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W.F. West freshman Madeleine Roy, who plays the lead role of Mulan, performs during a rehearsal for the school's production of "Mulan" on Wednesday afternoon in Chehalis. The play will open on Friday, Dec. 5 at the high school.

W.F. West Brings Children's Theatre to Community

By The Chronicle

Actors and actresses will grace the stage of the W.F. West Theatre in December, bringing entertainment to children and families in the area with a production of Disney's "Mulan."

The performance is one that students have been asking to do for a number of years, said Director Brian Adams. The show is sure to entertain with its fill of good music and action.

"Disney titles are always really good with name recognition, but I love 'Mulan,'" Adams said. "I love the music of 'Mulan' ... I found a great script based on the movie and it was a good fit."

This year, 28 thespians will take on the production, a number that's larger than normal. The plot line allows the cast to get creative, depicting a colorful culture.

"Besides the music, I think what's cool is the design of this show. It's Chinese themed," said Adams.

He said the play will give the audience something authentic to look forward to.

The money raised during the production will go straight back into the program. A large chunk will pay for the royalties to perform this particular show, while the rest will be funneled into next year's performance.

"Every cent of it goes right back into the program," Adams said. "We are self-sustaining for the most part."

Often times the productions will bring the theater program a much-needed boost, bringing in as much as \$5,000.

This year's children's theater will transport the audience to China, where Mulan is preparing to meet the village matchmaker. After the pressure gets to her, Mulan dishonors her family by wrecking the betrothal ceremony. After her father is called to fight for China, Mulan steals his armor and goes to fight in his place. With the help of a dragon sent by the ancestors, Mulan is taught to behave like a soldier.

After battle a soldier discovers who Mulan really is, but spares her life, sending her home. As she races against the clock to warn others of impending danger, Mulan uses her clever ideas to help restore her honor.



The stage crew for W.F. West's production of "Mulan" sets up the cherry blossom trees for a scene during rehearsal on Nov. 19, 2014 at the high school in Chehalis.

"Mulan" Showtimes:

- Friday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- Friday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 13 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Tickets will be on sale in the high school ASB building office and at the door (if tickets are not sold out). Tickets are \$6 each. For additional information, call (360) 807-7235.



Ron Baselice / The Dallas Morning News

Jane Avila, founder of The Art Station in Fort Worth, Texas, poses for a portrait Sept. 30 with various finished and unfinished client art work. The Art Station is one of the few places that offers art therapy in North Texas.

The Art of Therapy Practiced Through Pictures

By Elizabeth Hamilton
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Rachel Nash is a licensed professional counselor. She works with a diverse group of clients, including children, adults and the elderly. She talks with them. She builds relationships with them. She guides them through discerning their own complex emotions.

In these ways, she is similar to other counselors.

What separates Nash from her colleagues are the art supplies that accompany her in every therapy session. Nash is an art therapist.

Art therapy is a well-established but sometimes overlooked way of getting help with issues, and it's especially helpful for those who don't express themselves well through words. It can be difficult to find in the Dallas area, Nash says, because of an absence of universities that offer the programs.

"There's such a need for art therapy here," she says. Other art therapists agree.

"To become an art therapist, you have to be trained elsewhere," says Andrea Davis, president of the North Texas Art Therapy Association. This means leaving Texas — and probably not coming back.

As a result, "so many people in Dallas say they don't know what art therapy is," Nash says. "They don't know that an art therapist is a licensed professional counselor and that they can come see an art therapist for individual therapy, just like they would see a regular therapist."

After getting a master's in art therapy from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, she was offered a job as an art therapist in Chicago but turned it down to return home.

"I thought it would be kind of fun to bring art therapy here," she says.

She worked for four years at the Art Station, an art therapy nonprofit in Fort Worth, before venturing out on her own to start Rachel Nash Art Therapy. She is in the process of finding a new location after unexpectedly losing her lease in a Dallas neighborhood in September.

"I think everybody can benefit from art therapy," says Nash.

Both she and her former coworkers at the Art Station work with clients of all ages who seek therapy for everything from serious addictions to anger management to low self-esteem issues to merely exploring options for personal growth.

People who have difficulty communicating find art therapy especially beneficial, Nash says.

That's because art therapy allows individuals to express their emotions through images rather than words.

Say a kid starts flinging clay at the table.

Nash might nonchalantly say, "Man, you must be feeling really angry today."

The kid might realize, "Oh, maybe I am feeling angry." Or he might say, "No, I don't feel angry at all."

"You're helping them identify feeling words with actions," Nash explains.

Jane Avila, founder of the Art Station, found this to be particularly true when she lost her son to suicide more than a decade ago.

Avila tried talk therapy, family therapy and a variety of grief support systems to assuage her pain, but it wasn't until starting art therapy that she felt she was beginning to heal.

"It saved my life," Avila says.

How? Avila, a licensed clinical social worker, points to the neurology of the brain.

The frontal lobe is what Avila calls the executive center. It's where we process language and explain our own behaviors and what happens to us.

When trauma occurs, the frontal lobe often shuts down because it can't rationalize why something bad is happening, she says. This causes verbal processing to be exceptionally difficult.

Art therapy allowed Avila to process her emotions without having to use the frontal lobe to come up with words that explained her loss.

As part of her therapy, Avila drew a series of mandalas, or drawings of circles containing images that expressed how she was feeling at the time.

After several years, Avila laid all of her mandalas out before her. She was surprised to discover that she'd unknowingly

drawn several images over and over again. One image in particular struck Avila: a red dragon. Avila recognized it immediately as a symbol for her rage.

"If you're a really good little girl, then nice things happen to you," Avila used to think, but her son's suicide obliterated that way of thinking.

Avila was angry that she couldn't prevent her son's suicide by doing all the right things a mother should do, and the red dragon was the externalized image of an emotion she couldn't verbally express. By drawing it repeatedly, she slowly released the rage and was able to verbally acknowledge it.

In the very last mandala Avila drew, the dragon changes from red to green.

"Art therapy has a lot to do with metaphors," Avila says.

She points out that red and green are opposite each other on the color wheel: While red represents anger, green represents growth, renewal and spring.

To Avila, the green dragon symbolizes the point when she accepted that life isn't quid pro quo, but rather complex and unpredictable, full of joy and full of pain.

"I sort of have this recorded visual history of my grieving process," Avila says. "It was my visual language."

Nash says she's had her own bouts of unexpected understanding through art therapy as well.

While drawing a series of quirky caricatures, an image of an American Indian with a clenched fist suddenly appeared.

"I named it Stands With a Fist," says Nash. "Later, I was reflecting on that piece of art and it was like I was reminding myself that I needed to embrace inner strength at that moment, and this Stands With a Fist could kinda become that character for me."

Nash pauses to consider how that sounds.

"It sounds so hocus-pocusy to talk about art therapy sometimes," she acknowledges. "But you start creating, and all of a sudden these images start to come out. You might not know why at the time, but then you can start to reflect on that."

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Why You Need to Stop Buying Too Many Holiday Gifts for Your Kids

By Richard Asa
Chicago Tribune

Hold up your hands and wave the white flag. Any argument about the holidays being too commercial is over, considering that lighted trees are in some store windows even before summer is officially over.

Still, the trend toward Hallom-thanksmas doesn't have to cross the threshold to your home and affect your kids. Specifically, parents don't have to let three months of marketing bombs force them into guilt and buying their kids mountains of presents.

"I have seen many parents over the years who struggle with guilt about what they don't give their child, and they overdo the holiday presents in some less-than-conscious attempt to battle back their guilt," says Gail Saltz, author and professor of psychiatry at the New York Presbyterian Hospital Weill-Cornell School of Medicine.

"Along the same lines are parents who feel that success for them means showering their kids with toys to reassure themselves they can afford it, or do something their own parents could not do, or to feel they are great parents," she adds.

Saltz says because many of these behaviors aren't conscious, parents have trouble stepping back to see they aren't doing their children any favors.

To combat this subliminal urge, set your limit ahead of time, says Katie Herrick Bugbee, global parenting expert at Care.com and a mother of three. One example: Two presents from Santa, one big one from mom and dad. Then, she says, divvy up your child's wish list among relatives. This will all help keep impulse shopping in check.

Bugbee adds "enough is enough" when kids "start looking at the holidays as a chance to just accumulate stuff." At that point, the underlying symbolism of a holiday — both spiritual and secular — has been lost.

The best gifts, agrees Wendy Middlemiss, associate professor, department of education at the University of North Texas in Denton, are those that retain that connection to the underlying meaning of any holiday: compassion for others.

"Talking to our children about gifts and the meaning of them provides the opportunity to sit and think," she says. "Can you give a grandparent coupons for ice cream and then make times to go together?"

"When we encourage our children to think about gifts such as these, ones that are very special to the receiver and help build a sense of caring and togetherness, we give the gift of thoughtfulness. You can't easily find that boxed in the local toy store."

But it's not necessarily parents who overbuy. For grandparents who think their role is a competitive sport, the holidays offer a prime opportunity to

show who's uber by showering the kids with gifts, says Ruth Nemzoff, author and resident scholar at the Women's Studies Research Center at Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Although parents "can make suggestions and express their philosophy, they cannot dictate what the grandparents give," Nemzoff says. "Grandparents, on the other hand, are wise to follow the parents' suggestions."

If the grandparents feel strongly about giving extra generously, however, Nemzoff says they can have it both ways by contributing to a college fund — which in turn can lead to conversations between the generations about financial budgeting.

Seana Turner, a professional organizer from Darien, Connecticut, can offer eyewitness testimony on what holiday gift-giving gone mad can do.

"I'm often called into spaces that are (inundated) with children's toys," Turner says. "Children are often overwhelmed by their own toys. They only access those that are their favorites or 'in front.' When asked if they want to give something away, they say no, but when a parent does the shedding on their behalf, they almost never miss the items that have been given away."

"Toys and gifts are meant to bring joy, but they seem to bring stress and self-recrimination (in the parents), which is a shame."



It's important for parents to shift children's focus away from getting gifts to other aspects of the holidays and to set limits and use restraint when buying holiday gifts for their children.

CURBING THE HOLIDAY SPENDING FRENZY

The Campaign for a Commercial Free Childhood, a non-profit organization based in Boston, has a downloadable guide to help adults curb the gift-giving appetite at a dinner and still get dessert. Advice, much of it adapted from the CCCF:

1. Limit kids' exposure to commercial media.
2. Have talks well in advance to shift children's focus away from getting gifts to other aspects of the holidays — decorating the tree, attending seasonal concerts, spending time with relatives.
3. Read stories about the origins of the holidays you celebrate.
4. Emphasize the non-gift giving portions of the holidays. Homemade cookies, anyone?
5. Instead of giving your children only toys, give some gifts that are experiential, including the promise of spending time together on a project.
6. Emphasize the importance of helping others.

Time to Winterize Your Home Inside and Out

It's that time of year again to do some winter maintenance on your home. Here are 14 tips that can keep your home warm and energy efficient this winter.

- 1 Check and clean chimney flue
- 2 Clean out gutters to prevent ice jams
- 3 Put clear plastic over windows
- 4 Put storm doors and windows on
- 5 Cover outdoor furniture and grill
- 6 Make sure you have adequate insulation between the attic and ceiling
- 7 Check and clean furnace ducts
- 8 Change furnace filter
- 9 Turn down water heater
- 10 Reverse ceiling fans
- 11 Turn down thermostat when not at home
- 12 Caulk and weatherstrip around windows
- 13 Winterize your air conditioner hoses and pipes
- 14 Drain your outdoor water faucet and turn off water supply on the inside

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Haying Wasn't Always So Easy



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This late 1920s or early 1930s photo is of Wiley Rhodes. The photo was taken on Wiley's Burnt Ridge Farm in Onalaska where, in those days, they didn't have hay balers or loaders so everything was done by hand. When haying, the hay was pitched from the ground and tossed onto the wagon. To unload it, a big fork ran up to a carriage, which ran on a rail to the top of the barn. From there the hay was dropped into the barn. Wiley had a dairy at the same location with milk cows and horses. He also once worked in the woods at Carlisle Logging. Wiley was married to Melvina "Vinnie" McClanahan and the couple had 12 children.

'Small Profits and Quick Sales' at New Centralia Store

In 1889, Frank H. Miller & Co. with "Gents Furnishings" opened in the Railroad Addition, No. 1, Long Block, in Centralia.

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consisting of the finest qualities, as well as the cheaper grades.

"Doesn't your pulse quicken? Then read more. Well, for notions, it just takes one's breath to think of the amount that we have bought, but sold they must be, at the lowest possible prices for CASH. Small profits and quick sales."

Fainting Bride Caught

In 1909, a young man and lady were applying for a marriage license at the auditor's office at the courthouse.

"While Auditor Swofford was swearing the bride-to-be, she suddenly fainted," The

Chehalis Bee-Nugget reported. "Whether Mr. Swofford swore a swore too strong, or whether the ordeal was too trying, we are unable to state, but at any rate she fainted. A. Schooley, who by design or unintentionally happened along, was Johnny-on-the Spot. He caught the fair maiden in his arms and assisted in restoring her to reason, after which she went in and aided in securing her license of happiness."

Centralia Hen Lays Whopper Egg

In 1934, the newspaper reported the laying of a whopper egg at Tom Pennie's residence,

408 South St., Centralia.

"Each of Tom Pennie's hens were strutting around today like a fullback that has just punted 70 yards from his own goal," The Chronicle wrote.

"Pennie was greeted by boastful cluckings when he entered his chicken house this morning. Under the hen roost lay a whopper egg, and inside it was a standard egg. In her excitement and recklessness, the hen had dropped the outer egg too far and it was broken. Pennie found it measured eight and one-half inches around the middle and ten inches around the ends."

County Man Receives Unmerciful Beating

In 1959, Dave R. Pickett, longtime Lewis County resident, was working temporarily in Aberdeen. While he was arrested for disorderly conduct (he later pled guilty), he suffered "an unmerciful and needless beating," The Chronicle wrote.

An Aberdeen police captain was suspended from duty.

Little and Wilkinson Bowling Them Over at WSU

In 1984, Bob Little and Carla Wilkinson, Centralia High School graduates, were the top man and woman on the Washington State University varsity bowling team.

Tourism Needs Focal Point

In 1999, Lewis County tourism officials met with Washington State Tourism representatives about marketing the county.

Russ Wigley, Lewis County commissioner, said he was concerned the county was too fragmented in its approach and wanted a single marketing director rather than the "four or five (marketing) positions we're paying out of the hotel-motel tax. Instead of promotion, we're paying salaries."

Robin Pollard, state tourism director, recommended one person be responsible for executing the tourism plan, with each person on the board given a specific role.

Window Breakers Arrested

In 2004, three people suspected of breaking windows and causing hundreds of dollars of damage along Tower Avenue, Pearl and Main streets were arrested for first-degree malicious mischief.

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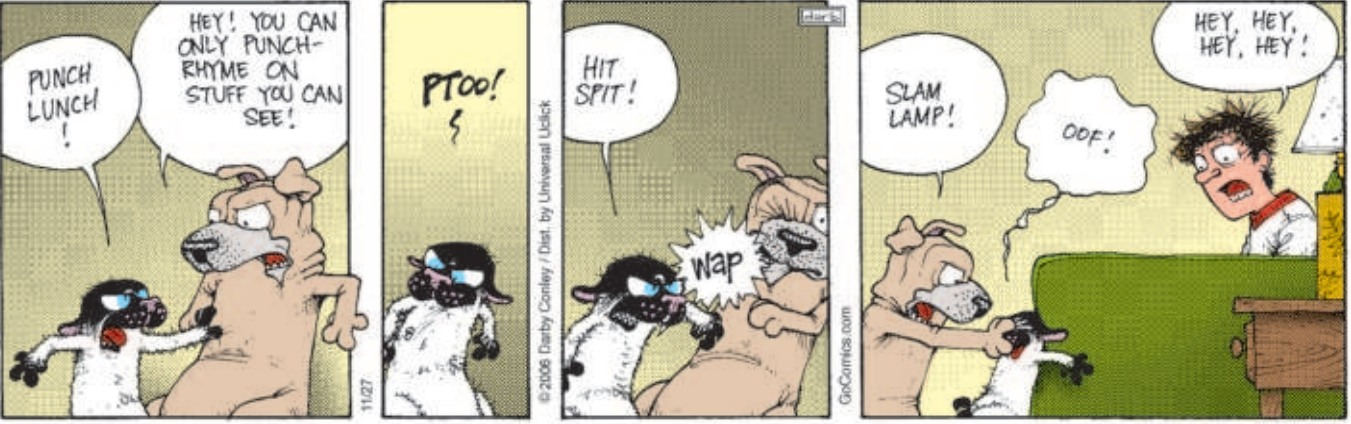
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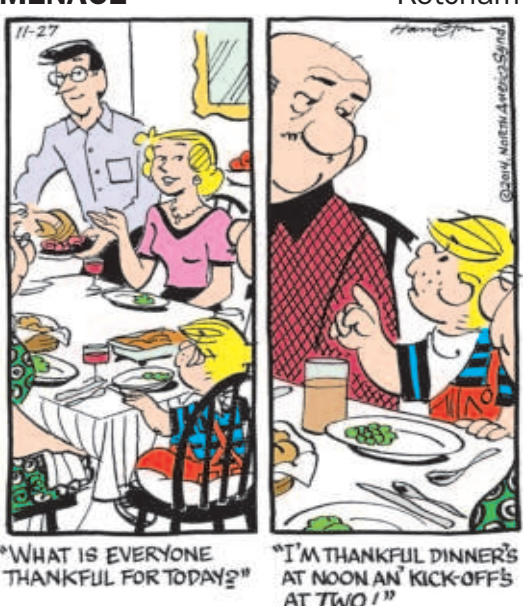
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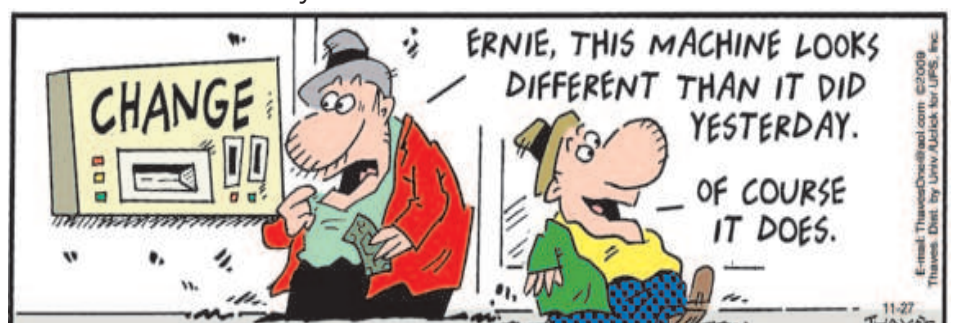
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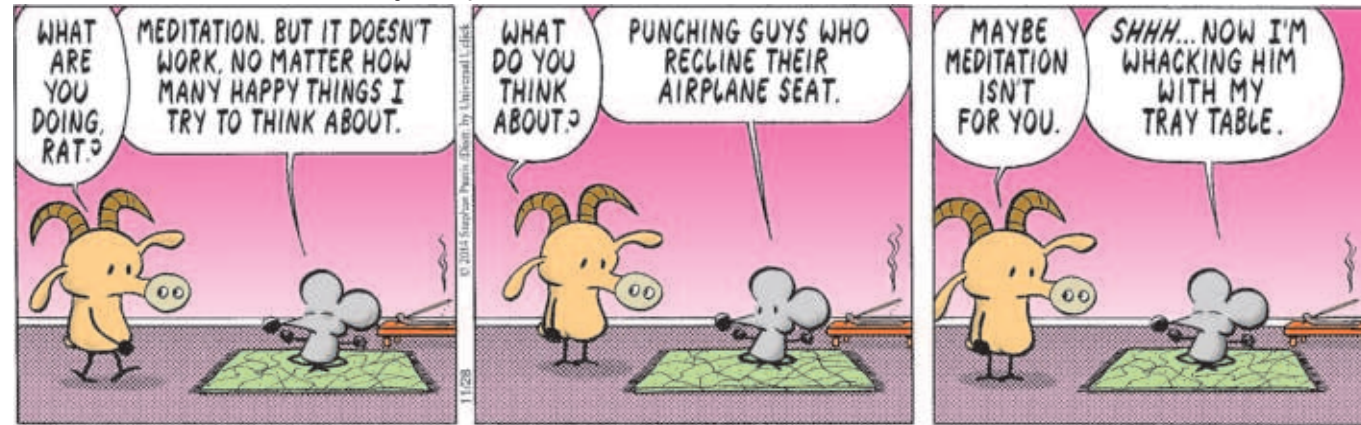
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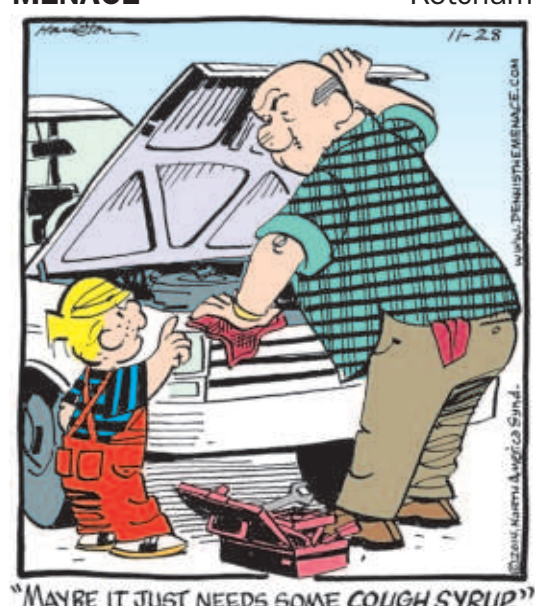


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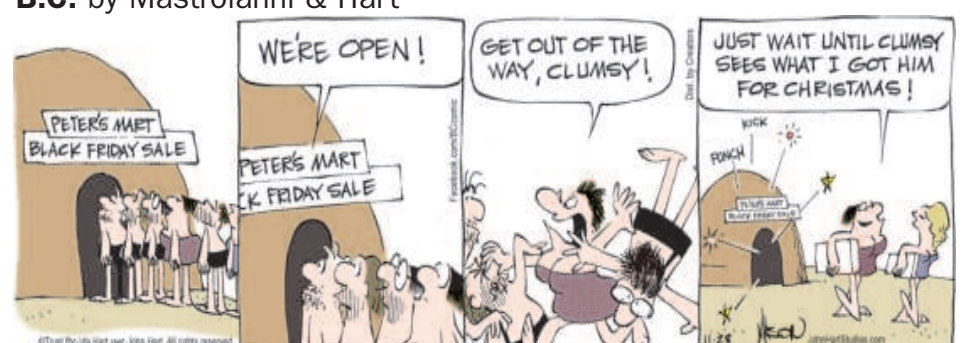
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1 Virginia caverns
6 Ruhr Valley city
11 Tend the aquarium
12 Eyetooth
13 Chili beans
14 Familiar threat (2 wds.)
15 Canvas support
16 "— Skinner Blues"
17 Piece of sugar
19 Umps
23 Winter mo.
26 Ukraine capital
28 Snooze
29 Elementary
31 "— vincit amor"
33 Hooded snake
34 Show off
35 Lime cooler
36 Hound's track

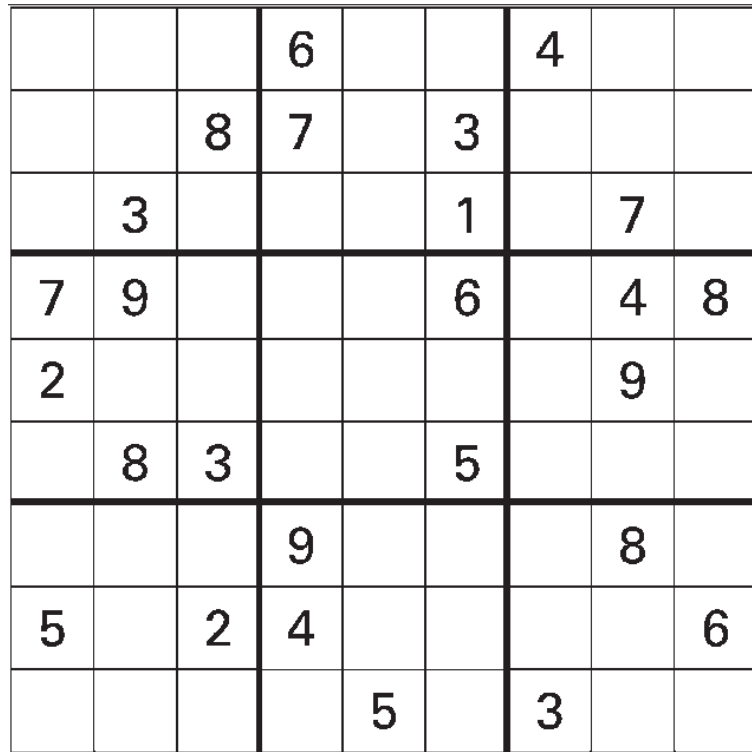
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42 Rainbow goddess
44 Frizzy coif
46 Excessive interest
51 Hedge
54 Rudder control
55 Dentist's find
56 Jagger's group, for short
57 Frat letter
58 Petunia part

DOWN

1 Spunky movie princess
2 Coffee brewers
3 Have status
4 Ring-shaped reef
5 Winner's cry
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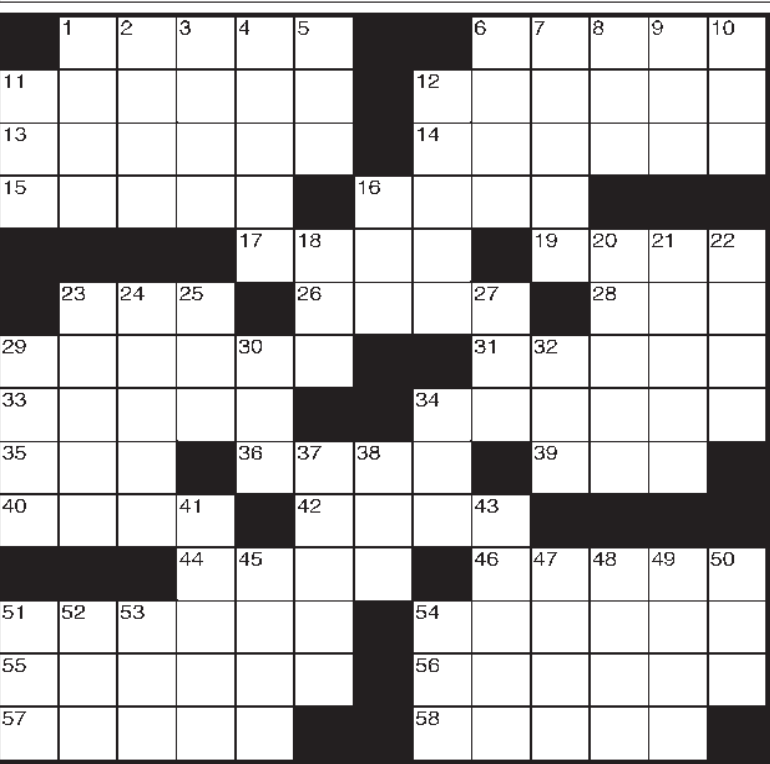
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21 Barely visible
22 Falling-out
23 Radio part
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27 Library abbr.
29 Go over rapidly
30 Mekong native
32 Gullet
34 Thurs. follower
37 Grimy
38 El Dorado loot
41 Boat crane
43 Hotel offering
45 Goat cheese
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48 Humerus neighbor
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— WALGXS LXHHFY

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: I became a connoisseur of the thick thud that a rejected manuscript makes on the doormat." — Novelist James Herriot

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Shopping Apps Offer Cash Back at the Grocery Store

By Joseph Pisani

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Be aware that a new breed of shopping apps makes it easier to save money at the grocery store: Take a picture of the receipt and wait for the cash to roll in.

SavingStar, Snap, Checkout 51 and others let users earn money back if they buy certain products. Recent offers include getting \$5 back for buying a Jennie-O frozen turkey, 25 cents back on a jar of Peter Pan peanut butter and \$1 back on Dole pineapple juice.

Shoppers first have to open the apps and scroll through the different offers available. New deals are added weekly and the apps work in most large retailers, including Stop & Shop, Target, Walmart and others.

To verify purchases, users take a picture of the receipt with their smartphone camera. Sometimes they also need to scan the product's barcode with the phone's camera too. The apps add cash to user's accounts within a day or two. When the account reaches a certain level, usually \$20, users can request a check or move the money into their bank accounts.

The small rebates can add up. So far this year, Kathryn Trainor has earned more than \$110 using SavingStar to buy snack bars, grapes and other groceries. Trainor has ditched paper coupons, and uses the app instead.

"I don't have the patience for cutting coupons," says Trainor, a 36-year-old teacher in Taunton, Massachusetts. "I always have my phone with me anyway."

One thing to keep in mind is that some offers come with strings attached. On SavingStar, for example, shoppers can get back \$3 if they buy a Butterball turkey, but must also buy three other selected items, like a Pillsbury pie crust or Betty Crocker stuffing. However, most offers don't require other purchases.

Here's how each of the apps work:

CHECKOUT 51

This app offers deals that can be used in any store, as long as the receipt spells out the name of the product. Checkout 51 users can get a paper check after their balance reaches more than \$20.

Recent offers: 50 cents back for a gallon of any brand of milk; \$1 back on any Pledge cleaning product.

More info: www.checkout51.com

IBOTTA

This app can be used in many big retailers, including ShopRight, CVS and Whole Foods. To unlock offers, the app sometimes makes you watch a 30-second ad or take a quick poll. Users can cash out after they earn \$10 by transferring the money to their PayPal or Venmo accounts. They can get Starbucks or iTunes gift cards if they prefer.

Recent offers: 75 cents back for Hellmann's mayonnaise; 25 cents back for any 12-pack of canned soda.

More info: ibotta.com

SAVINGSTAR

Besides its regular weekly offers, SavingStar also gives back the full price of one selected item between Friday and Sunday. For example, earlier this week, users who bought a cup of Newman's Own Greek yogurt got the full price returned. The app works at certain stores, but includes most major retailers such as Costco, Kroger and Walgreens. The app will let you know which stores it works at based on your location.

You only need to earn a minimum of \$5 to cash out, and the money can be sent to a PayPal or bank account.

Recent offers: 60 cents back if you buy three packs of Green Giant frozen vegetables; 55 cents back for King Arthur flour.

More info: <https://savingstar.com>

SNAP

Launched last month by daily-deal and coupon site Groupon, this app works at any store. Users can request a check when they earn more than \$20.

Recent offers: \$1.50 back for Lysol disinfectant sprays or wipes; 25 cents back for a head of cauliflower.

More info: snap.groupon.com



The Thanksgiving Challenge:

What Goes With Everything On the Table?

By Peter M. Gianotti
Newsday



Quick answer: Beaujolais. Consider the **2012 Chteau Thivin Côte de Brouilly** (\$20-\$25), a limber, refreshing, adaptable choice, with plenty of red fruit; the **2012 Domaine de Boischamp Juliéas** (\$15-\$20), with lots of strawberry, and traces of vanilla and spice; or the full-flavored **2011 Stephane Aviron Chénas Vieilles Vignes** (\$15-\$20), plummy, creamy and floral.



If your roast turkey is stuffed with, for example, sausage and chestnuts, look for pinot noir or red zinfandel. Drinking white, chardonnay and riesling suit it. So do many sparkling wines. The **2012 Gary Farrell Russian River Selection Pinot Noir** (\$45) is a bright Russian River Valley wine, fragrant and fruity, with hints of spice and cherry. The same region and vintage's **Gary Farrell chardonnay** (\$35) is a creamy, meticulous number, with apple and citrus. The **2013 Wild Horse Central Coast Pinot Noir** (\$20) offers cherry, strawberry, spice.



Four 2012 zinfandels from Edmeades come through with berry and cherry notes. They're \$31 each. **Edmeades' Gianoli Ranch zin** adds earthiness and peppiness; the **Perli Vineyard**, spice and smokiness; the **Piffero Vineyard**, more cherry and concentrated fruit; and the **Shamrock Vineyard**, herbs and smoke. The **2013 Helfrich Riesling** (\$17) is crisp and fruity, a white doing double duty as a sipper or with turkey dinner.



The sparkling **Helfrich Crémant d'Alsace Brut** (\$22) could be imbibed contentedly start to finish. Likewise, the versatile **2013 Cleto Chiarli Vecchia Modena Premium Lambrusco di Sorbara** (\$15).

ADVICE: Dear Abby

Traveler's Joy Is Diminished by Sister's Endless Teasing

DEAR ABBY: I am a single woman who raised three kids on one average income. They are all grown and on their own now. I still save and have a tight budget, but now I can spend some money on travel. I have opportunities to travel with friends and do it as often as I can afford.



By Abigail Van Buren

The problem is my brother-in-law and sister love to tease, and they tell everyone that I'm "the rich sister." Abby, I am far from rich. I have asked them both to stop and told them their teasing hurts my feelings — that I simply choose to spend my money differently than they do.

Our relationship has now become very strained. I have only one sister and would like to be close to her, but I can't laugh off their teasing any longer. — HURT TRAVELER

DEAR HURT TRAVELER: When people persist in doing — or saying — something after being told it's hurtful, one has to wonder if it's not about humor at all. I suspect that your sister and her husband are somewhat jealous over the friendships you have and the adventures you are enjoying.

You might be subjected to this less if you become more close-mouthed about what you're doing and where you're going. Give it a try. But if the "teasing" continues, tell "Sissy" she's going to be seeing a lot less of you and then follow through.

DEAR ABBY: I've been with my second husband for almost five years, married for two. After a year, we became more like roommates than spouses. At one point I caught him kissing a mutual friend in our bathroom. When I confronted them, they assured me it was in-

nocent. Her husband has now confirmed his suspicions with me that something was going on, but there was never any solid proof.

My husband enjoys my company, but the lack of affection and my continued suspicion are affecting my self-esteem. The other day I asked him why he married me, and he answered because I was "nice." He refuses to go to counseling and said he doesn't want a divorce.

I feel like an idiot, but I just don't want to leave. What is wrong with me? What should I do? — IN LIMBO IN WASHINGTON

DEAR IN LIMBO: You will find the answers you need as soon as you decide that, regardless of whether your husband is willing to go to counseling, it's time for you to go. Having already caught him in a compromising position, you have every right to be suspicious. There's nothing wrong with you — except perhaps that you are TOO "nice."

You are going to have to decide if living like brother and sister is an arrangement you are willing to live with forever because the relationship you have described isn't a normal marriage, and the longer it continues, the worse you will feel about yourself.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to know why people say, "Oh, you have a new hairdo," and then never say if it is good or bad. Or, "You have new curtains or new flooring," and then never say another word. Why do they just say nothing? — CURIOUS IN COLORADO

DEAR CURIOUS: Perhaps because people often notice change before making up their minds whether they think it's positive or negative, and they are speaking to you without a filter.

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Puzzle Two

Start on Puzzle One on page Life 7. Answers to the puzzles here will be published in Saturday's paper.

Sudoku

Difficulty: 5 (of 5)

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Crossword

Answer to Puzzle on Page Life 7

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Like permed hair
 - 5 Alias
 - 8 Coal bunker
 - 11 Rose pest
 - 13 Fetched
 - 14 Shogun's capital
 - 15 Errand runner
 - 16 Stumped, informally (3 wds.)
 - 18 Succotash bean
 - 20 Queenly
 - 21 Punch server
 - 23 Intend
 - 24 Way off
 - 25 Falls behind
 - 27 Hyde Park sight
 - 31 PIN prompter
 - 32 Grind to a halt
 - 33 Unlikely to bite
 - 34 Chuck-wagon meal
- DOWN**
- 1 Humorist
 - 36 Sacred bird of Egypt
 - 38 Beaver project
 - 39 Prefix for "trillion"
 - 40 Emerald Isle
 - 41 Melodrama shout
 - 42 "The," to Wolfgang
 - 44 Hair curlers
 - 46 Kind one
 - 49 Unwelcome obligation
 - 50 Demeanor
 - 52 Foals' mom
 - 56 Puppeteer — Baird
 - 57 Toon Olive
 - 58 Danish toast
 - 59 Pub pint
 - 60 Rock concert souvenir
 - 61 Crooked

- 2 GI address
- 3 Channels 2-13
- 4 Street sign
- 5 Water, in Tijuana
- 6 Keystone Konstable
- 7 Video-game pioneer
- 8 Liner sinker
- 9 Hunch
- 10 Yule tune
- 12 Bores
- 17 Entice
- 19 More substantial
- 21 Shop machine
- 22 Chain mail
- 23 Fever reducer
- 24 Almanac tidbit
- 26 Mongolian desert
- 28 Ecological hazard
- 29 Ranis' servants
- 30 Brief note
- 35 Creek crosser
- 37 Antitoxins
- 43 "Silas Marner" author
- 45 Port near Kyoto
- 46 "Fernando" band
- 47 Astronaut — Arm-strong
- 48 Nor'easter
- 49 Eye
- 51 "Science Guy"
- 53 Line
- 54 Hearing aid?
- 55 Crafty

Want more puzzles? Check out the "Just Right Crossword Puzzles" books at QuillDriverBooks.com

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Answer to Puzzle on Page Life 7

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HOW TO PLAY: Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

Celebrity Cipher

Today's clue: P equals B

"YGYMA OMYNKSGY FMSKYM FBMKT BCM
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BGYM KB NX BPIYJJSBX." — DMNTNI DMYYXY

SOLUTION TO PUZZLE ON PAGE LIFE 7: "I feel so badly about what they do to turkeys. That's why this year my family and I are eating a live bird." — Albert Brooks



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The Fox** / Main 3



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Giving Back *The 2014 Wish List*



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Susan Hiller poses for a portrait
at her home in Mossyrock on
Nov. 10, 2014.

*Herrera
Beutler Praises
Effort of
Chehalis Basin
Work Group*

**KUDOS FROM THE
CONGRESSWOMAN:** *Lewis
County's Congressional
Representative
Acknowledges Bipartisan
Efforts to Protect
Fisheries and Minimize
Damage to Property*

By Christopher Brewer
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The significance of Monday's announcement that the Chehalis Basin Work Group had formed a recommendation to combat persistent flooding that affects several counties and cities has echoed in Washington, D.C.

Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-Camas) on Tuesday praised the efforts of the work group, which consists of elected leaders and private citizens, in coming together to form a five-point solution to address flood issues. The group believes their plan, which primarily includes construction of a water retention dam near Pe Ell and additions to the Chehalis-Centralia Airport Levee, among other measures, will save more than \$650 million in flood damage costs and \$70 million in fish habitat restoration.

Gov. Jay Inslee has endorsed that plan, and Herrera Beutler called the event a moment of "significant progress" toward protecting both fish and human life.

"Bringing together so many citizens and stakeholders behind this recommendation has been no small feat," Herrera Beutler said in a press release. "I applaud Governor Inslee and the Chehalis Basin Work Group for their countless hours of work, focus and dedication to this issue."

The recommendation is notable in that several people from both major political parties who have come together to support the group's recommendation. Several state legislators, both Democrat and Republican, have lent vocal support to a bill informally known as the Washington Water Bill, which proposes the use of \$4 billion in state funding to solve water issues affecting

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**HELP NEEDED: Mossyrock
Woman Fears She is
Unable to Heat Home
Through Cold Months**

By Justyna Tomtas
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Susan Hiller has loved and she has lost. One day her husband went to work and never came home. After suffering both a stroke and an aneurism, he passed in 1997.

Hiller took time off of work as a clerk typist at the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, a job she would later decide not to return to.

"After he died, I just couldn't bring myself to go back," she said. "I needed a change."

Two years after his death Hiller decided to relocate from King County to Lewis County. She packed her belongings and moved to Mossyrock in 1999, a place she believes was picked

just for her.

As her real estate agent drove her over the bridge across Lake Mayfield she knew this was the area she wanted to live in.

"This is going to sound silly, but I think he brought me here for a reason," Hiller said of her late husband. "I'm not sure why yet because he doesn't let me in on that, but I have found the most wonderful support system here since I got ill."

Before Hiller got sick, she worked as a clerk for the city of

Morton for seven years.

Hiller sits in her motorized wheelchair in her home off of Mossyrock Road as she recollects her memories. She points to a box filled with medications which she takes on a daily basis. Although her medication is covered through Medicare Part D, she has other expenses she is afraid she may not be able to pay.

"Last winter I got \$300 and \$400 light bills in two months,"

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Rivers Swell in East Lewis County

**CONCERNS: Mount Rainier
National Park Evacuated
Due to Flooding; Forecast
of Near-Major Flood
Revised Downward**

By Christopher Brewer and Kaylee Osowski
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Warmer temperatures combined with rain and melting snowpack in the Cascades caused rivers in east Lewis County to rapidly rise and pose a brief threat of moderate flooding Tuesday evening.

The Cowlitz River at Randle

was expected to crest at 20.37 feet at 10 p.m. on Tuesday. A flood warning for Randle was in effect until late Tuesday night. Earlier on Tuesday, the river was predicted to crest at 21.4 feet by midnight until the prediction was revised. At 5 p.m. it was recorded at 17 feet. Heavy rains have subsided, but wet weather will continue into Thursday, National Weather Service meteorologist Danny Mercer said.

The Lewis County Department of Emergency Management and Randle Fire Department both monitored the storming

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Courtesy Photo

Kautz Creek overflows onto Paradise Road in Mount Rainier National Park on Tuesday afternoon.



Weather

TONIGHT: Low 46
TOMORROW: High 54
Rain Likely
see details on page Main 2

Weather picture by Amy Martinez,
Third Grade, Morton Elementary

Black Friday

**Stores Prepare for Rush
of Shoppers**
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Deaths

• Colton, Kenna F. 91, Centralia

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Nation in Brief

Obama: No Excuse for Destructive Acts in Ferguson

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama says there's "no excuse" for burning buildings, torching cars and destroying property in response to the grand jury decision in Ferguson, Missouri.

Obama says such "destructive" actions are criminal and those who are responsible should be prosecuted.

The president is speaking in Chicago a day after a Missouri grand jury declined to indict a police officer in 18-year-old Michael Brown's death.

Obama says he understands that many people are upset by that decision. He says their frustration is rooted in a sense that laws are not always being enforced "uniformly and fairly" in communities of color.

Buffalo Area Dodges Major Problems with Snowmelt

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Melting snow has flooded some basements and pooled in yards and roadways after the Buffalo area's 7-foot snowfall, but the region has dodged the kind of widespread flooding residents had feared.

Forecasters say a wild nine-day stretch of weather that saw epic snow followed by spring-like temperatures, high winds and flood fears is finally coming to a close.

An isolated flood warning for a suburban creek is in effect through Wednesday morning, and the National Weather Service says counties south of Buffalo may see some freezing rain by then. But other watches and warnings have lifted in time for Thanksgiving plans.

Buffalo students returned to school on Tuesday after burning through five snow days. Districts in at least four other hard-hit towns won't reopen until Dec. 1.

Nobel Prize for DNA Discovery Going to Auction

NEW YORK (AP) — The 1962 Nobel Prize James Watson won for his role in the discovery of the structure of DNA is going on the auction block.

The auctioneer says the gold medal could bring \$2.5 million to \$3.5 million on Dec. 4.

Christie's says it is the first Nobel medal to be offered at auction by a living recipient.

Watson made the 1953 discovery with Francis Crick and Maurice Wilkins.

He says part of the proceeds will go to the University of Chicago, Clare College Cambridge, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Long Island Land Trust and other charities.

The auction also includes several Watson papers. Handwritten notes for his acceptance speech are estimated at \$300,000 to \$400,000.

Shia LaBeouf Making Progress on Treatment

NEW YORK (AP) — Actor Shia LaBeouf is complying with treatment ordered as part of a plea deal stemming from a bizarre episode during the Broadway show "Cabaret."

The 28-year-old "Transformers" star appeared in a Manhattan court Tuesday to show proof that he's been at the Hills Treatment Center in Los Angeles.

Attorney G. Robert Gage says his client has done a "terrific job" complying.

LaBeouf is due back in court March 20.

While attending the June 24 performance, LaBeouf smoked cigarettes, yelled at the actors, swore at security guards and hollered as he was escorted out.

If he stays in treatment for at least three months and out of trouble for six months, he'll be allowed to withdraw the guilty plea and the case will be dismissed.



A woman interrupts President Barack Obama's addresses after Obama met with community leaders about the executive actions he is taking to fix the immigration system Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014, in Chicago.

Obama Takes On Hecklers Over Immigration Policy

By Jim Kuhnhenn
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Taking on the hecklers who've been interrupting his speeches lately, President Barack Obama argued back Tuesday with a point-by-point rebuttal of their arguments and suggested they "get the facts."

Obama had traveled home to Chicago for an appearance aimed at broadening the appeal of his recent executive actions on immigration beyond the predominantly Latino population that lobbied heavily for relief. He visited a community center in a predominantly Polish-American neighborhood.

About midway through his remarks, three protesters strategically placed around the auditorium rose and began criticizing his deportation policy, saying he hasn't just been deporting criminals. "You have been deporting families," one heckler shouted. A woman among the group of people seated on stage behind Obama stood up and held a sign that said "Obama Stop Deportations Now," with the word "now" in red.

Obama listened. He sympathized. He asked them to stop yelling. Then when it appeared he'd had enough, the former lawyer and former constitutional law professor set about deconstructing their arguments.

"What you're not paying attention to is the fact that I just took an action to change the law, so that's point No. 1," Obama said. "Point No. 2, the way the change in the law works is that we're reprioritizing how we enforce our immigration laws generally."

"The point is that though I understand why you might have yelled at me a month ago, although I disagree with some of your characterizations, it doesn't make much sense to yell at me right now when we're making changes," he said as the audience of approximately 1,800 people applauded.

"But the point is, let's make sure that you get the facts and that you know exactly what we're doing," Obama said. He directed them to appeal to the immigration advocacy groups the administration has worked with on the issue if they still disagree with his policies.

"What won't work is folks just shouting at each other," he said. "I've been respectful. I responded to your question. I'd ask you now to let me speak to all the other people who are here. All right?"

A heckler interrupted Obama last Friday in Las Vegas, where he discussed immigration the day after outlining the changes in a nationally televised prime-time address. The announcement in-

flamed Republicans, who have vowed to rein in Obama but have not fallen behind any specific plan.

At issue is the extent of Obama's executive actions, which make nearly 5 million immigrants eligible to be spared from deportation. The measures would apply to parents of U.S. citizens or of legal permanent residents. The parents would have to have lived in the U.S. for at least five years. Obama also expanded a program designed to extend deportation protections to immigrants who entered the U.S. illegally as children.

But in a blow to some immigrant activists, Obama did not provide protections for parents of such young immigrants who are known as Dreamers.

In the speech, Obama praised the contributions to the U.S. by a broad patchwork of immigrants. He cited studies showing that immigrants open one-fourth of all new U.S. businesses and that 40 percent of Fortune 500 companies were founded by immigrants or their children.

"Being a nation of immigrants gives us this huge entrepreneurial advantage over other nations," he said.

Associated Press writer Darlene Superville in Washington contributed to this report.

Lawmaker: Marijuana Needs Debate in New Mexico

By Susan Montoya Bryan
The Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The conversation about whether New Mexico should join other Western states in legalizing marijuana is cranking up as state lawmakers prepare for the 2015 legislative session.

Rep. Bill McCamley, a Democrat from southern New Mexico, took his case for legalization to fellow lawmakers Tuesday during a meeting of the interim health and human services committee.

McCamley dismissed the stoner humor of 1970s comics Cheech and Chong and said this should be a serious debate.

"Let's talk about the facts," he told the committee. "Let's talk about what's actually happening in terms of public policy, and let's not get caught up in stereotypes about what this is or isn't."

McCamley has yet to craft the legislation, but he's looking at Oregon as a model. Voters in that state, Alaska and the District of Columbia approved ballot initiatives to legalize marijuana earlier this month, joining Colorado and Washington.

In New Mexico, the push for legalization follows the success of ballot questions in two of the state's most populous counties

that gauged voter support for decriminalizing marijuana.

"If you look at prohibition, it's basically a failure both in terms of alcohol in the 1920s and the drug war now," McCamley said during an interview. "We're spending all of this money enforcing marijuana laws and prosecuting people for smoking marijuana. That can be used in other law-enforcement efforts like prosecuting rapists and murderers — and that's important."

Then there's the potential for tax revenue.

There have been no studies on the economic effects legalization would have on New Mexico, a poor state and one that has long struggled when it comes to economic development. In neighboring Colorado, the state has brought in more than \$52 million in taxes, licenses and fees for recreational and medical marijuana since the beginning of the year.

McCamley also estimates that the state could save over \$33 million in costs associated with police, courts and corrections if marijuana is legalized.

"If we legalize and regulate marijuana, we get the benefits of the tax money. And the cartels that are creating a lot of violence both in the United States and internationally, we cut them off at

the knees at the same time," he said.

A bill that would have let voters decide the issue failed during the last legislative session amid concerns about running afoul of federal law and possibly losing grant money from the U.S. Justice Department and other agencies for efforts to reduce drug trafficking and drug production.

The New Mexico Sheriffs' Association has yet to develop a position on the matter.

"Right now, there are several sheriffs who are very opposed to it. We also have sheriffs who say let's wait and see and others who want it researched," said Jack LeVick, the group's executive director. "Before we jump on board as another state doing it, everybody needs to spend the time and really research the patterns and the problems that are existing."

Gov. Susana Martinez has been an outspoken critic of decriminalizing marijuana, and control of the state House of Representatives swinging to Republicans will likely make for a challenge in getting legislation passed.

"We don't want to get people's expectations up, but it's very important to have this conversation," McCamley said.

World in Brief

Pakistan Military Says Jets Kill 20 Militants

ISLAMABAD (AP) — Pakistan's army says its fighter jets have killed 20 militants in a troubled northwestern tribal region near the Afghan border.

An army statement says the 20 "terrorists" were killed Tuesday in precise air strikes in the North Waziristan tribal region, where the military has been carrying out a major operation since June.

It provided no details and the identity of the slain insurgents was not immediately known.

Pakistani ground forces and jets have killed more than 1,100 militants since June 15 when the military launched the operation in North Waziristan.

The operation is aimed at eliminating those Pakistani and foreign militants accused of launching attacks in Pakistan and neighboring Afghanistan.

The military says it has cleared 90 percent of North Waziristan and that the militants are currently on the run.

Israeli Police Chief Criticizes Jewish Activists

JERUSALEM (AP) — Jewish activists bent on gaining greater access to a sensitive Jerusalem holy site should not visit there, Israel's police chief said Tuesday.

The sacred shrine known to Jews as the Temple Mount and to Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary has been the focal point of deadly violence between Jews and Arabs in recent weeks.

Under a longstanding agreement at the site, Jews are permitted to visit but are not allowed to pray. In recent months, a growing number of Jewish worshippers have visited, many of whom seek greater access and the right to pray.

Palestinians see visits by Jews to the site as provocative and a sign of Israeli encroachment, and violent riots have broken out in Jerusalem over the tensions.

Some Israeli lawmakers have been among the visitors to the site.

A series of attacks by Arab-Israelis and Palestinians have killed 11 Israelis in recent weeks, with some of the assailants believed to have been inspired by what they perceived as a need to defend the holy site. A Palestinian attacker recently shot and wounded Yehuda Glick, a leader of the Temple Mount activists.

Hong Kong Attempts to Clear Unruly Protest Site

HONG KONG (AP) — An attempt by Hong Kong authorities to clear a 2-month-old pro-democracy protest camp in Mong Kok district spiraled into chaos Tuesday as hundreds more protesters flooded the crowded neighborhood, a flashpoint for earlier violent clashes with police and angry mobs.

A total of 80 people were arrested, police said.

Twenty-three were detained for contempt of court or resisting public officers after police warned them not to interfere with workers and bailiffs enforcing a court order to remove obstructions from part of the protest area, one of three sites in the city occupied by activists.

Workers in hard hats and gloves backed by bailiffs and police had spent most of the day clearing barricades, tents and other debris from the 50-meter (160-foot) stretch of Argyle Street covered by the court order, which was granted to a minibus company complaining that its business was hurt.

Pro-democracy lawmaker Leung Kwok-hung was among those taken to waiting police vans.

By evening, traffic was flowing again on the street for the first time in two months, but tensions rose as protesters scuffled on surrounding side streets with police, who used pepper spray to force them away from the area. Fifty-seven more people were arrested for unlawful assembly and assaulting or obstructing officers, a police statement said.

Board Approves Toledo Superintendent's Resignation

THE SEARCH IS ON: Board Will Begin Looking for New School Leader

By Justyna Tomtas
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The Toledo School District Board of Directors unanimously approved Tuesday to accept the resignation of longtime Superintendent Sharon Bower, effective June 30, 2015.

Bower, who is in her tenth year as the superintendent of the Toledo School District, said she made the decision because it was time to focus on her life, rather than her job.

Bower said she gave the board an advance notice so they could begin the search as soon as possible.

"One of the main reasons I did this so early in the year is I want you guys to be able to go out and really hunt during hunting season and attract a deep pool (of candidates)," she told the board.

Bower recommended the board acquire a search agent or company, someone who would guide them through the long process ahead. A search agent would help the board during the input process, as well as a goal setting process. They would also collect and sort the comments and data collected from the community, staff and students.

"They guide you through all of that and they pretty much manage the road for you to make the decision," Bower said.

The board decided to invite three different companies to present their services before making a decision.

"From now on there is no shortcut. This is going to be a long, long, many hour, tedious proposition to make," board member Bill Moore said.

Bower suggested the board select a search agent in December so the job could be posted in January and the new superintendent could be hired by March or April.

She also stated the board should look into the amount of candidates the different agencies attract when working on a search for a school district of similar size and said the board



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Toledo Superintendent Sharon Bower explains to the board of directors the process it will have to follow in its search for a new superintendent during a Toledo School Board meeting on Tuesday evening.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Toledo School Board Meeting: Dec. 18 at 7 p.m.
- Presentation of Superintendent Search Agencies: Dec. 10 at 6 p.m.
- Levy Workshop Meeting: December 11 at 6 p.m.

had to evaluate the varying costs.

Although Bower planned to set up the appointment with the three search agencies, she said afterwards communications would be directed elsewhere and she would no longer be part of the process to avoid bias, some-

thing Moore agreed with.

Board member Heidi Buswell thanked Bower for all the hard work she had done for the school district.

"You've done a really good job for us, Sharon, and I expect you to do a really good job through the end of the year," she said. "I also truly, truly understand the need to put yourself and your needs before the needs of the kids and the district. It's really hard because you've spent your life putting the needs of the kids before your own. We value you and we value what you've given the district and appreciate you."

Bower told The Chronicle in an earlier interview that al-

though she is still passionate about public education, it was her time to find a less demanding position after her experience with cancer.

"My health is good right now. My surgery was a success and I don't have to do any further treatment. It just made me re-evaluate my priorities," she said. "I would like to continue to work but not in quite as stressful or demanding position."

Although unsure of what the next career path would be, she said she was open to all things and said that it may again be in education; time would tell.

TOLEDO DISCUSSES BOND, LEVY

By The Chronicle

The Board of Directors of the Toledo School District discussed both a bond and a levy that would be brought before the public. The bond, which recently was not approved by the public, would run again, and Superintendent Sharon Bower said a volunteer had stepped up to serve as the head of the campaign committee.

The committee would be able to bring more information to the public regarding the bond and why the school district was in need of it. The bulk of the \$23.5 million bond would have helped modernize the high school, updating outdated plumbing and electrical systems, among other things.

Bower said a campaign committee would be helpful in getting the word out. She also stated that a maintenance and operations levy needed to be passed because the one currently on the books was soon to run out. Typically levies run in February so that ballot costs can be shared with other school districts, Bower said.

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Wish

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she said. "It can wipe me out."
 Hiller lives alone with her companion Tabby, a well-fed, once-feral cat otherwise known as Waddles the Pom Pom Kitty. "She is truly a gift from God," Hiller said of Waddles.
 As part of the Area Agency on Aging's Wish List program, seniors have the opportunity to obtain items they would otherwise not be able to get due to financial constraints or in some

instances physical inability.
 Information and Assistance Specialist Seriny Kunz, of Area Agency on Aging, said the program is a good way to give back. "It's important to have this program to remind us that there are folks who are on services through the state for many reasons including health and medical needs that do not have a network of support help," she said. "Without the support and generosity of our community, these folks may not get their personal needs met."
 This year Hiller is asking for a safety "cushion," some donated funds from the community

to help her pay her electricity bill.
 "I'm asking for any kind of extra additional help so maybe I don't have to give up eating to pay my light bill," Hiller said in her exuberant, cheery voice.
 Her mobile home is in nice shape and the old windows have been upgraded to double pane glass, but the house is not insulated.
 "I have multiple health issues and being warm becomes a necessity. In the winter time I'm almost afraid to turn on my heat because my bills become astronomical," Hiller said. "That would be really helpful just so I

would have a cushion for when it gets real cold in the winter and I can say, 'OK Susan, if it gets really cold you can actually turn the furnace on for two whole hours today.'"
 Hiller is thankful for the Wish List program and said it is a valuable service for senior residents. Last year there were 56 participants, while this year 49 signed up for the program. She said there is a clear difference between want and need, and many of those who participate are asking out of necessity.
 Last year was the first year she participated and Hiller received a wire basket that attach-

es to the back of her wheelchair. The basket allows her an easier way to transport things, whether it be groceries or other supplies. She referred to the gift as a blessing.
 "We need to thank all of the people who are willing to assist simply because it shows our humanity," Hiller said. "There are so many needs and it is so heartwarming to know that there are people out there that are more than willing to be able to give. Many times they can't give a lot, but these people together can supply something for someone that truly, truly needs something."

2014 WISH LIST

Client 1 is a man in his late 50s. He has physical disabilities which keep him homebound. He lives in a rural part of Lewis County which makes coming into town a little challenging. He would like assistance with a reacher, twin electric blanket and Folgers Classic or Medium Roast coffee.

a limited income. He wishes for a phone in his bedroom to be able to call for help.

Client 29 is a 63-year-old woman who lives alone with her cat. She is diabetic and has heart and lung medical issues. She has the strength to clean her home, but cannot afford the cleaning products. She wishes for some cleaning supplies, dry cat food, and a Walmart gift card for a holiday meals and staples.

income and lives alone. She also has other medical conditions that she is managing. She would like a Home Depot gift card.

Client 44 is a 91-year-old woman who lives alone and has multiple health issues. Her declining health has prompted her doctor to put her on some nutritional supplement. She wishes for Ensure Nutritional Supplements (vanilla or strawberry) and Shop'n Kart gift card.

Client 2 is a 35-year-old female who lives with her two minor children. She lives on a fixed income and has several medical issues including diabetes. She wishes for a Magic Bullet blender, heating blanket, and bath and dish towel sets.

Client 15 is a woman in her 60s who lives alone with her cat. She has medical conditions relating to her heart and lungs. She is requesting assistance with her PUD bill.

Client 30 is a man who manages his diabetes along with other health issues. He lives with his young daughter on a limited income. He wishes for a Kmart gift card along with a Walmart gift card for a holiday meal for himself and his daughter.

Client 39 is a woman in her 60s who has several health issues that limit her ability to do many activities. She wishes for a gift card to Walmart for basic necessities and a holiday meal.

Client 45 is a woman who lives on a limited income. She wishes for a Shop'n Kart gift card for a holiday meal, antifreeze for her car, and wiper blades for a 1993 Dodge Intrepid.

Client 3 is a woman in her mid-50s who has severe tremors from her medical conditions. She lives alone and is on a limited income. She wishes for slippers (size 8) and a night gown (size XL).

Client 16 is an elderly woman who lives alone with her dog. She is on a limited income and struggles each month to purchase basic supplies. She wishes for a full-size blanket for her bed, women's socks, and hand towels for the bathroom and kitchen, Walmart gift card for the basic supplies along with dry dog food.

Client 31 is a 74-year-old woman who is living on a limited income. She has several medical issues that she is trying to manage. She wishes for a new hospital bed mattress.

Client 40 is a 97-year-old woman who has several health issues, including a lower back fracture, that limit her ability to do many activities. She lives alone and wishes for a large size magnifying glass and a Walmart gift card.

Client 46 is a woman who is in her 60s living on a limited income. She would like to be able to enjoy a holiday meal and wishes for a Shop'n Kart gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 4 is a woman in her early 50s who lives with her spouse in west Lewis County. She has chronic pain syndrome along with some other medical issues. Their only source of heat is wood in the winter. She would like assistance with wood.

Client 17 is a woman in her 60s who lives alone with her dog. She is on a limited income and needs help each month with basic supplies. She would like a smoke detector for her apartment along with a gift card to Walmart for a holiday meal.

Client 32 is a woman in her late 60s who is on a limited income and lives alone. She suffers from several medical conditions that limit her ability to do many activities. She uses her wheelchair to get around. She would like a Walmart gift card to help with basic staple necessities and a holiday meal.

Client 41 is a woman in her 80s who lives alone. She has several medical conditions including macular degeneration. She remains in her home but it is difficult for her to ambulate. She enjoys looking out her window at the birds. She wishes for some bird seed for her flying friends as they give her joy daily.

Client 47 is a 65-year-old woman who lives alone and is on a limited income. She has several health issues that limit her ability to do many activities. Due to her health issues, she would like assistance with Ensure Nutritional Shakes (chocolate).

Client 5 is a woman in her early 60s who lives alone and suffered a stroke leaving her with left side paralysis. She received a hospital bed but it needs a new twin size hospital bed mattress.

Client 18 is a man in his early 70s who has cerebral palsy and lives alone with his cat. He would appreciate assistance with his medication cream that he cannot afford. He wishes for 12 four-ounce tubes or a case of Medline brand calazime zinc oxide protection paste (www.shop-medline.com).

Client 33 is a woman in her 60s who lives on a limited income. She has several medical conditions that limit her ability to do many activities. She lives alone and would appreciate any assistance during the holiday. She wishes for a Walmart gift card for basic necessities.

Client 42 is a woman in her 70s who is living alone on a limited income. She would like some assistance with her heating costs for the winter months.

Client 48 is a woman in her 50s who lived with her husband until he suffered a stroke. Her husband is in a rehabilitation center 80 miles away and she would like assistance with a gas card to be able to go back and forth to visit him.

Client 6 is a 62-year-old woman who has impaired vision and other medical conditions. She lives with her young adult son on a limited income. She wishes for a full-size bed set (prefers pink color), new pillows, bath towel set, and cat food/cat litter (prefers Arm and Hammer brand).

Client 19 is a woman in her 40s who has several medical conditions including some neurological issues. She is caring for her minor child. She is on a limited income and would love assistance with a gift card to Walmart for a holiday meal for herself and daughter.

Client 34 is a woman in her late 60s who lives alone. She has several medical conditions including the beginning stages of Alzheimer's disease. She would like to find games that will exercise her brain in hopes of improving her memory. She wishes for handheld memory games, a houseplant and Walmart gift card.

Client 43 is a 75-year-old woman who lives alone on a limited income. She has several health conditions that limit her ability to do many activities. She wishes for a coffee maker, juicer and small radio with clock.

Client 49 is a gentleman in his 60s who lives alone on a limited income. He has several health issues including arthritis. He is requesting assistance with glucosamine chondroitin supplements and TED Hose through Halls Pharmacy.

Client 7 is a woman in her early 60s who has several medical conditions including arthritis. She lives alone with her little dog on a limited income. She wishes for a pair of slip-on slippers w/padding (size 8), and full-size sheet set for her bed (prefers purple).

Client 20 is a mother who lives with her young teenage son. She is disabled and would like a new quad cane to assist her with walking, along with a Walmart gift card for a holiday meal for herself and her son.

Client 35 is a woman in her early 60s who suffers from renal failure. She lives alone and would like to be able to listen to music and possibly play old cassette tapes she has. She wishes for a stereo boom box w/cassette player or a Walmart gift card towards one.

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Client 21 is a man in his 40s who lives alone and has had a traumatic brain injury. He has not been able to work and is living on a limited income. He would like a Safeway gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 36 is a woman in her 70s who lives alone. She does not have family in the area and suffers from several medical conditions that limit her ability to do many activities. She rescues cats in her area that are in need of a home. She would like assistance with Purina "Complete" Cat Chow and a Walmart gift card.

Client 37 is a 51-year-old woman who is on a limited income and lives alone. She suffers from several medical conditions including seizure disorder. She wishes for a pillow for her bed and Walmart gift card for basic necessities.

Client 9 is a 59-year-old man who has several health issues. He is on a limited income and loves his furry companion. He wishes for a bag of corn-free and grain-free (due to allergies) dog food, bath/hand towels (prefers blue or purple), boxers/briefs (size XL), and pocket T-shirts (size 3X).

Client 22 is a woman in her 50s who lives alone with her two cats. She is legally blind and is in need of some basic household items. She wishes for a standard size pillow, bath towels, cat food/litter and flea treatment for both of her cats.

Client 38 is a 72-year-old breast cancer survivor who is on a fixed



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Client 10 is a man in his late 60s who lives with his wife and has several medical conditions. They are living on a limited income and are caring for their grandson. He would like assistance with twin size hospital bed flannel sheets (prefers blue), bag of dry Kibbles n' Bits dog food, Alpo variety pack wet dog food, and Walmart gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 23 is a woman in her 60s who lives on a fixed income. She has several medical conditions relating to her heart and lungs. She has a wood porch that is rotting and would like the rotting boards to be replaced. She is seeking assistance for someone to come and look at her porch to help her replace the boards so she can enter her home safely.

Client 39 is a woman in her early 60s who suffers from renal failure. She lives alone and would like to be able to listen to music and possibly play old cassette tapes she has. She wishes for a stereo boom box w/cassette player or a Walmart gift card towards one.

Client 40 is a 97-year-old woman who has several health issues, including a lower back fracture, that limit her ability to do many activities. She lives alone and wishes for a large size magnifying glass and a Walmart gift card.

Client 11 is a woman in her late 50s who lives alone on a limited income. She has speech impairment due to her medical conditions and has a hard time communicating to get her needs met. She wishes for a bath towel set (prefers light blue color).

Client 24 is a 56-year-old man who lives alone. He has a medical condition that reduces flexibility and strength in his limbs. He wishes for dark blue or grey sweatpants (size 3X) and a Walmart gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 41 is a woman in her 80s who lives alone. She has several medical conditions including macular degeneration. She remains in her home but it is difficult for her to ambulate. She enjoys looking out her window at the birds. She wishes for some bird seed for her flying friends as they give her joy daily.

Client 42 is a woman in her 70s who is living alone on a limited income. She would like some assistance with her heating costs for the winter months.

Client 12 is a 59-year-old man living alone. He is an amputee and has several medical issues including diabetes. He uses a wheelchair and has difficulties reaching light fixtures. He wishes for a desk lamp with a clamp, and some extra light bulbs for the desk lamp so that he is able to reach and operate the lighting in his living room and bathroom.

Client 25 is a woman in her 60s who lives with her husband who has severe heart problems. She has several medical conditions including multiple sclerosis. She would like assistance with her power bill, house coat (size 2XL or 3XL), also a Walmart gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 43 is a 75-year-old woman who lives alone on a limited income. She has several health conditions that limit her ability to do many activities. She wishes for a coffee maker, juicer and small radio with clock.

Client 44 is a 91-year-old woman who lives alone and has multiple health issues. Her declining health has prompted her doctor to put her on some nutritional supplement. She wishes for Ensure Nutritional Supplements (vanilla or strawberry) and Shop'n Kart gift card.

Client 13 is a woman in her 70s who lives alone. Her only source of heat besides her space heater in the bathroom is wood. She would love help with some wood for the cold winter months.

Client 26 is a woman in her 60s who lives alone. She has several medical conditions including managing her diabetes. She is on a limited income and wishes for all kinds of cleaning supplies. She would also like a Shop'n Kart gift card for a holiday meal.

Client 44 is a 91-year-old woman who lives alone and has multiple health issues. Her declining health has prompted her doctor to put her on some nutritional supplement. She wishes for Ensure Nutritional Supplements (vanilla or strawberry) and Shop'n Kart gift card.

Client 45 is a woman who lives on a limited income. She wishes for a Shop'n Kart gift card for a holiday meal, antifreeze for her car, and wiper blades for a 1993 Dodge Intrepid.

Client 14 is a veteran who lives alone, is an amputee and lives on

Client 28 is a woman in her 50s who lives with her minor grandson. She has had a stroke and is request-



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Voices

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Voice of the People

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

Readers tell of their plans on Thanksgiving Day:

Barbara Nichols Lewis: I'll be making a big tray of cookies for the hospital staff that don't have the day off. Hospital workers are special to my heart because of my daughter staying there so much. It's not always easy doing the jobs they do and I'm thankful for them being there for us.

Readers react to news of Adna's girls' soccer team taking home a trophy at the state playoffs:

Al Denison: WOOOHOOOO!! Lewis County back on the map again!

Chronline Comments

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

Story: Chehalin Gets Alaska State Trooper Accolade

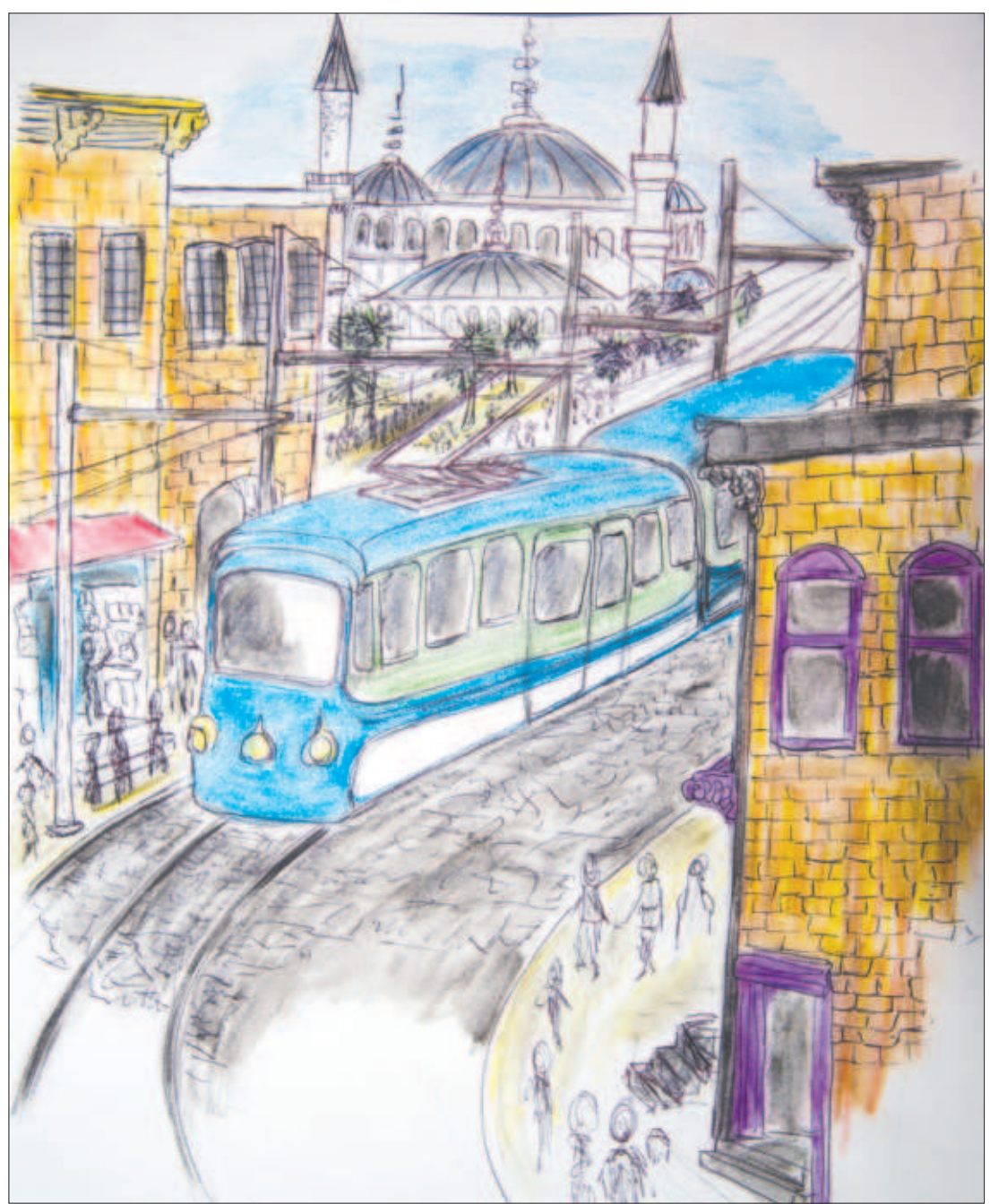
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Hank Claycamp's rendition of a tram travelling in front of the Blue Mosque in Istanbul, Turkey.

Visit to Turkey Provides a Living History Lesson

By Hank and Linda Claycamp

Remember last episode? Remember?

Hank and Linda in Bavaria with a case of wanderlust so bad even penicillin couldn't cure it.

Now we're in Turkey. Oh! Oh! A scary Muslim country! Surprise! The nicest, friendliest place we could ever go to.

We visited Ephesus, Cappadocia, Bodrum, and Istanbul.

Ephesus, ancient ruins near the modern day city of Selcuk. It was the retirement home of Jesus's mom Mary, (I didn't know that). A city of 400,000 people built by Alexander the Great then usurped by the Romans where 80,000 citizens

were slaughtered by General Sulla in one night to ensure Roman dominance when Julius Caesar was just a whippersnapper. The city fell into disrepair after successive earthquakes around 300 A.D. and is now an incredible tourist destination.

Cappadocia, near the center of the country, was built by the Hittites five thousand years ago by digging caves in the fairy chimneys of volcanic ash-fall tuff. Nowadays, it is a mecca for balloon enthusiasts. Any morning 100 balloons are aloft, an incredible sight.

Then, on to Istanbul. The west side is European and the east side is Asian (they had to signify east and west some-

where, didn't they?) The original eastern home of Christianity (Byzantium) was Constantinople until the 14th century then taken over by the Ottomans "Muslim Empire." Freedom of religion quietly reigned until 1909 when Ataturk proposed a swap. All Christians moved to Greece and all Muslims to Turkey. So far, both religions have somewhat respected each other.

Now, I know that history records many breaches of religious security in the past six hundred years, but the safety Turkey provides for its visitors is way better than average and the wealth of information for ancient history is well worth the trip.

Volunteer

The Volunteer Center of Kitsap, Lewis and Mason Counties brings together organizations in need of help and people who are willing and able to lend a hand. Here are some recent and ongoing opportunities to serve, as seen on www.volunteerlewis.org.

- Possibilities Pregnancy Center is asking for volunteers for a variety of activities. Newsletter volunteers are needed once per month to meet and prepare the agency's newsletters for distribution. The Earn While You Learn Program needs volunteers to teach from a lesson plan to help men and women understand what to expect in pregnancy and beyond. Volunteers are needed

in several other areas as well. Volunteers should be 18 years of age or older.

- Providence Centralia Hospital requests medical and surgical unit volunteers to make the rounds among visitors and patients located on the second floor to offer beverages, light snacks and more. Volunteers should be 16 or older.

- The Lewis County Historical Museum is looking for volunteers who can assist with cleaning and janitorial services to maintain a spotless and clean museum for guests. All supplies are provided and work entails sweeping, taking out trash, light dusting and vacuuming. Hours

and days are completely flexible as well.

- United Way of Lewis County seeks Reading Buddies for the 2014-15 school year. For one hour a week, volunteers can help youngsters in the Chehalis area learn to read.

- The Chehalis-Centralia Railroad and Museum is seeking volunteers for the Polar Express Train Ride, which features the reading of the popular book "Polar Express" during the trek to the North Pole, where they pick up Santa for the return trip.

To register and volunteer for opportunities like these and more, visit www.volunteerlewis.org.

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Most of the clients are low income and have severe impairments impacting their ability to do basic day-to-day activities with needs that go beyond services available through community resources.

The agency maintains a Special Assistance Fund that helps these adults year-round with basics such as heat, electricity, and medications. During this time of year, donations to the fund are also accepted and distributed for client specific, but less emergent needs. Warm clothing, pet care, and much-needed household items are often outside the budgets of those on small, fixed incomes.

To make a tax-deductible donation to one of these families or to the general Special Assistance Fund, please call 360-748-2524,

ext. 101 in Lewis County. Please call the agency's office to see if a client on the wish list is still available before purchasing items for clients. If the individual has already been helped, the agency can direct donors to others, not on the list, with specific needs. All new and unwrapped donations must be received during drop off date and time no later than Dec. 15 to ensure delivery to the clients by Christmas.

Note: See page 11 for a complete list and descriptions of Wish List clients.

Donation Drop-Off Dates & Times:

Monday, Dec. 1, 10 a.m. to noon
 Friday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m. to noon
 Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1-4 p.m.
 Thursday, Dec. 11, 10 a.m. to noon
 Monday, Dec. 15, 1-4 p.m.
 Drop Off Location:
 Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging is located at 1651 S. Market Boulevard in Chehalis. Anyone dropping off an item is encouraged to call the main office beforehand at (360) 748-2288.

Rivers: Flood Warning in Packwood Expires

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and river levels in east Lewis County, Sheriff Steve Mansfield said in a news release Tuesday afternoon.

Lewis County Fire District 14 Chief Jeff Jaques said with the lower level forecast some low-lying fields and country roads may see some water from the high river levels, but he doesn't expect major roads to experience flooding.

Flood stage on the Cowlitz at Randle is 18 feet, according to the Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service. Moderate flooding occurs at 20 feet, with major flooding taking place when the river reaches 22 feet.

Minor flooding was forecasted at the Cowlitz River in Packwood, with the river there expected to crest at 10.72 feet just after 6 p.m. this evening. However, the river crested at 9.99 feet at 12:15 p.m. Tuesday, according to the prediction service. It was observed at 9.04 feet at 5 p.m.

The Cowlitz at Packwood was under a flood warning that expired just after 5 p.m. Tuesday evening, easing concerns in the easternmost Lewis County community.

Kirby Cook, science and

operations officer with the National Weather Service in Seattle, said early Tuesday morning that the bulk of the rain that prompted a flood watch in several counties in Western Washington has fallen over the south central Cascades, leading to the Cowlitz River's expected rapid rise.

"It looks like the heaviest precipitation we've been expecting fell right over that area," Cook said. "It does look like our only spot of concern is going to be right there (at Randle)."

North of Randle in Mount Rainier National Park, the Nisqually Entrance in the southwest corner of the park closed due to Kautz Creek flooding the road between the entrance and Longmire, according to a park notice issued at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday. All employees and visitors were evacuated and all roads were closed. Patti Wold, public information officer with the park, said with the rainy weather it was a quiet day at the park, but she wasn't sure how many visitors were evacuated.

Wold said a log jam in Kautz Creek right next to the road caused water to divert and go over the road. The water running over the road was probably

an inch or slightly more. "We don't want people driving through that," she said.

Crews are working to loosen the jam, which should fix the problem, but Wold was unsure when the work will be completed. The Nisqually Entrance was the only place of concern; however, the recent rain has raised water levels throughout the park, she said.

According to the National Weather Service, rain that began Monday night combined with relatively high snow levels resulting in a flood threat. Rain fall totals during 48 hours were expected to be 0.5 to 1.25 inches in the lowlands, 1-2 inches along the coast and 2-6 inches in the Cascades.



Basin

Continued from the front page

three regions: stormwater in the Puget Sound area, flooding in the Chehalis Basin, and irrigation east of the Cascades.

That bill will be discussed formally when the Legislature convenes in January.

Herrera Beutler acknowledged the support for the work group's solution on both sides of the aisle.

"There is no partisanship when it comes to protecting families and communities from flood damage or restoring a vibrant fishery to the Chehalis River basin," Herrera Beutler said.

The Congresswoman added that she would be "actively ready to help with this proposal however I can as it moves forward."

Herrera Beutler has brought the issue of flooding up on the floor of the House of Representatives, as she opposed federal funding to build flood walls along Interstate 5 in June 2012. Herrera Beutler in her comments then said the proposal was "like building a castle wall" that only protected I-5 and not the citizens along the freeway that would still be impacted by floods.

The current recommendation on the table, according to the work group's formal report, would theoretically reduce the closure time of Interstate 5 from five days to just over 20 hours.

The Chehalis Basin Work Group and supporters of their recommendation now must wait for the proposal to be included as a line item in Gov. Inslee's 2015-17 biennial budget. That is expected to be made public in December.

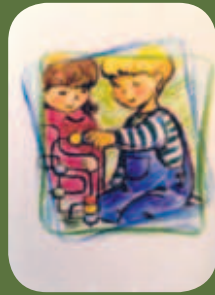


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News in Brief

In Seattle, Tofu Turkeys Get Thanksgiving Pardons

By The Associated Press

SEATTLE — As Thanksgiving approaches, Tofurkys in Seattle can breathe easy, even if real turkeys can't.

Seattle Mayor Ed Murray pardoned a soybean-based roast Friday, The Seattle Times reported this week.

Spokesman Jason Kelly says Murray posed with the tofu turkey at City Hall to draw attention to hunger in the community. It will be donated to Rainier Valley Food Bank.

Kelly acknowledged that Seattle's reputation in the rest of the country is "a little bit 'grano-la'" and that Murray was poking fun at himself.

Communications director Jeff Reading said Tuesday that the mayor has no plan to pardon any of Seattle's urban turkeys "either the literal or figurative variety."

The maker of Tofurky, Turtle Island Foods, is based in Hood River, Oregon, and produces several tofu or tempeh-based products.

Out to the Shepherd of the Valley Catholic Church went four workers, two trucks and portable closed-circuit TV gear.

No luck. The sewer workers broke the news to Hanson. Then the next day, without telling her, they went back to work.

"We didn't want to get her hopes up," operations manager Shane Macuk said.

They plugged the sewer main so they could inspect the line when it was dry. They vacuumed up some likely spots for items to accumulate and sorted the vacuumed material in a process similar to panning for gold.

Eventually, worker Travis Cox spotted the ring, and eventually the crew got it out.

With the ring cleaned up, repaired and resized, Hanson is praising the sewer workers and citing the patron saint of lost items.

"I'd done a lot of praying to St. Anthony," she said. "I feel I ought to write a letter to the pope and let him know we had a miracle here in Central Point."

City of Auburn Ditches Red-Light Cameras

By The Associated Press

AUBURN — Auburn has decided to get rid of its unpopular red-light cameras.

KOMO-TV reports the Auburn City Council voted 4-3 to no longer contract with a private company that operates the program.

Mayor Nancy Backus says traffic statistics show lights installed at four busy intersections have not reduced collisions since the program started in 2006.

Backus was on the council eight years ago and among those who supported the program. Auburn was the first municipality in the state to adopt photo enforcement at traffic lights.

Statistics show the number of accidents and injuries at those intersections has not changed since the cameras were installed. But the number of people running red lights has decreased.

Some, including the mayor, believe that alone makes the streets safer.



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Work contact information: (360) 807-8200; cfossett@chronline.com.

High school/college you attended: W.F. West High School, Centralia College.

City of residence: Chehalis.

How did you start working for Lafromboise Communications, Inc.?

I began my career at The Chronicle in 1988 when I was hired as an inside sales person. In that era some salespeople went out to personally meet with customers and two staff members contacted our customers by phone only. It was a big day in the office when we purchased a fax machine so we could send ad designs to customers via fax rather than through the mail. When we got our first computer we were on cloud nine.

What are your hobbies outside of work?

I really enjoy cooking and baking. Cooking dinner after work each day is a great stress reliever and very enjoyable for me. I try to learn a new technique and try recipes from a new cuisine several times each year. My husband Tim has been my taste tester for 35 years. Most days cooking is a positive experience but every so often the recipe turns out less than perfect and he is a good sport about it.

Is there anything exciting you've done this year?

Personally, I enjoyed spending more time outdoors fishing and hiking. Professionally, we have been busy with all of the activities celebrating The Chronicle's 125th anniversary. My staff at all four buildings are very progressive and come up with plenty of new projects to keep us busy and make our newspapers and our customer's jobs better.



Community Calendar

Editor's Best Bet

Bring the Family to Christmas Tree Lighting in Centralia



Kick off the Christmas season by bundling up and bringing the entire family out to Washington Park in Centralia Friday evening for the annual ceremonial lighting of the city of Centralia's Christmas tree.

The event, which kicks off at 6 p.m. just in front of the Centralia Timberland Library, includes musical entertainment, a seasonal sing-along, and a special visit from Santa Claus.

Santa will also visit the Fox Theatre following the ceremony. Free refreshments will be provided.

Today

Free Thanksgiving dinner, 1 p.m., St. Francis Mission, 139 Spencer Road, Toledo, RSVP requested, (360) 785-4563, (360) 864-6566, (360) 864-4126

Thanksgiving dinner, noon-3 p.m., St. Mary Catholic Church social hall, corner of Park and King streets, Centralia, (360) 748-4953

Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 1-4 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1209 N. Scheuber Road, Centralia, (360) 520-2689

Libraries

Thanksgiving holiday, all Timberland libraries closed

Organizations

Bucoda Rebekah Lodge 144, 7 p.m., Bucoda Odd Fellows Community Center, 101 E. Seventh St., second floor, Bucoda, (360) 736-6717

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, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Morton Community Methodist Church, Fourth and Main, Morton, (360) 330-2640

Overeaters Anonymous, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1209 N. Scheuber Road, Centralia, (360) 736-9268

Us Too Southwest Washington Prostate Cancer Support Group, 7-8 p.m., Mother Joseph Room, Providence Centralia Hospital, (360) 388-6271

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

If you have an event you would like included in the Community Calendar, please email your information to calendar@chronline.com. Include a daytime telephone number where you can be reached.

There is no charge for these listings.

For questions about calendar items, call Doug Blosser at The Chronicle, (360) 807-8238.

Friday, Nov. 28

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

Eclectics, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Scatter Creek Grill, Lucky Eagle Casino, (360) 273-2000, ext. 301

Black Friday Shopping Survival Bags, 4 a.m., Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce, 500 NW Chamber Way, Chehalis, items from local businesses, hot coffee, doughnut holes

Polar Express, Chehalis-Centralia Railroad, 1101 SW Sylvanus St., Chehalis, (360) 748-9593, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., adults \$30, 3-15 years \$20, 2 and under ride in adult's lap for free, advance convenience fees apply, (360) 748-9593

Tree lighting ceremony, 6 p.m., George Washington Park, Centralia, musical entertainment, seasonal sing-a-long, free refreshments, visit with Santa, who will also be at Fox Theatre following ceremony

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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, hopedirector@hotmail.com

Life Recovery Group, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Dayspring Baptist Church, 2088 Jackson Highway, Chehalis, (360) 748-3401

Celebrate Recovery, dinner 6 p.m., large group 7 p.m., small groups 8 p.m., Grace Foursquare Church, 3030 Borst Ave., Centralia, (360) 736-0778, www.gracefoursquarechurch.com

Saturday, Nov. 29

Club Mom Children's Clothing Bank and Exchange, 1-3 p.m., Chehalis First Christian Church, 111 NW Prindle St., (360) 269-0587 or (360) 748-3702

Yule dessert, 6 and 8 p.m., Evergreen Playhouse, 222 W. Center St., Centralia, adults \$12, children 4-12 \$10, 3 and under free, show set in medieval court, dessert and wassail served, advance purchase of tickets encouraged, family friendly, <http://www.evergreenplayhouse.com>

Eclectics, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Scatter Creek Grill, Lucky Eagle Casino, (360) 273-2000, ext. 301

Breakfast With Santa, 8-10 a.m., Centralia Train Depot, donations will go to Toys for Tots, (360) 736-7671

Polar Express, Chehalis-Centralia Railroad, 1101 SW Sylvanus St., Chehalis, (360) 748-9593, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m., adults \$30, 3-15 years \$20, 2 and under ride in adult's lap for free, advance convenience fees apply, (360) 748-9593

The First & Final, 9 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, \$6, (360) 740-0492

Libraries

Snowflake Day, for all ages, all day, making paper snowflakes, Winlock

Bazaar Listings

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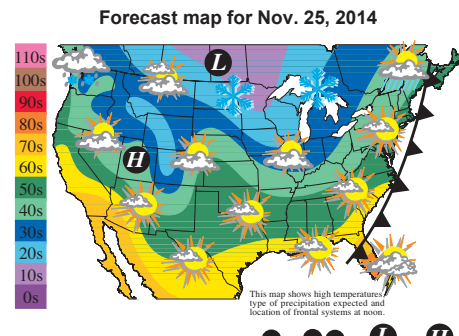
5-Day Forecast for the Lewis County Area

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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River Stages

Gauge	Flood Stage	24 hr. Change
Height at Mellen St.	65.0	+0.22
Skookumchuck at Pearl St.	85.0	-0.02
Cowlitz at Packwood	10.5	-0.04
Cowlitz at Randle	18.0	+0.01
Cowlitz at Mayfield Dam	---	+0.07

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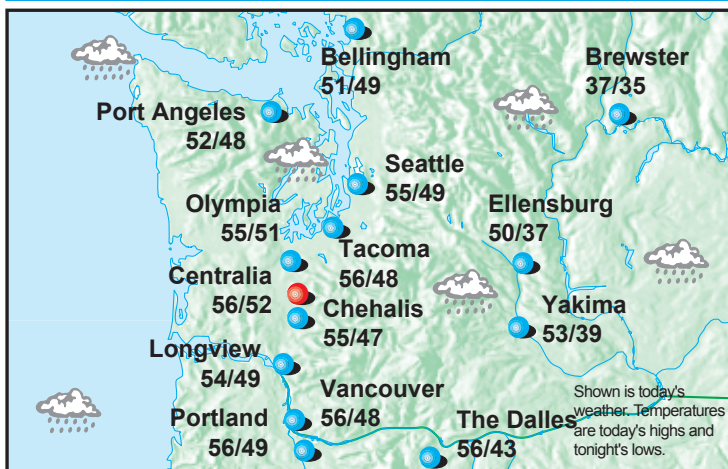
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Temperature
Yesterday's High 52
Yesterday's Low 43
Normal High 50
Normal Low 38
Record High 69 in 1949
Record Low 7 in 1985
Precipitation
Yesterday 0.00"
Month to date 3.50"
Normal month to date 5.73"
Year to date 37.37"
Normal year to date 38.57"

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Regional Weather



Regional Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Wed. Hi/Lo Wx	City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Wed. Hi/Lo Wx
Bremerton	55/51 ra	55/47 ra	Spokane	40/38 ra	48/33 ra
Ocean Shores	55/50 ra	55/48 ra	Tri Cities	57/46 ra	57/42 s
Olympia	55/51 ra	56/45 ra	Wenatchee	44/41 mc	50/34 ra

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 7:29 a.m.
Sunset tonight 4:28 p.m.
Moonrise 10:15 a.m.
Moonset 8:04 p.m.

Phase	Date
First	11/29
Full	12/6
Last	12/14
New	12/21

Pollen Forecast

Allergen	Today	Wednesday
Trees	None	None
Grass	None	None
Weeds	None	None
Mold	None	None

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Wed. Hi/Lo Wx	City	Today Hi/Lo Wx	Wed. Hi/Lo Wx
Baghdad	68/52 s	70/50 s	New Delhi	79/52 s	79/54 s
Beijing	46/28 pc	46/28 s	Paris	55/46 pc	57/48 cl
London	48/41 cl	52/48 cl	Rio de Janeiro	84/72 t	86/75 cl
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A home in which Patrick McNally and a team of volunteers from TransAlta installed a solar power system is seen on the second day of their two-week trip to Peru. The group, in conjunction with the Canadian nonprofit Light Up The World, helped bring sustainable energy to rural communities in the South American country.

Local TransAlta Employee Helps Bring Solar Power to Peru

CENTRALIA STEAM PLANT:
Patrick McNally One of Nine on Volunteer Trip

By Dameon Pesanti
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It's easy to forget how good it is to have electricity powering our refrigerators, heating our stoves and illuminating our light bulbs. In many parts of the world, electricity is a luxury still out of reach, but on a few parts of the globe things are starting to change with the help of a few TransAlta employees.

The company has recently partnered with the Canadian nonprofit Light Up The World to help bring sustainable energy to developing nations.

TransAlta, based in Canada and owner of the Centralia Steam Plant, donated money for projects in Peru and Guatemala.

According to Leanne Yoemas, of TransAlta, nine employees went to Peru for a two-week trip installing solar panels on houses in remote parts of the country. TransAlta paid their

wages as if they were still on the job, but every volunteer paid his or her own flight and had to apply with Light Up The World before being selected. Upon arrival, they were trained by Peruvian technicians. With the project completed, 32 homes now have power.

Patrick McNally, a mechanical engineer from Centralia, was one of the volunteers. He said the work took place in a rugged and remote part of the country about two miles above sea level. Because so much of the area was undeveloped, at one point it took five hours to cover just 120 miles of road.

Nearly everyone they served made their livings raising livestock or crops like potatoes. Most everyone McNally met lived meagerly. Poorer families lived in one-room shacks, as wealthier people maybe had a car and an outhouse.

"It was a very fulfilling experience, gave me a lot of perspective on the way we live," McNally said. "A high point for me was installing a system for a man

with cataracts. His only reaction was turning the lights on and off repeatedly. You could see he was just shocked."

McNally isn't an electrical engineer, but he said the systems were pretty straightforward to install.

Because the area is so isolated the solar panel systems have to last.

"They were very rugged, very transparent and very locally maintainable," McNally said.

Another group of volunteers will have the opportunity to go down and continue the project next year.

Other people who went this time around were office workers.

In the release, TransAlta's Chief Human Resources and Communications Officer Dawn de Lima said the trip is an opportunity to directly contribute to improving conditions for people



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A group of children pose for a picture at the Larcay School where Patrick McNally along with a group of nine other volunteers did an educational presentation with games and a short skit.

in other parts of the world.

"It (allows) our employees to see electricity at work first hand and, at the same time, help a

community create a service that will change their lives," she said.

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Comedian Chris Fairbanks Comes to Centralia

ONE ON ONE: *The Chronicle* Chats with Funnyman, Who Talks Career, Sense of Humor and More

By **Dameon Pesanti**
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Most comedy seems fairly predictable.

But Chris Fairbanks, at first blush, sounds like he only remembers about half of the notes he left somewhere backstage and is just rambling to fill time — hilariously. Everything about it seems completely unprepared, but it sounds really smart.

His act has some obviously planned transitions and one-liners but so much other material feels spontaneous it's hard to tell if he's got his script perfected or if he's just really, really good at improv.

Whatever the case, it works. As a stand-up comedian Fairbanks has appeared on Conan, Comedy Central's Premium Blend and Jimmy Kimmel Live. This Saturday at 7 p.m. he'll be performing at the Fox Theatre in Centralia. *The Chronicle* caught up with him via phone while he was in Los Angeles. His responses have been edited for space and clarity.

The Chronicle: It's great you're coming up to Centralia.

Fairbanks: I have yet to even promote the show. There are Portland people I can get to show up. That's one city where I feel like I've made my little imprint. I went through (Centralia) like five years ago one winter and the freeways were washing away.

The Chronicle: Yeah, this area is notorious for flooding. You grew up in Missoula, Montana, right? Did you start your stand-up career there?

Fairbanks: I was doing improv at a couple local bars there, then the girl I was dating and I moved to Austin, Texas. I'd been there as part of an improv group and saw a lot of dudes doing stand-up that weren't extraordinarily talented. Driving there I knew I was going to start doing stand-up. For the last 11 years I've been in L.A. For money I've been doing commercial acting, without deciding to become an actor.

The Chronicle: Is that transition a sign you've made it as a famous comedian?

Fairbanks: I don't know at what point you become a famous comedian. A lot of comics, even those you see on TV, will have day jobs. Now I realize being famous doesn't have to be the ultimate goal, I just want to be good at it. More recently I was



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Stand-up comedian Chris Fairbanks has appeared on Conan, Comedy Central's Premium Blend and Jimmy Kimmel Live. This Saturday at 7 p.m. he'll be performing at the Fox Theatre in Centralia.



Courtesy Photo

like, 'OK, I just want to become a full time stand-up comic and see how far I can take it.'

The Chronicle: You're pretty embedded in the L.A. comedy scene. Is it hard to keep your jokes from becoming too Hollywood-centric?

Fairbanks: That's something I figured out right away. I can't just be quirky and weird. I have to be mainstream so I can survive in a city like Indianapolis where people don't have sleeves on their shirts and they're looking at you a little bit confused. Do you think anyone there has a

Duck Dynasty tattoo?

The Chronicle: Um ... probably.

Fairbanks: Awesome. A couple weeks ago I was scared to do comedy in a town in Oklahoma with signs on the doors that say 'proudly gripping my gun and Bible.' But they weren't simple people; they just lived a simpler life. It's like being around certain family members of mine.

The Chronicle: Has your sense of humor evolved since you've been doing stand-up?

Fairbanks: That's the hardest part for me. I developed a style

early on where I'm a character doubting himself and making mistakes that aren't real mistakes. I noticed that comments and asides sometimes got more laughs than the actual jokes.

The Chronicle: So what does the future of your career look like?

Fairbanks: I haven't figured out a perfect answer to that. It sounds silly to say, 'I want a sitcom.'

The Chronicle: But isn't that what you want?

Fairbanks: Yeah, but that's what everyone coming to L.A. says — then they get three parking tickets, get fed up and move back to their parents in Minnesota.

The Chronicle: Well, at least you've got something to look forward to and you've had a pretty successful year to build off of — I mean, you were on Conan a while ago.

Fairbanks: Every time for me, you reach a high like that, you always expect it to go away. The highest point of this year was doing Conan, but immediately afterward I got in a horrible car wreck and I was in bed for months. It was like 20 minutes after I left the studio. That's life and how I look at it, as soon as everything's good I'm like 'OK, when's everything getting taken away?'

The Chronicle: Well, the Fox isn't Conan, so hopefully you'll make it back to L.A. alright.

Fairbanks: Yeah, I'm looking forward to doing stand-up there. It'll be fun.

Pre-sale tickets are available online at hubcitycomedy.com for \$15 each. They will cost \$18 at the door.

Canvassing Board to Recount Assessor Vote Monday

By *The Chronicle*

The Lewis County Canvassing Board, members of the public responsible for tabulating vote totals in elections, will meet Monday morning, Dec. 1, at 9 a.m. to begin the recount of the votes in the race for Lewis County assessor.

The recount is necessary due to the margin of victory in the general election, in which incumbent Dianne Dorey holds a 29-vote lead over challenger Candy Hallom.



Dianne Dorey
incumbent



Candy Hallom
challenger

The recount is an official public meeting during which observers can be present. According to state law, observers in prioritized order include the following: candidates involved in the race being recounted or their designated representatives, legal counsel for a candidate, designated party observers, members of the media and the general public.

Observers cannot make a note or record of any information contained on the ballots,

such as names, addresses or declarations unless authorized by the Lewis County Superior Court. Additionally, Secretary of State Kim Wyman or Auditor Gary Zandell can limit observers to no fewer than two on each side if they believe more people being present could delay or disrupt the recount process.

The meeting of the Lewis County Canvassing Board begins at 9 a.m. Monday in the WSU Extension Meeting Room in the Lewis County Courthouse, 351 NW North St.

The meeting will continue, with adjournments as necessary, until all votes cast in the race are recounted manually and Zandell certifies the results.

News in Brief

Chehalis Council Approves Contract for Arkansas Way

By *The Chronicle*

The Chehalis City Council approved a civil engineering contract to begin the Arkansas Way extension project Monday. The road will be extended east from Louisiana Avenue.

The city of Chehalis and Lewis County plan to enter into an agreement for a \$400,000 loan and grant of equal value under the Distressed Counties Fund. The monies will be used to complete the extension of Arkansas Way to allow for more development of airport commercial properties.

The city will enter a \$111,000 contract with the firm RB Engineering for the project's design.

The firm expects the design project to take five months with construction ending on October 2015.

Bremerton Shipyard to Hire 850

BREMERTON (AP) — The Puget Sound Naval Shipyard plans to hire 850 helpers — an entry-level position that allows workers to advance in production trades.

The Kitsap Sun reports this is the third round of hiring in the past year that has already boosted the workforce at the Bremerton shipyard to nearly 12,000.

Starting pay for helpers is \$15.27 an hour. They also participate in a development program. About 85 percent of apprentice workers started out as helpers.

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Business Profiles, Permits, Briefs and More

Mega Arms Makes New Home in Centralia

HEAVY FIREPOWER:
Company's Creations Include Upper and Lower Receivers for AR-15, .308-Caliber Rifles

By Kaylee Osowski
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Firearm component producer Mega Arms is at 100 percent production at its new location in Centralia.

Mega Arms began production about one month ago after moving from its previous location in Tumwater. In Tumwater, Mega Arms shared a building with Mega Machine Shop, a welding, fabricating, milling and laser cutting company.

Mega Arms firearms manager Jason Curns said separating the two companies allows them to grow, which is already happening for both, he said.

He said Mega Arms wanted to move to Lewis County because the taxes are lower. The company acquired the building on 3507 Northpark Drive in May, and Curns said the city and community have been supportive and welcoming.

The company makes 25 to 30 different variations of its products including upper and lower receivers for AR-15 and .308-caliber rifles.

"We seem to be adding more every day," Curns said.

Mega Arms regularly works to upgrade its products and creates new ones like a Slide Lock charging ambidextrous handle that it will be releasing next

month. Curns said it simplifies the product so it doesn't have moving parts or a latch to pull.

"We always stay fresh in the industry," he said.

Another product Curns noted is Mega Arms' Megalithic Tactical System upper receiver that is compatible with more variations in the .308-caliber platform than any other in the market.

Currently, Mega Arms employs about 20 people who were working at the Tumwater location. Curns said the company is also interviewing people for two entry-level machinist positions.

New machinists train for three months.

"We care enough about our products to give the best training we see fit," Curns said.

All of Mega Arms' products spend about the same amount of time being forged in machines as they do being hand-worked by employees. They are also tested by employees and machines by pins at more than 200 points of check per part, and a part with any sort of blemish is destroyed, Curns said.

Mega Arms produces about 1,000 lower receivers and 800 upper receivers in a month.

The company also does custom products — including full rifles. Curns said patrol rifles for the Tumwater Police Department are nearly ready to be handed over to the department. He said he is in talks with two Lewis County law agencies about doing some contract work for them.

Mega Arms products are sold all over the U.S. with about



Mike Leavitt, a quality control expert at Mega Arms, inspects the company's Specter Light AR-15 assault rifles on Tuesday afternoon at their facility in Centralia.

95 percent or more going to commercial federal firearms license holders. Curns said the company doesn't export its products; they're made by Americans for Americans.

"(We) feel like our product belongs on our soil," Curns said.

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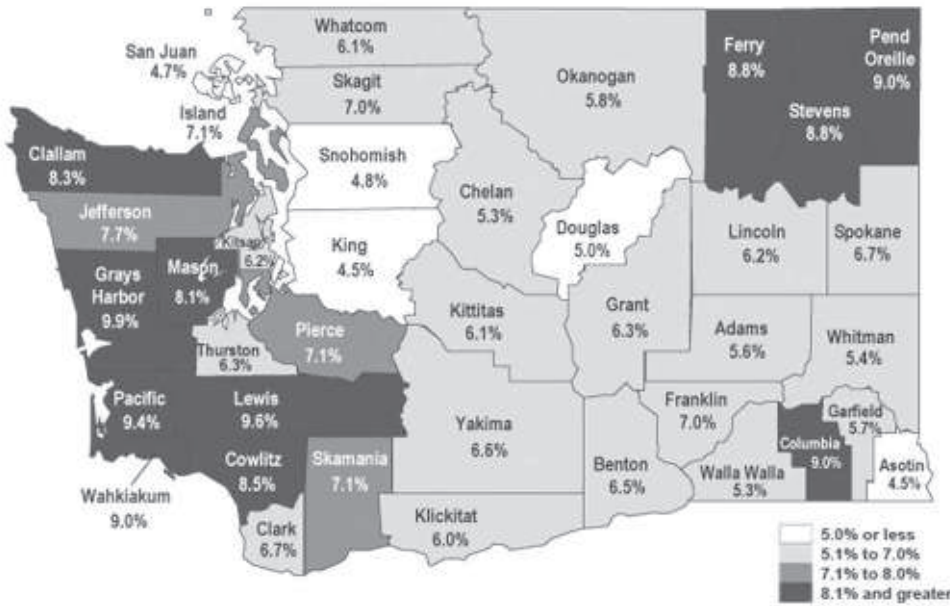
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Dozens of lower receivers sit on a table at Mega Arms' Centralia facility on Tuesday afternoon.

Unemployment Rate Jumps in Lewis County

October 2014 unemployment rates
Preliminary statewide rate 6.0%, seasonally adjusted
Preliminary statewide rate 5.8%, not seasonally adjusted
County rates not seasonally adjusted



9.6 PERCENT: Jobless Rate Remains Second-Highest in Washington; Only Grays Harbor Higher at 9.9 Percent

By Christopher Brewer
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The seasonal jump in unemployment appears to be hitting Lewis County and the surrounding areas with equal force, although it's not as powerful as in previous years.

The Washington State Employment Security Department reported Tuesday that Lewis County's unemployment rate jumped to 9.6 percent in Octo-

ber from a revised figure of 8.1 percent in September. It's a half-percentage point better than last October's unemployment rate of 10.1 percent, but Lewis County still maintains the state's second-worst jobless figure.

Employment Security reported that the total number of people working in Lewis County dropped slightly from 25,780 to 25,600 — a net loss of 180 jobs total. The total labor force grew while fewer people held down steady work, leading to the rise in unemployment rate. Lewis County's labor force as of October was an estimated 28,310, compared to 28,050 in September.

In September 2,270 people

were unemployed, but in October 440 more people found themselves without work.

Notably, the labor force in Lewis County was larger last October than this year by 130 more people, with only 25,560 people employed.

Unemployment is defined by the state as people who are seeking work and receiving benefits while doing so.

In Lewis County, October marks the seventh straight month the unemployment rate has stayed below the 10 percent mark, with the last over-10 percent jobless rate coming in March with 10.6 percent.

Data breaking down each job sector's gains and losses was

unavailable on the Employment Security Department website Tuesday afternoon.

Meanwhile, Grays Harbor County maintains the unenviable position of having the state's worst unemployment rate, checking in at 9.9 percent. The county which is home to Aberdeen, Hoquiam and Cosmopolis saw its labor force grow by 470 people from 27,080 to 27,550 from September to October. The total number of people employed dropped by 190, from 10,630 to 10,440.

Grays Harbor County saw its unemployment rate drop from an October 2013 figure of 10.9 percent.

Even areas with much lower

unemployment rates felt the beginning of the seasonal bump, with prime evidence of such being Thurston County, which maintains one of the state's lower jobless rates. A September figure of 5.4 percent unemployment rose nearly a full point to 6.3 percent last month, with their labor force growing while the number of employed people in the county took a slight dive.

Washington state as a whole saw its jobless rate jump slightly month over month from 5.4 percent in September to 5.8 percent in October. Washington state's labor force and unemployment base both rose from the previous month, Employment Security reported.

Business in Brief

worked in economics and corporate planning at two Fortune 500 companies. Conerly also co-authored Thinking Economics, a high school economics curriculum used in 34 states. He is also a chairman of the board of Cascade Policy Institute and a member of Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber's Council of Economic Advisors.

Other sessions throughout the day include networking opportunities, breakout sessions and a regional economic vitality index panel that includes Lewis EDC Executive Director Matt

Matayoshi and several other area EDC directors.

Cost for the event is \$75 per guest, which includes breakfast and lunch. Cost for a table of eight guests is \$560.

The event is co-sponsored by the economic development councils in five counties: Thurston, Lewis, Pacific, Grays Harbor and Mason. For more information on the event or to sign up, visit www.regionalinnovation-expo.com.

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Regional Economic Forecast And Innovation Expo Coming To Great Wolf Lodge

By The Chronicle
The Lewis Economic Development Council is taking part in the fifth annual Regional Economic Forecast and Innovation Expo, to be held at Great Wolf Lodge Dec. 11.

The event includes an economic forecast from consultant Bill Conerly, who in the past served as senior vice president at First Interstate Bank and

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Centerville Western Store sales associate Tricia McNutt puts new cowboy boots a the shelf at the Centralia store on Tuesday evening.

Area Stores Prepare for Black Friday

THE PRESSURE IS ON: *With the Largest Shopping Day Just Around the Corner, Stores Get Ready for Rush of Shoppers*

By Justyna Tomtas
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As people finish up their Thanksgiving meals and top off their day with some pumpkin pie, some would think it was time to relax, but, with once-a-year deals looming, many area residents will instead be gearing up for the largest shopping day of the year.

Black Friday offers some of the best deals of the year and kicks the holiday shopping season into gear. Some local businesses have been preparing for months, while others like Centerville Western Store in Centralia have yet to reveal what their biggest deal of the night will be.

Renate Johnson, marketing and property manager of the Centralia Outlets, said the stores just off Interstate 5 have stayed busy with preparations.

A few weeks ago the holiday decorating began and now with the trimmings in place, Johnson said the outlet stores are switching focus to their Moonlight Madness specials. The Centralia Outlets will be opening up at 10 p.m. on Thanksgiving night, a

time when Johnson said families already have long finished their meals. Many of the stores will stay open until at least 3 a.m., with some of the businesses stretching their hours through Friday night.

Special sales and promotions will be paired with retail discounted prices of up to 70 percent off.

Johnson said Black Friday is one of the most fun nights of the year, with a palpable energy felt from most of the customers.

She said that unlike some of the bigger megastores, the Centralia Outlets offer a large variety of deals, many of them without restrictive limits on the quantity that can be handed out. She still encourages people to get involved with the action early to ensure that their sizes and selections are available to them, but overall Johnson said the customers should have fun.

The work began for the outlets as early as October when many of the stores began deciding what sales and promotions would be held. For other local stores, like Shop'n Kart, work began in August and September.

Department Manager Sonja Raichl said a grocery store tends to get a different response than many of the retail stores. This year the store decided to offer Black Friday deals which started in the beginning of November

and stretch through the end of the year.

The new strategy, which debuted this year, aims to increase specials for the customers. Typically on Black Friday, the store sees a steady stream of people who pick up little items throughout the day, said Raichl. The store has never successfully capitalized off of a Black Friday rush because customers are typically more concerned with discounted big screen televisions than a loaf of bread.

However, the work remains the same, with plenty of preparations taking place before the event.

"Our main focus is we just really are thankful for the customers we have and encourage everyone to shop local," Raichl said.

The Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce lends a helping hand to those wanting to shop in the area by handing out 250 Shopping Survival Kits in the early morning hours of Black Friday. Chamber members give out the bags at 4 a.m. at the chamber office, which are stuffed full of coupons, random gift cards to area merchants and special prizes.

The goal is to encourage people to shop local, and the bag will have fliers and coupons with different specials people can expect at local businesses.

"While we are realists and

realize not everything can be bought local, we want them to shop local first," said Chamber Executive Director Alicia Bull. "It brings money into the local economy."

She said it not only helps the businesses, but it also helps area consumers who are shopping on a budget, allowing them to find the most bang for their buck.

No matter how a business prepares, one thing is for certain: Black Friday will bring in throngs of people excited to snag the best deals of the year.

SALES INFO

To find out more about specific sales going on at the Centralia Outlets, check out its website at www.centraliafactoryoutlet.com.

Those interested in picking up a Shopping Survival Kit can go to the Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce office located at 500 NW Chamber of Commerce Way in Chehalis.

Shop Small, Win Big on Saturday

By The Chronicle

Small Business Saturday gives area shops a chance to offer deals and prizes to their customers without having to compete with large megastores for Black Friday deals. Shoppers in Centralia can reap the savings at small businesses, where in-store sales and specials will be offered. Twenty-five boutique shops and eateries have teamed up in downtown Centralia to offer a bundle of gift cards to two selected customers.

The event will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday and shoppers will have to look for the "Shop Small — Win Big" sign in the window of participating businesses. Each of the businesses will have a

small box with a "Shop Small" tag, where customers can enter to win the gift certificate bundle.

"The more you shop small, the more chance you have to win big," Rebecca Staebler, owner of the gift boutique HUBBUB, said in a press release.

This is the second annual event for downtown Centralia. Staebler said the activity is similar to other events held across the country on the Saturday following Black Friday.

"It's a day to celebrate the small businesses that make our community great, and have a relaxing and enjoyable shopping experience," she said.

Saturday will also be the start of "Name that (Holiday) Tune"

window displays where businesses throughout the downtown corridor will decorate their windows, depicting a theme of a holiday song.

Staebler said the challenge is to guess which song. Game forms can be picked up from any business displaying the green music note and sign in their window. Those who vote will have the opportunity to pick their favorite and can also win a basket of prizes from participating businesses.

For more information on both activities, or other holiday events, check out the Facebook page "Downtown Centralia - What's Happening."

News in Brief

Onalaska Woman Airlifted from Accident

By The Chronicle

A woman was ejected from her vehicle and lifeflighted to Harborview Medical Center in

Seattle following an accident at 5:38 p.m. Tuesday.

Donna Marker, 51, of Onalaska was traveling eastbound on State Route 508 west of Gish Road 4.5 miles east of Napavine when she went off the roadway.

Marker drifted into the west-

bound ditch, struck a power pole and then rolled the black 2014 Ford Fusion. The car was totaled.

Drugs or alcohol are believed to have been a factor in the wreck, according to Washington State Patrol. Charges are pending.

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'Wish List' a Chance to Make a Difference

In many cases, they're essential items many would take for granted.

For others, they're a few simple luxuries that cannot be afforded without help from strangers.

Whether it's coffee and slippers or medication and a hospital bed, the requests all carry the ability of changing the countenance and outlook for local seniors who comprise the Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging's annual Wish List.

The requests, printed in today's newspaper, tell stories by themselves.

A man in his 50s who is un-

Our Views

able to come to town on his own is looking for some caffeinated relief in the form of Folgers coffee. A woman in her 70s who lives alone has no way to heat her home aside from a stove, and she's in need of wood.

Then there's a woman in her 60s who wants nothing more than games that will help her exercise her brain as she lives alone. Why? Because she has the beginning stages of Alzheimer's disease, and she hopes improving her memory now will help her hold on to it later.

The requests can be emotionally overwhelming to read, bringing to the surface memories of our own loved ones who suddenly lost the physical, mental or financial ability to care for themselves in the latter stages of life.

The Wish List reminds us of the fragility of life, the value for compassion and the joy of giving to those who are truly in need during a time of year dedicated to such values as generosity and thankfulness.

This is your chance to act on those sentiments.

The Area Agency on Aging helps vulnerable adults, many

of whom have severe impairments that limit their ability to operate as most do. The agency helps connect them with social and health resources in the community throughout the year. Most of the clients have minimal incomes, and many are without family or friends.

While the agency does an incredible job of carrying out its mission, there are some requests that exceed the capabilities of the group.

That's where citizens such as you come in.

Take a look at the Wish List and see if there is a need you can meet. Call the agency at (360)

748-2524, ext. 101, to make sure someone else hasn't already served the client. From there, simply purchase the goods and plan to drop them off by the deadlines listed in today's story to make sure they arrive in time for Christmas.

The Lewis County area is one defined by its neighborliness and collective generosity. It's a place where we rally to help one another in shared natural disasters and personal crises.

Make this a holiday season to remember, both for yourself and the person who will benefit from your kindness and compassion.

COMMENTARY: VanTuyl's Views

Power Rankings: The 12 Lewis County Labors of Hercules

I was watching a horrible movie based loosely on Hercules the other night. It was so bad, in fact, that rather than pay attention I looked up the actual 12 labors of Hercules, which for some reason were never mentioned in the movie.

One thing led to another, and soon I was wondering how Hercules would have been punished for his transgressions (according to Greek mythology, he was tricked into slaying his family in a fit of madness) had he lived in present-day Lewis County.

The realistic answer, of course, is that such a heinous crime would be punished by life in prison — as it should be. Removing that from the equation, however, and supposing he committed a more stomachable, outlandish crime — selling legal marijuana within the city limits of a town still dead-set against such nonsense, perhaps — how would a creative judge punish young Hercules? Here's a list of Hercules' Lewis County labors.

1. HATCH THE WINLOCK EGG. Our hero would need strength and cunning to bring to life whatever may be incubating within the confines of the world's largest egg. Or just the world's largest electric blanket.

2. CLEAN VIC BONAGOFSKI'S LOT. The county has already taken care of this, at a great expense of time and resources. Our hero, however, would be tasked with the same chore and given only a day to complete it. Following the legend, he would most likely re-route the Chehalis River to run through the lot, sweeping away years of hard-collected debris in a single afternoon and leaving, instead, a junk-free mud hole and even greater flood concerns.

3. FIX FLOODING. Would he build a dam? Dredge the rivers? Ask folks to stop building in the flood plain? Stick buoys along the bottom of every home and attach them to pilings? Put a canopy over the entirety of Lewis County, funneling all of our precipitation directly into Cowlitz County?

4. SINGLEHANDEDLY WIN THE LEWIS COUNTY KNOWLEDGE BOWL FOR LITERACY. Could a team of one win the Twin Cities' ultimate test of intelligence? Given that The Chronicle's editorial team took home the trophy last March, it's actually quite likely a team of

children could pull it off.

5. SPEED THROUGH NAPAVINE WITHOUT BEING TICKETED. Any real Lewis County driver knows, there's no place more dangerous to disobey the speed limit than Napavine. Our hero would need a Smokey and the Bandit situation to get through town without seeing the blue lights in his rearview.

6. END THE MARIJUANA MORATORIUM IN ALL OF LEWIS COUNTY'S INCORPORATED CITIES. He would have to run for office and sway the vote from the inside out, and I can't think of a single politician who would be able to out-campaign the great, tireless Hercules for a council seat. Sure, his criminal record — which got him into the debacle in the first place — would be a bit detrimental, but he'd be a huge hit with the female constituents.

7. BRING ABOUT A RENOVATION OF CENTRALIA HIGH SCHOOL. Voters in the Hub City have been turning down the school district's request for a bond to build a new high school for years. This task would require determination, wisdom and propaganda — although, in the end, our hero would likely just use his strength to demolish the building when no one was looking, forcing the district's insurance to cover the cost of a new school under the "act of demigod" clause.

8. CAPTURE A SASQUATCH. The easiest way to catch the loneliest of fabled creatures, obviously, would be for our hero to dress up like a female Bigfoot, douse himself in cheap perfume and head out to the woods with a bottle of Boone's Farm.

9. FLY THE YARD BIRD. How would our hero get the bird airborne? Simple: Hollow it out until all that remains is the bird-shaped facade, and ignite a gas burner under its belly. Once the air inside gets hot enough, the bird will take off, checking off one more of the labors and creating an unfortunate mess for the owner of whatever property the bird came to rest upon.

10. RID CENTRALIA OF FERAL CATS ONCE AND FOR ALL. It's hard to say which approach he'll take. There's the guerrilla warfare theory, in which he'd pick the felines off one by one, using everything from poison to pointed sticks. More likely, however, he'd opt for the one-night free-for-all: leave a massive Dumpster full of food scraps and Fancy Feast in downtown with the lid open, wait until the cats were all inside,

and then close the lid and pack the cat box off to, say, Chewelah or something.

11. BRING RUBY CREEK WOLF 47 TO WOLF HAVEN. RCW 47 made headlines for evading capture despite a tracking device, and becoming too friendly with Spokane's domestic dogs. Hercules would have to track the carousing canine day and night, through doghouses in disarray and abandoned-barn hideouts, sniffing warm piles of poop ("He was here! I know it!") and questioning stubborn but jilted housepets as to whether or not they'd been in contact with the wolf. "Have you seen this wolf? Answer me!" he'd shout at shifty German shepherds and bored dalmatians alike, holding up a black-and-white photograph of the grinning lothario and slapping his hand on tables in makeshift interrogation kennels. Finally, after weeks of tracking, he'd catch RCW 47 — the Barefoot Bandit of the Pacific Northwest animal kingdom — and slap a leash on him, offering him one last cigarette before hauling him off to Wolf Haven in Tenino.

12. PAINT OVER ALL OF CENTRALIA'S GRAFFITI. A sad, tedious task, to be sure, and one that would certainly drive a lesser man mad. Hercules, though, would likely be able to pretend he was having the time of his life painting and, through sheer charisma and the power of sheer subliminal messaging, convince anyone that passed him by that he was having the time of his life. Before long everyone would be convinced that painting over random insults and gang messages was a blast, and the job would be done in no time — with our hero merely supervising from afar. (Note: Yes, I realize I'm pulling from Tom Sawyer, and not Greek mythology, at this point. This list has 12 items on it. They can't all be winners.)

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COMMENTARY: Jay Inslee and Patrick Connor

Join Us for a March on Main Street This Saturday

We're calling on all Washingtonians to join us for a March on Main Street, Saturday, November 29.

The cause: A better economy, longer-than-seasonal employment opportunities and tighter-knit communities — all of which are the bedrock of a vibrant society. And all it takes to accomplish these goals is for each of us to spend more of our money with the small businesses lining the Main Streets of our state.

Everyone is familiar with Black Friday, the post-Thanksgiving gift shopping frenzy, when masses of people converge on shopping malls, raising their stress levels and blood pressure. But if you were to save some of your holiday shopping and energy for Small Business Saturday, you would be doing much more not only for your own health, but also for our state's economy.

Begun in 2010, the campaign to shop small has yielded big dividends for America's and Washington state's economy. Last year, shoppers spent \$5.7 billion at locally-owned shops and restaurants on Small Business Saturday, according to a survey conducted by American Express and the National Federation of Independent Business. And last year's total marked a 3.6 percent increase over the previous year.

This same survey indicates that on average, shoppers estimate nearly one-third of their holiday shopping will be done at small businesses. Additional benefits to shopping Main Street speak to the importance of community:

- Nearly all (94 percent) of U.S. consumers say that shopping at small businesses makes them "feel good."
- Two-thirds (66 percent) of consumers say the main reason they patronize small businesses

is because they value the contributions the business makes to their community.

- More than half (57 percent) say they know one or more of their local small-business owners personally.

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According to the U.S. Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy, Washington's small businesses employed over half — or 1.2 million — of the state's private workforce in 2011. Almost all firms with employees are small. They make up 98 percent of all employers in the state.

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- You help small businesses plant lasting roots in your community. Some small-business owners cut their own salaries to keep their full complement of employees. Others have dipped into savings or taken out second mortgages to keep their doors open, or to avoid cutting back employee hours. Shopping local infuses these businesses with cash to keep their doors open.

Of course big box stores stock items that Main Street shops don't, but you might be surprised at the variety of items that Main Street stores provide.

So how about starting a new shopping tradition this year? Don't go all out on Black Friday. Spread the holiday cheer by shopping small on Main Street on Small Business Saturday. This new trend will benefit everyone.

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Records

Sirens, Court Records, Lotteries, Commodities

Sirens

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL Man Injured, Charged in Interstate Accident

A Kelso man was transported to Centralia Providence Hospital after a one-car crash on Interstate 5 at milepost 72 when his vehicle left the roadway. Chad R. Fredricks, 29, was traveling south in a red 1995 Subaru Legacy at about 6:24 a.m. on Tuesday when he attempted to change lanes and left the road to the right. The car crossed the offramp to Rush Road about four miles south of Chehalis and came to a stop in a grass field. The Subaru was totaled. The cause of the crash was determined to be inattention and Fredricks was charged with second-degree negligent driving.

CENTRALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT Scooter Stolen

Police received a report of a gas scooter stolen from the 1100 block of F Street in Centralia at 8:48 a.m. on Monday.

Tools Stolen

A victim reported someone broke into her garage and stole various tools in the 1400 block of Lum Road in Centralia at 10:08 a.m. on Monday.

Wanted for Eluding

A 24-year-old Centralia man is wanted for felony eluding. Ronald A. Yeager Jr. allegedly fled from police on a motorcycle in the 200 block of Downing

Road in Centralia at 1:21 p.m. on Monday. He allegedly drove through yards and on the railroad track to avoid arrest.

Felon with Firearm

Police arrested Spencer R. Barney, 26, of Centralia for an outstanding warrant and being a felon possessing a firearm. He was arrested in the 200 block of East Summa Street in Centralia at 8:23 p.m. on Monday.

Domestic Violence

Cory T. Kihn, 29, of Centralia was arrested in the 3500 block of Russell Road in Centralia at 10:56 p.m. on Monday. He was booked into the Lewis County Jail for fourth-degree assault domestic violence and third-degree malicious mischief do-

mestic violence.

Stolen Gun Possession

Police arrested Byron T. Bullard, 31, of Olympia, for possession of a stolen gun and suspicion of driving under the influence in the 1800 block of Harrison Avenue in Centralia at 2:06 a.m. on Tuesday. He was booked into the Lewis County Jail.

Unlocked Car Stolen

A victim in the 400 block of North Tower Avenue in Centralia reported a 2001 silver Honda Civic stolen in the early morning hours Tuesday. The vehicle was reportedly unlocked with the keys inside.

Can City of McCleary Afford Its Police?

By Steven Friederich

The Vidette

More than 50 residents packed the McCleary City Council meeting Nov. 19 to hear debate about the future of the McCleary Police Department. There were so many people, it was standing-room only and attendees had to pack the hallways in order to listen.

Last month, McCleary Mayor Gary Dent introduced a \$923,399 operating budget, which keeps the three-man police force intact.

But Councilman Jeff Catterlin and Councilman Brent Schiller continued to call the budget into question because, instead of relying on cuts, the mayor uses \$140,000 out of the city's \$180,000 in reserves — a fund built up in previous years by transfers to the power fund, which the State Auditor had called into question. At this point, Catterlin and Schiller have the support of Councilman Larry Peterson, who also wants to take another look at the numbers.

Dent was absent from the council meeting. No action was taken. The budget discussion will continue at 7 p.m., Dec. 3 at McCleary City Hall.

Holding up a chart showing that the lion's share of the city's budget is spent on law enforcement, Catterlin says the city has no choice but to contract out police services to the Sheriff's Office. The council had previously authorized Catterlin and Peterson to start negotiations with the sheriff, which is set to happen in the coming days.

"The mayor has just proposed \$22,000 in cuts and the rest of the money in his budget comes out of beginning cash," Catterlin told the crowd. "That will leave us in a disastrous position. ... You don't run a fund completely dry."

"Why are you singling us out?"

challenged McCleary Police Officer John Graham, noting this year's budget had already laid off a police officer and took hours away from the police clerk.

Graham, an officer for 17 years, added that McCleary officers are some of the lowest paid in the county and there are plenty of other city employees making much more money.

Schiller pointed out that it didn't matter how many power and light or public works employees could be cut because those workers are paid out of a separate fund. The fund that is practically broke is the general operating fund, which pays for the police department.

"I'm worried about the fiscal solvency of this city," Catterlin said. "The town is dying and decaying."

The mayor's budget actually increases the budget for local police services from \$533,820 budgeted last year to \$545,509 this year, adding hours to the police clerk's position, which had technically been eliminated last year, although she remained on staff doing a few hours of work. The budget also increases the retirement costs for a retired police officer, who needs in-home care.

Peterson asked Chief George Crumb if he had any ideas for cuts. Crumb said he had proposed a 10 percent cut to his budget, which the mayor chose not to take. The chief noted that if the city were to lay off another police officer, it would leave the city in an impossible situation to cover police services for the city.

"Nothing else can be cut from current expense," Catterlin told the chief. "Everything else has been cut down to nothing. We are between a rock and a hard place and we have to make a decision."

During public comment, Tom Hawkins told the council that by contracting out police services, "It's selling a little bit of our town. ... We are a com-

munity. Unfortunately, this community has been torn apart. What's next? Sell the fire department to Elma?"

Several other residents also spoke up to keep the police department intact.

But McCleary resident Gary Atkins pointed out that there really is nowhere else that can deal with more cuts in the city budget at this point.

"I don't see the police officers asking for a pay cut to keep their jobs," Atkins said.

Several residents said they came to the meeting after seeing brochures that were handed out at the post office and elsewhere.

The letter, signed by Citizens for Local Police, alleged that police response times could take longer, local patrol hours may decrease dramatically, "McCleary Grade School safety could be compromised, crime will more than likely increase because of a lack of police ... and your personal safety could be compromised."

"Save the police before it's too (sic) late," the sheet states. "Come tell your council how you feel!"

Death Notices

KENNA F. COLTON, 91, of Centralia, passed away on November 24, 2014 at Providence Centralia Hospital. A private interment will take place at Alpha Cemetery in Onalaska. Arrangements under the direction of Sticklin Funeral Chapel in Centralia.

Lotteries

Washington's Monday Games

Lotto: 08-14-24-26-38-49
Next jackpot: \$1.1 million
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Commodities

Gas in Washington — \$3.09 (AAA of Washington)
Crude Oil — \$74.21 per barrel (CME Group)
Gold — \$1,197 (Monex)
Silver — \$16.52 (Monex)

Crime Stoppers of Lewis County

Theft in Packwood

Crime Stoppers of Lewis County and the Lewis County Sheriff's Office are seeking your assistance in a burglary investigation. Between noon and 12:15 p.m. on Aug. 30, someone entered a shop building in the 800 block of Cannon Road, Packwood, then stole two Honda 2000i generators.

The approximate value is estimated at over \$ 2,000.



If you have information about the location of this property or the person responsible, don't delay. Call right away. Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information leading to the clearance of this crime. Call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-748-6422 or report online at www.lewiscountycrimestoppers.org. Remember, you never have to leave your name. Tipsters 3549, 3598, 3602, 3603, 3609, 3610, 3613, please call Crime Stoppers for reward information.

Public Service Announcement

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By The Chronicle

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Do not e-mail attachments such as Word documents or PDFs. Attachments will not be opened. Write information directly in the body of the e-mail.

In Remembrance

DELORES M. RICE

Delores M. Rice of Chehalis, Washington passed away Nov. 13, 2014.

She was born to WM. Lyons (Bill) and Maggie Lyons on Feb. 28, 1932 at Callaway, Nebraska. Delores was one of 14 children.

Delores Lyons married Loyal O. Rice (Sonny) on April 8, 1950 in Onalaska, Washington. She was preceded in death by

her husband, Loyal.

Delores is survived by six siblings, three children, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date.

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

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In Remembrance

LEONARD (AMOS) LAWTON



Leonard "Amos" Lawton entered eternal life at the age of 81, on Friday, Nov. 21, 2014, at home with his family. He entered this life on Nov. 19, 1933 in Rainier, Washington to Leonard Lewis Lawton and Elsie May (nee Crimmins).

He is preceded in death by his parents; son, Leonard Amos Jr.; daughter, Geri Lynn;

grandson; daughter -in-law; six sisters; and three brothers.

He is survived by wife, Daisy (nee Heath) of 61 years; two sons, Terry (Cathy) of Adna, Timothy of Centralia; one daughter, Christine of Santa Ana, California; eight grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; a sister, Myrtle Kinney of Yelm; three brothers, Leon of Chehalis, Donald of Olympia and Ronald of Tumwater; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was baptized at Emanuel Lutheran Church, Yelm, Washington in June 1953 where he was a member until moving to Adna and joining Peace Lutheran Church, Chehalis in 2002. Amos graduated from Yelm High School in 1955 and later was on the city council for eight years. He was a truck driver for

40 years, dairy farmer and also enjoyed raising cattle.

Services will be Saturday, Nov. 29, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1209 N. Scheuber Road, Centralia, WA 98531. Service is under the direction of Stickland Funeral Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Peace Lutheran Church building fund or Providence Sound Home Care and Hospice.

Amos will be cremated and his remains will be interred at Mills and Mills Cemetery in Tumwater, WA 98512.

The family so appreciated the loving care he received from hospice and from his Pastor Daniel Freeman.

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

Sports

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2B Football

REDUX IN THE DOME

Napavine vs. Toledo State 2B Semifinals Friday, 4 p.m., Tacoma



Pete Caster / pcaster@chronline.com

Napavine's Cole Doughty (left) tries to break a tackle from Toledo's Grant McEwen (right) on Oct. 10 in Napavine. The Tigers won that game, 36-6, but the teams play again Friday in the State 2B semifinals in the Tacoma Dome.

SEMIFINALS: Toledo Trying to Avenge Week 6 Loss on Big Stage Against Top-Ranked Tigers

By Aaron VanTuyl
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The stage is bigger and the stakes are higher, but the players on the field have already met this season.

The big question will be whether or not Toledo can make Friday's State 2B football semifinal against Napavine closer than the teams' first meeting.

The Tigers, ranked No. 2 in the state at the time, beat Toledo, ranked No. 4 at the time, 36-6 back on Oct. 10 in Napavine. The rematch starts Friday afternoon at 4 p.m. under the bright lights and massive bleachers in the Tacoma Dome, with a spot

in the state championship game on the line.

That Week 6 matchup wasn't the Indians' best showing, according to coach Jeremy Thibault. Toledo (11-1) managed just 63 yards on the ground, its lowest output of the season by a wide margin.

"They're big and physical, and when we were bad, we missed blocks, we didn't block, the running backs missed holes,

we overthrew wide receivers, and when we threw it to them we dropped 'em," Thibault said. "Everything that could go wrong went wrong. And that's us playing bad, and them being good, too."

The Tigers (11-0, ranked No. 1) have been good against everyone, winning their first two state playoff games by a combined score of 108-10. Aside from a 39-21 win over Adna — in which

they were missing starting quarterback Wyatt Stanley — no one's come within 20 points of Napavine.

The Toledo game was one in a string of solid performances; 132 rushing yards, 180 passing yards, no interceptions and no lost fumbles.

"We didn't make a lot of mistakes. That was probably the key

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College Basketball

Numbers Favor Trailblazer Men in 2014-15 Campaign

By Brandon Hansen
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The bench at Centralia College is mighty crowded this season but it looks like no one is going to sit for too long. With 13 players listed on the roster, the ranks for the Trailblazers have swelled from recent years as the Hub City squad eyes a return to the NWAC Tournament after missing the playoffs last season.

"We're gonna be solid in our depth play," Centralia coach Jason Moir said. "It's just a matter of finding the right combination throughout the game and making some things happen."

The Trailblazers finished seventh in the NWAC West

Division last year with a 5-11 league record, but there are several reasons to think they'll improve.

First, Centralia returns 6-foot-3 sharpshooter Zach Carras after the sophomore from Olympia missed most of last year to injury.

"He got a medical redshirt so he's basically a third-year guy," Moir said. "He's going to bring a lot to the team and he's going to be able to spread things out on offense."

Carras led the NWAC in 3-point percentage and was averaging 18 points per game last year before his injury, Moir said. Opposing defenses will also have their hands full with the second reason Centralia College

is on the rise: sophomore guard Calvin Edwards, a Kent-Meridian product.

"He's probably one of the more just flat-out athletic scoring guards," Moir said. "He stepped up last year to be our leading scorer and now he'll be back in the role of a facilitator and he'll score when we need him too."

Edwards seemingly did it all for the Trailblazers last year, averaging 16.6 points a game and was fifth in the NWAC with 2.25 steals per game. He dished off 3.5 assists a game and nabbed 6 rebounds a night.

"We're expecting some good things from him this season," Moir said. "Hopefully with his experience he'll give us leader-

ship and composure out on the floor."

One loss for the Trailblazers will be Marced Farley, a star last year who suffered an ACL injury and will return next season.

Defensively, Centralia allowed fewer points (77.4 per game) than 22 other teams in the NWAC, thanks in part to 6-foot-3 Renton product Colin Malone. Malone was a solid perimeter defender for the Trailblazers, Moir said, and kept possessions alive with his offensive rebounding and tip-outs.

Moir expects his team to run a lot of zone-based defense to cover more ground, open up the transition game and keep things

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Centralia College's Calvin Edwards puts a shot up against Lower Community last season in Centralia. Edwards, a sophomore, should again be one of the Blazers' stars this season.



Stephen Savoia / The Associated Press

Newly acquired Red Sox free agent Pablo Sandoval smiles as he and general manager Ben Cherington pose with a team jersey as Sandoval is introduced to the media Tuesday in Boston.

The Final Word

Seattle's Chad Marshall is MLS Defender of the Year

NEW YORK (AP) — Seattle's Chad Marshall has been voted Major League Soccer's Defender of the Year for a record third time.

He made 31 regular-season league appearances in his first season with the Sounders. He also won the award in 2008 and '09 with Columbus.

The league said Tuesday he received 83 percent of weighed ballots added from

team, media and player votes. D.C. United's Bobby Boswell was second with 77 percent, followed by the Los Angeles Galaxy's Omar Gonzalez with 43 percent.

Mark Geiger was voted Referee of the Year with 178 percent of a possible 300 percent after becoming the first American to referee a knockout-round match at the World Cup. Jair Marrufo was second with 63 percent.

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Gray Wolf Finds Its Way to Grand Canyon

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) — A female gray wolf from the Northern Rockies traveled hundreds of miles into northern Arizona, marking the species' first appearance in the region in more than 70 years and the farthest journey south, wildlife officials confirmed Friday.

A wolf-like animal had been spotted roaming the North Rim of the Grand Canyon and the adjacent national forest since last month. Biologists collected its scat and sent it to a University of Idaho laboratory for testing, verifying what environmentalists had suspected based on its appearance and a radio collar around its neck.

"The corroboration is really good to get," said Michael Robinson of the Center for Biological Diversity.

Biologists don't know the wolf's age or from where it traveled. The radio collar wasn't transmitting a signal, and cold weather forced biologists to suspend efforts to capture the animal and replace the collar.

The Idaho lab might be able to glean more details about the wolf from its DNA, but U.S. Fish



Arizona Fish and Game Department / The Associated Press

This Oct. 27 photo from the Arizona Game and Fish Department shows a gray wolf that was spotted north of the Grand Canyon in northern Arizona. Wildlife officials have confirmed the presence of the first gray wolf in northern Arizona in more than 70 years. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service spokesman Jeff Humphrey said Friday that analysis of the animal's scat shows it's from a Northern Rockies population. The wolf is believed to have traveled at least 450 miles into northern Arizona, where it's been spotted at the Grand Canyon and the adjacent forest. The wolf has a radio collar, but it hadn't been transmitting a signal. Biologists tried to capture it to replace the collar but suspended their efforts because of cold weather.

and Wildlife spokesman Jeff Humphrey said that could take several weeks or months.

"We'll let this wolf be a wolf where it's at, and if it decides it's going to move back north, it can do that," he said. "Or if some-

body joins her, then that's nature taking its course."

Wolves often roam vast distances in search of food and mates. But the farther they go, the less likely they are to find a mate, said Ed Bangs, who led

recovery efforts for wolves in the Northern Rockies over two decades before retiring from the Fish and Wildlife Service in 2011.

"It's looking for love," he said. "It leaves the core population and doesn't know the love of its life is going to be right over the next hill, so it just keeps traveling."

About 25 percent of the roughly 1,700 wolves from the Northern Rockies are being tracked, wildlife officials said. They are distinguished from the Mexican gray wolves found in the Southwest by their more full bodies and less pointed ears.

Mike Jimenez with the Fish and Wildlife Service in Wyoming said Northern Rockies gray wolves are hard-wired to disperse and have traveled hundreds of miles. One young female started off in Montana and traveled 3,000 miles over six months, making stops in Wyoming, Idaho, Utah and Colorado before it died, he said. Colorado had been the farthest journey south for the animals until the female was confirmed in Arizona, he said.

Wolves from another major population in the western Great Lakes have likewise been found far from home.

Wolves largely were exterminated early last century across the lower 48 states, except in the western Great Lakes area. The Northern Rockies population was restored after 66 gray wolves from Canada were relocated to central Idaho and Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming in the mid-1990s.

They've been absent from the Grand Canyon region since the 1940s.

The Fish and Wildlife Service in recent years lifted federal protections for the animals in the western Great Lakes and the Northern Rockies. A federal judge recently ordered the protections re-instated in Wyoming after wildlife advocates sued.

Environmentalists are pressing for continued protection of gray wolves. Meanwhile, they celebrated the news of the one in northern Arizona.

"I wonder if she has any sense of the celebrity she has achieved," said Drew Kerr of WildEarth Guardians.

Hunting & Fishing Report

Wishing a Happy Bird Day to the Flocking Ducks and Geese

By Jordan Nailon

For The Chronicle

Elastic-band cold snaps and boom-crash lightning strikes marked the days while buckets of rain and hail filled in the margins. Another November is nearly gone, and our fine feathered friends are flying by on their way from some fine place to their preferred fanciful locale.

Ducks and geese are fleeing the chilled winds and frosted grounds of the Great White North now and flocking our way. Usually these winged border flappers are observed high overhead, but every so often they fly out from underfoot.

This week I was quite thoroughly startled by a finicky flock of camouflaged wood ducks feeding in my regular fishing hole. I suppose I scared them first, but they had numbers on me. A few days later I was surprised to see a Canadian goose convincingly playing the role of shy new guy as he hung around with the farm's resident flock of pond lounging geese. Our grain greedy geese were a bit ornery for the refined taste of Mr. Canada Goose, and he did not linger past the daylight hours.

One bird that comes and goes at its own discretion and embraces the dark of the night is our snow faced spotted owl friend. Usually the calls of the owl are only heard from the invisible perches of the bordering spruce and fir bows. This week though, the silver speckled owl has perched on a post near the pond, casting swivel-headed surveillance over the shimmering waters. The farm fowl swim irreverently under the owl's watchful eye.

Once upon a time I raised a turkey in a pigpen. The Thanksgiving turkey and Christmas ham lived happily together for many months in symbiotic harmony. Turkey cleaned up all of Pig's undesired scraps and indulged in the copious quantities of grain rations provided twice daily. Pig liked Turkey because the big bird clawed through her messes and more or less manicured the entire pen, like a ground-bound avian gardener. The two were by all accounts a rather harmonious duo.

Then, one day not more than a week before Thanksgiving Day, Turkey ran away. There was no warning. There was no pile of feathers in or outside of the pig pen to indicate any kind of squabble and no hint of a trail to follow. Like a train hopping hobo with a bandana satchel, the turkey made a clean getaway. No goodbyes.

My Thanksgiving plans were altered a bit when Turkey ran away, but I like to think that perhaps a neighbor in need made

good use of the wayward turkey bird that wandered through their yard just in time to be the feast's featured guest.

As we enter into the extended holiday season we should remember to be thankful for unexpected visitors, newfound friends, and all of the fine food, even if we don't know precisely from where it wandered in.

FISHIN'

The persistent rains of the past week have punched out all of our local rivers. High flows, muddy water, and loads of debris mark every western Washington waterway from the Sol Duc to the Klickitat and the fish aren't biting. Remember last week, when most rivers were low and clear enough to see the bottom and the coho were rather plentiful?

What exactly is happening in the roiling current is unknown for the moment. The influx of new water could be lubricating another stout late-season run of coho, straggler Chinook, and a few cutthroat travelers, or perhaps the first real wave of winter-run steelhead are storming against the considerable downstream flow. Until the rivers settle down a bit, the curious pole holders amongst us will be forced to wait and wonder.

The Cowlitz River was put on flood watch early Tuesday morning as continuous rains threatened the banks in rugged east Lewis County. Angling efforts on the Cowlitz have been dampened considerably this week as the mid-week holiday and blustery weather coupled to keep most of the rod and reel set off the river. So far the WDFW has reported only four winter-run steelhead in the return count at the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery separator. According to WDFW smolt stocking records, that leaves 689,126 potential returning winter-run steelhead on the docket.

Thanks to a spectacular stocking effort by the WDFW, trout fishing should help offset that post-turkey lull and provide an out of door alternative to the harried consumer masses. In preparation for the "Black Friday" trout opener the WDFW has stocked 340,000 "catchable-size" rainbow trout in lakes and ponds around western Washington.

According to the WDFW, "catchable-size" means the stocked trout should average 11 to 13 inches in length. Some of the fish, described as "extra-large" by the WDFW, will should measure 16 inches and 1 1/4 pounds.

Many of those rainbows have been slated to land in lakes and ponds in southwest Washington. In Lewis County, Fort Borst

Park Pond and South Lewis Park Pond are both slated for a delivery of 2,000 rainbows on Nov. 28.

In Cowlitz County, Kress Lake will receive 2,000 trout on Nov. 28, while Battle Ground and Klineville ponds in Clark County will each receive 2,000 fish that same day.

Out in Pacific County, Cases Pond was stocked with 1,000 rainbows on Oct. 20. As a result of that fish replenishing, the daily bag limit was increased to ten trout per day, with no size restrictions. That limit change is applicable to all anglers through one hour after official sunset on Nov. 30. Cases Pond will close for the season on Dec. 1.

In Pierce County, Lake Kapowsin was planted with 625 fish on Oct. 13.

Meanwhile, Thurston County received the lion's share of the stocking efforts. In the state capital's county, home of the WDFW, Lawrence Lake was stocked with 525 fish around Oct. 13, while Long's Pond received 200 trout that same week. Long Lake was planted with 3,000 fish between Nov. 3-21, while Munn Lake received 750 trout combined between Oct. 6 and Nov. 7. Offutt Lake was stocked with a total of 3,250 trout, as recently as Nov. 21, and Ohop Lake has boasted 1,000 new fish since that same date.

Lastly, Lake St. Clair in Thurston County leads all lakes with a whopping total of 44,500 trout transplants. Those fish have been dropped off in weekly installments of about ten thousand per week dating back to Oct. 13.

The lakes scheduled for stocking in Clark, Cowlitz, Lewis, and Klickitat counties will all be closed through the end of Thursday as WDFW crews finish depositing fish from the Mossyrock and Goldendale hatcheries.

HUNTIN'

Bow hunters have been reporting decent returns east of the mountains this week as the freezing temperatures of last week forced formerly incognito deer to cast about in search of new food sources.

When that cold snap vanished west of the Cascades, some of that classic Pacific Northwest stormy weather rolled in, providing excellent cover for hunters traipsing through the woods. The rustle of leaves, whoosh of wind, and splatter pat patterns of forest rain disguise the giveaway sounds of cracking branches, off-roading pickups and the hushed tones of conspiring chatter.

Archers in our area took aim at black-tailed deer and elk beginning Nov. 26. Muzzleloader

toting hunters were allowed to target elk on Nov. 26 as well, while black-tails came open to musketeers on Thanksgiving Day.

If you're in need of a last minute bird for the table, or simply planning ahead for Christmas, there are plenty of game birds on the docket. For the traditionalists out there wild turkey season run through Dec. 15 eastern Washington GMU's 105-154 and 162-186.

For the more adventurous type, ducks, geese, forest grouse, pheasant, quail, partridge, crow and northern bobwhite seasons are still open.

Resident and migratory northern ducks have been providing excellent waterfowl opportunity in western Washington and the recent cold promises to bring more sun-seeking snowbirds our way. Likewise, goose hunting is open in Management Area 3 (Lewis/Skamania counties) and Area 2A (Cowlitz/Clark/Wahkiakum counties). Be sure to check with the WDFW for special rules pertaining to Area 2A.

Don't feel like being beholden to flying quarry? Cottontail rabbits and snowshoe hares can make for fine dining. I hit one with my truck the other day and nearly turned around to fetch it, as the bunny was markedly fresher than any meat available at the store.

Rabbits aren't big enough to get your blood pumping? Well then, you can still take your shot at a raccoon, fox, coyote, bobcat, or cougar. But be careful: black bear season ended Nov. 15.

CLAMMIN'

Some salty dog clam diggers will still be shaking the sand from their trousers when the first preparations for Thanksgiving feasts begin. That's because the WDFW scheduled a clam dig that wrapped up at midnight Wednesday.

"Diggers can fill their buckets right up until the holiday," noted Dan Ayres, WDFW coastal shellfish manager, in a pre-dig press release.

No information was available from the WDFW prior to the close of the dig, but poor weather reportedly kept many diggers off the beaches. Those that braved the wind and rain noted that it took a little longer than usual to get their limits, but they attained their 15-clam limit none the less.

Fresh clam dip is sure to grace many Thanksgiving parties and post-holiday leftover caches.

Diggers have been noting that the average size of clams in their bucket this year is smaller noticeably smaller. Ayres agreed with this assessment but assert-

ed that the larger clams are still present.

"The average size in our examination of random diggers' bag limits is, 4.09 inches at Long Beach, 4.54 inches at Twin Harbors, (and) 4.75 inches at Mocrocks," explained Ayres. "We have yet to tabulate the most recent data from Copalis, but it will be similar to Mocrocks."

Ayres reminds diggers that the best harvest results typically occur one or two hours before the low tide.

If the festive clam dip wets your appetite for the succulent bivalve the WDFW has proposed a new dig for the first week of December. Those dates are pending approval following marine toxin tests. That dig is tentatively scheduled on the following dates, beaches and low tides:

- Dec. 3, Wednesday; 4:14 p.m., -0.1 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors
- Dec. 4, Thursday; 5:02 p.m., -0.6 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors
- Dec. 5, Friday; 5:45 p.m., -0.9 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks
- Dec. 6, Saturday; 6:26 p.m., -1.0 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks, Copalis
- Dec. 7, Sunday; 7:05 p.m., -0.9 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks
- Dec. 8, Monday; 7:44 p.m., -0.6 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors
- Dec. 9, Tuesday; 8:21 pm, -0.2 feet, Long Beach, Twin Harbors

POWDER HEADS

The real wintery weather is tantalizingly close for the snow ski and board set as all of our area mountains have begun accumulating their base packs. Only one mountain has enough snow to be up and running so far though and that is our delta symmetrical friend from Oregon, Mt. Hood.

Timberline Lodge suspended lift operations early in the week and the weekend schedule was undetermined as of deadline. However, Mt. Hood Meadows will be open Friday-Sunday for some post-turkey turns on the slopes.

White Pass has about a foot and a half of snowpack and claims to be inching closer to opening day.

Crystal Mountain is "covered in the white stuff from top to bottom," but has yet to open. With a good storm, next weekend could be that time.

Meanwhile Snoqualmie Summit reports that they are close to opening the West Summit, estimating that they are a storm or two away from opening.

College Football



Rick Scuteri / The Associated Press

Washington State linebacker Jeremiah Allison (8) waits for a snap in the first half against Washington State Saturday in Tempe, Arizona.

Allison Gets a Rude Reception

By Jacob Thorpe

The Spokesman-Review

PULLMAN — Coming to Washington State from California, Cougars linebacker Jeremiah Allison only truly began to understand the nature of the Apple Cup football rivalry between WSU and Washington after he played in one.

In 2012, Allison's freshman year, the Cougars beat the Huskies, 31-28. During the following summer break he went over to Seattle to visit UW receiver Jaydon Mickens, his godbrother, unprepared for the icy reception he would receive.

"I was rocking my crimson gear because we won; I was rocking my crimson gear and they just looked down upon me, like they didn't want to say hi to me," Allison said. "Here it's a good atmosphere in Pullman, everyone says hi to you and they acknowledge your presence. There they just look down on you like you're not really there; like you're invisible."

Allison made it apparent during WSU's Monday press conference that the scars from that experience are still there, denying that he has ever worn the color purple and replying when asked if the Cougars had to control their emotions and avoid penalties, "It's a rivalry game so whatever happens, hap-

pens."

ON MONDAY, WSU receiver Vince Mayle accepted an invitation to play in the 2014 Senior Bowl, an annual showcase in which prospective NFL draftees practice and then play a game in front of scouts and general managers.

Only 110 players are selected to play in the Senior Bowl and an invitation is generally a good indicator that a player is likely to be selected in the upcoming NFL draft. Of the 24 starters in the 2013 NFL Pro Bowl, 16 played in the Senior Bowl.

Mayle, a Biletnikoff Award semifinalist, is tied for the national lead with a school-record 101 receptions and is No. 2 in the country with a school-record 1,404 receiving yards. He is the only Pac-12 player to have six games with 100 or more receiving yards, and set the school record with 263 receiving yards against Cal.

After making 15 catches for 252 yards in Saturday's loss to Arizona State, Mayle became the first player in Pac-12 history with two games of 250 or more receiving yards in the same season.

The senior is ninth in WSU history with 143 career receptions and tied for No. 11 all-time with 16 receiving touchdowns and 1,943 receiving yards despite having yet to play two full seasons after transferring from Sierra College.

Cougars Embracing Apple Cup Week

PULLMAN (MCT) — The years pass from one season to the next, and players continue to come and go, but one thing about the Apple Cup has never changed: this game means a great deal to the people involved in it.

Sure enough, just like last year and the year before that, the press conference leading up to the Apple Cup was completely focused on the emotions involved with the rivalry that divides the state between Washington State fans and Washington fans.

"This is one of the most intense ones I've been a part of," WSU coach Mike Leach said. "All rivalries have their own quality to it. It's really another game, but it's an intense rivalry and everybody gets excited about it. You hear somebody or another talking about it year-round."

Leach has taken the approach that this game is like any other, and that the Cougars need to be excited about every game, not just this one. And while that message should hold true throughout the season, there is little doubt the players have a heightened focus and extra spring in the step this week.

"His approach is the same as anything else. We always try to focus on ourselves and it's kind of a faceless opponent," WSU offensive lineman Joe Dahl said. "That's how we'll all approach it and just know that we'll know in our guts deep down we want

this one more than anyone else."

WSU linebackers coach Ken Wilson compared Saturday's contest to a state championship game, a message that resonated with linebacker Jeremiah Allison.

"One thing you want to do is (have) year-round bragging rights. Of course Apple Cup is big for us and our fans really deserve it," Allison said.

This game means everything to Allison, who is a junior, but when he arrived in Pullman as a freshman he didn't know what a big deal this rivalry was. The Los Angeles native said Monday he quickly understood the gravity of this game.

"Playing in the Apple Cup, having played in one and won one and lost one, it's a big game to people around here and it means a lot to people," Allison said. "We want to come out with our hair on fire."

Allison was not on the field the last time the Apple Cup was in Pullman, so this will be his rivalry game inside Martin Stadium. Needless to say, he is pumped for Saturday's game, which will kickoff at 7:30 p.m.

"I'm sure our fans our going to come out have this place rocking," Allison said. "It's our last game so we want to send our fans out with the luxury of being a winner and it's in Pullman. It's our house so we got to play well for our home fans."



Elaine Thompson / The Associated Press

Washington head coach Chris Petersen, right, and Oregon State head coach Mike Riley meet after an NCAA college football game Saturday in Seattle.

Huskies Prep for Apple Cup vs. WSU

By Tim Booth

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Washington coach Chris Petersen had barely sat down Monday when he started getting peppered with questions about coaching in his first Apple Cup.

Petersen at least wanted a moment to recognize what the Huskies accomplished over the weekend, becoming bowl eligible and taking some of the stress out of his first matchup with Washington State.

"Does anyone not have any questions on the (Oregon State) game? We finally do something good and we're moving right on to the next game?" Petersen said, drawing laughs.

Washington's 37-13 win over Oregon State last Saturday gave the Huskies (7-5, 3-5 Pac-12) their seventh victory and likely ensured the Huskies will have one more game no matter the outcome of Saturday night's matchup with the Cougars.

It was Washington's most complete effort of the conference season. The Huskies got an efficient performance from quarterback Cyler Miles, another 100-yard game from running back Dwayne Washington and a defensive effort that stymied Oregon State.

But outside of Petersen, most of the Huskies were already putting the win over Oregon State in the past and looking ahead to the showdown in Pullman. Washington has lost two of the last three Apple Cups played in Pullman, including a 31-28 overtime loss in 2012 when the Cougars rallied from 18 points down in the fourth quarter to force the extra session.

"It's always the biggest game



Elaine Thompson / The Associated Press

Washington quarterback Cyler Miles drops back to pass against Oregon State Saturday in Seattle.

of the year for them and for us. We're going to get their best shot every year and they always seem to come out and fight hard," Washington defensive lineman Evan Hudson said. "Coming out with a 'W' is a nice ending to the regular season ... and that's what both teams want. We're going to go after it."

Petersen's indoctrination to the Apple Cup started the day he was hired last December. He was an observer of the rivalry from afar so Petersen said he wasn't completely uneducated about what the Apple Cup means when he took over.

He likened the importance of the game to when he became the head coach at Boise State and the No. 1 task then was making sure the Broncos beat Idaho each season.

For the record, Petersen was undefeated against the Vandals.

"I think in so many ways, too, so much of that's for the fans. That's what I've kind of always experienced in these rivalry

games. The fans are the ones that are so intense about this," Petersen said. "We're intense about the game anyway. So to say, 'OK, now we've got to really play extra hard.' I mean, really? Harder than we wanted to play last week? But I do think they're fun."

Petersen has never faced Washington State as a head coach, but this won't be his first trip to Pullman. Petersen was the wide receivers coach at Oregon between 1995 and 2000 and was an assistant against the Cougars in Pullman three times.

He said there hasn't been any discussion yet of past issues with crowds in Pullman. After the game in 2012, Washington tight end Austin Seferian-Jenkins was hit by a fan rushing the field after the game.

"We haven't talked a whole lot about that," Petersen said. "The only thing we can do is control what we can control. Hopefully, there aren't too many snowballs they can throw."

Huskies' Fifth-Year Seniors Recall Driving into Enemy Territory for the First Time

By Adam Jude

The Seattle Times

"I didn't know that Wazzu was that far from UW," said Di-Andre Campbell, the Huskies' senior receiver from Oakland. "It was just a really long ride. Really long."

About two dozen UW freshmen loaded onto two buses four years ago to take part in their first Apple Cup in Pullman. It was a rare road trip for the Huskies' redshirting freshmen. They weren't going to play — the main part of the team was flying into Pullman — but then-coach Steve Sarkisian wanted the freshmen to get a feel for the rivalry.

"It was cool," said Andrew Hudson, one of about a dozen current fifth-year seniors who made that trip across the state in 2010. "That allowed us to respect (the rivalry) more and appreciate what it was all about. There's so much to this game, for the whole state, and it was cool to be there and experience that."

The Huskies defeated the Cougars 35-28 in 2010. Campbell watched from the UW sideline and recalled Monday the pass from Jake Locker to Jermaine Kearse that won it for UW in the final minute.

Campbell also vividly recalls UW defensive lineman Semisi Tokolahi being pelted with snow

and ice from fans as he was carted out of Martin Stadium with a broken ankle. For Campbell, that left a bitter taste in an already bitter rivalry.

"That's stuck with me forever," he said.

Including the 2010 win, this UW senior class has been part of three wins and one loss in the Apple Cup. The loss came two years ago in Pullman, when the Cougars rallied from an 18-point fourth-quarter deficit to stun UW.

The Huskies are bracing for a cold reception there again Saturday (7:30 p.m., FOX Sports 1), with temperatures expected to be in the upper 20s and low 30s.

"It's definitely not too much of a loving relationship," said Colin Tanigawa, UW's senior offensive lineman. "It's definitely important to me and the whole senior class, just to beat them one last time."

Missed Chances

As productive as the Huskies were on offense in Saturday's rout of Oregon State, two problems persist: They lead in the nation in fumbles and, among Pac-12 teams, they're the most inefficient offense once they reach the red zone.

Of their 31 fumbles this season, the Huskies have lost 10.

They fumbled four times in the victory over Oregon State, losing one.

"It eats at you pretty good," UW coach Chris Petersen said. "When the ball's turned over, that's the ultimate sin around here."

They're not helping themselves in the red zone, either.

All four of the Huskies' touchdowns in their 37-13 victory over the Beavers were on plays of 34 yards or more. That's a good thing. The Huskies, however, are too often settling for field goals once they are deep into opponents' territory.

Three times Saturday the Huskies drove inside the Oregon State 25-yard line, and all three times settled for field goals by Cameron Van Winkle.

The Huskies have converted just four of their last 16 trips inside the 20 into touchdowns, and they have just seven touchdowns in 22 red-zone trips in eight Pac-12 games. That's a 32 percent touchdown rate, worst in the conference.

"We'd like to be able to run the ball a little bit better down there," Petersen said.

It's worth noting that UW's defense is holding opponents to a 46 percent touchdown clip overall in the red zone — best in the Pac-12.

Local Bowling Standings

Blazers

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uptempo. The Trailblazers averaged just 69.6 points per game last year, but Moir said he feels like this year's squad is going to be more explosive — the third reason to look for big things from this squad.

"We're gonna be a team that can score with the basketball," Moir said. "We've got good shooters, good post presence and we should have a well-balanced attack."

The Trailblazers welcome in eight new freshmen, including Morton-White Pass' Kalen Dunlap — last year's Central 2B League and Chronicle All-Area MVP — and Centralia's Patrick Neely. Moir thinks the freshman class is one of the deepest he's had and he expects them to make an immediate impact.

Freshmen forwards Dane Fjeld (6-6) and Justin Fjeld (6-7), both from Graham-Kapowsin, will give the Trailblazers size up front, as will small forward Andrew Briggs (6-7) out of Boise.

Jacob Talbot (6-5, also from Boise) will bolster Centralia's height advantage, while Neely (6-3) has plenty experience in the paint as well.

"While Patrick is not as big as the others, his footwork is right where it needs to be," Moir said. "He plays a lot stronger than 6-3 and I think we'll see him out there on the court."

Freshman guard Tanner Therrien comes from a Pullman High School team that won two State 2A championships, and Dunlap led MWP to last year's State 2B title.

"Tanner's more of defensive specialist and rebounder while Kalen's more of an offensive player," Moir said. "Tanner is physically strong enough and tough enough to take someone anywhere from 5-8 to 6-4."

The Trailblazers are also welcoming back sophomore Dylan Fullmer of Eagle River, Alaska, who spent the past two years on a mission trip in London. He'll provide plenty of leadership for the Trailblazers.

In Centralia's most recent scrimmage, nine players scored 6 points or more and six were in double figures, meaning almost anyone could light up the scoreboard on any given night.

"If we continue to go in the direction we're going, we're gonna be in good shape," Moir said.

The Blazers will try to make waves in a tough, experienced NWAC West Division.

Pierce College made the title game at the NWAC Championships last year after finishing second in the division with a 13-3 record, and Clark College posted a perfect 16-0 record in West Division play, but it's Highline that impresses Moir the most.

Highline was third in the West last year, with an 11-5 league record and 23-8 overall record. "Highline was very successful last year and they picked up some good kids," Moir said. "If I were going to pick who stands out, they're the one that is going to have a target on their back."

Highline also retained most of its players, while Pierce and Clark will be reloading after graduating key pieces from their rosters.

Lower Columbia, which went 9-7 in league last year, returns just four players from last year's team and adds 10 freshmen to the mix.

The Blazers' season begins on Friday, when Centralia plays in the annual Lower Columbia Red Devil Classic with a 1 p.m. opener against Yakima.

Table for BLUE MONDAY LADIES, Week 11 of 30, Monday 9:30 am, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for FRIDAY SENIORS, Week 12 of 32, Friday 1:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for JIM MOORE JUNIORS, Week 10 of 24, Saturday 9:00 am, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for SUNDAY NITE MIXED, Week 11 of 32, Sunday 5:30 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for FARWAY THURSDAY SENIORS, Week 11 of 32, Thursday 1:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for TUESDAY FARWAY WOMEN, Week 12 of 32, Tuesday 6:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for LOTUS LADIES, Week 12 of 32, Wednesday 10:00 am, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

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Table for EARLY BIRDS, Week 11 of 24, Friday 10:30 am, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for FRIDAY MORNING TRIOS, Week 12 of 32, Friday 9:30 am, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for MONDAY SENIORS, Week 11 of 32, Monday 9:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for BOWLING CLUB, Week 6 of 8, Thursday 6:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for SUNDAY NITE MIXED, Week 11 of 32, Sunday 5:30 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for LUCKY EAGLE ALL STAR, Week 12 of 32, Tuesday 5:30 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

Table for TUESDAY TRIO, Week 5 of 18, Tuesday 8:00 pm, fairway lanes. Includes team standings and results of last week's bowling.

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College Football



Elaine Thompson / The Associated Press

Eastern Washington quarterback Vernon Adams Jr. takes a snap against Washington on Sept. 6, in Seattle. Adams repeated as the Big Sky Conference's Offensive MVP, the league announced Tuesday.

Adams Repeats as Offensive MVP

CHENEY (MCT) — Despite missing four games to injury, Eastern Washington quarterback Vernon Adams is the Offensive Player of the Year in the Big Sky Conference, the league announced Tuesday.

Adams is one of six Eagles named to the first team. Others are wide receiver Cooper Kupp, offensive linemen Aaron Neary and Jake Rodgers, linebacker Ronnie Hamlin and safety Tevin McDonald.

Adams is the first repeat winner since Eastern quarterback Erik Meyer won the honors in 2004 and 2005. The junior from Pasadena missed four games with a broken foot, but threw for 2,876 yards, 30 touchdowns and five interceptions.

Adams guided EWU to a 7-1 record, with the only loss coming 59-52 on the road against Washington. The Eagles went on to win the Big Sky title with a 7-1 conference mark. They are 10-2 overall and have earned a bye into the second round of the FCS playoffs.

McDonald, in his second season with the Eagles after transferring from UCLA, tallied 68 tackles, three interceptions, three forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries. Hamlin had 86 total tackles. Rodgers and Neary anchored an offensive line that helped the Eagles average a national-best 44.6 points and 522.8 yards of offense per game.

Five Montana State student-athletes and four from the Montana Grizzlies were selected to the First Team. Grizzly senior defensive end Zack Wagenmann earned Defensive Player of the Year honors and was named to the All-Conference First Team for the third straight season.

The teams and individual award winners were selected by the 13 conference head coaches on Monday.

Southern Utah junior quarterback Ammon Olsen, a transfer from BYU, was named the Newcomer of the Year. Idaho State redshirt freshman linebacker Mario Jenkins was selected as the Freshman of the Year.

Local Bowling Standings

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Monday 6:45 pm fairway lanes Lanes 1-12

Team	Score	Rolls	Pinch	Str	Strikes	Team	Score	Rolls	Pinch	Str	Strikes
1 12TH FIM	30	4	891	127	34472	7 EDWARDS WEST	15	12	953	88	34043
2 ADOLFSON REAL ES	24	8	970	85	34623	8 BLUE EAGLES	10	20	955	85	34040
3 MAUL PLUS CHEHAL	20	10	920	114	34469	9 B AND P SHIRT	10	20	948	102	34045
4 T-H HOOKS	20	10	878	109	34282	10 NEWBORN VALLEY	5	22	965	24263	
5 NICHOLSON AND ASS	20	10	877	154	34113	11 SUNNY VALLEY SALE	2	28	940	107	33942
6 TEAM TOWLE	20	10	770	242	3104	12 H AND S LOGGING	2	28	932	186	33472

Results of Last Week's Bowling.....

Rank	Team Name	Score	Rolls	Pinch	Str	Strikes	Team Name	Score	Rolls	Pinch	Str	Strikes
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3-4	BLUE EAGLES	881	1058	1038	2150	8	3-4	SUNNY VALLEY SA	1053	1029	1030	3123
5-8	MAUL PLUS CHEHAL	1095	1099	1039	3225	10	5-8	SCARDS WEST	1001	923	962	3099
9-10	H AND S LOGGING	1025	1070	1039	3264	8	9-10	NEWBORN VALLEY	1095	1027	1036	3280
11-12	TEAM TOWLE	1000	862	1017	2582	0	11-12	12TH FIM	1055	1112	1165	3091

Local and Bowling Center Awards

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Elaine Thompson / The Associated Press

Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson (3) slides after carrying the ball to a first down as Arizona Cardinals' Rashad Johnson moves in in the second half Sunday in Seattle. The Seahawks won 19-3.

Seattle Clears Internal Issues; Focus on SF

By Tim Booth

The Associated Press

RENTON — The first step for Seattle's return to the NFC West race had nothing to do with what happened on the field. The Seahawks had to clear their own in-house issues.

And like most conversations for the franchise, it started with Pete Carroll. But instead of leading the charge, Carroll simply broached what needed to be addressed and put the responsibility on his core group — including Russell Wilson, Richard Sherman, Earl Thomas, Doug Baldwin and others — to make sure the entire locker room understood the message.

For at least a week the message was embraced, capped by the Seahawks' 19-3 win over Arizona on Sunday. The question now is whether it can carry forward on a short week Thursday night against San Francisco.

"It was a topic I was on and generated some questions with some guys and we got together and just tried to bring the truth out of what was important," Carroll said Monday. "I was able to step back and let them pass the message on and they did a great job and we're just getting going. We've been trying to find our best play throughout the year. We've been working at it and this week it came clear and we made sense of it."

If Seattle (7-4) can pull off a win over the 49ers, it will be back in the discussion of elite teams in the NFC. But the talk in the locker room after Sunday's victory centered on the difficult conversations before the win over Arizona.

"It's hard to get to that point but once you open the floor up, then it's easy to talk about it," Baldwin said. "The feeling was pretty mutual throughout the locker room. There was something missing. There was a feeling that was missing and we're getting that feeling back."

The idea of a midseason refocus isn't unusual. The Seahawks had similar issues a season ago when they played poorly in victories over St. Louis and Tampa Bay. At that point, the conversations were more about fundamentals than the atmosphere in the locker room.

"This was different just in the direction of it, but the impact of it was basically the same," Carroll said.

Sunday's win included a defensive performance that was reminiscent of last season's dominant unit. The Seahawks allowed only 204 yards for their best total since St. Louis had just 158 in Week 17 of last season. It was the eighth regular-season game in the past two seasons where Seattle held its opponent under 100 points.

A significant factor was the return of middle linebacker Bobby Wagner, who missed five games with a toe injury. But that was only part of the positive showing. Strong safety Kam Chancellor had one of his best games of the year, and Seattle's pass rush flustered Arizona quarterback Drew Stanton.

"I'm here and I'm trying to make as much of an impact as I can," Wagner said.

Seattle was unable to get Marshawn Lynch going against the Cardinals, and he finished with 39 yards on 15 carries. Lynch has been dealing with soreness in his back throughout the season, but Carroll said he should be able to play Thursday despite not receiving the usual full week of rest.

"We'll take good care of him and he's really smart about how he handles it and so we'll expect that he'll be ready to go and I know he won't want to miss this thing and he'll be ready to play," Carroll said.

NOTES: Carroll said LG James Carpenter (ankle) was very close to playing Sunday, but was held out in the hopes he would be able to go Thursday against the 49ers. Seattle's one injury worry from Sunday's game is a sprained ankle suffered by TE Cooper Helfet. Carroll said they wouldn't know until later in the week if Helfet can play.

Commentary: The NFC South is Historically Awful

By Michael Cunningham

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

The NFC South is NFL parity taken to its logical extreme. The league's structure (salary cap and free agency) means that every year several mediocre teams aspire to be pretty good. It was inevitable, then, that eventually a division would consist entirely of bad teams aspiring to be mediocre.

The Saints lost to the Ravens Monday night. The Falcons (4-7) still lead the division by virtue of their victory over the Saints (4-7), another deeply flawed team. There's nothing but deeply flawed teams in the NFC South.

Every NFC South team is three games below .500 or worse — a first in NFL history, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. It's possible that a 5-11 record will be good enough to win the NFC South Repeat: the champion of the NFC South could plausibly be 5-11.

This is what parity can get you. In theory, it's a system that rewards teams that draft well, find value with their limited money, develop young

players and put together effective game plans. Few teams have done all of that as well as the Ravens, who got winning plays against the Saints from running back Justin Forsett (former seventh-round pick, minimum contract), cornerback Will Hill (Giants castoff) and wide receiver Steve Smith (35 years old, \$3.5 million signing bonus).

Parity also punishes teams who make too many mistakes with their limited resources and/or those that have bad injury luck that scuttles their depth. The Falcons are guilty on both counts — they don't have many players producing value above their cost and several who are not (plus now some suspect end-game coaching). On that final Browns drive, injuries meant the Falcons were trying to get a game-winning stop with third-string cornerbacks and safeties.

I liked the NFL better when there were three or four great teams, several good teams chasing them and a handful of bad ones with no

especially strong as I watched Brian Hoyer flail around the Georgia Dome before Mike Smith's brain freeze led to the Falcons flailing around the Georgia Dome.

Alas, I'm in the minority on that because mediocre football is still making lots of money for NFL teams.

It's tailor-made for TV. Gamblers still like to bet on it even as the NFL continues its weird public stance against sports gambling after betting has gone mainstream. Fantasy geeks (call them casual gamblers) care less about the quality of NFL games than the performance of "their" players. Government at every level continues to subsidize the league's billionaire owners with taxpayer cash while the feds protect their monopoly.

There's no incentive for the NFL to change a system in which mediocrity is rewarded. When every single team from one division can't even meet that low bar, you get the 2014 NFC South.

Scoreboard

Preps

Local Schedules
State Football Playoff Schedules
1B Football
Quarterfinals
 Neah Bay 74, Lake Quinault-Wishkah Valley 12
 Lummi 60, Lopez 14
 Republic 68, Cusick 13
 Liberty Christian 62, Garfield-Palouse 20
Semifinals
 Neah Bay vs. Lummi, Saturday, 4 p.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Republic vs. Liberty Christian, Saturday, 4 p.m., at Pasco

2B Football
Quarterfinals
 Lind-Ritzville/Sprague 17, Waitsburg-Prescott 14
 Okanogan 55, Davenport 18
 Toledo 21, North Beach 14
 Napavine 52, Raymond 7
Semifinals
 Toledo vs. Napavine, Friday, 4 p.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Lind-Ritzville/Sprague vs. Okanogan, Saturday, 4 p.m., at Moses Lake

1A Football
Quarterfinals
 Eatonville 29, Mt. Baker 28
 Cascade Christian 56, King's 15
 Cascade 21, Zillah 7
 Colville 28, Royal 10
Semifinals
 Eatonville vs. Cascade Christian, Saturday, 10 a.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Cascade vs. Colville, Saturday, 1 p.m., at Joe Albi Stadium (Spokane)

2A Football
Quarterfinals
 Tumwater 59, Squalicum 33
 Sedro-Woolley 34, Burlington-Edison 0
 Lynden 52, Hockinson 28
 Ellensburg 34, Prosser 20
Semifinals
 Tumwater vs. Sedro-Woolley, Saturday, 1 p.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Lynden vs. Ellensburg, Saturday, 1 p.m., at Moses Lake

3A Football
Quarterfinals
 Marysville Pilchuck 63, Columbia River 6
 Bellevue 31, Peninsula 7
 Eastside Catholic 28, Lincoln 21
 Mt. Spokane 35, Shadle Park 20
Semifinals
 Marysville Pilchuck vs. Bellevue, Friday, 7 p.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Eastside Catholic vs. Mt. Spokane, Saturday, 4 p.m., at Joe Albi Stadium (Spokane)

4A Football
Quarterfinals
 Bothell 37, Bellarmine Prep 14
 Newport 17, Federal Way 10
 Graham Kapowsin 27, Wenatchee 7
 Chiawana 38, Gonzaga Prep 3
Semifinals
 Bothell vs. Newport, Saturday, 7:30 p.m., at Tacoma Dome
 Graham-Kapowsin vs. Chiawana, Saturday, 1 p.m., at Pasco

Local

Local Bowling
Nov. 16-Nov. 22 Results
FAIRWAY LANES
Top 10 Men
 1. Bob Spahr 775; 2. Jim Fueston 757; 3. Steve Strasser 736; 4. Mike Postlewait 727; 5. Bob Hack Sr 723 and Brandon Grose 723; 6. Bert Hewitt 718; 7. Lee Grimes 709; 8. D J McPeake Jr 705; 9. Josh Dutt 704; 10. Pat Gilligan 703; High Game: Bob Kelley 279 and Bob Spahr 279 and Jim Fueston 279 and Steve Strasser 279
Top 10 Women
 1. Kassy Williamson 723; 2. Teresa Johnson 624; 3. Hunter Weeks 617; 4. Kim Rushton 603; 5. Elizabeth Steen 597; 6. April Harris 584; 7. Cassandra Chalmers 567; 8. Sahlee Aldrich 563; 9. Arlene Thomas 554; 10. Ginny Eddy 550; High Game: Kassy Williamson 267
Top 5 Senior Men
 1. Butch Mosteller 657; 2. David DeBuhr 656; 3. Skip Ivie 640; 4. Marc Gosselin 639; 5. Dave Reynolds 634; High Game: Butch Mosteller 257
Top 5 Senior Women
 1. Ginny Eddy 534; 2. Leta Smith 518; 3. Jeryl Fuchs 497; 4. June Concannon 488 and Sharon Ellingson 488; 5. Bertie Dessell 479; High Game: Sharon Ellingson 213
Top 5 Junior Boys
 1. Tony Mortland 616; 2. Danner Taylor 480; 3. Ashton Lannoye 445; 4. Keo Payne 439; 5. Wrylie Lannoye 418; High Game: Tony Mortland 226
Top 5 Junior Girls
 1. Bailey Reed 541; 2. Ashley Hart 470; 3. Courtney Spriggs 363; 4. Patricia Castillo 336; 5. Michaela Wagoner 315; High Game: Bailey Reed 212
Top 5 Bowling Club (2 games)
 1. Stasia 263; 2. Zack 256; 3. Brady 254; 4. Isaiah 235; 5. Tanner 224; High Game: Stasia 151
Top 5 Special Rec (2 games)
 1. Joy Watson 326; 2. James Owens 287; 3. Trevor Dunne 261; 4. Andrew Duce 258; 5. Lance Lafferty 242; High Game: Joy Watson 191

NFL

National Football League 2014 Standings

National Football Conference

NFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT
Philadelphia	8	3	0	.727
Dallas	8	3	0	.727
N.Y. Giants	3	8	0	.273
Washington	3	8	0	.273

NFC NORTH

Green Bay	8	3	0	.727
Detroit	7	4	0	.636
Chicago	5	6	0	.455
Minnesota	4	7	0	.364

NFC SOUTH

Atlanta	4	7	0	.364
New Orleans	4	7	0	.364
Carolina	3	7	1	.318
Tampa Bay	2	9	0	.182

NFC WEST

Arizona	9	2	0	.818
Seattle	7	4	0	.636
San Francisco	7	4	0	.636
St. Louis	4	7	0	.364

American Football Conference

AFCEAST	W	L	T	PCT
New England	9	2	0	.818
Miami	6	5	0	.545
Buffalo	6	5	0	.545
N.Y. Jets	2	9	0	.182

AFC NORTH

Cincinnati	7	3	1	.682
Baltimore	7	4	0	.636
Pittsburgh	7	4	0	.636

Cleveland	7	4	0	.636
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AFC SOUTH

Indianapolis	7	4	0	.636
Houston	5	6	0	.455
Tennessee	2	9	0	.182
Jacksonville	1	10	0	.091

AFC WEST

Denver	8	3	0	.727
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636
San Diego	7	4	0	.636
Oakland	1	10	0	.091

Week 12
Thursday, Nov. 20
 Oakland 24, Kansas City 20

Sunday, Nov. 23
 Cleveland 26, Atlanta 24
 Philadelphia 43, Tennessee 24
 New England 34, Detroit 9
 Green Bay 24, Minnesota 21
 Indianapolis 23, Jacksonville 3
 Cincinnati 22, Houston 13
 Chicago 21, Tampa Bay 13
 Seattle 19, Arizona 3
 San Diego 27, St. Louis 24
 Denver 39, Miami 36
 San Francisco 17, Washington 13
 Dallas 31, NY Giants 28

Monday, Nov. 24
 Buffalo 38, N.Y. Jets 3
 Baltimore 34, New Orleans 27

Week 13
Thursday, Nov. 27
 Chicago at Detroit, 9:30 a.m.
 Philadelphia at Dallas, 1:30 p.m.
 Seattle at San Francisco, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 30
 Washington at Indianapolis, 10 a.m.
 Tennessee at Houston, 10 a.m.
 Cleveland at Buffalo, 10 a.m.
 San Diego at Baltimore, 10 a.m.
 NY Giants at Jacksonville, 10 a.m.
 Cincinnati at Tampa Bay, 10 a.m.
 Oakland at St. Louis, 10 a.m.
 New Orleans at Pittsburgh, 10 a.m.
 Carolina at Minnesota, 10 a.m.
 Arizona at Atlanta, 1:05 p.m.
 New England at Green Bay, 1:25 p.m.
 Denver at Kansas City, 5:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 1
 Miami at NY Jets, 5:30 p.m.

College Football

NCAA Div. I Football
Week 14: Nov. 23
College Football Playoff Rankings

Team	Record
1 Alabama	9-1
2 Oregon	9-1
3 Florida State	10-0
4 Mississippi State	9-1
5 TCU	9-1
6 Ohio State	9-1
7 Baylor	8-1
8 Ole Miss	8-2
9 UCLA	8-2
10 Georgia	8-2
11 Michigan State	8-2
12 Kansas State	7-2
13 Arizona State	8-2
14 Auburn	7-3
15 Arizona	8-2
16 Wisconsin	8-2
17 Utah	7-3
18 Georgia Tech	9-2
19 USC	7-3
20 Missouri	8-2
21 Oklahoma	7-3
22 Clemson	7-3
23 Nebraska	8-2
24 Louisville	7-3
25 Minnesota	7-3

AP Poll

Rk	Team	Rec.	Pts.
1 Florida State (37)	11-0	1458	
2 Alabama (21)	10-1	1445	
3 Oregon (2)	10-1	1393	
4 Mississippi State	10-1	1301	
5 Baylor	9-1	1234	
6 TCU	9-1	1233	
7 Ohio State	10-1	1163	
8 Georgia	9-2	1002	
9 UCLA	9-2	998	
10 Michigan State	9-2	971	
11 Kansas State	8-2	898	
12 Arizona	9-2	807	
13 Arizona State	9-2	790	
14 Wisconsin	9-2	764	
15 Auburn	8-3	597	
16 Georgia Tech	9-2	581	
17 Missouri	9-2	525	
18 Ole Miss	8-3	398	
19 Marshall	11-0	384	
20 Oklahoma	8-3	363	
21 Colorado State	10-1	346	
22 Minnesota	8-3	232	
23 Clemson	8-3	198	
24 Louisville	8-3	191	
25 Boise State	9-2	96	

Dropped from rankings: Utah 20, Nebraska 21, USC 24, Duke 25
Others receiving votes: Arkansas 40, LSU 39, Nebraska 14, Utah 14, Duke 9, USC 8, Memphis 3, Texas A&M 2, West Virginia 2, UCF 1

Friday, Nov. 28
 N. Illinois at Western Michigan, 8 a.m.
 No. 23 Nebraska at Iowa, 9 a.m.
 Western Kentucky at Marshall, 9 a.m.
 UCF at South Florida, 9 a.m.
 Houston at SMU, 9 a.m.
 Toledo at Eastern Michigan, 10 a.m.
 Ball State at Bowling Green, 10 a.m.
 Buffalo at Massachusetts, 10 a.m.
 Akron at Kent State, 10 a.m.
 Arkansas at No. 20 Missouri, 11:30 a.m.
 Navy at South Alabama, noon
 Stanford at No. 9 UCLA, 12:30 p.m.
 No. 13 Arizona St. at No. 15 Arizona, 12:30 p.m.
 Colorado State at Air Force, 12:30 p.m.
 Virginia at Virginia Tech, 5 p.m.
 East Carolina at Tulsa, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 29
 Michigan at No. 6 Ohio State, 9 a.m.
 No. 18 Ga. Tech at No. 10 Georgia, 9 a.m.
 S. Carolina at No. 22 Clemson, 9 a.m.
 Kentucky at No. 24 Louisville, 9 a.m.
 Cincinnati at Temple, 9 a.m.
 West Virginia at Iowa State, 9 a.m.
 North Texas at UTSA, 9 a.m.
 Old Dominion at Florida Atl., 9 a.m.
 Rice at Louisiana Tech, 9 a.m.
 Illinois at Northwestern, 9 a.m.
 Purdue at Indiana, 9 a.m.
 N. Carolina St. at N. Carolina, 9:30 a.m.
 Syracuse at Boston College, 9:30 a.m.
 Louisiana-Lafayette at Troy, 9:30 a.m.
 No. 17 Utah at Colorado, 10 a.m.
 Texas State at Georgia State, 11 a.m.

Idaho at Appalachian State, 11 a.m.
 New Mexico St. at Arkansas St., noon
 Wyoming at New Mexico, noon
 Florida at No. 3 Florida State, 12:30 p.m.
 No. 4 Miss. St. at No. 8 Ole Miss, 12:30 p.m.
 No. 7 Baylor vs. Texas Tech, 12:30 p.m.
 No. 11 Mich. St. at Penn State, 12:30 p.m.
 No. 25 Minn. at No. 16 Wisconsin, 12:30 p.m.
 Notre Dame at No. 19 USC, 12:30 p.m.
 San José St at San Diego State, 12:30 p.m.
 Rutgers at Maryland, 12:30 p.m.
 UAB at Southern Miss, 12:30 p.m.
 Kansas at No. 12 Kansas State, 1 p.m.
 Connecticut at Memphis, 1 p.m.
 Tennessee at Vanderbilt, 1 p.m.
 BYU at California, 1:30 p.m.
 La.-Monroe at Georgia Southern, 3 p.m.
 Hawaii at Fresno State, 4 p.m.
 Wake Forest at Duke, 4 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Miami (FL), 4 p.m.
 Middle Tennessee at UTEP, 4 p.m.
 No. 14 Auburn at No. 1 Alabama, 4:45 p.m.
 No. 2 Oregon at Oregon State, 5 p.m.
 Utah State at Boise State, 7:15 p.m.
 Washington at Wash. State, 7:30 p.m.
 Nevada at UNLV, 7:30 p.m.

College Basketball

NCAA Div. I Men's Basketball
Rankings
Week 3 (Nov. 24)
AP Top 25

1 Kentucky (62)	5-0	1,622
2 Arizona	3-0	1,493
2 Wisconsin (3)	4-0	1,493
4 Duke	5-0	1,473
5 North Carolina	3-0	1,315
6 Louisville	3-0	1,220
7 Texas	4-0	1,185
8 Virginia	4-0	1,166
9 Wichita St	3-0	1,120
10 Gonzaga	4-0	1,076
11 Kansas	1-1	982
12 Villanova	3-0	913
13 Iowa State	2-0	831
14 Virginia Comm.	3-0	761
15 San Diego St	3-0	735
16 Ohio State	3-0	557
17 Miami (FL)	5-0	524
18 Florida	2-1	467
19 Michigan	3-0	402
20 Michigan St	2-1	400
21 West Virginia	5-0	345
22 UCLA	4-0	177
23 Creighton	4-0	148
24 Connecticut	3-1	145
25 Arkansas	3-0	129

Others receiving votes: Oklahoma 109, Stanford 80, Providence 63, Utah 38, Minnesota 21, Northern Iowa 17, Rhode Island 16, Syracuse 15, Oklahoma St 14, Memphis 10, Georgetown 10, Baylor 7, Indiana 6, California 5, Nebraska 5, Illinois 5, Cincinnati 4, NC State 4, Wyoming 4, UTEP 3, Maryland 3, Dayton 3, BYU 2, Northeastern 1, Xavier 1

Dropped from rankings: Oklahoma 18, Nebraska 21, SMU 22, Syracuse 23, Utah 25

Thursday's Games
 (11) Kansas vs Rhode Island, 11 a.m.
 Rider vs (20) Michigan St, 3:30 p.m.
 Santa Clara vs Tennessee, 9 a.m.
 Austin Peay vs Brown, 11 a.m.
 Princeton vs UTEP, 11 a.m.
 Florida Int. at SC Upstate, 12:30 p.m.
 Stony Brook vs LIU Brooklyn, 1 p.m.
 San Diego at Xavier, 1:30 p.m.
 Illinois vs Indiana St, 2 p.m.
 W. Kentucky vs Saint Joseph's, 3 p.m.
 CS Fullerton vs Wright St, 3 p.m.
 Georgia Tech vs Marquette, 5:30 p.m.
 Long Beach St at W. Michigan, 5:30 p.m.
 Stephen F. Austin vs Prairie View, 6 p.m.
 Rice vs Mercer, 6:30 p.m.
 San José St vs Washington, 8 p.m.
 Baylor vs Memphis, 9 p.m.
 Washington St vs UC Santa Barbara, 9 p.m.

Friday's Games
 (8) Virginia vs La Salle, 6:30 p.m.
 James Madison at (16) Ohio State, 1 p.m.
 S. Alabama at (17) Miami (FL), 4 p.m.
 (23) Creighton vs Ole Miss, 5:30 p.m.
 North Texas at (25) Arkansas, 6 p.m.
 Eastern Illinois vs NC Central, 9 a.m.
 Radford vs NC A&T, 9:30 a.m.
 New Orleans at Texas A&M, 10 a.m.
 N. Arizona vs Southern, 10:30 a.m.
 IPFW at Dartmouth, noon
 Florida Int. vs Wright St, 12:30 p.m.
 Penn State at Bucknell, 1 p.m.
 Yale at Providence, 1 p.m.
 Miss Valley St at Texas A&M-CC, 1 p.m.
 Lamar at Texas Southern, 1 p.m.
 St. Francis (NY) at Norfolk St, 2 p.m.
 Valparaiso vs Drake, 3 p.m.
 Middle Tennessee vs Cincinnati, 3 p.m.
 Charleston So. at Florida St, 3 p.m.
 CS Fullerton at SC Upstate, 3 p.m.
 Conmouth at Maryland, 4 p.m.
 Holy Cross at Syracuse, 4 p.m.
 High Point at Clemson, 4 p.m.
 Boise State at NC State, 4 p.m.
 Delaware St at Wake Forest, 4 p.m.
 Vanderbilt vs Rutgers, 4 p.m.
 Savannah St at Jacksonville St, 4 p.m.
 Emerson at Hartford, 4 p.m.
 Alabama St vs UT Pan American, 4 p.m.
 Tennessee St at Saint Peter's, 4:30 p.m.
 Samford at Louisiana Tech, 4:30 p.m.
 Hofstra at Jackson St, 5 p.m.
 Cleveland St at Marshall, 5 p.m.
 Tenn.-Martin at Nebraska, 5 p.m.
 SE Louisiana at Tulane, 5 p.m.
 TCU vs Bradley, 5 p.m.
 Portland vs Murray St, 5:30 p.m.
 Stetson at Northern Colorado, 6 p.m.
 UNC Greensboro at Indiana, 6 p.m.
 UT-Arlington at Montana St, 6 p.m.
 Mississippi St vs Saint Louis, 6:30 p.m.
 North Dakota at Utah, 7 p.m.

NBA

National Basketball Association
All Times PDT
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	12	2	.857	—
Brooklyn	5	8	.385	6½
Boston	4	8	.333	7
New York	4	11	.267	8½
Philadelphia	0	14	.000	12

Southeast Division

Washington	9	3	.750	—
Miami	8	6	.571	2
Atlanta	6	5	.545	2½
Orlando	6	10	.375	5
Charlotte	4	11	.267	6½

Central Division

Chicago	9	5	.643	—
Milwaukee	7	7	.500	2
Cleveland	6	7	.462	2½
Indiana	6	8	.429	3
Detroit	3	10	.231	5½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

Memphis	12	2	.857	—
Houston	11	3	.786	1
San Antonio	9	4	.692	2½
Dallas	10	5	.667	2½
New Orleans	7	5	.583	4

Northwest Division

Portland	11	3	.786	—
Denver	6	7	.462	4½
Utah	5	10	.333	6½
Minnesota	3	9	.250	7
Oklahoma City	3	12	.200	8½

Pacific Division

Golden State	10	2	.833	—
Sacramento	8	5	.615	2½
L.A. Clippers	8	5	.615	2½
Phoenix	9	6	.600	2½
L.A. Lakers	3	11	.214	8

Thursday's Games
 No games scheduled

Friday's Games
 Chicago at Boston, 10 a.m.
 Golden State at Charlotte, 4 p.m.
 New Orleans at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
 Milwaukee at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
 Dallas at Toronto, 4:30 p.m.
 LA Clippers at Houston, 5 p.m.
 New York at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.
 Orlando at Indiana, 5 p.m.
 Sacramento at San Antonio, 5:30 p.m.
 Phoenix at Denver, 6 p.m.
 Memphis at Portland, 7 p.m.
 Minnesota at LA Lakers, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
 Dallas at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
 New Orleans at Washington, 4 p.m.
 Charlotte at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.
 Indiana at Cleveland, 4:30 p.m.
 LA Clippers at Utah, 6 p.m.
 Houston at Milwaukee, 6 p.m.

NBA Leaders

Points

1. Kobe Bryant, LAL	26.7
2. Anthony Davis, NO	26.3
3. James Harden, HOU	25.2
4. LeBron James, CLE	25.0
5. Carmelo Anthony, NY	23.2

Assists

1. Rajon Rondo, BOS	10.7
2. Chris Paul, LAC	9.9
3. Ty Lawson, DEN	9.7
4. John Wall, WSH	9.1
5. Stephen Curry, GS	7.8

Rebounds

1. DeMarcus Cousins, SAC	12.3
2. Nikola Vucevic, ORL	12.2
3. Zach Randolph, MEM	11.8
4. Andre Drummond, DET	11.6
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WEEKEND ON TAP

Thursday, Nov. 27

Chicago	at	Detroit	12:30 p.m.
Philadelphia	at	Dallas	4:30 p.m.
Seattle	at	San Francisco	8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 30

Washington	at	Indianapolis	1 p.m.
Tennessee	at	Houston	1 p.m.
Cleveland	at	Buffalo	1 p.m.
San Diego	at	Baltimore	1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants	at	Jacksonville	1 p.m.
Cincinnati	at	Tampa Bay	1 p.m.
Oakland	at	St. Louis	1 p.m.
New Orleans	at	Pittsburgh	1 p.m.
Carolina	at	Minnesota	1 p.m.
Arizona	at	Atlanta	4:05 p.m.
New England	at	Green Bay	4:25 p.m.
Denver	at	Kansas City	8:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 1

Miami	at	N.Y. Jets	8:30 p.m.
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CAN'T MISS MATCHUPS

Eagles (8-3) at Cowboys (8-3)

Load up a plate of leftovers and another piece of pie, this Thanksgiving afternoon matchup will go a long way towards deciding the NFC East division. Last year, Philly and Big D split the season series — with both teams winning on the road, as the Cowboys won 17-3 in Week 7 and the Eagles clinched the division title with a 24-22 win-and-you're-in victory over Kyle Orton (subbing for an injured Tony Romo) in Week 17. This time around, it's Philadelphia playing its backup QB, with Mark Sanchez starting in place of Nick Foles.

Seahawks (7-4) at 49ers (7-4)

This Thanksgiving nightcap is a rematch of last year's NFC Championship Game and the first of two meetings between the NFC West foes. It should be a good one. Historically, Russell Wilson has been a victim of brutal home-away split stats. In three home games in Seattle, Wilson is unbeaten by a combined score of 94-33, with six TDs and two INTs. In two games at San Francisco, he is winless by a combined score of 32-23, with one TD and two INTs.

Patriots (9-2) at Packers (8-3)

A potential Super Bowl XLIX preview pits Tom Brady against Aaron Rodgers on Sunday afternoon. A-Rod has been nearly unstoppable at Lambeau Field this season, where he has thrown for 1,413 yards, 18 TDs and zero INTs on his way to a perfect 5-0 record. Most Packers fans would like to forget Tom Brady's first and only trip to Title Town, when he threw four TDs in a 35-0 shutout victory in 2006.

Broncos (8-3) at Chiefs (7-4)

The Sunday nighter is an AFC West showdown that could swing the division if Kansas City is able to protect its home turf at Arrowhead. In Week 2, Manning completed a season-high 80.8 percent of his passes (21-of-26) for 242 yards, three TDs and a season-best 143.9 passer rating during a 24-17 win over the Chiefs. Last season, Denver swept playoff-bound Kansas City — winning 27-17 at home in Week 11 and 35-28 on the road in Week 13, a game in which Manning threw for 403 yards and five TDs.



Leon Lett's Thanksgiving Day blunder will live in infamy; his costly mistake resulted in a 16-14 Miami Dolphins win over the Dallas Cowboys.

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS

Turkey Day has provided plenty of NFL memories over the years

Just like the crazy uncle with the nonstop inappropriate jokes or the aunt with the barely edible green bean casserole, the Detroit Lions and Dallas Cowboys are welcome additions to the holiday family gathering, even though they will probably provide an awkward moment or two.

Here are a few of the noteworthy Thanksgiving Day memories from the Lions, whose first Turkey Day game was in 1934, and the Cowboys, who first sat at the table in 1966.

LETT IT SNOW

On a snow-covered field at Texas Stadium in 1993, the Cowboys blocked a potential game-winning field goal by the Dolphins with 15 seconds to play. The Boys surrounded the dead ball in celebration before Leon Lett came sliding in through the snow, tipping the ball and allowing the Fins to recover the muff at the 1-yard-line and beat Dallas, 16-14, on a game-winning field goal as time expired.

"I'll never forget it," Lett told The Dallas Morning News.

"The good news is that we went on to win the Super Bowl that year. I felt bad for me, for my team, for everybody I let down at the time."

The good thing is that we went on to win the Super Bowl that year.

— Cowboys D-lineman Leon Lett

Apparently heard "heads" and awarded the ball to the Lions, who kicked a field goal on their first drive to beat the stunned Steelers, 19-16.

O-FER

En route to becoming the only 0-16 team in NFL history, the Lions allowed a Thanksgiving Day team-worst 47 points to the Titans, who posted a league-leading 13-3 record in 2008.

FRIED TURKEY

In 1998, Vikings rookie Randy Moss burned the Cowboys — who infamously passed on the wideout in the draft seven months earlier — to the tune of three catches for 163 yards (54.3 ypc) and three touchdowns, as Minnesota ran past Dallas, 46-36



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DELICIOUS LEFTOVERS

Cowboys third-stringer Jason Garrett started in place of an injured Troy Aikman and outpitched the Packers' Brett Favre in a 42-31 Dallas win in 1994. The game reminded many of the time Cowboys backup Clint Longley replaced an injured Roger Staubach and led a thrilling come-from-behind 24-23 win over the rival Redskins in 1974.

UNRULY KIDS

Detroit's 24-year-old Ndamukong Suh threw a temper tantrum on the field and was ejected from the game for stomping on Packers guard Evan Dietrich-Smith during a 27-15 loss in 2011.

JUICE IS LOOSE

O.J. Simpson broke the NFL's single-game rushing record with 273 yards at Detroit on Thanksgiving Day in 1976. But due to inept quarterback play from Gary Marangi, who went 4-for-21 for 29 yards, the Bills lost to the Lions, 27-14.

UNFITTING FINALE

Mr. Thanksgiving himself, Lions legend Barry Sanders, had just 33 yards on 20 carries against the Steelers in 1998 — the worst showing No. 20 ever had on a fourth Thursday in November. Although the effort pushed Sanders over the 15,000-yard mark for his career, it was (shockingly) his last Thanksgiving Day game. Sanders had 931 career yards and eight TDs, posting a 7-3 record over 10 Turkey Days.

MOST WINS ON THANKSGIVING DAY

W-L-T	Team
34-37-2	Detroit Lions
29-16-1	Dallas Cowboys
16-13-2	Chicago Bears
14-19-2	Green Bay Packers
7-4-3	New York Giants
6-15-2	Arizona Cardinals
5-1	Minnesota Vikings
5-2	Miami Dolphins
5-2	Tennessee Titans
5-5	Kansas City Chiefs

OUTSIDE THE HUDDLE

After being fined \$100,000 for not speaking to the media last week, Seahawks running back **Marshawn Lynch** made a point to fulfill his postgame press obligations after a 17-3 win over Arizona. Lynch used just 50 words to answer 22 questions, with "Yeah" being his response to 12 queries. But remember, this is the same guy who famously told **Deion Sanders** that he was "just about that action, boss ... I ain't never seen no talking winning nothing" prior to Super Bowl XLVIII. ... Washington's first-year coach **Jay Gruden** continues to add fuel to the fire in the Redskins' QB controversy. When asked if **Robert Griffin III** could be benched, Gruden responded: "At this time, right now, Robert's my guy, right now." RG3 is facing draft classmate **Andrew Luck** this week, adding intrigue.

... **Johnny Manziel** has not been in the news much this year, thanks largely to the play of **Brian Hoyer** and the low-profile approach taken by the rookie this year. But Johnny Entourage is in the news following an alleged assault that took place at a Cleveland hotel when a fan approached Manziel and Co. at approximately 2:30 a.m. Saturday. Browns coach **Brian Pettine's** response? "There's a saying in the league, 'Nothing good happens after midnight.'" ... Saints owner **Tom Benson** has made an \$11 million donation to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, with \$10 million to go toward renovating 76-year-old Fawcett Stadium and \$1 million for the Hall of Fame's Legends Landing Program. ... Chiefs safety **Eric Berry** was placed on the non-football illness after a mass was found on the right side of his chest. Berry will visit a lymphoma specialist after complaining of chest pains.

One-Handed Hero

Giants rookie wideout Odell Beckham Jr. made what is widely being touted as the catch of the year during a 31-28 loss to the Cowboys in prime time on Sunday Night Football. Beckham's one-handed grab — on which he may have utilized just three fingers — was his second TD of a 10-catch, 146-yard effort. The catch dominated highlight reels and social media, prompting some to ask if it was the "greatest" catch ever. The rookie from LSU disagrees. "I hope it is not the greatest catch," said Beckham Jr. "With time, I hope I can make more."



POWER RANKINGS

1. Patriots	17. Dolphins
2. Broncos	18. Bears
3. Packers	19. Texans
4. Eagles	20. Bills
5. Cowboys	21. Rams
6. Seahawks	22. Saints
7. Cardinals	23. Falcons
8. 49ers	24. Panthers
9. Lions	25. Vikings
10. Bengals	26. Giants
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Toledo's Dakota Robins shakes free of a tackle against North Beach on Saturday in Centralia during the State 2B playoffs.

Semifinals

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for us," Napavine coach Josh Fay said of the Toledo win. "You can't turn the ball over, and you can't give people extra opportunities."

THE TEAMS' quarterfinal wins were a bit indicative of their seasons to date.

Toledo was up-and-down in a 21-14 win over previously unbeaten North Beach; Napavine destroyed Raymond, 52-7.

For Toledo, the win meant achieving a goal the team set back in the spring: playing in the Tacoma Dome.

"Our kids are pretty carefree. This was their goal, until they reached it," Thibault said. "Everything else is a bonus. We're not ranked No. 1 and we're not supposed to win, so we've got nothing to lose."

The carefree attitude — which, earlier in the season, may have factored into a few slow starts — could be a benefit come Friday.

"I don't think they're going

to be uptight," Thibault said. "I don't know if they'll still realize how big it is until it's over."

That being said, there's a few keys the Indians will try to have locked up when they take the field.

"I think our lines need to play. Nobody ever talks about them, but they're pretty good," Thibault said. The only off-games the linemen have had, he pointed out, were in a 33-24 win over Onalaska and the loss to Napavine.

"I think our line needs to play kind of lights-out against them for us to have a shot," Thibault said. "And (wide receiver/defensive back) Grant (McEwen) has to be Grant. There's times where he's the best player on the field, so hopefully he gets in that mindset and just has a day."

When Toledo's been good — as in the second half of their 65-40 win over Concrete in the first round, when Toledo outscored the Lions 45-14 — they've been impressive. That's what the Indians are going to need to extend their season to Dec. 4.

"Sometimes they're really good, and sometimes they're not good at all," Thibault said.

"Hopefully we get the good side of the coin, and it's a good game on Friday."

THE PLAYOFFS are nothing new to Napavine, now in its seventh-straight state appearance. The Tigers last played in the Tacoma Dome back in 2011, in a 27-21 loss to Morton-White Pass in the semifinals.

No matter the team, Fay said, there's always the matter of adjusting to the mystique of playing in the Dome.

"There's always a little-kid type mentality of, 'You're on the big stage,' and I think that kind of plays into it," Fay said. "It's just a matter of how long it lasts. We're hoping our kids can deal with it before kickoff."

The players, meanwhile, are less worried about the opponent and more concerned with what's on the line — namely, a shot at a state title.

"They know their hands will be full, and they want to go out and get after it," Napavine coach Josh Fay said. "They just want to find a way to get to that final game, and they know they've got to go through Toledo."



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Napavine quarterback Wyatt Stanley warms up before a State 2B quarterfinal contest with Raymond on Saturday in Centralia.

Opposing Offenses: Indians Powered by Hicks, Tigers Boast Plethora of Scoring Options

By The Chronicle

Toledo's offense has relied on not-so-secret weapon Taylor Hicks. The 5-foot-9, 185-pound junior has carried the ball 235 times this season for 2,258 yards and 30 touchdowns, at an average of 9.6 yards a carry. That includes 685 yards and 10 touchdowns on 70 carries through three playoff games. Sophomore running back Dakota Robins has been solid in a secondary role, and Grant McEwen and Konner Crawford have been the top targets for sophomore quarterback Dalton Yoder.

Napavine, meanwhile, has been a bit more diverse. Hicks has run for more yards in his past two games than any single Tiger running back has picked up this season, and a different player leads Napavine in carries, rushing yards, rushing touchdowns.

Sophomore Mac Fagerness (5-8, 150) is the Tigers' leading rusher with 476 yards on 44 carries with eight touchdowns, along with 25 catches for 480 yards and three more scores; senior Jensen Lindsay (5-11, 215) leads the team with 65 carries and has picked up 455 yards, with 11 touchdowns; and occasional quarterback/wide receiver Brady Woodrum has carried the ball 65 times for 369 yards with

Tacoma Dome Schedule State Football Playoffs Friday's Games

2B: Toledo vs. Napavine, 4 p.m.
3A: Marysville Pilchuck vs. Bellevue, 7 p.m.

Saturday's Games

1A: Eatonville vs. Cascade Christian, 10 a.m.
2A: Tumwater vs. Sedro-Woolley, 1 p.m.
1B: Neah Bay vs. Lummi, 4 p.m.
4A: Bothell vs. Newport, 7:30 p.m.

17 touchdowns.

The Tigers have had three 100-yard rushing performances this year, two from Fagerness and one from Lindsay.

Sophomore quarterback Wyatt Stanley has completed 83 of 163 pass attempts for 1,441 yards, with 15 touchdowns and three interceptions. Cole Doughty leads the receiving corps with 35 catches for 722 yards and 10 touchdowns.

"I'm sure Wyatt's excited to get in there and stay warm and dry," Fay said, of playing in the Tacoma Dome. "It's got to be somewhat of an advantage, playing in controlled conditions like that, for sure."

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