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Train Crashes Into Truck; Only Minor Injuries

CENTRALIA CRASH: Male Passenger Arrested for Warrant; Driver Cited for Reckless Endangerment

By Christopher Brewer
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Two people escaped with their lives after an Amtrak train hit their pickup truck in a Cen-

tralia neighborhood Monday afternoon.

According to Capt. Casey McCarthy with the Riverside Fire Authority, fire crews were dispatched to the intersection of Summa Street and Tower Avenue just south of downtown Centralia at 3:43 p.m. Firefighters arrived at the scene, at which the pickup had come to rest on a crossing arm system. The Am-

trak train that hit the pickup was stopped about a half-block south of where the impact took place, McCarthy said.

A man and woman inside the truck sustained minor injuries. McCarthy said the man had left the scene on foot, only to be picked up from his home by police and taken to Providence

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Jamie Kaiser /
Courtesy Photo

A train struck this truck Monday after the driver attempted to bypass the crossing arms.

Centralia Station Project Moving Forward After Appeals

CHAMBER FORUM: Port of Centralia Executive Director Says to Expect Construction 'In the Near Future'

By Christopher Brewer
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The Centralia Station project is moving forward after contentious proceedings with Lewis County government.

That's the message Port of Centralia Executive Director Kyle Heaton brought to about 50 people at Monday's Chamber Forum at O'Blarney's in downtown Centralia.

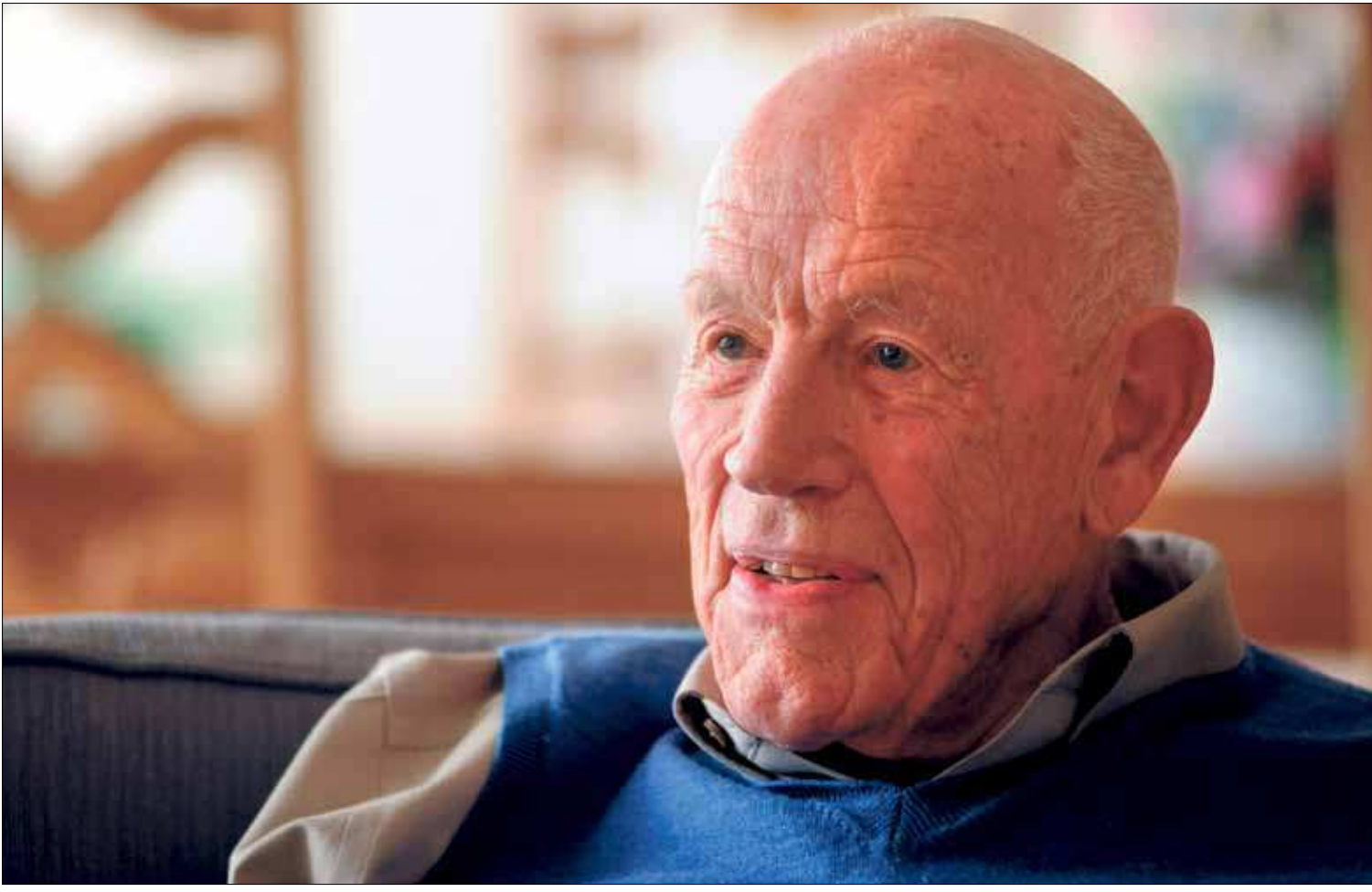
Heaton was invited by the Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce to speak about the proposed mixed-use development, in essence giving several leaders in the business community a chance to hear directly from port leadership how the project is progressing.

Centralia Station is a proposed 43-acre mixed-use

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A Peaceful End to an Industrious Life

Chehalis Community Leader and Mentor Gail Shaw Dies at 96



The Chronicle / File Photo

Gail Shaw speaks at his home in February 2011. He died Saturday at 96.

UNBRIDLED OPTIMISM: 'We Can Do It' Was Industrial Commission Founder's Motto, Friends Say

By Christopher Brewer
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Family and friends are mourning the loss, yet celebrat-

ing the life and legacy, of a man who meant much to the city of Chehalis and Lewis County as a whole.

Gail Shaw died at age 96 on Saturday morning at Sharon Care Center in Centralia. The man who was so influential in forming the Industrial Commission and quietly having a hand in several projects and business developments in the

community passed away in his sleep.

Shaw helped form the Chehalis Industrial Commission, a group of local people dedicated to creating an industrial development south of Chehalis, in the 1950s. His civic service grew from there with a list of accomplishments rivaled by very few.

Aside from service on the Industrial Commission, Shaw

volunteered time on the boards of several local companies through the years, including Security State Bank and Klein Bicycles. He also collaborated with community leaders in the formation and growth of the Chehalis Community Renaissance Team, tasked with helping Chehalis grow its economy and quality of life.

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Weather

TONIGHT: Low 48
TOMORROW: High 71
Partly cloudy
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Community Calendar

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

There is no charge for these listings. For questions about calendar items, call Doug Blosser at The Chronicle, (360) 807-8238.

Wednesday, June 11

Bingo, doors open 5 p.m., bingo starts 6:30 p.m., Forest Grange, 3397 Jackson Highway, Chehalis

Young Professionals Lewis County Networking Social, 5-8 p.m., Riverside Golf Club Roof Top Bar, Chehalis, (206) 293-6126

Games Night, 5:30-9 p.m., Matrix Coffeehouse, Chehalis, free, (360) 740-0492

Winlock Farmers Market, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Winlock Events Plaza on Kerron Street, (360) 785-4817

Composting Basics, 6 p.m., Toledo Senior Center, 150 Coal St., sponsored by WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composters, free compost bin if you preregister, (360) 740-1212

Naming dedication, naming of Centralia College science center for retiring President Jim Walton, 3 p.m., science center foyer, (360) 736-9391, ext 605 or email clunke@centralia.edu

"Mental Health First Aid," by Carolyn Price, mental health liaison with Lewis County Public Health, 6:30 p.m., Walton Science Center, Room 121, Centralia College, attendees will receive a certificate of attendance and *STARS credit, registry number required, (360) 736-9391, ext. 385, or email jmeister@centralia.edu

Public Agencies

Educational Service District 113, board of directors, noon, Grays Harbor/Pacific Rooms, Capital Region ESD 113 headquarters, 6005 Tyee Drive SW, Tumwater, (360) 464-67009

Libraries

Lego Club, for children, 3 p.m., Tenino

Organizations

Friendly Neighbors Garden Club, 11 a.m., call for meeting location, (360) 278-3377

Take Off Pounds Sensibly, 10:15 a.m., Assembly of God church, 702 SE First St., Winlock

Napavine American Legion Post 71, 7 p.m., Napavine City Hall, (360) 295-3559

Lewis County Beekeepers Association, 7 p.m., Washington Hall, Room 103, Centralia College, (360) 740-1212

Cowlitz Prairie Group, potluck dinner 6:30 p.m., meeting 7:30 p.m., (360) 864-2023

Good Sam Tri-Mountain Wanderers, 10 a.m., Judy's Country Kitchen, 3210 Galvin Road, Centralia, (360) 785-4139

Support Groups

Domestic violence support group, 5:30-7 p.m., 125 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, sponsored by Human Response Network, (360) 748-6601



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Janet Burt, left, Chehalis, and Melissa Montee, right, shop at the Newaukum Valley Farm's stand last year at the Chehalis Farmers Market in downtown Chehalis.

Editor's Best Bet

Farmers Market in Chehalis Ready for 2014 Kickoff

The Community Farmers Market in Chehalis will launch its 10th season 11 a.m.-4 p.m. today on Boistfort Street in downtown Chehalis.

A Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting at 11 a.m. will launch the market opening.

In celebration of its 10th birthday, many special activities are planned for opening day. KMNT will do a live radio broadcast, WSECU will be handing out recyclable grocery bags, and the market will offer a free dessert and \$10 Market token giveaways.

The market has over 20 local farm-

ers and vendors selling fresh local organic produce, hot prepared food, fresh cut flowers, artisan cheeses, honey, eggs, roaster chickens, soaps, beauty products, and more.

Several themed days are planned: July 1 will be Southwest Washington Family Day, with activities for kids, including yoga, games and "The One Man Band." Aug. 19 will be Senior Citizen Day, with a mandolin quartet for entertainment.

For more information, visit www.communityfarmersmarket.net or call (360) 740-1295.

Loss of a Child Support Group, 7-8:30 p.m., Providence Professional Center, (360) 748-4347

Widows and Widowers Lunch, 11 a.m., The Restaurant, 1757 N. National Ave., Chehalis, presented by Sticklin Funeral Chapel and Brown Mortuary Service, (360) 736-1388

Thursday, June 12

Centralia College to Dedicate Corbet/Kemp Statue

The Centralia College Foundation will host the dedication of the Margaret Corbet/Katharine Kemp statue on the Centralia College campus just southwest of the Clocktower on the Aadland Espla-

nade at 3 p.m. Thursday.

Both women are being remembered for their perseverance during the times of the 1920s and 1930s to keep the fledgling college afloat and running.

Centralia College is known as the oldest community college in continuous operation in the state of Washington as a result of their hard work.

This statue was the brainchild of the late Gordon Aadland, who wanted future generations to know about these two hardworking women and their passion to keep the college open. This event is free and open to the public.

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Today

Bingo, Chehalis Moose Lodge, doors open at 4:30 p.m., game starts at 6:30 p.m., food available, (360) 736-9030

Health and Hope Medical Outreach, free medical clinic, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Northwest Pediatrics, 1911 Cooks Hill Road, Centralia, for those whose income is less than 200 percent of the poverty level, (360) 623-1485

Community Farmers Market, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Boistfort Street, downtown Chehalis, (360) 740-1295 or email info@communityfarmersmarket.net

Campaign kickoff and breakfast, Harry Bhagwandin, candidate for Lewis County commissioner, District 3, 7 a.m., Lake Mayfield Resort and Marina, (360) 304-9659

Public Agencies

Centralia City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 118 W. Maple St., Centralia, (360) 330-7670

Napavine City Council, 6 p.m., Napavine City Hall, 407 Birch St., (360) 262-3547, ext. 213

Lewis County Planning Commission, public hearing, comprehensive plan amendments, 6 p.m., Lewis County Courthouse, (360) 740-1284

Libraries

Pizza and Paperbacks, for teens, 3:30 p.m., Tenino

Teen Writing Group, for teens, 5 p.m., Centralia

Organizations

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2200, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 111½ W. Main, Centralia, (360) 736-6852

Senior Song Birds, 9:50 a.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, 2545 National Ave., Chehalis, (360) 740-4199

Rainy Daze Quilt Guild, 7 p.m., Cooks Hill Community Church, Centralia, (360) 262-3877

Centralia Bridge Club, 6:30 p.m., Unity Church, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, (360) 748-1753, hraj@localaccess.com

Two Town Tuners, 7 p.m., Lewis and Clark Hotel, 117 W. Magnolia St., Centralia, (360) 269-8146 or (360) 748-3531

Support Groups

Survivors of sexual assault/abuse, 5:30-7 p.m., 125 NW Chehalis Ave., Chehalis, sponsored by Human Response Network, (360) 748-6601

NAMI Lewis County Connections Support Group, 5:30-7 p.m., Twin Cities Senior Center, (360) 880-8070 or sherry500us@gmail.com

NAMI Support Group, 2-3:15 p.m., Centralia Timberland Library, for families of mentally ill persons, (360) 736-2073

Al-Anon, Fellowship in Unity, 6 p.m., Unity Center, 800 S. Pearl St., Centralia, (360) 736-8104 or (360) 736-6439

The Weather Almanac

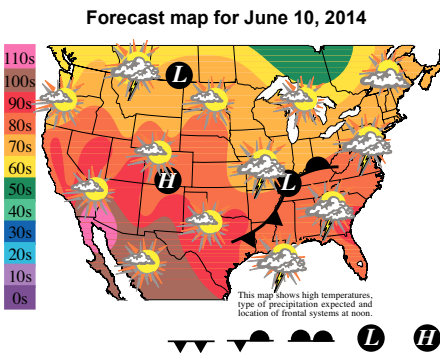
5-Day Forecast for the Lewis County Area

Today	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Few Showers 67° 48°	Partly Cloudy 71° 49°	Few Showers 65° 51°	Mostly Cloudy 66° 47°	Mostly Cloudy 68° 49°

River Stages

Gauge	Flood Height	24 hr. Stage Change
Chehalis at Mellen St.	49.75	65.0 -0.01
Skookumchuck at Pearl St.	73.55	85.0 -0.01
Cowlitz at Packwood	4.11	10.5 -0.09
Cowlitz at Randle	7.84	18.0 +0.17
Cowlitz at Mayfield Dam	6.24	--- +1.20

National Map



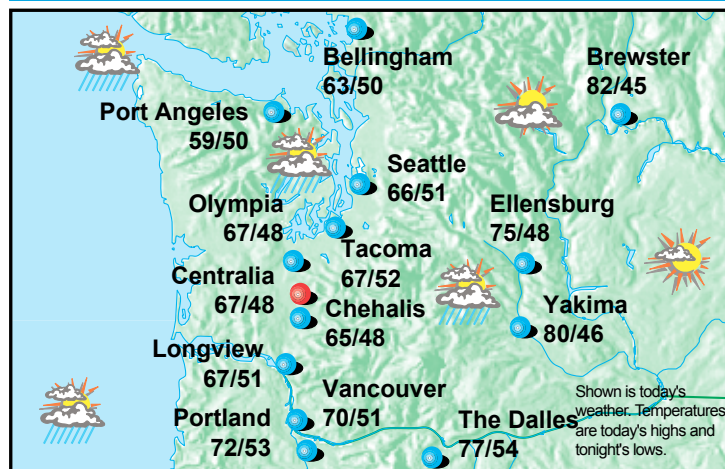
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Data reported from Centralia
Temperature
 Yesterday's High 70
 Yesterday's Low 54
 Normal High 72
 Normal Low 50
 Record High 100 in 1955
 Record Low 38 in 1938
Precipitation
 Yesterday 0.00"
 Month to date 0.00"
 Normal month to date 0.65"
 Year to date 24.58"
 Normal year to date 23.58"

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Regional Weather



Regional Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo	Wed. Hi/Lo	City	Today Hi/Lo	Wed. Hi/Lo
Bremerton	65/51 sh	70/51 pc	Spokane	75/45 pc	76/48 s
Ocean Shores	58/51 sh	59/52 pc	Tri Cities	84/49 s	84/57 s
Olympia	67/48 sh	72/49 pc	Wenatchee	77/51 s	80/59 s

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 5:17 a.m.
 Sunset tonight 9:05 p.m.
 Moonrise 6:27 p.m.
 Moonset 3:38 a.m.

Phase	Date
Full	6/12
Last	6/19
New	6/27
First	7/5

Pollen Forecast

Allergen	Today	Wednesday
Trees	Low	None
Grass	None	None
Weeds	Moderate	High
Mold	None	None

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo	Wed. Hi/Lo	City	Today Hi/Lo	Wed. Hi/Lo
Baghdad	116/85 s	110/81 s	New Delhi	116/90 s	114/90 s
Beijing	87/64 s	88/67 s	Paris	76/61 t	75/56 pc
London	70/53 s	74/53 pc	Rio de Janeiro	72/68 ra	73/67 sh
Mexico City	77/57 t	76/54 t	Rome	92/69 s	92/69 s
Moscow	66/57 t	71/55 sh	Sydney	65/54 sh	65/49 pc

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Centralia Resident Makes Waves Jet Ski Racing

MAXSON CARTER'S CAREER OFF TO A PROMISING START: Stakes Are Now Higher Than Ever

By Dameon Pesanti
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You could make the case that 23-year-old Centralia resident Maxson Carter is one of the best young jet ski racers in the world today, but he'd argue against it.

He'll admit to taking second place at the world finals last October in Lake Havasu, Arizona, on a jet ski he had only ridden for half an hour beforehand; but he'll brush off the fact that it was the fourth race of his career while competing with riders from 30 different countries.

With some prodding he'll admit he's good, but he'd rather talk to you about what it feels like to skim across the water at 55 miles per hour, his modified engine, or his project jet ski and the races he wants to compete in.

"People say money can't buy happiness, but money can buy a jet ski. Have you ever seen somebody not smiling on a jet ski?" he asked. "In all honesty, there's nothing like it."

Carter may be too humble to admit the magnitude of his success, but the managing director of his sport's sanctioning body recognizes the significance.

"In (his) class, he's going up against some seasoned vets that are at the top of their game and used to racing against the best of the best," said Scott Frazier, of the International Jet Sports Boating Association. "Those are people that rode these things for 15 years. When a kid like this comes out who's young and hasn't been racing, it shows some promise. I'm sure the people that trailed him saw in him a future winner or at least what they were themselves when they were that age."

Seven months later, Carter can still draw the course map from memory, despite only seeing it in person for a few hours. Although he never rode it before, he knew his jet ski would do best on the longer outside track, because he fiberglassed the hull to handle corners at high speed. He knew to make his move at the last turn, buoy No. 4.

Carter has come a long way since that race, but his mind is focused on what's ahead. With the upcoming season less than three weeks away, there's still a lot of work to be done. Things will be different, if not better, this year. Now he has five sponsors, two jet skis to compete on and one very personal reason to win a world title.

In a lot of ways, Carter's life is perfect for his sport. His father, Bill Carter, is an engineer by profession and a gearhead and race enthusiast by passion. He raised Max around disassembled engines, dirtbikes and sailboats.

When he was a child, Max raced motocross and waterskis. He listened in to adults around him debating motors and boat hydrodynamics and got his hands greasy with them as often as he could.

"We have six families on vacation together. All of my friends would be hanging out but I was around the campfire with the adults. I really wanted to know about that stuff," Carter said.

Years later, when the college freshman decided to start jet skiing, boosting his performance was a natural progression. Then, last year, when he decided to start racing, redesigning his hull for more efficient turns was a no-brainer.

"He wasn't afraid to try it," his father said. "Although he didn't know it, he'd been practicing all his life."

Made famous in Southern California and Arizona during the late '80s, jet ski racing is like super cross on a lake. Buoys dictate the course and the rider with the fastest time wins.

The IJSBA estimates 7,000 competing jet ski racers at the sports peak in the 1990s. Back then, several magazines tracked the sport and a new cable channel called ESPN broadcasted the major races. But as standup style jet skis fell out of popularity, ESPN moved on and most of the magazines disappeared. Frazier estimates the racing pool to be a fraction of its former size, but newly affordable consumer skis are slowly bringing the sport back to popularity.

Carter took second place in the X-2 class, the largest of two nostalgia racing classes sanctioned by the IJSBA.

Built from 1986 to 1995, the Kawasaki X-2 is more like a floating motorbike than the jet ski most of us are used to. It's antiquated technology with a loyal following. In theory, it was designed to be ridden by two seated people, but it's so small and light that one person will tip over or sink unless he is constantly moving.

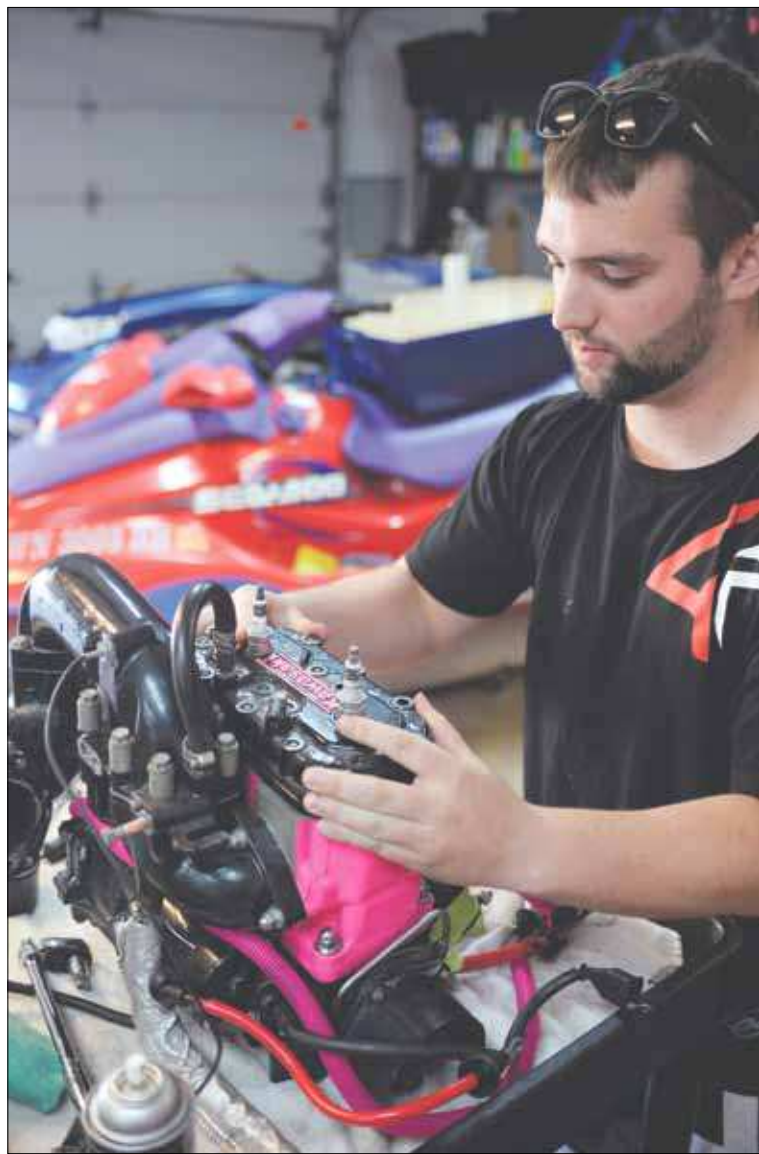
From the custom paint job to the color of the wiring, Carter modified almost everything on his ski himself. Like a race car, he has to repair or replace something on it at least once a month. He's currently finishing a Kawasaki SXR jet ski. A class above his X-2, it's a faster and more technical ride, but he'll race it at the same time. Because it's so much work on his body, he rides at least four times a week and tries to exercise regularly.

An optimist by nature, he expects to do well this year, but the stakes are higher than in the past. Three days before the world championship race last year his mom, Katherine Carter, called to tell him the doctors thought she had Parkinson's disease. In reality she was suffering from Lou Gehrig's Disease, or ALS. Since then, her condition has worsened. She struggles to talk and



Maxson Carter rides his jet ski at Summit Lake Saturday afternoon.

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Maxson Carter takes a look inside the engine of his jet ski Saturday at Summit Lake.

"I want to win it while she can still see me win it."

Maxson Carter

speaking about his mom, Katherine Carter, who was diagnosed with ALS

uses a wheelchair to get around. Carter knows he has work to do. "She's a strong person and has an amazing attitude, the best you

can have given the circumstances," Carter said. "But there's not a lot of time and I want to win it while she can still see me win it."

\$717,000 in Grant Funding Sought to Improve Vader Water System

HELP: Lewis County Is Seeking Money to Add Storage Reservoir in Vader

By Kyle Spurr

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The troubled Vader water system could be getting a second storage reservoir next year that would help with maintenance and allow for future residential and commercial development.

Lewis County Public Works is applying for a \$717,000 state grant to fund the second storage reservoir. The county took control of Vader's water system in March after several main water breaks and pressurization issues caused 10 boil water advisories between 2007 and 2010.

The deadline to submit the general purpose grant through the Department of Commerce is June 19.

The Lewis County Commission on Monday authorized public works to pursue the grant funding.

"The Vader community does qualify for these grants," Public Works Director Tim Elsea said. "This will allow us to take the existing reservoir offline and do maintenance on either reservoir as we move forward."



"I can speak for the council and residents of Vader, we would be very pleased and grateful by those efforts. It's a project that needs to be done."

Ken Smith

Vader mayor

Vader Mayor Ken Smith said the existing reservoir, nearly three decades old, has a minimum storage capacity. If water is lost through its main break, the town quickly loses water from the reservoir.

"It has always been one of the challenges with that system," Smith said. "Years ago, we knew it was a project we had on our priority list. I can speak for the council and residents of Vader, we would be very pleased and grateful by those efforts. It's a project that needs to be done."

Elsea said the county will find out whether it got the grant funding by September. If the project is awarded, construction would not start until late 2015 or in 2016 by the time it is engineered, permitted and awarded.

Elsea said an important aspect to the project is the fact that the county is applying for a grant

and not a loan, so it will not be an encumbrance the ratepayers will have to pay back through their water rates.

A second storage reservoir would improve water system pressure and allow for more maintenance, which are all cost-saving benefits to the town and residents, according to public works.

Smith said he is impressed with how the county has operated the town's water system. No water boil advisories have been issued since the county took ownership.

However, Smith said he would like to see his town eventually regain control of the water system. The town would have to prove it is financially stable and have two finding-free audits in a row, before taking back the water system, according to Smith.

"Now the city is resolved to do

what we can to eventually make ourselves worthy to take the system back," Smith said. "It's going to be a challenge, but we are up to it."

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County Loses a Quiet Humanitarian in Former Centralia Mayor Bill Mason

GIVING: Lifelong Lewis County Resident's Community Service Will Be Tough to Match

By **Dameon Pesanti**
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Both professionally and personally, William "Bill" Mason of Centralia did more for his community than most people; yet, he was so discreet about his work, his own children were clueless of the magnitude of his deeds until countless others recently came forward to tell their stories.



Bill Mason died May 31

Mason, a former mayor and Centralia City Council member, died May 31 at the age of 83. "I knew he'd give you the shirt off his back if he knew you were in a hard spot — I've known that my entire life," Jeff Mason, his son, said. "But, it was overwhelming to have so many people from so many walks of life come up to us at the funeral service and talk about all the stuff he'd done for them. We just didn't know about it."

Jeff Mason had no idea about

"This was one of the most giving men I've ever met in my entire life."

Toni Nelson
friend

the young men, whose families were too poor to buy them graduation clothes, and suits his father bought so they could look nice on the big day.

What the younger Mason knew was that occasionally his father would swipe from the kitchen table bags of his wife's just-bought groceries and disappear out the back door to, "some family who needed them more than us."

Jeff Mason said his father lived his life by the ideals that every child, regardless of his or her background, should have an equal chance, and that all veterans should be honored for their service.

Although he spent the last several decades in Centralia, East Lewis County held a special place in Mason's life.

Mason graduated from Chehalis High School in 1948 and entered in the U.S. Navy where he was a fire control technician on the U.S.S. Arnold J. Isbell dur-

ing the Korean War. After he was honorably discharged in 1952, he returned to Lewis County and worked for the Morton Police Department.

He worked closely with Toni Nelson to serve East Lewis County first at White Pass Community Services, then at Fresh Start, a program that aids at-risk youth and operates a chemical dependency program.

"Even after he was diagnosed, he'd call me and say, 'Kid, what do you need out there?'" Nelson said.

Although he hadn't lived in the area, he understood what people needed, and, as if by magic, he always delivered and usually by the boxload. He convinced local hotels to donate loads of bedding for people who'd lost their homes; he donated boxes and boxes of Beanie Babies to kids who'd suffered trauma, and cameras as an incentive for at-risk youth. The list goes on.

"This was one of the most giv-

ing men I've ever met in my entire life," she said. "Everytime he brought us something he'd say, 'Oh it's nothing, this is so small Toni.'"

But he had an eye for the little things. On election night, he brought cookies and doughnuts to the election workers. Years after he was out of politics and his time as a Centralia City Councilman and mayor had ended, he volunteered for the Democratic Party in whatever way he could.

After working as a police officer, he served as juvenile probation officer for Lewis County and drove construction equipment until retirement. He then spent 23 years working in security of the Washington State Senate.

For years, he was a member of the American Legion in Centralia. He also volunteered for nearly nine years at the Veterans Memorial Museum in Chehalis, helping out at whatever event was happening and maintaining the lawn for as long as he was able.

"He was always thinking and always giving," Nelson said. "His passing is a grave loss to us all."

News in Brief

An additional grant was accepted Monday by the county commission that supports homeless individuals. The county accepted a \$98,945 public service grant from the Department of Commerce that will go toward the Community Action Council of Lewis, Mason and Thurston Counties to help the homeless.

The county will retain \$3,000 of the public service grant and pass along the remaining money to the Community Action Council.

This is the fifth time in the last six years a West Thurston firefighter received this award, according to a press release from the fire authority.

Deputy Chief Ken Frasl received the 2014 Volunteer Fire Officer of the Year award this weekend. Frasl has been a volunteer firefighter for 18 years, according to the release. He lives in Maytown with his wife, Terry, and two daughters, Katy and Shelby, who also volunteer with West Thurston Fire Authority.

Centralia School Board Could Offer Superintendent Job at Next Meeting

By *The Chronicle*

Centralia's school board could possibly offer the job of interim superintendent to one of five candidates at its next school board meeting Wednesday.

School board members will interview candidates in executive session beginning at noon. Board members hope to reconvene into public session sometime after 6:45 p.m., and they could consider action to offer the position of interim superintendent.

The Centralia School District announced the finalists for the interim superintendent position late last week. The finalists include two current district employees, assistant superintendent Matt McCauley and Centralia High School science teacher Steve Warren, who previously served as assistant superintendent and director of teaching and learning.

Three candidates from outside the area include Theodore Feller, executive director of secondary education for Evergreen Public Schools in Vancouver; Dennis D. Friedrich, superintendent of the Fern Ridge School District in Elmira, Oregon; and Christopher Fritsch, assistant superintendent of the Longview School District.

West Thurston County Volunteer Firefighters Recognized

By *The Chronicle*

Four West Thurston Fire Authority firefighters received academic and recognition awards during the 91st Annual Conference of the Washington State Firefighters Association last weekend in Wenatchee.

Capt. Brian Christenson, volunteer fire lieutenant Steve Teitzel and volunteer firefighter/EMT Kylie Kavanaugh received the Capt. Joseph R. Cook Academic Performance Award after they attained the highest total exam scores during the training courses in the weekend's fire training.

King Road in Winlock to Close June 16 to Dec. 31

By *The Chronicle*

A portion of King Road in Winlock will be closed from Monday, June 16, until Dec. 31 for crews to complete a rehabilitation project on the roadway.

Crews will pave, widen and reconstruct about 2 miles of the roadway near the Sears Road intersection, mile post 8 to mile post 10, according to Lewis County Public Works.

Crews will also install flexible guide posts, culverts, a guardrail and other traffic control work.

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Background
 The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has inspected the environmental cleanup at the American Crossarm & Conduit Company Superfund Site (ACC), as part of its fourth Five-Year Review. ACC is a former wood treatment facility that produced telephone poles from 1948 until 1983, and then operated as a salvage yard after 1987. The site is located on 16 acres of land at the southwest edge of Chehalis near Chehalis Avenue and John Street. Dillenbaugh Creek borders the site to the west. Periodic flooding spread contamination which affected the waters of the Chehalis River and residential and commercial neighborhoods to the north and the northeast. Cleanup was completed in 1996. Part of the land was purchased in 1997, redeveloped, and is currently used for commercial purposes as a repair and machine shop, and as a fitness center.

Five-Year Review
 The EPA reviews the site every five years to ensure that cleanup measures continue to protect people and the environment. Past efforts addressed:

- water, soil and sediment contamination;
- the safe disposal of contaminated materials;
- a contaminated landfill area;
- the possibility of unhealthy air in buildings; and
- access, use, and safety issues.

The 2014 site inspection confirmed that conditions remain safe and past cleanup measures continue to be effective. The report for the 2014 Five-Year Review will be finished and available sometime shortly after September 30, 2014.

TDD or TTY users may call the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and give the operator number (206) 553-4470.

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Emergency Management Leader Will Be Missed

Emergencies often bring a sense of chaos and hysteria.

In Lewis County, this reality is most often manifested in the form of devastating floods that for decades have brought havoc and destruction to homes, businesses and landscapes existing along normally peaceful, but occasionally ferocious, rivers.

The last nine years have seen some of the most catastrophic events, including the great 2007 flood, which was all but unprecedented.

During that time, residents have been blessed with the excellent leadership of the Lewis

Our Views

County Sheriff's Office and its Emergency Management Division, a group that prepares for emergencies and enacts measures to protect life and property.

While Sheriff Steve Mansfield retains the title of emergency management director, his assistant has often become the public face of the county's response when disasters occur.

Ross McDowell spent 20 years with the Lewis County Sheriff's Office before his retirement this month. Almost a third of that time has been spent as as-

sistant emergency management director, a position of maximum importance when heavy rain brings turbulent rivers.

Through it all, McDowell has been a calm, decisive figure who effortlessly gained the respect of his peers and the public through his efficiency and considerate demeanor.

What many people recognize in McDowell was noted in a story in Saturday's edition announcing his departure from the sheriff's office for a new position as emergency management and information services director in Mason County.

"Out of all the qualities and all he brought to the office, the one that stood out the most is the caring individual that he is," Mansfield said. "That makes all the difference in the world to people."

Those qualities were useful in more than just emergencies.

McDowell took great pride in his six years of work as a D.A.R.E. officer in local classrooms, pointing youths in the right direction and providing them a stellar example of what success and safety are all about.

While McDowell's influence will be missed in the sheriff's of-

fice, the community is not losing him altogether. He said he plans to remain living at his current home in Vader while commuting to Mason County for his new job.

His continued presence is more than welcome. He represents all that is good about Lewis County residents, including their resilience, care for their neighbors and willingness to put forth extra effort to make sure a job is done right.

We wish McDowell all the best as he begins his new job and thank him for his service to Lewis County.

COMMENTARY: Highlighting Lewis County

Gail Shaw Was an Inspiration to Many

Last weekend Chehalis lost a beloved philanthropist and many people lost a friend and mentor with the passing of Gail Shaw.

For more than 60 years, Gail and his wife, Carolyn, devoted time, energy and talent into making their adopted hometown a better place to live with a brighter future for all. They joined hundreds of other Chehalis residents in the early 1950s when the community launched the Adventure in Cooperation, a grassroots effort to develop a vision for the future. Nearly 500 citizens served on 18 committees, including history, schools, recreation and industrial development.

That's where Shaw excelled, and how I came to meet him more than four years ago when I was hired to write a history of the Chehalis Industrial Commission.

During our meetings, he shared stories of his father, Eugene Shaw, who traveled the world as a renowned U.S. Geological Survey scientist in the early 1900s and later discovered oil in the Iraqi desert as chief geologist for the Iraq Petroleum Co. He died in 1935, leaving his wife, Abbie, and two sons — Gail and Haylett — near Washington, D.C.

During the 1940s, Gail Shaw was working as a chemist for Eli Lilly and Co. in Indianapolis when Henry Callison persuaded him to move west and work for I.P. Callison and Sons. He arrived in September 1950 with his wife and two children. Their family grew to include two more children.

After participating in the Adventure in Cooperation, Shaw became a founding member of the Industrial Commission, which incorporated in 1956, sold stock to purchase property, and developed an industrial park. He worked closely with Floyd Habein, Ray Melhart, William Luebke and Clarence "C.C." White to recruit the park's first tenant — Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. They sold railroad spikes and ties and recruited businessmen as weekend "gandy dancers" laying track for a spur line to serve the new plant.

Shaw was certainly the busiest nonagenarian I've ever met. He exercised every morning and regularly attended meetings of the Industrial Commission, Claquato Cemetery Board, and Chehalis Community Renaissance Team. He supported

"Shaw looked at life as filled with endless opportunities, a word he used frequently to describe even the largest challenges."

creation of the Industrial Park at TransAlta, which named its main entrance the Gail and Carolyn Shaw Parkway. The Shaws gave money to the Centralia College Foundation and renovation of the Chehalis outdoor pool, now named the Gail and Carolyn Shaw Aquatic Center. The Lewis County Economic Development Council named an industry award in their honor. He didn't seek recognition, but he certainly deserved it.

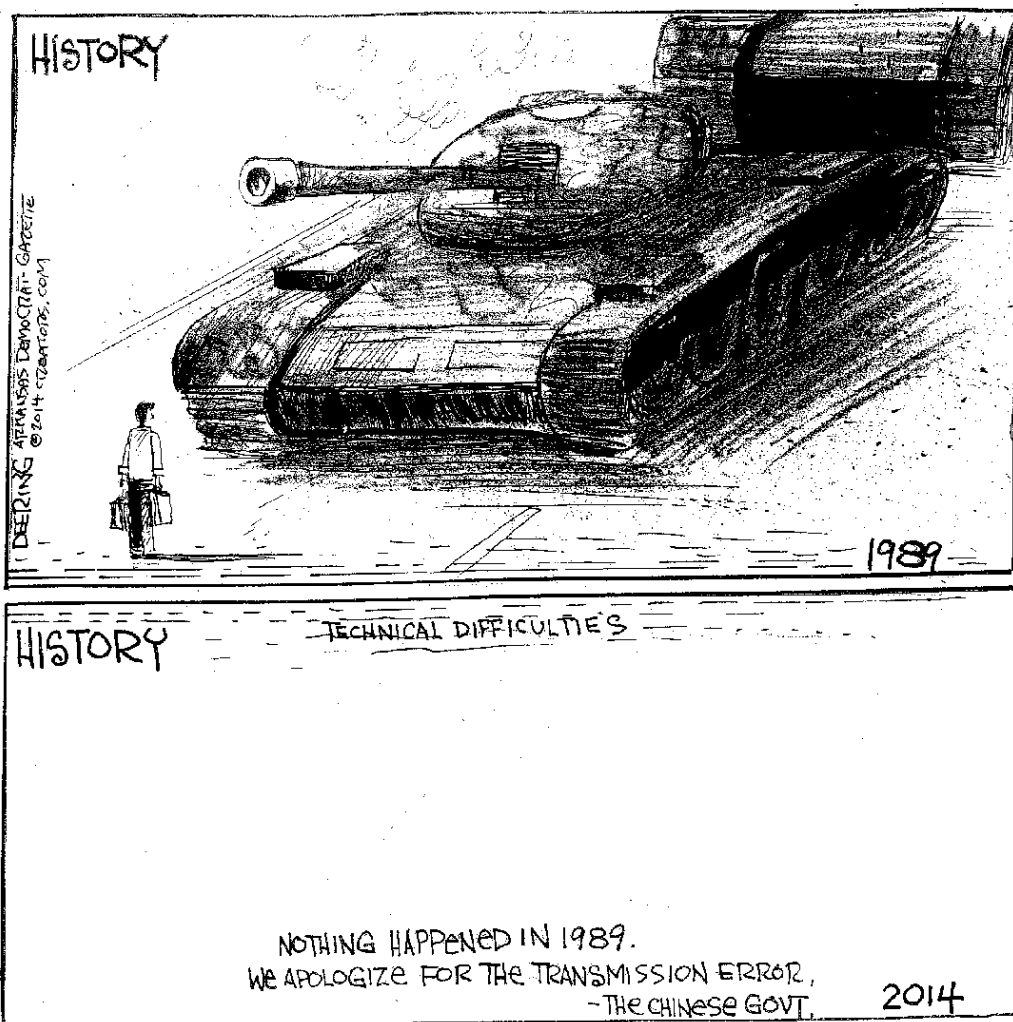
A modest man with an insatiable love of learning, Shaw looked at life as filled with endless opportunities, a word he used frequently to describe even the largest challenges. He loved Lewis County's rich history, talking about pioneers as if they were old friends. Every time I met with him, I basked in the warmth he exuded, the stories he told, and the wisdom he shared.

Many will miss him. I know I will.

Toledo Library

Toledo plans to open a community library downtown in August, although people can catch a sneak peek at the renovated Toledo Pharmacy building during a Cheese Days bake sale to raise money for heat and lights. Volunteers will staff the library Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bill and Pat Caldwell are remodeling the building themselves so that if Timberland Regional Library still declines to establish a new branch there, they can sell it. Timberland's kiosk will be inside the library, which will feature tables, chairs, computers and high-speed Internet access courtesy of Toledo Telenet. Coffee will be sold to help pay for electricity.

Julie McDonald, a personal historian and former journalist who lives in Toledo, owns *Chapters of Life*, a company dedicated to preserving family stories. She may be reached at memorybooks@chaptersoflife.com.



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Appreciation for Help Reaching Digital Age

To the editor:

It's time for celebration and thank you! On May 23, Fire Mountain Arts Council's Roxy Theater finally entered the digital era of movies by putting its new digital camera into operation. The picture is sharp and stunning and the sound is crisp and clear.

This was made possible by the efforts of many. FMAC board members Brad Nelson and Betty Hutchison deserve a huge thank you for spearheading and persevering through the Digital or Dark campaign, working with donors, businesses and individuals planning fundraising events, plus weekly gathering donation jars filled by generous anonymous contributors.

A big thank you is due to individuals who personally donated to the Digital or Dark campaign. Every week checks ranging from \$10 to as much as \$3,000 would arrive in the mail. Donations not only came from our local area, but from California, Oregon, Seattle, Olympia and all over Lewis and Pierce counties. The grand total for Digital or Dark donations came to \$32,019. Thank you, all.

With this level of commitment from our community, FMAC successfully applied for a grant to complete and enhance the digital project. In November, when Dick Larmon, of the Lewis County Economic Development Council, saw how much had been donated, he encouraged us to apply for the portion of the

\$39,500 — enough to purchase the projector and its pedestal. Thank you.

The Digital or Dark campaign funds then were able to cover installation of and to purchase required auxiliary equipment, such as sound processor, computer and amplifier, as well as sorely needed new speakers. The result: an up-to-date, state-of-the-art movie theater.

Once again I am in awe of what a community can accomplish when folks join together in a spirit of selfless goodwill. Thank you! See you at the movies.

FRED SCHWINDT
president
Fire Mountain Arts Council

News Doesn't Reflect Any of VA's Positive Work

To the editor:

With all of the bad news lately about veterans health care I feel compelled to remind everyone that the job the people are doing to serve veterans is huge. Even though only a small fraction of Americans serve in the military, the numbers that have are in the millions. There are only so many people to provide the care that veterans need.

I want to tell you that I have been treated with the utmost respect by Veterans Affairs and the people who are charged with caring for veterans in our area. I want to thank all of them for a job well done.

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Levee Improvement Project Ending in Bucoda

FINISHED: New Levee Will Protect Bucoda Drinking Water From Flood Events

By Kyle Spurr
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Bucoda's drinking water system will be better protected from high water during the next Skookumchuck River flood.

The Bucoda levee project, which will raise and extend the existing levee around the town's wellhead, is nearly complete, according to Mayor Alan Carr.

The \$305,000 project, scheduled to be finished next month, had two change orders for the removal of a giant dirt pile and the addition of a fence, but still came in under budget by about \$35,000.

"It looks like we will be turning in about \$35,000 with the change orders," Carr said. "We had the levee redone, then we added the removal of a pile of

dirt and added the 736 feet of fence that encloses the area."

The additional money not used on the project will likely go toward other Chehalis River Basin Flood Authority projects. The Bucoda levee project was funded by state money awarded to the Flood Authority. It is one of 22 local flood control projects underway in the Chehalis Basin.

Crews raised the levee from about 251 feet to 256 feet.

The elevated levee will protect against events similar to the 2009 flood, which had a water elevation of about 253 feet, according to the Flood Authority.

Town officials view the project as essential to protecting the drinking water system, including the wellhead, pumps, generator and equipment from direct flood velocity damage and backwater ponding.

"It protects the municipal water system," Carr said. "Both of our wells are within the inside of

the levee."

Originally, construction started earlier this year without removing the dirt pile or adding the fence. When costs came back lower than expected, Carr said, the town added the change orders.

The new chain link security fence around the well facility was completed last week.

"It was anticipated that the dirt was going to cost more than what was funded, so we removed it out of the original scope," Carr said.

The added fence and dirt removal both came within the \$305,000 budget. The levee project was initially approved on Aug. 2, 2012, by the Flood Authority and Chehalis Tribe. Design work, which cost \$42,000, was completed in July 2013. Construction began in April this year.

Only housekeeping items such as hydroseeding are left for the project, Carr said.



A bulldozer is seen at the site of a Bucoda levee, where improvements were recently made to protect the town's drinking water.

Freed Former Museum Director Illustrates Long Process of Collecting Restitution for Financial Crimes

OUT OF PRISON AND IN DEBT: Former Lewis County Historical Museum Director Debbie Knapp Owes Nearly \$100,000 in Court Fees and Restitution

By Stephanie Schendel
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More than a year has passed since a judge ordered former Lewis County Historical Museum director Debbie Knapp to pay restitution for the massive theft that depleted the museum's finances.

As a part of the plea agreement reached between Knapp's attorney and prosecutors, she had to pay \$20,000 the day she pleaded guilty.

In exchange, prosecutors dropped six out of the 11 counts of first-degree theft.

The goal, prosecutors said at the time, was to get as much money back to the museum as possible.

Since that initial payment of \$20,000, which her lawyer said previously is a sum loaned to her by family, she has paid the museum an additional \$30 toward the total amount of \$95,895 restitution she owes, according to Lewis County Clerk Kathy Brack.

Knapp also owes more than \$17,000 in other fees and accumulated interest, Brack said.

The \$30 was garnished from the paychecks she earned while working in the custody of the Department of Corrections.

Knapp, who was sentenced in May 2013 to serve 14 months in prison, was released about two months ago — four months early.

During the course of her eight-month stint in prison, the clerk's office received a few

"We see people who try, people who don't care, and people who just kind of vanish."

Kathy Brack
Lewis County clerk

checks to go toward Knapp's court and restitution payments from the Department of Corrections. The check amounts ranged from 11 cents to \$14, Brack said.

Since her release, Knapp has contacted the clerk's office to notify them she has not been able to find a job and was having trouble paying her monthly payment of \$150.

One-hundred dollars of that amount will go toward restitution while the other \$50 will go toward the court fees, Brack said. She was to begin making the \$150 payments 60 days after her release.

If Knapp pays every monthly payment when its due, she will finish paying back the museum in 63 years — at age 116.

The former museum director contacted the clerk's office a few weeks ago and said she expected to send her first payment by May 30, Brack said. Knapp has not yet sent the payment in.

WHILE AUTHORITIES suspected Knapp was responsible for the disappearance of a much larger amount, the museum's finances were so disorganized prosecutors said they could not definitely prove she stole more than \$95,000.

Since Knapp's arrest, which followed the 2011 realization that the museum's \$450,000 endowment fund, along with its other bank accounts, were empty, the Lewis County Historical Museum has made huge strides to recover from the theft.

Andy Skinner, the museum's executive director said last week that the estate of June Clare, who died May 27, 2013, donated \$125,000 to the museum's en-

dowment fund in March. A recent second donation brought in another \$24,000.

IF KNAPP fails to pay her ordered court payments three months in a row, her bill, along with anyone else's who fails to make required court payments, will be sent to collections.

A collections agency was not always how Lewis County dealt with individuals who failed to pay court payments.

About four years ago, Lewis County Prosecutor Jonathan Meyer said people who were behind on their court payments would be brought into court on a probation violation. Oftentimes, those indebted individuals were then ordered to pay a certain amount of money or face jail time.

Meyer said the method was not very effective as it created a "revolving door" of people going in and out of jail.

Now, instead of facing jail time, the bills get sent over to the collection agency who then go after the people who are behind on their court payments, Brack said.

Brack said they do see quite a bit of money from collection agencies.

"It's just too bad it has to go that route," she said.

Brack said the clerk's office tries to work with people who are attempting to make their payments.

"It's a mixed bag as far as what we see," she said. "We see people who try, people who don't care, and people who just kind of vanish."

For those few who manage to pay off their court fees, after their final payment, those individuals can come into the court and ask the judge to waive the interest, which accumulates at 1 percent a month.

While the interest on the court fees can be waived, the interest on the restitution cannot, Brack said.

Meyer said a surprising number of people manage to pay off their court fees.

DESPITE THOSE who do pay off their court fees, there are a few who will likely never be able to pay off the amount they owe.

While Knapp had a short prison sentence, which gives her the possibility of paying off some of her court fees, many felons who will likely never be released, like convicted murderers John A. Booth and Rick Riffe, both were also ordered to pay a high sum of court fees and restitution.

Riffe owes more than \$28,000 in court fees and restitution while Booth owes more than \$16,000.

Meyer said despite the fact that Riffe and Booth will likely never be able to pay the amount they owe, judges ordered them to pay court fees and restitution.

"You just never know what might happen," Meyer said.

They might receive a large inheritance or write a book that brings in a large amount of money.

For example, Colton Harris-Moore, known as the Barefoot Bandit, sold his story to 20th Century Fox for \$1.3 million. All of the money went to pay the restitution he owed to the victims of his crime spree.

Also, Meyer said many inmates in Department of Corrections custody have a job where they earn a very small amount — oftentimes a few dollars an hour.

Even if it brings a small sum of money, it is better than nothing, Meyer said.



Debbie Knapp recently released

News in Brief

More Than 60 Drivers Cited for Seat Belt, Cellphone Violations During Emphasis Patrols

By The Chronicle

Lewis County law enforcement cited more than 60 people during the two-week statewide "Click it or Ticket" campaign for seat belt and cellphone use violations.

Between May 19 and June 1, extra traffic patrols resulted in 46 seat belt infractions in addition to 14 cellphone and texting tickets, according to a press release from the Traffic Safety Commission.

In addition, local police made one felony and four misdemeanor arrests and wrote 58 tickets for speeding, according to the release. Two other people were

issued child passenger safety infractions and 16 others were cited for driving without insurance. Six people were cited for driving with a suspended license.

Last year in Lewis County during the same time period, police wrote 37 seat belt infractions and 10 cell phone use violations, according to the release.

The Centralia, Chehalis, Morton, Toledo and Winlock police departments, as well as the Lewis County Sheriff's Office and the Washington State Patrol, worked the extra patrols.

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CENTRALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT Suspected Drunken Driver Backs Into Police Car

• Rhonda J. Baxter, 42, of Centralia, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of driving under the influence on the 100 block of South Tower Avenue. Baxter was backing up her car when it struck a police car that just happened to be driving down the street. The patrol car did not sustain any damage, but Baxter's car did. No one was injured.

Hit and Run

• Police responded to a hit and run collision on the 1000 block of Harrison Avenue shortly after 1 p.m. Saturday. The driver of the suspect vehicle, a Red Honda, fled the scene by driving north onto Interstate 5. There was only minor damage to the victim's car and no reported injuries.

Burglary

• Someone reported a burglary to a trailer on the 700 block of First Street at 1:40 p.m. Saturday. The thief took numerous construction tools. The investigation is ongoing.

Egging

• A vehicle parked on the 600 block of J Street was egged during the night. Police took the report at 7:30 a.m. Friday.

Boy Hit by Car

• An 8-year-old boy told the nurse at his school that he was hit by a car while riding his bike to school. The incident happened on the 600 block of H Street at about 8:15 a.m. Friday.

Forgery

• Police took a report of a possible forged vehicle title. The victim reported his ex-girlfriend forged his name. The case, which was reported on the 400 block of East Magnolia Street at 4 p.m. Friday, is still under investigation.

Picking Fights

• Jeffrey T. Black, 45, of Salem, Oregon, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of disorderly conduct on the 100 block of North Tower Avenue shortly after noon Sunday after police say he was trying to pick fights with several people.

Burglary

• Brandon R. Goodell, 18, of Centralia, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of residential burglary after he allegedly broke out a window of a vacant building on the 700 block of North Pearl Street and entered through it shortly after 11 p.m. Sunday.

Minor in Possession of Alcohol

• Bradley W. Dubai, 20, of Centralia, was cited and released for suspicion of minor in consumption of alcohol on the 700 block of Tower Avenue at about 12:40 a.m. Monday.

Eluding

• Justus R. Crofton, 20, of Centralia, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of eluding after an officer saw him driving erratically in the area of East Cherry Street shortly before 2 a.m. Tuesday. When an officer tried to pull him over, he allegedly sped away and the pursuit reached speeds of 60 mph and at one point, Crofton almost hit a patrol car. Eventually the chase ended when Crofton crashed his car into some brush. He tried to flee the area on foot but was located by police hiding on a roof a short distance away.

Roofing Thief

• Kelly J. Teshera, 48, of Chehalis, was arrested and released for third-degree theft and criminal trespass after he was spotted taking metal roofing off an abandoned house on the 1200 block of Brotherson Road at about 9:45 p.m. Monday.

Burglary

• Two men kicked in a door of a motel room and then stole jewelry and clothes from inside it on the 1200 block of Alder Street shortly after noon Monday. The victim was not there at the time of the burglary however witnesses gave police the names of possible suspects and a vehicle description. The case is still under investigation.

CHEHALIS POLICE DEPARTMENT Deer Versus Car

• A vehicle struck a deer near Northeast Kresky Avenue and Northeast Hampe Way at 9:24 p.m. Saturday. The deer was injured and limped off.

Egging

• Someone called police at 11:20 p.m. Saturday to report someone threw eggs at a house on the 2100 block of Southwest Salisbury Avenue.

Theft

• Herbert M. St. Ours, 60, of Chehalis, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of second-degree theft after he allegedly stole a wallet from another man at a Twin City Transit bus stop near Walmart last Thursday.

Fake Name

• Juan Sanchez-Jose, 28, of Olympia, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of obstructing a public servant after he allegedly lied to officers who had responded to the 400 block of 13th Street at about 8 p.m. Saturday for a dispute.

Assault

• Michael S. Christin, 45, of Chehalis, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of fourth-degree assault, domestic violence, on the 1000 block of Southwest 20th Street at 10:30 p.m. Saturday.

LEWIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DUI

• Marcelino Castillo-Burrow, 18, of Chehalis, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of driving under the influence after a traffic stop near West Walnut Street and Northwest Arden Avenue in Winlock. Three teens, ages ranging from 16 to 19 years old, were in the vehicle with Castillo-Burrow and were all cited for minor in possession of alcohol.

• Rayne A. Moore, 21, of Randle, was arrested and booked into jail for suspicion of driving under the influence after a traffic stop on Forest Road 2504, which is a logging road off of the 300 line near Randle, on 6:45 p.m. Sunday.

Morton Burglary

• Deputies took a report of a burglary at 4:40 p.m. Friday on the 100 block of Chapman Road outside Morton. It appears someone went into a camper and stole rings, hand tools, DVDs and about 20 ceramic figurines. The total loss is about \$800.

Corrections

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erson, who died of a heroin overdose on April 22, 2013. He was 23. Anderson was a lifetime Centralia resident.

Police believe Lusk provided the heroin to Anderson prior to his death.

pendent, \$103 in fees.

• Virginia McKinney, 35, Centralia, third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 86 suspended, fined \$800 with \$400 suspended, \$503 in fees.

• Henry Herrera-Montelegre, 27, Centralia, (1) possession of marijuana, (2) use of drug paraphernalia, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 86 suspended, fined \$512 on each count, \$450 in fees.

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Chehalis Man to Be Charged With Homicide in Overdose Death

By The Chronicle

Prosecutors anticipate filing charges of homicide by controlled substance against a 36-year-old Chehalis man after the death of 23-year-old Centralia man last year.

Robert T. Lusk, 36, of Cheha-

lis, will appear in Lewis County Superior Court for a preliminary court appearance this afternoon. Lusk has been in the custody of the Lewis County Jail on other charges for the past 100 days.

The homicide charge stems from the death of Tyson An-

with 90 suspended, fined \$800 with \$400 suspended, \$103 in fees.

Centralia Municipal Court

Centralia Municipal Court criminal cases, including sentences, fines, fees and findings of not guilty or dismissals.

Held June 3

• Troy C. Slater, 45, Chehalis, third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, fined \$1,000 with \$500 suspended.

• Amanda Ervin, 25, Centralia, third-degree driving while license suspended, fined \$100, \$553 in fees.

• Orval Chancy, 52, Winlock, allowing unauthorized person to drive, sentenced to 90 days in jail with 90 suspended, fined \$200 with \$100 sus-

Chehalis Municipal Court

Chehalis Municipal Court criminal cases, including sentences, fines, fees and findings of not guilty or dismissals.

Held June 4

• Robert Jerold Crane, 46, Yuba City, California, disorderly conduct, dismissed with prejudice, \$150 in fees.

• Christopher Dustin Kruger, 21, Chehalis, possession of dangerous weapon, sentenced to 364 days in jail with 364 suspended, fined \$600 with \$300 suspended.

• Francisco Xavier Magallon, 42, Centralia, fourth-degree assault, domestic violence, dismissed with prejudice, \$275 in fees.

• Kurtis Anthony Martin, 25, Chehalis, third-degree driving while license suspended, sentenced to 90 days in jail

Pe Ell Theft

• A Dell laptop, grass trimmer, lawnmower, fireplace, chain link fencing and other items were stolen from a property on the 600 block of East Pe Ell Avenue on Sunday. The total loss is an estimated \$785. The theft, which occurred sometime in the previous week, is still under investigation.

Theft

• A 19-year-old Chehalis woman contacted police Monday to report that someone had fraudulently used her debit card multiple times in Portland. The total loss was \$400, and there is no suspect information.

MORTON POLICE DEPARTMENT Vehicle Prowls

• Someone broke out a vehicle's passenger window and stole a purse on the 300 block of Division Avenue at about 10 a.m. June 3. The total damage is not known.

• Police took a report of a vehicle prowling on the 100 block of Third Street shortly after 10 a.m. June 3. It appears someone entered an unlocked vehicle and stole a stereo, valued at \$500, and approximately \$20 worth of gas.

Wandering Child

• Someone called police shortly before noon June 4 to report a small child was wandering in the street near Third Street and Division Avenue. Just prior to the officer's arrival, the mother found the child, who apparently left the house unnoticed through an unlocked door.

Child Struck by Car

• Police and medics responded to the 300 block of Westlake Avenue after a 2-year-old child riding a tricycle was struck by his aunt's car while she was backing it out of the driveway. The child was knocked from the tricycle and was taken to the hospital, but did not sustain any injuries.

By The Chronicle Staff

Please call news reporter Stephanie Schendel with news tips. She can be reached at 807-8208 or sschendel@chronline.com.

In Loving Memory Of

MARTHA NIEMCZIEK



Martha Niemcziek, 81, of Raymond, Wash. passed away on Friday, May 30, 2014 at Providence Centralia Hospital.

Martha was born on Feb. 22, 1933 in Raymond, Wash. to Ignace and Mary (Wiss) Balcanas.

In 1965, she married Victor Niemcziek; he preceded her death in 1981.

Martha grew up on the Firdale Dairy Farm and she fondly remembered helping her father bottle and deliver milk to the Raymond and South Bend areas. She graduated from Willapa Valley High School and worked at Willapa Harbor Hospital in South Bend as a nurse's aid.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church, the Lewis-Pacific Swiss Society and the VFW Auxiliary.

Martha enjoyed growing dahlias, having hummingbird feeders and spending time with her family; together they took many Alaskan Cruises throughout the years.

She is survived by her son, Victor Niemcziek Jr.; daughter, Jennie Niemcziek; sisters, Julia (Fred) Kuney of Seabeck, Wash., Joan (John) Kalb of Edmonds, Wash. and Jennie (Robert) Canevari of Fortuna, Calif.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Shirley Johnson; and a brother, Johnny Balcanas.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at the Fern Hill Cemetery in Menlo, Wash. A reception will follow at the Swiss Hall in Frances, Wash.

Because Martha relied on blood donations to extend her life, the family suggests that friends consider donating blood in Martha's memory.

Arrangements were in care of Stoller's Mortuary in Raymond. You may visit www.StollersMortuary.com to leave condolences for the family.

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

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Shaw

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Buck Hubbert, chair of the Industrial Commission, former owner of Tires Inc., and a long-time friend of Shaw, spoke with The Chronicle via phone Monday and reminisced about a man who he not only called a friend, but a mentor who brought an attitude that anything can get done no matter the circumstance.

"He had this approach that made you think more than you were first going to about something," Hubbert said. "The focus was always, 'We can do it.' He expected us in the community to go out and do these things. He never gave up on anything."

Hubbert and Shaw served together on the Industrial Commission since 1984. The organization has served since its inception as a quiet yet powerful force to spur economic development in Lewis County.

Just as the man who helped found it, the group seeks little credit for its work that has entailed Chehalis Industrial Park and assistance in projects at the ports of Centralia and Chehalis. The team also has a hand in the Industrial Park at TransAlta.

Hubbert said Shaw's mind was always focused on a long-term plan for the area, with a consistent vision that zeroed in on what could be in Lewis County rather than what was — a quality that was true even in Shaw's final days.

"We had met last week, and he still talked about projects he wanted finished," Hubbert said. "He just never gave up."

LARRY MCGEE, who along with his wife Rebecca are friends of Gail and his wife, Carolyn, said Monday that his heart was heavy over the loss of a good



Chronicle staff photo

Gail Shaw, standing at left, looks over floor plans for a new metal castings factory coming to the Chehalis Industrial Park in this June, 1971, photo. Shaw at the time was president of what was then known as the Chehalis Industrial Commission. Seated, from left, are the plant's co-managers, James B. Stacy, 24, and Gary L. Lynden, 31, both of Tacoma. At right is Chuck Downie, Chehalis Industrial Commission director.

friend and mentor.

McGee, who heads the bachelor's degree program at Centralia College, recalled when the college was trying to get approval from the state Legislature for the four-year degree program.

"It wasn't going to work unless the community came through with some significant money," McGee said. "Gail and his family were very generous donors to that effort. They invested for the future."

As such, the college plans to honor Shaw posthumously during Friday's graduation ceremony that is open to the public.

McGee called Shaw a visionary who not only wanted to push for economic development, but also saw a redeeming value in enhancing the quality of life for area residents with support for the Chehalis School District, Discover! Children's Museum and more — projects he knew might not bring an immediate return on investment in the form of money, but can instantly

contribute in less tangible ways.

"He did a lot of things he felt were building a foundation for the future of our people," McGee said.

McGee also spent time visiting Shaw during his time at Sharon Care Center in recent weeks, and said the nonagenarian had not lost his sense of vigor, though his health had started to decline.

"He didn't think, 'Oh my God, woe is me,' in the sense that he was ill," McGee said. "It was that he had so many things to get done that he wanted to get well."

GAIL AND CAROLYN SHAW are so well-recognized as a force for the economy in Lewis County that the Lewis Economic Development Council created the Gail and Carolyn Shaw Industry Award in honor of the many things the Shaws did for the community.

The current holder of that award is Joanne Schwartz, who herself helped form the

EDC in the 1980s and the non-profit Chehalis Foundation in 2003. Schwartz, a former Lewis County commissioner who later worked for the city of Chehalis, came to know the Shaws through their work on the Chehalis Community Renaissance Team.

"The Renaissance Team was my project for the city," Schwartz said Monday. "Gail loved that project. He would come in and we would all devour what he had to say."

Schwartz called Shaw a "walking encyclopedia" who was full of knowledge and unbridled enthusiasm for the Lewis County area. She said it is an honor to hold the award named after the Shaws, a token of appreciation that sits on her mantelpiece.

That award has new meaning today for Schwartz.

"We have lost one of the true icons of our community," Schwartz said. "What he left the community in terms of everything he did was his passion. It infused all of us."

Schwartz, who today serves as a Centralia College trustee, said she hopes people today and future generations remember to reach high in life as Gail and Carolyn Shaw always pushed others to do.

"He always said, 'We can do better,'" Schwartz said. "I think we just have to remember what a team he and Carolyn were. He was so involved and she was right there supporting him."

THE PASSION GAIL SHAW had for the town he adopted is what leads his friends to celebrate his life. They mourn the fact a dear friend and visionary who helped the area through tough times is no longer present, but say Shaw will always live on through the vigor he helped infuse among many in the area.

"Every time you drive by the

13th Street pool or all the things you see Gail had a hand in, it's pretty easy to keep him alive," McGee said.

The Gail and Carolyn Shaw Aquatic Center, a facility that will serve as possibly the most visible public recognition of the Shaws' contributions to the area, is nearing completion. The facility was one of Shaw's favorite projects, Hubbert and McGee both noted.

Though the loss of Gail Shaw resonates especially throughout the economic community and among his loved ones, his friends say the spirit of a man who had such a drive to improve life in Lewis County will empower them going forward.

"Boy, they had better have things organized upstairs," Hubbert said. "He's going to be looking for projects to do."

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Station: Heaton Optimistic About Moving Forward, Securing Tenants

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development on the south end of Long Road in Centralia, aiming to combine retailers, medical offices, warehouses and sports fields. The Port of Centralia announced the project in 2012, but the idea was birthed as early as 2010 as community leaders put their heads together.

Heaton told those present that the project was in a holding pattern for six months as Lewis County officials appealed the mitigated determination of non-significance for the project. In that appeal, Lewis County and the port differed on traffic studies that showed how the development could affect neighborhood traffic. A hearings examiner ruled in the port's favor in late April.

Heaton, who has before expressed frustration with the county for appealing the process,

reiterated the Port of Centralia's stance on the project.

"The port commission's emphasis is that we need jobs now, and we need revenue now," Heaton told the crowd.

Heaton also noted how the county invoked the Washington State Boundary Review Board for Lewis County in February, stating a proposed annexation in the Long Road and South Street areas that included the Centralia Station project area would not meet natural boundaries. The board recommended a modified annexation of the area in early May.

Port leadership believe those processes set the project back months. Heaton said state agencies stopped moving forward on the permitting process as the appeals process continued, but the port has since received a fill and grade permit from the city

of Centralia and a stormwater permit from the state.

"The project is going to happen," Heaton said. "You will see excavators there in the near future."

State Rep. Richard DeBolt, R-Chehalis, asked if the project has a large, anchor tenant yet. Heaton replied that there had been discussions with a potential anchor tenant, but they could not negotiate during the appeal process. However, Heaton said he remained optimistic about moving forward.

"We will get an anchor," Heaton said, adding the anchor business initially discussed would bring about 225 union jobs to the area.

Heaton also said he believes full buildout of the project, which the port hopes will provide 500 full-time jobs, would be finished in about four years.

One concern brought up was

the issue of flooding, because the nearby neighborhood had its woes most recently during the flood of 2007. Heaton said the port and all agencies involved have done due diligence to make sure the area the project stands on will be unaffected in the future.

"We're using the same hydrologist that the DOT and Flood Authority use," Heaton said. "This will have zero rise and zero impact."

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Train

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Centralia Hospital. An ambulance took the woman involved in the collision to Providence for evaluation.

Witnesses say the pair in the pickup had tried to cross the tracks despite the gates being down.

Centralia Police Officer Patricia Finch said the woman driving the vehicle had weaved around the crossing gate that had come down.

The 40-year-old Chehalis woman, identified as Genaveve

R. Webb, was cited for reckless endangerment.

The male passenger, Gary L. Barrod, 54, of Chehalis, had several outstanding warrants, and he was later arrested, according to Centralia police.

Ken Peck, who lives close to the railroad crossing, said it appeared that the pickup had avoided a BNSF train headed northbound before it was struck by the Amtrak train headed south. He said he was the first on the scene after hearing the impact.

"I got out and told my buddy to get out and help, call 911," Peck said. "We told the woman she might be in shock."

The collision detached a gate of the railroad crossing at Summa Street. When an Amtrak train rolled through at 5:18 p.m., a crew member came off the train and manually stopped traffic before the train proceeded through.

Another neighbor, Penny Martin, told The Chronicle she sees vehicles dodge the crossing arms often. She said people too often see the crossing gates come down but see no train, and try to barrel through the crossing anyway.

"People get complacent," Martin said.

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Calendar

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For more information, call Julie Johnson at (360) 736-9391, ext. 516, or email her at jjohnson@centralia.edu.

Open mic, 6:30 p.m., Matrix Coffee-house, Chehalis, (360) 740-0492

"Let's Grow a Garden," 10-11:30 a.m., 4162 Jackson Highway, free, (360) 262-0525

Statue dedication, unveiling of statue of Katharine Kemp and Margaret Corbet, 3 p.m., Aadland Esplanade, Centralia College, light refreshments served

CC Grow, farmers market, noon-3 p.m., Centralia College, across from Health & Wellness Center, (360) 736-9391, ext. 650

Friday, June 13

'The Rocky Horror Picture Show' to be Screened at Midnight

Historic Fox Theatre Restorations will be showing "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" at midnight Friday the 13th at the Fox Theatre in downtown Centralia.

Those coming to the show are encouraged to dress as their favorite character from the movie. ViP tickets are \$15, and include a prefunction in the Rotary Mezzanine Lounge and special seating. General admission is \$10. There will be a bar for 21-plus

starting at 9 p.m.

Presale tickets are available online at brownpapertickets.com/event/679538 and locally at Book 'n' Brush in Chehalis and Debbie's Boutique, Holley's Place, HUBBUB and Santa Lucia Coffee in Centralia. The Snack Bar and Holley's Place Frozen Yogurt supply movie snacks.

For more information, call the Fox Theatre at (360) 623-1103 or visit www.centraliafoxtheatre.com. All proceeds from the event benefit the restoration of the Historic Fox Theatre.

Oregon Trail music and dancing, open mic with Side Kicks Band, 7 p.m., Cowlitz Prairie Grange, (360) 864-2023

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Nation/World

Nation in Brief

Oil Rises to Near \$105 on Expected Increase in Demand

By The Associated Press

The price of oil rose to near \$105 a barrel today on expectations for rising demand as the global economy strengthens.

By early afternoon in Europe, benchmark U.S. oil for July delivery was up 35 cents to \$104.76 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. On Monday, the Nymex contract gained \$1.75 to close at \$104.41.

Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils, was up 26 cents to \$110.25 a barrel in London.

Recent economic indicators that suggest stronger global growth include Japan raising its January-March GDP number, a fourth month of solid hiring in the U.S. and China's export growth accelerating in May.

FAA OKs Commercial Drone Flights Over Land

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration said today it has granted the first permission for commercial drone flights over land, the latest effort by the agency to show it is loosening restrictions on commercial uses of the unmanned aircraft.

The BP energy corporation and drone maker AeroVironment of Monrovia, California, have been given permission to use a Puma drone to survey pipelines, roads and equipment at Prudhoe Bay in Alaska, the agency said. The first flight took place on Sunday.

Made by AeroVironment, the Puma is a small, hand-launched craft about 4½ feet long and with a 9-foot wingspan. It was initially designed for military use.

Last summer, the FAA had approved the Puma and the ScanEagle made by Boeing subsidiary Insitu Inc. of Bingen, Washington, for flights over the Arctic Ocean to scout icebergs, count whales and monitor drilling platforms.

Morgan Crash Fuels Debate Over Tired Truckers

WASHINGTON (AP) — A New Jersey highway crash that severely injured Tracy Morgan and killed another comedian is drawing attention to the dangers of tired truckers just as the industry and its allies in Congress are poised to roll back safety rules on drivers' work schedules.

A proposed change to federal regulations backed by the trucking industry and opposed by safety advocates and the Obama administration would effectively let drivers put in as many as 82 hours a week behind the wheel. The current limit is either 60 hours or 70 hours a week, depending on the kind of company employing the driver.

The change was added to a transportation spending bill by a Senate committee last week.

Ohio Woman's 100th Birthday Wish: Doing Yard Work

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio (AP) — An Ohio woman who lives at a retirement home and turned 100 on Monday had just one wish for her birthday: She wanted to do some yard work and smell fresh-cut grass.

Trudy Price, of Bowling Green, has gotten her wish with the help of the grounds crew at Bowling Green State University. She pushed one of the university's mowers and then helped plant flowers near the student union on campus.

She also sat atop one of the crew's riding lawnmowers.

Price says that staying active is important.

She says she has always loved of the smell of cut grass and still likes to go out for walks at the retirement community where she lives.

Judges Rubber-Stamped SS Claims, Report Says

By Stephen Ohlemacher

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Four Social Security judges are headed to Capitol Hill to face accusations they rubber-stamped claims for disability benefits, approving billions of dollars in payments from the cash-strapped program.

Each of the judges approved more than 90 percent of the cases they heard from 2005 to 2013, according to a new report by the Republican staff of the House Oversight Committee. The report says the high approval rates indicate the judges didn't follow proper procedures or conduct meaningful hearings.

"In essence, these judges rubber stamped nearly every claimant before them for a lifetime of benefits at taxpayer expense," the report said.

The administrative law judges were scheduled to testify today before the Oversight Committee.

In written testimony, Judge Gerald I. Krafzur of Kingsport, Tennessee, said he had heard thousands of cases and never had one overturned because the applicant was not disabled.

Judge Harry C. Taylor of Charleston, West Virginia, said he makes it a point to keep an open mind about each case while conducting a balanced, thorough review.

From 2005 to 2013, Krafzur approved 99 percent of the cases he decided, the report said. Lifetime benefits average about

\$300,000, according to the report, so Krafzur's cases will lead to nearly \$1.8 billion in benefits.

During the same time period, Taylor approved 94 percent of the cases he decided, for nearly \$2.5 billion in total benefits, the report said.

Also scheduled to testify were Judge Charles Bridges of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and Judge James A. Burke of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The report said some judges approved claims at alarmingly high rates as part of an agency effort to reduce case backlogs and processing times. It is often easier for a judge to approve a claim than to deny it, the report said.

Denials can be appealed, so judges must meticulously document their reasons, the report said. Approvals are generally accepted, ending the judge's role in the case.

In 2007, the average processing time for a hearing was 512 days. It is now about 411 days.

A report by the committee's Democratic staff said the judges at today's hearing don't reflect

the vast majority of administrative law judges. The Democratic report says oversight and training for the agency's 1,400 judges has improved over the past decade.

Both reports note that, overall, judges are approving claims at the lowest rate in years. In 2013, judges approved 56 percent of the cases they decided, down from 72 percent in 2005.

Today's hearing comes as Social Security's disability program edges toward the brink of insolvency. The trust fund that supports the disability program is projected to run out of money in 2016. At that point, the system will collect only enough money in payroll taxes to pay 80 percent of benefits, triggering an automatic 20 percent cut in benefits.

Congress could redirect money from Social Security's much bigger retirement program to shore up the disability program, as it did in 1994. But that would worsen the finances of the retirement program, which is facing its own long-term financial problems.

World in Brief

China Ships Depart for Naval Drill With US, Others

BEIJING (AP) — Chinese ships today steamed toward waters near Hawaii to participate for the first time in the world's largest naval exercises hosted by Washington — a rare opportunity to build trust with the U.S. and regional rivals including the Philippines and Japan.

China's participation in the Rim of the Pacific exercises beginning June 26 will enable Chinese naval officers to rub shoulders with U.S. counterparts as well as those from countries with which it has maritime disputes in the South China Sea and East China Sea.

Washington and Beijing have been seeking closer military ties following an incident last December when a U.S. Navy cruiser, the USS Cowpens, nearly collided with a ship accompanying China's sole aircraft carrier in the South China Sea — the most serious sea confrontation between the two nations in years.

Militants Overrun Parts of Key Iraqi City of Mosul

BAGHDAD (AP) — Islamic militants overran parts of Iraq's second-largest city of Mosul today, driving security forces from their posts and seizing the provincial government headquarters, security bases and other key buildings. Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki pressed parliament to declare a state of emergency.

The fight for Mosul was a heavy defeat in Baghdad's battle against a widening insurgency by a breakaway al-Qaida group, the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, which has been trying — with some success — to seize territory both in Iraq and neighboring Syria.

Earlier this year, the group captured another Iraqi city, Fallujah, in the west of the country, and government forces have been unable to take it back after months of fighting. The far larger Mosul is an even more strategic prize. The city and surrounding Ninevah province are a major export route for Iraqi oil and a gateway to Syria.

Regaining Mosul poses a daunting challenge for al-Maliki. The city has a Sunni Muslim majority and many in the community are already deeply embittered against his Shiite-led government.

World Cup Fans Face Rough Landing in Brazil

SAO PAULO (AP) — Before they see their teams battle on the fields, soccer fans arriving in Brazil will first have to fight their way past airport scaffolding, terminal flooding and two-hour taxi lines.

The World Cup opens today and airports are bracing to welcome the crush of international travelers flying in for soccer's premier event. Brazilian authorities insist they're ready, but passengers may find themselves in for a rough landing.

For example, officials had nearly seven years to prepare Brazil's largest airport, Sao Paulo's Guarulhos, yet only a quarter of the new \$1.3 billion international terminal is operational.

Sexual Assault on Student Sparks Outrage in Egypt

CAIRO (AP) — A string of sexual assaults on women during celebrations of Egypt's presidential inauguration — including a mass attack on a 19-year-old student who was stripped in Cairo's Tahrir Square — prompted outrage Monday as a video emerged purportedly showing the teenager, bloodied and naked, surrounded by dozens of men.

Seven men were arrested in connection with the assault and police were investigating 27 other complaints of sexual harassment against women during Sunday's rallies by tens of thousands of people celebrating Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi's inauguration late into the night, security officials said.



John Lynch / Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital

Dr. Kevin Lally, left, talks with Crystal Copeland, second from left, and her daughters Emily, second from right, and Caitlin Copeland Thursday in Houston. Lally is the pediatric surgeon who performed the twins' separation. They were born joined at the liver. Today, they celebrate their 18th birthday and graduate as co-valedictorians from a Houston high school.

Twins, Born Conjoined at Liver, Celebrate Their 18th Birthdays

SMART SISTERS: *Emily and Caitlin Copeland Will Graduate as Co-Valedictorians*

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — For a set of Texas twins, being joined at the hip is not just a cliché — that was basically the first 10 months of their life.

Today, Emily and Caitlin Copeland, who were born conjoined at the liver, are celebrating their 18th birthday by enjoying the success of a separation surgery that has allowed them to lead normal lives and graduate as co-valedictorians from Lutheran High North in Houston.

"I think for anyone it's exciting to get to 18, but in particular for us I think it's just a really big blessing that we got to 18, considering what could have happened," Caitlin said.

Crystal Copeland, the twins' mother, nods. She will never forget the day she learned she was pregnant with conjoined twins,

a phenomenon that occurs once in every 200,000 live births. Between 40 percent and 60 percent are stillborn, and some 35 percent survive one day.

And in late 1996, surgery and imaging were not as advanced.

"At the time, if you Googled conjoined twins all you got was circus acts and babies that died," Copeland said.

It was a Friday when Copeland first spoke to Dr. Kevin Lally, surgeon in chief at Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston. He promised to provide an honest assessment of the chances for survival.

The babies were kicking. Copeland had seen them in an ultrasound. To her, they were alive and well. That weekend, she said, was the hardest in her life.

On Monday, the Copelands got the best news they could have hoped for.

"They were joined at the liver, not at the heart, which would have been, you know, fatal," Copeland said. "He thought there were good opportunities for separation where they would both be able to live basically normal

lives," she added.

The complications after the twins were born were worrisome. One was born with a blocked intestine, and surgery had to be conducted when they were just 2 days old.

Lally wanted to separate them at that point, but when the surgery began doctors discovered they were not only conjoined at the liver but the organs were discharging through only one twin.

So doctors decided to wait for them to get bigger for the separation surgery.

Meanwhile, Copeland watched Caitlin, bigger and chubbier than Emily, try to roll over on her sister, who would scream, arms flailing to the sides. Then Caitlin got on all fours and tried to crawl, but Emily was too heavy for her to drag.

Faced now with two smiling teenagers, rather than screaming toddlers who had to raise their shirts so he could inspect their scars, Lally smiles.

"You don't always see the long-term results of what we do, and it's nice when you get to see a good one," he said.

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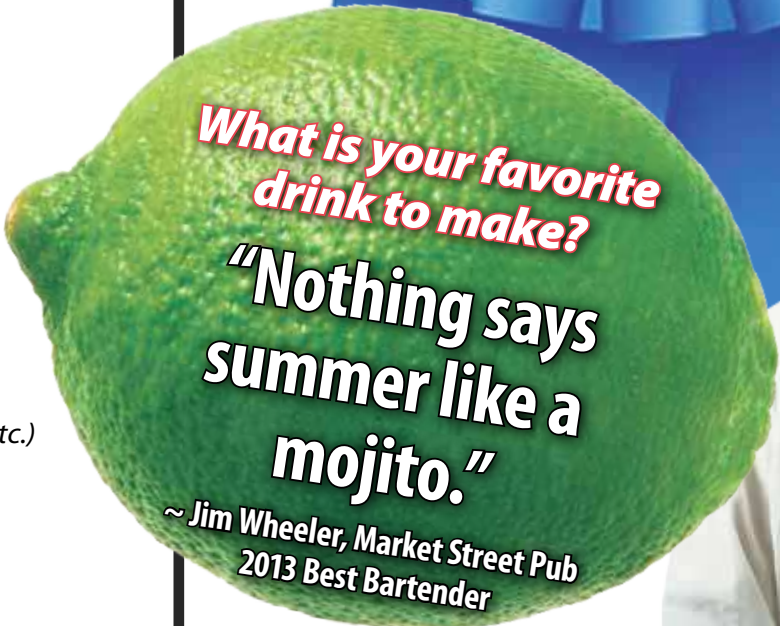
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Wait Times for Puget Sound VA Up to Nearly 59 Days

By Rachel La Corte
The Associated Press

OLYMPIA (AP) — New patients seeking a primary care doctor through VA Puget Sound in Seattle faced an average wait time of nearly 59 days, according to a Department of Veterans Affairs internal review released Monday.

The report shows wait times for averaged about 29 days in Spokane and 43 days in Walla Walla, indicating that delays at the state's three largest VA systems far exceeded the department's stated 14-day goal.

More than a dozen facilities in Washington state were visited during the two-phase audit process, and six — Spokane, Puget Sound-Seattle, Puget Sound-American Lake, Walla Walla, Portland-Vancouver, Washing-

ton, campus and South Sound in Chehalis — were flagged for further review during the first nationwide audit of the VA network following uproar that began with reports two months ago of patients dying while awaiting appointments and of cover-ups at the Phoenix VA center.

A preliminary audit last month found that long patient waits and falsified records were "systemic" throughout the VA medical network, the nation's largest single health care provider with nearly 9 million veterans and their families as patients.

Washington state Democratic U.S. Senator Patty Murray, a senior member of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, said the report "paints a serious and disturbing picture of the VA's system-wide failure to provide timely access to care for our na-

tion's heroes." She said it was especially troubling how many Washington state facilities face further review.

VA Puget Sound spokesman Chad Hutson said administrators were unaware that further reviews were pending until the report was released.

The guidelines stating that veterans should be seen within 14 days have been abandoned as the department has called the target unattainable given existing resources and growing demand.

Established patients received better access to care with wait times averaging less than a week at the state's largest systems. In Spokane, established patients waited slightly more than a day, on average.

Brian Westfield, the director

of the Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center in Walla Walla, said that he was surprised by some of the numbers. He said he believed wait times at his facility were closer to 30 days.

"In the meantime, we are going to put together a training package to reset our expectations and our standards," he said.

Bret Bowers, a spokesman for the VA Medical Center in Spokane said a written statement the report "reflects the challenges we face" but that "our intention is to provide timely access to the quality care our veterans have earned and deserve."

Nationally, more than 57,000 patients are still waiting for initial medical appointments after 90 days, and an additional 64,000 who enrolled in the VA health care system in the last de-

cade have never been seen. In Washington, 777 veterans who enrolled in the over the past 10 years have gone without appointments — 482 in Puget Sound, 232 in Spokane, and 63 in Walla Walla.

The report also detailed wait times for specialized care and mental health services.

New patients seeking specialized care waited an average about 49 days at VA Puget Sound. Those seeking mental health care waited about 38 days.

In Spokane, patients seeking an initial specialist visit waited more than 60 days. Those awaiting first-time mental health care faced delays of 27 days.

In Walla Walla, veterans initiating specialized care faced 51 day waits. Those seeking new mental health services waited about 26 days.

First Recreational Pot Testing Lab Opens in Yakima



Mason Trinca / Yakima Herald-Republic

In this Wednesday photo, chief scientist for Analytical 360, Randall Oliver, scales out a sample of marijuana at their new cannabis analysis laboratory, Analytical 360, LLC in downtown Yakima. The lab will provide tests for the Washington State Liquor Control Board for recreational marijuana producers.

YAKIMA (AP) — A new laboratory has opened in a building that once analyzed hops for beer-makers, but the green matter going under the microscope now is hop's more notorious cousin, marijuana.

A Seattle company that operates a medical marijuana testing lab, Analytical 360, was the first authorized by the state Liquor Control Board to certify recreational marijuana at its new lab, the Yakima Herald-Republic reported Sunday.

The lab will measure the level of THC, which produces the high. It also will check for mold, bacteria, parasites and pesticides. "It's not only providing the relative dose, but safety for the consumer," said Randall Oliver, Analytical 360's chief scientist.

The state requires that

marijuana producers provide a 7-gram sample from every 5-pound lot of marijuana buds. For liquids, a producer must give a 2-gram sample from each batch, while edible marijuana producers have to supply a single item from each batch for testing.

The full battery of tests takes about a week to complete. If a sample fails a test, it is retested again and rejected if it fails a second time. The company will post the results on its website for the public to see, just as it now does with medical marijuana.

Information on CBD, the chemical said to give marijuana its medicinal properties, will

also be listed on product labels, lab director Lara Taubner said.

The company expects testing to begin in three weeks. More than a dozen people will work at the lab, which was already set up for laboratory work when it was sold last year.

Hops are from the same plant family, Cannabaceae, as marijuana and share some common chemicals that give the plants their distinctive taste and aroma, Oliver said.

Although Yakima has banned the production, processing and sale of marijuana, it welcomes the lab, which tracks test samples to make sure none are diverted.

Las Vegas Shooting Suspect Had Washington Record

KENNEWICK (AP) — The man who, along with his wife, killed two police officers in a Las Vegas restaurant and another person in a nearby store Sunday had racked up several convictions in Washington state more than a decade ago.

Jerad Miller, 31, was convicted of felony vehicle theft and several other offenses, including phone harassment, driving under the influence and malicious mischief, between 2001 and 2003, according to the Washington State Patrol.



Jerad Miller shot and killed two police officers

Miller and his 22-year-old wife, Amanda, shot and killed Officers Alyn Beck and Igor Soldo as they ate lunch at a pizza

buffet, police said. They fled to a nearby Wal-Mart, where they gunned down Joseph Wilcox and exchanged fire with officers before Amanda Miller killed her husband and herself.

The couple had ideology shared by "militia and white supremacists," including the belief that law enforcement was the "oppressor," Las Vegas authorities said.

Jerad Miller attended Kennewick High for one semester in 1999, his freshman year, said Kennewick School District spokeswoman Robyn Chastain. The district has no other record of him attending other schools, she said.

Court records released Monday by Benton County District Court detailed some of Miller's offenses. They included taking a car that belonged to his friend's parents in 2001 and driving in it

to a grocery store where he stole beer. At the time, a police citation listed him as unemployed and transient.

Later that year, he was arrested for malicious mischief for breaking a vehicle window. The same day, he broke the window of a holding cell at the Kennewick Police Department, the records show.

A citation for assault in 2002 shows that Miller was living at the Richland home where he had taken the car from the year before. By then he was working at a J.C. Penney department store.

In late 2002, Miller made harassing telephone calls to an unidentified victim, saying, "Your son is a dead man, Cliff you are going to die," a complaint said.

Several of the offenses garnered Miller yearlong sentences, with all but a few days suspended.

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Voice of the People

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A Washington school district has chosen to give some educators firearms to help protect students in the case of an active shooter situation. How would you feel if this program was implemented in local schools?

Greg Anderson: If we can trust an administrator to manage and discipline the staff and students, with much education and training, we can trust them to be armed to protect our children from active shooters. Gun-free zones are targets and being hit more often. I know many of the local teachers and administrators and would feel comfortable with them being trained and armed.

Edward Riley: Just wait until something happens and one of these guys accidentally shoots a child or a teacher. Or one of them will accidentally leave their gun unattended and a kid will shoot someone.

Genny Deskins Coleman: My kids go to school in a district that can't even afford to offer certain educational programs, so how should they pay for this added protection?

Valerie Acuff Neumeier: Require proper training and do it! The culture in America is the problem, our population does not have the same mentality as European countries. And their military and police openly carry automatic rifles in many public places. In many schools in Japan, kids don't show up late to school, because the entire school is gated and locked until school is out, but the same parents who don't want guns in administrators' hands would probably complain about schools on lockdown for the whole day. Until we can change our society and culture, I say make sure they have proper training and then let them help protect our children!

Chronline Comments

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

• Story: Timber Company Now Charging for Access to Land for Hunting, Recreation

COMMENTER: *Cinebarbarian*

Weyerhaeuser and others have abused their forest tax rates long enough. What started out as an agreement to base tax rates on Timber Lands Earnings rather than the land's value with open access to all lawful recreation by the public is slowly turning into a "highest bidder" access lands for the rich only.

Other States have a multi tier Timber Tax system.

First Tier: Open access for all legal activities = Lowest rates.

Second Tier: Pay to use access = Second lowest rates.

Third Tier: Highest bidder for guide services and recreational uses = Third lowest rates, similar to a golf course.

Fourth Tier: Closed to all public access: = Highest rates based on land value, not earnings.

For Weyerhaeuser and other major timber lands operations to continue to abuse their special interest tax rates is insulting to everyone who pays full value on their lands. Worse yet, Weyerhaeuser, Jorgensen Timber and others have effectively land locked other public access holdings including our own DNR lands where they can't be accessed by anyone other than those timber barons. That's just not how it's supposed to work. Private Timberlands do the "Public Good." Yeah, that's how it used to be. Now we can be arrested for bird watching while paying higher property tax rates to these timber barons can have the lowest in the state.

That's just not right.

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Transcontinental Bike Rider Raising Funds for Make-A-Wish



Photograph submitted by Jennifer Ternan, Riverside Fire Authority

Chris Rupp, center, a 25-year-old firefighter, is riding his bicycle 6,000 miles on an epic journey that began May 28 in Seattle and will be finishing on Aug. 17 in Miami — all to raise funds for local Make-A-Wish chapters across the country. Rupp will be staying at local firehouses along the way. He stayed in Centralia on May 28 at the Riverside Fire Authority on Pearl Street. He is shown with RFA firefighters Steve Lamb, left, and Jennifer Ternan. Rupp is hoping to raise \$100,000 for Make-A-Wish. You can follow Chris' journey at Facebook.com/CoastToCoastforMakeAWish. Donations can be made at www.RideForWishes.us.

Names in the News

Winlock FFA Members Honored at Banquet

The Winlock FFA chapter held its 79th annual Winlock FFA Banquet May 22. Following is a list of award winners:

Star Discovery Degree (top middle school member): Cassie Shipman

Star Greenhand Degree (top first-year high school member): Hannah Randall

Star Chapter Member in Agribusiness: Brianna Lowery

Star Chapter Farmer: Emma Johnson

First Year CDE Bronze Winners: Cassandra Shipman, Kelsey Steveson

(Career Development Event): Rebecca Meyers, Mika Hammond
Novice Parliamentary Procedure Awards: Hannah Randall, Rebecca Meyers, Rianna Whitehead, Mika Hammond, Katrina Rodriguez, Mireya Gonzalez

Creed: Gold: Hannah Randall; Silver: Rianna Whitehead; Bronze: Mika Hammond

Job Interview: Gold, Allison Wolf; Silver, Brianna Lower; Bronze, Micah Higgins

Parli Pro Bronze Winners: Katrina Rodriguez, Rianna Whitehead, Hannah Randall

Parli Pro Silver Winners: Emma Johnson, Sophie Randall, Randy Pennington

State Degree Recipients: Ricky Schaefer, Randy Pennington, Brianna Lowery, Sophie Randall, Emma Johnson

Poultry Team CDE: Silver: Brianna Lowery, Hannah Randall, Deven Miller; Bronze: Sophie Randall, Emma Johnson

Dairy Food CDE: Gold: Sophie Randall, Brianna Lowery, Randy Pennington, Christian Sykes, Emma Johnson

Food Science CDE Bronze: Christian Sykes, Sydney Gilreath, Rianna Whitehead, Hannah Randall, Mireya Gonzalez

Chapter Leadership Awards: Emma Johnson, Randy Pennington

Scholarship Awards: 12th grade, Allison Wolf; 11th grade, Emma Johnson; 10th grade, Kelly Archer; ninth grade, Justin Lewis; eighth grade, Cassandra Shipman; seventh grade, Cheleena Squibb, Jayme Arthur-Thompson

Dekelb Award (Top Senior Award): Randy Pennington

Alumni FFA Awards: Top Swine Showmanship, Chance Fisher; Top Broiler Production, Hannah Randall; Top Chicken Showmanship, Hannah Randall; Top Ag Mech exhibitor, Randy Pennington; Top Education exhibitor, Sydney Bradley

Extemporaneous Speaking Awards: Gold, Randy Pennington; Silver, Sydney Gilreath

Local Proficiency Award winners: Swine production, Emma Johnson; Ag Sales, Mireya Gonzalez

Honorary FFA Degrees: Deb Mizner, Ken Lowery, Pebbles Lowery

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W.F. West Graduation



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Above: The W.F. West High School gym erupts in a cloud of Silly String, following the commencement ceremony for the Class of 2014 Saturday. A total of 196 graduates received their diplomas.

Left: W.F. West class speaker Jacob Schneider refers to a Rubik's Cube during his speech to his peers at the W.F. West commencement ceremony Saturday evening.



Jesse Smith / for The Chronicle

W.F. West senior Cameron Panco, left, is presented his diploma from his 98-year-old great-grandfather Lee Davidson, who graduated from Chehalis High School in 1934.

1934 Chehalis Graduate Hands Great-Grandson Diploma at Graduation

GENERATIONS BRIDGED
Lee Davidson, 98, Greets Cameron Panco at Commencement

By Christopher Brewer
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If you were one who helped pack out the W.F. West High School gymnasium on Saturday to honor 196 Chehalis graduates, chances are you didn't notice anything terribly different about the faculty section near the stage. In fact, it's probably a safe bet that most, if not all, eyes were on the podium as graduates made their speeches, teachers handed out awards and staff commended students who earned scholarships.

Students walked up to the stage to get their diplomas and shake hands with school board member Joe Clark, who had the honor of handing out the diplomas.

Clark would hand them all out — except for one. Enter the man who sat incognito among the faculty.

History teacher Rob Sande read off name after name after name, but suddenly paused halfway through the ceremony and ceded the microphone to W.F. West principal Bob Walters.

"Ladies and gentlemen, we have a special presentation," Walters said.

To the stage came 98-year-old Lee Davidson, a 1934 Chehalis High School graduate who came to see his great-grandson Cameron Panco graduate. Walters described how Davidson had graduated from the city's old high school that once stood where Les Schwab Tires is now, at the corner of Market Boulevard and Main Avenue — and at that point, a quiet gym was transformed into a moment that rivaled a cheer for a basketball game, complete with a standing ovation.

Then, great-grandfather to great-grandson, one lifelong Chehalin to another, Davidson handed Panco his diploma in a moment that took less than one minute in total before the rest of the ceremony resumed.

"It was kind of a last minute thing, and I thought it was pretty neat," Panco said after the ceremony. "It went from pretty silent to pretty loud, really quick."

CAMERON'S MOTHER, Jennifer, came up with the idea not too long before graduation of having Davidson hand his great-grandson his diploma. She contacted superintendent Ed Rothlin, who put him through to Walters at the high school.

"I originally asked if he could be honored," Panco said of her grandfather. "I thought it would be an incredible thing."

Jennifer Panco told her grandfather about her plan, at which point she said he was initially overcome with emotion. At first it was going to be a surprise for Cameron, but in the days leading up to graduation the family told him what was going to take place.

"He and Cameron have a special relationship," Jennifer Panco said.

Davidson himself was rather modest when recalling the standing ovation he received, and the moment he gave his great-grandson the certificate acknowledging his transition from high school to adulthood.

"It was neat, I guess," Davidson said. "There really wasn't anything to it."

Cameron Panco will go on to Centralia College with a goal of receiving a general associate's degree. From there, he hopes to go to school to become an electrical lineman. But no matter where he goes from this moment forward, Panco says he will always remember Saturday's moment with his great-grandfather.

"It's just something so uncommon to see at a graduation," Panco said. "It was really cool."

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Derek Fisher Agrees to Coach the Knicks

NEW YORK (AP) — Derek Fisher has agreed to become the next coach of the New York Knicks and will be introduced at a news conference Tuesday morning, a person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press.

The Knicks did not confirm the hiring, other than saying they were planning a "major announcement."

The person who confirmed the deal to AP spoke on condition of anonymity because neither side authorized the public disclosure of any information related to the deal.

The 39-year-old Fisher just completed his 18th season, finishing his career with the Oklahoma City Thunder. He played under Knicks President Phil Jackson with the Los Angeles Lakers, and helped that franchise win five NBA titles.

Fisher would have been an unrestricted free agent this summer, though it was widely known that this season would be his last as a player. And once the Knicks failed to close a deal with Steve Kerr, Fisher was believed to be the next target on Jackson's list.



University of Washington's Robert Pehl (left) and Erik Forgiione (right) compete during the NCAA Oxford Regional at Oxford-University Stadium May 31-June 2. Pehl and Forgiione, both from Chehalis, were both selected in the 2014 MLB Draft on Saturday.

MLB



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Royals Take Pehl, Pirates Take Forgiione

By The Chronicle

Two W.F. West products and University of Washington teammates were selected on the final day of Major League Baseball's 2014 draft.

Robert Pehl and Erik Forgiione, both 2011 W.F. West High School graduates and juniors at UW, had their names called by the big leagues on Saturday.

Pehl, an outfielder who hit .259 this season with a team-high 13 doubles, was selected in the 11th round by the Kansas City Royals with the 333rd overall

pick. He was a Pac-12 Honorable Mention pick this season, and started all 59 games for the Pac-12 runner-up Huskies. He hit .266 with 14 doubles and 32 RBIs as a sophomore, and was a three-time Evergreen 2A Conference MVP as a pitcher and infielder in high school.

Forgiione, a shortstop and the Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year, was taken 761st by the Pittsburgh Pirates in the 25th round. Forgiione was also taken in the 2011 draft, out of high school, by the Los Angeles Angels in the 33rd round. He hit .279 as a

sophomore, but started just 21 games.

Pehl and Forgiione led the Bearcats to the State 2A championship as juniors back in 2010. This season they helped the Huskies to the championship round of the NCAA tournament's Oxford regional, where they lost, 3-2, in 10 innings to host Ole Miss, marking the best season for a Washington team since 2003.

The 2014 MLB Draft started Thursday and wrapped up with rounds 11 through 40 on Saturday. A total of seven Huskies

were selected on Saturday, including pitcher Jared Fisher (15th round, Phillies), outfielder Brian Wolfe (20th round, Dodgers), infielder Trevor Mitsui (30th round, Diamondbacks), Trevor Dunlap (30th round, Rays) and Andrew Ely (32nd round, Cubs).

Pitcher Jeff Brigham was selected in the fourth round by the Dodgers.

Players have until July 18 to sign with the clubs that selected them in the first-year player draft.

Pirates Win Larch Mountain Title



Kamen Lenzi / Courtesy Photo

The Pirates, sponsored by Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers, defended their Larch Mountain Little League title with a perfect 22-0 record this season. In the back row, from left, are manager Casey Lenzi, Skylar Holden, Duncan Rowe, Elijah Spitzer, Cade Lenzi, Logan Fry, coach Cory Lenzi, Kade Yakovich and coach Robert Fry. In the front row, from left, are Jakxen Wherry, Riley Cohron, Bodey Smith, Landon Hawes, Reese Cohron and Denton Fisher. The team wished to thank its sponsor for another great season.

Soccer

Sounders Douse Fire 3-2

BRIDGEVIEW, Ill. (AP) — Obofemi Martins scored twice before his first-half ejection, Lamar Neagle added the winner and the Seattle Sounders earned their league-high 10th victory, beating the Chicago Fire 3-2 Saturday night.

The Sounders (10-3-2) stopped Chicago's unbeaten streak. The Fire (2-4-8) had tied their last two matches.

Seattle midfielder Neagle scored on a screened shot from the left side to make it 3-1 in the 78th minute.

The Fire's Harry Shipp cut the lead to 3-2 four minutes later on his second goal of the night.

Sounders goalkeeper Stefan Frei stopped Juan Luis Anangono from 12 yards in the 88th minute to preserve the win.

Martins, who had missed an open net in the fifth minute, beat Chicago goalkeeper Sean John-

son in the 31st and 38th minutes. He was ejected for an altercation with the Fire's Benji Joya seconds after Shipp scored his first goal in the 41st minute.

Martins was ejected after wrestling the ball away from Joya and knocking him to the turf. Joya got up holding his jaw as a major shoving match ensued. Martins was the second player ejected.

Chicago's Jhon Kennedy Hurtado was ejected in the 37th minute for going after the ball and Martins with both feet in the air. Martins scored his second goal on the ensuing penalty kick.

Martins' first goal came from 10 yards out after he beat Fire defender Bakary Soumare to a loose ball after a deflection.

Shipp beat Frei for Chicago's first goal about 90 seconds after Martins' successful penalty kick.

NBA

Donald Sterling Says No Deal; Suit Is On

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling has pulled his support from a deal to sell the team to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer and will pursue his \$1 billion federal lawsuit against the NBA, his attorney said Monday.

"We have been instructed to prosecute the lawsuit," said attorney Maxwell Blecher. He said co-owner Donald Sterling would not be signing off on the deal to sell.

Donald Sterling issued a one-page statement dated Monday titled "The Team is not for Sale" and said that "from the onset, I did not want to sell the Los Angeles Clippers."

The \$2 billion sale was negotiated by his wife Shelly Sterling after Donald Sterling's racist remarks to a girlfriend were publicized and the NBA moved to oust him as owner.

The lawsuit alleges the league violated his constitutional rights by relying on information from an "illegal" recording that publicized racist remarks he made to a girlfriend. It also said the league committed a breach of contract by fining Sterling \$2.5 million and that it violated antitrust laws by trying to force a sale.

"I have decided that I must fight to protect my rights," Donald Sterling said. "While my position may not be popular, I believe that my rights to privacy and the preservation of my rights to due

process should not be trampled. I love the team and have dedicated 33 years of my life to the organization. I intend to fight to keep the team."

Donald Sterling had agreed to ink the deal and drop the suit last week assuming "all their differences had been resolved," his attorneys said. But individuals close to the negotiations who weren't authorized to speak publicly said he decided to not sign the papers after learning the NBA won't revoke its lifetime ban and fine.

"There was never a discussion involving the NBA in which we would modify Mr. Sterling's penalty in any way whatsoever. Any suggestion otherwise is complete fabrication," NBA spokesman Mike Bass said.

Shelly Sterling and her attorney Pierce O'Donnell declined to comment through representatives.

Shelly Sterling utilized her authority as sole trustee of The Sterling Family Trust, which owns the Clippers, to take bids for the team and ultimately negotiate a deal with Ballmer. The deal would be record-breaking if approved by the NBA's owners.

An individual familiar with the negotiations who wasn't authorized to speak publicly said Monday that there were two options for Donald Sterling — to either sign or go to court. But even

if he wins in court, he's ultimately winning a judgment against himself because his wife Shelly Sterling has agreed to indemnify the NBA against all lawsuits, including by her husband, the individual said.

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Junior Legion

Strawn, Tenino Hold Off Rochester, 6-4

By The Chronicle

TENINO — The Trappers got a solid effort from Kaleb Strawn and worked past Rochester, 6-4, in their junior American Legion summer debut here on Monday afternoon.

Strawn pitched the first six innings, striking out nine and allowing just five hits. Rochester's 4 runs all came in the third inning.

"Strawn had just that one inning where they scored some runs on him," Hogue said. "Overall, it was a great first game." Zeb Chamberlain went 2 for 4 with a pair of doubles and 2 RBIs for Tenino. Dylan Stakelin went 2 for 3 and drove in 2 runs.

Aaron Huff doubled and knocked in 2 runs for Rochester. The teams meet up again on Wednesday at 6 p.m. in Rochester.

NFL

Seattle's Sherman Doesn't Believe in Curses

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — Richard Sherman does not believe in video game curses.

The Seattle Seahawks' All-Pro cornerback will have his image plastered on the front of the next version of EA Sports' popular "Madden" football game. It's an honor that's allegedly been fraught with peril for some past recipients who have either had subpar seasons or suffered injuries the year they were on the cover.

"I don't think about anything like that. It's just something that's been fabricated, I think," Sherman said Monday.

The video game cover, the result of winning an online vote, is just another byproduct of what's become an offseason of accolades for Sherman. Whether it was new endorsements or a contract extension that made him the highest-paid cornerback in the NFL, there have been plenty of opportunities for Sherman to become distracted from his job.

Yet, whenever the Seahawks were holding a session as part of their offseason program, Sherman was there. Seattle coach Pete Carroll noted Monday that Sherman has missed "maybe a day" of the voluntary offseason program.

"It's voluntary but I'm a ball player. What else am I going to be doing? When you're a ball player at the heart and this is what you sleep, breathe and eat, this is where you want to be," Sherman said. "I couldn't imagine myself being anywhere else because you just feel the itch to be back on the field, to be back with your teammates, to be back out there getting better."



Ted S. Warren / The Associated Press

Seattle Seahawks cornerback Richard Sherman waits for a play to begin during a practice drill at an NFL football organized team activity, Monday in Renton, Wash.

That's not to say Sherman hasn't enjoyed being a Super Bowl champion. The perks have been plentiful, from endorsement deals to a contract that will keep him in Seattle through the 2018 season and pay him \$40 million in guaranteed money.

But that's meant little on the practice field during OTAs, other than providing fodder for teammates to joke with their star cornerback.

"I think it's more about love for the game that allows us not to get complacent," Sherman said. "That's why you've got All-Pros and Pro Bowlers are out here every day of OTAs playing like they're still fifth (round) and undrafted players trying to fight for a job. That's how it's always going to be."

Carroll said he believes Sherman has handled the offseason hoopla as well as possible while maintaining his commitment to the team. Part of that commitment means educating the younger players Seattle has drafted or signed in the hopes of finding another gem in the draft like

Seattle did getting Sherman in the fifth round.

"That's the kind of program we run here. You can show them better than you can tell them, with your actions. You fly to the ball, you play hard, you play disciplined, sound football and when they have questions you're there to answer their questions and you push them and make sure they know their assignments," Sherman said. "It's not like a lot of other programs where you are closed off and can't talk to anybody. We make sure we're open books."

Notes: Carroll said LB Bruce Irvin's hip surgery last week was successful and the team believes he'll be back by the start of the season. Carroll said it was an issue that had been bothering Irvin for some time. ... Rookie second-round draft pick WR Paul Richardson sat out practice as a precaution after landing on his shoulder last week. ... RB Robert Turbin had his knee "cleaned up" during the offseason and Carroll said that has helped Turbin stand out during OTAs.

Horse Racing

California Chrome's Triple Try Ends in Defeat

NEW YORK (AP) — California Chrome failed in his bid to win the first Triple Crown in 36 years on Saturday, losing the Belmont Stakes to long shot Tonalist and leaving his owner to complain others took "the coward's way out" by skipping the first two legs of the Triple Crown.

Before tens of thousands hoping to see history, the Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner finished in a dead-heat for fourth with Wicked Strong. California Chrome's loss extended the longest drought without a Triple Crown champion.

California Chrome co-owner Steve Coburn was bitter about horses skipping the first two legs and then stealing the Belmont. Six of the last eight Belmont winners did just that.

"That's the coward's way out," he said. "It's not fair to these horses that have been in the game since day one. If you don't make enough points to get into the Kentucky Derby, you can't run in the other two races. It's all or nothing."

Coburn thought the other 10 horses ganged up on California Chrome, who was second early, dropped to fourth and then fifth before dead-heating for fourth. Photos after the race showed Chrome also had a bloody gash on his right front foot, a minor injury that may have hurt his chances.

Coburn voiced a similar complaint after the Preakness, saying only the 20 horses that run in the Kentucky Derby should be eligible to compete in the other two legs. He also believed that horses skipping the Preakness should not be allowed to return in the Belmont.

Coburn had been in a festive mood earlier in the day, waving his cream-colored cowboy hat to fans and signing items they tossed to him in his box seat.

But the mood turned ugly after the race.

weeks proved too demanding for California Chrome, who was sent off as the heavy 4-5 favorite. Affirmed remains the most recent Triple Crown winner in 1978.

The raucous crowd of 102,199 — the third-largest in Belmont history — was silenced when it became obvious that California Chrome lacked his usual punch in the stretch.

Jockey Victor Espinoza realized long before then that his chestnut colt wasn't up to the grueling 1 1/2-mile trip around the track's sweeping turns.

"As soon as he came out of the gate, he wasn't the same," Espinoza said.

Tonalist, the fifth wagering choice at 9-1 odds, was a fresh and rested horse making his debut on the Triple Crown trail. He last ran and won the Peter Pan Stakes over the same Belmont dirt on May 10.

Tonalist beat Commissioner, another newcomer to the Triple Crown, by a head. Those two horses finished in the same order in the Peter Pan. Tonalist ran the distance in 2:28.52 and paid \$20.40, \$9.60 and \$7.

Commissioner returned \$23.20 and \$13.20, while Medal Count was another length back in third and paid \$13.20 to show.

Samraat was sixth, followed by General a Rod, Matterhorn, Commanding Curve, Matuszak and Ride On Curlin.

California Chrome broke quickly but was pressed immediately by Commissioner and General a Rod. Espinoza eased California Chrome back into third along the rail.

Approaching the final turn, California Chrome was maneuvered to the outside. He angled four-wide turning for home, just to the outside of Tonalist, who was close to the pace the entire race. Espinoza started whipping left-handed in the lane but California Chrome had no response. "I thought he was gaining

ground, but he didn't have it in him, apparently," Coburn said.

Tonalist joined the growing list of Triple Crown spoilers, making California Chrome the 12th horse since Affirmed to lose his Triple try in the Belmont, the longest race in the series. In 2012, I'll Have Another won the first two legs, but was scratched the day before the Belmont with a career-ending tendon injury.

"The Triple Crown itself, obviously it's tough," winning trainer Christophe Clement said. "If it would be easier to do it, then it would mean nothing."

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MLB

Cano's Hit 2-Run Double, Mariners Blank Rays Again

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Robinson Cano delivered the biggest hit of the day for the Seattle Mariners, but not before a perfectly executed drag bunt set up things against one of the best pitchers in baseball.



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James Jones went 3 for 4, including a bunt single that wound up in the middle of three converging players and loaded the bases for Cano, whose third-inning, opposite-field double drove in two runs in Monday's 3-0 victory over David Price and the sputtering Tampa Bay Rays.

"We're a team that has to do anything to win a game," Cano said. "We don't have three or four or five guys that'll hit 30 home runs, so we've got to play the little game, do the little things."

Five Seattle pitchers combined on a five-hitter, blanking the punchless Rays for the second straight days. The Mariners extended their scoreless streak to 19 innings and won for the eighth time in nine games.

"Our last seven or eight starts have been pretty darn good. Our starters have given us everything we've asked them and probably a little bit more," manager Lloyd McClendon said. "With that our bullpen is even better."

The Rays, who've made the playoffs four or the past six seasons, have lost 13 of 14 and are saddled with the worst record in the major leagues at 24-41. The last time they were 17 games under .500 was the end of 2007, the final year they were known as the Devil Rays.

"Right now, we're the worst



Chris O'Meara / The Associated Press

Seattle Mariners' Robinson Cano, right, follows the flight of his two-run single off Tampa Bay Rays starting pitcher David Price during the third inning of a baseball game Monday in St. Petersburg, Fla. Mariners' Willie Bloomquist, and John Buck scored on the hit. Catching for the Rays is Jose Molina.

team. I don't anticipate finishing like that ... but right now, we've earned that position," Tampa Bay manager Joe Maddon said.

"Do I believe we can turn this around? Absolutely," he said. "But right now, if you're a baseball fan watching us, and you look at everything, you have to consider us the worst team."

Cano's big hit came on an 0-2 pitch during a three-run third inning against Price (4-6), who struck out 10 in eight in-

nings. The 2012 AL Cy Young Award winner has dropped three straight decisions and hasn't won in nine starts since beating Minnesota on April 22.

"It just goes to show you how good this guy is," McClendon said of Cano. "Against one of the toughest lefties in baseball and down like that. ... That was a huge hit for us."

Mariners starter Erasmo Ramirez didn't allow a run, but failed to get through the fifth

inning to qualify for the victory. The 24-year-old right-hander allowed four hits and walked five in 4 2/3 innings.

Joe Beimel (1-1) retired the only two batters he faced to get the victory, and Fernando Rodney worked a perfect ninth for his 18th save in 20 opportunities.

The Rays were shut out for the AL-high ninth time overall.

Seattle finished a 6-1 road trip. The Mariners won three straight over Tampa Bay after

dropping the opener of the four-game series.

Price allowed three runs and seven hits and walked one. He has the best strikeout to walk ratio in baseball, but has also yielded a major league-leading 105 hits 99 2/3 innings.

The Rays stranded seven runners and were 0 for 5 with men in scoring position through four innings against Ramirez, who entered the game with a 6.82 ERA.

The frustration continued in the fifth, when Ramirez gave up a two-out double to James Loney and walked Ben Zobrist before McClendon turned to his bullpen.

Beimel fanned pinch-hitter Jerry Sands, ending the threat and eliciting smattering of groans and boos from the crowd of 10,400 at Tropicana Field.

"At some point, we have to get our bats alive," Maddon said.

"The effort is wonderful. The work is great," the manager added. "The hits aren't there."

Notes: Struggling Grant Balfour is out as the Rays' closer. Maddon said the team instead will close games by committee. ... Mariners 1B Justin Smoak (sore left leg) and OF Michael Saunders (sore right shoulder) were out of the starting lineup for the third consecutive game. ... Rays rookie right-hander Jake Odorizzi (2-6) will go against St. Louis ace Adam Wainwright (8-3) in the opener of a two-game interleague series Tuesday night.

Odorizzi grew up 35 minutes from St. Louis and called his start against the Cardinals a "special occasion." ... In a matchup of former teammates with Rakuten of Japan's Pacific League, Mariners RHP Hisashi Iwakuma (4-2) and Yankees RHP Masahiro Tanaka

Commentary

McGrath: Ninth-Inning Explosion Shows You Can't Count Out M's

By John McGrath
The Tacoma News Tribune

If the Seattle Mariners end up qualifying for the playoffs — and there's no reason to believe they can't — Sunday will be recalled as the game that defined their season.

Beating the league's worst team, on a day Felix Hernandez struck out 15 but was left with a no-decision, isn't proof the Mariners have crossed the threshold from middling plodders to serious contenders. But imagine the alternative. Imagine the headlines you didn't see.

Punchless Mariners waste 15K gem
Rays beat M's in 22 innings, 1-0

Hernandez makes demand: 'Put me in batting order'
Angry skipper shatters clubhouse TV with bat

OK, so maybe I'm exaggerating the fallout Sunday if the Mariners had lost.

Hernandez never has made an issue of the tepid run support he often gets, and manager Lloyd McClendon has seen too many games during his 34-year career

in professional baseball to go bonkers after losing one of them June 8.

But we'll never know, because the Mariners didn't lose June 8.

Instead, they put together a five-run rally during a ninth inning that began with Rays reliever Grant Balfour striking out Dustin Ackley and Cole Gillespie, setting up an inherently unfair confrontation between Balfour and Brad Miller.

Miller wasted no time putting himself in an 0-2 count, and you had a feeling — more than a feeling; actually, something like a deep conviction — what would happen on the next pitch.

Miller, who had one hit and four strikeouts in the series, either would swing and miss on a ball well out of the strike zone, or he wouldn't swing and instead take a ball thrown over the heart of the plate.

Instead, Miller took a swing and connected for his first triple since Sept. 2, back when he was a rookie who appeared to be Seattle's shortstop of the future instead of a project needing tutorial help in Tacoma.

Miller then scored on Endy

Chavez's RBI single, and Chavez scored behind Willie Bloomquist on James Jones' triple, and Jones and Robinson Cano scored on Kyle Seager's double.

When the dust was cleared from the plate, the 2014 Mariners were well on their way to winning a game any Mariners club of the past 10 years would have lost.

"A great game" was how McClendon summed up the 5-0 victory, for the most part a pitchers' duel between Hernandez and the Rays' Chris Archer. "That's what I call a game for the purists, the people who enjoy the game of baseball."

It also was a game for the dreamers, the people who imagine a crazy scenario and enjoy watching it fulfilled.

Scoring five ninth-inning runs with two outs and nobody on and a .170 hitter down 0-2 to a reliable closer?

That sort of thing only happens to enchanted teams with players who believe they are capable of creating magic and, thus, believe in magic.

Don Zimmer's death last week brings to mind another

team that believed in magic: the 1989 Chicago Cubs. "The Boys of Zimmer" — a manager for four teams over three decades, Zimmer won his only manager of the year award that season — weren't supposed to compete for a divisional title, much less earn one.

But Zimmer cobbled together lineups mixing such proven stars as Andre Dawson and Ryne Sandberg with kids and journeymen playing here, there and everywhere.

Among that group was an occasional outfielder/infielder/catcher named Lloyd McClendon, baseball's version of the sixth man in basketball.

In one game, the '89 Cubs beat the Houston Astros, 10-9, after trailing, 9-0, midway through.

McClendon's contribution to the comeback? Three hits, three RBIs.

A surprising spring became a magical summer, and though fall fell as it always falls on the North

Side of Chicago — we're talking about the Cubs, after all — "The Boys of Zimmer" won 93 times during a season in which they were expected to lose 93 times.

McClendon's Mariners will be hard-pressed to win 93 games in a division dominated by the league's best team, the Oakland Athletics.

But don't underestimate the potential of magic in the equation.

If the Mariners can score five runs with two outs and nobody on and Miller facing an 0-2 count against a reliever determined to strike out the side, they can do anything.

"We had a little luck," McClendon said, "and we'll take a little luck anytime we can get it."

A little luck in one game could be a precursor to a lot of luck down the road.

Luck has a way of revisiting those who don't give in after the second out of the ninth.



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Seattle Mariners starting pitcher Felix Hernandez throws during the first inning of a baseball game against the Tampa Bay Rays Sunday in St. Petersburg, Fla. The Mariners won 5-0.

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Racing

Dale Earnhardt Jr. Heating Up With Second Win of Season, First Ever at Pocono

LONG POND, Pa. (MCT) — You've been warned by Dale Earnhardt Jr.: Danger lies ahead.

That's good news for his legion of fans and likely for NASCAR.

Earnhardt passed Brad Keselowski with four of 160 laps remaining in Sunday's Pocono 400 to earn his first Sprint Cup Series victory at Pocono Raceway and his second series win of the season.

It's the first time since 2004 — when he won six times — that Earnhardt has had a multiple-win season, and the first during his six-plus year tenure at Hendrick Motorsports.

That improved performance may not bode well for the competition.

"We're doing some of our best work, certainly, right now. We should — we have a lot of passion and there's a lot of emotion, considering this is (crew chief) Steve (Letarte's) last year, and I think that also adds some drive and determination to the team to do as well as we can.

"So, that can be dangerous, I think, for everybody else if we win to get better. We're still not the best team. We can always improve, and there's areas where we can improve."

Earnhardt and his No. 88 Chevrolet team were not the best most of Sunday, but good enough to be in the right position at a critical time.

Brad Keselowski seemed to have the victory in hand on a restart with 11 laps remaining, but debris on his front grille spiked his engine temperatures to a dangerous level.

Keselowski attempted a daring move to slide in behind the lapped car of Danica Patrick in hopes the air would nudge the debris free, but the only thing he accomplished was allowing Earnhardt to pass him for the lead with four laps left.

Earnhardt also had debris on his grille but both he and Keselowski made it to the finish incident-free, leaving Earnhardt in Victory Lane and the fans in the grandstands on their feet in celebration long after the race was over.

"I don't know what his temperatures were, but they must have been very, very hot for Brad to do that," said Earnhardt, who earned his 21st career victory.

"I knew right then when he did that, he was so slow, I thought, 'We're going to pass him, we're going to take the lead.' I thought if I just run tidy corners, he would have trouble with the dirty air and wouldn't be able to get (back) to us."

Earnhardt was right.

Keselowski, who led a race high 95 laps, said he found himself in a difficult situation: He didn't believe his engine would make it to the finish without a quick fix.

"It was definitely a mistake because the engine made it, but it probably shouldn't have," he said. "It was one of those deals, I think I was going to get passed because I was really down on power down the straightaway."

Kurt Busch finished third, pole-winner Denny Hamlin was fourth and rookie Kyle Larson was fifth. Jeff Gordon, who finished eighth, reclaimed the series points lead and leads Matt Kenseth by 16 points.

Letarte said he didn't believe the No. 88 had the best car, but had lost races under similar uncontrollable circumstances as Sunday and was pleased to win one in that fashion.

"In the end you have to make it 400 miles. It's not a 395-mile race. Earlier in the race, we had paper on our grille, we had fall back. Luckily, the timing of that was about Lap 5 or 6 of the race so it didn't really affect the outcome," he said.

"It's a lot like the concrete last week (at Dover) and when you have tire issues at places or whatever it may be, there's adversity thrown at everyone, and that's what makes racing one of the cool, true reality TV (shows) in the world.

"No one really has any idea how it's going to end up."

HEAT-ED FINALS

LeBron Helps Miami Even Up Series

Eric Gay / The Associated Press

Miami Heat forward LeBron James (6) shoots as San Antonio Spurs forward Kawhi Leonard (2) looks on during the second half in Game 2 of the NBA basketball finals on Sunday in San Antonio. Miami won 98-96.

COOL WIN: LeBron James Scores 35 Points in Heat's 98-96 Win Over San Antonio in Game 2

By Roderick Boone

Newsday

SAN ANTONIO — Inside the comfortably cool arena, Spurs fans most likely wouldn't have complained if the air conditioning suddenly conked out again Sunday night, given the unstoppable freight train that was chugging along.

LeBron James' skin was scorching again, but this was of the other variety, the kind where he was so hot offensively that the slightest contact with his 6-8 frame could've singed a finger.

Even though the temperature was supposedly just a shade under 70 degrees, making it feel much cooler than the stifling atmosphere that engulfed AT&T Center in Thursday's series opener thanks to the air-conditioning system malfunctioning, James had little trouble heating up nearly three days after his severe cramping episode.

Miami's superstar scored 35 points, with 25 through the initial three quarters, and added 10 rebounds to propel the Heat to a series-evening 98-96 win over the Spurs in Game 2 of the NBA Finals.

The series shifts to Miami for Game 3 Tuesday.

"I just continued to attack," James said. "I just got off to a slow start."

The Heat has gone 47 straight playoff games without consecutive losses, the third-longest streak in NBA history.

Chris Bosh scored 18 points, including a big three-pointer late, and also made a nice pass to Dwyane Wade to give the Heat a 98-93 lead and seal the win. Wade and Rashard Lewis added 14 points apiece.

Tony Parker paced the Spurs



Eric Gay / The Associated Press

San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan, left, checks on guard Tony Parker during the second half in Game 2 of the NBA basketball finals against the Miami Heat on Sunday in San Antonio. Miami won 98-96.

with 21 points and seven assists, Patty Mills added 19 points off the bench and Tim Duncan powered his way to 18 points and 15 rebounds.

San Antonio faltered down the stretch, turning it over and going cold. The Spurs went scoreless for nearly the final 2:25 of the game. Their lone bucket during that span was Manu Ginobili's meaningless three at the buzzer, a disappointing end to a game the Spurs surely believed they could have won if they made another play here or there.

After nearly three full days of nonstop chatter and many outsiders questioning why James didn't get some more fluid in him and simply suck it up, he claimed he wasn't the least bit eager to silence the critics and skeptics. But some of the meanmugging he was doing following some heat-check-type buckets likely said otherwise, further underscoring just how ready James was to get back on the court and keep the Heat from falling into a

2-0 series deficit for the first time since James joined forces with Wade and Bosh to form Miami's Big Three.

James missed his first three shots before hammering down a righthanded stuff. He had a confident bounce in his step soon thereafter, immersing himself in a stretch in which he canned 12 of 15 shots.

After a brief rest to start the fourth quarter, James checked in with 9:22 left and the Heat ahead 83-80. His pull-up three with 6:09 left handed Miami an 88-87 lead. A big three by Parker put San Antonio ahead 93-92 with 2:25 left, but James found Bosh wide open for a corner three that made it 95-93 with 1:18 left.

"As soon as my guy leaves, one of two things are going to happen," Bosh said. "LeBron is going to shoot it and I'm getting back on defense, or he's going to pass to me and I'm going to shoot it. I know some people always question the motive and, you know, your opportunity.

When you have the chance, you take it."

After scoring just two points in the first quarter, James sparked the Heat in the second, scoring eight straight points during one span and giving Miami a 34-33 edge, its first lead of the game, on a putback with 5:07 left.

It was 43-43 at the half.

James spent the past two days hydrating himself, and Sunday took a yoga class at the team hotel, but said he didn't do anything out of his normal pregame routine Sunday night, this after needing two IVs and seven anti-cramping pills during and after Game 1. Perhaps he shouldn't change things up in Game 3, either, not after turning in the kind of performance that further solidifies his status as the world's best.

"Look, he's the best player in the game," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said. "He has an incredible way to put his fingerprints on a game in a lot of different areas."

Scorching-hot fingertips.

Scoreboard

Preps

Local Results
At Tenino
TENINO 6, ROCHESTER 4
 Rochester 004 000 0 — 4 5 3
 Tenino 300 021 x — 6 9 1
Batteries: Rochester — Urvina and McCarthy; Tenino — Strawn, Wall (7) and Gilbreath

Local

Local Bowling
June 1-June 7 Results
FAIRWAY LANES
Top 5 Special Rec (2 games)
 1. Joy Watson 283; 2. Charlie Mitchell 271; 3. Don Bailey 268; 4. Bruce Thorsen 267; 5. Daryl Hull 266; High Game: Joy Watson 161

NBA

National Basketball Association
NBA Playoff Glance
All Times PDT
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Miami 4, Indiana 2
 Sunday, May 18: Indiana 107, Miami 96
 Tuesday, May 20: Miami 87, Indiana 83
 Saturday, May 24: Miami 99, Indiana 87
 Monday, May 26: Miami 102, Indiana 90
 Wednesday, May 28: Indiana 93, Miami 90
 Friday, May 30: Miami 117, Indiana 92

WESTERN CONFERENCE
San Antonio 4, Oklahoma City 2
 Monday, May 19: San Antonio 122, Oklahoma City 105
 Wednesday, May 21: San Antonio 112, Oklahoma City 77
 Sunday, May 25: Oklahoma City 106, San Antonio 97
 Tuesday, May 27: Oklahoma City 105, San Antonio 92
 Thursday, May 29: San Antonio 117, Oklahoma City 89
 Saturday, May 31: San Antonio 112, Oklahoma City 107 (OT)

NBA FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
San Antonio 1, Miami 1
 Thursday, June 5: San Antonio 110, Miami 95
 Sunday, June 8: Miami 98, San Antonio 96
 Tuesday, June 10: San Antonio at Miami, 6 p.m.
 Thursday, June 12: San Antonio at Miami, 6 p.m.
 x-Sunday, June 15: Miami at San Antonio, 5 p.m.
 x-Tuesday, June 17: San Antonio at Miami, 6 p.m.
 x-Friday, June 20: Miami at San Antonio, 6 p.m.

MLB

Standings
All Times PST
American League

EAST DIV.	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	39	26	.600	—
Baltimore	32	30	.516	5½
New York	31	31	.500	6½
Boston	28	35	.444	10
Tampa Bay	24	41	.369	15

CENTRAL

Detroit	33	27	.550	—
Cleveland	33	31	.516	2
Chicago	32	33	.492	3½
Kansas City	31	32	.492	3½
Minnesota	29	33	.468	5

WEST

Oakland	39	25	.609	—
Los Angeles	35	28	.556	3½
Seattle	34	29	.540	4½
Texas	31	33	.484	8
Houston	29	36	.446	10½

National League

EAST DIV.	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	33	29	.532	—
Washington	33	29	.532	—
Miami	33	30	.524	½
New York	28	35	.444	5½
Philadelphia	25	36	.410	7½

CENTRAL

Milwaukee	38	26	.594	—
St. Louis	33	31	.516	5
Pittsburgh	30	33	.476	7½
Cincinnati	29	33	.468	8
Chicago	25	36	.410	11½

WEST

San Francisco	42	22	.656	—
Los Angeles	34	31	.523	8½
Colorado	29	34	.460	12½
San Diego	28	35	.444	13½
Arizona	28	38	.424	15

Saturday's Results
 St. Louis 5, at Toronto 0
 at Minnesota 8, Houston 0
 Cleveland 8, at Texas 3
 at Chicago Cubs 5, Miami 2
 Milwaukee 9, at Pittsburgh 3
 at Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 5
 at Colorado 5, LA Dodgers 4
 Seattle 7, at Tampa Bay 4
 at Baltimore 6, Oakland 3
 at Detroit 8, Boston 6
 at Kansas City 8, NY Yankees 4
 at LA Angels 6, Chicago White Sox 5
 at San Francisco 5, NY Mets 4
 at San Diego 4, Washington 3
 at Arizona 4, Atlanta 3

Sunday's Results
 St. Louis 5, at Toronto 0
 at Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 1
 Oakland 11, at Baltimore 1
 Milwaukee 1, at Pittsburgh 0
 Seattle 5, at Tampa Bay 0
 at Kansas City 2, NY Yankees 1
 Houston 14, at Minnesota 5
 Miami 4, at Chicago Cubs 3
 Cleveland 3, at Texas 2
 at LA Angels 4, Chicago White Sox 2
 at San Francisco 6, NY Mets 4
 Washington 6, at San Diego 0
 LA Dodgers 6, at Colorado 1

at Arizona 6, Atlanta 5
 Boston 5, at Detroit 3

Monday's Results
 Seattle 3, at Tampa Bay 0
 LA Dodgers 6, at Cincinnati 2
 at Baltimore 4, Boston 0
 at Pittsburgh 6, Chicago Cubs 2
 at Toronto 5, Minnesota 4
 Cleveland 17, at Texas 7
 at Chicago White Sox 6, Detroit 5
 Atlanta 3, at Colorado 1
 Houston 4, at Arizona 3
 at LA Angels 4, Oakland 1
 Washington 9, at San Francisco 2

Tuesday's Games
 Houston at Arizona, 12:40 p.m.
 Boston at Baltimore, 4 p.m.
 San Diego at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.
 Minnesota at Toronto, 4 p.m.
 LA Dodgers at Cincinnati, 4 p.m.
 Milwaukee at NY Mets, 4 p.m.
 St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
 Miami at Texas, 5 p.m.
 Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 5 p.m.
 Cleveland at Kansas City, 5 p.m.
 Atlanta at Colorado, 5:40 p.m.
 Oakland at LA Angels, 7 p.m.
 NY Yankees at Seattle, 7 p.m.
 Washington at San Francisco, 7 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
 Minnesota at Toronto, 9:30 a.m.
 Cleveland at Kansas City 11 a.m.
 Boston at Baltimore, 4 p.m.
 San Diego at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.
 LA Dodgers at Cincinnati, 4 p.m.
 Milwaukee at NY Mets, 4 p.m.
 St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
 Miami at Texas, 5 p.m.
 Detroit at Chicago White Sox, 5 p.m.
 Arizona at Houston, 5 p.m.
 Atlanta at Colorado, 5:40 p.m.
 Oakland at LA Angels, 7 p.m.
 NY Yankees at Seattle, 7 p.m.
 Washington at San Francisco, 7 p.m.

Major League Leaders
American League
Batting Average
 1. Alex Rios, TEX .335
 2. Victor Martinez, DET .332
 3. Robinson Cano, SEA .330
 4. Miguel Cabrera, DET .329
 5. Jose Altuve, HOU .321

Home Runs
 1. Nelson Cruz, BAL 21
 2. Edwin Encarnacion, TOR 20
 3. Jose Abreu, CHW 18
 4. Josh Donaldson, OAK 17
 5. Brandon Moss, OAK 16

Runs Batted In
 1. Nelson Cruz, BAL 55
 2. Edwin Encarnacion, TOR 53
 2. Brandon Moss, OAK 53
 4. Miguel Cabrera, DET 52
 5. Josh Donaldson, OAK 50

Wins
 1. Mark Buehrle, TOR 10
 2. Masahiro Tanaka, NYY 9
 3. Felix Hernandez, SEA 8
 3. Rick Porcello, DET 8
 5. James Shields, KC 7

Earned Run Average
 1. Masahiro Tanaka, NYY 2.02
 2. Mark Buehrle, TOR 2.04
 3. Scott Kazmir, OAK 2.20
 4. Yu Darvish, TEX 2.36
 5. Felix Hernandez, SEA 2.39

Saves
 1. Fernand Holland, KC 18
 1. Greg Holland, KC 18
 3. Glen Perkins, MIN 16
 4. David Robertson, NYY 14
 5. Joakim Soria, TEX 13

National League
Batting Average
 1. Troy Tulowitzki, COL .354
 2. Jonathan Lucroy, MIL .335
 3. Yasiel Puig, LAD .333
 4. Matt Adams, STL .325
 5. Angel Pagan, SF .323

Home Runs
 1. Troy Tulowitzki, COL 17
 1. Giancarlo Stanton, MIA 17
 3. Justin Upton, ATL 14
 4. Michael Morse, SF 13
 4. Ian Desmond, WSH 13

Runs Batted In
 1. Giancarlo Stanton, MIA 53
 2. Paul Goldschmidt, ARI 47
 3. Michael Morse, SF 42
 3. Troy Tulowitzki, COL 42
 5. Ryan Howard, PHI 41

Wins
 1. Adam Wainwright, STL 8
 1. Madison Bumgarner, SF 8
 1. Zack Greinke, LAD 8
 1. Alfredo Simon, CIN 8
 5. Kyle Lohse, MIL 7

Earned Run Average
 1. Julio Teheran, ATL 1.89
 2. Tim Lincecum, SF 1.97
 2. Johnny Cueto, CIN 1.97
 4. Andrew Cashner, SD 2.13
 5. Adam Wainwright, STL 2.31

Saves
 1. Sergio Romo, SF 20
 2. Francisco Rodriguez, MIL 19
 3. Huston Street, SD 18
 4. Kenley Jansen, LAD 17
 4. Craig Kimbrel, ATL 17

NHL

Standings
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
N.Y. Rangers 4, Montreal 2
 Saturday, May 17: N.Y. Rangers 7, Montreal 2
 Monday, May 19: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 1
 Thursday, May 22: Montreal 3, NY Rangers 2, OT
 Sunday, May 25: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 2, OT
 Tuesday, May 27: Montreal 7, NY Rangers 4
 Thursday, May 29: NY Rangers 1, Montreal 0

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Los Angeles 4, Chicago 3
 Sunday, May 18: Chicago 3, Los Angeles 1
 Wednesday, May 21: Los Angeles 6, Chicago 2
 Saturday, May 24: Los Angeles 4, Chicago 3
 Monday, May 26: Los Angeles 5, Chicago 2
 Wednesday, May 28: Chicago 5, Los Angeles 4 (Final 2OT)
 Friday, May 30: Chicago 4, Los Angeles 3
 Sunday, June 1: Los Angeles 5, Chicago 4 (OT)

FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Los Angeles 1, N.Y. Rangers 0
 Wednesday, June 4: Los Angeles 3, NY Rangers 2, OT
 Saturday, June 7: Los Angeles 5, NY Rangers 4(2 OT)
 Monday, June 9: Los Angeles 3, NY Rangers 0
 Wednesday, June 11: Los Angeles at NY Rangers, 5 p.m.
 x-Friday, June 13: NY Rangers at Los Angeles, 5 p.m.
 x-Monday, June 16: Los Angeles at NY Rangers, 5 p.m.
 x-Wednesday, June 18: NY Rangers at Los Angeles, 5 p.m.

GOLF

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FINAL RESULTS

Pos.	Player	To Par
1.	Ben Crane	-10
2.	Troy Merritt	-9
3.	Webb Simpson	-8
T3.	Carl Pettersson	-8
T6.	Ian Poulter	-7
T6.	James Hahn	-7
T6.	Andrew Svoboda	-7
T6.	Billy Horschel	-7
T6.	Brian Harman	-7
T11.	Phil Mickelson	-6
T11.	Camilo Villegas	-6
T13.	Rickie Fowler	-5
T13.	Ben Martin	-5
T13.	J.J. Henry	-5
T13.	Chesson Hadley	-5
T13.	Ted Potter, Jr.	-5
T13.	Austin Cook	-5
T19.	Brooks Koepka	-4
T19.	Will Wilcox	-4
T19.	John Peterson	-4
T19.	Tim Clark	-4
T19.	Peter Malnati	-4
T24.	Paul Casey	-3
T24.	Graeme McDowell	-3
T24.	Dustin Johnson	-3
T24.	Jason Bohn	-3
T28.	George McNeill	-2
T28.	Charlie Wi	-2
T28.	Steve Marino	-2
T28.	Charles Howell III	-2
T32.	Tommy Gainey	-1
T32.	Cameron Tringale	-1
T32.	Danny Lee	-1
T32.	Jhonattan Vegas	-1
T32.	Ryan Palmer	-1
T32.	William McGirt	-1
T32.	Tim Wilkinson	-1
T32.	Heath Slocum	-1
T32.	Ben Curtis	-1
T32.	Scott Stallings	-1
T43.	Luke Guthrie	E
T43.	Sean O'Hair	E
T43.	Davis Love III	E
T46.	Chad Campbell	+1
T46.	Boo Weekley	+1
T46.	Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	+1
T46.	Robert Streb	+1
T50.	Kevin Kisner	+2
T50.	John Rollins	+2
T50.	Ryuji Imada	+2
T53.	Zach Johnson	+3
T53.	Miguel Angel Carballo	+3
T53.	Stuart Appleby	+3
T53.	Stewart Cink	+3
T53.	Jeff Overton	+3
T53.	Woody Austin	+3
T53.	Benjamin Alvarado	+3
T60.	Martin Laird	+4
T60.	Freddie Jacobson	+4
T60.	Greg Owen	+4
T63.	John Merrick	+5
T63.	Shawn Stefani	+5
T65.	Jerry Kelly	+6
T65.	Padraig Harrington	+6
T65.	Martin Flores	+6
68.	Josh Teater	+7
T69.	Justin Leonard	+8
T69.	David Lingmerth	+8
71.	John Daly	+11

Money Leaders
As of June 10

Golfer	Amount
1. Bubba Watson	\$4,978,679
2. Jimmy Walker	\$4,722,074
3. Dustin Johnson	\$3,755,920
4. Matt Kuchar	\$3,566,602
5. Jordan Spieth	\$3,369,464
6. Patrick Reed	\$3,048,426
7. Jim Furyk	\$2,919,936
8. Chris Kirk	\$2,784,092
9. Harris English	\$2,616,972
10. Adam Scott	\$2,521,450
11. Brendon Todd	\$2,477,223
12. Webb Simpson	\$2,430,355
13. Matt Every	\$2,414,425
14. Kevin Na	\$2,404,228
15. Zach Johnson	\$2,326,243
16. Ryan Moore	\$2,321,217
17. Martin Kaymer	\$2,318,601
18. Hideki Matsuyama	\$2,293,868
19. John Senden	\$2,163,404
20. Graham Delaet	\$2,081,196
21. Sergio Garcia	\$2,057,866
22. Gary Woodland	\$2,043,012
23. Jason Day	\$2,035,780
24. Kevin Stadler	\$1,969,998
25. Rory McIlroy	\$1,890,140
26. J.B. Holmes	\$1,877,040
27. Ryan Palmer	\$1,798,213
28. Will MacKenzie	\$1,782,250
29. Charles Howell III	\$1,778,539
30. Matt Jones	\$1,769,235
31. Keegan Bradley	\$1,720,279
32. Seung-yul Noh	\$1,703,172
33. Justin Rose	\$1,696,179
34. Brian Stuard	\$1,653,918
35. Russell Henley	\$1,635,327

36. Rickie Fowler	\$1,617,076
37. Jason Dufner	\$1,593,086
38. Charley Hoffman	\$1,467,956
39. Bill Haas	\$1,455,767
40. Graeme McDowell	\$1,417,975

NASCAR

2014 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series at Pocono Sunday, June 8

FINAL RESULTS

Driver	Make
1. Brad Earnhardt Jr.	Chevrolet
2. Dale Keselowski	Ford
3. Kurt Busch	Chevrolet
4. Denny Hamlin	Toyota
5. Kyle Larson	Chevrolet
6. Jimmie Johnson	Chevrolet
7. Ryan Newman	Chevrolet
8. Jeff Gordon	Chevrolet
9. Martin Truex Jr.	Chevrolet
10. Jamie McMurray	Chevrolet
11. Clint Bowyer	Toyota
12. Kyle Busch	Toyota
13. Tony Stewart	Chevrolet
14. Kevin Harvick	Chevrolet
15. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	Ford
16. Greg Biffle	Ford
17. Austin Dillon	Chevrolet
18. David Ragan	Ford
19. Brian Vickers	Toyota
20. Michael Annett	Chevrolet
21. AJ Allmendinger	Chevrolet
22. Aric Almirola	Ford
23. Casey Mears	Chevrolet
24. Marcos Ambrose	Ford
25. Matt Kenseth	Toyota
26. Paul Menard	Chevrolet
27. Justin Allgaier	Chevrolet
28. David Gilliland	Ford
29. Travis Kvapil	Ford
30. Cole Whitt	Toyota
31. Alex Bowman	Toyota
32. Ryan Truex	Toyota
33. Landon Cassill	Chevrolet
34. Reed Sorenson	Chevrolet
35. Josh Wise	Ford
36. Timmy Hill	Toyota
37. Danica Patrick	Chevrolet

NASCAR Spring Cup Fed Ex Point Standings As of June 10

Driver	Points
1. Jeff Gordon	498
2. Matt Kenseth	482
3. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	476
4. Jimmie Johnson	475
5. Brad Keselowski	448
6. Kyle Busch	443
7. Carl Edwards	441
8. Denny Hamlin	420
9. Joey Logano	418
10. Kyle Larson	417
11. Ryan Newman	411
12. Kevin Harvick	403
13. Brian Vickers	392
14. Greg Biffle	385
16. Austin Dillon	385
16. Clint Bowyer	383
17. Paul Menard	380
18. Tony Stewart	368
19. Aric Almirola	366
20. AJ Allmendinger	360
21. Kasey Kahne	351
23. Marcos Ambrose	351
24. Jamie McMurray	351
24. Martin Truex Jr.	324
25. Casey Mears	322
26. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	290
27. Kurt Busch	283
28. Danica Patrick	246
29. Justin Allgaier	241
30. Michael Annett	212
31. Cole Whitt	195
32. David Gilliland	191
33. David Ragan	184
34. Reed Sorenson	175
35. Alex Bowman	169
36. Josh Wise	158
37. Ryan Truex	108
38. Travis Kvapil	97
39. Michael McDowell	63
40. Parker Kligerman	54
41. Terry Labonte	44
42. David Reutimann	37
43. David Stremme	29
47. Bobby Labonte	29
45. Jeff Burton	27
46. Michael Waltrip	23
47. Brett Moffitt	22
48. Timmy Hill	19
49. Dave Blaney	16
50. Alex Kennedy	5

WNBA

Standings
As of June 10

Eastern Conference

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB

Prep Softball

All-Area: Olson Headlines Top Softball Talent of 2014

By Brandon Hansen

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Mackenzie Olson took just one game to show that Napavine was serious about the 2014 State 2B Softball Tournament. Olson struck out 10 against two-time state runner up Northwest Christian in a 2-1 victory for the Tigers in their tournament opener.

They rode that momentum all the way to the state title game.

The leader of a talented Napavine team, Olson is The Chronicle's 2014 All-Area MVP after going out with a bang her senior season. At the state tournament, she zeroed in on the strike zone and allowed just four runs in the Tigers' first three state tournament games.

"I felt like this was the most focused I've ever been," Olson said. "We had a huge upset of Northwest Christian in our first game. I mean I knew we were going to win but other people thought it was an upset. We have a good quality team."

She ended the tournament with 26 strikeouts and her Tigers finished second in the state — the top mark of any team in the area this year. This wasn't a fluke for Olson, a four-year softball star player for Napavine that began playing when she was four years old and was on a select softball team in fifth grade.

Olson can also stroke the ball at the plate. This season she hit .560 with nine home runs and nine doubles, along with a 20-7 mark — and 130 strikeouts — in the circle.

The Napavine graduate will now play softball at the Community Colleges of Spokane, while beginning her studies in mental health counseling.

She's joined on the Chronicle's All-Area softball team by fellow Tigers Grace Hamre and Karlee Bornstien. Hamre posted a .475 batting average with four home runs, eight doubles and three triples. Meanwhile Bornstien slugged six home runs to go along with five triples, eight doubles and a .458 batting average.

Finishing third at the State 2B softball tournament was Morton-White Pass, led by Central 2B League MVP and Portland State-bound Ashley Kelly. Kelly makes the All-Area team after batting .598 with six home runs, seven triples and 12 doubles. She also had a fielding percentage at shortstop of .945.

Kelly is joined by MWP catcher Darian Atkinson, who hit .409 on the season with four home runs, two triples and four doubles. She also caught every game of the State 2B softball tournament this year. She'll play softball at Yakima Valley Community College next year.

"If we don't have Darian catching for us, we don't take third place," Morton-White Pass coach Darin Allen said. "Darian is a great kid. She doesn't say much but kind of leads quietly."

Atkinson and Kelly both played 100 games for Morton-White Pass in their careers. They also helped the Timberwolves set a school record for team home runs.

"It's been quite a career for those two, they've been playing together since they were little kids," Allen said. "They're going to be greatly missed since they're both seniors."

Pe Ell's Kayla Capps made the All-Area Softball team after helping leading the Trojans to within a win of placing at the State 2B

softball tournament this year. She hit .585 in her senior season and is a three-sport athlete for Pe-Ell.

Adna also advanced to the State 2B tournament and used the potent punch of Shanay Dotson and Cheyenne Gilbertson's bats to get to the semifinal rounds. The two are natural selections for the All-Area team after Dotson hit .428 and only struck out three times during the season, while Gilbertson hit .400 with 27 RBIs, four home runs and eight doubles.

"When you have two girls like that, you can't pitch around them," Adna coach Mike Raschke said. "They're also two of the top defensive players in the league. With these two, you get the whole package."

In the 2A ranks, Centralia's Mackenzie Wasson earned All-Area honors after being a four-year star for the Tigers. Wasson struck out 99 in the circle while pitching 14 games for Centralia. She also hit .515 with a .580 on-base percentage to go along with nine home runs and 41 RBIs.

Wasson was also named the Evergreen 2A Conference's Offensive MVP.

W.F. West went undefeated during the regular season and finished fifth at the State 2A Softball Tournament. The pitching combo of Ali Graham and Mattie Boucher was unstoppable and nearly unhittable as the two made the All-Area team.

Boucher went 10-0 during the regular season, striking out 80 batters and posting a 1.08 earned run average. Meanwhile, Graham posted nearly identical numbers, going 9-0 with a 1.37 earned run average and 63 strikeouts.

Graham led the team in hitting with a .578 average during the regular season with 11 doubles and 35 RBI. In the postseason, she bumped that average up to .600.

The Bearcats power, however, came from Jessica McKay, who hit .577 with two home runs, four doubles and 27 RBIs. She exploded in the postseason for five home runs and 11 RBIs.

After finishing third in the SWW Evergreen 1A Division standings, Rochester's Jessica Glacken and Sierra Seymour each garnered a spot on the All-Area team. Both were first-team selections on the SWW 1A League Evergreen Division All-League team. They were also a win away from the State 1A softball tournament.



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Napavine's Mackenzie Olson was named The Chronicle's 2014 All-Area MVP.

ON THE COVER

Clockwise, from top left:

W.F. West's Ali Graham, Morton-White Pass' Darian Atkinson, Napavine's Grace Hamre, Napavine's Karlee Bornstien, Adna's Cheyenne Gilbertson, Adna's Shanay Dotson, Pe Ell's Kayla Capps, Centralia's Mackenzie Wasson, Rochester's Sierra Seymour, W.F. West's Jessica McKay, Morton-White Pass's Ashley Kelly, Rochester's Jessica Glacken, W.F. West's Mattie Boucher, and, in the center, Napavine's Mackenzie Olson. Photo illustration by Pete Caster.

2014 ALL-AREA SOFTBALL

MVP: Mackenzie Olson, Napavine, P/IF

Jessica McKay	W.F. West	SS
Ali Graham	W.F. West	P/1B
Mattie Boucher	W.F. West	P
Ashley Kelley	MWP	SS
Darian Atkinson	MWP	C
Mackenzie Wasson	Centralia	P/IF
Grace Hamre	Napavine	SS
Karlee Bornstien	Napavine	C
Cheyenne Gilbertson	Adna	OF
Shanay Dotson	Adna	SS
Kayla Capps	Pe Ell	IF
Jessica Glacken	Rochester	P/IF
Sierra Seymour	Rochester	P/IF



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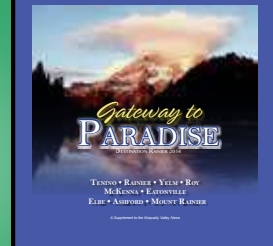
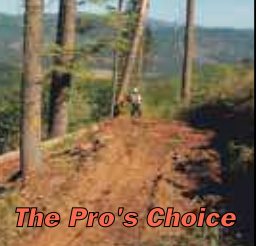
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One of Julie Johnson's painted china plates.

Old-Fashioned Made New

China Painting: Toledo Woman Excels in Antique Artwork

By Carrina Stanton
For The Chronicle

Walking into Julie Johnson's Toledo home, the casual observer might think she is a collector of antique china.

But those aren't antiques. They are Johnson's handiwork.

"I think that's what originally drew me to this art form," Johnson said. "I love that antique look."

Johnson practices the art of china painting. First developed in China in the 1300s, it is an art form that uses heat to embed colors into the glaze of plain china pieces. Johnson started learning the art form more than 20 years ago and said she loves it for the challenge, the variety and the opportunity to preserve an art form.

"It's kind of a dying art," Johnson said. "You don't see many young women or girls learning it anymore."

Johnson, who has worked for the Centralia College Foundation for 17 years, said she has always loved art but did not really actively pursue it until well into adulthood. Her husband,

Bob, is originally from Toledo and she is from California. The two met and dated as college students but then went their separate ways. They reunited after both of their first marriages ended and were married in 1991. Johnson said when she agreed to marry Bob and move to Washington her one stipulation was she did not want to have to work since she had already experienced being a sole caregiver for her daughters (then in fifth and eighth grade).

"The first couple weeks were fine but then I didn't have any family or friends or a job here and I got so bored," she recalled.

Bob encouraged her to take up a hobby she previously had not had time for as a full-time working mother. She remembered how much she had loved oil painting and then hit on the idea to try china painting, which used similar techniques.

"I have always loved that style, the antique-y look of the paint and the subject matter," she explained.

Johnson found a china painter near Longview who was willing to teach her the art form. In china painting, art-

ists use paint mixed with mineral oil that is either "closed" (which dries soon after being applied) or "open" (which stays wet and movable long after application). With either style, the medium is very similar to watercolor paints in that the paint is fairly transparent when applied. Colors are added in layers and each layer is fired in a kiln before the next layer of colors is added.

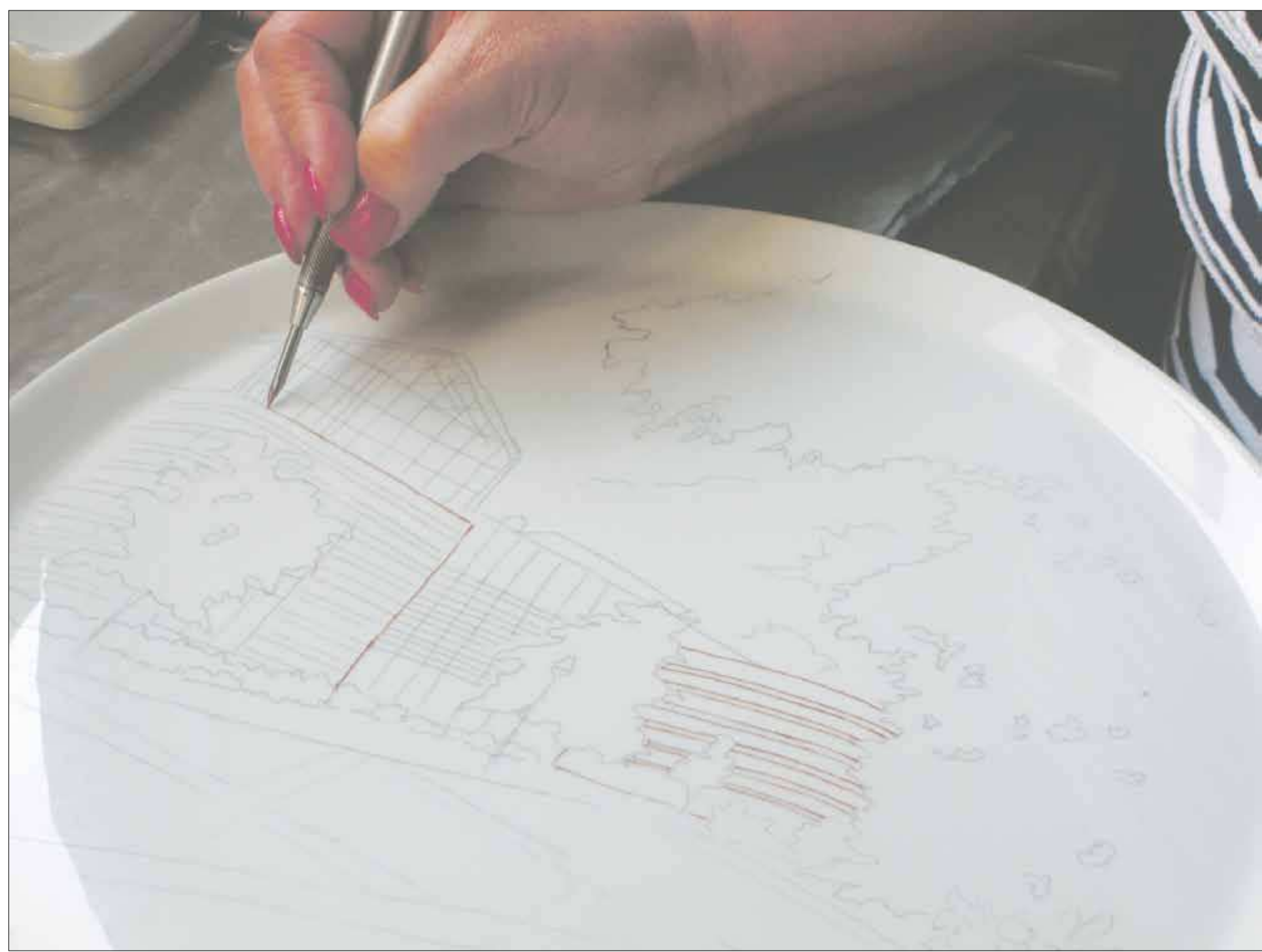
A piece typically goes through five to 10 firings before it is finished. Different colors require different kiln temperatures. Too cool a temperature and the color will not become correctly fused with the glaze of the china piece. Too hot and the color will be burned off. The correct kiln temperature is accomplished by placing different sized cones in the kiln with the painted piece. Each cone will slump at a specific temperature, causing the kiln to shut off at just the right moment.

Johnson's first piece was a country style goose painted on a trivet, which she keeps on the windowsill directly in front of her home work space. She



Julie Johnson at her Toledo home with one of her creations, a painted china platter.

please see **CHINA** page Life 2



Photos by Carrina Stanton / For The Chronicle

A close-up of the pen tool Julie Johnson uses for fine lines in her china painting.

China

Continued from page Life 1

recalled that when she was first learning to paint china, she did not own a kiln so she would go down to the studio, paint, then come back the next week to put on the next layer of paint, so the process was even more tedious. Very quickly, she realized she needed her own kiln and Bob built her a space off their home workshop for just that.

Johnson usually buys factory second white china directly from manufacturers for her art. But she said she often picks up great pieces at garage sales and estate sales, as well as from other painters. She said often the shape of a piece, be it a plate, a cup or a vase, will determine the style in which she will paint. She said she especially loves floral because they are more open to interpretation.

More recently she made two architectural pieces: a plate featuring the Centralia College clock tower for the retirement of the college's public relations director Don Frey; and a plate featuring the college's science building for the retirement of James Walton. The only other time she strayed from florals was when her father requested a mug featuring deer.

"I've never done a portrait and I haven't done many animals because you have to be a lot more exact," she said.

When she isn't painting in the evenings, Johnson said, she spends a lot of her free time sketching potential designs for her china. Once she sketches an image, it is traced, usually with black wax pencil, onto the surface of the piece and then painted. She said inspiration can come from just about anywhere, such as recently when she came up with a design mimicking flowers she saw on a Kleenex box.

"I'm always on the lookout for designs and patterns that attract me," she said.

"It's kind of nice to be able to give someone something that's part of you. You always know they will treasure it."

Julie Johnson
china painter

Johnson said over the more than 20 years she has been painting china, there have been times when she has painted less and times when she has painted more but she has always been making art.

"I guess of late I've kind of felt the challenge of being able to put things down artistically," Johnson said. "Even when I go to sleep I'm thinking of shapes and colors. When I drive to and from work I'm looking at clouds and thinking 'OK, that one is baby blue and that's more of a gray.' It's just become more of my world."

Each spring she attends the Oregon Porcelain Art Retreat in Seaside, Oregon. She said it is inspiring to meet so many others in the same art field and see their techniques. She said one of her goals is to someday attend an international convention for porcelain artists.

"I'd love to go just to see what other artists are doing," Johnson said.

Johnson's mother-in-law used to own a gift shop in Toledo, where she sold some of her creations. Now, she has a few for sale on the online artisan selling site Etsy.com; however she has not sold many. With prices ranging from \$75-\$200 she said she understands for many hand-painted china is out of reach. She said she is still on the lookout for a viable place where she could sell some of her pieces for what they are worth, considering the time and effort involved.

She has entered her creations in competitions at the schools she attends as well as in the Cowlitz County Fair. She has also entered pieces in the Puyal-

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up Fair but said she no longer does because contest organizers both there and at the Southwest Washington Fair consider china painting a hobby rather than an art.

"I consider that a slap in the face to the art," Johnson said. "I'm not going to enter my stuff just for it to be a hobby."

So her pieces are mostly displayed around her home for visitors to enjoy. She said she also loves to give them as gifts to family and friends.

"It's kind of nice to be able to give someone something that's part of you," she said. "You always know they will treasure it."

Carrina Stanton is a local freelance writer specializing in pieces for the Life section of The Chronicle. She and her husband are raising their two daughters in Chehalis.



One of Julie Johnson's painted china plates and pitcher are seen.

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Puzzle One

Find answers to the puzzles here on Puzzle Two on page Life 7.

Sudoku

Difficulty: 3 (of 5)

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Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Terra firma
- 5 English rule in India
- 8 Bad cut
- 12 Finished
- 13 Bullring shout
- 14 Director Preminger
- 15 Mystify
- 17 Hydrox rival
- 18 Bridal notice word
- 19 Dangerous bear
- 21 Informers
- 24 Flimsy
- 25 Howls or Ghrig
- 26 Salting away
- 30 Baseball events
- 32 2013 Spike Jonze film
- 33 Regard with awe
- 37 Latin I verb
- 38 Wheel buy (2 wds.)

DOWN

- 39 Chimney deposit
- 40 Huts
- 43 — pig's eye!
- 44 Kitten's toy
- 46 Rosters
- 48 Sitter hirer
- 50 Took part in a 10K
- 51 Goal attempt
- 52 Used charcoal
- 57 A portion of "The Raven" penner
- 59 Surrounding glow
- 60 Insect eater
- 61 RSVP word
- 62 Cold spell

- 8 Nice people (2 wds.)
- 9 Posh hotel lobbies
- 10 Vegan's taboo
- 11 1991 Steven Spielberg film

- 16 Subtraction word
- 20 Possess
- 21 Berg
- 22 Cash substitutes
- 23 Sundae topping
- 27 Moby Dick's foe
- 28 "—, vidi, vici"
- 29 Persia, today
- 31 Hidden
- 34 Writer Kingsley —
- 35 Drop-kick
- 36 LAX guesses
- 41 Coulter or Landers
- 42 Narrow board
- 44 Google rival
- 45 Kitchen enticer
- 47 Empire builders
- 48 Furtive whisper
- 49 Recipe abbr.
- 50 Rod's companion
- 53 Colorful carp
- 54 Horde member
- 55 Geologic division
- 56 Skip stones

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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HOW TO PLAY:

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

Celebrity Cipher

Today's clue: T equals F

"KO GCGXD BWO'Y PGWXS SPGXG KY W YGIXGS OGXCG SPWS WOYUGXY SH SPG CKLXWSKH OY HT LGWJSD."
— IPXKYSHNPGX BHXAGD

PREVIOUS SOLUTION: "We are a very typical Spanish family — a bullfighter, an actress, a flamenco dancer and singer!" — Paz Vega

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Key Note Typewriter Is Efficient

In 1909, the Smith Premier Typewriter Co. promoted the Key Note typewriter as being efficient because of its "key-for-every-character keyboard," the advertisement read in The Chehalis Bee-Nugget. "One simple stroke prints any character. This saves time, increases speed and insures accuracy."

A picture of the typewriter showed seven rows, with 12 keys in each row.

Dampening Incident at Local Lumber Company

In 1910, a "dampening" incident occurred at a local lumber company.

"Attorneys Ponder and Studebaker and Mrs. Brown, photographer, had a thrilling and dampening experience last Saturday," The Chehalis Bee-Nugget wrote. "The attorneys have brought suit against the Harm & Brown Lumber Company of this city, for the damages, growing out of the accident which occurred a couple of weeks ago, and resulted in Thorton Baraman losing a leg. Saturday the attorneys and Mrs. Brown went to the mill to secure photographs of the place where the accident occurred, to be used in connection with the case."

"Foreman Pollard, extended the necessary courtesies, and was a good host until things were ready to take the pictures, when he suddenly took a dislike to the general appearance of things, and just as Attorney Studebaker got ready to say something, the foreman turned the fire hose on the attorney. Mr. Studebaker's ardor was dampened — and also his clothes — and he was swashed around over the mill floor until he was pretty thoroughly drenched. Mrs. Brown also received some for the water on her clothes, and camera."

"Attorney Ponder, who has an antipathy for water anyway,

sought a good-sized lumber pile, where he was safe from the stream. Mrs. Brown will institute proceedings against Pollard for assault."

Ford Agency Sold by Espeland

In 1934, Walter Espeland, owner of the Ford dealership, sold his business to Leo C. Eddins of Walla Walla and Jack L. Eddins of Spokane. The Eddins brothers planned to move to Centralia and retain the Espeland hired staff.

Espeland, originally from Pe Ell, had been the owner of the automobile business for five years. He planned to move to Tacoma to work with his brother in the automobile industry.

Planes Visit Chehalis Airport

In 1935, Army planes planned a visit to Chehalis. "Mayor John West has received confirmation of the arrangement recently made for a bivouac of nine army observation planes and 100 men from the 41st division, aviation division, Washington National Guard at the Chehalis municipal airport," The Centralia Daily Chronicle wrote.

Mayfield Dam Bid Accepted

In 1959, Tacoma's Public Utilities Board accepted a \$133,000 bid from Yardley Construction Co. of Spokane to complete the Mayfield Dam tunnel, with work to begin on June 29. An estimated 45 men would be employed. The site had been idle for three years.

Discussion was held on the future construction of the Mossyrock Dam. The board authorized the utilities director "to arrange a meeting with a number of unhappy property owners in the area that eventually will be flooded by Mossyrock Dam," The Chronicle wrote.

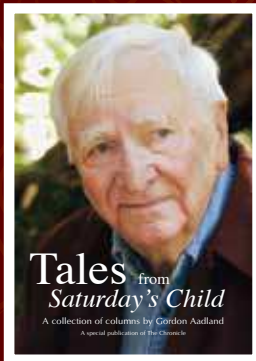
Kanouse Celebrates 20th Anniversary

In 1960, Frank Kanouse celebrated his 20th anniversary

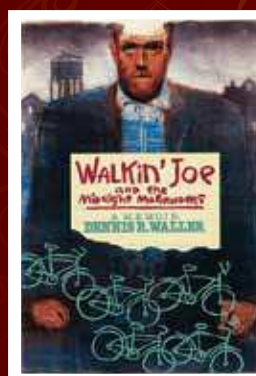
as a Chehalis groceryman. In 1940, he and his wife purchased Christensen's Corner at Market and 13th streets. In 1946, he changed the name to Kanouse's Korner.

The latest expansion, done in 1956, included the elimination of two gas pumps, as the new, wider, 13th Street access route to the Pacific Highway was built.

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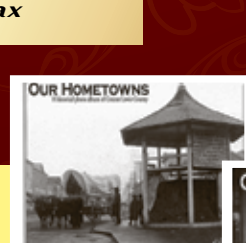


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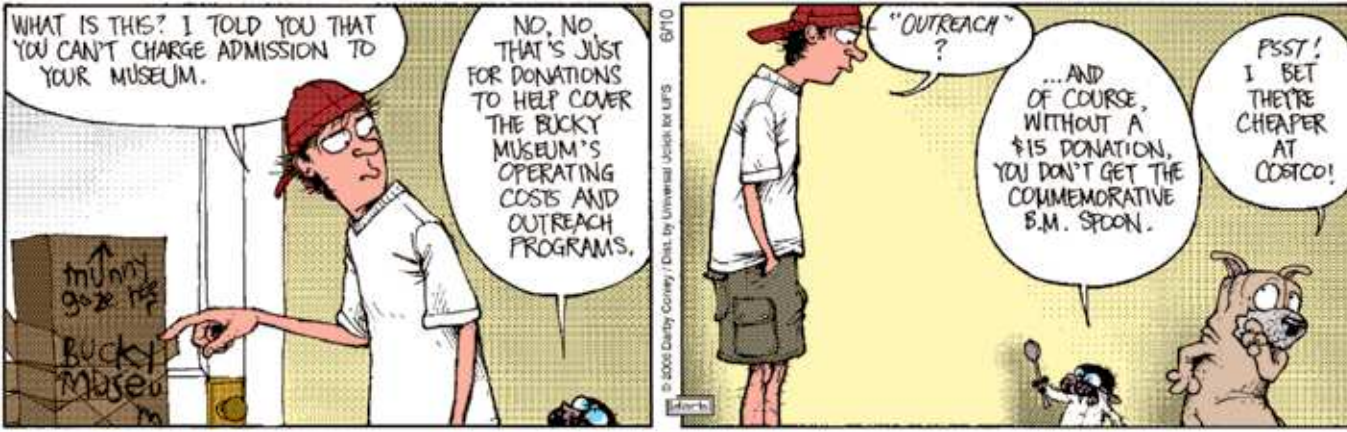
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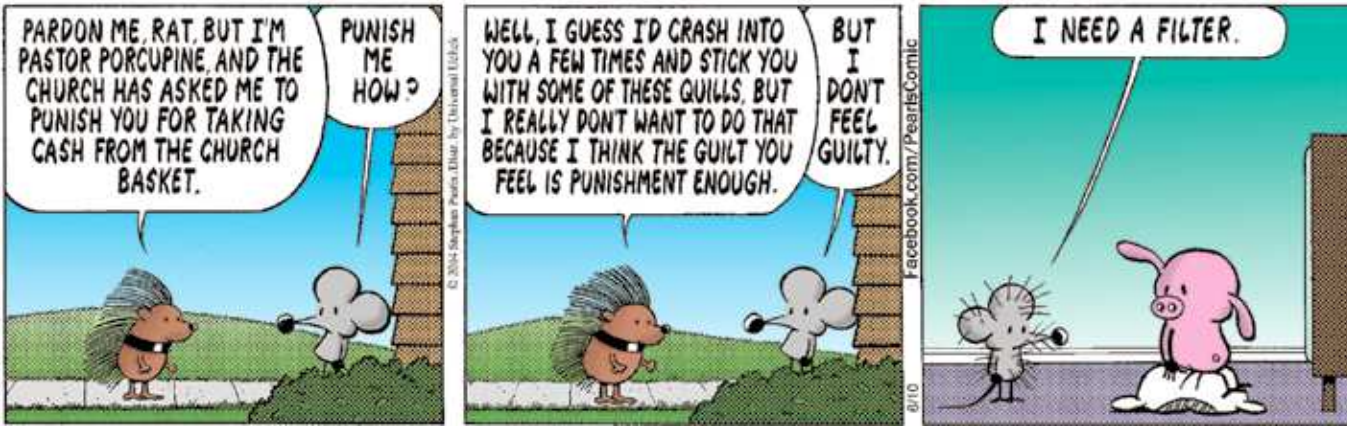
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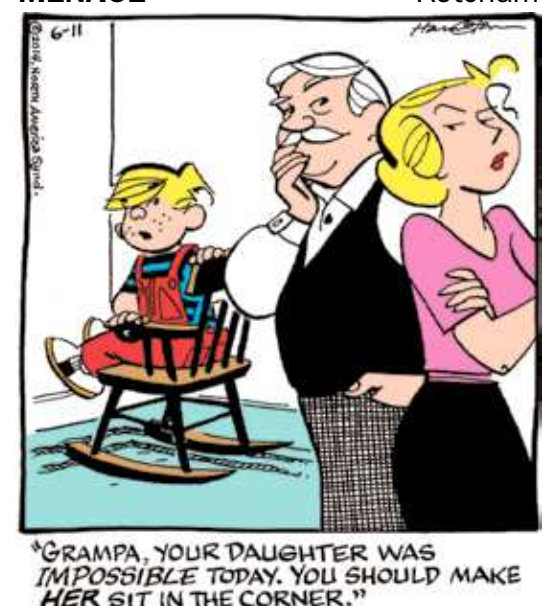
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Statue Honoring Kemp, Corbet to Be Unveiled



The Chronicle / File Photo

Adna artist Jim Stafford holds a mold next to the pedestal that will soon act as the new home for a statute honoring Margaret Corbet and Katherine Kemp, two women credited with keeping the doors of Centralia College open when its continued operation was in doubt.

By The Blaze

Two women credited with keeping the doors of Centralia College open when it appeared its operations would come to an end will be celebrated with the placement of a statue in their honor June 12.

The statue, created by artist Jim Stafford, will be unveiled at

3 p.m. southwest of the Clocktower on the Aadland Esplanade, which is named for the name who conceived the idea.

Former college employee and newspaper columnist Gordon Aadland had long envisioned a lasting memorial to the first principal, Margaret Corbet, and former dean of students Katharine Kemp.

Corbet became the first principal of the junior college in 1925. Kemp joined the college seven years later, in 1932, as a language instructor and dean of students. Both women rallied the community multiple times over the years to raise funds and keep the college open.

The statue, titled "Keep the

Doors Open," depicts Corbet gesturing out toward campus while standing next to Kemp as she sits with a book in her hand.

Aadland helped the Centralia College Foundation select one of the three versions Stafford designed. The foundation raised about \$100,000 for the project.

College to Host the Energy and Construction Best Practices Summit

By Luke Kilgore

The Blaze

Centralia College will be hosting the ninth annual Energy and Construction Best Practices Summit June 18-19. The Summit will be held in partnership with the Pacific Northwest Center of Excellence for Clean Energy, which is based at the college.

Each day will consist of seminars on issues in today's world regarding energy, climate changes and much more, along with possible options and solutions for the issues.

Day one will serve as the main summit day full of events from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. After an opening welcome from Centralia College President Dr. James Walton, the seminar will begin with an opening keynote from

Dr. Yoram Bauman, the self-proclaimed world's first and only "Stand-Up Economist". Bauman will provide an entertaining and thought-provoking overview of the current science in climate change, the impact on Washington's economy and the opportunities, solutions and actions that can help the state achieve a prosperous and sustainable future.

Following Bauman's presentation, an executive panel of members representing a range of industry sectors will address implications of the changing climate for the state's economy, sustainability and workforce development.

Later in the day, the population of representatives are divided into breakout sessions by industry.

The energy session will be

moderated by Arlene Abbott from Polar Star Consulting and includes representatives from Bonneville Power Administration, Puget Sound Energy and the Washington State Labor Council.

The construction station is facilitated by the director of the Construction Center of Excellence, Shana Peschek.

The final station will regard advanced manufacturing with Mary Kaye Bredeson, the executive director of the Center of Excellence for Aerospace and Advanced Manufacturing. CEO of Silicon Forest Electronics Frank Nichols will also be a part of the session.

The final day will focus on a seminar regarding a catastrophic earthquake of magnitude 9.0 or a series of earthquakes ranging from 8.0 to 9.0

striking the Pacific Northwest on the Cascadia Subduction Zone. Executive panels will discuss options to prepare for the threat that scientists are sure will cripple the region's infrastructure in its current state. The second day's workshops will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The expected outcome for the two days of work is a top ten list of recommended Critical Energy infrastructure improvements to meet the Triple 3 Resilience Target, including interdependencies with other sectors.

Visit <http://cleanenergyexcellence.org/summit> for registration and more information. Check in and continental breakfast will be in the college gym at 8 a.m. on June 18.

Coming Events



Walton Science Center Naming dedication

When: June 11 — 3 p.m.

Where: Walton Science Center foyer

What: Join Students, faculty and staff in celebrating the naming of the Walton Science Center in honor of Dr. Jim Walton's service to the campus and community.

Walton announced his retirement earlier this year, and will be replaced by Robert Frost.



2014 Commencement Ceremonies

When: June 13 — 4 p.m.

Where: Commencement field, near the Clocktower

What: Join your peers as they celebrate the completion of one stage of their lives and the beginning of the next. Seating is provided, but attendees are also welcome to bring their own chairs. After the ceremony, a reception will be held in the cafeteria. All are welcome.



Seattle to Portland Bicycle Classic Midpoint Celebration

When: July 12

Where: The entire campus

What: Join the college as it welcomes more than 10,000 riders who go through the campus on their way to Portland.



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Former Centralia College math instructor Robert Godsey speaks in the classroom named after him during a dedication ceremony.

Former Professor Robert Godsey Honored for Service

By Centralia College

Robert C. Godsey, a dedicated Centralia College math instructor from 1956 through 1988, had a college classroom named in his honor during a ceremony earlier this month.

The Godsey classroom, room 215 in the Walton Science

Center, was formally dedicated June 3.

Godsey was chair of the math department for a number of years, but considered his interaction with students as his most important responsibility. He loved his calling and was known as a nurturing and supportive teacher in

a subject many felt was difficult.

Godsey and his wife Sandy included college faculty as part of their extended family. The couple found joy in those relationships and the close-knit community atmosphere that helped make Centralia College a special place.

He is a musician, talented wood carver and furniture maker. He served on the Centralia Library Board and was instrumental in forming the Timberland Regional Library system.

Colleague Rufus Kiser introduced the Godsey's to the natural world and they soon

became part of the team that convinced the City of Centralia to set aside natural areas on Seminary Hill as a preserve. Godsey, a charter member of the Friends of Seminary Hill Natural Area, has been involved in its care and ongoing activities on the hill, including leading guided walks.

Summer Quarter Registration Continues; Class Begins July 1

By Luke Kilgore

The Blaze

Open registration is in full swing at Centralia College for those wishing to register for summer quarter classes. Class begins on July 1, but many classes will accept students a few days into the quarter with a wide range of choices available.

Students interested in academic transfer degrees may begin taking classes at the beginning of any quarter, with most disciplines available throughout the year.

A variety of two-year programs are offered, as well, through Workforce Education or single quarter classes and workshops available.

In addition to the Bachelor of Applied Science in Management (BASM) degree, the

college offers a BASM degree with an accounting track and a Bachelor of Applied Science in Diesel technology (BASD) degree for those pursuing a career in the diesel technology industry.

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Memorial Day Marked



Edward Riley / Centralia College

Members of the student body, faculty and military veteran organizations gathered to mark Memorial Day on the Centralia College campus. The brief, annual event was held at the Boots-2-Books Monument just east of the library. The monument was built to honor veterans who return from service to pursue education.

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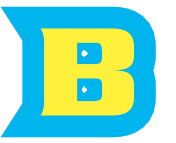
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Website Highlights Success of Centralia College Students

By The Blaze

A growing website created by Centralia College has become a virtual catalog of academic success stories.

Active since Fall 2009, centraliacollege.wordpress.com routinely provides profiles of successful and interesting students at the college.

The site has been recently updated with stories from the end of the spring quarter.

The following profiles were provided by the website. Visit the page for dozens of motivational stories detailing the paths of fellow Centralia College students.

J.R. Siperly Takes the Stage for Leadership Development

J.R. Siperly has a strong work ethic and a passion for community, traits he acquired from his adoptive parents Bruce and Sandra Siperly. He is an Eagle Scout and served three terms as senior patrol leader. He also served as student body president his senior year at Adna High School, where he founded the "Battle of the Schools" food drive competition between Adna and Napavine, now in its third year.

Siperly chose Centralia College because of the leadership opportunities available. He wasted no time making his mark, running for and being elected student body president. He is engaging his leadership skills to bring new computers to the Veterans Center, new computer monitors to the Writing Center, and he is working to name the Kiser Natural Outdoor Learning Lab (KNOLL) footbridge in honor of Russ Mohny, former Centralia College employee, author, and "peasant naturalist" who passed away in 2010.

"I'm proud of the work I've done and grateful for the opportunities that being student



J.R. Siperly

body president provides," Siperly said. "It's a lot of hard work and I'm learning a lot. I could not have accomplished nearly as much without the support of my parents and Shelley Bannish (director of Student Life and Involvement Center)."

Siperly didn't have an easy start in life. His biological parents suffered with addiction, bringing on health problems for Siperly as an infant, which led to learning difficulties as he grew up. He was placed in special education classes but with the support of his parents and his teachers he overcame these difficulties and entered mainstream classes by the time he entered eighth grade.

"I always struggled with math, but my teachers looked for creative ways to help me," Siperly said. "Professor (Roberta) Ziegler (math) at the college has that easy going nature that helps me to relax and I'm able to do better on tests."

Siperly also credits his success to the support he has received from many other teachers along the way and to the unconditional love and support of his parents.

Siperly has been re-elected to the office of president of the Associated Students of Centralia College (ASCC) student government for the 2014-15 college year.

"My parents are the driving force to my success at college and in life," Siperly said. "They



Molly McIntyre

are always in my corner and have made me the person I am today. I will always be grateful for the life they've given me."

Molly McIntyre Finds Support at Centralia College

Many basketball fans know Molly McIntyre as a standout forward on the Centralia College Lady Blazers basketball squad. She also has a life off the court.

McIntyre, a first-year student, plans to major in psychology and earn her associate degree before moving on to a four-year college closer to her hometown of Spokane. She was recruited to play basketball for the Blazers, applied for and received a scholarship. The financial support made the difference in her coming to Centralia College and really made a difference in being able to work toward her career goals.

"The scholarship has really helped my family," McIntyre said. It's helping to make her college education possible.

As a first-year Centralia College student, McIntyre said she appreciates her experiences and the attitude students have toward getting involved in college life.

"I enjoy the college," she said. I like that students and especially the student-athletes are so supportive of each other.



Jake Kinsman

It was great to see so many students at our games," said McIntyre.

And the high level of support goes beyond that.

"Teachers are really friendly. They make a point to stop and talk," she said. They care about each student. "I really appreciate how faculty helped me work around my sports schedule with my class work."

The bottom line is that Centralia College is helping McIntyre as she works toward her goals and supporting her as she succeeds on and off the basketball court.

Jake Kinsman, Energy Tech Grad Finds Success in Energy Industry

As a kid, Jake Kinsman, 29 of Morton, lived by a hydroelectric plant. He was always curious about what was inside that big concrete structure. "I always wanted to get into the energy industry, but figured I would never get the opportunity," Kinsman, a hydroelectric mechanic at Tacoma Power, said. "I was working as a millwright and didn't plan on switching careers until the recession laid me off."

Kinsman qualified for the dislocated worker program and discovered that doors were beginning to open. "I was excited when I found out that I could go to Centralia College and en-

roll in the Energy Technology program," Kinsman said. He enrolled in Centralia College's Associate of Applied Science in Energy Technology program in spring of 2010. It gave him the foundation he needed to understand the industry.

Kinsman then began working for Tacoma Power in June 2011. "The first day I had butterflies like no other, but once I got to know the crew, I realized I would fit right in. After my orientation was done, they threw me right into the mix of things," Kinsman said.

Kinsman graduated a year later and has been advancing in his career ever since. "Jake placed number one on the Hydroelectric Mechanics test for the City of Tacoma last summer," Milt Hollingsworth, a fellow Centralia College classmate and Tacoma Power hydroelectric plant electrician, said. "His degree at Centralia College played a large part of his success."

"It is impossible for me to describe a typical day at work. Every day is different. That is what I love most about this job. I could be working in the power houses one day, on the dam the next, and taking care of wildlife lands the next," Kinsman said.

Kinsman also enjoys giving plant tours for the college's energy technology students. "I like knowing that what I do every day makes a huge difference in the community," Kinsman added. "Working in power generation is an extremely rewarding job and I get to work outside in the beautiful Pacific Northwest. Tacoma Power is a great company to work for in all aspects."

Tacoma Power offers tuition reimbursement to its employees, has donated used equipment for educational purposes and lent staff to advise program curriculum. Pat McCarty, generation manager, also serves as the chairman for the center's advisory board.

ACT College Admissions Exam to Enhance How Scores Reported

WASHINGTON (AP) — The popular ACT college admissions exam is broadening how it reports students' scores.

The exam's traditional 36-point scale remains unchanged. But, starting next year, students will also receive an ACT score on two new "readiness indicators" reflecting how they did in terms of career readiness and understanding complex text, the non-profit testing organization announced Friday.

A new category will offer students a separate score on STEM performance — short for science, technology, engineering and math — that combines the science and math portions. A second new category in the area of language arts combines how they did on the English, reading and writing portions — for those who took the writing portion.

The writing portion remains optional for traditional Saturday morning test takers, but the ACT said the writing section is also being modified

to make the essay topics more advanced and to require test takers to potentially provide multiple perspectives on a topic, instead of just one view.

The announcement comes three months after the College Board, which operates the competing SAT, announced sweeping changes to that exam that include moving the perfect score back to 1,600, making the essay optional and shifting the vocabulary away from some high-sounding words in favor of those more likely to be used in school or on the job. The changes are expected in 2016.

ACT officials said their changes are much more subtle and not in response to the College Board's announcement. They said the ACT changes are well-researched and have been years in the making.

"We're continuing to polish it, but not rebuild it," Jon Erickson, president of ACT, based in Iowa City, Iowa, said in an interview.

Erickson said he's hopeful that when students get the re-

sults and are able to interpret them, "it will be enlightening and, dare I may say, exciting."

The ACT was taken last year by 1.8 million students and overtook the SAT in popularity in 2012. That's in part because of growth in the number of states funding and requiring high school juniors to take the exam during the school day. Four new states — Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi and Wisconsin — recently signed on to do so, bringing to 17 states participating at this level, according to ACT.

Last spring, the ACT said it would begin offering online testing and started piloting it this year.

Also on Friday, the ACT said it would begin making new open-ended questions available to districts in the subject areas of reading, math and science to offer to students as part of the school-day program. Unlike questions with fill-in-the-bubble responses, open-ended

questions call for what the ACT describes as a "constructed response" by the student.

And it said it is working to develop language for 2016 that would explain what ACT scores mean as they relate to the Common Core standards being rolled out in most states. The

Common Core standards spell out what math and language skills students should master at each grade level.

The ACT said that on June 14, a Saturday, just under 600,000 students are scheduled to take the exam — a record high.



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UW Students Push Plan for College Affordability

SEATTLE (AP) — A group of University of Washington students wants to find a way back to the days when students could afford to work their way through college.

They are taking their case to the Legislature, calling for more financial aid and lower tuition.

The plan is laid out in a new report titled "Meet Us in the Middle: Affordability for the Working Student," The Seattle Times reported Tuesday.

The report assumes many students will put themselves through college, with little help from their parents. But because the cost of college is so high

now, it's no longer possible for students to pay their own way without large student loans.

"What we feel has been under-recognized is the amount a student directly contributes to their education," said Michael Kutz, president of student government at UW.

Including living expenses, the cost of a year of school for an in-state student living on the UW-Seattle campus is about \$27,000.


Tuition increases have hit low- and middle-income students particularly hard. Low-income students rarely receive enough financial aid to pay all the bills, and middle-income students often just miss the aid cutoff and their parents may not be able to help pay their college bills, students say.

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Centralia College's Kalynn Randt (left) and Megan Moore were voted the NWAACC Western Region's Pitcher of the Year and Most Valuable Player, respectively.

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Matt Bajo, Centralia

Most Valuable Player
Megan Moore, Centralia

Pitcher of the Year
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Courtney Cox Pierce

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Tricia Bonifacio Pierce
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Lady Blazers Lead All-Star List

By The Blaze

Centralia College's softball team earned several top honors when the NWAACC West Division All-Star list was unveiled prior to the NWAACC Championships softball tournament.

The Lady Blazers won the West Division with an 18-2 league record. Second-year coach Matt Bajo was named the division's Coach of the Year, while Megan Moore was voted

the league's overall Most Valuable Player and Kalynn Randt was named the league's Pitcher of the Year.

Moore, an infielder from Castle Rock, hit .507 with 30 RBIs in her first season playing for the Blazers. Randt, a sophomore from W.F. West, posted a 13-7 record with a 4.80 ERA and 52 strikeouts in 113 innings of work.

Outfielders Haley Graham

and Lauren Fisher, both W.F. West products, were voted to the All-Star first team. Graham hit .365 with a team-high 39 RBIs and seven home runs, and Fisher hit .430 with 26 RBIs and four homers.

Erika Brower, from Centralia, was a first-team pick as a utility player, after hitting .324 with 38 RBIs, and Maddi Klingberg, from Castle Rock, was a first-team designated

player with a .313 batting average and 18 RBIs.

Pitcher Brooke Williams, from Adna (14-5 record, 4.94 ERA) and infielders Caitlyn Paul (Battle Ground, .374 average) and Janice Knutz (Rochester, .324 average, six homers) were second-team All-Star selections, along with catcher Emma Brattain (Adna, .378 average, 27 RBIs).

Two Blazers Make All-Star Second Team

By The Chronicle

Centralia College baseball players Justin Wilson and Brennan Casteel were both voted to the NWAACC Western Region's All-Star second team.

Casteel and Wilson were also classmates and teammates at W.F. West High School, from which the pair graduated in 2011.

Casteel was an All-Star infielder, leading the team with a .333 batting average and 23 RBIs. Wilson was an All-Star outfielder, hitting .290 and driving in 18 runs.

The Blazers went 15-25 on the season. Tacoma's Justin Vernia and Pierce's D.J. Gee were voted the Western Region's co-MVPs, and Pierce's Kevin Davis was named the region's Coach of the Year.



File Photo

Centralia College's Brennan Casteel was named to the NWAACC Western Region's All-Star second team along with teammate Justin Wilson. Casteel led the Blazers with a .333 batting average with 23 RBI while Wilson hit .290 with 18 RBI. The Blazers went 15-25 on the season.

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Health

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2. Yoga isn't just a girl thing. Men need to realize that bench-pressing three days a week isn't going to cut it, workout-wise, Locker says. They need cardio, and another good choice is yoga.

"As you age, yoga is really good because it helps balance," he says. "It works against gravity. You have to stop, to concentrate when you're doing it. It's good for men, too, not just for women."

What to do: Ask friends for recommendations, then try a class. Get there a few minutes early. If you don't like it, talk to the instructor, or try another. Don't give up after one class.

3. "No pain, no gain" is stupid. Even in less than a year of being a certified chiropractor, Logan Sherman has witnessed plenty of examples of this belief not taken seriously.

"The big thing I see with a lot of male patients is that they potentially push past the minor things that could be caught at an earlier stage," he says, "and are now related to an injury."

Sherman, who is training for the 2016 Olympic Trials in the marathon, cites plantar fasciitis as an example.

"That's something that can really be avoided," he says. "Men say, 'Hey, I've experienced tightness in my calf the past couple of weeks.' They've heard from a buddy how he worked through it but never followed the steps. It ends up being a full-blown problem."

What to do: If you feel a twinge, rest. For plantar fasciitis, avoid going barefoot. Roll a tennis ball, golf ball or frozen water bottle under the foot several times a day. If the pain persists, check with your doctor.

4. Certain cancer screenings are imperative. "Prostate cancer is 'the easiest cancer to kill if it's detected,'" Locker says. But men, go figure, would happily skip that part of a physical, he says.

"They're afraid," he says. "Most men are ego-driven as far as their 'manliness,' but they need to take care of that manliness part. I don't know how much more gingerly we can put it."

Another villain is colon cancer, which can be detected early, he says. "Men tend not to want to know, or to think they don't have any problems."

What to do: Schedule the screenings, for crying out loud.

5. You don't need a gym to be fit. "Gravity," Locker says, "was the first gym ever invented."

What to do: Pushups, crunches and squats can be done anywhere. Ditto for walking.

6. Your job is not a workout. Even if you do manual labor for a living, "physical activity is above and beyond anything you do in daily life," O'Bryant says. "It has to be extra."

You don't need to work out as much as O'Bryant, a competitive amateur body builder. But you do need to raise your heart rate on a regular basis.

"Physical activity has such broad-based benefits for men," he says. "It can reduce depression, help your memory, help your brain at a basic biological level. It may actually reduce the risk for Alzheimer's."

What to do: Move. And switch it up, Sherman says.

7. "If we don't vary the stress or stimulus we put on the body, we become bored, the activity becomes mundane, and we don't gain as much physiological benefit as we would with a varied activity," he says. "This is why I always encourage anyone to have faster, slower, longer, shorter, heaving, light, hard and easy days."

You don't automatically know what to do. "What men do that's the biggest problem in exercise is not asking for help," O'Bryant says. "It's like that asking for directions thing. I go to the gym, and see people there for the first time and they think they automatically know what they're doing. But they're probably doing it wrong."

What to do: Use a trainer. Most gyms offer a free session with membership. Or research the correct way to work out efficiently. "By getting better at the exercises themselves, the outcomes have been better for me," O'Bryant says.

8. Sunscreen isn't for wimps. Yes, men get skin cancer, too. "If you're driving around a lot, you're getting sun rays on your face," Locker says. Ditto for your left arm, if you drive with your elbow out the window.

What to do: Use face cream with SPF of at least 15, Locker says. "It will keep your face looking younger and also prevent skin cancer."

Schedule a skin check at least once a year.

9. Exercising isn't a free license to eat anything. "Men who are successful getting into physical activity often think that's enough," O'Bryant says. "I work out so I can eat what I want. I work out so I can drink whatever I want."

"Instead, you're negating the benefits," he says.

ADVICE: Dear Abby

People With Hearing Loss Can Find Support Online

DEAR ABBY: As the executive director of the Hearing Loss Association of America, may I suggest that "Mortified at the Dinner Table" (March 2), who wrote about her in-laws' poor hearing even with hearing aids, connect with one of our 200-plus local HLAA chapters at www.hearingloss.org?



By Abigail Van Buren

These member-led groups offer emotional support, camaraderie, communication strategies and techniques for living with hearing loss, both for people who have hearing loss as well as their families and friends. Most chapters also share information about assistive listening devices that link via a telecoil found in most modern hearing aids that could greatly enhance her in-laws' hearing around the dinner table.

"Mortified" might also want to accompany her in-laws to a hearing aid evaluation visit at an audiologist's office to learn more about their particular hearing difficulties. There is more to correcting hearing loss than buying hearing aids. Some users benefit from assistive listening devices or from listening training that can be done at home with a personal computer.

By joining HLAA, "Mortified" can receive Hearing Loss Magazine and get the latest information about hearing loss and how to live well with it. — ANNA GILMORE HALL

DEAR MS. HALL: Thank you for your letter and the information you generously provided. Any reader with hearing loss should check out the HLAA website for a more detailed description of the services it provides. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Many people who wear hearing aids find noisy environments problematic. As people age, their ability to understand can be difficult even with hearing aids. As a practicing audiologist, I

recommend the following to my patients to help make communication easier.

(1) Test hearing annually so hearing aids can be reprogrammed to current hearing levels if necessary.

(2) Follow up with the audiologist for regular hearing aid maintenance and care.

(3) In restaurants, ask to be seated away from high noise level areas; preferential seating may help.

(4) Reserve confidential discussions for another time and location, which would make them easier for people with hearing loss to understand. — AUDIOLOGIST IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR ABBY: My 91-year-old mother is hard of hearing. I take her out to dinner once a week.

I don't worry about what people around us are thinking. It doesn't matter what she wants to talk about. I'm just glad she's able to get out and converse with others. The conversations at tables near us are sometimes so obnoxious that I'm GLAD my mother can't hear them.

People are normally very courteous about helping me with her, and many have told me they wished their parents were still alive and able to have dinner with them. — JUDY IN ARIZONA

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Mortified" was certainly not taking into account the other diners' feelings that this writer was so admirably describing! Everyone around that table paid for — and deserves — to have a pleasant dining experience too. This includes not being subjected to others' cellphone conversations, unruly children or excessively loud conversations regardless of their content. — MARI-ANNE IN WASHINGTON

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June 11, 2014

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June 12, 2014

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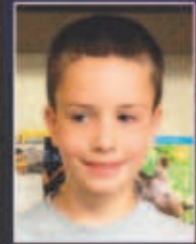
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LEWIS COUNTY - STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT THRESHOLD DETERMINATION MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (MDNS)

LEAD AGENCY: Lewis County--Community Development Department

PROPOSER: Bill Lotto, Industrial Park at TransAlta, 1111 Big Hanaford Road, Centralia, WA 98531

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Industrial Park at TransAlta (IPAT) - Phase 1 Infrastructure Design Project: Utilities Improvements and Grading, Drainage & Road Improvements. This project will extend utilities into Area 1 and provide vehicular access to the graded

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building pads in Area 1, and the creation of two building pads in Area 1. Construction of the pads includes approximately 300,000 cubic yards of earthwork (cut/fill). Each future site specific development within the industrial park will be subject to additional environmental review and permitting.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: The project located along Big Hanaford Road in Lewis County, Washington in the SE1/4 of Section 30 and the SW 1/4 of Section 29, Township 15 North, Range 1 West, WM. Tax Parcel ID # 023325-002-002 with additional utility work on Tax Parcel ID # s 023345-000-000, 023325-002-000, 023325-002-001, 023355-001-002 and 023340-002-001 and within the Big Hanaford Road right-of-way.

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION: The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable, significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is NOT required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This de-

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cision was made after review by Lewis County of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with this agency and such information is adopted herein by reference. This information is available for public review upon request.

This MDNS is issued under WAC 197-11-350; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. Comments may be submitted during the 14 day period

Conditions/Mitigating Measures:

- 1. As this is the first phase of a multiphase project, the cumulative traffic impacts of the combined project must be considered. Therefore, in accordance with Lewis County Code Article IV, Chapters 12.60.400 - 570 Lewis County Public Works will require an aggregate development Traffic Impact Analysis at the point that the development has or is projected to add 50 additional am or pm peak hour trips. To accomplish this, the developer will need to provide project specific trip generation projections for the development of any/each phase of the

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project and compare the added aggregate peak hour trips to the baseline peak hour volumes. The trip generation shall be performed by an engineer licensed in the state of Washington, and shall use a trip generation model approved by the Lewis County Engineer or designee. Lewis County will perform a traffic study within the next 6 months to determine the baseline traffic volumes and will provide that information to Lewis County Community Development. 2. Future development will require the completion of a Master Plan Approval and the recording of a Binding Site Plan as per LCC 17.20B.025. 3. The applicant shall obtain all other required local, state, and federal permits and approvals.

Responsible Official: Lee Napier, Director Lewis County Community Development 2025 NE Kresky Avenue Chehalis, Washington 98532

Contact Person: Karen A. Witherspoon, AICP, Senior Project Planner

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Date of Issue: June 11, 2014

Responsible Official:

This SEPA determination may be appealed to the Lewis County Hearings Examiner until close of business on July 2, 2014. Appellants should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Details regarding the appeal procedure may be obtained from the Responsible Official. L#0630 June 10, 2014 Published in The Chronicle

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The public has an opportunity to review and comment on the draft AOP. A copy of this AOP will be available on SWCAA's website at www.swcleanair.org. This AOP will be made available in other media, if necessary. All

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written or oral comments must be received by SWCAA within 30 days after this publication. If there is a demonstrated public interest, a public hearing may be held with the required 30-day notification. The material is available for review at 11815 NE 99th Street, Suite 1294, Vancouver, Washington, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM. L#0635 June 10, 2014 Published in The Chronicle

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