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Battle Ground Public Schools welcomes students back to a sense of 'normalcy'



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Glenwood Heights Primary School first grade teacher Sarah Auld welcomes her class for the 2022-2023 school year on the first day of school on Aug. 31.

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The first day of school for North Clark County looked a little different from the past two years, but it was the most normal return to class local districts have seen since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last week, students streamed into classrooms with faces not obscured by masks into buildings that were open to full capacity. It was the first time since 2019 that students started the school year without social distancing and

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PHOTO BY RICK BANNAN
Fourth grade students at Glenwood Heights Primary School head to class on the first day of school on Aug. 31.

County council OKs funding to replace Fargher Lake EMS station

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The replacement of North Country EMS' western station has now received enough funding after the Clark County Council approved \$2.5 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the project.

During an Aug. 31 work session, the county council unanimously approved the funds for the project to replace the emergency medical services' station near Fargher Lake in north-central Clark County. The request is among many, both from within

See EMS on Page A11 The existing North Country EMS station near Fargher Lake.



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Battle Ground community awaits the first Pig Jam



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Thunderstruck, an AC/DC tribute band, is set to play at the Pig Jam on Sept. 10.



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A taco is served up by Truck to Table, who will provide the food at the Pig Jam event in Battle Ground on Sept. 10.

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Battle Ground will host its first Pig Jam on Sept. 10.

Attendees will be able to feast on a roasted pig, while AC/DC tribute band Thunderstruck plays.

Organizer Rusty Hoyle is ready to see the crowds form at the Battle Ground Community Center.

"We're roasting about 750 pounds of pig and having a trib-

ute to an AC/DC concert," Hoyle said. "When you walk in, you're going to be in the food area with table seating for all ages. As you walk closer toward the concert area, there will be some craft vendors and there'll be snacks available. We got nuts, popcorn, candy, and there's also some handmade goods."

He said there will also be an area where people 21 years old and older can purchase alcohol. Besides Thunderstruck, Ryan Antoine and the Seth Myzel band will also provide music at the event. Hoyle said he was inspired to host the pig jam after seeing Thunderstruck play at a similar event.

"We saw that people loved this band and there aren't pig roasts available, so we decided to combine the two, like 'hey, pig roasts are a really fun thing to do that aren't available very often,' and the Thunderstruck band just goes with it so well."

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and trinkets. They include Siliagy Sauce, Sanctified Leather & Grace, 2 Angry Cats Hot Sauce, Notoriously Nuts, Mountain Man Nut & Fruit Co., and Works of Heart.

"These are all local small businesses and they're either woman or veteran-owned," Hoyle said.

He noted the tickets for food are pre-sale only and must be purchased in advance. However, the concert and vendor section is free to attend and all ages are welcome. The capacity is 1,000 tickets, Hoyle said.

Hoyle said all of the proceeds will go to the North County Food Bank. He's the founder of Craft Nation, which also hosts the Craft Beer & Wine Fest in Vancouver, is a consultant for Tacos in the Park, and organizes the Gorge Blues & Brews Festival in Stevenson.

The event will be held from 4 to 10 p.m. on Sept. 10 at the Battle Ground Community Center, 912 E. Main St.

To get tickets, go online to tinyurl.com/md3t2db.

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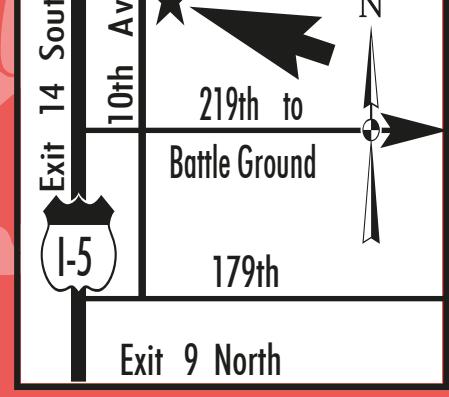
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Cornerstone Christian Academy opens Battle Ground campus



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Music World co-owner Jodi Gohlke talks about musical instruments with families attending the open house for Cornerstone Christian Academy's new Battle Ground Campus on Sept. 1.

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A Clark County Christian school's physical expansion into North Clark County is complete.

On Sept. 1, Cornerstone Christian Academy hosted an open house at its new Battle Ground campus ahead of the start of the school year. Located at 715 NW Onsdorff Blvd., the campus was home to Battle Ground Public Schools' CAM Academy prior to

that year.

Cornerstone bought the building in June of 2021 for about \$3.5 million from owner and retired BGPS teacher Gary Albers.

Cornerstone Christian Academy Superintendent Sandra Yager said she is "terribly excited" at the school's future prospects for growth. Ahead of cutting the ribbon to begin the open house, Yager said the school wasn't able to get into the building until July 5 to start the transformation, which entailed painting, carpet replacement, lighting adjustments, security and technology upgrades.

She estimated the renovations cost about \$800,000.

"It's been an amazing team effort, and I cannot be more proud of our staff, the contractors and the people that helped us," Yager said.

The campus began serving kindergarten through ninth grade students this year. An additional high school-aged grade will be added every year until it reaches 12th grade. Yager said the inaugural high school class had 18 students.

Cornerstone has been in existence for nearly 40 years. It was located at Crossroads Community Church in Walnut Grove until 2018 when it relocated to property by the Faith Center Church in

Orchards off of state Route 503.

Yager has experience with a new high school, as she served as the principal of Hockinson High School when it opened in 2003. She eventually became superintendent of the Hockinson School District, before leaving in 2019 to lead Cornerstone.

She noted when she arrived at the school, Cornerstone was planning to put a high school at its Orchards location.

"We always thought we would just build there, and then this possibility came, and the donations came," Yager said.

She said the donations needed to make the purchase of the building came within four days.

"It's the moments you think are impossible and then God shows up," Yager said.

Former superintendent and current school board chair Bill Gibbons credited much of the success of finding a second campus to Yager.

"It took me two years to find my replacement," Gibbons said. "I had people from all over the world."

Like Yager, Gibbons leaned on his faith as a reason the school was able to expand.

"This building is the result of prayer, (and) all the things that have happened with Cornerstone," Gibbons said.

Making the move north is an exciting prospect for the school, Gibbons said.

"We want to work with the churches, we want to work with the businesses and we want to work with the parents," Gibbons said.

After last year's purchase of the building, Cornerstone leased the building to BGPS for CAM Academy for one year. For this year, CAM Academy moved south



PHOTO BY RICK BANNAN

Cornerstone Christian Academy Superintendent Sandra Yager, center, cuts the ribbon on the school's new Battle Ground campus, flanked by Battle Ground Mayor Philip Johnson, left, and school board chair Bill Gibbons, right, at a ceremony on Sept. 1.



Fifth grade teacher, Steven Woodley, at Cornerstone Christian Academy speaks with families during an open house at the school's new Battle Ground campus on Sept. 1.

to its district's Lewisville Campus.

Gibbons said the relationship with BGPS has been good, as has the coordination with their neighbors, Battle Ground Baptist Church. For transportation between the new and existing buildings, he said the school received a donated bus to shuttle students

from campuses to allow one stop for families with students at both campuses.

Gibbons remarked on the fortune Cornerstone has received in recent years.

"Five years ago we didn't have a home. Now we have two campuses," Gibbons said.



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Brush Prairie business finds success by ‘Winging It’



Plague doctor earrings sold by Winging It.



A school bus the Kingsliens are remodeling.

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Erica and Josh Kingslien from Brush Prairie sell a variety of accessories made out of wood, leather and other materials at their shop called Winging It.

Erica decided to start the business because of a talent she had from a young age.

“I’ve been crafting and making stuff forever,” Erica said. “My mom taught me how to sew and crochet when I was younger, and the actual Winging It part came up when I was already making

stuff to try to sell online like (on Etsy.)”

She said Josh was laid off in 2019. That led the couple to make the “huge decision” of starting their own business.

“We decided to just jump and go for it. That’s pretty much where the ‘winging it’ started,” she said.

The business name ties into their approach since the Kingsliens started by “winging it until you make it.”

Before she started their business, Erica said she sold resin art, necklace pendants, and earrings



Josh and Erica Kingslien.

online. She also sold jewelry boxes, crochet dolls and shoes. Due to the competition with online shops, the Kingsliens relied on selling their goods at local markets.

“It got even more competitive with all the lockdowns in 2020. More people expanded their businesses or made businesses, so it got even harder,” she said.

One of the most unique items the Kingsliens make are earrings in the shape of plague doctor masks from the Black Plague, which resemble a long bird beak. Josh is primarily in charge of crafting the items which are made from leather and then hand-dyed and hand-stitched.

“He was just making key-

chains and then we had a customer who really liked them and wanted them as earrings,” Erica said. “And so he made her a pair and then he made a couple more after that. They’re big, so that’s why he didn’t think they would do good as earrings, but some people love big earrings, so it works.”

Earrings, in general, are their most popular items. Other types of earrings they sell are made from wood and acrylic in various shapes like butterfly wings, bears, cacti and seahorses. They also sell crocheted purses, which Erica said is another popular item. One of the purses they sell is a “granny square,” which is rounded and has flowers in it. Around Halloween, they sell a lot of la-

ser-cut acrylic knives, she said.

Winging It will be at Rose City Comic Con in Portland from Sept. 9 to Sept. 11. Erica said the business will sell coffin-shaped purses and saddle bags at the event.

“I’m just trying to get more of my Halloween ones out there, Halloween fabrics,” she said. “I embroider onto vinyl and then I make it into a purse, so (I’m) getting that stock up for the Rose City Comic Con.”

Besides Winging It, Josh and Erica run Kingslien Creations, which does 3D modeling.

More information on Winging It can be found online at wingingitshop.com and more information on Kingslien Creations can be found at kingsliencreations.com.

NORTH COUNTY NEWS IN BRIEF

Board of Health seeks applicants for Public Health Advisory Council

The Clark County Board of Health is looking for applicants for a position on the volunteer Public Health Advisory Council.

The open position is for a nurse practicing in the county, stated a news release. The three-year term will begin on Oct. 1 and ends on Sept. 30, 2025.

“The Public Health Advisory Council uses a health

equity framework to identify community health needs, and review and recommend public health policies and priorities to address the identified needs,” stated a news release. “The council may provide community forums or establish community task forces, as assigned by the Board of Health.”

The council also reviews and makes recommendations to Clark County Public Health and the Board of Health for the annual budget and fees, stated the release.

The advisory council meets from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month via Zoom. When in-person

meetings resume, they will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. in the main conference room on the second floor of the Center for Community Health, located at 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd.

Those who are interested in the position should submit a brief letter of interest and resume to Michelle Pfenning, County Manager’s Office, P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, Washington, 98666-5000.

Applications can also be emailed to michelle.pfenning@clark.wa.gov.

The application deadline is 5 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 19.

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Public comment opens on \$512 million transportation improvement program

The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council has opened its public comment and review period on a \$512 million draft of the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

The plan includes “major transportation projects” in Clark County, according to a news release.

“Transportation investment will include many state highway, city, and county streets; transit facilities; and bicycle and pedestrian connections,” stated the release.

The formal public comment and review period will run through Oct. 4. The RTC board is scheduled to approve the final 2023-26 Transportation Improvement Program at its Oct. 4 meeting.

Written comments may be sent to RTC at P.O. Box 1366, Vancouver, Washington, 98666-1366 or by using the online public feedback form.

People can also make comments at the 4 p.m. RTC Board meeting on Zoom on Oct. 4.

To view the draft, a list of proposed transportation projects, or to provide feedback online, go to rtc.wa.gov.

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County council divided on Battle Ground pool funding

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The proposal for a YMCA-ran pool in Battle Ground hasn't received county support yet as the Clark County Council isn't in agreement on what role it should play in the project.

During an Aug. 31 work session, the county council agreed to bring a request of \$1 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for an aquatic facility in Battle Ground back for discussions in the following week. If built, the 18,000-square-foot facility would be located on Rasmussen Boulevard east of state Route 503.

In July, project backers asked the Battle Ground City Council to waive or defer development fees for the facility. At the time, the city council voted for Battle Ground's city manager to work with Westby Associates and the YMCA of Columbia-Willamette on what those waivers and deferrals would look like.

At the county council's work session, Mike Westby, CEO of Westby Associates, said he asked to know what the county's position on the project was when it was brought up at the city council meeting. When the county discussed it, he wanted to know what movement the city had taken on the project.

"We've been in this sort of, I think, fair-minded brinkmanship of who's going to be the first to lead," Westby said.

He said if the county made the first move, it could help convince those in Battle Ground's government to gain momentum.

"If you act at that level, I think you send a message back to them, and they've asked for you to do that," Westby said.

County councilor Julie Olson noted Ridgefield has its own YMCA project in the works, which will include a pool.

"They didn't come to us asking for money," Olson said.

Eddie White, executive director for the Clark County-based region of the YMCA of Columbia-Willamette, said market studies on both locations determined there wouldn't be direct competition between the Ridgefield

facility and the Battle Ground proposal.

White said the Ridgefield YMCA is not fully funded yet. The project was previously estimated to cost about \$20 million, and includes fitness facilities and a basketball gym. The Battle Ground project would exclusively be an aquatic facility and is projected to cost \$13 million.

Though she supported the YMCA's projects, Olson didn't feel it was the county's business to throw support behind the projects.

"I don't believe it's our role to get involved with this and I certainly don't think ARPA money is the way to go when we have so many other opportunities to put that money into other areas," Olson said.

Olson asked if the facility even qualifies for ARPA funding.

"I don't want to spend a lot of time going through this process if we're not sure that there's a way to structure it that it would be allowable," Olson said.

Clark County Finance Director Mark Gassaway said the funding depends on what populations the project would serve. Determining that would require additional work to study the impact.

Councilor Gary Medvиг said the health benefits of the facility should make it a candidate for ARPA funding.

"It's directly related to the health and welfare of our community. I couldn't imagine that it wouldn't qualify, depending on how it's structured," Medvиг said.

Medvиг was one of two councilors who voted to approve the \$1 million at the work session. He said he didn't believe the project is "strictly a city issue" given its potential impact on areas outside of city limits.

"We can be a part of something that will be in place for generations," Medvиг said.

Medvиг acknowledged he's received "mixed messages" so far from discussions with city representatives. That could change if the county allocated the funding, he said.

"I really think we should signal to them that we think this is a valued commitment for not just Battle Ground, but the whole sur-

rounding unincorporated area," Medvиг said.

Councilor Richard Rylander also supported putting the ARPA funding toward the facility. He said the project has been in discussion for several years.

"It is something we believe would benefit not just the Battle Ground area, but much of the north county," Rylander said.

Rylander acknowledged there remained a number of unknowns for project funding. He noted the county had time given the deadline to allocate ARPA funds for projects is at the end of 2024.

Rylander supported putting

the \$1 million toward the facility contingent on successful fundraising by project backers and Battle Ground supporting the project.

"I'm convinced that if the county, even with these contingencies, will send the signal that we are prepared to back and support the program ... (and) that will potentially have a positive impact on the actions of the Battle Ground City Council," Rylander said.

Olson, council chair Karen Bowerman and councilor Temple Lentz did not support the approval of the \$1 million. Lentz said

she isn't convinced the county making the first move would help get the project moving.

"This is something that I want to hear from the city of Battle Ground with one voice — not individual councilors or 'someone said this to someone else' — that there is support for this," Lentz said.

Council agreed to move the discussion to the following week under the assumption the Battle Ground City Council would discuss the project at its Sept. 6 meeting. As of press deadline, discussion of the facility was not on that meeting's agenda.

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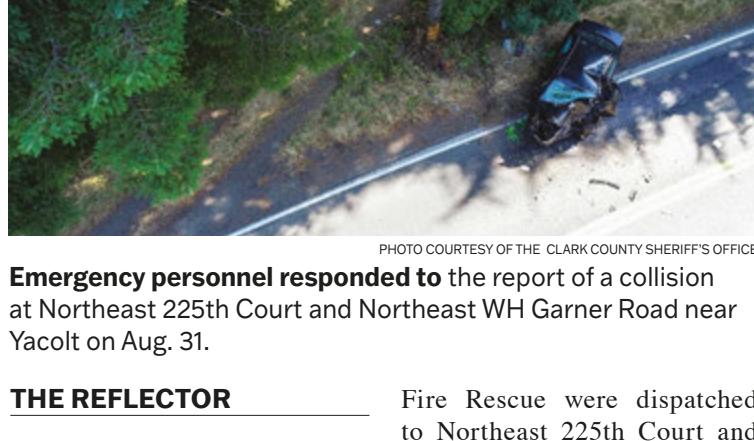


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Emergency personnel responded to the report of a collision at Northeast 225th Court and Northeast WH Garner Road near Yacolt on Aug. 31.

A 45-year-old man from Vancouver was killed in a single-vehicle accident near Yacolt on Aug. 31.

Gary A. Seal, the sole occupant of a 2000 Toyota Echo, was found unconscious and was later pronounced dead at the scene, according to a news release from the Clark County Sheriff's Office.

Shortly after 8:25 a.m. on

Aug. 31, personnel from the

sheriff's office, North County medics and Clark County

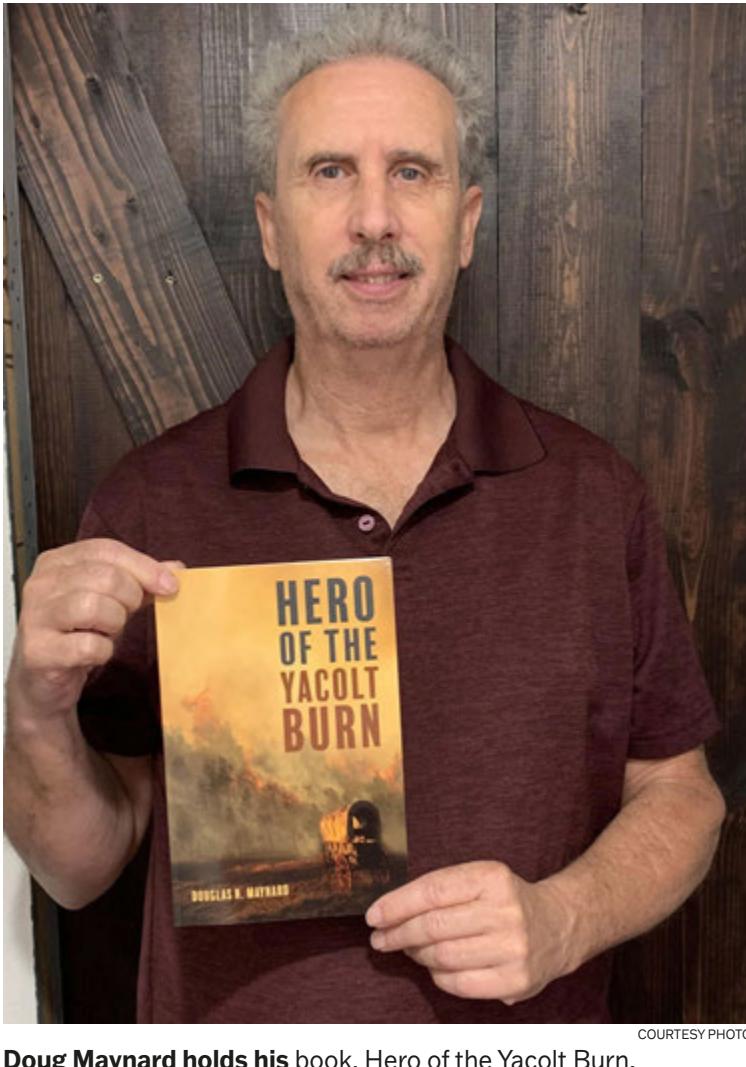
Fire Rescue were dispatched to Northeast 225th Court and Northeast WH Garner Road to the report of an injury collision.

The initial investigation found the driver failed to negotiate a curve and struck a tree and a fence. The vehicle was located with heavy front-end damage.

Excessive speed is believed to have played a factor in the collision, stated the release.

The Clark County Sheriff's Office Traffic Unit is investigating the collision.

Woodland author releases book about Yacolt Burn



Doug Maynard holds his book, *Hero of the Yacolt Burn*.



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Banners for Doug Maynard's books, Hero of the Yacolt Burn and Three Summers, are displayed.

before he wrote his first manuscript. The book's protagonist, Merriman, is meant to be a "conglomerate of a lot of different people," he said.

"Thomas Merriman starts out in Missouri, and after listening to people talking about the need for people to move to the Pacific Northwest to claim it for the United States, he decides that that's where he wants to go," Maynard said. "At the time, he decides a little bit too young to go, so he works very hard for the next couple years" as he builds himself up and becomes strong.

From there, Merriman joins the Peoria Party, which is the first party that started on the Oregon Trail. Merriman eventually reaches the Lewis River Valley where he decides to live.

Merriman is supposed to embody the first men who embarked on the Oregon Trail, taking on their characteristics, Maynard said. He's also supposed to be one of the first men to travel north of the Columbia River, because at the time, the land was owned by Fort Vancouver, which Maynard said was originally a British company that sought to protect their fur trading interests.

"I wrote a book a few years ago called *Three Summers*," Maynard said. "When I was done, I wanted to write another book and I was looking for a topic. The topic that seemed to stand out a lot to me was something that I knew about as a Washington state history teacher and living in the Lewis River Valley."

Growing up in the valley, Maynard would often look beyond the hills and see the scars of the burn. Even with his experience as a teacher, Maynard said he needed to undertake a thorough research process to expand his knowledge of the fire before he started writing his newest book.

"I didn't realize when I first started, the fire actually started in Oregon and then blew across to the Washington side of the Columbia River, and then it started north toward Yacolt," he said.

Maynard said it took about three months' worth of research

to complete the book. "It's been a long time since I've written a book," he said. "I'm getting comments on my internet page and they're really, really enjoying it," he said.

Maynard plans to work on another book called "Pastor Mike: Football Coach," which is inspired by his time as a football coach.

Hero of the Yacolt Burn can be purchased online at hbit.ly/3qqDvXT.

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An author from Woodland re-

cently released a book focused on the life of fictional character Thomas Merriman as he attempts to save his neighbors and friends during the historic Yacolt Burn of 1902.

The book, "Hero of the Yacolt Burn," was published by Doug Maynard on June 23. It's the second book Maynard has written.

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Rocksolid Community Teen Center celebrates 20 years

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teens, stated a news release.

The Rocksolid Community Teen Center will celebrate its 20th anniversary on Friday, Sept. 9.

The event will start at 4 p.m., with a ribbon-cutting ceremony to follow at 4:30 p.m.

The public is welcome to attend, along with past and present board members, staff, volunteers, and families of past and present

Both events will be held at the church, which is located at 12919 NE 159th St., Brush Prairie.

For more information, email Marcy Sprecher at marcy@rocksolid-teen.com.

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Humane society takes on beagles destined for lab testing



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Humane Society for Southwest Washington Director of Animal Care and Population Liz Everling handles two of 15 beagles arriving at the shelter on Aug. 20.

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The Humane Society for Southwest Washington has taken in more than a dozen beagles recovered from a massive breeding operation on the East Coast.

On Aug. 20, the shelter's east Vancouver location received the animals, part of more than 4,000 taken by the Humane Society of the United States from a Cumberland, Virginia breeding facility.

On July 18, the U.S. Department of Justice announced the surrender of the dogs, following a suit filed in May against Envigo RMS, a company that breeds the animals to sell for research. The suit alleged Envigo did not provide humane care, failing to meet Animal Welfare Act minimum standards "for handling, housing, feeding, watering, sanitation and adequate veterinary care," according to a Department of Justice release.

"This settlement brings to an end the needless suffering caused by Envigo's blatant violations of animal welfare laws at this facility," Assistant Attorney General Todd Kim stated in the release.

After a July 5 approval of a transfer plan for the beagles, the Humane Society of the United States began a 60-day effort to move the thousands of rescued dogs.

The transfers began on the East Coast before some of the rescued animals made their way west, the Humane Society for Southwest Washington Communications Director Sam Ellingson said. The local branch has worked with the Humane Society of the United States numerous times, Ellingson said.

"This one, given the size of it and truly the historic scope of this rescue, is one that was on not only our radar, but just the public in general," Ellingson said.

On Aug. 20, the beagles were picked up from a plane carrying

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150 of the rescued animals at Portland International Airport by HSSWW alongside other shelters. The rescue took more coordination than the shelter's usual efforts given the scale of the operation, Ellingson said.

Once the dogs arrived, the beagles received a physical and behavioral examination, Ellingson said. The next steps depend on what condition the animals are in.

For the beagles, Ellingson said he isn't aware of any that came in with significant medical concerns. Behaviorally, the shelter didn't know what to expect given their prior situation.

"Many of them were really quite friendly. They were ready to say hi to people," Ellingson said.

Given their age, the dogs likely didn't have much human contact, he said.

"We do know that by and large most of them are experiencing new things all at once ... from squeaky toys to collars and leashes," Ellingson said.

Some dogs were shier than others, and needed more time before being put up for adoption. As of last week, Ellingson said five of the beagles were already adopted.

The shelter expected there would be a good deal of attention to the recent arrivals, he said.

"Within only two hours being on our website, they all had around 20 to 30 applications already waiting for them," Ellingson said.

Beagles are known to be used



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Humane Society for Southwest Washington Director of Animal Care and Population Liz Everling, left, and animal care technician Kristi Rivers handle one of 15 beagles as they arrive at the shelter on Aug. 20.

in medical research. According to the American Anti-Vivisection Society, beagles are "convenient to use because they are docile and small, allowing for more animals to be housed and cared for using less space and money."

Although all of the dogs were juveniles under a year old, Ellingson said,

son said those adopting the dogs should treat them as puppies who are inexperienced with the usual stimuli of the world outside of a breeding facility.

"The family that's going for the best for these dogs is going to be the family who can take a little time," Ellingson said.

Ellingson said animals in Southwest Washington are a priority for the shelter, but when they have the resources available, they'll take in ones from places across the country who need help.

"When we can make a difference for animals, we certainly will," Ellingson said.

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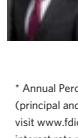
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Ridgefield Police Chief John Brooks announces retirement

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John Brooks, the police chief of Ridgefield, recently announced he will retire from the city's police department effective Oct. 3.

Brooks has served as Ridgefield's chief of police since October of 2016. Prior to that, he spent 26 years with the Portland Police Bureau, stated a news release.

While in Ridgefield, Brooks led the police department as it nearly

doubled its force and recruited and retained high-quality personnel, stated the release. He also led the creation of key safety initiatives, like Neighbors on Watch. The community volunteer program trains residents to be "the eyes and ears for safety in their communities," stated the release. The program started in 2018 with six volunteers and has grown to 36 active members.

"Police work is a people business with success being measured

by how you were able to help," Brooks stated in the release. "I've truly enjoyed and appreciated the opportunity to help the people here in Ridgefield."

Brooks will head to Memphis with his family to become the head of security for a naval base in Western Tennessee.

"Chief Brooks embodies and has created a culture of compassionate, quality service that is carried forward by his department and

our entire organization," stated City Manager Steve Stuart in the release.

Mayor Jennifer Lindsay added, "We are so grateful for his service to our great community that he has helped make even better."

Ridgefield Lieutenant Cathy Doriot will serve as the interim police chief, stated the release. Doriot, who is a Ridgefield native, has worked at the Ridgefield Police Department since 1989.



John Brooks

Battle Ground stormwater facility receives permit approval

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Clark County's authority on solid waste concerns has approved the issuance of a permit for a facility operated by the city of Battle Ground that has run for more than a decade without it.

During its Sept. 1 meeting, the Clark County Solid Waste Advisory Commission moved to allow Clark County Public Health to approve a decant facility solid waste permit requested by Battle Ground Public Works.

The permit is intended to continue and expand operations at the city's current wastewater treatment facility located near 1308 SE Grace Ave.

In September of 2021, Battle Ground city staff contacted Clark County Public Health for help on a grant to double the capacity of its decant facility, Clark County Public Health Environmental Public Health Specialist Melissa Sutton said at the meeting. During their research, the health department found the city's current decant facility,

which was constructed in 2010, didn't have the necessary solid waste permit.

A decant facility is used for the separation of solids from liquids gathered during the operation of city services at its stormwater facilities. The city has been releasing excess water from its vactor trucks at the facility which drain into a sanitary sewer, according to the presentation at the meeting. Solids from the process are disposed of at an approved solid waste handling facility.

The permitting will allow the city to "dewater vactor trucks and stockpile street sweepings and vactor waste from City of Battle Ground owned vehicles."

Clark County Public Health concluded the permit will allow the facility to continue its current decanting operations it has been undertaking for more than a decade, while also allowing for an expansion of the facility's footprint on the city-owned property.

"All the neighbors are used to the sights and smells and trucks

and traffic that goes along with those (operations)," Sutton said.

Since the discovery of the discrepancy in permitting, Sutton said the city has worked with staff from the county health department and the Washington State Department of Ecology.

According to the information from the presentation, Ecology Facilities Specialist Derek Rockett said he is "very comfortable" with the operational plan of Battle Ground's facility. Sutton said that Clark County Public Health also supported issuing the permit.

Community can provide feedback on Clark County parks projects at Sept. 20 meeting

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Community members will have the opportunity to provide feedback on the budget and plans for Clark County parks projects for the 2023 fiscal year.

The parks and lands department of Clark County Public Works will host the meeting on the third Tuesday in September.

The projects that will be reviewed are part of the county's capital improvement plan, which features plans for major maintenance projects, preventative maintenance and the creation of new facilities and amenities as county parks, stated a news release.

They include new playground surfaces at three to five parks, the development of the Curtin Creek Community Park, acquisition of additional park land and open space, ADA and accessibility improvements at various parks, and improving the public's access to Heritage Farm.

Revisions to the 2024-2028 project budget will also be reviewed at the meeting, which will be held at 6 p.m. on Sept. 20 at the Bud Van Cleve Meeting Room at Luke Jensen Sports Park at 4000 NE 78th St.

Residents can also tune in virtually by calling 408-418-9388 and entering meeting number 24997057939 and password 0920, when prompted.

Residents can learn more about the proposed plan online at clark.wa.gov/public-works/park-projects-and-funding or submit comments to pwparksprojects@clark.wa.gov.

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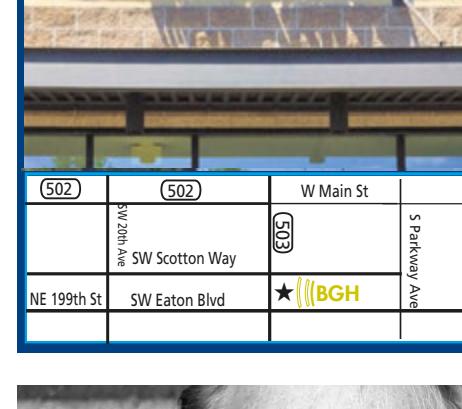
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American Legion Post 44 celebrates 100th anniversary

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American Legion Post 44 in Ridgefield celebrated its 100th anniversary on Aug. 27 at Abrams Park as a slew of members and guests commemorated the occasion.

The centennial celebration was attended by over 40 members, alongside their family members and guests. It included time to socialize, swearing in of post officers, food and a birthday cake.

"A great time was had by all," said Post 44 member Steve Campbell.

Although Campbell hasn't been in the organization long, he's happy to be part of it.

"I feel good about it," he said. "I think it's a big milestone, so it feels good."

Campbell said the post in Ridgefield was established in June of 1922 but the celebration was postponed to August because of the timing of other events.

"I like that it's a small post," Campbell said. "I think it's 100 members.... They work together really good. They're a bunch of good people really."

Campbell said he looked around at other American Legion posts before he ultimately decided to join the one in Ridgefield, in part because of the effort they put in to help the city.

Post 44 puts up around 250 flags around the city for every major holiday and has hosted a Blue Star ceremony, which recognizes families of active military members. Post 44 also assists other local posts with the honor

guard and funeral services.

"With that being said, they're a very active small post and that's what I like about it," Campbell said.

He mentioned members of the post recently helped a veteran who needed assistance cleaning his property. They also helped another veteran, who is in his 80s, by loading a U-Haul truck for him in preparation for a move to California.

Post 44 Commander Darren Wertz said the American Legion in Ridgefield has placed flagpoles in cemeteries that didn't have any. They also plan to put one in at Overlook Park.

"(We're) just making sure that the colors are flown and the facts are known that there's patriots alive here in Ridgefield," Wertz said. "There is an agency, a group of folks here in town, that care for the vets."

Wertz said the post occasionally provides gift baskets to families of veterans who are in need.

"I think it attests to the basic function of caring and sharing," Wertz said. "Life is a gift, and living is learned, but the honor and accomplishment actually has to be earned. We try to honor those folks that have actually, what we figure, earned from their life."

He noted veterans can be "kind of a different group."

"Once you've been in combat, you've changed. It's an experience not everybody gets and it comes with a price," Wertz said. "It also comes with a camaraderie that is kind of like an initiation into an organization you didn't intend on joining."



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American Legion Post 44 officers are sworn in at the 100th anniversary celebration on Aug. 27.



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Commander Darren Wertz gives opening remarks at Post 44's 100th anniversary on Aug. 27.



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Attendees celebrated the 100th anniversary of the American Legion Post 44 on Aug. 27.



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A cake depicts American Legion Post 44's 100th anniversary.



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School

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mask precautions in place.

At Glenwood Heights Primary School, Battle Ground Public Schools Superintendent Denny Waters greeted arriving students. He made a number of stops across the district as BGPS began classes on Aug. 31.

"The first day is filled with so much optimism and that's really what we're feeling after the last two-and-a-half years," Waters said.

After having to shutter in-person instruction completely in the spring of 2020 followed by a transition to hybrid learning the subsequent school year, BGPS and other local districts opened with full time, in-person instruction to kick off the 2021-2022 school year with masking and social distancing requirements in place.

"We're still being careful, but it feels a lot more normal," Waters said during this year's first day.

Not having to adhere to a number of precautions to combat the COVID-19 pandemic made the return to class easier than the anxiety-ridden times of the past

few years.

"There was so much emotion ... whether you felt strongly for mitigation measures or you felt strongly against them," Waters said. "Now that that's diminished, the emotion is back where it should be, on just enjoying the first day of school."

The effects of the pandemic aren't completely in the rear-view mirror for the district, Waters said.

"All of us have been impacted and I think all of us have been changed in some way," Waters said.

The district continues to handle learning loss from when schools went remote or from the hybrid model, he said.

The pandemic diminished the school experience. There were "not as many field trips, not as many assemblies," Waters said.

He noted the current senior class began their high school careers the year the pandemic first hit and schools were shuttered.

"They're finally getting this full-blown experience of being high school students," Waters said.

Apart from students, Waters said the staff will also experi-



PHOTO BY RICK BANNAN

Glenwood Heights Primary School second grade teacher Melissa Pasternack welcomes her class for the 2022-2023 school year on the first day of school on Aug. 31.

ence greater positivity this year, as they are able to do their jobs fully without the restrictions of past years.

Glenwood Heights Primary School Principal Antonio Lopez visited classes in his building on the first day of school. Like the students, Lopez said staff, too, had some nervousness ahead of the first day.

Though the nervousness was expected, Lopez said he worked with teachers for the past two weeks to prepare.

"When you've been planning for a couple weeks, you just know

you're ready," Lopez said.

The first-day jitters were far better than the fears teachers and students experienced during the past few years with COVID-19.

"Those couple years during the pandemic when it was really going, it was just a lot of anxiety," Lopez said.

For younger students in the district like those at Glenwood, Lopez said they might not have fully comprehended the reality of the pandemic.

For this year, Glenwood Heights allowed parents to drop off their children at their class-

rooms, Lopez said.

"It's just such a relief for everyone to be back, to feel a sense of normalcy again," Lopez said.

Like Waters, Lopez is optimistic the 2022-2023 school year will be a good one for BGPS.

"We're very excited. This is going to be a great year," Lopez said.

Like Battle Ground, Ridgefield and La Center school districts welcomed students back on Aug. 31, while Woodland Public Schools started its school year on Aug. 30. Green Mountain School began its classes Sept. 6.

EMS

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county government and from outside agencies like North Country EMS for ARPA funding. The county has received nearly \$95 million through the act.

North Country EMS has been trying to replace the station, located at 15413 NE Fargher Lake Highway in Yacolt, for two years, district chief Shaun Ford told the council during an Aug. 3 "council time" meeting. At that meeting, Ford said the district made a similar ARPA request for nearly \$1 million last year, but construction costs have

increased dramatically.

The average bid the district received in May was about \$5.2 million, about a quarter more than what was estimated seven months prior, according to a staff report.

"The longer we wait, the worse we are," Ford said.

The district intends to replace the current 1,188-square-foot mobile home with a 5,000-square-foot facility, Ford said at the Aug. 31 meeting. The current facility was not adequate when providing services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It's a mobile home and any patient that came to see us had to walk right into our living area,"

Ford said.

Ford said fire and emergency medical services stations were a common use of ARPA funds.

North Country EMS gets its operational funding through a regular levy and periodic excess levy. Those funds aren't used for capital projects like the replacement, however. For those projects, the district receives about \$300,000 annually through a combination of a federal Medicaid program and timber sales tax revenue, the staff report stated.

As of Aug. 3 North Country EMS had about \$3 million in capital reserves, with the \$2.5 million in ARPA funds intended to make up the remainder for the replacement, according to the staff report.

Previously, council inquired on any other revenue sources at the state and federal levels that could fund the replacement. Ford said the district looked at grant and loan programs at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, but they weren't feasible.

Ford said the USDA offered only \$200,000 for the entire state for grants. The loan option would require a bond as collateral. Ford said the EMS district didn't have authority to issue bonds.

At the state level, Ford said the district couldn't request funding by itself through the state treasury department given how the district is set up. One of its constituent taxing districts could apply for a loan through that program, though they would take responsibility for its repayment. Clark County doesn't qualify for state department of commerce grants, Ford added.

Clark County Finance Director Mark Gassaway worked with Ford to find those sources, but did not find anything that fit the project, Gassaway said.

"What we've found is this facility is such a niche type facility, it doesn't fit within the ... 'nice' silos that a lot of funding has come out for," Gassaway said.

With secured funding, con-

struction could begin soon. North Country EMS is currently waiting for final building permit approval from the county, "but it's basically shovel-ready other than that," Ford said.

North Country EMS covers much of the northeastern part of Clark County, and alongside the Fargher Lake station, the district has another station in Yacolt.

Councilor Gary Medvige said the building replacement is a "perfect opportunity" for the funding.

"ARPA funds are appropriate for things that will last for generations, capital expenditures that we could never afford otherwise," Medvige said.

Councilor Richard Rylander recently visited the existing facility and talked about other alternatives for a replacement.

"Based on those discussions, I'm as comfortable as I can be that they've explored every avenue, and that without this funding, it's unlikely to happen," Rylander said.

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Clark County COVID-19 case rate rises slightly

THE REFLECTOR

Clark County's recent COVID-19 case rate saw its first increase after five weeks of decline.

Clark County Public Health's Sept. 1 report included 91.5 COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population over seven days, slightly up from the 88.9 per 100,000 reported the prior week. The recent case rate had decreased for more than a month before the latest uptick.

Though cases rose locally, the recent case rate statewide dropped. As of Sept. 1, Washington had 115.2 cases per 100,000 population, down from 134.5 per 100,000 the week prior.

Recent case rates lag behind the most recent counts of cases. The health department's most recent case rate was based on activity from Aug. 16 to Aug. 22.

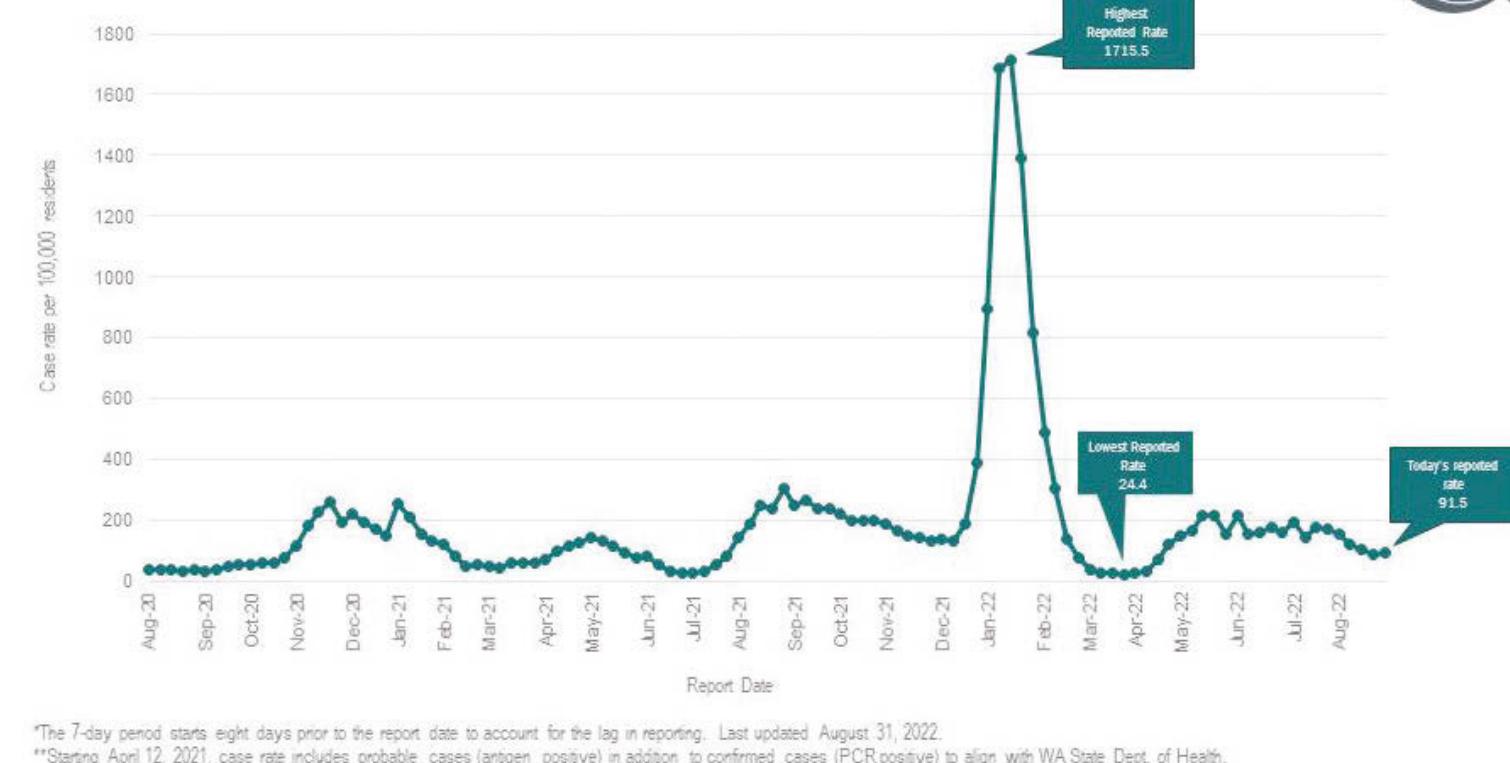
The health department reported 374 new COVID-19 cases between Aug. 25 and Sept. 1, fewer than the 494 new COVID-19 cases between Aug. 18 and Aug. 25. In total, there have been 104,040 confirmed and probable cases in Clark County since the outbreak began.

Clark County Public Health's Sept. 1 report included three additional confirmed COVID-19 deaths and two deaths suspected to be due to the disease, lower than the four confirmed deaths and two suspected deaths reported the prior week.

Clark County Public Health

COVID-19 ACTIVITY LEVEL

Clark County COVID-19 **case rate per 100,000 residents** for 7-day rolling period*



*The 7-day period starts eight days prior to the report date to account for the lag in reporting. Last updated August 31, 2022.
**Starting April 12, 2021, case rate includes probable cases (antigen positive) in addition to confirmed cases (PCR positive) to align with WA State Dept. of Health.



GRAPH COURTESY OF CLARK COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

A graph shows the rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 of Clark County population in the prior seven days.

did not break down deaths by age and gender in its Sept. 1 update. The deaths bring Clark County's total to 906, which includes 777 confirmed and 129 suspected to be due to the disease.

The number of COVID-19 patients occupying hospital beds in Clark County decreased. As of Sept. 1, 9% of beds had either patients with confirmed COVID-19

or patients awaiting test results, down from 11.7% reported on Aug. 25. The number of intensive care unit (ICU) beds occupied by COVID-19 patients and patients awaiting test results was 2.2%, lower than the 4.3% reported the week prior.

New COVID-19 hospital admissions decreased in the latest data. In its Sept. 1 report, the

health department reported 8 admissions per 100,000 population in the past seven days, down from 8.8 admissions per 100,000 population reported on Aug. 25.

Total hospital bed occupancy in the county decreased as of Sept. 1. The health department reported 96.4% of hospital beds and 93.3% of ICU beds in the county were occupied, compared

to 98.1% of all beds and 95.7% of the ICU beds on Aug. 25.

Clark County's statewide share of COVID-19 cases stayed about the same, while the death percentage increased slightly as of Sept. 1 compared to the prior week. The Washington State Department of Health reported the county had about 5.8% of cases and 6.5% of deaths.

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Sports

FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

Battle Ground-based football teams kick off season

SEBASTIAN RUBINO
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High school football teams are now back in action across Clark County. Battle Ground High School and Prairie High School held their first games on Sept. 2 after two weeks of practice, which kicked off the season.



PHOTO BY SEBASTIAN RUBINO

The **Battle Ground Tigers** practice getting into position at Battle Ground High School on Aug. 31.

The Battle Ground Tigers entered their 2022 football season with extensive practices before they played their first game against Mark Morris High School last Friday.

Coach Mike Woodward, who took over the program from previous coach Mark Oliverio, is excited to kick off the new football season.

"(Practices have been) outstanding," Woodward said. "It's been hot, so it's been a grind, no doubt about it, but our kids have responded really well and we're ready to finally take on a different-colored jersey, that's for sure."

"This is the 100th year of Battle Ground football, so super excited. I went here, so it's pretty special, being a coach where I played," Woodward said.

He said what makes it special is the "sound of their cleats clicking" on the asphalt as they leave the locker room to head to the stadium. The last time Woodward played was 30 years ago and he can "remember it like it was yesterday."

"It's just one small example of having the opportunity to coach where you played

BATTLE GROUND TIGERS

Head Coach: Mike Woodward
Classification: 4A
League: Greater St. Helen's League
2021 season stats: 1-9

and just remembering all the amazing coaches that I had. ... I'm trying to give back to the kids we have now and it's just an amazing experience," Woodward said.

As the new coach, Woodward has some aspirations he hopes the team can achieve.

"Our number one goal is to take it week by week," he said prior to their first game. "We're zero and zero right now and all of our focus is on Mark Morris. We want to be 1-0 after week one, and that next week we'll talk about Centralia and our goal will be to be 2-0. One step at a time for us."

"They believe in themselves, and the staff believes in them, and we can't wait to see the product on the field Friday night," Woodward said.



PHOTO BY SEBASTIAN RUBINO

Duffin McShane, the director of coaching development for Chinook Rugby, demonstrates rugby-style tackling maneuvers at Prairie High School on Aug. 31.

The Prairie Falcons started their 2022 season practicing in preparation for their first game against Auburn High School on Sept. 2.

Will Ephraim took the place of the previous coach, Mike Peck, and is determined to build on the team's foundation from last season.

"(We're) trying to fight the heat and make sure we're productive," Ephraim said last week. "I think we've been productive (and) I think we've been able to do the things we've wanted to do, and see the things we wanted to see."

He would like the team to "be able to adjust and get better." Ephraim also wanted to be focused for their game last Friday, as Auburn is a "spread team that could give us a challenge."

Prior to their first game, Ephraim said he was impressed by the players on the team based on their practices.

"They've been awesome. I really love their attitude, their toughness," he said last week. "They have me excited about the season coming. I feel like all the ingredients there are now just up to

me and my staff to get the right mixing."

For the team, Ephraim also aims to "establish a tradition of competitiveness."

"Everybody wants to win, of course, that's definitely in the picture, but I want for people to see us as a true program, and a very competitive program at that," Ephraim said.

During their practices, the team was shown a rugby-style tackle by Duffin McShane, the director of coaching development for Chinook Rugby, who is an experienced rugby player. The tackle is meant to be a safer alternative to the traditional football tackling method, McShane said.

PRAIRIE FALCONS

Head Coach: Will Ephraim
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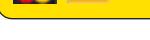
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An aquatic center provides a resource for all ages

Thank you for covering the city council meeting related to the proposed YMCA partnership with the city of Battle Ground. I listened to the council meeting and felt your article reflected a very accurate narrative of the discussion.

When moving to Battle Ground four years ago, one thing I looked for was an aquatic center for lap swimming. I know there is a private swim school that has supplied the community with some resources and I appreciate the work they have done. I also was told by people that have lived here for a while that a discussion was had years back when the community center was built with a possibility of an aquatic center then. I was told the reason, at that time, was the mayor had children who were into skateboarding and so the plan for the skate park was chosen instead.

Again, nothing wrong with a skate park. It does supply activity for those who enjoy it, but I would say from what I've seen, that it is for a small percent of our community.

An aquatic center provides a resource for all ages. I drive to the Orchards YMCA or Firstenburg Center and see classes for parents and babies, classes for kids, swim team practices, water aerobics and lap swimming. Water activities are one of the types of exercises people with disabilities, injuries or mobility issues can do. It is non-weight bearing and gentle on the joints of the body, while being a good strength building and cardiovascular workout. I returned back to swimming and water aerobics 20 years ago as arthritis began to prevent me from doing running and other weight bearing fitness activities.

Having a local YMCA would help accommodate others who have to commute an average of 30 minutes to an aquatic center. Thirteen percent of the members at the Orchards YMCA are Battle Ground residents. I've been told the swim teams from Prairie and Battle Ground high schools travel there to use the pool. There would also be an opportunity to be part of the YMCA's swim club and take other classes.

Our community is growing so much that providing this resource would be a draw for people moving here as well as adding income to local businesses as families would be

spending their money locally instead of in Vancouver.

Mayor Philip Johnson and two others on the council said that they would need to hear from the community about their willingness to support this project for them to consider moving forward with it. If you're desiring an addition of an aquatic center to our community, please contact the mayor at philip.johnson@cityofbg.org.

Ann Croze,
Battle Ground

Benton is misleading voters

The Aug. 17 edition of *The Reflector* had two ads from Don Benton with "We Won" in big letters. It looks like Benton is misleading voters about his second place finish. Remind you of any other politician that came in second and claims he won?

Rob Baur,
Ridgefield

Don Benton's past performance leaves no doubt he is unqualified

In the recent primary election for the District 5 Clark County Council seat, Sue Marshall's final vote was 10,012 while Don Benton received 9,546. In a recent edition of *The Reflector*, Don ran two advertisements claiming he won.

Boy, are we surprised that Don Benton would be less than truthful about anything. There is an old adage that if you want to know who someone is, look at what they do, not what they say.

Don Benton has made a career out of half-truths, misdirection and deceit. Remember he is the state senator that screamed vile epithets at a female colleague in the Senate because she took a position with which he disagreed. He obstructed a public project that would have employed thousands and ensured our traffic infrastructure remains functional and safe while claiming to be concerned about families and jobs. That project now will cost billions of dollars more.

He has spent the last several years sucking off of one or another high paying taxpayer funded position, which he was unqualified for and did not compete for, while he rails against taxes and government regulation.

Now we find out he is deluded and thinks coming in second place is winning. Maybe his last four years have influenced that thinking.

Past legislative session missed opportunities to expand our workforce

BY PETER ABBARNO

A "Help Wanted" sign on businesses and employment websites are all too common these days. The economic pressure on businesses, as well as consumers is driving the cost of goods higher and severely disrupting every level of our economy.

Some might look favorably at the unemployment rate hovering below 4%. However, it's a different story for many businesses in Southwest Washington experiencing workforce shortages, supply chain interruptions, and a rise in the cost of doing business.

The unemployment rate is the percentage of the labor force without a job. Unfortunately, the artificially low rate is influenced by the low labor participation rate, which remains around 62%. The labor force participation rate is an estimate of an economy's active workforce.

An excessively low labor participation rate like 62% indicates many in the workforce gave up looking for a job, retired early, or decided they are financially better-off not working. For some context, the Washington state unemployment rate is 3.9% and the labor participation rate in Washington state is 64%.

Many argue, and I happen to agree, that the low labor participation rate is primarily caused by newly created or enhanced government programs disincentivizing employment. New programs have historically impacted labor participation rates when government benefits outweigh wages.

New programs alone are not the sole cause of current employment problems. There are other contributing factors like the cost and availability of pre-school and day care, cost of fuel, continuing impact of vaccine mandates, early retirement of many boomers, and newly created taxes and fees lowering take-home wages.

To help reverse course, government must control spending and stop passing spending bills like the "Inflation Reduction Act" that does not reduce inflation. Like every family or small business, government must live within its means and resist the urge to create new programs built upon unsustainable revenue sources.

New and unsustainable state programs play a major role in an employer's decision to create jobs and a person's decision to seek employment. Ultimately, massive new spending bills on programs without sustainable revenue sources require tax increases on small businesses and working families (Long-Term Care Payroll Tax, Paid Family Medical Leave Tax, Capital Gains Income Tax, Gas Tax, Low Carbon Fuel Standards, Cap and Trade) or a diversion of funds from worthwhile investments (Public Works Board Trust Fund).

The past legislative session was filled with some major economic missed opportunities. The most obvious was squandering a \$15 billion surplus without providing small businesses and working



Peter Abbarno

families with meaningful tax relief. Another was a new partisan "Puget Sound" centric transportation budget.

There were also missed opportunities to expand our workforce through economic incentives that could benefit businesses and families.

For example, in Lewis County, veterans account for over 12% of the population and a much higher percentage if their spouses are included. Last session, I introduced House Bill 1677, which would increase and expand employer tax incentives for hiring veterans and military families. Although the bipartisan legislation passed out of committee unanimously, it was not brought to the House floor for a vote.

Although HB 1677 was a targeted incentive; generally, Washington must create an environment for businesses to be successful. That starts with reducing regressive taxes like the Business and Occupation (B & O) tax, eliminating overburdensome regulations, and expanding our workforce opportunities.

There were successes that helped move us in the right direction. A success from last legislative session was House Bill 1170, which directs the Department of Commerce to support the development of regionally tailored strategies to facilitate the development of the manufacturing workforce across the state.

Another success was greater investments in career ready students, community colleges, and career and technical education (CTE). Currently, there is a significant labor market mismatch. The jobs available don't match the skills of the applicants and vice versa. Apprenticeship programs, CTE investments, and community college programs help build and develop a workforce that meets the needs of our economy and businesses.

Lastly, there are few better investments than child care, pre-school, and kindergarten readiness. Quality early learning programs prepare children for lifetime success and provide the opportunity for families to pursue education and employment opportunities. Supporting early learning programs and funding Early Learning Facilities (ELF) grants helps improve our children's future success and provides opportunities to help lift families out of intergenerational poverty.

The 2023 legislative session will provide additional opportunities to invest in our workforce, create a successful small business environment, deliver working families meaningful economic relief, and invest in early learning and child care opportunities. I will continue to work on these issues, because small businesses and working families can't afford more missed opportunities.

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Lifestyles Horse & Ranch

Horse enthusiast opens new business to train, watch horses



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A herd of horses Funky's Farm Favors serves runs through a field.

SEBASTIAN RUBINO

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Shanel Funk is a jack of all trades when it comes to horses.

To utilize her love and passion for equines, Funk launched a new business in Battle Ground. She drives to various locations throughout Clark County to train people's horses and helps with other tasks, like shoveling out stalls or providing companion ship to the animals.

"I've been into horses pretty much all my life and I know how stressful it can be to get everything that you're supposed to

and/or want to do, especially if you are a horse owner who really enjoys showing or competing," Funk said. "That adds even more stress to your schedule."

Funk has held a multitude of jobs. She was a cashier, a lifeguard and a marketing associate, but she "got tired of it." Since she enjoys being outside and loves to be around animals, Funky's Farm Favors seemed like a perfect fit for her.

"I'm kind of like an equine handyman, if you will," Funk said. "Being a horse owner myself, I know having a full-time job and then trying to get everything done for your horses as far

as cleaning, feeding, exercising, etcetera, sometimes it's a lot and you don't necessarily have the time to do it."

She wants to be a "helping hand" for anyone who is stretched thin.

"I have clients who have me ride their horses once or twice a week for exercise, just to keep them moving during the week," Funk said. "I have a couple clients that I'm actually training their horse for them and giving them a lesson as well. I give lessons to people who are learning to ride."

She also helps people clean their stalls and farm-sits for own-



COURTESY PHOTO

Shanel Funk stands between two of her client's horses.

ers who are on vacation.

"(I like) pretty much everything," Funk said. "I love being outside, especially in the summer months. I love the sunshine. The horses themselves, that's the biggest part. Me, personally, anytime I'm having a down day or a rough day, I'll go to my barn and I'll go see my boy. As soon as I'm out there with my horse, everything just kind of melts away, and I'm happy and care-free, essentially."

She also enjoys helping her clients, who share the same passion she does.

"I wouldn't say it's an easy environment to be in, but for me, it's very easy and pleasurable, and I definitely enjoy it. Even if I am cleaning stalls and shoveling poop," she said.

Funk has a few recurring clients who are horse trainers. She helps them at different events, like the horse show at the Oregon State Fair in Salem, she said. Another client has a horse breeding farm and a broken ankle, so Funk

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— Shanel Funk,
owner of Funky's Farm Favors

helps assist the staff with the horses and helps take care of the client's dogs.

"(The clients) are all really nice, all pretty laid back, but of course, all focused on their animals," Funk said. "They want to make sure their animals are getting the best care."

More information on Funky's Farm Favors is available on Facebook at facebook.com/funkysfavors.

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Chelatchie Prairie Railroad to host upcoming diesel train rides



A train along the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.

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A lone train car on the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.



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A Crosset Western Co. train on the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.

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The Chelatchie Prairie Railroad will once again hold its Sep-

tember diesel train ride on Sept. 10 and Sept. 11.

Railroad President Randy Williams said the ride will take passengers along the organization's

12-mile track.

"(It's) a beautiful ride through the woods," Williams said. "Our railroad is mostly ruled with an old logging railroad, and the ride is about two hours with a 30-minute stop at Yacolt Falls, where they can get out and walk down to the waterfall. If it's real warm, they may even want to get in the water."

Williams said he worked in architectural design and became involved with the railroad after he went on a train ride on Mother's Day weekend with his family 15 years ago.

"If you want to have a more demanding role, you can take the training to be a brakeman or a conductor, and to take the test for that license, so I am a brakeman and conductor," he said. "And during Christmas time, I have a big, red velvet suit. I become the railroad Santa."

Since it's fire hazard season, Williams said he also does fire patrol with a personal railcar.

"Sometimes the train can accidentally start a fire sparked from the brakes or a spark at the

stack," he said.

Williams noted the railroad is beautiful. He enjoys sharing the relaxing experience with those who ride the train.

"The train goes less than 10 miles per hour through the forest, so there's lots to see, (like) birds or flowers, depending on the time of year," he said.

For the September diesel train ride, he said one railroad car is open and the other is enclosed. If they have enough volunteer staffing, he said they will be able to ride in a caboose as well.

The October event, the "Fall Leaf Special," is a special trip because "everything is starting to turn, autumn is upon us, and that's a really nice time to go out," Williams said.

On the third weekend in July and third weekend in August, Williams said the railroad has mock train robberies, where actors "come out, stop the train, and do a little robbery skit." On the Saturday after Thanksgiving, they will also have Christmas trains, where kids can ride on the train and take a picture with Santa.

Chelatchie's corporate treasurer, station master, and crew scheduler Doug Auburg said the volunteers maintain the tracks

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— Randy Williams,
Chelatchie Prairie Railroad president

and trains. Auburg noted they are always looking for additional volunteers.

"Our people do all the work. We do the work on the track. We do the work to repair the locomotives and rolling stock, and we staff the train when we're running," he said.

He said all volunteers are extensively trained for the roles they adopt.

The September diesel train ride will run from noon to 2:30 p.m. on both days. It costs \$18 for adults, \$17 for seniors and military, \$12 for children 3-12 years old, and is free for children under 3. The station is located at 207 N. Railroad Ave. in Yacolt.

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Results from the Clark County Fair

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Following are results from various competitive categories at the Clark County Fair, which was held from Aug. 5 to Aug. 14 in Ridgefield.

Aug. 14

4H Dairy Youth Show

Dairy Judging

4H Bossy Novas-Blue: Peyton Rosin, Battle Ground; Sam Hartrim-Lowe, Battle Ground; Harrison Hartrim-Lowe, Battle Ground; Lindsey Adams, Battle Ground; Quinton Bonebrake, La Center; Sergio Aquilare, Battle Ground

Farger Lake Grange - Blue: Grace Shirley, La Center; Meredith Meats, La Center; Raegan Boyse, La Center; Sidney Boyse, La Center; Jenna Meats, La Center; Donna Kennedy, La Center

Fitting and Showing

Senior Grand Champion: Samuel Hartrim-Lowe, Battle Ground

Senior Reserve Grand Champion: Meredith Meats, La Center

4H Senior Grand Champion: Samuel Hartrim-Lowe, Battle Ground

4H Senior Reserve Grand Champion: Peyton Rosin, Battle Ground

Grange Youth Senior Grand Champion: Meredith Meats, La Center

4H Intermediate Grand Champion: Harrison Hartrim-Lowe, Battle Ground

4H Intermediate Reserve Champion: Lindsey Adams, Battle Ground

Grange Youth Junior Grand Champion: Jenna Meats, Battle Ground

Novice Showman Blue Ribbon: Quinton Bonebrake, Battle Ground; Sergio Aquilare, La



PHOTO BY SEBASTIAN RUBINO
Bella Parke holds a goat in her arms at the Clark County Fair on Aug. 5.

Center

Youth Holstein

Grand Champion of Breed/

Junior Champion: Peyton Rosin with Ellie Mae, Battle Ground

Reserve Grand Champion/Reserve Junior Champion: Peyton Ronsin with Kacie, Battle Ground

Youth Jersey

Grand Champion/Senior

Champion: Grace Shirley with Ella, La Center

Reserve Grand Champion/

Junior Champion: Samuel Hartrim-Lowe with Esse, Battle Ground

Senior Reserve Champion:

Meredith Meats with Honeybear,

Battle Ground

4H Brown Swiss

Grand Champion/Junior

Champion: Samuel Hartrim-Lowe with Nissa, Battle Ground

Reserve Grand Champion/

Junior Champion: Samuel Hartrim-Lowe with Nova, Battle Ground

Two students receive scholarships from Daughters of the Pioneers of Washington

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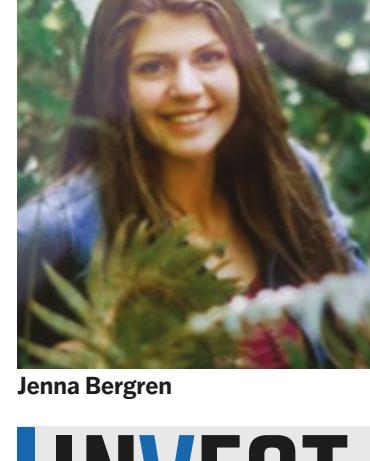
Two scholarships were awarded by the Fort Vancouver Chapter 19 of the Daughters of the Pioneers of Washington during a Battle Ground-based event.

The "special honor tea" event, held in May, was hosted at Sweet Peas Tea Room.

Jenna Bergren, a 2021 graduate from Battle Ground High School, and Addison "Addy" Friesen, a 2021 graduate of Prairie High School, were both awarded scholarships.

Bergren and Friesen both go to Clark College and plan to transfer to four-year institutions.

Bergren hopes to become an accountant, while Friesen aims to earn a degree in communications.



Jenna Bergren



Addy Friesen

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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF WASHINGTON FOR
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NO. 22-4-01080-06
PROBATE NOTICE
TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)**

In the Estate of:
CAROL S. REED,
Deceased.

The Personal Representative
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under RCW 11.40.020(3); or
(2) Four months after the date
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within this time frame, the
claim is forever barred, except
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11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060.
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decedent.

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/s/ Stephen D. Hansen

STEPHEN D. HANSEN

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/s/ Marissa D. Bartolucci

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON
NO. 22-4-01092-06
PROBATE NOTICE
TO CREDITORS

In re the Estate of:
JO ANN HOLMES.,

Deceased.

The personal representative
named below has been ap-
pointed as personal represen-
tative of this estate. Any
person having a claim against
the decedent must, before the
time the claim would be barred
by any otherwise applicable
statute of limitations, present
the claim in the manner as
provided in RCW 11.40.070 by
serving on or mailing to the
personal representative or the
personal representative's attorney
at the address stated
below a copy of the claim and
filing the original of the claim
with the court in which the
probate proceedings were
commenced. The claim must
be presented within the later of:
(1) Thirty days after the
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probate and nonprobate as-
sets.

DATE OF FIRST
PUBLICATION:
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Personal Representative:
JO ANN HOLMES.,

Deceased.

The successor named below
has submitted a Small Estate
Affidavit as the surviving
spouse and rightful heir to
property. Any person having a
claim against the decedent
must, before the time the claim
would be barred by any
otherwise applicable statute of
limitations, present the claim in
the manner as provided in
RCW 11.40.070 by serving on
or mailing to the personal
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representative's attorney at the
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Personal Representative:
JO ANN HOLMES.,

Deceased.

Name of Appointed
Personal Representative:
JANE M. MC LAUGHLIN.

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time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in Section 11 of this act and RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

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/s/ KAREN MALELLA-MANKER, WSB #54165
/s/ SANDRA L. BAILEY
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Personal Representative
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Attorneys at Law
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Court of Probate Proceedings:
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PO Box 5000
Vancouver, WA 98666
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123569 NTC Cullinan

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK CASE NO. 22-4-01155-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re the Estate of:

KELLY GERARD CULLINAN Deceased.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE

The Administrator named below has been appointed for this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 : (i) By filing the original of the claim with the foregoing Court, and (ii) By serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the Administrator's attorney at the address below a copy of the claim. The claim must be presented by the later of: (a) Thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed this Notice as provided in RCW 11.40.020(1)(c), or (b) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time period, the claim will be forever barred except as provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective for claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

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Personal Representative: Samantha Jo Shipp
Attorney: Cassie N. Crawford

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123571 NTC Jacobson

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK Case No.: 22 4 01146 06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:

RODGER ANTON JACOBSON, Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in Section 11 of this act and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:

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123572 NTC Walker

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY NO. 22-4-01159-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(RCW 11.40.020, 11.40.030)

In the Estate of:

DONNA RAE WALKER, Deceased.

The Personal Representative

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

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/s/ KELLY WALKER

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123573 NTC Tiedeman

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY No. 22-4-01031-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In Re the Estate of:

REID MARTIN TIEDEMAN, Deceased.

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

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Personal Representative:

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123574 NTC Jacobson

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK Case No.: 22 4 01031-06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN RE THE ESTATE OF:

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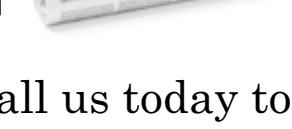
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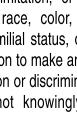
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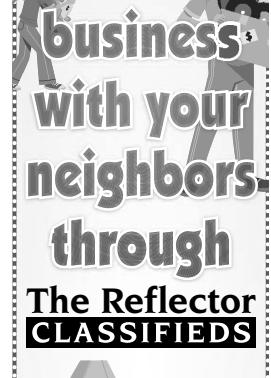
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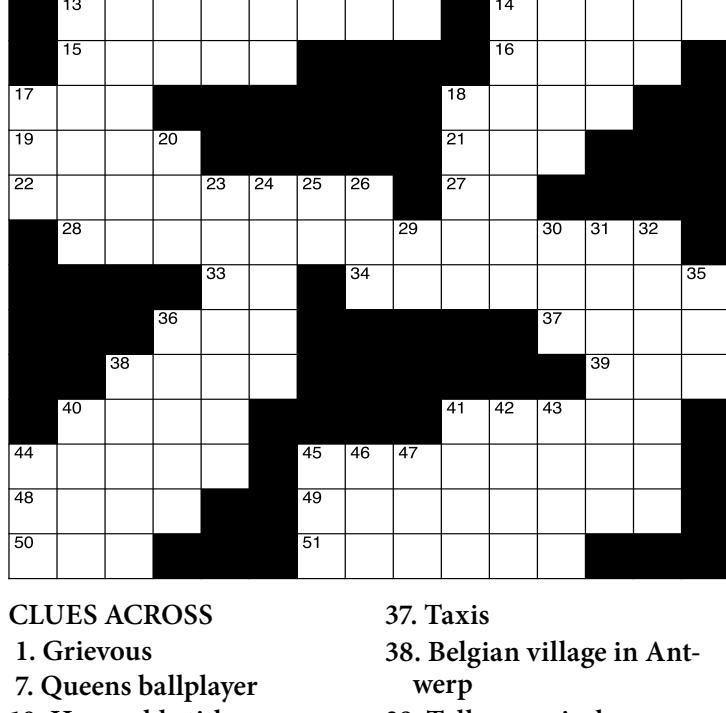
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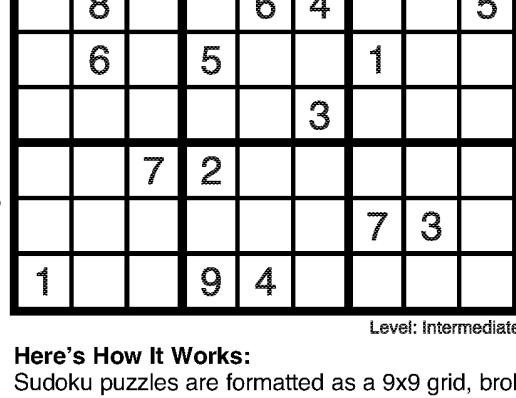
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- Grievous
- Queens ballplayer
- Honorable title
- Created
- Grillmasters do it
- Wartime German cargo ship
- Cocoplum
- Hebrew calendar month
- British thermal unit
- Brews
- One of Thor's names
- Decorative scarf
- Clothes
- __: denotes past
- A way to address a lover
- Commercial
- Utters repeatedly
- Google certification (abbr.)
- Taxis
- Belgian village in Antwerp
- Talk excessively
- Broad volcanic crater
- Surgical instrument
- Listens to
- Revelation of a fact
- Paddles
- Heard
- Tooth caregiver
- Metric capacity units

CLUES DOWN

- Protein-rich liquids
- Musician Clapton
- Wine
- When you hope to arrive
- Something one can get stuck in
- Midway between east and southeast
- Mothers
- German river
- Israeli city __ Aviv
- Discharged
- Areas near the retina
- Greek mythological sorceress
- Very unpleasant smell
- "__ Humbug!"
- White poplar
- Journalist Tarbell
- Teachers
- One older than you
- Long Russian river
- Run batted in
- Beloved Hollywood alien
- Holiday (informal)
- Furniture with open shelves
- Argued
- Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- Cars have them
- Volcanic craters
- Made of fermented honey and water
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