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Senior Center Seeks Volunteer Bus Drivers

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Usually, the Yelm Adult Community Center has a system of buses that take home-bound folks to the senior center, but right now, that service is severely hampered.

That's because the center has no bus drivers until August rolls around, and the one driver who has been recruited hasn't started yet.

Genie James, the volunteer executive director of the Yelm Adult Community Center, said bus drivers take seniors to the

center to socialize for lunch and then take them home afterwards. On Thursdays, the drivers take the seniors to a store like Grocery Outlet, Walmart or Safeway, so they can shop for an hour.

The center has four regular seniors using the service to get

to meals. On Thursday, however, there could be up to six or seven in need, James said.

"There's people that need transportation here where there needs to be a wheelchair lift and on the busses that we have that have wheelchair lifts, we can't keep the lifts working,

so there's people that we can't bring in because of our bus situation," James said, pointing out the volunteer repair work that needs to be done.

As far as bus drivers go, the center used to have three. They

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Council Approves \$50,000 Change Order for Cochrane Park Contract

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Yelm City Council approved a nearly \$50,000 change order to complete "phase one" of its Cochrane Memorial Park reconstitution initiative at its July 13 meeting, adding to the previously adjusted contract of about \$400,000 already approved for the project.

The change order became necessary after the arrival of new bathrooms, part of the project's "phase one," which exposed additional electrical needs of the park moving forward.

The park's existing service panel is too limited to operate existing and future power functions of the park in addition to the electrical needs of the new restroom facility, Yelm Public Services Director Cody Colt told councilmembers.

When the restroom facility was delivered, it was discovered that its circuit capacity was too limited for the facility's power load, which includes the operation of its septic tank effluent pump, the council

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Yelm's Second Mermaid Festival Deemed a Success

MORE THAN A FISH TALE:
Over 3,900 People Attend Event at Yelm City Park

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More than 3,900 people came out to Yelm's second Mermaid Festival Saturday, July 17 at Yelm City Park.

Folks flipped their fins through over 70 vendors, Disney-character photo-ops, fish-tail games, a mermaid-costume contest, the Yelm Farmers Market and, of course, the splash pad.

"It was phenomenal," said LaDonna Shea-Hockaday, the

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The 2021 Kids Mermaid Fest Queen Keegan Mcmenamy, of Rainier, shows off her crown with Yelm Mayor JW Foster at the Yelm Mermaid Festival on July 17.



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At center, Rebecca Howard, of Roy, shows off her costume with friends and family at the Yelm Mermaid Festival on Saturday, July 17, at Yelm City Park. Howard was one of 10 adult mermaid contest entrants.

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Cochrane Park Brings Storybooks Alive

By Daniel Warn

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In late spring, Yelm Timberland Regional Library Manager Erica McCaleb loaded her car with foam boards and enlarged storybook pages and set off to Cochrane Memorial Park.

Together, she and the Yelm Public Services team posted the pages along the park's main trail to construct one of the Timberland Regional Library system's "story trails," an attraction of the summer library program.

"Story trails are a way to get folks, our library patrons, to get outdoors," said Stefan Abuan, public services specialist with the Yelm Timberland Regional Library. "I think the Olympia library started them because we've all been locked inside for the past year and half. It's a way for our library to get people ... to enjoy being outside and still do something library-related."

Librarian Elizabeth Kalen selected the book used for the trail, which has the pages of the book spread out across the park for folks on a stroll to peruse. The featured book, "The Hike," was written by Alison Farrell.

"It's a little kid's book. It's from our picture book section," Abuan said. "It's basically a kid going on a hike and naming things along the way."

And Kalen went above and beyond the call of duty for the project, Abuan said.

"She put activities at the bottom of each page," he said. "That wasn't part of the original story, but Elizabeth added a few



The story trail brings books to life at regional parks.

components to it (so it's) interactive."

In a previous interview with the Nisqually Valley News, McCaleb said the activities mirror what's happening on the book's pages.

"They are geared toward children so maybe one of the activities is: 'Look around — do you see any birds? How many different kinds of birds can you see?'" McCaleb said.

Abuan said McCaleb worked with the greater Timberland Library system to get funding for the trail and did extensive footwork to make it a reality.

"They basically took the book and took a snapshot of every page," Abuan said. "They enlarged it. And (the pages) are all laminated ... so they're protected from the weather. Every page from the book is mounted on its own sign holder, and so they're on little stakes that go in the ground. They're securely mounted."

He said that as people walk the trail, they'll come to each page in turn, eventually traversing the entire park.

"(The story trail) gets them to see the book in a really large format," Abuan said. "Because it's outside at a park, it allows them to walk around the park (and) do the activities. They stand at a kid's height, so they can look right at it."

And he put himself in the shoes of those who the trail targets.

"You might imagine if you had a little child, and you brought them there, they would say, 'There's a book. I wonder what the next page is. Well, let's go find it,'" Abuan said. "I guess it's a sort of magical experience. Instead of sitting, reading a book, you get to walk around and come upon a page, read it aloud to each other and be outdoors."

He said the trail helps him feel like Timberland's Yelm



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A page of a story trail focused on the book "The Hike" is pictured at Cochrane Memorial Park in Yelm.



Ducks enjoy Cochrane Memorial Park's fishing pond near the new story trail.

branch is doing everything it can for its patrons.

"We have a lot of folks that use the library, and as a staff member, I see the other libraries, like Olympia, Lacey, who have bigger staff and they do a lot more stuff like this," Abuan

said. "So it's really important for the Yelm community to have something like this, and also for our staff to have something like this that gets people engaged in the library without always having to be here. We're reaching outwards."

Folks to Show Off Their Talent at Wilkowski Park

By Daniel Warn

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When Veronica Brauer, who works in Real Estate, was showing a house in the Nisqually Pines, she noticed an ice cream truck rolling through the neighborhood and knew she would have to act fast.

Brauer dropped everything she was doing, made a hasty apology to her clients, and raced

outside to flag the driver down. She launched into a pitch for "Rainier's Got Talent," a variety show that will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, July 24, in Wilkowski Park in the heart of Rainier.

"I ran down the cul-de-sac and made the ice cream truck driver stop," she said in an interview with the Nisqually Valley News. "I told him about the talent show, and he said that, for sure, he would be there."

After calling a host of "taco trucks" and other food vendors, she found that most of them were booked, so she was getting desperate.

"When I was (grocery shopping) ... I saw another ice cream truck in the parking lot, so I got out a flyer and put it on the truck," Brauer said, adding

that by the time she was finished, the driver came up to her. "The driver said, 'Veronica? The talent show? Yeah, I'll be there.' It was the same man."

Such hustle is just a small part of what Brauer has done to get the show off the ground.

After the idea for the event came up at a "We Love Rainier" group meeting in the city's senior center last year, the Rainier resident took to planning an all-inclusive show for the community.

Due to her efforts, she secured a time and location for the event with the city of Rainier, acquired a stage, advertised for the festivities, inspired volunteers to help out and recruited talent for the show's variety of performance slots.

"This has been so amazing,

because people are responding, coming together, trying to make this happen," Brauer said. "I was hoping that it would be amazing, of course, but it's going to be something really more amazing than I expected."

She said the response from the community has been better than she expected.

"We have, like, 13 participants and they are so excited to be part of it," Brauer said. "People are coming to help. ... It's just been really amazing."

She's even booked professional performers.

"We have this amazing aerialist girl," Brauer said. "She used to work for the ... circus. And she does acts on a trapeze. It's just amazing what she can do. She and her friend are going to do two different acts."

There are a few singers signed up as well.

"One is a 96-, 97-year-old singer who is going to go up and sing and play the portable keyboard," she said. "And ... three of her friends are going to go up and sing ... and an 8-year-old girl is going to sing 'Shallow' by Lady Gaga."

The higher arts will also be present, and some acts will re-

ally put the "variety" in the "variety show." Brauer said performers include two poets, and a girl who is going to put her Hula Hoop skills on display.

One of Brauer's friends from Puyallup will be showing off his skills on the guitar and she herself will be dancing to an authentic, Mexican folk song from her country of origin, an act that she has painstakingly created a costume for.

"I've already finished my dress," Brauer said. "It took a long time, but it's come along pretty good. I think I'm the only dancer."

She said people should bring their own blankets to sit on, but the senior center is going to help with folding chairs for those with ability-related needs. To make arrangements, people should message Brauer on Facebook, or contact her by other means.

In all, she said the purpose of the event is for the community to have fun together.

"It's not a contest," Brauer said in a previous interview with the Nisqually Valley News. "There's not gonna be a first, second (or) third prize. Everybody's gonna be a winner."

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Chamber Puts Second BBQ Rally on the Grill

By Daniel Warn
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The Nisqually Valley BBQ Rally returns this month after skipping what would have been its second annual event last year due to COVID-19-related shutdowns.

The rally, organized by the Yelm Chamber of Commerce, will smoke and sizzle from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 24 at Yelm City Park.

“Nisqually Valley BBQ Rally will be back saucier and smokier than ever,” said Line Roy, executive director of the chamber.

The event will feature kids activities, a beer garden, live music, a pie eating contest, and an amateur BBQ competition as well as business and food vendors.

“I invite everyone to come out. Bring your friends and family (to) enjoy a truly amazing day with us,” Roy said. “The farmers market will be running concurrently right across the street, the splash pad and playground will be open for kids, and we are excited to show off what Yelm can offer.”

Roy said fundraising to support the chamber’s mission is certainly part of the event’s scope, but she wants it to mean much more than that to the community.

“While this is ultimately one of the largest fundraisers for the Yelm Chamber of Commerce ... we are also excited to bring an event to the community that unites it,” she said. “Yelm has so many awesome activities in the summer. We are excited to be a part of that.”

Shelley Nicholson, co-chair of the rally, said the event is a boon for the community.

“The Yelm community loves to come together and have family fun,” she said. “This has something for everyone. ... It is time to get out and see friends and celebrate one of the best events Yelm has to offer.”

And the event is the perfect opportunity for community members to celebrate now that the state has reopened, Roy said.

“If there’s anything that we really noticed throughout 2020, it’s that Yelm loves to celebrate,” she said. “We were

missing that last year, but we are so happy to get to do it again. We’re breathing some life back into this city of ours.”

In light of the state’s move to relax COVID-19-related restrictions, Roy said there are no longer strict precautions planned for the event. With that in mind, she said the chamber is moving forward “as normal,” but added those who want to wear masks and remain socially distant at the event are more than welcome to participate.

Nicholson said she is more than excited for the rally, detailing how much she was looking forward to “the smell when you step out of the car (and seeing) the vendors getting ready to bring on their A game to the people of Yelm and beyond.”

Nicholson said she is also looking forward to the pie-eating contest.

“The messy-faced kids and adults alike are hilarious,” she said.

Roy said she’s just excited to see the community come together again.

“The 2019 event was so



Courtesy photo

Contestants devour their pies at the 2019 Nisqually Valley BBQ Rally.

much fun and we had such a great time all day,” she said. “I know that this will be the same. I’m looking forward to hearing The Prohibition Band and The Lemmings up on stage. I’m looking forward to sneaking away to the beer garden for a drink with friends. I’m looking forward to having a plate of BBQ.”

The Yelm Chamber of Commerce partnered with the city of Yelm, used volunteer committee members and re-

ceived support from sponsors to make the event possible.

Those who wish to participate should visit www.bbqrally.com or call the chamber at 360-458-6608.

Given all the excitement planned, Roy said she might get a little sentimental.

“I just am so excited to see it all come together,” she said. “If you see me happy-crying in the middle of Yelm City Park on July 24th, just let me have my moment.”

Yelm’s Shiplap Shop Opening Second Location in Tenino

By Nisqually Valley News staff

A popular Yelm business is putting down roots in Tenino.

The owners of the Yelm Shiplap Shop & Coffee House hope to open The Shiplap Quilt Shop and Coffee House in the Stone City’s downtown area in late October, according to a news release from the Thurston Economic Development Council.

“We are excited for our new project in Tenino and appreciate the assistance of the Thurston Economic Development Council (EDC) in securing a location for it,” said Gary Rurup, an owner and managing partner of the business. “We have been looking for a Tenino location for several months and were not able to secure one that met our needs.”

The business will be located at 325 Sussex West. The building was previously eyed as a location for the Bountiful! Market Place, a mix of business and visitor centers selling locally made products.

According to the release, the EDC and Rural Programs Manager George Sharp decided not to compete with the private sector.

Stakeholders hope the second Shiplap location “will become a destination for quilting enthusiasts from all over the Pacific Northwest.”

The Tenino Shiplap will offer a variety of hot and cold



Courtesy photo

Gary Rurup, one of the owners of Shiplap Shop and Coffee House, is pictured.

beverages, along with Twister donuts and fritters, similar to the Yelm location. In addition to fabric, the store will offer repurposed furniture and modern farmhouse décor.

“Our job at the EDC is to create a dynamic, sustainable and prosperous economy in Thurston County that provides employment, cultural, educational and investment opportunities,” said Michael Cade, executive director of the Thurston Economic Development Council, in the news release.

The EDC credited its South Thurston Economic Development Initiative (STEDI) for

the new business locating in Tenino.

“We are excited that Shiplap wants to support area artisans and specialty food product producers at the shop,” said Sharp, who leads the initiative. “We look forward to watching them grow and improve the local economy. We will continue to work on the creative economy with our STEDI partners and see Shiplap as a great new ally in Tenino.”

“I’m very appreciative of the Thurston EDC effort to ensure that Shiplap would be able to start up their new location in Tenino this year,” said Chris



Courtesy photo

Shiplap Shop and Coffee House will open a new location in Tenino at 325 Sussex West.

Hallett, a local Edward Jones adviser who owns the building Shiplap is moving into. “It’s fantastic that Shiplap believes in and is investing in the Tenino community.”

Tenino Mayor Wayne Fournier said the city has gained a reputation as a great place to grow a business.

“The Shiplap Quilt Shop fits nicely into our goal to grow the

creative economy and support our Washington State Arts Commission Certified Tenino Creative District effort,” he said in the release. “They will bring new jobs, visitors and revenues to Tenino.”

The Shiplap Quilt Shop and Coffee House will be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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Rainier's Jeremiah Nubbe Named Gatorade Player of the Year

MAKING HISTORY:
Nubbe is the First Mountaineer in School History to Win the Award

By Eric Trent
For the Nisqually Valley News

Jeremiah Nubbe first learned he had been named the 2020-21 Gatorade Washington Boys Track and Field Player of the Year from his mom, who received an email from the organization announcing his selection. Nubbe went to check his email just to make sure and, yep, there it was.

"I was pretty excited," he said. "I was really satisfied to kind of cap off my season and go on my way with that. It was definitely awesome."

Though winning it was a surprise, Nubbe was well aware he was in the running for the award, which recognizes the top athlete from each state in all of the 12 high school sports for their athletic excellence, academic achievements and exemplary character.

He is the first Rainier High School athlete to win the award and is now a finalist for the Gatorade National Boys Track and Field Player of the Year, which will be announced sometime this month.

Last year's (2019-20) boys track and field player of the year was Ridgefield's Trey Knight, who is also a prolific

thrower. Knight won it as a junior in 2018-19 and a sophomore in 2017-18.

The 6-foot-3, 220-pound Nubbe has climbed the U.S. ranks, posting top-5 national marks in the discus and hammer throw events in 2021.

The Class 2B state champion in the discus as a freshman, Nubbe launched a then-personal-best discus throw of 196 feet even on April 19, 2021 breaking the Washington state junior record. The throw was ranked No. 3 in the nation at the time.

Most recently, he placed second in the discus with a new personal-best throw of 200 feet, 2 inches at The Outdoor Nationals, Presented by Nike on June 30 at the University of Oregon. That throw puts him fifth in the nation. He also placed fourth in the hammer throw with a PR of 224 feet, 8 inches, which is ranked No. 4 nationally.

"That national meet is always the biggest one," Nubbe said. "Early in recruiting, it's definitely the most important for all the guys and girls competing."

For the academic portion of his award, Nubbe is an experienced welder who has helped install signs at several community parks around Rainier and has volunteered locally with the Rainier Education Foundation Scholarship program.

"Jeremiah exhibits a tremendous amount of self-discipline and dedication in his training regimen," Rainier throwing coach Josh Frunz said



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Rainier High School's Jeremiah Nubbe unleashes a shot put during the WIAA 2B District 4 Track and Field Championships at Rainier High School.

in a news release. "He practices his throws four to five days a week, completes an intense strength-training regimen and adheres to a strict diet."

Through Gatorade's cause marketing platform "Play it Forward," Nubbe has the opportunity to award a \$1,000 grant to a local or national youth sports organization of his choosing. He is also eligible to submit a 30-second video explaining why the organization he chose is deserving of one of 12 \$10,000 spotlight grants, which will be announced

throughout the year.

Nubbe has maintained a perfect 4.0 GPA which, combined with his athletic accomplishments, has led to a slew of Division-I scholarship offers from programs around the country. Many have been reaching out to request official or unofficial campus visits. It's kept the kid from Rainier busy.

"Trying to find time for that and make that decision a little more clear," Nubbe said. "I've narrowed it down to two or three schools right now. When fall comes, I'll probably get into

those discussions, 'What can I expect from you and what PRs can I get in high school to make my scholarship increase?'"

But for now, he's solely focused on USA Track and Field Nationals, held July 26 to Aug. 1, in Jacksonville, Florida, where he'll face off again with some of the top prep competition in the country.

It will be his final meet before his senior year at Rainier begins.

"I'll be starting up with a new cycle and working my way up from there," Nubbe said.

Tenino's Takari Hickle Commits to Oregon State University Football

By Eric Trent
For the Nisqually Valley News

Tenino's Takari Hickle, a 3-star defensive end, announced his verbal commitment to Oregon State University football Monday night.

The commitment caps an already-impressive high-school career for the soon-to-be senior from Class 1A Tenino, a rural city of 1,800 people in south Thurston County.

Hickle, a 6-foot-4, 240-pound disrupter, is the 39th-ranked prospect in Washington for the class of 2022, according to 247Sports, and is the 207th-ranked

defensive lineman in the nation.

He is the Beavers' 11th commitment for the 2022 class and their third this month. Oregon State currently has the 51st-ranked recruiting class in the nation and is No. 8 in the Pac-12.

Hickle tore up the 1A Evergreen Conference in 2021 as a junior, leading the coverage area with 16 tackles for loss as a ferocious edge rusher. He finished with 45 tackles, and four sacks on defense in just six games. At fullback, he rushed for 492 yards and seven touchdowns on 52 carries for 9.46 yards per carry.

He ended his junior year with another first-team all-1A

EvCo selection and a spot on The Chronicle's 2021 All-Area Football Team.

Hickle received his first Division-I football offer in September 2020 from Nevada after earning first-team all-1A EvCo honors during a stellar sophomore campaign.

He landed on Oregon State's radar around the same time when a few of the Beavers' coaching staff followed him on Twitter. They first reached out to talk to him about two months ago.

The coaching staff invited him for an official campus visit on June 24, where they gave him the full experience of what it would be like to be a Beaver, complete with a photoshoot in Beavers gear.

Just 18 days later, on June 9, Oregon State offered him a full-ride scholarship.

"It was pretty awesome," Hickle said. "It was definitely one of the best feelings I've ever felt. Very exciting."

It took him only three days to accept. Oregon State head coach Jonathan Smith called Hickle after practice and Hickle let him know he'd



Courtesy of Takari Hickle

Tenino's Takari Hickle recently announced his commitment to Oregon State University football on Twitter.

made the decision to become a Beaver.

"He seemed pretty excited," Hickle said.

Hickle said it was an easy decision; he's always been a fan of the Beavers. But the campus visit, where he finally met the coaches in person, is what really cemented his decision.

"I liked everything I saw, everything they preach and the morals they have," Hickle said. "Their program, to me, feels safe. Kind of like a home feeling. I really like the coaches

there, too."

Hickle, with a nearly-7-foot wingspan (83.5 inches) and enormous hands (11 inches), hopes to help turn around a Beavers' program that finished middle-of-the-pack in the Pac-12 North Conference with a 2-5 overall record during the 2020-21 season.

"I'm just excited to be a part of the program they have going on there," Hickle said, "and to grow as a player and just live out the dream I've always wanted to do."

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GUEST COLUMNISTS

Labor Shortage Emerges as Major Issue for Washington Employers

By Kris Johnson

What a difference a year makes.

As Washington emerges from the pandemic, one of the biggest challenges facing many employers is finding enough qualified workers.



It's a dramatic shift from a year ago, when businesses were forced to close their doors to slow the spread of the virus, leading to an unprecedented surge in unemployment.

Today, most COVID-related business restrictions are lifted, and the economy is beginning to recover from the pandemic. In nearly every community, "Help Wanted" signs are common in store windows and more employers across more industries are

offering signing bonuses today than we've ever seen.

Compared to the challenges we faced a year ago, it's a good problem to have. But unless something is done to address the escalating workforce crisis, it will be a drag on long-term economic recovery.

A lack of skilled and qualified workers was a big issue for many employers prior to the pandemic. The pandemic has exposed and magnified the issue, as it has so many others.

According to the state Department of Commerce recovery dashboard, weekly job postings increased sharply in Washington after the first of the year, reversing the steep declines that began in March 2020. Restaurants, hotels, trucking companies and other employers report they can't find enough people to fill all the openings.

There are multiple factors at play, including enhanced unem-

ployment benefits, lack of child care and health concerns. The return of the job-search requirement this month for those receiving unemployment benefits will likely help, but not solve the state's workforce challenges.

An important long-term solution is to connect young people with real-world, work-based learning opportunities that will prepare them for high-growth careers. The Washington Workforce Portal, a project of the AWB Institute, is doing just that in two pilot efforts underway in Spokane and the Tri-Cities.

The Association of Washington Business will explore these issues and more at the upcoming Workforce Summit, as well as potential solutions. The hybrid in-person and online event is July 21 at the Greater Tacoma Convention Center.

The workforce shortage is a nationwide challenge. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce recently

launched a nationwide initiative called America Works that's aimed at mobilizing industry and government to address the growing worker shortage crisis throughout the country.

New surveys and data show there are now half as many available workers for every open job across the country (1.4 available workers per opening) as compared to the historical average over the last 20 years (2.8). In some industries, there are more open jobs than job seekers.

The issue has gained urgency as vaccine distribution increased, but an AWB survey showed it was already emerging as an issue in April. Nearly 42 percent of respondents identified a lack of qualified workers as one of the most important issues facing their business.

The America Works agenda identifies several solutions, including immigration reform, expanding employer-led educa-

tion and training programs and expanding access to child care for working parents.

Since the start of the pandemic, employers have demonstrated a remarkable ability to adapt and innovate. It's clear the need for those skills isn't going away even after it fades away.

As the economy continues to recover, it's also clear that we're in a race for talent. The states and regions with the strongest economies will be the ones with the most skilled and educated workers.

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For more information on the 2021 Workforce Summit, visit www.bit.ly/workforce2021.

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Think Twice Before Making That Nazi Comparison

By Jim Camden

Some advice for politicians of both parties, liberal and conservative commentators and social media posters: Before you make a comparison between something happening today and Nazi Germany, think twice.



And then just don't.

State Rep. Jim Walsh, R-Aberdeen, may have learned this the hard way a few weeks ago when he wore a yellow Star of David on his shirt when discussing COVID restrictions with a group in Lacey, Wash. After briefly trying to defend the indefensible, he apologized.

I wouldn't bring it up again, were it not for a statement by Gov. Jay Inslee at a recent press conference that people who are not vaccinated are going to be required by their employer to wear masks if they return to an indoor work place. One can almost hear the gears churning in the outrage machine by people who believe vaccination is a personal choice into which the

government has no business intruding.

The machine is unlikely to be stilled by the fact that Inslee later referred to such vaccine doubters and refuseniks as "bio-reactor mutation labs" for COVID-19 and described the typical non-vaxxed person as "a 50-year-old man who voted for Donald Trump."

It shouldn't be necessary to say this, but here goes: Wearing a face mask to prevent the spread of COVID in 2021 America is not the same as wearing an arm band to mark you as member of a religious faith in anti-Semitic 1930s Nazi Germany. The former is a public health measure, and the wearers are not going to be rounded up for extermination. The comparison is offensive to the survivors of the Holocaust, their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. And to anyone with a passing knowledge of history.

Such a requirement for masking at work might tempt opponents to compare any state efforts to enforce it to "Brown Shirts," a reprise of last year's complaints about state enforcement of "the stay safe, stay home" order and a more recent, tossed-off comment by

a Georgia member of Congress. Please note that the Brown Shirts were essentially organized thugs and vandals given the tacit approval to terrorize people and destroy things, not public servants trying to keep others safe, even if you don't agree that the rules they are enforcing are wise or necessary.

This is not to suggest that only Republicans, conservatives or those with different views about COVID-19 are likely to fall into a trap sometimes referred to as Godwin's Law, that posits the longer a discussion continues, the more likely someone is to make an analogy to Hitler or Nazis.

During the Trump administration, Democrats and liberals sometimes compared the president's public spokespersons to Joseph Goebbels, Hitler's master of propaganda, despite the fact that such mastery was sometimes lacking. The former president's insistence that he actually won the 2020 election but it was stolen from him by massive fraud is referred to as "The Big Lie" by his opponents and liberal commentators.

The Big Lie was a term coined by Hitler as mendacity so audacious that people would

believe it because no one would dare to make something like that up. He used that technique to convince Germans the country didn't lose World War I on the battlefield but were betrayed from within by Jews and others.

Considering that there is no evidence of massive fraud in the 2020 election while there are evidence and court rulings to the contrary, Trump's claims might be considered mendacious enough to be "a" big lie. But the phrase is also generally followed by some kind of statement that the claims are baseless or unfounded or already refuted, so it's not quite the same as the Nazi government's Big Lie reinforced by their heavily controlled news media.

To quote Walsh in his radio mea culpa after his mistake: "You can't use some things as a metaphor, because they go beyond the pale."

A Sign of the Possibly Improving Times

As Washington crossed the threshold of 70 percent vaccination for those who are eligible to get the shot, Inslee did something he hadn't done in about 15 months. He held a media briefing and question and answer session in the

governor's conference room with reporters present.

Everett Herald reporter Jerry Cornfield, a colleague from the Olympia press corps, joked that he'd have to work on asking a follow-up question, which is easy to blurt out in person but not possible on a Zoom call when the governor's staff controls the mute button.

At the press conference, which focused on COVID-19 and climate change, Inslee let slip something that most politicians practice but few freely admit.

Asked by Spokesman-Review reporter Nico Portuondo what the state is doing to compel or help local governments prepare for future heat waves that might be more frequent because of climate change, Inslee replied: "I'm going to answer just a little different question than you asked."

He circled back to rallying the state to fight the cause of climate change, a point that he'd already made. So at least he stayed on message.

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Misleading and Not Historically Accurate

Regarding the story on the Yelm Loop in the July 15 edition of the Nisqually Valley News, Community Development Director Grant Beck is incorrect when he said, "The bottom line is that it was so successful (in helping) the state produce right-of-way acquisition costs that they were able to construct stage one

with the money that was allocated for design."

This is misleading and not historically accurate. Former WSDOT Bypass Project Manager Bill Elliott addressed the Yelm City Council on November 13, 2007, and first discussed council's questions about splitting the bypass into two phases (or stages), according to the council's minutes. Then in November 2008, former Mayor Ron Harding wanted to demonstrate

his "promises kept" campaign pledge about traffic mitigation, and requested WSDOT to divide the "Yelm bypass" into two phases.

Then-WSDOT Bypass Project Manager Dennis Engel was quoted in the Yelm Community Blog in January 2009 saying, "The city of Yelm is working with the Legislature about the possibility of splitting the project into stage 1 and 2, and changing some of the funding to construc-

tion so stage 1 could be built. ... One possible solution is to move some of the PE [engineering] and right of way [R.O.W.] for the stage 2 area money to construction of the stage 1 work."

That was what actually occurred; reallocating PE and R.O.W. money to build stage 1, because the city was told funding to complete the bypass was deferred on former Gov. Gregoire's budget to the 2021-23 biennium,

years after Harding would be out of office. Mayor Harding then could have his October 2010 photo op at the stage 1 ribbon cutting of 1.1 miles. The 3.4 miles of the remaining bypass is currently slated to open Fall 2025, Beck's revisionist history not withstanding.

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Medic One Seeks Modernization of County's Medical Equipment with Levy

By Daniel Warn
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Thurston County Medic One has placed a levy measure on next month's primary ballot.

The levy aims to restore funding to the 1999 voter-approved rate of 50 cents per \$1,000 of assessed property value, which was previously reduced to 29 cents per \$1,000 due to statutory limitations.

Medic One is a countywide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system that provides all medical supplies and equipment to Thurston County EMS first responders, including S.E. Thurston Fire Authority, maintaining its services at its own cost. It also provides training to medical responders and free CPR classes to the public, among other services.

Medic One's reach includes 12 fire departments, two ambulance companies, two hospitals and the 291,000 people in Thurston County.

It also funds 80 percent of paramedic salaries, which are those EMS responders who are on call for serious health obstacles.

"What it does is it provides medical oversight for the various EMTs and first responders (in Thurston County)," said Kurt

Hardin, the director of emergency services in Thurston County. "It provides technical information, technical assistance ... for the EMS providers out there who respond to the 33,201 EMS calls that took place in 2020, and this year we're on pace to go over 36,000."

Restoration of the levy would add an additional 21 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value over a span of six years, Hardin said.

After being authorized by voters in 1974, Medic One received a regular levy of 50 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value in 1990. Then, from 2008 to 2021, county legislative authorities increased its funding by 1 percent each year from 2008 to 2021, Hardin said.

Yet, according to Hardin, taxable values have increased 255 percent from 2002 to 2021, while tax revenue was capped at an increase of 105 percent.

He said that if the assessed values increase at a rate greater than taxation does, levy rates are driven down.

To top it all off, Hardin said the organization's expenditures have increased by 5 percent every year over the last 10 years and are anticipated to increase even more through 2029.



Courtesy photo

Medic One has placed a levy measure on the Aug. 3 primary ballot.

The measure would increase the tax rate by 6 cents per \$1,000 assessed value in 2022, or by \$18 for those with a home assessed at \$300,000.

Between 2023-2027, the rate would increase by 3 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value each year, or by \$9 annually for those with a home assessed at \$300,000.

All of this amounts to a \$63 increase by 2027 for those with a home assessed at \$300,000.

"If it doesn't pass, we'll have to defer the modernization and replacement of medical equipment," Hardin said.

He said two medic units are scheduled for replacement in 2023, three units are scheduled for replacement in 2024 and two other units are scheduled for replacement in 2025.

All of the county's 120 automated external defibrillators and its 13 ventilators also need to be replaced, Hardin said.

If the levy fails, Hardin said Medic One will not be able to add needed aid units. The agency will also have to decrease its financial assistance to fire stations, which includes the funding of supplies and the provision of training, as well as reduce its free CPR program by 64 percent.

Hardin noted the Emergency Medical Services Council provides oversight to Medic One, and emergency medical services across the county. The 13-member body is composed of elected officials, medical professionals, EMS providers and three at-large positions for citizens.

"They made a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners to place the Medic One ballot measure out there based on the current situation with the revenues and expenditures," he said. "So that's why the Board of County Commissioners took action on May 4 to place (the levy) on the ballot."

EMS Agencies in Thurston County Experience Patient Transport Delays

By Nisqually Valley News staff

Fire agencies in Thurston County that provide emergency medical services (EMS) have experienced patient transport delays because of ambulance availability and hospital capacity.

A news release from the county stated the delays occur during peak EMS 911 call times from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The issue is compounded by long emergency room wait times for EMS crews to transfer patients to emergency room staff.

Thurston County EMS responds to more than 36,000 calls to 911 for medical assistance and the call volume continues to increase, stated the release.

"Hospital emergency departments are routinely full which impacts the ability of EMS to transfer patients from ambulances to the emergency department," stated the release. "Ambulances are often kept at the emergency departments for long durations before a bed becomes available. This backlog delays the ambulances from

returning to service and being available for new 911 EMS patients needing to be transported to the emergency departments."

Medic One is working with 12 fire agencies in the county and two private agencies to create surge capacity through the EMS system. Immediate solutions, according to the release, include improving the efficiency of EMS handoff to the emergency room department, increasing the number of available transport units to the county's EMS system and streamlining the onboarding process for

EMTs who are working to gain affiliation within the county.

Longer term solutions include the creation of policies and procedures that allow EMS to transport patients to local immediate care and urgent care centers, when appropriate. They also include advocating for an expansion to available medical infrastructure within the county and the region, stated the release.

"While Thurston County fire and EMS agencies are preparing to implement all changes to aid in patient transport, the

changes will be implemented in escalating steps until ambulance availability and ER transfer times have been addressed," said Kurt Hardin, the director of Thurston County Emergency Services. "All of the involved agencies are working hard to address the emergent medical needs of Thurston County's residents and continue to provide these important services."

More information on the county's emergency services department can be found online at www.thurstoncountywa.gov.

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Chamber Awards Highlight Exemplary Businesses in Yelm

By Daniel Warn
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The Yelm Chamber of Commerce celebrated its third Chamber Business Awards, recognizing its members with a series of accolades for their work last year during an event on July 13 at the Yelm Community Center.

In all, there were six awards given out to chamber members, covering recognitions in community outreach, Yelm's beautification, commitment to the environment, emerging success, longevity and leadership.

Yelm Prairie Christian Center, Crowe Law Office, South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity, Between Sisters Boutique, H&R Block and Tad Stillwell of Farmers Insurance were award recipients.

"In 2018, the Yelm Chamber of Commerce wanted a way to honor and celebrate our Chamber members," said Line Roy, executive director, in a news release. "From this, our Chamber Business Awards were born. We brought together a committee, created six award categories, and opened nominations. The committee vetted the nominations, and chose the winners. We did the same in 2019, and today, are pleased to present the 2020 Chamber Business Awards."

Wagon Wheel Commitment to Community Award

The community outreach award featured nominees like The Cattleman, Grocery Outlet of Yelm, Timberland Bank, Yelm Prairie Christian Center and Yelm Senior Center.

"The Wagon Wheel Commitment to Community Award recognizes a business or organization who goes above and beyond to give back to their community in a noticeable and impactful way through innovation, event creation (and) community outreach," Roy said.

Yelm Prairie Christian Center took home the award.

"Yelm Prairie Christian Center has shown exemplary participation in 2020 with the help of other volunteers and small groups to help feed the

community in large numbers," Roy said. "There has been an incredible outreach to help those in need during the difficulties of 2020."

Previous recipients of the award include Olympia Federal Savings Bank and Pizzeria la Gitana of Yelm.

Pride of the Prairie Award

The award centering on Yelm's beautification featured Crowe Law Office, Ferguson Insurance Services, Grocery Outlet of Yelm, Images by Brant and South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity as nominees.

The Pride of the Prairie Award recognizes a business or organization that has undertaken the beautification and improvement of their storefronts, Roy said.

Crowe Law Office was selected as the honoree.

"Yelm's downtown begins with the Crowe Law Office, a mountain of a building that stands tall and proud thanks to the labor of love and countless hours of work that Dan Crowe and Molly Carmody have spent continually updating and restoring the old Masonic Temple on the corner of Yelm Avenue and Third Street," Roy said. "They've maintained historical accuracy and beautified the space both inside and out, turning this building into a work of art."

The Shiplap Shop & Coffee House and Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity are the previous recipients of the Pride of the Prairie Award.

Nisqually Award

The chamber also chose to recognize those with a commitment to the environment with the Nisqually Award, which is given to a business or organization that demonstrates "a dedication to the environment by implementing practices and policies that are environmentally friendly," Roy said.

This year's nominees included Bliss Experience, Bounty for Families and South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity.

South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity won the Nisqually



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The Yelm Chamber of Commerce met in the Yelm Community Center for its annual Chamber Business Awards on Tuesday, July 13.

Award.

"With recycling and upcycling trending in the last few years, South Puget Sound Habitat for Humanity has excelled at making these 'upcyclable' materials available to the public and out of landfills," Roy said. "They recycle, repurpose and reduce the need for new products."

Past recipients of the award include Bounty for Families and South Sound Solar.

Mount Rainier Award

The chamber also recognizes new and emerging businesses with the Mount Rainier Award. The award goes to a business or organization that opened in the last five years and has demonstrated sustainability and success within the community, Roy said.

Nominees included Bertoglio's Pizza, Between Sisters Boutique, Red Lantern Asian Fusion Restaurant and Steele Barrel BBQ Company, with Between Sisters Boutique taking home the prize.

"Opening just days before the 2020 shutdown, Heidi and Nanette fought all year to stay open," Roy said. "They did so gracefully, creating a following that love their excellent customer service, style and great prices. By partnering with local

entrepreneurs, they have created a business model that is sustainable and successful."

The boutique joins 507 Taproom and Filling Station and Uptown Lounge as winners of the Mount Rainier Award.

Legacy Award

What's the recognition of emerging success without also giving props to those who have become staples in the community?

The Legacy Award recognizes a business or organization that has been around for 20 years or longer to acknowledge their success, vitality and longevity, Roy said. This year's nominees included H&R Block, Prairie Hotel, Tim's Pharmacy, Yelm Cinemas and Yelm Dollars for Scholars.

H&R Block ended up winning the award.

"H&R Block has been in the Yelm community for 34 years, and often goes out of their way to serve the members of the community, including numerous school supply drives, food drives and supporting organizations with donations," Roy said. "H&R Block consistently receives recognition for their tax services and happily contributes to not only Yelm, but the entire Nisqually Valley."

Previous recipients of the award include Mr. Dougs and Stewart's Meat Market.

Fay Fuller Award

Finally, the chamber created an award for business leadership. The Fay Fuller Award is an individual award that recognizes an exemplary leader at a business or organization, Roy said.

Nominees were Greg Vinyard, with Grocery Outlet; JW Foster, with the city of Yelm; Roy herself, with the Yelm Chamber of Commerce; Mike Maloney, with Prairie Park; Steele Clayton, of Steele Clayton State Farm, Steele Barrel BBQ Co.; Tad Stillwell, with Farmers Insurance; and Wayne McCarten, of Uptown Lounge.

Among the recognized leaders, Stillwell rose to the top.

"With a military career that spans 15 years, running a successful insurance company for 35 years and serving on city council for five years, Tad Stillwell has lived a life of exemplary leadership and service," Roy said. "His experience, education, passion for community and ingenuity is an asset to all who work with him."

Stillwell joins Chrissy Dehan and Tracie Choate as Fay Fuller Award recipients.

Thurston County COVID-19 Cases See Uptick After Recent Slump

By Nisqually Valley News staff

Thurston County Public Health and Social Services reported an uptick in new COVID-19 infections, with the number increasing to 187 during the period of July 12-18, as compared to 134 new infections during the week of July 5-11, bringing the running total for infections throughout the pandemic in the county to 11,412 as of July 19.

By comparison, the highest number of new cases reported in a single week was 485 during the week of Dec. 7-13, 2020.

Two new deaths were reported, a man in his 70s on July 15, and a man in his 80s on July 18. Thurston County's total deaths have increased to 99, according to Thurston County

Public Health and Social Services. The percent of those infected with COVID-19 who have died stands at 1 percent for the county, according to the Washington State Department of Health (DOH).

Out of the 11,412 total county cases reported by July 19, patients who have recovered or are recovering has increased to 11,076 from 10,941, according to reports from Thurston County Public Health and Social Services.

Since last reported, there have been nine new hospitalizations in Thurston County, according to DOH, making the total number since the start of the pandemic land at 753 as of July 18.

Health care workers have administered a total of 293,190 vaccine doses countywide since

the beginning of the pandemic, according to the DOH.

In neighboring Pierce County, five new deaths were reported and new cases have increased to 72.6 per 100,000 population as reported during the 14-day period between June 28 and July 8, according to the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department. The total number of cases in the county is at 52,044 as of July 19 with 625 total deaths.

In Washington state, as of July 18, there were 423,043 total confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 38,804 probable cases, a total of 26,196 people have been hospitalized due to the illness, and 6,043 people have died, according to DOH. The statewide rate of those who have died after contracting the virus stands at 1.3 percent.

Nationwide, as of press deadline, there were 33,896,296 total cases since the start of the pandemic, 606,618 confirmed deaths and about 338.2 million doses of vaccines were administered, according to the Centers

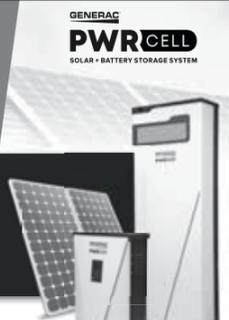
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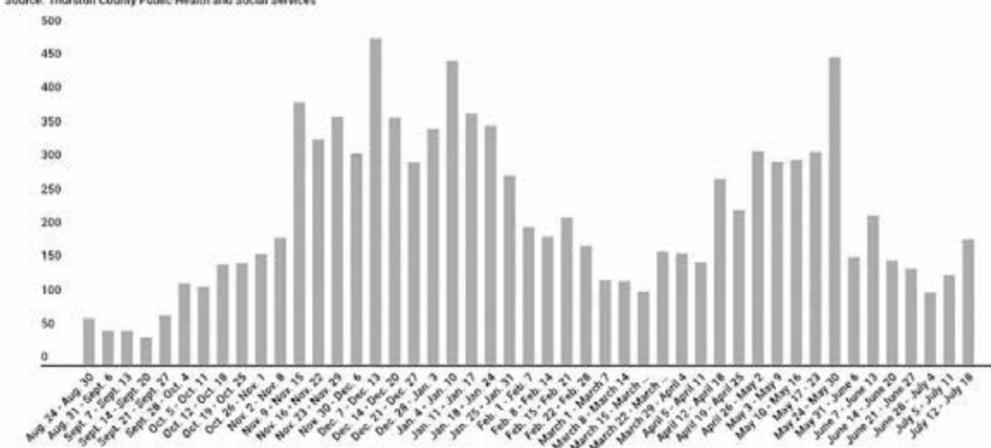
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Taurus, it can be difficult to know when to stop talking and start listening. It is a fine line to walk, but be patient and feel out the room before offering your input.
GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Things that appear to be confusing or intimidating may not be as complicated as they seem, Gemini. Keep doing your research and don't be scared away.
CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, remember to treat others how you want them to treat you. This simple approach is a great way to build lasting friendships and strong relationships.
LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23
Get as much work done around the house as possible this week, Leo. You may soon be pressed for time, so now is the time to tackle projects.
VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Have fun with family and friends in the days to come, Virgo. Make the most of this precious time to relax with those you love. It will provide the kickstart you've been seeking.
LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Devote some time to figuring out the details of your spending habits. A little financial discipline now may pay big dividends down the road.
SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, seek others' input when faced with a tricky situation. Sometimes a fresh perspective is all that's needed to make sense of a perplexing problem.
SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, expect to make some progress on financial situations that may have seemed daunting in the past. A financial professional can help you navigate some confusing waters.
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Connecting with friends has been a priority for you lately, Capricorn. In the days ahead, spend as much time as possible with those you hold near and dear.
AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Hidden strengths come to the surface when you are thrust into an unfamiliar situation, Aquarius. When forced to think on your feet, you realize you can adapt on the fly.
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Connect with your community in any way you can this week, Pisces. Give back by volunteering or by offering financial support.

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Vehicles are available for inspection one hour prior to sale, Published in the Nisqually Valley News on July 22, 2021 Christina Warren B-n-H Towing, Owner

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118938 Summons SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION No. 21-2-01176-34 SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF THURSTON

SPOKANE TEACHERS CREDIT UNION, a Washington state-chartered credit union, Plaintiff, vs. DOUGLAS FORTUNE and AYL A FORTUNE, husband and wife and the marital community comprised thereof, Defendants. The State of Washington to AYL A FORTUNE: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 22nd day of July, 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the Verified Complaint for Money Judgment ("Complaint") of the Plaintiff, Spokane Teachers Credit Union, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for Plaintiff, Spokane Teachers Credit Union, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the Complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. This case involves your repayment of extensions of credit made by Plaintiff to or for your benefit. DATED this 14th day of July, 2021.

PAINE HAMBLEN LLP
By: /s/ Jeremy M. Zener, WSBA #41957 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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118904 Summons Manoes SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF PETITION/HEARING RE RELINQUISHMENT OF CHILD/ TERMINATION OF PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP NO.: 21-5-00522-2 SEA IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF INFANT NOE MANOES, a person under the age of eighteen. TO: JOHN DOE (UNKNOWN) AND TO: ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTY You are hereby summoned to appear within thirty days after the date of first publication of this summons, to-wit, within thirty days after the 15th day of July, 2021 and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the petition of the Petitioner, OPEN ADOPTION & FAMILY SERVICES, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for Petitioner, OPEN ADOPTION & FAMILY SERVICES, at the office below stated; if you fail to do so, judgment may be rendered against you according to the request of the petition which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a petition has been filed in this court praying that the parent-child relationship between parents of the above-

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named child and the above-named child be terminated. The object of the action is to seek an order relinquishing the child to the Petitioner for adoption and to terminate the parent-child relationship. The child was conceived in or around November, 2020 in Olympia, Washington and was born in Olympia, Washington on July 4, 2021. The child's birth mother is TIFFANY NOE MANOES. The court hearing on this matter shall be on the 16th day of August, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom in the King County Superior Court; address: King County Courthouse, Ex Parte Department, Court Room W-325, 516 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104. Information regarding participating in the hearing may be found by calling Adoption Services at (206) 477-1493. YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT THIS TELEPHONIC HEARING MAY RESULT IN A DEFAULT ORDER PERMANENTLY TERMINATING ALL OF YOUR RIGHTS TO THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD. NOTICE: State and federal law provide protections to defendants who are on active duty in the military service, and to their dependents. Dependents of a service member are the service member's spouse, the service member's minor child, or an individual for whom the service member provided more than one-half of the individual's support for one hundred eighty days immediately preceding an application for relief. One protection provided is the protection against the entry of a default judgment in certain circumstances. This notice only pertains to a defendant who is a dependent of a member of the national guard or a military reserve component under a call to active service for a period of more than thirty consecutive days. Other defendants in military service also have protections against default judgments not covered by this notice. If you are the dependent of a member of the national guard or a military reserve component under a call to active service for a period of more than thirty consecutive days, you should notify the plaintiff or the plaintiff's attorney in writing of your status as such within twenty days of the receipt of this notice. If you fail to do so, then a court or an administrative tribunal may presume that you are not a dependent of an active duty member of the national guard or reserves, and proceed with the entry of an order of default and/or a default judgment without further proof of your status. Your response to the plaintiff or plaintiff's attorneys about your status does not constitute an appearance for jurisdictional purposes in any pending litigation nor a waiver of your rights. You are further notified that any non-consenting parent or alleged father has a right to be represented by an attorney, and an attorney will be appointed for an indigent parent who requests an attorney. You are further notified that your failure to file a claim of paternity under Chapter 26.26 RCW within thirty days of the first publication of this notice or to respond to the petition within thirty days of the first publication of this notice is grounds to terminate your parent-child relationship with respect to the child. You are further notified that your failure to respond to the termination action within twenty days of service, if served within the state of Washington, or thirty days if served outside of this state, will result in the termination of the parent-child with respect to the child. You are further notified that if you are the alleged father of an Indian child, and you acknowledge paternity of the child, or if your paternity of the child is established prior to the termination of the parent-child relationship, your parental rights may not be terminated unless you: (i) give valid consent to termination, or (ii) your parent-child relationship is terminated involuntarily pursuant to 26.33 or 13.34 RCW. One method of filing your response and serving a copy on the Petitioner is to send them your written response by certified mail with return receipt requested. Appearances in the Ex Parte Department are conducted using Zoom. Please visit https://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/su-perior-court/ex-parte-probate.aspx or contact the Ex Parte and Probate Department for further instructions. Information for using the court's e-filing system can be found at https://kingcounty.gov/courts/clerk.aspx. WITNESS the Honorable HENRY H. JUDSON III, Judge/Court Commissioner of said Superior Court and in the seal of said Court hereunto affixed this 12th day of July, 2021.

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BARBARA MINER, King County Superior Court Clerk By: /s/ A. GALLARDO Deputy Clerk FILE RESPONSE WITH: Clerk of Court King County Superior Court King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104 SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON: Petitioner's Attorney: Albert G. Lirhus Lirhus Keckemet Anest PLLC 119 S Main Street, Suite 405 Seattle, WA 98104 Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 15, 22 & 29, 2021

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118864 NTC Evans

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 21-4-00519-34 RCW 11.40.020, 11.40.030 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THURSTON COUNTY FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT

In Re the Estate of: THOMAS EVANS, Deceased. Personal Representative. The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Creditor Claims. Any person having a claim against the decedent that arose before the decedent's death must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. Scope of Bar to Claims. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Date of First Publication: July 15, 2021 Personal Representative: Steven Ryser Attorney for Personal Representative: Heidi Raedel Magaro, WSBA #41499 Address for Mailing or Service: 1235 - 4th Avenue E, Suite 200, Olympia, WA 98506 Court of probate proceedings and cause number: Thurston County Superior Court No. 21-4-00519-34

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118911 NTC August PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 21-4-00454-34 (RCW 11.40.030) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THURSTON COUNTY FAMILY & JUVENILE COURT

In the Matter of the Estate of: CLIFFORD A. AUGUST, Deceased. The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented

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within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

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 Personal Representative: Louise P. August
 Attorney for Personal Representative: Paul H. Meyer
 Address for Mailing or Service: Paul H. Meyer
 Attorney at Law U.S. Bank Building, Suite 12 402 S. Capitol Way Olympia, WA 98501-1096
 Court of probate proceedings and cause number: Superior Court of the State of Washington in and for Thurston County, cause number 21-4-00454-34

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118745 NPNTC MacDONALD NONPROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 21-4-01053-31 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR SNOHOMISH COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of: ALEX MALCOM MacDONALD, Deceased.
 The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of the filing of a copy of this notice with the court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in the state of Washington. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the

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manner as provided in RCW 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the notice agent's declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the notice agent served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.42.020(2)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.42.050 and 11.42.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION IN THURSTON COUNTY (County of Residence at time of death): July 8, 2021
 The notice agent declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington on June 21, 2021 at Olympia, Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

s/Jan Jones
 Jan Jones
 NOTICE AGENT:
 JAN JONES
 ATTORNEY FOR NOTICE AGENT:
 JEFFREY CAPELOTO, WSBA No. 16238
 ANDERSON HUNTER LAW FIRM, P.S.
 2707 Colby Avenue, Suite 1001
 Everett, WA 98201
 ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE:
 ANDERSON HUNTER LAW FIRM, P.S.
 c/o JEFFREY CAPELOTO 2707 Colby Avenue, Suite 1001
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 COURT OF NOTICE AGENT'S OATH:
 Snohomish County Superior Court
 AND DECLARATION/ CAUSE NUMBER:
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118787 NTC Williams
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 21-4-00502-34 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COURT OF THURSTON FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT
 In the Matter of the Estate of KATHLEEN ANN and LAWRENCE LEE WILLIAMS, Deceased.

The Co-personal representatives named below have been appointed as Co-personal representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Co-personal representative or the Co-personal representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Co-personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

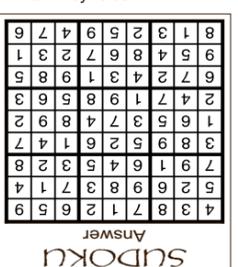
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 PAUL A. WILLIAMS
 Co-Personal Representative
 TIMOTHY L. WILLIAMS
 Co-Personal Representative
 /s/ Lynn K. Hayes
 Lynn K. Hayes,
 WSBA # 11656
 Attorney for Co-Personal Representative
 1700 Cooper Pt Rd SW, C-3,
 P.O. Box 11177 Olympia, WA 98508

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118801 NTC Reynolds PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
No. 21-4-00510-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON

In the Matter of the Estate of, LETITIA L. REYNOLDS, Deceased.
 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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 Personal Representative: William Reynolds



Answer: SUDOKU

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Attorney for the Personal Representative: Stephen J. Henderson
 P.O. Box 11069
 1800 Cooper Point Road SW, Bldg. 1 Olympia, WA 98502
 Court of probate proceedings: Thurston County Superior Court - FJC 2801 - 32nd Avenue Tumwater, WA 98512

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118871 ANTC Milward AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 21-4-00259-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF THURSTON FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT

In re the Estate of: DOUGLAS A. MILWARD, Decedent.
 The Estate Administrator named below has been appointed and has qualified as Administrator of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020; or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the probate assets and non-probate assets of the Decedent.

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 Administrator: Doreen Milward
 Attorneys: Jensen Milner I Cap City Law PS 2604 12th Court SW, Suite B Olympia, WA 98502
 Jensen Milner I Cap city law ps
 Dated: By: /s/ David P. Sisk David P. Sisk, WSBA #48577

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118873 NTC Blyth AMENDED NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
NO. 20-4-00894-34 SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF THURSTON

In the Matter of the Estate of JOHN DAVID BLYTH, Deceased.
 The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of 1) thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or 2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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 philippa blyth C/O Stammer Rubens, PS 720 W. Boone,

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Suite 200 Spokane, WA 99201
 Presented by: STAMPER RUBENS, P.S.
 By: STEVEN O. ANDERSON
 WSBA 34572
 Attorney for Estate

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118883 NTC Fjosee PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Case No. 21-4-00462-34 RCW 11.40.030 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON

In re the Matter of the Estate of: NORMAN W. FJOSEE Deceased.
 The person named below has been appointed as Administrator (Personal Representative) of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of First Publication: JULY 15, 2021
 Administrator (Personal Representative): ERIC N. FJOSEE
 Attorney for Personal Representative: STACIE-DEE MOTOYAMA
 Address for Mailing of Service: Stacie-Dee Motoyama PLLC Attorney at Law U.S. Bank Building, Suite 12 402 S. Capitol Way Olympia, WA 98501-1096
 Court of Probate Proceedings: Thurston County Superior Court
 Cause Number: 21-4-00462-34

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118894 NTC Kapust PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
NO. 21-4-04725-8 SEA SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY

Estate of JOHN L. KAPUST, Deceased.
 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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 Personal Representative: Andrew John Kapust

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Attorney for Personal Representative: Kurt H. Olson, WSBA # 13045
 Address for Mailing & Service: Fahlman Olson & Little, PLLC 3023 80th Ave SE, Suite 300 Mercer Island, WA 98040
 Court of probate proceedings: King County Superior Court
 Cause number: 21-4-04725-8 SEA

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118921 NTC Polzin NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 21-4-00536-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF THURSTON FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT

In re the Estate of: ROGER E. POLZIN, Deceased.
 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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 personal representative: LINDA M. POLZIN
 ATTORNEY FOR THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: J. Patrick Quinn
 ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: 711 South Capitol Way, Ste 303 Olympia, WA 98501
 J. PATRICK QUINN LLM, PS
 J. PATRICK QUINN, WSBA #17440
 Attorney for Personal Representative

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119016 NTC Kuykendall PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
No. 21-4-00557-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON

In the Matter of the Estate of, STEVEN M. KUYKENDALL, SR. AND JANETTE F. KUYKENDALL, Deceased.
 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's

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probate and nonprobate assets.
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 Personal Representative: Steven M. Kuykendall, Jr.
 Attorney for the Personal Representative: Stephen J. Henderson
 P.O. Box 11069
 1800 Cooper Point Road SW, Bldg. 1 Olympia, WA 98502
 Court of probate proceedings: Thurston County Superior Court - FJC 2801 - 32nd Avenue Tumwater, WA 98512

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118791 NTC McKENZIE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
NO. 21-4-00494-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR

In the Matter of the Estate of BETTY J. MCKENZIE, Deceased.
 THE UNDERSIGNED attorney, Nancy L. Wright, on behalf of Suzanne Dahlman, notifies you as follows: Suzanne Dahlman has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in a manner as provided by RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney of record at the address stated below a copy of the claim, and filing the original claim with the above-noted clerk of this court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
 Date of First Publication: July 8, 2021
 Personal Representative: Suzanne Dahlman
 Attorney for the Personal Representative: Nancy L. Wright
 Address for Mailing or Service: Nancy L. Wright Law, PLLC 1014 - 5th Avenue SW Olympia, WA 98502
 Court of probate proceedings: Thurston County Superior Court Family and Juvenile Court 2801- 32nd Avenue SW Tumwater, WA 98512
 Cause number: 21-4-00494-34
 DATED this 30th day of June, 2021.
 NANCY L. WRIGHT LAW, PLLC
 Nancy L. Wright, WSBA #19674
 Attorney for Personal Representative

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118998 NTC Wright NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
NO. 21-4-00472-34 SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THURSTON COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of CLARICE A. WRIGHT, Deceased.
 THE UNDERSIGNED attorney, Nancy L. Wright, on behalf of Jean Ellen Wright, notifies you as follows: Jean Ellen Wright has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in a manner as provided by RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney of record at the address stated below a copy of the claim, and filing the original claim with the above-noted clerk of this court. The claim must be presented within the

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Date of First Publication: July 22, 2021

Personal Representative: Jean Ellen Wright Attorney for the Personal Representative: Nancy L. Wright Address for Mailing or Service: Nancy L. Wright Law, PLLC 1014 - 5th Avenue SW Olympia, WA 98502

Court of probate proceedings: Thurston County Superior Court Family and Juvenile Court 2801 - 32nd Avenue SW Tumwater, WA 98512

Cause number: 21-4-00472-34 DATED this 16th day of July, 2021.

NANCY L. WRIGHT LAW, PLLC Nancy L. Wright, WSBA #19674 Attorney for Personal Representative

Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 22 & 29, 2021 August 5, 2021

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Jocelyn Brown Address for Mailing or Service: 1441 West Bay Drive NW Suite 102C Olympia, WA 98502

Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 8, 15 & 22, 2021

118827 NTC Eddy **NOTICE TO CREDITORS** Case No.: 21-4-00474-34 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON FAMILY AND JUVENILE COURT**

In the Estate of: DARWIN L. EDDY, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

Date of Publication: July 8, 2021

Personal Representative: Chad Eddy Attorney for the Personal Representative: Jocelyn Brown Address for Mailing or Service: 1441 West Bay Drive NW Suite 102C Olympia, WA 98502

Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 8, 15 & 22, 2021

118881 NTC Humphrey **PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS** No. 21-4-00562-34 **RCW 11.40.030 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON**

In Re the Estate of James Edward Humphrey, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner provided for in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW

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Date of first publication: July 15, 2021

Personal Representative: Courtenay Hall Attorney for Personal Representative: Larry D. Stout Address for mailing/service: 1800 Cooper Point Rd SW Bldg 3, Olympia, WA 98502

Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 15, 22 & 29, 2021

118931 NTC Barnett

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 21-4-00533-34 (RCW 11.40.030) **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THURSTON**

In Re the Estate of: GEOFFREY WILLIAM BARNETT, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as other wise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to the claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: PATRICIA A. KOLSTAD ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE: MELANIE K. HANTZE ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: c/o MELANIE K. HANTZE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, 1441 WEST BAY DRIVE NW, SUITE 102B OLYMPIA, WA 98502

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118899 Notice

Yelm City Council Notice of Public Hearing Six Year Transportation Improvement Program

The Yelm City Council has scheduled a public hearing to receive comments on the 2022 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program. The hearing is scheduled for 6:00 PM on Tuesday, August 10, 2021, at Yelm City Hall, 106 2nd Street SE, Yelm, WA 98597 or online via zoom. If planning on attending in person, please note that face coverings will be required of anyone not fully vaccinated against COVID-19. If planning on attending via zoom, registration information will be posted with the Council agenda at www.yelmwa.gov approximately 5 days before the hearing. The Six Year Transportation Improvement Program is the capital facilities document that guides transportation funding for a six year cycle. The STIP is based on the Yelm Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan and is the 'implementation' document for the overall plan. Projects that are not on the STIP are not eligible for State or Federal funding, or the use of local Traffic Facilities Charges (TFC's). Although it is a six year plan, it is required to be updated annually as projects are completed and new priorities arise. For additional information, please contact Pat Hughes at 360-458-3244. Written comments will be received up to the close of the public hearing. Written comments may be submitted at the hearing, emailed to patrickh@yelmwa.gov, or mailed to City of Yelm, 106 Second Street SE, Yelm, WA 98597. It is the City of Yelm's policy to provide reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities. If you are a person with a disability in need of accommodations to conduct business or to participate in government processes or activities, please contact Lori Lucas, at 360-458-8402 at least five working days prior to the scheduled event.

Kathy Linnemeyer, Customer Service Manager

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118916 Notice

Determination of Non-Significance

Proponent: City of Yelm

Description of Proposal: Water Reclamation Facility Upgrades

Location of the Proposal: 931 Northern Pacific Road SW Section/Township/Range: Section 19 Township 17 Range 2E

Threshold Determination: The City of Yelm as lead agency for this action has determined that this proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement (EIS) will not be required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

Mitigating Measures: None

Lead agency: City of Yelm

Responsible Official: Grant Beck, Community Development Director

Date of Issue: July 13, 2021

Comment Deadline: July 28, 2021

Appeal Deadline: There is no local

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administrative appeal of a DNS /s/ Grant Beck Grant Beck, Community Development Director

This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued pursuant to Washington Administrative Code 197-11-340 (2). Comments must be submitted to Casey Mauck, caseym@yelmwa.gov, at City of Yelm, 106 2nd St SE, Yelm, WA 98597, by July 28, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. The City of Yelm will not act on this proposal prior July 28, 2021 at 5:00 P.M.

Pub: Nisqually Valley News July 22, 2021

119021 Notice of Public Hearing

Notice of Public Hearing - Yelm Hearing Examiner

DATE: Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021 - 10:00 AM

PLACE: Zoom https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_mlgacYJqR96_c18bdnTvpA

PURPOSE: Public Hearing to receive comments regarding the following

1. Vista at Mill Pond, 29-lot Subdivision Case # 2021.0026. Request to subdivide approximately 7.22 acres into 29 single family lots, located on the southwest corner of Mill Road SE and 104th

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METRO Crossword

July 22, 2021

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SOLUTION IN CLASSIFIEDS SECTION

CLUES ACROSS

- Language group with Iranian influence
- No seats available
- Health insurance organization
- Having a strong sharp smell or taste
- Defunct European economic organization
- Dutch word for "language"
- Hard to penetrate
- When you'll get there
- Iranian city
- Small fishes
- Dry white wine drink
- Turkish city
- U.S.-born people
- Synthetic resin
- Major nerve in human body
- Type of recording
- Small drum
- Alters
- General's assistant (abbr.)
- Venezuelan capital
- Free of deceit
- Member of Ancient Hebrew nation
- Competition
- Launch an attack on
- Cavalry sword
- Spiritual leader
- One point east of due south
- Afflicted
- Database management system
- Snakelike fish
- Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- Small drink
- Not wet
- Impudence

CLUES DOWN

- Father
- Performed perfectly
- Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- Thin, compact object
- One attempting to find something
- No longer working
- Egg-shaped wind instrument
- Book of Genesis character
- Volcanic craters
- Brand of American automobile (slang)
- Hip hop icon Kool Moe ___
- Bangladeshi monetary unit
- Self-immolation by fire ritual
- Family of genes
- Et ___: indicates further
- Pacific Standard Time
- S. American wood sorrel
- Women's ___ movement
- Chinese hoopster Ming
- Layers of rock
- Patriotic women's group
- Solid water
- Shade of brown
- Very fast airplane
- Put clothes on
- Quality of one's character
- Time zone
- Primates
- Pleasantly
- Metrical feet
- Rogue
- German river
- Relieves from
- Swiss river
- Prejudice
- Actor Idris
- Those who resist authority
- Criticize

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Level: Intermediate

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

FESTIVAL:

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event's co-organizer along with creator Natalie Aimes. "This was epic. Just crazy busy. There were over 3,900 people. It was record breaking for the ... farmers market, who counted everyone on a clicker."

Shea-Hockaday said attendees were parking all over town as people from across the region came to the event.

"I heard that the local churches had to open up their parking lots to accommodate all the people," she said. "They were walking from all over town."

The costume contest saw 55 kids compete and 10 adults, and Shea-Hockaday said the judges, which included Mayor JW Foster and Yelm City Councilmember EJ Curry, did a fantastic job.

Rebecca Howard, of Roy, brought her family and friends to the event decked out to the nines for the contest.

"We watched a lot of 'The Little Mermaid' and sang songs and just went for it, because not all mermaids are Ariel," Howard said. "We spent all day getting ready. I had four beautiful ladies to get ready, and myself, so that is what we've done all day. Makeup, hair, outfits, the works."

She and her little ones had wigs, makeup and "Bjeweled" skin decorations.

Kids from all over danced and pranced through the splash pad, the kind of natural environment a mermaid might like best.

When asked if her own mermaids were going to splash through the pad, Howard laughed and said: "They can play when the contest is over."

And fun times were had by all, Shea-Hockaday said, save for just one negative review on Facebook.

"It was really nice," she said. "The community just loved it. The feedback of the event was really positive. They loved the Disney characters that were there. The vendors loved it. Everyone made a lot of money. The food



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One little mermaid enjoys a water feature at the Yelm Mermaid Festival at Yelm City Park.

was great."

Attendees Reagan Clark and Gavin Chen, both of Yelm, said they liked the food the most.

"We've gone around, looked at the booths, got some food," Clark said. "We've eaten shaved ice and kettle corn so far."

games, winning fish, just having a good time."

She said her kids were having a blast.

"There's a lot of laughter, a lot of fun and they seem to be wanting to buy just about everything that has to do with mermaids," Scholz said.

An event like the Yelm Mermaid Festival is just what the community needed, she said.

"I think I've enjoyed the community the most, having all these people out and about and the smiles on their faces and everybody just having a good time all together," she said. "It's been really fun to see everybody out and about."

Food-lover Clark echoed Scholz's sentiments.

"I think it's super important," Clark said of the event. "It helps people know that we're coming together, letting everyone know that we're a part of something."

Contest-entrant Howard said after the long months of the community's COVID-19-related shutdowns, the festival was like a refreshing glass of water, especially for her family, who was parched for the cool, quenching liquid of community involvement.

"We're actually new to the Yelm area," Howard said. "We moved the week school was shut down, and so we moved right at the beginning of the pandemic

MERMAID CONTEST WINNERS:

Kids Contest

Kids Mermaid Fest Queen:
Keegan Mcmenamy, of Rainier

First Runner Up: Sophia Heidinger, of Chehalis

Adult Contest

Adult Mermaid Fest Queen:
Mark Beerbower, of Lacey

First Runner Up:
Angie Chesley, of Yelm

Chen agreed, saying, "The shaved ice with all the flavors was just amazing. It's actually probably the most flavors I've ever seen."

When Mae Scholz, of Yelm, was speaking with the Nisqually Valley News, she clutched a bag full of popcorn, jerky and fresh blueberries.

"So far we have done tattoos, face painting (and) shopping. Now we're at the park," Scholz said. "I've got a couple other (kids) running around, playing



Courtesy photo

The 2021 Kids Mermaid Fest Queen Keegan Mcmenamy, of Rainier, (right) and first runner up Sophia Heidinger, of Chehalis, (center) accept their crowns at the Yelm Mermaid Festival.



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A mermaid, who graciously accepted the invite to the 2021 Yelm Mermaid Festival, struts around Yelm City Park on Saturday, July 17.

last March, and so this is our very first Yelm event. For us to finally be out in the community, finding things, celebrating Yelm, where we live, is just awesome for us."

Due to the festival's unparalleled success, Shea-Hockaday said she's just getting started.

"We're already planning for next year, adding bigger things and more things to do for the kids," she said, adding the plan is to add more games and activities

for families next year.

The event, in a way, was humbling, she said.

"It was epic and just crazy," Shea-Hockaday said. "I wasn't expecting that many people to come out. The whole grounds were packed all day. I'm just really looking forward to next year and the things we can do. I think that we need more events like this for the families and for our community."

VOLUNTEER:

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would rotate days, but then for a while, they just had one driver.

"Because it's a volunteer position (without pay), they drive when they want to, basically, or when they are available," James said. "We had a guy that was driving for four days, and he said it was too much so he went down to two days, so that meant that there were two days that people couldn't get in here."

James said the center's current predicament is just the way volunteer labor goes sometimes.

"It's a volunteer position, and when people volunteer, you take what you can get," she said. "And you're thankful for



Courtesy photo

Senior citizens play a game at the Yelm Adult Community Center. Without bus drivers, some seniors are left homebound.

what you can get, but it makes it hard on the people who aren't able to get here."

As of now, no one is being

used in, but the center has managed to recruit one person, who has at least expressed interest. But he hasn't taken a

stroom facility, with the existing box being rewired to make the new circuit connections.

In addition to new bathrooms being put into the facility, phase one's originally-allocated funds were set to expand the park's inlet pipe to accommodate more reclaimed water into the park's natural filtration system through use of its series of ponds. Pond one, which was overgrown with invasive species was cleaned out and a new non-permeable liner for the pond will be put in. The money also covers new plants for the sake of natural purification for eventual discharge of the reclaimed water in the aquifer and the construction of a new bridge near the inlet pipe and pond one.

Also at the meeting, city councilmembers approved additional 2021 lodging tax grant awards amounting to \$8,000 and \$2,500 to the Nisqually Valley BBQ Rally and the

Nisqually Valley Home and Garden Show, respectively. The other \$20,000 in the fund will go toward the Yelm wayfinding sign initiative, which includes previously-allocated money that was carried over for the project.

Additionally, councilmembers approved a resolution which allows existing Yelm Police Department employees to serve as the Civil Service Commission secretary chief examiner, which was prohibited in Yelm city rules and regulations back in the 90s. The Civil Service Commission represents all sworn police officers. The employee, however, cannot be a commissioned officer represented by the civil service.

Finally, appointments to various commissions and committees were approved.

Steve Craig, Rob Corl, Heidi Haslinger-Corl, Deborah Baker and Jane Walker were appointed to the Arts Commission.

route yet, so it's unknown if he will be a long-term solution.

"We have a gentleman that came down for the cooling center, and while we were visiting, I talked to him about being a bus driver and he signed up," James said. "He did all of the things that are required, but now he's on vacation, so I think he'll be starting in August. But then again, he's also a caregiver, so he'll have days that he will not be able to drive."

She added that one driver just isn't enough.

Ideally the center could use two or three drivers, James said, so that if one person is only willing to drive once a week, others could fill in the gaps.

To become a driver, all one has to do is meet three requirements. They must have a valid driver's license, they need to

pass a Washington State Patrol background check and also need to pass a physical exam, which the center will pay for, James said.

The senior center is open to the public for hot meals Wednesday through Friday with food being served from 11:30 a.m. to noon for a suggested donation.

And on July 31, there will be an open house at 10:30 a.m., followed by the Summer Senior Games at 1:30 p.m., where seniors will compete in events designed for all ability levels. Families are welcome to come and cheer the seniors on.

The first 20 seniors that come to the games, who have never been a member of the center before, will have their \$20 membership fee for the rest of the year paid in full.

COUNCIL:

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agenda packet states.

The new restroom facility currently has a 100-amp power junction box, which is more than enough to meet its power load, but the power load is also greater than the facility's existing circuit capacity, which fills all available space, according to the packet.

Armed with this information, Colt recommended that a new 200-amp service panel be installed in the park, with a new circuit being routed to the new restroom facility.

"The change order provides for a new 200-amp service, meter assembly, treating, conduit and conductors (wire) to supply 100 amps to the restroom facility as well as 100 amps to the existing circuits," the agenda packet states.

The additional 100-amp panel will be installed in the re-



Courtesy photo

The city of Yelm installed a new bathroom facility at Cochrane Memorial Park this spring.

Timothy Aiken, Jalane McAtee, Glenn Rex, Jonathan Bellows Sr. and Allyn Verbal were appointed to the Police Advisory Committee.

Jesse Kellems and Tim Kerfoot were appointed to the

Parks Advisory Committee.

Floyd Sheldon, John Graver, John Thompson, Anne Wahrmond and Jerry Fugich agreed to extend their terms as Yelm City Planning commissioners.

SIRENS - YELM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Deputies Take Fire in Recent Incident

Thurston County Sheriff's deputies responded to an incident on Saturday, July 24 in the area of the 16000 block of Chuckawa Lane Southeast in Yelm, according to the Thurston County-Sheriff Facebook page.

A man in his 70s reportedly fired at deputies and was taken into custody on multiple counts of assault in the first degree.

Law enforcement officers did not fire any shots and no one was injured. No other information on the incident was available.

'Aggressive' Woman Assaults Boyfriend

Yelm police officers responded to a disturbance at about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 13, in the roadway of the 200 block of Stevens Avenue Northwest.

According to a police re-

port, a man and woman matching the description given to police were standing together when officers arrived.

The woman told officers she can be "pretty aggressive" and "got in his face," the report states.

The man told police the woman had slapped him, and the officer reportedly noticed a red mark on his face.

The woman was arrested for assault in the fourth degree.

Woman Pays \$3,000 of Fake Bail Money to Scammers

Yelm police officers responded to a fraud call at about 6:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 13.

According to a police report, an individual called a woman and told her she was under investigation for crimes against her children. A second caller then gave her a call and told her she needed to

pay the Yelm Police Department \$3,000 in MoneyPak gift cards for her bail. Distraught, she did as she was asked and gave the caller the card numbers over the phone.

The woman then dropped her kids off at a safe location and went to the police department to turn herself in.

Law enforcement told her the police department does not function in the way the scam artist directed her and advised her to call the gift card company in an attempt to stop future transactions for the cards.

Vandals Egg Mans Vehicle on Yelm Avenue

A man was driving westbound on Yelm Avenue, near Vancil Road, when two individuals allegedly threw an egg at his car on Wednesday, July 14.

A police report stated the egg reportedly struck the ve-

hicle as he drove past.

At the time, the man reported to police that he did not think any damage had occurred. He reportedly had no information as to who the suspects were other than their race.

Later, the man found out the clear coat on his vehicle had been damaged where the egg had struck, the report states.

Police took down the report for insurance reasons.

Thief Smashes Car Window, Steals Purse

A woman reported to Yelm police officers at about 4:45 p.m. on Thursday, July 15, that while parked at Casa Mia, an unknown individual had broken her vehicle's window.

The woman told police her purse, which was in the back seat of the vehicle, was missing, a police report stated.

Police officers pulled footage of the area, but the video was too dark to obtain any in-

formation on the suspect.

Catalytic Thieves Return to Yelm

The Yelm Police Department responded to a string of car-part thefts in the Yelm area last week.

- On Thursday, July 15, a man's catalytic converter was cut off his vehicle while he was parked at the 507 Taproom, according to a police report.

- On Friday, July 16, a man's catalytic converter was cut off while he was parked at Yelm Cinemas, and a woman's catalytic converter was also taken while she was working at Walmart, according to police reports.

- On Saturday, July 17, a Rent-A-Center employee reported to police the exhaust systems of two of the business' work vans had been removed, a police report states.

The thefts reportedly amounted to thousands of dollars in damages.

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