cedar Street Park after the city council approved a property exchange agreement at Tuesday night's meeting with an unanimous vote.

City of Centralia, College Exchange Properties After Council Approval

By The Chronicle

Centralia College now owns Cedar Street Park after the city council approved a property exchange agreement at Tuesday night's meeting with an unanimous vote.

The park, which is adjacent to the college's campus, will now be maintained by staff at the college.

Steve Ward, the college's vice

president of finance and administration, said Cedar Street Park landed in the middle of the college's master plan. The college recently purchased parcels north of the park, which it plans to leave as green space. Due to construction projects at the college, the campus has lost some of its green space, and Ward said the park fits with the educational institution's intent

to create more of that on campus.

"Maintaining it as a park fits in nicely with our long term view," Ward said.

In exchange for the park, the city now owns the old tennis courts located on Gold Street.

The discussion to exchange the two parcels has been underway for quite some time. The college determined it was difficult for its

staff to maintain the Gold Street property, while the city struggled to give Cedar Street Park adequate attention, especially during the summertime, due to current staffing levels.

City Manager Rob Hill said the agreement addressed several concerns earlier raised by the city council.

To ease those concerns, the

park has to remain in its current state for 10 years. After the 10-year period, the college can request to make changes to the park with approval from the city council. Once 20 years have passed, the college can do whatever it wants with the property.

No restrictions were placed on the Gold Street property now owned by the city.

News in Brief

Traffic Safety Commission Focuses on Texting for Distracted Driving Awareness Month

By The Chronicle

The Washington Traffic Safety Commission is sending the message "U Text, U Drive, U Pay" to distracted drivers next month.

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month, according to the WTSC.

Drivers using cellphones while behind the wheel are at a higher risk for a crash, and in April, they will also face a higher chance of being ticketed as about 150 law enforcement agencies in the state do emphasis patrols targeting the behavior.

"This show of force calls attention to the public safety threat posed by drivers being distracted by texting or talking on their phones," said Angie Ward, program manager at WTSC, in a statement.

WTSC is funding the emphasis patrols.

"We want drivers to understand that you can operate a car. Or you can operate your phone. But you can't be safe and do both at once," Ward said.

Law enforcement agencies in the program include the Thurston County Sheriff's Office and the Olympia, Tumwater, Yelm and The Evergreen State College police departments.

Fatal traffic accidents related to distracted driving increased 32 percent from 2014 to 2015, ac-

ording to the WTSC. A recent study by the group found that most distracted drivers are distracted by cellphones.

Washington state law prohibits drivers from holding a phone to their ear while driving and imposes a minimum fine of \$136.

Centralia Council to Hold Workshop on Rental Properties in City

By The Chronicle

The Centralia City Council will hold a workshop to discuss a potential program for licensing rental properties within the city after councilor Ron Greenwood requested the meeting.

At the Tuesday city council meeting, Greenwood said a number of other cities within the state had enacted measures like business licenses or certified inspection programs to regulate rental properties, both programs he would like to discuss at the workshop.

"The purpose of it would be to ensure the health and safety of our citizens, to make sure the quality of life of those people that rent are there, and to make sure the conditions that they have to live in meet with the standards that we have set forth with the landlord and tenant laws," Greenwood said.

Councilor John Elmore supported the workshop.

"Personally I think a workshop is a great place for us to have these kinds of conversations, really," he said, adding that even if a decision is not made, it's good to get more information.

Councilor Joyce Barnes, who

owns several rental properties, was "very opposed" to the workshop, stating it would be a waste of the city's time.

"I've had rentals for lots of years and I do not have a place I wouldn't willingly live in, and any landlord that is charging rent is keeping places up," she said. "You may have some odd renters that may complain, but some of them have been in their places for 16 years and still want to complain."

With no other objections, city staff was directed to schedule the workshop. A date has not yet been announced.

GeoGirls Accepting Applications for Summertime Science Trek to Mount St. Helens

By The Chronicle

This summer, 30 girls from Washington and Oregon will have the opportunity to traverse rugged volcanic landscapes, undertake scientific inquiry and bond with fellow female scientists thanks to the GeoGirls program.

GeoGirls will select 25 intrepid seventh- and eighth-grade girls who serve as scientists in training, five 10th-through 12th-grade girls who serve as mentors, and four female middle school teachers who lead the big excursion into the geological features that fill the backcountry of the Mount St. Helens National Monument. The mission is to learn about science, volcanoes and each other during the five-day and four-

night expedition.

The trip will begin on July 30 and end on Aug. 3, and the rendezvous point is the Mount St. Helens National Monument Headquarters near Amboy. At least one night will be spent at the Mount St. Helens Institute Ridge Camp located on the northeast flank of the volcano. It is a rustic camp near the Cascade Peaks Information Station with canvas walled tents, wood stoves and cooking facilities certified by the health department.

After undertaking scientific experiments in the ashen blast zone, the GeoGirls will move on to the Science and Learning Center at Coldwater. That location is a repurposed visitor center that the GeoGirls will have exclusive access to in order to facilitate their learning and adventures. The facility includes a commercial kitchen and first-rate views of the volcano.

Specific studies on the trip will include, but are not limited to, seismic data collections, water clarity analysis, native vegetation documentation and wildlife observation.

Thanks to a series of generous grants and donors, there is no cost to participate in GeoGirls. However, the application process can be highly competitive, so early, and thorough, entry is encouraged.

Applications are due no later than April 5 and final selections will be announced on April 26. An online application can be accessed at <https://tinyurl.com/mzyu5ob>.

Questions can be sent to the Mount St. Helens Institute at learn@mshinstitute.org.

Trial Opens for 2 Men Shot by Olympia Officer

OLYMPIA (AP) — A trial for two men accused of assaulting an Olympia police officer in an incident in which the men were shot has begun.

The Olympian reported attorneys gave opening statements Wednesday at the trial of Bryson Chaplin and Andre Thompson.

The men are charged with assaulting officer Ryan Donald in May 2015 when he encountered them in responding to a call that two men carrying skateboards tried to steal beer from a grocery store.

Donald reported he was assaulted with a skateboard before the shooting and his attorneys on Wednesday say he shot Chaplin and Thompson in self-defense.

<p>Historic Chehalis Theatre 558 N. Market Blvd</p>
<p>Sat., April 1 Local Musicians Showcase Kalob Barr, Kristin Rose, Lost in Change, Tim Birdsong 6:30pm \$5</p>
<p>Sat., April 15 Joe Stoddard Country Music Comedian Get tickets at Dairy Dan or Book 'N' Brush</p>
<p>Sat., April 22 Music Night \$10 Julie Calkins 6:00pm Backfire Band 8:00pm</p>
<p>Taco Tuesday Trivia \$5 4th Tuesday of each month Doors open at 5:00 pm Game starts at 6:00 pm</p>

20th District Lawmakers Talk School Funding in Telephone Town Hall

*McCleary Mandate
a Central Focus
in Questioning of
Sen. John Braun and
Rep. Ed Orcutt*

By Rick Bannan
For The Chronicle

Education funding was front and center in a telephone town hall hosted for citizens in Washington's 20th Legislative District Wednesday, as among questions about roads, bridges and dams, the court-mandated full funding of basic K-12 education as a result of the McCleary decision was a central topic.

Washington state Sen. John Braun, R-Centralia, and Rep. Ed Orcutt, R-Kalama, both took questions during the event. Although initially planning to take part, State Rep. Richard DeBolt, R-Chehalis, was absent, with the event moderator saying DeBolt "Was going to be (a part of the event), but he was pulled away unexpectedly."

Like similar telephone town halls, the format followed more like a call-in radio show than the traditional, physical town halls, specifically when it came to questions as they were screened prior to individuals being able to ask.

The town hall had hundreds of people in the far-flung district take part, as at one point Braun remarked that at its peak there were just over 500 individuals on the line.

More than a dozen individuals had the chance to ask questions, which ranged from state education funding to the threat of federal government changes on the state.

Callers were announced by their first name and residence before stating their question. Leading off the K-12 funding talk was Larry, from the Toledo area, who commented that though all of his children are already out of school, he still believes "we should pay our share."

Braun agreed that K-12 funding is the top issue of the session, "possibly of this decade," he re-



"(My answer is) a little bit vague because frankly we don't know the answer. We are watching much like everyone else at home to see what's going to happen in Washington, D.C."

John Braun
Washington 20th district senator

marked. He mentioned that the Legislature has added \$4.6 billion additional funding to K-12 over the last four years, with the Senate Majority Coalition Caucus budget proposal adding an additional \$3.6 billion to the K-12 budget, "bringing it for the first time since 1983 to over half of the state budget," Braun said.

Braun favored the Senate Majority Coalition's plan, which he had a large part in forming as the chief budget writer, "mostly because we pay for the whole thing," he said, explaining that such a result was achieved in part by levy reform, replacing local levies that can range from under a dollar to more than \$5 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation with an equitable rate of \$1.55 per \$1,000.

He acknowledged the plan wasn't favored by the House Democrats, who have their plan, but added "we're working with them proactively to find common ground to get this issue resolved in this session."

In regard to initiating any sort of capital gains income tax, both Braun and Orcutt agreed the funding source would be too volatile and would fly in the face of an attempt for sufficient, stable funding of schools.

In regard to teacher retention and recruitment, one of the questions asked, Braun said the state isn't perfect but is making headway to that end.

"We certainly have a need for more teachers in the state, but the trend is in the right direction," Braun said, adding that over four years the state has added more than 4,000 more teachers to its workforce, far more than the 2,000 added in the previous 10 years.

Braun said the Senate Republicans' plan for school funding

worked for teacher retention in a few different ways, notably a bump in beginning pay for starting teachers and additional flexibility for state rules for districts that adequately meet the needs of their district, which he believed would lead to more interest from educators to work in the state.

Lee, from Castle Rock, who described himself as a "pro-gun, pro-life conservative" but also a teacher, had a question about the "eroding" of teacher salaries and cost of living raises that never happened. He was appreciative of the increase in starting teacher pay, but questioned what is in place to keep teachers on the other side of the pay schedule from heading elsewhere.

Braun said they are on a better direction than in years past, mentioning a cost of living increase that happened in the current biennium. To Lee's concern, Braun said the key part of the Senate school funding plan is that teacher pay would be adjusted annually for inflation by design rather than as an afterthought "if" the money is there.

Apart from school funding, other questions covered more ground. Warren, a retired volunteer firefighter from Chehalis, asked about pensions.

In eight years since his retirement, there had not been any raises in the payout of volunteer firefighter pensions, he said, and was curious as to whether legislators are doing anything about it.

Braun said he was "very sympathetic to this issue" but said that first the \$9 billion in unfunded pension liability needs to be addressed.

"We need to pay the bill on that unfunded liability before we sign up for additional payments into this system," Braun

said, acknowledging the message seemed harsh.

"It's unfortunate that we allowed ourselves to get to this condition over the last several decades," Braun said, "but we are in the condition we are at, and I think that we need to do something about this long-term liability before we take on additional, frankly, deserved COLAs (cost of living adjustments) for our long-term retirees."

Braun said the proposed Senate majority coalition budget, of which he is the chief author this session, puts \$700 million of the state's rainy day fund to help pay off that liability, adding the early payoff over time would lead to a two-to-one return for the state over 10 years.

Ed, from Pe Ell, asked about flood control on the Chehalis River, mentioning he had heard a work group for the river had asked the Legislature for \$50 million to continue a study and continue the permitting process for a 300-foot-tall dam within a mile from the center of Pe Ell.

He also asked about the possibility of recreational facilities assigned with the dam project, which was a condition that Pe Ell town council agreed on to be in favor of a dam project.

Braun explained that the funding is still in the works. He said Gov. Jay Inslee's budget had it assigned, explaining roughly half of the money would go for the dam project with the other monies going for smaller-scale flood reduction in the Chehalis River area.

The Senate's budget number was a little lower, \$42.5 million, though Braun would like to see it rise to \$50 million.

In regard to recreation, Braun said that the current study hasn't

looked at the recreational use of the dam.

Jean, from Tenino, had concerns over possible reductions in federal funding to Washington under the new presidential administration. Braun characterized discussions on federal funding as only "talk" right now, adding that at the state level it's not clear as to what federal funding will affect in Washington.

"(My answer is) a little bit vague because frankly we don't know the answer. We are watching much like everyone else at home to see what's going to happen in Washington, D.C.," Braun said.

What Washington could do in the face of that uncertainty is keep its own finances in check, Braun said, maintaining a balanced budget with a healthy rainy day fund "to weather whatever storm the economy or the federal government might throw at us."

The first caller, Norm, from Woodland, asked about the renewed interest in a Columbia River crossing after the aptly-named project of the same name failed several years ago.

Norm wondered if there is a change of heart among the legislators, specifically on the highly politicized issue of whether to include light rail.

Orcutt said that there "was no question" that a replacement was needed, given that the bridge is deemed "functionally obsolete."

"But we have got to recognize that it is not going to solve the congestion problem down there," Orcutt said, underscoring an importance to analyze additional crossings to work to that end.

Orcutt gave an example of congestion at the Columbia River, comparing Cowlitz and Clark counties. Cowlitz County, with a population of roughly 100,000, had eight lanes of traffic in each direction crossing the Cowlitz River, whereas Clark County, with a population approaching 500,000, has only seven over the Columbia River.

"It's very clear that we need additional lanes down there," Orcutt remarked.

Chehalis City Councilor Chad Taylor Announces Bid for Fourth Term

*ELECTIONS: Taylor Among
the Early Announcements
as Candidate Filing
Officially Begins May 15*

By Justyna Tomtas
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Chehalis City Councilor Chad Taylor will seek a fourth term, he announced this week.

Taylor, who holds council Position 2 at-large, said he wants to expand on the city's business-friendly stance without raising taxes in the city.

"I vote against pretty much every tax increase we've had because I think the city is doing well and I think we should live within our means to provide good service," he said.

Taylor recently opposed a two-tenths of 1 percent sales tax increase on the February ballot, which ultimately passed.

When Taylor was first elected to the city council, he said there were only a few businesses on the west side of Interstate 5. The area has seen immense growth since then, something Taylor wants to see continue.



"The more businesses we have that come to the city, the more revenue it produces and it's a way for us to keep the taxes down for the people who live here."

Chad Taylor
speaking about Chehalis being a business friendly atmosphere

"I've tried to push a business friendly atmosphere in the city and my goal is to continue to do that," he said. "... The more businesses we have that come to the city, the more revenue it produces and it's a way for us to keep the taxes down for the people who live here."

A thriving business community is important, but so are services to the taxpayers that live within the city, Taylor said.

"I want to make it the best community possible for the people who live here," Taylor said, placing an emphasis on improved sidewalks, good roads and a possible walking track around Penny Playground — a project he strongly supports. "We are working on a park plan

for Penny Playground and I want to make sure that gets completed and we get a nicer park for the community to use," he said.

Taylor said the city council works well together, and although there are "healthy disagreements," he said he believes they are on the right path.

"I don't think there's anything I want to see changed," he said. "The council works well together and we have amazing people who volunteer their time to get projects done," he said citing the Gail and Carolyn Shaw Aquatic Center and the Vernetta Smith Chehalis Timberland Library.

Taylor grew up in Chehalis. He graduated from Adna High School in 1996. He's been married

to his wife Coralee for 19 years. The duo owns The Silver Agency in Chehalis, an advertising firm that focuses on website and graphic design, as well as marketing.

He has two children. His daughter Amber will graduate from Oregon State University this year with a science degree, while his son Franklin is set to graduate from W.F. West High School this year.

His family roots tie back to the area. Both his parents live in Chehalis and his mother-in-law also lives in the area.

"I just love the community," he said. "I love being on the city council and I definitely have a passion for making Chehalis a better place to live."

News in Brief

Bremerton Police Arrest Man in Death of 67-Year-Old Woman

BREMERTON (AP) — Police have arrested a 57-year-old West Bremerton man in connection with the death of his longtime girlfriend earlier this year.

Bremerton police say officers arrested Richard Heller Wednesday after an investigation into 67-year-old Perleen Bode's death in January at their home.

Police were called Jan. 5 to the home by Heller, who allegedly told authorities that Bode was unconscious and had possibly died.

Officers found her dead at the home. Police say an autopsy determined her death was due to

a broken neck with severe spinal cord injuries.

Police say the investigation indicates Bode was strangled and her larynx was crushed. Police say statements from Heller show he was the only one present when she died.

Heller is being held on \$1 million bail on suspicion of domestic violence murder.

Body Found in Water at Port Angeles Marina

PORT ANGELES, Wash. (AP) — Police say the body of a man has been found floating in the Port Angeles marina.

The Peninsula Daily News reported the body was found near a dock Wednesday morning. Port Angeles Police Sgt. Kev-

in Miller says the man appeared to be in his late 30s and was fully dressed with no signs of trauma.

Miller says an autopsy will be done while police work to determine the man's identity.

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Adequate Funding for Civil Legal Aid System Necessary for Fairness

We all know that there are critical components of every thriving community. We see them every day in our community, professional and public work — like vibrant public schools, servant leaders taking active roles in our community, volunteers helping those less fortunate to improve their lives, and a fair justice system.

We also know that our state and county face difficult challenges.

Thankfully, we in Lewis County have excellent representation in both legislative houses with John Braun and Reps. Richard DeBolt and Ed Orcutt.

Perhaps the busiest legislator this year is Sen. Braun, who just guided to passage in the Senate his first budget as the chairman of the Ways and Means Community.

The debate over K-12 funding is attracting the most atten-

GUEST COMMENTARY



By Peter Abbarno



By Todd Chaput

tion this session. However, we have also been following an important issue that deserves to not get lost in the debate about how to fund our schools, mental health systems, protect our community from flooding and repair critical infrastructure.

That issue is adequate funding for our civil legal aid system.

We learn at an early age that low-income people are entitled to a lawyer at public expense when they are charged with a

crime. What we rarely consider is that this right does not exist for victims of crimes like domestic violence and sexual assault, for veterans denied Veteran Affairs cash or medical benefits, for families faced with the loss of their homes through foreclosure or eviction, or for vulnerable seniors being financially exploited.

To get legal help these people must turn to our state's civil legal aid system. Consider a recent case involving a local veteran who had returned from Afghanistan and was having troubles adjusting to life at home. His wife was concerned about some of his actions, and his access to his children was in jeopardy.

He contacted Lewis County Bar Legal Aid, and thanks to their work with the couple, a plan was developed that allowed them both to remain involved in

the parenting of their children. They did so without having to go to court. According to one volunteer, legal aid "made a big difference for this soldier." Being able to maintain a relationship with his children has been a significant part of his recovery from his war experience.

Unfortunately, and despite the terrific work of Lewis County Bar Legal Aid and the statewide Northwest Justice Project, there are far too many people in need of legal help and there is far too little capacity to provide it. One recently published statewide study tells us that more than three quarters of low-income people who experience civil legal problems get no help at all.

Fortunately, our legislators understand the important role the state has ensuring equal access to our justice system regardless of income. They understand

that the investment in timely legal aid services helps avoid costly and sometimes frivolous litigation. Early legal aid intervention helps our judicial system run more smoothly and efficiently, saves taxpayer money, and solves a dire need in our community.

In this time of budget and policy challenges, we should all be able to agree that access to justice is part of what helps our community succeed and is a central part of our democracy. We should encourage our elected leaders to do all they can to ensure the fairness of our civil justice system, and continue to adequately fund the civil legal aid system.

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COMMENTARY: I Was Just Thinking ...

103 Reasons to Smile in Annual Display of Youngest Citizens

"Aaaah," he sighed. Once again I've been saved from deep doldrums by an annual feature of this very newspaper. I refer to the posting each March of those future citizens who were born during the previous year here in the Washington county of Lewis.

If such innocence, curiosity and trust cannot bring a broad smile to your face, you're certainly not the sort of person with which I would care to spend any time left in my declining years. I must confess I don't think I've agreed with the judges at any time, but I recognize how difficult such a task must be. My choice this year would have been the Seahawk fan, Kaiden Porter, in the top row of the last page, apparently saying, "Wow, can you believe that catch?"

I counted 103 reasons to be charmed in this year's collection, as compared with 94 last year, 172 in 2014, 106 in 2013, and 128 in 2012. Yes, I've saved the last five inserts in this newspaper, and wish I'd started sooner.

There can be no better antidote to feelings of mild despair than looking at those innocent smiles on most of the children, and eyelids closed in sleep on the others. I'd been wondering where I'd find the money to pay a bill for repairs to my 25-year-old pickup when I spotted this year's issue still on my card table.

I didn't forget about the bill, but it became less important. Tell me though, what kind of naughty thoughts went through your mind when you noticed the large spike in births in 2014? Sure, me too, but at least I got a chuckle about it. Now let me repeat the annual thought that comes to me after smiling back at the pictures; how many of those innocent smiles will still be there by the time they start to school?

A change of topic is in order. I have another confession to make. I should utilize my fingers and toes instead of depending on cranial guidance when counting. Last week I mentioned that I'd completed eight years of writing these lessons. A trip to my file cabinet shows I wrote the first one in



By Bill Moeller

"There can be no better antidote to feelings of mild despair than looking at those innocent smiles on most of the children, and eyelids closed in sleep on the others."

2008: March 19 to be exact. So, by the middle of next March I'll have completed 10 years of pontificating, not nine. Is it too early to start planning a party?

I had come across an obituary in The Seattle Times some time ago that I wanted to write about, but always postponed. Sam Williams was a bus driver in Seattle who had a heart attack on the job, and attempts to revive him by passengers were ineffective. He was so much more than a bus driver. For 18 years he had been a member of the greatest juggling team in this country: The Flying Karamazov Brothers based right here in Washington.

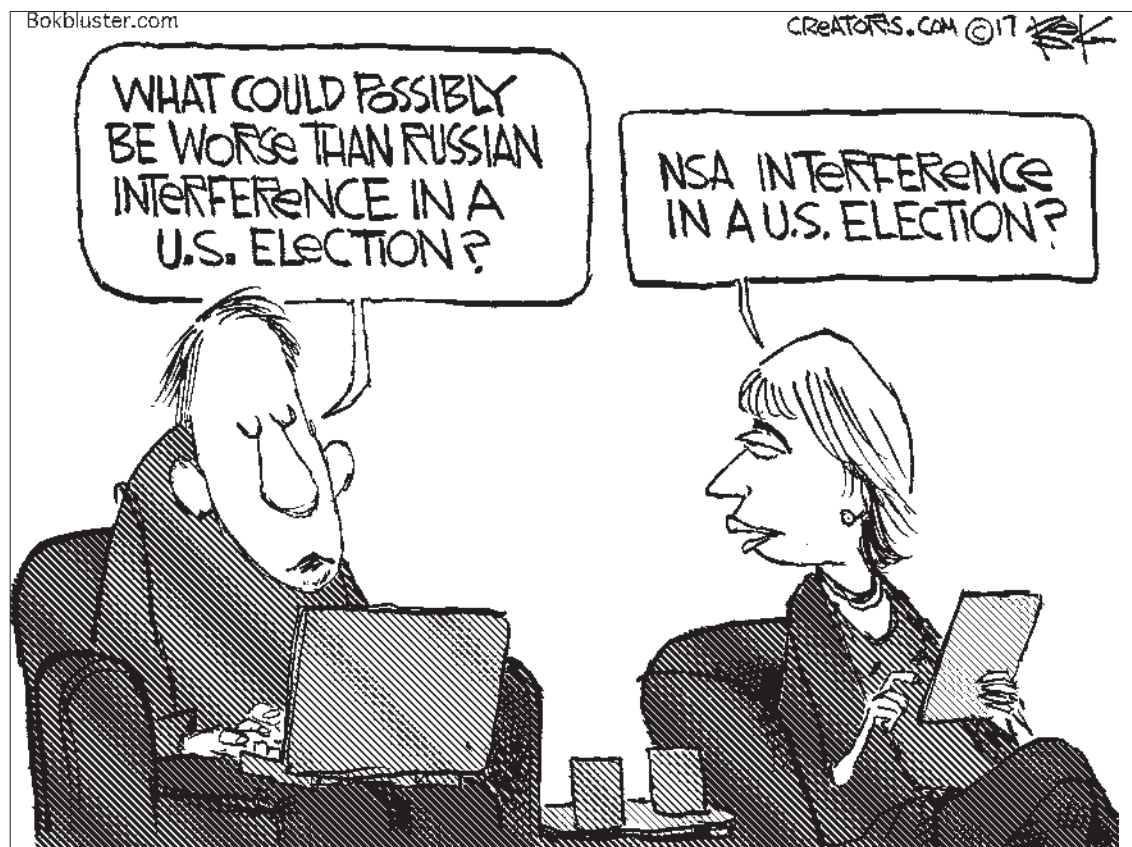
They appeared on many TV shows, from "The Smothers Brothers" to "Seinfeld." We met several times at gatherings where performers audition before groups of people who book events at colleges and universities.

We also appeared at numerous times — but not at the same time — at a funky, rickety venue in La Conner named The Alligator Palace. It no longer exists, but I could write an entire column about the owner of that facility, who billed himself as Reverend Chumley. I even officiated at his wedding nearly 15 years ago on Camano Island.

Getting back to the Flying Karamazov Brothers (who aren't really brothers, just taking Russian names when performing,) the last I heard they were living up near Port Orchard, and a check of their website indicates they're no longer accepting requests for future performances. Pity.

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Letters

Lawmakers Shouldn't Ignore Motorcycle-Related Bills

After a town hall meeting at Somerset Elementary in Bellevue on Saturday, March 18, Rep. Judy Clibborn, D-Mercer Island, spoke with a constituent who apparently she didn't realize was a motorcyclist. Her statements provide a glimpse of her bias against motorcyclists, and may explain why she rarely ever holds a hearing on motorcycle-related legislation.

It seems that Clibborn finds motorcyclists to be "intimidating and scary." During the conversation, she told her constituent that her committee members "lied" when they stated they would request a hearing on Senate Bill 5378. When her constituent asked Clibborn to allow the committee to hear the bill, and let the committee vote on the bill, she reportedly responded; "No, I will not waste my time."

Apparently Clibborn also feels that motorcyclists have all "misinterpreted the studies" showing the benefits of lane sharing. She stated that there are "no safety benefits of lane splitting."

That would seem to point toward Clibborn or her staff not ever reading the studies from the University of California on the subject. If they did, the safety benefits to motorcyclists would be quite clear and evident. If these statements are true, it would seem to point to a deep-rooted bias against motorcyclists.

This could explain why at least nine motorcycle bills have been referred to the House

Transportation Committee since the start of the 2017 session, and not a single one has even been given a hearing. It may also explain why a bill that was voted out of the Senate with a bipartisan majority vote is being ignored in the House Transportation Committee.

It could also explain why a bill requiring medical insurance for any motorcyclists who chose not to wear a helmet while riding, and that was given a bipartisan majority "do pass" recommendation in the House Business & Financial Services Committee was then referred to the House Transportation Committee and allowed to die from disinterested neglect.

On the Washington State House Democrats web page on transportation there are words "Everyone should have the freedom to travel quickly and reliably, regardless of where they are going. A modern transportation system with options for all commuters promotes not just mobility, but equality and opportunity."

With her ongoing practice of allowing motorcycle related bills to languish and die in her committee, it would seem the Clibborn does not feel Washington state's motorcyclists are worthy of that "equality and opportunity" that the House Democrats so proudly promote on their transportation web page.

To categorically ignore motorcycle-related transportation bills tends to contradict another part of that same web page; "Commuters need to get to their jobs without wasting time and money stuck in traffic."

Yet a bill that provides a low-cost congestion relief effort is sentenced to death without even a hearing. What does it say about our state government when one individual can allow her personal bias to block an entire class of legislation, allowing them to be killed regardless of the support or benefit of the individual bills.

Telling constituents that she considers holding a public hearing on bills to be a "waste" of her time should give Clibborn's constituents, and all Washington's citizens reason to be concerned about the way their government is operating, and whether it is even trying to fulfill its civic obligations.

BRIAN LANGE
Morton

Thanks for the Article, and a Correction

I would like to thank The Chronicle, and specifically Natalie Johnson and her photographer, for the wonderful article about my shop (Hands on Guitars). I would like to correct the address, which is 1133 Kresky Ave., Unit 104, Centralia.

I would also like to correct a statement in the article. I did state that James L. D'Aquisto was a lifelong friend and mentor, but I did not claim to be his apprentice. How I wish that had been true! Jimmy had no apprentices, and a good deal of his intuitive knowledge was lost to the ages.

So, aside from that, again, thank you for a wonderful conversation, and a fine article.

ERIC MILLER
Centralia

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It's Never Too Soon to Start Talking About Dying

COMMENTARY: *Life and Death*

We typically spend more time planning our summer vacations than we do planning for our inevitable journey from life.

Mapping that getaway to Maui is inarguably more fun than contemplating your own mortality. But failing to prepare for life's final destination is like taking a trip without booking reservations — you're likely to wind up in a situation not of your choosing.

More than 70 percent of us say we'd like to spend our last days at home, surrounded by people we know and love — and who love us. Ironically, 70 percent of us end up dying in a hospital, nursing home or long-term care facility, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Meanwhile, vital statistics



By Dr. Ira Byock

also show that 100 percent of us will eventually die.

In an era when we're held more accountable for our health care, and when many of us will be living into our 80s and 90s with illnesses that historically would have caused our early demise, it's time to dissolve the cultural taboos that keep us from talking about dying.

It's said that death and taxes are the only certainties of life. Just before mid-April's Tax Day, we have National Healthcare Decisions Day on April 16. National Healthcare Decisions Day offers an opportunity to have conversations with loved ones about our values, preferences and priorities when it comes to our care through the end of life.

That's why Providence in Southwest Washington is hosting a free community Advanced Care Planning event April 18, 6-8 p.m. at St. Martin's University. For more information or to

register, go to www.provregister.org.

That conversation typically begins with a reflection on what matters most and results in filling out an advance directive. An advance directive is a legal document that allows you to appoint someone as your health care agent in the event you become unable to speak for yourself, and conveys your values and wishes that person to consider in working with your doctors to make treatment decisions on your behalf.

The best way to support one another and protect your family from conflict and having to deal with ethics committees or a court is to make it clear — in writing — who has authority to speak for you if you become incapacitated.

You scan a copy of your signed advance directive to share with the person you chose to be your health care agent,

other trusted family members and friends, and, of course, your doctor.

Evidence suggests that early palliative care — which typically includes conversations about people's values and preferences and whether they have advance directives — when delivered concurrently with usual medical treatments, improves care quality, patient satisfaction, symptom management and quality of life. Yes we can afford it. Indeed, palliative care has been shown to reduce hospital costs and overall health care spending — mostly by providing alternatives to unwanted treatments. Most remarkably, concurrent palliative care can even prolong survival.

A growing catalog of such findings is moving the needle on policy. Last year, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services began reimbursing health care providers for conversations with Medicare patients about their wishes for end-of-life care. We hope this provision survives,

regardless of what happens to the Affordable Care Act.

There's also increasing activity within American culture. The growing awareness of Death Over Dinner events, and the work of Pulitzer Prize columnist Ellen Goodman's The Conversation Project offer evidence that attitudes about how we face dying may be shifting.

The Institute of Medicine in 2014 noted that, "Advance care planning conversations often do not take place because patients, family members, and clinicians each wait for the other to initiate them."

National Healthcare Decisions Day offers a chance for us to remove barriers, complete an advance directive, and initiate a conversation about our goals of care through the end of life.

When it comes to advanced care planning, it always seems too early — until it's too late.

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Dr. Ira Byock is the founder and chief medical officer for the Providence Institute for Human Caring.

Letters

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Commissioners Committing a Disservice With Elimination of Senior Center Funding

I am writing this to express concerns relating to the closing of the senior centers here in Lewis County.

First of all, I feel this is a huge disservice to all seniors who have helped make this county the great place it is. We, as seniors, have long paid our taxes to help support this county. The commissioners have said that we, as seniors, need to find alternatives to keep our centers open. I thought they were LEWIS COUNTY commissioners.

We elected them to serve the people of this county. Aren't we as seniors part of this county? I would think the commissioners would be more than willing to help us. Instead, they have appointed a person to be in charge of a "transition team" to solve the problem.

The person they put in charge of overseeing this team seems to have a conflict of interest, in that she is also a part of the Toledo City Council and has told seniors that we can't question anything unless it is put in writing, and she then presents the questions to the commissioners or the city council and she will then bring answers back to us.

Are we so frail that we can't ask our own questions and understand the answers? If we are told the whole truth, we can understand. It's the partial truth we can't understand. Questions can't even be asked at the Lewis County senior meetings.

They have been told these meetings are only for speaking of good ideas and improvements. Any problems have to be written out and presented to a suggestion box or to the leader.

Who knows where these questions end up. When we asked questions about dollars, we were told it was none of our concern. Maybe we need a leader who is not so close to the commissioners, but one who also has the seniors interest in mind.

Perhaps she is so invested in the administrative part of running things she has forgotten how to relate to the seniors.

We need help and we know it. All we ask for is a little more input between the commissioners and the seniors (not a go-between person). Working together as seniors and commissioners would be more beneficial than what is being done now. We need some time for the commissioners and seniors to work together, not as two separate entities.

Another thing, the commissioners and the transition team leader need to make changes in the wording of the information being sent out. The term "recreation activities" needs to be changed to "enrichment activities."

Recreation sounds like all we do is play and eat. We are enriched through the many classes and money-raising activities that we perform and continue to be enriched by the many speakers that come in to help with taxes, fraud, theft, insurance and any other vital information out there for us.

Come on people. Let's get together, sit down and get this problem solved. It should be the transition team and the commissioners sitting together (not a third party relating the ideas). We don't know what is really being done. At least once a month, maybe twice, let's get together. That's all we ask. Don't leave us hanging by our fingernails. We all want the same thing, don't we? To keep the centers open (don't we?).

MARGARET A. DAVIS
Winlock

Is America Really as 'Perilously Close to Bankruptcy' as Congresswoman Claims?

Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler has an Issue on her website titled "Ending Government Overspending." She states, "America is perilously close to bankruptcy as a nation."

I wish she would include citations to such statements because I was unable to find any articles online (from any reputable sites) supporting her statement.

We have heard people warn that the U.S. is following in the footsteps of Greece, but we don't know if that is what she is suggesting. We do know, however, that even a quick search online produces numerous articles from reputable news and financial sites that refute the suggestion that the US is going to go bankrupt just like Greece.

One article in particular that discusses this topic is from Forbes. It is titled "The United States Is Not Greece," by Stephen J. Rose and William T. Dickens, dated May 30, 2012.

She also refers to the congressional "spending binge" that occurred prior to her election to the House in 2010. As most people will recall, that "spending binge" was necessitated by the huge recession of 2007-09. That spending prevented our economy from completely collapsing and saved countless numbers of jobs.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development stated in June 2016 that the United States is making one of the strongest comebacks in the world from the recent recession. We are faring much better than countries in Europe and Asia, partly because we chose the path of stimulus over austerity.

Finally, she proudly states that she has cosponsored and voted for a "constitutional amendment that would require Congress not to spend more than it receives in revenues each year. If families can carefully establish budgets that they must live within, why shouldn't the government?"

The quick answer is because it is just silly to think you can compare the financial situation of the U.S. government to an individual family. Again, there are many articles online that discuss why this type of amendment is a very bad idea. One particular article from Forbes is titled, "5 Reasons Why a National Balanced Budget Amendment Is Lunacy," by John T. Harvey, dated Aug. 10, 2015.

And as we all know virtually all families in the U.S. (as well

as virtually all businesses) carry debt, such as house mortgages, auto loans, student loans, general credit card debt, etc. We use this debt to improve our lives and standard of living.

Consumer spending accounts for approximately 70 percent of the U.S. economy. Most Americans want our government to carefully spend our taxpayer money, and there are certainly savings that can be made. We believe the congresswoman's statements, however, are misleading, overly simplistic and/or false. We believe her constituents deserve better.

SUSAN MILLER
Onalaska

Abortion — A Call for Truth in Advertising

One troubling aspect of the abortion industry is how successful it is at misleading good people. Many people outside of Planned Parenthood in Centralia say something like, "Planned Parenthood provides many women's health services. Only 3 percent of what they do is abortion."

Do you wonder where this 3 percent statistic comes from, and why so many people know it? Like any \$1.3 billion corporation, PP has a marketing department responsible for promoting its services. Through various communications, they make sure their self-reported 3 percent statistic is broadcast to the world.

For a thorough explanation of how this is calculated, visit www.LCLifeline.blogspot.com, click on "VIDEOS," and scroll to "Planned Parenthood's 3% Myth."

To keep it short, let me illustrate with a comparison to McDonald's. If McDonald's didn't want to admit that most of its business is selling hamburgers, and their marketing department was dishonest, they could claim that hamburgers are a tiny part of their business. Instead of counting the hamburger as a hamburger, they could count each ingredient as a "discreet food item."

Since its most popular burger contains (feel free to sing along) "two all-beef patties, special sauce, lettuce, cheese, pickles, onions, on a sesame seed bun", the patties (two) divided by the total items (eight) means they could claim only 25 percent of their business is hamburgers, even if all they sold was Big Macs!

If they want to match the level of deception of PP, they just need to count each sesame seed separately, and suddenly "only 3

percent of our hamburger business is hamburgers."

You may not believe me, but I hope you won't believe PP without investigating for yourself. Here are some facts you can find online: 1. PP is the largest abortion corporation in the U.S., killing over 300,000 babies annually. 2. PP's 3 percent statistic was given "three Pinocchio's", and called "Very Misleading" by the Washington Post's Fact Checker. 3. PP provides about one-third of all abortions in the U.S.; but only 1 percent of the US's PAP tests and 1.8 percent of the U.S.'s breast exams.

Other local health clinics gladly provide these and all other women's health services. At the website above, you'll find plenty of evidence (mostly from PP workers) that their core business is abortion. So why claim only 3 percent? I think it's the same reason for signs like "Pray to End Judgment" and "Right to Choose." No one wants to admit they are for abortion.

I wonder if it's because they know that abortion hurts women and kills babies. If abortion is only 3 percent of its business, PP would agree to separate this "service" from the true women's health services they provide, as they have been asked to do by members of Congress.

If you've been misled to believe PP is a necessary women's health provider, you're not alone. But once you see the truth, I hope you'll understand why many people want to defund PP. Our tax dollars should never be used to harm women and kill babies.

TED BOWES
Mossyrock

Citizen Interaction With Congresswoman Has Been Civil, Despite Columnist's Claim

I noticed that with all the maelstrom about President Donald Trump's "alternative facts," at least one of The Chronicle's columnists has resorted to using his own unsubstantiated details about recent events locally.

I refer to John McCroskey's commentary about what he calls the protesters in Chehalis Tuesday, March 21. He implied by association they were uncivil in a public meeting and disrespectful to our congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler.

Nothing could be further than the truth about the group that has been meeting weekly with the staff members of Herrera Beutler. I have been at those meetings, and have not noticed the attendance of McCroskey. The folks who have been present have legitimate questions to ask our congresswoman, and the staff in return has been receptive to opinions, issues and problems related to the constituents of our district.

No voices have been raised. There have been no screams, shouting or bad behavior. There have been civil exchanges of information, and yes, differences of opinions, all tempered with a few batches of homemade cookies that would make Norman Rockwell happy.

I'd suggest that McCroskey come to a meeting or two, and find out the real facts for himself. The sessions are friendly and open to all.

PAUL CROWNER
Centralia

Rates Have Steadily Increased at Lewis County PUD

If Brad Ford (the Lewis County PUD auditor) thinks rates have remained steady for many years (per The Chronicle article dated March 9), he must mean steadily going up.

The proposed hike will more than double the daily rate in 2014. The PUD increased the daily rate in 2014 from 45 cents to 55 cents then in 2015 raised it to 75 cents with the cost per kilowatt-hour going from 5.16 cents to 5.463 cents.

The proposed hike will take the daily rate to 95 cents a day and KWH rate to 5.763 cents. Steady, right? Another higher cost reflected on our last billing period was an increase on the security light, going from \$14.71 to \$19.99 for two months.

JANIS HAENKE
Mossyrock

Patty Murray and Others Need to Go as the Swamp Is Drained

Thanks to "Voice of the People" contributor Melinda Schorl for speaking out against Sen. Patty Murray. Murray has been in the Senate for far too many years it is well past the time we send her back to her "tennis shoes."

Murray has never been willing to work with or support anything the Republicans are doing; furthermore she has no interest in any part of Washington south of King County. Check her voting record. Murray always speaks out for our veterans, but what has she done for them between election cycles?

If she is so great at taking care of our vets, as she claims, then why is the Veterans Administration such a mess? I have friends who are vets who have nothing but problems with Washington state's American Lake.

The senator has worked her way up to a very well paying position, which she has proven over the past 20-plus years that is all she is really cares about. The senator's opposition to Neil Gorsuch for Supreme Court is purely political and an objection to the Republicans not voting on the past president's pick and not bringing Obama's choice up for a vote during an election year, which is a precedent set by the Democrats.

It's amazing how the Democrats like to set precedents and then cry like babies when the Republicans use their tactics to their advantage.

I pray that this Congress, as it "drains the swamp," finds a way to install and enforce term limits. Murray and many others need to go — Democrats and Republicans alike.

MYRNA NEELEY
Centralia

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CHEHALIS POLICE DEPARTMENT Beer Theft Suspect Caught on Video

• At 8:40 a.m. on Monday, police received a report of a theft of beer the previous night from the 100 block of Southwest Interstate Avenue. The suspect was reportedly caught on video.

Tires Slashed

• At 8:53 a.m. on Monday, police received a report that tires were slashed overnight in the 200 block of Southeast Washington Avenue.

Campers Reported Trespassing

• At 9:46 a.m. on Monday, police received a report of trespassers in the 1000 block of Northwest State Street. The people were reportedly camping near a building.

Thefts Reported

• At 11:53 a.m. on Monday, a theft was reported in the 700 block of Southwest Cascade Avenue.

• At 12:06 p.m. on Monday, a theft was reported in the 1000 block of Northwest Louisiana

Avenue. Jennifer L. Schroeder, 31, of Centralia, was cited on suspicion of third-degree theft for allegedly taking \$9.98 in merchandise.

Disorderly Suspect Confronted in Store

• At 12:05 p.m. on Monday, police received a report that a man in a store in the 1000 block of Northwest Louisiana Avenue was being disorderly and refusing to leave. No arrests were made.

Fake \$100 Bills Spotted

• At 12:39 p.m. on Monday, police received a report of a person attempting to use fake \$100 bills in the 1000 block of Northwest Louisiana Avenue.

Vehicles Stolen

• At 2:55 p.m. on Monday, a 1999 Chevrolet Blazer was reported stolen on Northeast Median Street.

• At 5:58 p.m. on Tuesday, a Honda Accord was reported sto-

len in the 200 block of Southwest 13th Street.

Gasoline Siphoned

• At 3:09 p.m. on Monday, police received a report of gas being siphoned in the 400 block of Front Street.

Teen Arrested After Assault

• At 9:20 a.m. on Tuesday, police responded to a report of an assault in the 300 block of Southwest 16th Street. A 15-year-old Chehalis boy was arrested and booked into Lewis County Juvenile Detention on suspicion of fourth-degree assault.

Doty Man Arrested on Suspicion of No-Contact Order Violation

• At 11:58 a.m. on Tuesday, police arrested Darin P. Glenn, 52, of Doty, in the 2100 block of North National Avenue on suspicion of violation of a no-contact order.

Musical Instrument Taken

• At 2:45 p.m. on Monday, a musical instrument was reported stolen in the 100 block of South Tower Avenue.

Centralia Woman Booked on Assault Charge

• At 10:28 a.m. on Tuesday, police arrested Leann M. High, 47, of Centralia, in the 2800 block of Russell Road on suspicion of fourth-degree assault, domestic violence.

Rental Property Stolen

• At 10:56 a.m. on Tuesday, police received a report of a theft of rental property in the 1400

please see **SIRENS**, page Main 11

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Death Notices

• **DARRELL LEE MARTIN**, 63, Centralia, died Monday, Feb. 27, at the Cherry Hill campus of Swedish Hospital, Seattle. No services are planned. Arrangements are under the care of Edwards Memorial Center, University Place.

• **ROGER RAYMOND SANTO**, 77, Rochester, died Monday, March 27, in Rochester. No services are planned. Arrangements are under the care of the Neptune Society.

• **PAUL ANTHONY BICKEL**, 88, Lacey, formerly of Lewis County, died Wednesday, March 29, at Woodland by Bonaventure Retirement and Assisted Living Community, Lacey. A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 8, at Claquato Cemetery, Chehalis, followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. at Centralia Bible Baptist Church. Arrangements are under the care of Newell-Hoerling's Mortuary, Centralia.

Lotteries

Washington's Wednesday Games

Powerball:
Next jackpot: \$50 million
Mega Millions:
Next jackpot: \$162 million
Match 4: 07-10-16-21
Daily Game: 8-3-0
Keno: 02-05-06-08-10-11-12-13-17-18-24-34-36-53-56-66-70-73-77-80

Commodities

Gas in Washington — \$2.84 (AAA of Washington)
Crude Oil — \$49.95 per barrel (CME Group)
Gold — \$1,248 (Monex)
Silver — \$14.22 (Monex)

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In Loving Memory Of
LEROY JOHN FASANO
Leroy will be missed deeply by all who knew him...

Leroy John Fasano passed away March 21, 2017. He was born in Chehalis, Wash., March 31, 1959. Leroy liked to tinker on cars and could fix anything mechanical. He loved animals, having a great affinity for dogs. He had a warm heart and gentle nature. When he was a teenager, he enjoyed motocross and anything having to do with motorcycles. In his later years, he enjoyed working on vehicles.

Leroy leaves behind his daughters, Tanna (Matt) Zang of Omaha, Neb., and Caitlin Fasano; and one grandson, Gage Zang. He is also survived by three siblings, Curtis Fasano of Chehalis, Wash., Heidemarie (Mick) Caswell of Gresham, Ore., and Michele Wilsie of Olympia, Wash.; and his father and step-mother, John and Jan Fasano of Chehalis, WA. He was also blessed with numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Frank Fasano; and mother, Edith Fasano Ary.

Leroy was a lifelong resident of Lewis County. He will be remembered Saturday, April 1, 2017, when viewing will be available at Cattermole Funeral Home in Winlock, Wash., from 10 a.m. to noon and graveside services will be held at the Winlock Cemetery at 1 p.m. A potluck memorial celebrating his life will be held after the graveside services at Taylor's Landing in Winlock, Wash., at approximately 2 p.m.

To view the obituary, please go to chronline.com/obituaries.

In Loving Memory Of
Kurtis "Koala" Kolstad

February 7, 2017, Kurtis "Koala" Kolstad, 65, of Tacoma, Wash., passed away the way he wanted, at home surrounded by his family. Kurt was also the beloved brother of a vast musical family here in the Northwest and around the world. He was an incredible warrior who fought the good fight against cancer for 12 years. Kurt's light kept shining long after most would have gone out.

A musical celebration for friends and family will be held from 2 to 5 p.m., April 2, 2017, at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, 14601 A St. S., Tacoma, WA, 98444.

To view the obituary, please go to chronline.com/obituaries.

Loving father, husband and grandfather

In Remembrance

REUBEN CHARLES ROSE



(Starr) Rose; and two daughters, Cheryl Vessey and Jacki Phelan along with her husband, Alan. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Roze Tronsen, Tommy Vessey and Sarah Phelan; and five great-grandchildren, Lindzy, Rylan, Reyna, Mathew and Joseph; one brother, Arland Rose; and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and a great host of friends.

Reuben grew up in Riffe, Wash., attended Mossyrock Elementary and later attended vocational boat building classes at Bates Technical College in Tacoma. As a very young man, he worked in a tie mill and drove truck for the family business, Rose and Sons. He spent several years working as a shake sawyer in various shake mills. As Reuben grew older, he started driving a LeTourneau Log Stacker for Cowlitz Stud Mill in Randle

and later for Louisiana-Pacific in Thorne Bay, Alaska.

He loved hiking and backpacking in wilderness areas and was an avid hunter and fisherman. Reuben loved to tell a good story. Often details were added and the stories grew over the years, but for the most part they were true. One of his greatest loves and hobbies was shopping. He loved to find a bargain!

Reuben was a member of the Family Worship Center where he taught Sunday school, was a youth leader and a deacon for several years.

A celebration of Reuben's life will be held at the Family Worship Center, Randle, Wash., Saturday, April 1, 2017, at 11 a.m., with a time of fellowship following.

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ARTHUR THURMAN PERKINSON



as a special inspector. He was a hard worker; if there was an award for perfect attendance he would have received it.

He loved showing dogs and did so from 1993 to 2016. He took pride in winning and did not care about losing.

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents, John and Elberta; brother, Henry Perkinson; and sister, Mary Anderson.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Laura Perkinson; sons, Michael Perkinson and Spencer Perkinson; daughter, CC Perkinson; sister-in-law, Mary Ellen (Bill) Voss; brother-in-law, Ed (Marie) Shockley; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, March 30, 2017, at Sticklin Funeral Chapel, 1437 S. Gold St., Centralia, WA 98531. A graveside service will follow at the Grand Mound Cemetery, Rochester.

To view this obituary, please go to chronline.com/obituaries.

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Condolences may be offered at www.sticklinfuneralchapel.com

FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INSPECTION SCORES: *From the Lewis County Public Health Department*

Food Establishments With Violations:	Red	Blue	Total
Nick's AM/PM, Chehalis	10	0	10
Food temperatures were good except two refrigerator units had potentially hazardous foods too warm. Sandwiches were not held at or below 41 F and sliced tomatoes in condiment baskets were also above 41 F. Please adjust repair or replace these units to ensure all PHFs are held at or below 41 F. (10 red)			
Inspection: March 7			
Avenue Espresso, 1757 N. National Ave., Chehalis	0	5	5
Three-compartment sink has been replumbed and now appears to be directly connected to sewer. Please correct and send photos within one month. (5 blue)			
Inspection: March 20			
Berry Fields Cafe, Centralia	10	0	10
Several potentially hazardous foods were overfilled in the top of the prep coolers and were cold holding between 45.4 and 51.1 F. These must be kept at 41 F or below at all times. These were moved to other units to cool. This is a repeat violation. Refrigeration has been replaced since the last inspection and was working great except for foods that were overfilled. (10 red)			
Inspection: March 21			

Great Cuisine of India, Centralia	10	10	20
Several potentially hazardous foods were observed cold holding between 41.9 and 54.2 F and must be kept at 41 F or below at all times. These were either discarded or moved to the walk-in to cool, based on time and temperature. This is a repeat violation and a violation of the operating plan required			

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Editor's note: These figures are derived from inspections conducted by the Lewis County Public Health Department's Food Safety Program. Red violations are those most likely to cause foodborne ill-

ness and must be corrected at the time of inspection. Blue violations relate to overall cleanliness and operational conditions and must be corrected by established deadlines or by the next routine inspection. Any establishment receiving 40 red points or any red point

last year after repeated cold holding violations. (10 red)			
There was no bleach in sanitizer solution. This was corrected. (5 blue)			
Neither reach-in refrigerator was maintaining safe temperatures. They may not be used to store PHFs until reliably corrected. (5 blue)			
Inspection: March 20			
Main Street Grill, Centralia	0	5	5
Dishwasher is not sanitizing. This is being corrected. Sanitizer level is very low. Please monitor and measure frequently. (5 blue)			
Inspection: March 21			

Taqueria La Mexicana, Centralia	10	5	15
The water was turned off to the truck initially due to another leaky valve that causes the steam table to overflow when hot water is turned on. There were also only two paper towels left and no backups. Establishment must close until there is a continuous reliable supply of hot and cold running water. This is a repeat violation and has been discussed many times. (10 red)			
There was no sanitizer in bleach bucket initially. This was corrected. Please use test strips frequently to ensure there is adequate solution. (5 blue)			
Inspection: March 23x			

Food Establishments With Perfect Scores:
Buzz 'n Blooms, Onalaska
Cispus Learning Center, Randle Highway 12, Texaco, Chehalis
Huff & Puff Drive In, Randle
I-5 Grocery and Deli, Napavine
J & L Country Market & Deli, Randle
Justice General Store, Onalaska
Mrs. Beesley's Burgers, Toledo
Napavine Espresso, Napavine
Stanley's Store, Onalaska
Toledo IGA Market Fresh, Toledo
Bocatta Deli, Centralia
Cedar Village IGA, Winlock
Cliffdroppers, Packwood
Cruiser's Pizza, Packwood
Grabajava, Chehalis
Guadalajara Family Restaurant, Winlock
Headquarters Tavern, Mineral
McDonald's, Napavine
Morton Quicky Mart Shell, Morton
Quizno's, Centralia
Safeway, China Express, Chehalis
Safeway Deli, Chehalis
Sunshine Liquidators, Packwood
Taco Bell, Centralia
Veggies, Chehalis
St. Francis Xavier Mission, Toledo

item repeated within an 18 month period is considered a high risk and must be reinspected. An establishment that receives 75 red points or 100 total points (red and blue) on a routine inspection or 40 red points on a repeat inspection will have their food establishment permit suspended.

Lewis County District Court

Actions by Lewis County District Court included the following defendants, charges and case dispositions:

Editor's note: For some of the defendants listed below, no town was provided by Lewis County District Court.

Held Dec. 12

- Brian Scott Steward, 50, Onalaska, 4

counts of no contact/protection order violation, dismissed without prejudice.

- Held Dec. 14**
- Jefferson Andrew Allen, 21, Kapowsin, first-degree criminal trespassing, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 356 suspended, fined \$750, \$683 in fees.
 - David Wayne Normand, 23, Centralia, 2 counts second-degree criminal trespassing, count 1 dismissed with prejudice, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90

suspended, fined \$400 on count 2, \$283 in fees.

- Michael Wayne Severance, 18, Shelton, (1) no contact/protection order violation, (2) first-degree criminal trespassing, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 299 suspended on each count, concurrent, fined \$1,000, \$283 in fees.
- Nathan P. Toe, 36, Portland, third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 sus-

pending, fined \$600, \$386 in fees.

- Samuel Valencencio-Lascano, 18, Portland, possession of marijuana less than or equal to 40 grams, dismissed with prejudice.
- Terry Lynn Godsey, 60, Centralia, driving under the influence, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 229 suspended, fined \$750, \$1,420 in fees.
- Jeff Scott Karvela, 42, Oregon, first-degree driving while license suspended,

sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, fined \$500, \$386 in fees.

- Kayla Leanne Raymond, 26, Morton, third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, fined \$400, \$386 in fees.
- Steven James Clokey, 45, Chehalis, 2 counts of third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended on each count, \$772 in fees.

Injuries

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"The Defendant, Lewis County, was negligent in the supervision and control of dangerous or potentially dangerous animals in Lewis County, and failed to establish and operate an efficient and effective animal control system at the Southwest Washington Fair to prevent injury to patrons," according to the complaint filed by the Morgans.

Furthermore, the complaint argues that Lewis County is responsible for the actions of its agent, Classic Carriages, which owned the horse, named Duramax, and carriage in question.

The lawsuit also names Classic Carriages in the suit, saying "employees failed to properly train and handle Duramax, who was unsafe and unfit and improperly maintained, supervised, controlled and was not fit to be used for the purpose for which it was being used, all of which Defendants had knowledge, or under the circumstances should have had knowledge."

Jake and Helen Morgan were both injured during the Aug. 19 incident. According to the lawsuit, Emily Morgan suffered "severe mental anguish" as a result of the incident.

The lawsuit follows three tort claims filed by the Morgans, one

each for Jake, Emily and their daughter Helen, on Sept. 28, claiming between \$2.5 and \$5 million in individual damages for each person.

Plaintiffs must wait 60 days after filing a tort claim to file an official lawsuit.

A hearing is scheduled for 9 a.m. June 30 to set a date for trial.

The Morgans' lawsuit asks for unspecified damages.

Attorney John Justice, representing Lewis County in the case, said he could not comment on the ongoing lawsuit.

Attorney Lincoln Beauregard, lead attorney for the Morgans, and attorney Gabriella Wagner, representing Classic Carriages, did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

According to information from the Lewis County Sheriff's Office reported in previous Chronicle coverage, the incident occurred at approximately 2:35 p.m. Aug. 19 on the midway at the Southwest Washington Fair.

Reports stated a horse pulling a carriage spooked and ran into a crowded area of the midway.

"The carriage was careening behind the horse out of control," Former chief deputy Stacy Brown wrote in an incident report.

The horse and carriage hit several people, including Jake and Helen Morgan.

After the incident, the horse was taken to a stall. The Sheriff's Office report noted that Swearingen said a forklift spooked the

horse.

Jake Morgan suffered head trauma and other injuries and was airlifted to Harborview Medical Center. Helen Morgan

was transported to Providence Centralia Hospital with bruises and head trauma.

According to the lawsuit, Emily Morgan "suffered and

continues to suffer severe mental anguish due to the sight of watching her husband and small child suffer tremendously from their injuries.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PUGET SOUND ENERGY CUSTOMERS ABOUT PROPOSED CHANGES IN RATES

Puget Sound Energy (PSE) recently filed requests with the state Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) to adjust electric and natural gas rates. The requested changes, proposed to be effective on May 1, 2017, include:

- Conservation Program Charge** (listed on statement): An increase in electric rates and a decrease in natural gas rates to offset the costs of investments made in energy efficiency programs that are made available to customers.
- Property Tax Adjustment:** A decrease in most electric and natural gas rates to pass through costs of PSE's electric retail wheeling, back up and lighting customers, as well as some natural gas interruptible and transportation customers will see a slight increase in rates. The proposed changes would be reflected in the Electricity charge listed on the electric statement and in the Delivery charge listed on the natural gas statement.
- Revenue Decoupling Adjustment:** An increase in most electric and natural gas rates under the decoupling mechanism, which adjusts rates up or down based on allowed revenue and projected revenue for the year. Large secondary and general primary electric customers, and some interruptible and transportation natural gas customers will see a slight decrease or no change in rates. The proposed changes would be reflected in the Electricity charge listed on the electric statement and in the Delivery charge listed on the natural gas statement.

If approved by the UTC, the requests will increase electric rates by an overall average of 2.7 percent and natural gas rates by an overall average of 2.2 percent. For the typical residential customer using 900 kilowatt hours (kWh) of electricity per month, the proposed adjustments will result in an overall increase of \$3.48 per month. The overall average increase for electric customers is as follows:

TYPE OF SERVICE—ELECTRIC SCHEDULE	PERCENT CHANGE
Residential Service (Schedule 7).....	3.7 increase
Master Metered Residential Service (Schedule 7A)	3.6 increase
Small General Service (Schedules 8 & 11)	2.3 increase
Small & Medium General Service (Schedules 24 & 25)	2.1 increase
Large General Service (Schedules 12 & 26)	0.2 increase
Seasonal Irrigation & Drainage Pumping Service (Schedule 29)	2.6 increase
Primary Voltage General Service (Schedules 31 & 10)	0.4 decrease
Primary Voltage Irrigation & Drainage Pumping (Schedule 35)	4.2 increase
Large General Service Greater Than 3 mMW (Schedule 40)	3.4 increase
Primary Voltage Interruptible Schools (Schedule 43).....	2.0 increase
High Voltage Interruptible Service (Schedule 46).....	2.6 increase
High Voltage General Service (Schedule 49).....	3.5 increase
Lighting (Schedules 50-59)	1.4 increase
Retail Wheeling & Back-up Service (Schedules 448-459).....	0.1 increase

For the typical residential customer using 64 therms of natural gas per month, the proposed adjustments, will result in an overall increase of \$1.81 per month. The overall average increase for natural gas customers is as follows:

TYPE OF SERVICE—NATURAL GAS SCHEDULE	PERCENT CHANGE
Residential Service (Schedules 23 & 53)	2.7 increase
Lighting (Schedule 16)	0.1 decrease
Commercial & Industrial (Schedule 31)	1.3 increase
Commercial & Industrial Transportation (Schedule 31T).....	2.6 increase
Large Volume (Schedule 41).....	1.0 increase
Large Volume Transportation (Schedule 41T).....	2.9 increase
Interruptible with Firm Option (Schedule 85)	0.2 decrease
Interruptible with Firm Option Transportation (Schedule 85T).....	0.04 decrease
Limited Interruptible (Schedule 86)	1.3 increase
Limited Interruptible Transportation (Schedule 86T).....	2.2 increase
Non-Exclusive Interruptible Gas Service (Schedule 87)	0.2 decrease
Non-Exclusive Interruptible Gas Service Transportation (Schedule 87T)	0.2 increase
Rental Equipment (Schedules 71-74)	0.8 increase

PSE requested these changes through the existing Conservation Rider, Property Tax Tracker, and Decoupling Adjustment mechanisms previously approved by the UTC. The mechanisms allow PSE to periodically adjust its electric and natural gas rates to reflect changes in actual costs. The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may vary from PSE's requests, either higher or lower or structured differently depending on the results of its review.

Comments or questions on proposals: PSE customers may submit comments to the UTC about these proposals by using the online comment form at www.utc.wa.gov/comment; e-mailing to comments@utc.wa.gov; faxing to 360-664-4291; or mailing your comments to the UTC at: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA, 98504. If you write, include your name and mailing address, the name of the company (PSE), and a description of the filing(s). You may also ask questions of the UTC and request the UTC notify you of the open meeting at which these proposals will be considered by the Commission. The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the Commission at (360) 664-1132 or human_resources@utc.wa.gov.

The public is represented by the Public Counsel Section of the Office of the Attorney General. You can reach the Public Counsel Section by writing to Public Counsel, Assistant Attorney General, 800 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA 98104-3188, or by e-mail at utility@atg.wa.gov.

To contact PSE about these proposals: by email, customercare@pse.com, in writing, ATTN: Customer Care, P.O. Box 97034, Bellevue, WA 98009-9734, by phone, 888-225-5773. Additional information about the electric and natural gas filings is available at www.pse.com.

LEWIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DUI Arrest

• At 1:18 a.m. on Sunday, police arrested Kevin W. Workman Jr., 29, of Chehalis, on suspicion

Bicycle Stolen in Vader Burglary

• At 10:23 a.m. on Monday, deputies responded to a report of a burglary to a barn and shop in the 1000 block of D Street in Vader. The burglary is believed to have occurred the previous night. A 29-inch Mongoose mountain bike was taken.

Generator, Compressor Stolen in Morton Burglary

• Deputies responded Tuesday to a report of a burglary in the past two weeks to a property in the 200 block of Short Road in Morton. Unknown suspects reportedly cut a lock to a cable blocking a driveway then cut a lock on a shed and stole a generator and air compressor. The incident is under investigation.

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By The Chronicle Staff

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Nation/World

Nation in Brief

Senate Hearing to Focus on Russian Disinformation Tactics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some tactics Russia used to meddle in last year's presidential election would give shivers to anyone who believes in American democracy, the Senate intelligence committee's top Democrat says.

Sen. Mark Warner of Virginia spoke ahead of a committee session Thursday that will address how the Kremlin allegedly uses technology to spread disinformation in the U.S. and Europe. Warner and the panel's chairman, Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., provided an update of the committee's investigation into activities Russia might have taken to alter or influence the 2016 elections and whether there were any campaign contacts with Russian government officials that might have interfered with the election process.

"There were upwards of 1,000 paid internet trolls working out of a facility in Russia, in effect, taking over series of computers, which is then called a botnet," Warner told reporters on Capitol Hill Wednesday.

China's Xi to Meet Trump in Mar-A-Lago on April 6-7

BEIJING (AP) — U.S. President Donald Trump will meet with his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping for the first time on April 6-7 at Trump's Florida resort, China's Foreign Ministry announced Thursday, amid a range of pressing issues including trade, North Korea and territorial disputes in the South China Sea.

The relationship between the world's No. 1 and No. 2 economies has been uncertain following the election of Trump, who accused China during his campaign of unfair trade practices and threatened to raise import taxes on Chinese goods and declare Beijing a currency manipulator.

It is unclear whether Trump will follow through with either threat. He is now seeking Beijing's help in pressuring North Korea over its nuclear weapons and missiles programs. China is North Korea's most important source of diplomatic support and economic assistance.

NC Lawmakers, Gov. Reach Deal to End 'Bathroom Bill' Standoff

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina Republican lawmakers and Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper said late Wednesday that they have agreed on legislation to resolve a standoff over the state's "bathroom bill" through a replacement measure that still restricts LGBT nondiscrimination protections.

GOP leaders announced the new legislation would be debated and voted on Thursday, but it was unclear whether there were enough House and Senate votes to pass it. And leaders of gay rights groups were incensed about the anticipated proposal and vowed political punishment for elected officials who support it.

2 Ex-Christie Aides Sentenced In Bridge Traffic Revenge Plot

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Two former aides to Republican Gov. Chris Christie were sentenced to prison on Wednesday for creating a colossal traffic jam at the George Washington Bridge for political revenge, a scandal that sank Christie's White House campaign and was attributed by the judge to a venomous climate inside state government.

Bill Baroni, Christie's appointee to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, was sentenced to two years in prison, and Bridget Kelly, Christie's former deputy chief of staff, was sentenced to 18 months at separate hearings in the 2013 lane-closing case.

Poll: Americans Dislike Trump's Health Plan

By Alan Fram and Emily Swanson
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Note to President Donald Trump and House Republicans: People really don't like your approach to overhauling America's health care. If you're hoping to revive the effort, you may want to try something different.

Sixty-two percent of Americans turned thumbs down on Trump's handling of health care during the initial weeks of his presidency, according to a poll by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research released Wednesday. It was his worst rating among seven issues the poll tested, including the economy, foreign policy and immigration.

Of six changes the failed House GOP bill would have made to President Barack Obama's law, five drew more negative than positive reviews.

An overwhelming 8 in 10 opposed the Republican proposal to let insurers boost premiums on older people. Seven in 10 disapproved of premium surcharges for people whose coverage lapses.

By wide margins, people also disliked proposed cuts in Medicaid, which helps lower-earning people cover medical costs, a halt in federal payments to Planned Parenthood and a transformation of the Obama law's subsidies — based on income and premium

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Rio Grande, New Jersey, retired truck driver

costs — into aid linked to age. "His campaign promise was great health care for everyone, for all Americans at great prices," said Raymond Brown, 64, a Republican and retired truck driver from Rio Grande, New Jersey. "He isn't fulfilling his campaign promise."

Overall, just over half in the poll said they worry many Americans would have lost coverage had the GOP bill become law. Would their own families and average Americans have been better or worse off? More said worse.

The results underscore that annulling Obama's statute is not an issue to be trifled with. More people support than oppose that law by 45 percent to 38 percent, a slightly narrower margin than in January. And a slender majority say covering all Americans is a federal responsibility — a view embraced by Democrats but not Republicans, who instead focus on access and lower premiums.

The survey was conducted over five days preceding and following last Friday's withdrawal of the GOP health care

bill. Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., a House vote that would have spelled defeat for the Republican legislation because of opposition from conservative and moderate Republicans. It was a mortifying setback for Trump and his party.

The poll suggests that health care is damaging Trump's image. Fifty-eight percent disapproved of his overall performance as president, not much different from his negative grade on health care. Even among those approving the job he's doing in office, about 1 in 5 was unhappy with his approach to health care.

The GOP bill scared off many Republican lawmakers after the Congressional Budget Office projected there would be 24 million more uninsured people over a decade and a boost in out-of-pocket costs for many, especially poorer people and Americans nearing retirement age.

The negative views in the poll make any new GOP effort embracing pieces of the crumbled legislation potentially perilous for the party.

World in Brief

Malaysia Says Kim Jong Nam's Body Released to North Korea

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Malaysia said Thursday it has agreed to release the body of Kim Jong Nam to North Korea in exchange for the return of nine Malaysians held in the North's capital.

Relations between Malaysia and North Korea have been badly frayed by the murder of the North Korean leader's half brother at Kuala Lumpur's airport. Both countries withdrew their ambassadors and North Korea blocked nine Malaysians from leaving the country. Malaysia responded in kind, barring North Koreans from exiting its soil, including three suspects believed to be hiding in the North Korean Embassy.

Following negotiations that he described as "very sensitive," Prime Minister Najib Razak said Thursday that North Korea had allowed the nine Malaysians to leave, and that Malaysia had agreed to release Kim's remains to North Korea.

It's Not EU, It's Me: UK Files for EU Divorce After 44 Years

LONDON (AP) — Britain filed for divorce from the European Union on Wednesday, with fond words and promises of friendship that could not disguise the historic nature of the schism — or the years of argument and hard-nosed bargaining ahead as the U.K. leaves the embrace of the bloc for an uncertain future as "global Britain."

Prime Minister Theresa May triggered the two-year divorce process in a six-page letter to EU Council President Donald Tusk, vowing that Britain will maintain a "deep and special partnership" with its neighbors in the bloc. In response, Tusk told Britain: "We already miss you."

May's invocation of Article 50 of the EU's key treaty sets the clock ticking on two years of negotiations until Britain becomes the first major nation to leave the union.

Expeditions to Send Huge Trash Bags to Help Clean Mt. Everest

KATHMANDU, Nepal (AP) — Mountaineering expedition organizers in Nepal are sending huge trash bags with climbers on Mount Everest during the spring climbing season to collect trash that then can be winched by helicopters back to the base camp.

Dambar Parajuli of the Expedition Operators Association of Nepal said Wednesday that bags have already been sent to the base camp to be carried by climbers, guides and porters to higher elevations.

Each bag can hold up to 176 pounds of trash and can be hooked to helicopters at Camp 2 to be flown back to the base camp. The helicopters after dropping off supplies and equipment at the camp located at 21,000 feet generally fly back empty.

S. Korea's Park Questioned at Court Hearing

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korea's disgraced ex-President Park Geun-hye was being questioned Thursday by a court that will decide if she should be arrested over corruption allegations that have already toppled her from power.

Live TV footage earlier showed a stern-looking Park entering the Seoul Central District Court building amid a barrage of camera flashes. She did not comment to reporters. The court is expected to decide by Friday morning whether to approve her arrest.

If the court approves the arrest warrant requested by prosecutors, Park will be immediately sent to a detention facility as prosecutors can detain her for up to 20 days before laying formal charges.



Authorities respond to a deadly crash involving a van carrying church members and a pickup truck on U.S. 83 outside Garner State Park in northern Uvalde County, Texas, Wednesday. The group of senior adults from First Baptist Church of New Braunfels, Texas, was returning from a retreat when the crash occurred, a church statement said.

13 Killed, 2 Hurt When Church Bus and Truck Crash in Texas

UVALDE, Texas (AP) — A small shuttle bus carrying Texas church members home from a retreat collided head-on with a pickup truck, killing 13 people and injuring two others Wednesday on a two-lane highway in southwestern Texas, officials said.

All of the victims who died were senior adults who attended First Baptist Church of New Braunfels, Texas, including the driver. A total of 14 senior adults were on the bus and the driver was the only person in the pickup when the vehicles collided about 12:30 p.m. on U.S. 83 outside Garner State Park in northern Uvalde County, according to Texas Department of Public Safety Sgt. Conrad Hein and a church statement. The area is about 75 miles west of San Antonio.

Hein said two other bus passengers and the pickup driver were injured and hospitalized. One of those passengers died at a San Antonio hospital late Wednesday, DPS Lt. Johnny Hernandez said. The lone surviving passenger was hospitalized in critical condition, while the truck driver was hospitalized in stable condition, he said.

It was not immediately clear

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what caused the collision about 120 miles from the church, where the members were headed.

The National Transportation Safety Board has sent investigators to the scene, NTSB spokesman Terry Williams said.

Photos and video of the crash's aftermath showed heavy damage to the front drivers' sides of both vehicles where it appeared the two had collided. The back of the bus was up on a guardrail, with glass and debris scattered onto the grass below.

Hein said the small bus was a 2004 Turtle Top, though he did not know the specific model. Turtle Top's website features shuttle buses with capacities ranging from 17 to 51 passengers, which they bill as "a great alternative to the standard 15-passenger van."

Safety concerns have long surrounded the 15-passenger vans, also frequently used by churches and other group.

Church officials said in a statement on the First Baptist website that the members were returning from a three-day retreat at the Alto Frio Baptist Encampment in Leakey.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and his wife, Cecilia, offered their condolences in the hours after the crash.

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'Dreamer' Reunites With Family, Says He's Hopeful for Future

Immigration Officials Arrested 24-Year-Old Washington Man Last Month, Saying He Acknowledged Affiliation With Gangs

By Gene Johnson

The Associated Press

Their hug was silent, their smiles broad. After more than six weeks in custody, a Mexican man who had been arrested despite his participation in a program designed to prevent the deportation of those brought to the U.S. illegally as children was freed Wednesday pending deportation proceedings.

Daniel Ramirez Medina, 24, greeted his brother — also a participant in the program — in the lobby of the Federal Detention Center in Tacoma, surrounded by lockers and metal detectors.

"He's free to go," a guard told them, and after conferring with one of his lawyers, Ramirez stepped into the sunshine and hugged his brother again for a crowd of news cameras waiting just beyond the chain link-and-barbed wire fence.

He spoke to reporters briefly in Spanish, thanking his supporters, and later issued a written statement in English through his lawyers.

"I'm so happy to be reunited with my family today and can't wait to see my son," it said. "This has been a long and hard 46 days,



Ted S. Warren / The Associated Press

Daniel Ramirez Medina, second from left, walks out of the Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma, Wednesday, with his attorney, Luis Cortes, right, and his brother, left, who has not been identified by name, after Ramirez was released from federal custody. Ramirez had spent more than six weeks in immigration detention despite his participation in a program designed to prevent the deportation of those brought to the U.S. illegally as children.

but I'm so thankful for the support that I've gotten from everyone who helped me and for the opportunity to live in such an amazing country. I know that this isn't over, but I'm hopeful for the future, for me and for the hundreds of thousands of other Dreamers who love this country like I do."

Judge John Odell in Tacoma approved freeing the 24-year-old Ramirez on \$15,000 bond until his next immigration court hearing.

Immigration agents arrested him last month in suburban Seattle, saying he acknowledged affiliating with gangs. Officials

then revoked his protected status.

Ramirez adamantly denies any gang ties or making any such admission.

He spent 40 minutes answering questions from prosecutors during a two-hour hearing Tuesday, repeatedly denying any gang connections, his attorney, Mark Rosenbaum, said.

"He answered every question the government put to him," Rosenbaum said. "He stayed true, and the government had no evidence whatsoever."

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement issued a

statement Wednesday noting that Ramirez's own attorneys had twice declined to have their client participate in bond hearings that could have resulted in his earlier release — something his lawyers said was designed to keep his case in federal court, rather than immigration court.

Immigration agents arrested Ramirez on Feb. 10 at an apartment complex where they had gone to arrest his father, a previously deported felon.

Ramirez, who came to the U.S. at 7, has no criminal record and twice passed background checks to participate in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which allows young people brought to the U.S. illegally as children to stay in the country and work.

Immigration officials have started deportation proceedings against him.

His legal team, which includes the Los Angeles based pro-bono firm Public Counsel as well as Harvard Law professor Laurence Tribe, have pressed claims in federal court that the arrest and detention violated Ramirez's constitutional rights. They sought to keep the case out of immigration court, saying U.S. District Court was better suited to handle those claims.

A federal magistrate judge in Seattle agreed to hear the constitutional claims, but declined to release him in the meantime. U.S. District Judge Ricardo Martinez upheld the decision not to release him last week, saying he

instead should challenge his detention in immigration court.

Martinez nevertheless said "many questions remain regarding the appropriateness of the government's conduct" in arresting him.

Among those questions, his lawyers have said, is whether U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents misinterpreted a tattoo on his forearm when they described it as a "gang tattoo" in an arrest report. The lawyers say the tattoo, which says "La Paz BCS," pays homage to the city of La Paz in the Mexican state of Baja California Sur where he was born.

Ramirez's case is one of several recent arrests that have left immigration activists fearing an erosion of protections under the DACA program instituted by President Barack Obama in 2012.

ICE agents in Portland, Oregon, on Sunday arrested Francisco J. Rodriguez Dominguez, a DACA participant who was brought to the U.S. from Morelia, in Mexico's Michoacan state, at age 5. Last December, he entered a diversion program following a drunken driving arrest and had attended all his court dates and required meetings, the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon said in a statement.

The agency said Monday that it targeted Rodriguez Dominguez because of the DUI and that he would be released on bond pending deportation proceedings.

About 750,000 immigrants have enrolled in the DACA program since it began.

On Freezing Tuition, Republicans and Democrats Swap Positions in Olympia

BUDGETS: Republicans Are Asking for More Reductions as Democrats Seek Increases


By Melissa Santos

The News Tribune

For four years, it has been Republicans who have been holding the line on tuition in Olympia — first by freezing it, and then by pushing through a tuition cut.

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At the same time, the GOP proposal would spend \$28.8 million over two years to add 1,800 spots at the state's four-year universities, mainly for students studying science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

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For universities, that makes either budget plan a wash when it comes to tuition policy. "The important thing for us is if you're going to freeze tuition, there's got to be a backfill, and the House did provide that," said Randy Hodgins, the University of Washington's vice president for external affairs. "Either approach would work for us."

at other four-year universities by 20 percent over the same period. Students at community colleges got a 5 percent tuition cut.

State Rep. Timm Ormsby, D-Spokane and the lead House budget writer, said he still thinks too many students can't attend college because of cost, and that's the primary issue he and his colleagues are working to address this year by freezing tuition.

"They may have moved on, but we've stepped up," Ormsby said of Senate Republicans.

"We're trying to make college more accessible and affordable, so more students have the opportunity to succeed."

From Republicans' perspective, the main downside to freezing tuition for another two years is money, Braun said. Right now, lawmakers on both sides of the aisle are working to comply with a 2012 court order to fix the way the state pays for schools.

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Hodgins said that while UW officials appreciate the extra

spots for undergraduate enrollment in the Senate budget, they also want to see lawmakers boost funding for the State Need Grant and approve new labor contracts for university workers and other state employees, as the House budget would.

Both the House and Senate plans put \$10 million toward the new medical school at Washington State University, which plans

to welcome its first class of 60 medical students this fall.

State Rep. Drew Stokesbary, R-Auburn, said Washington students may end up paying more for private school tuition simply because there isn't enough room for them at the state's four-year universities. At a news conference Tuesday, Stokesbary joked he may have the distinction of "of having the most student loan

debt of any member of the Legislature," after attending private schools out-of-state for seven years.

"I have a lot of friends who wish they could have gone to school here in-state, and there weren't enough slots," Stokesbary said. He called the Senate plan to add undergraduate enrollment slots at four-year universities "a really good direction."

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Meth

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in the county. Chief Deputy Dusty Breen told The Chronicle the Lewis County Sheriff's Office hasn't seen an active meth lab, rather than an abandoned lab or chemical dump site, for many years. "For us, it's very rare," he said. Given the charges, Halstead asked for \$200,000 bail, which Superior Court Judge Joely O'Rourke granted.

"I think what's more concerning are the assaults here," she said. "The allegations here and the time he would be looking at (if convicted) would present a flight risk."

She also ordered Bonifield not to contact the alleged victim. At 7:48 p.m. on Monday, deputies from the Lewis County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of an assault in the 100 block of Joppish Road in Galvin. The alleged victim, a 40-year-old woman, reported that Bonifield hit her in the head with an empty beer bottle during an argument. The woman told deputies that she pushed the garage door opener in an attempt to get away and slid under the opening ga-



A member of the Washington Department of Ecology's Emergency Response Spill Team sorts through chemicals found in an alleged methamphetamine production facility on Joppish Road in Galvin on Tuesday afternoon. *Pete Caster / pcaster@chronline.com*

rage door, then ran toward a neighbor's house.

She reported hearing a gunshot behind her, according to

court documents. She believed Bonifield fired the gun.

Bonifield reportedly fled the scene in a 2004 Ford Mustang.

The victim also reported to police that she had seen Bonifield make methamphetamine in one of the outbuildings on the property.

Deputies applied for a search warrant and found a "fully functional methamphetamine lab as well as a crystal substance that tested positive for methamphetamine," according to court documents. The "lab" contained beakers, tubes, chemicals, flasks, a condenser, powder that tested positive for ephedrine and red phosphorous, a chemical used to make methamphetamine.

On Tuesday, detectives and responders from the state Department of Ecology were still at the scene.

Bonifield was arrested at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday in Thurston County with the help of the Joint Narcotics Enforcement Team, a partnership between the Lewis County Sheriff's Office and the Centralia and Chehalis police departments, and the Thurston County Sheriff's Office, which found the suspect's car in the 7000 block Fair Oaks Road Southeast in Olympia, Breen said.

He was reportedly surrounded by law enforcement at a residence and surrendered after officers called him on the phone, he said.

Bonifield's prior felony convictions — for manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance and attempting to elude a law enforcement officer — date back to 1995.

Dispatcher

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"Defendant employer released Plaintiff's work schedules and other information to the perpetrator of the domestic violence, and otherwise created such an unsafe workplace that Ms. O'Connor was ultimately forced to resign her long-held career to protect herself and her children," the complaint reads.

Board of Lewis County Commissioners Chairman Gary Stamper said the commissioners were notified of the lawsuit by the county's Risk Management department, but said the commission hasn't discussed the particulars of the suit.

Attorney Suzanne Michael, representing Lewis County, and attorney Lauren Berkowitz, representing O'Connor, did not immediately return requests for comment.

According to the complaint for damages and injunctive relief, filed in January, O'Connor was a dispatcher at the Lewis County 911 Communications Center for 20 years, starting in May 1996.

During the period of her employment, she was the victim of domestic violence at the hands of a man, once her husband, which included assaults, death threats to herself and children, stalking and harassment, according to the complaint. The abuse was reported to authorities, and O'Connor reportedly provided evidence to her employer, including a court order protecting her from the man, evidence of court appearances regarding domestic violence and police reports.

Court records show cases in which O'Connor was granted a protection order against the man. At first, O'Connor reported

she was given intermittent leave as she requested for "medical and psychological" needs of her and her children as well as court requirements.

However, the complaint indicates that she began having "great difficulty in obtaining the necessary domestic violence leave to which she was entitled," after a management change at the 911 center at the beginning of 2016. At the beginning of 2016, Lewis County fired former 911 manager Craig Larson and appointed David Anderson as interim manager. He has since been hired as the center's manager. He was the subject of a no-confidence vote by dispatchers last year, around the same time local police and fire chiefs expressed frustration with management of the center.

Anderson is not named as a party to the lawsuit.

Washington's Domestic Violence Leave law, laid out in RCW 49.76, allows victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking to take time off from work for legal needs, to get treatment for mental health and physical injuries, to relocate or for other reasons, according to the state Department of Labor & Industries.

Washington's Family Leave Act provides up to 12 weeks of "protected leave" in a 12-month period for eligible employees with a serious health condition or to care for a family member with a health condition. The leave does not need to be taken all at once.

O'Connor's complaint states her requests for a modified schedule or reduction in hours were denied.

The complaint states that O'Connor provided Lewis County with proof that her leave was for medical appointments, court dates, meetings with attorneys or

other needs related to her ongoing domestic violence case.

However, on May 24, she was disciplined for failing to "keep and maintain reliable and consistent attendance at the workplace." That June, the complaint alleges she was told she was at risk of losing her health insurance benefits. She also alleges the county began an investigation into her for seeking mental health counseling through a county chaplain.

The complaint lists other alleged forms of retaliation against her for taking time off. She states the county did not celebrate her 20th employment anniversary, despite celebrating other employees' anniversaries. Coworkers reportedly told her she should fear for her job because of her need to take time off.

"Plaintiff suffered nightmares, insomnia, chest tightness, elevated blood pressure, and other serious conditions," according to the complaint.

The complaint also accuses county employees of releasing her schedule to the alleged perpetrator of the domestic violence, who at one point was prohibited from contacting her by a court order.

"Plaintiff requested that Defendant staff not ... respond to questions about her schedule to outside callers," the complaint states. "Defendant denied plaintiff's requests. ... Defendant has since released Plaintiff's personal information to the perpetrator without any prior notification to Plaintiff."

O'Connor's suit concludes by saying the retaliation she felt from the county essentially forced her to resign.

O'Connor filed a tort claim with Lewis County in 2016, according to the complaint. The Chronicle has requested a copy of the claim from Lewis County's Risk Management department.

The lawsuit requests unspecified damages against the county

to be determined by a jury, including compensation for lost wages and benefits, compensation for emotional distress and attorney's fees. She also requested an injunction reinstating her to her previous position with full benefits and seniority.

According to court schedules, a trial-setting hearing is scheduled for May 26 in Thurston County Superior Court.

Lewis County commissioners recently restructured the leadership of the 911 Communications Center, removing it from the Central Services department led by Steve Walton and placing it in the Emergency Services Department, which is led by former sheriff Steve Mansfield.



Maps

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The error occurred when the hand-drawn maps of soil types maintained by United States Department of Agriculture were integrated into the mapping software known as geographic information system, or GIS, said County Manager Romero Chavez. The error was discovered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The process to correct the error has begun, he said. "The correction process is not significant," Chavez said.

The error itself is significant, Chavez said. Multiple parcels of land or portions of multiple parcels can be included in the 300-foot range of error.

Because staff resources are limited, map data is used to determine if the right soil type is present for pocket gopher habitat.

Aside from the error, the county is working on resolving the issues created by the endangered pocket gopher. Most recently, the commissioners discussed — in an executive session — possible legal outcomes from any changes to the interim permitting process.

Under the current interim permitting process, the land-

owner submits a permit application and the county determines if the habitat warrants up to three site inspections, which can only happen in June through October, to determine if the gopher is present.

If it is determined gophers are present the individual has three options. The applicant can file a critical area report with the county to demonstrate no net loss of critical area functions from the project. They will also be required to demonstrate they have met the requirements under the Endangered Species Act.

The second option is to work directly with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and obtain an approved individual Incidental Take Permit with a conservation plan. The applicant then would file for a permit with the county.

The third option is to wait until the county has adopted a habitat conservation plan. With the plan in place the county could easily determine to what extent the project would affect gopher habitat and determine what the proper mitigation fee would be. The fee would then be invested in an area to preserve habitat.

Without a plan in place it will take between 18 to 24 months to get a permit, according to the report. With a plan it is expected to take three to four weeks.




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Voices

Columns, Celebrations,
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Voice of the People

Chronicle readers share their thoughts every day through social media, including Facebook, Twitter and the comment section of Chronline.com. Here are some of the recent highlights of conversation.

Chronicle Facebook followers respond to article of "Lewis County PUD Raises Electricity Rates By Average Of 8.4 Percent:"

Summer Webberley: This shouldn't be legal; they have a monopoly and we have no choice but to go through them in most locations ... how are people on any type of fixed income such as those on Social Security or on a salary of minimal pay supposed to pay for electricity?

Jim Guenther: Here are some ways to conserve energy. But if you conserve too much we have to raise your rates. Scam!

Marcus Gray: Maybe everyone should audit their power bill, especially those, like me, who saw a 2,000 'point' jump from the same time last year! Not sure how that happened, considering that I am using the exact same amount of power that I used this time last year! Funny that!

Raelyn Towns-Longbottom: So there is less demand and an increased supply so they increase the price? Did they not learn how supply and demand works?
This has to be some cruel April Fools joke

Kathleen Taylor: So even if we save, we are paying almost a dollar a day, just to be ABLE to use electricity.

Chronline Comments

The following comments were submitted by readers of www.chronline.com. All stories are available for reading online.

• Story: Inslee's Opposition to Trump's Immigration Policies Makes Email Inbox Sizzle

USERNAME: hiccup1234

On average, U.S.-born citizens commit more crimes than immigrants. Most immigrants aren't even eligible for social safety net benefits in the first two years they are paying taxes to support these programs. One of the main reasons Washington state's economy is so robust are the great brains from around the world working here in tech and bio tech. Let's get them down here in Lewis County, spending tourist dollars and setting up start-up companies.

USERNAME: Thelaststripper

"Utah man can stay in Utah." If you vacation in Washington, we will have some of the finest food in restaurants, served by people of many colors and nationalities. We will also have fairly priced fruits and vegetables grown and harvested by immigrants, we don't want you enjoying that. Please stay in Utah and eat rocks.

• Story: Democrats Have Plan to Fund Schools: \$3 Billion in New Taxes

USERNAME: LuLu29

How about we stop having our middle and lower classes bear the brunt of funding our state? Our state has one of the most regressive tax systems in the whole country where our lower and middle classes pay far more out of their income than our wealthy. The taxes the Democrats are proposing should ALREADY be implemented. Forty-one other states have this tax already. There is absolutely no reason why we shouldn't other than our legislators have been paid out in the past. These taxes will only affect the top 2 percent instead the rest of our state. I say it's about freaking time they pay their share and contribute.

USERNAME: Cowlitzfisherman

How would this new plan affect the older people (62 and over) who currently have applied and receive a tax deduction on their property taxes because they simply don't make that much income? How does this new plan, or any other new plan, address this issue?

USERNAME: jeremiad

There is no way to make the wealthy pay the fair share of the poor. All it does is raise the cost of doing business, which everyone pays pretty much equally.

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National Guard Teaches Culinary Skills



Photograph submitted by Steven Friederich, Washington Military Department

Master Sgt. Darrell DeGroff speaks with students from Centralia High School, who were among hundreds of teens learning culinary skills during a showcase on March 17 at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. The event brought together high schools, the restaurant industry and the Washington National Guard. Students networked with professionals in the food industry while learning best practices in cutting meats and trying samples prepared for Guard soldiers.

Honor Rolls

NAPAVINE HIGH SCHOOL
Following are members of the Napavine High School third quarter honor roll:

4.0 Grade Point Average

Seniors: Joel Rotter, Jadelyne Wheeler
Sophomores: Makenna Dahlin, Jillian Fuss, Keyana McCain, Ada Williams
Freshmen: Danny Guerrero, Trevor Keys, Yoselyn Sandoval Amador, Chloe Stewart, Lela Stewart

Superintendent's List (3.51-3.99 GPA)

Seniors: Evan Brandt, Sierra Cline, Andrew Conrad, McLean Fagerness, Samuel Fagerness, Abigail Olson, Sarah Olson, Ciara Phipps, Samuel Smith
Juniors: Noah Cole, Jenna Conrad, Jacob Costello, Samuel Johnson, Randy Kinswa, Tahlia Lopez, Stasha Pinion, Cole VanWyck

Sophomores: Abigail Adams, Olivia Alegria, Kylie Crawford, Cassandra Duren, Morrison Jaimes, Hayden Lester, Maverick Mitchell, Joshua Parmentier, Bryant Steadham, Jason Tracy

Freshmen: Ethan Brandt, Lillian Durham, Juan Martinez, Caleb Perz Stewart, Emma Ross, Angelina Ryan, Trinity Underhill, Nathan Watts, Halee Williams

Principal's List (3.25-3.50 GPA)

Seniors: Seth Brossard, Elissa Carbajal, Jacob Christie, Austin Filley, Brittany Guenther, Alyssa Snider, Brandy Steffen

Juniors: Aydan Costin, Emilie Evander, Mary Fuller, Melissa Lee, Mollie Olson, Jenna Sisson, Peyton Stanley, Jordan Weichel, Nellie Zhikhor

Sophomores: McKenzie Baker, Ashley Dickinson, Makayla Dodge, Elizabeth Gabbert, Tristan Low, Drake Marshall, Jared McCollum, Carleigh Oster, Xoe Pope, Andrew Ross, Nicole Stromseth, Garrett Talburt, Allison Watson, Jaren Williams, Bradley Yarbrough

Freshmen: Sydney Burdick, Mollie Fullerton, Dustin Krause, Jadyne League, McKenzie McSherry-Armstrong, Hayden Thompson

Honorable Mention (3.0-3.24 GPA)

Seniors: Adam Barnhart, Elias Benitez De Leon, Jayce Knoll, Conner Locke, Garrhet Neely, Riley Overbay, Ashlie Oxford, Jun Bo Park, Madysen Powell

Juniors: Amy Lopez, Reagan Norman, Jordan Purvis, Laura Sandoval Amador, Victoria Santana, Garret Shannon, Rebecca Snaza, Isaac Subitch

Sophomores: Bretton Bradshaw, Gabriel Duncan, Gavin Elliott, James Hollinger, Javier Mejia,

Freshmen: Taytum Becker, Clyde Burkhardt V, Faith Cama-

cho, Kalista Erwin, Sarah Inglis, Jacob Kinswa, Dillon Naillon, Russell Vaughn

NAPAVINE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Following are members of the Napavine Middle School third quarter honor roll:

4.0 Grade Point Average

Eighth-graders: Amber Engel, Evangeline Fagerness, Hallie Harmon

Superintendent's List (3.51-3.99 GPA)

Eighth-graders: Jocelyn Dubois, Eliana Gallanger, Mekinsy Holmes, Kale Jeg, Bree McDonald, Sydney Purvis, Marissa Shannon, Connor Shields

Seventh-graders: Makinley Dahlin, Sebastian Foster, Jesse Foulke, Grace Hammers, Tucker Jaimes, Jessica Lee, Nyah Taylor, Bailee Vandehey

Principal's List (3.25-3.50 GPA)

Eighth-graders: Jessie Berge-son, Cade Evander, Chase Gilbert, Hunter Lester, Jade Morris Haily Murray, Raeanna Sisson, Brandon Zandeki

Seventh-graders: Ayanna Borders, Cheyenne Cate, Hallie Denault, Annalisa Ford, Jordan Gernie, Evan Goodrich, Natalya Marcial, Keith Olson, Glade Shannon, Makensee Taliaferro Bouge, Brynn Williams, Isabelle Wood

Honorable Mention (3.00-3.24 GPA)

Eighth-graders: Laythan Demarest, Fernando Gaona, Tanner Low, Jourdain Novak, Calyx Pope, Alexis Rolland, Terra Shipp-Wagner, Payton Tanori

Seventh-graders: Kayla Bornstein, Lucas Dahl, Cole Hertz, Benjamin Johnson, Marissa Segers

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Trump Order Won't Stop Inslee From Pushing Ahead With Carbon Limits

Closing of Coal Facilities at TransAlta's Centralia Facility Figure Largely in State's Goals

By Hal Bernton
The Seattle Times

With or without former President Barack Obama's Clean Power Plan in place, Washington state still is likely to meet the target for reducing power-plant carbon emissions set by the landmark federal rule that his successor now seeks to undo.

"With today's executive action, I am taking historic steps to lift the restrictions on American energy, to reverse government intrusion, and to cancel job-killing regulation," President Donald Trump declared in a signing ceremony Tuesday at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for his latest executive order.

The letter he seeks to dismantle became final in summer 2015. By then, Washington state was well on its way to compliance through an agreement that

calls for a two-phase shutdown of the TransAlta coal plant near Centralia that is scheduled to be completed by 2025.

Another key element of state compliance is an energy-efficiency standard that has helped to reduce power consumption. "In the last 30 years, we have saved enough electricity to power five cities the size of Seattle," said Chris Davis, an adviser to Gov. Jay Inslee.

Trump's executive order also calls for a broader pullback of the federal government from combating carbon emissions. If successful, it will push state and local governments to the forefront of U.S. efforts to reduce carbon and other greenhouse-gas emissions. Inslee and other West Coast governors have claimed high-profile roles in that movement as they network with other states as well as regional governments elsewhere in the world.

"Our progress in Washington state is not going to be stopped by anyone at any time," Inslee said last week in a speech in New York City at a United Nations

climate-change meeting.

Inslee views Trump as setting out on a three-pronged effort to undermine federal climate policy that also includes a move to weaken federal automotive standards and a proposal to slash the EPA budget.

Still unclear is whether Trump will try to remove the U.S. from the 2015 Paris Agreement that sets global targets for reducing carbon emissions. And the country as a whole is not expected to be able to comply with the agreement if Trump succeeds in undoing federal carbon-reduction efforts.

In Washington state, Inslee, who attended the December 2015 Paris talks, has set ambitious goals that exceed those called for in the federal Clean Power Plan.

Inslee has proposed that the state, by 2050, reduce greenhouse-gas levels by 80 percent from 1990 levels. That is the scale of emission cuts scientists say is needed globally to head off the most severe effects of climate change, and a big step up from current state law requiring a 50

percent cut.

Yet even as he champions the new 2050 target, Inslee has not had much success in the Legislature on major climate-change bills to put a price on carbon pollution.

In 2015, he could not gain passage for a bill to cap emissions by major polluters and allow trading of pollution allowances granted by the state. This year in the Legislature, the fate of a proposed carbon-tax measure is uncertain.

Inslee also has pushed for action on the executive front as the state Department of Ecology finalized limits on carbon emissions from large polluters. But that faces a legal challenge in federal and state courts.

And to meet Inslee's goals for 2050, some tough choices lie ahead.

The coal plant near Centralia is scheduled to shut down, as well as two units in Colstrip, Montana, that provide power to Puget Sound Energy customers.

It is unclear what sources of electricity will replace this power. One option is natural gas, a

fossil fuel that generates fewer carbon emissions than coal but still emits at levels that likely would keep the state from meeting 2050 goals.

Natural gas currently is cheap, and has plenty of supporters as a reliable replacement to coal. On Tuesday, a state House committee heard testimony on a bill that would offer tax breaks to TransAlta to encourage the conversion of the coal plant to natural gas.

According to Davis, Inslee has not taken a position on the bill.

Meanwhile, the Sierra Club and other environmental groups are trying to steer the state away from more natural-gas plants. They are pushing for coal to be replaced by a big increase in wind and other renewable-energy production combined with more aggressive conservation.

"The argument that natural gas is a bridge fuel is going way fast. If we built all the proposed natural-gas plants, we won't reach our (2050) goal," said Doug Howell, a senior campaign representative with the Sierra Club.

News in Brief

3 Dogs That Attacked 7-Year-Old Boy to be Euthanized

MOUNT VERNON (AP) — Police say three dogs that attacked a 7-year-old boy in January will be euthanized.

The Skagit Valley Herald reported the pit bull terriers were seized after the mauling and will be euthanized on Friday.

Police say the first-grader was hospitalized with extensive wounds to his head and face after the mauling at a babysitter's home.

Skagit County public defender Corbin Volluz says the dogs' owner, Stephanie Birchette, pleaded guilty Tuesday to one count of failure to report a dog attack.

Mount Vernon police Lt. Greg Booth says police were informed of the incident when a

Child Protection Services agent requested assistance following the incident.

Police contacted Birchette, who claimed she did not know where the animals were.

The dogs were later located in Sedro-Woolley.

County Approves \$72 Million Renovation of Courthouse

EVERETT (AP) — An overhaul of the decades-old Snohomish County courthouse could get underway later this year after officials decided to move forward with a major renovation project.

The Daily Herald reported (<http://bit.ly/2niyehG>) the County Council voted 3-2 Wednesday to approve the \$72 million project.

The renovations on the 50-year-old building would ex-

pand the courthouse about 25 percent from its current size and include elevator and restroom upgrades.

Efforts to replace or remodel the five-story structure have been ongoing for nearly a decade.

A \$162 million plan to build a new courthouse was abandoned a week before the scheduled groundbreaking in 2015 because of cost and parking concerns.

The new project will be paid for with money remaining from \$75 million in bonds that the county sold for courthouse improvements in 2013.

Man Killed in Vancouver House Fire Identified

VANCOUVER (AP) — Authorities have identified a man killed in a Tuesday house fire in Vancouver.

The Columbian reported that

the man killed was 56-year-old Brian Willoughby. A cat and dog were also found dead inside the home.

Vancouver Fire Marshal Heidi Scarpelli says the electrical fire was sparked in the bedroom by a problem with a lamp or cellphone charger.

The Clark County Medical Examiner's Office was still working Wednesday to determine the cause and manner of Willoughby's death.

Portland Police Arrest 3 People in Downtown Protest

PORTLAND (AP) — Police in Portland, arrested three people during a downtown rally protesting the fatal police shooting of a 17-year-old black boy.

Simon spokesman Sgt. Pete Simpson said in a news release that those arrested Wednesday

included 34-year-old Hollis McClure, 20-year-old Adebisi Okuneye and 22-year-old Damon Feller. All were arrested for disorderly conduct and Feller was also arrested for reckless burning.

A Multnomah County grand jury concluded last week that Officer Andrew Hearst was justified in shooting Quance Hayes three times after police say Hayes reached for his waistband instead of following orders to surrender.

Police say reports of two assaults and property damage during the protest are under investigation.

The crowd was also upset because they were blocked from City Council chambers under a new policy aimed at controlling protests that have brought city business to a near-standstill in recent months.

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Wednesday's 2A Track & Field



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W.F. West's Megan Flexhaug tries to clear the bar in the pole vault event during an Evergreen 2A Conference track & field meet in Chehalis on Wednesday.

W.F. West Tops Aberdeen in EvCo Meet

By The Chronicle

W.F. West boys and girls each earned the win over Aberdeen in an Evergreen 2A Conference track & field meet in Chehalis on Wednesday.

Several Bearcat boys earned first place honors, including Elijah Burdick-Wesen winning the 800 in a time of 2:20.29. Sonny Holub also picked up a win, taking the 1600 race in a time of 4:52.82. Kody Deskins won the 110 meter hurdles and William Taylor won the 300 meter hurdles.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Lane Douglass, Mason Morones, Ka'imi Henry and Jasper Ellingson won the event with a time of 46.17, narrowly edging the other W.F. West relay team. The 4x400 relay team of Jack Mallonee, Morones, Ellingson and Henry took the victory with a time of 3:40.53.

In the field events, Joseph Wylam took the discus with a throw of 105-02. Henry earned the win in the javelin with a toss of 139-06.

Colby White won the high jump, long jump and triple jump events for the Bearcats. W.F. West's Lefe Johnson won the pole vault event with a height of 11-06.

The girls also had many top finishers, including Emma Moon in the 800 with a time of 2:39.49. Jacey Miller won the 1600 with a time of 6:39.46. Shasta Lofgren won the 100 and 300 meter hurdles race.

The 4x100 meter relay team of Madison Marquez, Emma Thornburg, Ashley Abbott and Courtney Bennett won the event in a time of 55.63 seconds. The 4x200 team of Erika Brumfield, Abbott, Thornburg and Bennett

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Tuesday's 2A Boys Soccer



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Centralia's Mario Silva (9) and Alex Alvarenga (14) celebrate after Alvarenga scored a goal during an Evergreen 2A Conference soccer game at Rochester on Tuesday.

Prep Baseball

Tigers Still Waiting on Season Opener

BELATED START:
 Frequent Rainouts Leave Centralia One of Two 2A Teams in Washington Without a Game

By Aaron VanTuyl
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Centralia is winless. Centralia is undefeated. Centralia, sadly, still hasn't played a baseball game yet this season.

The Tigers, locked in a Narnia-esque "always winter, never Christmas" scenario, held their 26th straight practice of the season on Tuesday, running fielding drills and playing a game of backyard football on the literal back yard — an unused expanse of muddy grass — behind Tiger Stadium.

Like every other baseball team in Western Washington, Centralia has been trying to squeeze in games between buckets of rain. The Tigers, though, just haven't been successful — not yet. As of Tuesday, Centralia and Clover Park, in Lakewood, were the only 2A teams in Washington without a game under their belts.

"We haven't taken a day off, and we just keep mudding around," Centralia coach Rex Ashmore said, "waiting for that day when we're playing baseball."

When that day comes, though, is anyone's guess.

"Well, this week doesn't look good, that's for sure," he said, standing in the drizzle and surveying another gloomy afternoon. "Though I think my wife told me the sun peeks out on Friday, but just looking out here you can see what the grass is like."

Noah Thomas, a senior pitcher, concurred.

"My guess is the Mariners are going to have a game before we do," Thomas said. "But hopefully we get to play one by the end of the week."

The Mariners, by the way, open the season on April 3.

The Tigers had games scheduled for Tuesday, Wednesday,

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Centralia Routs Rochester in EvCo Opener

By Matt Baide
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ROCHESTER — Centralia's Alex Alvarenga recorded a hat trick, leading the Tigers to a 6-1 win over Rochester in an Evergreen 2A Conference boys soccer game here on Tuesday.

Centralia started off strong and scored in the 8th minute on a goal by Mario Silva. Alvarenga scored his first of the game in the 20th minute for a 2-0 lead. Joseph Gonzalez scored at the end of the first half for a 3-0 Centralia lead at halftime.

The Tigers' kept it going in the second half, as Silva scored again in the 52nd minute for a 4-0 lead.

Rochester got on the board in the 58th minute, as Jesus Torres-Valdez found the back of the net to cut the Centralia lead to 4-1. Centralia's Alvarenga scored in the 77th minute for his second goal, and deked through defenders in stoppage



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Centralia's Alex Alvarenga (14) takes a shot through Rochester defenders during an Evergreen 2A Conference soccer game at Rochester on Tuesday.

time to finish the hat trick and put a stamp on the win.

"I like it, we've really been working on aggressive play in practice and pushing the ball forward and communication, just everything you can do with a young team," Centralia coach Phil Strodemier said.

Alvarenga is a freshman and Silva is a sophomore that combined for five goals, and Strodemier said he likes seeing the two work well together.

"Getting them to play and work together is something I've been working on," Strodemier said. "It's getting these two guys to play together and play with each other, and it's finally working together. My mids are starting to come together to make that happen."

Rochester coach Matt Ashton said he didn't see the passing he hoped his team would create on offense and defense.

"I think we could have done better, I think we got behind and our heads went down a little bit and then it was more individualized versus a team," Ashton said.

Centralia (2-3, 1-0) hosts Black Hills on Thursday in an EvCo game, while Rochester (2-5, 0-1) hits the road to face Tumwater on Thursday in a conference matchup.

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THE SPOKEN WORD
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Prep Basketball

WIAA Approves Major Changes to State Basketball's RPI Format — and Might Implement in Other Sports

By TJ Cotterill
The News Tribune

Two major changes have been approved to the state's RPI rankings for boys and girls high school basketball.

ONE CHANGE: Out-of-state opponents will no longer all be considered teams with a .500 record — so facing an elementary school team from Alaska will no longer be considered the same as facing the Golden State Warriors.

THE OTHER CHANGE: District playoff games will be included in a team's RPI — so Kentwood can beat Union and Federal Way to win the district title and not be ranked behind those schools when teams are seeded into the state tournament.

Those adjustments were approved by the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association's executive board and will be put into effect for the 2017-18 season.

"We have one year of data and that has helped us a lot," said Greg Whitmore, who chairs the WIAA's RPI committee and is the athletic director of Lind-Ritzville High School. "And we'll look at it again with two years of data. We'll make this better each year."

The next step might be implementing RPI rankings in other sports, Whitmore said.

The RPI committee released a survey to schools across the state asking for input on using the Ratings Percentage Index

formula for football, soccer, volleyball, baseball and softball, and if schools would be interested in installing an RPI format as early as the upcoming school year.

In basketball, schools must qualify for the state tournament through their district tournament. They are then seeded into state based on their RPI.

Whitmore said he expects to present the results of the survey at the WIAA's next executive board meeting on April 22.

But in basketball, changes to out-of-state opponents and district playoff games were made based on situations that arose in the WIAA's inaugural season of RPI rankings — a shift from its previous draw criteria which included seeding of some schools out of a hat.

Foss won the Class 2A state boys basketball championship — but had to do so as the No. 20 school in the RPI rankings. Its RPI was impacted by losses to schools from Sacramento, Las Vegas and Phoenix during the MaxPreps Holiday Classic in California.

Those were each considered losses to .500 teams, even though they combined to finish with a record of 65-26 — and Desert Pines won Nevada's 3A division state championship.

Foss was the first school Whitmore mentioned.

"Those certainly weren't regular .500 teams," Whitmore said. "So they were penalized for it. I was really happy to see our sys-



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In this Saturday, March 4, 2017 file photo, W.F. West's Kiara Steen (31) drives to the hoop against Black Hills Saturday during the State 2A tournament in Yakima.

tem did not keep Foss from winning a state championship."

He mentioned Rainier Beach as another example. The Vikings lost games to teams from Philadelphia and Long Beach, California.

Whitmore said they wanted to be careful in their first year of RPI to get accurate data.

"We had enough difficulties just getting our in-state schedules straight," Whitmore said. "But we learned a lot, schools learned a lot and now I'm confident that if we put a system in that puts the burden on ADs to track down out-of-state records, we can do that."

MLB

Mariners Welcome Robinson Cano, Nelson Cruz Back to Lineup After Missing Week With Illness

By Ryan Divish
The Seattle Times

PEORIA, Ariz. — After having to write out a lineup without them for the past six days — a period of time that he hopes won't happen during the regular season — Mariners manager Scott Servais was finally able to ink in the names of Robinson Cano and Nelson Cruz on his lineup card for Tuesday's Cactus League game at Peoria Stadium.

Both players had been battling a cold/flu bug that had laid them low for about a week. It got to the point where Servais sent both of them home from the clubhouse for multiple days in a row for them to rest and recuperate. The two sluggers and key pieces to the Mariners' potent middle of the order finally participated in a workout on Monday.

"They look more like their normal selves," Servais said.

Both players were limited to three plate appearances in the game, but looked fine at the plate. With Jean Segura on third in the first inning, Cano lifted a deep fly ball to center off of Arizona ace Zack Greinke to score a run. He grounded out in his second at-bat and into a force out in his third time to the plate.

"I'm just tired right now," Cano said after his limited action. "You just feel worn down. But I will be fine in a few days. I hated sitting out this close to the season. Even if I don't feel good, I have to go and see pitches."

After grounding out in his first at-bat, Cruz mashed a run-scoring double off Greinke that short-hopped the wall in left-center in the third inning. He struck out in his third at-bat.

"I could probably feel bet-

ter because I haven't played in a while but I feel good," Cruz said. "My timing was good. When you are coming of WBC, you are season ready. We were playing playoff type games there. We are definitely prepared for the season."

The plan is for Cano and Cruz to play the remainder of the week to help build game stamina and timing.

Servais will also start playing his opening day lineup in over the next few games before backing off on Saturday's finale. That lineup will also include left-fielder Jarrod Dyson, who has been battling hamstring soreness and leg fatigue. Dyson has played just one game since leaving in the first inning of a game on March 17 with the leg fatigue. On Monday, he got 10 at-bats playing in multiple minor league games on the backfields of the Mariners' complex. He followed that up

on Tuesday with some running and agility drills to test the hamstring.

"It felt good," he said. "I'll be in the lineup tomorrow."

Because of the World Baseball Classic, the illness and injuries and just typical spring training playing time iterations, the Mariners haven't been able to put out their expected lineup. Also the demotion of first base Daniel Vogelbach changed the param-

eters of the lineup as well.

The Mariners expected daily lineup:

- 1. Jarrod Dyson, LF
2. Jean Segura, SS
3. Robinson Cano, 2B
4. Nelson Cruz, DH
5. Kyle Seager, 3B
6. Mitch Haniger, RF
7. Danny Valencia, 1B
8. Mike Zunino, C
9. Leonys Martin, CF

Mariners Reliever Shae Simmons Suffers a Setback in Recovery From Forearm Strain

By Ryan Divish
The Seattle Times

PEORIA, Ariz. — The Mariners have shutdown Shae Simmons in his recovery from a forearm strain after continued issues with the flexor bundle.

"It's weird," he said. "Whenever I'm not throwing, it feels great. That's the only issue."

Simmons was removed a game on March 11 after experiencing forearm tightness. After taking a week off from throwing to receive treatment on the forearm, he had begun playing light catch out to 90 feet. But during that process he noticed that the forearm wasn't responding well while throwing.

"When I'm throwing it'll start to fatigue out on me," he said. "When I get done, it might be a

little uncomfortable. I don't have any trouble sleeping and when I wake up the next day, my arm's not sore."

It was enough of a concern for Simmons to undergo another MRI and meet with team orthopedist — Dr. Edward Khalfayan, who decided have him shut down from throwing. The plan is for him to stop throwing and rest the forearm for the time being.

"Maybe a little more time off, but everything looks structurally sound," Simmons said. "We don't really know what it is exactly, but there's no ligament issues or anything like that. The strain looks better on the MRI, so it's cleared up. The strain would have been in the muscle part of it, so maybe just a little more rest and then

continue throwing hopefully. We don't really have a timeline on it. Probably a couple days. I'm not sure exactly when we'll pick it back up, it just feels if I'm still feeling tender or what."

Simmons has dealt with injury issues dating back to February of 2015 when he underwent Tommy John surgery to repair a torn ulnar collateral ligament.

"I'm trying to stay positive," he said. "What else can you do? It's out of my control. I've had a streak of unfortunate events throwing and it just happens that's my job."

With the time missed and the need to restart his throwing program from the beginning, it's unlikely that Simmons would be ready to return until May at the earliest.

NFL

Pete Carroll Says Marshawn Lynch is 'Somewhat Entertaining' the Idea of Returning

By Bob Condotta
The Seattle Times

Seahawks coach Pete Carroll said Wednesday at the NFL league meetings that running back Marshawn Lynch "is somewhat entertaining" the idea of coming out of retirement.

But Carroll also said that Lynch did not ask the Se-

ahawks to be taken off the reserve/retired list when he talked to him 10 days ago and said he can't answer if Lynch will return and what the Seahawks would do if he did ask to come back.

"I know that he is somewhat entertaining the thought of it," Carroll said during the annual breakfast with NFC coaches. "I can't tell you how strong it is."

Carroll later said "there is not much to it," referring to the rumors of Lynch possibly returning. "We had a chance to visit. He was in really good spirits about 10 days ago."

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College Basketball

Gonzaga Athletic Director is Co-Architect of Hoops Success

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — You might say Gonzaga athletic director Mike Roth has tunnel vision.

Roth, co-architect of the team that is making its first Final Four appearance this weekend, is too nervous to watch the Bulldogs play from a seat. Years ago, he started standing in the tunnels leading into basketball arenas, where he could pace and mutter as the Bulldogs played.

"I get nervous energy around games," Roth said this week. "It gives me the ability to work off that nervous energy."

You can expect to find Roth standing in a tunnel when Gonzaga plays South Carolina on Saturday in Glendale, Arizona, with the winner advancing to the title game.

"Why mess with something that's working?" Roth said.

You could say that about Roth's entire 20-year tenure as athletic director.

While coach Mark Few and his players deservedly get the lion's share of attention for the team's success, Roth is the behind-the-scenes leader.

It was Roth who elevated Few to head coach in 1999. Roth also found the money to retain the coach when bigger programs came calling. It was Roth who marshalled the resources to build the McCarthey Athletic Center, a huge improvement over the old home court. He oversees the departments that ensure players remain eligible and graduate.

These days he is basking in the acclaim of the team's first trip to the Final Four.

"People don't realize how hard it is," Roth said. "How crazy hard



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In this Tuesday photo, Gonzaga University athletic director Mike Roth poses for a photo next to a picture of the McCarthey Athletic Center in Spokane, Wash. Roth, co-architect of the team that is making its first appearance in the NCAA college basketball Final Four, says he is too nervous to watch the Bulldogs play from a seat, so he stands in the tunnels that lead to the court.

19 straight NCAA Tournament appearances are."

He noted that last year's team that advanced to the Sweet 16 lost four starters, including two to the NBA. "Now we are in the Final Four," Roth said.

Roth grew up in Moses Lake, a small town 90 miles west of Spokane, and played one year of JV basketball at Gonzaga in the early 1980s. He returned to the school as a low-level administrator a few years later, and was named athletic director in 1998.

"They haven't been able to get rid of me since," Roth joked.

One of his earliest tasks was to retain Few, then an assistant coach to Dan Monson. Few was being courted by larger programs that could offer more

money, Roth recalled.

The solution was to anoint Few as Monson's designated successor in the summer of 1998, Roth said.

Monson led the Zags on their magical run to the Elite Eight a few months later and then left for Minnesota. Few was elevated to the top job and has taken the Zags to the NCAA Tournament every year.

Over the years numerous schools have tried to hire Few away, but Roth has been able to find the money to keep the coach in Spokane.

"We are a model for other schools," Roth said. "Why just give in, if you can keep your successful coach?"

As a private school, Gonzaga

does not disclose salaries.

Roth's other showcase achievement was securing the funds to build the 6,000-seat McCarthey Athletic Center, a \$26 million project that would have been unthinkable without the series of NCAA appearances. The MAC has been sold out for all but one game since it opened in 2004, and was a huge improvement over the bandbox Martin Centre, which had less than half the capacity.

Roth has remained a key player as Gonzaga continued to upgrade its program. Years ago, the Zags switched to charter flights instead of flying commercial. They play a tough non-conference schedule and all of their games are televised. Roth esti-

mates that athletic department revenues have grown by a factor of 30 in two decades.

Twenty years ago, the university was struggling with declining enrollment and debt. Now it has all the students it can handle and construction cranes sprout on campus, developments that are largely attributed to the success of the basketball team.

Because of the success, Roth has had offers to move on to programs in the Power 5 conferences. He has declined.

"I've been very content," Roth said. "Gonzaga's been great."

One of the things he is proud of is that, with the exception of one, all of the basketball players who finished their eligibility at Gonzaga have graduated. Three Gonzaga players — Dan Dickau, Kelly Olynyk and Nigel Williams-Goss — completed the rare feat of becoming both athletic and academic All-Americans, Roth said. Last year, Gonzaga and Dartmouth were tied as the best academic performers among athletic departments, Roth said.

Gonzaga is often criticized for playing in the relatively weak West Coast Conference, which consists mostly of small private schools. Saint Mary's and BYU are the only league rivals who can consistently challenge the Zags.

Roth said the conference is a good fit in most respects. But Gonzaga remains open to changing conferences in the future, should there be an opportunity to improve the level of opponents, he said.

"I have no crystal ball on conference realignment," Roth said.

Frank Mason of Kansas Unanimous Pick for AP All-America Team

Frank Mason III was a last-minute recruit for Kansas. He turned into the Jayhawks' latest All-American.

The senior guard was the only unanimous selection to the 2016-17 AP All-America team Tuesday, receiving all first-team votes from the same 65-member national media panel that selects the weekly AP Top 25.

"I love the kid and I think he knows how I feel about him, but I've never been more proud — not that he's won a postseason award — but he's done everything that he's supposed to do," Kansas coach Bill Self said. "He's been a great teammate, he's been tough as nails, he's worked his butt off, he's loved by everyone in the academic departments, graduated, and to see him reap these benefits after putting in so much time is an unbelievable honor."

The rest of the All-America team includes guards Josh Hart of Villanova and Lonzo Ball of UCLA, plus forwards Caleb Swanigan of Purdue and Justin Jackson of North Carolina.

Votes were based on the regular season and conference tournaments.

Mason averaged 20.8 points, 4.1 rebounds and 5.1 assists while shooting 48.7 percent from 3-point range.

"My goals were always just to be successful as a team, do whatever I can do to make sure we're successful and really change it at



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In this March 19, 2017, file photo, Kansas guard Frank Mason III (0) shoots in front of Michigan State forward Nick Ward (44) and guard Alvin Ellis III (3) during the first half of a second-round game in the NCAA men's college basketball tournament in Tulsa, Okla. Mason was selected to The Associated Press NCAA college basketball men's All-America first team on Tuesday.

the defensive end and get after it," Mason said. "Yeah, that's pretty cool to see my name alongside those great KU players, it means a lot to me, but nothing would be possible without my teammates and coaching staff."

Mason is the first All-American from Kansas since Thomas Robinson in 2012.

Hart, a senior who was key to Villanova's 2016 national championship, averaged 18.9 points and 6.5 rebounds for the Wild-

cats. He received 62 first-team votes.

"It was definitely a goal," Hart said of the All-America recognition. "Now that it happened, it's humbling. A great honor. I've got to thank everyone that voted for me."

Coach Jay Wright called Hart "the perfect combination of talent, hard work, intelligence and humility."

"He never let any single year's accomplishment deter him from

getting better," Wright said. "I think he's one of the most complete basketball players in the country."

The sophomore Swanigan led the nation with 26 double-doubles and was the only player in Division I to average 18 points (18.5) and 12 rebounds (12.6) while shooting 53.4 percent, 43.1 percent on 3s.

"He's a very knowledgeable guy, now he's been through it in terms of experience, understanding scouting reports and those types of things," Purdue coach Matt Painter said. "He really gets it. I think he really separated himself from a lot of people with the consistent play."

Ball, who has already declared for the NBA draft, took the country by storm as a freshman.

He averaged 14.6 points, 6.1 rebounds and 7.9 assists while putting UCLA back on the national map in a hurry. He received 54 first-team votes.

Coach Steve Alford called Ball "very deserving of the recognition."

"He's been special for us all year," Alford said. "He's been an incredible teammate, and everything that he's done has been contagious throughout our team."

The last All-American from UCLA was freshman Kevin Love in 2008.

Jackson, who received 24

first-team votes, helped lead the Tar Heels to a second straight Final Four. The junior averaged 18.1 points and 4.6 rebounds this season.

"He's a better player overall," North Carolina coach Roy Williams said. "He's better defensively, better rebounder, he can score the basket and he's just had a year for us."

"He's been the leader of our team on the court, on the stat sheet. I couldn't be happier for him because he's really got it the old-fashioned way," Williams said. "He's worked, he's put in the sweat."

Nigel Williams-Goss of Gonzaga led the second team and was joined by fellow juniors Dillon Brooks of Oregon and Johnathan Motley of Baylor, sophomore Luke Kennard of Duke and freshman Malik Monk of Kentucky.

The third team included freshmen Josh Jackson of Kansas, Markelle Fultz of Washington and Lauri Markkanen of Arizona, junior Bonzie Colson of Notre Dame and sophomore Ethan Happ of Wisconsin.

There has been at least one unanimous All-America pick the last four seasons.

College Basketball

Seahawks Listening to Richard Sherman Trade Calls

By Bob Condotta

The Seattle Times

A few teams have called the Seahawks inquiring about trading for cornerback Richard Sherman, coach Pete Carroll said at the NFL league meetings Wednesday in Phoenix, and the Seahawks have listened.

But could the Seahawks actually trade their six-year veteran standout corner?

Carroll appeared to rule it out, saying "I don't see anything happening at all" while possibly not shooting the idea down quite as firmly as some might have expected given Sherman's on-field value to the Seahawks since joining the team in 2011.

Carroll, when asked about the rumors of the team entertaining trade offers for Sherman, began with the caveat that the team will always explore every

opportunity while not explicitly saying the team would never think of trading Sherman.

"You either are competing or you are not," he said. "So we have always had to be open to every suggestion that comes along. There have been some teams that have called, and so we have talked about it. But he is extremely important to our football team. I don't see anything happening at all. I don't see anything happening with any of our players, just the banter that's out there right now. But it has been talked about. He is a great player and he can impact a team. I can see why people would be interested in him."

But if Carroll appeared to indicate the team won't actually be trading Sherman, he also made clear the team is hoping that Sherman in 2017 can avoid some of the incidents that marred his

2016 season and helped lead to rumors that Seattle could consider trading Sherman.

"I'm anxious to see him come back," Carroll said during the annual NFC coaches breakfast. "I know there have been some issues and stuff. I'm anxious to see him handle everything and do really well and represent himself and his teammates in great fashion."

Sherman's "issues" last season included two mid-game disagreements with coaches that turned into extensive sideline blowups, publicly questioning a play call from offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell after a game against the Rams in December, as well as a decision late in the season to not talk to certain members of the local media or hold his usual weekly Wednesday press conference.

In some of his most candid

comments on the topic, Carroll acknowledged that the season was a difficult one for Sherman.

"Richard went through a lot last year and most of it self-inflicted," Carroll said. "He got out there and I think he was in the midst of a season that was really challenging for him. If you remember when he had his issue it was right in the midst of playing some great players week after week after week and he was teed up for it and jacked about it and all of that and he was competing like crazy."

"He's a fantastic battler. The only thing that happened is that he didn't come back, he didn't re-set as he has. He always found his way to reset (in the past) and he kind of stayed on the edge throughout the season, which was very challenging for him. That's a lot to carry. He's a very capable guy at dealing with all of

the issues that the league brings and offers for guys and he's a guy that is always going to be out in front, which is where he should be. He's an extraordinary football player and an exceptional young man. It just was a challenge.

"So I'm hoping that things balance out more so for him so that he doesn't have to carry an additional burden of just trying to be one of the best players in the NFL that he is. So I'm expecting him to do a really good job. He always has. Sometimes the turnaround time just takes a little bit longer than others."

Carroll said Sherman has had a "great offseason. Doing terrifically. He is doing everything, he is everywhere, he is active and out there and been very visible, which I am glad he has continued to work the way he works."

College Basketball

Final Four Coaches Few, Williams: Mutual Respect and a Well-Executed Practical Joke

By Jim Meehan

The Spokesman-Review

Gonzaga coach Mark Few and North Carolina counterpart Roy Williams have shot craps together, played cards and hung out at Nike-sponsored coaching clinics.

They exchange phone calls and texts. On one of Few's son's birthdays, Few phoned Williams to make sure he had the rules down for a particular card game.

The mutual respect runs deep for their on-court coaching success and probably deeper for the way they conduct their everyday lives.

"I consider Mark one of my best friends," Williams said Monday during a Final Four coaches conference call. "I was probably more stressed about Mark (making a Final Four) because he's had such great teams and come so close. It was so satisfying for Gonzaga to get there."

The two even decided to spend some time together a few days before their respective teams met in the 2009 NCAA Sweet 16 in Memphis. Williams called Few and found out both teams were arriving Wednesday night. They made certain their players were punctual for bed check.

Williams hatched the idea of the head coaches and a handful of staffers from each school going to a casino in nearby Tunica, Mississippi.

"We went down and we both lost money but it worked out," Williams said. "We're coming



TONY AVELAR / The Associated Press

Gonzaga head coach Mark Few celebrates after cutting the net after a win over Xavier after an NCAA Tournament college basketball regional final game on Saturday in San Jose, Calif.

back and I get pulled over by a patrolman. I guess I didn't realize I had the NCAA courtesy car with logos all over it. The patrolman says, 'It's just surprising to see that car on the road this time of night, just slow down a bit.'

"I told him, 'I appreciate it and that Mark Few from Gonzaga is about 10 minutes behind me. Can you pull him over and scare him to death like you did with me?'"

Few was on the conference call earlier so there was no confirmation on the outcome of Williams' prank. The Tar Heels broke the speed limit during the

game, winning 98-77, en route to claiming the national championship.

"I consider him a mentor," said Few, whose Zags take on South Carolina on Saturday, followed by North Carolina versus Oregon. "I'll always remember when I was a young head coach and getting invited on these exclusive Nike coaches basketball trips and you hear some of the iconic figures in the game.

"Roy and (wife) Wanda welcomed me and Marcy in and made us feel as important as anybody. He's always been like that with me and even my assistant

coaches."

All four Final Four coaches have some sort of connection, which is pretty standard among veteran coaches. South Carolina's Frank Martin called Few "one of the great guys in the business." When Williams was at Kansas, Oregon's Dana Altman was a Kansas State assistant coach and later the head coach.

Williams and Martin recruited PJ Dozier, who eventually chose the Gamecocks.

Williams has a decided edge, 9-0, over Few, Altman and Martin in Final Four appearances as a head coach.

NFL

Las Vegas Raiders, Done Deal, Thanks to Cowboys Owner Jerry Jones

By Tim Kawakami

The Mercury News

The Raiders are on their way to Las Vegas, and this is owner Mark Davis' deal, of course.

He assembled the money, when many of us — and many in the NFL — thought he couldn't. He made the pitch to his fellow owners. This is his mega-deal and should be credited (or cursed) as such.

Mark Davis' deal, his historic moment, the signature move of his life.

But if you talk to people around these negotiations, who know exactly how the Raiders lined up the financing, the political will, and then the wherewithal to drive today's 31-1 ownership approval vote for relocation to Nevada... they all point to one man...

And it's not Mark Davis.

It's Dallas owner Jerry Jones.

Who has now helped the 49ers into the Levi's Stadium gold mine, brokered the deal to get the Rams into Inglewood, Calif., and then the Chargers there, too, and now has guided the Raiders to Las Vegas, due to start playing in the new stadium by 2019 or 2020.

Oh, and by the way, Jones owns a major chunk of Legends, a hospitality-marketing company that will now sell the suites and sponsorships for the Las Vegas stadium (with potentially the largest naming-rights deal ever), is selling them for the Rams and Chargers in LA, and sold out the suites and sponsorships for Levi's.

The result of all four teams' new stadium activity in the last four or five years? Hundreds of millions of dollars for Legends, I'm told, and if Las Vegas takes off, Jones' company is potentially set to become more valuable, by itself, than most NFL franchises.

And Jones will have sway over all these teams, naturally, most especially the 49ers, whose current team president, Al Guido, is a former Legends executive.

So why is Jones doing this? Clearly, this is a profitable endeavor for him, and he has strong reasons to want to solidify those four teams for the good of the NFL.

But he and his company have also tried themselves into this power broker role because he saw the financial weaknesses of each team ... and inserted himself and his company to help fix things.

Which is what has happened.

Certainly pulling teams from St. Louis, San Diego and Oakland all within a two-year stretch ... and I guess you could add San Francisco in there as a ditched-city ... is a wrenching part of the Jones master plan.



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Matt Gutierrez carries a Raiders flag by a sign welcoming visitors to Las Vegas on Monday in Las Vegas. NFL team owners approved the move of the Raiders to Las Vegas in a vote at an NFL football annual meeting in Phoenix.

stable now? Probably or definitely. Does it mean more money for the NFL? Likely. And for Jones? Absolutely.

Why are the teams letting Jones do this? For one, nobody has ever gone broke doing business with Legends.

Beyond that, each team had its specific reasons — and remember, each time Jones leverages one of these deals, he only grows more powerful leading into the next deal.

You want to bet against Jones now after he ramrodded the last few deals? He'll just flatten you.

Mark Davis knew where the power center was — in Dallas, with Legends—after he and Chargers owner Dean Spanos got flattened themselves when they tried to move to Carson.

That one caused some bitterness between Mark Davis and Jones, but remember that Jones idolized Al Davis and it's not hard to imagine Jones making sure that Davis and the Raiders had a soft landing after Jones cut the deal to keep them out of LA.

The soft landing arrived when the Nevada legislature voted to provide \$750M to the Raiders' Las Vegas stadium effort.

That was money that Oakland could never and should never have committed to any project like this.

Once that happened, even after casino magnate Sheldon Adelson was pushed out of the deal, Jones made sure Las Vegas was going to happen for the Raiders — even bringing in Bank of America to take Adelson's place in the financing.

This is going to result in a large annual debt-service payment for Mark Davis, and it's a number that many around the league aren't sure he can muster ... if the suites and PSLs don't come in strongly. But, of course, Jones' company is in charge of a lot of that.

What's guaranteeing that loan? It's the power and heft of the NFL, and right now, that's Jones.

And the most remarkable thing (to me) is this: Jones/Legends will reap all this profit from these moves, while the team owners are the ones taking the financial risk.

But again, Jones' role essentially guarantees limited risk for the moving franchises — his company lands the big sponsorship and suite deals, he helps negotiate the relocation fees, the fees come as a percentage of the increased revenue... everybody wins.

Except for the fans from the ditched cities, but that, for Jones and his partners, is just a minor price of doing business.

So what happens while the Las Vegas stadium is under construction? That's at least two years away, maybe three, and for 2017 at least, the Raiders are committed to playing at the Coliseum.

Beyond that, Davis said he hopes to continue playing in Oakland until the Vegas stadium is ready, but it remains up in the air and I have heard repeatedly that playing home games at Levi's in 2018 or 2019 is a live possibility.

It's all going to be awkward. Less awkward if the Raiders remain successful on the field, but still awkward for everybody.

Also: Because the NFL likes to maintain leverage, Oakland will be discussed as a new "open" market for a possible relocation from some other team, probably underlined by Jerry Jones.

And so will sharing Levi's Stadium.

Can you imagine if talks to lure a team to the Bay Area occur... while the "Oakland" Raiders are still playing at the Coliseum or Levi's?



DAVID RICHARD / The Associated Press

In this Nov. 6, 2016, file photo, Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten runs the ball in the second half of an NFL football game against the Cleveland Browns in Cleveland. Witten has signed a four-year contract extension on Tuesday, March 28, 2017, that virtually guarantees the 14-year veteran will spend his entire career with the Cowboys.

Cowboys get Cap Flexibility With 4-Year Contract Extension for Jason Witten

By Clarence E. Hill Jr.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

PHOENIX — While best friend and former quarterback Tony Romo is headed out the door, tight end Jason Witten reaffirmed his commitment to the Dallas Cowboys by signing a four-year contract extension Tuesday, per executive vice president Stephen Jones.

Witten didn't get any guaranteed money in the new deal, which has a value of \$29.6 million.

But it gives Cowboys flexibility in being able to restructure his contract for cap relief.

The Cowboys have roughly \$200,000 in available cap money, according to a source.

Vice president Stephen Jones said the Cowboys will exercise the option in the contract to gain cap relief year.

"We are just lucky to have him," Jones said from the NFL Owners meetings in Phoenix. "He wants to make sure he is never not in the last year of his contract. It worked out for everybody. It helped us under the cap this year as well.

Witten, who will be 35 next season, was in the final year of his contract with a base salary of \$7.4 million and a \$12.2 million cap hit. The Cowboys turn the

"This is (Przemek) Karnowski's fifth NCAA tournament but everything is going to get ratcheted up 300 percent with the media, the demands," Few said. "The general distraction meter is going through the roof. Obviously Carolina kids have dealt with it and managed it great if you look at how they performed last year at the Final Four.

"But when the buzzer goes off after warm-ups, all four teams have shown they're ferocious competitors and really focused on the task at hand. It's going to be about who plays the best for those 40 minutes."

Altman sought advice from his former K-State boss Lon Kruger and ex-Stanford coach Mike Montgomery.

"What to avoid, embrace because it's a new experience for our coaching staff and we want to try to help them as much as possible," Altman said. "Hopefully it'll be similar to the last two weeks where we just went into a four-team tournament. This is a bigger stage, the guys are aware of it."

It's the biggest stage, and Few is thrilled his biggest fans, parents Norm and Barbara, are making the trip.

"Just organized their travel to get to Phoenix," Few said. "They were with us in San Jose (last weekend), that was really cool and special. It's not as easy traveling, my dad kind of busted up his ankles but he still wants to do it."

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Colorful Changes Highlight Swing Into Spring

Barnyards romp with bucking kids and wallowing weaner pigs. Ditches burst with skunk cabbage and side streets pop with cherry blossoms.

Hummingbirds hover for sweet nectars while hopping hares crisscross rutted out logging roads. Resurgent garlic sprouts from muck boot mud puddles.

Observant owls hoot and poop mouse bones from hip barn rafters and gawking deer assemble in the pasture. Windstorms howl and sun showers pour.

Missing chickens feed bloody fangs but hideaway eggs incubate hope for posterity. Soggy turf idly burbles as malted rivers break calloused angler hearts.

Greening grass prickles beneath the growing shadows of budding branches. Honey bees seek sustenance and scratch box hunters seek out turkey trees.

Decomposing algae makes toxic sands that marinate acid wash razor clams. Sweaty pine tar saturates splinter handled garden shovels.

Brazen coyotes prowl patchwork fences for free meals as sleepy bears yawn inside dank caves. Violets nudge through sidewalk cracks and pop beneath grey skies.

Winter steelhead course upstreams and spring kings take their regal time. The equinox has come and gone but spring is always slow to arrive.



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FISHIN'

The WDFW has put the kibosh on the highly anticipated Chehalis River spring Chinook salmon fishery. Salmon fishing is currently closed on the Chehalis River by permanent regulations but was slated to open to sport anglers on April 16. However, a press release from the WDFW last week noted that the forecasted return of Chinook salmon will likely come in below what is required to meet conservation objectives. Because of those spawning escapement goals, the Chehalis River salmon fishery will remain closed through at least June 30 from the mouth of the Chehalis at the Highway 101 Bridge up to the state Route 6 Bridge in Adna.

The news came a surprise and a disappointment to the fish aficionados at Sunbirds Shopping Center in Chehalis. Typically, the store would be bustling with antsy anglers getting gear in order to prepare prior to the spring king season.

“Any time they don’t open a fishery it impacts everybody from licensing on down to the gear sold,” said Bob Sansouci at

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Bob Sansouci
Sunbirds Fishing Enthusiast

the Sunbirds fishing desk last week.

However, Sansouci said that the impact of the shuttered salmon season will likely be more acute on the lower river below Porter.

“The Chinook fishery on the Chehalis is more of a Grays Harbor thing, Thurston County thing, because that lower river is so much more active than it is up here,” said Sansouci. “There’s a lot of action on the lower river. The river’s bigger and there’s a lot more boats on it.”

Due to the closure of the mainstem Chehalis anglers can expect pressure on area tributaries like the Newaukum and Skookumchuck, as well as the Cowlitz system to become ever more crowded.

The spring king return on the Columbia River hasn’t been anything to write home about either. As of March 25 only 12 adult springers had been counted at Bonneville Dam. That is the sixth lowest total to date since the dam went up in 1938. Besides that dearth of fish to catch, high river flows have been depressing effort and catch on the lower Columbia. On Saturday river flow at Bonneville was recorded at 459,600 cubic feet per second, which was the highest flow since at least 1950. For comparison the previous high was 391,800 cfs in 1972 and during the floods of 1996 the river flow was recorded at just 298,000 cfs.

Despite the low tally of returning Chinook and the high flows at Bonneville, the WDFW reports that a fair number of springers were caught last week between Longview and Cathlamet. They noted that daylight fishing conditions have been buoyed by the high, turbid water and the corresponding lack of pinniped predators. Last week the WDFW sampled a total of 352 lower Columbia anglers and just two of them showed a king in the box. Bank anglers told of releasing another two steelhead. In total the WDFW estimated that there were 2,024 angling trips on the lower Columbia last week which resulted in the catch of 11 spring Chinook and 19 steelhead. Through March 26 the WDFW estimated that a total of 8,305 angling trips had been attempted with a resulting catch of 59 adult springers (53 kept and 6 released) and 52 steelhead (14 kept and 38 released).

At The Dalles Pool 42 boat anglers kept 69 walleye and released three others while 61 boat anglers at John Day kept nine walleye and released another 15. A few incidental bass were also

landed. There was no effort observed at Bonneville. Both Bonneville and The Dalles have been closed to sturgeon retention and John Day will join that closure list on Thursday when the harvest guideline is expected to be met. Last week anglers at John Day were averaging one legal size fish per eight rods.

There was hardly any action on Columbia tributaries in the area last week but the Cowlitz River managed to stay active. The WDFW tallied 130 bank anglers with a haul of three adult springers, 19 steelhead and three steelhead released. Out in boats, 115 anglers kept two adult spring Chinook and 41 steelhead. Fish have been reported on the line up and down the river but the bite has been especially hot and heavy near the trout hatchery. At the salmon hatchery separator last week employees recovered 149 winter-run steelhead adults, two jacks, 13 spring Chinook adults and one cutthroat trout. Water temperature at Mayfield Dam on Monday was five feet with a temperature of 42.8 degrees fahrenheit.

Up at the Chelan Hatchery an estimated 340,000 rainbow, brook and tiger trout fingerlings perished on March 21 when a high water event clogged the water intake system. That loss represents 57 percent of the hatchery’s annual trout production.

According to Eric Kinne, WDFW hatchery systems manager, heavy rain flushed soil and debris into the intake system which clogged screens and cut off fresh water flow to the fish incubation building. The debris came from a hillside above the hatchery which was denuded in 2015 by wildfires. The Chelan Hatchery is one of the oldest trout hatcheries in the state and uses gravity-fed springs as its sole water source. Each year it produces about 1.3 million rainbow, brook, brown, cutthroat and tiger trout as well as kokanee for lake stocking efforts.

The WDFW continued their trout stocking effort last week visiting area ponds in Lewis, Cowlitz and Clark counties. Out in Mossyrock good old Swofford Pond was planted with 4,200 half pound rainbows on March 16. On March 20 Longview’s crown jewel, Lake Sacajawea, was stocked with 3,083 half pound rainbows and Kline Pond in Vancouver was planted with 1,500 half pound rainbows.

A number of area lakes and ponds are set to open for the season or close in anticipation of youth angling derbies. Kline Pond will close on April 6 and

remain closed on April 7-8 for the two day Kids Fish-In. A new load of several thousand trout will be stocked in the pond nets the day before the event. More than 2,500 children are expected to participate in the popular event.

In Grays harbor Failor Lake will open up for kids-only fishing derby on April 15 from 8 a.m. until noon. Children age 14 and younger will be able to participate in the derby sponsored by the Grays Harbor Poggie Club. The lake will then close again until the regularly scheduled lowland lake trout opener on April 22. Also in Grays Harbor, Bowers Lake (aka Vance Creek Pond #1), will be open from April 1-9 to anglers under 15 and at least 70 years of age as well as anglers with a disability status and their designated harvester. Bowers Lake will reopen to the general public on April 22 in addition to Lake Inez (Vance Creek Pond #2).

In Pierce County a veterans fishing event will force Silver Lake to close on April 15. The derby, known as Heroes on the Waters (Northwest Chapter), is open to pre-registered veterans only who will be toted around the lake on boats captained by Heroes on the Water volunteers.

CLAMMIN'

Clam hounds will be able to harangue succulent bivalves on a pair of coastal beaches for four days beginning Thursday. The openings will alternate between Mocrocks and Copalis as the WDFW seeks to offer as many digging days as possible this season in the face of lingering domoic acid problems at Twin Harbors and Long Beach and a disappointing population at Kalaloch.

The upcoming digs will represent the first morning digging tides of the year. Additionally, current licenses will expire on March 31 so diggers will need new licenses to continue pummeling the sand on Saturday and Sunday. Best digging results typically occur about one or two hours prior to the low tide.

The upcoming dig is approved on the following beaches, dates and morning low tides:

- March 30, Thursday, 8:58 a.m.; -0.6 feet, Mocrocks
- March 31, Friday, 9:47 a.m.; -0.6 feet, Copalis
- April 1, Saturday, 10:40 a.m.; -0.5 feet, Mocrocks
- April 2, Sunday, 11:39 a.m.; -0.1 feet, Copalis

Those digs were approved after marine toxin testing revealed that the clams are safe for consumption. However, Long Beach and Twin Harbors will remain closed to digging because they have not yet met state testing requirements for marine toxins. Copalis Beach extends from the Grays Harbor north jetty to the Copalis River and includes the Copalis, Ocean Shores, Oyuhut, Ocean City and Copalis

areas while Mocrocks Beach extends from the Copalis River to the southern boundary of the Quinault Reservation near the Moclips River, including Iron Springs, Roosevelt Beach, Seabrook, Pacific Beach and Moclips.

HUNTIN'

Deer and elk hunters have until the end of the day Friday to submit their names for multiple season tag drawings. The drawing will be held in mid-April and a total of 8,500 multiple season deer tags and 1,000 multiple season elk tags will be awarded.

Permit holders will be allowed to hunt during archery, muzzleloader and modern firearm seasons until they have attained their allotted harvest. Applications cost \$7.10 for Washington residents and \$110.50 for out of staters.

Spring hunting will begin this weekend with a statewide youth turkey hunt happening on Saturday and Sunday. After that everyone will get their turn stalking turkeys across the Evergreen state from April 15 through May 31.

Cougar hunts are also still open in many areas but locations are subject to closure based on updated harvest numbers. Most cougar areas will stay open through April 30 but hunters should check with the WDFW for up to date information.

LICENSIN'

Current hunting and fishing licenses are set to expire on March 31 so anyone anticipating participating in those harvesting activities will need to purchase new licenses by Saturday.

Upcoming events that will require an updated license include the two day youth turkey hunt on April 1-2 and the general spring turkey hunt that opens on April 15. Cougar hunts will also prowl on through the end of April. Steelhead and salmon fishing is ongoing and lowland lakes are set to open for trout fishing on April 22. Additionally, razor clam digs on the coast have been approved from March 30 through April 2.

“Many customers buy their licenses and tags at retail stores or over the phone,” said Peter Vernie, licensing division manager for WDFW, in a press release. “For those who prefer the website, we have been suggesting to customers that they allow a few extra minutes to create a username and password if they haven’t already.”

Licenses have not increased in price from last year although there has been much discussion in recent months of raising those fees.

Outdoors enthusiasts can access WDFW’s licensing system at <https://fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov/>. Licenses can also be obtained by calling WDFW at 360-902-2464 or at one of 600 in-store vendors.

Inspiration, Feeling of Family Abound in 50 States Marathon Club

By Luke Thompson
Yakima Herald-Republic

YAKIMA, Wash. — All marathon runners share a special bond with others who put in the time and effort to complete an arduous 26.2-mile race.

Multiply that by 50 states, or even just 10, and it’s easy to see why members of the 50 States Marathon Club say it feels something like family, complete with four reunions at various marathons each year. Gerard Lopez of Clinton, Wash., said he doesn’t like the competitiveness of most running clubs, but he loves meeting others trying to complete a marathon in every state, a goal he completed in 2012.

“I think the big different in the 50 states club is that you feel like you’re extended family,” said Lopez, who will run the Yakima Valley River Canyon marathon for the first time Saturday. “It’s a very collegial group. Nobody’s

trying to outdo anybody.”

Paula and Steve Boone of Humble, Texas, just outside of Houston didn’t come up with the idea of running a marathon in all 50 states. But in 2001, they officially created a formal group with specific rules to recognize the achievement and accepted anyone who runners who could prove they had completed a marathon in at least 10 states.

The group’s popularity exploded beyond Paula and Steve’s wildest dreams and now features 4,204 members who have combined for more than 264,000 marathons and ultra marathons. Paula and Steve will speak more about the group’s history and how it inspires others as the guest speakers at the Yakima River Canyon Marathon pasta feed Friday night.

“We said if we ever get to 200 members, then we’ll hand it off to somebody else,” said Paula, who met Steve at the 1997 Bos-

ton Marathon and married him a year later. “It’s kind of become a labor of love and it’s kind of become our baby now.”

According to their website, Wally Herman of Ontario, Canada, became the first runner to complete the 50 States challenge -- after running a marathon in every Canadian province. Last weekend in Kansas, David Haring became the club’s 1,253rd addition.

Paula said most of those people wouldn’t be considered elite runners. They’re just extremely driven and determined in their pursuit of an unusual goal some others might consider more than a little crazy.

For Lopez, the quest began as an opportunity to see the world, and his unique careers as a special agent for the U.S. Department of State and working in a group to help build U.S. Embassies overseas meant he often didn’t need to pay travel costs.

Over the course of 200 marathons and ultramarathons in 31 countries on all seven continents, he enjoyed meeting plenty of fascinating people.

A few of them became friends, including Karen Michelsen, a supervisory nurse at an extensive care hospital in Toronto. She met Lopez at the Egyptian Marathon and will be running her 100th marathon through the canyon this Saturday.

Similar stories of friendship and inspiration make Paula’s work as a board member and a member of the verification committee all worthwhile, even though it feels like a full-time job. She always encourages new members to buy and wear T-shirts so they can recognize other club members on the course.

“That’s the thing that’s really cool is this is just ordinary people doing a unique kind of thing,” Paula said. “We’re all just normal people that have normal

jobs, Monday through Friday, and then on the weekends we do an adventure.”

She noted the group does have two Olympians among its members, including Regina Joyce, who counted the 1984 Olympic marathon in Los Angeles for her California race and completed 27 marathons in 19 states. Another fast but not quite elite runner is Chuck Engle, who has won a marathon in all 50 states and posted an average time of 2 hours and 38 minutes in the races he counted for the club.

But many other records achieved by group members have nothing to do with speed. In some cases, though, they might be even more impressive.

Brenton Floyd became the youngest finisher of all 50 states at the age of 16 years and three months in 2001, and Tony Lopetrone and Nancy Broadbridge

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Outdoors

Two for the Road: Couple Explores Tanzania Parks in Rental Camping Rover

By Rich Landers

The Spokesman-Review

"The large male elephant looked up and stared directly into the front window, giving me that piercing stink-eye look that says, get out of my way," said Bill Pierce, recalling an adventure travel moment with an alarming pucker factor.

The African outfitter had told him and his wife, Debbie, to keep their vehicle running while they were near elephants.

"We had been briefed on recognizing behaviors that meant an elephant was becoming agitated or aggressive," Bill said.

"He wasn't flapping his ears or stomping his feet, the warning signs of a charge. But, man, that stink eye looked serious."

While far-flung adventures are almost routine for the Spokane couple, they say Africa is set apart by its wildlife. Not even the Pierces' travels in Alaska can stack up to their self-guided safari into the lairs of lions and elephants.

On this trip, they rented a Land Rover, gear and pack-along meals from Shaw Safaris. They camped 11 of 14 days, staying three nights at tented lodges.

"We thought it would be a great adventure to explore Tanzania at our own pace, to have private encounters with wild animals and the local people, and to spend nights in our roof-top tent, with the sounds of Africa all around us," Bill said.

Getting there required 36 hours of flight time to Arusha, where the outfitters welcomed the Pierces into their lodge. "We immediately felt like we were visiting old friends," Bill said.

They devoted two days to exploring maps, learning about camping at the parks and the needed permits, how to interact with the people and how to deal with the wild animals they would encounter.

There was much to learn — the GPS, cell phone, Rover maintenance, emergency equipment and how to put up the roof-top tent.

On the drive to the nearby village, they practiced shifting with left hands and driving on the left side of the road.

They stopped at a bank to exchange dollars for Tanzania shillings and launched their

safari, the Rover stocked with water for washing, bottled water for drinking, extra fuel, two spare tires, cooking utensils, a propane stove, battery-powered refrigerator freezer and a starter kit for food.

First stop was Arusha National Park, unique among the parks they visited in Tanzania because of its dense, tropical montane forest.

The park is centered around 14,562-foot Mount Meru, an active volcano that last erupted in 1910. But just as big in the Pierces' eyes were giraffes.

"A newborn is 6 feet tall and 200 pounds!" Debbie said, noting that adults stand 17 feet tall. "Giraffe is Arab for 'the one that walks fast.'"

The couple was equipped with cameras and lenses ranging from wide angle to 400 mm.

"Either the driver or passenger would pick up the cameras and shoot the pictures, depending on which side of the car had the action," she said.

The public campsite in Arusha was a simple clearing in the forest. "We were the only ones there and we relished the solitude," she said.

"We carried one weapon, a sling shot for the olive baboons. We had a pile of rocks by our chairs to use if they bothered us. They roosted in nearby trees that night and their barking and screaming made for an unsettling first night on safari."

On their way to Tarangire National Park, they passed through Arusha Town, pop. 400,000, and bought fruits and vegetables while soaking in the chaos of people and traffic.

Then they escaped into the dusty plains dotted with flat-topped acacia trees.

Maasai walked along the road or herded small groups of cattle. Women carried children in slings on their backs or had water and baskets perched on their heads.

Tarangire National Park has the second highest concentration of wildlife after Serengeti, and the largest number of elephants, Bill said.

"There were a lot of vervet monkeys hanging around the entrance and we had been warned to keep an eye on them." The couple learned their lesson when they returned to the Rover

after a walk and saw one of the furry bandits jump out of a small gap in the driver's window with an apple in its mouth.

Animals wandered through camp as they ate. "That night we could hear the haunting laugh of the hyena," Deb said.

"We didn't have to drive far the next day to find the elephants. They were everywhere!"

The gray nomads were mostly unaffected by vehicles and did not change their behavior. "We were merely a part of their surroundings," she said. "Occasionally they encircled the rig, so close that we almost could have touched them."

"Personal space is important to elephants and we were always aware of the warnings (the outfitter) had given us. He told us to always keep the car running and have an escape plan. If an elephant stops what he is doing because of our presence, then we have invaded his space. We'd better think about moving away quickly."

The situation confronted them that day.

"He was only 40 feet away and didn't look like he was happy with us in his path," Bill said. "It was definitely a 'stink eye' and we needed to get moving fast. I put (the Rover) in reverse and quickly moved back, probably 20 feet."

That seemed to be all that was needed to calm the elephant. "He and the rest of the family peacefully crossed the road and were on their way."

"If you want to appreciate what may happen if you ignore the warning signs from an agitated elephant, then Goggle 'elephant turns over vehicle in Kruger Park,'" he said, referring to a video of an elephant violently attacking a tourist vehicle.

The Pierces were intrigued by the elephants.

"Their trunks, which have over 40,000 muscles, are strong enough to pull down trees so they can eat the leaves on the top, yet sensitive as well, serving as hand, arm, taster, trumpeter and spritzer for bathing," Deb said.

A baby elephant is entirely dependent on its mom for the first year, suckling from two nipples between her front legs. At roughly a year old, it begins to nibble on plants, tapers off nursing and is completely weaned between 2

or 3 years of age.

"Elephants are big eaters, consuming 200-600 pounds of food a day," she said.

A gathering of parked rigs attracted the Pierces to see a cheetah under a tree. A tip from other drivers helped them spot their first lion, which was crossing the Tarangire River.

Zebra were widespread in forests, savannahs and mountains, living in harems of one stallion, roughly 20 females and their colts, Bill said. "Every zebra has a distinct pattern of stripes, like a fingerprint."

Wildebeests were plentiful, too, and made an iconic African scene as they grazed under the upside down baobab trees, they said.

The couple spiked their travels with the occasional overnight at tented lodges for luxury, food and entertainment, such as Maasai music and dancing.

At Lake Eyasi they met an affable Datoga tribal member and hired him as a personal guide for a few days as they headed into the range of Hadza bushmen.

He led them to a tribe gathered around a fire in the shelter of a hollow baobab tree. "It looked like a world you only see through a National Geographic magazine," Deb said.

"The Hadza are one of the few true hunter-gathers left in the world. They grow no food, raise no livestock, and live without schedules or calendars, an existence that is little changed from 10,000 years ago."

"They eat everything they kill — from birds to wildebeest, antelopes to rodents," she said. The kill that day was a kudu. "Their favorite meat is the baboon. The head is the biggest delicacy."

Joining two of the men on a bird hunt and watching them harvest wild honey was another highlight of the trip.

"I had been a pretty adventurous eater so far," Deb said, "but I was relieved when they didn't offer me a bite of the rodent they were cooking on the fire back at camp."

They also spent time with a Datoga tribe, who were dressed in traditional ochre goat skins, accessorized with bead work and brass necklaces and bracelets.

"It was a wonderful experience to sit in a hut with the women as they had a relaxed and

intimate conversation with our guide," Deb said.

Later on the safari, they drove to Ngorongoro Crater, the largest intact volcanic caldera in the world. "At the rim, beautiful blue green vistas stretched out below us," Bill said.

They camped there and explored the UNESCO site, a sanctuary for some of Africa's most dense large animal populations.

They were able to photograph warthogs and a black-backed jackal, a highly adaptable carnivore that follows the hunting of the lion and cheetah.

The numerous bird species included the easy-to-spot, fleet-footed ostriches — standing 9 feet tall and weighing up to 300 pounds.

Rules require visitors to stay in their vehicles as they drive through most areas. Prides of lions roam freely. At one area they were able to get out and photograph hippos.

At Serengeti National Park, back on their own, they encountered another vast array of wildlife of which they have hundreds of photos.

"On a self-drive safari there is no guide to tell you what animals you are seeing," Deb said. "It was easy for us to recognize the iconic animals, and we used field guides to identify others, especially the many antelopes."

"We had our only flat tire as we were leaving the park," Bill said. "It was good timing on our part, since we were about to head into the most remote region of our entire trip."

At Klein's Gate, they began 160-kilometer drive to Lake Natron, an isolated village on the Kenyan border. "The roads can vary from a descent surface to a barely drivable trail," Bill said.

A guide led them to waterfalls, more wildlife, cultural treats and helped them weld a broken spare tire rack.

Their final destination was Lake Manyara National Park, one of Tanzania's smallest, yet diverse, parks with savannahs, marshes and evergreen forests, and a chance to photograph cape buffalo.

Their images tell the story of a great adventure, but only their memories can do justice to the spine-tingling roars of distant lions that haunted and intrigued them as they camped.

Marathon

Continued from Sports 6

became the first husband and wife team to run marathons in all 50 states in one calendar year. Many individuals have accomplished the feat, but none can match Larry Macon, who leads the club with 1,800 marathons and ran one in every state each year from 2005 through 2011.

The club sends every finisher a trophy Paula said costs \$90, paid for by \$10 annual membership dues. Those also cover much smaller costs for newsletters and reunion activities.

For many members, a busy race schedule means eliminating the traditional "taper down" period following a marathon and instead making the weekly races the designated long run more often than not. Paula said she runs for to five miles a day, and Steve typically runs eight.

They reached 1,000 marathons combined in Houston last December, and they count the Yakima River Canyon Marathon

as one of their favorites. Paula loves the scenic views through the countryside, as well as the challenge of a long hill near the finish line.

Paula and Steve also enjoy seeing their friends, co-race directors Bob and Lenore Dolphin. Although Bob's commitment to keeping annual streaks alive at various races prevented him from reaching all 50 states, he's tied for 29th among the club's members with 502 completed races.

Lenore said they met the Boones at Bob's 250th marathon in Houston, and they've seen each other at various races over the years. Paula and Steve are also members of Bob and Lenore's 100 Marathon Club, which formed the same year as the 50 states club.

All four radiate positivity, part of what Lopez said makes his friends in the club so special. While the 71-year-old said many of his non-running acquaintances often share a gloomy outlook on life or discuss medical issues, the people he knows in the 50 States Club tend to avoid such negative thinking.

More Lakes Planted With Trout to Boost Early Spring Fishing Opportunities

By Mark Yuasa

The Seattle Times

Outside of the winter-like weather it is officially spring, and state Fish and Wildlife has ramped up their trout plants in many year-round lakes to boost early prospects.

Many west-side waterways from Seattle north to Whatcom County have already been planted with thousands of trout, and this past week it looks like plenty more to the south are getting their fair share.

In all roughly 63,400 rainbows are destined for 18-plus year-round lakes in the Puget Sound region.

Plants occurring Wednesday (March 22) in Pierce County include Kapowsin Lake with 14,000 trout (another 15,000 were planted on March 15); Lake Whitman, 1,800 on March 22; Spanaway Lake, 4,500 on March 21 and

4,600 on March 20; and Steila-coom Lake, 2,200 on March 21 and 2,200 on March 14.

In Thurston County, Lake Lawrence received 350 on March 22 on top of 20,000 on March 14; St. Clair Lake, 2,222 on March 21; Long Lake, 750 on March 21; Longs Pond (open for youth under age 14 only), 140 on March 21; Munn Lake, 10 on March 21 (455 on March 1); Offutt Lake, 200 on March 22 (4,400 on March 20)

Closer to Seattle in King County, Angle Lake got 4,500 on March 22; and Morton Lake, 5,000 on March 22.

In Snohomish County, Lake Ballinger received 9,051 on March 20; Lost (Maltby) Lake, 1,518 on March 21; and Panther Lake, 1,518 on March 21. In Cowlitz County, Lake Sacajawea got 3,083 on March 20, plus another 7,073 earlier this month.

Plants occurring earlier this month were Ballinger in

Snohomish County with 9,051 trout; Kline Pond in Clark County with 1,500 on top of 4,200.

Green Lake was planted March 13 with 10,005 trout. Another good spot is Meridian Lake in Kent, which was planted on March 15 with a whopping 8,000 trout. Other King County lakes planted earlier this month were Alice with 1,281 trout; Beaver, 7,053; and Rattlesnake, 3,000.

In Pierce County, Louise, 1,000 on March 14; and American, 1,650 on March 13 and 4,922 on March 6.

In Snohomish County, Gissburg Ponds was planted on March 14 with north pond receiving 506 trout and south pond getting 1,518. Others planted were Ketchum, 2,047 trout on March 15; Shoecraft, 7,073 on March 14; and Cassidy, 1,360 on March 7 and 2,115 on March 6.

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LONGTIME VADER FORESTER REMEMBERS GIANT OF THE FOREST

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Paul Hayes stands outside his home, the epicenter of the Hayes-Booth Tree Farm, on Tuesday afternoon in Vader.



Paul Hayes, owner of Hayes-Booth Tree Farm, walks through his garage full of antique logging materials on Tuesday morning near Vader.

HAYES-BOOTH TREE FARM:
Paul Hayes Has Worked in the Industry Since 1955 and He Hopes to Introduce Younger Generations to a Tree He Believes Is More Than 1,000 Years Old

By Aaron Kunkler
 akunkler@chronline.com

The Hayes-Booth Tree Farm has sat on a secluded patch of land outside of Vader for more than 60 years. By simply driving by, it would be impossible to know the owner may hold knowledge of a holdover from ancient history.

Paul Hayes, 89, has been in the forestry industry in the Pacific Northwest and beyond since 1955. Standing on his front porch, he pointed to the tree-lined hillside. He said nearly every tree on the hill is one he's planted over the years.

Hayes was quick to turn the conversation from himself to a Lewis County relic — a tree with a 10-foot or greater diameter he found in the 1950s near Pe Ell.

“The only big standing tree that we know about is this one in Lewis County,” he said.

The Douglas fir tree he's eager to talk about could be around 1,000 years old, he said. While it's located on Weyerhaeuser property, he has pictures of the behemoth.

One picture from the 1990s that hangs in his home office shows himself, George Weyerhaeuser and another man standing next to the massive tree. The tree was dedicated to John Markham, a prominent individual in Centralia in the past who donated a stuffed bengal tiger to Centralia High School.

Hayes said at the time there was a sizeable dedication ceremony for the tree.

“This tree, when I first saw it, it was still in a stand of second-growth timber,” Hayes recalled.

The area the tree sits in was initially logged in the 1920s, Hayes said. Because of the size of the tree even then, it was left to grow like it had for centuries before.

If the tree is still standing, which Hayes said is likely, it would be a remnant of the old-growth history of Lewis County, which used to see groves of trees that regularly were 8-feet in diameter.

“The day of old growth logging is history,” he said. “No more one-log loads, those days are all history.”

He's been trying to get a permit from Weyerhaeuser to take groups of locals, especially high school seniors, to see the tree. So far, he hasn't had success.

Weyerhaeuser's current management shut down public access to their lands outside of hunting season, Hayes said.

While this was done because people trashed parts of the forest, Hayes said he also thinks Weyerhaeuser could develop a process to manage the forest for harvest and public access.

It's especially important to the 89-year-old because he hopes that appreciation for the history of not only logging but the forest itself will be passed on to younger folks.

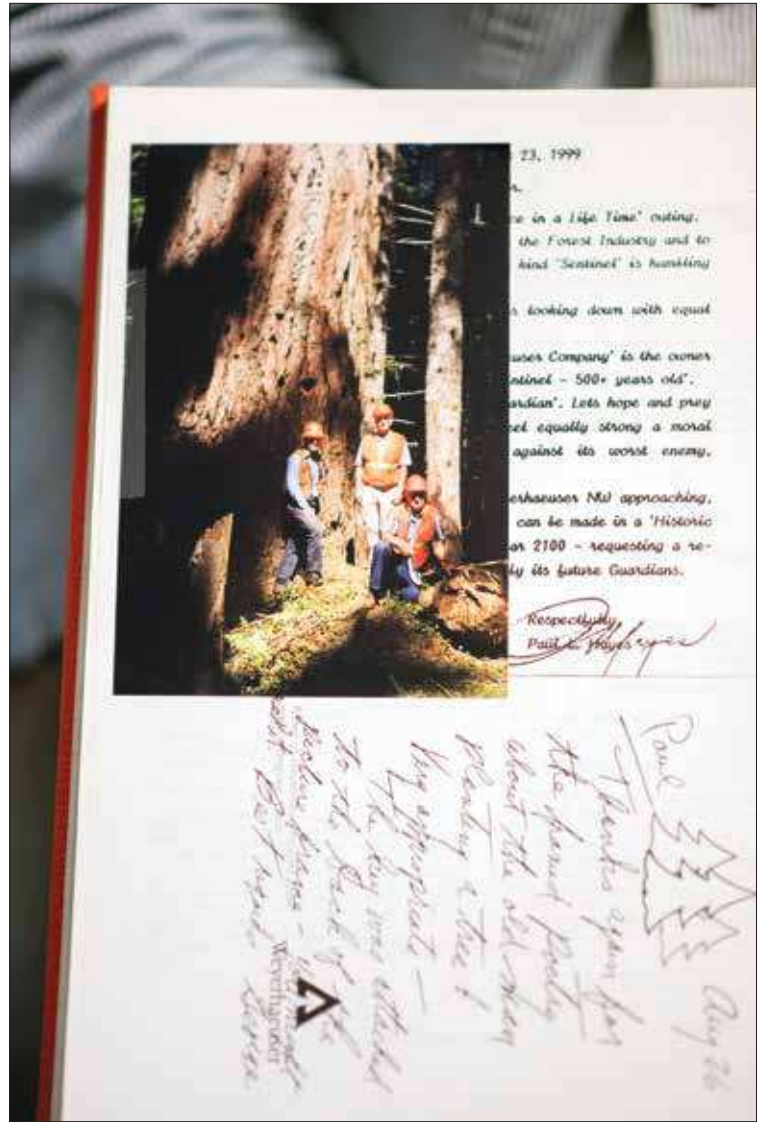
“I'd like to be able to see the younger generation know this is still available,” he said.

Hayes said he hopes that Weyerhaeuser will allow access to the tree in the future.

“This is a one and only type situation and it should be available to the public,” he said.

The Chronicle will be following up with Hayes and Weyerhaeuser in future editions to possibly try and gain access to the tree for more coverage.

Walking through his humble home on his tree



Paul Hayes shows a picture of himself and George Weyerhaeuser along with another man standing next to a gigantic tree that Hayes described as 10-feet in diameter on Weyerhaeuser property near Pe Ell.

farm, it also becomes evident that forestry is more than an occupation for Hayes but rather a way of life.

His office is full of books on the history of logging in the Pacific Northwest and beyond, and his large garage is a verifiable treasure trove of artifacts.

These include old saws, springboards, oil jars, pictures and even prospecting equipment like a dumpy level from the 1920s when an abandoned railroad, which runs through his property, was constructed.

Hayes graduated high school in California in 1945, just in time to join the military and help the rest of the world rebuild. During that time, timber exports were booming as nations across the world were left in tatters following World War II.

He returned to the states and found his way to the University of Washington where

he started studying engineering. He quickly figured out he wanted something else out of life.

“I thought I wanted to go back into the country, and I figured that's what forestry would get me,” he said.

Consequently, for more than 60 years, Hayes has worked the tree farm, which now is full of towering trees he planted in his 20s, and he's still planting saplings and coordinating harvests.



Community Calendar

Thursday, March 30

Pinochle, 6 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, 360-748-7241

"A Few Good Men," 7:30 p.m., Evergreen Playhouse, 226 W. Center St., Centralia, pay what you can, www.evergreenplayhouse.com

Public Agencies

Great Rivers Behavioral Health Organization, governing board, 3-4 p.m., 57 W. Main St., Suite 260, law library conference room, call in 1-872-240-3212, access code 122-101-549, 360-795-5942

Libraries

Book Babies and Playgroup, for children birth-24 months, 10:30 a.m., Centralia

Family Storytime, for all ages, 10:30 a.m., Randle

The Knitting Circle, for teens and adults, 4 p.m., Salkum

Organizations

Chehalis-Centralia Cribbage Club, 6:30 p.m., Chehalis Moose Lodge, 1400 Grand Ave., Centralia, 360-485-2852

S.T.O.P. and Swim, 7 p.m., Fort Borst Park, Kitchen 1, Centralia, 360-269-3827 or 360-736-4163

Support Groups

Overtakers Anonymous, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1209 N. Scheuber Road, Centralia, 360-269-1649

Connections, NAMI Lewis County, recovery support group for adults with mental illness, 2-3:30 p.m., Mary Room, Centralia United Methodist Church, 506 S. Washington Ave., 253-468-7435

Friday, March 31

Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo, by Winlock FBLA, Olequa Senior Center, 119 SW Kerron St., Winlock, spaghetti dinner \$6, bingo \$3 (includes three cards), 360-219-7629

Oregon Trail music and dancing, open mic with Side Kicks Band, 7 p.m., Cowlitz Prairie Grange, 360-864-2023

Harvey Nelson and Swing Stuff Band, country/western, 7-9:30 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, \$6, 360-350-2423

"A Few Good Men," 8 p.m., Evergreen Playhouse, 226 W. Center St., Centralia, \$10 adults, \$8, students, at door or at www.evergreenplayhouse.com

Funaddicts, 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m., Craft-house, Lucky Eagle Casino, Rochester, 800-720-1788

"Kong: Skull Island," 7 p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, rated PG-13, adults \$9, students and seniors \$8, www.mortonroxy.org.

Libraries

Family Storytime, for all ages, 10 a.m., Salkum

Preschool Storytime, for children 3-6 years, 10 a.m., Chehalis

Family Storytime, for children, 10:30 a.m., Winlock

Drop-in Computer and eBook Help, for teens and adults, 3 p.m., Tenino

Organizations

Lewis County Writers Guild, 5 p.m.,

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Submit your calendar items to Newsroom Assistant Doug Blosser by 5 p.m. Friday the week before you would like them to be printed. He can be reached at calendar@chronline.com or 360-807-8238. Please include all relevant information, as well as contact information. Events can also be submitted at www.chronline.com

Station Coffee Bar & Bistro, Centralia, http://lewiscountywriters.wordpress.com/

Support Groups

H.O.P.E., all addictions, 7:30-9 p.m., Heritage Baptist Church of Tenino, 1315 Sussex Ave. E., Tenino, 360-480-0592, hoppedirector@hotmail.com

Celebrate Recovery, dinner 6 p.m., large group 7 p.m., small groups 8 p.m., Grace Foursquare Church, 3030 Borst Ave., Centralia, 360-736-0778, www.gracefoursquarechurch.com

Saturday, April 1

Model Train Show Scheduled for SWW Fairgrounds

The Lewis County Historical Museum and the Lewis County Model Railroad Club are presenting the Model Train Show & Swap Meet at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Saturday and Sunday.

A variety of train layouts, including the ever-popular HO-scale and N-scale sizes, will be on display. Proceeds from this event go to support the Model Railroad Club's layout at the Lewis County Historical Museum.

For more information, contact the museum at 360-748-0831 or visit its website at Lewis County Historical Museum, call 360-748-0831 or 360-985-7788, or visit the museum's Facebook page.

Fox Theatre to Show 'Napoleon Dynamite'

The Centralia Fox Theatre will be showing the next movie in the 2017 Fox Theatre Film Series, the 2004 cult-classic "Napoleon Dynamite," at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, presented by Sticklin Funeral Chapel.

Preston, Idaho's most curious resident, Napoleon Dynamite, lives with his grandma

and his 32-year-old brother (who cruises chat rooms for ladies) and works to help his best friend, Pedro, snatch the student body president title from mean teen Summer Wheatley. The movie is rated PG.

Admission for the movie is \$10 per person (\$8 for members) and \$25 per family (three to four persons.) Showtimes are 2 & 7 p.m. Season Passes are also available for the 2017 Film Series. Passes are \$80 (\$60 for members) and are good for all 11 movies in the series.

Presale tickets are available locally at Book 'n' Brush in Chehalis, Holley's Place in Centralia, and online at http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2874001

For more information, contact the Fox Theatre at 360-623-1103. All proceeds from the event benefit the restoration of the Fox Theatre.

Club Mom Children's Clothing Bank and Exchange, 1-3 p.m., Chehalis First Christian Church, 111 NW Prindle St., 360-269-0587 or 360-748-3702

Dance, Country Four and More, 7 p.m., South Union Grange, 10030 Tilly Road, near exit 99 off I-5, free lessons at 6 p.m. with admission, 360-352-2135

Pancake breakfast, 7:30-10 a.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, \$5, 206-948-2979

"A Few Good Men," 8 p.m., Evergreen Playhouse, 226 W. Center St., Centralia, \$10 adults, \$8, students, at door or at www.evergreenplayhouse.com

Funaddicts, 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m., Craft-house, Lucky Eagle Casino, Rochester, 800-720-1788

"Washington at War: The Evergreen State in World War I," 2-3 p.m., Centralia Timberland Library, presentation by historian Lorraine McConaghy, 360-736-0183 or www.TRL.org

"Kong: Skull Island," 7 p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, rated PG-13, adults \$9, students and seniors \$8, www.mortonroxy.org.

Libraries

Building Block Poetry, for children and teens, all day, Chehalis

Crazy Hair Day, for children, 10:30 a.m., Chehalis

Sensory Friendly Storytime, for children age 3-sixth grade who are an autism spectrum or have other special needs, 10:30 a.m., Centralia

A Fierce Language: Falling in Love With Poetry, for adults, with poet and performer Judith Adams, 2 p.m., Chehalis

Adult Winter Reading After Party, for adults, 2 p.m., Randle

America's Veterans — Washington at War: The Evergreen State in World War I, with Lorraine McConaghy, 2 p.m., Centralia

Editor's Best Bet

Poet to Give Talk at Chehalis Library

Poet and performer Judith Adams will help her audience rediscover the enchantment of poetry at the Vernetta Smith Chehalis Timberland Library 2-3 p.m. Saturday.

Adams will draw upon the works of other poets, including many from Washington state, to demonstrate how poetry can "radically enhance, change and even save our lives." She will explore the joy of

reciting poetry, encourage guests to talk about their experiences with poetry, and lead exercises designed to fire up the poetic imagination.

Adams is an English-born poet who has lived in the United States since 1976. She has published four books of poetry and recorded several albums of her work. Her poems have been published in numerous magazines and anthologies.

Sunday, April 2

Bingo, doors open 5 p.m., bingo starts 6:30 p.m., Forest Grange, 3397 Jackson Highway, Chehalis

Dancing, Swing Stuff, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Swede Hall, Rochester, 360-350-2423

Community meal, 1-3 p.m., Rotary Riverside Park, Centralia, free, sponsored by Jesus Name Pentecostal Church, Chehalis, 360-623-9438

"A Few Good Men," 2 p.m., Evergreen Playhouse, 226 W. Center St., Centralia, \$10 adults, \$8, students, at door or at www.evergreenplayhouse.com

Support Groups

GriefShare, a video seminar focusing on helping people who have lost a loved one, 12:30-2 p.m., Shoestring Valley Community Church, 104 Frase Road, Onalaska, 360-870-2782, http://svchurch.com/griefshare/

Monday, April 3

Pinochle, 6 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, 360-748-7241

"Kong: Skull Island," 7 p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, rated PG-13, adults \$8, students and seniors \$7, www.mortonroxy.org.

Public Agencies

Lewis County Commission, 10 a.m., BOCC board room, second floor, Lewis County Courthouse, agenda available at http://goo.gl/agwWM, 360-740-1120

Lewis County Community Network Board, 3:30-5 p.m., second floor conference room, Lewis County Public Health & Social Services Building, 360 NW North St., Chehalis

Libraries

Learn About Your Library Card, for all ages, noon, Centralia College East, 701 Airport Way, Morton

Organizations

Lewis County Republican Central Committee, dinner, 5:30-6:30 p.m., meeting, 6:30 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S. Market Blvd., Chehalis, 360-736-4500

Centralia Bridge Club, noon, Unity Church, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, 360-748-1753, hraj@localaccess.com

Writer's Forum, 7-9 p.m., 4162 Jackson Highway, Chehalis, 360-262-0525

Tuesday, April 4

Bingo, Chehalis Moose Lodge, doors open at 4:30 p.m., game starts at 6:30 p.m., food available, 360-736-9030

Health and Hope Medical Outreach, free medical clinic, 5:30-8 p.m., Northwest Pediatrics, 1911 Cooks Hill Road, Centralia, for those whose income is less than 200 percent of the poverty level, 360-623-1485

Dinner special, cook's choice, 5-7 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S. Market

Blvd., Chehalis, 360-748-7241

Composting Basics, 6 p.m., Olequa Senior Center, Winlock, sponsored by WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composters, preregistration required, 360-740-1216

Public Agencies

Napavine Planning Commission, 6 p.m., 407 Birch Ave. SW, Napavine, 360-262-3547, ext. 213

Lewis County Interlocal Organization of Fire Districts 2, 15 and 7, 7 p.m., Fire District 15 (Winlock) main station, 360-864-2366

Lewis County PUD Commission, 10 a.m., PUD auditorium, 345 NW Pacific Ave., Chehalis, 360-748-9261 or 1-800-562-5612

Pe Ell Town Council, 6 p.m., City Hall, 360-291-3543

Libraries

Spring Break Party!, for all ages, all day, Randle

Preschool Storytime and Playgroup, for children 3-6 years, 10:30 a.m., Centralia

Organizations

Centralia Bridge Club, 6:30 p.m., Unity Church, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, 360-748-1753, hraj@localaccess.com

Two Town Tuners, 7 p.m., Lewis and Clark Hotel, 117 W. Magnolia St., Centralia, tuners.groupanizer.com

Mount St. Helens Patchwork Quilters, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Lewis County Historical Museum, 599 NW Front St., Chehalis, 360-880-5134

Chehalis PTA, 6:30 p.m., Olympic Elementary library, 360-748-6838

Chehalis-Centralia Optimists, 6:30 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, 360-807-4733

Onalaska Alliance, 6 p.m., Onalaska High School, Room 408, 360-978-5668

Support Groups

Support for mothers, 9:15-11:15 a.m., Bethel Church, for mothers with children pregnancy through 6 years old, sponsored by Chehalis MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), 360-520-3841 or 360-864-2168, email chehalismops@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/chehalismops

NAMI Lewis County Family Support Group, 6-7:30 p.m., Vernetta Smith Chehalis Timberland Library, 360-736-5319 or sherry500us@gmail.com

NAMI Lewis County Connections, recovery support group for adults with mental illness, 5:30-7 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, 2545 N. National Ave., Chehalis, 360-785-9668

Survivors of sexual assault/abuse, for people who speak Spanish, 5:30-7 p.m., 125 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, sponsored by Human Response Network, 360-748-6601

Second Chance/Lewis County Brain Injury Support Group, 5 p.m., call 360-864-4341 or 360-983-3166 for meeting location

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Ryan Keller, Jeopardy game show contestant coordinator, explains rules to about 20 people on Tuesday March 14, at the Westin Hotel in Chicago. The television game show Jeopardy held auditions for Chicago area people who want to appear on the famous show, but not before trying out.

What It's Like to Audition for 'Jeopardy' in Chicago

By Tracy Swartz

Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — Two thousand miles from where “Jeopardy” tapes in Culver City, Calif., a group of 17 men and women met Tuesday morning at a Michigan Avenue hotel to try to score a coveted spot on the quiz show.

The two-hour audition — one of six scheduled this week at Chicago’s Westin hotel — drew Chicago-area residents and visitors from Iowa, Wisconsin and Indiana. Some were veterans of pub trivia, while many told tales of lifelong fandom of “Jeopardy.”

All of them were there because they passed an online test, the first hurdle to becoming a contestant. At the Westin, the hopefuls took a 13-minute written quiz and participated in a mock “Jeopardy” game before bantering with senior contestant coordinator Glenn Kagan in a simulation of the interviews host Alex Trebek conducts with contestants on each episode.

“What we’re looking for primarily is well-rounded people for the show,” Kagan said.

The mix of contestants Tuesday included an Albany Park resident who developed board games, a University of Chicago student who plays the trombone and a suburban stay-at-home mom who brought a Lego figurine of Trebek to the audition.

Emily Ayshford, who lives on the Near North Side, said being on the show “would be a lifelong dream fulfilled. I wouldn’t even care if I won. It would be a dream to play.”

The Northwestern University communications director said she studied the periodic table of elements and gods and goddesses, among other topics, to prep for the tryout.

She nailed half the clues she answered in the mock game and chatted with Kagan about her visits to New Zealand and South Africa, where she rode an ostrich.

“It’s the closest I’ll ever get to riding a velociraptor,” she said.



People gather to audition for the television game show Jeopardy on Tuesday, March 14 at the Westin Hotel in Chicago.

Though the contestants’ backgrounds and occupations varied, all of them seem to be well-traveled with a fondness for hobbies such as rock collecting, playing in a bluegrass band and raising three cats, including one with an affinity for Trebek’s voice.

Kagan said there is not a precise formula to determine who makes a great “Jeopardy” contestant like former Chicago trader Alex Jacob, who won the 2015 Tournament of Champions, but he’s looking for the type of people viewers will root for.

He said he evaluates energy level and ability to follow directions, including waiting for clues to be read completely before buzzing in with answers. Contestants’ success on the show is often determined by the clue categories they face, Kagan said.

“I really can’t guess (who will win). I’m just happy for anyone who does well on this show,” he said.

Kagan said he and contestant coordinator Ryan Keller took

copious notes during the Tuesday morning audition, which will be used in determining which applicants will be added to the potential contestant pool.

Those who perform well remain in the pool for 18 months after their audition date. Some applicants may be called immediately, while others may not be contacted for months. Some hopefuls end up applying multiple times before landing a spot on the show, Kagan said.

About 400 people compete on each season of “Jeopardy.” Those who are tapped to be contestants are given “several weeks” notice to get to Culver City on their own dime. Shows are taped on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, usually from August to May.

Kagan and other contestant coordinators hit the road during taping breaks to hold these auditions. Kagan said Chicago is visited about once a year.

Perrie Cronin-Cole said he

drove more than three hours during Monday’s snowstorm from Madison, Wisconsin, for the tryout Tuesday.

He said he has been watching “Jeopardy” since he was a young boy and now he watches with his kids.

During their interview, Kagan reminded Cronin-Cole that “Jeopardy” has held kids competitions.

“He would get a kick out of it,” Cronin-Cole said about his son, who turns 2 years old this year. “He’s got a story to tell already.”

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Emily Ayshford, of Chicago, auditioned for the television game show Jeopardy which held auditions on Tuesday, March 14, at the Westin Hotel in Chicago.

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 - 46 Acquired kin (hyph.)
 - 47 Tolerated
 - 48 Bradley or Shrif
 - 49 "Fernando" band
 - 51 Chitchat
 - 53 "Rope-a-dope" boxer
 - 55 Hot time in Quebec
 - 56 Broadcast
 - 57 Atlas abbr.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Celebrity Cipher

Today's clue: M equals X

"CANRWOROAC HK OIA WECCAS TBWW BZ
UK LTBWA ZYVASC RSC BSA BZ OIA ZVSAWO
RLOBYW VS OIA HEWVSAWW, HVTT DRMOBS."
— YBH TBXA

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "I've never booted anybody in my whole life. In the arena, they're doing something I can't do." — Bruce Dern

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WASHINGTON STATE HISTORY



Employees and officers of Seattle Electric Railway Co. pose with single-truck electric street car, ca. 1890.

Frank Osgood Tests Seattle's First Electric Streetcars on March 30, 1889

Frank Osgood (1852-1934) tests Seattle's first electric streetcars on his Second Avenue line. Addie Burns, an investor in the Seattle Electric Railway and Power Co., is the system's first passenger. Osgood retires all horse-drawn "hayburners" by April 5, 1889, making Seattle the first West Coast city to offer a fully electric streetcar service. Osgood had built his original horse-drawn line in 1884. Three years later, Frank J. Sprague demonstrated the first electric streetcar in Richmond, Virginia. Osgood joined forces with investors Addie Burns, Edward C. Kilbourne (1856-1959), L. H. Griffith, Franz Theodore Blunck (1841-1918), and others to convert his line to electric traction.

Watches Stopped? Pedestrians Zapped?

The use of electricity caused some public apprehension. Some feared that the newfangled streetcars would magnetize watches or zap pedestrians with bolts of lightning. Skeptics doubted their ability to master Seattle's steep grades.

But doubters and naysayers were proved wrong and construction of electric street railroads became something of a



Pike Street looking east from 2nd Avenue, Seattle, 1900s.

fad in Seattle. By 1892, Seattle was served by 48 miles of streetcar lines and 22 miles of cable car lines. This trackage doubled during the decade, while the national Stone & Webster utility cartel quietly bought up each and every one of Seattle's 22 separate streetcar lines.

Stone & Webster's Seattle Electric Railway Company won a 40-year franchise to operate the system in 1900, but lost money on the mandated nickel fares. The cartel sold the lines to the city government in 1918. Beginning in 1940, the city tore up its street railways and replaced streetcars with buses and trackless trolleys.

Deputy Sheriffs Confiscate and Destroy Slot Machines in Downtown Seattle on March 30, 1925

Search warrants are issued to the King County Sheriff's Department to look for gambling devices at 1525 Fourth Ave. and 421 Pike St. At both places, the sheriff's department confiscates slot machines owned by the Union Supply Co.

At this time, gambling was illegal in Washington state. Slot machines continue to be prohibited, although some are in use at certain tribal casinos.

Tacoma City Light's Mayfield Dam on the Cowlitz River Generates Electricity on March 30, 1963

Tacoma City Light's Mayfield Dam generates electricity. It is one of two hydroelectric dams on the Cowlitz River in eastern Lewis County planned by Tacoma since 1945 and its completion is delayed by anglers and the State Game Department who objected to the impact on salmon and steelhead runs. Tacoma will build two fish hatcheries to compensate for the losses.

During World War II, Tacoma had to buy power from the Bonneville Power Administration and from Seattle, which cost \$1 million each year. Until that time, hydroelectric dams were viewed in the Northwest almost as a patriotic act and power shortages after the war demonstrated the pressing need for more. Tacoma built two dams during the war and added generators to existing hydro and steam facilities. Even before the war ended, Tacoma City Light started looking for new sites for hydropower. The Cowlitz River in Lewis County was selected and the city announced its plans in 1948. Construction was to have taken "three or four years" (Malloy, 172).

Opposition rose immediately from sportsmen's groups and the State Game Department. A state legislator introduced legislation authorizing the department to dynamite Tacoma's Cushman dams because they lacked fish ladders (the measure died). The legislature did establish a fish sanctuary on the Cowlitz that blocked the project. Tacoma went to court and the matter went to the U.S. Supreme Court three times before the city prevailed.

Construction on Mayfield began on July 7, 1955. It was to be 850 feet long and 185 feet high and would generate

460,000 kilowatts. An 860-foot-tunnel connected the reservoir and the powerhouse. In 1957, the project stopped due to court action, but was restarted in 1959. Total cost of the dam was \$44.5 million.

The dam included a \$4.5 million system that carried adult fish from the river up and over the dam to the lake. In 1967, City Light finalized \$20 million in plans for two hatcheries to maintain the salmon and steelhead runs in the river.

Mossyrock Dam, 13 miles upstream, was completed in 1968.

Heady Aroma of Fresh-Roasted Coffee Beans Wafts in the Air as Starbucks Opens for Business and Its Founders Pass Out Free Sample Cups of Coffee to Their First Customers on March 30, 1971

On the morning of March 30, 1971, Jerry Baldwin (b. 1942), Gordon Bowker (b. 1942), and Zev Siegl (b. 1942) flip on the lights and set a sandwich board outside their new coffee shop at 2000 Western Avenue — and then wait. The first customer to step in is their friend Dan Chasan, on his way to the nearby Pike Place Market, his 2-year-old daughter Sarah in tow. They don't (and won't for more than a decade) sell coffee drinks, but the three proprietors, eager to try out their sales technique, brew Chasan a free sample cup of coffee. Then

they scoop out deliciously aromatic beans from glass-fronted bins, hold them under his nose, and expound on the characteristics of coffee from Ethiopia, Columbia, Guatemala, Arabia, and other exotic locales. Chasan goes for the Sumatra, at \$1.75 a pound, chooses some tea, and writes a check for \$5.36. Another friend comes in with a bottle of white wine to celebrate the store opening, so Chasan stays to share it. He gives a little taste to Sarah and she begins running in exuberant circles around the store. Starbucks is in business.

Finally Open for Business

They had intended to open earlier in the spring of 1971, but by the time all the work was done and all the permits in place, the opening date had been pushed back to March 30. Finally that morning Daniel Jack "Dan" Chasan, who had been regularly stopping by to see how they were progressing, saw the sandwich board announcing the store was open and stepped in with his daughter to claim the title of first customer.

That first year, Siegl was the company's only employee. Baldwin kept his job at Boeing while Bowker, a writer and creative thinker, was a partner in the advertising agency Heckler Bowker. His partner Terry Heckler created the original Starbucks logo: a bare-breasted mermaid who served as a siren to lure in customers. Bowker strategized on how to promote the company.



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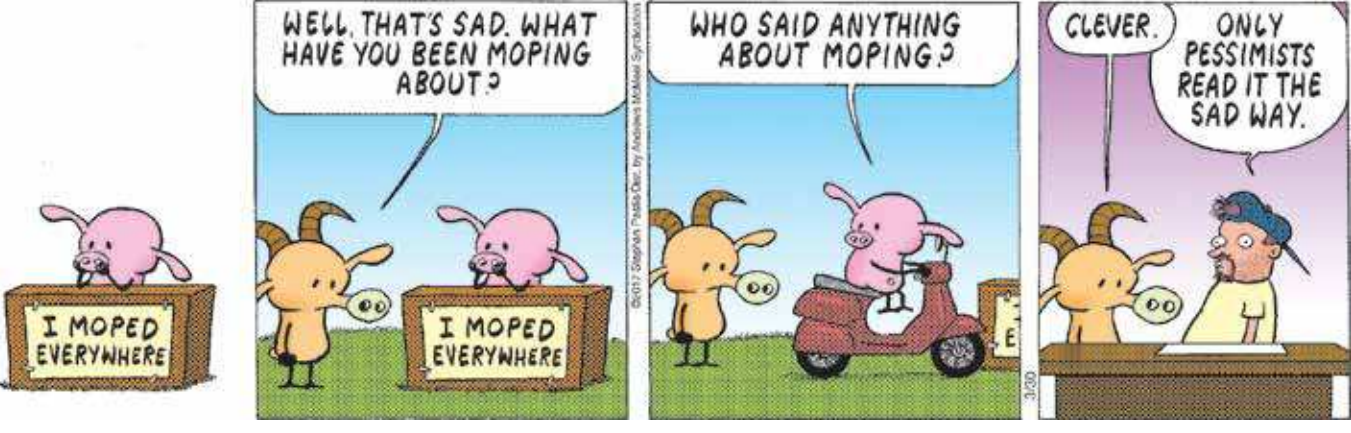
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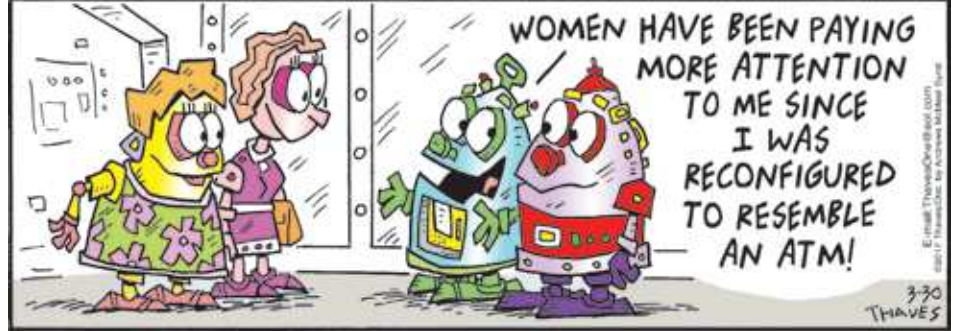
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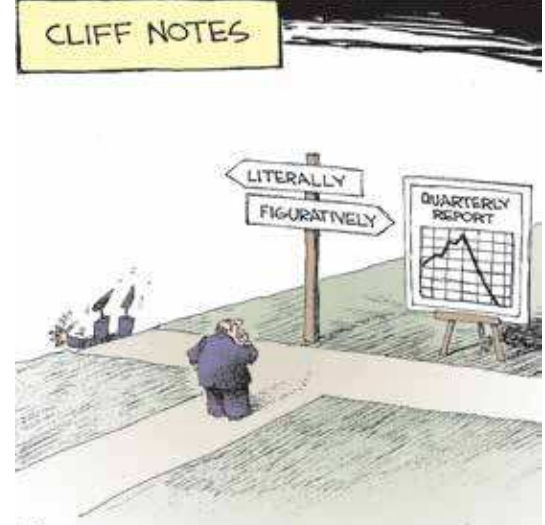
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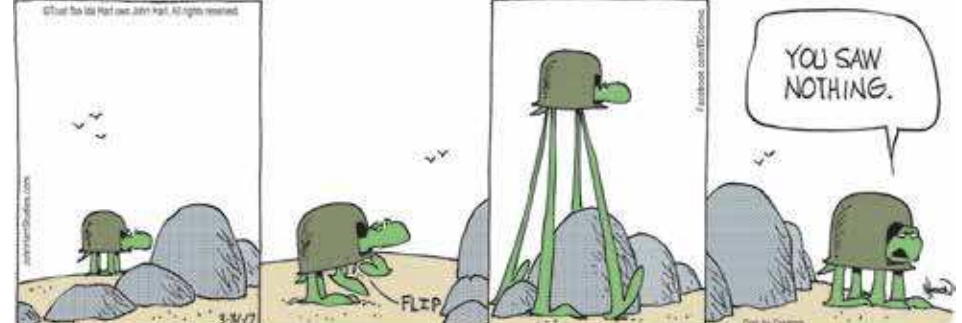
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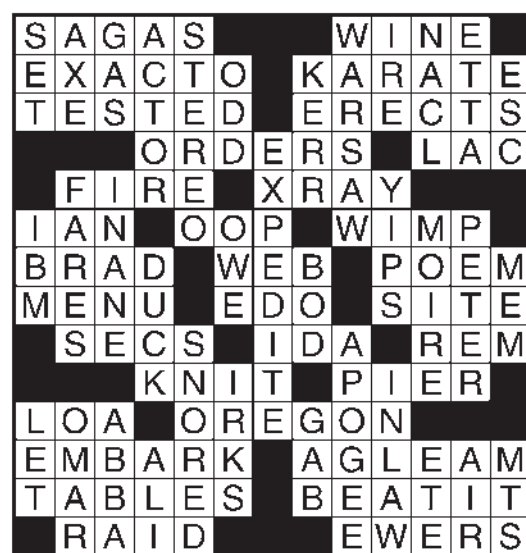


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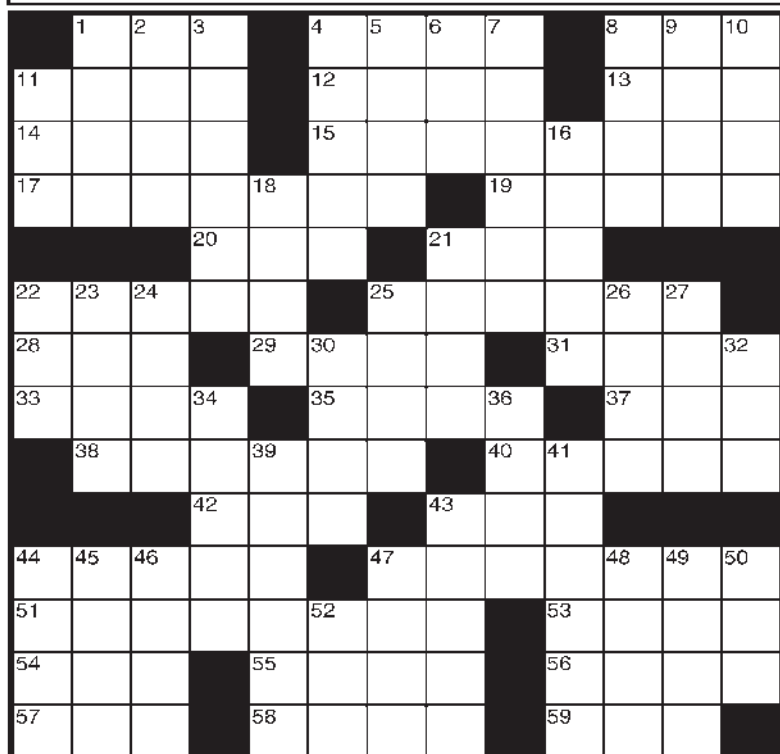
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- Out-of-date Des Moines hrs.
- Koan discipline
- Runs in neutral
- Turndowns
- Evaluates
- California's — Woods
- Delt neighbor
- "L'—, c'est moi"
- Alice's chronicler
- Secret agent
- Resist boldly
- Install tile

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- Gloomy covering
- Ballet costume
- Gales or squalls
- Drying cloth
- Head covering
- The Plastic — Band
- Music sources
- Fedora front
- Tulip source
- Canonized mles.
- Dinner check
- Hoosier hoopster
- Bleachers level
- Foul mood
- Moonshine holder
- Just scraped by
- Scorch
- Motor lodges
- Machine teeth
- Mon. follower
- Family member
- Golf peg
- Track events
- Without a covering
- Gave out
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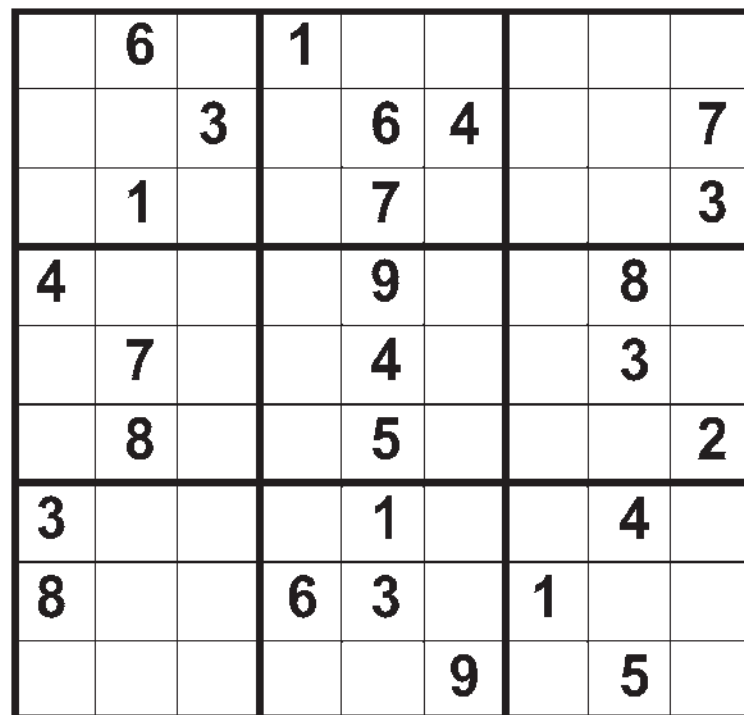
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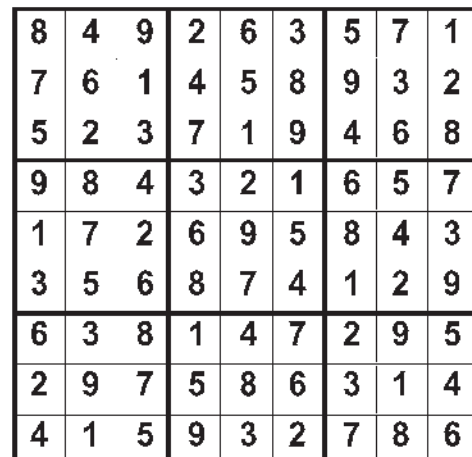
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Today's clue: D equals Y

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SOLUTION TO PUZZLE ON PAGE LIFE 4: "Devastated by the sudden loss of my close friend and one of the finest actors in the business, Bill Paxton." — Rob Lowe

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How 'Deadpool' Writers Found Scary New 'Life' in a Familiar Space Alien Story

By Mark Olsen

Los Angeles Times

With a resume that includes zombies, soldiers, a smart-mouthed superhero and now astronauts fighting a creature in space, screenwriters Rhett Reese and Paul Wernick have become specialists in crafting genre hybrids and defying expectations.

Their latest film, the sci-fi thriller "Life," had its world premiere as the closing film of the recently concluded South by Southwest Film Festival, which has become one of the premier platforms for the smart and surprising.

Wernick and Reese first met in high school in Phoenix and have been working together for more than 17 years. Their first feature collaboration was on the 2009 hit horror comedy "Zombieland." But it was their long-gestating "Deadpool" that brought them unexpected acclaim after the R-rated subversive superhero movie became not only a worldwide box-office success, it also earned Reese and Wernick a nomination from the Writers Guild Awards.

As Reese put it, "We just never would have guessed that 'Deadpool' of all things would be our prestige play."

With "Life," the two surprise yet again, creating a hybrid of a philosophical sci-fi story and intense thriller within the contained environment of a horror movie.

In the film, a group of astronauts — including stars Jake Gyllenhaal, Ryan Reynolds and Rebecca Ferguson — aboard the International Space Station collect a soil sample from Mars that turns out to have a definitive example of life on another planet.

When that sample is re-animated and begins to grow beyond their control — revealing itself as bent on destruction of any other life it encounters — the astronauts must fight not only for their own survival but also to keep the creature from reaching Earth.

The origins of the film, directed by Daniel Espinosa, came from a lunch Reese and Wernick had with producer David Ellison



Ryan Reynolds as Rory Adams in a scene from the movie "Life" directed by Daniel Espinosa.

during the making of "G.I. Joe: Retaliation," which they wrote. Ellison, whose Skydance company produced "G.I. Joe," pitched them the core idea based around his own interest in a recent NASA expedition to Mars.

From there, Reese and Wernick came up with a more fully formed story and then wrote the script.

"We were both fans of the movie 'Alien,' which of course our movie will be compared to, maybe fortunately or unfortunately," says Reese. "But on this our general feeling was 'Alien' is, if you can believe it, almost a 40-year-old movie. And it was always set in a universe that's pretty far flung from our own — it's the future, it's spaceships off in distant galaxies, and we were attracted to 'Life' because it really felt like the grounded, real, science fiction version of this story. We really are on the hunt for life on other planets and on Mars itself."

Within that context, their script makes the "Alien" story plausible.

"We really liked taking the

genre aspect, this alien, and dropping it into today and a location that actually exists, the International Space Station," Reese adds. "At every turn in the script we'd ask ourselves, what would really happen?"

"And what better haunted house in the entire universe than the International Space Station, 200 miles above Earth," Wernick says. "You can't get out, you're stuck, it's the ultimate haunted house."

For Ellison, it was Wernick and Reese's versatility that made them the right writers for the story.

"Paul and Rhett have unbelievable range," Ellison says. "One of the things that was appealing to them from the original conversations was just really getting to dive into a genre they hadn't gotten to get their hands on before."

Espinosa had previously worked with Reynolds on the 2012 action movie "Safe House."

And although many people know Ferguson from her breakout role in "Mission: Impossible

— Rogue Nation," which Ellison also produced, Espinosa has known her for many years from their native Sweden.

For Espinosa it was the "simple core idea" of the story that allowed him the freedom to dig into creating not only the realistic sense of being on the space station but also to bring out the human drama among the characters of the crew.

"I can look at this like I'm doing a big science-fiction movie, but I can also look at it as I'm doing this piece with six actors and one location," Espinosa says.

Among the other films that premiered at this year's SXSW Film Festival was "Atomic Blonde," directed by David Leitch, who will be handling the upcoming sequel to "Deadpool," also written by Reese and Wernick.

The success of the first "Deadpool" is something the pair are still surprised by, but it has made them feel even more freed to explore unlikely connections and pushing further in their work.

"I think it was an apple among

oranges," Wernick says of "Deadpool." "There are superhero movies upon superhero movies and not only anymore in the summertime. Every month is the summertime, which is good for the movie industry but it feels like it's just an onslaught of more of the same. I think ('Deadpool') had a freshness to it in the sense that people hadn't really seen anything like this, an R-rated, self-deprecating, self-loathing anti-hero who you fall in love with and root for."

With "Life," the pair were able to combine the hard realities of science, the scares of a horror movie and even some of the most basic questions about human existence and our place in the universe.

"There's great debate in terms of how likely is it for life to spontaneously occur somewhere when the conditions for it are present. I think my basic understanding is that while it is an unlikely occurrence, the universe is a very big place," Reese says.

"I think that's both the dream and the frightening idea, that we aren't alone."

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Housekeeper

Housekeeper lady, 2 or 3 days per week. General cleaning, washing clothes, dishes & miscellaneous chores. Help wife with her personal needs. Speaks Spanish a plus. Call after 5:30, 360-978-4043.

HR CLERK

National Frozen Foods Corporation is now hiring a full time, **Human Resources Clerk**. Clerical experience, benefits package. Fax cover letter and resume 360-388-9112 or call Darcy Fisher 360-748-0015.
EEO EMPLOYER

I mow lawns at a reasonable price. (Chehalis & Centralia only). Call Larry at 360-262-9784.



LEWIS PUD

Summer Seasonal Positions

We are currently looking to fill a variety of summer seasonal positions. For more details please visit www.lcpud.org and click on Employment Opportunities under Your PUD.
Equal Opportunity Employer

Manufacturing Sanitation Supervisor

National Frozen Foods Corporation is now hiring a full time, night shift **Manufacturing Sanitation Supervisor**. Sanitation experience, benefits package. Call Darcy Fisher 360-748-0015.
EEO EMPLOYER

MECHANIC

M&M Transport

Large equipment diesel mechanic needed. Pay DOE. Call for details, 360-262-9383

CAREGIVER NEEDED

Part time caregiver needed in Centralia area. 2-3 morning hours, Monday-Friday. No experience required. Must be reliable. Call after 5pm. 360-736-6634

Part Time Position

requires bookkeeping, daily inventory maintenance, computer skills, light store maintenance, a.m. hours Tuesday-Saturday. Send resume to P.O. Box 538, Mossyrock, WA 98564.

HELP WANTED

MEMBERSHIP SPECIALIST

The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) is a private, non-profit organization, which provides a wide array of legislative, training, and other services to all cities and towns in the state of Washington. The Risk Management Service Agency (RMSA) is a local government property and liability risk pool comprised of member cities and towns, sponsored and managed by the AWC. AWC is recruiting for the newly created position of Membership Specialist. The purpose of this position is to provide operational, membership and communications support in the administration of the contracted Risk Management Service Agency program for the organization. Salary range is \$41,580 - \$44,075, DOQ. The AWC offers an excellent benefits package. For a full job description and to download application materials go to www.awcnet.org (click on Services/JobNet). Completed application form, cover letter, and resume are due by 5:00 pm, January 23, 2017. Please email completed application package to recruiting@awcnet.org

Boat lettering in your choice of color. Call Sign Pro today, (360)736-6322.

Ads with a price ALWAYS generate more qualified calls.

HELP WANTED

TRUCK DRIVER

Full time, hauling milk. Enumclaw-Chehalis area, Class A CDL, endorsements for tankers and doubles, must be over 23 with 2 years experience. Benefits. Fax resume & driving abstract to 360- 629-6518 or call 425-210-9132 or email rustylarsen11@gmail.com.

TRUCK DRIVER



Weekday truck driver needed in Vancouver, WA and Centralia, WA. Hourly pay all hours + overtime, vacation, holiday, medical, 401K. Small family atmosphere. Equipment assigned to each driver and not swapped around most of the time. We train drivers on our specialized equipment. Must have CDL A + doubles endorsement and pretty good drive record.
Call Tony, daytime only at 360-518-3840 or walk in for an application 1907 W 39th St., Vancouver WA.

McCALLUM ROCK DRILLING

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

McCallum Rock Drilling Inc. has been committed to providing safe, high quality controlled drilling and blasting services since 1988.

.....
Class A CDL Drivers (Minimum 1 year experience)
Laborers
Operators
.....

Come in today to apply
115 Sturdevant Rd, Chehalis
No Phone Calls!

HR ASSISTANT

Is working in Human Resources your goal?

The Lafromboise Communications, Inc. corporate office in Centralia is seeking a competent candidate to be a part of our business office. The candidate for our HR Assistant position should be prepared to work with staff at four locations who fill a variety of job functions. Responsibilities will include processing payroll, updating employee handbook, new hire and employee exit procedures, 401k coordination, safety coordinator, as well as researching healthcare and dental plans. Must be organized and able to multi-task and maintain a calendar for employee certifications. Previous human resource experience is desirable. This position will provide services for The Chronicle, The Chronicle Print Division team, the Nisqually Valley News, The Reflector, Sign Pro and all associated divisions of the company. Position reports to the president/COO.

PART-TIME ACCOUNTANT

The Lafromboise Communications, Inc. corporate office in Centralia is seeking a competent candidate to be a part of our business office. Must have strong reconciliation skills, general ledger, journal entry, and ability to perform financial statement preparation. End of month variation analysis and a sound understanding of inventory, B & O tax filing and adjustments is important. Must be organized and able to multi-task. Experience with accounting software is necessary and accounting education is desirable. This position will provide services for The Chronicle, The Chronicle Print Division team, the Nisqually Valley News, The Reflector, Sign Pro and all associated divisions of the company. Position reports to the president/COO.

To apply, email your work history & cover letter attention:
Christine Fossett, Publisher
Subject: HR Assistant or Subject: Part-Time Accountant
to cfossett@chronline.com.

or mail to The Chronicle Attention:
Christine Fossett, Publisher
Subject: HR Assistant or Subject: Part-Time Accountant
321 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531.

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SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SALE COMMITTEE

Opening for Paid Committee Treasurer Position

JOB DUTIES:

- Maintenance of bank accounts for the committee.
- Financial transaction oversight, knowledgeable about access to the organization's funds, any outstanding bills or debts owed, as well as developing systems for keeping cash flow manageable.
- Budgets. Developing the annual budget as well as comparing the actual revenues and expenses incurred against the budget.
- Financial policies. Overseeing the development and observation of the organization's financial policies.
- Reports. Keeping the board regularly informed of key financial events, trends, concerns, and assessment of fiscal health in addition to completing required financial reporting forms in a timely fashion and making these forms available to the board.
- Data entry and record keeping. Pays attention to detail, timely in completing tasks, neat and accurate record keeping, literate in financial jargon, willing to ask questions and willing to ask for assistance when needed.
- Fair responsibilities. Applicant needs to be available and present on the fairgrounds for the duration of the Southwest Washington Fair.

HIRING PROCESS - INTERESTED APPLICANTS SHOULD:

- Submit a cover letter, resume, and 2 professional references to:
a. swjuniorlivestock@outlook.com
b. Submissions must be received by April 1st.
- Attend the general committee meeting to introduce themselves to committee members. Meeting will take place on April 10 at 6:30pm in the Historical Building at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds.
- Interview with representatives of the committee on a date that will be set at the April 10th general meeting.

BAZAARS



OAKVIEW GRANGE SPRING CRAFT/PLANT SALE BAZAAR

March 31 & April 1, 9am-4pm.

Oakview Grange, 2715 N. Pearl St., Centralia, WA 98531.

One-of-a-kind unique items made by local people.

Lunch available!

Shop local, come by to see us!

- ★ Arts & Crafts
- ★ Food Booths
- ★ Primitive Signs
- ★ Jewelry
- ★ Woodworking
- ★ Lots & More!

You Asked, We Listened!!

The Chronicle will publish the Best Bazaars in 2017!

(A featured page to include bazaars in the area)

September 26, 28 & 30!

If you're having a bazaar, you won't want to miss getting your ad in this featured section!!

Pick up a bazaar form in our office at The Chronicle 321 N. Pearl St., Centralia

OR email us at classifieds@chronline.com to request a form.

EARLY BIRD PRICE:
\$30 non-subscribers
\$25 subscribers

Note: Your ad will run in The Chronicle's Best Bazaars in 2017 featured page along with a classified ad running 1-3 days the week of your bazaar and it will also be included on our calendar page, on Thursday, the week of your bazaar. **DEADLINE: September 15 at noon.**

Questions, 807-8203

SPORTING & RECREATION

BOATS, MOTORS & TRAILERS

1980 OMC 800 series: stern drive & other parts, total rebuild, miscellaneous parts, \$3000. 1978 Dodge flatbed, \$2500. 4 new tires, ST22575R15, \$450. Marine alternator, \$125. 360-430-9038

AUTOMOTIVE

UTILITY TRAILERS

6x12 utility trailer, torsion axles, d'ring tie down, 15" rims, low miles, rear folding ramp, \$1200/offer. 360-785-9571

DOMESTIC AUTOS

2006 Buick Lucerne CXS: beautiful dark blue, V8 engine, 45K miles, senior owned since new, \$8500. 360-273-2141

LEGAL NOTICES

96563 883477 048537-WA

Trustee Sale # 048537-WA Title # 160281454-WA-MSO NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date on this notice to pursue mediation. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your home, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission Telephone: 1-877-894-HOME(1-877-894-4663). Web site: http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post_purchase_counselors_foreclosure.htm The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Telephone: 1-800-569-4287 Web site: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/foia/index.cfm?webListAction=search&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dcf> The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 Web site: <http://www.justice.org/What-clear>

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, CLEAR RECON CORP., 9311 S.E. 36th Street, Suite 100, Mercer Island, WA 98040, Trustee will on 4/7/2017 at 10:00 AM at AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE LEWIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 351 N.W. NORTH STREET, CHEHALIS, WA 98532 sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Lewis, State of Washington, to-wit: LOT 3 IN BLOCK 1, NORTH END ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CHEHALIS. LOT 2 IN BLOCK 1, NORTH END ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CHEHALIS. EXCEPTING A PART OF SAID LOT 2 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 2; THENCE DIAGONALLY ACROSS SAID LOT 2 TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE NORTH TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT; THENCE EAST, ALONG THE LINE BETWEEN LOTS 1 AND 2 IN SAID BLOCK, TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. Commonly known as: 109 COAL CREEK ROAD CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON 98532 APN: 005538-001-000 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 3/28/2000, recorded 3/31/2000, as Auditor's File No. 3090413, records of Lewis County, Washington, from JOHN W HANKINS AND BARBARA HANKINS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor(s), to TITLE GUARANTY COMPANY OF LEWIS COUNTY, A WASHINGTON CORPORATION, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned to JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No. 3451863. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust or the Beneficiary's successor is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: **PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION**
Note Dated: 3/28/2000
Note Amount: \$52,500.00
Interest Paid To: 4/1/2016
Next Due Date: 5/1/2016
PAYMENT INFORMATION
FROM THRU NO. PMT AMOUNT
5/1/2016 731/2016 3 \$383.93
TOTAL \$1,151.79
FROM THRU NO. PMT AMOUNT
8/1/2016 4 \$396.73
TOTAL \$1,586.92
ADVANCES/LATE CHARGES
DESCRIPTION TOTAL
Accrued Late Charges \$123.85
Corporate Advance \$1,239.40
ESTIMATED FORECLOSURE FEES AND COSTS
DESCRIPTION TOTAL
Trustee's Fee's \$1,125.00
Record Appointment of Successor Trustee \$15.00
T.S.G. Fee \$569.16
Posting of Notice of Default \$125.00
Mailings \$48.84
TOTAL DUE AS OF 11/21/2016 \$5,984.96
IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of \$32,621.99, together with interest as provided in the Note from 5/1/2016, and such other costs and fees as are provided by statute. V. The above described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 4/7/2017. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 3/27/2017, (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 3/27/2017 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 3/27/2017 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the or the Grantor's successor interest or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "1" by both first class and certified mail on 10/12/2016, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable, with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to

anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. **NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS-** The purchaser at the trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the grantor under the Deed of Trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the Deed of Trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. If you are a servicemember or a dependent of a servicemember, you may be entitled to certain protections under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and any comparable state laws regarding the risk of foreclosure. If you believe you may be entitled to these protections, please contact our office immediately. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: 12/01/2016 CLEAR RECON CORP., as Successor Trustee For additional information or service you may contact: Clear Recon Corp. 9311 S.E. 36th Street, Suite 100 Mercer Island, WA 98040 Phone: (206) 707-9599

EXHIBIT "1" NAME & ADDRESSES

BARBARA HANKINS
109 COAL CREEK RD
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

BARBARA HANKINS
109 COAL CREEK ROAD
CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON 98532

BARBARA K. HANKINS
109 COAL CREEK ROAD
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

BARBARA K. HANKINS
109 COAL CREEK ROAD
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

JOHN HANKINS JR.
109 COAL CREEK ROAD
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

JOHN HANKINS JR.
109 COAL CREEK ROAD
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JOHN W HANKINS
109 COAL CREEK RD
CHEHALIS, WA 98532

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CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON 98532

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96670 Sheriff's Sale: Winters

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR LEWIS COUNTY

KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, its successors in interest and/or assigns,

Plaintiff,

v.

BRENT WINTERS; STACY WINTERS; OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES,

Defendants.

SHERIFF'S SALE SERVICE BY PUBLICATION Cause No. 15-2-00999-21

Judgment Rendered: 01-30-17

Writ Issued: 02-21-17

Writ Received: 02-24-17

Levy Date: 02-28-17

TO Brent Winters; Stacy Winters; and Occupants of the Premises. (Judgment Debtors)

A writ of execution has been issued in the above-captioned case, directed to the Sheriff of Lewis County, commanding the Sheriff as follows:

TO: THE SHERIFF OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

On January 30, 2017, an in rem Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure ("Judgment") was entered in favor of KeyBank National Association ("Plaintiff") against the defendants Brent Winters; Stacy Winters; and Occupants of the Premises ("Defendant"). The Judgment(s) foreclose the interests of all of the Defendants in and to the following described property ("Property") commonly known as 282-79 Woodard Road, Chehalis, WA 98532 for the total sum of \$110,128.10 with interest thereon at the rate of 5.990% per annum beginning on January 30, 2017 until satisfied. The Property situated in Lewis County, State of Washington, is legally described as:

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS, STATE OF WASHINGTON: TRACT 7 OF THAT CERTAIN SURVEY RECORDED MAY 1, 1978 IN VOLUME 2 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 186, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 845628 RECORDS OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON AND BEING A PORTION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 13 NORTH, RANGE 2

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WEST, W.M. SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS, COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESERVATIONS, LEASES AND RESTRICTIONS OF RECORD, ALL LEGAL HIGHWAYS, ALL RIGHTS OF WAY, ALL ZONING, BUILDING AND OTHER LAWS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS, ALL RIGHTS OF TENANTS IN POSSESSION, AND ALL REAL ESTATE TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS NOT YET DUE AND PAYABLE. BEING THE SAME PROPERTY CONVEYED BY DEED RECORDED IN DOCUMENT NO. 3260355, OF THE LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON RECORDS.

Tax Parcel No.: 018465007000

THEFORE, pursuant to RCW 61.12.060, and in the name of the State of Washington, you are hereby commanded to sell the Property, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in order to satisfy the Judgment, including post-judgment interest and costs.

MAKE RETURN HEREOF within sixty days of the date indicated belows, showing you have executed the same.

WITNESS: The Honorable James W. Lawler, Judge of the Superior Court and the seal of said Court, affixed this 21st day of February, 2017, at Chehalis, Washington.

The sale date has been set for Friday, May 5, 2017. YOU MAY HAVE A RIGHT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY from the sale under statutes of this state, including sections 6.13.010, 6.13.030, 6.13.040, 6.15.010, and 6.15.060 of the Revised Code of Washington, in the manner described in those statutes.

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97027 Bid No. 17-05

Purchase of Power Transformer Bid No. 17-05

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County at the office of the District at 321 N.W. Pacific Avenue, Chehalis, Washington 98532, on April 14, 2017 until 3:00 p.m., at which time they will be opened and read aloud for the furnishing of the following:

One Power Transformer

Bid and contract documents, including drawings, are available on the District's website, <http://www.lcpud.org/pud/rfp-list>. Project specifications are included on the drawings. Bids are to be made on all items covered in the proposal, for the complete work.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond, payable to the order of Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County in the sum of 5% of the total amount of the bid, to be forfeited to the District by the successful bidder in case the bidder fails to enter into a contract and files an acceptable surety bond in the sum of the contract price to fulfill the conditions of the contract within ten (10) days from the date on which the bidder is notified. No bidder may withdraw its bid after the hour set for the opening thereof or before contract award unless the award is delayed for a period exceeding thirty (30) days.

All proposals must be made on the District's Proposal form and in accordance with the

Cathy Kane of the Randle UMC Pet Ministry says...

We can't thank you and The Chronicle enough, Amanda! We spayed, neutered and placed in good homes 100 kittens, cats and dogs last year. The majority of adoptions were a result of the Jr Pet Column ads placed in The Chronicle. Being able to place free ads makes all the difference since we operate solely through fundraisers and good will donations from the community.

Thanks so much for always being there for our group! You're the best!



LEGAL NOTICES

Instructions to Bidders. Bids shall be identified on the outside of the envelope as **SEALED BID NO. 17-05, OPENING DATE APRIL 14, 2017 3:00 P.M.**

Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive all informalities in the bidding and to accept and split the award on an item basis unless the bidder so states in the bid that the bid is for all items or none. Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County also reserves the right to accept the bid which the Commission feels will be in the best interest of the District regardless of bid price, and bidders by submitting bids agree to this condition.

Dated this 28th day of March 2017.

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF LEWIS COUNTY

Daniel E. Kay, Manager

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97029 Bid No. 17-04-CF

Purchase of Mobile Diesel Generator Bid No. 17-04-CF

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County (District) at the office of the District at 321 N.W. Pacific Avenue, Chehalis, Washington 98532, on April 24, 2017 until 1:30 p.m., at which time they will be opened and read aloud for the furnishing of the following:

Mobile Diesel Generator

Bid and contract documents, including drawings, are available on the District's website, <http://www.lcpud.org/pud/rfp-list>. Project specifications are included on the drawings. Bids are to be made on all items covered in the proposal, for the complete work.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond, payable to the order of Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County in the sum of 5% of the total amount of the bid, to be forfeited to the District by the successful bidder in case the bidder fails to enter into a contract and files an acceptable surety bond in the sum of the contract price to fulfill the conditions of the contract within ten (10) days from the date on which the bidder is notified. No bidder may withdraw its bid after the hour set for the opening thereof or before contract award unless the award is delayed for a period exceeding thirty (30) days.

All proposals must be made on the District's Proposal form and in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Bids shall be identified on the outside of the envelope as **SEALED BID NO. 17-04-CF, OPENING DATE APRIL 24, 2017, 1:30 P.M.**

LEGAL NOTICES

Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive all informalities in the bidding and to accept and split the award on an item basis unless the bidder so states in the bid that the bid is for all items or none. Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County also reserves the right to accept the bid which the Commission feels will be in the best interest of the District regardless of bid price, and bidders by submitting bids agree to this condition.

Dated this 27th day of March 2017.

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF LEWIS COUNTY

Daniel E. Kay, Manager

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97044 RFQ

Centralia School District 401

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) A/E DESIGN SERVICES FOR HIGH SCHOOL MODERNIZATION TWO NEW K-6 525 STUDENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS CENTRALIA SCHOOLS DISTRICT #401

Addendum Pending

Change of Date for SOQ

Centralia School District 401 is seeking the professional services of a qualified and experienced consulting team for the complete design of two new 525-student k-6 elementary school facilities, and the complete modernization of the Centralia High School. The qualifying firm will be experienced and able to provide services in all phases of design and construction document preparation. Centralia School District may also request interviews as part of the process. Additional information and the complete RFQ can be accessed on the District website, <http://www.centralia.k12.wa.us/Idomain/42>

All submittals must be received on or before TBD pending addendum.

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97048 Ordinance No. 434-D

ORDINANCE NO. 434-D

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NAPAVINE, WASHINGTON PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DATES AND TIME FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS, REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES CONFLICTING HEREWITH, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Napavine, Washington, at a special scheduled open public meeting this 28th,

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day of March 2017.

The above is a summary of Ordinance 434-D, it may be viewed in its entirety at the city clerk's office, 407 Birch Avenue SW, Napavine. Mary Wood, Interim City Clerk "This institution is an equal opportunity provider, and employer."

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96857 RSQ Engineering and Land Surveying Services

Request for Statement of Qualification (RSQ) Town of Bucoda Request for Qualification Data to Furnish Engineering and Land Surveying Services

The Town of Bucoda (pursuant to Chapter 61, Laws of 1981) is inviting statements of qualifications and performance information from firms interested in providing professional engineering and land surveying services for the 2017 calendar year in conjunction with city sponsored projects. Town of Bucoda, for which engineering service is sought, includes: water reservoir study update, reservoir site acquisition, reservoir construction, miscellaneous water distribution and transmission pipelines, and downtown sewer project.

Qualification and performance statements will be reviewed, placed on file for the 2017 calendar year, and will be used as the source from which to select one or more qualified firms from whom a detailed proposal will be requested for any specific project. Those firms who have statements on file for the 2016 calendar year should only respond with a request for their statement to be renewed for 2017 along with any pertinent amendments to their statement.

Minority- and women-owned firms are encouraged to submit statements of qualification.

The Town of Bucoda is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer.

Questions regarding this solicitation

Did you know you can view legals

@ www.wnpa.com

PNNA STATEWIDE CLASSIFIEDS

Pacific Northwest Daily Connection - A classified ad network of 31 daily newspapers in FIVE (5) states - AK, ID, WA, OR AND MT, reaching 9 million+ readers per three-day run. The 25-word classified ad will run three (3) consecutive days; Thursday-Saturday or Friday-Sunday in each of the network newspapers - total of 93 ads - and the buy would cost \$5.80 PER DAY PER NEWSPAPER, or \$540 per month.

Please call The Chronicle Customer Service 360-807-8203 for details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVERY BUSINESS has a story to tell! Get your message out with California's PRMedia Release - the only Press Release Service operated by the press to get press! For more info contact Cecelia @ 916-288-6011 or <http://prmediarelease.com/california> (PNDC)

AUTOS WANTED

WANTED! Old Porsche 356/911/912 for restoration by hobbyist 1948-1973 Only. Any condition, top \$ paid! PLEASE LEAVE MESSAGE (707) 965-9546 (PNDC)

Got an older car, boat or RV? Do the humane thing. Donate it to the Humane Society. Call 1-800-205-0599 (PNDC)

DONATE YOUR CAR, TRUCK OR BOAT TO HERITAGE FOR THE BLIND. Free 3 Day Vacation, Tax Deductible, Free Towing, All Paperwork Taken Care Of. CALL 1-800-401-4106 (PNDC)

BUSINESS SERVICES

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ation should be directed to the Town of Bucoda, at the following address: PO Box 10 Bucoda, WA 98530. Response of interested firms is requested no later than April 19, 2017.

This project is funded through the Washington State Community Development Block Grant Program with federal funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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97030 Hubbard Lane

Chehalis City Council Notice of Public Hearing
Notice is hereby given that the

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Chehalis City Council will conduct a public hearing on an application to rezone 1856 SW Hubbard Lane, Chehalis, WA from R-2 Medium Density Residential to CG Commercial General. Public comment on the proposed rezoning will be taken during the public hearing in the Chehalis City Hall Council Chamber at 350 N Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA on Monday, April 10, 2017 at 5:00 pm. Copies of the proposal are available for public review at the Chehalis Community Development Office, 1321 S Market Blvd., Chehalis, WA, during regular business hours (M-F, 8-5), or by email upon written request to comdev@ci.chehalis.wa.us. Questions regarding the proposal may also be directed to the Cheha-

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lis Community Development Office.
Caryn Foley, City Clerk

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96669 Sale of Real Property: Winters

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR LEWIS COUNTY

KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, its successors in interest and/or assigns,

Plaintiff,

v.

BRENT WINTERS; STACY WINTERS; OCCUPANTS OF

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THE PREMISES,
Defendants.

SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Judgment Rendered: 01-30-17
Writ Issued: 02-21-17
Writ Received: 02-24-17
Levy Date: 02-28-17

TO Brent Winters; Stacy Winters; and Occupants of the Premises. (Judgment Debtors)

The Superior Court of Lewis County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Lewis County

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to sell the properties described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action. The property to be sold is described at the bottom of page 2.

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The sale of the above described property is to take place:

Time: 10:00 a.m.
Date: Friday, May 5, 2017
Place: Main Entrance Lobby, Old Lewis County Courthouse, 351 NW North St., Chehalis, WA

The judgment debtor can avoid the sale by paying the combined judgment amount of \$110,128.10 together with interest of 5.990% per annum from January 30, 2017 to date of sale, with costs, and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the Sheriff at the address stated below:

Dated this 3rd day of March, 2017.

ROBERT R. SNAZA, Sheriff, LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

By Dustin G. Breen, Chief Deputy
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Chehalis, Washington 98532
Phone(360)748-9286

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Parcel number: 018465-007-000

Legal Description: SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS, STATE OF WASHINGTON: TRACT 7 OF THAT CERTAIN SURVEY RECORDED MAY 1, 1978 IN VOLUME 2 OF SURVEYS, PAGE 186, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 845628

RECORDS OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON AND BEING A PORTION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE

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