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From the editor

## Fireworks: A little courtesy goes a long way

No matter how I write this, I’m going to come across as a killjoy, a wuss, a pesky finger-shaker who hates fireworks and doesn’t know how to have fun. Trust me; I’m one of the biggest pyros out there. My youthful escapades include one episode in which I almost blew myself up in our garage (great—my parents will read this and I’ll have to tell *that* story). Believe me, I know full well the thrill of exploding things.

Having said that, I’d like to say a word for those in our communities who couldn’t care less about July 4 pyrotechnics because they have pets who are terrified of them. Other than the cretin referenced in the first letter to the editor in this issue, I believe most people are responsible and loving toward their pets. They think of them as family; I know I do. That’s why they’re especially concerned when July 4 rolls around. Facebook lights up like a Christmas tree with tales of inconsiderate buffoons who—sometimes illegally—set off loud fireworks and terrify the neighborhood animals (dogs especially) into the middle of next week.

We’re really talking about common sense here. If you want to set off fireworks, be considerate and legal: Head to the nearest reservation. Don’t light them off inside any town limits; that’s illegal. Even unincorporated communities on county land aren’t a good place because of the population densities and the inevitable pets in the area. In the end, the Golden Rule once again is a great guide: Do unto others as you’d have them do unto you.

While I’m on the subject, let’s talk about safety. Last year, there were 102 suspected fireworks-related fires, according to State Fire Marshal Chuck Duffy. When using fireworks, remember the three Bs:

- 1. Be prepared: Have water nearby and put pets indoors or leave the area.
- 2. Be safe: Only adults should light fireworks. Sober adults.
- 3. Be responsible: Clean up fireworks debris. Soak used fireworks overnight.

Information about fireworks ordinances is at [www.wsp.wa.gov/fire/fireworks.htm](http://www.wsp.wa.gov/fire/fireworks.htm).  
—J. K. M.

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# Opinion

## Letters to the editor

**Dogs and pickup trucks**

Some things just go together. Dogs and pickup trucks are one of those inseparable things, like mom and apple pie. Perhaps it’s because a guy’s two best friends are often his dog and his truck. On June 22 I witnessed a man drag his dog to death alongside his pickup truck on SR 20. The dog possibly had been placed on a leash in the bed of the truck, and then either jumped or was thrown out. The driver continued down the highway until flagged down. Although his lack of concern about the incident was very troubling to me, I should not have been surprised. That’s the risk he willingly took when he tied the dog into the bed of his truck. I’m not sure what would be worse: having a dog thrown from the truck because they’re not tied in or being dragged to death because they are.

There are safer, more responsible ways to travel with your dog. If you really don’t care enough to safeguard your best friend, please give it to someone who will.

John Boggs  
Concrete

**SCOG listens but does not hear**

Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) met this week to decide how to allocate another \$3.3 million of your tax dollars. SCOG spent \$1,438,769 on Surface Transportation Projects and \$1,253,250 on the Transportation Alternatives Program since February 2014.

Members of the public, some SCOG members, and spokespersons for WA Dept. of Transportation all cited increasing public concern about spending money wisely. Ignoring those publicly stated concerns, the SCOG board voted on how to allocate millions of tax dollars based upon recommendations from - themselves! Yes; the recipients of the

millions from the gas pump taxes, county and city public works directors, also known as SCOG’s Technical Advisory Committee and present at the meeting, decided how the tax dollars should be spent. There was virtually NO public input in this process.

SCOG listens but does not hear. Citizens taking the time to review programs, make comments and attend meetings expect at the least thoughtful consideration of their questions and issues. The apparent tone-deaf arrogance by those holding power was all too familiar.

This was just another round of SCOG spending. Requests of \$130,772,000 dollars of your taxes for Non-Motorized Transportation projects, that is to say, nothing to do with pavement and upkeep, are pending. What would you do with \$130 million dollars in Skagit County? Don’t you think the public should have the most input on these decisions? Write and call your elected officials; tell them what you think. Political tone-deafness is leading Americans to challenge government with a fervor that has politicians in previously safe positions running for their lives. Beware, SCOG members—Skagit citizens are listening and hearing about what you are doing.

Ellen Bynum, Mount Vernon  
Friends of Skagit County

### Letters policy

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### Message from the mayor

By Jason Miller

It’s good to see some of the efforts being made around town to clean up yards, get rid of junk cars, and dispose of garbage properly. I’ve always been a big fan of our townwide cleanup days (held this year June 27–29); I certainly took advantage of this perk of living inside town limits this year. In the coming months, I and our town staff will develop strategies for encouraging junk-free yards, including the creation of a list of resources for people to use in order to dispose of virtually every kind of clutter cheaply and legally. Concrete is changing the face it presents to the world.



The **Economic Development Task Force** held its first meeting on June 11. I was encouraged to see new faces and witness a general attitude of optimism and enthusiasm—crucial for any group that intends to develop an economic development plan.

After some delays, the **Fire and Life Safety Building** is on track to break ground during the latter half of August. We should have that structure complete by spring 2015.

Public Works Director Alan Wilkins and I have been discussing options for **decommissioning the sewer lagoon** with our new contact at Dept. of Ecology. Decommissioning should have been done by the end of 2010, but funding for the project was difficult to come by (that’s an understatement). We have some excellent new, more cost-effective strategies we’re discussing with local collaborators, and I’ll share the plan of attack as soon as we firm up agreements and details.

Town staff and I will begin reading **13 Ways to Kill Your Community** soon. If you haven’t read this tongue-in-cheek book, I encourage you to check it out.

Remember, **Concrete Town Council** meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 7 p.m. in Town Hall. Please grace us with your presence as often as you can!

Concrete Mayor Jason Miller can be reached at [goodwords@frontier.com](mailto:goodwords@frontier.com) or 360.853.8213.

### Commentary

## Why don’t you belong?

By John Boggs

Many local veterans either don’t belong to the American Legion or don’t support their local post. I am quite familiar with the reasons many people give, because in the past I’ve said some of them myself. Among the more popular ones I’ve heard are:

- 1. It’s not open enough.
- 2. They won’t serve me as many drinks as I want.
- 3. They don’t do the activities I want.
- 4. The members there are not very friendly or welcoming.
- 5. I’m not a veteran.
- 6. So-and-so goes there, so I won’t.
- 7. I don’t like the people in charge, but I don’t want to be responsible to do anything myself.
- 8. The only ones who go there are a bunch of old geezers.

Let’s debunk some of the excuses listed above.

- 1. The Post can be open as much as it is economically feasible to be. We must have enough activity there to cover the expenses of being open. Some have suggested we shift to volunteers to tend bar, but that is not a practical solution for several reasons.
- 2. Lots of places are willing to serve people more than enough drinks to satisfy any level of intoxication you wish to achieve. Personally, I commend Post 132 for recognizing that serving alcohol is not part of the Legion’s primary mission.
- 3. The members of the Post would love to sponsor and host more activities. Let us know what you’d like us to do and then come help us.
- 4. I admit that I ran into a member who was less than welcoming when I first walked into the Post when I moved to the area 18 years ago. For that reason, I put off transferring my Legion membership here for many years. I judged the entire membership by the actions of one person. I see that was a mistake.
- 5. It is true that not everyone is eligible to have a regular membership in the American Legion. Besides being a veteran, one must have served during a period of conflict, as defined by the U.S. Congress. Those periods are:

See **Legion**, p. 38

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## An open letter from Kevin Loy

Dear East County Residents:

My name is Kevin Loy and I’m running for County Commissioner in the 3rd District. I’m currently a Sedro-Woolley city councilman and a member of the Skagit County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. I served eight years on the Sedro-Woolley Planning Commission.

I’m asking you to elect me to represent you as Skagit County Commissioner. I look at myself as your employee and my sole job is to represent you, the people, not the government. As your employee, I will never let re-election or self-interest cloud any decision.

My top priorities are water rights, property rights, and law and justice. People in East County are discovering their property is unbuildable because the state won’t let them drill a well. That makes their property unusable! This is a problem for 6,000 property owners and the numbers are climbing. Law and justice is 70% of the county’s budget and a subject that needs much more scrutiny than it has received in the past. I would like to represent you in finding better ways to serve you.

I want to bring jobs to East Skagit County. Farming, ranching, and the forest industry are under government pressures that are unrealistic. I want to represent you in saving and improving our east county farms, ranches, and forest industry. I will work to bring new and acceptable employment.

I want to know your opinions and ideas on ambulance, fire and police protection, employment, transportation, economic, and cultural concerns in east Skagit County. Contact me at 360.421.8396 or [kevinloy2014@gmail.com](mailto:kevinloy2014@gmail.com). Please vote for me, Kevin Loy, in the August Primary and the November General Election.

—Kevin Loy

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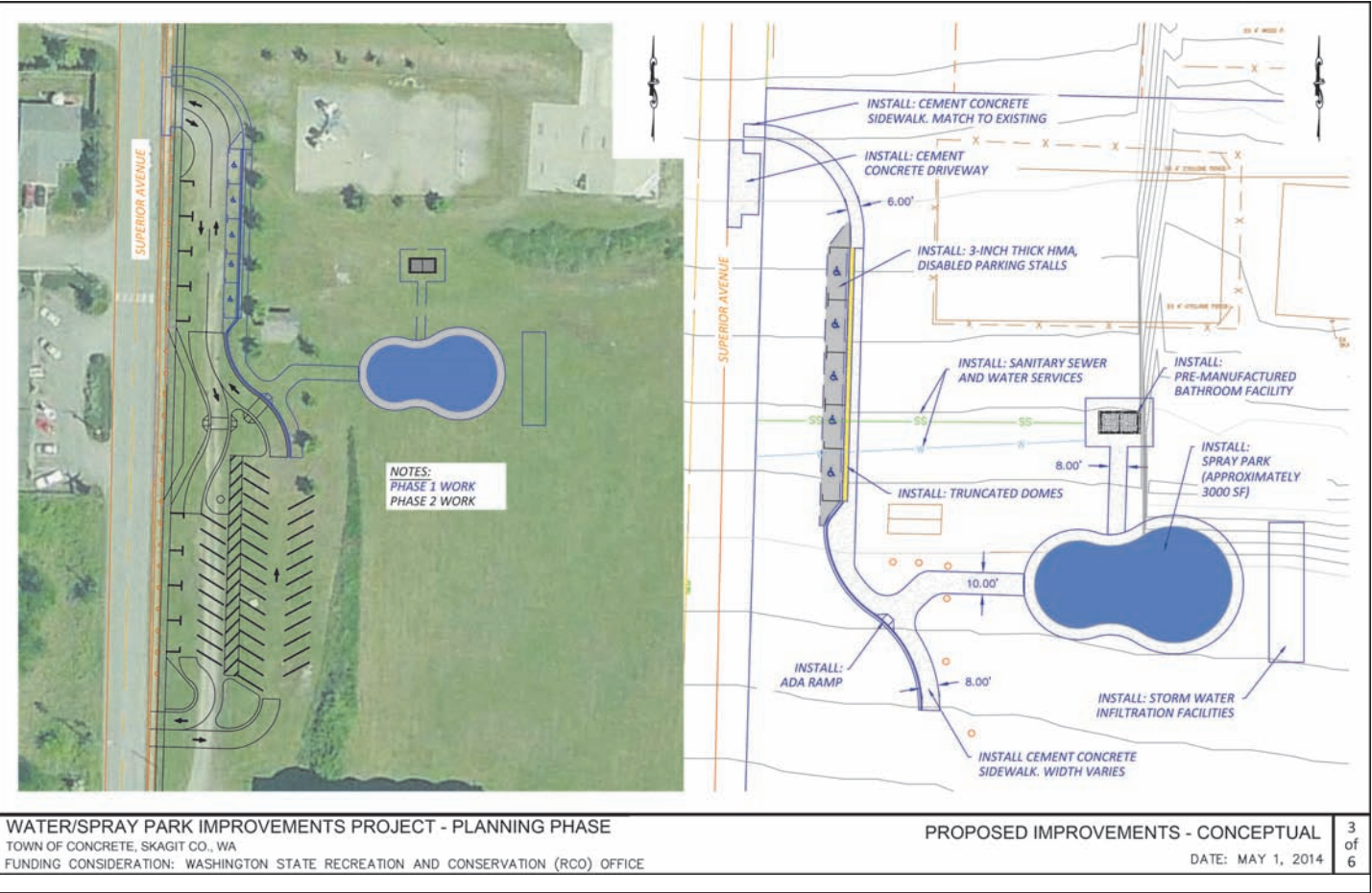


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# Parks Committee pursues spray park

Two grant sources have created a perfect storm of funding for a spray park in Concrete. With a minimum of investment from the town, the water feature—and a number of complementary amenities—could be a reality in Silo Park within two years.

The idea germinated first in April during a Parks Committee meeting, said Parks Committee Chair Marla Reed. The initial grant source, from Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO), had a tight, May 1 deadline for the town to get its foot in the door. The Town Council encouraged Reed to scramble, and she did, getting a preliminary application in on May 1.

A second grant source should provide

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This conceptual design for a proposed water spray park in Concrete places the amenity along the western edge of Silo Park. Components of the park include the water feature itself, public restrooms, and a SKAT stop along Superior Ave. N.

Graphic courtesy of Reichhardt & Ebe.

the remaining funds. The town has learned that any matching funds on its part can be fulfilled using “in kind” activities, such as volunteer labor. With four years to generate its in-kind funding, the town is in an advantageous position to make the spray park a reality.

The proposed conceptual plan for the spray park (see image, this page) includes the water feature itself, plus public restrooms. Additional grant funding is available if the town includes a Skagit Transit stop, so that amenity is included in the initial proposal.

Reed is optimistic about the town’s chances for grant funding, and said the project itself is a sound choice.

“We have to have people stop in town,” she said. “Having a business in town does not pull people into town. If we can get some people—whether from Marblemount, Sedro-Woolley, Lyman, Hamilton—to say, ‘let’s go up to Concrete for the spray park,’ then maybe they’ll patronize some of our businesses along the way. Plus, it will give the kids something to do. If we want to keep people from moving out of town, we have to give them reasons to stay. We can’t wait for a large company to build a Boys and Girls Club.”

Interviews with local youth conducted by *Concrete Herald* support the spray park idea, with responses overwhelmingly positive. One boy was particularly enthusiastic, saying, “If you guys built that, I would never go home!”

—J. K. M.

# Baker River salmon count tops one million

It’s a record-smashing season for young salmon in the Baker River, and the fish keep coming.

Puget Sound Energy announced in early June that the total number of juvenile sockeye and coho that had been collected by fisheries crews passed the one-million mark. As of June 11, the total was 1,001,558. The previous record, set last year, saw more than 827,000 young salmon move through by the end of the season, which ends on July 31 each year.

Puget Sound Energy completed construction of a large fish hatchery near Upper Baker Dam four years ago, which has dramatically increased the basin’s production of young salmon.

Using high-tech equipment, crews help the fish continue swimming downstream and out to sea with the help of two “floating surface collectors”—one at Baker Lake and a newer one at Lake Shannon. Each collector is a 1,000-ton, bargelike structure that safely funnels and holds juvenile salmon for truck transport

downstream around the two Baker River dams using the famous “fish taxis.” Later this summer, tens of thousands of adult salmon will migrate upstream on Baker River in what’s expected to be a very strong run. The record return is 53,580 (48,014 sockeye and 5,566 coho) set in 2012. The fish taxis will be used to take them up past the dams.

As recently as the mid-1980s, the salmon population was nearly extinct along the Baker River. During the past 10 years, PSE has invested more than \$150 million for advanced fish-enhancement equipment to bring the salmon back to Baker.

**Previous juvenile salmon runs downstream**

2013:	827,274 total
2012:	545,419 total
2011:	287,195 total
2010:	522,592 total

—Submitted by PSE

## Election 2014

It’s election season again, with the Primary Election on Aug. 5. Key races that affect readers in the *Concrete Herald* coverage area include Congressional District 1 and Skagit County Commissioner No. 3.

Here’s a look at who’s up for consideration on Aug. 5 in these and other races. The top two vote-getters in the Primary Election will advance to the General Election in November.

**Congressional District 1, U.S. Rep.**  
Suzan DelBene, D-Bothell  
Mike The Mover, NU-Mill Creek  
Edwin F. Moats, GOP-Arlington  
Richard J. Todd, NP-Snoqualmie  
Pedro Celis, R-Redmond  
Robert J. Sutherland, R-Granite Falls  
John Orlinski, R-Bellevue

**Legislative District 39, State Rep. Pos. 1**  
Dan Kristiansen, R-Snohomish

**Legislative District 39, State Rep. Pos. 2**  
Charles Jensen, D-Stanwood  
Elizabeth Scott, R-Monroe

**Skagit County Assessor**  
Dave Thomas, R-Anacortes  
Tom L. Pasma, D-Bow

**Skagit County Auditor**  
Jeanne Youngquist, D-Mount Vernon  
Cheryl D. Mitchell, R-Bow

**Skagit County Clerk**  
Mavis Betz, D-Mount Vernon

**Skagit County Commissioner No. 3**  
Lisa Janicki, D-Sedro-Woolley  
Kevin Loy, R-Burlington  
Patrick M. Hayden, R-Sedro-Woolley

**Skagit County Coroner**  
Babetta Spinelli, D-Mount Vernon

**Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney**  
Richard A. Weyrich, D-Mount Vernon

**Skagit County Sheriff**  
Will Reichardt, D-Burlington

**Skagit County Treasurer**  
Katie Jungquist, R-Mount Vernon  
Bradley Whaley, D-Burlington

**Skagit PUD District Commissioner 1**  
Jason Easton, Anacortes  
Al Littlefield, Anacortes  
Greg Nelson, La Conner

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# Museum kicks off fundraising efforts to “Raise the Roof”

The Concrete Heritage Museum needs a new roof and has begun a fundraising drive to generate the money needed: \$20,000.

The museum already is about halfway to its goal, but needs to raise the balance of the funds this summer so that the roof can be replaced before the winter rains begin.

Music will kick off the fundraising efforts with a concert by Maggie’s Fury, a band of musicians who play Irish fiddle and whistle melodies reminiscent of Eastern Canadian Maritime traditions.

The concert is slated for Sat., July 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Concrete Theatre in Concrete Town Center. Doors to the theater will open at 1 p.m. Tickets are

available online through July 18 at [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org/events.html](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org/events.html), or at the door. Prices are \$15 each, \$25 for two adults, and \$10 for children ages 12 and younger.

For more information about Maggie’s Fury, go to [www.maggiesfury.com](http://www.maggiesfury.com).

The museum is located at 7380 Thompson Ave. in Concrete, one block south of the east end of Main St. It is open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. every Saturday through September and houses a rich history of Concrete, dating back more than a century.

For more information, go to [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org).

—J. K. M.

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## Partnership continues to reduce youth access to alcohol

During May and June, local retailers received visits from Skagit County Sheriff’s deputies and local high school youth regarding reducing underage access to alcohol. The deputies conducted two rounds of alcohol compliance checks to gauge the rate at which alcohol is sold to minors, and the youth visited stores to assess the number and placement of alcohol and tobacco ads. Both groups talked to store managers about keeping alcohol out of the hands of minors.

Deputies conducted 22 alcohol compliance checks during May and June, twice checking each of 11 stores that sell alcohol in East County. Four stores sold to the underage operative, with one store selling during both sets of checks. The overall compliance rate was 77 percent. Earlier in the year, all 11 stores passed a set of compliance checks. The overall compliance rate for the year in East Skagit County is 85 percent.

Also during May and June, local youth participated in a project called Let’s Draw the Line. As part of the project, youth from Concrete High School visited all 11 alcohol retailers in East Skagit County to conduct an assessment of both indoor and outdoor alcohol and tobacco advertising. They talked to store managers about not selling to minors and the upcoming compliance checks by the Sheriff’s Office, and asked stores to put up “Let’s Draw the Line” window clings in support of the project. The youth team also conducted a training during lunch period with their high school peers about the advertising practices of alcohol and tobacco companies.

These efforts took place through partnerships between the Concrete Resource Coalition, Skagit County Sheriff’s Office, and youth participating in prevention efforts at Concrete High School as part of the Concrete Prevention Posse and Varsity in Volunteerism programs. The projects, supported by grant funding from the Washington State Department of Behavioral Health and Recovery, aim to reduce the amount of alcohol that gets into the hands of local youth and bring awareness among youth about alcohol and tobacco advertising techniques.

The partnership asks everyone to spread the word: “Help keep alcohol out of the hands of minors by not purchasing, providing, or selling alcohol to minors.”

—Alyssa Pavitt

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# THIS AND THAT

By J. K. M.

Upper Skagit Library will host an Author Event at Concrete Center on Wed., July 2, at 1 p.m. **Mary Cronk Farrell** will read passages from and discuss her latest book, *Pure Grit*.

**Matty’s on Main** has moved west in Concrete and will host a Grand Reopening celebration on Sat., July 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Go to 45726 Main St. and enjoy barbecued hot dogs and various sundry treats. Proprietress Sherrill Hustler says prices on select items will be reduced up to 50 percent that day too.

**Community Movie Nights** will be hosted by Town of Concrete on July 25, Aug. 8 and 22, and Sept. 5, at Veterans Memorial Park in Concrete. Movies will be shown at dusk. For movie titles, go to [www.townofconcrete.com](http://www.townofconcrete.com) or call 360.853.8401.

Heart to Heart Charity is having a **Baby & Mommy Assistance Drive** through July 19. Low-income moms in need of baby supplies will be able to get free supplies and baby items. Moms who are due in July/August or if baby is up to 3 months old are eligible. Assistance request forms can be obtained on the charity’s Facebook page under “Notes” or by e-mailing [hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com](mailto:hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com). Donations of new and used (good condition only) items are being sought. A list of supplies is posted on Facebook. Donations may be left Mon. to Fri. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the donation bin behind the partition in the hall at the charity office at 720 Puget Ave., Ste. B, Sedro Woolley. Call before leaving furniture: 360.708.4662. Monetary donations can be sent to Heart to Heart Charity, P.O. Box 1372, Lyman, WA 98263 or via PayPal using [hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com](mailto:hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com).

A **\$1,000 reward** is being offered for information that results in an arrest related to multiple horse shootings on Healy Rd. north of Lyman. Three shootings have occurred. To provide information leading to an arrest, send an e-mail to [sheriff@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:sheriff@co.skagit.wa.us) or use the SCSO Tip Line [www.skagitcounty.net/departments/sheriff/infocrime.htm](http://www.skagitcounty.net/departments/sheriff/infocrime.htm).

**Concrete High School classes of 1950s** will hold their annual potluck picnic on Sat., Aug. 16, at 1:30 p.m. at Skagit View Village near Concrete. For more information, call 360.853.8233 or 360.856.1378.

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## Council summary

*Concrete Town Council met for regular meetings June 9 and 23. Following is a summary of those meetings. Complete and council-approved minutes for every council meeting are posted on the town’s Web site at [www.townofconcrete.com/cminutes.php](http://www.townofconcrete.com/cminutes.php).*

**June 9 regular meeting**

- Paul Schissler and Margaret Fleek brought a proposal for an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement to the council. Schissler is working for the Skagit County Commissioners office to put together the interlocal agreement for a grant application that would bring more funding to the county for affordable housing. He stated to qualify for the grant, the county needs to have the entire population to be involved. He stated this agreement would not require the town to provide any funds, staff time, or elected official time.
- Schissler stated the funding would be used to increase the funding for existing programs, such as those that Community Action manages. He stated the long-term goal is to make

homes that are affordable for the income levels that are out there.

Town Planner Marianne Manville-Ailles stated the current funding for housing programs would be increased substantially if this new funding is awarded to the county, with no obligation by the town.

Council unanimously approved the interlocal agreement.

- Public Safety:** SCSO Sgt. Chris Kading reported they had about 70 calls in May. He stated they are starting to see an increase in juvenile-related instances now that the weather is better and school is getting ready to let out. He stated there are certain juveniles who are causing most of the issues and they are well known to the deputies.
- He reported on the break-in that occurred at Young Market last month. He stated they have a suspect in mind, as well as video surveillance. He stated they will most likely begin to see an increase in Search and Rescue calls as well.
- Councilmember David Pfeiffer reported on an interesting character he saw walking up from the river on Ronald Road, making his way to Airport Way, carrying a spear and

a sword. Sgt. Kading stated they would like the opportunity to at least make contact with these types of individuals.

Jack Mears asked what can be done about the juveniles causing issues. Sgt. Kading reported it depends on the juveniles involved. He stated that most of them have probation officers, and any trouble or charges are referred to their probation officers and could eventually result in them serving time in juvenile detention.

Mayor Miller noted all the calls that are still occurring at the Eagles Nest. Sergeant Kading stated they are still receiving calls to that area and are still continuing their investigation as to why these calls have increased.

Andrea Fichter and Manville-Ailles updated council on the Department of Health visit to Eagles Nest and the report that should be coming to the town soon. It was stated that once this report is received, a staff meeting between the town planner, fire chief, building inspector, and deputy clerk will occur and a decision will be made as to the next steps to remedy any violations occurring at the Eagles Nest. Manville-Ailles stated that she would also like to have Sgt. Kading

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in attendance at the staff meeting. She stated that once this report is received and staff has met, they will report back to council, which she is hoping will happen by the June 23 meeting.

- Dog Ordinance Enforcement:** Town Attorney David Day reported he has been working on this to get it updated and to better match the county code for dangerous dogs. He stated he will have it completed this week and will send it to Andrea, who can then forward to Sgt. Kading for review.
- Parks:** Councilmember and Parks Committee Chair Marla Reed discussed the flowers that were donated by Skagit Gardens. She stated the donation is very much appreciated, but it becomes difficult and time-consuming for staff to keep these flowers watered during the summer. She stated that it may be better to change from flowers to more flowering bush-type plants that do not require as much maintenance. Public Works Director Alan Wilkins discussed different areas where hydrants could possibly be installed.
- Mayor Miller reported the Economic Development Task Force is now

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# Athletes of the Year

## Xyomara Ramos

Senior Xyomara Ramos—a.k.a. “Zee”—was a triple-threat during the 2013–14 school year, competing on the varsity basketball, soccer, and track teams.

On the basketball court, she racked up 143 points (7.2 per game), 153 rebounds (7.7 per game), 45 steals, and 166 free-throw attempts—four shy of the all-time record for free-throw attempts in a season.

“We will miss her statistical contributions, but we will miss her hard work, great attitude, and leadership abilities more than anything else,” said Head Coach Kevik Rensink. “Zee was a true warrior, and she did it with class. Irreplaceable.”

Ramos’ soccer exploits were equally impressive, said Coach Adam Woodworth. She had a roughly 75 percent save ratio when she played goalkeeper. “She started the season as our No. 1 goalie and earned a spot as team captain as well. It was clear from early on that we needed her leadership, voice, and inspiring effort more central on the pitch.”

Ramos played defense and midfield, and was voted to 2nd Team All-League. She also was voted Most Inspirational by her teammates. “She leads with charisma and passion and has great pride in her teammates and school,” said Woodworth.

A sprained PCL slowed Ramos only



for a few weeks during track season; she competed in high jump, triple jump, and the 4x100m and 4x400m relays.

“We called her ‘team mom’ because she’d take people under her wing,” said Coach Vanessa Williams. “She’d coach, listen, and inspire as needed. She worked with other athletes, especially middle school kids. Her character was great.”



## Dallas Newby

Senior Dallas Newby owns arguably the most memorable moment in Concrete athletics during the 2013–14 school year: a clutch field goal kicked with only four seconds remaining in the homecoming football game against Darrington, handing the Loggers a 41–38 loss.

At quarterback, Newby completed 33 of 59 passing attempts for 571 yards and 8 TDs. He threw only one interception. He also started as a defensive back and was named as an Honorable Mention All-League pick.

Newby demonstrated leadership skills in every sport he played. Basketball Coach Larry Tyndall looked to Newby as point guard when illness and injuries hammered the players’ ranks. Newby set a pace for the rest of the team to follow.

“When we didn’t have the numbers, he stepped in and showed great leadership,” said Tyndall. “He calls out a lot of the offenses, and the team looks to him for guidance in close situations. He has a knack for coming through for us when we need it.”

Versatility was Newby’s hallmark on the baseball diamond, said Head Coach Jim Newby, his father.

“We had to start him at almost every position at some point during the season. You can’t do that with every player and expect them to play well. But Dallas could do that. He has a very high baseball IQ. Infield, outfield, catching—he could do all of those, and do them well.”

Newby’s batting average stayed above .380; he also logged 17 RBI during the season and was named a team captain. For awhile there, it looked like nobody could strike him out, until his father took the mound during the alumni game on June 28.

“Sorry for throwing that heater at you,” Coach Newby said with a grin.



## Athletes of the Month



### Athletes of the Month are Muriel Troka and River Lee

Junior Muriel Troka was a Jill of all trades for the Concrete High School Track team this year, competing in the discus, shotput, triple jump, high jump, and the 4x100m and 4x400m relays. Coach Ashleigh Howell pointed out Troka’s work ethic as one of her strong points. “Halfway through the season she became more dedicated and started working after practice. She worked hard to get where she needed to be.” Troka’s hard work paid off: She traveled to the State tournament in discus and shotput.

Junior River Lee is a hard worker on and off the Track field. He competed in shotput, discus, and javelin this year, and joined Troka after practice at the shotput sandbox, discussing form and working to improve his throws. Coach Howell said she appreciates Lee’s all-around attitude: “He’s not just an athlete, he’s doing well in school too,” she said in reference to Lee’s work at the Skagit Valley College Skill Center, where he’s the top student in the Culinary Arts program. “River also helped Coach Vanessa (Williams) and me; he’d help coach the throwing athletes when we couldn’t get to them.”

Troka and Lee were selected by Concrete Lions Booster Club members based on their leadership, being team players, and demonstrating sportsmanship and character.



Hunter Olmstead swings at a pitch during a May 5 Little League game in Concrete.



The pitches were scorching during a May 5 Little League game in Concrete. Too bad I couldn’t find my notes so I could name this fine athlete. My apologies, sir.

### WOMEN’S FASTPITCH AWARDS

**First Team, All-League:** Chloe Stidman.  
**Second Team, All-League:** Tessa Coffell, Iris Nevin.  
**Honorable Mention, All-League:** Kelse Cargile, Sidney Hockett.  
**Rookie of the Year (coach selection):** Erica Knuth.  
**Most Inspirational Teammate (team selection):** Emily Bridge.  
**Most Valuable Teammate (team selection):** Chloe Stidman.

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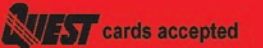
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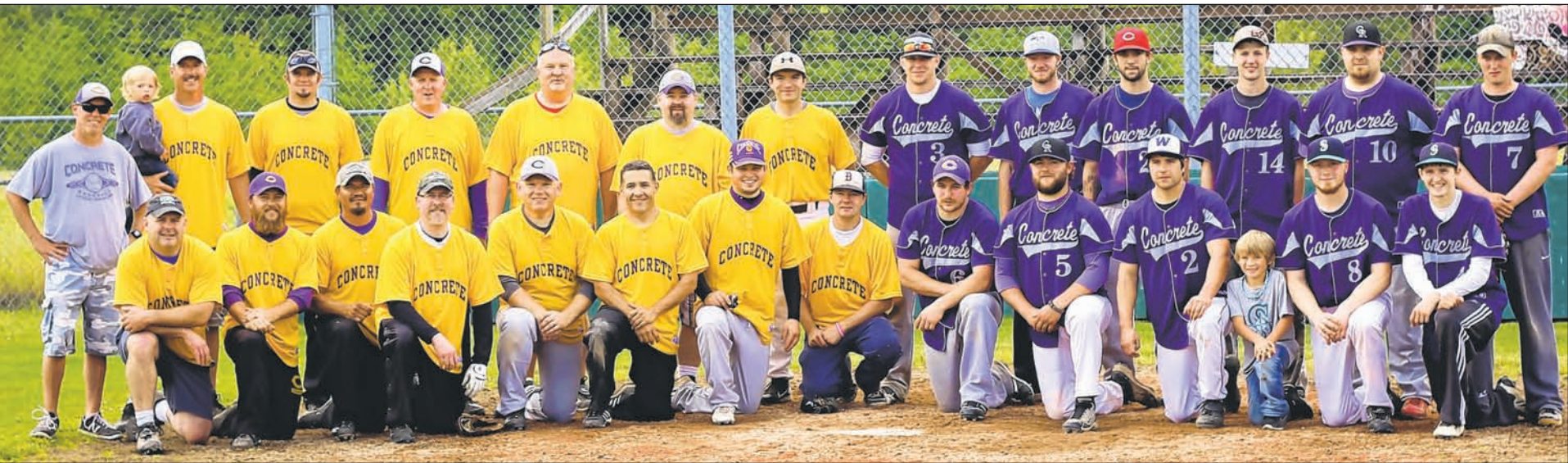
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# Alumni baseball game



Concrete High School alumni and current baseball players squared off June 28 for a friendly game of baseball in Concrete to celebrate high school baseball coach Jim Newby's retirement. **Above:** Josh Fichter chases down Derek Rice during a pickle. **Right:** Newby tosses one over the plate. **Below:** Several father-son pairs attended, including, back row from left, Joe Aldridge (holding grandson Boyce), Jim Newby, Don Beazizo, and Kelly Howell; front row from left, Joey and Nick Aldridge, Dallas Newby, Ryan Beazizo, Ryder Aldridge (Nick's son), Kyle Howell. Not pictured: Josh Fichter and son Gibson Fichter. **Bottom:** The entire crew. *Newby photo by Jason Miller; all other photos by Denise DuVarney/Copperbear Photography.*



# Something for the kids

Concrete Youth Activity Day serves up fun and helpful resources for youth of every age and their families.

Concrete's biggest bash for kids will land in Silo Park on July 10. In its seventh year, Concrete Youth Activity Day will continue its tradition of blending fun and family services into an hours-long party. And it's completely free for attendees.

"We want to offer a free, family-oriented, fun day for the communities of East County to gather and connect with each other and the different resource providers countywide," said Chris Kennedy, a prevention intervention specialist who works with Concrete School District. "This gives families a chance to meet the extracurricular groups and get to know the people who are offering services. And it's all in one place."

**Fun in the lineup**

This year's event theme is "Our Big Backyard," and it's packed with distractions for kids of every age:

- Magician Elliott Hofferth.
- Hot dogs and hamburgers grilled by Concrete Lions Club members.
- Local bands, featuring Concrete High School musicians such as Gibson Fichter and Emily Gresó, who will perform her own songs.
- Raffle drawings throughout the day.
- Bouncy house.
- Emergency vehicles to explore and learn about, including Concrete Volunteer Fire Dept. engines and Aero Skagit vehicles.
- Field games, including sack races.
- Face painting.
- Most booths have games and other activities for kids.

This year the skateboard competition isn't a contest, it's a lesson taught by a professional skateboarder, with a prize for participation. Youth skateboarders also will be given a T-shirt in memory of skater and snowboarder Josh Korvin, who



Korvin

disappeared 10 years ago from his Mount Vernon home. Korvin was an instrumental figure for skateboarding venues and shops in Bellingham and Skagit County; an information board will tell his story and explain his influence on the sport.

**Resources galore**

The second major component of Youth Activity Day is the organizers' intent to connect families with resources they may find helpful.

"We want to give everyone

opportunities, no matter what their income, no matter what life looks like for them, to have fun and give them face-to-face interaction with service providers that are available for them," said Joeline Meckstroth, a truancy and at-risk case manager for Office of Juvenile Courts. "It's sometimes hard to call an unknown person when you need help; this event helps to personalize that interaction."

To that end, the event will have more than 50 different agencies on hand to explain their services to attendees, including DSHS, Concrete Early Learning Center, Dept. of Vocational Rehabilitation, Emergency Management, Oasis Teen Shelter, Red Cross, and more. Kids will have a card to be stamped at each booth; they can submit the completed card for a raffle drawing. The top raffle prize is a guided dayhike for a family, courtesy of

**Concrete Youth Activity Day**

**Thur., July 10  
12:15 p.m.  
Silo Park, Concrete**

**Registration at 12:15 p.m.  
Events from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.  
Movie at dusk**

Youth Dynamics. Youth Activity Day is organized by Concrete Resource Coalition. Formerly known as Concrete Resource Group, the coalition is composed of resource providers, community members, Concrete School District staff, and representatives from Northwest Educational School District.

—J. K. M.



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# Academics



**Concrete High School student volunteers** were honored during a June 12 Varsity in Volunteerism Community Recognition Celebration at the high school. Front row, from left, Kayla Jarmin, Diane Bergsma, Keighley Mitchell, Natalie Bertsch, Misty Carlson. Back row, from left, Jordan Chassanoli, Prevention Intervention Specialist Chris Kennedy, Skyler Burrece, Caleb French, Theresa Holloway, Kaylynne Nyberg. Bertsch, Carlson, and Nyberg also received "Varsity" letters for logging 100 volunteer hours during their school year. Also honored but not pictured: Jason Driver, Kadden Fox, Brandon Roberts, Daniel Schaffer, James Suit, Hannah Rensink, Tyler Wasson, Marissa Wenniker.



**Concrete K-8 School 8th grade students**—make that graduates—stand with their certificates of completion after an 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony at the school on June 13.

**Concrete Back-to-School Blessing Committee** needs donations for the annual backpack program. School supplies and/or cash may be left with any of five local churches: Concrete Assembly of God, Community Bible Church, Mount Baker Presbyterian, Saint Catherine's Catholic, and Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran. Donations also may be left at the East County Community Resource Center. Deadline for donations is Aug. 2. Backpacks will be distributed to students on Aug. 10 at Mount Baker Presbyterian, at 1 p.m.

## Summer food programs offer free breakfast, lunch

**Concrete School District** will sponsor the Simplified Summer Food Program for all children ages 1 through 18. Children do not need to be enrolled in any summer program in order to receive free meals. Meals will be made available at the following location and time(s) Mondays through Wednesdays from July 7–30:

Concrete K-8 School Cafeteria  
7838 S. Superior Ave., Concrete  
Breakfast: 9 to 9:30 a.m.  
Lunch: 12:30 to 1 p.m.

**Sedro-Woolley School District** will offer free lunches through its Summer Meal Program, through Aug. 22, excluding Fri., July 4. Lunch will be served Monday through Friday from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the following locations:

- Central Elementary cafeteria, 601 Talcott St.
- Cascade Middle School, 905 McGarigle Rd.
- Lyman Elementary cafeteria, 8183 Lyman Ave.
- Clear Lake Elementary, 23631 Lake St. (Meals at Clear Lake Elementary are served only between Aug. 4–22.)

The meal is free to any child or youth ages 1 through 18, regardless of free/reduced/paid lunch status during the school year. For more information, call 360.855.3515.

The all-ages Summer Food Program is running and will continue through Aug. 5 at **Darrington High School**. Breakfast and lunch will be served Monday to Thursday. Breakfast is served from 9:30 to 10 a.m. Lunch runs from 12:30 to 1 p.m. For more information, call 360.436.1140.

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## YD update

“This is the funnest trip I’ve ever been on,” said one student. “Most fun I’ve had in a year,” said another. Yep, we had an absolute blast on our annual Rock-n-Roll trip to Leavenworth, Wash. Concrete Youth Dynamics took 16 students and four staff for a three-day camping trip at Stonewater Ranch in Eastern Washington. We went hiking, rock scrambling, putt putt golfing, and swimming, toured Leavenworth, and capped it off with an all-day whitewater rafting trip down the Wenatchee River.

Back at camp we played games, did some team-building exercises, and had some great talks around the fire in the evenings. It was a great way to kick off the summer for these students, and it was fun to watch them as they came together. I hope this is a memory they can take with them for a lifetime. Thanks to all those who supported this trip, along with the many other retreats that we take high school students on throughout the year. We couldn’t do any of this without our communities’ financial giving and encouraging prayers. Thank you so much!

We had our last Concrete YD Monday Night Meeting of the school year on June 9 at Veterans Memorial Park, where we played softball, had a barbecue, and told stories of the year we just had. A few students from Burlington YD were in attendance and invited the Concrete students to come down to their last YD meeting the following Monday. Eleven students from Concrete took them up on their offer, and we took a van load down to Burlington for the evening. This was a great opportunity to meet new students and staff, and everyone had a super fun time.

We have one more adventure trip this summer: a three-day horse packing trip July 28–30. All of the spots are taken for this trip, but if you would like to get on a waiting list, please call and let us know. This trip will also be held at Stonewater Ranch in Eastern Washington, and our students are looking forward to it. Thanks to all of our supporters, staff, and students for another awesome year of Concrete Youth Dynamics!

—Kevik and Marta Rensink  
Area Directors



**Concrete K-8 School volunteer Helen Battell**—a.k.a. “Miss Helen”— answers questions for Georgia Gregush (right) and Jenna McCall as they make paper T-shirts on the last day of school in Mary Bianchini’s class.

## “Thank you for helping me” Volunteer educator moves on after six years of dependable, dedicated service at Concrete K-8 School.

On June 16, Helen Battell sat in Concrete K-8 School teacher Mary Bianchini’s 3rd/4th grade classroom, enjoying the students’ last day of school while Bianchini handed out awards to the students.

It was Battell’s last day of school too. After six years of volunteering at the school, Battell, 83, will pack her bags and move to Tacoma in mid-July, to be closer to family.

Battell—or “Miss Helen,” as the kids call her—said her years of volunteering have been just as rewarding for her as they have the students.

“I like little kids, and it seemed like something I could do for them. They gave back to me too. I liked them; they liked me. They’ve helped me keep going; they’ve given me something to do.”

Battell has lent a hand in several classrooms, most recently Bianchini’s. She served as a sort of on-site tutor, providing extra help for students who struggled with reading, math, spelling, writing, and more.

“The students respected her as an elder; she was kind of that grandma figure,” said Bianchini. “She was needed, and I think she offered a lot to the kids. She came in every single day; the only time she didn’t drive in was when the roads were icy.”

—J. K. M.

## CONCRETE K-8 SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students at Concrete K-8 School received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher for the second semester of the 2013–14 school year. An asterisk before a name denotes a student with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

### Grade 4 Honor Roll

Charlie Bartel, Jake Bronoske, Briar Cain, Corbin Coggins, Troy Cyr, Payton Dickison, Carolyn Dominguez, Orion Edge, Kiaunna Gardner, Ethan Hall, Tiffanie Hendry-Conrad, Carlen Herz, Devon Howard, \*Christian Joens, Braldin Ketah, Kayla Knuth, Kendra Knuth, Killian Moore, Jayden Moors, Ashley Parker, Cohen Poolos, \*Anja Roozen, Robert Rushin, Leah-Marie Tiemens, Colby Whitford, McKinley Wilson, David Young.

### Grade 5 Honor Roll

Tasha Brink, Kylie Clark, Carissa Cross, Echo Cyr, Mackenzie Faith, Collin Martin, Leona Martinez, Autumn Neece, Callie Smith, Cassidy Smith, Anna Spangler, Devon Truelove, Raylee Ward.

### Grade 6 Honor Roll

William Baird, Christiann Barela, Brandon Beaber, \*Elizabeth Buchta, \*Thalen Cambo, Cody Carlson, Lexi Denley, Haley Pressley, Izabela Ramos, Peyton Sanchez, Troy Schmidt, Cameron Sweatt, Devin Wilbur-Blankenship.

### Grade 7 Honor Roll

Jonathan Akers, Tiana Brookshire, Shannon Clemons, Tyler Coffell, Dalton Newby, Hayden O’Neil, Jaidyn Swanson, Nora Towner.

### Grade 8 Honor Roll

Rebecca Azure, Caroline Gregush, Hannah Haskett, Erica Knuth, \*McKenna Kononen, Rebeckah McClure, Madisyn Renzelman, \*Emily Schmidt, \*Mary Spangler, Jasara Taylor-Temple.

## CONCRETE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students at Concrete High School received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher for the second semester of the 2013–14 school year. An asterisk before a name denotes a student with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

### Grade 9

\*Brook Barnedt, Emily Bridge, Tessa Coffell, \*Ashlee Gilbert, Jaycelyn Kuipers, Grayson Luttrell, Riley Pritchard, Chloe Stidman, Tanner Wilson.

### Grade 10

Karissa Bates, Jessica Bridge, Cassidy Cargile, Joshua Gentry, Emily Greso, Samuel Holbrook, Jasmine Hopfield, \*Katherine Joens, \*Hannah Kononen, Mary Mauck, Kevin McLaughlin, \*Haley McNealey, Shelby Meacham, Amanda Perry, Ashton Tygret.

### Grade 11

Kelse Cargile, Misty Carlson, Madeline Corn, Gibson Fichter.

### Grade 12

Kirra Averill, Forest Barnedt, Andrew Freeman, Jacquelynn Frizzell, Morgan Hazel, William McDaniel, \*Kate McLaughlin, \*Dallas Newby, Kyle Nushart, Joshua Philipsen, Joshua Rogge, Sarah Steenbarger, Mason Swenson, Colton White.



**After 34 years of service** to Concrete School District, bus driver Chuck Bussiere gathered with co-workers in the bus garage for an open house-style party to celebrate his retirement. When asked what he would do next, Bussiere replied with characteristic dry humor: “Do? Next?” Bussiere’s first year with the district was 1980.

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# Clear Lake



Barbara Hoover, Alice Junkett, Eleanor Poppe, and Marie Sims, granddaughters of the DeBays of DeBay Island, paused for a photo at the Clear Lake Reunion on May 31. The DeBay family heritage—which dates to 1895—was celebrated that day (see second caption, this page). Photo by Sylvia Matterand.

## Clear Lake Historical Association Quarterly Meeting

Tue., July 22, 7 p.m.

CLHA Hall, 12655 Hwy. 9, Clear Lake



## HISTORY CORNER

Clear Lake Historical Association celebrated the heritage of the Joseph and Bridget (Petticore) DeBay family at its Annual Reunion May 31, with many DeBay descendants attending. The DeBays were married Sept. 29, 1895, in Skagit County. Joseph operated the first Market Garden in Sedro-Woolley. He had emigrated from Italy and became a U.S. citizen in the 1890s. The DeBays settled on DeBay Island (now a Fish and Wildlife area) on the Skagit River, just off Francis Rd. They had six children and 17 grandchildren (as of 1936). Many grew up in the Clear Lake area; some remain here. In the circa-1900 photo above, Joseph and Bridget are shown with two of their children, Robert (left) and Frank. Photo courtesy of Clear Lake Historical Association.

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## Community Calendar



### JULY

- 3–6 Loggerodeo, Sedro-Woolley; see program insert, June issue; info at [www.loggerodeo.com](http://www.loggerodeo.com)
- 4 Independence Day
- 4 Robyn's Pancakes for Kids, sponsored by Sedro-Woolley Schools Foundation, Sedro-Woolley Senior Center, 715 Pacific Ave., Sedro-Woolley, 6:30 to 10:30 a.m.; \$5 suggested donation per person
- 4 Fourth of July Parade & Picnic, Concrete Town Center, 11 a.m.; info at [www.concrete-wa.com](http://www.concrete-wa.com)
- 4 "Tugboats, River Rats, and Log Rafts" screens at Sedro-Woolley Museum, 725 Murdock St., Sedro-Woolley, 1:15 and 2:15 p.m.
- 5 Yard Sale fundraiser for Concrete American Legion Post 132, all day, Swap Meet field west of Loggers Landing, Concrete
- 5 Bake Sale for Back to School Blessing backpacks, Concrete Saturday Market, Concrete Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 5 Matty's on Main Grand Reopening Celebration, 45726 Main St., Concrete, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; see notice, p. 6
- 5 Glacier Peak Winery Concert, see ad, p. 3
- 5 "Tugboats, River Rats, and Log Rafts" screens at Sedro-Woolley Museum, 725 Murdock St., Sedro-Woolley, 12:30 and 1:30 p.m.
- 6 "Fitness Throwdown" sponsored by Crossover Fitness & Training, Loggerodeo, start time between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m.; info at 360.395.8813
- 10 Concrete Youth Activity Day, Silo Park, Concrete; registration at 12:15 p.m., events from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m., movie at dusk; see article, p. 11
- 12 Bake Sale for Boy Scout Troop 4074 at Concrete Saturday Market, Concrete Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 13 Marblemount Community Market, Marblemount Community Hall, noon to 4 p.m.
- 19 Bake Sale for Furs & Things 4-H Club, Concrete Saturday Market, Concrete Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 19 "Raise the Roof" Concrete Heritage Museum benefit concert, Concrete Theatre, 45920 Main St., Concrete, 1:30 p.m.; see article, p. 6, and ad, p. 39; info at [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org)
- 19 North Cascade Community Church Barbecue Fundraiser, 59850 SR 20, Marblemount, 5 to 8 p.m.; see notice, p. 26; info at 360.856.1378 or 360.873.4903
- 19–20 Skagit Artists Together Studio Tour, various locations throughout Skagit County; info at [www.skagitart.com](http://www.skagitart.com)
- 25 Community Movie Night, Veterans Memorial Park, Concrete, dusk; go to [www.townofconcrete.com](http://www.townofconcrete.com) or call 360.853.8401 for movie titles
- 25–27 Concrete Old-Fashioned Fly-In, Mears Field, Concrete
- 26 Bake Sale for Hamilton Community Food Bank, Concrete Saturday Market, Concrete Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 26 The Fabulous Kingpins at Darrington Old School Park, 7 to 10 p.m.; free admission; see ad, this page

### AUGUST

- 2 Bake Sale for Skagit River Bald Eagle Awareness Team, Concrete Saturday Market, Concrete Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 3 Marblemount Community Hall Salmon Barbecue fundraiser at the hall, see notice, p. 26; info at 360.873.4074
- 5 Primary Election; polls close at 8 p.m.; see article, p. 5
- 16 Concrete High School classes of 1950s annual potluck picnic, Skagit View Village (near Concrete), 1:30 p.m.; see notice, p. 6; info at 360.853.8233 or 360.856.1378
- 16–17 Cascade Days, Concrete; info at [www.cascadedays.com](http://www.cascadedays.com)

\*Community Calendar is updated daily at [www.concrete-herald.com/calendar](http://www.concrete-herald.com/calendar)

## Community meetings

**Coffee Talk**, a casual conversation about Concrete's transformation, meets the third Fri. of each month at 8 a.m. at Perks Espresso & Deli in Grasmere Village. 360.853.8213.

**Community Chat**, an informal conversation about projects in Darrington, meets the second Fri. of each month at 8 a.m., at Mountain Loop Books and Coffee, 1085 Darrington St., Darrington. 360.436.2167

**Concrete American Legion Post and Auxiliary** meet the second Tue. of each month, Sept. through May, at 5:30 p.m. in the American Legion Building. 360.853.8940.

**Concrete Chamber of Commerce** meets the second Thur. of each month at 8 a.m. Meetings usually are held at Concrete Center in Concrete. 360.466.8754 or [concretechamber@mac.com](mailto:concretechamber@mac.com).

**Concrete Heritage Museum Board** meets the third Wed. of each month, at 7 p.m. at the museum. Meetings are open to the public. 360.826.3075 or [concreteheritagemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:concreteheritagemuseum@gmail.com)

**Concrete Lions Club** meets the first and third Wed. of each month, at Annie's Pizza Station, Concrete. Social at 6 p.m.; meeting at 6:30.

**Concrete Resource Coalition** meets the third Thur. of each month, at 1 p.m., at the Concrete School District offices (usually in the north room at the eastern end of the building).

**Concrete School Board** will hold a work session on July 28, at 6 p.m. in the high school Commons. The board will hold its regular meeting July 31 at 6 p.m. in the high school Commons. 360.853.8141.

**Concrete Town Council** meets the second and fourth Monday of each month at Town Hall, 45672 Main St., Concrete, at 7 p.m. 360.853.8401 or [andrea@concretewa.gov](mailto:andrea@concretewa.gov).

**Darrington Area Business Assn (DABA)** meets the third Wed. of each month, 7 p.m., at Cascade Senior Center, 1115 Darrington St., Darrington. 360.436.2167.

**Darrington Town Council** meets the second Wed. of each month at Town Hall, 1005 Cascade St., at 7 p.m. 360.436.1131 or

[darrcityhall@glacierview.net](mailto:darrcityhall@glacierview.net).

**Forest Park Cemetery District No. 5** meets the second Wed. of each month at the cemetery office on Compton Lane in Concrete, at 8 a.m. 360.708.3656.

**Hamilton Town Council** meets the second Tue. of each month at Town Hall, 584 Maple St., Hamilton, at 7 p.m. 360.826.3027.

**Imagine Concrete** meets the third Tue. of each month in the Pilots' Lounge at Mears Field in Concrete, at 6 p.m. Open to the public. 360.853.8213 or [goodwords@frontier.com](mailto:goodwords@frontier.com).

**KSVU** station info and host training, second Wed. of each month at Portable B behind Concrete K-8 School, 1 to 4 p.m. Call 360.416.7001 to confirm appointment.

**Lyman Town Council** meets the second Tue. of each month at Lyman Town Hall (Minkler Mansion), 8405 S. Main St., Lyman, at 7 p.m. 360.826.3033 or [clerk\\_lyman@msn.com](mailto:clerk_lyman@msn.com).

**PFLAG** (Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) Skagit County Chapter, has suspended its summer meetings in Sedro-Woolley. 360.856.4676, [www.pflagaskagit.org](http://www.pflagaskagit.org).

**Saukrates Cafe** meets the last Wed. of each month at Annie's Pizza Station in Concrete, at 6 p.m. Conversation topics are posted at Upper Skagit Library and <http://saukratescafe.wordpress.com>.

**Sedro-Woolley High School Alumni Association** meets the third Wed. of each month, at 1 p.m., at the Sedro-Woolley Senior Center. 360.424.7243

**Sedro-Woolley Town Council** meets the second and fourth Wed. of each month, at 7 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 325 Metcalf St. 360.855.1661.

**Sedro-Woolley School District Board** will meet July 14 at 7 p.m. at the support services building. 360.855.3500 or [kcargile@swsd.k12.wa.us](mailto:kcargile@swsd.k12.wa.us).

**Upper Skagit Library District (USLD) Board** meets the third Thurs. of each month at 5 p.m. Public is welcome. Its July 17 meeting will be held at the library in Concrete. 360.853.7939 or [info@upperskagit.lib.wa.us](mailto:info@upperskagit.lib.wa.us).

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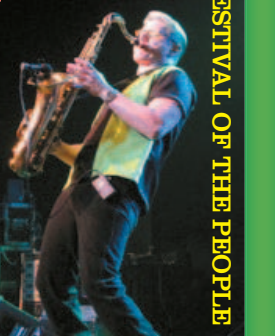
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# Bank robbery remembered in new book

The Sedro-Woolley Museum has published a new book, *The Wages of Sin: The True Story & Photos of the Great Sedro-Woolley Bank Robbery of 1914*. The book will be on sale at the museum beginning July 4, with a book signing with the author, Rustan Robertson, on July 5 from noon to 2 p.m.

*Wages* details the story of the robbery, from the preparations of the robbers and the town, to the robbery on the evening of Oct. 17, 1914, through the death of four of the five robbers during manhunts in Whatcom County and Canada. Aside from the four bank robbers, the events in 1914 resulted in two additional deaths: a 13-year-old boy in Sedro-Woolley who was shot in the initial shootout near the bank, and a Canadian customs officer killed in a shootout with the robbers near Cloverdale, B.C.

The robbery was chronicled at the time by a photographer who captured the scenes and people involved in the events. The complete set of photos is featured in the book.

The book will be available at the Sedro-Woolley Museum at 725 Murdock St., at various retailers throughout Skagit and Whatcom counties, and online at [www.1914bankrobbery.com](http://www.1914bankrobbery.com).

Author Rustan Robertson was born and raised in Sedro-Woolley. He graduated from Sedro-Woolley High School in 1996.

## Blast from the Past contest winners

**Hula Hoop, ages 4–7**  
Boy: Connor Davis  
Girl: Briellen Kononen

**Hula Hoop, 8–11**  
Boy: Corey McCoy  
Girl: Kendra Knuth

**Hula Hoop, 12–15**  
Boy: Austin Campbell  
Girl: America Sierra Rapp

**Hula Hoop, 16-plus**  
Boy: Jerry Timblin  
Girl: Erin Kaplan

**Jump Rope, ages 4–7**  
Boy: Darian Whiton  
Girl: Rohannah Kaplan

**Jump Rope, 8–11**  
Boy: Noah Cook  
Girl: Kiersten Waldrop

**Jump Rope, 12–15**  
Boy: Taylor Smith  
Girl: Erica Knuth

**Jump Rope, 16-plus**  
Boy: David Bricka  
Girl: Erin Kaplan

**Pie Eating, ages 4–7**  
Boy: Darian White  
Girl: Bonnie Roger

**Pie Eating, 8–11**  
Boy: Trevor Nelson  
Girl: Natalie Smith

**Pie Eating, 12–15**  
Boy: Jesse Mitchell  
Girl: Three-way tie: Katie Nelson, Erica Knuth, Alyssa Stewart

**Pie Eating, 16-plus**  
Boy: John Garman  
Girl: Kaylee Croston



Reigning adult jump rope champion David Bricka retained the title during this year's contest at Blast from the Past on June 7. Bricka again defended his position against primary contenders Mike Yeoman and Kimbr Self.

# Woolley Fiber Quilters

Blast of Freedom 2014 quilt show winners are listed on p. 38.

# A different kind of grocer

The Woolley Market will carry everything needed for healthful meals, with local products in the mix.

By Jason Miller

Before Will and Tahlia Honea got married, food dominated their dating life. “He brought me silver salmon and fileted it on my counter, local beef from Skagit River Ranch, chanterelle hunting ... it’s been part of our relationship from the very beginning,” said Tahlia.

That passion for food has taken a turn that should benefit everyone in the Upper Skagit Valley and beyond: The couple will bring a new local grocery store, The Woolley Market, to Sedro-Woolley at the end of July.

“Will and I both are completely obsessed with food and cooking, so we’re excited to share that with everybody else,” said Tahlia.

Housed in the old J. C. Penney Building at 829 Metcalf St., the market will use its approximately 10,000 square feet of sales space to fulfill a wish the couple has had for several years: better food options for groceries.

“We plan to be a full-service grocer,” said Will. “You can come in and get everything you need for healthful meals, with local products in the mix. This is an old-school grocer with the best food we can find, for the best prices.”

The Woolley Market will sell “real food from around here,” according to its tagline. Customers will find a deli, fresh produce, meats and seafood, general and bulk foods, health care products and supplements, household goods, pet foods, local clothing, and other products.

But the Honeas want the market to be more than a grocery store. They want it to be a food-based community hub.

“I spent a lot of time early on traveling, talking to local food markets in the Pacific Northwest,” said Will. “They told me there’s usually a place that builds community with quality, local, healthful food. That model is what we’re pursuing, to help revitalize downtown Sedro-Woolley. It’s not a co-op, just a market. That gives us more flexibility, more suited to the Upper Valley.”

The Woolley Market is set up as a Social Purpose Corporation, a relatively new corporate form that allows owners to write into their articles of incorporation social purposes other than profit.

“You end up with the governance of a private property that allows for efficient

See Woolley Market, p. 19



Woolley Market shelves will carry a variety of goods, including meats, health supplements, pet foods, local clothing, fresh produce, general and bulk foods, and more. “This is an old-school grocer with the best food we can find, for the best prices,” said co-founder Will Honea.



Will and Tahlia Honea—and a bushel of locals—will open the doors of The Woolley Market at the end of July, offering a blend of history and healthful foods, including local produce.



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# Lyman



The April Sanders Memorial Rainy Day Area provides a sheltered space for students at Lyman Elementary School. Its namesake was a popular paraprofessional at the school for 10 years.

## Remembering April

Covered play area a functional memorial for beloved paraprofessional at Lyman Elementary.

On June 7, during the Lyman Parent Group Carnival at Lyman Elementary School, the happy whoops and laughter of young students grew quiet for a moment as a large crowd gathered near the school’s covered play area and remembered the woman who inspired it.

April Sanders, a paraprofessional at the school for 10 years, passed away last year after a sudden battle with kidney cancer.

Sanders’ passing has been described as “a pivotal loss” to school staff and administrators, its students, and their parents.

“She was the person at our school who knew everybody,” said Christina Jepperson, whose children, Jacob and Samantha, attend Lyman Elementary.

“She worked with children outside the classrooms. She knew which kids were having a difficult time, knew how to straighten up kids who needed it. She was always there for you, no matter whether you were a family member, a friend, or a student. It was a huge loss for the school when she passed.”

One of Sanders’ duties was recess supervision, where she noticed there was no good place to put students when it rained. “She drove the need for the covered play area,” said Jepperson.

The Lyman Parent Group supported the idea, but had a meager budget. Jeremy Mast of JCM Construction and E&E Lumber stepped forward, shaving their regular fees for labor and materials to match the Lyman Parent Group budget. Locals Josh and Jeremy Guffy, Ryan Jepperson, and David Griffith lent their construction know-how to the project too. Even Principal Mark Nilson grabbed a shovel and dug holes for the massive upright timbers.

The result is a structure large enough to enclose a basketball court.

“It’s a huge deal for our small school because the kids aren’t stuck inside on rainy days,” said Jepperson. “And the kids know, every time they go outside and play, April is with them. A piece of her is always with us, rain or shine.”

—J. K. M.

## Council summary

The Lyman Town Council held a regular monthly meeting on June 10. Following is a summary of that meeting. Complete minutes for every council meeting are posted in the hall by the front door of Lyman Town Hall.

### June 10 regular meeting

- Approximately 45 citizens were present at this meeting.
- Councilmember Eddie Hills reported he met with Cody Hart from Reichhardt & Ebe Engineering regarding widening Prevedell and a possible crosswalk on SR 20. Funding would come from TIB. If council is interested, Hart will address the council.
- Water loss for May was 30 percent.
- A letter from Town of Concrete asking for a letter of support for their proposed spray park was introduced.
- Council voted to approve Resolution 2014–3, an Authorizing Interlocal Agreement with other municipalities

- Council approved Resolution 2014–4, a revised agreement with Skagit Council of Governments.
  - Matt Gunter from Cannastar reported that he is in the process of obtaining a license from the Liquor Control Board to grow marijuana at his property in Lyman. He does not have the license yet, but expects it soon and plans on production by Dec 1. He states that he will employ 8–12 people in the beginning and possibly 20–40 at full production. They are currently completing the SEPA review. Several citizens introduced themselves and asked questions.
  - Cathy Sanders read a statement asking Mayor Heinzman and Councilmember Hills to resign. Both Mayor Heinzman and Hills declined the offer. Mayor Heinzman told the council to continue with their efforts.
- Compiled from staff notes

## Charity to hold school supply drive

Heart to Heart Charity has launched a School Supply Drive to be held through Aug. 17.

The charity is looking for donations of backpacks; school supplies of all kinds and for all grades; hand sanitizer; large boxes of tissue; boxes of snacks such as goldfish, graham crackers, etc.; pencil bags; scissors; and more.

Donated items can be dropped off at the charity’s office at 720 Puget Ave., Ste. B, in Sedro-Woolley in the donation bin behind the partition in the hall. The building is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cash donations also are needed to purchase supplies. Donations can be sent to: Heart to Heart Charity, P.O.

Box 1372, Lyman, WA 98263. PayPal donations can be made using e-mail hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com.

The charity’s Adopt A Student program is returning for a second year. Volunteers are needed to “adopt” children from families that need assistance with buying school supplies. Sponsors can select children from a list of available students. The list gives nonidentifying information such as age, grade, and favorite things. Sponsors agree to purchase all school supplies for that student (a list will be provided once the student is selected. Each classroom has different requirements). A list of available Adopt A Student children is available on the charity’s Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/hearttoheartcharity.

For more information contact Tammie at 360.826.3818 or hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com.

—Tammie Werner

## Lyman Library tales

Elaine Kohler is visiting family this month. Her column will return next month.



# Day Creek



## Community notes

The July 15 Community Potluck will be held at Fran Thoreen’s home, 29517 S. Skagit Hwy. at 6:30 p.m. She will host a Hawaiian Dinner theme; please dress in your best Hawaiian garb and bring an appropriate dish.

Save the date: Day Creek Chapel invites you to **Family Camp**, Aug. 1–3 at Mile’s Campground. For more information, call 360.840.5978.

### Davis Slough bridge project update

Portable traffic lights are installed to keep the road open at one traffic lane at mile marker 14.

The speed limit will be 25 mph and the road will be open to legal load weight restrictions allowances for an 11-foot width.

The road will be closed to all traffic on Aug. 29 for the entire day.

Project Manager is Jennifer Swanson, 360.336.9400.

Tiger Construction contact is Derek Isenhardt, 360.966.7252.

Delicious barbecue pork wraps are on the Women HAND in Hand concession menu for the two-day Sedro-Woolley Rodeo, July 3–4. Support WHIH by buying your dinner and/or lunch at their booth, and don’t forget to pick up a lemonade, Italian soda, and yummy baked goods.

For more information, call Sylvia Miles at 360.826.3067

## 2014 Community Potluck dates

July 15, 6:30 p.m.  
August 19, 6:30 p.m.  
September 16, 6:30 p.m.  
October 21, 6:30 p.m.  
November 18, 6:30 p.m.  
December 16, 6:30 p.m.

### Landslide update

Day Creek community members are collecting monetary donations and passing them to the Darrington Assembly of God Church.

To be a part of this effort, call Kathy Henderson at 360.826.3581 or mail your donation, payable to Day Creek Chapel (write “Darrington/Oso” on memo line), to:

Day Creek Chapel  
31438 S. Skagit Hwy.  
Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284

Any women’s ministry group that wants to be involved with **Women HAND in Hand** is encouraged to contact any one of the following:

Sylvia Miles	360.826.3067
Sharon Herring	360.661.5037
Bonnie Lintz	360.856.1385
Sue Walden	360.826.3944
Kathy Henderson	360.826.3581

Donna Pulver and Kathy Henderson, co-directors of **Kingdom Builders**, are back on the road. Along with traveling the roads of Day Creek, meeting community members, and gathering information, they will be available to the community for hospital visits and crisis calls. Kingdom Builders has been out helping those in need right here in Day Creek. For more information, call 360.826.3003, 360.826.3581, or 360.826.3822.

The **Day Creek Walkie Talkies** are up and at ’em. Every day around 7 a.m., there is a group walking the streets of Day Creek. When you see them, wave or honk—or better yet, join them. For more information, call 360.826.4375.

**Day Creek Book Club** meets at Cedar Springs Lodge on Barben Rd. For more information, call 360.661.0247.

### Garden dirt

- July is the time to give your wisteria a trim, pruning back the new shoots. (In January you’ll give it a really good pruning.)
- Your vegetable garden should be doing great, so keep weeding and harvesting to encourage new growth.
- Late June into early July is a good time to plant biennial and perennial

- flowers and herbs.
- Time for the second pinch (3 inches) off the asters and mums.
- I just love hummingbirds, so I have planted clematis, honeysuckle, Oregon grape, and sweet peas. White Jasmine, passion flower, nasturtiums, and trumpet vine are also great to keep the hummingbirds happy.
- Taller plants like delphinium, phlox, hollyhocks, and sunflowers may require some staking. Do it now

before they need the extra help.

We are looking for ideas for the Day Creek community—fun events and fundraisers—to support the fire hall and get to know the neighbors. If you have an idea, call Donna Pulver 360.826.3003 or Kathy Henderson at 360.826.3581.

If you hear of someone who would like a Day Creek Newsletter, please pass along my e-mail address: winningcircularchapel@gmail.com.

### Woolley Market, cont. from p. 17

decision-making, but it also allows writing purpose too,” said Will. “We want for-profit corporations to be more socially responsible. Investors, shareholders, directors—they all demand money. How do you make money while doing things that are more typically associated with nonprofits? We, for example, might promote farmers markets because we think they’re consistent with our values, even if they might sell the same things we do.”

A facet of the grocer’s purpose is showcasing the history of Sedro-Woolley and the Upper Valley. When The Woolley Market opens, the store’s interior may be the best-smelling museum customers have ever visited.

The couple started with the building itself. The iconic structure is at a core intersection and already had plenty going for it. “We didn’t have a huge budget; we just needed to restore what’s here,” said Will.

They got rid of the carpet and discovered a bigleaf maple floor. Beneath plaster and wire lay boxed heartwood columns. Deli table bases are fitted with old tractor discs. All the window trim was milled from bigleaf maple Will found in Sedro-Woolley Police Chief Lin Tucker’s barn and bartered for. The pictures at the front of the building’s interior are from Sedro-Woolley Councilman Brett Sandstrom’s collection of Darius Kinsey photos.

“It’s intended to evoke Sedro-Woolley in the 1920s, when this town was in its heyday,” said Will. “We also want it to be a showpiece for the area, something that celebrates our culture. Got someone

coming in from out of town? Take them to The Woolley Market to show them what this place is all about.”

“We want to celebrate wood, because this is a logging town. So every single piece of wood—the cabinetry, spice racks, produce cases, tables, displays—all are hand-built from reclaimed pieces. We’ve tried to make it about the wood and capturing a culture.”

No one’s quitting their day job to make this dream a reality. Will is chief civil attorney for Skagit County; Tahlia is a real estate broker. Will said he cut his schedule back and took vacation time to get the project going, and gathered elbow grease and financing help from friends and business associates in the area.

“It’s been a community effort,” said Will. “We all want to revitalize our downtowns and communities. But it’s not good enough to talk about it; we have to start doing it. And that means hard choices sometimes. We have to direct our energy in various ways toward our downtown core.”

“Everybody has their own issue when it comes to food and the environment, and our civilization in general. Whether climate change is your issue, or peak oil, dependence on a global food system that relies on fossil fuels, concern about the environment—all of those issues have one solution: to localize our food supplies and our economies, and revitalize our downtowns.

“That’s what we’re about.”  
The Woolley Market will open at the end of July. Store hours will be 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., 7 days a week. For more information, go to www.woolleymarket.com.





**Above:** Gymnasts Ashley Sullivan, 14, of Mount Vernon (left), and Julia Layland, 13, of Sedro-Woolley, caught the eyes of passersby during Blast from the Past by performing gravity-defying leaps. The pair are from Dimensions of Gymnastics; they were raising money for gymnastics camp.



**Above:** With oodles of enthusiasm, Maelynn, 4 (left), and Kyrsten Kononen, 2, from Sedro-Woolley joined in the jump rope contest during Blast from the Past in Sedro-Woolley June 7.



**Above:** Ethan Croston, 6, from Mount Vernon appears to be reconsidering his choice during the pie-eating contest at Blast from the Past.

**Left:** Thomas Campbell snaps a photo of his son, Eli Campbell, 3, after the messy conclusion to the pie-eating contest.

**Far left:** Bonnie Roger, 6, from Mount Vernon shows off her good technique and fun fashion sense during the hula hoop contest at Blast from the Past.

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# June in pictures



**Above:** Lyman Elementary School students gathered at the covered play area at the school June 7 to remember the amenity's founder, April Sanders, a paraprofessional for the school who passed away last year.



**Above:** "Colors of Fall," quilted by Kristen Willard, hangs in one of the display rooms during the Woolley Fiber Quilters Quilt Festival June 7. Quilt contest winners are on p. 38.



**Above:** Graduating senior Simon Marks-Franks gestures on his way to claim his diploma during the graduation ceremony at Concrete High School June 6.



**Above:** April Sanders' family members were on hand for the covered play area ceremony during the June 7 carnival at Lyman Elementary. From left, Amber and Vesper's father Dennis Sanders, daughters Amber Sanders (holding granddaughter Emma) and Vesper Eldridge (holding grandson Parker), Amber and Vesper's stepfather Jim Smith.



**Above:** Lyman Elementary School 3rd grade teacher Kyle Swanson reacts after a student dunks him during the carnival at Lyman Elementary, June 7.



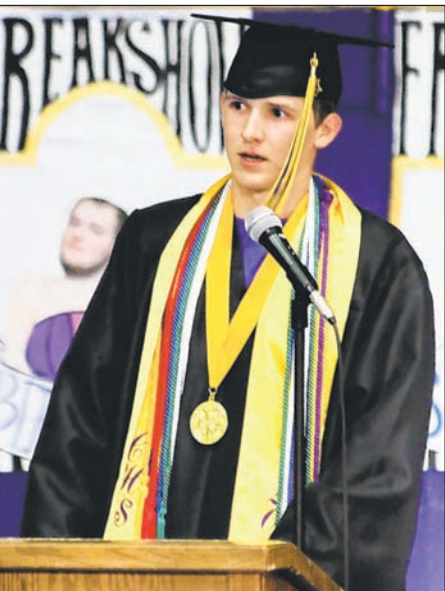
**Above right:** Concrete High School class of 2014 Valedictorian Dallas Newby speaks during the graduation ceremony June 6.

**Right:** Concrete High School class of 2014 Salutatorian Kate McLaughlin speaks during the graduation ceremony.

**Left:** Graduated Concrete High School seniors Josh Rogge and Xyomara Ramos left the gym in style after the June 6 graduation ceremony.



**Above:** Nalaiah Kraft, 6, from Hamilton gets her face painted during the Lyman Parent Group-sponsored Carnival at Lyman Elementary June 7.







# Hamilton



## From the Mayor

Town of Hamilton’s library collection has been growing by boxes and boxes! There is everything from young readers to popular fiction and nonfiction being sorted onto the shelves. Girl Scout Troop 43120 has been helping get the word out about collecting books, and the boxes just keep arriving. Now that the shelves are filling up (we could use a few more books), we need people to start actually borrowing books! Feel free to drop in when the office is open (M-F, 9–11) and take home something to read for the summer.

Town of Hamilton is replacing lots of traffic signs to make sure the state’s reflectivity standards are met. There also will be a few new sign locations, so please be aware that there will be more stop signs at some intersections.

School is out for summer and the kids are out enjoying the nice weather. Please be careful driving through town.

—Mayor Joan Cromley

## Council summary

*The Hamilton Town Council held a regular meeting May 13. Following is a summary of that meeting.*

- Councilmember McDermott was absent; her absence was excused.
- Margaret Fleek presented the HOME interlocal agreement. It will allow Skagit, Island, and Whatcom counties (with the exception of Bellingham) to pursue HUD funding for housing assistance. Resolution 04–14 authorizes the interlocal agreement for Hamilton to be part of the HOME Consortium. Council approved the resolution unanimously.
- *Water Dept.:* Cas Hancock reported that our water loss for the month was 13 percent. They have been doing some extra flushing in the pump house, which may account for the higher loss. Hancock announced

that on June 10 the Department of Ecology is coming to inspect the treatment plant. Mayor Cromley will attend the meeting.

- *Fire Dept.:* Councilmember Bates stated that it’s been pretty quiet around the fire department lately. They had a couple smaller calls. The Easter Egg hunt went well.
- *Street Dept.:* Tom Selin has been out filling potholes. The water is gone from South St.
- Mayor Cromley announced the County Commissioners will interview the candidates for the open council position on June 3 at 10:30 a.m. at the

County Commissioner’s office.

- *Public comments:* Councilmember Bates warned the public about a bright yellow, smaller hatchback that has been pulling up around people’s houses. The driver has been getting out and scoping the area. We need to be on the lookout for the license plate number of the vehicle and alert the Sheriff’s Office if needed.

Renee Barley asked about privacy fences around the RV park on South St. Nonlocal traffic on South St. was also discussed.

—compiled from staff notes

## Birdsview Buzz

Happy July everyone. Hope everyone’s enjoying our summer.

Congrats to our daughter Jessie on her marriage (finally) to Jack Mattingly. We couldn’t be happier to have him as our son-in-law.

And happy birthday to our assistant brewer Julie on July 13.

### Upcoming brewery events

July 19 is the brewery’s eighth birthday bash. We will have music most of the day, and Brewmaster Bill will grill hot dogs and hamburgers.

August 2 is Birdstock. As usual, please leave your dogs at home; don’t plan to leave them in the car. No camping is allowed here, but there are plenty of parks around. Make reservations early. No outside alcohol or drugs. If we catch you,

you will be asked to leave. Tentative band line-up is as follows:

Barefeet, Back Porch Apostles, Apollo’s Mystic Caravan, Jack Mattingly, Fanny Alger, and one more. Should be fun as always.

On Aug. 9 we will be down in Mount Vernon at Porterfest.

August 17 is Cascade Days in Concrete, and we will have our own beer garden at the brewery.

The brewery will be closed Aug. 28–29 for another daughter’s wedding.

September 3 is the Boundary Bay Brew Cruise. We will be on there with Boundary and Hales. It’s a super cool cruise. Make your reservations early as they sell out.

October 2–3 is Anacortes Beer on the Pier.

Such a busy and fun summer coming up! As usual, check our Web site or Facebook page for the latest happenings.

—Kris Voigt

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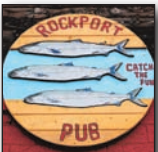
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# Rockport



## PIONEERING TODAY

### Four ways to preserve at home

By Melissa K. Norris

The summer harvest has begun. We’re picking strawberries, and our raspberries will be ripe within the next few weeks.

One thing the pioneers knew how to do well was put up some of the harvest for the winter months. We’d do well to take after their example. Preserving your own food at home isn’t just for the winter months; it’s also a type of insurance. If you lose your job or the stores can’t resupply, you’ll have food for you and your family.

The second reason is food you preserve yourself is more healthful than store-bought versions. Home-canned goods are stored in glass, not metal, which can leach BPA into your food. You control the ingredients that go into your home-preserved food.

These are the main ways we preserve our food at home.

1. **Canning.** Acidic foods, tomatoes, pickles, jams, jellies, syrups, marmalades, and chutneys can be safely canned in a water bath canner. Non-acidic foods, vegetables, and meats can be safely canned in a pressure canner.
2. **Dehydrating.** Dehydrated food holds most of its nutrients. It takes up less shelf space and is light—perfect for taking on hikes or camping. Some food can be dehydrated by hanging; other foods like fruits and vegetables do best in a dehydrator.
3. **Freezing.** We use our freezer for some fruits and vegetables that aren’t good candidates for canning or that we want to prepare in certain recipes not suitable to dehydrating.
4. **Alcohol.** Some fruits and herbs can be preserved in alcohol or made into an extract.

For more information on preserving your food at home, get a free copy of the Ultimate Home Food Preservation Resource Guide at [www.melissaknorris.com](http://www.melissaknorris.com). Gardening articles and pioneering today tips also are available at the Web site.

Melissa K. Norris is a Christian fiction novelist who lives in Rockport.



**Clockwise from upper left:** About 80 students from Concrete K-8 School hike along a path west of Howard Miller Steelhead Park during a June 10 field trip that brought them to the Rockport area for a fun learning experience. The field trip was a reward for all students who participated in the Science Fair earlier this year. **Alex Ramos and Kayla Knuth**, both 10, wait while Rebecca Williams with Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group adds a clouding reagent to their test tubes during a water turbidity test. Ramos’ tube held tap water; Knuth’s tube held creek water. **Christian Joens** gets a closer look at a creek beneath a bridge west of Howard Miller Steelhead Park. **After walking the trails of Rockport State Park**, the students gathered in a “closing circle” for final thoughts and reflection. The trip was led by teacher Mary Janda, who retired from Concrete School District at the end of the 2012–13 school year and currently leads the alternative school and home school students at Twin Cedars and Skagit River Schoolhouse.



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# Darrington



## Timberbowl Rodeo honors slide victims

By Jentry L. Wright

Darrington Timberbowl Rodeo 2014 was an incredible success. Gorgeous weather and majestic mountain views complemented the newly remodeled Darrington Rodeo grounds.

Rodeo Director and President of Darrington Horse Owners Association (DHOA) Nick Bates remarked, “this year we had a great show with a terrific amount of people. The place looked fabulous, and we are looking forward to next year.”

The Darrington Horse Owners Association, which owns and operates the Timberbowl Rodeo, received \$25,000 in state aid and a \$5,000 donation from Coastal Community Bank to assist in repairs and upgrades to the worn-down rodeo grounds. Hampton Lumber also donated wood boards for the remodel. Bates stated that all the safety issues have been resolved.

During Saturday’s show, the grandstands were packed with spectators; even on Sunday the grandstands were full compared to previous years. Local artisan Pam Fritchman, a first responder to the deadly SR 530 slide and owner of Whitehorse Whimsy, said, “this year’s rodeo was the best rodeo in the last decade. It had an awesome turnout, and it was great to see so many people supporting the town and local merchants.”

The flag ceremonies were very touching; they included an SR 530 slide dedication

flag held by Samantha Valencia, and Brittney Smith’s horse wore a drape with 42 roses representing the slide casualties. Smith wore the 43rd rose herself to represent her sister Summer Raffo.

On Saturday, there was a riderless pony led by Teresa Cook in honor of Erv Telsbo and a dedication speech about Erv’s love for the community, horses, family, and the rodeo. Erv Telsbo was a longtime member of DHOA and a large supporter of the rodeo.

On Sunday there was another dedication and riderless horse in honor of Jayne Floe, another DHOA member.

Events included bull riding, ranch saddle bronc riding, women’s barrel racing, and kids’ games, including mutton busting and stick pony racing.

Darrington Mayor Dan Rankin joined the fun and participated in celebrity bull riding. Two local young men, Forrest Thompson and Kerry Brooks, also gave bull riding a try and had a great time. The dazzling cowgirls’ routine also was a crowd-pleaser.

The Darrington Timberbowl Rodeo is sanctioned by the Professional Western Rodeo Association. This year’s rodeo drew contestants from around the Pacific Northwest and Canada.



Bull rider Jordan Crabtree hangs on for dear life while “Cyclone” gives him a memorable ride during the Darrington Timberbowl Rodeo June 22.



A cowboy prepares for re-entry during the bull riding event at Darrington Timberbowl Rodeo. This year’s rodeo ran from June 21–22 at the newly remodeled Darrington Rodeo grounds.

### Briefly ...

Congresswoman **Suzan DelBene** announced June 24 she has introduced a Congressional resolution to honor and remember the victims, their families, and all those affected by the SR 530 landslide. The resolution (H.R. 634) is cosponsored by the entire Washington state delegation.

“This resolution is a way for the House to express the entire nation’s support and affirm its commitment to doing everything possible to ensure that resources are available to help the families affected and the entire community rebuild, and that we will never forget those that were lost in the slide,” said DelBene in a release.

#### July calendar

**Rock the Park: Festival of the People 2014**, a free concert, will be held Sat., July 26, at Old School Park, 1026 Alvord St., from 7 to 10 p.m., featuring the Fabulous Kingpins. The concert, sponsored by the Darrington Renewal Project and A World Feast, is free for the surrounding communities and all who have been supportive since the mudslide. For more information, see the ad on p. 24 of this issue or contact the Darrington Renewal Project on Facebook.

The 38th annual **Darrington Bluegrass Festival** will be held July 18–20 at the Darrington Bluegrass Music Park, 42501 SR 530 NE. Headliners this year include Joe Mullins and the Radio Ramblers, Audie Blaylock and Redline, and Lorraine Jordan and Carolina Road, along with local bands from around the

area. Music will begin Friday at 6 p.m., with the Birdview Bluegrass band and continue through Sunday, wrapping up with Lorraine Jordan and Carolina Road at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$55 per person for all three days; children under 12 are free with an adult. For more information, go to [www.darringtonbluegrass.com](http://www.darringtonbluegrass.com).

Bring your lawn chairs and come to Darrington for **Street Fest in Old Town** in July and August. Sponsored by Snohomish County Department of Economic Development, the summer series will feature evenings of music, art, activities, and family-friendly outdoor movies in historic downtown Darrington. The fun happens on Darrington St. between Emmens and Sauk Ave. Remaining event dates are Sat., July 12 and Sat., Aug. 16. Live music and activities begin at 7 p.m.; movies show at dusk.

#### Summer Food Program

The all-ages Summer Food Program is running and will continue through Aug. 5 at Darrington High School.

Breakfast and lunch will be served Monday through Thursday. Breakfast is served from 9:30 to 10 a.m. Lunch runs from 12:30 to 1 p.m.

Fridays are field trip days. For more information, call 360.436.1140.

—*Marla Skaglund, Linn M. Brooks*

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### June at the Darrington Library

#### Children and family programs

- Family Storytime, Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; 10:15 to 11 a.m.; all ages; caregiver required
- LEGO Club, Thursdays, June 5, 19; grades K–5
- Explore Summer Program: 60 Second Challenge, Wed., July 2, 2 to 3 p.m.; for school-age children
- Explore Summer Program: I Scream, You Scream, Wed., July 9, 2 to 3 p.m.; for school-age children
- Explore Summer Program: The Science of Bubbles, Wed., July 16, 2 to 3 p.m.; for school-age children
- Explore Summer Program: Shocking Science, Wed., July 23, 2 to 3 p.m.;

for school-age children

- Batman Day, Wed., July 23; all day
- Explore Summer Program: Germ Wars!, Wed., July 30, 2 to 3 p.m.; for school-age children

#### Adult programs

- A Summer of Authors: Mountain Loop Books & Coffee (Darrington St.), July 23, 6 to 7:30 p.m.; Andrea Weiser, *Thunder Blossom: Wilderness Can Heal* and *River Bed*

For more information, go to [www.sno-isle.org?ID=1194](http://www.sno-isle.org?ID=1194) or call 360.436.1600.

—*Bryan Stratton, branch manager*

## SR 530 at two lanes

One June 20, WSDOT opened the section of SR 530 damaged by the slide to two-way traffic.

Crews spent the week prior to the two-lane opening patching, repaving, and restriping damaged sections of SR 530 to allow for safe travel in both directions. Since late May, traffic had been operating on a one-way basis, with a pilot car alternating directions of travel based on demand.

#### Rules of the temporary road

- The speed limit will remain 25 mph to protect the safety of construction workers.
- There are no restrictions for height and size of vehicles, but oversized loads will need a permit.
- For safety reasons, stopping or pulling over along this stretch of highway is not allowed.
- Periodically during construction, drivers can expect to see flaggers on the temporary roadway to ensure safe movement of construction equipment and vehicles.

#### Next steps for the permanent road

Crews will work throughout the summer to build a permanent new section of SR 530 south of the temporarily repaired roadway.

The landslide changed the geography of the valley floor and the Stillaguamish

River North Fork, increasing the chance of flooding along the corridor. As a result, the roadway must be rebuilt and elevated. This work is expected to begin by early July, starting on the east side of the slide area and moving west. Substantial completion of the new alignment is expected in early October.

On several occasions, traffic will need to return to the Seattle City Light access road during construction. These detours, which may last up to 31 hours, will be scheduled during the week as often as possible to minimize impacts to the community and avoid disrupting major summer events in the area.

#### Impacts from vegetation clearing

Starting July 1, contractor crews working for WSDOT will start preliminary clearing of vegetation on a hillside near the east side of the SR 530 project area. This work will last about one month and is necessary to prepare for the construction of the new elevated roadway.

Motorists traveling through the area between 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. should plan to add about 10 minutes to the trip. Two-way traffic on the existing highway will continue, but there will be intermittent flagging to allow safe movement of equipment and trucks.

Crews will not work from the evening of July 3 through the holiday weekend.

Construction detours will be posted in advance online and e-mailed to subscribers of the SR 530 update list.

For more information, go to [www.wsdot.wa.gov](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov).

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### Church to fundraise with food

**North Cascade Community Church** will host a Barbecue Fundraiser on Sat., July 19, from 5 to 8 p.m.

The event will be held at the church, at 59850 SR 20 in Marblemount. Funds raised will go toward church maintenance, Vacation Bible School, and more. Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and soda are on the menu; meals are \$5 and \$6.

All current and former residents of Rockport and Marblemount are invited to attend the **2014 Rockport-Marblemount Picnic** on Sun., Aug. 17, at Marblemount Community Hall, 60155 SR 20 in Marblemount.

Coffee, punch, and table service will be provided for the potluck. Bring your favorite dish, lawn chairs, and memories. For more information, call 360.856.1378 or 360.873.4903.

### Salmon Barbecue on tap Aug. 3

Sunday, Aug. 3, will find Marblemount Community Hall volunteers grilling dozens of whole salmon, mixing fresh salads, baking beans and garlic bread, and offering beverages and desserts for the “umpteenth” annual Barbecue. Beginning at noon and running until 6 p.m. (or until we run out of food), the hall’s fundraiser also will offer a variety of children’s activities, including face painting, balloons, and crafts, as well as a local farmers and crafters market for all to enjoy. Meal prices are as follows:

- Adult salmon meal: \$12
- Hot dog meal (same sides): \$9
- Child’s hot dog meal: \$5

Raffle prizes also will be offered. To donate raffle items, call Community Hall secretary Shana Weiderman 360.873.4074.

—Christie Fairchild

### Cascade River Rd. to close Sept. 1

Hikers and climbers who plan to access Boston Basin or the Cascade Pass area in North Cascades National Park this fall need to be aware that the last three miles of Cascade River Road will be closed to vehicle and foot traffic of any kind from Sept. 1 until late October.

The closure will allow crews to make extensive repairs to the road and will affect hikers approaching the area from the east or west side.

The road closure will begin at El Dorado parking area near milepost 20 and will be in effect 24/7. Preliminary surveys and erosion control work will begin in late August; however, those activities will not significantly affect visitors. Access to the El Dorado Climbing Area will not be affected.

The National Park Service will work with the Federal Highway Administration to make these road repairs. The repair

will consist of installing a 60-foot-long concrete box culvert with a debris rack to prevent culvert plugging at Boston Creek crossing. That crossing is the site of many washouts, including one last October that left more 70 visitors stranded.

NCNP Complex Superintendent Karen Taylor-Goodrich said, “This temporary closure is necessary in consideration of visitor safety while this critical work is being done to help maintain long-term access to the popular Cascade Pass area.”

For alternative fall hikes, climbs, or access to Stehekin via another route, please contact the Wilderness Information Center at 360.854.7245, the Golden West Visitor Center at 509.699.2080, ext. 14, or any park ranger station.

—Ken Hires, Stehekin Dist. Interpreter  
North Cascades National Park Complex



### What happens when camping and glamour collide?

(BPT) — You love the great outdoors—but you really do—but you were somehow gifted with that sweet blood mosquitoes crave. Not only that, but your body simply doesn’t do well sleeping on the ground and it takes no small amount of lighter fluid and matches for you to warm your hands over an open fire.

Travel Web site DreamPlanGo suggests you go “glamping” instead. Short for “glamorous camping,” glamping gives travelers the best of indoor and outdoor worlds. Explore the majesty of Yellowstone, but return to a down bed and gourmet meal at the end of the day.

**Choose your glampsite.** Unlike traditional camping where pitching a tent and maybe inflating an air mattress are your only accommodation options, glamping offers you much more from

which to choose. Does a treetop abode with running water and goosedown comforters speak to you? What about a yurt or villa? Regardless of your budget, country preference, or sleeping needs, you’re bound to find a glampsite that speaks to you.

**No need to pack.** You’ll still need to bring clothes, of course, and hiking gear, but no need to do the heavy lifting. Leave the cookware, lanterns, sleeping bags, and clumsy tent at home.

**What you’ll be doing.** The beauty of glamping is that you can still enjoy the rush of fly fishing and reinvigorating hikes, you just won’t have to worry about meals or getting a poor night’s sleep. Depending on where you glamp, you may even have access to more activities and excursions than you would camping. Many hosts are extremely knowledgeable and will go to great lengths to ensure you have memorable experiences to write home about.

### Tips for a stress-free road trip

(BPT) — Following what was known as the “Polar Vortex” for millions of Americans, the summer travel season is finally here. This year will be the second highest traveled year since 2000, with the vast majority of people—more than 80 percent—traveling by car, according to research by AAA.

To help minimize stress that can quickly detour your summer dream vacation, travelers can take three simple steps:

**Plan in advance.** Nothing can derail your vacation (or finances) more than poor planning. Planning your vacation at least four to six weeks in advance will ensure you have adequate time to map out all the best routes and get the best possible travel deals. Often, pre-paying for your hotel room and car rental can provide savings of at least 20 percent. It will also give you

plenty of time to hunt for any deals you may be able to find for restaurants and/or entertainment venues.

**Consider renting a car.** Not only are rental cars often the latest models with up-to-date safety features, they can save a significant amount of wear and tear on your own car.

**Add adventure to your drive.** Half the fun of summer vacation can be the journey to your final destination. Consider making frequent stops and adding in shorter side trips to well-reviewed restaurants, museums, amusement parks, or even to a scenic park where you can enjoy an afternoon picnic or walk. Often there are lists of adventures and local sites to see in community newspapers and magazines to help pick top spots to explore. Not only will this nicely break up your time spent in the car, it will give you more things to look forward to.

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# Seniors



## Coffee Break

### Working out the mind

By Patrick Kennedy

Working out the body has its obvious tasks and exercises: walking or jogging around city streets or down a trail, spending hours and days sweating in the gym or at the neighborhood park doing pull-ups on bars, or just leaning over and retrieving those dumbbells that have been hiding under the end table in your living room. The options are all around most seniors.

Of course the mind has ways of telling us it needs help. Forgetting people’s names is an indicator something is slipping and sliding upstairs. Failing to remember dates and places and street names while driving down the road is another.

How to stop this brain and memory shrinkage? By exercising it. Just like you would if you had a bad limb from a bad fall, you need to hit the gym for your mind, get it back in shape, learning new things and remembering old things.

“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think,” said Albert Einstein.

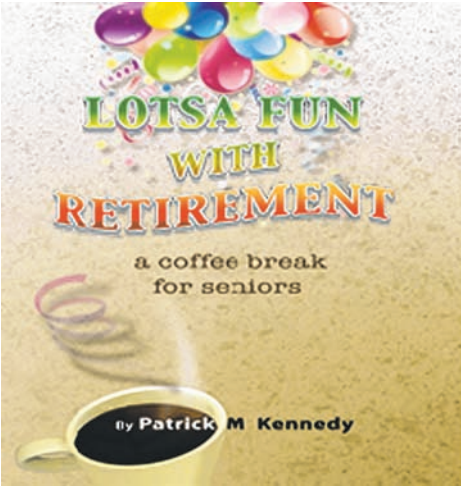
Learning new things keeps the mind active and building instead of deteriorating. Reading a lot helps, and continuing to work the daily crossword puzzle helps too. Creativity is the key word here.

As a replacement for reading a book, try writing a book or poetry, or better yet your memoirs and biography—who knows better than you? While doing that, start doing artwork for inside the book. It can be sketches, drawings, or even full-color paintings of things you remember, or want to do or see.

Multi-tasking also is crucial to keeping the mind active and not deteriorating. It may seem silly to some, but getting on the computer and visualizing yourself as a kid again and playing a video game is a multi-tasking exercise that keeps the mind making instant decisions to steer a car or spacecraft here or there to avoid elimination and losing, as well as deciding whether the oncoming image is friend or foe. For a more grownup computer exercise, play solitaire—there are dozens of games available to keep the mind in a decision-making situation and exercising while having fun—or online chess matches are a challenge.

This all sounds like a lot of work for a retired senior, but planning these mind exercises is a start to working out the mind. Wow, you have to take function ‘A’ and combine it with function ‘B’ and devise a plan. It all completes the preparation to keep the brain from getting worse and hopefully living longer and happier and more alert.

*Patrick M. Kennedy is the author of Lotsa Fun with Retirement. Find it at Amazon.com.*



## Way Back When

### 80 years ago

*July 26, 1934:* “Old Woodenface,” the baseball pitching contest stand that will be used in the county pitching contest to be held in Mount Vernon this week as part of the Hickory Hat celebration, was in Concrete on Friday last week. A number of the young ball players of Concrete

tried out for the contest.

The stand is a frame made of wood, built with a hole the width of the regulation baseball home plate and the height conforming with the distance between the shoulder and the knees of a prospective batter. The idea is to throw the ball through the hole.

Leonard Hornbeck was first in the local contest, striking out Woodenface twice. Others qualifying for the finals in Mount Vernon were Bob Hatcher, Harold

See **Way Back**, p. 29



**30 years ago:** Members of World War II Marine Raiders, serving in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Battalions and fighting in the South Pacific at places such as Guadalcanal and Okinawa, met for an annual summer reunion at Lake Ytee near Concrete and were photographed for the July 19, 1984, issue of *Concrete Herald*. The “Green Berets” of WWII shared tales of adventure, laughed over crazy stunts, and soberly recalled the more grim realities of their war experiences (one of them had lost both legs below the knees in a land mine explosion). Hosted by “Kemp” Kempkes and his wife, Jean, at their Lake Ytee lot July 13–15, the 11 Raiders and their wives from throughout Western Washington enjoyed the company and summer weather. *Archive photo by Anne Bussiere.*

## Concrete Center

### July 2014 Activities

**Mon. - Fri., 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**Lunch served Tue. - Fri., noon**

#### Mondays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles  
Noon Coffee Bar  
Noon Birthday party, 7/28  
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo, Cribbage

#### Tuesdays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles  
10:30 a.m. Tai Chi  
Noon Lunch  
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo, Cribbage  
12:30 p.m. Leap of Faith, 7/22

#### Wednesdays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles  
10:30 a.m. Advisory Board mtg., 7/9  
Noon Lunch  
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo, Cribbage  
12:30 p.m. White elephant bingo, 7/9, 7/30  
1 p.m. Author event: Pure Grit / Patriotic Program, 7/2

#### Thursdays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles  
Noon Lunch  
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo, Cribbage  
12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 7/3, 7/17, 7/31

#### Fridays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles, Watercolors  
Noon Lunch  
12:30 p.m. Dominoes, Skip Bo, Cribbage

#### Closures

Fri., July 4

**Way Back**, cont. from p. 28

Thompson, Deb Everett, Loren Scott, Wendell McDaniel, and Frances Coles.

### 70 years ago

*July 20, 1944:* William Lee Minnix, a.k.a. Charles Rosenberg, an 18-year-old youth who is suspected of passing worthless checks in Skagit County, has been arrested and convicted in a Bellingham court for a similar charge there, it was revealed this week. He was given a 20-year maximum sentence in the Monroe reformatory.

Minnix is accused of cashing checks amounting to more than \$350 in this county on the account of H. Brennan, Lyman Cafe owner. A reported Army deserter, Minnix had hidden his uniform in Marblemount and then, after cashing checks, went on to Vancouver, B.C., and returned to Bellingham.

He had been stationed at the Army camp in Lyman some time ago. His home is in Pana, Ill.

### 60 years ago

*July 29, 1954:* Deputy Morris McGlenn of the county Sheriff’s force culminated a three-day investigation of a cattle theft at Suk Prairie Monday night by serving warrants on Mrs. Jean Galbraith and Arven Hooper, her hired man, from that district.

The couple are charged with stealing four purebred Holstein heifers from the Sturgeon Brothers ranch at Sauk Prairie near Darrington last weekend.

The heifers were located at the Florence Packing Co. slaughterhouse in Stanwood. The packing company officials thought it odd that the purebred cattle would be sold for beef at such a low price, so held them on suspicion of their ownership. The deputies got a lead on the location

of the cattle from Hooper and subsequently unraveled the entire case.

The two are being held on \$1,500 bail pending grand larceny charges.

Deputy McGlenn reports a humorous angle to the case in that the pair stated that the four purebred cattle somehow got mixed in with the herd they were taking to the packing house. The “herd” was one old milk cow.

### 50 years ago

*July 30, 1964:* Ground was

broken with special ceremonies last Sunday for the new Catholic CCD Center to be erected on Limestone Ave. just south of St. Catherine’s Church. Work on the \$50,000 project is to start this week, with no exact completion date yet announced.

After the Sunday service, the entire congregation moved down to the building site to watch Father Galagher and Angelo Bianchini symbolically move the first shovelful of dirt at the northeast corner of the building.



**30 years ago:** Amanda and Virginia Hall helped their mom pick strawberries at the Cascadian Farm berry field as the annual summer harvest progressed. In the seasonal summer employment opportunity for local youth (parents too), there were many more berries to pick in the many fields in the Skagit Valley. The girls were photographed for the July 5, 1984, issue of *Concrete Herald*. *Archive photo by Anne Bussiere.*



# Obituaries

**Theo Denny, 90,** passed away on Sat., June 7, 2014.

He was born April 29, 1924, in Marion, S.C.

We've lost a good neighbor. Heaven gained a good soldier.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his godly ones." Psalm 116:15.



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## Worth repeating

"Seeing that a Pilot steers the ship in which we sail, who will never allow us to perish even in the midst of shipwrecks, there is no reason why our minds should be overwhelmed with fear and overcome with weariness."

"Man's mind is like a store of idolatry and superstition; so much so that if a man believes his own mind it is certain that he will forsake God and forge some idol in his own brain."

—John Calvin

# Sunday School lesson

## What prayer changes

By Bruce Martin

"Call on me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know" (Jeremiah 33:3).

This invitation to prayer is found in the word of the Lord to the prophet Jeremiah. It is a promise of healing and restoration for God's chosen people.

But the promise of God's intervention begins with an invitation to pray, an invitation to personal and corporate prayer and fellowship with the Lord. As believers we know it is important to pray and spend time in the presence of the Lord.

We can encourage one another to pray. We can preach, teach, and discuss the necessity and importance of prayer. But all of these will fail unless you and I become fully convinced that prayer will make a difference in our relationship to God, our families, our nation, and world.

Many ask, "Is God unconcerned with the prayers of men and women?" No! If that were so, He would not have given us repeated invitations to call upon Him. The Bible is clear that prayer is God's way of showing us His heart for the people and the matters we pray about. It is His way of involving us in His divine work, assuring us that as we spend time in His presence, the cares we have placed upon His shoulders are under His control.

You've probably heard this phrase: "Prayer changes things!" But what is truly changed when we begin to pray?

**Prayer changes our outlook on everything**

Through prayer we can see the reality of God's Word in everyday life. What we read about in the Bible we can see is possible in our lives and others' lives.

Through prayer we see transformed lives; we see people set free from life-controlling habits and addictions. Families are reconciled through forgiveness and emotional healing. Those with serious and life-threatening diseases are healed and restored to health.

Our daily lives are surrounded by circumstances and needs beyond our control. Prayer is God's way of speaking to us on these issues. But we must ask. God's invitation to us is, "Call to Me and I will answer you ..."

Perhaps this invitation extended to us is more wondrous and awesome than we comprehend and understand.

Genuine prayer will seek the heart and will of the Lord no matter what or who we are praying for. But when we take God's invitation seriously, we must also realize it does not come without the sacrifice of a strong desire to please Him.

**Prayer changes us**

Time spent in God's presence will change us forever. In the same way we are influenced by those with whom we spend time, so it is with quality spiritual time spent with the Lord we love. Time spent in prayer and God's presence will change us. As we focus and determine every day to keep our hearts wide open to the voice of the Holy Spirit, Jesus promised He would "guide us into all truth. He will take from what is mine and make it known

to you" (John 16:13-14). The Bible makes it clear that God's invitation to pray is an invitation to be involved in what God is doing in the lives of people around us.

**Prayer changes the way we see people**

As we start to pray for people, the love of God begins to flow from our hearts in prayer. The Lord places a deep compassion in our heart for those around us and the needs they represent. Praying for others will keep us alive and well spiritually. We will find that as we seek the Lord on behalf of others, God begins to take care of the needs we have as well. This kind of prayer is His way of allowing us to be part of what He is doing exactly where He has planted us.

**Prayer will change our church, our community, and our nation**

Evangelist Billy Graham once said, "Every man whose life has counted for the Kingdom Of God has been a man of prayer. A prayerless Christian is a powerless Christian."

The disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray so they could pray effectively. Knowledge about God is not the same as walking in personal relationship to Him. Our commitment to prayer is essential. Our fellowship with God each day will not only transform us, but those we pray for. We will see the effects of those prayers as we "call to Him" and watch the transformation of lives in our community, nation, and the world. Prayer changes everything!

*Bruce Martin is pastor of Concrete Assembly of God.*

# Skagit County Sheriff's Office

# Blotter

**May 27**

The Burlington Police Department asked deputies to look for a black VW as it left town, headed toward Concrete. The driver was wanted for assault. A deputy spotted the VW and stopped the car near Hamilton. The man was transported back to Burlington. Skagit County law enforcement agencies often work well together in situations like this. I've always said, it's hard to outrun a radio.

A man reported his bicycle had items taken off it while he visited a Marblemount motel. The man is missing two computers for the bikes, along with some flashing safety lights. Two persons of interest were seen in the area, and deputies are following up on a good lead.

**May 30**

A caller from Bacus Rd. near Lyman reported the theft of a vehicle title. The man had a bonfire and several friends over. Some people also showed up that he didn't know. A few days later he

## Level 2 Sex Offender NOTIFICATION

The Skagit County Sheriff has released the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court decision in State v. Ward, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex or kidnap offender's presence.

**Nelson, Paul Leroy**  
Age: 30  
Race: W Sex: M  
Height: 5' 7"  
Weight: 190  
Hair: Black  
Eyes: Brown  
Address: 305xx Walberg Rd., Day Creek

A Level 2 sex offender, Nelson was convicted of third-degree rape of a child in Whatcom County, in 2008.

Nelson is not wanted by the police at this time. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate, or harass registered sex or kidnap offenders is a punishable offense and also will result in the removal of the online notification resource.

*Source: Skagit County Sheriff*



discovered a vehicle title missing. The Department of Licensing is now aware.

**June 1**

The new bakery in Concrete is missing two outdoor metal chairs. Some inconsiderate thieves took them overnight while they were in front of the business. This is really unfortunate because this bakery has some of the nicest owners and staff you'll ever meet. For some crook to steal their property is uncalled for. I'm certain someone knows where this property was taken. Please contact any East Detachment deputy if you have any information.

A resident in the area of Shular Rd. near Rockport reported a burglary. Someone forced in the back door and took several items, including handmade knives, a black powder horn, and a crossbow. These items are unique and are very personal to the owner.

**June 2**

A local fisherman reported someone had broken into his vehicle near Hamilton. Several high-value fishing rods were taken, and the owner will recognize them.

**June 3**

Deputies and park rangers have been contacting subjects at an abandoned house in Rockport. Seems the residents have been evicted, but their friends continue to visit. These folks need to stay out or be subject to arrest for trespassing. This common sense issue goes along with my other statements; "if it's not your house, stay out; if it's not your stuff, don't take it; if you have no license, don't drive," etc.

**June 4**

A caller from Hamilton Cemetery Rd. near Lyman reported a vicious dog issue. She was riding her horse when the dog charged and she was forced to gallop away quickly. The SCSO animal control officer is investigating. The dog owner could face charges.

A student at Concrete High School was caught with marijuana and a smoking pipe while on campus. A deputy responded and interviewed the youngster. The student is facing charges, along with possible discipline from the school district.

**June 5**

A mailbox in Lyman was slightly damaged by a mail delivery vehicle. The damage was minor and the mailbox was put back into place. The federal government will not investigate this incident.

Deputies were dispatched to look for a loose donkey in the road, chasing cars near Government Bridge. The donkey was nowhere to be found; he must have gotten a ride. I can't make this stuff up.

# Sergeant's corner

## Protecting home and family from wildfires

By Chris Kading



If you're like me, summer is your favorite time of year. It's also the season of wildfires in several parts of the country.

We live in an area that experiences these natural disasters. Floods and fires are something we need to take seriously. Our local Skagit County Department of Emergency Management (DEM) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) ask you to keep the following tips in mind.

**Assemble an emergency kit**

Create a kit for wildfire-related emergencies in case it becomes difficult for you to get supplies. You should keep three days' worth of food, water, and medical supplies on hand at all times. Store your kit in a safe place, such as your basement or pantry.

**Have a wildfire plan**

Before there is a danger of wildfires, sit down with your family to agree on an escape route from your home. Map out several routes you could take to leave the area in your vehicle. Write down your plans and keep them with your

**June 6**

Lyman Elementary school may have been broken into. Staff found a window open, then explored and found additional clues that someone had tried to enter. There was no damage done and nothing was stolen. A deputy obtained fingerprints from the scene. If you have any information, or if you hear any youngsters bragging about this, contact Deputy Backstrom.

**June 9**

Deputies were dispatched to a missing

emergency kit. If you need to evacuate, you could have only minutes. Park your vehicle facing away from the threat, toward a safety route. Keep your fuel tank topped off and have your cell phone charged.

**Create a safety zone around your house**

FEMA recommends clearing all dry vegetation and debris from around your home, keeping a clear area that extends 30 to 100 feet from your house. Get rid of dry grass, leaves, vines, fallen branches, firewood, and other flammable materials within this area. Mow your grass to keep it short, and never store rags with oil or gasoline near your home.

**Help firefighters find your house**

If firefighters need to get to your house, it's best if the property is clearly marked. Make sure your house number is clearly visible from the street. Skagit County residents will have a blue sign with their address clearly marked. Make sure this sign is visible from the roadway so deputies and firefighters can quickly find your residence.

**Enjoy the summer**

By knowing and practicing summer fire safety tips, you can enjoy many wonderful, safe times in the great outdoors.

*Chris Kading is sergeant for the Skagit County Sheriff's Office East County Detachment in Concrete.*

person on Forbidden Peak outside of Marblemount. The National Park Service has jurisdiction there. They were able to locate the person and determine they were safe.

**June 11**

After several false fire alarms at an apartment complex in town, the resident was issued a citation for false reporting. The accusations simply weren't true and unfortunately, there's much more to this story.

—Compiled by Sgt. Chris Kading

# Yard Sale

to support Concrete American Legion Post 132, at Swap Meet field (west of Logger's Landing), Concrete

# July 5

<h2>Worship directory</h2> <p><b>Assembly of God</b> <b>Concrete Assembly of God</b> 45734 Main St., Concrete; 853.8042 Sun. worship: 10 a.m. Tue.: Men's meeting, 8:30 a.m. Wed.: Adult Bible study, 6 p.m. Thur.: Women's Bible study, 6:30 p.m. Bruce Martin, pastor</p> <p><b>North Cascade Community Church</b> 59850 SR 20, Marblemount 360.873.2504 // <a href="http://www.mmag.net">www.mmag.net</a> Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sun. worship: 10:30 a.m. Thur.: Men's meeting, 8 a.m. Thur.: Bible Study, 7 p.m. Dave Nichols, pastor E-mail: <a href="mailto:pastordave@fastmail.fm">pastordave@fastmail.fm</a></p> <p><b>Baptist</b> <b>First Baptist Church</b> 12732 Hemlock St., Clear Lake 360.856.2767</p>	<p>Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Sun. worship: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed.: 7 p.m. John Batts, pastor E-mail: <a href="mailto:pastorjohn@firstbaptistclearlake.com">pastorjohn@firstbaptistclearlake.com</a> Hamilton First Baptist Church 797 Hamilton Cemetery Rd. at SR 20 Office: 360.826.3307 Sunday School: 9:40 a.m. Sun. worship: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Ron Edwards, pastor</p> <p><b>Lyman Church</b> 31441 W. Main St., Lyman Office: 360.826.3287 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sun. worship: 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>Catholic</b> <b>St. Catherine Mission Church</b> 45603 Limestone St., Concrete Mail: 719 Ferry St., Sedro-Woolley Office: 360.855.0077 Weekday hours: 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Sat. Mass: 8:30 a.m. Father Martin Bourke, pastor <a href="http://www.svc.us/scm">www.svc.us/scm</a></p>	<p><b>Covenant</b> <b>Community Covenant Church</b> 12605 Highway 9, Clear Lake 360.856.1023 // <a href="mailto:covenant@wavecable.com">covenant@wavecable.com</a> <a href="http://www.clearlakecov.org">www.clearlakecov.org</a> Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Sun. worship: 11 a.m. Call for weekly youth group/Bible studies Tim Hedberg, pastor</p> <p><b>Free Methodist</b> <b>Day Creek Chapel</b> 31438 S. Skagit Hwy, Sedro-Woolley Office 360.826.3696 Sun.: 9:15 a.m. prayer svc, 10 a.m. worship Tue.: Women's Bible study, 9:30 a.m. Thur.: Bible study at Louise's complex, Mt. Vernon, 6:30 p.m. Fri.: Women's Bible Study at Kathy's in Day Creek, 8 a.m.</p> <p><b>Methodist</b> <b>Central United Methodist Church</b> 1013 Polke Rd., Sedro-Woolley 360.856.6412 / <a href="mailto:centralumcsw@yahoo.com">centralumcsw@yahoo.com</a> <a href="http://centralumcsw.org">http://centralumcsw.org</a> Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Sun. worship: 11 a.m. Marilyn Kallshian, pastor</p> <p><b>Presbyterian</b> <b>Mount Baker Presbyterian Church</b> 45705 Main St., P.O. Box 246, Concrete Church 360.853.8585; office 360.595.0446 <a href="http://www.mtbakerpresbyterian.synodnw.org">www.mtbakerpresbyterian.synodnw.org</a> Sun. worship: 9 a.m. Tom Ross, pastor</p> <p><b>Lutheran</b> <b>Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church</b> 46372 Main St., Concrete / 360.853.8814 Sun. worship: 10 a.m. Chris Anderson, pastor</p> <p><b>Nondenominational</b> <b>Agape Fellowship</b> Meets at Mount Baker Presbyterian, 45705 Main St., Concrete Second and fourth Weds., 7 p.m. 360.708.4764 Dolores Elliott, pastor</p> <p><b>Community Bible Church</b> 45672 Limestone, Concrete; 360.853.8511</p>	<p>E-mail: <a href="mailto:cbcofconcrete@earthlink.net">cbcofconcrete@earthlink.net</a> Sun. School: 9 a.m.; Worship Svc: 10 a.m. Childcare/Children's Ministries at both Contact church for other ministries Rob Thomas, pastor</p> <p><b>The RIVER Gathering</b> 720 Puget Ave., Sedro-Woolley Sun. worship: 10:30 a.m. Tue. potluck/study: 6 p.m. Thur. ladies group: 6:30 p.m. Last Fri./mo. potluck/games: 6 p.m. <a href="http://www.facebook.com/therivergathering">www.facebook.com/therivergathering</a> 360.853.6676 // Pastor Larry Weston</p> <p><b>Rockport Christ the King Comm. Church</b> 11982 Martin Rd., Rockport, WA 98283 Church office: 360.853.8746 Pre-service fellowship: 9:30 a.m. Sun. service: 10 a.m. Sun. eve. Bible study: 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>Wildwood Chapel</b> 41382 SR 20, Concrete Sun. worship: 10 a.m. Bible studies: Call for times 360.708.4330</p>
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# CONCRETE HERITAGE MUSEUM NEWS

**We’re trying to “Raise the Roof”!**

Join the Concrete Heritage Museum Association for an afternoon of great Celtic music July 19, and help us replace the roof on our museum building.

Taking center stage will be Maggie’s Fury, a band of six that plays “the rousing melodies of the Irish fiddle and whistle with spirited vocal harmonies likened to Eastern Canadian Maritime traditions.”

Their music is lively and fun to listen to, and you’ll be tapping your toes in no time.

Tickets are available online at [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org) through July 18 or at the door. Prices are \$15 each, \$25 for two adults, and \$10 for children ages 12 and younger. Doors to the theater open at 1 p.m. While in the neighborhood, stop by the museum before the concert. We open at noon (and are only a block away).

For more information about Maggie’s Fury, go to [www.maggiesfury.com](http://www.maggiesfury.com).

To order tickets online, go to [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org), total up the number of tickets you want to purchase, and note the amount. Then go to our online PayPal donation page, enter the

dollar total, and then enter the ticket information in the Special Instructions box on the PayPal review page.

A **new book** is available from the Concrete Heritage Museum. Donated to the museum by author Jean Claybo, *The Story of Kate 1867–1944* is written from the viewpoint of the subject, Katherine Quackenbush Glover, who, along with her sister Nell, was instrumental in bringing telephone lines from Hamilton to Newhalem.

Concrete Heritage Museum is **open for the season**.

Outside of normal season hours, you can **make an appointment to visit** the museum or do research in our library by calling Sandi at 360.853.7743.

**Monthly meetings** are held year-round on the third Wednesday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the museum. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Our **new home on the Internet** is [www.concreteheritagemuseum.org](http://www.concreteheritagemuseum.org). Our new email address is [concreteheritagemuseum@gmail.com](mailto:concreteheritagemuseum@gmail.com).

—Dan Royal



June was a busy month for barbecues. The Lions Club barbecued for the kids fishing derby in Anacortes at Hart Lake and at Birdsvie Brewery for the Wounded Warrior project. Both events were tremendously successful. Thanks to all the members and attendees.

On June 28 we hosted a retirement barbecue for Jim Newby. Jim retired after

many wonderful years as Concrete High School basketball coach.

In August the Concrete Lions Club will celebrate 75 years as a club whose heart and soul has been to support our community and those within the area. There will be information in the August issue.

I would like to personally thank my fellow members who have so lovingly reached out to me and my family during the passing of my mom.

—Connie Smithhart

## Concrete Saturday Market news

When “Concrete Saturday Market” is mentioned, most of us immediately think of the group of local vendors displaying their crafts at the Concrete Center just off SR 20. Many people do not realize that the market has been providing additional opportunities and services for our community for more than 25 years.

The market provides a venue for charitable organizations like area food banks, churches, and others to hold bake sales as a fundraising project. Groups must apply to the Skagit County Health Department in advance and follow its guidelines in order to hold a bake sale. The market provides a vending space with

canopy and table for these sales, at no cost to the group.

The market is a convenient stopping place for travelers to obtain visitor information brochures provided by the Concrete Chamber of Commerce or to have questions answered by a knowledgeable volunteer. Free coffee and indoor restrooms are available as well.

The market provides an opportunity for area musicians—amateur or professional—to play for the public, sharing their talents and entertaining market visitors while they browse or rest in the shade. On some Saturdays there’s a jam session, where all musicians are invited to join in.

Market members volunteer to pick up trash along a designated area of SR 20 east from the Concrete

Center several times a year, as part of the Washington State Department of Transportation’s Adopt a Highway roadside cleanup program, keeping our scenic area pristine and attractive.

The market has annually donated a scholarship to a graduating student from the Concrete School District, to be used for the student’s post-high school education expenses.

Next time you visit the market, take a moment to appreciate the ways in which this longstanding local organization is giving back to our community.

—Betty Seguin

## At the Upper Skagit Library



the **Marblemount Market**, every second Sunday from June to September. We have a few pointers for you:

- If you have a library card, bring it with you and look for the library’s table.
- Browse the books we bring or request the books you’d like and we’ll bring them with us to the market.
- If you check out a book at the market, we’ll extend the due date an additional week so you can return the book to the market as well.
- If you don’t have a library card, fill out an application form and we can mail the card to you.

### What’s new at the library

In adult fiction, check out James Patterson’s latest “Women’s Murder Club” mystery *Unlucky 13*, as well as Jeffery Deaver’s new thriller *The Skin Collector*.

William Dietrich fans, check out the seventh installment of the Ethan Gage Adventures series: *The Three Emperors*.

In adult nonfiction, Duck Dynasty’s Jase Robertson has written a book, *Good Call: Reflections on Faith, Family, and Fowl*. Call us if you’d like us to put one on hold for you: 360.853.7939.

The next board meeting will be July 17 at 5 p.m. at the Upper Skagit Library. Thanks for supporting your local library.

—Brooke Pederson, director

**Area businesses bring Concrete Herald to you every month. Please support them!**

### Council, cont. from p. 7

created, and the members are Philip Moran, Doug Ide, Athena Hornsby, Cheryl Werda, Ginger Kyritsis, Claus Joens, and himself. He stated this group will be led by Eric Archuleta. He stated its focus will be on creating an economic development plan for the town, which will involve suggestions for the town, the Chamber of Commerce, businesses in town, and residents. He stated the plan will come before council with any needed approvals from the town.

- Mayor Miller also reported on a meeting that he and Alan Wilkins had with Rebecca Singer from Dept. of Ecology regarding the

wastewater treatment plant and the decommissioning of the lagoon.

### June 23 regular meeting

- **Public Safety:** Sgt. Kading reported they have been very busy responding to around 60 calls since the last meeting. He stated it is definitely summer. He reported on numerous fire calls that had been made by a resident at the Superior Ave. apartments. He reported that Deputy Harrison apprehended a couple juveniles who were lighting fires inside the public restrooms. He reported that Deputy Harrison spoke with the juveniles regarding this incident, and during this discussion they also admitted to the vandalism

# BUSINESS DIRECTORY

## Bookkeeping

### UpRiver Bookkeeping Services

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## Farmers’ markets

### Concrete Saturday Market / 360.856.1385

May 24 thru Aug. 30, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Arts & crafts, plants & produce, live music.  
Concrete Center, SR 20, MP 89.  
<http://concretesaturdaymarket.weebly.com>  
[concretesaturdaymarket1@gmail.com](mailto:concretesaturdaymarket1@gmail.com)

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Online: [www.allvalleystorageinc.com](http://www.allvalleystorageinc.com)

### Matty’s on Main

45726 Main Street, Concrete  
UNIQUE & ANTIQUE / JEWELRY & PAWN  
Inventory Clearance: 20 – 50% off!  
NEW INVENTORY WEEKLY  
360.333.8851

## Greenhouses and nurseries

### Lyle’s Flower House

New crop of tomatoes: Super Sweet 100s, red cherry, beefsteak. Cucumber, squash, geraniums, hanging baskets (fuchsias, geraniums).  
832 Alexander St., Sedro-Woolley  
Open Mon.-Sat., 9 – 5 // 360.421.4117

## Hair salons

### Hair Fitness

Complete family hair care, specializing in: PERMS / COLOR & CUTS / WAXING  
More than 25 years’ experience!  
Call Kathy Monrad and Becki Hoover for appt  
360.853.8684

## Health insurance

### Salena Levy- licensed insurance producer

Health insurance is confusing with all the new laws and options, but it’s never too late to be protected. I can help. Call for your free, no-obligation consultation: 360.333.9076  
Health/Life/Supplements

## Liquor stores

### Concrete Liquor Store & Convenience Store

45895 Main Street, Concrete // 360.853.7149  
Monday thru Saturday 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.  
Sundays Noon to 5 p.m.  
Gifts, Rocks, Tobacco, Cigars, and more!

and broken window at 5b’s Bakery. Sergeant Kading stated some of these juveniles are bored, and they are dealing with a lot more juvenile-related incidents and calls.

Mayor Miller stated that he is not happy that this is occurring in such close vicinity to the East Detachment Office. Mayor Miller also stated that he does not accept boredom as an excuse for criminal activity.

Sgt. Kading stated that [deputies] cannot sit at the office. He stated they are busy with investigations and calls throughout Eastern Skagit County, as well as in town.

Ginger Kyritsis requested information on how much responsibility for these juveniles’

actions can be placed on their parents.

Sergeant Kading explained the process when dealing with juveniles. He also reported on the restitution that will most likely have to be paid to the owners of 5b’s Bakery.

Discussion ensued regarding the different issues of vandalism in town.

—Compiled by J. K. M.

## Keep track of your council

To have Concrete Town Council agendas and meeting minutes e-mailed to you automatically, e-mail your request to [andrea@concretewa.gov](mailto:andrea@concretewa.gov) or call 360.853.8401. Concrete Town Council meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

## Septic services

### Cinema Septic

Inspection, troubleshooting and pumping  
Serving all of Skagit County  
Fred West, owner. 360.466.8753  
[fred@cinemaseptic.com](mailto:fred@cinemaseptic.com)  
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## Thrift stores

### Second Floor Thrift Store

Antiques, Vintage, Collectibles, Thrift  
Inside & upstairs at Gold Nugget Pawn Shop  
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360.436.1029 [www.goldnuggetpawnshop.com](http://www.goldnuggetpawnshop.com)

## Towing services

### Dave’s Towing 360.853.7433, Concrete, WA

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## [editor@concrete-herald.com](mailto:editor@concrete-herald.com)





# Out & About



## Snohomish County

### I-5 Stillaguamish River bridge work under way

Work began June 9 on a project that will reduce I-5 to two lanes in each direction at the Stillaguamish River near Arlington from mid-July to late October. The work will allow contractor crews to maintain both directions of travel on the interstate as they close the 81-year-old southbound I-5 bridge to replace the bridge deck.

Look for crossover lanes to be installed first, in the I-5 median north and south of the Stillaguamish River bridges. When complete in mid-July, the northbound bridge will be narrowed to two lanes so concrete barriers can be installed along the center line. Then southbound I-5 will use the crossover lanes and two lanes of the northbound bridge to cross the river, before returning to the regular southbound lanes.

With the crossover in place, crews will close the southbound bridge, remove the worn-out deck, replace some of the steel framework, and put down a new concrete and rebar deck. Drivers should expect delays at peak hours:

- Northbound Thursday and Fridays, 3 to 6 p.m.
- Northbound Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Southbound Sundays, 4 to 6 p.m.

The best times to travel will be before 9 a.m. and after 8 p.m. This is likely to create traffic issues this summer; motorists are urged to plan ahead and avoid the heaviest traffic.

## Save the Date!

Concrete Old-Fashioned Fly-In

July 25–27

Mears Field, Concrete



Photo courtesy of WSDOT.

## Burlington

### Michigan company to establish vegetable processing plant at Port of Skagit

BURLINGTON — Gielow Pickles Inc., a five-generation, family-owned Michigan company, has signed a 10-year lease with the Port of Skagit to establish a vegetable processing plant at the port's Bayview Business Park.

Craig Gielow, vice president of the company, said the plant will operate year-around by processing cucumbers and cabbage from a wide area of the West Coast, including the Skagit Valley. He estimates the plant will employ 25 people when it opens in September and eventually grow to 40 jobs.

Gielow Pickles Inc. will lease a portion of the 70,000-square-foot production facility at 11768 Westar Lane in Burlington. The port and Gielow Pickles Inc. are partnering to complete tenant improvements to the plant so it will be ready to begin processing vegetables this fall.

## Skagit County

### EMS Commission trains 100 during National CPR Week

The Skagit County EMS Commission trained 100 county residents in adult, child and infant CPR and use of an automated external defibrillator during its National CPR Week outreach June 2–6.

The EMS Commission offered the classes free of charge to all Skagit County residents, who also received a certification card upon request from the American Safety and Health Institute. Area fire departments and the county's 911 center hosted the classes.

The classes covered choking prevention and rescue, signs and symptoms of a heart attack, cardiac arrest, and stroke, and gave students hands-on practice of CPR skills and use of an AED.

Research shows that bystander recognition of the signs of heart attack and stroke and swift action following a cardiac arrest dramatically reduces the number of related deaths. Bystander care is the first essential link in a chain of events designed to give a person in need of emergency care the best chance of survival. Other links of that chain include calling 911 and activating the EMS system, care by trained EMTs and paramedics, and treatment and care by physicians and specialists.

"The importance of a well-educated and willing public cannot be emphasized enough in the backdrop of resuscitation," said Joel Pratt, lead training coordinator for Skagit County EMS. "One thing that all positive outcomes in CPR cases have in common is CPR started by bystanders. What is done in those initial minutes after collapse is crucial to survival."

The EMS Commission offers CPR training year-round for a nominal fee. Those interested can go to [www.skagititems.com/services/public-training/](http://www.skagititems.com/services/public-training/) to see the Commission's current schedule.

For more information, contact the Commission at 360.428.3230.

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## Mount Vernon

### Adult Summer Reading program begins

"Literary Elements," this year's Adult Summer Reading program, kicks off Mon., July 7, at 6 p.m. with bestselling author William Dietrich. Dietrich will read from his new Ethan Gage Adventure novel, *The Three Emperors*.

As part of the Summer Reading program, Mount Vernon City Library will host a series of local author events every Monday evening in July and August. "Monday's Authors" will feature novelists and nonfiction writers, with subject matter ranging from crime, war, and family history in Skagit County to Amish fiction and short stories.

There also will be Summer Reading logs for people to keep track of their reading, as well as review forms, a flash fiction contest, and puzzles and word games to submit for a prize drawing at the end of the season.

For more information, contact the library's Adult Programming Coordinator, Mike Bonacci at 360.336.6209, or go to [www.mountvernonwa.gov](http://www.mountvernonwa.gov).

## Deming

### Mount Baker R&B Festival

In its 19th year, the Mount Baker R&B Festival is scheduled this year for Aug. 1–3 at the Deming Log Show Fairgrounds.

This year's lineup brings together some of the top musicians in the country, including Josey Wails, Mark Whitman Band, The Strangetones, The Steepwater Band, The Fat Tones, and many more.

Free camping and showers are available with a weekend pass. Tickets are on sale online at [www.bakerblues.com](http://www.bakerblues.com) or 360.383.0850 and locally (cash or checks) at Hugo Helmer Music in Burlington (360.757.0270) or Avalon Music in Bellingham (360.676.9573).

For more information, go to [www.bakerblues.com](http://www.bakerblues.com).



# Home & Garden



## Garden Patch

By Gladys Silrus

Summer is here! Time to sit back and enjoy the garden and the fruits of your earlier gardening efforts. July is usually one of the best months weatherwise, and a time when little needs to be done to keep the garden in tip-top shape.

Watering may be a major concern if the weather warms up this month. If you are really looking for things to do, spend some time cultivating, adding summer plants to the garden, lawn care, and planting fall and winter vegetables.

### Watering

The key to good watering is to water thoroughly and deeply, so there is no need to water as often.

The second most important point is to use efficient sprinklers or watering devices. The average homeowner overwaters their lawn by 20 to 40 percent. Lawns only need about 1 inch of water to keep it green all summer. Early morning is by far the best time to do any watering. Evening watering also cuts down on evaporation, but the soil is wet and cool going into the evening hours and the chances of getting mildew, rust, or other diseases increase considerably.

Hanging baskets and containers may need special watering if the temperatures rise above 70 degrees; if this happens, they may need daily or twice-daily watering.

Two of the most overlooked areas are under house eaves and under tall evergreens. Take time to check the need for watering in these two locations.

### Weeding

As weather gets warmer, weeds will germinate faster and become a nuisance if not kept under control. Pull to eliminate them from going to flower or seed.

### Summer color

Now is the time to choose and plant summer flowering perennials, shrubs, and annuals. Most come in containers so they're easily transplanted into the garden. Remember to keep them watered well and plant during the coolest part of the day. Heathers, hebe, abelia, potentilla, and escallonia are a few of the most popular summer flowering shrubs. Geum, monarda, Shasta daisies, carnations or pinks, sedums, perennial geraniums, and delphiniums are among the most popular summer perennials.

### Lawn care

Watering will probably be of most concern this month because it's often a warmer month. Remember, it only needs about an inch of water per week to keep it looking nice. You can measure this amount by placing a coffee can under the sprinkler as you water. You can fertilize now if needed, and it's also a good time to pull lawn weeds.

### Fall and winter vegetables

July is the month to plant your crops for fall and winter vegetables. Beets, carrots, parsnips, rutabaga, Brussels sprouts, cabbages, cauliflower, and fava beans are fall and winter crops.

### Cuttings

July and August are two of the best summer months for taking cuttings of evergreens. I'll write next month about how and what kind of cuttings; it is a topic by itself.

Enjoy the summer and happy gardening!

Send gardening questions to Gladys. Call her at 360.826.4848, or write to her at [gsilrus@frontier.com](mailto:gsilrus@frontier.com) or 42002 Pine St., Concrete, WA 98237.



**Volunteers poured the foundation for a shed** at Angele Cupples Community Garden in Concrete June 21. From left, Derek Campbell, Zachary Allard, Darrel Reed, and Scottie, who asked to be identified by first name only. Gardeners who rent a bed at the garden will be given access to the shed, which eventually will hold private mailboxes, educational materials, seeds, tools, fertilizers, and other items to help bed renters grow their own food successfully.

Also on June 21, volunteer Shiloh Bower worked with garden co-manager Jason Miller to set posts in concrete for the garden's entry sign, as well as pour more concrete for a birdbath foundation in the memory garden.

## Demonstration garden event planned in Alger

### Naturescape Demonstration Garden opens with Alger Community Celebration July 12.

Kids of all ages are invited to join in the festivities in celebration of the new Naturescape Demonstration Garden and stream enhancement project recently installed at the Alger Community Hall in Alger.

The project was inspired and created by Samish watershed community volunteers to demonstrate and teach gardening concepts that attract birds, butterflies, hummingbirds, and other wildlife, create healthful soil conditions, reduce

maintenance, conserve water, eliminate need for pesticides and other chemicals, and protect the neighborhood stream.

Garden tours will be available, as well as games, music, baked goods for sale, educational displays, a wildlife costume parade (dress as your favorite wildlife friend—optional), and spots for picnicking around the garden.

The free event will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sat., July 12, at the Alger Community Hall, 18735 Parkview Ln., in Alger. A short opening ceremony is scheduled for 11:30 a.m.

The celebration is hosted by Alger Improvement Club, Friday Creek Habitat Stewards, Skagit Conservation District and Chukanut Transition.

For more information, contact Kristi Carpenter at 360.428.4313 or [kristi@skagited.org](mailto:kristi@skagited.org).

—Skagit Conservation District

**Yard Sale**

to support Concrete American Legion Post 132, at Swap Meet field (west of Logger's Landing), Concrete

**July 5**





# Smile



## Dwelleyisms

Wit from former  
*Concrete Herald* editor  
Charles M. Dwelley

“Funny how the viewpoint on world conditions varies with the amount of solid cash a fellow can feel in his pocket.”  
—Sept. 30, 1954

“One very noticeable condition stemming from the pace of living today is the lack of any sort of memory of things to come. Used to continual dinning by radio, television, and the printed word, the average fellow makes few mental notes of when he would or should be expected to be somewhere. In the back of his mind, he expects someone to nudge him when a moment for departure arrives. Nobody does, and he misses more interesting things.”

“All the charity drives ask you to give freely because ‘you can’t take it with you.’ The latest drive is to ask you to give your dead body for science. Not only can’t you take it with you, but now you ain’t gonna go.”

“The more of our old friends who pass away, the more we feel that dying is an unimportant matter. How you live is the key to being remembered.”

“The world was made in seven days. Since then, we’ve progressed until we will soon have the means to destroy it in a fraction of a second.”

—Oct. 7, 1954

“The difference between need and desire is about the same as between your income and what you spend beyond it. And if we all used common sense and lived within our needs, half the manufacturers, shippers, retailers, and advertising media would be bankrupt. So live high that others may live higher.”

—Oct. 14, 1954

“Arguing Initiative No. 194 (banning beer ads on television) is a stupid thing. For those who don’t want to see these presentations, a personal Initiative No. 194 is always included with each set: It’s that knob that turns the thing off.”

—Oct. 21, 1954

Dear Dottie

Dear Dottie,  
I'm ashamed. I lost my cool, getting angry when my best friend double-crossed me. Anger doesn't resolve anything and I know better. Yet, I ranted. How do I keep my cool in the future?  
*Hurt & Foolish*

Dear Hurt,  
Getting angry and acting in ways we ordinarily wouldn't act becomes much easier as we give into the heat of the moment. The fact you're aware that your behavior was less than desirable is the first step in the right direction. Situations like this can be made easier if we pause to reflect on what may have happened in your best friend's life to have created the appearance of being double-crossed. Your friend may have experienced something after the fact that caused them to change their plans or act differently. Examine the circumstances and look for a solution. Honest dialogue with your friend is the best way to resolve misunderstandings.

Dear Dottie,  
I recently ran into an old friend who I haven't seen for some time. They are virtually homeless, unemployed, and in need of assistance. They called me a couple of days after our initial visit and asked if I could help them out. I've heard of friends who take advantage of friends. How do I avoid potential problems?  
*Concerned in Concrete*

Dear Concerned,  
Helping out a friend in need is an honorable thing to do. I commend you for your willingness to help. Avoiding problems will be easier if everyone is on the same page as far as the parameters of your assistance. Don't go overboard; keep things simple: meals and lodging. The most important thing is that they are aware that your helpfulness is for a specific period of time, and that is it! Bottom line, clear communication in the beginning will help to alleviate problems in the end..  
  
*Send questions to Dottie at editor@concrete-herald.com or c/o Concrete Herald, P.O. Box 682, Concrete, WA 98237.*

## Concrete Harold

By Joyce Harris



## Public Service Announcement

By Stig Kristensen



## Crossword: “Body Parts”

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### Across

- Twosome
- P.D.Q.
- Finance magazine
- Kashmir clan
- Chronicle
- Madison Square Garden, e.g.
- Fill to excess
- Property conveyor
- Is a loving person
- Days \_\_\_\_
- Orinoco, e.g.
- Ridiculously incongruous
- French game
- Capital city
- Central points
- In the preceding month: abbr.
- Ready for battle
- Whisper sweet nothings
- Wild about
- “ \_\_\_\_ So Vain”
- Indirect implication
- \_\_\_\_ algebra
- Degree in math?
- Mont Blanc, e.g.
- Cooperate closely

### Down

- Narrow margin
- West Samoan monetary unit
- Freudian topics
- Aboriginal tribe
- Don’t cut
- See-through wrap
- Banned apple spray
- Confined
- Secret society: var.
- “She flies with her own wings” is its motto
- Student of Seneca
- Hydroxyl compound
- .9144 meter
- Incursion
- Engaged
- Old adders

- Trace mineral
- Cowell
- World govt. in TV’s “Futurama”
- African primate
- Lingering trace
- Braid
- The “U” of UHF
- Early anesthetic
- Like some memories
- Soldier’s helmet, slangily
- Drawing
- Age
- Disentangle
- C2H6
- Climbing herbs
- Noted caravel
- Joins
- Bypass
- Important Indian
- “Good shot!”
- “Go ahead!”
- Homebuilder’s strip
- It was introduced in 1912
- Butcher’s offering
- Like pie

## Sudoku

To solve the Sudoku puzzle, place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down, and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

		5		4		3		7
1			3					8
	7	8						
6			9			8	7	
			2	7	8			
	8	2			6			5
						4	2	
2					5			3
8		3		9		6		

\*Solutions to both puzzles are on p. 39.

## Funny as Facebook

- The following funnies were pulled verbatim from Facebook status updates in June.
- “Uh oh, when I asked one of the girls what they are doing outside, she said, ‘painting a horse.’ I better go check on poor Sweet Pea!”
  - “My list of stuff to do is so long that I had to make an Executive Summary.”
  - “Lesson for today: Roadkill is not always dead. Not-quite-dead-porcupine 1, Me negative eleventy billion for screaming when it moved while I was trying to get it out of the road.”
  - “When ‘running home to let the chickens out’ turns into shower, coffee, and a warm blanket. Camping is going great! Really, though, the kids set up an amazing site, dinner was delicious, and we weren’t attacked by werewolves.”
  - “Doing pushups while balancing on a yoga ball is a great way to expand the vocabulary of your 3-year-old who insists on watching your workout.”
  - “The school was so desperate for chaperones that they asked me to ‘watch’ some of the kids next week. They obviously never heard of the Seattle Science Center Field Trip of ‘09.”
  - “Taco truck + shellfish = well, I bet you can guess what that equals.”
  - “When Max and Lily are playing in my bedroom this morning, I hear Lily say, ‘Hey, I’ve got a good idea.’ It’s never a good thing when you hear your 3-year-old daughter say that ...”
  - “I want to see a documentary about Morgan Freeman narrated by wild animals.”
  - “How many tickles does it take to make an octopus laugh? Ten. Ten tickles.”
  - “I think it’s funny when someone gives advice on how to stop my horse when they weren’t there. Interesting. It’s always easy to prevent when you aren’t the person in the situation. All I can say is I stayed on for four seconds. I’m thinking of joining the rodeo.”
  - “The kid tortures the poor cat. Not sure who I should find a new home for ...”
  - “Brrrr ... mid-June? Firing up the woodstove!”
  - “Anyone else live somewhere the television news commentators say ‘he don’t’ and ‘she don’t’?”



Legion, cont. from p. 3

- Aug. 2, 1990 to today (Gulf War / War on Terrorism)
- Dec. 20, 1989 to Jan. 31, 1990 (Panama)
- Aug. 24, 1982 to July 31, 1984 (Lebanon / Grenada)
- Feb. 28, 1961 to May 7, 1975 (Vietnam War)
- June 25, 1950 to Jan. 31, 1955 (Korean War)
- Dec. 7, 1941 to Dec. 31, 1946 (World War II)
- April 6, 1917 to Nov. 11, 1918 (World War I)

For those not entitled to regular membership, there still are some options. There is also the Legion Auxiliary, which is an integral part of almost all the Post’s activities. There is also an affiliated group—the Sons of the American Legion—which consists of members who are related to those who are or were eligible for membership. Currently, although there is no chapter of the SAL associated with Post 132, all Posts recognize and accept members from other Posts. However, the easiest is simply to be signed in as a guest.

6. I understand the preference to be around people that we get along with, but restricting yourself to only socializing with your own clique is so grade school. At some point we need to understand that although we might not consider someone a friend, we can have some common goals and work with others to achieve them. Supporting our veterans should be one of those common causes.
7. The current leadership has remained in place only because no one else was willing to step up to the challenge of being responsible. If you don’t have the time or inclination to accept the responsibility to lead, that’s okay—that role is not for everyone. That should not stop you from supporting those who do step forward.
8. As the young guy in the group, I’m not sure I can totally dispel this myth except to say the popular definition of “cranky old man” is not appropriate in this case. Old perhaps; cranky no.

To those who may cite the reasons above for not participating in this local resource, you might consider that you have almost won. But before you do a victory dance, consider what you are also losing. Once the Post closes its doors, it is unlikely that

anything will go into that building for a very long time afterward. Once Post 132 ceases to function as an organization, it will be very difficult to reorganize under any new leadership.

If this Post is not exactly want you want it to be, it is because you are not there to make it so. That was the conclusion I came to that caused me to transfer my membership to the Post here in Concrete, and I hope you will consider this an invitation and challenge to join us.

Our once-active Post has experienced declining membership over the years. Part of that is based simply on the bigger problem that all the once well-known social and fraternal organizations are experiencing today: People don’t want to make the commitment to belong to anything. We find it too easy to get so wrapped up in our daily lives that we don’t want to bother with anything else.

We fellow veterans once proudly stepped forward and accepted our duty and served with distinction. Our time has come again.

Please stop by and see us at our yard sale on July 5, just west of Logger’s Landing in Concrete.

# Yard Sale

to support Concrete  
American Legion Post 132

# July 5

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People’s Choice winners

*Category: Large*  
1st: Judy Clifford, “Flying Geese”  
2nd: Diane Brown, “Glacier Star”  
3rd: Diane Lowe, “Colors of Fall”

*Category: Medium*  
1st: Diana J. Smith, “Geisha”  
2nd: Anne Salyer, “Glacier Star”  
3rd: Geri Power, “Buffalo Visit”

*Category: Small*  
1st: Julie Anderson, “Hawaiian Anthurium”  
2nd: Jan Sager, “The Great Blue Heron”  
3rd: Sharon Lauch, “Black Butte, Oregon”

*Category: Theme (“Blast of Freedom”)*  
1st: Barbara Dahl, “Liberty Star”  
2nd: Londa Schultz, “Three Tours”  
3rd: Mary Davis, “Freedom”

*Category: Youth (under 19 years old)*  
1st: Amelita Smith, “Monkey and Me”  
2nd: McKenna Melder, “First Quilt”  
3rd: McKenna Melder, “Dress”

*Category: Miniature*  
1st: Judy Johnson, “Pansy Sampler”  
2nd: Sharon Kruml, “Gotta Quilt”  
3rd: Anna Farrington, “Patriotic Mug Rug”

*Category: Other*  
1st: Raychelle Stern, jacket  
2nd: Scott Holmstrom, vest  
3rd: Londa Schultz, sweatshirt

*Category: Challenge (finish a long-unfinished project)*  
1st: Shirley Miller, “Challenge Blocks”  
2nd: Londa Schultz, “Happy Snow People”  
3rd: Jan Sager, “Circles-Circles-Circles”

Celebrity judges’ choices

*Country Meadow Village:*  
Gail Bohrer, “Giant Dahlia”

*Doug Wood:*  
Pat Anderson, “Sweet Peas”

*Steve Osier:*  
Jennifer Adams, “Patriotic Little Twister”

*Woolley Fiber Quilters:*  
Linda Sterns, “Cabochon Treasure”

## Continue the cycle

Please recycle  
this newspaper

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**Drivers wanted.** Dave’s Towing. 360.853.7433.

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## GARAGE SALES

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## Sudoku solution, from p. 37

9	2	5	8	4	1	3	6	7
1	6	4	3	2	7	5	9	8
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6	3	1	9	5	4	8	7	2
4	5	9	2	7	8	1	3	6
7	8	2	1	3	6	9	4	5
5	1	7	6	8	3	4	2	9
2	9	6	4	1	5	7	8	3
8	4	3	7	9	2	6	5	1

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## Crossword solution, from p. 37

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36	A	R	M	E	D		T	O	T	H	E	T	E	E	T	H	
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# RAISE the ROOF

## Concrete Heritage Museum BENEFIT CONCERT

**with local celtic rockers  
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