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From the editor

Delicious change at Concrete Center

Change isn't always easy, but sometimes it's yummy.

Case in point: the new menu at Concrete Center. Community Action, which is now managing the Concrete Center and the Resource Center with Claudia Marken at the helm, made a very wise decision by appointing Tarra Ruble as the new cook.

I visited the center on Sept. 2 to compare the two meals I'd had there before the change to the new way of doing things. I enjoyed a French dip sandwich, a green salad with lots of fixings, leftover chicken soup, Jell-O, and a glass of milk.

It was delicious. But not just delicious; it was decidedly better than what I'd experienced before. The French dip sandwich was so good, I wandered back up for a second one. And even though there wasn't much leftover chicken soup, I was lucky enough to get some. It was superb.

If the new menu is any indication of the quality of other changes to come, bravo!

—J. K. M.

Opinion

Letters to the editor

Rockport Fire Dept. Garage Sale drew needed funds

I am pleased to announce the Rockport Fire Dept. Garage Sale raised \$5,800 this year in support of our efforts. Greta Movassaghi and Tara McGowen were just as amazing help as in previous years.

We couldn't hold this fundraiser event each year without all the donations and support from our great community. Thank you for your continuing support.

Jessica Moore
Rockport

Cascade Days efforts appreciated

I would like to thank all who donated their time for this year's Cascade Days! It was a great day for family and friends.

I appreciate all of your hard work.

Carol Rohan
Concrete

You should be part of the Cascade Days tradition

As I walked among the crowds lining Main Street on Concrete's busiest day of the year, I saw lots of faces I recognized. Some from personal contact and many more from years of reading and doing research from the original *Concrete Herald*. So many people have worked hard to make this community a great place to live.

This year Gail and I were humbled to be selected as Grand Marshals for the parade, and somewhat embarrassed knowing about all the efforts put in by so many others over the years to bring us a sense of community.

You can and should be part of this tradition of service. So often we take those efforts for granted. Few people realize that it takes a year's worth of

hard work to put on Cascade Days. One weekend a year, the crowds come into town and then they leave, expecting that magic to be repeated on schedule the next year. This is true even for those who live in the area year-round.

Lots of traditions have come and gone, just like the crowds for Cascade Days. Over the years the Cascade Days Committee has repeatedly pleaded for more involvement and participation from the community to ensure the event continues, but those pleas have largely been ignored.

Please step up and become involved. A community isn't just where you live, it's where you participate.

John Boggs
Concrete

PUD Election 2016 important

The 2016 PUD Election is the only nonpartisan local election, on the ballot. It's at the end of the ballot and it's important!

Skagit PUD is fiscally a "mess," for it has been mismanaged for some 30 years. PUD Commissioner Jim Cook attempted to improve PUD management, but has been unable to improve it by himself, for the other two PUD commissioners

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Message from the mayor

By Jason Miller

After about six months and dozens of staff hours, it looks like we'll be waiting at least till this time next year to do the Lorenzen Creek dredging.

We thought we were filling out all the forms and jumping through all the right hoops, but just as we approached our scheduled date to begin work, our contact at Dept. of Ecology kicked the project to the Army Corps of Engineers for consideration, and everything ground to a halt.

We were told in no uncertain terms that since we planned to dig "in waters of the U.S.," a permit from the Corps was required. The e-mail from the Corps ended on a warm and fuzzy note: "You are reminded that performing work in waters of the U.S. without prior Corps permit authorization may be considered a violation."

So now we wait. Again. I'm sorry this is happening, but I want to assure the citizens affected by this delay that the town is doing everything it legally can



to protect its citizens and their property. We're currently waiting to learn what type of Corps permit we need—there are two—and hoping that it isn't the one that will break our bank and force us back into a position of waiting until there's an emergency so we can get an emergency permit to dredge.

On a happier note, we have a new Deputy Clerk. Chaun Watrous replaces Corrina Hart, who left the position for her dream job with Wounded Warriors In Action. Chaun trained for two weeks prior to her start date of Sept. 1. She has big shoes to fill, but I am confident in her ability to perform at the level our town deserves.

I enjoyed attending a budget workshop in Leavenworth last month, hosted by the Association of Washington Cities. I was joined by Town Councilman Rob Thomas, who is in his first term in position 1 on the council.

I have a lot of irons in the fire, and I hope to share some of them with you when they actually become newsworthy. Right now they are only discussions, hopes, and dreams. But hey, you have to start somewhere, right?

Concrete Mayor Jason Miller can be reached at goodwords@frontier.com or 360.853.8213.



Corrections

Let's start with Dave Adams (above), whom I can pick out of a lineup and yet still managed to refer to as Dave "Smith" in the August issue. Apologies for the flub. Dave.

I didn't correctly characterize Gail Boggs' departure from the Air Force in the Cascade Days Parade Grand Marshals story. Gail did not retire from the Air Force; she was transferred to the Reserves when her son was born, and then chose not to continue in the Air Force.

Finally, Sheyenne Sweet's name was misspelled in the Skagit County Fair article. I got it right in this issue; you'll find her and her peers' successes on p. 13.

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Town of Concrete adds new deputies

By Haley McNealey

Edited by Katy Tomasulo

Three deputies have recently transferred to the Concrete area. In addition, results have been provided regarding the fulfillment of contractual obligations outlined for the Sheriff's Office.

Three Skagit County Sheriff's deputies have recently been reassigned to patrol Concrete, each bringing a unique and valuable set of skills to enforce the law and ensure citizen safety in the area.

Deputy Ken Devero has been responding to calls in Concrete periodically for the last couple of years, but he officially relocated in December 2015. Deputy Devero spent 21 years as a U.S. Marine, then settled in the Pacific Northwest to work at Boeing. He has been with the Skagit County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) since May 2014. Devero told *Concrete Herald* his focus will be on general law enforcement. He said he has enjoyed his experience working in Concrete so far, and through his work

he has met a lot of great people in the community. "Every day I have gone to work so far has been a good day."

Deputy Terry Esskew transferred to Concrete in June 2016. He began working with the SCSO in 1994; for the last five years, he has served as a detective. Deputy Esskew stated he believes officers who have served in Concrete prior to him have done an excellent job addressing the drug issue in the area, and he plans to continue focusing on minimizing drug use and associated crimes. After recovering from an injury incurred shortly after transferring to Concrete, Deputy Esskew said he hopes to return to work on Sept. 14.

A third deputy, Paul Wolfe, was unavailable for comment, but will be included in the October issue.

Sheriff's office contract update

The current three-year contract between

the Town of Concrete and the Skagit County Sheriff's Office is set to be renewed by the Town Council before the end of this year, when it expires.

Like its predecessors, the contract likely will stipulate planned annual increases during the three-year period from 2017 through 2020. In 2014, law enforcement cost the town \$244,023; in 2015 it was \$251,343; and for 2016, the cost will rise to \$258,883.

One portion of the contract states that, for a minimum of 80 staff hours per week, an officer will be within an area that will allow for a response time of 10 minutes or less from the time of dispatch; this part of the contract is unique to the Town of Concrete. Recently, after a town councilman requested a record demonstrating that this duty is being met, Sergeant Chris Kading collected and reported statistics on the matter.

To gather the data, Sergeant Kading

contacted the SCSO Information Systems department. All of the Skagit County Sheriff's Office vehicles are equipped with Automatic Vehicle Locators, which report on where the vehicle is located at any given time. After providing the IS department with a copy of the contract, Sergeant Kading requested they create a "virtual bubble" to identify when an officer was within the perimeter of the contractual obligation and track how long they were within the area.

The results of the study demonstrated that the 80 hours per week minimum has been exceeded consistently. For example, in the first week of May, deputies were within the area for 144 hours, and for the first week of June, the officers were within the area for 147 hours.

Sergeant Kading stated there are no plans to make significant changes in the

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service provided to the town in response to the results of the study, including no plans to adjust charges or reduce hours in the area. He also stated the results of the study were useful in identifying that the level of service in town limits is adequate, and it will allow deputies to be reallocated to spend more time in high crime areas outside of town limits. The hope is that the adjustment will increase the efficiency of law enforcement in the area.

Writer Haley McNealey is a 2015 graduate of Concrete High School. Editor Katy Tomasulo lives in Seattle.

Concrete mayor awarded Certificate of Municipal Leadership

Jason Miller, Mayor for the Town of Concrete, in August received a Certificate of Municipal Leadership (CML) from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC). Mayor Miller completed more than 30 hours of training credits to earn this distinction.

The CML program is designed to enhance the ability of elected municipal officials by providing knowledge and skills to effectively operate within the law, plan for the future, secure and manage funds, and foster community and staff relationships. To earn this certification, the official attends a variety of AWC-sponsored municipal workshops. The courses help the mayors and councilmembers learn the essentials of municipal service and improve their ability to work with council colleagues, city staff, and citizens.

Mayor Miller began his service to Town of Concrete by sitting on the Concrete Planning Commission in 2006 before joining the Town Council in 2007. He served at council position 5 until elected mayor in November 2013. Mayor Miller has been involved with several committees dedicated to the betterment of the town and surrounding areas, including Imagine Concrete Foundation, the Historic Preservation and Landmarks Commission, and the Economic Development Task Force, which recently drafted the town's first economic development plan.

—Submitted by Town of Concrete

Upriver elk herd expanding

As more and more introduced Rocky Mountain elk invade the Upper Skagit, residents, ranchers, farmers, and tourists find themselves worrying. Last winter alone, hundreds, if not thousands, of feet of livestock and crop fencing was damaged in the Rockport and Marblemount areas, as well as the crops themselves. Hay harvesting equipment has also been damaged by inadvertently running over the shed antlers, and livestock health has been threatened by the potential transmission of the elk's hoof rot disease.

The 800- to 900-lb. animals cross the Skagit River and SR 20, and have been seen at Glacier View Ranch near Rockport, the Concrete School District's Quonset hut and ballfield in Marblemount, and in the Bacon Creek drainage. As they continue east, they may soon invade North Cascades National Park, where non-native species are not welcome.

As the damage and resulting complaints pile up, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) has agreed to hold a public meeting to discuss the issue on Thur., Sept. 15, at 6:30 p.m. at the Marblemount Community Hall. WDFW Conflict Specialist Scott Wittman will lead the discussion, and questions will be fielded from the audience.

—Christie Fairchild



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Celebrations

Howell and Gladsjo to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Howell of Burlington, Wash., announce the engagement of their daughter, **Brittany Shea Howell**, to **Garret Karl Gladsjo**, son of Ernie and Carol Gladsjo of Darrington, Wash.

Miss Howell, a Concrete High School graduate, earned her BA in Economics, graduating summa cum laude from Presbyterian College in South Carolina, and her MAEd from WGU. She is a 3rd grade teacher at Mendenhall Valley Elementary School in Juneau, Alaska.

Mr. Gladsjo, a Darrington High School graduate, earned a BS in Civil Engineering from Washington State University—Go Cougs! He works as a Registered Professional Civil Engineer in Juneau, Alaska.

A 2016 New Year's Eve wedding in Anacortes is planned.



Brittany Shea Howell and Garret Karl Gladsjo



Rosie Philips

Philips to retire

After nearly 34 years as a USPS mail carrier, **Rosie Philips** is retiring.

Thank you for your years of service and dedication, Rosie. We will miss you.

Enjoy your retirement!

THIS AND THAT

By J. K. M.

The **League of Women Voters** of Skagit County invites the public to a candidate forum on Mon., Sept. 26, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Aqua Room of the PUD Building in Mt. Vernon, 1415 Freeway Dr.

Candidates for legislative districts 10, 39, and 40, along with candidates for the PUD Commissioner Position 3 and Skagit Superior Court Position 3 have been invited to speak and to answer questions from the audience.

Co-sponsors include The Washington State School Retirees' Association Unit 21, the American Association of University Women, and Skagit Publishing.

For more information, go to www.lwvwa.org/skagit or find the League of Women Voters on Facebook.

Council summary

Concrete Town Council met for regular meetings on Aug. 8 and 21. Following is a summary of those two meetings. Complete and council-approved minutes for every council meeting are posted on the town's Web site at www.townofconcrete.com/cminutes.php.

Aug. 8 regular meeting

Public safety: Sgt. Chris Kading reported there is a maroon Cadillac that has been seen around town recently and may be causing possible issues. He also reported there were no reported issues at the swap meet during the last weekend. Town planner Marianne Manville-Ailles stated that she spoke with (property owner) George Theodoratus, who now has two people who are helping with enforcement issues, and that they had asked someone to leave the area. She stated it sounds like the self-policing is going to work.

Sgt. Kading also reported there was some stolen property activity at the pawn shop recently, but that the owners were very cooperative, had kept good records, and were very forthcoming with supplying the Sheriff's deputies with the information they needed.

Council discussed the formation of the Economic Development Commission, including a prohibition for council members to sit on that commission. Staff will research further.

Council approved an agreement for grant funding through CDBG for planning the Superior Building demolition.

Parks Committee: Parks Committee Chair Marla Reed reported they are discussing what to do with the equipment that had been ordered for the Knott Hill pocket park. She stated they discussed different areas in East Concrete, a Highway Park, or Veterans Memorial Park where this equipment could be installed.

Council discussed an electrical line that could interfere with construction of two planned hangars at the airport. The line provides power to school district property. Manville-Ailles will discuss this with School District Superintendent Barb Hawkings.

Mayor Jason Miller reported that new Deputy Clerk Chaun Watrous started work today and has begun training for

the position.

Aug. 21 regular meeting

Public safety: Sgt. Kading reported there was a complaint about a house in town growing marijuana that is visible from the street. Sgt. Kading did a compliance check at the address and found that the owner had a medical marijuana card and was following all of the state laws for his two marijuana plants. Manville-Ailles explained that this is a town zoning violation; however, the only recourse that the town has is to write a letter stating that they are in violation of a town code. Because the grower is in compliance with state law, there is no criminal infraction to substantiate the zoning violation. Manville-Ailles stated the town could send a letter per the zoning code, asking for the resident to make the plants not visible to the street.

Mayor Miller asked Manville-Ailles to write a letter with zoning code information and send it to him so he could add his concerns regarding visibility and proximity to Silo Park. The letter will ask the resident to move the plants inside or screen the plants so they are not visible from the street.

Town engineer Cody Hart reported that the lighting for the Park and Ride would be finalized by Sept. 4.

Mayor Miller stated that SKAT did not come through with the bus shelters. The ribbon-cutting ceremony has been postponed indefinitely. He stated that once the bus shelters are in place, then we will schedule the ribbon-cutting.

Hart stated that WSDOT is very interested in knowing the date for when the project will be completed, including the shelter(s).

SKAT officials told Mayor Miller that the bus shelters will be placed in October. Cody stated that the bike racks can be put in anytime since they are going to be centered between the shelters, and shelters will be placed on either side of them.

—Compiled from staff minutes

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 or call 360.853.8401. Concrete Town Council meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 7 p.m. at Town Hall.

Getting ready for October in Concrete

Concrete Chamber of Commerce will host a month-long celebration of the fall season and Halloween in October, with a variety of activities for young and old. Here's a quick look at planned events.

Scarecrow Contest

Families, businesses, and clubs are invited to help decorate Main Street with scarecrows. Register in September at 5b's Bakery and get your scarecrow's "bones." Your creation will be attached to light poles for everyone to admire and vote on.

The registration fee is \$20. For more information, go to 5b's Bakery or e-mail info@5bsbakery.com. Vote for your favorite scarecrow on the Facebook event page. Prizes will be awarded in age categories.

Concrete Ghost Walk

Every Saturday at 6 p.m., the Concrete Ghost Walk starts at the Concrete Theatre. Tickets are \$10 and available online only at www.concrete-wa.com.

The Ghost Walk is designed for ages 16 and older; please, no babies, young children, or pets.

Hungry? Every Saturday in October,

5b's will be open till 6 p.m. for dining before the Ghost Walk.

Trunk-or-Treat

It's trick-or-treating in a controlled, safe environment! The fun will start at 5b's Bakery and end at Bear Square in Concrete Town Center. Date and time will be announced in the October issue of *Concrete Herald*.

Pumpkin Party

Roll a painted pumpkin, win a prize! Look for this event in Veterans Memorial Park; date and time will be announced in the October issue of *Concrete Herald*.

Lions Club Halloween Carnival

The annual favorite will be held in the elementary school gym on Halloween; details will be announced in the October issue of *Concrete Herald*.

October in Concrete events are sponsored by the Concrete Chamber of Commerce, *Concrete Herald*, Concrete Heritage Museum, 5b's Bakery, Concrete Theatre, and Lions Club. Volunteers and sponsors are needed; contact Valerie Stafford at chamber@concrete-wa.com.

For more information, go to www.concrete-wa.com and on the "October in Concrete" event page on Facebook.

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Sports



Soccer team regroups under new coach

New coach, new season for football team

A big change on the Concrete football field comes with the resignation of former head coach Ron Rood, 65, who left the team with a 205–110 record and a 2009 induction into the Washington State Football Coaches Hall of Fame.

Into his cleats steps Marcus Carr, who already displays a distinct style that could be described as “friendly shoving.” He moves around the practice field, exhorting his charges to perform at their highest level, smiling while pushing them hard. Even his assistant coaches are not immune to his good-natured jabs.

Carr is joined by returning coaches Josh Fichter and Don Olmstead, plus Eli

Sanchez and Gibson Fichter.

The team got off to a shaky start, with only about 21 players turning out after strong numbers last season.

This month's schedule:

- Sept. 9: Darrington at home
- Sept. 17: Orcas Island away
- Sept. 23: La Conner at home
- Sept. 30: Friday Harbor away

—J. K. M.



Concrete football players drill during an August practice session. Watching their progress are assistant coaches Eli Sanchez and Josh Fichter, who are joined in their positions by Don Olmstead and Gibson Fichter.

New football coach

The big man you see on the sidelines this year is Concrete High School's new head football coach, Marcus Carr.

Born and raised in Lawton, Okla., Carr comes to Concrete with 16 years of coaching under his belt, the last 10 of which were spent with the Oak Harbor and Mount Vernon programs. He's also coached at the semi-pro level. He'll get assistance this year from coaches Josh Fichter, Don Olmstead, Eli Sanchez, and Gibson Fichter.

Retired from the Navy in 2012 after 20 years of service, Carr said he was honored and excited to be named the new football coach.

“I am looking forward to working with the athletes and being a part of the rich football tradition in Concrete,” he said.

Carr lives in Oak Harbor with his wife, Deborah, and their three children, Bobby, Chelsea, and Mac.



Carr



Tyler Labrousse practices his field goal kicking last month, while injured teammate Layne Ashe looks on. Ashe hopes to heal from his knee injury within a couple more weeks.

Following in Adam Woodworth's shoes, Jessica Filtz has stepped into the head coach position for the Concrete High School women's soccer team. The team's manager is Sidney Hockett.

Filtz has 21 players this season, with 11 returners. The balanced team has a lot going for it, she said, especially in the passion department.

“Their heart and what they put in at practice are definite strengths,” she said. “Before they even knew they had a coach, the majority of them practiced during the summer and did fundraising. They have passion and heart, especially when the younger girls see the older players putting

that kind of energy into it.”

Her younger players lack experience, but Filtz remains upbeat about that.

“We'll deal with that during the first couple games,” she said.

Calling the team “a solid group of girls,” Filtz looks ahead to a manageable schedule that begins Sept. 8 with an away game against Friday Harbor.

“I don't see any real surprises or concerns in this season's schedule,” she said. “A couple Saturday games, which is nice.”

—J. K. M.



The Concrete women's soccer team spent much of August practicing for their season kickoff, an away game against Friday Harbor on Sept. 8. **Above:** Cassie Bridge gets the ball away under pressure from teammates Iris Nevin and Tate Mathis. **Left:** Brook Barnedt lunges for a shot rocketed at the goal by fellow goalie McKenna Kononen. **Bottom left:** Nora Towner kicks a shot on goal as teammate Maniesha Hook closes in.

New soccer coach

Jessica Filtz is back, this time in her new capacity as head coach for the women's soccer team.

Filtz, 22, is a 2013 graduate of Concrete High School and a talented athlete who earned letters in volleyball, track, basketball, and soccer.

On the soccer field, she played forward most of the time, but helped out at midfield too. This is her first outing as a soccer coach.

“I've been a student athlete my whole life, and I was looking forward to being a coach, so when this opportunity arose, I knew it was something I had to take,” said Filtz. “I was super stoked. I could be playing at Skagit Valley College right now, but I chose this instead. It's my hometown, you know?”

Physically aggressive and active during practice, Filtz said she intends to lead her players by setting an example for communication, respect, and sportsmanship. “I want them to know they have a coach who will give them her best.”



Filtz

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Volleyball team working hard with positive attitude

By Kevik Rensink, head coach

The Concrete High School volleyball program is off to another great season. There are 16 players out, and these young ladies have been working very hard.

More than their work ethic, however, their attitude has been positive and contagious. We have a lot of very high-character girls on this team, and because of that there is a tremendous amount of positive energy in the gymnasium every day. In some respects we are ahead of where we were last year at this time. That is hard to imagine for those who saw us lose five great seniors, but the fact is we lost a group of seven seniors the year before that.

Good leadership is learned, and this year we have six seniors who have watched 13 seniors graduate before them, including one of the best examples of leadership in Sam Christiansen three years ago.

This will be the first group I will have coached all four years, so we will have been through every part of every season together. We have learned a lot about each other, and it is paying off as we get ready for another great year in the always competitive Northwest 1B/2B League.

La Conner and Darrington have historically ruled the roost, while Friday Harbor, Orcas Island, and Mount Vernon Christian have had their own successes. Concrete has made huge strides during the last three seasons, improving every year in the win column and earning a playoff bid all three years. Our team went into the District Tournament as the No. 3 seed last year, after knocking off Darrington for the first time in 18 years.

Success tends to breed success, and that is our intention again this year. We want to be competitive in our league. We want to give ourselves a chance to win every night. This team is built to do that.

It starts with our seniors. Diane Bergsma is one of our setters, and has the best set of hands on the team. She is a great teammate, and her knowledge of the game

will help develop the younger players. Emily Bridge lettered last year as a libero/anything else we asked her to do, but will take over the responsibilities of the Setter 1 position vacated by Jasmine Hopfield (who is walking on to play volleyball for Whatcom Community College). Jaycelyn Kuipers and Hannah Rensink, both of whom lettered last year, will solidify the middle for us as our Middle Hitters/Middle Blockers.

Ashlee Gilbert will start her first year of Varsity, and only her third year of playing volleyball, at the Setter 2 position, and has really developed into a nice player at the net. This is huge, considering she is 5'1".

Keighley Mitchell brings a lot of volleyball experience to the court as well, and will look to earn time while tutoring the younger players around her. Other players expected to make an immediate impact are junior Jalayne Hastings, sophomore Grace Clemons, and junior Alyssa Roberts. Roberts will take over at the Libero position, a position that has been one of our team's strengths the last couple of seasons, and she will step into that role with a lot of confidence in her ability to continue that tradition.

Clemons, also a returning varsity letterer, is probably our most versatile player, and can play multiple positions on the court. She can play a great back row, as well as the net, and because of that skillset will be a Defensive Specialist as well as an Outside Hitter for us.

Hastings is one of the most improved players I have ever coached in any sport, and will do a nice job of playing Right Side for us, where we can use her serving skills more readily.

I am looking forward to a great season. I am excited to be the coach of this team. We hope you are excited about our team too. Come out and cheer these girls on, and if you happen to be lucky enough to run into one of them in town, give them a word of encouragement. They deserve it!



A special group of four seniors have been with Kevik Rensink since he took on the role of head coach for the volleyball team three years ago. They're seniors now, and looking to end their high school careers on a high note. From left, Diane Bergsma, Jaycelyn Kuipers, Coach Rensink, Hannah Rensink, Emily Bridge.



Above: JV players Faith Daniels (left) and Jaidyn Swanson prepare for a serve during a late-August practice.



Left: Coach Kevik Rensink demonstrates what he wants his players to do in a specific situation.

Sports schedules:
nw1a2athletics.com

CHOP is CSD's BFF

For the past several years, the Concrete School District has had a cozy and collaborative relationship with Community Health Outreach Programs (CHOP), a 100 percent grant-funded department at United General District 304 in Sedro-Woolley. CHOP operates countywide, but a significant portion of its attention is focused on the Upper Valley and its school district.

The Concrete School District operates with a \$7.5 million annual budget, supplemented by a levy that helps mostly with its maintenance and operations needs. CHOP steps in to add approximately \$285,000 to the mix, serving the district with almost two dozen programs that are designed to produce short- and long-term results. The money flows through CHOP from the State Dept. of Behavioral Health and Recovery.

They're doing something right. With the programs at play in the district, CHOP is playing a significant role in improving student performance and easing disciplinary issues for teachers.

One such program, PAX, focuses on developing good behavior patterns in K-6 students. "It's been a great success," said school district Superintendent Barb Hawkings. "It enables everyone to do their jobs better because it's established in self-control. The teachers have more time to teach, and the principal spends less time disciplining the students because the students are monitoring themselves, internally."

CHOP is sometimes difficult to wrap one's head around, but its mission can be summed up in one word: health. Since 1998, CHOP has worked to fulfill its mission: "to optimize the health and well-being of all Skagit County residents by building collaborative partnerships and providing health promotion programs, resources, and strategies based on identified health needs."

CHOP is involved in building healthier communities by:

- Coordinating countywide Early Learning strategies and parenting programs, including The Incredible Years (because parenting is challenging and support helps).
- Leading innovative projects and partnerships to ensure all community members have access to healthy foods (good nutrition helps kids do better in school, and helps prevent chronic diseases).
- Partnering with schools, Public Health, law enforcement, nonprofits, local leaders and governments, and other local/regional stakeholders to maximize efforts, amplify impacts, and make best use of resources.

One parent participant had this to say about The Incredible Years program: "The Incredible Years class has given me the tools and knowledge to work with my children instead of against them. I now find way more time playing and talking with each of my little ones. I love this program!"

On the nutrition front, one of the more visible programs is the Farm to School effort led by Rachel Sacco for the past two years. Farm to School uses education and hands-on food experiences to expose students to healthful eating habits at a young age. Sacco spearheaded the creation of a garden at Concrete Elementary School, frequently brings students to local farms and the Angele Cupples Community Garden in Concrete (where she's a co-manager), and works closely with Food Service Director Marla Reed to bring fresh, locally sourced food into the cafeterias.

"Farm to School is doing a lot of positive things," said Reed. "The kids are eating stuff that surprises their parents. I've had parents stop me outside of school, asking me how to prepare something that their kid is demanding because they've gotten it through F2S. 'Porcupine burgers,' for example."

CHOP Director Carol Hawk is especially pleased with the success she's seen in the Concrete Summer Learning Adventure, which encourages continued learning while students explore their own Upper Valley backyard. "The kids don't get into mischief; they're nourished and enriched," she said.

—J. K. M.



Working with volunteers and collaborators, CHOP's Farm to School program installed a garden outside its portable at the Concrete Elementary School in April. The garden has since flourished, providing a hands-on outdoor classroom that shows students how to grow their own food. Photo by Mitchell Metcalf.

A Story of Hope Women's Conference

Allison Allen

Starring on Broadway in the revival of "Grease" for nearly two years, Allison then spent three years as the dramatist for Women of Faith. She loves weaving Biblical teaching & acting in unexpected ways exploring themes of purpose, value, and identity. Uniquely gifted, Allison presents relevant women's issues in a relational, transparent way.

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FOURCAST, an award winning women's barbershop quartet opens the evening followed by our Women HAND in Hand Worship Team

Concrete Elementary PTO meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, at 5 p.m., in the Concrete Elementary School library.
For more information, call 425.350.5988.



Academics



Ribbons galore for Upper Valley 4-H members

Gallagher named new elementary principal

Concrete Elementary School has a new principal for the 2016–17 school year. Jaci Gallagher has been chosen to fill the role after district Superintendent Barb Hawkings did double duty during the 2015–16 school year.

Gallagher has been a teacher at Concrete Elementary for more than 27 years.

Additional new staff

Concrete School District has added several other new hires for the 2016–17 school year.

- Jennifer Runge-Senn: Kindergarten
- Gracie Thompson: Family and consumer science
- Marcus Carr: Football coach (p. 8)
- Garth Haynes: Art-enrichment



Gallagher

- Ingo Lemme: Psychologist
- Rachel Nyberg: 3rd grade
- Laura Busby: Science (7th-12th)

Project seeks donations to “Make Our Cafeteria Eco-Friendly”

A new effort to rid the Concrete School District’s lunchrooms of plastics and Styrofoam has kicked off, driven by teacher Mia Roozen and her stalwart band of social conscious students who make up the Environment Club.

“Make Our Cafeteria Eco-Friendly” aims to raise money to buy reusable forks, spoons, and bowls, along with bus boxes and cutlery bins to collect them, thereby eliminating plastic and Styrofoam waste in the school lunchrooms.

“The most powerful part of this project is that it comes directly from the students and their concerns. When this project takes off, the students will see that they can directly impact their environment in a positive and sustainable way that has lasting impact,” said Roozen.

Currently the project has a matching fund in place: \$1 for \$1. Any contribution made to the project will be matched and therefore doubled by The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The project is run through DonorsChoose.org, an award-winning charity. To make a donation, go to the Web site at www.donorschoose.org and search for “Make Our Cafeteria Eco-Friendly.”

—J. K. M.

CONCRETE MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

The following students at Concrete Middle School received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher for the second semester of the 2015–16 school year. An asterisk after a name denotes a student with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Grade 7 Honor Roll

Echo Cyr, Hunter Kelley, Collin Martin*, Leona Martinez, Andrea Rogers.

Grade 8 Honor Roll

William Baird, Elizabeth Buchta, Cody Carlson, Jacquelyn Jackson, Khyla Phillips, Izabela Ramos, Peyton Sanchez, Troy Schmidt*, Devin Wilbur-Blankenship.

CONCRETE HIGH SCHOOL

The following students at Concrete High School received a grade point average of 3.2 or higher for the second semester of the 2015–16 school year. An asterisk after a name denotes a student with a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Grade 9

Jonathan Akers, Thalen Cambo, Shanon Clemons, Tyler Coffell, Faith Daniels, Dalton Newby, Charles Parent*, Madelynn Pritchard, Jaidyn Swanson*.

Grade 10

Rebecca Azure, Emma Claybo, Riley Fichter, Asusena Fregoso, Caroline Gregush, Hannah Haskett, Erica Knuth, McKenna Kononen, Madisyn Renzelman, Emily Schmidt*, Mary Spangler.

Grade 11

Brook Barnedt, Emily Bridge, Tessa Coffell, Ashlee Gilbert, Sidney Hockett, Jaycelyn Kuipers, Riley Pritchard, Tanner Wilson.

Grade 12

Cassidy Cargile, Dylan Clark, Joshua Gentry, Jonathan Goodwin, Katherine Joens, Erika Holm, Jasmine Hopfield*, Hannah Kononen, Mary Mauck*, Shelby Meacham, Brayden Olmstead, Hannah Peif, Amanda Perry, Ashten Tygret.

As always, Upper Valley 4-H and Furs and Things members showed up at the Skagit County Fair in August and brought home dozens of ribbons among them. They compete in several categories, including animals, fine arts, baked goods, performing arts, food preservation, and more. Ribbon placing is blue for first place, red for second, and white for third.

Here’s a list of who captured what, as submitted to *Concrete Herald*:

BETHANY WERDA

GOATS: Showmanship: Blue; Nigerian Dwarf Type: Blue and Reserve Champion Junior Doe Type: Blue and Champion

POULTRY: Showmanship: Blue Market Poultry Type: Red

RABBITS: Showmanship: Blue Mini Lop Type: White New Zealand Type: Blue

PERFORMING ARTS:

Singing: Blue and Best of Division Public Presentation: Blue Educational Displays: Blue

IONA WERDA

CATS: Showmanship: Blue and Champion Household pet Type: Blue and Champion (male) Reserve Champion (overall)

GOATS: Showmanship: Blue; Nigerian Dwarf Type: Blue; Junior Doe Type: Blue and Reserve Champion

POULTRY: Showmanship: Blue Market Poultry Type: Red

RABBITS: Showmanship: Blue and Reserve Champion; Crossbreed Type: Blue

PUBLIC PRESENTATION: Blue

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS: Blue

ROUND ROBBIN: Intermediate Small Animal: Top 4-H Showman

SHEYENNE SWEET

Dog Educational Poster: Blue Open Showmanship Runoff, Dogs, Juniors: Blue Dog Costume Contest: Blue

Educational Poster, Dog: Red Dog Obedience, Sub-Novice, Junior: White

Open Showmanship Runoff, Dogs, Juniors: Merit Award

Dogs: Best Costume

Open Showmanship, Dogs, Junior: Grand Champion

Table Decorating: Merit Award

Table Decorating (Autumn Dinner): Blue

Table Decorating (Sunday Dinner): Blue

Table Decorating (English Tea): Blue

Table Decorating (Christmas Dinner): Blue

Food Preservation, Fruits (Canned Apricots):

Best of Class

Food Preservation, Black Forest Preserves: Red

Food Preservation, Apricot Rosemary Jam: Red

Food Preservation, Canned Dilled Carrots: Blue

Food Preservation, Canned Spaghetti Sauce: Red

Food Preservation, Canned Apricots: Blue Food Preservation, Blackberry Jelly: Red Food Preservation, Habenero Gold Jelly: Red Food Preservation, Canned Dilly Beans: Blue Food Preservation, Canned Cherries: Blue Food Preservation, Canned Salsa: Blue Food Preservation, Canned Spiced Peaches: Blue Baked Goods (Japanese White Bread): Best of Division

Baked Goods, Yeast Bread (Japanese White Bread): Blue

Baked Good, Yeast Bread (Japanese White Bread): Best of Class

Baked Goods, Yeast Bread (Cinnamon Bread): Blue

Baked Good, Yeast Bread (Cinnamon Bread): Merit Award

Baked Goods, Cakes (Chocolate Snack Cake): Blue

Baked Goods, Cookies (Chocolate Oatmeal): Red Baked Goods, Cakes (Chocolate Snack Cake): Blue

Baked Goods, Cookies (Chocolate Oatmeal): Red Baked Goods, Deserts, Apple Crisp: Red

Baked Goods, Muffins: Red Baked Goods, Modified Recipe, Pound Cake: White

Food Activity, Food For All Occasions: Grand Champion

Food Activity, My Favorite Foods: Blue

Food Activity, My Favorite Foods: Best of Class

Food Activity, Lunch on the Go: Best of Class

Food Activity, Bread Baking: Blue

Food Activities, Bread Baking Contest: Blue

Food Activity, Food For All Occasions: Blue

Food Judging: Blue

Arts and Crafts, Soap: Red

Floral Arrangement: Red

Menu Plan: Blue

Gift Basket: Blue

Public Presentation: Blue

Drawing (Pastel): Best of Lot

Fine Arts, Mixed Media: Blue

Fine Arts, Painting: Blue

Fine Arts, Pastel: Blue

Fashion Revue (Junior): Grand Champion

Creative Consumers of Fashion: Best of Class

Fashion Revue: Blue

Creative Consumers of Fashion: Blue

Sewing, Challenging Fabrics: Red

Sewing, Simple Garments: Red

Sewing, Challenging Fabrics: Red

Sewing, Garments: Blue

Sewing, Simple Garments: Red

Sewing, Simple Garments: Red

Clothing Judging: Red

Performing Arts, Skit: Blue

Performing Arts, Skit: Best of Class

THOMAS “TICK” SWEET

Dog Educational Poster: Special Award

Dog Educational Poster: Special Award

Parent Showmanship (Dogs): Special Award

Parent Showmanship (Dogs): Participation

Dog Showmanship: Primary

Dog Showmanship: Primary Obedience, Dogs: Primary Obedience, Dogs: Primary Dogs: Best Costume Dog Costume Contest: Blue Public Presentation: Primary Public Presentation: Primary Performing Arts, Skit: Blue Performing Arts, Skit: Best of Class Baked Goods, Cookies: Red Fine Arts: Reserve Best of Show Fine Arts, Painting, Oils, Children: Best of Division

Fine Arts, Painting, Oils, Children: First Premium Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Condiments (Oktoberfest Mustard): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Pickles (Jalepeno Pickles): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Fruit (Cherries): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Fruit (Blackberries): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Tomato Products (Spaghetti Sauce): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Salsa (Tomatilla Salsa): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Pickles (Bread & Butter Pickles): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Preserves (Black Forest Preserves): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Jams (Apricot Rosemary Jam): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Pickles (Watermelon Pickles): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Salsa (Zesty Salsa): Blue

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Fruits (Apriots): Red

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Condiments (Oktoberfest Mustard): Best of Class

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Pickles (Jalapeno Pickles): Best of Class

Food Preservation, Canning, Children, Tomato Products (Spaghetti Sauce): Best of Class

Food Preservation, Canning, Fruits (Cherries): Best of Show

LANE LLOYD

Performing Arts: Best of Class

Gnome Garden: Best of Class

Performing Arts: Blue

Gnome Garden: Blue

Tri-Fold Poster on Cat’s Whiskers: Blue

Cat showing: Blue

Cat Cage Decorating: Blue

Cat Type Class: Blue

Cat Costume Contest: Blue

LENA COGGINS

Lena Coggins brought her rabbit this year, and won a ribbon for showmanship, a Best of Breed ribbon (for Dutch breed), a ribbon for cage decorating, and an educational poster.

OLIVIA GRESO

Performing Arts (singing): Best of Class (with Bethany Werda)

Art Mixed Media Drawings: Blue + Merit Award Senior Rabbit Showmanship: Reserve Grand Champion

Senior Rabbit Judging Contest: Reserve Champion

Overall Rabbit Judging Contest: Champion Rabbit Breed Type: Best of Breed (Mini-Rex Rabbit, Zoolander)

Pet Rabbit Type: Reserve Best of Show (Regina)

JADE MCADAM

Jade McAdam showed her cat Melody this year and received ribbons for Cat Showmanship and Fitting, Cage Decorating. Her cat, Melody, received a ribbon in the Female Domestic Shorthair Type Class.

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Clear Lake



HISTORY CORNER

Last month the display window at Clear Lake Historical Association had an early 1940s grocery theme.

One item not in the window is the 1948 advertisement for oleomargarine at right. Oleomargarine was discovered by a French chemist and was patented in 1869. The substance was white in color, a rather unappealing color for most consumers. Around the late 1880s, the manufacturers decided to dye the margarine yellow. The advertisement shown instructed consumers on how to mix the yellow coloring with the margarine before serving.

It is also worth noting that in the 1940s, grocery stores were required to purchase a

special tax stamp in order to sell uncolored oleomargarine. An example of such a stamp purchased by Stephenson's Market in Clear Lake is seen below right.

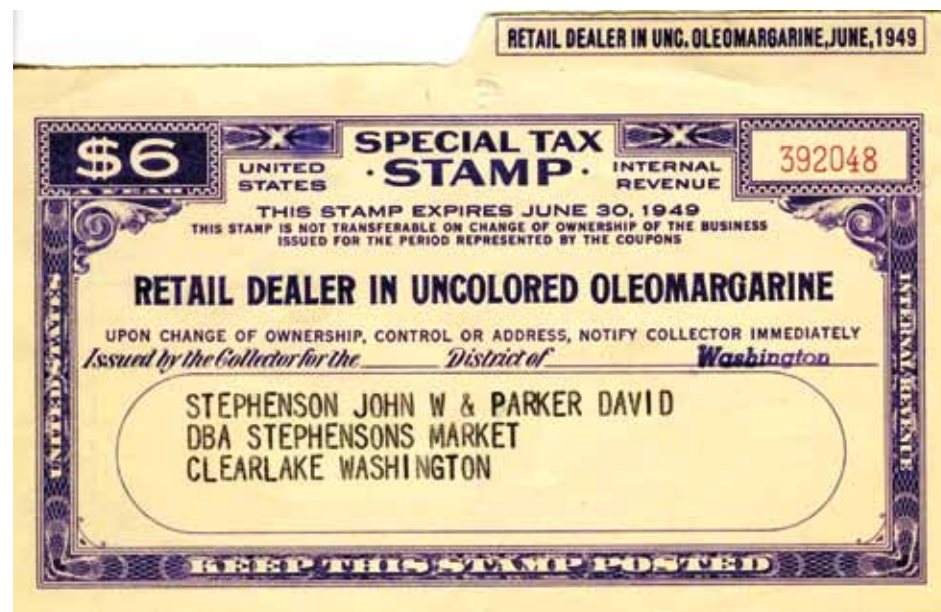
Our new display is now in place for September. Stop by anytime to view it!

Photo courtesy of Clear Lake Historical Association.

If you have old photos of Clear Lake and/or Day Creek, please contact historian Deanna Ammons at 360.856.6798.

Like the Clear Lake Historical Association on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/clearlakehistory.

—Deanna Ammons, historian



The Clear Lake Historical Assn has changed its hours to Tuesday only, from 10 a.m. to noon. Members may be able to accommodate appointments by request.

For more information, send an e-mail to clha1987@gmail.com and allow up to a week for a response.



Community Calendar



SEPTEMBER

- 9 Project Homeless Connect, Skagit Valley College, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; see notice, p. 26
- 11 Marblemount Community Market, Marblemount Community Hall, noon to 4 p.m.; see notice, p. 26
- 13 Know & Grow Workshop: "Understanding GMOs," Sakuma Auditorium, WSU Mount Vernon Northwestern Washington Research and Extension Center, 16650 SR 536, Mount Vernon, 1 to 2:30 p.m.; free admission; see notice, p. 35
- 14 "Preventing Type 2 Diabetes," Burlington Public Library, 820 Washington Ave., Burlington, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; free admission, registration required; see notice, p. 35; info at 360.428.4270, ext. 224 or laura.defreese@wsu.edu
- 16 Storytime at Upper Skagit Library, Concrete; noon
- 17-18 Cascadia Skillshare & Barter Faire, Lookout Arts Quarry, Bellingham, all day; info at www.cascadiaskillshare.org
- 22-24 "A Story of Hope" women's conference, locations in Darrington and Sedro-Woolley; see ad, p. 11
- 24 State Parks Free Day (no Discover Pass needed at Rasar or Rockport state parks)
- 24 Harvest Festival and Pumpkin Pitch, Skagit River Park, 1100 S. Skagit St., Burlington, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; see ad, p. 3
- 24 Free home-buying workshop, Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington Ave., Burlington, 11 a.m.; see notice, p. 39
- 26 League of Women Voters of Skagit County Candidate Forum, Aqua Room, PUD Building, Mount Vernon, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; see notice, p. 6; info at www.lvwva.org/skagit

OCTOBER

- 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Concrete Ghost Walk (every Saturday in October); see notice, p. 6
- 14 Skagit Reads Book and Film Discussion: *I am Malala* and "He Named Me Malala," 5:30 p.m., Upper Skagit Library, Concrete, 5:30 p.m.; free admission
- 22-23 Para-Con (Paranormal Conference), Concrete Center and various locations, Concrete; most events free admission; info at 360.840.7674 or medicyn_eagle@yahoo.com

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Community meetings

Cascade Days Committee Board of Directors meets the third Mon. of each month at 5:30 p.m., in the Pilots' Lounge at Mears Field, Concrete. 360.853.7867, ember@cascaadedays.com, info@cascaadedays.com.

Cedar Grove and Skagit Upriver C.E.R.T. Group meets the first Mon. of each month at 6:30 p.m., Concrete Center in Concrete. 360.853.7420 or emergencyresponsecomm@cedargrove-concrete.org.

Coffee Talk with Concrete Mayor Jason Miller meets the third Fri. of each month at 8 a.m., at 5b's Bakery in Concrete. 360.853.8213.

Community Chat, an informal conversation about projects in Darrington, meets the second Sat. of each month at 9 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 Elementary PTO meets the second Wed. of each month at 5 p.m. in the Concrete Elementary School library. 425.350.5988.

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.

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 www.concreteheritagemuseum.org.

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 District Board will hold its next work session on Sept. 26, at 6 p.m. in the high school Commons. The board will hold its regular monthly meeting on Sept. 29 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.

Darrington Strong 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 7 p.m. at Town Hall, 1005 Cascade St. 360.436.1131 or

darrcityhall@frontier.com.

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.

KSVU station info and host training, second Wed. of each month at Portable B behind Concrete K-8 School, 11 a.m., open to public. 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.

Mansford Grange meets the first Tue. of each month, 7 p.m., at the Mansford Grange Hall, 1265 Railroad Ave., Darrington. 360.436.0711.

Marblemount Community Hall board and staff meet the second Tue. of each month at the hall, at 6:30 p.m. 360.873.2323.

Paranormal Discussion Group meets the last Sunday of each month at Concrete Center, 45821 Railroad St., Concrete, at 7 p.m. 360.630.5143.

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 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 hold a regular meeting on Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Support Services Bldg. It will hold a second regular meeting on Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. at Mary Purcell Elementary. 360.855.3500 or kcargile@swsd.k12.wa.us.

Skagit River Bald Eagle Interpretive Center Board meets the second Tue. of each month, 6:30 p.m., at Annie's Pizza Station in Grasmere. Open to the public. sauksister@frontier.com or www.skagiteagle.org.

Upper Skagit Library District (USLD) Board meets the second Thurs. of each month at 5 p.m., at the library. Public is welcome. 360.853.7939 or info@upperskagit.lib.wa.us.

Upper Skagit Writers Group meets the fourth Mon. of each month at 7 p.m., at 5b's Bakery, Concrete. Open to the public and all skill levels. ctomas@upperskagit.lib.wa.us.

Parents! Get involved in your PTO!
Concrete Elementary PTO meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month, at 5 p.m., in the Concrete Elementary School library.
For more information, call 425.350.5988.

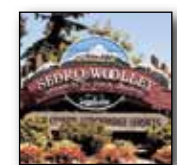
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Sedro-Woolley



Sedro-Woolley Boys & Girls Club teens visit Growing Veterans farm

The teens from the Sedro-Woolley Boys & Girls Club paid a visit to the Growing Veterans farm in Mount Vernon on Wed., July 27.

While there, teens helped with weeding before getting a tour of the farm. They learned not only about growing produce, but also how the Growing Veterans farms help veterans transition back into civilian life and engage in peer-support while building community. A great way to work with some of the unique partners throughout the Skagit Valley, the tour helped underscore some of the healthy habits & career readiness programs available at the Clubs.

"I liked helping the veterans at the farm because it made me feel good," said Logan Thompson, 12.

Club members spent an hour with their hands in the dirt, weeding a bed of carrots while visiting with some of the veterans who work and volunteer at the farm.

After they were done weeding, the teens were taken around the farm by Joel Swenson, Peer Support Coordinator for Growing Veterans. The teens learned about all the different crops grown at the farm, including garlic, kale, cauliflower, and broccoli. They also stopped by the farm's bee hives.

"I really liked the bees," said Gabbie Timblin, 13. "I didn't know that they circled the hive so they could find their way home before they left."

Growing Veterans is a nonprofit organization that combines veteran reintegration with sustainable agriculture—creating a holistic solution to fighting the multitude of issues the veteran population faces and simultaneously empowering them by providing opportunities for peer support, broader community engagement, and skills training. The program has seen hundreds of veterans come through the farming projects, helping to ensure community interaction, and demonstrating the importance of veteran support and sustainable livelihood. The veterans make their produce available each week at the Farmers' Market in Mount Vernon.

—Tammy Findlay

Chamber adds outdoor permits to services

The Sedro-Woolley Chamber of Commerce has added new services to its licensing department.

In addition to vehicle and vessel licensing services available during normal hours, the chamber will begin issuing Discover Passes and fishing and game licenses.

The chamber's board of directors voted to add the services after Morgan Creek Outfitters closed its doors, eliminating the one location in town from which the outdoor-related licenses were sold.

"It is the goal of the chamber to keep these licenses available in Sedro-Woolley, and by using the Chamber's well-trained licensing staff, people can expect efficient service," chamber Executive Director Pola Kelley said in a release.

For more information, call the chamber office at 360.855.1162.

—J. K. M.



Photographer Dick Warner cracked wise on Sept. 1 after posting this photo on Facebook, writing, "It was a great day to go to Pavilion Lake in Sedro-Woolley." An atmospheric convergence had dumped several inches of rain in a five-mile swath the night before. Sedro-Woolley got 4.44 inches of the downpour; parts of Burlington were similarly drenched. To the east, Concrete saw less than an inch that night. *Photo by Dick Warner.*



Right: Burlington Parks and Recreation is collecting zucchinis for the upcoming Burlington Harvest Festival and Pumpkin Pitch, scheduled for Sat., Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Extra zucchinis in all shapes and sizes are welcome. Thousands of gourds and zucchinis are needed to supply the Zucchini Car Race activity booth. Got extra? Drop off your zucchinis and gourds at 900 E. Fairhaven Ave. (Burlington Parks and Recreation office) anytime between Sept. 14 and 23. For more information, call Burlington Parks and Recreation at 360.755.9649. *Submitted photo.*

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Sedro-Woolley High School cheerleaders (above) and Dance Team (right) wowed the crowd at the Skagit County Fair during this year's cheerleading competition.



Volunteer for Boys & Girls Clubs of Skagit County

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Skagit County is looking for those interested in serving their community.

With the return to school and the afternoon programs kicking into high gear, the clubs are looking for volunteers willing and interested in making the programs great. With offerings in art, cooking, youth leadership, athletics, and a whole host of options, people who are passionate about helping youth, teaching what they love, and serving their community are invited to be a part of great futures.

Open after school Monday through Friday from 2:45 to 6 p.m., the clubs serve youth ages 6–18. All programs run for 30 to 60 minutes and are organized under the categories of Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Good Character and Citizenship.

Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to contact Katelynn Sullivan at ksullivan@skagitclubs.org or 360.419.3723, ext. 8.

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Lyman



Day Creek



Council summary

The Lyman Town Council held its regular monthly meeting on Aug. 9. 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.

Aug. 9 regular meeting

- Mayor Eddie Hills called for an executive session at 7:10 p.m. for 30 minutes. Mayor Hills reconvened the regular council meeting at 7:30 p.m.
- Clerk Debbie Boyd gave an update on the UGA expansion and a request from the Johnsons.
- Dennis Conner requested an address for his property. An address cannot be

given until there is more discussion with the Skagit County Fire Marshal and Dist. 8 fire chief. An address given on Davis or Reece would not allow emergency vehicle access to the property in case of a fire or another emergency.

- An e-mail from Mark Sherwood gave the council the information they had requested regarding playground equipment and liability if they put up a swing set during the park renovation.
- New business:** Council voted to approve Ordinance 246 amending Ordinance 237, updating the International Construction and Fire Codes from 2012 to 2015.

—Compiled from staff notes

From the Mayor

The Lyman Car Show donated granite pavers for all of the past Lyman mayors. We started a project several years ago and didn't get enough pavers to make a design and set them. With the donation from the Car Show, we will be able to. The design is in the works, but the final design will depend on how many pavers we have to work with.

Want to be part of Lyman's history? You can still order a paver or two. Some of the pavers already purchased are family tributes, some are a memorial to a loved one, some are families that lived in Lyman and have moved, some are businesses, and some are just for fun.



There are several memorials to family members who worked in/for Lyman; they served on the council, the fire department, as city clerk, the Post Office, or the cemetery and dug many, many graves by hand. If I had enough money I can think of several people I would like to get a paver for, people who loved Lyman and made a difference. I can't buy all those pavers, but the relatives of those people can, and I think they know who they are!!

The cost per paver is \$100. I have the form at Town Hall or I can e-mail it. To request a form, send an e-mail to clerk_lyman@msn.com. **The deadline to get your paver ordered is Sept. 15.**

Two seats on the Planning Commission need to be filled as we work on our Growth Management Act update. Anyone interested may call Town Hall at 360.826.3033.

—Mayor Eddie Hills

Community notes

Save these dates

Mark your calendar:

- Nov. 15: Progressive Dinner

If you have an idea for a community gathering, call 360.826.3003 or 360.826.3581.

Friday night barrel racing

Join the fun of watching barrel racers on a summer Friday night along with enjoying a rodeo burger and visiting with friends. Presented by Sedro-Woolley Riding Club.

The cook shack opens at 5:30 p.m., with warm-up practice. Races start at 7 p.m. Schedule:

September 9

Cowboy Church

A "Cowboy Church" meets in the clubhouse at the Sedro-Woolley Rodeo Grounds every Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 425.395.4014, e-mail c4cowboychurch@gmail.com, or go to www.c4cowboychurch.com.

WOMEN HAND in hand

Our fall event welcomes Allison Allen on Sept. 22 in Darrington and Sept. 23–24 in Sedro-Woolley (see ad, this page).

For more information and tickets, go to www.womenhandinhand.org. Follow the Eventbrite link to purchase your tickets or call 360.853.3066.

Follow WOMEN HAND in hand on Facebook or at www.womenhandinhand.org. To join, call 360.826.3696.

Church Chatter

Sept. 30 to Oct. 2 is the Annual Womens Retreat at Baker Lake Lodge. All are welcome, any age from teen to 90-teen!

The event fee is \$75, which includes all meals and lodging. Scholarships gladly given. For more information or to sign up, contact Sue Walden at 360.391.1709.

Christmas Shoebox Fundraiser

On Oct. 9 at noon at the Day Creek Chapel, area kids will provide lunch for all guests as their Christmas Shoebox Fundraiser. Support their efforts to help the children

around the world by filling 40 shoeboxes with toys and essentials, to be shipped overseas to children who may be hearing the true story of Christmas for the first time. Young and old, please come and support this life-changing ministry.

Coming in December: Christmas Breakfast Gala

On Sat., Dec. 10, Day Creek women along with their families and friends are invited to attend this year's Christmas Breakfast Gala.

A festive breakfast will be served, followed by instruction to paint a canvas, taught by a fabulous teacher supplied by Shelley's Shack of Sedro-Woolley.

Mark your calendar for Dec. 10 at 9 a.m. More details will follow; the contact person for this event is Sue Walden, 360.391.1709.

Christmas Performance

Calling all children for the annual Christmas Performance. Learn your parts, gather your props, and shine. Plans include a church performance on Dec. 18 and a second showing at the Mount Vernon Retirement Home.

Friendship House Helping Hand

We have banded together to reach out to the homeless and are serving a monthly dinner at the Friendship House. Prep will happen at 3 p.m.; dinner at 5 p.m. on the last Sunday of each month.

If you are interested in being a helper, call Sue Walden at 360.391.1709.

Community Block Watch planned

We have been going over a few ideas at the Community Potlucks as we begin to organize a Community Block Watch. Donna Pulver has been looking up plans and Web sites to set up the Block Watch. There will be a planning meeting in September. There is lots of information to go over and much to plan.

If you are interested in being part of the coordinating team, contact Donna at 360.826.3003 or Kathy at 360.826.3581.

Let's make Day Creek safe and watched.

Kingdom Builders

If you know anyone in need this year, please call the numbers below. Kingdom Builders can put together food baskets and

gather other needs for kids and families.

Donna Pulver and Kathy Henderson, co-directors of Kingdom Builders, are reaching out to those in the Day Creek community who need help with trips to the doctor, hospital visits, store runs, and more. If you would like to become available to be a community helper, call 360.826.3003, 360.826.3581, or 360.826.3822.

Day Creek Book Club

The book club is open to new members. Members are welcome to host a book club meeting at their favorite "hang out" spot. Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at Cedar Springs Lodge on Barben Road. For more information, call 360.661.0247.

Community Closet

Free clothes for all ages, from infant to adult, are available at the Community Closet in Concrete, located in Portable A

behind the elementary school gym.

Beginning Oct. 1, the closet is open Thursdays from 3 to 5 p.m. For more information or questions regarding donations or volunteering, call the East County Resource Center at 360.853.7009.

News and tips should be sent via e-mail to winningcircularanch@gmail.com.

—Compiled by Kathy Henderson

2016 Community Potluck dates

September 20, 6:30 p.m.

October 18, 6:30 p.m.

November 15, 6:30 p.m.

December 20, 6:30 p.m.



League of Women Voters of Skagit County Public Candidate Forum

Sept. 26 — 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
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Christmas Angel tree accepting applications

The Heart to Heart Christmas Angel Tree is now accepting applications for this year's program.

Forms are due back by Oct. 31; however, the program often fills up in September, so early application submittal is encouraged.

Applications can be filled out online this year at www.heart2heartcharity.com and must include an accepted form of proof of income.

We are seeking people to help those in need in our community by shopping for children of low-income families.

Those wishing to help can choose angel tags online at the Facebook page, www.facebook.com/h2hangeltree. All information regarding the program is listed on the page, including rules and

guidelines. The charity will help as many families and children as it can, depending on the level of support it gets.

This is a great way for families, groups, businesses, and more to celebrate the season by adopting a child or family for Christmas. Families of all sizes are in need; contact Heart to Heart for more information.

Donations of cash/checks are greatly appreciated to help with additional needed items. Checks need to be made payable to Heart To Heart Charity and can be mailed to Heart to Heart Charity, P.O. Box 1372, Lyman, WA 98263.

For more information, contact angel tree organizer Tammie Werner at hearttoheartcharity@gmail.com.

—Tammie Werner

A Story of Hope Women's Conference

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August in pictures



Above: Concrete Public Works staffers Rich Philips, Alan Wilkins, Jimmy Luttrell, and Dale Angell completed the first two concrete pours at Silo Park last month, one providing wheelchair access to the new restrooms, and one leading to the relocated monolith.



Above: Darrington High School cheerleaders traveled far to put in an appearance at the cheerleading competition during the Skagit County Fair.



Above: Cascade Burgers owner Susan Taxdahl was the winner of a reclining patio chair, courtesy of Cascade Supply in Concrete.



Above: Shelby Meacham (left) hams it up with Mackenzie Wilson during the 5k "Dump Run," which led participants on a muddy and paint-splattered journey around town during Cascade Days.

Right: Baker River Woodworks owner John Burmaster had a unique entry in the Cascade Days Parade this year!



Above: Upper Valley 4-H members and their leaders and parents took time for a photo op to show off the dozens of ribbons they won during the Skagit County Fair in August (find the list on p. 13). *Front row:* Lena Coggins, Stacia Rudy, Talia Rudy, Jessica Rudy, Violet Rudy. *Middle row:* Lane Lloyd, Cadence Rudy, Sheyenne Sweet, Tick Sweet, Heidi Rudy, Wyatt Rudy, Brian Torheim, Bethany Werda. *Back row:* Heidi Greso, Kathryn Sweet, Angela Massingale, Sierra Rensink, Iona Werda, Cheryl Werda. *Not pictured:* Olivia Greso, Lauren Goett.

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Left: Terri Wilde (left) and **Kathy Manzoor** enjoyed a tasty treat from the KSVU booth at Cascade Days Aug. 20. Photo by Bill Pfeifer.



Right: Anja Roozen (left) paints a less-than-enthusiastic **Vashti Buller's** face during the Marblemount Community Market last month. Photo by Christie Fairchild.





Hamilton



Rockport



Council summary

The Hamilton Town Council held a regular meeting July 12. Following is a summary of that meeting.

- Public Comments: Resident Laura Walker asked about the zoning for 760 Cumberland. Resident Steve Jenkins asked about the "One Time Forgiveness" for the water usage at Norm's RV Park.
- Mayor Cromley talked about the Sign Ordinance and that we need to have a public hearing to adopt it.
- Mayor Cromley talked about the Building Code update. There are several codes that need to be updated. We need to have a public hearing to adopt the new codes.
- Mayor Cromley talked about the housing zoning.
- Mayor Cromley talked about the "Slipper House" roof estimate. Council voted to move forward to get the roof done.
- Mayor Cromley talked about the slough study.
- The current status of the budget was presented.
- *Water Dept.:* Cas Hancock announced that the town was at a 5 percent unaccounted-for water loss. Hancock also mentioned that the water tanks have fluctuated a little.
- *Fire Dept.:* Chief Bates announced that the fire trucks were in the July 4 parade. The fire department has had a couple calls. There was talk about the "No Burning" sign.
- *Street Dept.:* The maintenance crew is working on getting the brush down.

—Compiled from staff minutes

From the Mayor

Learning new things



It's back-to-school time and summer is winding down. Time to get notebooks, new pencils, and fresh markers. The kids are getting geared up for new schedules. They could learn all sorts of wondrous things this year, and try new skills that hopefully will be useful as they get older. The local schools teach all kinds of classes that didn't even exist when I was that age, like game design! When was the last time you learned something new (on purpose)? In August I took a class from the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center through Skagit Department of Emergency Management on social media for disasters. Last flood season really pointed

out how quickly information can get out, and how quickly people can respond on Facebook.

The Town of Hamilton doesn't have an official Facebook page, mostly because of public records legal requirements. I set up a Facebook page and Twitter account for the Hamilton Future Vision Project (the nonprofit for town that is still in its infancy). The Twitter handle is @HamiltonFVProj. I'm the only person handling them for now, so I'll post any news for flooding on there (#Hamiltonflood), as well as other local events such as the water balloon battle we had. I'll also continue to monitor all the other sources of information during floods, such as *Concrete Herald* and Skagit DEM, trying to make sure everyone has accurate information for Hamilton.

Social media is a new skill that I'm hoping to get better at. It's another part of being prepared for emergencies.

—Mayor Joan Cromley

Campfires allowed again at most state parks in Western Washington

After an Aug. 18 ban on campfires in all state parks in Washington, the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission on Sept. 2 eased restrictions.

Campfires are again allowed at most state parks in Western Washington, although individual parks may still have fire restrictions, depending on conditions and location.

The burn ban continues for state parks in Eastern Washington, which are still at risk for wildfires due to dry conditions.

People may now use wood and charcoal in approved state park fire pits only. Propane or gas cook stoves and gas-powered fire pits were allowed in most parks during the campfire ban.

Park managers have the discretion to restrict campfires in state parks campgrounds based on their assessment of conditions, which may change quickly. State Parks asks the public to understand that any park-specific restrictions are made to ensure visitor safety and mitigate risk of wildfires. Park managers may require smaller fires than are normally acceptable.

To find out the campfire restrictions for state parks in Western Washington,

download the burn ban for:

- Northwest Region state parks: <http://parks.state.wa.us/DocumentCenter/View/5656>
- Southwest Region state parks: <http://parks.state.wa.us/DocumentCenter/View/5654>

Washington State Parks urges campers to be vigilant, despite the wet weather, and to douse campfires until they feel cool to the touch before leaving the campground.

The easing of the burn ban follows the Sept. 1 announcement by the Commissioner of Public Lands and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that adjusted the current statewide burn ban allowing for recreational campfires in Western Washington. That agency has fire protection responsibility for nearly 13 million acres statewide, including most state parks.

The public is encouraged to go to the individual state parks Web pages to learn more about specific campfire restrictions: <http://parks.state.wa.us/281/parks>.

—J. K. M.

Get involved at the Bald Eagle Interpretive Center for the 2016–17 season

Individuals who are passionate about environmental stewardship and advocacy should consider joining the dynamic team as a volunteer and/or board member at the Skagit River Bald Eagle Interpretive Center (SRBEIC) for the 2016–17 season.

Located in scenic Rockport along the Skagit River, the facility opens December through January of each year. The nonprofit provides education about bald eagles during the peak of eagle migration and salmon spawning on the Skagit River in the form of guided nature walks, local eagle-watching information, presentations by a variety of experts, and a K-12 school program. View bald eagles in their natural habitat and learn about the relationship between eagles and our environment from an experienced group of individuals.

Volunteers may work in any number of areas, from welcoming guests from across the region, providing information for prime eagle watching spots, working in the Nature Store, assisting guided nature walks, and general center operations.

Volunteers are needed weekends December through January. Flexibility is provided. Training is available in November.

To learn more about this opportunity to become a volunteer, contact srbeatic@frontier.com or 360.853.7626, or go to www.skagiteagle.org. To be considered for the Board of Directors, send a letter of interest and resume to srbeatic@frontier.com.

—Cora Thomas

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Snohomish County Sheriff's Report

Aug. 22

Major Crimes detectives with the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office investigated the death of a 29-year-old transient male whose body was found Aug. 16 at the 3100 block of 88th St. SE in Marysville.

The discovery of the body was reported to the Sheriff's Office around 7 a.m. that day in an area near a power substation. The responding deputy found the man's body hanging from a nearby tree limb, face down. Major Crimes detectives were notified and investigated as to whether the death was suspicious in nature. Detectives conducted a search of the area, including a nearby homeless encampment.

Today the detectives announced that the man's death was not suspicious. The Sheriff's Office stated it would not release the identity of the man.

Aug. 31

Snohomish County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue units responded to two separate incidents last night.

The first involved locating a 45-year-old Everett man after he failed to return to the trailhead from Barlow Pass. The man was reported missing around 8 p.m. last night. Searchers deployed around 8:30 p.m. and located the man early this morning. He was cold and hungry, but uninjured, and safely escorted back to the trailhead around 9 a.m. today.

The second incident occurred around 1 a.m. today when a call came in that a 16-year-old female had sustained head and spine injuries after a fall near Foggy Lake. She was camping with a group of people who were able to keep her warm and sheltered until SnoHAWK 10 arrived after daybreak and was able to transport her to Providence Regional Medical Center around 6:30 a.m.

—Compiled from
SCSO and WSP releases



Big bash brings out scores of revelers

Darrington citizens turned out in full force for the annual National Night Out, Back to School Prep, and Barbecue on Aug. 2.

The event was held at the new North County Family Services Multi-Agency Resource Center in their newly acquired location at 1015 Seeman St. The annual event featured DJ music, karaoke, a bouncy house, Plinko, and a turtle race. The public also was treated to free hotdogs and hamburgers. Members of the community, including Kevin, Sheila, and Randy Ashe from the Darrington IGA, and Val Peppinger and Lynne Cheney from the Whitehorse Market, set up booths and offered treats to the community. Representatives from the Mountain Loop Country Store and the 4-H Youth Development Group were there to answer questions.

Inside the new NCFS building, visitors were encouraged to take a Red Cross Disaster Preparedness backpack, each filled with school supplies and a coat, all made possible through donations. A free outdoor movie began at dusk.

The event was made possible with help from the Mansford Grange, Darrington IGA, Hawks Nest, Kamloops, Snohomish County deputies, and the Town of Darrington.

—Marla Skaglund

Darrington Elementary School Principal Traci Franke enjoyed a little line dancing during the National Night Out/Back to School Prep Barbecue Aug. 2. Photo by Marla Skaglund.

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Council summary

Darrington Town Council met for a regular meeting on July 13. The following is a summary of that meeting. Complete and council-approved minutes for every council meeting are available at Darrington Town Hall.

July 13 regular meeting

- Cascade Design Collaborative presented its plan for Old School Park. Elements presented included realignment of Riddle and Givens streets, tree removal, pathways, sight lines (views), plantings, tennis court, basketball court, skate park, and more. Two concepts were presented. Construction budget is \$862,328. Volunteer efforts may be used for some site demolition, play equipment, and soil installation.

Q & A topics included parking concerns, light fixtures, whether the current restroom facilities will be replaced (no), whether there's a need for two tennis courts (the school would potentially use them), student involvement during the planning process (yes), irrigation, landscape design, and the intentional lack of lighting, which is meant to discourage night use and not bother neighboring homes.

Council voted to approve the schematic design and proceed with design development.

- Council discussed establishing a Youth Council as part of Strategy 3.1 of the Arlington-Darrington America's Best Communities (ABC) community revitalization goals. Mayor Rankin explained the Youth Council and how the Youth Council is designed to incorporate youth in the municipal and council/planning. They will have an opportunity to have a say in ideas that they feel would be important. Mayor Rankin felt that the youth have an opportunity to use the Youth Council on resumes and for college applications.

Council voted to establish a Youth Council for the Town of Darrington, adding a requisite chapter to the Darrington Municipal Code.

—Compiled from staff minutes

Oso recovery plan wins VISION 2040 Award

The Economic Alliance of Snohomish County has won a 2016 VISION 2040 Award from the Puget Sound Regional Council for its North Stillaguamish River Valley 2015 Economic Redevelopment Plan. The awards recognize innovative projects and programs that help ensure a sustainable future as the region grows.

"The Economic Recovery Plan for the communities affected by the Oso landslide is an excellent example of how our region can come together to respond effectively to all stages of disaster relief," said Josh Brown, PSRC's Executive Director. "This plan is helping people rebuild their lives after a natural disaster that took its toll on the local economy as well."

The plan includes action steps and lead organizations to achieve six goals: infrastructure, industry and employment, community and workforce development, resilience and sustainability, placemaking, and rural innovation.

The award was presented at the Economic Alliance of Snohomish County meeting on Aug. 17 in Everett. Partners in the work include: Town of Darrington, City of Arlington, Snohomish County, Washington State University, Community Attributes, and Workforce Snohomish.

VISION 2040 is the region's growth management, economic, and transportation strategy, designed to meet the needs of the 5 million people expected to be living in the region in 2040. It is an integrated, long-range vision for the future that lays out a strategy for maintaining a healthy region, promoting the well being of people and communities, economic vitality, and a healthy environment.

PSRC develops policies and coordinates decisions about regional growth, transportation, and economic development planning within King, Pierce, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties. The council is composed of more than 80 entities, including all four counties, cities and towns, ports, state and local transportation agencies, and tribal governments within the region.

—Submitted by PSRC

September at the Darrington Library

"Harry Potter" Film Series

- "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," Wed., Sept. 7, 3 to 5:30 p.m.
- "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," Wed., Sept. 14, 2:30 to 5 p.m.
- "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban," Wed., Sept. 21, 1 to 3:30 p.m.
- "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire," Wed., Sept. 28, 1 to 3:45 p.m.

Friends of the Darrington Library

Friends of the Library is a nonprofit volunteer organization, bringing together involved, caring people who support and promote the services and programs of their community library. New friends are always welcome.

The group will meet Wed., Sept. 7, at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

Monte Cristo event

Discuss the book on Fri., Sept. 9, from 3 to 5 p.m. Join a discussion of the classic tale by Alexandre Dumas, *The Count of Monte Cristo*.

Watch the 2001 film adaptation on Sat., Sept. 10, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Take a hike on Sun., Sept. 11, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Weather permitting, join us as we hike to our own local ghost town, Monte Cristo. Meet at the Darrington

Library at 10 a.m. and leave for the trailhead by 10:30 a.m. Bring a sack lunch.

Children and family programs

- Every Child Ready to Read and Rock! An exposure to West African drums and instruments. Sat., Sept. 10, 1 to 2 p.m. For ages 0 to 5 with an adult caregiver.
- LEGO Free Play, Wed., Sept. 14; 1 p.m. Ages 5 and up.
- Engineering & Motors: Fun with a propeller-driven car. Use circuits, magnets, and mechanics to engineer and create a propeller-driven car. Wed., Sept. 14, 1 p.m.
- Banned Book Bingo Bust, Mon., Sept. 26, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- Family Storytime, Wed., Sept. 28; 11 to 11:45 a.m.; all ages welcome, caregiver required.

Adult programs

- Live stream of the first 2016 Presidential Debate. Mon., Sept. 26, 6 to 7:30 p.m., library meeting room.

The Darrington Library is located at 1005 Cascade St., Darrington. For more information, go to www.sno-isle.org?ID=1194 or call 360.436.1600.

—Asheley Bryson, branch manager

Beloved teacher and basketball coach Tim Cousins passed away Aug. 10. Born Sept. 20, 1936, Cousins spent 22 years with the Darrington School District, from which he retired in 1991. In addition to teaching, Cousins' passion was coaching basketball. His achievements include honors as Washington State Hall of Fame High School Basketball Coach, the Darrington School District Athletic Hall of Fame, and Coach of the Year for three years. During his 22 years at Darrington, Cousins amassed 284 wins on the court and earned a berth at the A-B State Basketball Tournament on six occasions. Cousins coached generations of students in Darrington. A Celebration of Life was held on Sept. 3 at Cousins' second home, the Darrington Gym. In lieu of flowers, Cousins' family asks for donations to a scholarship fund so Cousins will continue to impact the lives of Darrington Loggers for years to come. Go to www.youcaring.com/timcousinsmemorialscholarship or send a check payable to Barb Fether to c/o Coastal Community Bank, 1220 WA-530, Darrington, WA 98241. Photo by Marla Skaglund.

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Harvest Fest celebrates last Community Market

By Christie Fairchild

Sunday, Sept. 11, marks the last market of the season in Marblemount, and it's sure to be a fun one.

Organic produce, Okanogan fruit, farm-fresh "cackleberries" (eggs), locally made artisan fruit jams, goatmilk soaps, hand-crafted art, whimsical greeting cards, felted novelties, handspun yarns, and gemstone jewelry will be available.

In addition, enjoy live music with Linden Jordan and Bill Pfeifer, as well as harvest-themed games for the kids. The Upper Skagit Library will host a booth,

too, where folks may check out books, get a library card, and even purchase used books for pennies.

Bring your bumper crop of apples and some clean juice jugs or jars to press your own cider for a small donation.

Large squash also are welcome for the squash toss contest, with prizes for all participants.

Come on down to the most fun in town, at Marblemount Community Hall grounds, just beyond milepost 106, SR 20, on Sept. 11, from noon to 4 p.m.

New vendors are welcome, with applications available at www.marblemountcommunityhall.org/events, or pick up a paper copy at the front door's applebox mail drop.

For more information, call 360.873.2323 and leave your name, phone number, and a brief message.

Project Homeless Connect connects homeless to community resources

Where: Skagit Valley College
When: Fri., Sept. 9
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
(services continue till 3 p.m.)

Free community lunch is provided.
Ride free on Skagit Transit.
No eligibility screening for participating in the health and resource fairs, dental services, and more.

Dental care available Friday and Saturday, Sept. 9 and 10. Screenings for both days' appointments will take place during Friday's event.

For more information, go to www.skagitprojecthomelessconnect.org.

Volunteers needed for Fire District 19, Marblemount Fire Department. Stop by the Fire Hall for an application on meeting nights, the second and fourth Mondays of every month at 7 p.m., or call Vanessa at 360.630.3900 for more info. This position is subject to a background check.

The good news is ... Commission approves new combination licenses for anglers

By Sasa and Starwalker

What does zero waste look like? Impossible you say? In Germany, Sara and Milena decided to follow the rabbit hole and create something impossible: a zero-waste grocery store. With crowdfunding they created a store with a mission to stop contributing to all the waste created by packaging, with 16 million tons per year in Germany alone. This waste in turn contributes to greenhouse gas emissions, which lead to hotter temperatures year-round, even causing droughts like we see now.

At Original Unverpackt, customers bring their own containers and pay by the weight for products, even shampoo and milk. My son and I recently began a project to make reusable bags for produce and bulk items to reduce our dependency on plastic waste, which contributes to pollution of our environment. When you think about it all from a business point of view, it would make sense to reduce packaging on one's products because it reduces overhead while creating a simpler business structure, not to mention happier customers because of lower prices.

Keeping it simple seems to be a wise investment. Stores like Costco could very well develop a no-waste facility if they reduced their packaging. The co-op in Mount Vernon is well on the way to making that change to zero waste. They will weigh your home-brought bags for you before you shop too. We will do our part and shop as wisely as we can, creating and using reusable bags, as well as helping others with resources to manifest reusable bags. E-mail us for more information on reducing plastic and waste, as well as other resources for change, transformation, and empowerment.

"The universe has shaken you to awaken you."

Anyone who wants to contribute to Sasa and Starwalker's efforts may contact them at cascadiaeffect@gmail.com. Experiences also may be shared at the accompanying blog at <http://cascadiaeffect.weebly.com> and on Facebook: Cascadia Effect

Washington sport anglers will have two new options for fishing licenses after action taken by the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission at its August meeting.

The commission, a citizen panel appointed by the governor to set policy for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), voted to establish an all-inclusive, annual fishing license at its meeting in Olympia.

The Fish Washington license will allow anglers to fish in both freshwater and saltwater and to harvest shellfish and seaweed, and includes endorsements for fishing with two poles and harvesting Puget Sound Dungeness crab and Columbia River salmon and steelhead.

The commission also approved a new combination fishing license for Washington residents 70 years and older. The license will allow senior anglers to fish in freshwater and saltwater and to harvest shellfish and seaweed.

The new licenses will be available for purchase this fall. The Fish Washington license will cost \$79.62, including taxes and fees, while the senior combination license will be priced at \$19.05.

In other business, commissioners voted to keep the Columbian white-tailed deer and the Taylor's checkerspot butterfly listed as endangered species in Washington, as recommended by WDFW staff. Draft status reviews for both species can be found online at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/endangered/>.

The state's population of Columbian white-tailed deer has fluctuated from a low of 545 in 2002 to 966 in 2015. Taylor's checkerspot butterflies were historically found in 45 Washington locations. Only eight populations can be found in the state today.

Also at the August meeting, WDFW staff gave briefings to commissioners on the management of Pacific halibut, Willapa Bay area hatchery programs, and proposals to change the daily catch limit on Lake Roosevelt trout.

Seattle City Light Microgrid Project selected for Clean Energy Grant

A microgrid project by Seattle City Light is one of five recipients that will share \$12.6 million in state clean energy grants announced last month by Gov. Jay Inslee.

"Microgrids show promise for providing backup power during outages, increasing our community's resiliency after a disaster and making it easier to integrate renewable energy resources, such as solar and wind," City Light General Manager and CEO Larry Weis said. "This grant will help us develop a microgrid at a community emergency shelter and test its effectiveness."

The \$3.5 million City Light microgrid is planned to include a utility-scale battery system, solar panels, and emergency

generators located at a designated emergency shelter, such as a community center. The specific location has yet to be determined, but the utility intends to build the project where it can support more vulnerable members of the community in times of crisis. The grant will provide a portion of the funds for the project. Terms of the grant contracts have not been finalized yet.

During normal operations, the solar panels will charge the batteries and provide some of the power to operate the building. When the solar panels are not generating, the batteries can back up the delivery of electricity from City Light's distribution grid or, during periods of high demand, they could be used to reduce

the amount of energy City Light has to purchase to meet customer needs, holding down costs for all its customer-owners. After a storm, earthquake, or other emergency, the solar panels, emergency generators, and battery system can power a portion of the building even if damage to the distribution grid causes outages in the surrounding area.

The other recipients are Snohomish Public Utilities District, Avista Utilities, Northwest Energy, and Orcas Power and Light.

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Candidates invited to speak:
Legislative Districts 10, 39, and 40
PUD Commissioner Position 3
Skagit Superior Court Position 3
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Seniors

Coffee Break

Rules for senior citizens

By Patrick M. Kennedy

As a senior citizen, I have found there are many do's and don'ts that have to be obeyed. Following these rules makes it easier to go through the process of this way of life. This is an easy-to-use guideline to help.

1. Act your age.
2. Drive if you can, safely.
3. Quit the hand-over-fist-fast marathon drinking practices.
4. Have sex once in a while, sometimes, or whenever you feel like it, or at least once.
5. Take up bowling because you won't have to walk as far as when golfing.
6. Speed doesn't matter because you will have time to spare and plenty of time to get anywhere.
7. Learn to play golf if you like losing things then walking after them.
8. Get a pet (see No. 7).
9. Find a permanent home any place you feel comfortable, even a permanent motor home

10. Plan a diet. Or not.
11. Learn to fish, unless you decide to live in the desert.
12. Find a hobby, or combine this with golf, bowling, and/or fishing.
13. Locate your enemies, your bill and tax collectors, nagging neighbors, the guy who mows his lawn at 6 a.m. in the morning, etc.
14. Find out who you are, and at least remember your name.
15. Determine who your friends are, the opposite of No. 13.
16. Don't get caught by the fashion police. Learn to dress the part, or not at all, but first define the situation.
17. Stake out your territory; a mean dog will help here.
18. Get to know your neighbor(s), the opposite of No. 13.
19. Ignore all itemized lists of things to do, except maybe a shopping list, and this one, and be freewheeling.
20. Ignore numbers 1 through 19.

Patrick M. Kennedy is the author of *Lotsa Fun with Retirement*. Find it at Amazon.com. For more, go to www.funwithretirement.com.

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Way Back When

79 years ago

Sept. 2, 1937: What could have been an end to the now-growing safety record of Superior Portland Cement of Concrete was reported Tuesday evening at the regular safety meeting: an accidental blast that occurred at the quarry on Aug. 20. Fortunately no one was badly hurt, but the accident itself was enough to give the safety committee a real problem in figuring how to prevent future trouble.

On the 12th, a big shot of dynamite was set off at the quarry. Apparently everything was all right, but on the 20th, when the shovel was working on the broken rock, a huge boulder slipped and set off a charge that had failed to go off with the big shot. The explosion blew the rock into bits right in front of the shovel and scattered rock all over the quarry.

Hobart Holyfield, shovelman, received a few bits of sand in his face. John Pappas was hit on the shoulder by a small rock, and J. P. Brooks received a bad bump on the knee. Otherwise the explosion miraculously caused no damage.

Loaded by expert powder men, every precaution was taken to set the charge off perfectly, but for some reason something had failed to work on this small part of the job. To prevent future occurrences, the company is planning to secure a recently developed explosive that can only be detonated by a special TNT bomb. This explosive may

even be drilled out of loading holes without danger, and cannot be detonated by accident.

70 years ago

Sept. 5, 1946: County Sheriff deputies dashed to Rockport last Thursday evening to look into the matter of a man who had committed suicide in the Skagit River.

The deputies arrived on the scene and found no body, but finally traced the supposed victim to the beer parlor, where he was drowning his sorrows in a glass of beer.

He told the officers that he did not get any further than taking off his necktie while getting ready to jump in and end it all. The water looked much too cold.

Sept. 5, 1946: Sauk parents fulfilled their threat to keep their children home from school this week, rather than let them cross on the unsafe ferry at Faber. The school bus made its scheduled trip in the morning and returned empty, and has continued to run without passengers so far this week.

On Wednesday the school asked the county commissioners and engineer to meet with the people at the ferry. Commissioner Ed Carr, Commissioner Jim Ovenell, and engineer Walberg complied with the request and met with the parents on the south side of the river at noon.

After three hours of argument, which accomplished no appreciable results, the conference was ended in a deadlock. The commissioners and the engineer heard the complaints and suggestions, but

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Concrete Center

September 2016

Activities

Mon. – Fri., 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Lunch served at noon

East County Veterans Center
meets Mon., Tue., Wed.
from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mondays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo
7 p.m. Songfest

Tuesdays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo

Wednesdays

10 a.m. First Responders Meet
and Greet, 9/7
Jigsaw puzzles
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo
12:30 p.m. Bingo, 9/14, 9/28
3 p.m. CPR training (limited
to 28 people), 9/28

Thursdays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles
10:30 a.m. Ping Pong Bingo,
9/8, 9/22
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Skip Bo
12:30 p.m. Pinochle, 9/15, 9/29

Fridays

10 a.m. Jigsaw puzzles
10:30 a.m. Advisory Board mtg.,
9/16
Noon Lunch
12:30 p.m. Dominoes, Skip Bo
Noon Coffee with Commis-
sioner Janicki, 9/9
1 p.m. Watercolor painting

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offered no solution to any of them.

Commissioner Carr's contribution was a lengthy monologue on how much money he has spent in the Upper Valley, how little money he has to spend at present, and how many plans he has for bridges if some government agency will just put the money in his hands. As to a better ferry landing at Faber, he left the entire matter in the hands of his engineering department.

Walberg had little to say, only pointing out things that had been done or might be done.

Spokesmen for the Sauk residents were D. S. Allen and Elmer Larsen, who pointed out the need for safer approaches and suggested that they be built farther out into the river to prevent the slackwater landings, which form a veritable "death trap" for the unpowered scows.

60 years ago

Sept. 20, 1956: Concrete is soon to have one of the most modern shake mills in the state: the new mill of the Superior Shake Co., owned by R. F. Drake of Grasmere.

The new mill, now in the process of erection, is made of metal construction on a cement foundation, as fireproof as is possible. The new building will house a production line system for two saws, to be expanded later to four. Other machinery for fast handling of the product will be installed all through the process.

One saw will be in operation next week; the other as soon as bugs are worked out of the new installations. Elmer Suthers is constructing the building.

—Compiled from archives

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Verna's Kitchen

By Verna McClure

This is a good way to use up ripe bananas. It keeps well in the refrigerator. Very good with cheese, butter, or plain. Enjoy!

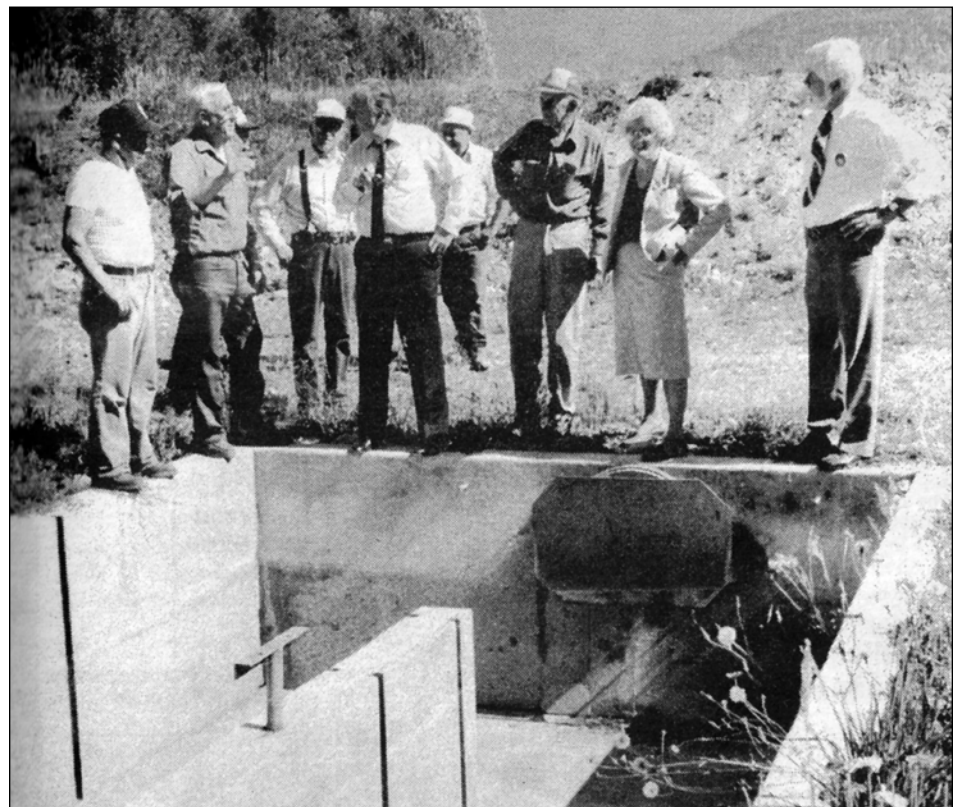
Banana Bread

1 cup shortening
1 cup white sugar
1 cup brown sugar
4 eggs
2 teaspoons baking soda
4 cups flour

½ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons vanilla
6 mashed bananas

1. Cream together the shortening and sugar, then add the eggs and mix well.
2. Mix together the flour, soda, and salt, and add to the shortening mixture.
3. Add the vanilla and the mashed bananas. Mix well and put into greased and floured baking pans.
4. Bake in a 350-degree oven for 30 minutes or until a toothpick inserted into the loaves comes out clean.

This will make four smaller loaves or three larger loaves.



30 years ago, Sept. 11, 1986: Members of Wildcat Steelhead Club proudly show off a raceway they've already built at the new steelhead fish rearing facility at Barnaby Slough near Rockport. Admiring the group's work is Congressman Al Swift, Representative Mary Margaret Haugen, and legislative candidate Keith Wilson. The recent tour marked cooperation between local volunteers, state and federal funding sources, and various state and county agencies. *Archive photo by Anne Bussiere.*

Obituaries

Barry Meyer, age 52, died Aug. 4, 2016, from stage 4 lung cancer.

He is survived by four brothers, Jeffrey, Timmy, Terry, and Steve; and two sisters, Linda and Tina.

A private memorial will be held in Marysville, Washington.

Barbara Witham, 93, a three-year resident of the Warm Beach Senior Community in Stanwood, passed away on Fri., July 29, 2016, with her family at her side.

Barbara was born on May 18, 1923, in Selkirk, Manitoba, Canada, the daughter of Benjamin and Evelyn (Squirrell) Peers. The family shortly thereafter moved to Bredfield, England, where she was raised and attained her education.

It was in England that she met Edwyn Witham, a U.S. Army Air Corps B-17 gunner at a Red Cross dance during WWII. In March 1946 she left England by boat arriving in Boston; she then boarded a train and arrived in Seattle on April 1. She and Edwyn were married in Concrete on April 13, 1946. They made their home and raised their family in Marblemount, and there they operated a mink farm until 1964. They later operated the farm predominantly growing hay. Barbara became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1965 and had been a resident of the Upper Skagit Valley for more than 50 years.

Barbara was proficient in the culinary arts, working at the Log House Inn in Marblemount, the Skagit

Dining Station in Sedro-Woolley, and at the Diablo Lake Resort until her retirement. She was a proud member of the Daughters of the British Empire and was a charter member of the St. Martins-St. Francis Episcopal Church in Rockport and of the Marblemount Orthopedic Guild. When spare time was available, she would tend to her garden, growing flowers and vegetables.

Barbara is survived by her children, Jennifer Donovan and husband Marvin of Burlington, Doug Witham and wife Lori of Stanwood, and Jeffery P. Witham of Marblemount; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren, with the addition of a seventh great-grandchild and one great-great-grandchild due shortly; two sisters, Elizabeth Finson and Brenda Dann, both of B.C., Canada; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Edwyn Witham Jr.; her former husband, Edwyn Witham Sr.; sister Evelyn Bowen; and brother John Peers.

A Life Celebration service was held on Sat., Aug. 13, 2016, at 1 p.m., at St. Martins-St. Francis Episcopal Church in Rockport. Memorials in honor of Barbara are suggested to St. Martins-St. Francis Episcopal Church, 55223 Conrad Rd., Rockport, WA 98283.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Lemley Chapel, Sedro-Woolley. Share memories of Barbara and sign the online guest register at www.lemleychapel.com.

Obituaries published in Concrete Herald from May 2009 to present are posted online at: www.concrete-herald.com/obituaries. For more information, call 360.853.8213 or e-mail editor@concrete-herald.com.



Sunday School lesson

Angel unawares?

By Matt Del Bosque

Recently I met the most unique individual ever. A man who claimed to be a gypsy tinker and went by the name of Revland (say Rah-ve-lind).

He showed up at our church in Marblemount about two hours before I got back into town. My wife gave him some food and told him we had no money for him, since he was looking for either money or work. He kindly took the food and instead of moving along, he chose to sit in the driveway with his dog. My wife called me and told me we had a drifter sitting in the driveway. I was stressed, partly concerned for my family and partly because I did not want to deal with this man. Drifters and transients are very common in Marblemount.

On my way to the church I prayed that he would be gone when I got there, but after a while the prayer turned to asking God to give me the wisdom to know what to do.

I arrived at the church, and he was still sitting in the driveway. I talked with him and was surprised at who he was. He had a heavy Irish accent, spoke English and Gaelic, had odd tattoos on his face, and carried a large hiking pack with a massive machete and large knife strapped to his waist, yet he was very peaceful and polite. He claimed that he had gone to a rainbow

party in Seattle to sell his wares, as he was a blacksmith and glass blower. He was sprayed with some drug in the face and woke up three days later in Marblemount. Something in conversation with him told me to give him a ride out of town to Newhalem, since he was determined to head east.

So I had him put his stuff in my trunk, weapons included, and we were on our way. He blew me away with his intelligence. He claimed that for the last 10 years he had become a seeker, studying all faiths. He quoted Matthew to me about how my God cares for the birds of the air and how much more will he take care of us. He was very intrigued with the simplicity of how I shared my faith. It was incredible conversation. He shared his story with me, although I don't know how much is true. Revland claimed to have worked for the CIA and was involved in human genetic modification. He told me some experiments had been done to him as well.

When we arrived at Newhalem, still sharing his story with me, Revland almost began to cry as he shared that he has taken a lot of lives in his life and that his past haunted him. He asked if I would pray to my God to forgive him of his past and that I would also teach a lesson to others on not to kill, whether for military or out of anger. He knew the Bible teaches a lot against that. If any of his story holds truth, I do not doubt that he has killed many people in his lifetime. So we prayed

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Skagit County Sheriff's Office Blotter

Aug. 5

A vehicle parked in the Dave's Towing impound yard was found broken into. The suspect is the owner of the car, a known burglar. The only thing missing is the cell phone. When he comes to retrieve his vehicle, he may very well be arrested for illegal entry into the impound yard.

Aug. 7

The Lyman Fire Dept. responded to a structure fire on Elk Run Dr. near Lyman. The first fire personnel arrived to find all the residents were safely out of the building, but the residents didn't stop to speak to any of the authorities. They fled the scene and haven't been seen since.

That's what we call suspicious, or in other words, a clue. The fire department immediately realized this was a large commercial-level marijuana growing operation. Multiple mature marijuana

Level 1 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.

Huss, Kurtis James

Age: 32
Race: W
Sex: M
Height: 5' 7"
Weight: 175
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Address: Sedro-Woolley



Huss was convicted of first-degree child molestation in Snohomish County. He frequently stays in the 400 block of N. 4th St. in Mount Vernon.

Huss 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 could result in the removal of the online notification resource.

Source: Skagit County Sheriff

plants were literally going up in smoke. The residence, along with some adjacent outbuildings and the multiple-room grow operation were declared a total loss.

Deputies were summoned to the scene, but with no one around to talk to, no witness information was gathered that night. Detectives later executed a search warrant and gathered several items of evidence. They plan to charge several persons with running an illegal marijuana growing operation. As I've said before, the people have spoken, and marijuana in some instances is legal. I'm pretty confident that stealing power, growing several hundred plants, and then fleeing the scene when the illegal operation catches fire is not what the legislature had in mind as recreational marijuana use. Dude, that's not cool.

Aug. 8

The coffee stand outside the gas station in Marblemount had its tip jar stolen. The suspect was in a lifted four-door silver pickup truck with Nerf bars on the sides. It drove up while the clerk was offsite using the restroom. Its occupants then took more than \$50 in tips from the jar on the counter.

A deputy responded to Loggers Landing to a report of found drug paraphernalia. The deputy was told they'd discovered a syringe and spoon, indicating someone had likely just used heroin in the restroom of the business. A likely suspect is a female who is known to deputies. She'll be questioned when found.

Aug. 9

A caller from Burrese Rd. near Hamilton returned home to find his dog injured and lying in the front yard. Before he could get the dog into the veterinarian, the dog passed away. The owner thought he'd heard about folks going around the area poisoning dogs. The SCSO hasn't taken any specific animal poisoning reports that we're aware of. If anyone has heard differently, please contact us.

Aug. 10

A couple up from Mount Vernon were hiking in the Marblemount area and parked at the trailhead to Lookout Mountain. Upon returning to their car, they discovered some inconsiderate thief had pried open the driver's door. They were missing a purse, a wallet, and a tent. There are no suspects, but deputies advise against leaving any valuables in your car in such a remote area.

Aug. 11

In the early morning hours, a caller from the Marblemount area reported a male subject out of control. He'd knocked over a motorcycle and damaged another

Sergeant's corner

School Zone safety

By Chris Kading



Our beautiful summer in the Upper Valley is drawing to a close. With that brings the beginning of the 2016-17 school year in Concrete. School officially began Wed., Aug. 31; however, there were many activities in and around the school prior to that. Class registrations and orientations took place, for example. With this increased activity, there will be a noticeable increase of children in the area, on foot and on bikes.

As always, the Sheriff's Dept. will monitor the crosswalk and enforce the 20 mph speed limit in the SR 20 school zone. The school zone should be staffed by a volunteer assisting with students trying to cross at SR 20 and Superior Ave. The flashing "School Zone" lights will be active when students are arriving between 7:15 and 7:45 a.m. and in the afternoon from 2:30 to 3 p.m. Please pay attention and adhere to the posted speed limits during these times.

Gone is the banner that used to hang

person's property. The deputies were familiar with the man, and he's wanted by Department of Corrections. Initially, the deputies didn't find the man, but after a short time, an alert deputy noticed a truck drive by. The passenger matched the description, and he hunkered down as they passed by. The deputy stopped the truck and the man was a match. He was arrested and booked into jail on the DOC warrant.

A caller from the area of the laundromat in Concrete reported an odd circumstance. He'd just finished his laundry and was turning onto Main St. when a drunken fool jumped in front of his truck, blocking his way. The man accused the driver of striking his dog, and he wanted to chat about it, right there, right then. A deputy arrived and arrested the man for disorderly conduct. Wrong truck.

Aug. 16

A Hamilton caller reported seeing a green SUV crash through a fence off Petit St. and keep going. A deputy responded and found the best clue available: the front license plate off the SUV. A license plate check showed the car's owner lived on the other side of town. The deputy spoke to the SUV owner, who was surprised to

across the roadway, so please be extra vigilant when traveling through the area. Be especially careful while traveling eastbound with the rising sun in your eyes.

The speed limit in this area is normally 35 mph and at that speed, it takes 13.5 seconds to cross through the school zone. At 20 mph it takes 18.5 seconds, a mere 5 seconds longer—well worth the extra few seconds!

The Concrete School District Web site has additional information on late start times and special activities, which may increase the number of students in the area. Remember, you're not likely to be stopped by a deputy for driving too slowly through the School Zone, but if you're driving too fast, we'll have to have a brief roadside chat.

For those teenagers who are driving to school: absolutely no texting and driving. The sergeant has a no-tolerance policy, and you will be issued a ticket the first time you're caught texting behind the wheel. That's a \$124 reminder.

Thank you for being careful and driving respectfully out there.

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

learn of the accident. He'd apparently left the keys unattended, and his 16-year-old stepson had stolen the SUV. The deputy received a confession from the young man, who's already on probation. His probation officer will be contacted and sanctions will follow.

A worker at the fish hatchery near Marblemount reported a theft of a chainsaw. It appears the crook entered a shed area and tried to access the spring Chinook salmon area. It's also suspected the suspect knows the area and is local, based on how the entry was gained. Deputies have a suspect in mind.

Aug. 17

A male Marblemount caller reported seeing an unknown subject on his game camera. The male was thought to have a crowbar with him, but it didn't appear anything was taken or broken on the man's property. The unknown male has yet to be identified, and the picture is being circulated on social media sites. If you recognize this man, please contact the SCSO.

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Worship directory

Assembly of God

Concrete Assembly of God
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.

Citipoint Church North Cascade

59850 SR 20, Marblemount
360.873.2504
Sunday Gathering: 10:30 a.m.
www.citipointchurch.com
E-mail: matt@citipointchurch.com

Baptist

First Baptist Church
12732 Hemlock St., Clear Lake
360.856.2767
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sun. worship: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wed.: 7 p.m.
E-mail: pastorjohn@firstbaptistclearlake.com

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.

Lyman Church

31441 W. Main St., Lyman
Office: 360.826.3287
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sun. worship: 11 a.m.

Catholic

St. Catherine Mission Church
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.
www.svcc.us/scm

Covenant

Community Covenant Church
12605 Highway 9, Clear Lake
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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Sun. worship: 11 a.m.
Call for weekly youth group/Bible studies

Episcopal

St. Martin/St. Francis Episcopal Church
55223 Conrad Rd., Rockport
Services: first and third Sunday of each month, noon

Free Methodist

Day Creek Chapel
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.

Methodist

Central United Methodist Church
1013 Polke Rd., Sedro-Woolley
360.856.6412 / centralumcsw@yahoo.com
<http://centralumcsw.org>
Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sun. worship: 11 a.m.

Presbyterian

Mount Baker Presbyterian Church
45705 Main St., P.O. Box 246, Concrete
Church 360.853.8585; office 360.595.0446
www.mtbakerpresbyterian.synodnw.org
Sun. worship: 9 a.m.

Lutheran

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
46372 Main St., Concrete / 360.853.8814
Sun. worship: 10 a.m.

Nondenominational

Agape Fellowship
Meets at Mount Baker Presbyterian,
45705 Main St., Concrete
Second and fourth Weds., 7 p.m.
360.708.4764

Community Bible Church

45672 Limestone, Concrete; 360.853.8511
E-mail: cbcofconcrete@earthlink.net
Sun. School: 9 a.m.; Worship Svc: 10 a.m.
Childcare/Children's Ministries at both
Contact church for other ministries

The RIVER Gathering

720 Puget Ave., Sedro-Woolley
Sun. worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wed. potluck/study: 6 p.m.
Thur. ladies group: 6:30 p.m.
Last Fri./mo. potluck/games: 6 p.m.
www.facebook.com/therivergathering

Rockport Christ the King Comm. Church

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.

Wildwood Chapel

41382 SR 20, Concrete
Sun. worship: 10 a.m.
Bible studies: Call for times
360.708.4330

CONCRETE HERITAGE MUSEUM NEWS

To all those who did not attend our annual **potluck dinner**, we missed you. In spite of that, we had a good time socializing and putting museum business on hold for the evening. Although the group took a night off, our **floor refinishing project** moved forward and we now have only the easiest portion left to finish.

We continue to have **visitors from all over** come in during our open hours. A surprising number, who, although they now live out of the area, have fond memories of growing up or working here. Our **new postcards** are being sold at 5b's Bakery, Cascade Supply, Albert's Red Apple, and the museum. If they continue to sell well, we may expand the selection. Some are historic shots that would be great to send to your friends who have moved out of the area.

T-shirts with our new logo, our **cookbook** with local favorite recipes,

and our **books** are also available at the museum and our Web site. Check out our full selection at www.concreteheritagemuseum.org.

For those who participated in our **Annual Museum Benefit Yard Sale** on Sept. 3, we thank you—every little bit helps.

Don't forget that every Saturday evening in October—all five of them—the museum crew and volunteers will present the annual **Concrete Ghost Walk**. Be sure to reserve at least one evening for a night of fun and entertainment. See the Concrete Chamber of Commerce Web site for details and reservations (www.concrete-wa.com, "Annual Events").

The next **monthly business meeting** will be on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. at the museum. The public is always welcome and we will appreciate your input.

—John Boggs

At the Upper Skagit Library

The Upper Skagit Library Foundation thanks the many supporters who bought books during our **Cascade Days Book Sale**. You helped us raise a record-breaking \$1,825! Funds directly support the Upper Skagit Library. A special thank you goes out to John and Gail Boggs, Brad Sukolsky, and the many volunteers who made the book sale a success.

Skagit Reads 2016 will focus on the biography *I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban*. September and October will highlight Skagit County events, including a book and film discussion at the Upper Skagit Library on Fri., Oct. 14 at 5:30 p.m. Beginning Sept. 2 the book, audio, and e-book will be available through the library. The Skagit Reads program challenges the community to come together, read, and reflect on cultural and societal issues. View the full schedule of countywide events at www.skagitreads.org.

Back to School Challenge this year involves Morse code. Come in, decode the message, and win a fun prize!

The last **Marblemount Market** of the season is Sun., Sept. 11, from noon to 4 p.m. Check out books, buy used books,

get library information, and sign up for cards. Come see us in Marblemount.

Storytime is back! Families with young children, please join us for storytelling, songs, and crafts. Storytime will now be expanded to the first and third Fridays of each month, September through May. The next date is Sept. 16 at noon.

Sign up for our **e-newsletter** by visiting our Web site (www.upperskagit.lib.wa.us) and entering your e-mail address or during your next library visit, sign up at the front counter.

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New on our shelves

In adult fiction, dive into mind-bending reality with *Dark Matter* by Blake Crouch. In adult nonfiction, explore the lives of modern first ladies in *First Women* by Kate Andersen Brower. In children's, *What Do You Do With an Idea?*

The next Upper Skagit Library Board of Trustees meeting, is Sept. 8 at 5 p.m.

—Cora Thomas, Library Associate

Lions R-O-A-R



In August the big event was **Cascade Days**. We thank everyone who stopped by the Lions Club trailer to buy food and drinks. We sold out of everything again—great day!

We also give a BIG thank you to all the Lions Club members who worked to make the Cascade Days food trailer a success, including those who cooked, served, cleaned, bought food, and delivered food. What a great team!

This month's Concrete Lions Club meetings will be on Sept. 7 and 21, at Annie's Pizza. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.; however, there is always a group that gathers there around 6 p.m. to eat and socialize before the meeting starts. All existing members mark your calendar. For those interested in becoming a member, submitting a request, or just want to see what we are about, please feel free to stop

in.

The Concrete Lions Club has access to **medical equipment**, such as wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, and commodes, which can be lent to help those in need. Contact any Lions Club member and we will do our best to help you.

I encourage members of our community to think about and join your local Lions Club. Our club is your club. We are a club to serve you and our community. Our hope for 2016 is to double our membership numbers. We all have friends and family who have seen the outreach of your local Lions Club, so now is the time to give great thought about being a member!

Thank you for your continued prayers for the healing of our Lions Club members.

—Connie Smithhart

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Aug. 18

A black pickup truck and trailer struck a sign at Loggers Landing in Concrete. There were no injuries in the private property accident. The issue will be handled civilly between the truck driver and property owner.

A hardworking, honest man reported a burglary to his new home site in the 52000 block of SR 20 near Rockport. At that time there were no suspects. The man installed game cameras to try and catch the suspects if they returned. They stole the game cameras. The deputies still have no suspects.

Aug. 20

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A caller from the east end of Hamilton Cemetery Rd. near Hamilton called to report a suspicious vehicle parked near in an alley near their house. The van was gone upon arrival, but as the deputy and the man spoke, the van drove by again. The deputy noticed the van had a broken taillight, so he proceeded to stop it. The driver said he was parked nearby, but was visiting a friend (a known felon). The man had warrants for his arrest, the jail was able to take him this time, so he was booked into jail on his warrants.

Aug. 22

Renters at a residence on the east side of Cockreham Island near Hamilton were either surprised or upset about an eviction notice. They had been formally served by

deputies, but were not happy when the new owners arrived to begin removing their items to the street. This will continue for some time as the new owners remove truckloads of accumulated items.

A Rockport man called 911 to report being shot at. He said at approximately 4 a.m. he saw someone on his property, so he decided to confront him. As he approached the man, the man ordered him to the ground. The property owner refused and the unknown armed man fired a shot into the ground near the man's feet. The shooter then fled the area. There's so much more to this story. Deputies are investigating.

Aug. 23

Deputies received information that

a local man wanted on felony charges was hiding out in a camper on Hamilton Cemetery Rd. near Hamilton. The man was facing prison time and had several warrants for his arrest. Deputies were familiar with him because, without fail, he will try to run or fight with the arresting deputies. Today was no different. The sergeant and another deputy knocked on the camper door and when no one answered, the sergeant lawfully entered. The felon unlawfully fled. He was met outside by the other deputy, where the wrestling match began. The sergeant warned the man several times to stop fighting or he'd be tasered. The man

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September 22nd, 6:30 pm
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FOURCAST, an award winning women's barbershop quartet opens the evening followed by our Women HAND in Hand Worship Team



Out & About



Home & Garden



Mount Vernon

Project Homeless Connect aims to overcome barriers to stable housing

A one-day event this month aims to connect individuals and families that are experiencing homelessness or at-risk of becoming homeless to social and health services. Project Homeless Connect (PHC) is open to all families and individuals looking to overcome their barriers to stable housing.

The event will be held Fri., Sept. 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Skagit Valley College in Mount Vernon.

Last year, 71 community groups, nonprofits, healthcare and government organizations came together to connect

372 guests representing households that include 963 individuals to services in Skagit County. In past years, popular services have included haircuts, photo IDs, dental care, housing services, clothing, and a healthy lunch.

Event organizers invite everyone who needs these services, and are actively seeking individuals who are willing to donate their time and talents to support the event.

For more information, go to www.skagitprojecthomelessconnect.org, call 360.416.7585, or send an e-mail to event coordinator Isabela Ordóñez at isabelao@communityactionsskagit.org.

Burlington

Genealogical society meetings resume

The Skagit Valley Genealogical Society's monthly meeting programs start up again on Sat., Sept. 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Burlington Community Center, 1011 Greenleaf Ave., Burlington.

The guest speaker for September is Janice C. Lovelace, Ph.D. Dr. Lovelace's educational program is titled, "Beyond Online: Courthouse Records."

Dr. Lovelace is a member of the Seattle Genealogical Society, the Association of Professional Genealogists, the African American Genealogical and Historical Society, the Ohio Genealogical Society,

and the National Genealogical Society.

Admission is free and the public is welcome. For more information, go to www.skagitvalleygenealogy.org or send an e-mail to genealogy0715@gmail.com.

Port releases annual report for 2015–16

The Port of Skagit has published its annual report for 2015–16 to the citizens of the port district.

The 20-page brochure reports on the port's activities and financial performance during 2015, and includes information about the port's 2016 operating and capital budgets.

Copies of the annual report are available for pickup in the port offices at Skagit Regional Airport and the La Conner Marina, or the port will mail copies to citizens; call 360.757.0011 to request a copy.

The report also is available for download on the port's Web site at www.portofskagit.com/images/uploads/pdfs/portofskagit.pdf.

Free home-buying workshop. Everyone welcome. Sept. 24, 11 a.m., at Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington Ave., Burlington. Learn everything about home buying and loans, and receive a certificate for downpayment assistance good for two years. Lunch will be served. No pressure! Call Dianne at Hendrickson Realty at 360.421.1112. Just show up!

State

New state rule will help first responders prepare for crude oil shipments

On Aug. 24, the state adopted a rule requiring facilities that receive crude oil by rail to notify the Washington Department of Ecology in advance. The rule also requires pipelines transporting crude oil in the state to submit information about volumes and place of origin twice a year.

The rule allows Ecology to share crude oil movement information with emergency response agencies through an advance notification system. In addition, Ecology will publish aggregated public disclosure reports quarterly, summarizing details about oil movement in Washington state. The newly adopted rule goes into effect Oct. 1, 2016, and the first quarterly report will be published in January 2017.

"In the wake of recent oil train disasters, Washington is moving quickly to improve public safety and protect our natural resources," said Governor Jay Inslee. "This rule will ensure that our emergency responders get advance notice before oil train shipments arrive in their communities."

The rule applies to four facilities in Washington that currently receive crude oil shipments by rail, and to two pipelines that transport crude oil in the state. New facilities and pipelines also will be subject to the rule.

Previously, no state reporting standards existed. A 2014 emergency order by the U.S. Department of Transportation required railroad carriers transporting Bakken crude oil in single trains, and in volumes greater than 1 million gallons, to provide information to state emergency response commissions regarding the estimated volumes and frequencies of such trains.

Ecology held four public meetings on the new rule during its 65-day public comment period. More than 1,000 comments were received, reviewed, and factored into the rule development.

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continued to actively fight the deputies, and was nearly able to break free. The sergeant deployed a short burst of the Taser and the man immediately complied. The man was otherwise unharmed and was booked into jail. He's facing the additional charge of resisting arrest. The deputies received scrapes and bruises for their efforts.

A frustrated Concrete mother, looking for her runaway son, utilized social media. She asked if anyone had seen her son and some folks responded. He'd been seen in the area of Burrese Rd. with a runaway female. A deputy responded after a short time and of course the youngsters were gone. Both subjects are still on the run, and deputies are keeping an eye out.

Folks have noticed two large marijuana plants visible in a Concrete resident's yard. A compliance check revealed the marijuana plants are for medicinal

purposes. The SCSO and town are both following up on issues involving the actual growing location.

Aug. 24

A resident of Healy Rd. near Lyman reported her neighbor was trespassing in her yard. For years there was a no-contact order in place keeping the two parties separated, but that order was allowed to lapse. The man will be contacted and ordered to stay off the property, and another order may be sought by the caller.

Aug. 26

A Concrete caller reported being a possible victim of a rental scam. It seems he paid the property owner a significant amount of money for the down payment on the rental. The problem is, the man doesn't own the property, and the potential renter may never see that money again. The SCSO is following up on this man's allegations as the suspect in this case is a known con artist.

—Compiled by Sgt. Chris Kading

Continuing education opportunities this month

Understanding GMOs

Does this subject have you wondering just what are the science-based facts? Join this session to explore the history of GMOs (genetically modified organisms) and why they are part of food production today. Identify foods commonly containing GMOs and understand the risks and benefits of genetically engineered crops from different perspectives of nutrition, crop yield, and the environment.

This Know and Grow workshop will

be held Tue., Sept. 13, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., at Sakuma Auditorium, WSU Mount Vernon Northwestern Washington Research and Extension Center, 16650 SR 536, Mount Vernon. Admission is free.

Learn how you can prevent Type 2 Diabetes

An informative presentation on preventing diabetes will be presented by WSU lifestyle coach Laura DeFreese on Wed., Sept. 14, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Burlington Public Library, 820 Washington Ave., Burlington.

There is no cost for the class, but registration is required. Register by calling Laura DeFreese at 360.428.4270, ext. 224, or e-mail her at laura.defreese@wsu.edu.

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League of Women Voters of Skagit County Public Candidate Forum

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

"Thirty-five Alaskan hunters go on a bear hunt to get Betty Grable a fur coat. All that fuss to obstruct a view."
—Jan. 31, 1946

"Sedro-Woolley's protest of the condition of the pavement toward the Upper Valley from their city is very heartening. One of these days, they are going to discover that the whole Upper Valley's road system is vital to their interests, not just one pavement. Nature made the course of the river and the course of traffic flow toward the open end of the valley. All we have must go their way."

"Forty thousand dollars for roads, \$1 for schools. About a fair division according to modern ideas. Every one of those kids will drive a car and vote someday."
"Sunspots are now causing radio and cable trouble. As if we didn't have enough trouble here on Earth without outside interference."

—Feb. 7, 1946

"Our town used to be a place where a person could leave the key in his car and his house door unlocked for years on end if he was a mind to and nothing would ever be touched. Guess we have to trap a few packrats, and soon."

—Feb. 14, 1946

"Research has developed a lot of garden miracles, such as weedkillers, etc. But not a thing has been discovered that will make grass stop growing at two inches tall."

"Now comes the time when a practical politician, having made his bed, must attempt to lie outside of it."

—Feb. 21, 1946

"We note that the government is worried about the overabundance of idle money in people's hands, and they want to drain it off some way. In the meantime we are encouraged to strike for higher wages and more money at the cost of fewer things to buy. You figure it out!"

"Reading the daily papers of all the things wrong with the world these days, one wonders just what was accomplished by peace declarations. Everyone seems to want to keep right on fighting."

"The man who keeps waiting around for a present is very likely to find himself with no future."

—Feb. 28, 1946

"To really accomplish something, you have to step in and 'take the bull by the horns' as they say. Too many of our leaders, from the president down, seem to have the idea all wrong. They like a good grip on the tail, where they can go around and around without getting anywhere at all."

"We note the town of Darrington now has a mayor and council. Next of necessity will be a newspaper to light the fires of civic duty under their chairs."

"You can tell who is going to run for office this year by the sudden bursts of civic activity and headline hunting."

—March 7, 1946

"Now is the time for another 'America First' program. Let's get our country on the road to normalcy before we undertake to care for the rest of the world. One of these days, the goose that lays the golden egg may get mighty sick from a lack of attention to the end that keeps the bird alive and producing."

—March 14, 1946

"Along with other notable changes to our way of life, the Democrats also can claim to be the first political party that ever created a depression in which everyone had a good supply of money, but nothing to buy."

—March 28, 1946

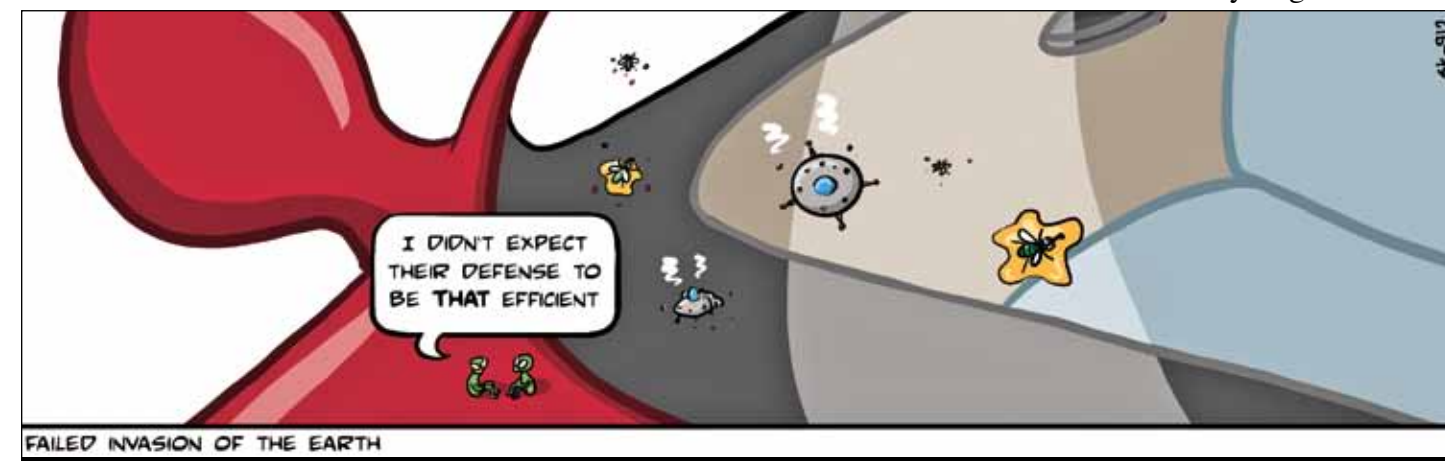
Concrete Harold

By Joyce Harris

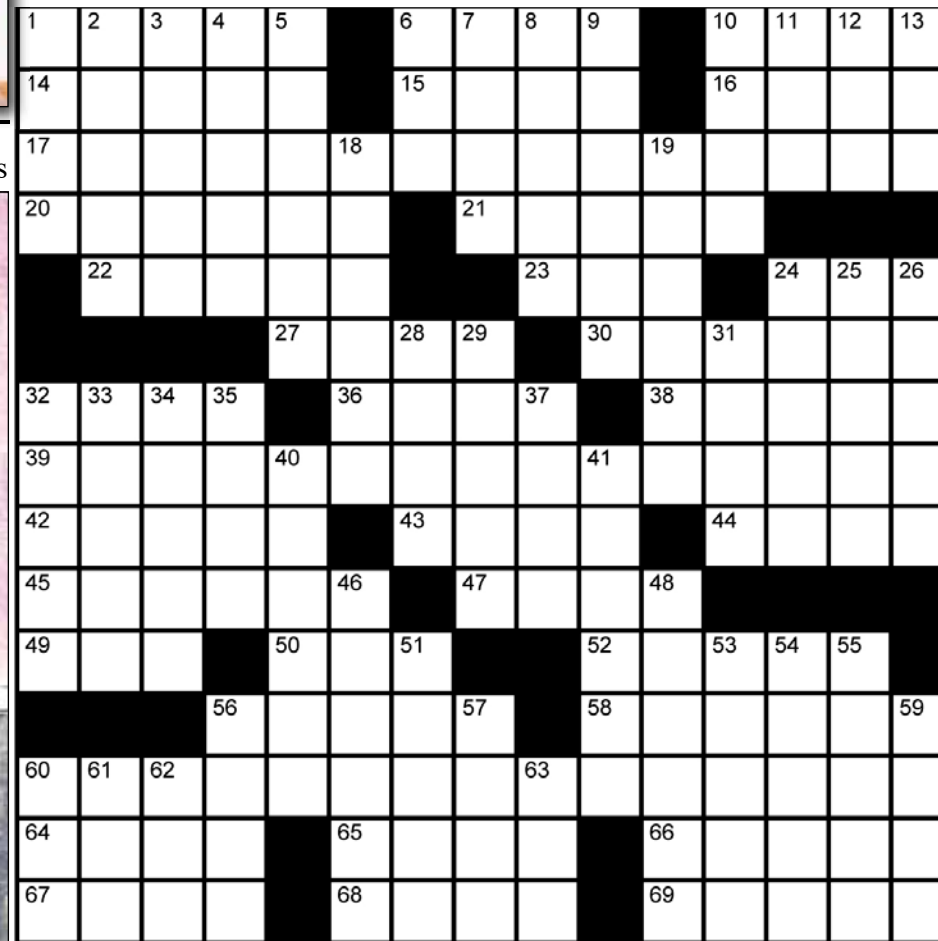


Public Service Announcement

By Stig Kristensen



Crossword: "The Color of Money"



Across

- 1. Solitaire unit
- 6. Zip
- 10. Saturnine
- 14. Dress with a flare
- 15. Hokkaido native
- 16. Red state
- 17. Approve
- 20. Be that as it may
- 21. Wizard of id
- 22. Inscribe
- 23. Scolding syllable
- 24. Game piece
- 27. Speech problem
- 30. Caribe, var.
- 32. Lowlife
- 36. Catch but good
- 38. ____ Tuesday
- 39. Grow with natural skill
- 42. Condition
- 43. Gray ____
- 44. Beams
- 45. Draft horses
- 47. Gull-like bird
- 49. Place for fish and ships
- 50. Be indisposed
- 52. Candied

- 56. Book with legends
- 58. Navajo structures
- 60. Commit a deadly sin
- 64. Needle holder
- 65. Indian bread
- 66. Susan of "Goldengirl"
- 67. Facts
- 68. Rewards for waiting
- 69. Zeno, notably

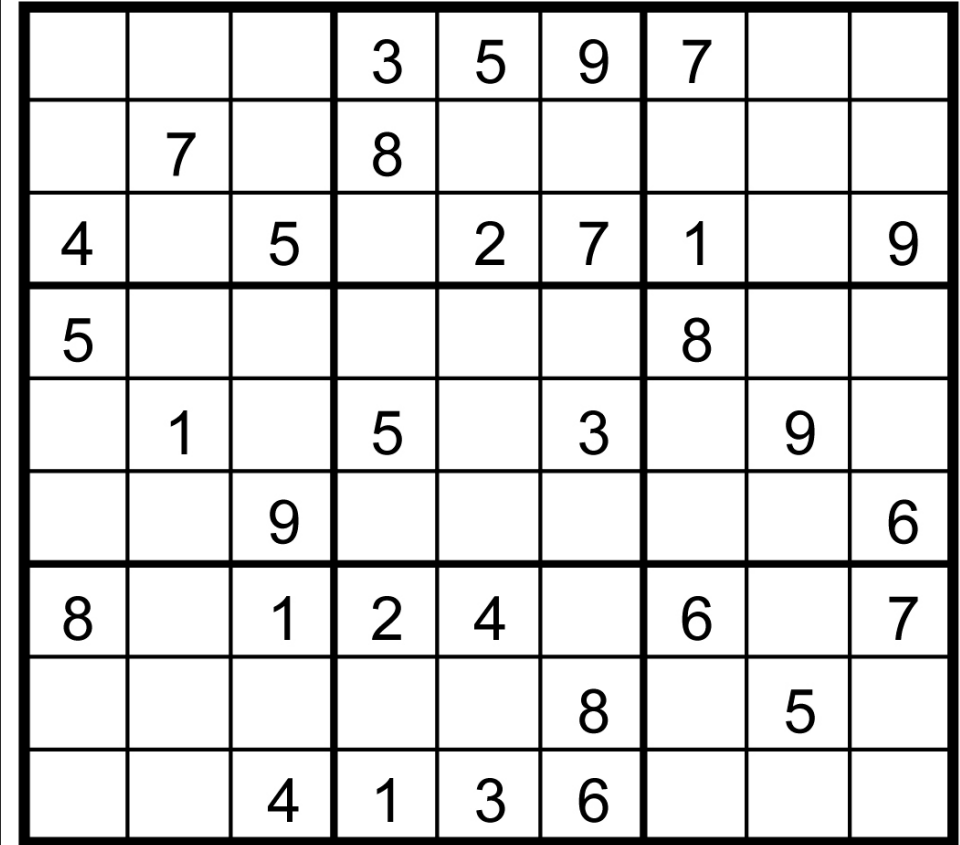
Down

- 1. Nicolas
- 2. Still in the game
- 3. Split
- 4. Concerning
- 5. Prickly plant
- 6. ____ cry
- 7. Willingly
- 8. Lifeless
- 9. Prepare to strum
- 10. ____ chart
- 11. Delay
- 12. "Bleah!"
- 13. Came across
- 18. He founded the Gestapo
- 19. Certain musician
- 24. Gulf of ____

- 25. Kind of fire
- 26. Costumes
- 28. ____ Delano Roosevelt
- 29. Spire anagram
- 31. German industrial valley
- 32. They can pass in the night
- 33. Birchbark
- 34. Throat dangler
- 35. Paltry
- 37. Onion's kin
- 40. Make bubbly
- 41. Zero
- 46. Mum
- 48. Warm welcomes
- 51. Maui neighbor
- 53. Cut taker
- 54. "The Faerie Queene" division
- 55. End of a ballade
- 56. Part of a score, maybe
- 57. Cashless deal
- 59. Adjust for accuracy
- 60. Hospital unit
- 61. Certain fraternity chapter
- 62. Destroy the interior of
- 63. Advantages

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.



*Solutions to both puzzles are on p. 38.

Funny as Facebook

The following funnies were pulled verbatim from Facebook status updates in August.

- "On one hand I don't want to go public with the name we've picked for the baby because I don't really want anyone's opinion on it. On the other hand, if my mom calls her 'sissy' one more time I might actually die."
- "Wanna hear about my first writing class? We talked about cheese. For 20 minutes."
- "It wouldn't be a romantic night without dinner, wine, a stapler borrowed from the hostess stand, and random dinner guests to help you fix your dress in the bathroom."
- "My boy let me know that he's looking forward to coming home for my cooking after eating at cross country camp this week. I know he's buttering me up for something and it's totally working."
- "There is a child dressed as a pirate who has given up on waiting politely in line at the post office. She is systematically destroying the place in the most adorable way. Knock something over, yell. Pick it up. Say sorry. Repeat."
- "Woke up to a spider spinning a web from my leg to the arm rest of the couch. This is the most I have sat still in years. It is boring."
- "You know you're doing something right when the auto parts store calls you for help with a customer."
- "I'm 48 and I'm just going to admit that Oompa Loompas are still creepy and scary. Thanks, Dad, for singing that song over and over when I was a kid. Like the original wasn't scary enough."
- "I'm grumpy so I am going to slap myself and remember the awesome people I need to serve today."
- "Just loaded 18 pizzas into my truck and had the door shut for five minutes. I am now the proud owner of a pizza sauna. Patent pending on this one."

Letters, cont. from p. 2

are nonrepresentative, and there's a self-serving "clique" within the PUD administration.

Problems: PUD water rates are high in comparison to neighboring areas, there was inadequate water to fight the recent West Mount Vernon fire, the system has not kept up with growth or timely attended deferred maintenance, it has increasing debt, has annual programed 8 percent rate increases, etc., etc., etc.

Point: Skagit County PUD is not currently an economic asset to Skagit County.

The good news:

1. There are good operational employees and some good administrators tending day-to-day activities.
2. The best two candidates survived the 3rd PUD Commissioner Primary; i.e., Eron Berg, Sedro-Woolley City Administrator/attorney; and Kevin Loy, former Sedro-Woolley City Council member, former Sedro-Woolley Planning Commissioner, an independent insurance broker, and a community servant.
3. The electorate is possibly "waking up."
4. The electorate can correct it!

The bad news: It's going to take more than one election to correct the PUD "mess"; i.e., it'll take time, and an informed/diligent electorate!

First: We need to elect the better of two worthy candidates.

Second: We need to increase the number of PUD commissioners from three to five to dilute the individual power of each commissioner and obtain better representation.

Third: We need to change PUD commissioner elections from even-year partisan election years to odd-year nonpartisan election years; i.e., with other local nonpartisan elections, so PUD elections don't get lost in the election process.

Together we can clean up the Skagit PUD mess. I ask only that you be a good citizen.

Roger E. Pederson
Mount Vernon

Book sale a success

The Upper Skagit Library Foundation's largest book sale of the year during Cascade Days was a record breaker, thanks to the many volunteers who coordinated the event.

A special thank you goes to John and

Gail Boggs, Brad Sukolsky, and the dedicated volunteers who spent many hours sorting, organizing, and making the sale a resounding success.

The Foundation raised a whopping \$1,825! If you bought books that day, please know you are directly making an impact on your community library. Learn how to become an Upper Skagit Library Foundation member by visiting the library or check out the Foundation Web site: www.upperskagitlibraryfoundation.org.

On behalf of the Upper Skagit Library staff, thank you.

Cora Thomas
Concrete

KSVU let you "guess the gravel"

During Cascade Days this year, KSVU hosted a fundraiser during which people were asked to guess the weight of a load of gravel after buying a ticket to do so.

Our winner was Paul Bianchini, whose guess of 32,643 lbs. was amazingly close to the true weight of 32,480 lbs!

A great big thank you goes to North Cross Landscape Materials (Mike Geerdes) of Lyman for joining our community and contributing to a Cascade Days event. And a great big thank you to Jason Miller, too, for connecting Mike to KSVU!

Erma Baude
Concrete

Book sale appreciation

Thanks to everyone who helped make this year's Cascade Days Book Sale/Donation Drive a success!

Special thanks go to John and Gail Boggs, who pre-sorted all the books with Brad Sukolski, marshaled volunteers and tables for the event, and on top of it all, donated the parts and labor to produce the terrific large canopy that provided welcome shelter on such a hot day!

Barb Trask
Birdsview

More kudos for Book Sale

We wish to thank everyone who donated their books, their time and effort, their money, or in some cases all three to make our Annual Book Sale/Donation Drive during Cascade Days a huge success.

John & Gail Boggs, Concrete
On behalf of the Upper Skagit Library
and Library Foundation

Loggerodeo Parade success

The Sedro-Woolley Lions and Loggerodeo thanks the following businesses and volunteers for supporting the 2016 Loggerodeo Grand Parade!

It is because of volunteers and the support from the businesses that make this parade a great success. Thank you all!

E&E Lumber for providing the judges' stand, Pat Rimmer Les Schwab Tires for sponsorship, Sedro-Woolley Lions Club for 66 years of staging the parade, the many community and family volunteers who stepped up to stage the parade with the Lions, Christ the King Church for welcoming the judges' stand in front of their church, Sedro-Woolley Schools Foundation for the Breakfast for Kids where our volunteers met before the parade, Search and Rescue for making the parade route safe for all, Sedro-Woolley Police for helping with traffic and crowd control, Sedro-Woolley Street Dept. for cleaning up the streets before and after the parade, Sedro-Woolley Waste Management for a safe place to unload and saddle up horses, On Track Tanning for donating bottled water to the volunteers staging the parade, Wildcat Steelhead Club for providing the ride for our Grand Marshal Don Collen, all the citizens along the parade route whose streets and driveways were somewhat less accessible because of parade entry lineups, and our judges: Monique Brigham of Plumeria Breezes Travel, Jim Ovenell from Scholten's Equipment, Becky Elde from Windermere Real Estate, and Randy Elde.

Carol Torset, president
Sedro-Woolley Lions Club

A new **Christian Motorcycle Association** has begun in Mount Vernon. An outreach ministry, the group meets the second Monday of each month at the Mount Vernon Denny's. First-time visitors will have their dinners bought for them.

Where: Denny's, 100 E. College Way, Mount Vernon
When: 2nd Monday Every Month
Dinner at 60 p.m.
Discussion/Fellowship at 7 p.m.
Contact: Dwight Kaestner, 425.770.6154
dkaestner43@gmail.com

Sudoku solution, from p. 37

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

Crossword solution, from p. 37

1	C	A	R	A	T	5	6	F	L	I	T	8	9	G	L	U	13
14	A	L	I	N	E	15	A	I	N	U	16	R	A	G	E		
17	G	I	V	E	A	18	G	R	E	E	N	19	I	G	H	T	
20	E	V	E	N	S	O	21	F	R	E	U	D					
22	E	N	T	E	R	23	T	R	U	T	24	P	E				
25	L	I	S	P	26	P	I	R	A	N	A						
27	S	C	U	M	28	N	A	I	L	29	S	U	P	E	R		
30	H	A	V	E	A	31	G	R	E	E	N	32	T	H	U	M	B
33	I	N	U	R	E	34	A	R	E	A	35	R	A	Y	S		
36	P	O	L	E	R	37	S	K	U	A							
38	S	E	A	39	A	I	L	40	G	L	A	C	E				
41	B	E	A	42	T	L	A	S	43	H	O	G	A	N	44	S	
45	G	R	E	N	46	W	47	I	T	H	E	N	48	V	Y		
49	E	T	U	I	50	N	A	N	51	A	N	T	O	N			
52	D	A	T	A	53	T	I	P	S	54	S	T	O	I	C		

Sunday School, cont. from p. 30

for his freedom from his past and his protection and guidance on his journey. I finally dropped him off in front of Skagit General Store, which was closed, and as he unpacked and tried to barter with me for my watch, another young man pulled up. Revland asked him if he was headed east and the man said yes, he was headed to Mazama. Revland then asked if he could hitch a ride, and the man without hesitation told him to get in.

I didn't know it at the time, but God had Revland wait for me so that I could get him to Newhalem so that he could catch a ride from the next young man who would take him farther east to hopefully find some solace in his life. It was a crazy experience!

God reminded me that day that it's not about me, you never know what to expect by outside appearances, and that God can use us to play a part of someone else's story. I couldn't help but think that perhaps Revland may have been what the Bible refers to as an angel in disguise. I may never know.

"Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it" (Hebrews 13:2 NLT).

Matt Del Bosque is pastor for Citipoint Church—North Cascade in Marblemount.

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2016 Cascade Days Car Show Trophy Results

1. Competitors Choice, North Cascade Ford: Jim Palmer, 1966 GTO.
2. Best of Show, Albert's Red Apple: Maurice Frizzell, 1934 Ford.
3. Best of Show, Lone Star Restaurant & Waterin' Hole: Gerad Kenaston, 1934 Dodge.
4. Sponsor's Pick, Lone Star Restaurant & Waterin' Hole: Kathy Gallagher, 1971 Chevelle.
5. Sponsor's Pick, Northwest Garden Bling: Vic Carpine, 1956 Ford F-100.
6. Sponsor's Pick, 5b's Bakery No. 1: Terry Gunerius, 1969 Camaro.
7. Sponsor's Pick, 5b's Bakery No. 2: Mike Harris, 1956 Chevy.
8. Sponsor's Pick, 5b's Bakery No. 3: Johnny Williams, VW/Harley Trike.
9. Sponsor's Pick, Annie's Pizza Station: Rich George, 1963 Corvette.
10. Sponsor's Pick, Low Auto Sales No. 1: Anthony DeLuca, 1969 Roadrunner.
11. Sponsor's Pick, Low Auto Sales No. 2: John "Chico" Moss, 1969 Camaro.
12. Sponsor's Pick, Low Auto Sales No. 3: Jim Palmer, 1966 GTO.
13. Sponsor's Pick, Ronk Brothers: Kyle Johnson, 1982 VW.
14. Sponsor's Pick, Truck Toys: Art & Shirley Miller, 1940 Ford PU.
15. Sponsor's Pick, Concrete Laundromat and Don's Backhoe Service: Jim and Laura Scharf, 1921 Dodge.

NOTICES

NOTICE OF CONCRETE TOWN COUNCIL 2017 BUDGET WORKSHOPS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Concrete Town Council will hold workshops on the following dates in preparation for the 2017 Budget:

September 24, 8:00 a.m.:
Review 2016 Budget, 2017 Fees/Utility Rates, 2017 Salary/Benefit Workshop

October 15, 8:00 a.m.:
Review 2017 Proposed Budget

The Concrete Town Council chambers are handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate the needs of special classes of citizens, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving twenty-four (24) hour advance notice. Contact Andrea Fichter at Concrete Town Hall 360.853.8401.
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