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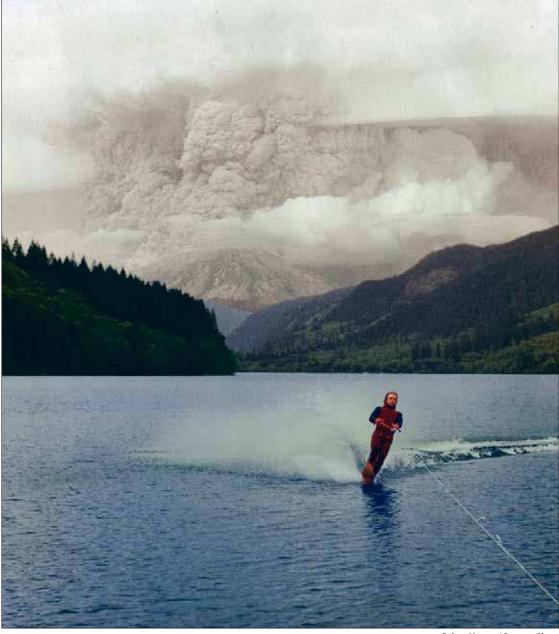
By Joanna Michaud

For The Chronicle

On May 17, 1980, 19-year-old Battle Ground resident Jim Hobson and some friends launched their boat at Saddle Dam Park on Yale Reservoir. After water skiing all day, Hobson and his friends – Robert Morgan, Ralph Morgan and Dave Pritchard – made a camp up Siouxon Creek for the night, unaware of the sight that would greet them the next morning.

The four friends woke up the morning of May 18, 1980, with no idea that a volcanic eruption was going on right beside them.

"Where we were camped, there is no view of the mountain, so when we went out for our morning ski we were not aware of the eruption," Hobson said. "As we skied into view of the mountain and saw the erup-



Morton Native Announces Campaign for Governor

BILL BRYANT: Seattle Port Commissioner Launches Website

By The Associated Press and The Chronicle

SEATTLE (AP) — Port of Seattle Commissioner Bill Bryant, a businessman who has strongly supported allowing Shell to base

Shell to base its Arctic offshore oil-drilling fleet here, announced his campaign as a Republican candidate for governor on Thursday — just as one of



the company's *governor* massive drill rigs was being greeted by protests upon its arrival at the city's waterfront.

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Reynolds Lawsuit Heads to Ninth Court of Appeals

tion, we stopped the boat and sat there staring for a while."

What might be surprising to some is that what Hobson and his friends witnessed did not make them instantly race for safer grounds.

"After that we moved our camp out on the beach in view of the mountain and spent the day there skiing and watching

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Robert Morgan / Courtesy Photo

A 19-year-old Jim Hobson, of Battle Ground, is shown here water skiing on May 18, 1980, as Mount St. Helens erupts in the background. Photo courtesy of Robert Morgan

Eruption Blasted Volcano Research to New Paradigm

LOOKING BACK: *Mount St. Helens' 1980 Eruption Forever Changed How Volcanoes are Studied*

By Dameon Pesanti

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The cataclysmic eruption of the stratovolcano Mount St. Helens morphed the landscape with an awesome force rarely seen in modern history. It obliterated several glaciers, took the lives of 57 people, spread ash into 11 states and has gone down in history as the most deadly and economically destructive volcanic eruption in American history.

The volcano disrupted the lives of hundreds of thousands of people in the Northwest, and one of the greatest impacts was felt in the scientific community. "The Mount St. Holong grup

"The Mount St. Helens erup-

tion hit the reset button for volcanologists and ushered in a whole new era for volcanic research," said Carolyn Driedger, a hydrologist working at the U.S. Geological Survey Volcano Observatory in Vancouver.

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By Natalie Johnson

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A lawsuit related to a 2011 inquest into the death of Ronda Reynolds is headed to the United States

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

U.S. District Court Judge Ben Settle granted a summary judgement

in favor of

Lewis County

and Coroner



Ron Reynolds plaintiff

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News of the Weird



Mitt Romney Throws Hat in Ring — the **Boxing Ring, That Is**

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) -Former Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney and five-time heavyweight boxing champion Evander Holyfield are set to square off at a charity fight night event in Salt Lake City on Friday night.

Romney and Holyfield, wearing full protective gear, will spar in the boxing ring for a lighthearted fight before the night's three fights by professional boxers.

The black-tie event is raising money for the Utah-based organization CharityVision, which helps doctors in developing countries perform surgeries to restore vision in people with curable blindness.

Romney's son Josh Romney, who lives in Utah, serves as a volunteer president for CharityVision.

Corporate sponsorships for the event range from \$25,000 to \$250,000. Organizers say the event is expected to raise \$1,000,000.

Ahead of the fight, Romney and Holyfield participated in an official weigh-in Thursday night.

Romney, 68, weighed in at 179 pounds and Holyfield, 52, weighed in at 236 pounds.

In a web video previewing the event, Romney and Holyfield hype the event while working out and wearing boxing shorts.

"It's true, I don't have much of a right hook, but when I get somebody's ear, I can be pretty formidable," Romney said.

"Mitt you can't run, you can't hide. Come get your whoopin',"

Sea Weed? Packages of **Marijuana Wash Ashore** in Two States

ORANGE BEACH, Ala. (AP) An Alabama man stumbled upon a 10-pound package of marijuana that washed up on the beach.

Multiple news outlets report that Ron Smith was taking a morning walk near the Cotton Bayou Beach access in Orange Beach on Tuesday when he noticed what he thought was a seat cushion floating in the water. Upon closer inspection, he realized the package was actually a bag full of compressed marijuana.

Smith called police, who picked up the package. Au-thorities say the bag weighed 10 pounds and was worth about \$8,000. WECT-TV reported that another package of marijuana washed up along a beach in North Carolina on May 10. That package contained more than 12 pounds of marijuana. Atlantic Beach Police say Tropical Storm Ana likely washed the package ashore.

South African Cyclist **Hits Dead Buffalo in City Suburb**

JOHANNESBURG (AP) — Cyclists in South Africa's biggest city usually worry about getting hit by vehicles. But one cyclist rode into an unexpected obstacle in Johannesburg's suburbs: a dead buffalo.

Andrew McLean said Friday that he damaged a ligament on his collarbone and broke his hand when he hit the buffalo carcass while riding downhill at up to 60 kilometers (37 miles) an hour in Fourways, a suburban area in northern Johannesburg. McLean said he didn't have time to brake before the pre-dawn accident on May 6. Two cycling companions also crashed but were not seriously injured.

"It just looked like a huge shadow," said McLean, a veteran cyclist who runs a chain of cy- would provoke cling stores. "At the last minute, a fall down the I suddenly realized that this was more than a shadow."

He recalled lying injured on the road and seeing steam rising off the buffalo's body.

"I think the buffalo had been saddened pet running and had died within a owners looking to the power of

Daily Outtake: More From 'The Giver'



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From left, Miles Page, 8, Allan Osborne, 10, Lenora Page, 11, and Elizabeth Osborne, 6, rehearse a scene from "The Giver" at the Wickstrom Studio Theatre in Centralia. The full story and additional photos remain available to subscribers at www.chronline.com. The show runs continues today and Sunday, and May 21-23. Thursday, Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 p.m. Sunday is at 2 p.m. Tickets for May 16 and 17 are sold out. Adults tickets are \$10, and students and seniors are \$8. For reservations call (360) 736-9391 ext. 525

Notable Quote

"He doesn't get any federal or state assistance for his disability that was the fault of the doctor, and if ever there was a more self-made person, or an example of how to overcome adversity, David is it. "

Matt Dare

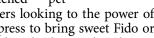
B&D Market co-owner on partner David Haladay See the full story on page Main 13

Editor's Note

Seeking Lost Dog

My immediate reaction was to deny a woman's request that we write a story about her husband's lost dog.

It's not that I didn't sympathize, but I feared doing so proverbial slippery slope, and at the bottom would await an endless line of



I'll leave the lost animals to the local Facebook page specializing in such matters, I reasoned.

arms.

Patti Armitage changed my mind over the course of about 60 seconds Wednesday afternoon. She detailed the efforts she has made thus far, and they were extensive beyond my wildest predictions.

Posters. Calls to veterinarians. Calls to neighbors. Prolonged ground searches.

She has good reason to pursue the family chihuahua.

She says she's watched as

provided by the service animal.

"I've just done about everything possible," she told me. "We hope she has been found and is with someone ... We don't really know."

If you live in the area, keep an eye out for the lost canine. Maybe you can help bring peace to a man who needs it.

The pursuit of happiness for a man expected to die before December is worth the energy, Patti said.

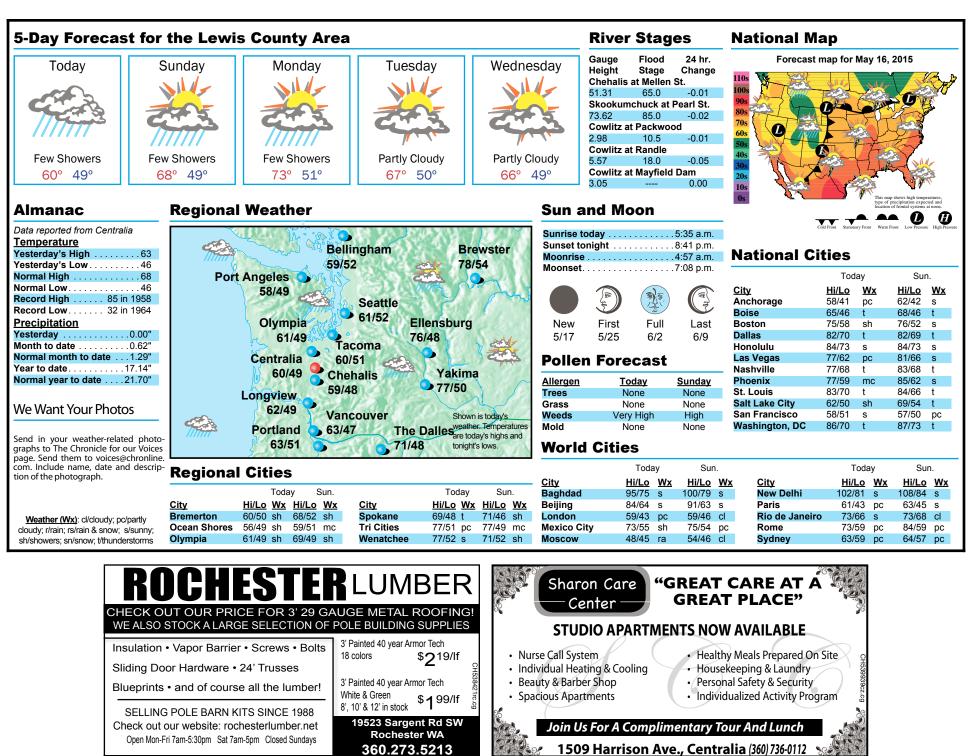
It's also worth breaking an unwritten rule against lost dog stories.

couple of minutes of us getting the press to bring sweet Fido or her terminally ill husband has You can see the full story on Holyfield said. there," McLean said. Whiskers back into their loving begun to lose the relative peace page Main 14.

By Eric Schwartz

editor

The Weather Almanac



Man Held on \$500,000 Bail in Chehalis Shooting

JAILED: Chan H. Oscar Accused of Shooting Cousin

By Natalie Johnson

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A man accused of assault in Wednesday night shooting а in Chehalis is being held in the Lewis County Jail on \$500,000 bail.

Chan H. Oscar, 36, of Chehalis, shook his head as prosecutors discussed first-degree assault and weapons charges against him during his first court appearance Thursday afternoon. His arraignment is scheduled for 3 p.m. May 21.

Oscar was arrested on suspicion of first-degree assault just after midnight Thursday in a non-fatal shooting in the 400 block of Southwest William Avenue in Chehalis.

Oscar is listed as in custody at the Lewis County Jail on charges of first-degree assault, firstdegree unlawful possession of a firearm and unlawful possession of a firearm, second-degree.

Lenard Carlile, 50, of Chehalis, was arrested on suspicion of rendering criminal assistance to Oscar.

The two are listed as co-de- p.m. May 21. fendants.

State Reaches \$63 Million **Deal With LCD Makers**

SEATTLE (AP) — State Attorney General Bob Ferguson says his office has reached a \$63 million agreement with nine LCD manufacturers accused of fixing prices for products like TVs, laptops and cellphones.

If approved, Ferguson says it will be one of the largest recoveries by his office's antitrust division in state history. The state had sued a list of companies that make products that use a liquid crystal display, or LCD. The lawsuit claimed these companies conspired to fix prices between 1998 until 2006. Ferguson says the scheme may have increased the prices that customers paid by as much as 20 percent.



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Chan Oscar, right, and Lenard Carlile, left, appear in Lewis County Superior Court Thursday in relation to charges filed after a shooting in Chehalis.

Carlile also had his first court ments, witnesses said Oscar was appearance on Thursday, and the Lewis County Jail. Carlile's arraignment is scheduled for 3

walking on the sidewalk at about was granted \$10,000 bail. He is 8:30 p.m. on William Avenue no longer listed as in custody in when another 36-year-old Chehalis resident drove past him in a car.

Oscar allegedly pulled out a According to court docu- gun and fired one round at the

vehicle, striking the rear quarter panel.

The driver pulled the car over and got out. Oscar allegedly fired again, striking the victim in the hand. The victim also sustained a head injury. He was transported to Providence Centralia Hospital and treated for non-lifethreatening injuries.

Oscar and the victim are cousins, but the motive for the shooting is currently unknown, according to the Chehalis Police Department.

Oscar fled the scene of the shooting. Personnel from Chehalis police, the Lewis County Sheriff's Office, the Centralia Police Department and the Washington State Patrol searched the area with the help of K-9 units, but did not immediately find Oscar.

Just after midnight, officers saw an SUV leave a residence where Oscar was known to frequent. They stopped the vehicle in the area of Southwest Pacific Avenue and Southwest 10th Street and found Oscar in the vehicle. Officers also recovered a 9 millimeter semi-automatic handgun. Carlile was also in the car.

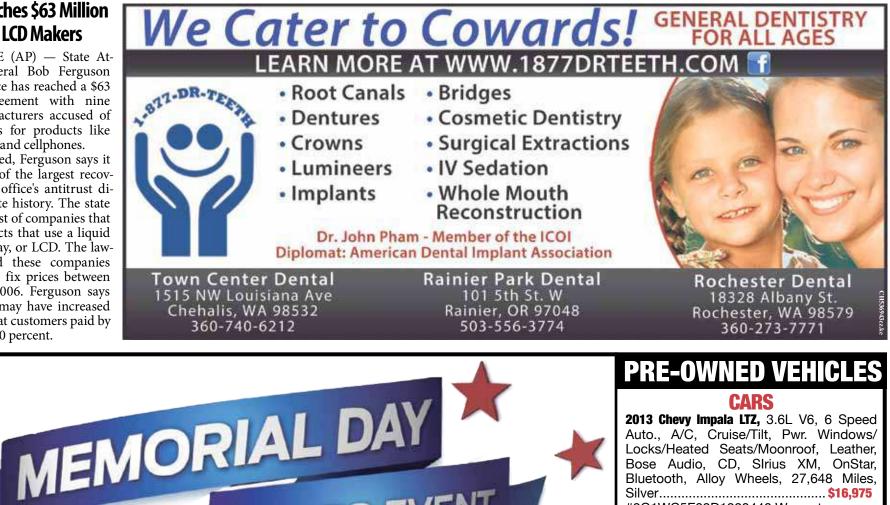
Oscar grew up in the Virgin Islands and moved to the area in 2007 to join his sister and cousins.

He was arrested in Chehalis in January 2007 on suspicion of disorderly conduct and obstruction after police responded to reports of a dispute with a handgun.

He was arrested again in April 2008 on suspicion of stabbing two people in a bar in Centralia. He was convicted in 2011 of misdemeanor assault and is facing charges from a 2015 DUI.



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Lewis County Courthouse Dog Calms Victims, Reduces Stress

OAK: Lewis County Prosecutor's Office Notes Positive Effect Labrador Has on Children

Bv Natalie Johnson

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The newest employee at the Lewis County Prosecutor's Office is a little hairier than most, level among courthouse employdrools and sleeps under his desk.

Still, Prosecutor Jonathan Meyer said Oak, a 2¹/₂-year-old black Labrador, is an invaluable addition to the office.

"He's a fixture. If I walk incredible." around the courthouse, he goes with me," Meyer said.

Oak

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Jonathan Meyer prosecutor

crimes, particularly children, when preparing

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to testify in court.

'You would really notice the difference when we bring children in," said Brad Meagher, chief deputy criminal prosecuting attorney.

Meagher recounted watching child victims and witnesses sit with Oak, petting his soft, floppy ears while calmly repeating stories of abuse or crimes they witnessed.

"Anything we can do to take the stress level off the people we interview, we take advantage of that," he said.

The Lewis County program is modeled off one pioneered at the King County Courthouse. Courthouse dogs now work in facilities across the country, Meyer said.

"We had been looking at getting a courthouse dog for some time, but the waiting list was kind of long - we wanted something more immediate," he said.

That's when Meyer met Oak's owner, Karlyn Fritz, who offered to let Oak come to work at the courthouse.

We tried it out for two weeks or so and it was just a big hit," Meyer said. "(The courthouse) is an intimidating place ... we wanted something that made it seem more normal."

Fritz first welcomed Oak into her home when he was a 4-month-old ball of fluff. He was owned by Guide Dogs for the Blind, and was destined to become a seeing-eye dog. 'We had him until he was 15 months old," she said. Then Oak went to guide-dog school, and graduated with flying colors. Instructors held him up as the prime example of a service dog.

in the office. He quickly became a team favorite, and wears a Tigers T-shirt to every game he attends.

"I know under any situation huck it," Kambich said. I can count on him to have the right demeanor," Meyer said.

Oak's presence doesn't only comfort victims and witnesses. He has also reduced the stress ees, Meyer said.

"He's well known everywhere," said Prosecutor's Office Administrator Janelle Kambich. "The ing the dog out to work with chilmorale just for the employees is

"We all wish we could take interviewing child witnesses. him home," Meagher said.

witnesses, Oak spends much of tire system."

As it turns out, Oak is just as his time curled up under desks, comfortable at a sports game as napping, and playing fetch in the office. Employees have been known to duck flying toys.

"I yell, 'Toy's coming!' and

In the future, Meyer hopes Oak can go into the courtroom with children when they have to testify, as courthouse dogs do in other jurisdictions.

"We're not to that point yet," he said. "I want to make sure (the judges) see Oak in action."

Meyer said he is open to loandren at the Lewis County Sheriff's Office or to defense attorneys

n home," Meagher said. "He's not here just for us," When he's not comforting Meyer said. "He's here for the en-



Natalie Johnson / njohnson@chronline.com Oak, a Labrador, is seen standing outside the Law and Justice Center in Chehalis. The Lewis County Prosecutor's Office is using the dog to help put witnesses, often children, at ease. Oak was originally a seeing-eye dog, but he was obtained by the prosecutor's office after his previous arrangement didn't work out.

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"He's kind of a star," Meyer said.

Oak went to work as a guide dog, but things didn't work out with his new owner. Oak retired as a seeing-eye dog and Fritz was given the opportunity to adopt him.

Fritz knew this wasn't the end of Oak's service. She had him certified as a service dog through Pet Partners, a national service animal organization.

When Fritz and Meyer met, Fritz was filling in as executive director at the Human Response Network, which provides services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

"His first question to me was, 'How do we get a dog for our facility?' " she said. "(Oak) put up his ... sign that said, 'Will work for kibble."

Working at the courthouse is an ideal job for Oak, who is very perceptive of people's moods and emotions, Fritz said.

"He has his happy on when he can work and be with people and share his inordinate amount of love," she said.

Each day, Meyer or another staff member in the Prosecutor's Office pick up Oak at Fritz's house and bring him to work.

"He seems genuinely excited with I pick him up in the morning," Meyer said.

At the end of the day, he goes home to Fritz, but sometimes accompanies Meyer to Centralia

Tigers fastpitch games. "I wanted to see him in nontypical social situations," said Meyer, who coaches the team.

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Governor Signs Bill to Help Juvenile Offenders Seal Criminal Records, Get Jobs After Release

NEW LAW: Green Hill Inmates Testified on Legislation in Olympia in March

By Kaylee Osowski

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OLYMPIA — Nearly two months after a group of Green Hill School inmates testified in Olympia on a bill that aims to reduce the financial burden and seal records sooner for juvenile offenders, Gov. Jay Inslee signed it into law Thursday.

While the four inmates who told lawmakers their stories in March didn't attend the signing, a large group of Senate Bill 5564 supporters did.

Sen. Steve O'Ban, R-Pierce County, a bill sponsor who attended the signing, previously said the main objectives of the bill are to decrease the barriers juvenile offenders face when reentering the community and to focus them on making victims as 'whole" as possible.

The bill eliminates most

New Law Lets Family Ask Judge to Commit **Dangerous Relative**

OLYMPIA (AP) — Family members will be able to ask a judge to step in if a mental health professional will not involuntarily commit a relative they believe could be suicidal or a danger to others under a measure signed into law Thursday by Gov. Jay Inslee.

Inslee signed "Joel's Law joined by Doug and Nancy Reuter, the parents of the man for whom the measure was named. Joel Reuter was suicidal when Seattle police shot and killed him during a standoff in July 2013.

"You have parents who have just been heartbroken to not have a tool to really adequately address the danger to their children," Inslee said after the sign-ing. "This was a reasonable step to provide that measure of protection going forward."

Inslee signed the bill with a pen that used to be Joel Reuter's that had been handcrafted by his father. Nearby on the table was a hand-blown glass vase that Doug



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Washington state Gov. Jay Inslee signs Engrossed Second Substitute Senate Bill 5564 Thursday at the Capitol in Olympia. The bill aims to reduce financial burden on juvenile offenders, allowing them to seal records sooner.

do community service instead of paying victim restitution. The community service would be chosen by the victim. The hours of work would be performed at a rate of the state minimum wage at the time. The bill also eliminates interest on restitution for youth offenders.

House amendments made non-restitution fines for juve- last month impose victim pennile offenders, and in certain alty assessments on only juvecases would allow offenders to niles convicted of a most serious cannot impose financial obliga- roadblocks?"

offense defined by the Refined Code of Washington or a sex offense. Courts must order up to seven hours of community restitution for all other juvenile offenders, as long as it is practicable.

When juveniles pay their restitution and meet other criteria for sealing records, the court can seal their records.

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tions for juvenile offenses, unless specifically allowed under statute. Fines for various court, assessment, penalty, prosecution, sentence and other costs would be only charged to adult offend-

If the state has not previously collected a juvenile offender's DNA from a previous conviction, the minor will have to pay a DNA collection fee.

The Green Hill inmates, all members of the United Youth Council at the Chehalis juvenile detention center, testified at an Early Learning & Human Services Committee bill hearing in Olympia on March 18. They said with fewer fees to pay, the offenders could pay off restitution sooner to seal their records. Having a sealed juvenile record will make it easier for them to get jobs, they said.

"I am just one out of thousands," Green Hill inmate Antonio Vasquez said in March.

'This bill can have a positive impact on families, youth and community. Many of us are trying to take responsibility and make a change, but what can we do when faced with significant

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News in Brief State Revenue Forecast Moved to Next Week

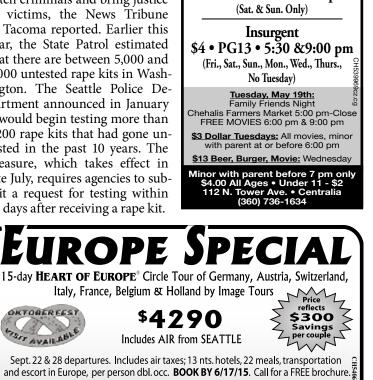
OLYMPIA (AP) - Washington lawmakers, who are in the midst of an overtime legislative session, have agreed to move up the state revenue forecast to next week.

The Economic and Revenue Forecast Council voted unanimously Thursday to release the latest numbers on Monday afternoon instead of the previously scheduled mid-June release. The move comes as lawmakers continue to struggle on negotiations over a state operating budget and a court mandate to put more money into the state's basic education system. The Legislature adjourned its scheduled 105-day regular session two days early without a budget deal, and lawmakers are now almost halfway through a 30-day special session that is set to end May 28. If they can't reach a deal by then, Gov. Jay Inslee will likely call them back.

Gov. Inslee Signs Rape Kit Testing Bill

forcement agencies in Washington to request testing of all future sexual assault exam kits.

Gov. Jay Inslee signed House Bill 1068 Thursday, and supporters say the change will help catch criminals and bring justice to victims, the News Tribune of Tacoma reported. Earlier this year, the State Patrol estimated that there are between 5,000 and 6,000 untested rape kits in Washington. The Seattle Police Department announced in January it would begin testing more than 1,200 rape kits that had gone untested in the past 10 years. The measure, which takes effect in late July, requires agencies to submit a request for testing within 30 days after receiving a rape kit.



had also made for his son.

Doug Reuter said after the signing, fighting back tears.

The couple, who often traveled from their Dallas home to Washington in support of the bill, testified in support of the measure earlier this year, telling lawmakers they repeatedly tried to get the state to force their son into treatment but were turned away.

Under Senate Bill 5269, a superior court judge can order detention if, after reviewing the family member's petition and a statement and other information from the mental health professional, the judge finds it is warranted.

Doug Reuter said that if the law had been in place in 2013, after two incidents months before the fatal shooting, including a suicide attempt, "we could have possibly gotten Joel the help he needed.

Gov. Inslee Signs Health Care Information Sharing Measure

OLYMPIA (AP) — Gov. Jay Inslee has signed a bill that will give consumers, employers, doctors and others more information about the cost and quality of health care providers and services

The governor has been working on this idea for a health care claims database for two years.

The measure, House Bill 5084, will allow consumers to compare the costs of procedures and medical providers. Twenty other states have similar databases. Inslee says better information will lead to better health care.

The Legislature passed a related bill in 2014 to create a more limited database that did not require every insurance company to submit their claims information.

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ELECTIONS

Morton Police Chief **Running for Mayor**

By Dameon Pesanti

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The city of Morton's chief of police is the only candidate for mayor. Dan Mortensen has been a police officer in Morton since 1985 and chief since 1993. He said he's ready to take his experience into a different part of city government.



"I just felt I have something to contribute to the city," he said. The current mayor elected to not run again and I thought it'd be a good idea to lend my expertise to that

police chief

By The Chronicle

of Toledo mayor.

city's civic leader.

or's seat.

part of the city." icle he plans to retire from the police department next March, but he'll have to step away much sooner if he's elected.

According to the Municipal Resource Service Center, a nonprofit organization that focuses he said.

Council members and one citi-

zen familiar with running for

Councilors Nate Cook and

Jerry Pratt, who has served as

Steve Dobosh, along with Eric

Duerst, have all filed for the may-

cided not to run for re-election

this year. He told The Chronicle

in a previous interview that it's

time for someone else to be the

for a while and work with my

wife at (Betty's Place) here and

"I'm just going to take it easy

just have fun that way," Pratt said. 3 seat.

Former Councilor and

Napavine Mayor Race

Small Business Owner Joins

Three File for Toledo

Chooses Not to Run

Mayor After Incumbent

Two current Toledo City were not returned by The Chron-

tions.

election.

ning for the seat.

for re-election.

election will vie for the position on the city council and ran

Toledo's mayor for 12 years, de- cil Position 4. Glenda Forga and

icle's deadline.

on local government, a strongmayor form of government such as Morton's prohibits an elected official from simultaneously being a city employee.

The mayor supervises the police chief ... If the person were successful an issue would arise if a person could hold both offices," Joe Levan, an attorney with MRC, said. "That doesn't mean they can't run, but if they win, they have to make a choice.'

Dave Ammons, the communications director for the Secretary of State's office, said Mortensen will be able to campaign while he's serving as police chief, but he won't be allowed to use his uniform, police car or anything else from his office in his political ads.

"That would be against the Mortenson told The Chron- Disclosure Act," Ammons said.

After serving as mayor for six years, Morton's current Mayor, Jim Gerwig, is not going to seek re-election, nor does he plan to endorse anyone for the position. "I'm ready for some free time,"

Calls to all three candidates

Duerst has previously served

Dobosh serves as the Position

Cook currently holds coun-

Guy Spratt has filed for coun-

Incumbent Carol Hill is run-

against Pratt in multiple elec-

2 councilor; his seat is not up for

Gregory Morosoff are both run-

cil Position 5 currently held by

Mike Thomas, who did not file

ning unopposed for her Position

FILING WEEK: 157 CANDIDATES FILE FOR 114 OFFICES

By The Chronicle

Filing week has come to a close with 157 candidates filing for 114 offices in Lewis County. Three mayoral races -

Napavine, Toledo and Vader each received more than two candidates and will go to the Aug. 4 primary election on unless one of the candidates withdraws by the Monday deadline.

Other races that received three or more candidates this week include: Vader Council Position 4, Centralia School Board Position 2, Mossyrock School Board District 2 and District 5, Napavine School Board Position 5, Toledo School Board District 2, Fire District 2 in Toledo and Water-Sewer District 2 Position.

Below is a list of candidates who filed by the close of business Friday.

Centralia City Council

Position 1: Bart J. Ricks, Joyce Barnes

Position 2: Lee Coumbs, Vickie Jackson

Position 3: Peter J. Abbarno

Chehalis City Council

District 1: Terry F. Harris District 2: Daryl J. Lund District 3: Anthony E. Ketchum District 4: Isaac S. Pope

Morton Mayor

Daniel S. Mortensen

Mossyrock Mayor

Tom Meade

Mossyrock City Council

Position 1: Debra Olson Position 3: Randall Sasser Position 5: Teresa A. Quinlan

Napavine City Mayor

Jenifer Slemp, Robert (Bob) Wheeler, John Sayers, Gary Litteer

Pe Ell Town Mayor

Lonnie F. Willey

Pe Ell Town Council

Position 1: Aaron Porter Position 2: Bonnie Montgomery Position 3: Robert McGrath, Don Webster

Position 4: Kristi Ann Milanowski, John P. Penberth Position 5: Terra Oster

Toledo City Mayor

Nate Cook, Steve Dobosh, Eric Duerst

Toledo City Council

Position 3. Carol A Hill

District 2: Kristi Tracy **District 3: Ruth Peterson**

Castle Rock School District

District 3: David Dangleis District 4: Val Tinney, Brent Blackburn

Centralia School District

Position 2: John Elmore, Kim L. Ashmore, Ron Averill Position 3: Tara Bittler, Robert

Fuller Position 4: Jami Lund, Chris Thomas

Chehalis School District

District 1: Brian Roberts District 2: Brennan Bailey District 5: Joe Clark

Eatonville School District

Position 4: Jeff Lucas District 1: Paulette Gilliardi **District 3: Roger Andrascik**

Evaline School District

Position 1: Natalie L. Zucati Position 2: Lester Vian Position 5: Cheryl McGee

Morton School District

District 1: Chase A. Buffington Position 4: Pat Saldana

Mossyrock School District

District 1: Denise Weise, Chris Fried

District 2: Sona Markholt, Coleen Reeder, Don Varo

District 4: Christine Lambert, Darren Kolb District 5: Russ Douglass, Chad

W. Gross, Lisa Nixon

Napavine School District

District 1: Henry (Sonny) Butler **District 3: Tony Kinswa** Position 5: John R. Hylton, Charles (Chip) Styger, Ryan Chase Gilbert

Oakville School District

District 1: Jennifer Crocker **District 2: Donnie King** Position 5: Tamra Ruymann

Onalaska School District

District 1: Chet Iverson District 2: Pam Kinsman Position 4: Patrick Roden

Pe Ell School District

District 1: Jessi Cox Position 4: Jeff Duncan Position 5: Robert McCalden

Rochester School District

District 2: Camille Haskins

Groebner

Fire District 3, Mossyrock Position 1: Richie Tevis

Fire District 4, Morton

Position 1: George Harbaugh

Fire District 5, Napavine

Position 3: Kevin Van Egdom

Fire District 6, Chehalis

Position 1: Jeri Lux

Fire District 8, Salkum-Silver Creek

Position 1: Don Taylor, Rick Wood

Fire District 9, Mineral

Position 1: Lisa Marie LIbby Position 2: Virginia (Gennie) Reynolds

Fire District 11, Pe Ell

Position 1: Harold Coleman

Fire District 13, **Curtis-Klaber-Boistfort**

Position 1: Vicki Sloan

Fire District 14, Randle Position 1: John Pollman

Fire District 15, Winlock

Position 1: Stan Hankins, Jerry Craft

Fire District 16, Doty-Dryad Position 1: Bud Bush

Fire District 18, Glenoma

Position 1: William Lauth Position 2: Robert Chad Muir

Fire District 20, Cowlitz-Lewis

Position 1: Frances (Cissy) Sanders

Riverside Fire Authority Position 4: Mike Tomasheck

Cemetery District 1, Winlock

Position 1: Gary R. Stelzner

Cemetery District 2,

Mossyrock-Salkum

Position 1: John Brannan

Position 2: Verle C. Mead

Position 3: Shon R. Williams

Cemetery District 5, Toledo

Position 1: Roger M. Johnigk

By The Chronicle

A fourth candidate filed to run for Napavine mayor at 4:06 p.m. Friday against three other candidates who filed on Monday.

Gary Litteer is running against incumbent John Sayers and challengers Jenifer Slemp and Bob Wheeler.

for 25 years and is a retired small business owner.

"I feel I need to pay back just a little bit," he said.

If elected, he wants to work to bring more small businesses to city councilor, announced her Napavine and support them in every way possible.

as a city councilor and once un- rience to lead the city.

successfully ran for mayor.

Sayers announced his candidacy in December 2014, stating he had not yet accomplished his mayoral goals. He has been serving the city for 22 years as a planning commissioner, councilor and now as mayor.

Current Councilor Wheeler Litteer has lived in Napavine made his intention to run for mayor known last month. He said Napavine needs a leader who will enable the staff to get things done.

Slemp, who is also a current candidacy on Monday, stating in a press release that she has the Litter has previously served time, energy and business expe-

Vader Mayor Ken Smith Faces Two Former Councilors for Seat as Civic Leader of City

By The Chronicle

Two former Vader City Council members are running against incumbent Ken Smith for the position of Vader mayor.

Smith will face Rodney Allison and Janet Charlton in the primary election.

Voters first elected Smith as mayor in 2007 and then again in the general election in 2011 over Allison, who was a councilor at the time.

Smith, a retired FBI agent, told The Chronicle in a previous interview he was encouraged by state officials and concerned citizens to run again.

If elected, he plans to continue moving the city forward with infrastructure development.

The three candidates didn't return calls for comment by The Chronicle's deadline Friday.

Allison ran against Smith

in the 2011 general election for mayor. While serving as councilor in 2010, Allison was arrested for possessing methamphetamine. The charge was later dropped due to a lack of a written report from the corrections officer who booked him.

Charlton resigned from her position as councilor in February of last year. Smith previously told The Chronicle that she didn't provide a reason for her resignation.

Justin Olson was appointed to complete her term as Position 5 councilor, which is up for election this year. He did not file to run. Instead Ruth Crear will face Dean Woshnak for the position.

Councilor Kevin Flynn is challenged by Judy Costello and Big Don Iddings for council Position 4. Incumbent Mark Fenison is running against Lou Eback for Position 2.

Position 4: Glenda Forga, Gregorv Morosoff

Position 5: Guy A. Spratt

Vader City Mayor

Janet M. Charlton, Ken Smith, **Rodney Allison**

Vader City Council

Position 2: Mark Fenison, Lou Eback

Position 4: Kevin Flynn, Big Don Iddings, Judy Costello Position 5: Ruth Crear, Dean Woshnak

Winlock City Council

Position 1: Holly M. Orbino, Dennis Korpi Position 2: Sarah Gifford Position 3: Jerry Rader

Adna School District

District 1: Melissa Ryan **District 2: Robert Fay District 5: Terry Bower**

Boistfort School District

District 1: Katherine Humphrey

District 3: Ben Elkins District 4: Glen Morgan

Toledo School District

District 2: John J. Strom, Monique Norberg, Wendy K. Carolan District 4: Lance M. Maier

White Pass School District

District 1: Ricky (Erica) Emerson **District 2: Joe Fenbert**

Winlock School District

District 1: Randy Hall District 3: Tony Eitel, Daleyn Coleman District 4: Pam Spencer, Jocelyn Robinette

Centralia Port District

District 1: Dan Keahey District 2: Julie Shaffley

Chehalis Port District

District 1: Mark Giffey

Fire District 2, Toledo

Position 1: Dale Nielsen, Mark Ferrell, Mike Thomas, Jim

Cemetery District 8, Vader

Position 1: Thelma Hauge

Hospital District 1

District 3: Roschelle (Shelly) Fritz **Position 4: Trish Frady**

Water-Sewer District 2

Position 1: Tim Timmreck, Kevin Emerson, Sharla Wherry-Allebaugh Position 3: Carrie Colson, Robert Masciola

Water-Sewer District 3

Position 1: Donna Rowe Position 2: Randy Crawford

Water-Sewer District 4

Position 1: Michael J. Alexander

Water-Sewer District 5

Position 3: Jimmy H. Hilliard, Virgil Fox

Water-Sewer District 6

Position 1: Kelly A. Morrison

AUDITOR'S OFFICE TO HOLD FILING PERIOD FOR SEATS WITH NO CANDIDATES

By The Chronicle

Of the 150 total offices open for election this year, 36 received no candidates.

A special three-day filing period for the offices that didn't receive a candidate will be held from 8 a.m. Tuesday until 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Lewis County Auditor's Office at the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis. Online filing will be accepted from 9 a.m. Tuesday until 4 p.m. Thursday at www.vote.wa.gov/lewis.

Offices that don't receive any candidates after the three-day period will be stricken from the general election ballot and any

incumbents will remain in office until the next election. Offices that can be filed for

during the three-day period are:

Morton City Council Positions 1,4

Napavine City Council Positions 3, 5

Boistfort School District 4 Morton School District 3

Oakville School District 3, Position 4

Fire District 1, Onalaska Position 1

Fire District 5, Napavine Position 1

Fire District 10, Packwood Positions 1, 4

Fire District 11, Pe Ell Position 3 Fire District 17, Big Creek-Mineral Position 1, 2, 3

Cemetery District 3, Doty-Dryad-Meskill Positions 1, 3

Cemetery District 4, Glenoma-

Packwood-Randle Positions 1, 2, 3 Cemetery District 6, Onalaska

Positions 1, 2

Cemetery District 7, Toledo Positions 1, 2, 3

Cemetery District 9, Napavine Positions 1, 2, 3

Cemetery District 10, Mineral 1, 2, 3

Water-Sewer District 1, Randle Positions 1, 2, 3

Water Sewer District 4, Chehalis Positions 2, 3

Seven Enter Races for Three Centralia School Board Seats

ELECTIONS: Race Draws Incumbents, City Councilor, Former Commissioner, Web Developer and Policy Analyst

By Kaylee Osowski

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With the close of filing week, two more names have been added to the list of those running for seats on the Centralia School Board.

Five candidates filed by the end of the day Monday, and by the close of filing week Friday, incumbent Kim Ashmore and challenger Ron Averill had added their names to the list as well.

Ashmore is the current board president and was first appointed to the board in 2007. Former county commissioner Averill and Centralia City Councilor John Elmore have challenged him for Position 2.

Ashmore, who filed on Thursday, said while he's served on the board for eight years, this year he weighed whether he had the time to devote to the board

business classes.

The nearly life-time Centralia resident said he welcomes the challenge of running against two candidates who serve or have served in other elected positions. "Of course, I'd love to come

out on top Election and be on the school board again for another four years, but that's in the ers," he said. Recently,

board has been the ongoing effects of the district's previous misuse of the Medicaid Match Program. An agreement was reached with the Attorney General's Office for the district to repay \$372,000, and internal reports into the matter were just released last month.

of the school board and the interim superintendent, so it's been a challenging year to get through that process," Ashmore said.

He said he's enjoyed his time

graduation rates.

AVERILL, who ran for school board two years ago and lost to Amy Buzzard, said his top concerns for the district are graduation rates and budget management.

He said the district needs a board with a spine; the board has been more reactive than proactive when issues arise.

"Unfortunately, the board gets will of the vot- pretty well fed a lot of stuff by the district office, and I think there ought to be more than one person on the board that questions directions they're taking," he said.

The former college educator said his expertise is government and he has a lot of experience managing budgets. Averill currently serves on the Washington State Emergency Management Council, the Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority and the "That's taken up a lot of time Lewis County Farm Éureau.

> **ELMORE** previously told The Chronicle he has seen a disconnect between education and private sector demands, so he new superintendent coming in, I

of Centralia and taking college tinue working toward increasing to focus on training students for our objective." technology and trade jobs.

> the school board and council po- the district's lack of technology sitions simultaneously.

ROBERT FULLER has served on the board for nearly 33 years; he was first appointed to an open position in 1982.

The former grocer and business owner is running against Tara Bittler, a web developer for The Silver Agency, for Position 3.

Fuller said his two grandkids who attend school in the district keep him interested in the position and doing the best possible for the students.

He also said he expects the new superintendent starting in July will be a "breath of fresh air" for the district.

If elected, he wants to continue to work toward increasing graduation rates, raising test scores and offering more programs for all types of students.

"Whether it's the English language learner or whether it's the advanced student, you want to be able to offer all programs that you can," he said. "With the between working for the city on the board and wants to con- thinks the school district needs think that's going to be part of

Bittler previously told The If elected, he plans to serve Chronicle she is concerned about education.

'There is a huge gap between how many tech jobs are out there and how many skilled workers we have to fill them," she said.

BOARD MEMBER Chris Thomas is running against Jami Lund, a policy analyst for the Freedom Foundation.

Thomas, who works as a media relations manager for Providence Centralia Hospital, was first elected to the board in 2011. In recent years, the district faced "unusual" issues, but Thomas said he hopes the board has cleared those up. He said he's excited about changing the culture of the district.

IF ELECTED, Lund wants to work toward bringing a broader offering of services for students including computer certifications and college credit.

He also wants to increase services for students learning the English language and students who are falling behind in schoolwork.

Two Contested Races in Pe Ell, Where All Seats Are Available

By Natalie Johnson

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Control of town government in Pe Ell is up for grabs this year, with all five council seats and the mayor up for election this November.

Two of the six races will be contested.

Position 3 is currently held by Chris Phelps. Phelps did not file for re-election. Robert McGrath filed for position 3 on Wednesday and Don Webster filed on Friday.

Webster is the former water and sewer superintendent for Pe Ell.

"I've lived here for about 22 to those Pe Ell faces. years now," he said. "I just feel with my experience working for the town, my input could help."

McGrath said he wants to be a proactive council member who asks the right questions.

"We brought up some simple water issues a few months ago. I asked them very simple questions, (on) numbers of meters, and what I got was 'I don't know," he said. "That seems to be the routine answer for a lot of questions."

McGrath said, if elected, he would work to reach out to other

Position 4 is currently held by Kristi Milanowski. Milanowski filed for re-election Monday, and John P. Penberth filed to challenge her on Wednesday.

Milanowski has been on the town council for eight years.

"I like the fact that we've had reorganization in city government and I like the fact that good things are happening in Pe Ell," she said. "I'm optimistic that we'll continue to do good things and get the citizens involved."

Penberth is a former Pe Ell council member, Pe Ell mayor

also a retired Chehalis police of- tember. ficer. He said he filed for election to help the Pe Ell council better follow laws and regulations.

"I think the Pe Ell council for the last year, the last couple of years, is nothing but a joke," he said. "They don't know the rules, they don't follow the laws and they do too many personal favors."

The filing deadline was Friday evening. The Pe Ell Town Council and mayor positions are nonpartisan.

Pe Ell Mayor Lonnie Willey filed for election Tuesday Mornsmall towns with similar issues and Lewis County coroner. He is ing. He was appointed in Sep- the five positions, or as mayor.

The council's Position 1 is vacant. The election will fill a two-year unexpired term. Aaron Porter filed for the position on Wednesday.

Position 2 is currently held by Bonnie Montgomery, who filed for re-election Monday.

Position 5 is currently held by Joseph Dunn, who did not file for re-election. Pe Ell resident Terra Oster filed for Position 5 Monday.

All of the Pe Ell council positions are at large, meaning anyone who lives within Pe Ell city limits can file to serve in any of

Three File to Challenge Incumbent Toledo Fire District Commissioner

By Natalie Johnson

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Three Toledo residents filed to challenge incumbent Lewis County Fire District 2 Commissioner Dale Nielsen in the upcoming election.

Mark Ferrell, Mike Thomas and Jim Groebner each filed Friday for the commission's Posi- District 2, said he decided to run tion 1.

non-partisan seat. Nielsen, who has been a Fire District 2 commissioner since been a lot of focus on the board

2003, said he isn't concerned about the four-way race.

"I'm glad other people are taking interest in it," he said. "We'll see who advances to the next round."

Nielsen said the district needs to focus on attracting and keeping volunteers.

Ferrell, a volunteer at Fire because he thinks the district The position is a six-year, needs to spend money on needed equipment. "I personally feel that there's

public funds at all," he said. "The fire commissioners currently have a huge sum of money that is unspent ... it's fairly frustrating as a member of the department."

For example, Ferrell said, the district should buy a boat to al- board will hire a new chief below it to respond to calls along fore the election. the district's 25 miles of river.

new chief.

doing a lot of micromanagement of the workings of the department," he said. "The board's been running the department instead of hiring a chief."

Nielsen said he hopes the

Groebner, an EMT at the Ferrell also said the commis- district, said he filed because sion needs to prioritize hiring a he is concerned about the man- dollars to have a medic respond. agement and financial health of That to me is the most important

on finding ways to not spend board of commissioners has been lock and Fire District 20 in Vader. Medic One also provides EMS services for other area fire districts, he said.

While the districts all receive a benefit from Medic One, not all fund it equally, Groebner said.

"It's something you can't (afford not) to have," he said. "If I call and my wife's experiencing chest pain, I think it's worth

challenge а for the school

Jackson Challenges **Coumbs for Centralia Council Seat**

By The Chronicle

Local real estate agent Vickie Jackson has filed as a candidate for Centralia City Council Position 2 At-Large. The four-year term seat is currently held by longtime Councilor Lee Coumbs.

Jackson has served as a Real- By The Chronicle tor with Coldwell Banker Kline & Associates in Centralia.

She was named Realtor of the Year in 2013 by the Lewis County Association of Realtors. She has also previously served as the organization's president. Coumbs has served three times on the city council, first in the 1980s.

Mossyrock Voters Will Have Multiple **Options for All Open School Board Seats**

By The Chronicle

A total of 10 residents are running for four seats on the Mossyrock School Board.

Two incumbents, Denise Four Candidates Go Weise, District 1, and Sona Markholt, District 2, both filed for re-election.

Weise has been serving since her appointment in 2009, and Markholt was appointed in August 2014.

Weise is challenged by Chris Fried. Markholt will face Coleen Reeder and Don Varo in the Aug. 4 primary.

Christine Lambert and Darren Kolb are facing off for District 4.

The District 4 seat is currently held by Jesse Nelson. Russ Douglass, Chad W. Gross and Lisa Nixon will be on the primary ballot for District 5, which is held by Ken Rankin.

Mossyrock Mayor **Announces Bid** For Re-election

Mossyrock Mayor Tom Meade has filed to run for another term in office, despite making previous statements to the contrary. Meade has been in office for seven years at this point. He was was not immediately available for comment.

Three other positions are also available in Mossyrock city government.

Council Position 2, Position 3 and Position 5, held by Debra Olson, Randall Sasser and Teresa Quinlan, respectively, are all going to appear on the ballot.

All three of the incumbents have filed to retain their seats and no one filed to oppose them.

Unchallenged in **Bucoda Council Race**

By The Chronicle

Four town council positions are open for election in Bucoda, and only four people have filed as candidates. Steven Purcell filed for Position 1, Paul Kreigh for Position 2, Marcella Zengota for Position 3 and Sherry Shepherd for Position 4. All of the town council positions are four-year terms.

The position has been open since December, he said.

"One of the other issues is the

Elections in Brief

Two Candidates Vie for Salkum Fire Commission

By Natalie Johnson

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Two candidates have entered the race for the Lewis County Fire District 8 Position 1 race, and neither is the incumbent.

Incumbent Salkum-Silver Creek fire commissioner Kevin Drake has not filed for re-election.

Don Taylor, of Cinebar, filed

Wood is a captain at the fire district, where he has been a firefighter for nearly 33 years.

"I've been with the department for a long time and I felt like the position is open and I'd like to oversee the department now and make sure the budget's being handled correctly," he said.

Taylor did not immediately return a request for comment.

Tenino Mayor Faces Two Challengers in Primary Election

By The Chronicle

Tenino mayor Bret Brodersen will face two city councilors in his bid for re-election, as Filing Week came to a close without new challengers entering since Monday.

John O'Callahan and Wayne Fournier have both filed as candidates to become mayor of the city. All three men are political veterans in Tenino city government.

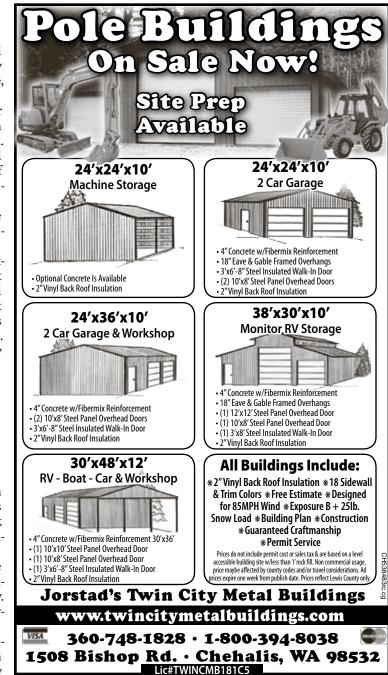
Three candidates, Susan Copeland, Leslie Lamb and Ken Jones, are vying to fill the city

Lewis County Medic One, an thing.

EMS provider run by Fire Dis-Thomas did not immediately trict 2, Fire District 15 in Win- return a request for comment.

council Position 5 seat, a 4-year Watterson filed for the city's Poterm position. Incumbent and current Mayor Pro-Tem David

sition 2 seat on Monday. No one filed to run against him.



on Monday and Rick Wood, of Onalaska, filed Friday for the position.

Columnists, Our Views, Richard Lafromboise, *Publisher, 1966-1968* **J.R. Lafromboise,** *President, 1968-2011* **Jenifer Lafromboise Falcon,** *Chairman*

Christine Fossett, President and Publisher

Clumsy Attacks on Governor Candidate Show His Potential

Environmentalists are already training their sights on Bill Bryant, a Republican Lewis County native who this week announced plans to become the state's next governor.

No sooner had a website been published detailing his candidacy than the state Democratic Party began pouncing on his political record as it pertains to the environment.

Bryant, who was born in Morton, was the only Port of Seattle commissioner not to vote against allowing the Shell's Arctic oil drilling rig to establish a temporary base in Seattle.

That makes him a target for

Our Views

those on the far left who view any use of the Earth's natural resources as an assault on the environment.

"The Polar Pioneer entered the smooth shores of Elliott Bay literally as Bryant's campaign website rockily went live," wrote Jamal Raad, communications director for the Washington State Democratic Party. "By mistake or otherwise, Bill Bryant's campaign launch left much to be desired, and we are still waiting to hear where he stands on the issues that matter

to Washington voters."

The clumsy attempts to damage Bryant's reputation are anything but unexpected.

The intensity of arguments against him are almost certainly an indirect acknowledgement of his potential as a gubernatorial candidate.

We do agree with Raad on one point — we're also interested in hearing where he stands on the issues that matter.

That includes current attempts by Gov. Jay Inslee to punish businesses deemed to be damaging to the environment. The governor, and most Democratic lawmakers, have taken an

aggressive approach to natural resource industries in recent vears.

We assume Bryant, as a Lewis County native, will be more likely to support those who seek to create jobs through the collection of natural resources.

He's voiced an intention to do so while helping to improve the environment.

"It is on my bucket list to make sure that when I go, Puget Sound is healthier than when I was born," he said.

Some of his new opponents have called his announcement "ironic" considering the arrival

of the Shell oil rig in Seattle Thursday.

We agree wholeheartedly with the words of Bryant's spokesman, Alex Hays.

"We reject this false choice between the environment and jobs," he said.

There will be plenty of opportunities to learn Bryant's position on all issues before the election next year.

In the meantime, we encourage voters to consider the sources emitting criticism for a promising candidate.

Learn more about his candidacy at www.billbryantforgovernor.com.

COMMENTARY: Forks in the Road



We live in a land more interesting than most.

An active volcano crowns a region known across the world for the potential presence of mythical beast named for its large feet.

While the drudgery of everyday life can sometimes blunt those amazing facts for adults, they're not often lost on youth.

As a teen in possession of a shiny new driver's license, I joined others in acting on a gripping interest in Sasquatch and Mount St. Helens. We used all the of-

ferings of the early Internet to collect as much information as possible on the creature, more specifically supposed sightings in Southwest Washington.



A bulging binder was emblazoned with the title "Operation Little Foot," because, well, we weren't all that clever, and organizing a journey within the framework of a secret mission seemed to magnify its importance.

With the surprising approval of our parents, we hit the road at 4 a.m., crammed shoulder-toshoulder in a GEO Metro filled with all the provisions necessary to hunt down Sasquatch. We arrived in Cougar, on the south side of Mount St. Helens, early enough that campgrounds had not been cleared of the previous night's occupants. Rather than wait, we began traveling up gravel roads toward the mountain. Ignoring the laws and restrictions that guide camping in the wilderness — or being ignorant of them altogether — we set up camp in a remote area of the forest far removed from traffic and fellow tourists. We reasoned this would give us the best opportunity to catch a glimpse of Bigfoot, a feat we somehow saw as completely possible, and perhaps even likely. For days, we spent our time hiking through the forest, stopping only occasionally to scan our surroundings with binoculars. The further we went, the more the hair began to stand up on the back of our necks each time we heard the errant snapping of a twig. It's hard for me, as an adult, to fathom how our paranoia and fear began to climb steadily during what amounted to a peaceful trek through the trees, but perhaps it was the result of a childlike acceptance of all the material we had been reading online.

friends and I gathered around a small — and probably illegal fire.

Days of looking for a giant ape had taken a mental toll.

We were skittish at best, scared at worst.

Sounds coming from the blackened edges of the forest stoked our fear.

"Did you hear that?" one of us would ask.

"Yes. That sounded like an animal," a reply would come.

"A very big animal," another would reply.

And so the night went, until our anxiety drove us to our tents at a relatively early hour.

The silence of our own camp allowed for the isolated sounds of the forest to come through louder. Before long, we were convinced there was a Sasquatch in our midst, searching for the remnants of the hot dogs and hamburgers we had so carelessly tossed into the fire.

Our delusions peaked with a decision to emerge from the tent as one with all of the knives and blunt objects in our youthful arsenal. We stepped softly through the camp, gripping flashlights and amateur weaponry, hearts racing with irrational fear stoked by our own immature ambitions.



Letters

Sun-Driven Global Warming Causes an Increase in Carbon Dioxide

Antarctic ice core records of 800,000 years show the sun always warms Earth first. Then Earth oceans release some carbon dioxide, and atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration increases.

Earth temperature maximizes, later carbon dioxide does. Ergo, sun-driven global warming causes atmospheric carbon dioxide increases, not visa versa. The oceans store 50 times the carbon dioxide as the atmosphere; a small ocean carbon dioxide release gives a big atmospheric carbon dioxide percent increase.

People's carbon dioxide, including power plants, is miniscule compared to natural sources. A carbon dioxide climate signal is lost in natural climate variation noise. There is a zero carbon dioxide problem, according to Habibullo Abdussamatov, a solar physicist. He measured sun total solar irradiance "heat output" since about 1990. He wrote and published (November 2013) a short paper saying the sun has started taking a nap like the Maunder Sunspot Minimum (1645 AD to 1715 AD); the coldest part of the 18th Little Ice Age in the last 7,500 years. Since 1995, the Sun's TSI reduced by 0.016 watts per square meter of Earth surface, sufficient to completely stop global warming (temperature pause), even though carbon dioxide continued to increase to 400 parts per million in the atmosphere. Global warming is dead for about 85 years. Abdussamatov projects TSI will drop to 1,360 watts per square meter by 2043 with a related temperature drop and very difficult problems raising crops. Russian President Vladimir Putin believed Abdussamatov and took Crimea from Ukraine to have one Russian warm water port (Sevastopol). Putin will now likely take all of Ukraine. President Barack Obama will play golf. The U.N. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change charter is to prove global warming is people-caused through carbon dioxide emissions since "rich" nations use the most carbon fuels. The UN-IPCC head publicly stated that the IPCC mission is to destroy capitalism and transfer wealth from rich to poor nations. Socialism cannot compete with capitalism.

Earth. Nature does a great job of cleaning up oil, compared to people, e.g. oil spills from World War II sunk ships.

Town-sized nuclear power plants, using SAFE fuel bed technology developed in Oregon is a reasonable solution to our energy requirements. Solar with wind power can only supply a few percent of the U.S. energy needs. Europe is discovering this problem.

Iran will kill all 322.6 million U.S. folks, if allowed. Our politicized military leaders prevaricate (by Obama direction) but Iranian rabid Muslim mullahs obtaining nuclear bombs and ICBMs is a far, far worse threat to U.S. security and environment than global warming.

Taxing carbon dioxide makes economic hardship for folks and business, is socialistic as Karl

In any case, a particularly long day of searching for Sasquatch turned to night, leaving my

When we saw a damp section of soil, we determined it was the evidence we were looking for.

"It must have been marking its territory," one of us said.

Another bent down to investigate.

Smells like urine," he reported.

We crouched in silence for a moment before a member of our expedition emitted a quiet snicker. He voided our unspoken agreement to communicate through whispers with a startling announcement spoken at full volume.

'That wasn't Sasquatch," he said. "That was me!"

The tale is as ludicrous today as it was then, yet now I find myself editor of a newspaper that often fields claims of the discovery of proof of Sasquatch, as was the case in Thursday's edition. The volcano continues to hold a precious place in our collective memories, many of which will be shared during the 35th anniversary of the 1980 eruption this weekend (see details in the Life section calendar).

We're indeed blessed to live in a land more interesting than most.

I encourage you to get out there and explore it.

However, I don't suggest smelling any damp sections of soil.

Eric Schwartz is the editor of The Chronicle.

Gov. Jay Inslee wants carbon dioxide taxes so he can spread (waste) the wealth. This is socialism.

We need all available carbon-based fuels for the next 100 years to keep folks warm and improve our economic GDP. Shutting down power plants and coal/oil fields is silly. Proven reserves of oil continue to increase, not decrease. Oil has not peaked. Carbon fuel carbon dioxide has not and is not changing the climate or overheating the

Marx and is as clever as a box of rocks

John F. Cramer Onalaska

Centralia College Draws Praise

In January 2012, I started my schooling at Centralia College. I earned an associate's degree in business and I am currently in my final quarter of the bachelor's program. I want to inform the community of the abundance of support I have received in reaching my educational goals.

Numerous administrative staff helped me to make this undertaking possible. The departments include, but are not limited to, Admissions, Veterans Affairs, Cashiers Office, Financial Aid, Workers Retraining and Kirk Library. These offices are staffed by people who are engaging and helpful. They performed their jobs with ease, but more importantly I believe I was cared for as an individual.

My experience with the instructors has been overwhelmingly positive. Subject matter was explained in a manner that each student could understand. Time was taken to address special circumstances, and learning was made interactive and enjoyable.

It is my desire that the administrative staff and the instructors at Centralia College read this article and know that they have changed my life for the better. I also want the public to be aware of the positive influence Centralia College has made in my life.

I highly encourage anyone who has thought about attending college to consider Centralia. My time and money was well spent. I gained knowledge, skills and relationships that I know will help me in my chosen profession and life in general.

Thank you, Centralia College!

BRAD ANDERSEN Rochester

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We will strive to be the voice of reason for the peaceful settlement of conflict and contention on key local issues. We will work to be fair at all times and to provide a balance of opinions. We will make our opinion pages available for public discussion of vital issues and events affecting the quality of life in Lewis County and adjoining regions. When necessary, we will be willing to take a tough, definitive stance on a controversial issue.

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Good Policing Requires Both Warriors and Guardians

COMMENTARY: Farewell to Law Enforcement

For the past 11 years, the city council has honored our officers and employees by recognizing their efforts and accomplishments as a part of the public

meeting process of the council.

During those same 11 years, I have been privileged and honored to lead the members of the department as we have served our

community.



By Bob Berg

Your police department is recognized as a leader in many aspects of law enforcement and criminal justice, both locally and statewide.

Our initiatives in policy implementation, accreditation, special weapons and tactics, and K-9 selection and training; along with traffic safety initiatives, including an active traffic enforcement program, a 24/7 statewide pilot program for DUI offenders, and our traffic school have been recognized by local and regional experts for their effectiveness

and innovation.

Our exploitation of technology, as evidenced by next generation patrol vehicle computer tablets, video arraignment and forensic cellphone equipment are but three such examples.

More importantly, the people in the department have always stepped up to provide the "extras" that are attendant in a community policing agency.

Be it our annual and varied spring cleanup events, our award-winning police citizens' academy, our association's delivery of Christmas gifts for hundreds of families over the years or our strong support for Special Olympics, the men and women, commissioned and civilian, paid and volunteer, have always gone above and beyond what was expected of them.

And we are pretty good at dealing with the primary mission of the department in our community — as evidenced by a more than 40 percent reduction in crime in Centralia since 2004.

While there are certainly is-

sues in the national media that question the criminal justice system in our country and call into question the actions of some police officers, my 43 years of being in this business has led me to three conclusions.

First, what's old is new again I worked as a police officer during the national debate and concern surrounding policecommunity issues along racial lines in the early 1970s.

Second, there is not a policing problem in America; there is problem with some police officers in this country.

Finally, the national media in some cases spurred on by social media - rushes to provide information, which in many times is incorrect, in advance of the facts being determined and the truth being ascertained through a comprehensive investigative process.

It has been said that a rumor gets halfway around the world before the truth gets off the front porch.

I believe that such is true.

And amid this swirling cauldron of cable television spurred "expert versus expert" debate without final facts over the past two months, coupled with an indictment of the militarization of our police, 27 law enforcement officers have been killed in the line of duty over the past two months; a third of them shot by criminals, thugs and punks.

Yet the discussion goes on and concerns are expressed about the militarization of our police and the "warrior cop" mentality of the police officer replacing the guardian philosophy historically attributed to law enforcement officers.

In fact a major training emphasis of the state training commission in its basic law enforcement academy is to stress that police officers are guardians of the community, not necessarily warriors — the ethos of our military.

In truth, both of these terms apply to law enforcement. While only those with the most impeccable character are chosen as guardians to bear the responsibility of protecting the democ-

racy, a warrior is defined as "a person who fights in battles and is known for having courage and skill.

Our police officers must be both guardians and warriors in order to do their job and return home to their loved ones at the end of their shift.

Being able to transition from one to the other — many times in an instant — is an absolute requisite in this job.

Thank you again for the opportunity to share these awards with the council and our community. The officers and employees of the department remain committed to community policing and public safety in our community.

We will continue to "Work in partnership with our community to protect life and property, reduce crime, and enhance the security and quality of life in our city."

It has been a privilege serving as your chief of police.

Bob Berg is retiring after 11 years as chief of the Centralia Police Department.



COMMENTARY: Hills and Valleys

Life, Cancer and Walking Together Through Life's Storms

When local legends Keith Blackwell and Parker "Parkerman" Walsh lit the torch that kicked off our community's Relay for Life last night, the moment was both heavy with meaning and illuminated with a rare kind of hard-won happiness.

Anyone who knows one or both of these joyful men (and

sometimes I think just about everyone does) or anyone who loves someone with cancer (and sadly, I'm sure everyone does),

understands the weight of life and death that

comes with the many diseases that fall under that dreadful word.

By Brian Mittge

And at the same time, the Relay for Life reminds us that



Your friends and neighbors have been walking laps around the Saloon Stage all night at the Relay for Life in the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds. I encourage all of you to visit them today. Join this fundraiser and friendraiser as we work together to cure cancer and help those living with it.

fitness. Perhaps his career as a firefighter exposed him to foul smoke when the chemical wonders of our modern life burned. This man has pledged to fight, to put his tremendous energy and drive into beating this disease for the sake of his wife and their three children.

And like the 115 people I counted Friday evening who walked the first lap of the Relay, the Survivor's Lap. Well, some walked. Others were in wheelchairs Some walked with assistance, family members and friends at their side. The rest of us applauded. Some of us looked down at the luminaria lining the track, small memorials to loved ones who lived, died and left a legacy that hums on in the beautiful, chaotic, unfathomable music of life. In the wide grass at the center of our makeshift track, some of us threw footballs to our children. The balls arced through the air, and we leapt for the catch. Each time we threw the ball, we couldn't know if it would be caught or bounce beyond our reach. Perhaps it would slip through our hands. And yet there is laughter, even as the ball falls. Even as we face the unknown, the possibility of the End, there is the chance for the deepest moments of life. The clasp of a hand, the sharing of sorrow, the quest for hope. We hold life dearest at its end. We live life best when we vow not to walk alone, even as we know we might be walking too quickly toward the sunset. Cancer is a disease that brings uncertainty and fear. Relay for Life reminds us that it also can bring forth the strongest bonds of friendship and companionship. While we cannot summon the sun during this time of storm, we can light a torch and walk beside you, brightening a little the pathway twisting toward an unknowable future.

Letters

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 Limit letters to the editor to 500 words or less.

 Include the town where you live and a daytime telephone number.

• The Chronicle does not publish letters that advocate boycotts of local busin

Appreciation for Support of Piano Event

On behalf of the Lewis County Music Teachers Association, I would like to thank the community for again so generously supporting the Piano Play-a-thon held April 18 at Jeremy's Farm to Table Restaurant in Chenalis. We're so very grateful for a community that supports the arts. We would also like to thank Jeremy's Farm to Table for hosting the event this year. Jeremy and his staff were so welcoming, and made it a fun, memorable event for our students. The students thoroughly enjoyed playing the new grand piano on a real stage. We couldn't ask for a nicer venue. We would also like to thank Ryan Sowers for donating his time and abilities to tune the grand piano at Jeremy's. It sounded wonderful! Thanks also to the Chronicle, KELA, KITI, KACS and others who advertised this event, and of course, the parents, without which none of this would be possible! A special thank you to our own Selah Newkirk, who made and donated a beautiful music-themed queen size quilt for a raffle to benefit the Piano Playa-thon. Proceeds from the Play-athon provide tuition for piano lessons and college scholarships for outstanding high school seniors to further their music education.

support that has been given for our Emergency Medical Services levy by the citizens of the Greater Centralia area.

On behalf of the Riverside

Fire Authority commissioners

and all RFA personnel, we wish

to express our gratitude for the

Authority Thankful for

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Riverside Fire

The overwhelming approval of the EMS levy sends a clear message that the voters value the services that are provided and that citizens expect to receive our very best effort whenever we are called to serve. Our emergency response personnel are committed to providing the very best fire and emergency medical services possible each and every day. Our fire commissioners and staff will continue to be prudent with your tax dollars and responsive to the needs of the citizens we serve.

We look forward to increasing our focus on fire/injury "instructor" in the Continuing prevention programs with individuals or groups interested emergency preparedness. in Through these programs and partnerships we will create safer communities preventing many tragedies before they occur.

> Lee Coumbs chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners

> > MICHAEL KYTTA, chief of the Riverside Fire Authority

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Sasguatch Story **Off Base**

By giving front-page coverage to "Proof of Bigfoot" you are creating news rather than reporting news.

"Professor" Townsend is an Education division of Centralia College. Other continuing education classes this term include basket weaving, knitting and scarf dying.

By referring to Townsend as a "professor" you make a mockery of many well-educated, serious instructors at the college and you further reduce your newspaper to a local rag.

> BILL GANNON Centralia

LINDA SCHIECK Lewis County Music Teachers Association

that life goes on even for those of us suddenly facing the prospect of it ending far too soon. Amid immense fear and unimaginable sorrow, there is the potential for connection, hope and even glimpses of joy.

The Relay for Life, which began 30 years ago with visionary doctor Gordy Klatt, who circled for 24 hours around a Tacoma track, is like a physical embodiment of the poignancy that comes for those who suddenly realize that the end might be near.

I saw old friends, renewed acquaintances and shared moments with people who know more keenly than the rest of us that tomorrow is not guaranteed.

Blackwell, a man that so many of us call a friend, made his deepest impression on me when he led much of the relief effort in downtown Chehalis after the devastating flood of 2007. Now he sports an 18-inch scar running down one side of his scalp, across his throat, and up the other side. A circle of skin atop his head is growing back after doctors cut to the bone, hoping to chase every particle of a clump of cells that went horribly wrong.

Blackwell said his oncologist wasn't able to say why the cells in his body mutated into a virulent form.

"Cosmic roulette," Blackwell said.

It's a game none of us choose to play, but the wheel is spinning for everyone.

The ball is bouncing and none of us can predict when our number will come up.

So while scientists pursue treatments, the rest of us are left here in this moment, with all of its uncertainty.

Like the husband of a family friend who just learned that he has lung cancer, despite a life of

Brian Mittge, brianmittge@hotmail.com, and his family live outside Chehalis. In memory of grandma Marguerite Cohen, 1912-1961.

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CENTRALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Theft of Medications Reported

• At 9:56 a.m. on Thursday, police received a report of medication stolen from a residence in the 1200 block of Alder Street. A suspect has been identified and the case is under investigation.

Gang-Style Graffiti Reported in Centralia

• At 11:37 a.m. on Thursday, police received a report of gangstyle graffiti spray painted on a building in the 800 block of North Tower Avenue.

Identity Theft Reported

• At 2:47 p.m. on Thursday, a resident of the 300 block of Hemlock Street in Centralia reported that someone else filed taxes under her Social Security number.

Editor's note: Several of the towns where defendants live was not provided by Lewis County District Court.

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

Held March 25

• Jimmy Dean Wentzel, 53, (1) driving under the influence, (2) third-degree driving while license suspended, (3) operating a vehicle without ignition interlock, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 154 suspended, fined \$700 on count 1, sentenced to 90 days with 30 suspended, fined \$600 on count 2, sentenced to 364 days with 364 suspended, fined \$750 on count 3, concurrent, home detention authorized, \$6,248 in fees.

• Jessica Rae Behe, 30, hit and run, attended vehicle, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 364 suspended, fined \$750, \$386 in fees.

Police Investigate Reports of Assault of Child

• At 9 p.m. on Thursday, police received a report of a 23-yearold man assaulting a 9-year-old child. The case is under investigation. No arrests were made.

Trespasser Arrested on South Scheuber Road

• Matthew A. Vercoe, 43, of Olympia, was arrested at 10:35 p.m. on Thursday on suspicion of criminal trespassing in the 900 block of South Scheuber Road.

CHEHALIS POLICE DEPARTMENT Possible Burglary at Lewis County Mall

• At 6:27 a.m. on Friday, police responded to a commercial burglary alarm at the Lewis County Mall. No arrests were made.

Sirens

Honda Stolen on Washington Avenue

• At 5:05 a.m. on Thursday, a red Honda Prelude was reported stolen in the 400 block of Northeast Washington Avenue.

Disturbance Reported on Third Street

• At 9:56 a.m. on Thursday, police received a report of a verbal disturbance between a man and a woman in the 300 block of South Third Street. No arrests were made.

Bicyclist Struck by Vehicle

• Police received a report at 4:34 p.m. Wednesday of a car hitting a person on a bicycle. The person on the bicycle did not appear to be seriously injured. No further information was available.

Adrian Lee Gavles, 33, third-degree

driving while license suspended, sen-

tenced to 90 days in jail with 90 sus-

third-degree driving while license sus-

pended, sentenced to 90 days in jail

with 90 suspended, fined \$600, \$386 in

Tyrie Abdul Hoxie, 34, third-degree

Michael Steven Dzuibak, 33, Morton,

Steven Taylor Howell, 64, Morton, (1)

third-degree theft, (2) second-degree

vehicle prowling, (3) second-degree

criminal trespassing, sentenced to 364

days in jail with 364 suspended, fined

\$750 on count 1, counts 2 and 3 dis-

missed with prejudice, \$283 in fees.

driving while license suspended, fined

third-degree theft, sentenced to 364

days in jail with 364 suspended, fined

· Darryl Eugene Harris-Clowney, 24,

\$600 on count 2, \$2,849 in fees.

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

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\$300, \$386 in fees.

\$750, \$283 in fees.

Vehicle Prowl at Mall Reported

• At 1:41 p.m. on Thursday, a caller reported a cellphone, jacket and a pack of cigarettes stolen from a vehicle at the Lewis County Mall.

4-Wheeler Reported Stolen in Chehalis

• At 7:52 p.m. on Thursday, a 4-wheeler was reported stolen in the 1000 block of Southeast Adams Avenue.

Possible Identity Theft Reported

• At 1:06 p.m. on Wednesday, a caller in the 1000 block of Northwest Louisiana Avenue reported that somebody used his or her Social Security number.

ceived a report of a burglary sometime during the night Wednesday in the 2600 block

• The Sheriff's Office re-

LEWIS COUNTY SHERIFF

Burglar Steals Chain Saw,

Motorcycle on Bennett Road

of Bennett Road. The resident reported a 1987 Suzuki DS80 motorcycle, a chain saw, tools, motorcycle helmets and gasoline stolen from a shed. The items amount to \$1,500 in value.

By The Chronicle Staff Please call news reporter Natalie Johnson with news tips. She can be reached at 807-8237 or njohnson@ chronline.com.

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Death Notices

• THELMA I. FISCHER, 93, Ryderwood, died Monday, May 11, at Clark's Family Home, Winlock. A service will be at 1 p.m. Monday at Ryderwood Community Church, Family burial will take place at Sumner City Cemetery, Sumner. Arrangements are under the direction of Cattermole Funeral Home, Winlock.

· DONALD CHARLES DAVIS, 96, Chehalis, died Saturday, May 2, at Providence Centralia Hospital. A graveside service with full military honors will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Tahoma National Cemetery, 18600 SE 240th St., Kent. Arrangements are under the direction of Funeral Alternatives of Washington, Centralia.

• DON C. ROMJUE, 78, Bucoda, died Tues-

· Paul Aaron Leggett, 29, third-degree driving while license suspended, fined \$600, \$386 in fees.

Lewis County District Court

• Brian Wayne Peterson, 39, thirddegree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, fined \$600, \$386 in fees.

 Kristin Hays Skiles, 43, driving under the influence, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 356 suspended, fined \$595, \$1,686 in fees.

 Alan Claude Cunningham, 21, minor in possession and/or consumption, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 364 suspended, fined \$750, \$43 in fees.

· Samantha Renae Craig, 39, thirddegree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, fined \$600, \$386 in fees.

• Andrew James Jacaway, 23, (1) driving under the influence, (2) thirddegree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 274 suspended, fined \$850 on count 1, fined

of Funeral Alternatives of Washington, Centralia.

· LINDA A. ALLEN, 60, Winlock, died Tuesday, May 12, at Riverside Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Centralia. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 30, at Salkum Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Cattermole Funeral Home, Winlock.

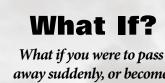
· BETTY ANN CLARKSTON, 86, Chehalis, died Thursday, May 14, at home. At the request of the deceased, no services are being held. Arrangements are under the direction of Cattermole Funeral Home, Winlock.

Lotteries

Corrections

In Thursday's Voice of the People feature, the job title of the Centralia School District official who will be demoted in a Medicaid fraud case was incorrect. He is the Centralia Middle School principal.

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day, May 5, at home. Services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Funeral Alternatives of Washington, Centralia.

• VELMA I. AMES, 90, Chehalis, died Friday, May 8, at Providence Centralia Hospital. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Brown Mortuary Service, Chehalis.

• CHARLES WILLARD BAUER, 70, Spanaway, died Wednesday, May 6, at his property in Randle. No services are planned at this time. Arrangements are under the direction of Funeral Alternatives of Washington, Centralia.

• SANDRA JANINE BENNETT, 56, Onalaska, died Saturday, May 2, at home. Service details are pending. Arrangements are under the direction of Funeral Alternatives of Washington, Centralia.

• ALYCE MAE ODEN, 92, Chehalis, died Friday, May 1, at home. An inurnment will be at 1 p.m. Monday, June 1, at Willamette National Cemetery, Portland. Arrangements are under the direction

Washington's Thursday Games

Powerball:

Next jackpot: \$110 million Mega Millions:

Next jackpot: \$159 million Lotto:

Next jackpot: \$3.4 million Hit 5:

Next cashpot: \$140,000 Match 4: 05-06-13-21 Daily Game: 6-2-2 Keno: 07-12-16-20-27-31-37-38-42-46-52-57-59-60-62-67-68-69-72-74

Commodities

Gas in Washington — \$3.009 (AAA of Washington)

Crude Oil — \$59.96 per barrel (CME Group) Gold — \$1,224 (Monex)

Silver — \$17.53 (Monex)

In Remembrance

ELSIE CHAPPELL PETERS

Elsie Peters passed away May 2, 2015 at Prestige Liberty Care Center in Centralia, Washington. She was born in Onalaska, Washington on Sept. 26, 1923 to James and Arminta Music. Elsie was one of seven children.

Elsie married Boyd Chappell in 1946. With this marriage came three stepchildren and together they had a daughter. In addition to raising these children, Elsie and Boyd assisted in the raising of 132 foster children. After her husband of 36 years, passed away she married Earl Peters in 1993 gaining four more adult stepchildren.

Elsie was an active member of the Jackson Prairie Assembly of God church most of her life.

Elsie is survived by her daughter, Susan (Bob) Shoemaker; Stepchildren, Carol Galpin, Wayne (Mary) Chappell, Shirley (Don) Short, Barbara Schmitz; foster children, Jerry Smith and Peggy Dixon; and numerous grandchildren; greatgrandchildren; and great-greatgrandchildren. Also surviving is a sister, Mary Lee Chappell; and a brother, James Music.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Boyd in 1982; her second husband, Earl in 2002; stepsons, Boyd Chappell, Jr., David Tharp and Daniel Tharp; sisters, Dorothy and Sharon; and brothers, Orville and Ernest.

In Lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Jackson Prairie Assembly of God Church.

A memorial service for Elsie will be Sunday, May 17, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the Jackson Prairie Assembly of God church with a potluck following.

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

In Loving Memory of Errol Lee Anderson

Errol Lee Anderson passed away peacefully at his home on Deep Creek Road, Wednesday May 6, 2015, surrounded by his family.

Errol was born in Chehalis, Washington on May 18, 1937 to the late A.T. and Minnie Anderson. He lived out his childhood at his parent's farm on Deep Creek Road in Adna, Washington along with his four siblings; Jack, Jane, Joe and Hap and attended Adna Schools. On Aug. 2, 1953 Errol married his high school sweetheart and love of his life Sharon Deeds.

At the age of 16, Errol followed in his father's footsteps and boarded a St. Regis train to a logging camp in Morton, Washington, where he began work on the rigging crew. He then went to work for Schafer Brothers at Camp Grisdale. Later, accompanied by his wife and expecting their first child he set out to find work closer to home and on flatter ground. Errol met with Schafer Brother's Side Rod/Bull Buck at a logging site near Rainbow Falls and soon after began work there.

After a strike shut down Schafer Brother's mill and woods operations, Errol took a job as a timber faller for Agnew Lumber in Mineral, Washington. Soon Errol made

a name for himself as a timber faller and partnered with his cousin Don Anderson as contract timber fallers. During Errol's career he worked with many local logging companies including John Thompson Logging, Olsen Brothers and Moerke & Sons. One thing he was proud of was having the opportunity to work alongside Don Anderson, Joe Anderson, Ed Anderson, Joe Paulin, Les Gallows and many other great loggers.

Errol finished his working years at the Centralia Coal Mine, where again he felt lucky to have known and worked with many great men.

Living on Deep Creek, Errol and Sharon raised their four children, Mary Jo, Jim, Sheryl and Geri on the family farm. In 1983, they began raising salmon to release in local creeks. After Sharon's death in 1989 Errol continued this, earning him a Department of Fish and Wildlife Washington State Conservation Award and a Conservation Hero Award in the May 2015 Field & Stream Magazine. Over the last 32 years more than three million salmon have been released in local creeks.

Errol later married Goldie Marie his wife and companion of 22 years. Goldie's caretaking and sense of humor was a



blessing. During retirement Errol enjoyed his time with family and friends. He soon became known as "The Mayor of Deep Creek" spending his time on his four wheeler visiting and helping family and neighbors.

Errol will always be known as a kind, patient man, a great father, a teacher, hard worker and friend.

"Let's Get Busy"

In lieu of flowers and gifts, the family asks that donations be made to the A.T and Minnie Anderson Memorial for Adna Scholarships at any Twin Star Credit Union.

There will be a celebration of life at the Adna High School on June 13, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. A pie social provided by the family to follow.

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

Errol was preceded in death by his parents, A.T. and Minnie Anderson; wife, Sharon Anderson; siblings, Jane Hartvigsen, Jack Anderson and Hap Anderson; and infant grandson, Allen Lee Anderson. Survivors include his wife, Goldie Marie Anderson; brother, Joe (Rometta) Anderson; four children, Mary Jo (Ron) Bieker, Jim (Kathy) Anderson, Sheryl Anderson and Geri (Mark) Griffith; seven grandchildren, Jay (Amy) Bieker, Arron Anderson, Rochelle Thomas, Sarah (Patrick) Johnson, Zach (Lindsey) Pilz, Shawnell Pilz and Chelsie (Zach) Berg;and 13 great-grandchildren, Evie, Errol and Braden Thomas; Augustus and Amelia Anderson; Kasen Berg; Lane and Taylor Johnson; Timothy, Hayden and Aaron Pilz; Khole and Kole Kreischer.

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Gov. Inslee Signs Oil Train Safety Bill

OLYMPIA (AP) — Gov. Jay nians," Inslee said. Inslee signed into law Thursday a measure that attempts to im- involved in major fires or derailprove the safety of oil transportation as a sharp increase in trains carrying volatile crude oil poses new safety and environmental risks in the state.

A compromise reached on the last day of the regular legislative session resolved differences between competing bills in the Senate and House.

"Even with the passage of this bill I remain very concerned about the safety of Washingto- ment of Ecology officials say

At least 24 oil trains have been ments during the past decade in the U.S. and Canada, including a 2013 accident in Quebec that killed 47 people. The latest derailment came earlier this month when a train carrying crude oil from the Bakken region derailed and caught fire in North Dakota, forcing the evacuation of a small town.

Each week, 19 mile-long trains carrying crude oil roll through Washington state. State Depart-

that number could jump to 137 or more trains a week if several proposed oil-by-rail facilities are built over the next several years.

The bill signed by Inslee includes some provisions he wanted, such as requiring railroads hauling crude oil to show their ability to pay for oil spill cleanup and requiring facilities that receive oil by trains to provide weekly notice of the type and volume of oil shipped. Under the measure, more limited information will be made public on a quarterly basis.

a barrel tax collected on crude oil and petroleum products to railroads to help pay for oil spill response, though it doesn't cover pipelines and isn't increased as Inslee and others had hoped. That barrel tax is currently collected when oil arrives from a marine vessel or barge. Inslee said that while the state action was a positive step, he said the federal government must do more on the issue because "we still have an unsafe situation in our state."

These trains are a mile

The measure also extends long with very volatile material, they're rolling through our neighborhoods and they're not safe today," Inslee said. "More needs to be done."

Environmental groups who had pushed for stronger protections called it a "weakened bill" when it passed the Legislature last month, saying it removed important protections for Puget Sound. Missing are provisions that would have allowed new rules requiring tug escort for oil tankers and other vessels in Puget Sound.

Research: *Predicting When a Similar Eruption Will Occur Not an Exact Science*

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Up until the late '70s and early '80s, most American researchers who studied volcanoes were mainly fixated on the fountains of molten rock and flowing lava fields of Hawaii. Although stratovolcanoes dot the West Coast, they garnered little attention from scientists, partially because one hadn't erupted in the continental United States since 1915.

Evidence of violent stratovolcano activity litters the Pacific Northwest and the West Coast at large, but scientists hadn't vet deciphered the clues of potential catastrophe dotting the landscape. In the '70s they had only begun mapping them and learning their histories. "There are enormous chunks

of hummus along Interstate 5 in California, over 15 miles away from Mount Shasta (another stratovolcano). Until Mount St. Helens erupted no one understood why those pieces of hummus were all over," said George Bergantz, a professor in the Earth and Space Sciences Department at the University of

Washington.

Before St. Helens blew, the U.S. Geological Survey, the federal agency that studies volcanoes, didn't have much of a presence in the Pacific Northwest, and the researchers that were here were just beginning to realize the amount of activity happening below the Cascades. But as a consequence there were no volcano hazard programs in place to direct people on how to act when a major eruption took place.

In 1978 researchers became aware that the volcano was very young and likely to erupt again, but scientists and society at large kind of glossed over it.

"Every science goes through these great stages where people have to define what happened in the past and what might be a problem in the future. We were in that collection phase back then," said Driedger.

That collection phase started in earnest just about a month prior to the eruption when researchers at the University of Washington set up their first live feed of 10 seismometers on St. Helens.

When the mountain exploded on May 18, 1980, the equipment allowed them to document a complete cycle of a stratovolcanic eruption for the first time in history. Starting with an earthquake at about 8:32 a.m. the north face of the mountain collapsed at up to 155 mph and covered a 24-square-mile area. That exposed partially molten rock below, which exploded and released an eruption column some 80,000 feet into the sky.

Researchers learned that the forces driving the mountain some 5 feet higher in elevation per day in the days leading up to the eruption were the results of magma moving into the chamber below the surface. They also learned how common it actually is for an eruption to begin with a debris slide — as was the case when the north face of St. Helens slid off for the largest landslide ever recorded.

"There was USGS personnel in that area - David Johnston for instance (for whom the Johnston Ridge Observatory is named) - people, now in retrospect prior to the eruption, no one would have ever been

allowed to go into that sector of the volcano," Bergantz said. "Mount St. Helens really illuminated those events. Having seen it and understanding the tragedy, we have a clearer idea of the debris avalanches."

The eruption gave the scientific community evidence to extrapolate on what has and will happen at other volcanoes around the world. It also forced them to realize that researchers from multiple disciplines needed to come together to understand and predict volcanic behavior.

At the same time, they realized they had to learn to communicate with emergency managers and learn the systems they use.

"It became very clear to me we as a society were not ready for this and we as scientists had a long way to go and we could do more - everybody realized that. It took a while to deal with that eruption," Driedger said.

In the years following the blast, scientists began mapping ash deposits and examining the rock layers of mountains around the Pacific Northwest to get a better idea of their eruption history. After about eight years of work, USGS created a hazard assessment then met with communities that could be affected by an eruption and warned them of the possibilities.

Today, St. Helens is one of the most researched volcanos in the world. Researchers are actively studying how the environment regenerates after being wiped away and the gases escaping the volcano. Others are gathering information to create images of the magma flows deep beneath the surface.

All of this information will lead to a better understanding of volcanos, but predicting when an eruption will happen isn't an exact science, according to Steve Malone, a retired seismologist with the University of Washington who studied the 1980 St. Helens eruption.

"Indeed we can see eruptions coming in almost any case, anywhere the volcano is well monitored. In some cases they're very short, but often it's days to weeks or more, but looking out further than that, we have no idea," he said.

Eruption: Man and Friends Were 'Not Thinking Anything But Having Fun'

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the eruption," Hobson said. "On the way home there was not a soul around."

Hobson said the area where they had been camping and waterskiing was restricted for a while after the eruption, but it didn't really change or disrupt that particular area too much.

The eruption of Mount St. Helens was the only significant event of its kind to occur in the contiguous 48 U.S. states since the 1915 eruption of Lassen Peak in California. Prior to the eruption, there was a 67-month

series of earthquakes and steamventing episodes on the mountain, caused by an injection of magma at shallow depth below the volcano that created a bulge and a fracture system on the mountain's north slope.

An earthquake at 8:32 a.m. on May 18, 1980, caused the entire weakened north face to slide away, creating the largest landslide ever recorded.

This landslide suddenly exposed the partly molten, gasand steam-rich rock in the volcano to lower pressure. The rock responded by exploding a hot mix of lava and pulverized older

rock toward Spirit Lake so fast that it overtook the avalanching north face.

"I was 19 years old, friends were 19 and younger," Hobson said of staying to watch the eruption. "Young males not thinking about anything but having fun."

Lawsuit: Attorney Says Appeals Through Ninth Circuit Can Take Up to a Year

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issued April 7, dismissing Ron Reynolds' lawsuit, and calling Reynolds' arguments that the county violated his constitutional rights "unavailing."

Reynolds filed a notice of appeal of Settle's decision on May 1 with the United States Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in Seattle.

Settle wrote that McLeod was within his rights to hold an inquest into Ronda Reynolds' death.

"In Washington, an inquest proceeding is one of four 'established, recognized and legally permissible methods for determining the existence of probable cause," the judge wrote in his April 7 decision. "Any coroner, in his or her discretion, may hold an inquest if the coroner suspects that the death of a per-



died in 1998

son was unnatural, or violent, or resulted from unlawful means, or from suspicious circumstance."

coroner

McLeod said he could not comment on pending litigation.

Attorney John Justice of Olympia, who represents McLeod and Lewis County in the lawsuit, said he was impressed with Settle's decision.

"I thought it was very thorough and well-reasoned," Justice said. "I think he nailed it."

Reynolds and his attorney,

Rick Cordes, of Olympia, have until Aug. 10 to file a brief on his notice of appeal with the court. Cordes did not return a request for comment.

Justice said Ninth Circuit appeals sometimes take up to a year.

"I think the Ninth Circuit will probably affirm Judge Set-tle's decision," he said. The issues were pretty straightforward. I think it's unlikely the Court of Appeals will overturn any part of the decision."

Reynolds' wife, Ronda Reynolds, was found dead of a single gunshot wound to the head on Dec. 16, 1998, in a bedroom closet of their Toledo home.

Although the death was initially ruled a suicide, Reynolds' mother, Barb Thompson, successfully petitioned for a judicial review of the case and in 2009, a jury determined Reynolds'

death was not a suicide.

McLeod took office as Lewis County Coroner in 2011, and convened an inquest into Reynolds' death.

The jury unanimously ruled that Ronda Reynolds' manner of death was homicide and identified Ron Reynolds and his son Jonathan Reynolds as responsible for her death.

After the inquest, McLeod issued arrest warrants for Reynolds and his son. The Lewis County Prosecutor's Office declined to press charges.

Reynolds first filed a lawsuit against Lewis County and McLeod in 2013, arguing that McLeod had no legal basis to conduct an inquest 13 years after his wife's death, that the inquest was held in a "negligent and reckless manner," and that a subsequent warrant for Reynolds' arrest violated his Fourth

and Fourteenth Amendment rights.

The Fourth Amendment prohibits unreasonable searches and seizures and requires warrants to be supported by probable cause. The Fourteenth Amendment addresses the right to due process.

"Viewed in the light most favorable to (Ron) Reynolds, the evidence in the record establishes that Reynolds's arrest was based on probable cause," Settle wrote. "Because probable cause supported the arrest warrant, Coroner McLeod did not violate Reynolds's Fourth Amendment rights."

True-crime author Ann Rule wrote about the case in her 2010 book "In the Still of the Night: The Strange Death of Ronda Reynolds and Her Mother's Unceasing Quest for the Truth."

Governor: Bryant Has Served on the Seattle Port Commission Since 2008

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He did so in a video recorded in Lewis County. Bryant was born in Morton.

In his campaign announcement, Bryant says he goes to two places to get away from the noise - the Olympic Mountains, where he grew up, and Lewis County, where he was born.

He said his grandparents moved to Toledo from South Dakota in the 1930s, beginning his family's story in Washington.

He focused on creating jobs in his campaign-opening statement.

"I want to lead a state that is focused on generating solid, family-wage jobs in communities all across Washington," Bryant said in a video posted as his

campaign website went live. "My vision for our state isn't about Republicans or Democrats. It's about us, Washingtonians, pulling together so people can get good jobs here, afford houses here, raise families and retire here in this natural beauty we all love and want to protect."

Bryant, 54, has served on the port commission since 2008.

He is the first announced challenger to Democratic Gov. Jay Inslee in 2016, and he was immediately attacked by Democrats who questioned his wel-come of Shell's drilling fleet and what they described as his opposition to improving pay and working conditions for employees at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

Earlier in the week, Bryant was the lone port commissioner

to vote against a request that Shell delay bringing its fleet to Seattle.

Bryant spokesman Alex Hays said the campaign announcement wasn't deliberately timed to the arrival of the Polar Pioneer drill rig, but "based on the necessity to let people know he wasn't running for port commissioner." He described the candidate as socially moderate, fiscally conservative and dedicated to protecting the environment.

"We don't know much about Republican Bill Bryant or how he plans to sell himself to Washington voters, but Republicans running statewide here in Washington tend to run from their conservative records, so we look forward to hearing more from him on the issues that matter to Washingtonians," Washington State Democratic Party spokesman Jamal Raad said in a statement.

In his campaign video, Bryant emphasized his Washington roots and his interest in education, jobs and the environment, saying he wants to ease the tax burden on the middle class and leave Puget Sound cleaner than he found it.

Bryant was born in Lewis County and grew up on Hood Canal and in Olympia. He studied trade and diplomacy at Georgetown University, according to his biography on the Port of Seattle website.

He and his wife, Barbara, moved to Seattle in 1992, and he founded a company dedicated to opening foreign markets in Europe and Asia for Washington farmers.

In an email, Republican Rep. Drew Stokesbary said Thursday that two dozen House Republicans had signed a letter urging Bryant to run. The letter said the state needs "a governor who can transcend party labels and bring legislators together."

It accuses Inslee of bringing a "hyper-partisan, divisive style to Olympia."

"His almost exclusive focus on climate change has left other important state needs languishing without leadership," the letter reads.

David Postman, a spokesman for the governor, called the letter partisan and said those lawmakers should instead focus on budget negotiations in the Legislature.

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Nation in Brief

New Mystery: Was Train That Crashed Hit by Flying Object?

PHILADELPHIA (AP) The Amtrak train that derailed along the nation's busiest tracks may have been struck by an object in the moments before it crashed, investigators said Friday, raising new questions about the deadly accident.

National Transportation Safety Board member Robert Sumwalt said an assistant conductor aboard the train told investigators that she heard Amtrak engineer Brandon Bostian talking over the radio with an engineer for a regional railroad just before the crash.

The regional engineer, who was in the same area as the Amtrak train, said his train had been hit by a rock or some other projectile. The conductor heard Bostian say the same had happened to his Amtrak train, according to Sumwalt.

The windshield of the Amtrak train was shattered in the accident but one area of glass had a breakage pattern that could be consistent with being hit by an object, he said, and the FBI is investigating.

Blues Great B.B. King Dies at 89 in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — B.B. King, whose scorching guitar licks and heartfelt vocals made

him the idol generations of musicians of and fans while earning him the nickname King of the Blues, died late Thursday at home in Las Vegas. He was 89.

King's at-

torney Arthur Williams Jr. said Friday that King told him he wanted his funeral to be held in a church in Indianola, Mississippi, near the site where he worked picking cotton as a boy. Arrangements were not complete.

eldest King's surviving daughter, Shirley King of Oak Park, Illinois, said she was upset that she didn't have a chance to see her father before he died.

WBZTV

In this image from video provided by WBZ TV, a bomb explodes near the finish line of the Boston Marathon in Boston on Monday, April 15, 2013. On Friday, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev was sentenced to death by lethal injection for the terror attack.

Death Sentence Given to the Boston Bomber

By Denise Lavoie

AP Legal Affairs Writer

BOSTON — A jury sentenced Dzhokhar Tsarnaev to death Friday for the Boston Marathon bombing, sweeping aside pleas that he was just a "kid" who fell under the influence of his fanatical older brother.

Tsarnaev, 21, stood with his hands folded, his head slightly bowed, upon learning his fate, sealed after 14 hours of deliberations over three days. It was the most closely watched terrorism trial in the U.S. since the Oklahoma City bombing case two decades ago.

The decision sets the stage for what could be the nation's first execution of a terrorist in the post-9/11 era, though the case is likely to go through years of appeals. The execution would be carried out by lethal injection.

"Now he will go away and we will be able to move on. Justice. In his own words, 'an eye for an eye," said bombing victim Svdney Corcoran, who nearly bled to death and whose mother lost both legs. Karen Brassard, who suffered shrapnel wounds on her legs, said: "We can breathe again."

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> Sydney Corcoran bombing victim

cooker bombs near the finish line of the race on April 15, 2013. The Tsarnaevs also shot an MIT police officer to death during their getaway.

The 12-member federal jury had to be unanimous for Tsarnaev to get the death penalty. Otherwise, the former college student would have automatically received a sentence of life in prison with no chance of parole.

In weighing the arguments for and against death, the jurors decided among other things that Tsarnaev showed a lack of know that Boston is a city of remorse. And they emphatically hope, strength and resilience rejected the defense's central argument — that he was led down the path to terrorism by his big brother.

let out a deep moan upon hearing the news and hung up. Tsarnaev's lawyers had no comment as they left the courtroom.

The attack and the ensuing manhunt paralyzed the city for days and cast a pall over the marathon - normally one of Boston's proudest, most exciting moments — that has yet to be lifted.

With Friday's decision, community leaders and others talked of closure, of relief, of resilience, of the city's Boston Strong spirit.

"Today, more than ever, we

World in Brief **Canada Plans to Cut Emissions by 30** Percent by 2030

TORONTO (AP) - Canada announced Friday it plans to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions by 30 percent below 2005 levels by 2030 amid international efforts to create a new framework for addressing climate change.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper's Conservative government said it formally submitted its target to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change ahead of the major climate change conference in Paris in December.

The U.S. has committed to a 26 percent to 28 percent cut by 2025 from 2005 levels. The EU has a target of 35 percent below 2005 levels by 2030. Japan is proposing to cut its greenhouse gas emissions by up to 26 percent by 2030. China, the world's largest emitter, has not officially filed its target yet, but China did set a target for the country's emissions to peak by 2030 in a joint climate announcement with the U.S. last November.

Kerry to Press Beijing to Halt Projects in South China Sea

BEIJING (AP) - U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry is in China to press Beijing to halt increasingly assertive actions it is taking in the South China Sea that have alarmed the United States and China's smaller neighbors.

Amid verbal sparring between U.S. and Chinese officials over land reclamation projects China is conducting in disputed waters, Kerry arrived in Beijing on Saturday for a series of meetings with the communist nation's top lead-

American officials said this week that Kerry is bringing a message to Beijing that China's largescale land reclamation and general behavior in the South China Sea hurt China's image and foreign relations, including with the U.S.

After Failed Coup, **Burundi President Urges Halt to Protests**

BUJUMBURA, Burundi (AP) President Pierre Nkurunziza thanked his security forces Friday tor crushing a military coup that tried to topple him, and he urged an immediate halt to the protests that have erupted in Burundi in recent weeks since he decided to seek a third term. Nkurunziza's motorcade rolled into the capital earlier in the day and he returned to the presidential palace, said his spokesman, Gervais Abayeho. The president did not appear in public. His jubilant supporters cheered his return and the failure of the coup. Maj. Gen. Godefroid Niyombare, a former intelligence chief, had announced Wednesday while Nkurunziza was in Tanzania that he had relieved the president of his duties. That triggered fierce fighting in the capital between his forces and those loyal to Nkurunziza. The city was calm but tense Friday, with many businesses closed.







blues icon

King continued to perform well into his 80s even though the 15-time Grammy winner had diabetes.

Clintons Report Making \$25M for Speeches Since January 2014

WASHINGTON (AP) Hillary Rodham Clinton and former President Bill Clinton reported Friday they earned more than \$25 million combined in speaking fees since January 2014.

Clinton's presidential campaign reported the income in a personal financial disclosure report filed with the Federal Election Commission. The report, required of every candidate for the White House, also shows Hillary Clinton earned more than \$5 million from her 2014 memoirs, "Hard Choices."

High School Sets Up Prom Dress Review Panel

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) -When students at a Connecticut high school arrive Saturday for their junior-senior prom, they will have to get past the watchful eye of officials there to make sure girls' dresses don't show too much skin.

Shelton High School this week set up a prom dress review panel amid outrage from parents.

The school, outside New Haven, announced Friday it has reviewed more than 150 dresses and informed six girls that their gowns won't be allowed into the dance.

Female school staff members will be at the dance to ensure that every girl attending has an 'appropriate" dress, said Ann Baldwin, a spokeswoman for the school district.

Three people were killed and more than 260 wounded when Tsarnaev and his brother set off

Dzhokhar Tsarnaev will pay for his crimes with his life," said U.S. Attorney Carmen Ortiz.

Tsarnaev's father, Anzor Tsarnaev, reached by phone in two shrapnel-packed pressure- the Russian region of Dagestan,

that can overcome any challenge," said Mayor Marty Walsh.

Tsarnaev was convicted last month of all 30 charges against "Today the jury has spoken. him, including use of a weapon of mass destruction. Seventeen of those charges carried the possibility of a death sentence; ultimately, the jury gave him the death penalty on six of those counts.

Rulings Require Feds to Consider Carbon Impact of Coal Mines

By Colleen Slevin and Matthew Brown

The Associated Press

DENVER — Beset by power plant closures, growing regulatory scrutiny and proposed changes in how they pay royalties, coal mines are facing a new obstacle a review of how coal extracted and burned will impact the air and global warming.

Under a series of rulings by U.S. judges in Denver over the last year, federal agencies that approve mining projects have been told to take into account coal's indirect environmental impact along with traditional concerns about mine dust and equipment emissions.

The immediate effects of the rulings appear limited to a single mine in northwestern Colorado that could lose its permit if a new environmental review isn't completed within four months. But industry representatives fear the rulings, if allowed to stand, could set an example for other judges to follow and eventually threaten the mines that make up ready facing uncertainty.

Two of the rulings involving Colorado mines, from U.S. District Judge R. Brooke Jackson, say

mental reviews. A similar case threatens to block production at another mine, in the coal-rich Powder River Basin of Montana and Wyoming. Another federal judge also recently ruled that a mine on the Navajo Nation must consider the effects of burning coal before expanding.

The agency at issue in the two most recent cases, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, is part of the Interior Department and regulates the environmental effects of mining across the country. Office spokesman Chris Holmes said the agency is still reviewing the rulings and hasn't decided what do to next. But fighting them would put the Obama administration in an awkward position because of its efforts to cut emissions of carbon dioxide, the most prevalent greenhouse gas.

The cases focused on coal from federal leases, which acthe backbone of an industry al- count for about 40 percent of U.S. production, but could open the door to similar legal challenges across the industry.

In his most recent decision, oping world.

greenhouse gas emissions need issued May 8, Jackson said the to be considered in environ- surface mining office must redo an environmental review for a coal mining project that's been underway for nearly a decade in northwestern Colorado or he would yank the mine's permit. The Colowyo Mine says losing the permit would lead to job losses for some of its 220 miners.

Colowyo is one of two mines that provide most coal for Colorado's Craig Station power plant, which generates about 8 million tons of greenhouse gases annually, according to federal emissions data.

Jackson, an Obama appointee, said if the government "can predict how much coal will be produced, it can likewise attempt to predict the environmental effects of its combustion."

Coal industry representatives said mines already face delays in permitting and adding more review would make matters worse. Colorado Mining Association President Stuart Sanderson said calculating a mine's contribution to global warming is meaningless because it's dwarfed by unregulated emissions in the devel-

IS Group Seizes **Government Compound** in Iraq's Ramadi

BAGHDAD (AP) - Islamic State militants seized the main government headquarters in Ramadi, raising their black flag over the compound and setting it ablaze hours after a series of suicide car bombings heralded the start of a major new offensive by the extremists on the strategic city.

The advance marked a significant setback for the Iraqi government in its long fight to defend Ramadi, the capital of western Anbar province, where Iraqi forces have made little progress against the extremist group despite months of U.S.-led airstrikes.

The capture of the compound which houses a police headquarters as well as provincial and municipal offices - followed a coordinated attack in which three near-simultaneous suicide car bombs killed at least 10 police officers and wounded dozens more.

B&D Market Overcomes Challenges to Reach 20-Year Mark

ANNIVERSARY: Centralia **Business** Implements Big Changes to Remain Successful

By Justyna Tomtas jtomtas@chronline.com

After 20 years as a small grocery store, B&D Market in Centralia has weathered a lot of changes.

Through it all, the business continues to thrive, serving up to 1,000 customers a day.

The owners said the store has been successful because of adaptability.

"We adapt to any condition. We aren't afraid to make changes. We aren't afraid to try new items, and we always give our customers the best possible price," founder and co-owner David Haladay said.

The small grocery store located on the corner of North Tower Avenue and West Hanson Street switched its business model approximately 18 months ago from a discount salvage grocery store to a mini neighborhood market.

The change was needed in order to keep the business afloat, more than one corporate radar." Haladay said.

"We said, 'We either change now or we go out of business," he said.

An increase in demand on discount or salvage groceries, items that are often dented or damaged, happened "overnight," said Haladay's partner, Matt Dare.

Originally, the store was filled with banana boxes full of miscellaneous goods customers would have to sort through. In the beginning, Haladay only paid \$6.50 for a banana box filled with a variety of items. More recently, he paid almost \$18 per box for cases of water or items that were slightly past their expiration dates.

caused the owner, who has been taking care of the business since he was 14 years old, to call Unified Grocers out of Seattle. B&D Market became the company's first neighborhood market, a change that has allowed the store to compete with larger grocery chains while still offering customers low prices.

"We are nipping at their heels in a big way percentage wise," Dare said of the number of cus- er-son operation and moved to

News in Brief

April MLS Report:



B&D Market co-owners Matt Dare, left, and David Haladay, right, show off some of the new produce the neighborhood market now offers. The store is celebrating its 20th anniversary this month.

the space, the store serves when compared to larger stores such as Walmart. "Through the grapevine we've heard that we are on

After the switch from a discount grocery store to a neighborhood market, the store underwent a complete remodel in December. New shelving units were erected, the interior was painted and a new HVAC system was installed.

Even more recently, the store has decided to provide its customers with a selection of produce. After two months of providing fresh fruits and vegetables, Haladay said, he has received positive feedback from shoppers.

The store does not offer a large variety of produce, but Dare said it's the perfect place to come if you need something typical.

We are not going to have your The change in the market unique items like star fruit and things like that, but if you need a banana or an orange, things like that, come to B&D Market and we'll have that," he said, adding that the store's main brand is Western Family. "We may not be what you're used to and what you really want, but it's going to fit the profile of what you really need."

B&D MARKET started as a moth-

tomers, relative to the size of its current location in May of into the salvage grocery business 1995. When Haladay's mother Barbara died, Haladay continued to run the store. Originally, the has held throughout the years is duo started out with a second- one thing that makes the busihand store, and after that busi- ness work, Dare said. ness was shut down, they moved

in another location.

The determination Haladay

When Haladay was born he

ABOUT THE CELEBRATION

B&D Market's 20th Anniversary celebration will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, May 22.

The public is invited to come celebrate the milestone and to check out the newly remodeled store located at 601 N. Tower Ave. in Centralia.

Refreshments and prizes will be provided.

Regular store hours are from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday.

suffered from a birth injury that left him with damaged vocal cords and severed nerves in his neck. The disability has not hindered his goals and dreams for the business.

"A lot of people feel entitled and David is totally the exception to the rule," Dare said. "He doesn't get any federal or state assistance for his disability that was the fault of the doctor, and if ever there was a more self-made person, or an example of how to overcome adversity, David is it."



LOCAL

Pending Home Sales Reach Record High

By The Chronicle

Members of Northwest Multiple Listing Service experienced a record high level of pending home sales during the month of April, surpassing last year's volume by nearly 1,800 transactions.

crease in pending sales as well, April, but the report stated brisk with a 22.31 percent increase over last April. In all, there were 148 residential and condo listings pending sale. Thurston County saw a 27.63 percent increase while Grays Harbor County saw an even higher increase of 31.48 percent.

According to a press release, both closed sales and prices surged last month as the spring market began its season. Buyer er's confidence are fueling activity, stated the release.

Overall, MLS members reported an 18.7 percent year-overyear increase in pending sales had 6.83 months of inventory. in Washington, and closed sales and prices also accelerated.

There were 7,696 closed sales across the 23 counties covered by

percent increase from a year ago In Lewis County there was a 21.67 percent increase in closed sales, with 73 this April, compared to 60 last year.

the report, representing a 24.3

Thurston County's closed sales increased by 10 and Grays Harbor County had 26 additional closed sales as compared to last April.

MLS members added 11,495 Lewis County saw an in- listings to inventory during sales kept the supply tight and below the level of a year ago.

The listings in Lewis County increased from 165 listings this April from 143 last April. Both Thurston and Grays Harbor counties also saw increases in listings.

The figures showed less than 2.4 months of supply at the end of April, down from the March figure of 2.5 months and down ability to purchase and the buy- from a year ago when there was about 3.5 months of supply. Lewis County reported 7.75 months of inventory, while Thurston had 3.31 months and Grays Harbor

The median price in Lewis County changed by 1.91 percent, a number that amounted to \$160,000 for this April.

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LOCAL

Family of Terminally Ill Man Searches for Missing Service Dog

LAST SEEN MAY 7: Misty, a 3-Year-Old Chihuahua, Was Last Seen Near Jackson Highway

By Justyna Tomtas jtomtas@chronline.com

Bruce Armitage is suffering from stage four pancreatic cancer, and doctors say they expect him to die by December.

Although he has exhausted all treatment options, including a variety of trial treatments, one thing always brought happiness to Armitage — his dog, Misty.

Misty, a 3-year-old, 4-pound chihuahua went missing when Armitage and his wife Patti visited family in Onalaska on May 6.

A friend took her outside, and when something spooked the cause of the comfort she brings Patti said. dog, she slipped out of her collar Bruce. and headed for the woods.



Bruce Armitage relaxes with his dog Misty. The chihuahua went missing in the beginning of May and the terminally ill man is asking the community to help find her.

Patti told The Chronicle the "My husband is devastated dog is shy, and especially afraid The Armitages are desperate- and his health is in jeopardy as of children and other animals. If the dog was spotted multiple Patti said. "My hu ly searching for the animal be- a result of her absence in his life," anyone sees the dog, Patti said, times, but was able to elude its his baby girl back."

coaxing the animal is a better option than chasing her.

Several days after she ran off,

would-be captors. The best way to get her attention is to say the word "treat" and offer her something to eat, Patti said.

Misty was last seen near Ruger Lane and Paxton Avenue off of Jackson Highway. The dog has a distinct marking of black on the backside of her tail. She has no collar or microchip, and was in heat at the time of her escape. The dog served as Bruce's registered service animal, and Patti said she was an "invaluable source of love and comfort to him as he deals with the stress and depression resulting from his cancer."

A \$300 award is being offered for her return. Anyone with information should call (509) 679-4935, (360) 970-0160 or email ladybugpatti2@gmail.com.

"I'm really praying; I have my whole church praying for us,' Patti said. "My husband wants

Vader Closing in on Land Purchase That Would Double Park's Size

By The Chronicle

close to finalizing an agreement to purchase land that would double the size of a city park.

Mayor Ken Smith is working on completing a deal with the Vader Assembly of God Church to acquire some of its property.

munity," he said.

The city has a grant from city jail.

BNSF for \$10,000 that it plans chase.

If acquired, the property would increase the size of the city's J.K. Werden Memorial Park on A Street.

The park currently is about 175 feet by 120 feet and has a "They have property that small cement basketball court, would benefit the city and com- a picnic pavilion, restrooms, a small swing set and the original

News in Brief

Chehalis Man Cited After SUV With Child Inside Catches Fire

By Natalie Johnson

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A 32-year-old Chehalis man was cited Thursday for leaving a 6-year-old child alone in an SUV that caught fire with the child inside.

The Chehalis fire and police departments responded at 3:58 p.m. to the 400 block of Northwest Prindle Street after receiv- Wednesday. ing reports of an SUV on fire.

According to the Chehalis Police Department, a woman walked by a black 2001 Ford Excursion, noticed it was on fire and helped the child escape. A second witness called 911 after

tation plan and an overweight vehicle permit, among other projects.

Sen. Braun Rejects Pay **Raise Amid Budget Talks**

By The Chronicle

Sen. John Braun, R-Centralia, is protesting a move by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials to raise legislators' pay by 11 percent. The independent commission voted for the increase on

The move didn't sit well with Braun.

'When the commission began discussing pay raises for legislators at the beginning 2015, I was ada-

> mant this is not the time to have

that discussion,' said Braun. "I

continue to be-

lieve that. We

of

Vader's mayor says the city is to put toward the potential pur- this property, it would effectively in a grant application submitted double the size of our city park last year. and would more effectively accommodate playground equip- Thursday meeting that he hopes ment, which the children of Va- to have the purchase and sale

"If the city were to acquire der sorely need," Smith wrote agreement ready to present to

Smith told councilors at a

the church soon. After that, and when a few other requirements are completed, the entire plan will be presented to council for approval.

seeing the smoke. The driver, the child's father, then ran over to the car, according to the police department.

The child told investigators she was eating french fries when she heard a sound like a rock hitting a window, then smelled smoke. No injuries were reported. No criminal charges were pending as of Friday, according to the police department. The incident is under investigation.

Vader Increases Money for Engineering Services for City Projects

By The Chronicle

The city of Vader has used all of its allotted engineering services funds in the last five months.

City officials had budgeted \$5,000 for the first-time services, and city councilors unanimously voted to amend the contract, adding another \$5,000 for services, Thursday.

Mayor Ken Smith said the elected officials knew when they contracted with Olympia-based Jerome W. Morrissette & Associates they were unsure of how much they would need the company's services.

"We don't see any projects on the horizon, but I think it would be wise if we augmented it and added to that potential budget expenditure," Smith said, later noting that he believes projects will present themselves in the future.

Since the city recently sold a police car, a 2009 Dodge Charger, to the city of Toledo for \$13,000 instead of the budgeted \$8,500, councilor Kevin Flynn said he felt comfortable amending the contract to a total of \$10,000 for engineering services.

City Clerk Jill Nielson said the city has used the company's services for its six-year transpor-



Sen. John Braun **R-Centralia**

need to focus on the real priority of funding education and finishing the new state operating budget.'

Braun is one of the main Republican negotiators in the senate Senate which, with the House of Representatives, was called by the governor into special session in an attempt reach an agreement on the state's budgets.

"I sent a letter to the commission outlining my opposition to the proposed pay raise. I disagree with its decision to adopt an 11 percent increase and I won't be accepting any pay raise until we finish work on the state's budget and put education first," he said.

The special session is scheduled to end no later than May 28.

Voices Columns, Celebrations, Community Conversations

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.

Readers react on Facebook to Pearl Street Pool decision:

Sarah Charisse Fried: This was a very enjoyable place to hang out during the summer and it's the first pool I took my daughter to. She has been asking when it would be reopen. Many in the community want this pool to open but do not have the funding to help raise enough money for the pool. I think the chamber of commerce should step up because not only is it a historical landmark pool everyone knows and loves, but it also a way to bring in jobs and money to the city. I am tired of Chehalis always getting new and nicer things and Centralia is forgotten about and has nothing. I use to walk to this pool every summer. It was close to home.

Five Star Process Service: It is time for the pool to go. It is costing too much in repairs and time. Just like the indoor pool. It belongs to the people of Centralia from our tax money and Thorbeckes gets to say what happens there or who can swim. I think both places should be closed for lack of interest of the city of Centralia to run either one.

Todd Cori Duplessis: People can save the Yard Bird but no one can save a pool that would actually be useful. Don't get me wrong I like the Bird I grew up with it in my life. But seriously that pool was a huge part of people's lives as well and could continue to be a place where kids can go instead of alternate choices that might not be a positive one.

Reader responds to story of Rob Luncheon Scholarship Luncheon:

Jodi Thompson: Congratulations Sydney Anne LeBoeuf!! You will be a great addition to our profession!!

Readers respond after Winlock man claims to have solved mystery of Bigfoot:

Bonnie Johnson: Why doesn't this surprise me?





Photograph submitted by David Hartz, Chehalis Community Renaissance Team

Trees and plants were recently installed on Chehalis Avenue by the Chehalis Community Renaissance Team. The CCRT committed to purchasing and installing trees and plants following the resurfacing project completed by the city last summer. City crews were placing bark in the landscaped areas after the planting was done.

Births

• SHANTEL BRAGA AND AUSTIN BOSTWICK, Chehalis, a boy, Conner Wayne Bostwick, May 1, 6 pounds, 12 ounces, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Tim and Wendy Bostwick, Winlock, and Johnnie Braga, Longview. Great-grandparents are Paul and Debbie Bostwick, Winlock, and Pat and Dick Braga, Ryderwood.

• COURTNEY YATES AND JUAN NIEVES, Centralia, a girl, Jocelyn Aurora Nieves, May 4, 8 pounds, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Kimberly and William Yates, Centralia, and Frederico and Jaimee Nieves, Salem, Oregon. Great-grandparents are Carolyn Keen, and Kathleen and Alfonso Antillon, Centralia.

• AUTUMN MAUPIN AND PHILLIP LY, a girl, Layla Jo Ly, May 5, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Crystal Maupin, Centralia; Chuck Viars, Centralia; and Helen Ly, Eagle River, Alaska

 NANCY AND LUIS VILLANUEVA, Rochester, a boy, Isaac Antonio Villanueva, May 6, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Javier and Maria Villanueva, Centralia, and Wenceslao and Agustina Yanez, Rochester. Great-grand parents are Angelina Ponce and Jose Yanez, both of Yahualica, Jalisco, Mexico, • AMANDA FISHER, Centralia, and MICHAEL STEUERMANN, Aberdeen, a girl, Viola Izabella Freida Steuermann, May 7, 8 pounds, 14 ounces, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Sue Jacka, Onalaska, and Tim and Karen Steuermann, Aberdeen. Great-grandparents are Jerry and Freida Jacks, Onalaska, and Deloris Robinson, Aberdeen. • BRITTANY BACKUS AND ROBERT **RIGGIN.** Napavine, May 8, twins, Abigail Jean Riggin, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, and Robert Brian Backus, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, Providence Centralia Hospital. Grandparents are Rob and Marlee Riggin, Centralia, and Brian and Jacki Backus, Orting. Greatgrandparents are Don LaMontagne, Whibey Island; Robert and Judith Riggin, Waukegan, Illinois; and Keith and Jan Backus, Graham. • ANGELA AND RYAN MANALILI, Woodland, a girl, Malia Jade Manalili, May 8, 7 pounds, 5 ounces, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center, Vancouver, Washington, Grandparents are Mark and Marilynn Chintella, Chehalis, and Frank and Joycelyn Manalili, Hilo, Hawaii. Great-grandparents are Elinor Brydges, Bend, Oregon, and Hilda Manalili, Hilo.

Mitchel Townsend: This Saturday at 11 a.m. at Centralia College will see the 4th session of my course Bigfoot Solved. You are all invited to attend.

Chronline Comments

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

Story: Centralia Council Chooses Not to Extend Timeline for Pearl Street Pool Supporters

USER NAME: *national*

A noble effort from the STOP folks, but if you've only received \$100K in pledges (and not hard cash) after a year and your target is \$1.6 million, you're not going to get what you need. The Council made the right decision.



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David Carsten Named Centralia College's Distinguished Alumnus

AWARD: 1977 Graduate of *Centralia College Focuses* on Empathy to Change Health Care Industry

By Justyna Tomtas

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David Carston

The Centralia College Foundation has named David Carsten its annual distinguished alumnus.

Carsten, a 1977 graduate of

Centralia called

thesia.

nors and alumni relations for the to the college." foundation, said the board looks for someone who is committed to strengthening their commu- on to complete his associate's nity while providing excellence in their profession. The award has been handed out since 1978, received a degree in biochemisand many recipients have na- try. Later, he obtained a degree Carsten has strongly focused on tional or international accom- in dentistry at the University of plishments, but the ultimate goal is to select someone who makes a difference in their community

and profession. The foundation was im-Col- pressed with Carsten's accomlege, owns a plishments and his connection dental practice to the college. Carsten's father Pacific was once a dean of administra-Dental Anesthe- tion. As a young boy, Carsten sia in Vancouver, spent a lot of time on campus.

and specializes "I was surprised," Carsten said in compassion- of the designation. "It was espeate mobile anes- cially nice since I really grew up on the Centralia College campus

Julie Johnson, director of do- ... My family was very connected

Carsten graduated from Centralia High School and later went degree in science. He attended Washington State University and Washington.

He began practicing in Dayton, a small town located approximately 30 miles north of Walla Walla. He then began working at a practice in Battle Ground for 19 years while teaching at the Oregon Health Sciences University.

Carsten went on to complete an anesthesia residency at Lutheran Medical Center in Brooklyn, a level one trauma center. He then returned to Vancouver and began his mobile service. The dentist and anesthesiologist travels to different dental practices and

many of whom have a disability and are not able to have dental work done without sedation.

He said the career has been interesting and rewarding.

Throughout his experiences, empathy as a key factor to his work and has held study clubs and lectures on the matter.

Recently, he teamed up with Geshila Tashi Larhampa Gyatso, a Tibetan Buddhist monk, and has taught health care providers the importance of empathy and mindfulness in practice. Most recently the pair taught at the Salmon Creek Legacy Hospital.

"The important message regarding empathy is that the need for it is universal," Carsten said.

treats fearful adults and children, "Understanding and perspective taking is critical for survival on this planet."

The award will be presented to Carsten on Friday, June 12, at an invite-only award luncheon. The dentist will attend a faculty and staff breakfast in the morning, receive a tour of the campus and will also be a speaker at the commencement ceremony.

Johnson said the award was important for three different reasons: to show current students the success of the college's past graduates, to recognize alumni for the important accomplishments they have made in their communities, and to show the community at large what students from the college are capable of doing.





Natalie Johnson / njohnson@chronline.com

Angie, left, and Allie Binion walk the track Friday afternoon at Relay for Life of Lewis County at the Southwest Washington Fairgrounds.



Charisma, 4, and Trenton Braun, 6, play beanbags at the Walgreens team tent at Relay for Life of Lewis County Friday afternoon at the Southwest Washington Fair-

Washington Governor **Declares Statewide** Drought Emergency

By Rachel La Corte

The Associated Press

OLYMPIA — The governor declared a statewide drought emergency on Friday, clearing the way for Washington state officials to ramp up aid to deal with hardships from water shortages.

Gov. Jay Inslee said parts of the state have been severely impacted by snowpack levels that have reached just 16 percent of normal.

"This drought has deepened dramatically over the past few weeks," Inslee said, noting the snowpack was at an unprecedented low.

State agriculture officials estimated a loss of \$1.2 billion in crops this year because of dry conditions. And state wildfire managers expected blazes earlier than normal in the season and at higher elevations.

"The rain the past few days is bringing some temporary relief, however with no snow in the mountains to sustain us through the dry summer months, we have some really tough months ahead of us," said Maia Bellon, director of the state Department of Ecology.

Some water managers in the Puget Sound region, including Seattle, Tacoma and Everett, declaration, the governor first aren't anticipating water short- declared drought emergencies ages.

"The large public utilities have planned well," Bellon said. areas to include nearly half of 'Our projections show that most Washington.

households in Washington will have an adequate water supply. Our focus in this snowpack drought is on farms, fish and smaller community water system."

State officials already have taken drought-relief measures in many areas to help protect municipal water supplies along with water needed for crop irrigation and fish populations.

Some districts have had to shut off water to farmers based on seniority of water rights. Major irrigators can volunteer to divert their water rights, with a cost-sharing option from the state - something Bellon said is already being done in the Dungeness region on the Olympic Peninsula.

Irrigation districts in the Yakima basin — one of the state's main agricultural regions — are turning off water for weeks to extend supplies, Inslee said.

Water managers in the basin have tapped reservoirs two months earlier than usual.

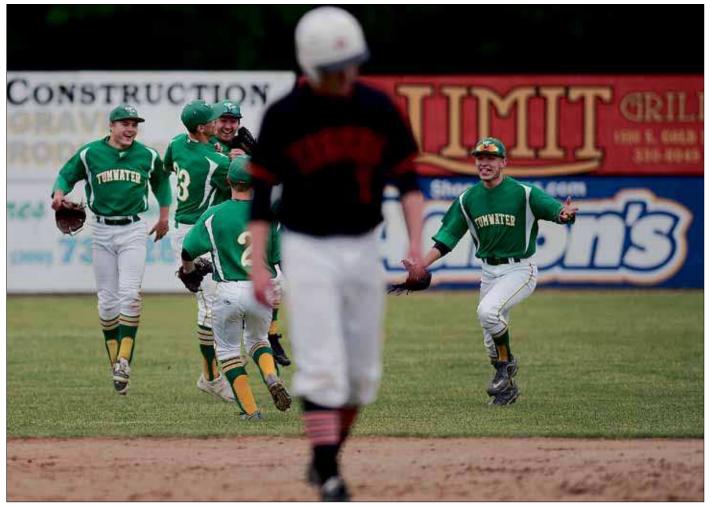
Inslee said the state is seeing record low water levels in rivers, and water is being diverted from creeks to aid steelhead, Chinook and bull trout. In some cases fish are being moved to cooler waters upstream.

Before Friday's statewide in March for three regions of the state and later expanded the

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2A Baseball



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Tumwater players celebrate after winning the District 4 2A Baseball Tournament championship game, 8-5, against Centralia on Friday at Ed Wheeler Field.

Tumwater Spoils Tigers' Rally

DISTRICTS: Tumwater Beats Centralia, 8-5, in District 4 Championship Game; Tigers to Face Archbishop Murphy in Regionals on Saturday

By Aaron VanTuyl

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Centralia has made something of a habit this season of crawling its way out of early holes.

By the final out on Friday night, then, there was plenty of reason for optimism — as dire as the situation may have seemed. The Tigers rallied from a 6-run deficit but couldn't get the final hit in an 8-5 loss to Tumwater at Ed Wheeler Field in the District 4 2A Baseball Tournament's championship game.

The win means Tumwater will stay in Centralia for regionals, while the Tigers (15-7) will play at Franklin Pierce High School in Tacoma on Saturday with a 10 a.m. game against District 1 runner-up Archbishop Murphy.

"The bottom line is, a district title would be great, but our season's not over yet," Centralia coach Rex Ashmore said. "We've preached to these kids for three years that the only goal we've got it to get out of regionals. We want to get over to Yakima and do some damage over there."

Still, the Tigers kept things intriguing on Friday night, despite being nohit until the sixth inning by Tumwater starter Riley Owen.

Trailing 8-2 and looking at their final three outs, the Tigers got a one-out walk from Max Dulin and then a home run to left-center field from Riley Christensen — his first, and the Tigers' second, of the year — to trim the deficit to 4 runs.

The homer, on Owen's 99th pitch of the game, marked the end of the lanky right-hander's tenure. Reliever Trayton Rodriguez last four batters, with a pop

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Adna's Gaffney Wins Four, Tiger Girls Win C2BL Championship

2B Track & Field

By The Chronicle

NAPAVINE — Adna's Regyn Gaffney swept the sprinting events, but the Napavine girls picked up the Central 2B



2B Baseball



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Pe Ell-Willapa Valley pitcher Red Arrington delivers during the District 4 semifinals in Mossyrock on Thursday. Arrington pitched into the 10th inning of PWV's 5-4 win over Toledo.

PWV, Napavine Win Semis to Set District Title Tilt

LONG TWINBILL: Arrington, PWV Beat Toledo in 11 Innings; Lindsay, Tigers Top Adna 7-3

By Aaron VanTuyl

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MOSSYROCK — Two games, 18 innings and 4 ½ hours taught the fans here at the District 4 2B Baseball Tournament one crucial lesson on Thursday:

If you want to win, start a redhead.

Red Arrington worked into the 10th inning for Pe Ell-Willapa Valley in a 5-4, 11-inning win over Toledo in Thursday's first semifinal, while Jensen Lindsay served up his second win in as many playoff games for Napavine in a 7-3 victory over Adna in a nightcap that was wrapped up under the stadium lights at Mossyrock High School.

Napavine and PWV will meet back in Mossyrock today at 4 p.m. in the District 4 championship game. Adna and Toledo both dropped into consolation semifinal games on Friday, though all four teams had already sealed regional playoff berths.

PWV 5, Toledo 4

Dustin Lusk didn't flinch.

League championship at the C2BL Sub-District meet here Friday on the Tigers' home track.

Gaffney, a defending state champion in four events and owner of the best mark in the 2B ranks in all four, won the 100 meters by nearly a second in 12.56 seconds; won the 200 in 26.85; and won the 400 by nearly 4 seconds, in 1:00.98. She did not compete in the long jump on Friday, instead running a leg of the 4x200 relay with Karissa Callahan, Isabella Elwood and Amber Langworthy and winning the event in 1:51.45.

Elwood added a win in the high jump (4 feet, 10 inches) for the Pirate girls, which finished second with 91 points to the Tigers' 109.

Napavine freshman Mollie Olson was also a three-time winner, taking the triple jump by 2 feet (32-11), and winning the 100-meter hurdles (16.60) and the 300 hurdles (50.68). Tiger teammates Mecaela Chapman, Alex Pope,

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Mossyrock's Paige Moorcroft clears the bar on the high jump during the Central 2B League subdistrict meet at Napavine on Friday.

Xylee Pope and Makayla Dailey won the 4x100 relay in 54.79, and Chapman won the javelin at 113-05.

Mossyrock's Alicia Herrera won the 1600 (5:47.30) and the 3200 (12:29.28), while Morton-White Pass' Kenzie Anderson won the 800 (2:28.69) and the long jump at 14-10. Anderson also ran a leg of the winning 4x400 relay with Jesseeka Hughes, Larkin Farrish and Haley

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The Titans' No. 5 hitter waited for an inside pitch to glance off his left arm with the bases loaded in the bottom of the 11th inning and happily headed down the first base line, driving in the final run with a different variety of walk-off hit in Pe Ell-Willapa Valley's 5-4 district semifinal win over Toledo.

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Pe Ell-Willapa Valley's Trevor Ritzman and Blake Moore (13) celebrate an 11-inning walkoff win against Toledo Thursday in Mossyrock.

Grounded

Toledo infielder Kolton Korpi charges a ground ball during a District 4 2B semifinal against Pe Ell-Willapa Valley on Thursday in Mossyrock.



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The Final Word Chiefs Sign Final 3 Draft Picks, Including UW's Peters

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Chiefs signed their three remaining draft picks on Friday, including first-round selection Marcus Peters, bringing all nine under contract before rookie minicamp.

Along with Peters, a cornerback taken No. 18 overall, the Chiefs signed thirdround picks Chris Conley, a wide receiver out of Georgia, and Steven Nelson, a cornerback from Oregon State. Peters was kicked off the Washington Huskies after run-ins with coaches last year.

The Chiefs also signed Charles Tuaau, a 6-foot-5, 310-pound defense tackle from Texas A&M-Commerce who was not chosen in this year's draft.

To clear roster space, the Chiefs waived tight end Brandon Barden and defensive tackle Hebron Fangupo.



C2BL

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Kolb, while MWP's Madison King won the pole vault at 6-06 to help the Timberwolf girls to a third-place finish (77 points).

Pe Ell's Josh Schulz was the only triple winner on the boys side, taking the 100 (11.51), the 200 (23.66) and the long jump (19-11), while finishing second in the high jump (6-0) only to Toledo's Forrest Wallace (6-2). Toledo's Daniel Echtle won both hurdles races, taking the 110 in 16.02 and the 300 in 43.00.

Onalaska's boys won the team C2BL title with 100 points,

2A Track & Field Bearcat Boys, Girls Second at EvCo Championships

By The Chronicle

The host Bearcat boys gave Tumwater a run for its money, but couldn't unseat the Thunderbirds in the Evergreen 2A Conference Championships track meet Friday afternoon in Chehalis.

Tumwater's boys scored 126 points to put host W.F. West (121 points) in second.

Centralia's boys took fourth, with three individual wins — all by Aaron Pullin. Pullin won the 200 meters (22.92 seconds), the 110 hurdles (14.94) and the pole vault (13 feet, 6 inches), while taking second in the high jump (5-10).

W.F. West's Justin Wendling won the triple jump (39-4), Chase Olsen won the discus (132-1), J.P. guyer won the 3200 (10:05), and Terek Thornburg won the 800 (2:06.33). Eric Braun took second in the 400, Nolan Camlin was second in the 300 hurdles and Tony Swenson was second in the 3200, with Wendling, Braun, Camlin and Thornburg winning the 4x400 relay in 3:31.21.

Rochester's Peter Holman finished second in the 1600 in 4:43.00.

Tumwater's girls won in dominating fashion, taking first in 10 of the 18 events and outscoring the second-place Bearcats, 218 to 95.

Emma Moon won the 3200 for the host girls in 12:03.90, while teammate Anna Kast won the shot put in 32-11. McKenna Moon won the high jump (5-0) and took third in the javelin, while McKenna Moon, Ashley Abbott, Emma Thornburg and Hannah Tak won the 4x400 relay

with Riley Girt winning the 400 (52.78) and the 1600 (4:52.35). The Loggers' Keifer Kastl, Griffin Casono, Stone Whitney and Evan Wrzesinski also won the 4x100 relay in 45.93 seconds, and freshman John Wells won the pole vault (9-9).

Mossyrock's boys took second, led by Rylen Hurd's 41-3.25 win in the triple jump and Sean Johnson's victory in the 3200 (11:02). Hurd also finished second in the 100 and the long jump, and Justin Gootgeld, Levi Munoz, Lucas Johnson and Jess White won the 4x400 relay (3:39.26).

Napavine's Chase Van Wyck won the shot put in 51-9.5, and

teammates Jacob Johnston and Wyatt Wheeler finished 1-2 in the discus (140-6 and 129-2).

MWP's Ian Louderback won the javelin in 172-1 while Adna's Josh Larson won the 800 in 2:13.49.

The top four finishers in lane events (the 100, 200, 400, hurdles and relays), and the top six in all other events, advance to the District 4 2B championship meet on Thursday in Raymond.

Brandon Hansen / bhansen@chronline.com Morton-White Pass' Ian Louderback throws the shot put during the Central 2B League sub-district meet at Napavine on Friday.



in 4:20.82.

Rochester's girls finished third, with Sharon Smith winning the 400 (1:02.71) and taking third in the 100 and Keeli Demers winning the discus (106-4), taking second in the javelin and third in the shot put.

Centralia's Kary Sathre took second in both hurdle races, and Ellie Corwin was second in the high jump.

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1B Baseball

Acorns Blast Quilcene

By The Chronicle

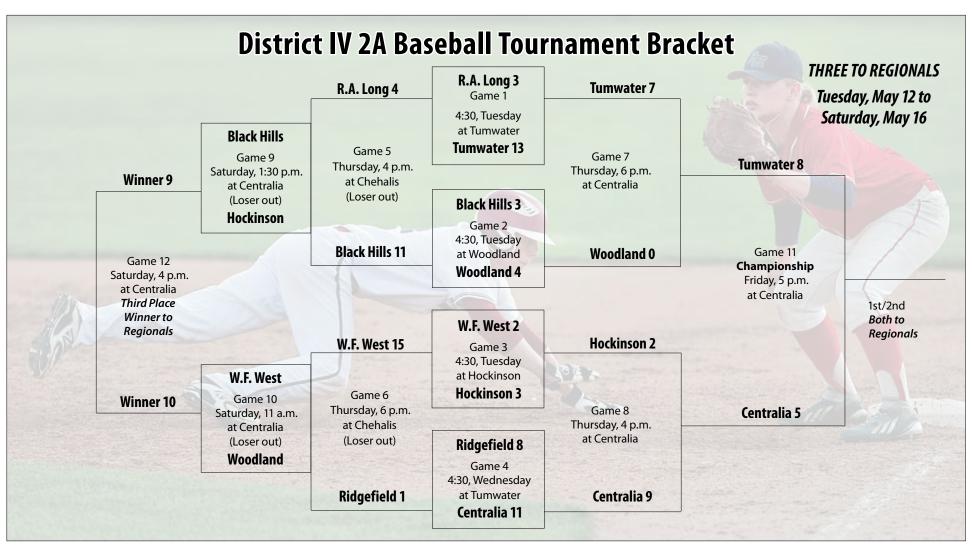
QUILCENE — The Acorns got a complete game from Gary Ortivez and two hits from four different batters in a 8-0 victory over Quilcene in the 1B Quad-District semifinals here on Friday.

Ortivez had a no-hitter going into the fifth inning against the Rangers and Oakville broke the game open with 3 runs in the fourth and another 3 in the fifth.

"In the beginning of the game we were hitting the ball, but right at them," Oakville coach Marvin Youckton said. "We finally got them dropping in the fourth. Gary did a really good job and even convinced me later in the game he was still ready to go."

Ray Lopez, Alex Youckton, Sean Adams and Adrian Patricio all had two hits while Youckton added a triple and Patricio sparked the Acorns' scoring with a 2-run hit in the fourth.

Oakville advances to the 1B Quad District Champion Game against Mt. Rainier Lutheran today at 1:30 p.m.





Centralia's Riley Christensen hits a 2-run homer in the seventh inning during the District 4 2A Baseball Tournament championship game between Centralia and Tumwater Friday in Centralia.

each 2 for 4 for Centralia, while

Max Dulin drew a walk in each

of his three plate appearances

on a total of 14 pitches, all from

West, 6-3, for last year's Dis-

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against Tumwater during the

regular season, though the teams

were each 6-3 in Evergreen 2A

Thursday's Results

Tigers Clip Hawks in Semifinals

plate and punched their ticket to

the District 4 2A Baseball Tour-

nament's championship game

with a 9-2 semifinal win over

Hockinson at Ed Wheeler Field

12 hits, with a little help from

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with a solo homer from Gavin

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Drew Fagerness went 2 for 2

and Max Dulin notched an RBI

while going 2 for 4. Riley Chris-

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final four innings.

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The Tigers stepped up to the

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Note: Centralia beat W.F.

Owen.

Tigers

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fly, and hit batter, a single from Drew Fagerness and a walk to Kieran Bredeson loading the bases.

Rodriguez was then relieved by Logan Chase, who gave up an RBI single to Christian Peters to keep the bases loaded with two outs and make it an 8-5 ballgame.

"Our kids are going to battle, d I guess that's the one thing we've gotten better at," Ashmore said. "We feel that if we stay within striking distance, we're going to swing our way out of things. And our kids love to swing the bat and we love to hit." Jacob Monohon then stepped into the box, worked the count full and fouled off the next five pitches before his shot to left field was caught by a sliding Joey Jones for the game's final out. Tiger starter Jake Sutton blanked the T-Birds for three innings before the 5-run fifth, which featured five hits and an error and was highlighted by an RBI double nearly to the wall by Tanner Angel. Noah Andrews hit an RBI single in the sixth to give Tumwater a 6-0 cushion, before Fagerness thwarted Owen's nohit bid with a one-out single in the sixth. Gavin Kerner scored on a wild pitch, and Fagerness crossed the plate on a single from Peters to make it 6-2. Tumwater, however, added 2 runs in the top of the seventh, helped along by three Centralia errors in the infield - where the Tigers were without starting shortstop Nolan Wasson due to an illness. "I thought we let down a little bit, defensively," Ashmore said. 'Those runs ended up being big in the bottom half (of the seventh), and instead of having the winning run on second base, we had the tying run on first base." Centralia managed five hits in the loss, all in the final two innings. Owen finished with five walks and five strikeouts. "The first five innings we looked very uncomfortable at the plate," Ashmore said. "He does have a weird throwing motion, for the Tigers. but we just never got comfortable. And it is what it is. You've got to tip your cap to him a little bit, and the kid did a good job." Fagerness and Peters were



Thursday's 1A Boys Soccer



Mike Schultz / The Reflecto

United's Fernando Munoz battles with La Center's Anthony Liane on Thursday during the District 41A Boys Soccer Tournament semifinals in Kalama.

Injuries Costly for United in Loss to La Center

By The Chronicle

KALAMA Injuries hobbled Toledo-Winlock and United ultimately fell in a 2-1 loss to La Center in a District 4 1A Boys Soccer Tournament semifinal here on Thursday.

Jonathan VanVleck struck with United's lone goal in the 20th minute, unassisted, giving the combination squad the 1-0 lead at the intermission. Disaster struck when the loss of two defenders led to two attacking players — including star scorer Adair Garibay being placed at the back end of the field. The lead didn't last long into the second portion of 40 minutes, with Wildcat Alex Firl scoring in the 45th minute to knot things up.

give up the lead right away in the second half," United coach Horst Malunat said. "I usually don't sub defenders but I had to here. All the guys worked hard to make up for it."

The final blow came three minutes removed from the final whistle, with an unassisted goal from Colton Arends for

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Centralia's Max Dulin tags out a Tumwater baserunner during the District 4 2A Baseball Tournament championship game between Centralia and Tumwater Friday in Centralia.

Bearcats Down Spudders in Loser-Out Situation

W.F. West faced the possibility of elimination and rose to the occasion, dominating Ridgefield on both sides of the ball for a 15-1, five inning victory in the first round of the consolation bracket in the District 4 2A Baseball Tournament at Bearcat Baseball Stadium on Thursday.

"I think we realized that it could have been the last time we played a baseball game together," W.F. West coach Bryan Bullock said. "We had some kids step up and we swung the bats really well.

The Bearcat offense came out By The Chronicle in a timely fashion to smack 16 hits. Michael Rose went 3 for 3 with two doubles and 2 RBIs. Daing with two doubles and 4 RBIs while Brody Holcomb went 3 for 4, as well. Hayden Dobyns knocked in 2 runs on a pair of hits.

Hawkins started on the mound, getting a relief in the fourth inning via Garrett Yarter. The Spudders committed six erballgame early.

They gave us opportunities and we were able to make the most of them," Bullock said. "It was nice to shorten up the game to save some pitching for the weekend."

The Bearcats move on to the consolation semifinal and will travel to Ed Wheeler Field to face Woodland on Saturday morning. W.F. West (11-11) will have to beat the Beavers at 11 a.m. and then the winner of the Black Hills/Hockinson consolation semifinal (1:30 p.m.) in the 4 p.m. third-place game to earn a spot in the regional playoffs.

"It was kind of frustrating to it's positive."

the 2-1 victory.

United will play Elma for the No. 3 and No. 4 seeds in District 4 today at noon in Kalama.

"We didn't get the result we wanted, but I was proud of the way the boys played," Malunat said. "We're still in the thick of it and as long as we take something away from it and get ready for the next opponent,

1A Baseball Heartbreaking Seventh Ends Beavers' Season

CASTLE ROCK - Tenino's season came to an unfortunate halt with a crucial seventh inkota Hawkins had a 3 for 4 out- ning in a 2-1 loss to Castle Rock in a District 4 1A consolation semifinals here on Friday.

Zeb Chamberlain went 2 for 4 at the plate and was responsible for the lone RBI in the third inning. Dakota Bellrose had a 2 for 3 outing for the Beavers.

In the top of the seventh inrors to help the Bearcats end the ning, after two quick outs, a pair of walks and a hit loaded the bases for the Rockets. One deep hit in the gap brought the tying and winning runs to the plate, followed by a 7-2-5 putout on the next at-bat to end the inning.

> The Beavers couldn't string together the hits needed in their final turn at bat, sealing the season for Tenino. Despite seven hits, the Beavers missed a few opportunities in the form of 10 runners left on base.

> "I feel for the kids today. It was a tough one," Tenino coach Conner Hogue said. "We had plenty of opportunities, but we couldn't get that clutch hit when we need-

ed it. It was probably the hardest loss I've been a part of."

Kaleb Strawn went the distance for the Beavers, striking out nine and allowing just two hits while walking six in what Hogue referred to as Strawn's best game of the year.

The Beavers say goodbye to seniors Zeb Chamberlain, Dakota Bellrose, Terran Gilbreath, and Greigh Hill.

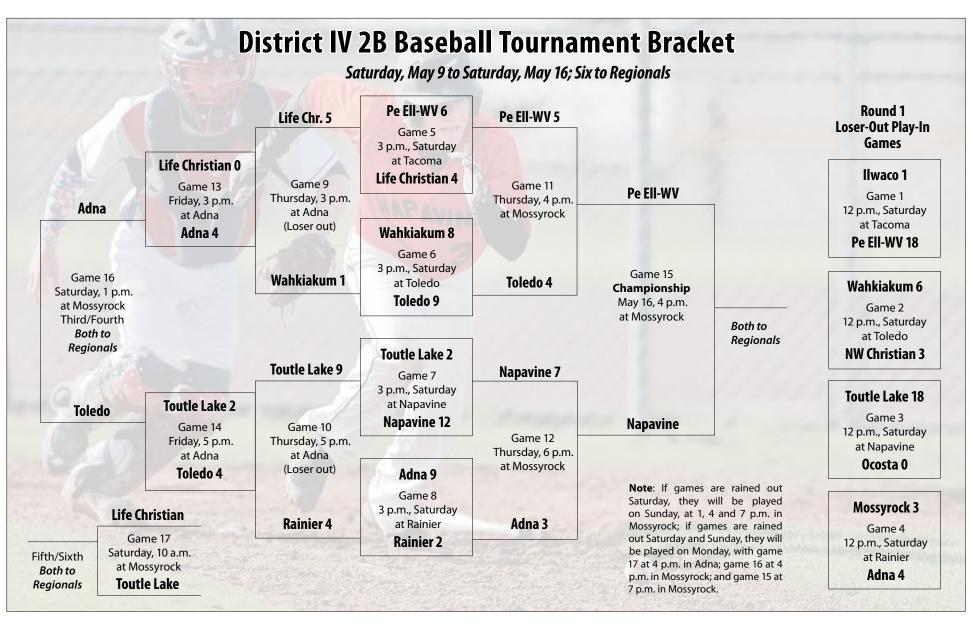
"I just want to thank those guys for all they've done for the program," They are great kids and they're going to do great things."

While the season may be over, Hogue doesn't discount the heart of his Beaver squad.

"I asked the kids to put their heart on the line and they did that and more," Hogue said. "It was a tough way to go out but the boys never gave in. That's all you can ask for.'

Tenino finishes the year with a 12-9 record. The Rockets will face Montesano today in the third/fourth place game at noon back in Castle Rock, after Montesano beat Elma 4-1 on Friday.

SPORTS



Titans

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"I was expecting another fastball. I'd got one before that in the dirt, but I had to wear it," Lusk said of the final pitch. "It was weird. We were expecting a hit, but I'll take one like that."

The ending was a tad anticlimactic, given the previous 2 ¹/₂ hours of action. The Titans scored twice in the bottom of the sixth inning, with Johnny Woods' RBI single the highlight, to knot the game at 3-3, and tied the game again in the bottom of the 10th inning, with singles from Woods and Austin Smith setting up an RBI ground-out from Chase Flemetis.

"I would have rather had a sacrifice fly or a base hit, but we'll take it any way we can get it," PWV coach Hal Arrington said of the ending.

Red Arrington started on the hill for PWV and worked an efficient 9 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings, getting stronger as the game wore on and retiring 13 straight batters at one point over the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and 10th innings. He allowed eight hits struck out two without walking



Napavine's Kaleb Sisson (left) celebrates after scoring on a suicide squeeze bunt in

"That kid's a freaking stud," Napavine said. "To sit out there and throw curveball after curveball and hit his spots with his fastball, the effort he gave was huge."

The Tigers were without the services of usual starting pitchers Cole Doughty — relegated to a designated hitter role with an arm injury — and Wyatt Stanley, who strained a muscle in Napavine's first-round win over Toutle Lake.

"We hoped, if he could go through the lineup twice, we'd be feeling pretty good," Demarest said of Lindsay. "To give us six good innings, that's big."

Stepping into the starting role was nothing new for Lindsay who, as a sophomore, was informed he'd be starting in the district championship game some 20 minutes before the first pitch.

He won that one, too, 3-2 over Toutle Lake.

"It's pretty tough when both our starting pitchers go down," he said. "I just felt like I just had to step up for the team, and our team stepped up for me when we needed runs, and got run support for me. I appreciated that."

The Tigers finally got to Pirate starter Jack Herring making his first appearance since suffering an ankle injury on April 15 – in the sixth inning, after taking a 1-0 lead in the fifth with a walk, a single and a pair of Pirate errors. A walk and singles from Kaleb Sisson and Doughty drove in a run early in the sixth, and Julian Rodriguez laid down a bunt with the suicide squeeze on to score Sisson and put Napavine up 3-0. 'They love doing that stuff," Demarest said. "So they got excited, and the momentum got on our side and we just kept rolling." Sam Fagerness broke the game open with a 2-run groundrule double to left-center field, and Lindsay followed with a 2-run single to make it 7-0. They're old, they're mature, and they've been there. There's a reason they won league," Adna coach Jon Rooklidge said. They've had a number of games like this, where they're right there, where teams play with them, and then in the end it's just a bomb waiting to explode." Adna kept things interesting, scoring 2 runs on five walks the first two of which were issued by Lindsay, before he was relieved by Nate Rodriguez without a hit. The Pirates added one in the seventh, on hits from Spencer Burdick and Marcus Hampton and an RBI ground ball by Isaac Ingle. Herring, a senior righthander, gave up five hits with 2 earned runs and three walks over 5 ¹/₃ innings, with a pair of strikeouts, and faced one over the minimum through three innings. "He's been in the bullpen the last few weeks, coming back from an ankle injury, and we were really just hoping to get three innings out of him and pitch by committee today," Rooklidge said. "That was the goal, and he was rolling. He gave us a great, outstanding effort, and hey, I can't complain."

Burdick and Hampton each finished 1 for 2 for Adna (17-6), while Fagerness and Doughty each had two hits for Napavine (18-3).

Friday's Results

Burdick Dominant in Pirates' Win Over LCA

ADNA — Spencer Burdick took down Life Christian Academy in short order here Friday afternoon, as the Pirates picked up a 4-0 win in the consolation semifinals of the District 4 2B Baseball Tournament.

Burdick, Adna's sophomore pitcher, allowed three hits and a walk while striking out 14 in the complete-game effort.

"When you don't walk hitters and give people opportunities .." Pirate coach Jon Rooklidge said. "That's what he's got going for him right now. He's doing the little things well."

David Young went 2 for 3 to account for half of the Pirates' hits. Adna scored a run in the first and added 3 in the third, on two Eagle errors and a pair of hits — including a 2-run single by Burdick. Neither team scored a run after the third. Adna (18-6) will take on Toledo in the third/fourth place game of the District 4 tournament at 1 p.m. today in Mossyrock. The winner will finish third and play its May 23 regional games back at Mossyrock, while the loser will finish fourth and play regional games in Anacortes on the same day.

a batter.

"He's a warrior, that kid. He pitches the ball down, and he doesn't throw too hard, but he knows how to pitch," Toledo coach Jeff Davis said. "He doesn't tend to lose his cool at all. He is definitely a gamer."

The PWV ace was at 99 pitches in the 10th inning when his coach — and father — brought in reliever Trevor Ritzman.

Ritzman gave up an RBI single to Toledo's Dakota Robins with two outs, but the ball was relayed home to nail a runner trying to score from second on the play.

The Titans then answered with Flemetis' game-tying ground ball, and Ritzman, back out for the 11th, got a pair of deep fly balls to center field and a strikeout sandwiched around a walk.

It was Ritzman's first action after being out for about half of the season, Hal Arrington said.

"He's a pretty cool character there," Arrington said. "That's his role and he knows it on the team, to come in in a pinch and get a few innings there."

Jason Fluke then led off the bottom of the 11th with a single. A single from Arrington and an intentional walk to Dalton Toepelt loaded the bases for Lusk, who looked at a low ball before taking a pitch the hard way.

Toledo led 2-0 in the middle of the fifth inning, with leadoff hitter Grant McEwen knocking a pair of singles and coming home on singles from Austin Eaton and Kolton Korpi in the first and fifth frames.

The Titans got a run back in the bottom of the fifth, on an RBI single from Kaelin Jurek, but Toledo went up 3-1 in the sixth courtesy of a sacrifice fly by Dalton Yoder.

Arrington hit a double — the only extra-base hit of the game

the sixth inning as Adna catcher Bryce McCloskey looks on Thursday during District 4 2B Baseball Tournament action in Mossyrock.



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Jack Herring pitches for Adna on Thursday during District 4 semifinal action against Napavine in Mossyrock.

— to start the sixth and kick off the Titans' 2-run, game-tying inning.

Wes Kuzminsky started for Toledo, working three innings, allowing one hit and facing just 10 batters. Connor Vermilyea took over in the fourth, giving up two hits and a run, and Robins threw the sixth.

Dalton Yoder worked from the seventh through the 10th, giving up three hits and a run while walking two, and Jackson Kuzminsky was brought on in the 11th.

Davis said he had no regrets about removing his starter after the third inning.

"We did that earlier, to get these guys set up for the idea that when you get to regionals, you have to win two ballgames," he said. "Our goal isn't just to get there; our goal is to get to Centralia (site of the State 2B tournament). And I feel that with this team, with our pitchers, the best way for us to do that is by committee, both games."

McEwen and Eaton were both 2 for 5 for Toledo (16-6).

Fluke, Arrington and Woods

each had two hits for Pe Ell-Willapa Valley (18-5). The Titans split a doubleheader with Napavine during the regular season, losing 12-2 and winning 3-2, and will get play the series rubber match at 4 p.m. today in the District 4 championship game.

"We're excited about it. We're more excited to play in regionals," Hal Arrington said. "We want to go to the state championship. That's our goal as a team, but on our way if we take a district championship, the kids would love that, too."

Napavine 7, Adna 3

Jensen Lindsay got sent out to the mound for the second game in a row.

And for the second game in a row, he delivered.

Lindsay blanked Adna for the first five innings and led the Tigers back to the District 4 2B championship game with a 7-3 win, five days after taking over in the fourth inning and earning the win in the Tigers' first playoff game.

Indians Hold Off Toutle, 4-2

ADNA — Toledo bounced back from a long loss on Thursday with a 4-2 win over Toutle Lake here on Friday to advance to the third/fourth place game of the District 4 2B Baseball Tournament.

The win means Toledo (17-6) will face Adna today at 1 p.m. in Mossyrock, with the winner staying in Mossyrock next Saturday for regionals and the loser heading to Anacortes the same day.

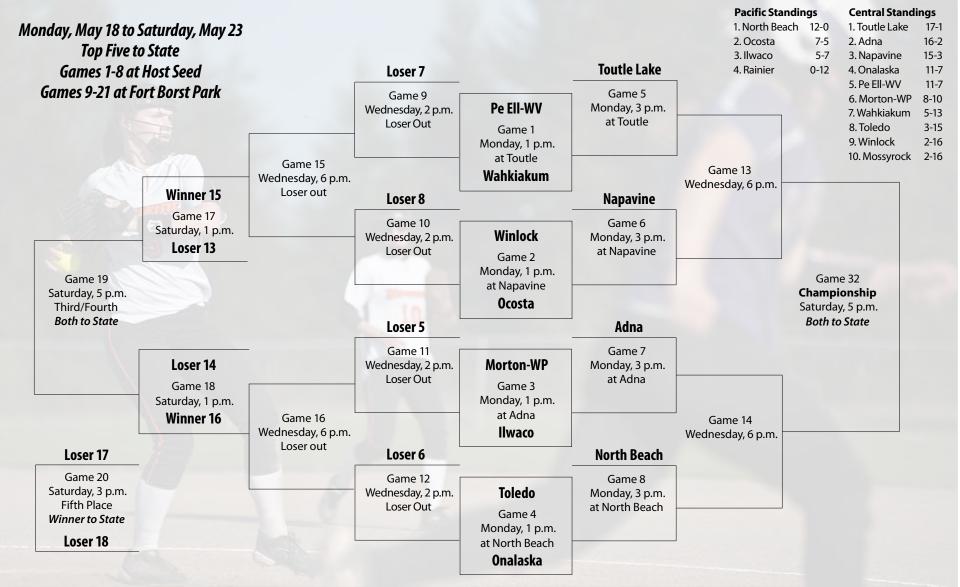
Toledo got a run in the first and scored 3 in the fourth, starting with singles from Connor Vermilyea and Jackson Kuzminsky. Konner Crawford hit an RBI double, and Grant McEwen knocked in a run with a ground ball. Kolt Korpi then wrapped things up with an RBI single, giving the Indians a 4-0 advantage.

McEwen, Austin Eaton and Wes Kuzminsky each went 2 for 4, while Dalton Yoder was 1 for 2 with a double.

Wes Kuzminsky started on the mound and worked three innings, striking out three, walking one and facing just 10 batters without allowing a hit.

Vermilyea worked three innings, giving up five hits, three walks and a run, and Dakota Robins closed out the game in the seventh.

District IV 2B Softball Tournament Bracket



Prep Softball

Four Bearcat Homers Rock Rival Tigers in Five

By The Chronicle

In the final regular season edition of the Battle of the Swamp, W.F. West completed the sweep of the series with a domi- RBIs on two hits. nating 16-1 victory over Centralia in five innings in Evergreen 2A Conference softball action at Fort Borst Park on Thursday.

Among the 14 total hits, the Bearcats homered on four occasions, with Kassidy Grandorff's solo homer and Ashlee Vadala's 3-run shot both coming in the second inning. Tessa Wollan smacked a solo home run and Kim Frazier hit a 3-run homer in a fourth frame where the Bearcats tacked on 8 runs.

Ali Graham went 3 for 4 from the plate, while Jessica McKay, Roni Braun and Wollan all had 2 for 2 performances for the Bearcats.

'The girls played really well," W.F. West coach Mike Keen said. "It would be an understatement to say we swung the bats really

Rochester also committed an Reynolds went 2 for 3 with an with her bat from Day 1." uncharacteristic six errors to assist the Pirates. Sam Rolfe led the Adna offense with a homer and 5

Sierra Seymour took responrun, knocking a solo homer in the third frame.

This one game isn't going to define our season," Lancaster said. "Adna came ready to play and we didn't. The score showed it. Every team has one of these games and this was ours. We'll come back ready to play on Tuesday.'

Rochester finished the regular season with a 9-3 Evergreen 2A/1A League record (15-4-1 overall). Looking towards the postseason, the Warriors will take on a familiar face in Centralia in a loser-out play-in game on Tuesday, with the winner advancing to the District 4 2A Softball Tournament at Fort Borst Park on Tuesday.

RBI and Albright smacked an RBI double for Chehalis.

"You never know what to expect with senior night," W.F. West coach Mike Keen said. sibility for the lone Rochester "This is a close team and they were just happy for their seniors. They've been such great leaders this year. It was a nice tribute to them."

> Roni Braun added 3 RBIs and two doubles on a 2 for 3 performance and Ashlee Vadala knocked in 2 runs, going 2 for 3 with a double.

The Bearcats end the regular season undefeated in EvCo play with a 9-0 record (17-3 overall) and the No. 1 seed. W.F. West will open up 2A District 4 Tournament play against the No. 4 seed from the 2A Greater St. Helens League.

"I told the girls after the game, we're all 0-0 going into districts," Keen said. "What we've done so far is just something we've done. It's on to the next challenge, and everybody's hungry."

Montesano finished with

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seven hits.

Adna (17-3) kicks off the Dis- Ilwaco play-in game at 3 p.m.

trict 4 2B tournament at home on Monday, playing the winner of the Morton-White Pass and

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well. It's a lot easier to play when you're out in front."

Ali Graham went three innings before being relieved by Vadala. The two combined for seven strikeouts while allowing four hits and no walks in the five innings of work.

Centralia finishes the regular season with a 1-7 EvCo record (4-13 overall) and will participate in a District 4 loser-out play-in game with Rochester on Tuesday at Fort Borst Park.

Warriors Stumble, Fall to Lady Pirates, 17-1

ROCHESTER — The Adna Lady Pirates may have defeated the Rochester Warriors in spectacular fashion, but Warrior coach Jared Lancaster was not particularly worried. Nevertheless, the Pirates took a 17-1 victory in five innings of nonleague softball play on Thursday.

while allowing two Warrior hits. plate with a triple and 2 RBIs. said. "Cheyenne has been hot

We've seen Centralia twice already," Lancaster said. "They have yet to see our lefty (Jaelin Lancaster) and we're fortunate to have a large pitching staff. We're going to bank on our pitching and our offense to win it and continue to work on those. The girls are excited."

Friday's Results

Cats Blank BH on Senior Night

The W.F. West Bearcats made the most of senior night and the final ballgame of the regular season, shutting out Black Hills, 12-0, in five innings of Evergreen 2A Conference softball action at Recreation Park on Friday.

Tailor Albright, Ali Graham, and Caitlin Reynolds were all honored as part of senior night.

Graham went the distance on the mound for the Bearcats, striking out six while allowing three hits and just one walk,

Bulldogs Limit Pirates, Win 4-1

MONTESANO - Adna got a final tune-up game against 1A Montesano before heading to the District 4 2B softball tournament on Monday. The 17-2 Bulldogs kept the high-powered Pirates under wraps until the seventh inning and handed Adna a 4-1 loss

"I'll take that loss instead of a 15- or 17-run game," Adna coach Mike Raschke said. "Samantha Rolfe and Jenikka Poppe kept us in the game with their pitching and Montesano's pitching was by far the best we've seen all year."

Montesano held the Pirates to two hits and kept Adna blanked for six innings before Cheyenne Gilbertson's solo home run in the seventh.

'It was a shot, you could tell The Pirates racked up 13 hits, while also going 2 for 3 at the just as it left the bat," Raschke

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College Softball Lady Blazers Still Alive in Consolation Bracket at NWACs

By The Chronicle

PORTLAND - The Centralia Lady Blazers are still fighting in the hunt for hardware at the 2015 NWAC Softball Championships here at Delta Park after the first day of action.

In their opening affair on Friday, Centralia suffered a 15-2 loss in five innings to a tough Bellevue squad. Star

Bellevue slugger Tess Dixon tion bracket. went 2 for 3 with 3 RBIs, a double, and a homer for the Bulldogs.

Rachel Diaz de Leon went 1 for 1 with Centralia's lone hit, an RBI, and a run for the Blazers

The Lady Blazers fared much better in their afternoon outing, scoring a 7-5 victory vance to Day 2 of the consola- Red Devils.

Megan Levang went 2 for 3, knocking in 2 runs, as well as scoring a pair of runs herself. Kierstin Smith and Jessica Paxton both had 2 for 3, 1 RBI performances in the win.

Centralia will kick off today's NWAC action with a 10 a.m. loser-out matchup over the Everett Trojans to ad- against the Lower Columbia

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(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

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Wednesday, May 13: Golden State 98,

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FAIRWAY LANES Houston 101 Top 5 No-Tap Men Wednesday, May 6: Houston 115, 1. Nick Wood 843; 2. Butch Mosteller L.A. Clippers 109 796; 3. Mel Kortlever 780; 4. Glenn Gray Friday, May 8: L.A. Clippers 124, 772; 5. Lee Grimes 743; High Game: Houston 99 Butch Mosteller 300 and Mel Kortlever Sunday, May 10: L.A. Clippers 128, 300 and Nick Wood 300 Houston 95 Tuesday, May 12: Houston 124, L.A. Top 5 No-Tap Women 1. Teresa Johnson 744; 2. Bailey Clippers 103 Thursday, May 14: Houston 119, L.A.

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FIRST ROUND (Best-of-7; x-if necessary) EASTERN CONFERENCE Atlanta 4, Brooklyn 2

Sunday, April 19: Atlanta 99, Brook-

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Cleveland 4, Boston 0

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Chicago 4, Milwaukee 2

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Washington 4, Toronto 0

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WESTERN CONFERENCE Golden State 4, New Orleans 0

Saturday, April 18: Golden State 106, New Orleans 99 Monday, April 20: Golden State 97,

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Sports on the Air

SATURDAY, May 16 AUTO RACING

1 p.m.

ABC — IndyCar, qualifying for Indianapolis 500 (day 1)

4 p.m.

 — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying FS1 for All-Star Race, at Concord, N.C. 6 p.m.

FS1 — NASCAR, Sprint Cup, All-Star Race, at Concord, N.C.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

10 a.m.

ESPN - NCAA, Division I playoffs, region-

1 p.m.

als, Game 3, California-Pittsburgh winner vs. Oakland-Michigan winner, at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Game 5, teams TBD, at Baton Rouge, La.

Tuesday, May 26: Atlanta at Cleve-

x-Thursday, May 28: Cleveland at Atlanta, 5:30 p.m.

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lanta, 5:30 p.m. WESTERN CONFERENCE

Golden State vs. Houston OR L.A. Clippers

Tuesday, May 19: Houston OR L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 21: Houston OR L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 6 p.m.

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x-Friday, May 29: Golden State at Houston OR L.A. Clippers, 6 p.m. x-Sunday, May 31: Houston OR L.A.

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Thursday's Results

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Friday's Results

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Saturday's Games

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FSN — FIU at Rice **COLLEGE SOFTBALL** 11:30 a.m.

als, Game 4, Arizona St.-Nebraska loser vs. Texas Southern-LSU loser, at Baton Rouge, La.

ESPN2 — NCAA, Division I playoffs, region-2 p.m.

ESPN — NCAA, Division I playoffs, regionals, 3:30 p.m.

ESPN2 — NCAA, Division I playoffs, regionals, Game 4, California-Pittsburgh loser vs. Oakland-Michigan loser, at Ann Arbor, Mich. 4 p.m.

ESPN — NCAA, Division I playoffs, regionals, Game 4, Baylor-Mississippi St. loser vs. Weber St.-Louisiana-Lafayette loser, at Lafayette, La. 6:30 p.m.

ESPN — NCAA, Division I playoffs, regionals, Game 5, teams TBD, at Lafayette, La.

GOLF Noon

CBS - PGA Tour, Wells Fargo Championship, third round, at Charlotte, N.C.

HORSE RACING 1:30 p.m.

NBC — Thoroughbreds, Preakness Stakes, at Baltimore

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

10 a.m.

FS1 — Atlanta at Miami

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FS1 — Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs

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NHL 10 a.m.

NBC — Playoffs, conference finals, game 1, Tampa Bay at N.Y. Rangers

SUNDAY, May 17 AUTO RACING

10 a.m.

ABC — IndyCar, qualifying for Indianapolis 500 (day 2)

11 a.m.

FS1 — NASCAR, XFINITY Series, May Iowa race, at Newton, Iowa

6 p.m.

ESPN2 - NHRA, Southern Nationals, at Commerce, Ga. (same-day tape) **COLLEGE SOFTBALL**

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Sunday, May 3: Washington 104, Atlanta 98 Tuesday, May 5: Atlanta 106, Washington 90 Saturday, May 9: Washington 103, Atlanta 101 Monday, May 11: Atlanta 106, Washington 101 Wednesday, May 13: Atlanta 82,

Friday, May 15: Atlanta 94, Washington 91

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12:30 p.m.

4 p.m.

ESPN2 — NCAA, Division I playoffs, regionals, Game 6, teams TBD, at Lafayette, La. **CYCLING**

10 a.m.

NBC — Tour of California, final stage, Los Angeles to Pasadena

GOLF

Noon

CBS - PGA Tour, Wells Fargo Championship, final round, at Charlotte, N.C.

TGC — Champions Tour, The Tradition, final round, at Birmingham, Ala.

2 p.m.

TGC — LPGA, Kingsmill Championship, final round, at Williamsburg, Va. HOCKEY

11:30 a.m.

NBCSN — IIHF, World Championship, championship, teams TBD, at Prague MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

11 a.m.

MLB - Regional coverage, N.Y. Yankees at Kansas City or Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs 1 p.m.

ROOT — Boston at Seattle

5 p.m.

ESPN — Detroit at St. Louis **MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE**

9 a.m.

ESPN2 — NCAA, Division I playoffs, quarterfinal, Johns Hopkins vs. Syracuse, at Annapolis, Md.

11:30 a.m.

ESPN2 — NCAA, Division I playoffs, quarterfinal, Maryland vs. UNC, at Annapolis, Md. NBA

12:30 p.m.

ABC — Playoffs, conference semifinals, game 7, Memphis at Golden State

5 or 6:30 p.m.

TNT — Playoffs, conference semifinals, game 7, L.A. Clippers at Houston (if necessary)

NHL Noon

NBC - Playoffs, conference finals, game 1, Chicago at Anaheim

MONDAY, May 18 MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

10 a.m.

MLB — L.A. Angels at Toronto

4 p.m.

Boston (Porcello 3-2) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 6-0), 6:10 p.m.

ESPN — St. Louis at N.Y. Mets

L.A. Angels 3, Baltimore 1 Cleveland 8, Texas 3 Kansas City 12, N.Y. Yankees 1 Sunday, May 10: Cleveland 86, Chi-Minnesota 3, Tampa Bay 2 Tuesday, May 12: Cleveland 106, Chi-Houston 8, Toronto 4 Detroit 10, St. Louis 4 Chicago White Sox 7, Oakland 6 Thursday, May 14: Cleveland 94, Seattle 2, Boston 1

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WESTERN CONFERENCE

Monday, May 4: L.A. Clippers 117,

Cleveland 4, Chicago 2 Monday, May 4: Chicago 99, Cleve-Wednesday, May 6: Cleveland 106, Friday, May 8: Chicago 99, Cleveland

Cruz's RBI Single in Ninth Leads Mariners Past Red Sox 2-1

SEATTLE (AP) - Nelson Cruz's RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning drove in Brad Miller from second base to give the Seattle Mariners a 2-1 victory over the Boston Red Sox on Friday night.

Miller started it with a oneout single off Tommy Layne (0-1), and he

advanced on Robinson Cano's groundout. Junichi Tazawa

SEATTLE 2 **BOSTON 1**

took over on the mound and Cruz hit his 3-2 pitch into the left-center gap for the victory.

Cruz has had at least one hit in each of his last eight games, hitting .467 (14 of 30) during that stretch.

Tom Wilhelmsen (1-0) tossed two shutout innings for the victory. J.A. Happ went seven innings in the start for the Mari- by three runs or fewer. ners, allowing one run and five hits.

Clay Buchholz worked the first eight innings for the Red Sox with no walks and a seasonhigh 11 strikeouts, one shy of his career high. He showed no signs of a left ankle injury sustained Sunday against Toronto.

Shane Victorino used his bat and back to score the game's first run in the second. After he singled, Pablo Sandoval hit a soft liner to Miller at shortstop and Victorino was caught too far off first and scrambled back. Miller's throw, however, hit Victorino in the back and he was ruled safe.

When the ball hit him, Victorino was on the infield grass, considerably out of the baseline. Manager Lloyd McClendon did not argue the point and it's not a reviewable play. It comes down to the umpire's judgment that the runner did not 'willfully' interfere with the fielder's throw.

Victorino then stole second and scored on Xander Bogaerts' triple off the left-center wall.

The Mariners tied it in the sixth on Seth Smith's third home run of the season, off a 1-0 pitch from Buchholz, deep into the center-field seats.

Of the first 35 games, the



Ted S. Warren / The Associated Press

Seattle Mariners' Nelson Cruz winces as he hits a foul ball against the Boston Red Sox in the fourth inning of a baseball game, Friday in Seattle.

Mariners have played 31 decided

BREAKING UP THE RIGHTIES

With the Mariners hitting .053 (1 for 19) with runners in scoring position during their previous two games, McClendon adjusted, shifting left-handhitting Logan Morrison one spot down in the lineup to seventh. 'Just to split (the right-handers) McClendon said. "We up," haven't had a lot of success down there." Morrison has been one of the team's top hitters, batting .353 since April 29. The Mariners have used 27 different batting orders in 35 games.

ORTIZ HAUNTS OLD TEAM

With his first-inning single, Red Sox DH David Ortiz has been on base with a hit or walk for 47 of the 49 career games he has played against the Mariners. That includes all 29 of his road games at Safeco. Ortiz, originally a Mariners farmhand, has the second-best OPS in Safeco Field history.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Mariners: CF Austin Jackson (right ankle sprain) "should be close" to heading out on a rehab April 20, 2011, while with Detroit.

assignment, McClendon said. "I told him what I'd tell any player: You have to swing the bat before you come back, and have some success 'cause you don't want to waste your at-bats up here," Mc-Clendon said. ... SS Chris Taylor got a day to rest. He has a neck strain and is hitting .143.

Red Sox: RHP Justin Masterson (right shoulder tendinitis), placed on the DL on Wednesday, is starting off by merely playing light catch at this point.

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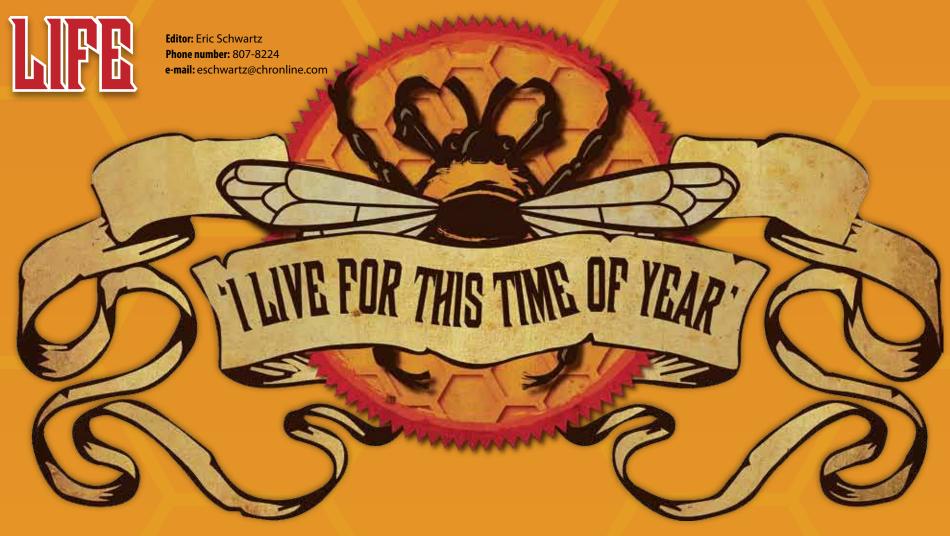
Mariners: RHP Felix Hernandez (6-0, 1.85) has been a handful for the Red Sox to deal. In 17 career starts, Hernandez is 8-2 with a 3.06 ERA against Boston. He is 5-1 with a 3.51 ERA in eight Safeco Field starts, including 4-0 with a 2.53 ERA over his last six. He is off to the best start of his career and second best in club history behind Aaron Sele's 8-0 start in 2001.

Red Sox: RHP Rick Porcello (3-2, 4.50) threw 101 pitches in only five innings in his previous start Monday against Oakland. He is 2-3 with a 4.18 ERA in five career starts against Seattle but this will be only his second career start in Safeco Field, since

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STARTING A NEW HIVE:

Beekeepers Carve Out Hive in Barn Wall, Help New Bee **Enthusiasts Start** Hobby

By Kaylee Osowski

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The bees are swarming now that spring has arrived, giving some people the heebeegeebees.

For others, it's their favorite time of year.

"I live for this time of year," said Rob Jenkins, of Bee Wrangler Honey, based in Ethel.

Not only is it an oppor-

tunity to carve out people's unwanted hives and capture swarms, it's also a time for community service and fun — for those who aren't afraid of possibly getting stung, anyway.

Hobby beekeeper Jan Opsitnick said the group, called South Lewis County Beekeepers, basically does everything it can to rescue bees and give them a safe place to live when going on a capture.

On May 9, a group of about one dozen beekeepers and some people looking to get into the hobby traveled to a farm west of Centralia where a colony had built its home between two studs in the wall of a barn.

Before cutting away the inside panel of the barn wall, Jenkins drilled a hole and stuck in the lens of his new inspection camera to get a better view of where the colony had made its honeycomb home.

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With the wall opened up, thousands of bees

were visible, crawling and flying around their about 2- to 3-foot-tall hive, staving primarily closer to the top of their home. Using a hive frame, Jenkins scored the first few sections of honeycomb from the bottom of the hive, and then cut them away to be framed.

Group members took turns placing usable sections of comb in frames and securing the pieces in place with fishing line.

As the process continued and the group got closer to the top of the hive, the excitement grew when the hexagons in the honeycomb contained brood — bee eggs or larvae — or oozed with honey. The group of about one dozen beekeepers and

newbies divided what they collected based on who needed what. The new beekeepers were in need of bait - sections of honeycomb to entice bees to make their home — brood and bees. Others were happy to get some fresh honey.

The queen of the hive wasn't located, but Jenkins said he doesn't really focus on capturing queens. They aren't necessary for the colony's survival because the bees can create new queens. After hatching, all bee larvae are fed royal jelly — a substance produced by worker bees. The queen larvae are fed it exclusively and will become sexually mature female bees, unlike female worker bees.

The beekeepers worked at the farm for about four hours, and still had work to finish later as the top of the hive wasn't easily accessible.

While Saturday night's job is the type that can be scheduled weeks in advance, many of the beekeepers also provide swarm capture services. While a colony has already built its home, a swarm is a cluster of bees looking for a new place to live.

Jenkins explained that swarm captures require a quick response because it might be there a few hours or a few days; there's no way of really knowing.

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a hive.

South Lewis The County Beekeepers are on Facebook. The group isn't formal; it's just a group of friends who enjoy the same hobby, Opsitnick said.

The group is open to helping new beekeepers learn about the hobby and how to do a carveout. Saturday Chuck Preble and his two sons, William and Charlie, traveled from Tacoma to learn about carveouts and collect honeycomb, brood and bees to start his hobby hives.

"We love to help new people," Jenkins said. "We love to educate people."

Kaylee Osowski / kosowski@chronline.com New beekeeper Chuck Preble sets a piece of honeycomb into a frame as Gordon Bellevue watches.

Honeybees hang out on a piece of honeycomb set in a frame for transfer to a beekeeper's hive after being removed.

Community

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Three-Day Eruption Commemoration Planned

The Gifford Pinchot National Forest and Mount St. Helens Institute are holding a three-day commemoration of the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens today through Monday.

day through Monday. "It's a Blast" is the opening day today of the Johnston Ridge Observatory overlooking the crater of Mount St. Helens. This is a family-friendly science education event with admission fees (\$8 adults, kids free) supporting the nonprofit Mount St. Helens Institute's volcano volunteer and education programs. The event is open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

From 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, "Eruption Eyewitness Stories" is an event at the Science and Learning Center that features a series of 30-minute talks by people whose lives were forever altered by their experiences at Mount St. Helens. Photos and stories describe the incredible events leading up to the catastrophic 1980 eruption and the massive landslide, lateral blast, mudflows and ash cloud that followed. Meet eruption eyewitnesses and leave with an autographed poster or book. on science demonstrations.

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Visitors will also have the opportunity to meet a remote "spider" instrument package used to monitor eruptions at active volcanoes. Admission is free.

HAVE AN EVENT YOU

WOULD LIKE TO INVITE THE PUBLIC TO?

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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

The Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center is located on state Route 504, 43 miles east of Interstate 5. Take Exit 49 off Interstate 5 and head east on state Route 504. Continue past the turn-off to Johnston Ridge and continue straight ahead a short distance and into the Science and Learning Center parking lot.

Tacoma Museum Plans Program on Eruption Anniversary

The Washington State History Museum will be marking the 35th anniversary of the eruption of Mount St. Helens with a collection of special guest speakers today.

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., artists, authors and volcanologists will share their experiences of the eruption and knowledge of the volcano today. The culmination of the "Living in the Shadows: Volcanoes of Washington" exhibit, which closes May 17, the Year of the Volcano commemoration is a chance to revisit a lifechanging moment and a chance for those who weren't here during the eruption to learn more about the event. Volcano Observatory

Visitors can also participate in a volcano-themed scavenger hunt through the museum and will have an opportunity to discuss the eruption and their own personal experiences from May 18, 1980, over refreshments.

Containers of ash from the eruption, jewelry made from the ash, and many other souvenirs of the eruption and the "Living in the Shadows" exhibit, including a limited edition "Year of the Volcano" commemorative poster designed by Native American artist Jeffrey Veregge, are available for purchase in the museum store.

The museum is located at 1911 Pacific Ave., Tacoma. For more information, call 1-888-BE-THERE.

Hells Run 5k, at Burnt Ridge through intense obstacle course, 10 a.m., 468 Johnson Road, Onalaska, \$40, (360) 557-0556, http://www.5krunwashington. com/

Ryderwood Spring Arts & Crafts Fair, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Community Hall, 305 Morse St., Grandma's Kitchen bake sale, lunch provided by town's veterans, (360) 355-7315

Free shredding, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Key Bank parking lot, 201 W. Main St., Centralia, hosted by Strand Insurance, paper documents only, do not need to remove clips, staples or binders, (360) 736-8281

Club Mom Children's Clothing Bank and Exchange, 1-3 p.m., Chehalis First Christian Church, 111 NW Prindle St.,

Editor's Best Bet Community Farmers Market Plans Olympic Club Event

The Community Farmers Market in Chehalis and McMenamins Olympic Club are partnering to offer a Friends and Family Night on Tuesday at the restaurant and pub in downtown Centralia.

McMenamins will donate 50 percent of the Olympic Club sales after 5 p.m. to benefit the farmers market. Local farmers who sell at the Community Farmers Market will donate fresh food for the menu that evening in four separate specials and items as door prizes.

The Community Farmers Market is preparing to open for its 11th season on June 2.. The market offers fresh healthy food and products, along with musical entertainment, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. each Tuesday in downtown Chehalis during the summer.

For more details about the Friends and Family night and about the market, visit www.communityfarmersmarket.net.

Birds parking lot, classic cars, hot rods, rat rods, motorcycles, no parts, www. ratkoolgarage.com

Leon House and Seth Johnson, 7:45 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, \$6, (360) 740-0492

Cheesemaking, 10 a.m., Fords Prairie Grange, Centralia, sponsored by WSU Lewis County 4-H Food Resource Leaders, (360) 740-1212, http://lewis.wsu.edu

Twin City Gospel Jubilee, 6 p.m., Calvary Assembly of God, 302 E. Main St., Centralia, featuring Rosie Selland, free, offering taken, (360) 736-0788

Dream Sequins Burlesque Show, 8 p.m., Fox Theatre, Centralia, sponsored by Historic Fox Theatre Restorations, \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door, tickets at Holley's Place Frozen Yogurt next to the theater, concessions available, (360) 880-8053

Ghost Investigation Night at the Museum, 6-9 p.m., Lewis County Historical Museum, 599 NW Front Way, Chehalis, \$35 by reservation only, tickets at lewiscountymuseum.org or by calling (360) 748-0831

"The Giver," 7 p.m., Wickstrom Studio Theatre, Washington Hall, Centralia College, tickets \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors, (360) 736-9391, ext. 525

"Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2," 7 p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, rated PG, adults \$8, children, students, seniors \$7, (360) 496-5599

Organizations

Historic Fox Theatre Restorations, meeting of volunteers, 10 a.m., Santa Lucia Coffee, Centralia

<u>Sunday, May 17</u>

"Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka Junior," 2

Plant sale, Master Gardener Foundation of Lewis County, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Exposition Building, to benefit WSU Lewis County Master Gardener Program, (360) 740-12156, http://lewis-mg-mrc.org

Fried chicken dinner, noon, Toledo Senior Center, 150 Coal St., mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, beverage, rolls and dessert, \$8, (360) 864-2112

"The Giver," 2 p.m., Wickstrom Studio Theatre, Washington Hall, Centralia College, tickets \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors, (360) 736-9391, ext. 525

Organizations

Men's Fraternity, 6-7:30 p.m., Dayspring Baptist Church, 2088 Jackson Highway, Chehalis, (360) 748-3401 or email dayspringbaptistch@gmail.com

Monday, May 18

Burger Night, 5-7:30 p.m., Centralia Eagles, quarter-pound hamburgers, \$1.50, other menu items, (360) 736-1146

Cow sorting and pro-cutter flag, 6 p.m., Happy Trails Arena, 1489 U.S. Highway 12, Ethel, \$20 per rider, (360) 978-6040 or happytrailsarena@gmail.com

History of Packwood Lake Hydro Project, by Matt Taylor, 7 p.m., White Pass Country Museum, 12990 U.S. Highway 12, Packwood

"Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2," 7 p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, rated PG, adults \$7, children, students, seniors \$6, (360) 496-5599

Organizations

Centralia Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., Denny's Restaurant, Centralia, (360) 736-8766

Admission is free.

The Johnston Ridge Observatory is at the end of state Highway 504.

On Monday, Join Forest Service officials at 10:30 a.m. at the Science and Learning Center for a ceremony commemorating the 1980 eruption. From noon to 4:00 p.m. there will be "Celebration of 35 Years of Science Discovery" featuring 20-minute presentations by scientists describing their amazing discoveries at the volcano and posters and hands-

Speakers will include:

• Atlatl expert Larry Nelson, who will discuss the atlatl in the Living in the Shadows exhibit and how the weapon was used by ancient tribes

• Mount St. Helens icon Andre Stepankowsky, the reporter whose coverage of the eruption and the mountain itself has spanned decades

• John Ewert, scientist-incharge at the USGS-Cascades (360) 269-0587 or (360) 748-3702

Plant sale, Master Gardener Foundation of Lewis County, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Southwest Washington Fairgrounds Exposition Building, to benefit WSU Lewis County Master Gardener Program, (360) 740-12156, http://lewis-mg-mrc.org

Rock and pop dancing, 7-10 p.m., Campbell & Campbell Events, 225 Sussex Ave. W., Tenino, \$5, dance class at 7 p.m. by Monty Norris (free with admission), refreshments, all ages, live and DJ music by Destination Constellation

Steve Mohney, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Scatter Creek Grill, Lucky Eagle Casino, 21 and up, (360) 273-2000, ext. 301

Classic car swap, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Yard

p.m., Roxy Theater, Morton, tickets in advance \$9 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under, admission at the door \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under, tickets available at Barbara Clevenger Art Gallery or online at www.mortonroxy.org.

Bingo, doors open 5 p.m., bingo starts 6:30 p.m., Forest Grange, 3397 Jackson Highway, Chehalis

Dancing, Country Four, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Swede Hall, Rochester, (360) 352-2135

Community meal, 1-3 p.m., Rotary Riverside Park, Centralia, free, sponsored by Jesus Name Pentecostal Church, Chehalis, (360) 623-9438 White Pass Historical Society, 6 p.m., old Packwood Elementary School, Packwood

Centralia Bridge Club, noon, Unity Church, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, (360) 748-1753, hraj@localaccess.com

Fords Prairie Grange, 6 p.m. potluck followed by games, 2640 W. Reynolds Ave., Centralia, (360) 330-0969

Chehalis-Centralia Optimists, 6:30 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, (360) 807-4733

Pinochle, 6 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S. Market Blvd, Chehalis, (360) 520-0772

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Tuesday, May 19

Research Library Director to Speak at Genealogical Society Meeting

Jim Johnson, director of the Heritage Quest Research Library in Sumner, will be the guest speaker at the Tuesday meeting of the Lewis County Genealogical Society.

His topic will be "Library Cards: Keys to Research @ Home."

Johnson has expertise in vital records, Internet research, computer training, newspaper research and Northwest city directories. He loves exploring cemeteries, and takes digital photos of tombstones. His knowledge of genealogical topics covers Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. This program will focus on Portugal family exploration.

Johnson is president of the Puget Sound Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists and is a member of the Tacoma Pierce County Genealogical Society and the New England Historical Genealogical Society.

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church, 210-0 Jackson Highway, Chehalis. 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, 5:30-8:30 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

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, 9 a.m., 124 Habein Road, Chehalis, (360) 748-9261 or (800) 562-5612

Pe Ell Town Council, 6 p.m., City Hall, (360) 291-3543

Libraries

Preschool Story Time, for children 3-6 years, 10:30 a.m., Packwood

PageTurners Book Discussion, for adults, "State of Wonder," by Ann Patchett, 5:30 p.m., Centralia

Organizations

Senior Song Birds, 9:50 a.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, 2545 National Ave., Chehalis, (360) 740-4199

Centralia Bridge Club, 6:30 p.m., Unity Church, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, (360) 748-1753, hraj@localaccess.com

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 Connections Support Group, 5:30-7 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, (360) 880-8070 or sherry500us@gmail.com

NAMI Lewis County Family Support Group, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Vernetta Smith Chehalis Timberland Library, (360) 880-8070 or sherry500us@gmail.com

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

Wednesday, May 20

CC Students Who Attended Students of Color Conference to Talk About Experience

Centralia College students who were selected to attend the 25th annual Students of Color Lyceum is free and may also be taken at Humanities 286, one credit.

For more information, call Jody Peterson, (360) 736-9391, ext. 209, or email her at jpeterson@centralia.edu.

Bingo, doors open 5 p.m., bingo starts 6:30 p.m., Forest Grange, 3397 Jackson Highway, Chehalis

Taco Night, 6-8 p.m., Centralia Eagles, hard-shell tacos, two for \$1, other menu items, (360) 736-1146

Open mic, 6-10 p.m., Jeremy's Farm to Table, 476 W. Main St., Chehalis, (360) 748-4417

Worm Composting, 6 p.m., V.R. Lee Building, Chehalis, preregistration required, (360) 740-1216, sponsored by WSU Lewis County Extension

Public Agencies

Regional Fire Authority Planning Committee, 6:30 p.m., Riverside Fire Authority, Harrison Avenue station, Centralia, (360) 345-3225

Centralia Civil Service Commission, 5:15-6 p.m., City Hall, 118 W. Maple St., Centralia, (360) 330-7671

DUI Task Force, 11:30 a.m., Lewis County Sheriff's Training Room, Law and Justice Center, Chehalis, (360) 740-1450

Lewis County Citizens Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials, 5:45 p.m., County Meeting Room, 156 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, (360) 740-2747

Libraries

Mountain View (Randle) library closed, staff training Pizza and Paperbacks, for teens,

3:30 p.m., Tenino

Organizations

Take Off Pounds Sensibly, 10:15 a.m., Assembly of God church, 702 SE First St., Winlock

Seniors on the Go, potluck and meeting, noon, Onalaska First Church of God Fellowship Hall.

Tenino/Bucoda Community Coalition, 6-7:30 p.m., Tenino Elementary School, (360) 493-2230, ext. 13

Seniors' Bible study, 2 p.m., Calvary Assembly of God, Centralia, (360) 736-6769 or (360) 324-9050

Newaukum-Napavine Lions Club, 8 a.m., Taste of Alaska Family Restaurant, Napavine, (360) 262-3336

Support Groups

Domestic violence support group, 5:30-7 p.m., 125 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, sponsored by Human Response Network, 748-6601

NAMI daytime family support group, for family members of those suffering from mental illness, noon-1 p.m., upstairs, Fiddlers Coffee, 1220 Mellen St., Centralia, (253) 273-6035

<u>Thursday, May 21</u>

"Let's Grow a Garden," 10-11:30 a.m., 4162 Jackson Highway, free, (360) 262-0525

Games Night, 6 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, free, (360) 740-0492

"The Giver," 7 p.m., Wickstrom Studio Theatre, Washington Hall, Centralia College, tickets \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors, (360) 736-9391, ext. 525

Libraries

Family Story Time, for children age 3-third grade, 11:45 a.m., Randle

Drop-in Computer and E-book Help, for teens and adults, 3 p.m., Tenino

Junior PageTurners, for children grades 1-3, "Because of Winn Dixie," by Kate DiCamillo, 3:30 p.m., Winlock

The Knitting Circle, for adults, 4 p.m., Salkum

Organizations

American Legion Post 508, potluck and meeting, 6 p.m., Onalaska First Church of God

Onalaska American Legion Post 508, 6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. meeting, Onalaska First Church of God, (360) 978-5368

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) 388-0450 or (360) 736-4163

Pinochle, 6 p.m., Chehalis Eagles, 1993 S Market Blvd, Chehalis, (360) 520-0772

Support Groups

"Up From Grief," for those grieving the loss of a loved one, 1-2:30 p.m., Assured Home Hospice, 2120 N. Park St., Centralia, (360) 330-2640

Overeaters Anonymous, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church,1209 N. Scheuber Road, Centralia, (360) 736-9268

Friday, May 22

Oregon Trail music and dancing, open mic with Side Kicks Band, 7 p.m., Cowlitz Prairie Grange, (360) 864-2023

Music, 10:30-11:45 a.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, (360) 748-0061

Bob Garcia and Melodies Recycled Band, 7-9:30 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, \$5, (360) 262-3041

Open mic, 7:30 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, free, (360) 740-0492

Funaddicts, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Scatter Creek Grill, Lucky Eagle Casino, 21 and up, (360) 273-2000, ext. 301

Historic Lewis County Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m., corner of Pearl and Maple streets, Centralia, (360) 736-8977 or dojo@compprime.com

"The Giver," 7 p.m., Wickstrom Studio Theatre, Washington Hall, Centralia College, tickets \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and seniors, (360) 736-9391, ext. 525

Libraries

Packwood Library closed, Memorial Day Flea Market

Family Story Time, for all ages, 10 a.m., Salkum

Organizations

Skookumchuck I.O.O.F. Lodge 129, 7:30 p.m., Bucoda Odd Fellows Community Center, 101 E. Seventh St., second floor, Bucoda, (360) 736-6717

Lewis County Writers critique session, 5:15-7:15 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, 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,

For more information, call Sam, (307) 631-2347, or visit the Genealogical Society's website at www.walcgs.org.

Two Town Tuners, 7 p.m., Lewis and Clark Hotel, 117 W. Magnolia St., Centralia, (360) 269-8146 or (360) 748-3521 Tureday, Quiltiag, Babala, 10 amp 2

Tuesday Quilting Rebels, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Oakview Grange, 2715 N. Pearl St., Centralia, (360) 736-4671 Conference will share their experience during a Lyceum presentation Wednesday at the college.

This class will be at 1 p.m. in WAH 103.

Public Agencies

Twin Transit board, 8:15 a.m., Twin Transit office, 212 E. Locust St., Centralia, (360) 330-2072 hopedirector@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

Faith Religion, Church News

Banking on Faith: Cost-Sharing Ministries Offer Alternative to Obamacare

By JoNel Aleccia

The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — When Melissa Mira suffered sudden heart failure at the end of her second pregnancy last year, she worried first about her health and her baby — then about the more than \$200,000 in medical bills that began rolling in.

"Your world is just crashing down around you and you wonder: 'How is this going to be covered'?" recalled Mira, 30, who spent more than a month away from her Tacoma home, hospitalized at the University of Washington Medical Center.

For Mira and her family, the answer came not through traditional health insurance, but through faith that fellow Christians would step forward to pay the bills.

The Miras — including daughter Jael, 4, and baby Sienna Rain, now a healthy 9-month-old — are among the growing numbers of people looking to "health caresharing ministries" across the U.S. At last count, there were more than 10,000 members in Washington state and nearly 400,000 nationwide, individuals and families whose medical costs are taken care of entirely through the organized goodwill — and monthly payments or "shares" - of like-minded religious followers.

Mira's husband, Gabriel Mira, 30, a general contractor, had long been a member of Christian Care Ministry's Medi-Share program of Melbourne, Florida, one of the three top health-care-sharing groups in the U.S. The others include Samaritan Ministries International of Peoria, Illinois, and Christian Healthcare Ministries of Barberton, Ohio.

"It's a way to be in touch in a prayerful way with other people," said Melissa Mira, whose family belongs to Impact Church International, a nondenominational Christian church. Along with payments, the family received dozens of notes of



"Medi-Share has been a blessing for our family," said Melissa Mira, of Tacoma, with daughters Jael, left, and Sienna. Mira had hospital bills last year of \$200,000.

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Melissa Mira Medi-Share member

hospitals, they're classified as not having health insurance. Instead of paying insurance premiums, they pay voluntary "shares" of \$300 to \$400 a month per family, either directly to other members or to plan organizers who match the money with patient needs.

For Veronika and Michael Boos, of Seattle, who own a small home-brewery-supply business and have three young children, joining Samaritan was more affordable than anything they found on the Washington state health-benefit exchange.

"You're talking \$1,000 a

Prayer Page get their needs met? I think they pretty much do," he said.

Now that the Shoops qualify for Medicare, they use that as their primary insurance, but keep the CHM plan because, at \$150 a month apiece, it's cheaper than other supplemental programs. Medi-Share also offers a supplemental sharing program for people 65 and older.

There are certain limits to sharing. If a Medi-Share member is injured in a car crash, for instance, the medical bills won't be shared if alcohol or illegal drugs were involved, if the accident was part of a com petition or a "stunt," if drivers aren't old enough or if the incident occurred during commission of a crime. Organizers note, however, that each of the plans has programs like Prayer Page that allow members to request payment for bills that fall outside the rules. Often, fellow members cover those costs, too. In fact, ministry organizers say nearly all needs are met. If there are more bills than payments, the groups may prorate reimbursements or ask members to make up the difference. Since 1993, for instance, Medi-Share has covered all eligible medical expenses, for a total of more than \$725 million, said Tony Meggs, president and chief executive of Christian Care Ministry, which runs the program. The difference between ordinary health insurance and such plans is risk, noted Lansberry. "Insurance is concerned with the actuarial science of what might happen," he said. "Our members are in faith stepping out and helping each other with what actually did happen. Our only asset is the future goodwill of our members." But critics of the groups, including Washington State Insurance Commissioner Mike Kreidler, say they're concerned that health-care-sharing plans offer an illusion of insurance but none of the guarantees of regulation. 'The part that makes me apprehensive just thinking about consumer protection is who stands behind this if you're making your payments," Kreidler said. "They don't have any way of knowing for sure that their bills will be covered." Kreidler issued a cease-anddesist order in 2011 to force Samaritan Ministries to stop operating in Washington state on the grounds that the group was acting as an unauthorized insurance company. Within days, however, the state Legislature passed a bill declaring the health-care ministry was not, in fact, insurance, and Gov. Chris Gregoire signed it into law.

Since then, 29 states have enacted similar safe-harbor laws declaring that the practices are protected and don't qualify as health insurance that falls under regulatory authority. The groups have seen their share of controversy. Christian Healthcare Ministries was formerly known as Christian Brotherhood Newsletter until a scandal led to the 2004 removal of the group's founder, the Rev. Bruce Hawthorn, and a lawsuit forced Hawthorn and other officials to repay \$15 million spent on expensive houses, cars and other luxuries.

Medi-Share members filed lawsuits in Oklahoma in 2006 and Montana in 2007 alleging the group failed to pay for medical bills that should have been covered.

In the Montana case, former pastor Michael Rowden, of Big Fork, claimed Medi-Share refused to pay for heart-valve surgery after an infection, calling it a pre-existing condition. A jury awarded Rowden \$825,000, but the case was later settled confidentially.

Several states have forced health-care-sharing ministries to issue caveats informing would-be members that the services are entirely voluntary and shouldn't be regarded as insurance. Montana doesn't accept Medi-Share at all.

"There's a little bit of anxiety that comes with going off the grid. There's no guarantee that your need is going to get covered," she said. "But we trust that if we believe, it will provide for us. We can just trust that we're part of this really cool thing."

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support and encouragement from group members.

Health - care - cost - sharing groups, which date back decades, originated with the biblical notion of neighbors sharing burdens. They've gained increased attention in the era of Obamacare because they're specifically exempt from provisions of the 2010 Affordable Care Act, which requires that most people buy health insurance or face fines. They're an unregulated option for those seeking philosophical or financial alternatives outside of traditional insurance.

"Our overall membership has doubled in the past three years," said James Lansberry, executive vice president of Samaritan Ministries. "There are two reasons why. In general, it's because health care has been such a huge part of the national conversation. And because of the individual mandate, there are previously uninsured people who've chosen health-care sharing as an option."

To be admitted, group members must agree to regular church involvement and get a pastor's signoff. They also agree to adhere to certain health habits, such as avoiding tobacco, heavy drinking and illegal drugs. And they agree to the Golden Rule: Treat others as they'd like to be treated, sending letters of encouragement or support along with required payments.

"Send a note, pay your share, always stay alert in prayer," is the motto for Samaritan. Christian Healthcare Ministries is guided by the biblical verse, Galatians 6:2, "Share one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."

Members are technically considered self-pay patients; when they visit doctors or month on the exchange, if you want decent coverage," said Veronika Boos, 31, who gave birth to their youngest child, Desmond, in February. The family belongs to Cross & Crown Church in Ballard, Washington.

Because the health-caresharing plans don't cover routine care and some pre-existing conditions, the couple also enrolled in a local Qliance primary-care medical program to cover preventive care for themselves and the kids, including Leo, 3, and Lucy, 2. But even with that, their total monthly insurance bill is about \$650.

"This saves us at least a few hundred dollars a month and there's no out-of-pocket," Veronika Boos said.

Kent Shoop, 67, a pastor with Upper County Community Church in Easton, Washington, said he and his wife, Cathy, also 67, joined Christian Healthcare Ministries in 2010 after she retired as a school librarian and they found the cost to maintain insurance too high.

Almost immediately, Kent Shoop learned he had prostate cancer. Because the disease occurred before he signed up, it was considered a pre-existing condition.

His costs for care climbed to nearly \$280,000, part of which was covered through a catastrophic-care insurance policy funded by family and friends. After discounts from providers, the pair still owed nearly \$18,000, exceeding the limits of their income.

But Shoop was able to join Christian Healthcare Ministries' Prayer Page, in which members ask for help paying uncovered medical bills. Within 18 months, the debt was settled with small checks from fellow CHM members.

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Study: Americans Becoming Less Christian, More Secular

By Rachel Zoll

Associated Press Religion Writer

NEW YORK — The number of Americans who don't affiliate with a particular religion has grown to 56 million in recent years, making the faith group researchers call "nones" the second-largest in total numbers behind evangelicals, according to a Pew Research Center study released Tuesday.

Christianity is still the dominant faith by far in the U.S.; 7 in 10 Americans identify with the tradition. However, the ranks of Christians have declined as the segment of people with no religion has grown, the survey says.

Between 2007 and 2014, when Pew conducted two major surveys of U.S. religious life, Americans who described themselves as atheist, agnostic or of no particular faith grew from 16 percent to nearly 23 percent. At the same time, Christians dropped from about 78 percent to just under 71 percent of the population. Protestants now comprise 46.5 percent of what was once a predominantly Protestant country.

Researchers have long debated whether people with no religion should be defined as secular since the category includes those who believe in God or consider themselves "spiritual." But the new Pew study found increasing signs of secularism.

Last year, 31 percent of "nones" said they were atheist or agnostic, compared to 25 percent in 2007, and the percentage who said religion was important to them dropped.

Greg Smith, Pew's associate research director, said the findings "point to substantive changes" among the religiously unaffiliated, not just a shift in how people describe themselves. Secular groups have become increasingly organized to counter bias against them and keep religion out of public life through lawsuits and lobbying lawmakers.

The growth of "nones" has political significance as well. People with no religion tend to vote Democratic, just as white evangelicals tend to vote Republican. The Pew study found a slight drop — about 1 percent — in the evangelical share of the population, which now comprises a quarter of Americans. But the overall number of evangelicals rose to about 62 million people.

Pew researchers said Christian losses were driven by decreases among mainline, or liberal, Protestants and Roman

Catholics.

Mainline Protestants declined by about 5 million to 36 million between 2007 and 2014. Pew found 13 percent of U.S. adults are former Catholics. The study put the number of Catholic adults at 51 million, or just over one-fifth of the U.S. population, a drop of about 3 percent over seven years. In 2007, Catholics made up about one-quarter of Americans.

However, Pew researchers acknowledge those conclusions differ from those of some other major studies that found only slight declines or even a slight uptick in the numbers of Catholics in the last couple of years. Georgetown University's Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate, which tracks American Catholicism, puts the U.S. adult Catholic population at 61 million.

Regarding other religions, Pew found an increase in membership of non-Christian faiths, driven mainly by growing numbers of Muslims and Hindus. Despite the increase, their numbers remain small. Muslims and Hindus each comprise less than 1 percent of the U.S. population. The number of Jews rose slightly over the period, from 1.7 percent to 1.9 percent of Americans.

Church News

Methodist Quilters to Gather Monday

Quilters will meet at 9 a.m. Monday at the church. The group makes tied quilts to give to children at risk in the community and around the world. No previous quilting experience is needed to help with this ministry, and all are welcome. For more information, call Carol at (360) 736-7311.

Members of the church will serve a free community dinner 5:30-6:30 p.m. Monday. More information is available by calling Phyllis, (360) 736-7311.

Missionary to Speak at Vader Assembly

Missionary Bill Shaw will be speaking at 6 p.m. Sunday at the Vader Assembly of God.

Shaw's presentation will be "Taste of Africa." For more information, call (360) 295-3756.

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Overall, religious groups have become more ethnically diverse along with the broader population. Latinos now comprise one-third of U.S. Roman Catholics, although fewer U.S. Latinos identify as Catholic overall. One-quarter of evangelicals and 14 percent of mainline Protestants are racial minorities. Membership in historically black churches has remained relatively stable over the period.

The survey of 35,000 people, titled "America's Changing Religious Landscape," was conducted in English and Spanish from June 4 through Sept. 30 of last year and has a margin of error of plus or minus 0.6 percentage points.



Mysterious Island Appears in Seattle's Lake Union on May 16, 1962

HistoryLink.org

A mysterious island arises out of the depths of Lake Union. It measures six feet by eight feet and is made of mud and clay. Seattle's latest geographic addition stands about two feet out of the water and a little more than 300 feet off the southwest shore of the lake. A group of University of Washington students immediately sets sail for the island and after a quick landing returns to shore and files a claim for it under the name of Chelan Island. The island soon disappears, but others will emerge. It is not clear what has caused the islands to rise, but localized dirt-dumping may play a role.

Emerging From the Depths

Seattle has had long history of changing its topography, from shearing off Denny Hill to channeling out the Lake Washington Ship Canal to fill-

ing in the Duwamish Tidal Flats, but perhaps the strangest change of all took place "naturally" on May 16, 1962. That night the harbor police noticed that a small island had mysteriously appeared at the south end of the lake, offshore of the 1200 block of Westlake Avenue N (The exact location was N 47°37'50.5" W 122°20'11".) Measuring about six feet by eight feet, it stood about two feet out of the water. Soundings showed that the island topped a shoal of mud and clay 200 feet long by 20 feet wide. The water depth in this area was about 40 feet.

Wanting to protect anyone from running into Seattle's newest real estate, the harbor police stationed several boats "near the disturbance," wrote Don Page in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Despite the phalanx of boats, two University of Washington students, Wesley Parks and Lloyd Pernella, landed on the island. The two young men, plus other members of their residence hall, Chelan House, then staked a mining claim for diatomaceous earth on the new land at the city registrar. They also elected a mayor and city council, listed 115 residents, and named the small landmass Chelan Island. But then, like Atlantis, the Chelan Island disappeared beneath the surface of the lake.

Peculiar Events

Despite the island's vanishing, the Corps of Engineers was still concerned with navigation and why the island appeared. People who lived and worked on Lake Union told a reporter that several peculiar events had transpired recently. These included local earthquakes that had shaken businesses, and bubbles boiling up to the lake's surface. A spokesperson for the corps said that the new island could have been caused by a large rock or sunken scow forcing the mud to move.

The Corps also pointed to the possibility of fill dirt being dumped in the lake as a cause, but added that this was unlikely due to deep water between the fill site and the island. They did, however, warn Clarence Stabbert, who owned a small wharf at 1200 Westlake Avenue, to quit dumping fill beyond his harbor line.

Islands Galore

Two months later, on July 30, 1962, another island appeared in the lake. Around the same size as the original, the new landmass was now on the east side, about 200 feet from the shore, near the 1100 block of Fairview Avenue N. But it was not alone; six much smaller pimples of land joined it.

The Army Corps of Engineers again rushed in and this time declared that the dumping of fill had forced up the islands. All of the fill came from the new Interstate 5 freeway then being built through the city. About 35,000 to 40,000 cubic yards had been dumped, with about 10 times that volume remaining to be hauled. (Trucks carrying the dirt ran so often that traffic jams backed up Fairview Avenue N, then one of the main commuters routes into downtown.) The corps called for an immediate halt to dumping, which stopped on August 2.

Despite the halt, the largest of the seven new islands remained. The coast guard placed on the protrusion a temporary marker with a quick flashing red light, followed on August 24 by a lighted buoy.

Putting a Stop To It

In early September, the City Council's Parks and Public Ground Committee recommended a new ordinance requiring permits for any fill into Lake Union and that all fill needed to be restricted to the property line. Builders would also have to post a bond.

No islands have appeared in Lake Union since the ones in 1962 but if you look at a recent soundings map of the lake produced by the Army Corps of Engineers you can still see the high shoal that formed the base of Chelan Island.

Puzzle One

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Let's Eat: Tacos al Pastor

By Gretchen McKay

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Tacos al Pastor — so named for the Lebanese immigrants who brought their Middle Eastern foodways to Mexico in the early 20th century -– is one of the country's most popular tacos. Traditional preparation calls for marinating thin strips of pork in fruit juice, chili and spices such as cumin, achiote and oregano, stacking the layers on an upright skewer then slowly grilling it gyro-like — on a rotating spit. This spicy-sweet recipe is way easier, if not nearly as authentic, and results in one of the best darn tacos you'll ever eat. Look for a lean shoulder roast (Boston butt) and trim away any excess fat.

frigerate overnight. Strain pork and discard the marinade.

Heat saute pan over high heat. Add just enough oil to pan for a thin coating and heat until oil just starts to smoke. Working in batches, add tortillas in a single layer and heat just until starting to char, about 1 minute per side, then flip and cook for another minute. Wrap in aluminum foil to keep warm. Add just enough oil to cover the pan, swirl to coat and heat until smoking. Add pork and reserved pineapple and cook for 1 minute or until browned. Shake pan to flip the meat and cook until pork is cooked through and pan juices have cooked dry, about 7 minutes, shaking the pan frequently.

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TACOS AL PASTOR

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Ingredients:

1 pineapple, peeled, cored and cut into 1-inch cubes (about 2 cups) or 20-ounce can unsweetened pineapple chunks, drained

1 medium Vidala onion, cut into rough chunks

10 cloves garlic, peeled 2 tablespoons ancho chili powder

1 tablespoon cumin seeds

1 tablespoon dried oregano

1 tablespoon kosher salt

1 teaspoon red pepper flakes

1 pound lean pork shoulder,

cut into ³/₄-inch chunks

2 teaspoons grapeseed or canola oil

8 fresh corn tortillas

¹/₂ cup sour cream

1 lime

1 bunch cilantro

Directions:

Reserve ¹/₂ cup pineapple chunks and onion and refrigerate for later use. Combine remaining pineapple, onion, garlic, chili powder, cumin, oregano, salt and red pepper flakes in a blender and blend to a paste. Place meat and marinade in a gallon-size zip-top bag, squeeze out excess air and zip closed. Re-

In a small bowl, combine sour cream with juice of 1/2 lime and whisk until smooth. Cut remaining ¹/₂ lime into 4 wedges.

Coarsely chop ½ cup cilantro leaves. Reserve 4 sprigs.

Serve tortillas with meat and pineapple mixture, reserved pineapple and onion, chopped cilantro, a drizzle of lime sour cream, a lime wedge and whole sprig of cilantro.

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"Pure Pork Awesomeness" by Kevin Gillespie (Andrews McMeel, 2015,\$29.99)



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ADVICE: *Dear Abby* Adopted Teen Can't Shake Anger Felt for Birth Mother

DEAR ABBY: I am almost 13 and I'm struggling with a lot of different things. I was adopted when I was a baby, so I never lived with my birth mother. That's probably



By Abigail Van Buren

a good thing, but I am having angry feelings toward her that I wish I wouldn't have. Those feelings are also being directed at friends and family members.

I'll think I have forgiven my birth mother for what she did, and then all of a sudden, I realize I never really did. I don't want to grow up being bitter all my life. Do you have any advice for me? NEEDS HELP IN INDIANA

DEAR NEEDS HELP: Yes. It is important you understand that birth mothers love their babies very much. When a woman places her child for adoption, there can be legitimate reasons for it. She may have been too young to raise a child, without the means to properly support it or addicted to drugs or alcohol. Your mother may have wanted you to have a better life than she had and felt another family could give it to you

When you are older, you can do a search for her and find out the reason for yourself. But in the meantime, stop blaming her and you, your friends and family will be happier.

DEAR ABBY: I'm really confused about what to do about a couple of situations. I'm a 17-yearold high school senior and I have feelings for a 23-year-old single father. We have talked on and off over the past year. He said that once my 18th birthday came around he was going to "make me a very happy girl.'

After I recently told him I was afraid we might not get together when the time came, we stopped talking. Now the mother of his child is back in the picture, and I'm glad for the baby's sake. I

don't know for sure they're getting back together, though.

My second issue is about my feelings for a 20-year-old college student who's going away to an out-of-state school. He claims he's not the best guy for me, but I don't believe that. I told him I liked him regardless of what he says. I think he likes me, too, but it's not always clear. What should I do? — SCATTERED IN CALI-FORNIA

DEAR SCATTERED: For the next year or so, your first priority should be your future — and I DON'T mean with a man. Before becoming seriously involved with anyone you must complete your education and establish some economic independence.

You were right to speak up about your concerns regarding your relationship with the first man you mentioned. That there is another woman in the picture — even if she was in the background — would have meant complications. Whether or not they get back together, the fact they have a child together means she may always be a presence in this man's life — or could pop up at any time and cause disruption. Clearly, right now, he has unfinished business with her.

As to the second issue — this young man may like you very much, but when a man tells a woman he is not the right man for her, what he usually means is that she is not the right woman for HIM. He may want to do what I'm advising you to do complete his education before becoming romantically involved. Or, he may feel the "chemistry" isn't quite right. If you accept it and move on, you'll save yourself some heartache.

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Sudoku

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By Michael Phillips

Chicago Tribune

You remember "Happy Feet." This is George Miller's "Happy Wheels." The cre-ator of the original "Mad Max" trilogy has whipped up a gargantuan grunge symphony of vehicular mayhem that makes "Furious 7" look like "Curious George."

The full title of Miller's remake of "Mad Max" is "Mad Max: Fury Road." It stars Tom Hardy, who says very little, in the old Mel Gibson role of the post-apocalyptic road warrior. Here the character's bacon is saved, over and over, by the revolutionary in training known as Imperator Furiosa. Charlize Theron plays her, and "badass" doesn't really capture it. Theron out-Hardys Hardy in the nonverbal seething department, and she's right at home in the scorched-earth landscapes shot in Australia and the South African Namib Desert.

We'll get into a few details about the setup, but honestly, this one's about the music, not the lyrics. The story's thin, thinner than it seemed in the earlier pictures, but crucially director and co-writer Miller delivers several variations on a signature shot. It's one he didn't invent but that he relishes more than life or fossil fuel itself: the low, asphalt-scraping car's-eye-view perspective as the vehicle barrels down the road, with a faster vehicle (or three) coming up fast on the left and then zooming past, en route to someone's last ride.

This is a maniacal chase picture, as if you couldn't tell from the trailers, many times more expensive to make than Miller's first two "Max's" back in the late-20th century. The new film carries a full but not suffocating load of digital effects that actually look like Miller oversaw their creation, rather than simply turning them over to people he'd only met on the phone. And the real star of "Fury Road" is second unit director Guy Norris. Here, too, the collaboration with Miller appears seamless.

Wars over the remaining water and oil have turned humankind into a desperate bunch. Max roams the Wasteland. High above a rock formation sits the Citadel, where the brutish overlord Immortan Joe (Hugh Keays-Byrne) rules a society built on slave labor, the occasional water ration and a tremendous amount of cruelty.

Max, captured by Immortan Joe's chalky minions, is drained of his healthy blood, which is greedily consumed by the boy-man they call Nux (Nicolas Hoult). Nux becomes a kind of mascot and insane-but-redeemable nephew figure to Max and Furiosa. They flee the Citadel with Mr. Big's five comely wives, who represent Mother Earth though they appear also to be representing job opportunities for a post-apocalyptic Maxim shoot. The bad men pursue in many loud, street-illegal chariots. And there you have it. More plot than the movie actually contains.

Miller's dynamism behind the camera is well-known, and it's fun to see it unleashed. The director expands his "Mad Max" mythology into the biggest, most relentless movie he's ever made, which doesn't mean his best. It is, to be sure, one of his most idiosyncratic. Certain images, such as the heavy-metal guitarist, whose guitar spews fire, chained to the front of a particularly evil weapon on wheels, become leitmotifs you simply wouldn't find in any other movie. Also, it's unlikely than many directors would take the time to set up and dramatically justify the image of a tanker truck full of breast milk getting shot to hell.

There are patches of "Fury Road" when the flourishes get to be a little much. The action veers into exhausting cleverness. The riskiest move is Miller's decision to speed up the frame-rate of the action, so that everything seems jumpy, out of control, both less and more than "real." Some will go for it; some will not. And I say good for Miller for making a big-budget movie that doesn't feel like the studio was breathing down Max's neck every second.

"MAD MAX: FURY ROAD" 3 stars

MPAA rating: R (for intense sequences of violence throughout, and for disturbing images)

Running time: 2:00



Crossword

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