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Battle Ground City Manager terminated following 4-3 vote after two letters provided to Mayor

JAMES DOYLE
The Reflector

Another late night Battle Ground City Council meeting ended on Wednesday, Aug. 5 with a 4-3 city council vote to terminate without cause the contract of City Manager Kris Swanson.

The firing comes after a pair of letters from city personnel were sent to Battle Ground Mayor Eric Overholser following a June 2026 internal investigation against Swanson. Swanson began her time with the city of Battle Ground in April of 2024 when she was appointed as the Interim City Manager.

Swanson's transition to Battle Ground came after her sudden dismissal from the city of Longview in March of 2024. Swanson was terminated without cause as Longview's City Manager in a 4-3 council vote

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Agriculture and entertainment collide for family fun at Clark County Fair

The Clark County Fair's opening weekend brought in tens of thousands of visitors seeking family entertainment in the form of concerts, carnival rides, agricultural animal barns and much more.

The fair continues this week with some changes in grandstand entertainment compared to previous years. This fair, the monster trucks return with a new group of drivers and trucks — and instead of the closing weekend, monster truck action will take place on Thursday, Aug. 13, and Friday, Aug. 14, with shows both days at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

To conclude the grandstand entertainment this year will be the legendary Tuff Trucks competition on Saturday, Aug. 15, and Sunday, Aug. 16, with shows also at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. both days.



Classic fair food, Ferris wheels and other carnival rides make for an epic day of family entertainment at the Clark County Fair.

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SCENES FROM THE CLARK COUNTY FAIR
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Fairgoers scream while the Khaos ride sends them in the air at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug, 9.



Photo by Cade Barker

Days-old piglets were a highlight for many visitors at an agricultural barn at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.

Battle Ground longboarder makes history with eighth-place world championship finish

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Many who commute daily on state Route 503 through Battle Ground have probably seen a longboarder performing unique tricks.

That longboarder is Ke'Vionne "Kiwi" Robbins, who has found a home in Battle Ground and a unique hobby that has delivered him to the world stage.

For Robbins, longboard dancing began with an electric board, a small-town lifestyle and a search for a new way to get around.

It eventually took him to the Netherlands, where

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Battle Ground longboard dancer Ke'Vionne "Kiwi" Robbins performs a trick on Rasmussen Boulevard on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

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Battle Ground longboard dancer Ke'Vionne "Kiwi" Robbins gets a running start onto the board while practicing on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

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Port envisions a '21st century working waterfront' for Ridgefield



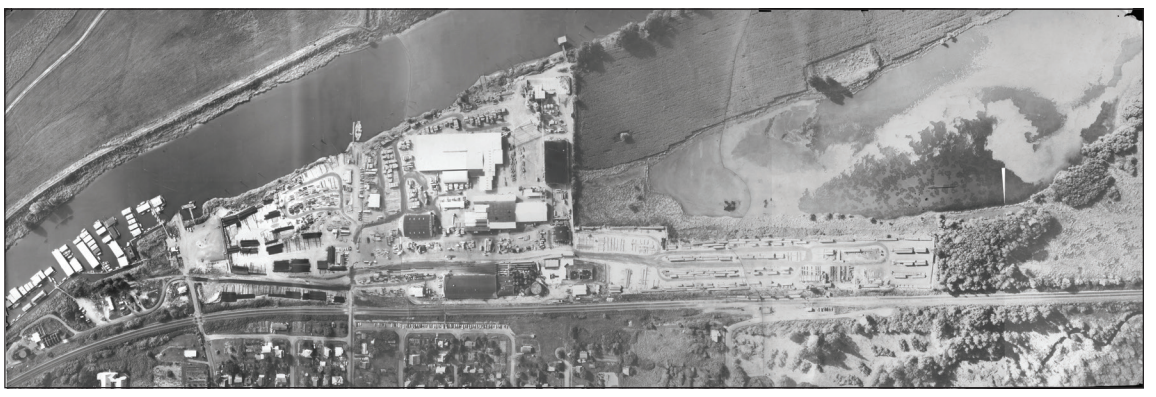
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Ethan Perry explains planned boat launch improvements to Summer Sorensen of The Reflector.



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Current conceptual site plan for Phase 1 of development.



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Earlier aerial shot of the property when it was Pacific Wood Treating.

SUMMER SORENSEN
For The Reflector

Ethan Perry, executive director for the Port of Ridgefield, has a phrase he returns to when explaining the port's waterfront plans: a "21st century working waterfront."

The land where hotel guests, office workers and residents may one day walk once housed Pacific Wood Treating, an industrial operation whose contamination was capped rather than fully removed — leaving covenants on what can be built, and where, that still apply today.

Going back to an industrial model, Perry says, was never really on the table.

"That is not what the community wants," he said. "If we were to go back to industry, we would have to close off the park."

The port's vision for the waterfront has evolved since the commission first outlined it more than 20 years ago, shaped along the way by market demand data, community feedback and Washington state growth mandates. The waterfront is zoned for mixed use, supporting the port's mission for economic development.

Abbi Russell, the port's administration and operations manager, cited market data drawn from an annual survey conducted by the Urban Land Institute (ULI) showing that mixed-use waterfronts with residential outperform those without, because residents "activate the space" beyond the eight-hour office day or transient hotel traffic — visiting coffee shops and restaurants, walking trails throughout the day.

Among several comparable waterfront projects Russell cited, she pointed to Independence, Oregon — a former concrete plant redeveloped into a mixed-use waterfront district — as one of the more directly comparable projects, calling it "kind of a mid-century downtown, much like Ridgefield."

Growth mandates and land stewardship

The waterfront redevelopment is shaped in part by a citywide growth mandate. Washington's Growth Management Act requires cities and counties to plan for future development, and Ridgefield's 2025-2045 comprehensive plan calls for the city to accommodate more than 10,600 new residents and roughly 5,800 new housing units over the next 20 years. The port has pointed to that mandate as one reason its waterfront property has a role to play in meeting the city's housing and job needs.

The Port of Ridgefield has worked with the city, the Washington Department of Ecology and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service — which oversees the adjacent Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge — as it refines its plans, addressing environmental oversight tied to the site's contaminated past and its proximity to protected wildlife habitat.

Public access and amenities

The port's boat launch has long been accessible to the public, even before 2015, when the port opened the rest of the waterfront site to the community for the first time in nearly a century.

But the launch is already showing its limits. It has room for only one boat to queue at a time; Perry said a planned extension would allow space for two or three, cutting down on backups during peak days. Parking is similarly strained: the lot's 28 spaces are sufficient about 90% of the time, Perry said, but overflow is needed on about 70 days a year, driven largely by regional fishing seasons and a broader shortage of boat access points along the Columbia River corridor.

The port's redevelopment plans include an ADA-accessible kayak launch and additional day dock capacity, improvements Russell said depend on lease revenue generated by the waterfront development itself. Financially,

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Ethan Perry discusses desired improvements to the current day dock to add capacity.

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Battle Ground City Council approves public invocations at future meetings

Battle Ground Mayor says invocations will be open to all faiths

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Battle Ground Mayor Eric Overholser said the city's newly adopted invocation policy is designed to provide an open and transparent process that allows anyone to participate, regardless of religious background.

During a contentious Battle Ground City Council meeting on Monday, Aug. 3, councilors voted 5-1 to approve public invocations to begin future meetings. Resolution 26-04 allows up to three-minute invocations prior to regular council meetings, as well as a moment of silence being an option.

Councilor Jeanie Kuypers was the lone "no" vote, with councilor Shane Bowman not present.

"There's nothing more that I would like to do than to stand together in unity and to share a time of prayer for our residents, our city and our council," Kuypers said. "And I also respect the differences of faith that are among us and within our city. Unfortunately, in the current environment, I'm more concerned about invocation becoming a lightning rod for more controversy and for social media distractions."

The resolution agenda item states the opportunity to provide invocation must be open to all faiths or "lack thereof." As of press time, the completed Resolution 26-04 was not available on the city of Battle Ground website.

Opponents of the resolution stated that invocations could hurt those with different beliefs and narrow the separation of church and state.

Supporters of the resolution said it honors a long-standing tradition — mainly in regards to congressional invocation, which is a brief prayer or opening reflection delivered at the start of each legislative day in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate. Congressional invocations began in 1774.

Locally, the councils of Clark County and Washougal have had invocations for a long time.

Responding to concerns raised by residents about whether the city would be selecting certain denominations over others, Overholser told The Reflector the process is intended to be open to all applicants.

"That is 100 percent correct," Overholser said. "We're working through the process now, but I think it was outlined in the resolution that there will be a process. It's a first-come, first-served. It's open to all. It's an open enrollment, and so you can do it once a year. Whoever is led to sign up can sign up. There is literally no filter of anything, and we wanted to purposefully have that, like no barrier, lower the barriers to allow whoever wants to bring an invocation to bring an invocation."

Overholser said he views an invocation as an opportunity for reflection and encouragement before city business begins.

"I think the idea of invocation is to have a moment of reflection, a moment of wisdom, encouragement for the proceedings," he said. "I think that can come from anybody."

Addressing criticism of the policy, Overholser said he believes many concerns stem from uncertainty and encouraged residents to review the city's adopted resolution and observe the process as it is implemented.

"I think that people have concerns about unknowns, and it's OK to voice those concerns, but hopefully they will seek the understanding and the answers that they're looking for," he said. "I was hoping the resolution document as itself, I think, is a very good place to seek that truth and then living it out and going through that process with transparency (and) accountability."

Overholser also said he preferred an application process that would not rely on a single individual, instead allowing submissions to go directly to city staff and be scheduled in the order they are received.

"My goal is an open platform where you fill out the application, you hit submit and it goes to staff, period," he said, adding that the city's approximately 22 annual council meetings could be filled on a first-come, first-served basis if there are enough applicants.



Photo by Cade Barker

Citizens packed Battle Ground City Council chambers during a public comment period that lasted an hour as many residents spoke against adding invocations to future regular council meetings on Monday, Aug. 3.



Photo by Cade Barker

Area activist Fia Marie, left, responds to a counterprotester who singled out Marie while they were away from a crowd of a few dozen protesters who were against adding invocations to future regular council meetings on Monday, Aug. 3.



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A sketch artist draws one of the counterprotesters outside of Battle Ground City Hall ahead of a city council meeting where invocations were approved by councilors with a 5-1 vote on Monday, Aug. 3.



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Protesters and counterprotesters stand toe-to-toe in front of Battle Ground City Hall ahead of a city council meeting where invocations were approved by councilors with a 5-1 vote on Monday, Aug. 3.

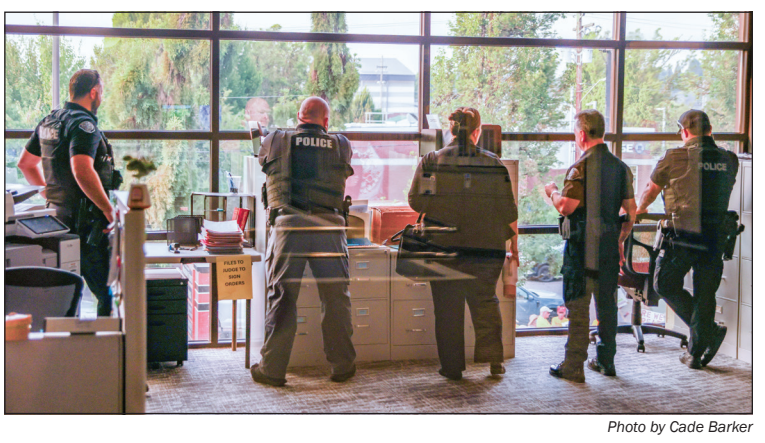


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Battle Ground Police personnel and Deputy Mayor Aimee Vaile watch a crowd of protesters from within city hall on Monday, Aug. 3.

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"Woe to the rebellious children, saith the Lord, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin" (Isaiah 30:1). Spiritualism is an inadequate covering, for its spirit which is religious in nature, has not the life-giving virtue that comes to us in being obedient to the principles and teachings of God's word. Spiritualism, even thou it is spiritual and very religious, it is sin disguised in sheep clothing, which does nothing but add to the sin that has become ours by loving the things of this world. Spiritualism is one of those worldly things because it is not of God, it is idolatry masquerading as a spirit from God. At times, the Bible uses Egypt as a term that refers to the world. Knowing this, let's continue reading Isaiah 30, now in verse 2. "That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt!" It's an amazing thought, that even thou Egypt was devastated with its armies being wiped out when following the Israelites across the Red Sea; many hundreds of years later, God's people would go back seeking counsel to learn of their spiritual ways. This is precisely what apostate Protestantism is doing when it reaches across the Atlantic to take hold of hands that support the system of Catholism.

True Protestantism, which is to protest the abuses of God's kingdom, apostatizes by going to the seat and power of spiritualism for spiritual understanding. "Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion" (Isaiah 30:3). The strength of Pharoah was the confusion of spiritualism; its strength or shadow has moved and now covers Rome masquerading as an angel of light in the system of Catholism. Shadows do have the ability to provide shade for much-needed comfort and it is true spiritualism does offer this, but its comfort does not give true healing. "Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them" (Acts 5:15). It is good to be in the shadow of One that is standing in the light. The true light is Jesus Christ. Jesus has life in Himself. Spiritualism professes to believe in Jesus but He who came to this world has warned His church, saying, "Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes [from] thorns, or figs [from] thistles?" (Matthew 7:16). Fruit bearing in nature is a sign of obedience. This is true also spiritually; the fruit testifies to what nature it is of. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law" (Galatians 5:22,23). There is no law for grace does not condemn such actions. Each one of these graces is what we desire to see in others, in our children, our spouse, the ones that govern at work, or our state and nation. Because this is true, why is it that these virtues are not found in the church? The good news is they are in the church, not in the church of disobedience but in One that made all things possible showing us by His example what is ours by faith, "Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ" (Colossians 2:17). This verse is wanting us to understand that the fruits of God's spirit are but a shadow of Christ' righteousness, a shadow reflecting what we can become. Shadows do not lie. The light strikes the object which blocks the light causing a shadow of that very image which portrays a likeness. But first the light must shine. Spiritualism consists of good and evil. Good has a degree of light but not the intensity that is necessary to search the dark areas in the life of man that are easy to be ignored because of the deficiency in spiritualism being absent of God's law, "Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, see, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount" (Hebrews 8:5). Shadows are important, they reveal the very One/one being worshiped.

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the boat launch operates at a loss: it generates roughly $120,000 a year in annual and daily use pass sales, against about $180,000 a year in maintenance, staffing and operating costs.

"It's a loss leader," Perry said, one the port subsidizes with tax dollars to keep the service available.

Residential density

Building residential space on the waterfront has drawn consistent pushback — in questions raised at a recent Lions Club meeting, in comments on social media, and in letters to the editor — with many residents opposed to the idea. The number of residential units to be built in Phase 1 is still undecided, but the port did confirm that the total build-out for the project will be 250-350 overall.

Responding to criticism

The port has heard the criticism that the public engagement period amounts to little more than a formality — feedback collected after the plans are effectively already set.

Russell called that "an incorrect assumption."

"We are listening," she said, noting the port represents 26,000 people across a 55-square-mile district and is working to reach as many perspectives as possible.

She added that the port doesn't make major decisions "under pressure" and doesn't expect the final plan to satisfy everyone:

"We won't get everything we want ... but we believe that we can find middle ground and address many of the concerns and move forward with a great development."

Perry echoed that the pace is deliberate, not evasive. Reaching a decision means coordinating with multiple parties before the port can respond to specific concerns.

"People want us to make adjustments or respond immediately," he said, "but we need to hear from everyone."

What's next

The port continues to gather public feedback until Aug. 17, when its waterfront development survey closes. After that time, it will take a month or so to analyze the results of the feedback they've received and set a community meeting for this fall to share the results and how they have impacted the planning process. Residents are encouraged to share their opinions on the survey, hosted on portridgefield.org.



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2025 aerial shot of the Port's 40-acre waterfront property.



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Ethan Perry and Abbi Russell on a Waterfront site tour.

Woodland Police Department swears in new sergeant



Photo by James Doyle

Woodland Police Sgt. Trevor Eades is sworn in by Mayor Todd Dinehart before Woodland City Council during a Monday, Aug. 3, meeting.



Photo by James Doyle

Woodland Police Sgt. Trevor Eades.

JAMES DOYLE
Reflector chief of staff

During the Woodland City Council meeting on Monday, Aug. 3, Mayor Todd Dinehart swore in Sgt. Trevor Eades, making him the newest addition to the Woodland Police Department command team.

Eades brings over 20 years of public safety experience to the small town department.

Eades started his public safety career with the Cowlitz County Jail in 2001 before joining the ranks of the Longview Police Department, where he served for 16 years.

Eades joined the Woodland Police Department in 2025 as an outside hire into their sole detective position and will now be serving as one of the two patrol sergeants in the agency.

Vitals

Obituaries, Death Notices & Births

Birth notices: Aug. 12, 2026

Lexi and Ryan Rich, Ariel, welcomed a girl, Penelope Leah Rich, 5 pounds 1.6 ounces, on July 30.

Death Notices

Jerry Mobley, 78, of La Center, died July 11. Arrangements are under the care of Cascadia Cremation and Burial Services, 360-213-2060.

Brian Hoppe, 63, of Battle Ground, died July 22. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

James Onthank Jr., 61, of La Center, died July 23. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

Shannon Grove, 57, of La Center, died July 24. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

Addison Stading, 19, of Woodland, died July 26. Arrangements are under the care of Hamilton-Mylan Funeral Home, 360-694-2537.

Garry Griffin Jr., 63, of Woodland, died July 27. Arrangements are under the care of Straub's Funeral Home and Columbia River Cremation, 360-834-4563.

Ronald Wells, 89, of Battle Ground, died July 29. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Colleen Lobdell, 88, of Camas, died July 29. Arrangements are under the care of Camas Cremation and Burial Services, 360-858-8919.

James Gate, 75, of Woodland, died Aug. 1. Arrangements are under the care of Woodland Funeral Home, 360-225-8441.

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Sharon G. McGehee

July 10, 1940 - July 19, 2026

Sharon G. McGehee, 86, passed away peacefully on July 19, 2026, in Vancouver, Washington. Born on July 10, 1940, in Inglewood, California, Sharon led a vibrant and purpose-driven life that left a lasting impression on all who knew her.

Sharon was preceded in death by her husband, Willard "Chuck" McGehee; stepdaughter Linda Godwin; her parents, Albert and Bertha Sweet; and her younger brother, Bobby.

She is survived by her three children: Becky Struys and husband Felix Struys, Robert Foster, Heidi Price and fiancé Sam Hammond; stepdaughter Teresa Jacobelli; her sister, Joanne Nance; as well as numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and their families.

A woman who was independent and full of energy, she believed in doing every task with care. She was known for her hands-on approach and took pride in her work. She loved working in her yard, caring for her flowers and plants.

Sharon's creativity extended into arts and crafts, where her artistic spirit shined brightly. Whether designing something beautiful or exploring an arts and crafts store, she found joy in her creative pursuits.

Sharon had a deep love for animals and shared her life with pugs, cats, and other furry friends. Her adventurous nature led her to explore new places. Whether on a weekend trip to the beach or a road trip to Yellowstone, she was always ready to go.

Sharon enjoyed reading mystery and romance novels, works about Native American culture, and history books. She valued staying informed about current events as she eagerly awaited her daily newspaper.

Sharon's legacy is one of love, resilience, creativity, and an unwavering dedication to family and friends. May those who knew her find comfort in their cherished memories of this remarkable woman.

A private celebration of Sharon's life will be held at a later date for close family and friends. For further details, please reach out to Heidi Price at 360-600-2766.

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Sylvia Dee (Harlow) Pott

July 11, 1946 - July 10, 2026

Sylvia Dee Pott passed away on July 10, 2026, one day before her 80th birthday in Fairbanks, Alaska after a brief illness. Dee was born July 11, 1946 in Vancouver, Washington to Harry and Sylvia (Lehto) Harlow. She grew up on the Oregon coast and in Battle Ground, WA, graduating from Battle Ground High School in 1964.

Dee moved to Alaska in 1972 and graduated from Kodiak College where she became the registrar. In 1991 she moved to Fairbanks to work for The University of Alaska Fairbanks. She met Dave Pott through a mutual friend and they married in 1997 at their cabin at Gold King, in the Alaska Range. Together they enjoyed the bush lifestyle and in 2021 moved back to Fairbanks, but still enjoyed flying out to their cabin several times each year.

Dee is survived by her husband Dave Pott of Fairbanks, AK, sister Linda Adolfson of Battle Ground, WA, sister Laura Belcher of Hollis, AK, brother Harry Harlow and wife Barbara of La Center, WA, sister-in-law Christine Mercer and husband Jim of Plessis, NY and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Dee's smile and love of life will be missed by all.

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Ridgefield officer who connects with kids earns Police Activities League award

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The Police Activities League (PAL) of Southwest Washington on July 13 honored Ridgefield police officer Kaylin Debiak with its Law Enforcement Volunteer of the Quarter award.

Debiak has been a police officer for six years and has spent four of those years in the Ridgefield area.

She has been involved in the PAL program, a volunteer effort allowing law enforcement officers to get involved in a positive way with the children of Ridgefield.

"What it does is it bridges the gap between police officers and the youth in our community," Debiak said.

The PAL program means that officers such as Debiak can go visit middle and elementary schools and spend time bonding with the students.

"I'm assigned to a specific classroom that I go in once a month and I read stories, do a class project or something else that's teacher-led," Debiak said. "I've gone into a math or science lesson and just sat on the floor and answered funny questions."

According to Debiak, the purpose of doing these activities with the kids of the community is to give the police an opportunity to let the children develop a relationship with the officers.

"I will have kids almost crash their bike when they see me driving on the street just to say hi to me," Debiak said. "It gives us police officers the chance to know and hang out with kids, which is my passion."

Having police officers spend time with them seems to be a favorite pastime for the students Debiak visits.

There was a time when she was visiting her students during recess, and pretty much every kid wanted her attention, inviting her to play soccer, basketball, climb on the jungle gyms, race or even go down a slide.

"I'll just show up at lunch and sit down with one student, and pretty soon the whole table's full," Debiak said.

On many occasions, she's been around town or at events when students have come up to her and introduced their parents and grandparents.

For the Ridgefield officer, these interactions help make it easier when she has to fulfill her responsibilities in law enforcement.

In the cases when Debiak might have to do a home visit when a child is present, this program provides the ability to not see her as intimidating, but as another human.

"Even though it could be terrible, the child knows that they can trust us and that we're going to do the best thing that we can do," Debiak said.

The humanization of officers also allows for kids to feel capable of asking hard questions of her should they be curious.

"Policing obviously has come a long way from when I was a kid. I was taught that if I was playing basketball, and a cop was in the street, to hide behind a car," Debiak said. "I think there's a huge difference now, where the police officer will stop and play basketball."

As an assignment and a volunteer program, PAL has allowed Debiak to reshape her own perception of what it means to be a police officer and the perception of the children in her community.

Through this donation-based program, she's been able to connect with the kids of the community and leave a good impression as to what an officer should be.

"It's just so much fun. It's good to know that I've made some sort of impact in relationships," Debiak said.

Learn more about PAL online at https://palofswwa.org.



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Ridgefield police officer Kaylin Debiak stands in front of the Police Activities League van after receiving her Law Enforcement Volunteer of the Quarter award.

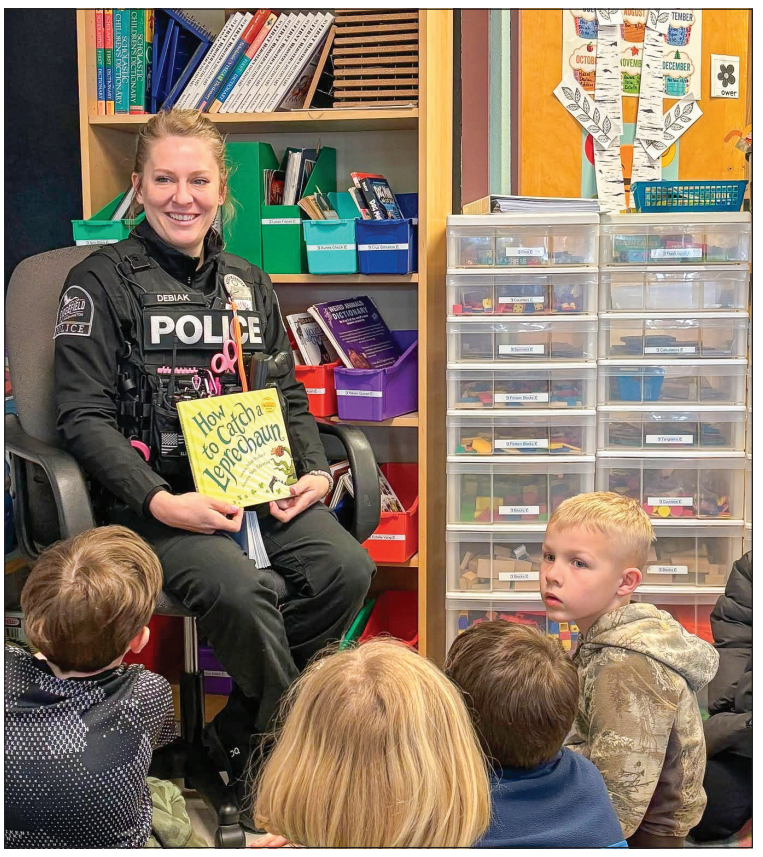


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Ridgefield police officer Kaylin Debiak leads story time for her class at Union Ridge Elementary.



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Ridgefield police officer Kaylin Debiak teaches students about the operation mechanics of a police drone at Union Ridge Elementary.

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Braun, Gluesenkamp Perez advancing in Third Congressional District race

Unofficial primary results give Republican slight lead over Democratic incumbent

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U.S. Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez, D-Skamania, listens to Northwest Paper Box Manufacturers Inc. CEO Brad Van Allen during a roundtable discussion on Thursday, July 9.



Photo by Cade Barker

State Sen. John Braun, R-Centralia, the leading candidate for Washington's Third Congressional District, listens while Speaker of the House Mike Johnson campaigns for Braun at an event in Vancouver on Thursday, Aug. 6.

The Tuesday, Aug. 4, primary election results gave a glimpse into what voters may be feeling come November for the general election, with the most crucial race across Southwest Washington gaining national attention.

Washington's Third Congressional District will be a contested battle between incumbent U.S. Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez, D-Skamania, and current state Sen. John Braun, R-Centralia, as the two surged past seven other candidates as preliminary results were announced on Tuesday, with multiple updates following and still more to come prior to results being made official.

After preliminary results on election night, Gluesenkamp Perez sat ahead of Braun by less than 300 votes.

Districtwide, Gluesenkamp Perez gained a narrow lead after Clark County results were reported.

After further updated results, Gluesenkamp Perez's lead slipped away and Braun added a few thousand votes.

As of Monday, Aug. 10, Gluesenkamp Perez landed with 77,185 votes (36.47%) with Braun receiving 83,761 (39.58%).

The unofficial primary results were called by the Associated Press after 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

Progressive Democrat Brent Hennrich earned 35,448 votes (16.75%). Hennrich was vocal on social media after the initial primary election results in that he will not endorse Gluesenkamp Perez. The wildcard come November lands in the hands of the over 35,000 voters for Hennrich who are in opposition to the more independent-leaning Democrat.

Under the national spotlight, analysts have long predicted the Braun versus Gluesenkamp Perez matchup come November.

Gluesenkamp Perez has a significant fundraising edge, reporting more than $6 million in fundraising while also facing Hennrich from within her own party. Braun has been second in fundraising with just over $2 million raised.

Recent polling on the Third Congressional District race currently favors Braun, but close enough to be labeled a toss-up.

Primary election results take shape in Clark and Cowlitz counties

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Primary election night returns in Clark and Cowlitz counties reshaped several key legislative races with incumbents facing stiff challenges ahead of the November general election.

Clark County voters set up several closely watched legislative contests for the November general election, with a mix of incumbents and challengers appearing to advance.

Updated ballot counts will be announced in the days ahead as more votes are tallied before election certification Aug. 21

The top two finishers will move on to the general election Nov. 3.

In the 18th Legislative District, Democratic challengers held narrow leads over Republican incumbents in both races.

Randi Knott led Rep. Stephanie McClintock 52.02% to 47.81% in Position 1, while Deken Letinich was leading Rep. John Ley 53.43% to 46.37% in Position 2.

In the 17th Legislative District, Ben Christly captured 52.50% of the vote in Position 1 to advance with Kevin Waters, who received 43.76% of the votes, while Diana Perez led David Stuebe 55.02% to 44.83% in Position 2.

Several Clark County races also produced decisive primary results.

Incumbent County Assessor Peter Van Nortwick led Tyler Thoune with 69.01% of the vote, while County Clerk Scott G. Weber earned 53.13% in a three-way race to advance alongside Rachel Shapiro.

The open county auditor race was the county's most crowded contest, with Eileen Quiring O'Brien obtaining a narrow first place position after additional votes counted at 29.12%, followed closely by Mitchell Kelly at 28.26%, as Sharon Wylie and Ty Stober sit with a lot of ground to make up.



Photo by Cade Barker

Vehicles line up to drop off primary election ballots at a drop box in Battle Ground shortly after 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 4.

In county council races, Glen Yung and Bryan Shull currently hold an advantage in District 1 with Dusti Arab narrowly behind Shull. Michelle Belkot leads in District 2 ahead of John Zingale. Troy McCoy holds a less-than-1,000-vote lead over Peter Silliman in the District 5 contest.

Voters also overwhelmingly approved East County Fire & Rescue Proposition 6 with 69.72% in support. Clark County Fire Protection District No. 10 Proposition 3 has slid below the mandatory 60% super majority with 59.48% approval.

Nineteenth District Rep. Jim Walsh holds 55.56% of the vote over Kevin Moynihan with 44.83% in the 19th Legislative District Position 1 primary.

The Position 2 race in the 19th Legislative District sees incumbent Rep. Joel McEntire at 41.89%, landing below Democrat Terry Carlson, who received 43.17% of the vote, after initial results in the four-person race, sending the two to the November primary.

Cowlitz County voters also favored Richard Dahl over Chelsea Chandler for County Commissioner District 3, 57.76% to 42.17%, while incumbent Clerk Staci Myklebust holds a large margin over Ashley White 64.34% to 35.23%.

In the race for Washington's 3rd Congressional District, voters gave Republican John Braun 39.58% of the vote — a growing advantage post-election night, with incumbent Democrat Marie Gluesenkamp Perez dropping since election night down to 36.47%, although Gluesenkamp Perez.

See full results and follow for updated tallies here:

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Clark County Sheriff's Office use Grappler to bring pursuit to a close in Battle Ground



Photo by Cade Barker

A Toyota 4Runner sits in the left southbound lane of state Route 503 in Battle Ground following a vehicle pursuit that ended after Clark County Sheriff's Office deputies utilized a Grappler device on Tuesday, Aug. 4.



Video Screenshot

Clark County Sheriff's Office deputies utilize a Grappler and box in a driver experiencing a significant mental health episode after a pursuit ended on state Route 503 in Battle Ground on Tuesday, Aug. 4.



Video Screenshot

Clark County Sheriff's Office deputies give commands to a driver experiencing a significant mental health episode after a pursuit ended on state Route 503 in Battle Ground on Tuesday, Aug. 4.



Photo by Cade Barker



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Traffic temporarily backs up on southbound state Route 503 in Battle Ground while the left lane was closed after a vehicle pursuit came to a close at Clark County Sheriff's Office deputies utilized a Grappler device on Tuesday, Aug. 4.

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The Clark County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) stated in a social media post that a Tuesday, Aug. 4, vehicle pursuit in north Clark County created a "wild morning for deputies — and everyone traveling on state Route 503 through Battle Ground."

A dangerous situation involving a missing person experiencing a significant mental health episode reported by the Portland Police Bureau was brought to a close as CCSO utilized a Grappler device to bring the pursuit to a close.

"Our deputies are often called to situations involving people in crisis, and those encounters can become unpredictable in an instant," CCSO stated on social media. "It's remarkable that no one was seriously injured here."

Around 10:35 a.m. on Aug. 4, CCSO deputies responded to reports of a reckless driver heading north on state Route 503 after 911 callers reported the vehicle had nearly caused multiple crashes. The same vehicle had also been linked to several hit-and-run collisions reported to Portland Police and Washington State Patrol, CCSO stated to The Reflector.

Deputies learned the female driver had been reported missing by Portland Police and was believed to be experiencing a mental health crisis. Deputies located the Toyota 4Runner on state Route 503 after it had been involved in another collision. The driver was observed traveling at speeds between 80 and 100 miles-per-hour and repeatedly driving into oncoming traffic, forcing several motorists off the roadway to avoid head-on collisions, CCSO stated.

Deputies attempted a traffic stop near the Fargher Lake Store, but the driver fled. Because of the immediate danger to the public, a pursuit was authorized. Deputies later deployed a Grappler device on state Route 503 in Battle Ground between Main Street and Scotton Way, which successfully brought the vehicle to a stop. The driver initially attempted to continue driving but ultimately surrendered and was taken into custody without further incident, according to CCSO.

CCSO was assisted by Washington State Patrol and the Battle Ground Police Department in the pursuit.

"Deputies determined the driver was not impaired by drugs or alcohol," CCSO stated. "Instead, she was experiencing a significant mental health crisis. She was transported to a local hospital, where she was held for a mental health evaluation."

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New influx of eateries coming soon to Battle Ground

IHOP and Camp Donut signs appear on buildings

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Battle Ground's dining scene is poised for an expansion of offerings with several eateries in the works.

From pancakes and donuts to burritos and ramen, Battle Ground residents have new eateries to look forward to as hiring efforts, permit activity, storefront signage and a new mixed-use development all point to continued growth in the local food scene.

IHOP

The most notable development centers on a new retail building near the Walmart Supercenter at 1101 SW Scotton Way, where an IHOP remains committed to opening despite months of online speculation that the national breakfast chain had abandoned its plans.

The restaurant chain appears to be preparing for its arrival. Job postings on Indeed advertise numerous positions for the future Battle Ground IHOP, as well as signage for the restaurant space being added to the retail building. An opening date has not yet been announced.

Prior to building signage, questions surrounding the project surfaced after a "for lease" sign appeared on the new building, leading many commenters on local Facebook pages to speculate that IHOP was no longer coming to Battle Ground. However, project documents and statements from those familiar with the development indicate otherwise.

The lease signage advertises approximately 2,800 square feet of available retail space. Marketing information from commercial real estate firm SRS lists 2,616 square feet available for lease at the location, matching the square footage originally proposed for a Super Chix restaurant in 2024 site plans. By comparison, the proposed IHOP occupies a separate 3,622-square-foot space within the building.

In April, a representative for the property's owner confirmed on the record that IHOP remains committed to the Battle Ground location, while the proposed Super Chix restaurant is "up in the air." The representative, who requested anonymity, added that the available retail space is being offered on a "first come, first serve" basis.



Photo by Cade Barker

An "Opening Soon" banner and hiring sign hang outside the future IHOP at 1105 SW Scotton Way on Friday, July 31.

Further supporting IHOP's plans, the leasing brochure for the available space identifies the vacancy as being co-located with a new IHOP that is currently under development, featuring IHOP branding throughout the marketing materials.

According to the original project narrative submitted to the city, the development includes 60 parking stalls, which have already been paved and striped, and is expected to generate an estimated 832 daily vehicle trips.

Camp Donut

Meanwhile, another new eatery appears to be preparing to open in Battle Ground Market Center.

Signage for Camp Donut recently appeared on Unit 111 in the shopping center anchored by Albertsons. The city issued commercial tenant improvement permits for the business in April, though exterior signs have only recently been installed.

As of this week, no official website, social media presence or public contact information for Camp Donut had been located by The Reflector.

Wingstop

Along Main Street, another national restaurant chain appears to be moving closer to opening.

A "Coming Soon" sign recently appeared at the future Wingstop location at 720 W. Main St., Suite 106, between Ichi Teriyaki and Palm Beach Tan.

The city issued commercial tenant improvement permits in May for the 1,391-square-foot interior remodel. Architectural plans show a customer layout featuring a two-station ordering counter, self-service beverage station, indoor seating and a single restroom.

As Wingstop's corporate website has not yet listed a Battle Ground location as "coming soon," the restaurant's opening date remains unannounced.

Muchas Gracias

Another restaurant project is also taking shape near Walmart.

Regional Mexican restaurant chain Muchas Gracias applied July 1 for commercial tenant improvement permits at 1218 SW Scotton Way, with the city issuing permits July 29.

Plans call for remodeling an existing 1,800-square-foot retail space in the Millcreek Town Center development. The location, in the same building as Chiro One Chiropractic and Wellness Center of Battle Ground, has remained vacant since the building was constructed in the 2010s.

The proposed restaurant includes partition walls, new service counters, suspended ceilings, new restrooms and use of an existing drive-thru. Architectural plans list an occupancy of 39 people and include two ADA-accessible restrooms.



Photo by Cade Barker

Camp Donut signage recently appeared on July 31 at Battle Ground Market Center as the donut shop is moving closer to opening after tenant improvement permits were issued earlier this year in April.



Photo by Cade Barker

A closer view of Camp Donut's new storefront sign highlights one of several food businesses expected to expand Battle Ground's dining options in the coming months.

West Main Commons tenants

The city's new restaurant growth is expected to receive another boost from West Main Commons, a mixed-use development under construction at 1305 W. Main St.

According to Nick Stanton, property director with NAI Elliott, the retail center already has signed leases with Brewed Awakenings — who recently confirmed the location on social media, while another restaurant space has been leased to a ramen restaurant. Architectural renderings also illustrate a possible pizza restaurant at West Main Commons. The nearly 28,000-square-foot retail development still has remaining commercial space available, with leasing representatives actively seeking additional restaurant tenants.

"We've gotten several leases that are already signed with Brewed Awakenings, OnPoint Credit Union, Edward Jones, Barbie Lounge and a Ramen tenant," Stanton previously told The Reflector. "We've got a couple of spaces remaining, so we're looking for other restaurants, retail, or service-type uses."

The development will include four retail buildings connected to a 225-unit apartment community by a public promenade. Stanton said the first retail spaces are expected to be delivered by the end of 2026, potentially bringing even more food and beverage businesses to Battle Ground's west side.

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the Battle Ground resident finished eighth in the Intermediate Freestyle Division at the 2026 So You Think You Can Longboard Dance World Championships, competing against riders from 26 countries.

The result ranks among the strongest performances by an American in the international competition and puts Robbins closer to a milestone no American has yet reached: a podium finish at the world championships.

"I think it's not only just a personal milestone, but also on the international circuit, I think it's a really big step because of how few Americans there are in the sport," Robbins said.

Longboard dancing combines footwork, balance, freestyle tricks and choreography. Riders move across the length of their boards in a style that Robbins said is as much an art as it is an athletic pursuit.

For Robbins, the journey into that world did not begin with traditional skateboarding.

"I got into this whole e-board thing, these electric boards, which is really weird because usually people start off by skating," he said. "Yeah, I didn't skate it until I was 26."

While living in Whitehall, Montana, Robbins began buying parts to build an electric board as a way to get around town. He eventually came across videos of longboard dancers and discovered an entire community he had never known existed.

"I was like, 'I've never seen this before.' … I was like, 'I got to get in it," Robbins said.

His first attempts came on an electric board, where he had to learn the movements while simultaneously controlling the throttle. In March 2023, he received his first traditional longboard from Zenit and decided to leave the motors behind.

"I started taking my steps and I was out in California with my auntie and had my dog with me," Robbins recalled, "and we're like taking these little steps rocking the helmet and walking, wobbling. And then it just became something really good and positive to focus on."



Photo by Cade Barker

Battle Ground longboard dancer Ke'Vionne "Kiwi" Robbins balances on one leg while showing a routine on Rasmussen Boulevard on Wednesday, Aug. 5.



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Battle Ground longboard dancer Ke'Vionne "Kiwi" Robbins switches feet position while practicing on a pathway along state Route 503 on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

Robbins soon discovered that longboard dancing was not simply a recreational activity, but had an entire global competitive community. Riders around the world were competing, practicing and gathering at sessions in different cities.

He traveled to California to watch and participate in sessions before entering his first competition, the Nashville Disco.

"And so they have the you know, they have the non-sponsored and sponsored and I went there and won my first competition," Robbins said.

That success encouraged him to test himself internationally. Robbins eventually traveled to the Netherlands for the world championships, where he said the experience exposed him to riders with different styles from around the world.

"It was like one skate sesh that lasted several days, but we all flew there to kick it and then I guess from then on I started getting more into the technical side," he said.

When Robbins returned to the world championships in 2026, his goal was more modest than simply winning.

"That's basically how that started and then I recently came back 2026 and had a goal to place in the top 10," Robbins said.

He did exactly that, earning eighth place.

The achievement carries additional weight because Robbins is balancing longboard dancing with life as a stay-at-home father to an almost 2-year-old, while studying zoology at Oregon State University and pursuing a veterinary technician program through Penn Foster.

His wife, Darcy, is a physician in Battle Ground, and the couple has built their lives around family, education and service while Robbins continues to pursue longboard dancing.

Robbins said that balance has also shaped how he approaches competition. He said he once trained as much as six hours a day while preparing for an international event, eventually realizing that more practice did not necessarily mean better preparation.

"Six hours a day. That's not how you want to do anything. Really," he said.

Robbins wants to see more Americans enter the sport and eventually become the first American to win the world championship.

"It's gone from just having it as a personal goal to win to more so putting our country on the map and any other future opportunities that we might have to expand the sport," Robbins said.

For now, Robbins is continuing to practice in Battle Ground, often riding along local roads and at a nearby church where he has permission to train.

And for anyone considering picking up a longboard for the first time, Robbins has a simple message.

"You just got to do it," he said.

To see more of Robbins' longboard dancing, visit his Instagram page at @l.b._dancer-kiwi.

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and her dismissal led to the city of Longview settling an Open Public Meetings Act lawsuit in July of 2026.

The city of Battle Ground announced the short notice special meeting for August 5th with the lone business item Resolution 26-06 to move to terminate the employment contract of Swanson without cause.

At the 7 p.m. commencing of the meeting, Battle Ground Mayor Eric Overholser called for an executive session that was not a part of the special meeting agenda, later pointed out by Councilmember Shane Bowman. The executive session met for approximately 1 hour before opening up for public discussion. All seven of the city council members were present for the meeting.

Public comment was nearly a complete majority for the 16 members who spoke, voicing their feelings of the rushed and unexplained decision. Mayor Overholser proceeded onto the only agenda item for the evening and opened the floor to council discussion after his motion that was seconded by Councilmember Brian Munson. Both Councilmembers Shane Bowman and Troy McCoy voiced their strong opposition to the decision.

"I was told there was a letter. My concern was, how do you call a meeting to fire someone without cause, without including four other council members to call that meeting? I've been a mayor, I've been on a council for 15 years. Never would I have thought 'I'm just going to call a meeting to fire the city manager without cause tonight, and see if I can get three other votes,'" said Councilmember Shane Bowman. Bowman went on to explain a phone call between him and Mayor Overholser on his drive back from central Washington for the meeting.

"So I was told there was a letter. I said why don't we have the letter? We weren't privileged to get the letter. I want the letter. You're not getting the letter. It's what I was told. So, I said, "Okay, then we'll talk about it. Um, I said if there was a letter, then it wouldn't be without cause and it should be something that we discuss in executive session, which we had not scheduled in the executive session, which magically got scheduled after my conversation with the mayor this morning."

Bowman continued that they went into the executive session to discuss his concern that there is no cause. Bowman concluded that their recent evaluation of Swanson granted her a 3.56 out of 5.0. and how hard it will be for the city to find a new manager after this. Councilmember McCoy would also add that the Mayor should be the one fired, not the city manager.

Following this, the city council proceeded with their vote. The three no votes came from Councilmembers McCoy, Bowman, and Jeanie Kuypers. The vote was met with an audible clap from sitting Longview Councilmember Kalei LaFave who was seen in the audience alongside former Longview Mayor Spencer Boudreau.

Mayor's Perspective

In an August 6 interview with The Reflector, Mayor Overholser stated it wasn't an easy decision and that he wants to "give it the due process it deserves." Overholser would further state that Swanson has a 30-day response period to the resolution for termination and he doesn't know if he will ever be able to speak fully to the things out of respect for Swanson and the city.

Overholser acknowledged that there were former and current officials in the crowd from the city of Longview and voiced frustration to hear them emotionally responding to the proceedings. Speculation had been raised on possible connections between members involved with the city of Longview's termination of Swanson and now Battle Ground's, which Overholser strongly denied.

When pressed, Overholser went on to acknowledge the "letter" in question.

"I've got to be careful of what I speak on right now. The letter is at City Hall right now. It's being reviewed by our legal team. There are public records requests requesting the letter because it was mentioned. I think I should be careful to say where the letter was from," but affirmed it was not from Longview.

Overholser then disclosed for the first time that there are actually two letters. When pressed on if the letters had anything to do with Swanson's June 2026 Investigation report from Sound Workplace Investigations, he stated he "could not comment on that at this time."

The Investigation

Sound Workplace Investigations specializes in objective, independent third-party workplace investigations and climate assessments for public and private sector employers in Washington State. Sound Workplaces' lead investigator, Paige Dietrich, wrote that the origin of the investigation came when she was hired in April 2026 to investigate a complaint about improper government action in the City of Battle Ground arising from Swanson's comments in that March 2026 city management meeting. She would write,

"More specifically, the employees reported to the chief [of

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Battle Ground City Councilors enter an executive session prior to voting 4-3 to terminate City Manager Kris Swanson at a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 5.



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Former Battle Ground City Manager speaks with leadership of the Battle Ground Senior Citizens Inc. prior to City Council voting 4-3 to terminate City Manager Kris Swanson at a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

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Akin's Bundles of Love giveaway meets growing need in Clark County



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Akin staff engage with families at a diaper giveaway event.



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Akin Chief Operating Officer Dr. Daniele Lyman-Torres, right, assists staff with a Bundles of Love giveaway. Akin hosted a diaper giveaway event in Vancouver the first weekend of August after a successful giveaway event in Seattle beforehand.

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Akin Family Resources helped hundreds of Southwest Washington families meet one of their most basic needs during its recent Bundles of Love diaper giveaway, distributing hundreds of boxes of diapers while connecting parents and caregivers with additional services available year-round in Clark County.

The statewide nonprofit partnered in a three-city initiative serving Seattle, Vancouver and Spokane over the weekend, with the Vancouver event at the Hazel Dell Fred Meyer the first weekend of August drawing a large turnout that provided over 500 diapers to families in need.

"It was pretty amazing," Akin Family Resource Manager Connie Cabler said. "So (we) gave out 560 boxes of diapers. Folks were lined up early and we ran out, gave everything away by around noon both days. … A lot of folks hadn't heard of our organization ... and so really great opportunity to provide something, but then also give an invite to come to our resource centers and get to know us and refill their bags, but also just kind of see what else we have to offer. So, it was an incredible success."

The giveaway included more than diapers. Families also received wipes, baby food and reusable tote bags, along with information about Akin's Family Resource Centers in Vancouver and Washougal.

Cabler said the organization's Clark County resource centers offer behavioral health services, family navigation, household essentials and hygiene items while working to make services accessible with as few barriers as possible.

Demand for diapers remains one of the organization's greatest challenges, Cabler said, noting that community donations play a vital role in keeping shelves stocked.

"Obviously we know that it is something that folks, it's a need, right, and it's an essential," Cabler said. "Clark County is amazing, but the community really rallies to meet the needs of the community. But we know that people go through them. They're super expensive. And so, yeah, any support, any help, it is by far the biggest ask that folks have and a difficult item to keep in stock and really to meet the needs of the community."

Families do not need to meet income requirements or reside in Clark County to receive services in Vancouver or Washougal. Cabler said anyone caring for children or youth who needs support is welcome.

"There's no real qualification other than they have a need and they come in the door," Cabler said.

Looking ahead, Akin is preparing to expand services at its St. Johns Road location in Vancouver with the completion of a new building later this year. Cabler said the nonprofit hopes community members will help shape future programming.

"We hope to be that for people and offer what folks are needing and not just what we assume," Cabler said. "So, we would love for folks to come check out both of our resource centers, especially St. Johns, see our beautiful new building, and then let us know what it is they're hoping for so that we can provide what they're wanting."

Akin's Vancouver Family Resource Center is located at 4421 NE St. Johns Road. For more information, visit akinfamily.org.

Brush Prairie man charged with killing bald eagle

A 66-year-old resident of Brush Prairie was charged by criminal information with violating federal law by killing a bald eagle, First Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles Neil Floyd announced in a news release Tuesday, Aug. 4.

Benjamin G. Allen is accused of shooting and killing the bird with a shotgun on Feb. 5. Allen is being summoned to appear in U.S. District Court in Tacoma on Sept. 8.

According to records in the case, officers from the Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife were called to a property in Brush Prairie regarding a dead eagle with blood around its head.

A witness heard a gunshot earlier in the day. Allen kept chickens not far from where the dead eagle was discovered.

Special agents from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service interviewed Allen about the deceased eagle and his actions that day. An exam by a veterinarian revealed the eagle had two shotgun pellets in its brain, causing the death.

Allen is charged with a class A misdemeanor for violation of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. He is also charged with a class B misdemeanor for unlawfully killing a migratory bird. Class A misdemeanors are punishable by up to a year in prison and a fine of up to $500,000. A class B misdemeanor is punishable by up to six months in prison and a $5,000 fine.

The charges contained in the information are only allegations. The case is being investigated by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and the Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sean H. Waite.



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Anyone with a lick of common sense knows that our political institutions have been infiltrated with special interests, foreign influence,and outright corruption for decades, and I would argue for over a century.

We the people have had their voice smothered by a chorus of disinformation from institutions we finance through our taxes and media outlets that are beholden to their investors, advertisers and politicians who have a gauntlet of corruption to navigate to attempt to enact legislation that actually benefits their constituents.

I have supported anyone who fights to make this country successful and have been betrayed by both sides, whether it's Building 7 falling perfectly on its own footprint, or our borders being flung open to reinvigorate a voting base.

Now we have communist operatives cloaked in the Democratic Socialists of America, fools who think a scary box being checked on a form will keep non-citizens from voting, and a clown who spearheaded the economic destruction of our economy with lies take the fifth 111 times this last week before Congress.

Oh, and a current governor who stood by as attorney general while former Gov. Jay Inslee shoved infected patients into nursing homes, killing countless elderly. What a guy!

It's tough to take a good look at what our country has become. Those of you who have the guts to study our history and weed through the plethora of BS see that we have had an internal war raging over the very soul of our nation. From the mentally ill who don't know the difference between a male and female to the rich sociopaths who dump drugs upon our society, most of which are legal and cause more harm than help.

And then there's Donald Trump — a guy I thought ran in 2016 as a publicity stunt. A guy who just had to be corrupt because he had a lot of money and influence. And then he started to expose the Deep State, the fake news, the corruption in our institutions, and weathered the weaponized lies about being a tool of Putin and Netanyahu.

Our business and manufacturing are returning, our military isn't being run by freaks, the streams of graft and corruption are being shut down, the foreign-backed protests are being exposed, and China isn't swallowing up our economy.

And yet there are haters.

MAGA is strong and enormously bigger than one man's movement. Enjoy the reveal.

Jake Jacobsen
Woodland

We should judge wrongness by actions instead of words

Battle Ground and Christian nationalism have been in the news lately.

Personally, because they are contradictory, I don't feel that Christian and nationalism belong together.

It is a political ideology and not a religion. However, as a veteran who took an oath to the U.S. Constitution, I strongly believe that people are allowed to believe as they wish even if I disagree.

As long as those beliefs in practice don't infringe on the rights of others and those who disagree.

The other thing I know is that people bring their religion to work with them, and that includes the government. Our religious freedoms protect that. The U.S and Washington state constitutions mention what is called the freedom of conscience. Regarding religion, this means all beliefs are allowed and that the government will not interfere with those beliefs.

The Battle Ground mayor's proclamation felt more like political theater typical of today's politics and a rather blustery announcement of "we are here!" so I took it less seriously than some.

He has also taken an oath. An oath of office to the Washington state Constitution to serve the people of every faith in his community and there are state laws written to support that.

We should judge wrongness by actions instead of words. Actions show true intent and can cause either very good things or very real harm. I learned in the military that one of the defining characteristics of leadership is accountability.

Darrell Anderson
Battle Ground

Washington needs a plan to grow the economy

By Kris Johnson

Warning lights continue to flash red for Washington's economy.

Employers are becoming more pessimistic about the state economy and increasingly looking outside Washington to expand. At this pivotal moment, Washington needs a long-term economic development plan that gives employers the confidence to invest, grow and build their future here.



KRIS JOHNSON

In the latest statewide employer survey by the Association of Washington Business, just 10% of employers say the state economy is strong, while nearly four in 10 (38%) describe it as weak — up from 26% a year ago. Employer confidence in the state economy has steadily declined over the past few years.

Last quarter, the AWB survey showed a dramatic spike in relocation interest, with one in four respondents planning to move their business to another state. The finding generated headlines throughout the country, sparking discussion about the direction of the state's economy. In the new survey, that number fell to 16%, but remains well above 11% a year ago.

It's not surprising to see those numbers come down. While the initial shock over the state's new income tax has faded, a growing number of businesses are still seriously considering relocation. Many employers considering a move are further along in the process, actively researching locations or developing relocation plans.

Employers are also eyeing other states to expand. One-third plan to expand outside Washington, compared with just 14% planning to expand here.

Washington's tax and regulatory environment is the main reason employers are looking elsewhere. Seventy-one percent say taxes are a key challenge, up from 57% last summer. The number has continued to grow since the Legislature passed a record $9.4 billion tax package in 2025 and followed it up with a new income tax in March. Government regulations, health care costs, inflation and fuel costs also top the list of concerns.

There are some encouraging signs. More employers report that their businesses are growing, more expect to add employees over the next six months, and fewer anticipate a recession. But the long-term decline in confidence in the state economy — and heightened interest in relocating to other states or expanding elsewhere — should be a wake-up call for policymakers and elected leaders.

So, what can we do to change course? In July, AWB and the Washington Roundtable convened a group of policymakers and business leaders to answer the question: How do we make Washington a place where businesses can start, grow and expand with confidence?

Several themes emerged throughout the day. Former Gov. Gary Locke called for more budget discipline in Olympia, warning against relying on overly optimistic revenue forecasts that lead to a cycle of budget deficits and pressure for higher taxes. Former Gov. Christine Gregoire shared a similar message a few months ago at AWB's Spring Summit. It was powerful to hear two former governors speak up about this issue.

Locke outlined practical ideas, including returning to results-based budgeting and ending the use of one-time funds for ongoing programs. Summit attendees echoed those priorities, calling for sustainable budgeting, a predictable tax environment and streamlining regulations. Boring stuff, really — or at least it should be. Unfortunately, these are ideas that have fallen out of fashion in Washington. A report this fall will outline specific actions and recommendations.

Washington's economy has been built on a solid foundation of low-cost power, a competitive tax climate and our highly skilled workforce. That foundation took decades to build, and it's now at risk — as the state's new income tax and rising relocation interest make clear. We need a plan to preserve it and grow the economy for future generations.

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Kris Johnson is president of the Association of Washington Business, the state's chamber of commerce and manufacturers association.

Fix the problem and bring students back to Battle Ground

The Battle Ground School District has failed to perform.

Student academic performance is abysmal with about 40% scoring in math and 60% in English. Boys who think they are girls are allowed to compete in girl's sports.

As a result, there are currently about 1,500 former Battle Ground students who are enrolled in private schools or are being home schooled.

Each student enrolled in the Battle Ground School District results in a little over $10,000 provided to the district from the state.

If those 1,500 students had remained enrolled in Battle Ground, there would be no shortage in revenue with the $10,000 per student.

Fix the problem, Battle Ground School District, and draw our students back to Battle Ground.

John Roscoe
Battle Ground

What is leadership?

What is leadership? That's an open question these days.

I grew up being taught by my deeply conservative Christian parents that leadership meant doing what was right, even if it cost you everything.

That real leaders gave up something of themselves for the good of those for whom they are responsible.

Perhaps the current leadership in Battle Ground grew up with a different definition. Because from where I sit, their brand of "leadership" seems to be doing whatever you desire, so long as no one can stop you, consequences be damned.

Already, this current leadership has cost the city legal representation, contracts, a qualified city manager (along with, in my estimation, about $500,000 in severance and search fees to replace her) and a risk of many more talented and dedicated civil servants heading for the exits, along with decades of invaluable institutional knowledge.

It has alienated members of our community, pitted neighbors against one another and left most of us in the middle scratching our heads and wondering why everything this current council does suddenly feels dedicated to such a small group of constituents.

When you are elected, whether it is by one vote or by a landslide, you earn the cursed obligation of representing all of your constituents, supporters or not. This is not merely a utopian ideal — it is how publicly funded entities must be run. Elsewise, you're telling members of the LGBTQ community that, even as you'll still gladly take their property and sales tax revenue, you'll actively raise a middle finger to them in the form of a nuclear family declaration during a month set aside for them, while ignoring Pride Month entirely. Good job.

But you've also opened your city up to potential civil rights abuse claims and other legal entanglements that will likely eat further into scarce public resources and reduce the amount of actual work the city can get done (you know, the streets, the crime solving, the land use management? The boring stuff).

And for what? A shiny religious intolerance merit badge that you don't even get to see until after you die? Nice.

What is leadership? They say you'll know it best by its absence.

Chris Brown
Battle Ground

Termination

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police] that a specific property owner was being inequitably targeted for code enforcement; that the city manager, Kris Swanson, used the code violations as a means to influence the property owner's willingness to sell the property to the city; and that in a city management meeting on March 3, 2026, the city manager said something similar to, "If they [the owners of the property] don't want to sell it to us, we'll just lien the property so they don't have choice." The property at issue is located at 14 NE 2nd Avenue in Battle Ground and is owned by Alkesh Patel.

Dietrich would go on to list 10 subjects in her report that were interviewed in the investigation, to include Battle Ground Chief of Police Dennis Flynn and City Manager Kris Swanson. Dietrich would report that Swanson informed her code enforcement is "complaint-based".

"Ms. Swanson said she did not recall why the code enforcement case was opened. When I told her a witness said that she directed the case be opened in February 2025, she said she did not remember why, and she later said she could not find any records of a complaint," Dietrich writes.

Also questioned in the investigation was Community Development Director Kristin Lehto. Dietrich noted that Lehto had opened the case against the Patel property at Swanson's direction and could not remember why. The Chief would also state in his interview that the Community Services Officers had "expressed concerns to him about the inequity, and that they had done a survey of similar properties." The Chief of Police also reiterated that cases were only opened on the basis of complaints.

The report further lines out, "Every witness who spoke about code enforcement confirmed a historical practice of "complaint-driven" enforcement".

Dietrich in her findings on this portion of the complaint concludes:

"I find it unlikely that the code enforcement case against the Patel property was intended to target the property in order to force a sale of the property to the city.

Certainly, the initiation of this code enforcement case is unusual, because it was opened at the request of the city manager in February 2025, and the source of a complaint is not recorded. Witnesses consistently told me that the code enforcement work is complaint-driven, and that CSOs do not have the capacity or resources to pursue proactive code enforcement."

Dietrich's report would narrow its focus on a reported controversial comment made by Swanson in the March of 2026 management meeting.

Dietrich would go on to interview those present in said meeting and list her findings as,

"I find it more likely than not that Ms. Swanson made some type of reference to parking and acquiring property in the meeting on March 3rd, 2026. I do not find it likely that Ms. Swanson made an actual threat that the city would act to take the Patel property if Mr. Patel didn't sell it to the city. The evidence shows the city council had given direction not to pursue acquiring the property, and the property owner had taken steps to comply with the code, making a taking based on code enforcement implausible. In addition, of the six people interviewed who were present at the meeting, only one recalled the comment and considered it serious; another did not remember the exact wording and did not think the comment was serious. Other witnesses denied hearing any comment similar to that alleged."

The investigative report was concluded with the following Investigator's note:

"I encountered varying levels of anxiety when interviewing employees of the police department. Most were quite familiar with the case file and emphasized that they reported their concerns in good faith, because they honestly felt the treatment of Mr. Patel was inequitable. The witnesses expressed to me that they were worried about retaliation and harm to their professional integrity and job security."



Photo by Cade Barker

Battle Ground Senior Citizens Inc. president Sharon Wodtke speaks against Battle Ground City Council voting to terminate City Manager Kris Swanson at a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 5.



Photo by Cade Barker

Battle Ground City Council departs an executive session prior to voting 4-3 to terminate City Manager Kris Swanson at a special meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

The Letters

As the interview with Mayor Overholser concluded, he was asked again if the city would ever be in a position to share the letters, or if there were concerns over protecting possible whistleblowers.

Overholser confirmed that they are relying on their legal team to direct them on that matter.

"Anything that we can share is an open book, whether by media release—though I doubt that will happen—or through the mechanisms of public records requests."

Overholser went on to express gratitude for Swanson's service and time with the city, stating that he trusted how the process would unfold.

Shortly following the interview with Mayor Overholser on August 6, Reflector staff were approached by one of the City Councilors who voted against Swanson's dismissal. This Councilmember disclosed the two letters in question. These documents have since been verified as the "letters" mentioned at the council meeting that were sent to Mayor Overholser from current Battle Ground employees who were subjects in the June 2026 internal investigation against Swanson.

According to the account of one employee recounted in the letter, Swanson called them to a meeting in July to talk "about the whistleblower report." The employee was caught off guard by this statement, as the report had been released in early June and their involvement was minimal.

The employee said that as they sat at the desk in Swanson's office, she allegedly slid the page detailing their involvement in the investigative report across the desk, claiming she was "disappointed." The letter states that Swanson went on to claim that because she was a former auditor, she keeps very complete notes, implying that since she had no personal note of her alleged comment, it did not happen.

Based on the tone of the conversation, the employee asked if Swanson was accusing them of lying. The employee noted that he suggested if Swanson was accusing him of lying, then perhaps Human Resources (HR) needed to be involved. The employee further writes that Swanson responded that if it were an HR issue, a representative would be in the room with them.

The employee wrote that Swanson went on to voice her disappointment with them and described how hard the investigation had been on her emotionally. In the closing paragraphs of the letter, the employee said that he believed the meeting was inappropriate because the City Manager, who was the subject of an independent investigation, was privately confronting him as a subordinate employee who had participated as a witness.

The second letter, authored by another witness, articulates fears of possible retaliation due to their larger role in the investigation. This employee also stated concerns regarding patterns in Swanson's leadership, including decisions that dismiss legitimate operational constraints, place employees in untenable positions, and prioritize inflexible personal expectations over the needs of the department and community.

The Reflector has not obtained comments from these employees at this time. The question remains: Was the "without cause" termination actually without cause?

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Lifestyles

Clark County Fair



The Rock Star ride hits its peak at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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A pair of goats with long beards look for visitors to pet them at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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SCENES FROM THE CLARK COUNTY FAIR



Chickens and roosters were on display at the Clark County Fair on Sunday. Aug. 9.
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A carnival game at the Clark County Fair offers farm animal themed stuffed animals on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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The Clark County Fair opened its gates this past weekend, bringing together agricultural traditions and a full slate of family entertainment.

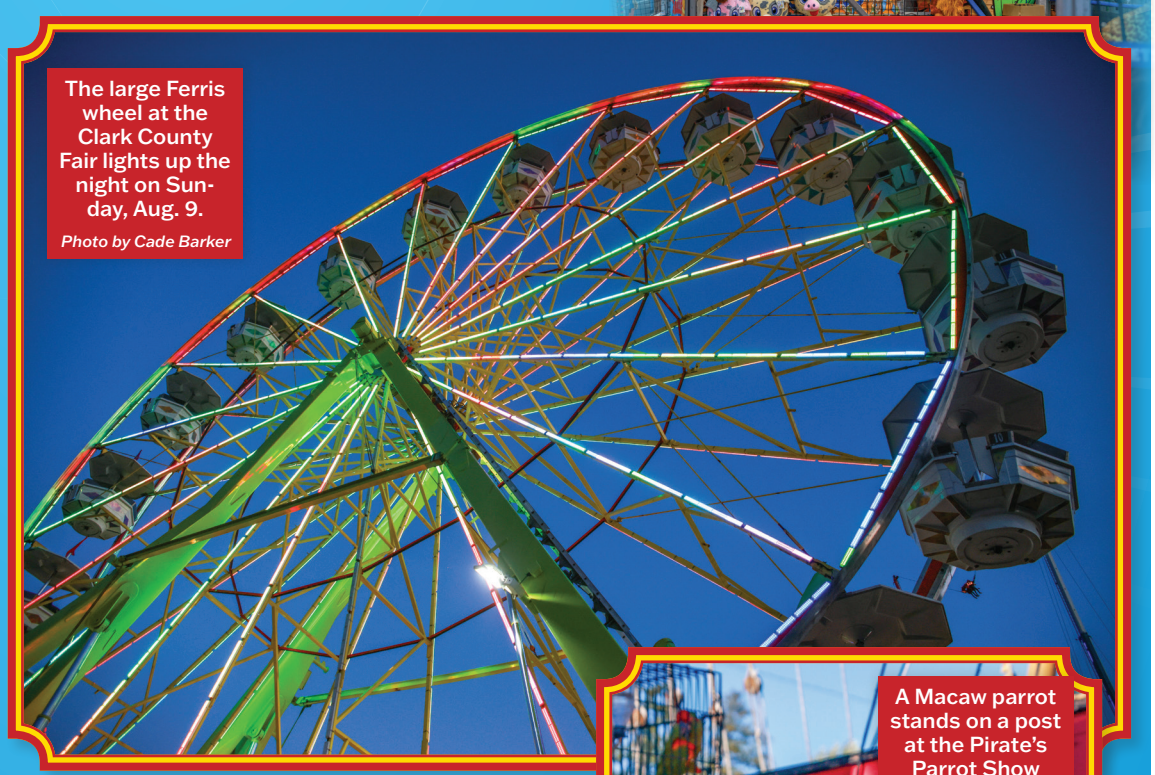
Livestock exhibits, 4-H and FFA projects, agricultural displays and other competitions give fairgoers a look at the work of local farmers, ranchers and youth in agriculture.

At the same time, carnival rides, food vendors, exhibit hall booths, live performances and more provide a fast-paced complement to the original purpose of fairs worldwide: being a marketplace of goods.

For many visitors, the fair offers an opportunity to see the region's agricultural community up close. Animals, crops, crafts and student projects fill the fairgrounds, showcasing skills developed throughout the year and giving families a chance to learn more about where their food and other agricultural products come from.

The livestock barns in particular provide a connection to the area's farming heritage, with youth exhibitors spending months preparing animals and projects for competition.

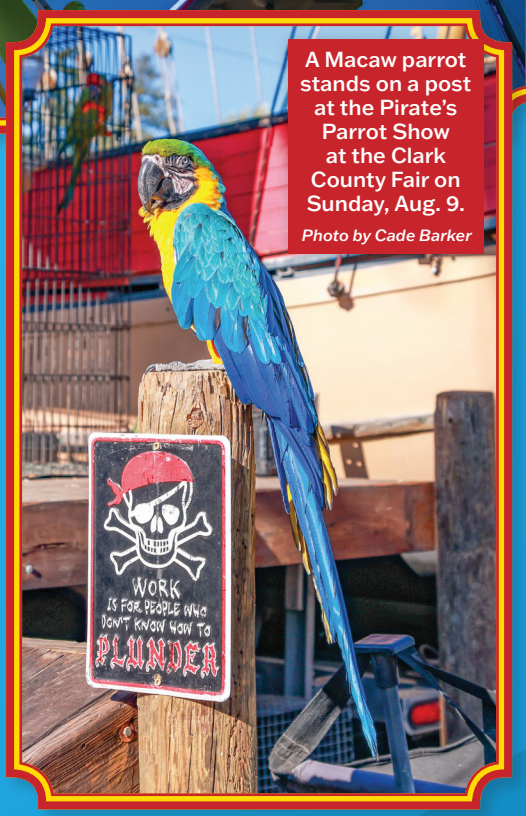
Away from the barns, entertainment takes center stage with motorsports, performances, demonstrations, carnival attractions and the wide variety of food that has become synonymous with a trip to the fair.



The large Ferris wheel at the Clark County Fair lights up the night on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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A Silkie chicken stands on display to be petted in an agriculture barn at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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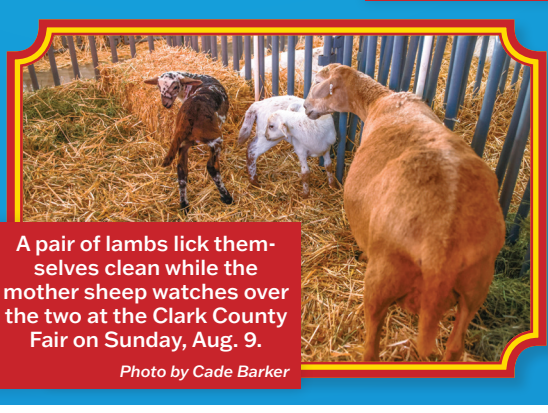
A Macaw parrot stands on a post at the Pirate's Parrot Show at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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An Abyssinian cat looks out from its crate at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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Magician Adam the Great shows his hand fitting between a "sawed-in-half" crowd participant on the Family Fun Stage at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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A pair of lambs lick themselves clean while the mother sheep watches over the two at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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The Slingshot ride launches high in the sky behind a food vendor at the Clark County Fair on Sunday, Aug. 9.
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I Love the 90s — (and America, too) — tour brings positive energy to Clark County Fair



Photo by Paul Valencia

Music fans got to turn back the clock Saturday night to watch Young MC, Tone Loc, and Vanilla Ice at the Clark County Fair.

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Clark County Today

As we get older and older, it is nights like Saturday at the Clark County Fair that make us feel younger and younger.

That was the vibe at the Grandstands for the I Love the 90's Tour.

"Everybody here is officially a teenager tonight," Vanilla Ice told the crowd.

And that was after Tone Loc did a little survey, asking folks to cheer for when they heard the decade they were born. The 2000s? Some cheers? The 90s? Some cheers. Same with the 80s. The loudest, though, might have been when the 70s were announced.

Vanilla Ice, Tone Loc, and Young MC took the stage for a 90-minute blitz of their greatest hits and also led the crowd in singalongs to other big songs from back in the day.

Tone Loc and Young MC's hit it big in 1989. Vanilla Ice hit the scene hard in 1990. All three would become part of the 90s sound.

Saturday night, thousands of fans were thrilled to go back there again.

"It's awesome. It's affordable. It's going to be a good concert," Charles Cliett of Vancouver said before the event. "I'm glad people are happy."

"Complete excitement," Michelle Cliett added, noting the nostalgia that comes with a concert like this one. "This brings back a lot of memories."

The concert series at the Clark County Fair are free with a paid ticket to the fair. But some elect to spend a little more to get closer to the stage. The Clietts were in the reserved section.

"We get to see him live, up close and personal. The old songs are still bad—," Charles said ov Vanilla Ice and friends. "We never got to see him when we were little. It was too expensive."

Even the reserved seats at the fair are still less expensive than a ticket to a concert at a larger arena or stadium.

"It's way cheaper than the Moda Center where I saw New Kids on the Block," said Jennifer Browning of Beaverton, Ore.

Her friend, Candie Andersen of Vancouver, sang "Ice, Ice Baby" while in line for merchandise.

Plus, the event is much more than a concert. The concert series this year — Midland on Friday, I Love the 90s on Saturday, and Collective Soul on Sunday — is a way for organizers to attract people to the fairgrounds. Once music fans are here, they find there is so much more to experience.

"We can do everything at one time," said Luz Martinez of Portland, who heard about the concert on the radio and told herself, "I gotta go."

She and her party got to Summer's Best Party early.

"I already got on the rides and took a bunch of pictures. Now, just waiting for the concert," Martinez said.

Everyone interviewed said they were here to hear the songs of their youth, live.

Charles Cliett said he is also a fan of the message that the artists send to the fans at these concerts.

"They're good Americans, too," he said.

Right on cue, Vanilla Ice finished the first song of his set and pointed to the large American flag that waves high, right next to the grandstands. It was subtle. He didn't say anything. At least not yet.

A few minutes later, there was nothing subtle about his vibe. He started a "USA! USA!" chant.

He gave a shout out to the military and first responders.

"Don't let anybody tell you that you can't be proud of being an American," he said, while asking the crowd to not let the media divide you.

Beyond playing their biggest hits, the three artists also had fun with the crowd. And they showed respect to some artists from the 90s who have passed.

Even after Vanilla Ice performed his top hit, "Ice, Ice Baby," there was still 15 minutes left in the show, and Vanilla Ice led the crowd in singalongs with other famous, old songs. So many participated in "Just a Friend" by Biz Markie that it probably could be heard throughout the fairgrounds, not just around the grandstands.

All three performers talked about the old days, and they encouraged the crowd to participate. Tone Loc and Vanilla Ice asked fans to come up to dance with him. Dozens obliged.

Plus, these are professional artists. They know how to work a room.

Vanilla Ice, in fact, had a request that brought a big reaction and laughs from the crowd.

"Make some noise if you got movies at Blockbuster," he shouted.

There was a lot of noise Saturday night. Music to the ears of Clark County Fair organizers.



Photo by Paul Valencia

Vanilla Ice had fans join him on stage for his set at the Clark County Fair on Saturday.



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The Grandstands area was full of people of all ages at the Clark County Fair on Saturday, but this concert was targeted for those who loved growing up in the 90s.



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Donnie Schave was ready for the I Love the 90's Tour on Saturday at the Clark County Fair.

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Sports

Ridgefield Raptors advance to West Coast League South Division championship

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After closing off the regular season with a walk-off home run in extra innings, Braden Watson of the Ridgefield Raptors added another walk-off home run in the opening playoff series on Saturday, Aug. 8.

The Raptors kept their season alive after a bottom of the ninth three-run home run by Watson secured the 12-10 win and forced a game three on Sunday, Aug. 9, against the Portland Pickles.

In a high scoring three-game playoff series, the Raptors came out on top on Aug. 9 with a 12-8 win over the Pickles.

The Raptors advanced to play the Corvallis Knights on Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Goss Stadium in Corvallis for the South Division Championship with a chance to advance to the West Coast League (WCL) Championship.

Results were unavailable as of press time. The Aug. 11 result will be updated on The Reflector's website, thereflector.com.

The Raptors finished one of their highest-performing regular seasons in franchise history. After earning the first half division championship, the Raptors finished tied at the top of the WCL South Division at 31-23, along with the Walla Walla Sweets and Corvallis Knights.

Home field advantage at the Ridgefield Outdoor Recreation Complex remained strong for the Raptors as they closed out the regular season with a 17-10 record at home.

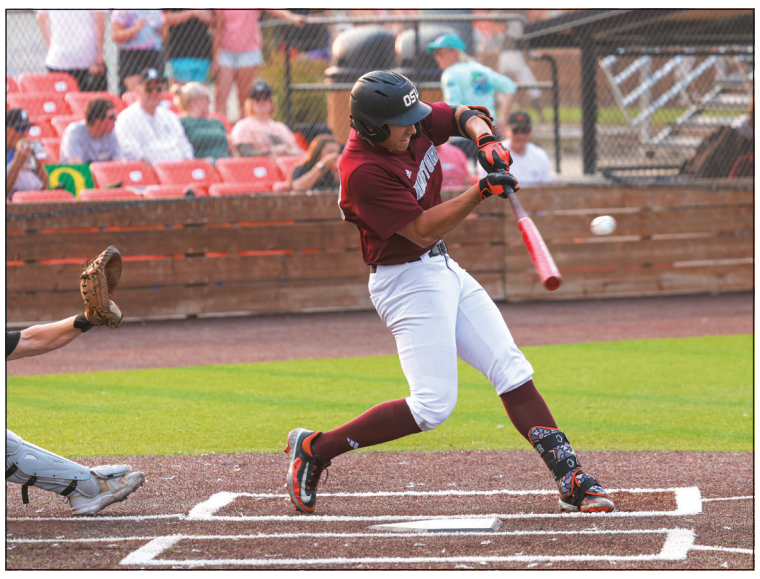


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Josh Proctor of the Ridgefield Raptors knocks a base hit during the team's regular season finale on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

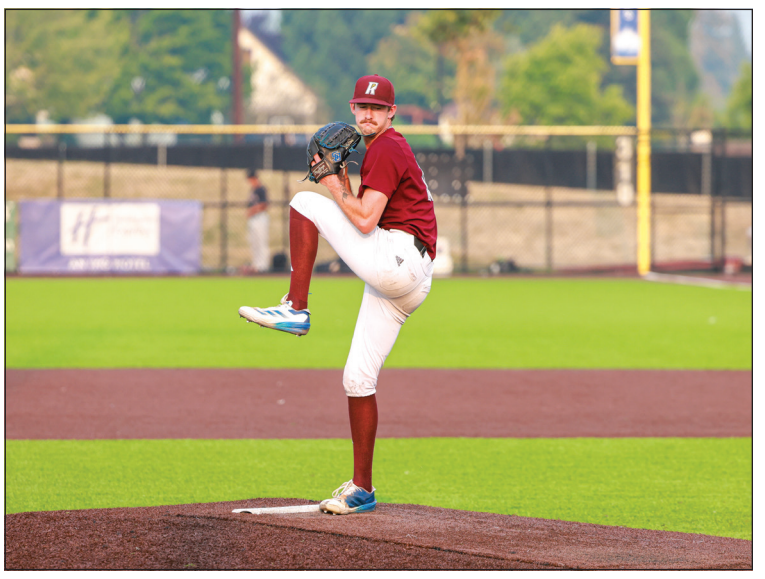


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Tyler Walton of the Ridgefield Raptors winds up a pitch during the team's regular season finale on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

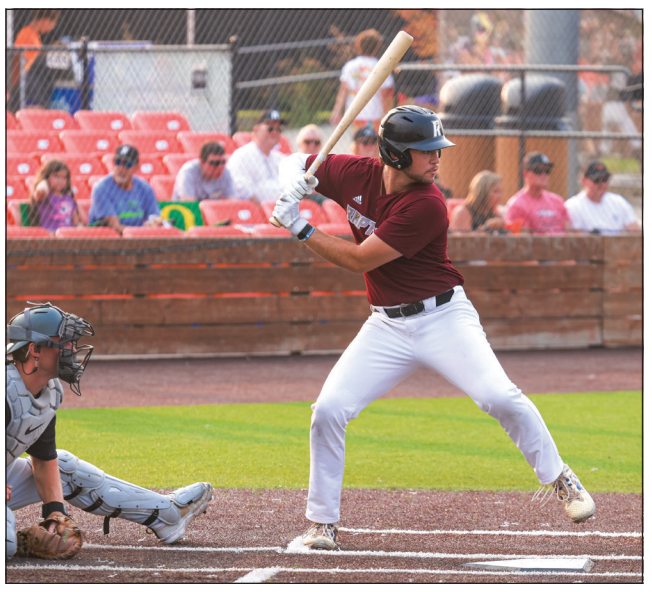


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JT Summers of the Ridgefield Raptors loads up for a base hit during the team's regular season finale on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

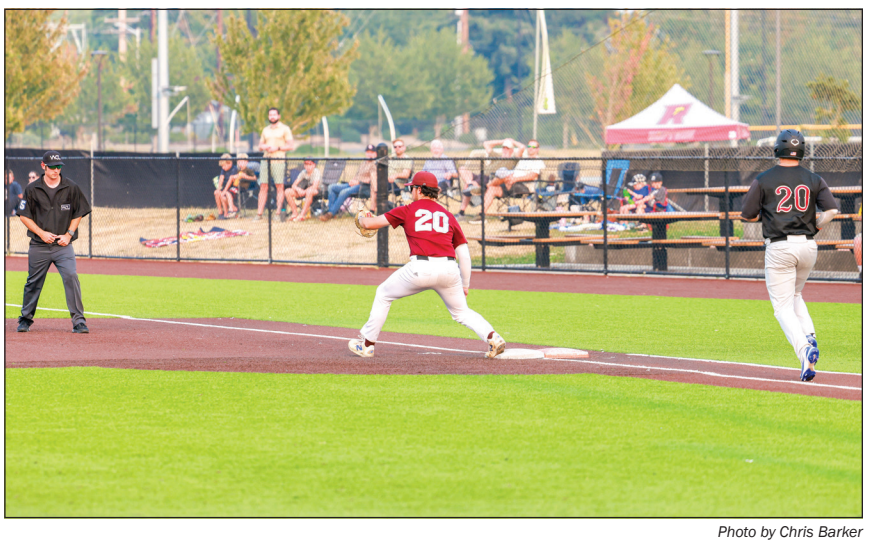


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JT Summers of the Ridgefield Raptors squeezes an out at first during the Raptors' regular season finale on Wednesday, Aug. 5.

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New trail markers set to promote local art in La Center

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Hikers and other outdoor recreationalists are going to see new trail markers on their walks on La Center trails thanks to the town arts council's most recent endeavor.

"We're coordinating with the city to design illustrations and signs to install on our trails for the public to have a more interactive experience when they're using our trail system," said La Center Arts Council Executive Director Kirsten Peterson.

The initial project idea was conceived by Daniel Masterson, one of the founding members of the council.

"He had many pieces here on display, and he had the idea to do the illustrations as trail markers, and we brought it to the city and they were enthusiastic," Peterson said.

When the proposition came to Mayor Tom Strobehn, it didn't take long for him to jump on board.

"I looked at them, and it took less than a second, and I said 'yeah, give me an invoice. Let's do it,'" Strobehn said.

The council held a community meeting on Aug. 3 and talked about the trail markers, handed out awards for artwork and provided people with the chance to support their favorite work for a People's Choice Award.

At the meeting, Peterson gave a presentation of what the new project could entail as they move forward.

The signs will help to give distinct location markers for a map that can help with locating people in trouble while on a trail.



Photo courtesy of Kirsten Peterson

Founding La Center Arts Council member Daniel Masterson and his wife, Christina, with three pieces of Daniel's artwork that was on display at a recent council meeting.

The trail markers will also be outfitted with QR codes and images provided by the members of the art council.

"There is going to be an interactive component to this experience that the backend is going to have built," Peterson said.

Scanning the QR code will provide users with information about the animals on the signs, and the page will have the option of reading it aloud for those who might have weak eyesight.

"Another thing we might do, with the kids, is a treasure hunt," Peterson said. "If they sit in the woods long enough and quietly enough, they will see some of these animals."

The art council meeting also featured a table where attendees could view the work some members had submitted to be put on the signs.

"The art council has drawn it, then they're going to bring them to the city, and then public works is going to go out and distribute them through the trail system," said Strobehn.

For the members of the art council, this opportunity has helped to provide a way to make their organization known to the community around them.

"I moved to La Center seven years ago and was looking for the arts community," Peterson said.

She had been a professional artist for her entire life, having had a career in graphic design and art direction.

"The council was started four years ago," Peterson said. "I've always enjoyed interacting with other creatives, so I popped in at a meeting that the city held and we decided to start an arts council."

In addition to the trail markers project, the council has since organized many other events, such as an art fair around Mother's Day, and several workshops on basket weaving, painting, photography and sewing.

"Getting the word out, that's our main problem, getting people involved," said La Center Art Council Executive Treasurer Sandra Pearson. "Tonight is pretty darn special to me, just that people showed up."

Pearson remarked that one of the challenges that council faces as a nonprofit is making and retaining members.

"We're trying to get kids involved, middle school and up, to help them grow with their art, and the younger we can get them involved, the more chance they have to develop an art career," Pearson said.

For Pearson, the privilege of being on the trail markers isn't what makes the art worth it, but rather what the art can do for the artist.

"It frees your soul. It develops a part of you that you can't get in a book. It frees your inner spirit," Pearson said.

Learn more about the La Center Arts Council at https://www.lacenterarts.org.



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Best in Show Award winner Forrest Jordan with his drawn picture of a bald eagle at the La Center Arts Council meeting on Aug. 3 at the La Center Wheel Club House.



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People's Choice Award winner Angela Thompson with her American kestrel art at the La Center Arts Council meeting on Aug. 3 at the La Center Wheel Club House.



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Award winner Lauren Orr and her goldfinch artwork at the La Center Arts Council meeting on Aug. 3 at the La Center Wheel Club House.

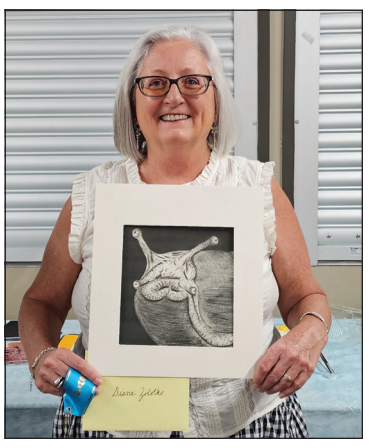


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Award winner Diana Zolotko and her slug artwork at the La Center Arts Council meeting on Aug. 3 at the La Center Wheel Club House.

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Legacy Health emphasizes team-based care as Ridgefield clinic expands access

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Legacy Health officials say their new primary care clinic is designed to improve access, expand services and provide more comprehensive care for Ridgefield-area residents by introducing a team-based care model.

The Ridgefield clinic opened on July 14 at 536 S. Royle Road, Suite 1, and is now accepting patients. The new facility is intended to help meet the area's increasing need for primary care providers as Clark County continues to experience rapid population growth, a news release by Legacy Health stated.

Dr. Tad Lowder, Southwest Washington regional medical director for Legacy Medical Group, said Legacy identified Ridgefield as a priority after evaluating the area's rapid population growth and increasing demand for primary care.

"We know that the Ridgefield area is a rapidly growing community, and so we felt like we definitely needed a presence up there to be able to provide services to the community," Lowder said. "One of the guiding principles that we had was, you know, how do we do primary care better than what we're doing currently?"

Rather than relying on the traditional model of one provider caring for a patient, Legacy's Ridgefield clinic is organized into care teams consisting of one physician and two advanced practice clinicians, such as nurse practitioners or physician assistants. Patients will have access to the entire care team, allowing appointments with another provider if their regular clinician is unavailable.

"So instead of the traditional one provider, one patient kind of model, if a patient shows up in Ridgefield you can expect to have this team of providers," Lowder said. "A provider may not always be there, and having the team of providers makes it so that there's at least some other people within the clinic that may be familiar with you and your care and can kind of step in when the provider's out. So, it just provides greater access for our patients."

The care model also extends beyond physicians and advanced practice clinicians. Medical assistants, registered nurses, pharmacists, behavioral health clinicians, nurse case managers and social workers all work together to address patients' medical and non-medical needs. Lowder said the goal is to improve the overall patient experience while addressing factors that influence long-term health.

One feature Lowder highlighted is the inclusion of an onsite clinical pharmacist, which Legacy has expanded across nearly all of its primary care clinics.



Photo by Cade Barker

A new Legacy Health clinic opened in Ridgefield in July, providing patients a team-based care model in the growing community.



Photo by Cade Barker

The new Legacy Health clinic in Ridgefield provides staff with a large break room with windows overlooking Royle Road.

"They help us manage our chronic patients with high blood pressure and diabetes and chronic kidney disease and lots of different things," he said. "It's definitely taken a little bit of burden off of the primary care providers to be able to help give patients just another pathway and touch point to be able to follow up and see a different type of provider that has a little bit different focus."

Lowder said pharmacists help patients better manage medications and chronic diseases while allowing physicians to focus on other aspects of care.

Behavioral health services are another key component of the clinic. Lowder said demand for mental health care continues to grow across Southwest Washington, making integrated behavioral health an important addition.

"The behavioral health clinicians not only can help in the acute scenario but change management — people that want to make changes to quitting tobacco, motivation for weight loss or disease management change," Lowder said. "They help in all of those different areas to be able to again kind of focus on people's overall health and ways to help improve their goals of care."

The clinic also offers extended hours to better serve patients beyond typical working hours. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon.

Looking ahead, Legacy plans to continue expanding the Ridgefield clinic over the next several years by adding additional provider teams and eventually bringing specialty care to the community. While no specialties have been finalized, Lowder said the long-term vision includes services that could reduce the need for residents to travel to Salmon Creek, Vancouver or Portland for routine specialty appointments.

"We've really appreciated the welcome," Lowder said. "We definitely have felt that the community is grateful for us to be there, and that gives us a lot of support and hope that we can work with the community to make this a good venture for ourselves, and hopefully we can be a good steward of the place up there as well that we can provide the services that you guys need and become a long-term member of that community."



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The recently-opened Legacy Health clinic in Ridgefield includes large treatment rooms.

For more information, visit legacyhealth.org/ridgefield.

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Lifestyles *Backyard and Beyond*

Annual camp empowers girls in shadow of Mount St. Helens

Middle schoolers get volcanic experience through GeoGirls

BY JACOB MOORE
For The Reflector

In the shadow of Mount St. Helens this week, a group of middle school girls and ecological experts had private dance parties and studied volcanoes within view of the mountain's infamous crater.

On Monday morning, 20 middle school girls, four high school mentors and four teacher mentors from all across Oregon and Washington met up at the Cascades Volcano Observatory and set out for a special summer camp near the region's most famous volcano.

The GeoGirls — an appropriate name for the students and the title of the geology summer camp — spent the next five days forging bonds and learning from experts in the fields of geology and volcanology.

For Vivienne Milner, a middle school student from the Portland area, it was just another normal day in her science class when she saw a flyer about GeoGirls. At the time, she was fascinated by many different fields of science — physics, chemistry, biology — but she didn't know as much about geology.

Milner assumed her focus on other sciences would mean her application to the program was a long shot. She applied anyway, looking for a challenge and hoping to learn as much as she could about geology.



Photo by Otto Rabe

Smoke from the ongoing Spokane-area fires create a haze at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.



Photo by Otto Rabe

GeoGirls Program Lead Elizabeth Westby speaks to GeoGirls at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.

"I want to go out there and I want to see. I want to learn about Mount St. Helens, and I want to learn about all of these cool things that I don't know about yet and that I haven't been able to be exposed to yet," Milner said.

In a small surprise, Milner got in. She was not disappointed.

On Thursday, the last full day of the program, Milner reflected on her experience so far at the camp. Her words reflected an opportunity to learn from experts and a taste of the classic American summer camp experience.

"It was just wonderful to be around people who were really interested in this, and I just remember that when we first got into the van and we started playing music," Milner said, "it was just like I felt so at home."

Each summer, the Mount St. Helens Institute gathers girls at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center at Coldwater, near the foot of the mountain, and transforms its cafeteria and an exhibit space into bunk rooms and learning areas to welcome the GeoGirls.

The camp, which was originally the brainchild of then doctoral candidate Kate Allstadt, has since become an annual program for the Mount St. Helens Institute.

The camp is organized in large part by the institute's co-executive directors, Abi Groskopf and Alyssa Hoyt, and made possible with the help of many volunteers such as U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Geologist and Communications Specialist Liz Westby, who has volunteered with the program since day one.

Many women and experts in their fields come to the center to dedicate a week of their time to the program.



Photo by Otto Rabe

Vivienne Milner smiles for a photo with a roly-poly on her face at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.

On Thursday, USGS Volcano Seismologist Alicia Hotovec-Ellis taught a group how she uses seismometers and other instruments to monitor and measure volcanic activity at the California Volcano Observatory in Eastern California.

In the afternoon, she led a short expedition to a hill outside of the institute where students learned to set up seismographic instruments. After setting up, the girls would stomp, scream, drop rocks, bang sticks or whatever





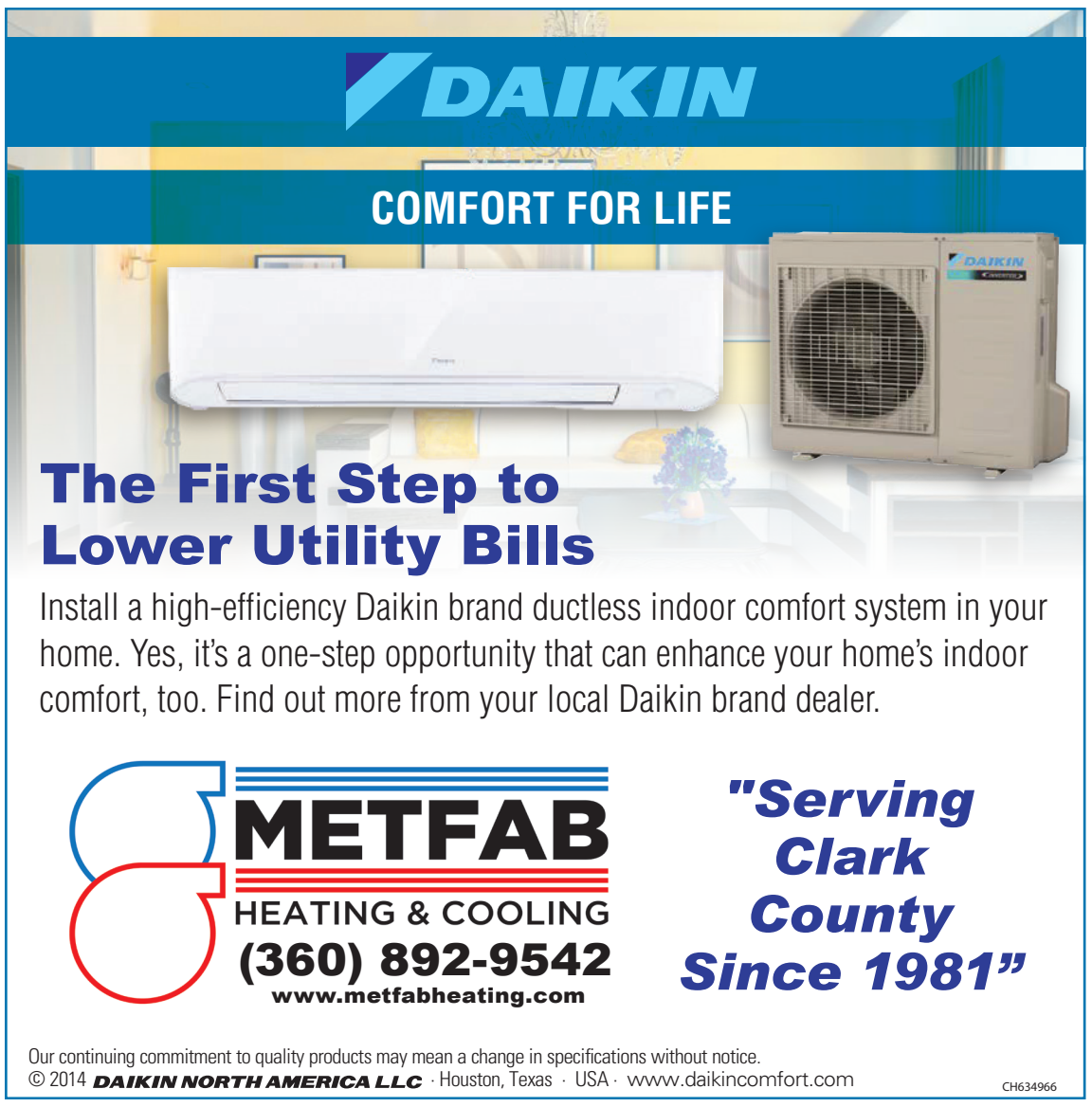






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GeoGirls set down their seismometers as they walk to a test site at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.



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A group of GeoGirls jump in unison to test if their seismometer is working at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.

else to see exactly what a seismometer detects and how it might compare to true volcanic activity.

According to Groskopf, the program sees about half of its experts return each year and about half are new. When asked how they recruit for volunteers, she smiled and added that the geological community, while spread out, is a close-knit group. It seems there is little challenge in recruiting the experts.

The GeoGirls program accepts 20 middle school girls each summer as well as four high school mentors and four teaching mentors, all free of charge. The program begins accepting applications each winter and, according to Groskopf, receives between 50 and 150 applications each year from every corner of both Oregon and Washington.

Each student applying must submit an application and also receive a recommendation from a teacher at their school.

The program was originally designed to focus heavily on education and exposure to geology and volcanology. That's a function it's still dedicated to, but it's just one program in addition to outdoor schools and even adult programs, that serve that purpose.

Groskopf notes GeoGirls has grown beyond that.

"Another huge element of this program, which wasn't necessarily what it was designed for, is empowerment," Groskopf said. "That was a very surprising outcome for us."

The program has seen some of its alumni go into geology and similar fields for their careers, she said. But the program also carries a message that is more broad than simply introducing the young women to geology — it helps build connections and seeks to inspire the girls to achieve in any field or industry.

Milner shared that perhaps the most impactful part of the camp was getting to observe the experts such as Hotovec-Ellis and many others do what they have trained to do. She reflected on a session spent identifying volcanic rocks, recalling her group getting to see the masters at work identifying a formation that stumped her and others.



Photo by Otto Rabe

A grouse sits in a tree as a group of GeoGirls and volunteers walk beneath at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.

"I got to watch people know what they're doing," Milner said. "Then I know that I can do it because I watch these people who, who might have not always thought they could do it."

Emma LaRon, from McMinnville, Oregon, and a soon-to-be high school senior, served as one of the four high school mentors. She, like Milner, said geology hadn't been her strong suit when she applied for the camp, but a college-level science teacher had recommended she apply.

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>
> **Emma LaRon**
> *from McMinnville, Oregon*

She was surprised by how hands-on the program was, exploring the nature around the facility. For her, it seemed that empowerment and the human connection was a defining point of the program.

She reflected on getting to be a support system for her campers, acting as a big sister who comforts them if they miss home, makes sure they wake up on time, and checks if they have what they need each day.

"Connecting with these girls, being in a community with such intelligent and empowering women, made me feel so good about myself," LaRon said. "Hearing everyone's life stories, especially like my teachers or the scientists, hearing what they do back at home is so interesting."

The GeoGirls program is truly one of a kind. According to Groskopf, there are maybe one or two comparable programs on the West Coast, but tailored to their own areas. She did add that some previous contributors of the program had started a similar camp that takes students all the way to Chile.

The GeoGirls program, which is free to the attendees, was originally funded thanks to grants from the National Science Foundation secured in part by Allstadt, who was the first push to start the program.

Today, it's still funded in part by grants from a number of sources, but it's also funded in large part by income earned through operating summer programs, and thanks to donations from charitable groups in the region.

The program, now well established, has dreams of growth, whether that is including another cohort of 20 girls or maybe expanding to add a cohort for middle school boys interested in the field.

Regardless, it seems it will be back next summer to offer a unique Pacific Northwest mixture of classic summer camp and geological education.



Photo by Otto Rabe

Research Geophysicist Alicia Hotovec-Ellis looks at her laptop to verify a seismometer is working properly at the Mount St. Helens Science and Learning Center on Thursday, Aug. 6.

For more information on the GeoGirls summer camp, including how to apply for next year's program, visit https://www.mshinstitute.org/geogirls.



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Community Calendar

Clark County Fair: Friday-Sunday, Aug. 7-16. Enjoy carnival rides, live music, animal exhibits and more at the annual Clark County Fair, 17402 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield. A variety of contests for children and adults will be available throughout the fair. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit clarkcofair.com.

O'Keefe Farms Sunflower Festival: Saturdays and Sundays, Aug. 8-16, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., O'Keefe Farms, 17604 NE 182nd Ave., Brush Prairie. Celebrate summer during the annual Sunflower Festival. Admission is $10 for those 13 and older, $5 for those ages 6-12 and free for children under 5. Admission includes two cut sunflowers. For more information, visit shorturl.at/5yOu7.

End-of-Summer Lawn Concert: Wednesday, Aug. 12, 6-7 p.m., La Center Community Library, 1411 NE Lockwood Creek Road, La Center. Celebrate the end of summer with a picnic and live music. Participants must bring their own picnic dinner and blanket. This year's concert will feature Sunny South Bluegrass Band.

Jesus and Friends, An Evening of Acoustic Christian Music: Friday, Aug. 14, 6:30 p.m., St. Paul Lutheran Church, 1309 Franklin St., Vancouver. Enjoy an evening of acoustic worship, hosted by KJV Acoustic Christian Music. Admission is free, though offerings will be accepted. For more information, call 503-908-9155.

Windhaven Ride for Veterans: Saturday, Aug. 15, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Yacolt Community Church, 509 W. Cushman St., Yacolt. Join the American Legion Tum Tum Post 168 in raising funds for the Windhaven Veterans Program by Lifeline Connections during a ride across northeast Clark County. Registration starts at $25, and hot rods, classic cars, motorcycles and trikes are welcome. Food, vendors and live music will also be available. For more information, visit shorturl.at/VYMQp.

Steep & Soak, Herbal Spa Hours: Saturday, Aug. 15, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., CASEE Center, Building B, 11104 NE 149th St., Brush Prairie. Learn how to make herbal skincare products during a class hosted by Erin Harwood and Eloyce O'Connor of Garden Delights Herb Farm. Participants will make their own skincare product to take home. Registration is $15, and free for NatureScaping Wildlife Botanical Gardens members. To register, call 360-737-1160 or email info@naturescaping.org.

Battle Ground Public Schools secures funding for athletics programs

THE REFLECTOR

Battle Ground Public Schools (BGPS) has secured enough donations to continue offering boys and girls golf, gymnastics, boys and girls swimming, and bowling during the 2026-27 school year.

The district announced July 28 that donations from several individuals and the education research organization foundry10 met fundraising goals of $5,000 for golf, $6,259 for gymnastics, $13,500 for swimming and $8,700 for bowling.

The sports had been at risk after the district's failed educational programs and operations levy led to budget reductions, according to a BGPS news release.

The programs will still be offered only if they meet minimum student participation requirements. Golf requires 10 athletes per school or 14 districtwide, while swimming requires 10 athletes per school or 17 districtwide. Gymnastics requires eight athletes per school or 12 districtwide, and bowling requires six athletes per school or 12 districtwide.

Registration for golf and swimming closes at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19. Registration for gymnastics and bowling closes at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27.

To register for the athletic programs, visit battleground-wa.finalforms.com.

Teen Escape Room: Wednesday, Aug. 19, 1-2 p.m., Ridgefield Community Library, 210 N. Main Ave., Ridgefield. Teens are invited to participate in an underwater-themed escape room at Ridgefield Community Library. Registration online at shorturl.at/Suwok is required to participate.

Savory, Seeds & Spores On the Road: Thursday, Aug. 20, 9:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m., 78th Street Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78th St., Vancouver. Join the WSU Extension Clark County Master Gardener Program for a botanical adventure. A van and guided tour will take participants to Garden Delight Herb Farm, Jane Weber Evergreen Arboretum and The Pacific Spore. Tickets are $40, plus tax and fees, per person. Purchase tickets online at shorturl.at/pkTM5.

Meeting History, Exploring Ridgefield's Told and Untold Stories: Friday, Aug. 21, 6-10 p.m; Saturdays and Sundays, Aug. 22-30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m; Saturday, Sept. 5., 10 a.m.-2 p.m, Greely Building, 304 Pioneer St., Ridgefield. Learn Ridgefield's history during a collaborative effort between multiple local agencies. Displays will include information about 1800s churches, hunger-relief organizations, the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge and more. The ticketed kick-off on Aug. 21 will feature Ne Plus Ultra Jass Orchestra and a 1920s-style dance hall. Tickets are available for purchase at shorturl.at/z3xqS.

Senior Resource Fair: Friday, Aug. 21, 12-4 p.m., Woodland Community Library, 411 Lake Shore Dr., Woodland. Learn about the resources available to seniors during a fair, hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. The Department of Social and Health Services and Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities will be available to answer questions, alongside several other local agencies. Door prizes and refreshments will be available.

Cedars North W58 Fly-In and Car Show: Saturday, Aug. 22, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Cedars North Airpark, NE 157th Ave., Battle Ground. Meet fellow aviation and automotive enthusiasts during a show expected to draw 4,000 participants. Classic cars, exotic vehicles, airplanes and more will be on display in a family-friendly setting. Admission is free. For more information, visit shorturl.at/5WUli.

Adult DIY Herbal Teas: Saturday, Aug. 22, 1-2:30 p.m., Battle Ground Community Library, 1207 SE Eighth Way, Battle Ground. Learn how to craft herbal teas during a workshop hosted by Garden Delights Herb Farm. Participants may stay after the presentation to create their own signature blend. Supplies are provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

Cedar Creek Grist Mill Treat Day: 1 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 29, Cedar Creek Grist Mill, 43907 NE Grist Mill Road, Woodland. Visit the historic Cedar Creek Grist Mill for a sampling of freshly baked treats like scones and cookies, made with whole wheat flour.

Meadow Glade Classic Car Show: Sunday, Aug. 30, 1-4 p.m., Columbia Adventist Academy, 11100 NE 189th St., Battle Ground. Check out classic cars during a show hosted by Meadow Glade Neighborhood. Vehicles from 1975 and older are welcome to join the show. Registration is available at shorturl.at/aCmpa.

Ridgefield Multicultural Festival: Saturday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Ridgefield Overlook Park, 113-131 S. Main Ave., Ridgefield. Celebrate Ridgefield's diversity with a free, all-ages festival. The festival will include live musical performances, children's activities, shopping and more. For more information, visit ridgefieldculture.org.

Flora of Battle Ground Lake: Saturday, Sept 5, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., Battle Ground Lake, 18002 NE 249th St., Battle Ground. Take a 1-mile informative plant hike of Battle Ground Lake's upper trail, guided by park aide Easton Lane. The group will meet at the first covered picnic shelter near the day-use parking lot. The hike is limited to 20 people. To register, email battle.ground@parks.wa.gov.

The Warrior Expo: Saturday, Sept. 5, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Donald Farms, 425 Whalen Road, Woodland. Participate in feats of strength, such as Heaviest Highlander and Iron Grip Trials, during an event hosted by Psychotic Strength. Team games, vendors and other outdoor activities will also be available. Registration is available at psychoticstrength.com.

Battle Ground Class of 1961 Reunion: Saturday, Sept. 12, 4 p.m., La Center Historical Museum, 410 W. Fifth St., La Center. Reminisce with classmates during the Battle Ground class of 1961 reunion. Chicken will be served for dinner, and participants are asked to bring a side dish to share. To attend, call Merle Bradford, 503-407-9847, or Joanne Hoftikkaoja, 360-892-0336 by Monday, Sept. 7.

Friends of Clark County Dinner: Sunday, Sept. 13, 4-7 p.m., Cedars Public House, 15001 NE 181st Ave., Brush Prairie. Support the conservation work of Friends of Clark County during its annual Dinner with Friends fundraiser. Tickets are available for purchase online at friendsofclarkcounty.org.

Growing Vegetables without Soil: Friday, Sept. 18, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 78th Street Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78th St., Vancouver. Learn how to grow vegetables from seedling to harvest using the Kratky hydroponic method during a workshop hosted by the WSU Extension Clark County Master Gardener Program. Participants who wish to plant a seedling during class may bring one opaque, lidded container that holds 1/2 to 5 gallons. Bucket kits will be available for $7, cash only. Cost is $10 plus taxes and fees. Register online at shorturl.at/DDdYh.

Realms Unknown Fantasy Festival: Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20, Lewis River Golf Course, 3209 Old Lewis River Road, Woodland. Participate in an interactive fantasy-themed and family-friendly event featuring story-based activities, vendors and live music. On-site camping is available during the festival. To purchase tickets, visit realmsunknown.com.

Americana 250 Fall Fest: Saturday, Sept. 19, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens, 115 S. Pekin Road, Woodland. Celebrate America 250 during a festival at the Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens. Vendors, music, family-friendly games and more will be available. Participants may also enter a chili cook-off or apple pie contest. For more information, visit lilacgardens.com/americana-fest.

Music Fest Food Drive: Saturday, Sept. 26, 6:30 p.m., Battle Ground Community United Methodist Church, 10300 NE 99th St., Battle Ground. Raise money and donate nonperishable food to North County Community Food Bank during a concert hosted by Battle Ground Community United Methodist Church. A $25 donation is suggested, with all proceeds benefiting the food bank. This year the band Three Together, an acoustic trio, will perform folk, pop and soft rock songs from the 1960s and 1970s. For more information, call 360-687-2542 or email BGCUMC@gmail.com

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Battle Ground Senior Citizens Coffee Social: Every fourth Monday of the month, 9-10 a.m., Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Enjoy a morning with fellow senior citizens. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

Thursday Walkers: Every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 9:30 a.m., Kiwanis Park, 422 SW Second Ave., Battle Ground. Join fellow seniors for a walk around the park, organized by Battle Ground Senior Citizens. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

Enhance Fitness Class: Every Wednesday and Friday, 10-11 a.m., Bethel Lutheran Church, 12919 NE 159th St., Brush Prairie. Seniors over 60 are invited to participate in an evidence-based exercise class hosted by the Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of Southwest Washington. Instructors tailor the activities to match the participants' abilities. For more information, call 360-694-8144.

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Lifestyles Community

Ridgefield dedicates traffic-calming street mural at Main Avenue intersection



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The new traffic-calming mural at the intersection of Main Avenue and Mill Street in Ridgefield, painted by Olivia Bonebrake and the Ridgefield Art Association, features artwork representing the four seasons.



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Ridgefield Mayor Matt Cole and Councilmember Meghan Hamilton stand with artist Olivia Bonebrake and mural volunteers during the dedication of the new mural at the intersection of Main Avenue and Mill Street.

THE REFLECTOR

The City of Ridgefield dedicated a new street mural at the intersection of Main Avenue and Mill Street on Saturday, Aug. 1, celebrating a public art project designed to beautify downtown and encourage slower traffic speeds.

Mayor Matt Cole led the dedication of the mural, which sits next to the Ridgefield Community Library and Davis Park. Studies have shown street murals can help slow vehicle speeds and increase driver awareness in areas with heavy pedestrian activity, according to a City of Ridgefield news release.

The project was a collaboration between the city, the Ridgefield Art Association and local artist Olivia Bonebrake, who created the mural in honor of her grandmother, Allene Wodaege.

Wodaege helped establish the Ridgefield Community Center, founded the Friends of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge and played a key role in creating Overlook Park.

The project grew from a shared vision between the city and the Ridgefield Art Association to bring a street mural to the intersection. That vision became reality after the city connected with Bonebrake, who donated her time and talent to create the artwork.

The mural features a bright yellow and orange sun surrounded by tree branches representing the four seasons. The design transitions from autumn leaves to winter snowflakes, spring blossoms and summer greenery, with a bird's nest symbolizing new life.

Volunteers Maureen O'Reilly, Christine Devlin, Italia Laruffa, Greg Butkus, Melody Kranz, Marney Hefflin, Teri Corle, Holly Minich and Merrilee Asla Lee from the Ridgefield Art Association helped Bonebrake paint the mural during the week leading up to the dedication.

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over 60 are invited to partake in an evidence-based exercise class, hosted by the Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of Southwest Washington. Instructors tailor the activities to match the participants' abilities. For more information, call 360-694-8144.

Woodland Seniors Bunco: Every first Wednesday of the month, 5-8 p.m.; every third Wednesday of the month, 2-5 p.m., Old Woodland Library, 770 Park St., Woodland. Play games with local seniors during the Woodland Senior Enrichment Group's bimonthly meeting. For more information, email seniorinfo55up@yahoo.com.

Woodland Seniors Fun & Games: Every second and fourth Wednesday of the month, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Old Woodland Library, 770 Park St., Woodland. Play games with local seniors during the bimonthly meeting, hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. For more information, email seniorinfo55up@yahoo.com.

Woodland Seniors Widows & Widowers: Every first and third Monday of the month, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., The Church of the Nazarene, 2000 Lewis River Road, Woodland. Socialize with local seniors experiencing loss during a bimonthly meeting hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. For more information, email seniorinfo55up@yahoo.com.

Woodland Seniors Walking Group: Every Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m., Horseshoe Lake Park, Park Road, Woodland. Enjoy a gentle stroll with fellow seniors during an event hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. For more information, email seniorinfo55up@yahoo.com.

Pairs & Spares Seniors Club: Join a Vancouver-based social group for seniors aged 50 and older. Each month features a calendar packed with activities, such as social gatherings, sing-alongs, outdoor activities and more. To learn more and receive a complimentary event calendar, call 360-892-8944.

Silver & Fit Senior Virtual Fitness Classes: Every weekday, 10 a.m., Join Silver & Fit for free fitness classes for seniors. Monday is low-impact cardio, Tuesday is easy-going yoga, Wednesday is body-weight exercises, Thursday is balance and flexibility, and Friday is a mix of favorite exercises of the week. To find classes, visit facebook.com/silverandfit. For more information, call 877-427-4788 or email silverandfitonfacebook@ashn.com.

Battle Ground Lions Club: Every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., Old Town Burger and Breakfast, 813 W. Main St., Battle Ground. Join the Battle Ground Lions Club for fun and volunteer opportunities.

Ridgefield Lions Club: Every second Tuesday of the month, 6:45-8 a.m., Rosauers Supermarket Coffee Shop, 101 S. 47th Ave., Ridgefield. Business meeting: every fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m., Ridgefield Administrative and Civic Center, 510 Pioneer St., Ridgefield. Go to ridgefieldlions.org for more information.

La Center Lions Club: Every first and third Thursday of the month, 6-7:30 p.m., New Phoenix Casino, 225 W. Fourth St., La Center. Learn about the community projects undertaken by the La Center Lions Club and how to volunteer. For more information, email secretary@lacenterlions.org.

Ridgefield La Center Kiwanis Club: Every first Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., La Center Church, 111 E. Fifth St., La Center. Learn about the Kiwanis Club of Ridgefield and La Center community projects impacting children and families. To learn more, visit facebook.com/RidgefieldWAKiwanis.

Greater Woodland-Kalama Kiwanis Club: Every first Wednesday of the month, 5:30 p.m., Oak Tree Restaurant, 1020 Atlantic Ave., Woodland. Learn how the Greater Woodland-Kalama Kiwanis Club is helping local children, families and the community. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6 p.m.

Battle Ground Rotary Club Meeting: Every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., 715 E. Main St., Battle Ground. Learn about the community projects undertaken by the Battle Ground Rotary Club and how to volunteer.

Rotary Club of Three Creeks Meeting: Every first and third Thursday of the month, 5-6:30 p.m., Columbia Ridge Winery, 3006 NW 199th St., Ridgefield. Learn about the community service projects and programs during the bimonthly Rotary Club of Three Creeks meetings. Social time is from 5-5:30 p.m. To learn more, visit rotaryofthethreecreeks.com.

La Center American Legion Meeting: Every second Thursday of the month, 7 p.m., La Center Church, 111 E. Fifth St., La Center. Learn about the community works and veteran fellowship of the La Center American Legion Post #189.

Ridgefield American Legion Meeting: Every first Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Ridgefield Fire Station, 911 N. 65th Ave., Ridgefield. Learn about the community works and veteran fellowship of the Ridgefield American Legion Post #44. Meetings feature community guest speakers and planning for the Parade of Flags program.

Columbia Mothers of Twins Club: Every first Thursday of the month, 7:30 p.m., St. John Lutheran Church, 11005 NE Highway 99, Vancouver. The Columbia Mothers of Twins Club meets monthly to provide support and fellowship for mothers of twins. For more information, email columbiamot@gmail.com or visit columbiamotc.com.

Vancouver Sons & Daughters of Italy: Every second Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 3500 NW 129th St., Vancouver. Celebrate Italian heritage at the monthly Vancouver Sons and Daughters of Italy meeting. For more information, call Paul Zanobelli at 360-521-5584 or visit osdia.org.

Columbia River Chorus Meeting: Every Monday, 7 p.m., Clark College, Beacocks Music Hall, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver. Join the Columbia River Chorus, part of Sweet Adelines International, to dive into the world of female barbershop music. To learn more, visit Columbiariverchorus.org or text 360-518-7829.

Garden Chat: Every second Saturday of the month, 2-3:30 p.m., Ridgefield Community Library, 210 N. Main Ave., Ridgefield. Learn new gardening techniques and share personal strategies during a gardeners' meetup hosted by the Ridgefield Community Library.

Southwest Washington Woodturners Meeting: Every second Thursday of the month, 7-9 p.m., Friends of the Carpenter, 1600 W. 20th St., Vancouver. Learn woodturning techniques from experts at the Southwest Washington Woodturners' monthly meeting. Meetings are free and open to hobbyists, experts and those curious about woodworking. For more information, visit southwestwashingtonwoodturners.org.

Woodland Planters Days Celebration meetings: Every third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars, 434 Davidson Ave., Woodland. Meetings discuss the planning of the annual Planters Days community celebration. For more information, visit planters-days.com.

Vancouver Chrysanthemum Society Monthly Meeting: Every third Monday of the month, 2:40 p.m., 78th Street Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78th St., Vancouver. Learn how to propagate, cultivate and care for chrysanthemums. For more information, visit chrysanthemumsvancouver.com.

Venersborg Historic Preservation Society: Every second Tuesday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m., The Historic Venersborg Schoolhouse, 24309 NE 209th St., Battle Ground. Help preserve the historic 1912 schoolhouse while assisting with organizing community events. Learn more at venersborgschoolhouse.com.

Columbia River Square Dancers: Sundays, lessons 6-8 p.m.; first and third Fridays of each month, plus-level dances at 7 p.m. and mainstream dances 8-9:45 p.m., 17901 NE 72nd Ave., Battle Ground. The cost is $7 per dancer. For more information, contact Dale Smith at 360-606-8849.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Battle Ground: Every Thursday, 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Collective Community Battle Ground, 300 SW Seventh Ave., Battle Ground. The meeting starts with a private weigh-in. For more information or directions, call Linda at 360-977-8689.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Woodland: Every Tuesday, 8:30-10:45 a.m., Woodland Community Center, 782 Park St., Woodland. The meeting starts with a private weigh-in, followed by a meeting. For more information, call Vera Porter at 503-806-0795.

Virtual Professional Connections Weekly Meeting: Every Monday, 11:45 a.m. Meet like-minded professionals and network with others in similar career fields. To join, go to zoom.com, click on Join a Meeting, and enter the meeting ID 8092456202 and the password 311397, if applicable. For more information, call 503-348-5330.

Kinship Caregiving Virtual Support Group: Every first and third Wednesday of the month, 10-11:30 a.m., on Zoom. The group offers family caregivers a safe place to connect with others, discuss the challenges of caregiving and learn about community resources. To register, call ADRC Information and Assistance at 360-694-8144 or email ClarkADRC@dshs.wa.gov.

Kinship Caregiving Support Group: Every second Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., on Zoom; every fourth Wednesday of the month, 10-11:30 a.m., in person at Bridgeview Resource Center, 505 Omaha Way, Vancouver. Meet with other caregivers who are relatives caring for one or more children. Registration for the in-person group is not required. To register, call ADRC Information and Assistance at 360-694-8144 or email ClarkADRC@dshs.wa.gov.

NAMI Connection: Every Thursday, 3:30-5 p.m. Meet and discuss mental health during a structured support group hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Register by visiting namiswwa.org/support-groups.

NAMI Veterans' Support: Every first and third Monday of each month, 4:30-6 p.m., Clark County Veterans Assistance Center, 907 Harney St., Suite 200, Vancouver. Meet and discuss mental health with local veterans during a structured support group hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness in partnership with the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center. Register by visiting namiswwa.org/support-groups. Drop-ins are also welcome.

NAMI Women's Support: Every Wednesday, 10-11:30 a.m. Meet and discuss mental health during a structured support group for women hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Register by visiting namiswwa.org/support-groups.

NAMI Family Support: Every first and third Tuesday of each month, 6:30-8 p.m. Meet and discuss mental health during a structured support group for families hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Register by visiting namiswwa.org/support-groups.

NAMI LGBTQ+ Support: Every first and third Thursday of each month, 4:30-6 p.m. Meet and discuss mental health during a structured support group for LGBTQ+ individuals hosted by the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Register by visiting namiswwa.org/support-groups.

Southwest Washington Gold Prospectors: Every second Sunday of each month except May, 2 p.m., Minnehaha Grange Hall, 4905 NE St. Johns Road, Vancouver. Learn about prospecting, small-scale mining, ecological conservation and more. All ages are welcome. For more information, visit swwgoldprospectors.org.

Meetings

Battle Ground City Council: Every first and third Monday of the month, except observed holidays, 7 p.m., Battle Ground City Hall, 109 SW First St., Battle Ground. A 6 p.m. study session is held before regular meetings. Updates are available at cityofbg.org/96/City-Council.

La Center City Council: Every second and fourth Wednesday of the month, 6:30 p.m., council chambers, La Center City Hall, 210 E. Fourth St., La Center. Updates are available at ci.lacenter.wa.us.

Ridgefield City Council: Every second and fourth Thursday of the month, and every first and third Thursday in November and December, 6:30 p.m., Columbia Assembly Room, Ridgefield Administrative and Civic Center, 510 Pioneer St., Ridgefield. Updates are available at ridgefieldwa.us/163/city-council.

Woodland City Council: Every first and third Monday of the month, 7 p.m., council chambers, 200 E. Scott Ave., Woodland. Updates are available at ci.woodland.wa.us/citycouncil.

Battle Ground Public Schools Board of Directors: Every second and fourth Monday of the month, most months, 6 p.m., Lewisville Campus, Room C-26, 406 NW Fifth Ave., Battle Ground. Work sessions are added as deemed necessary at the second meeting of the month. Updates are available at battlegroundps.org/board-meetings.

Ridgefield School District Board of Directors: Every second and fourth Tuesday of the month, 5 p.m., Columbia Assembly Room, Ridgefield Administrative and Civic Center, 510 Pioneer St., or at other times and places as determined by the board. Updates are available at ridgefieldsd.org/page/board-of-directors.

Woodland School District Board of Directors: Every second and fourth Thursday of the month, and every third Thursday in November and December, 6:30 p.m., Woodland High School, Room 1204, 1500 Dike Access Road, Woodland. Updates are available at woodlandschools.org.

La Center School District Board of Directors: Every fourth Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., La Center High School Library, 725 NE Highland Ave., La Center. Updates are available at lacenterschools.org/school-board.

Clark County Community Action Advisory Board meeting: Every first Wednesday of odd-numbered months, 9 a.m., Center for Community Health, Room C210B, 1601 E. Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver. The Community Action Advisory Board advocates on behalf of low-income residents at the state and federal levels. For more information, visit shorturl.at/re7Eb.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF CLARK
Case Number: 25-3-00867-06
Summons Served by Publication
(Clerk Code: SMPB)
In re the marriage of:
Petitioner:
MIRANDA ESPIRITU
And Respondent:
OLIVER ESPIRITU
I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: Miranda Espiritu. The Petition also requests: child support and parenting plan. You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side.
Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this Summons is published:
July 15, 2026
If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline:
No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and the court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: **1. Read** the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. **2. Fill** out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition): FL Parentage 332, Response to Petition for Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule and/or Child Support. You can get the Response form and other forms you may need at: The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms, Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). **3. Serve** (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. **4. File** your original Response with the court clerk at this address:
Superior Court Clerk,
Clark County
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5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one.
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(If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Superior Court Civil Rule 5 and local court rules. This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the state of Washington.
RCW 4.28.100, .110; CR 4.1
Mandatory Form (06/2026)
FL All Family 110
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Washington Firewood Law

State law requires firewood to be sold by the cord or fraction of a cord. A cord is 128 cubic feet, which is a stack 4 feet wide, 4 feet tall, and 8 feet long;. or equivalent. A cord of wood cut 16 inches long would be three stacks 4 feet tall and 8 feet long.

The terms "rack," "unit," "pile," and "truckload" are not to be used when advertising firewood. State law requires that a delivery ticket or sales invoice be presented by the seller to the purchaser at the time of sale. The sales invoice is to include the name and address of the seller, name and address of buyer, quantity delivered, price, and date of delivery. State law suggests that firewood be described for sale by species such as 50 percent oak and 50 percent alder.

This notice approved by the state Department of Weights and Measures, (360) 902-1854, Larry Kanouse (360) 902-1857, Kirk Robinson (360) 902-1856, and provided as a public service by The Reflector.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ. Grantor: MICHAEL CHRISS, A SINGLE PERSON Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust: Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans Original Trustee of the Deed of Trust: FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMIIPANY OF WASHINGTON Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Evergreen Home Loans Reference Number of the Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 5371145 Parcel Number: 986038891 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on August 26, 2026, 11:00 AM, At the Public Service Center Gazebo Clark County, 1300 Franklin St, Vancouver, WA 98660, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, the undersigned Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of Clark, State of Washington, to-wit: PARCEL I LOT(S) 51, PARKER VILLAGE SUBDIVISION PHASE 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 311 OF PLATS, PAGE 823, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. PARCEL II AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES OVER TRACT F AS SHOWN ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT RECORDED IN VOLUME 311 OF PLATS, PAGE 823, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. APN: 986038891 More commonly known as 4240 NW SAGE LOOP, CAMAS, WA 98607 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated January 24, 2017, executed by MICHAEL CHRISS, A SINGLE PERSON as Trustor(s), to secure obligations in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as designated nominee for EVERGREEN MONEYSOURCE MORTGAGE COMPANY, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, recorded January 26, 2017 as Instrument No. 5371145 and the beneficial interest was assigned to Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company dba Evergreen Home Loans and recorded May 20, 2024 as Instrument Number 6182903 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Clark County, Washington. II. No action commenced by Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans, the current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrowers' or Grantors' default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: FAILURE TO PAY WHEN DUE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WHICH ARE NOW IN ARREARS: DELINQUENT PAYMENT INFORMATION From October 1, 2023 To April 21, 2026 Total Monthly Payment $78,455.17 Total $78,455.17 LATE CHARGE INFORMATION October 1, 2023 April 21, 2026 $2,243.28 PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: January 24, 2017 Note Amount $380,000.00 Interest Paid To: September 1, 2023 Next Due Date: October 1, 2023 Current Beneficiary: Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans Contact Phone No: (602) 457-8211 Address: 4500 S. Lakeshore Drive, Suite 695, Tempe, AZ 85282 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $358,294.19, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured, and such other costs and fees

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
NO. 26-4-00805-06
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)

In the Matter of the Estate of DONALD D. PAULSON,
Deceased.
The personal representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FILING COPY OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS WITH CLERK OF THE COURT: August 5, 2026
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
August 12, 2026
S/ Rochelle Unger, PR
Personal Representative
c/o RYAN P. KURTZ,
Attorney for the Estate
JACKSON, JACKSON,
& KURTZ, INC., P.S.
P.O. Box 340
Battle Ground, WA 98604
Phone: (360) 687-7106
Fax: (360) 687-3121

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137889 CCPW 2027-2032 Plan

SEPA NOTICE - DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) Clark County 2027-2032 Stormwater Capital Plan Adoption

Clark County Public Works has issued a determination of non-significance (DNS) under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Rules (Chapter 192-11 WAC) to update and adopt changes in the Stormwater Capital Plan for the years 2027 through 2032, as a non-project SEPA review required by law (RCW 36.81.121 and WAC 136.16.010). The program identifies stormwater capital project phases to be completed during the next six-year period within unincorporated Clark County. The purpose of this program is to prepare a comprehensive stormwater capital work schedule addressing Stormwater Management for Existing Development (SMED) requirements in the Phase 1 Municipal Stormwater Permit and county goals to protect and enhance streams and wetlands and minimize the degradation of receiving waters caused by stormwater runoff. The update reflects changes in the overall program. After review of a completed environmental checklist and other supporting information on file with the agency, Clark County Public Works has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant impact on the environment. Project specific environmental impacts shall be evaluated during individual project design processes. The DNS is available electronically at https://www.clark.wa.gov/public-works/sepa. Copies are also available at no charge from Marlena Milosevich Butler, Stormwater Capital Program Manager, (564)397-4282. The public is invited to submit written comment on this DNS no later than August 27, 2026, to Marlena.milosevich@clark.wa.gov. Written comments may also be submitted to Marlena Milosevich Butler, Clark County Public Works, 1300 Franklin Street, PO Box 9810, Vancouver, WA 98666-9810.

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137890 PN EVchargers

Notice to Contractors - Invitation to Bid

The Port of Ridgefield is seeking bids for the *EV Parking at the Port of Ridgefield Waterfront* project. Work will take place between Mill and Division streets at the Port's Waterfront property in Ridgefield, Washington. Work consists of installation of 7 level-3 DC electric vehicle chargers; installation of 1 transformer; construction of a new parking lot supporting 13 parking spaces. Construction of sidewalk and Utility Connection, including 1 ADA space; excavation and replacement of contaminated and clean soils; and topsoil and landscaping restoration. Bid documents will be available at 10:00 a.m. on August 12, 2026, at *www.portridgefield.org/contractors*. Sealed bids are **due by 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 28, 2026**. Bids will be opened at the Port office and via Zoom (virtual meeting information available in the bid packet on the Port's website). The Port will determine contract award or bid rejection on or before Tuesday, September 8, 2026. For questions, please contact Penny Hughes, Environmental Project Manager, at Phughes@portridgefield.org.

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137885 LN WLD-25-014

LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF WOODLAND NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Woodland will receive comments from interested individuals regarding a shoreline permit at 440 Island Aire Drive in Woodland, WA. (WLD-2025-014) The proposal is to build a deck addition and replace existing walkways and railroad tie retaining walls within the shoreline jurisdiction of Horseshoe Lake. A public hearing before the Hearing Examiner will be held at the City Council Chambers at 200 E Scott Ave in Woodland, WA 98674 at 10:00 am on September 15, 2026. Questions and comments regarding the application should be directed to Travis Goddard, Director, at (360) 225-7299 or at goddardt@ci.woodland.wa.us. Interested persons may submit comments on the application by email, by mail to PO Box 9, Woodland WA 98674, or by delivery to the payment dropbox at 230 Davidson Avenue. Written comments are due by August 28, 2026, at 5 p.m. while testimony may be given up until the close of the public record at the hearing. Application material, staff reports, and the eventual decision will be available on the project page at www.ci.woodland.wa.us. Copies of the decision will be made available upon request.
Dated this 4th day of August, 2026.
Travis Goddard
Community Development Director

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137897 NTC Medina

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
Case No.: 26 4 01001 06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN RE THE ESTATE OF NACIA D. MEDINA,
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 nonprobate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
AUGUST 12, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
MICHAEL R. HORN
ATTORNEY:
Matthew Yates
Yates Marshall PLLC
10000 NE 7th Avenue,
Suite 200
Vancouver,
Washington 98685
(360) 449-6100

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Legal Notices

as are due under the Note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on August 26, 2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by August 15, 2026, (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before August 15, 2026 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustees' fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers' or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the August 15, 2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the current Beneficiary, Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): ADDRESS MICHAEL CHRISS 4240 NW SAGE LOOP, CAMAS, WA 98607 MICHAEL CHRISS 1303 NE 103RD CT, VANCOUVER, WA 98664 OCCUPANT 4240 NW SAGE LOOP, CAMAS, WA 98607 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL CHRISS 4240 NW SAGE LOOP, CAMAS, WA 98607 PARKER VILLAGE SUBDIVISION HOA, A WASHINGTON NONPROFIT CORPORATION C/O VF LAW 600 UNIVERSITY STREET, STE 2520, SAN FRANCISCO, WA 98101 PARKER VILLAGE SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION C/O THE MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC., 7710 NE VANCOUVER MALL DRIVE, VANCOUVER, WA 98662 PARKER VILLAGE SUBDIVISION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION C/O ALEXIS DUCICH, BARKER MARTIN, P. S., 701 PIKE STREET, SUITE 1645, SEATTLE, WA 98101 by both first class and certified mail on March 19, 2026, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place March 19, 2026 on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustees' Sale. X. Notice to Occupants or Tenants. The purchaser at the Trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. Notice to Borrower(s) who received a letter under RCW 61.24.031: THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. Mediation MUST be requested between the time you receive the Notice of Default and no later than 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the Notice of Trustee Sale. If an amended Notice of Trustee Sale is recorded providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Washington State Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) Website: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 Website: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Toll-free: 1-800-606-4819 Website: https://nwjustice.org/home Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70.258) may impact residential real property (1-4 residential units) title transfers to covered entities trusts, with reporting requirements unless exempt. https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers Dated: April 22 , 2026 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as Duly Appointed Successor Trustee By: Alan Burton, Vice President MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps 606 W. Gowe Street Kent, WA 98032 Toll Free Number: (844) 367-8456 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 For Reinstatement/Pay Off Quotes, contact MTC Financial Inc. DBA Trustee Corps NPP0488387 To: THE RE-FLECTOR 07/22/2026, 08/12/2026

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137887 NOH FRENTRESS

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
Notice of Hearing and Petition for Distribution
RCW 11.76.040
Case No. 25-4-00578-06

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DARRELL JIMMIE FRENTRESS, Deceased. A final report and petition for distribution has been filed with the clerk of the court, and the court is asked to settle such report, distribute the property to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and discharge the personal representative.
HEARING DATE: September 11, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at the Clark County Courthouse
1200 Franklin Street
Vancouver, WA 98660
PERSONAL
ADMINISTRATOR:
Sherry Frentress
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL
ADMINISTRATOR:
Brandon Campbell
WSBA #47762
ADDRESS FOR MAILING
OR SERVICE: 1409 Franklin
Street, Suite 202
Vancouver, WA 986

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137886 LN WLD-26-022

LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF WOODLAND
NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Woodland will receive comments from interested individuals regarding a 26-foot wide fire access connection to West Scott Avenue. The access will be located between Down River Drive and the railroad tracks, south of W Scott, in the **Heavy Industrial (I-2)** zoning district. (WLD-2026-022). Questions and comments regarding the application should be directed to Travis Goddard, Director, at (360) 225-7299 or at goddardt @ci.woodland.wa.us. Interested persons may submit comments on the application by email, by mail to PO Box 9, Woodland WA 98674, or by delivery to the payment dropbox at 230 Davidson Avenue. Comments are due by August 26th, 2026, at 5 p.m. Copies of the decision will be made available upon request.
Dated this 5th day of
August, 2026.
Travis Goddard
Community Development
Director

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137888 NOH FOGARTY

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
Notice of Hearing and Petition for Distribution
RCW 11.76.040
Case No. 25-4-00209-06

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAN ANN FOGARTY, Deceased. A final report and petition for distribution has been filed with the clerk of the court, and the court is asked to settle such report, distribute the property to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and discharge the personal representative. HEARING DATE: September 11, 2026, at the Clark County Courthouse
1200 Franklin Street
Vancouver, WA 98660
PERSONAL
ADMINISTRATOR:
Trisha Van Cleave
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL
ADMINISTRATOR:
Brandon Campbell
WSBA #47762
ADDRESS FOR MAILING
OR SERVICE: 1409 Franklin
Street, Suite 202
Vancouver, WA 986

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137808 Summons Hazen

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF CLARK
Case Number: 26-3-00899-06
Summons Served by Publication (SMPB)

In re the marriage of:
Petitioner:
RICHARD G. HAZEN, And
Respondent:
KIMBERLY SUE HAZEN
Summons Served by
Publication To:
KIMBERLY SUE HAZEN
I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: Dissolution (Divorce) The Petition also requests (check all that apply): division of property and debt. You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. **Deadline!** Your *Response* must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this *Summons* is published: July 22, 2026
If you do not file and serve your *Response* or a *Notice of Appearance* by the deadline: No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and the court may approve the requests in the *Petition* without hearing your side (called a *default judgment*). Follow these steps: **1. Read** the *Petition* and any other documents that were filed at court with this *Summons*. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. **2. Fill** out a *Response* on this form (*check the Response that matches the Petition*): FL Divorce 211, *Response to Petition about a Marriage* **You can get the *Response*** form and other forms you may need at: The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). **3. Serve** (give) a copy of your *Response* to the person who filed this *Summons* at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. **4. File** your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Clark County
1200 Franklin St,
Vancouver WA 98660
5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one.
Person filing this Summons or their lawyer fills out below: S/ Millie Anne Roberge, WSBA #31711
S/ Date: 7/15/2026
I agree to accept legal papers for this case at Lawyer's address:
900 Washington St. Ste 800,
Vancouver WA 98660
Email: millie.client@gmail.com
(If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.)
Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Superior Court Civil Rule 5 and local court rules. *This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the state of Washington.*
RCW 4.28.100,. 110; CR 4.1
Law Office Millie Roberge DBA Affordable Family Law Center
900 Washington St. Ste 800
Vancouver, WA 98660
TEL 360-695-6000
FAX 360-326-1835
Affordablefamilylawcenter.com

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137815 NTC R.Carter

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 26-4-05240-6 SEA
(RCW 11.40.030)

Estate of Robert Craig Carter, Deceased.
THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any persons having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim, and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim 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 nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
July 29, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Nash Carter
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: Heather S. de Vrieze, WSBA#28553
de Vrieze l Carney, PLLC
3909 California Avenue SW
Seattle, WA 98116-3705
COURT OF PROBATE PROCEEDINGS:
King County Superior Court
CAUSE NUMBER: 26-4-05240-6 SEA

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137816 NTC D.Carter

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NO. 26-4-05248-1 SEA
(RCW 11.40.030)

Estate of Denice Carter, Deceased.
THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any persons having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim, and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim 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 nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
July 29, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Fawn Murphy
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: Heather S. de Vrieze, WSBA#28553
de Vrieze l Carney, PLLC
3909 California Avenue SW
Seattle, WA 98116-3705
COURT OF PROBATE PROCEEDINGS:
King County Superior Court
CAUSE NUMBER: 26-4-05248-1 SEA

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137820 NTC JESSUP

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
Case No.: 26 4 00920 06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN RE THE ESTATE OF
JOHN R. JESSUP,
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 nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
JULY 29, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
KATHRYN THORNTON
ATTORNEY:
Matthew Yates
Yates Marshall PLLC
10000 NE 7th Avenue,
Suite 200
Vancouver,
Washington 98685
(360) 449-6100

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137821 NTC TURNER

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
No. 26-4-00918-06
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

In the Matter of the Estate of:
CONSTANCE JAY TURNER,
Deceased. The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in 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 nonprobate assets.
DATE OF FILING COPY OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS with Clerk of Court: 07/20/2026
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: 07/29/2026
S/ RONALD W. GREENEN, WSB #6334
Personal Representative
Address for Mailing or Service:
GREENEN & GREENEN, PLLC
Attorneys at Law
1104 Main Street, Suite 400
Vancouver, WA 98660
(360) 694-1571
Court of Probate Proceedings:
Clark County Superior Court
PO Box 5000
Vancouver, WA 98666
(564) 397-2292
Cause No.: 26-4-00918-06

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137825 NTC BARNES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
No. 26-4-00911-06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of: JUDY RAE BARNES, Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney, at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against the decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Name of Appointed Personal Representative: JOHN CHARLES BARNES. Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court: 07/21/2026. Date of First Publication: 07/29/2026.
Dated and signed this 21st day of July, 2026, by:
S/ JOHN CHARLES BARNES
Personal Representative of the Estate of Judy Rae Barnes, Deceased
Date S/ 07/21/2026
SUBMITTED BY: STEVEN M. SOWARDS, WSBA #20815
Attorney for Personal Representative
Boyd, Gaffney, Sowards & Treosti, P.L.L.C.
713 W. Main St., Ste. 101,
PO Box 5
Battle Ground, WA 98604
Ph. (360) 687-3149,
Fax (360) 687-3148

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137828 NOD WFR

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION
WFR, LLC

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that WFR, LLC filed articles of its dissolution with the Washington Secretary of State on July 22, 2026. Any person or entity with a claim against WFR, LLC must provide a notice of claim to WFR, LLC no later than November 19, 2026. All claims will be barred if a written notice of claim describing the claim with reasonable particularity has not been delivered to WFR, LLC on or before the above deadline. WFR, LLC has the right to reject any or all such claims by notice. The holder of any rejected claim has 90 days from receipt of the notice of rejection to commence a proceeding to enforce the claim. All notices of claims shall be mailed to:
WFR, LLC
4610 NE 77th Ave, Suite 100
Vancouver, WA 98662
DATED this 23rd day
of July, 2026.

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137829 NOS KIBBEE

SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
Cause #: 25-2-01606-06

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff
vs
SEAN PATRICK KIBBEE AND JORDAN H. KIBBEE, HUSBAND AND WIFE; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE ADMINISTRATION; STATE OF WASHINGTON; AND OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES, Defendant

TO: SEAN PATRICK KIBBEE
The Superior Court of Clark County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Clark County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action. If developed, the property address is:
119 NW 103RD STREET
VANCOUVER, WA
The sale of the above described property is to take place:
TIME: 09:30 a.m.
DATE: September 11, 2026
PLACE: FRONT STEPS
CLARK COUNTY
COURTHOUSE
1200 FRANKLIN ST.
VANCOUVER,
WASHINGTON.
The judgment debtor can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of $381,331.04 together with interest, cost, and fees before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the Sheriff at the address stated below:

JOHN HORCH,
SHERIFF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
By: EVELINA KURILENKO
Civil Department
P.O. Box 410
Vancouver, Washington 98666
(564) 397-2225

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 2, EL-NATHAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT TEHREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME H OF PLATS, PAGE 688, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. APN: 118261240

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137831 SBP Kibbee

SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
Cause #: 25-2-01606-06

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff
vs
SEAN PATRICK KIBBEE AND JORDAN H. KIBBEE, HUSBAND AND WIFE; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE ADMINISTRATION; STATE OF WASHINGTON; AND OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES, Defendant

TO: SEAN PATRICK KIBBEE
A writ of execution has been issued in the above captioned case, directed to the sheriff of Clark County, commanding the sheriff as follows: On April 21, 2026, a DEFAULT JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF FORECLOSURE in favor of Plaintiff LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC was entered in the Superior Court of Washington, County of Clark, against defendant SEAN PATRICK KIBBEE ("Judgment Debtor, In Rem"); JORDAN H. KIBBEE; SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CODE ADMINISTRATION; STATE OF WASHINGTON; and OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES ("Judgment Defendants, In Rem"). It is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the land and premises legally described as follows: LOT 2, EL-NATHAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT TEHREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME H OF PLATS, PAGE 688, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. APN: 118261240 Commonly referred to as: 119 NW 103rd Street, Vancouver, WA 98685 referred to in the Judgment, be sold at public auction, as particularly set out in said Judgment. The total amount due and owing on the Judgment through June 26, 2026 is $381,331.04 consisting of the following: the judgment amount of $369,033.58, principal and interest; $9,728.64 awarded for attorneys' fees and costs; plus pre-judgment interest accruing from April 2, 2026 through April 21, 2026, $597.40 ($29.87 per diem x 20 days); plus post-judgment interest accruing from April 22, 2026 through June 26, 2026, at the rate of 3.50% per annum, of $1,971.42 ($29.87 per diem x 66 days); pursuant to the Judgment, post-judgment amounts advanced for attorneys' fees, and costs for publication and Sheriff's fees of an unknown amount. It is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Sheriff is hereby authorized to make the return within 60 days after issuance by the court. For purposes of the sale, the Order may be automatically extended for 30 days, pursuant to RCW 6.21.050.In the name of the State of Washington, you are hereby commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell the Subject Property, which is more particularly described in the Notice of Sale, and apply the proceeds of said sale as in said Judgment and Decree directed, and to make and file your report of such sale with the Clerk of this Court, and do all things according to the terms and requirements of said Judgment, and the provisions of Washington Law. The court will establish a twelve-month redemption period from the date of the Sheriff's foreclosure sale, and the Sheriff should be ordered to issue a Sheriff's Deed to the successful bidder at the termination of the redemption period pursuant to RCW 6.23.020. The sale date has been set for September 11, 2026. YOU MAY HAVE A RIGHT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY from the sale under statutes of this state, including sections 6.13.010, 6.13.030, 6.13.040, 6.15.010, and 6.15.060 of the Revised Code of Washington, in the manner described in those statutes.
JOHN HORCH,
SHERIFF
CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON
By: EVELINA KURILENKO
Civil Department
P.O. Box 410
Vancouver, Washington 98666
(564) 397-2225

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137833 NOS AUMILLER

SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF WASHINGTON **FOR** CLARK COUNTY
Cause #: 25-2-04340-06

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff
vs
ERNEST AUMILLER AND ALYSHIA AUMILLER, HUSBAND AND WIFE; THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION; THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; COLUMBIA COLLECTORS INC.; AND UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES, Defendant

TO: ERNEST AUMILLER AND ALYSHIA AUMILLER, HUSBAND AND WIFE
The Superior Court of Clark County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Clark County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action. If developed, the property address is:
406 E. WILSON STREET
YACOLT, WA
The sale of the above described property is to take place:
TIME: 09:30 a.m.
DATE: September 11, 2026
PLACE: FRONT STEPS
CLARK COUNTY
COURTHOUSE
1200 FRANKLIN ST.
VANCOUVER,
WASHINGTON.
The judgment debtor can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of $352,156.34 together with interest, cost, and fees before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the Sheriff at the address stated below:
JOHN HORCH,
SHERIFF CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON
By: EVELINA KURILENKO
Civil Department
P.O. Box 410
Vancouver, Washington 98666
(564) 397-2225
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 9, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY RECORDED IN BOOK 48, PAGE 108, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SAID SURVEY IS A RE-RECORD OF SURVEY RECORDED IN BOOK 48, PAGE 75. ALSO KNOWN AS A PORTION OF BLOCKS 6, 7, 8 AND 9, MCDONALD'S ADDITION TO YACOLT, WASH., ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME "C" OF PLATS, PAGE 93, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. APN: 67322018

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SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
Cause #: 25-2-04340-06

LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC Plaintiff
vs
ERNEST AUMILLER AND ALYSHIA AUMILLER, HUSBAND AND WIFE; THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION; THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; COLUMBIA COLLECTORS INC.; AND UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES,
Defendant
TO: ERNEST AUMILLER AND ALYSHIA AUMILLER, HUSBAND AND WIFE
A writ of execution has been issued in the above-captioned case, directed to the Sheriff of Clark County, commanding the Sheriff as follows: On June 9, 2026, a DEFAULT JUDGMENT FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF, REFORMATION OF DEED OF TRUST, JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF FORECLOSURE in favor of Plaintiff LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC was entered in the Superior Court of Washington, County of Clark, against defendants ERNEST AUMILLER and ALYSHIA AUMILLER, husband and wife ("Judgment Debtors, In Rem"); THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION; THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; MIDLAND CREDIT MANAGEMENT, INC.; COLUMBIA COLLECTORS INC.; and UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES ("Judgment Defendants, In Rem"). It is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the land and premises legally described as follows: LOT 9, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY RECORDED IN BOOK 48, PAGE 108, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SAID SURVEY IS A RE-RECORD OF SURVEY RECORDED IN BOOK 48, PAGE 75. ALSO KNOWN AS A PORTION OF BLOCKS 6, 7, 8 AND 9, MCDONALD'S ADDITION TO YACOLT, WASH., ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME "C" OF PLATS, PAGE 93, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. APN: 67322018. Commonly referred to as: 406 E. Wilson Street, Yacolt, WA 98675, referred to in the Judgment, be sold at public auction, as particularly set out in said Judgment. The total amount due and owing on the Judgment through June 26, 2026 is $352,156.34 consisting of the following: the judgment amount of $343,134.08, principal and interest; $8,325.90 awarded for attorneys' fees and costs; plus pre-judgment interest accruing from May 30, 2026 through June 9, 2026, $273.57 ($24.87 per diem x 11 days); plus post-judgment interest accruing from June 10, 2026 through June 26, 2026, at the rate of 3.00% per annum, of $422.79 ($24.87 per diem x 17 days); pursuant to the Judgment, post-judgment amounts advanced for attorneys' fees, and costs for publication and Sheriff's fees of an unknown amount. It is ordered, adjudged, and decreed that the Sheriff is hereby authorized to make the return within 60 days after issuance by the court. For purposes of the sale, the Order may be automatically extended for 30 days, pursuant to RCW 6.21.050. In the name of the State of Washington, you are hereby commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell the Subject Property, which is more particularly described in the Notice of Sale, and apply the proceeds of said sale as in said Judgment and Decree directed, and to make and file your report of such sale with the Clerk of this Court, and do all things according to the terms and requirements of said Judgment, and the provisions of Washington Law. The court will establish a twelve-month redemption period from the date of the Sheriff's foreclosure sale, and the Sheriff should be ordered to issue a Sheriff's Deed to the successful bidder at the termination of the redemption period pursuant to RCW 6.23.020. The sale date has been set for September 11, 2026. YOU MAY HAVE A RIGHT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY from the sale under statutes of this state, including sections 6.13.010, 6.13.030, 6.13.040, 6.15.010, and 6.15.060 of the Revised Code of Washington, in the manner described in those statutes.
JOHN HORCH,
SHERIFF
CLARK COUNTY,
WASHINGTON
By: EVELINA KURILENKO
Civil DepartmentP.O. Box 410
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137836 PN Allen Canyon Creek

Public Notice

Legacy Trails III, LLC., Chad Holsinger, 13023 NE Highway 99 Vancouver, WA 98686 - 2699, **is seeking coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology's Construction Stormwater NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit. The proposed project,** Legacy Trails III**, is located at** 4768 S 8th Way in Ridgefield in Clark County**. This project involves 8.6 acres of soil disturbance for Residential, Commercial, construction activities. The receiving water is** Allen Canyon Creek**. Any persons desiring to present their views to the Washington State Department of Ecology regarding this Application, or interested in Ecology's action on this Application, may notify Ecology in writing** no later than 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice**. Ecology reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier II anti - degradation requirements under WAC 173 - 201A - 320. Comments can be submitted to: ecyrewqianoi@ecy.wa.gov**, or ATTN:
Water Quality Program, Construction SW GP Washington State Department of Ecology
P.O. Box 47696
Olympia, WA 98504-7696

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137837 NTC Wenge

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
No. 26-4-00942-06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)

In the Matter of the Estate of:
BEVERLY JEAN WENGE,
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 attorneys at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of Court: July 24, 2026
Date of First Publication:
August 5, 2026
Personal Representative:
DIANA J. ANDERSON
c/o Rachael A. Young
Senescu & Babich, PLLC
Attorneys at Law
1409 Franklin Street,
Suite 207
Vancouver, WA 98660
Phone: (360) 696-7494

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137867 NTC HERTZ

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
NO. 26-4-00900-06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

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probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
AUGUST 5, 2026
Personal Representative:
MONICA REDDING
Attorney for the Personal Representative
JOHN J. LUTGENS,
WSBA 22649
Address for Mailing or Service:
LUTGENS LAW FIRM
P.O. BOX 1206
Vancouver, WA 98666
Tel. 360.693.2119
Fax 360.906.0679
Court of probate proceedings and cause number:
Clark County Superior Court
Cause No. 26-4-00900-06
DATED at Vancouver, Washington this 28TH day of JULY, 2026.
/s/ John J. Lutgens
John J. Lutgens, WSB #22649
Of Attorney for Personal Representative

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137868 NTC Burckhard

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
No. 26-4-00945-06
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

IN THE ESTATE OF:
MARVELINE BURCKHARD,
Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
August 5, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
Duane F. Burckhard
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES:
Alexa N. Ritchie,
WSBA #54200
Pabst Holland & Reynolds, PLLC
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE:
900 Washington Street, Suite 820
Vancouver, WA 98660
COURT OF PROBATE PROCEEDINGS:
Superior Court of Washington for Clark County
CAUSE NUMBER:
26-4-00945-06

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137870 NTC SANCHEZ-AVILA

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SPOKANE
No. 26-4-01448-32
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)

In the Matter of the Estate of:
LEOPOLDO SANCHEZ-AVILA (AKA LEOPOLDO SANCHEZ),
Deceased.
The undersigned named below has been appointed as Administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim, and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non probate assets.
Date of First Publication: Clark County-August 5, 2026
Administrator: Maria Sanchez
Attorney for the Administrator:
Thomas J. Burford
/s/ Maria Sanchez, Administrator
Address for Mailing or Service:
c/o WITHERSPOON BRAJCICH McPHEE, PLLC
601 W. Main Avenue, Suite 1400
Spokane, WA 99201-0677

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137872 NTC Walker

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK IN PROBATE NO. 26-4-00862-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In Re the Estate of Ronald K. 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, 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(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of First Publication:
August 5, 2026
Scott Walker
Personal Representative
Robert M. Gregg,
WSBA #12553
Attorney for Personal Representatives
Address for Mailing or Service:
12503 SE Mill Plain Blvd, Ste 240
Vancouver, WA 98684
Telephone: (360) 694-6505

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137882 PN KWRL

CALL FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Woodland School District #404 will receive bids until 1:00 p.m. **August 27th, 2027**, at which time said bids will be opened at KWRL Transportation Cooperative office at 989 Frazier Lane, Woodland WA 98674. Bids will be tabulated for consideration and approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Woodland School Board. Bids will be accepted for: Wet-hose diesel services in Ridgefield, Washington, F.O.B. bulk fuel delivery to Woodland, Washington, and regional card lock fuel purchase agreement. Copies of detailed bid specifications and required bid documents can be acquired at KWRL Transportation Cooperative 989 Frazier Lane Woodland Washington or by email at **barnetts@kwrl.org**.
The Woodland School District #404 reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bid submissions and to waive any irregularities in any bids submitted. All bids must be sealed and be clearly identified as "2027 Fuel Bid." August 6 - 1119570

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137883 ORD NO. 1604

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 1604
On August 3rd, 2026 the City Council of City of Woodland, Washington, approved Ordinance No. 1604 the main point of which may be summarized by its title as follows:
AN ORDIANCE OF WOODLAND CITY COUNCIL OF WOODLAND, WASHINGTON TO CREATE WOODLAND MUNICIPAL CODE (WMC) CHAPTER 3.03 - LEASE CONTRACT OR RENTAL AGREEMENTS FOR EQUIPMENT AND REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 1178 SECTION 7 AND ELIMINATE WMC 3.60.070-AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS, LEASES OR RENTAL AGREEMENTS AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND SUMMARY.
The full text of this ordinance may be obtained by contacting City Hall 360-225-8281 or visit 230 Davidson Ave, Woodland, WA 98674.
s/ Amanda Hougan, City Clerk
Effective: August 17th, 2026

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Ad# 137205 IDSPub# 314769

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq.108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 Trustee Sale No.: WA-26-1035469-RM Title Order No.: CTT26061767 OF COMMERCIAL LOAN(S) Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 6272654 Parcel Number(s): 29373058 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: Lindsey Melchert, single, as her sole and separate property Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): Apollo - IAPLRT1PR1 Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: NewRez LLC, d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing I.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 9/11/2026, at 11:00AM At the Public Service Center Gazebo in Clark County, located at 1300 Franklin St, Vancouver, WA 98660 sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable in the form of credit bid or cash bid in the form of cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of CLARK, State of Washington, to-wit: PARCEL I: THAT PORTION OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, LYING WITHIN THE EDWARD MOORE DONATION LAND CLAIM, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT THAT IS 777.85 FEET EAST AND 844.0 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 OF NORRIS ACRE TRACTS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME "B" OF PLATS, PAGE 49, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, THENCE SOUTH 55.0 FEET; THENCE EAST 215.86 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF BRANDT ROAD; THENCE NORTH 15° 05' 30" WEST 56.79 FEET; THENCE WEST 202.08 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPT THE SOUTH 1 FOOT THEREOF. ALSO EXCEPT THE WEST 14 FEET THEREOF. PARCEL II: THAT PORTION OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, LYING WITHIN THE EDWARD MOORE DONATION LAND CLAIM, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT THAT IS 777.85 FEET EAST AND 844.0 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1 OF NORRIS ACRE TRACTS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME "B" OF PLATS, PAGE 49, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SAID POINT BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THAT PARCEL CONVEYED TO ALBERT SFORZA, ET AL, BY STATUTORY WARRANTY DEED FILED APRIL 28, 1969, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. G-534576; THENCE EAST 215.56 FEET ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SFORZA PARCEL TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER THEREOF, SAID POINT BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SFORZA PARCEL 113 FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID SFORZA PARCEL 11.6 FEET; THENCE EAST 113 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. More commonly known as: 1602 BRANDT ROAD, VANCOUVER, WA 98661 Subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 9/4/2025, recorded 9/8/2025, under Instrument No. 6272654 records of CLARK County, Washington, from Lindsey Melchert, single, as her sole and separate property, as grantor(s), to Vantage Point Title, Inc., as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for OCMBC, Inc., Its Successors and Assigns, as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to Apollo - IAPLRT1PR1, the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6302577 II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $11,336.79. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $164,400.00, together with interest as provided in the Note from 10/1/2025 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 9/11/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s) by both first class and certified mail, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable, with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. The list of recipients of the Notice of Default is listed within the Notice of Foreclosure provided to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s). These requirements were completed as of 3/31/2026. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. XI. SPECIAL NOTICE TO GUARANTOR CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR POTENTIAL DEFICIENCY JUDGMENT Pursuant to RCW 61.24.042: (1) The guarantor may be liable for a deficiency judgment to the extent the sale price obtained at the trustee's sale is less than the debt secured by the deed of trust; (2) The guarantor has the same rights to reinstate the debt, cure the default, or repay the debt as is given to the grantor in order to avoid the trustee's sale; (3) The guarantor will have no right to redeem the property after the trustee's sale; (4) Subject to such longer periods as are provided in the Washington deed of trust act, chapter 61.24 RCW, any action brought to enforce a guaranty must be commenced within one year after the trustee's sale, or the last trustee's sale under any deed of trust granted to secure the same debt; and (5) In any action for a deficiency, the guarantor will have the right to establish the fair value of the property as of the date of the trustee's sale, less prior liens and encumbrances, and to limit its liability for a deficiency to the difference between the debt and the greater of such fair value or the sale price paid at the trustee's sale, plus interest and costs. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only until 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this Notice of Trustee Sale to be referred to mediation. If this is an amended Notice of Trustee Sale providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: https://nwjustice.org/home Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the noteholders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-26-1035469-RM. Note: This form has been modified to account for the loan type. Dated: 5/6/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-26-1035469-RM Sale Line: 916-939-0772 or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com IDSPub #0314769
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 TS No.: WA-25-1018956-RM APN No.: 105832-010 Title Order No.: CTT25034704 AMENDED Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24.130(4) Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 6207296 Parcel Number(s): 105832-010 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: James Wagner, an unmarried man and Patricia Leevers, an unmarried woman Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT LLC Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Village Capital & Investment LLC As the federal bankruptcy stay has been lifted, this an amended notice as to the Notice of Trustee's Sale recorded 10/22/2025 under CLARK County Auditor Instrument Number 6282037. I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 8/21/2026 , at 11:00 AM At the Public Service Center Gazebo, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660 sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable in the form of credit bid or cash bid in the form of cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of CLARK, State of Washington, LOT 5, EL-WOOD, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME G OF PLATS, PAGE 590, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. More commonly known as: 10508 NE 93RD ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98662 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 9/26/2024, recorded 9/26/2024, under Instrument No. 6207296 records of CLARK County, Washington , from James Wagner, an unmarried man and Patricia Leevers, an unmarried woman , as g rantor(s), to WFG National Title Company , as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), acting solely as nominee for Kind Lending, LLC, Its Successors and Assigns , as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT LLC , the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6263387 II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arr ears: $80,586.73 . IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $437,294.73 , together with interest as provided in the Note from 1/1/2025 on, and such other costs and fees as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 8/21/2026 . The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/10/2026 (11 days before the sale date), subject to the terms of the Note and Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 8/10/2026 (11 days before the sale), subject to the terms of the Note and Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 8/10/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $10,508.10. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $164,400.00, together with interest as provided in the Note from 10/1/2025 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 9/11/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 8/31/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower (s) and Grantor (s) by both first class and certified mail, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable, with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. The list of recipients of the Notice of Default is listed within the Notice of Foreclosure provided to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s). These requirements were completed as of 8/15/2025 . VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20 th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20 th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. Additional Information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan, in which case this letter is intended to exercise the Note holders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-25-1018956-RM. . Dated: 6/26/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-25-1018956-RM Sale Line: 866-539-4173 or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com IDSPub #0315682

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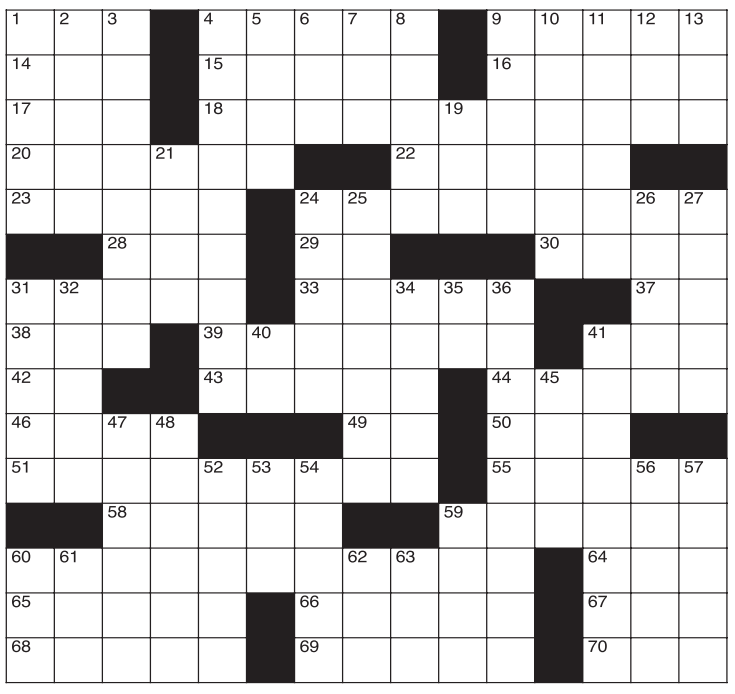
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Midway between south and southeast
4. Fathers
9. Wine grape
14. Al Bundy's wife
15. Derived from ammonia
16. Venezuelan state
17. Interest rate
18. Experts
20. Vascular tissues
22. Smooth and glossy
23. Administrative region in S. Korea
24. One from Damascus
28. Special interest group
29. It cools your home
30. Oh, God!
31. Intestinal pouches
33. Men
37. Twelfth star in a constellation
38. Former CIA
39. Arrange in grades of size
41. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
42. "The Great Lakes State"
43. Having earlike appendages
44. Momentarily stop
46. Ancient kingdom
49. Of I
50. White clerical vestment
51. Songs to one's beloved
55. Charges
58. Computer application originator
59. A place to dock a boat
60. One guided by reason
64. Slang for cigarette
65. Sailboats
66. "Jerry Maguire" actor Zellweger
67. Screen type
68. Country legend Haggard
69. Puts together in time
70. When you anticipate arriving

CLUES DOWN

1. Involuntary muscular contraction
2. Eastern US transit agency
3. Leaves a place
4. Cease to participate
5. Current units
6. Cease to exist
7. General's assistant (abbr.)
8. Earth vibration
9. Very strong winds
10. For each one
11. A bog
12. The creation of beautiful or significant things
13. Affirmative
19. Pie _ __ mode
21. Nonclerical
24. Indonesian island
25. Educational environment
26. Namibian peoples
27. Bring out or develop
31. Moves into a place of thought
32. Out of the way
34. Loads a ship
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Distinguishes
40. The ancient Egyptian sun god
41. Secondary or explanatory title
45. Relating to a wing
47. One who gives a speech
48. In the middle
52. Loop with a running knot
53. Airborne (abbr.)
54. Sweet persons
56. Put into play
57. Small cattle breed
59. Millisecond
60. Revolutions per minute
61. They __
62. Moon crater
63. A place to stay the night

Answers on Page A5

SUDOKU

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

Level: Intermediate

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