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Gunfire at Hockinson Park leaves one dead; BGHS graduate, UW baseball signee charged with manslaughter

Vigil honors Trent Richardson, victim in shooting; parents of Richardson told attendees to keep suspect James Gill III and his family in their thoughts

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Trent Richardson, 18, died from a gunshot wound during the early morning hours on Saturday, Aug. 15, after a handgun discharged at Hockinson Meadows Community Park in Brush Prairie.

Hundreds of people filled the stadium bleachers and alongside the track at District Stadium in Battle Ground on Sunday, Aug. 16, for a candlelight vigil honoring Richardson, a former standout

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Royal sisters bring years of 4-H experience to Clark County Fair

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Sisters Clark County Fair Queen Heidi Williamson and Princess River said serving on the Clark County Fair Court is the culmination of years spent riding horses, showing at the fair and learning the skills that come with 4-H.

The sisters, who grew up participating in 4-H together through Royal Riders, joined the Clark County Fair Court after trying out on the final day of the 2025 fair. Their yearlong reign will conclude when the next court is crowned on the final day of this year's fair.

The two said their interest in the court grew from watching previous fair courts while participating in 4-H and showing horses.

"Since we're little girls, we've always seen the Clark County Fair Court when we're showing 4-H and the horses around here," Williamson said. "So, that's what sparked our interest a little bit to try out together."

The sisters have spent much of their lives around horses. Their grandmother owned horses and introduced them to riding and showing at the fair.

"Our grandma's always

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Photo by Cade Barker

Clark County Fair Queen Heidi Williamson carries the flag during the national anthem prior to the rodeo event on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



Photo by Chris Barker

Clark County Fair Queen Heidi Williamson's silhouette is seen behind the American flag during the national anthem before the rodeo event on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



Photo by Cade Barker

Clark County Fair Princess River Williamson rides her horse around the rodeo arena at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

Battle Ground in the midst of historic year for roadway, pedestrian infrastructure improvements

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Battle Ground city officials describe it as a historic year for roadway and pedestrian infrastructure improvements, with multiple major projects either under construction, nearing completion or preparing to move forward during the late summer construction season.

"This is the first time I've seen this significant of an investment made by the city council for road construction," said city Communications Manager Alisha Smith, who has worked for Battle Ground for 20 years. "And that's a direct response to what we've heard from the community and our own assessments with the pavement

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An early morning dog walker utilizes the recently completed pedestrian pathway along Southwest 20th Avenue in Battle Ground on Monday, Aug. 17.

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Ridgefield Waterfront plans meet resistance: Community voices weigh in



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The Port commissioners and staff at the commision meeting on August 12



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The crowd turnout for the Port commission meeting on August 12

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For The Reflector

An Aug. 12 Port of Ridgefield Commission meeting had a strong turnout of citizens showing up to voice their opposition to the proposed waterfront development.

Of the approximately 30 extra seats in the room, all were filled, with several sitting in the hallway outside. The meeting began and ended with public comments, and the majority of comments were objections to the development.

This article in the series about waterfront development aims to document the concerns of various Ridgefield residents The Reflector has spoken with about the issue. Resident concerns range from the scale of the development, to the type of buildings planned, environmental and traffic impact, parking, river and boat launch access, and the port's communication surrounding the process.

The Reflector sought input from multiple residents. Among them were Robynne Knight and Wendy McIntire, who spoke on behalf of the Preserve Ridgefield Waterfront (PRW) group. PRW has circulated a petition requesting a revision to the confirmed phase 1 elements of the development, which includes a 9-acre public park, a 58-room boutique hotel, an office building of approximately 25,000 square feet, parking, a mixed-use building and a residential building, as reported in the first article in this series. At press time, the petition had garnered 3,446 signatures.

Knight and McIntire say their objection isn't to the development itself, but to its scale. Knight, who has lived in Ridgefield since 2020, said she'd like to see more protected park space and buildings limited to one or two stories rather than the six or seven she believes are planned. McIntire, an eight-year resident, pointed to existing boat launch parking — currently 35 shared spots, by her account — as already inadequate for boaters and fishers, concerns she says the port's plans don't meaningfully address. Both raised the site's proximity to the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, saying increased lighting and building height could push birds — including species sensitive to human activity — deeper into the refuge's interior, away from the waterfront where the community currently enjoys them.

McIntire said she'd support a smaller-scale build-out modeled on developments like Kalama's waterfront — small business markets and restaurants without residential housing. They cite the smaller-scale hotel in Kalama as more favorable than the proposed 58 rooms in Ridgefield.

Knight and McIntire also said this summer's community engagement period has felt less like genuine input-gathering and more like the port building support for decisions it had already made, pointing to the port's June 17 meeting — where Executive Director Ethan Perry presented Phase 1 as largely set before public comment began — as the moment that impression solidified.

Additional community voices

Connor Webb, a Ridgefield resident for over 20 years who produces YouTube videos about local news such as the waterfront development, said, "The renderings from April that the port put out seem to not line up with what the residents of Ridgefield are wanting. These plans seem to be too much for what the property looks to be able to hold with the wildlife refuge to the north and south. With the accessibility to the waterfront project going through downtown and Pioneer, it really seems like the port is not actually taking into account the people's opinion."

"At one of the meetings I was at this summer, they told the room that they would be holding off on any plans for the rest of the summer to listen to the opinion of the people, and their Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the developer was extended a year (the anticipated timeline would be pushed back a year)," said Webb. "They said that they would not be moving forward on any development plans or agreements through the summer. On July 3 they sent out an email stating that they've already decided on some key items. They were really just asking for the opinion from the people on smaller ticket items, not actually this scope and scale of what is going to be built down there."

Ethan Perry of the Port of Ridgefield did confirm that timeline, stating: "The port did amend its MOU timeline with Palindrome this summer, both to gather more community input and to stay in compliance with the agreement, since it had become clear the original deadlines would not be met. Phase I's broad framework reflects five years of public input, professional expertise, and market demand and has been confirmed. The Port continues to seek input on character and design, business and service preferences, and related details."

The stated five-year period includes a port-issued survey from 2022 that sought to gather public feedback on elements the community wished to see in the forthcoming development.

Knight and McIntire say the Port's current concept doesn't reflect what residents actually told it in the 2022 waterfront survey. Knight, who says PRW pulled the survey's public records, described a forced-ranking format — respondents had to rank uses like hotel, residential, and commercial from most to least preferred — that she says obscured the actual preference: recreational and public-access use ranked highest among the roughly 1,500 respondents, with residential ranking least favorable. McIntire said the port has cited that same survey to justify the current concept, calling the characterization misleading. She pointed to roughly 700 public comments as evidence residents didn't ask for what's now being proposed. The Reflector asked the port for comment on a number of items, including a response to the 2022 survey characterization. It did not receive a response to that item.

Aaron Nelson, a resident who launches his boat from Ridgefield for local fishing, stated this concern: "There is already tight parking during open fishing season. If you develop the waterfront to bring more traffic while simultaneously decreasing the boat trailer parking it will make it even more inaccessible to the local fishers."

Nelson and his wife, Amanda, also pointed to wildlife impact: "Multistory buildings and increased lighting will not be good for the refuge because of the changes in bird flight patterns. Some species of ducks are very wary of humans and buildings. This will affect the bird watching and duck hunting opportunities in Ridgefield. An

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Reports show decline in crime in Clark and Cowlitz County communities

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According to the Crime in Washington annual report, Class A crime decreased in Battle Ground by 11.5% in 2025.

Crime decreased in several Southwest Washington communities in 2025, according to data compiled by the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, with Battle Ground, Ridgefield and Woodland each reporting fewer Group A offenses than the previous year.

The annual "Crime in Washington" report shows Woodland experienced the largest percentage decrease among the local agencies reviewed, with Group A offenses falling 29.6% from 372 in 2024 to 262 in 2025. Battle Ground reported an 11.5% decline, from 616 offenses to 545, while Ridgefield saw a 2.6% decrease, from 421 to 410.

The numbers encompass Group A offenses under the National Incident-Based Reporting System, including crimes such as assault, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, drug violations and weapon law violations. The report also tracks arrests and whether reported offenses were cleared.

Battle Ground

Battle Ground recorded 545 Group A offenses in 2025, down 11.5% from the previous year. The department reported 226 cleared offenses, resulting in a 41.5% clearance rate, and made 165 Group A arrests, including 131 adult arrests and 34 juvenile arrests. The city's reported crime rate was 23.9 offenses per 1,000 residents.

Theft remained the most frequently reported Group A offense, with 168 larceny-theft offenses, although that figure was down 19.2% from 2024. Simple assaults also declined, falling 15.6% to 76.

Several categories moved in the opposite direction.

Battle Ground recorded 20 aggravated assaults, a 122.2% increase from 2024, while robberies increased 200% from three to nine. Violations of no-contact or protection orders rose 64.9%, from 37 to 61.

Motor vehicle theft dropped sharply, from 20 cases in 2024 to four in 2025. Drug and narcotic violations also fell 57.7%, from 26 to 11.

The department reported nine rapes, 14 burglaries, 73 cases of destruction of property, 23 fraud offenses and 10 weapon law violations. There were no murders reported and one manslaughter offense, according to the report.

Ridgefield

Ridgefield recorded 410 Group A offenses in 2025, a 2.6% decline from the 421 reported in 2024.

The department cleared 179 offenses for a 43.7% clearance rate and made 134 Group A arrests. Of those arrests, 124 involved adults and 10 involved juveniles. The reported crime rate was 25.2 offenses per 1,000 residents.

Larceny-theft was Ridgefield's largest category, with 150 offenses, followed by destruction of property at 49 and simple assault at 46.

Some categories increased substantially. Intimidation offenses rose 80%, from 15 to 27, while burglary increased 12.5%, from 24 to 27. Destruction of property increased 11.4%.

At the same time, drug and narcotic violations fell 61.5%, from 26 to 10. Motor vehicle theft dropped by half, from eight cases to four, while robbery declined from one case to none.

Ridgefield reported three rapes, seven aggravated assaults and no murders or robberies in 2025, according to the report.

Woodland

Woodland reported the largest decline among the local agencies reviewed with 262 Group A offenses, down 29.6% from 372 in 2024.

The department cleared 133 offenses, giving it a 50.8% clearance rate, while recording 103 Group A arrests. All 103 arrests were of adults. The reported crime rate was 39.8 offenses per 1,000 residents.

Larceny-theft offenses fell 54.7%, from 159 to 72, while burglary declined 52.6%, from 19 to nine. Destruction of property fell 47.4%, from 38 to 20.

Woodland did see increases in several categories. No-contact and protection-order violations rose 83.3%, from 12 to 22. Motor vehicle theft increased 62.5%, from eight to 13, while drug and narcotic violations increased 37.5%, from 16 to 22.

Robbery increased from one case to three, a 200% increase, although the overall number remained small. Woodland reported two rapes, three aggravated assaults and no murders, according to the report.

Clark County

The Clark County Sheriff's Office reported 1,712 Group A offenses in 2025, with 466 offenses cleared for a 27.2% clearance rate. The agency reported 370 Group A arrests, including 340 adult arrests and 30 juvenile arrests.

Larceny-theft was the most frequently reported offense, with 515 cases, followed by simple assault with 234 and destruction of property with 214. The sheriff's office also reported 144 violations of no-contact or protection orders, 97 motor vehicle thefts, 97 fraud offenses, 89 intimidation offenses, 88 burglaries and 71 aggravated assaults.

The agency reported 29 rapes, nine robberies and 22 weapon law violations. There were no murders and one manslaughter offense reported, according to the report.

Cowlitz County

The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office reported 1,030 Group A offenses in 2025, down 4.8% from 1,082 the previous year.

The sheriff's office cleared 469 offenses, producing a 45.5% clearance rate, and reported 373 Group A arrests — 348 adults and 25 juveniles. The reported crime rate was 20.1 offenses per 1,000 residents.

Simple assault was the largest individual category at 188 offenses, followed by larceny-theft at 170. Drug and narcotic violations totaled 128, while destruction of property accounted for 79 offenses and intimidation for 63.

The sheriff's office reported declines in several categories, including burglary, which fell 34.2% to 50 offenses, and motor vehicle theft, which fell 26.9% to 38. Robbery decreased 14.3% to six offenses.

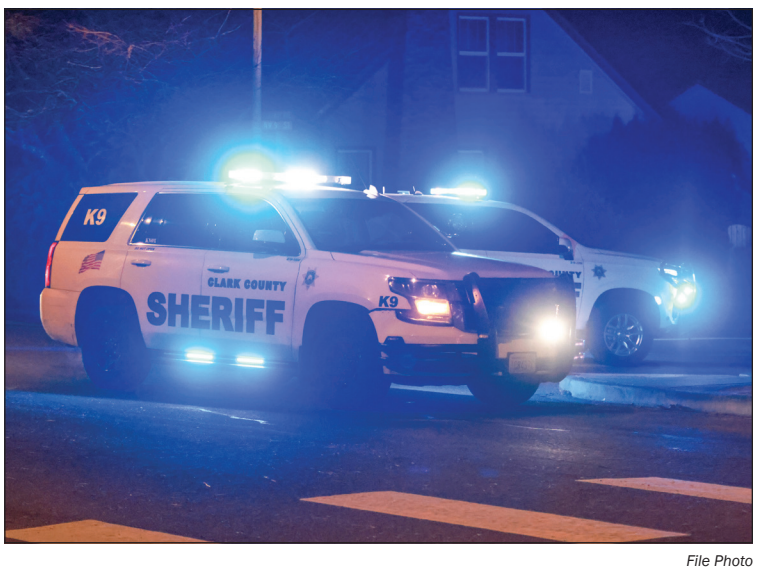
There was one murder reported in the sheriff's office jurisdiction, down from three in 2024. Rape offenses remained unchanged at 20, according to the report.

Read the full report from the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs at https://tinyurl.com/bdae3tww.



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According to the Crime in Washington annual report, Class A crime decreased in Woodland by 29.6% in 2025.



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According to the Crime in Washington annual report, Class A crime decreased significantly in Clark County in 2025.

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Two seriously injured in La Center-area plane crash

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Two people were seriously injured on Monday, Aug. 10, when a small single-engine aircraft crashed near Daybreak Airport southeast of La Center along the East Fork Lewis River.

The crash was reported shortly before 1 p.m. Aug. 10 near the 4400 block of Northeast 290th Street, south of the airport.

The Clark County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue (CCFR) and American Medical Response (AMR) responded after a 911 caller inside the aircraft reported the crash.

Both occupants were conscious and breathing when the initial call was received, according to CCFR. Responders initially were told the aircraft was near the north end of the Daybreak airstrip and began searching the area from multiple directions.

With no flames or smoke visible, crews requested a drone to help locate the aircraft and prepared for the possibility that a raft would be needed to reach the crash site.

Further information from the 911 caller placed the aircraft at the south end of the airstrip, where it was surrounded by trees and difficult to see from nearby roads. Fire crews located the overturned aircraft and confirmed its location, a news release by CCFR stated.

The remote and rugged location made access to the crash site difficult, CCFR stated. Responders spent more than 20 minutes reaching the aircraft and had to carry emergency medical and rescue equipment across uneven terrain and a shallow portion of the river.

One occupant had self-extricated from the aircraft and was found sitting on its wing with injuries. The second occupant remained trapped inside the plane, CCFR stated.

Rescue personnel cut and peeled back portions of the aircraft to reach the trapped occupant. After the person was freed, responders secured the patient to a backboard and transported them across the river by raft to waiting medical units.

One occupant was transported by AMR to a local hospital, while the other was airlifted by Life Flight. Both occupants sustained serious injuries, according to CCSO in a separate news release.

CCFR added that homeowners in the area also assisted emergency crews by helping transport equipment while responders worked to establish a safe route to the crash site.



Photo courtesy of Clark Cowlitz Fire Rescue

Emergency crews work at the scene of a small plane crash near Daybreak Airport south of La Center on Monday, Aug. 10.

No other injuries were reported.

The Federal Aviation Administration had responded to the crash and will conduct an investigation. No additional information about the aircraft or the circumstances leading to the crash was available at press time.

Abbarno named Friend of Floodplains for legislative work funding

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Washington state Rep. Peter Abbarno, R-Chehalis, received the Friend of the Floodplains Award from the Floodplains by Design program last week.

The award, presented by Bonneville Environmental Foundation Senior Program Director Kas Guillozet, recognizes Abbarno's legislative work in helping secure funding for flood-related projects.

During the visit to Centralia, Guillozet emphasized it is in specific recognition of the representative's work to help fund a $23 million restoration and reclamation project at the Ridgefield Pits in April of last year.

"What set Representative Abarno apart was not just his presence at these events," Guillozet said. "It's the articulation of the economic benefits of these projects uniquely, and we're at a time where that could not matter more, because we know most dollars from these restoration projects stay within the communities."

The Ridgefield Pits is a group of nine former gravel mine pits along the East Fork Lewis River in Clark County that inadvertently altered the flow of the river after the disastrous flooding of 1996.

The site became not only an eye sore but an environmental issue, especially concerning vulnerable fish species. The flat portion of the river became stagnant and warm in these pits, becoming a perfect breeding ground for invasive species such as bass that prey on native species such as salmon and steelhead.

According to Guillozet, the project was fueled in large part by community frustration and unity as landowners, community members and the Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership, among others, came together to advocate for the project.

"It's about flood mitigation, but it's also about habitat restoration, right? And then it's about quality of life," Abbarno said. "These are kind of projects and programs that are a little bit of both. It's quality of life, and it makes economic sense and I think those are the best kind of projects."

Floodplains by Design specifically is a program administered by the Washington state Department of Ecology together with the Bonneville Environmental Foundation. The program and its projects are funded primarily through capital funding grants from the Washington state Legislature.

For previous reporting on the site, visit https://tinyurl.com/4smrf8mt.



Photo by Jacob Moore

Lower Columbia Estuary Project Executive Director Elaine Placido, left, Rep. Peter Abbarno, R-Chehalis, middle left, Bonneville Environmental Foundation (BEF) Communications Coordinator Austin Bernales, middle right, and BEF Watersheds Senior Program Director Kas Guillozet, right, pose outside of Abbarno's law firm along West Magnolia Street in downtown Centralia on Tuesday morning, Aug. 11.

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Vitals *Obituaries and Death Notices*

Death notices

Karen Lewis, 84, of Ridgefield, died July 15. Arrangements are under the care of Wilhelm's Portland Memorial Funeral Home, 503-298-4340.

Phillip Kelley, 71, of Amboy, died July 17. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

David Orange, 78, of Longview, died July 22. Arrangements are under the care of Brown's Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 360-834-3692.

Jeanette Sanders, 63, of Vancouver, died July 26. Arrangements are under the care of Clark County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-727-0468.

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

Jedidiah Mitchell, 22, of Brush Prairie, died Aug. 2. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Patrick Hughes, 75, of Vancouver, died Aug. 3. Arrangements are under the care of Camas Cremation and Burial Services, 360-858-8919.

Darlene Daley, 85, of Battle Ground, died Aug. 6. Arrangements are under the care of Northwood Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 360-574-4252.

Joan Stevenson, 89, of Vancouver, died Aug. 6. Arrangements are under the care of Straub's Funeral Home and Columbia River Cremation, 360-834-4563.

Richard Lockhard Sr., 83, of Vancouver, died Aug. 6. Arrangements are under the care of Northwood Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 360-574-4252.

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Kirk Jordan Tafoya



Kirk Jordan Tafoya, 37, passed away on June 28, 2026. He was born February 15, 1989 in Pueblo, Colorado.

Kirk grew up in Battle Ground, Washington and graduated from Battle Ground High School in 2007. He went on to earn a Bachelor's Degree from Boise State University in 2013. Kirk worked for D.R. Horton as a Construction Superintendent for many years in Clark County.

In September 2022, Kirk married the love of his life, Valerie (Wonderlich) Tafoya. They made their home in Woodland, Washington, with their beloved dogs before relocating to Paris, Texas earlier this year. Kirk loved his family, camping, swimming, karaoke, his dogs, and the Denver Broncos.

Kirk is survived by his wife Valerie; his parents Lee Tafoya and Lezlie Tafoya; his sister Jill Allen (Tommy) and their family; his grandmother Shirley Medina (Joe); and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. He will be deeply missed by his seven nieces and nephews, his sweet pup Azul, and countless friends whose lives he touched.

Kirk had the best sense of humor, a quick wit, and always gave the best hugs. He is, and will be, so missed.

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Large retail store part of proposed Ridgefield development

Square footage and site plans similar to recent WinCo locations

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Preliminary site plans for a large retail or grocery store — with initial phases including a gas and convenience store, a drive-thru bank, a coffee shop and a car wash — were submitted to the city of Ridgefield. A pre-application conference for the proposed project south of Pioneer Street at the Discovery Drive roundabout has not yet been scheduled.

A large retail building and a multifamily housing development could be coming to Ridgefield as part of a proposed mixed-use project near Pioneer Street and Discovery Drive.

MAJ Development Corporation has submitted plans to the city of Ridgefield for a pre-application conference regarding the application of the Ridgefield mixed-use overlay to two parcels south of the Pioneer Street and North Discovery Drive roundabout and north of Southeast Sixth Way.

The conceptual plan calls for an 84,000-square-foot, one-story retail building on approximately 10.94 acres, with a potential future 12,000-square-foot addition. The proposal also includes a 136-unit multifamily development on an adjacent approximately 6-acre parcel.

The documents do not identify a tenant for the proposed retail building. However, the project lands with the rough square footage of WinCo Foods stores and similar shape illustrated in proposed site plans compared to a location that opened in Centralia in 2025. The submitted narrative itself refers only to an 84,000-square-foot retail building, with Forbes stating a typical WinCo food store is 80,000 square feet.

According to a previous project narrative submitted prior to a scheduled pre-application conference in June, phase one of the project would include a 4,791-square-foot convenience store with 12 fueling stations. Adding to the coffee scene will be a 1,025-square-foot coffee kiosk with walk-up and drive-through service. Prior MAJ Development Corporation projects listed on their website include coffee companies such as Black Rock Coffee, Dutch Bros. and Starbucks. Phase one is also detailed to feature a drive-thru bank and car wash building.

The residential portion of the project would include a community building, outdoor children's play area, swimming pool and pool deck, fenced dog park and large community open-space areas, according to preliminary project narrative. A pathway is also proposed along the northeast side of the property within an existing sanitary sewer easement.

Additional improvements would include sidewalks and street trees along South Discovery Drive, internal roads and parking, utility upgrades, stormwater improvements, landscaping and site lighting.

The two parcels, which total approximately 16.94 acres, are currently vacant. The larger parcel is split between commercial community business and employment zoning, while the smaller parcel is zoned employment.

An economic and housing study and trip generation analysis will also be prepared and submitted as part of the process, the preliminary project narrative states.

The pre-application conference is an early step in the development process and does not represent final approval of the project. The submitted conceptual plan could change as the proposal moves through city review.

Ridgefield

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over-commercialized waterfront doesn't align with the values of natural open spaces and small town feel."

Regarding resident concerns about wildlife impact, Perry stated in an email: "The port has met with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and continues to coordinate with them ahead of the formal SEPA process, along with the migratory bird department and the Cowlitz Indian Tribe's Cultural Resources team."

In the process of gathering community feedback, this reporter notes that at press time, she could not source a neutral or pro-development voice willing to speak on the record.

Proposed compromises and next steps

Those in opposition to the development as it stands still see a possible compromise. Webb said, "I'd like the port to announce that they are scrapping the current plans they have and will be pausing to hear from the community on what the people of Ridgefield and those who actively use the waterfront would like. I'd like there to be three renderings of different levels of scale created for the site, and a Ridgefield wide poll to be done based solely off those designs."

Nelson added, "Ridgefield could use a cleaner, more family friendly access to the waterfront, but not at the expense of increased traffic and massive retail development. Creating retail and housing combined units could be one way to mitigate this by allowing small business owners to live and work in the same place and thereby be responsible and committed to a waterfront community."

Knight said she would like to see more protected park land and a lower density development. McIntire said an enhanced boat launch with increased access.

Perry's response to that item, in an emailed statement: "The feasibility study grant application on launch and queuing capacity is still in progress, with submission planned for September. Under consideration are reconfigured parking, an extended launch for more queuing space, and additional day dock space."

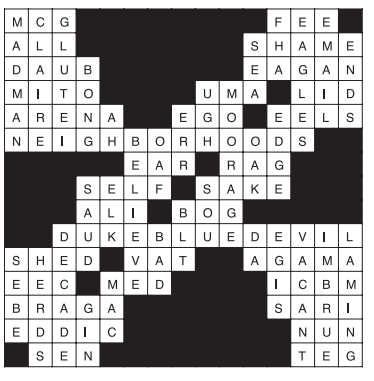
The current port survey closed Aug. 17. The port will now review community feedback gathered during the summer. This fall, a meeting will be held to share their findings and next steps with the community.

This is the third of a multi-part series on this project.

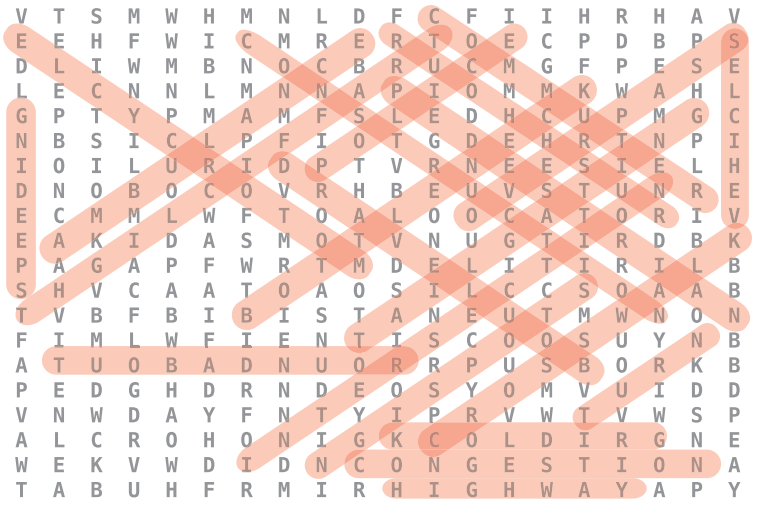
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Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo brought exhilarating action to Clark County Fair

The Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo tour landed at the Clark County Fair on Monday, Aug. 10, with extreme bull riding and a broader slate of rodeo events on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

The rodeo included bareback bronc riding, barrel racing, kids mutton bustin', saddle bronc riding and bull riding in front of a packed Toyota Grandstand at the fairgrounds on Aug. 11. The crowd was extra loud for both the barrel racing and mutton bustin' event.

Clark County Fair Champions:

Bareback: Colten Miller
Bull riding: Alexis Monge
Barrel Racing: Malisa Anderson
Saddle Bronc: Seth Hart



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Left & above: Seth Hart won the saddle bronc with his ride during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A mutton bustin' rider opts to hold on sideways on the sheep in the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



Photo by Cade Barker

A horse begins to buck forward while the rider holds on during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



Photo by Cade Barker

A barrel racer heads for the last barrel during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



Photo by Chris Barker

A bull leaps high into the air with a rider aboard in the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A saddle bronc rider holds on during their ride in the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

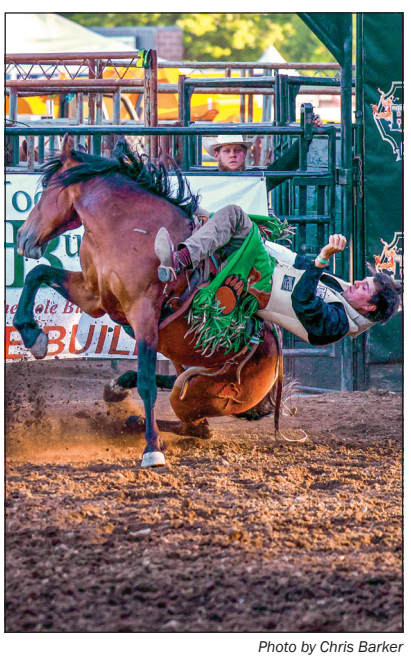


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A bareback bronc rider holds on while the horse hits the ground during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A saddle bronc rider is pulled off the horse after completing their ride in the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

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A bareback bronc rider hangs on out of the gate during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A barrel racer looks towards the finish line after turning around the final barrel during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A barrel racer heads toward the final barrel during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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A bronco rider takes a hard face-first fall during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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Alexis Monge, of El Salvador, rides a bull for a complete 8 seconds during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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Alexis Monge, of El Salvador, departs the bull after completing the 8-second ride during the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.



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Alexis Monge, of El Salvador, runs away from the bull and begins to hold his hands in the air after his 8-second ride in the Hell on Hooves Roughstock Rodeo at the Clark County Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

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Hockinson Park

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Battle Ground Tiger football player and 2026 Battle Ground High School graduate.

During the candlelight vigil, friends and family shared memories of Richardson's friendliness, faith, energy and athleticism.

In a statement read at the vigil, Battle Ground varsity football coach Mike Woodward said Richardson's No. 18 jersey will be retired.

"Trent was so much more than a teammate and friend," the Battle Ground Tiger Football Facebook page posted. "He was a beloved part of our Tiger family. He brought laughter wherever he went, and his humor, joy, and larger-than-life personality were simply contagious. If you knew Trent, chances are he made you laugh, made you smile, or left you with a story you'll never forget."

Richardson studied as a fire cadet with Cascadia Technical Academy with plans of becoming a firefighter. Clark County Fire District 3 stood behind the podium in support during the Aug. 16 vigil.

"As our community grieves, we ask that everyone move forward with love, grace and compassion," the Battle Ground Tiger Football Facebook page stated. "There is more than one family carrying an unimaginable weight, and we ask that their families, teammates, friends and loved ones be surrounded with respect, prayer and kindness in the days ahead."

Clark County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) deputies were dispatched shortly after 1 a.m. on Aug. 15 to the Hockinson park, located at 10910 NE 172nd Ave., for a report of an 18-year-old male suffering from a single gunshot wound to the chest.

Several vehicles were leaving the area as deputies, Vancouver Police Department officers and American Medical Response personnel arrived. AMR personnel determined the man was deceased at the scene, a news release by CCSO stated.



Video Screenshot

James Gill III, 18, of Battle Ground, makes his first appearance in Clark County Superior Court on Monday, Aug. 17, wearing a suicide prevention smock.

According to the initial investigation, a large group of people, mostly in their late teens, had gathered at the park after hours. Witnesses told investigators that a handgun discharged while it was in the hands of 18-year-old James Gill III, an acquaintance of Richardson.

A Glock 17 handgun was recovered at the scene.

Gill was booked into the Clark County Jail on suspicion of second-degree manslaughter.

Richardson's parents told attendees of the vigil to keep Gill and his family in their thoughts, adding that the incident involved no malice and that Richardson's death was a tragic accident.

Gill is a 2026 Battle Ground High School graduate and one of the top baseball players in the state of Washington in the class of 2026, having signed to play baseball at the University of Washington.

Gill made his first appearance in Clark County Superior Court wearing a suicide prevention smock on Monday, Aug. 17. Gill was granted intensive level supervised release and authorized permission to travel to and from King County, as Gill's attorney, Renee Alsept, said he starts school on Sept. 1.

Classes begin at the University of Washington on Sept. 30, it remains unclear if the university is honoring his baseball scholarship.

Gill is slated to make his arraignment hearing on Friday, Aug. 21, at 1:30 p.m. in Clark County Superior Court.

CCSO stated in the original news release the investigation remains active, and the sheriff's office said no additional information is being released at this time. As of press time, the probable cause statement filed in the case was not readily available.

This story will be updated.



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Trent Richardson, a 2026 Battle Ground High School graduate and standout football player for the Tigers, died from a gunshot wound at Hockinson Meadows Community Park on Saturday, Aug. 15.

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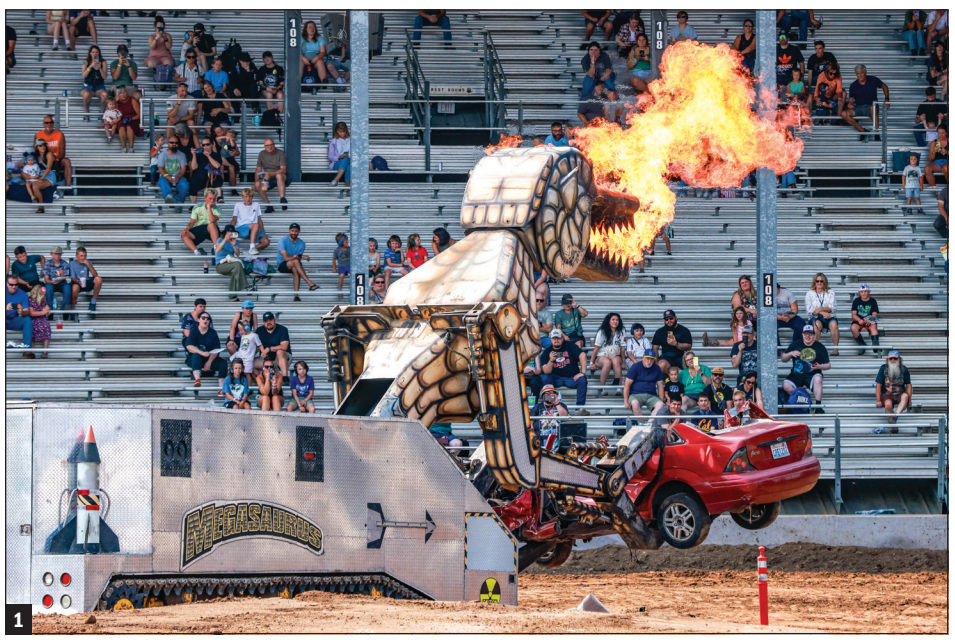
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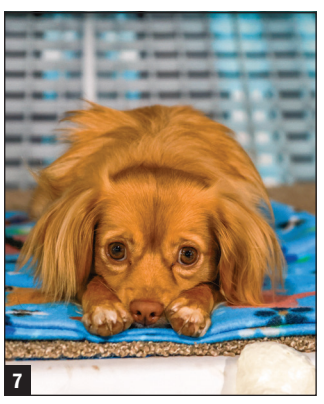


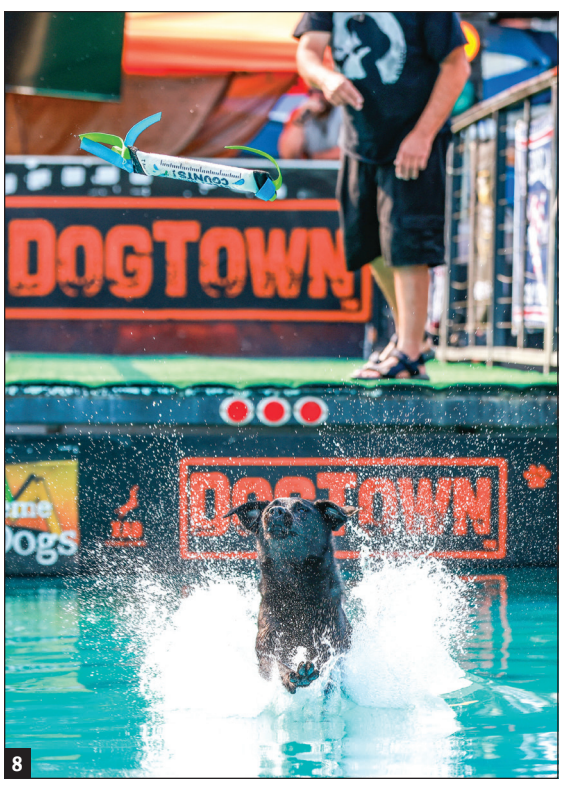
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1 Megasaurus, a fire breathing, car-eating dinosaur performs for monster truck watchers at the Clark County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 13.

2 Carnival games and rides made for an epic time at the Clark County Fair on Friday, Aug. 14.

3 The slingshot ride reaches its peak height after sunset at the Clark County Fair on Friday, Aug. 14.

4 Clark County fairgoers ride the carousel in the Clark County Fair carnival on Friday, Aug. 14.

5 Chris Biro educates Clark County Fair attendees about parrots during his Pirate Parrot Show on Thursday, Aug. 13.

6 A goat reacts to a camera being close to its face at the Clark County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 13.

7 Nico, a Tibetan Spaniel, looks out from his podium at the Clark County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 13.

8 An extreme air dog hits the water while keeping its eyes on the toy still in the air at the DogTown dock dog event on Thursday, Aug. 13 at the Clark County Fair.

9 A pair of rabbits sprawl out in their cage at the Clark County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 13.

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The Clark County Fair Court participated in numerous parades prior to the Clark County Fair, such as the La Center Our Days twilight parade in July.

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had horses. So we grew up showing horses and riding them," Williamson said. "And then she brought us into the fair to show, which was a really cool experience. Cause you're with a group and you show your horse and just learn all the things about safety and showing and all that jazz."

Both sisters had participated in 4-H for nearly a decade, they said. For the Williamson sisters, the transition from 4-H to the Fair Court has meant moving from learning and competition to serving as ambassadors for the fair.

"4-H is definitely more about projects and learning," River said. "Most of 4-H is developed around learning about horses and educational things and safety versus Fair Court, we are ambassadors of the fair. So we're more so representing the fair than representing education for the fair."

Their familiarity with the fair has helped them in their role.

"After showing 4-H and being with the fair, we're good examples of being ambassadors of the fair because we've always grown up going to the fair every single year," Williamson said. "So we know all the milkshakes at the dairy women, the rides, the animals, how hard people work for all that. So we get to embrace the fair even better on the fair court."

While the responsibilities are substantial, the court also provides opportunities to enjoy the fair from horseback. The sisters participate in parades and rodeos and interact with fairgoers.

"We represent the fair during parades, which is really fun because we get to dress up and wear pretty outfits on the horses with the flower packs," Williamson said. "Same with the rodeos. And at the rodeos, we get to represent and have a fun time getting the crowd riled up."

For both sisters, the opportunity to serve with their longtime 4-H project horse has been particularly meaningful. Howie, a 21-year-old horse, was utilized by both sisters as their 4-H project and is now the horse Williamson rides as part of the Fair Court.

"Probably just having the gift of growing up with my horse and like finishing off our year of representing the fair with him has been incredible," Williamson said. "I've started off showing the fair with him and we've switched around horses. She even rode him for a little bit just to finish him off because he was younger at the time. So we grew up together."

The sisters also said being able to serve together has been one of the highlights of their experience.

Their experience has also reinforced their appreciation for 4-H and the lessons it provides beyond the fairgrounds.

"I'm very thankful for the program and I hope to see it grow more again," Williamson said. "I hope more people show more interest in doing 4-H because we learned so many skills that even helped me through high school and college."

River encouraged young people to explore the program, noting that 4-H encompasses much more than horses.

"4-H is a good program for kids because you get to learn so much about public speaking, how to take care of an animal," she said.

For the sisters, their path from 4-H participants to Fair Court ambassadors has provided an opportunity to give back to the fair community that helped shape them.

"I hope more people try to get involved with 4-H," Williamson said.

Note: *Reflector reporter Marcus McCormic contributed to this article*



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Clark County Fair Queen Heidi Williamson carries the flag during the national anthem prior to the rodeo event on Tuesday, Aug. 11.

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index and making sure that we're taking care of that infrastructure, because that's what connects us all."

City Engineer Ryan Jeynes said the city's 2026 Street Preservation Reconstruction Project, which includes work on Northwest 20th Avenue, Southwest 20th Avenue, Northeast Grace Avenue and a section of Scotton Way, represents the largest project the city has undertaken in terms of both cost and the amount of roadway covered.

"In terms of overall lane mileage and then overall cost … (this is) the largest project the city has ever done, both monetarily and size-wise for the lane miles," Jeynes said.

The combined work encompasses roughly 3.5 miles of roadway on main collectors around the city.

The scale of the projects has also meant significant short-term disruptions for drivers and pedestrians.

On Northeast Grace Avenue, construction was delayed after crews discovered that an existing waterline did not sit where city utility maps indicated it was. The engineering team developed a new connection plan Aug. 10, allowing the contractor to proceed with the waterline work before paving.

Paving is currently forecast to begin Aug. 31, with inspections and other work expected to be completed around Sept. 18. Depending on the construction and inspection schedule, the road could potentially see a partial reopening before all work is finalized.

Jeynes said completing underground utility work before paving is important because failures after a road is paved can require crews to remove the new pavement, causing further delays.

"Everything has to be sound underneath the ground, because if there's a problem, then all that pavement has to be torn up," he said.

Northwest 20th Avenue, meanwhile, is receiving a major reconstruction after years of deteriorating pavement. The project will largely preserve the existing roadway configuration while replacing aging pavement and bringing older ADA ramps into compliance — standard with most roadway projects in Battle Ground.



Photo by Cade Barker

Road construction is seen underway on Northwest 20th Avenue on Monday, Aug. 17.

A collapsed culvert discovered beneath 20th Avenue has added another complication. The city is working through permitting requirements with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife because water passes through the culvert.

Smith said the city currently anticipates paving on Northwest 20th beginning Sept. 17, with completion expected around Sept. 30. The culvert work will need to be completed and inspected before paving can proceed.

The city also plans to communicate with the Battle Ground Public Schools District and bus transportation providers as the construction schedule overlaps with the start of the school year at Daybreak Middle School.

"We absolutely understand Daybreak school. And school starts on September 1," Smith said. "So we're going to be reaching out to the school district, and also the bus system."

The city plans to provide alternate-route information to families in the area, particularly those affected by the closure during school drop-off and pickup.

While Northwest 20th is being reconstructed, the city is also preparing for a separate project at the intersection of Northwest 20th Avenue and Ninth Street, Jeynes said. The project will install a compact roundabout, new ADA ramps, street lighting and rapid rectangular flashing beacons, or RRFBs, to improve pedestrian crossings.

The roundabout project is in its final design stages with the Washington State Department of Transportation. Jeynes estimated the project could go out to bid within the next 30 days, pending final approval.

"That project will have its own webpage," Smith said. "We'll make sure we do notice things specifically to that project."

Another pedestrian-focused project is already showing results. Construction of the pathway along Southwest 20th Avenue has been completed, with hydroseeding underway soon. The pathway is usable, although the city has been hesitant to make a formal opening announcement while additional street preservation work continues on Southwest 20th Avenue.

Work on Southwest 20th is anticipated to begin Sept. 21, with paving expected Oct. 29 and project completion targeted for Nov. 13.

Scotton Way is also receiving improvements between state Route 503 and Parkway Avenue, including new ADA ramps and transitions. The ramp and slope work was completed Aug. 10. Additional excavation and paving work is scheduled to begin later this fall, with completion anticipated around Nov. 25.

Other projects are moving toward construction as well, Smith and Jeynes highlighted.

The city expects to put improvements at West 15th Avenue and West Main Street out to bid later this year. The project will add a second southbound-to-eastbound left-turn lane, expanding turn capacity at the intersection heavily trafficked for the shopping center anchored by Fred Meyer.

An improvement project at Parkway Avenue and Main Street is also progressing, with procurement underway for traffic signals and other materials. The intersection will receive new signal equipment, ADA ramps and other upgrades and will be slightly expanded through right-of-way acquisitions, though the layout of the intersection will remain roughly the same, Smith and Jeynes said.



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A sidewalk to nowhere in Battle Ground is pictured in April prior to construction commencing for a pedestrian pathway along Southwest 20th Avenue to provide a safe walking and biking option to commercial centers on Southwest Scotton Way, including Walmart.

The city is also advancing plans for a roundabout at the intersection of state Route 503 and Onsdorf Road. The project remains in the design phase, currently around 30% to 50% complete, according to Jeynes. The city hopes to hold a public open house once the design reaches roughly 60%.

Smith said the proposed roundabout is expected to include landscaping, trees and potentially public art in its center.

"We do not anticipate anything like that for ours," Smith said, referring to criticism of the flat center of the Rock Creek roundabout north of Battle Ground on state Route 503. "It will be a bona fide roundabout with a very visible center."

The city's extensive construction season is not expected to be a one-year phenomenon. Jeynes said additional roadway work will continue in future years, although projects are expected to become more localized rather than widespread pain for area drivers and pedestrians.

For now, city officials acknowledge that the concentration of construction has created challenges for residents, businesses and commuters.

"Summer season is construction season in Washington," Jeynes said.

Smith said the city is looking forward to seeing the benefits once the work is complete.

"It's a lot of work, but like you said already, it's that, you know, that work on the front end is going to be something we'll all enjoy on the back end," she said. "So we are definitely looking forward to the road construction season concluding, but even more so to driving down the road."

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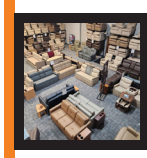
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'E pluribus unum' is not a slogan — it's a choice.

By Tim Storey and Sue K. Urahn
The Washington State Standard

Like two sides of a coin imprinted with the nation's motto, "e pluribus unum" — out of many, one — America's political factions are cast in opposition, but they are intrinsically bound together as parts of a larger whole.

From the beginning, the United States has aspired to build a more perfect union. When our founders convened the Constitutional Convention in 1787, they disagreed about the structure of government, the balance of power and the protection of individual versus collective rights. But when they debated — and they often did, with great conviction and intensity — they honed their arguments on what they thought was best for the entire country, guided by the shared vision of a new nation established on the ideals of individual freedom, equality and opportunity.

Today, that shared commitment to America's founding creed is under strain.

Most Americans feel exhausted by politics, and a growing number are unhappy with the way the political system is working. Worse, this unhappiness is showing up in unhealthy ways, with low trust in government and each other — a sense that the other side is the problem.

We are painfully aware that partisanship and distrust have grown. We see this too often, when people are reduced to disparaging labels, states are cast as simply red or blue, and the hostility in our politics produces no progress, leaving us all no better off, or worse than before. Our political parties appear deadlocked in a struggle for power, forgetting that they are inseparable sides of the nation's democratic system, which depends not on who wins but on a shared commitment to the common good. Central to that commitment is a willingness to listen to opposing views, not simply to respond but to understand.

Disagreeing is one thing — it is rooted in our pluralist republic. But when we cannot find ways to work together, it becomes impossible to solve our problems. The founders understood this. They argued passionately, but they shared a deeper allegiance to the nation's success and its posterity, and they were partners in creating and safeguarding a system that we all continue to rely on.

Whether we choose to engage in political warfare or civil debate is up to each of us. That's as true in statehouses and city councils as it is at the family dinner table, in the community center, on the debate stage, or standing on opposite sides of a free speech zone. In each of these venues, we can choose to practice democracy by engaging in debate that is spirited, healthy and rooted in strong arguments rather than name calling — or worse, heeding the impulse to withdraw from political engagement altogether.

There are glimmers of hope.

Here in Chicago, as part of the nation's largest public policy gathering of state legislators and staff from all 50 states and U.S. territories, our organizations, the National Conference of State Legislatures and The Pew Charitable Trusts, are working together to build connections across the political spectrum and share policy ideas and best practices that strengthen legislatures and serve communities nationwide. This follows a series of events held around the country, including a February "America at 250 Forum," to bring people with opposing views together to discuss issues that matter to everyone. All of the events demonstrate a serious commitment to strengthening our democratic muscles at this historic moment for the country.

Legislators from different parties sitting together to discuss not only their politics but also their human connection and shared belief in the country demonstrates that, despite the spotlight on our divisions, the time is ripe to unite for a common cause. We need to see more unity from our leaders — and be willing to try it ourselves.

Today, Americans must recognize that our political differences are not inevitably divisive, because our futures are fundamentally connected. Politics are difficult, yes, but they do not need to be ugly. Finding common ground is welcome, but at a minimum, Americans need to find the space to connect with one another and the courage to engage in healthy and substantive discussion. We can do that by building up state and local institutions where individuals get to know each other personally and by overcoming the silos and sides we've allowed to define us. A far better approach is to deal with people face-to-face and with respect, even when we profoundly disagree.

In a time when polarization and mistrust are treated as inevitable, we encourage all Americans to recommit to the principles and institutions that bind us together: a common belief in individual rights and equality, the rule of law, the legitimacy of representative democracy and our shared pursuit of national prosperity.

As America honors its 250th anniversary, it's important to say, unequivocally and collectively, that we're grateful to our country's founders for starting this great experiment. We care about each other, and we want our fellow citizens to be successful. And we are proud to be part of this diverse, complicated and hopeful country.

Shared beliefs like these are central to the American experiment. E pluribus unum — out of many, one — if we so choose.

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Wage growth and purchasing power: Which states lead the way?

By Sam Cardwell
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Newly released data shows that two out of the top three states for average hourly wage growth in the nation are in our region. This is good news for consumers when considering regional purchasing power.

Montana came in with the second-highest increase in the country, just behind Kentucky. In 2024, the Treasure State had an average wage of $27.96, and in 2025, that number rose to $29.27. Its top private sector industries include health care, retail trade, and construction. Companies are continuing to make the move from states with high regulatory burdens to states like Montana that embrace a business-friendly regulatory environment.

A recent example is the semiconductor manufacturer Eshylon Scientific relocating to a new facility in Bozeman from California. According to an analysis of the most recent purchasing power data from the Tax Foundation, $100 in non-metropolitan Montana has the actual purchase worth of $111.53. This context is important when comparing it with other states like Washington that have a higher average wage but are more expensive for consumers.

Idaho came in third in wage growth, with $28.10 for an average wage in 2024, increasing to $29.41 in 2025. The Gem State's non-metropolitan $100 purchasing power was even better than Montana's at $114.01.

Idaho Governor Brad Little commented on the achievement, "One of the strongest indicators of a healthy economy is when Idahoans see bigger paychecks and greater take-home pay. Rising wages mean more opportunities for families, more confidence for workers, and more prosperity in communities across our state. Idaho's continued wage growth reflects the strength of our economy and our commitment to creating an environment where businesses can thrive and workers can earn more."

Along with new businesses moving from other states, existing companies like Micron are reinvesting into Idaho and expanding operations. The Boise metro has added roughly 8 million square feet of industrial buildings since 2022, which is four times the amount of the prior five-year period.

Wyoming's average hourly wage in 2024 was $29.20, increasing to $30.18 in 2025. Even though Wyoming isn't in the top three for average wage growth, the increase signals that its economy is staying active and productive. The real purchasing power of $100 in the Cowboy State is $110.31. Wyoming also continues to see low unemployment around 3% and has high-paying jobs with a big concentration in the energy and natural resources field.

Washington State's 2024 hourly wage was $39.10 and increased to $40.14 in 2025. While the higher overall average wage may seem impressive, $100 in Seattle has the real purchasing power of only $88.50. There are many poor policy decisions policymakers have made that lead to a lack of purchasing power, but one of them is imposing the highest minimum wage in the country at $17.13 an hour, with an even higher minimum wage of $21.30 in Seattle.

When the government meddles in the market like this, it can create the illusion that pay is good even though, in reality, policies have dramatically increased the price of everything else in the area. Because of the poor tax and regulatory environment in Washington, employers continue to warn they are looking to set up shop elsewhere.

It's no coincidence that the top states in the country for growing hourly wages embrace limited regulations, prioritize tax relief, and favor a small government approach. Combining growing wages, affordable purchasing power, and a favorable business climate means higher productivity and economic growth.

A good lesson to learn from this data is that policies have consequences. Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming show that companies are continuing to provide high-value jobs and invest more in those states, while Washington's economic future is facing self-inflicted headwinds.

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Dems call conservatives extreme while slipping further to the left

Washington state is effectively a one-party Democratic system where conservatives have little voice.

Democrats created a sanctuary state for over 325,000 illegals. This gave them a huge advantage in the census, which they use to increase their influence in affected districts.

Democrats refuse to own the results of their policies and instead blame the minority party. They push higher taxes (millionaire tax, income tax, repeated gas-tax hikes) that raise delivery and grocery costs and drive jobs out of the state.

Healthcare costs keep rising despite Obamacare.

They treat the First and Second Amendments as applying mainly to themselves, demonize opposing views instead of debating them, and have tolerated Antifa and Seattle autonomous zones.

Their biggest priorities are expansive abortion access and taxpayer-funded gender-affirming care for minors without parental consent. Men are allowed in women's sports and locker rooms.

They call conservatives extreme for opposing these and warn that conservative ideals threaten democracy. Yet, they openly favor socialism, which is not democracy: democracy requires the real ability to vote leaders and policies out of power, while socialism concentrates economic control in the state, making genuine reversal far harder once established.

These are issues that should concern all of us, yet Democrats will not allow a conversation with real sincere desire to understand. Instead, they choose to assign opposing views as extreme as we slip further to the left.

Monty Winton
La Center

One nation, more than one movement

Make America great again. What American is opposed to that idea? The disagreement is over what greatness requires, and whether our political arguments are being driven by evidence or suspicion.

Anyone with common sense should recognize that political institutions can be influenced by money, lobbying, partisan incentives, foreign interests and bad information. But acknowledging those problems doesn't mean every accusation is true, or that every institution is secretly working against the public.

We the people deserve better than political narratives that turn every disagreement into proof of corruption. Government agencies, courts, journalists, scientists and elected officials can make mistakes and deserve scrutiny.

They also produce evidence that should be examined before conclusions are reached.

Take Building 7. Its collapse understandably raised questions, but the federal investigation by the National Institute of Standards and Technology concluded that uncontrolled fires caused a progressive structural failure, and found no evidence that explosives caused the collapse. Questioning an official conclusion is legitimate; presenting an unsupported alternative as established fact is something different.

The same principle applies to elections. Noncitizens are prohibited from voting in federal elections, and legislation such as the SAVE Act has sought additional citizenship-verification requirements. But claims about widespread noncitizen voting require evidence, not assumptions about motives or political strategy.

The country also has genuine problems: high costs, housing shortages, addiction, immigration pressures, political polarization and distrust in institutions. Those problems don't belong exclusively to Democrats or Republicans, and neither party has a monopoly on corruption, competence, patriotism or common sense.

Donald Trump deserves scrutiny just as every president does. His supporters can point to policies they believe strengthened borders, energy production, manufacturing or national security. His critics can point to his convictions, his conduct surrounding elections, and the consequences of his political rhetoric.

Both sides should be willing to confront evidence that complicates their preferred story.

America does not become stronger when citizens automatically believe one political tribe and automatically distrust the other. MAGA may be a powerful political movement, but America is larger than any movement or politician.

The goal should not be to destroy our institutions. It should be to make them worthy of the people they serve.

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Preliminary primary election results hold as results inch closer to becoming official

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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.



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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.



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

As of early Monday, Aug. 17, the Clark County Elections Office reported voter turnout at a low 38% for the Aug. 4 primary.

The remaining 62% amounts to 223,037 registered voters not casting a ballot in the primary. In Cowlitz County, voter turnout landed at 37%. Additional ballot counts will be announced ahead of the election certification on Friday, Aug. 21.

Perhaps among the biggest effects in low voter turnout or lack of a vote on a ballot item hit Clark County Fire District 10. With a 60% super majority needed for Proposition No. 3, which would approve bonds for a new headquarters in Amboy, approval landed at 59.44%.

Clark County Fire District 10 stated in a Facebook post that its bond levy did not pass, falling 15 votes short of the 60% necessary to be approved.

The social media post further asked, "We are curious to hear from the 174 people that submitted their ballots, but chose not to vote in this particular matter. Why did you make this choice? Was it simply that you didn't see us on the backside of the form? Did you not understand what we were trying to do? Please reach out and let us answer your questions."

Clark County Councilor District 1's primary election is still close. Incumbent Glen Yung leads with 34.67% of the vote. But challengers Bryan Shull and Dusti Arab as of Aug. 17 were separated by 218 votes, favoring Bryan Shull to move on to November. After early results on Aug. 4, Arab posted on social media, "Cool, cool, cool, so we're all ready to fight for ranked choice voting now, right?"

A sign of what is ahead in November can be found between Clark County Councilor District 5 candidates Peter Silliman and Troy McCoy. As of Monday, Aug. 17, before an expected update, McCoy led 15,427 to 15,000 votes with 204 write-ins. The two challengers are seeking a seat vacated by County Chair Sue Marshall, who did not seek reelection.

In Washington's Third Congressional District, Incumbent Marie Gluesenkamp Perez's election night lead is gone as the count flipped in favor of John Braun with 84,655 votes over Gluesenkamp Perez's 77,776.

While both Braun and Gluesenkamp Perez look to November with an inkling of what voters may be feeling, additional Democratic challenger Brent Hennrich earned 35,710 votes in the Aug. 4 primary. Hennrich was vocal on social media after the initial primary election results in that he will not endorse Gluesenkamp Perez. Come November, for Democrats to keep the important seat, the 35,000 voters for Hennrich who are in opposition to the more independent-leaning Democrat will have an impact on the outcome.

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.

In the 18th Legislative District, Democratic challengers continued to hold 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 53.42% to 46.38% in Position 2.

The open Clark County auditor race was the county's most crowded contest, with Eileen Quiring O'Brien holding a narrow first place position after additional votes counted at 29.12%, followed closely by Mitchell Kelly at 28.25%, as Sharon Wylie and Ty Stober sat a few thousand votes back. Overall, the auditor primary received over 128,000 votes with each candidate receiving over 25,000 votes. Now, the race narrows to Quiring O'Brien and Kelly for November.

See full results and follow for updated tallies here:

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REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK:

A morning in MOUNT RAINIER National Park

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When the clock struck 6 a.m., we were off from Packwood en route to the fourth oldest U.S. national park.

A month prior, my girlfriend, Piper, had mentioned her family was planning a camping trip to family property in Packwood — the easternmost census-designated place in Lewis County — the first full weekend of August.

I'm glad I didn't get in trouble for my idea, but the first thing on my mind for a Saturday morning was traveling into the closest national park to Battle Ground for the first time in my life. The last idea on my mind was a relaxing morning.

After planning the exact times for the spots I wanted to hit without being obnoxiously early, my itinerary to enjoy Mount Rainier National Park with Piper and her brother, Owen, was set.

From the High Valley area of Packwood, the drive to the Stevens Canyon entrance of the park was just a mere 25 minutes. In the lush green old growth forest on the southeast side of Mount Rainier, the first true sign of August conditions was the Backbone Fire — which is a hard-to-reach 14-acre fire closing U.S. Forest Service land just west of Highway 123 along the south side of the national park boundary.

After buying the interagency annual pass and crossing the Ohanapecosh River, the climb up Stevens Canyon Road was on. The first viewpoint of the 14,410-foot giant stratovolcano

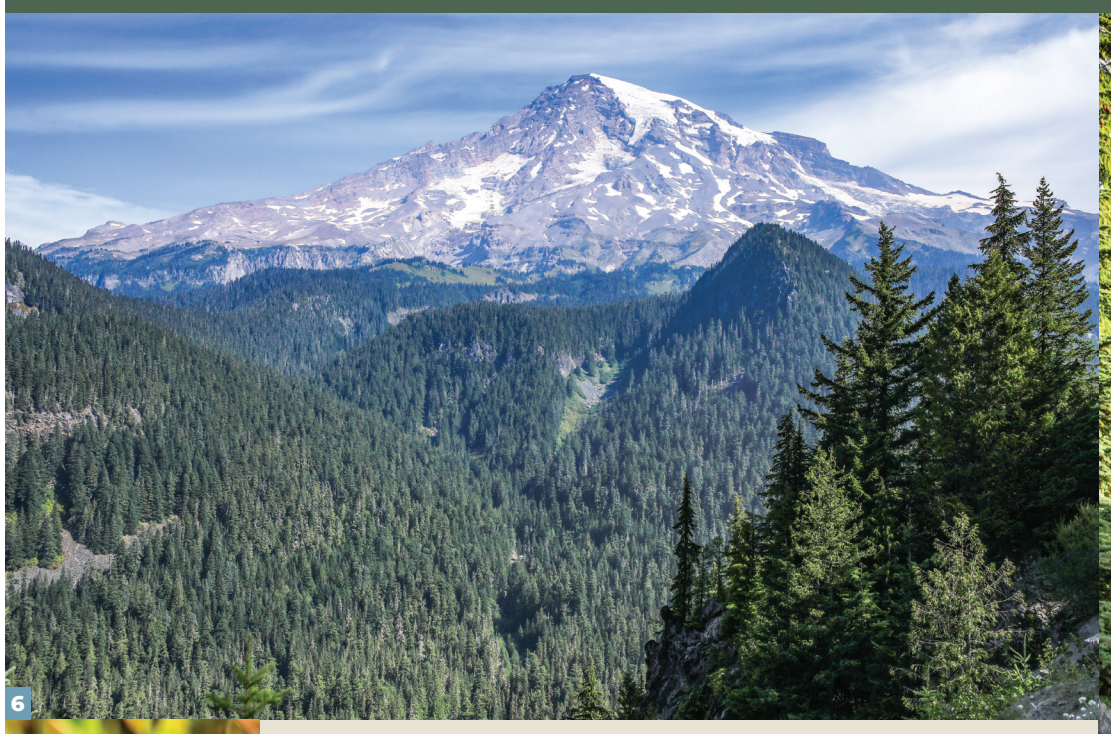
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1 Mount Rainier rises above the Inspiration Point pullout along Stevens Canyon Road in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

2 Pre-7 a.m. morning light shines on Mount Rainier while the mountain reflects off of Reflection Lake in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

3 A hoary marmot stands to look in the direction of another marmot calling in the distance along the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

4 A Hoary marmot looks out from a mound full of alpine aster flowers along the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

5 A hoary marmot eats breakfast near Edith Creek along the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

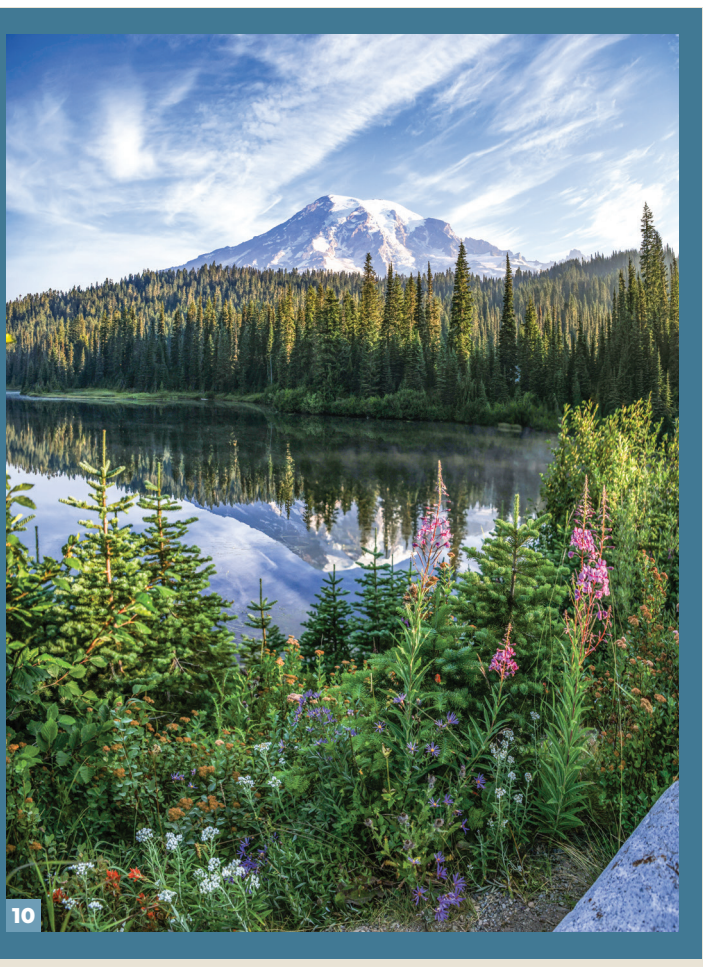
6 Mount Rainier's southwest side is seen from Ricksecker Point in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

7 A Rainier pleated gentian flower begins to open near the lower parking area at Paradise in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

8 Myrtle Falls lightly cascades 72 feet on the southern slopes of Mount Rainier along the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.



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comes 6 miles in from the entrance, and the view is grand. The roadside viewpoint is distant enough that Little Tahoma Peak on the southeast flank is prominent. The closer you get to the mountain itself on the southern side, the view of Little Tahoma becomes obscured.

After departing when the clock rolled over from 5:59 a.m. to 6 a.m., the Stevens Canyon viewpoint was reached at 6:34 a.m. Now, the game was on to skip past other roadside views and scenic attractions and land at Reflection Lake while the morning sun enhanced the detail of the mountain.

In exactly 20 minutes, we found ourselves at arguably the best view of the mountain in the entire 236,000-plus-acre park. The view is magnificent roadside but, for hikers, the Reflection Lake area offers a 3-mile loop trail as well as the Pinnacle Peak Trail to the south of the lakes at 2.5 miles roundtrip. The Reflection Lake view was the one I had atop my checklist of national park views.

The timing was right, too. Not many people, no wind, still some evaporation coming off the lake. The reflection was absolutely pristine.

After spending roughly five minutes at Reflection Lake, we were bound for Paradise. Paradise is a subalpine area around 5,400 feet in elevation featuring vast wildflower meadows, which are especially colorful in early August.

On the way to Paradise, a roadside viewpoint dubbed "Inspiration Point" was a must stop. A little tip for visiting any national park: If there is a spot labeled Inspiration Point or Artist Point, always check out that view.

Now back on the road to Paradise, the battle was soon approaching. With two sections of the park closed, one due to a fire and the other due to neglecting necessary bridge repairs on state Route 165, everyone else was destined for Paradise, too. Parking was a battle. I landed in one of the last remaining marked parking spots in the Paradise Picnic Area.

I was told we have to get to Paradise by 9 a.m. to achieve reasonable parking, while 7:15 a.m. made for a nail-biting experience for reasonable parking.

The goals for Paradise were to find a hoary marmot and the iconic Myrtle Falls.

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9 Edith Creek trickles by the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park in morning light on Saturday, Aug. 8.

10 Mount Rainier illuminates early morning sun while reflecting off of Reflection lake in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

11 The sun begins to shine on the 168-foot main drop of Narada Falls in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

12 Mount Rainier rises above a tree-filled meadow area along the paved portion of the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

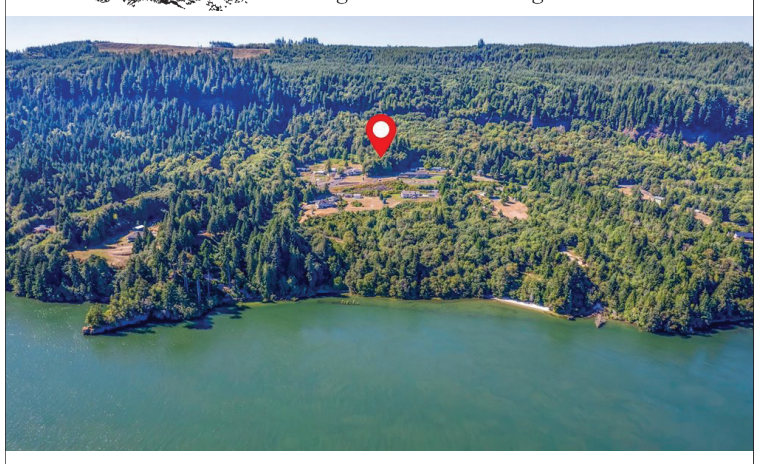
13 A Townsend's chipmunk forages for food within a Cascade bilberry shrub in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

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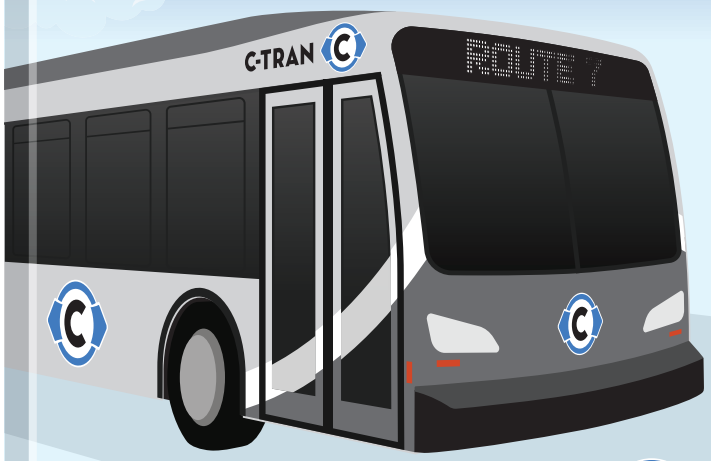


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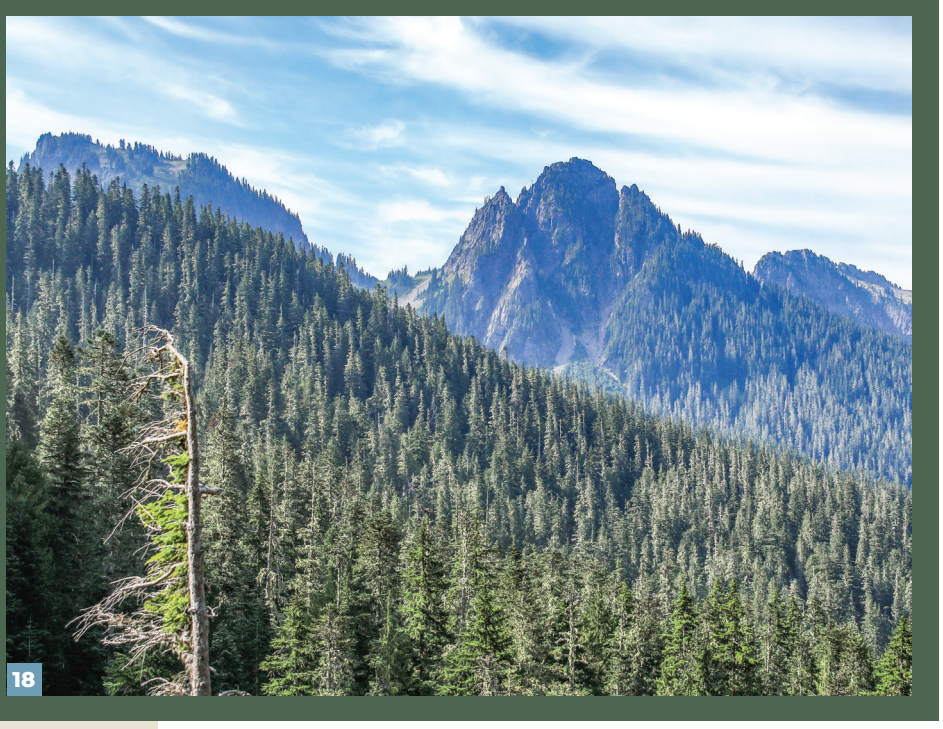
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In contrast to many of my other Backyard and Beyond adventures of finding the lesser-visited areas, it made sense to visit the trendy spots for the first-time visit to Mount Rainier National Park.

In what felt like forever due to incline from the picnic area and the altitude, in 30 minutes of walking and stopping for photos, the three of us were standing in front of Myrtle Falls watching a marmot perform stunts to eat breakfast along the rock wall of the 72-foot tall cascade.

I achieved my itinerary for my first time visiting Mount Rainier National Park in just two and a half hours. We enjoyed Myrtle Falls for about 10 minutes and then enjoyed a couple of marmots knowing exactly what tourists want to see for another 20 minutes or so.

After returning to the visitor center and lodge area, we had to check out the gift shop and cafe. Beware of national park gift shop prices, though it was worth it.

Built in 1916, Paradise Inn is a great spot to enjoy breakfast and simply rest the legs.

Now back in the car and it only being 9:45 a.m., I figured I might as well head down for a southwest view of the mountain. Mount Rainier can look like a totally different peak from any given side.

A 15-minute stop at Narada Falls was also necessary. Narada Falls is the largest waterfall that can be driven directly to. The lower viewpoint is just a .2-mile walk, with a sneaky incline on the way back up though. The famous waterfall cascades a total of 188 feet in two tiers, making it a must-see feature of the park.

For the southwest angle of Mount Rainier, we continued west to Ricksecker Point — a viewpoint area that also includes a unique perspective of the Nisqually River's headwaters from one of over 25 glaciers on the mountain.

Prior to the clock hitting 11 a.m., we stopped to give Box Canyon a gander. Box Canyon from the bridge view is a little spooky, as you are looking straight down at a raging river over 160 feet below.

And, by noon, the trip was completed as we were back in Packwood enjoying lunch.

With a parking spot at Paradise, more hiking can be done to make the trip a sunrise-to-sunset adventure.

For more information on Mount Rainier National Park, visit nps.gov/mora/index.htm.

14 A Townsend's chipmunk snacks on a Cascade bilberry along the Skyline Trail in Mount Rainier National Park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

15 Mount Rainier is seen after sunrise from Inspiration Point in Mount Rainier National park on Saturday, Aug. 8.

16 The first view of Mount Rainier from the Stevens Canyon entrance provides a unique look from the southeast side as Little Tahoma on the right rises beneath the glaciated eastern slope where the east crater rim at the peak is visible.

17 & 18 The Tatoosh Range provides views of jagged peaks rising above Stevens Canyon to the south of Mount Rainier in the Mount Rainier National Park.

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First-year monster truck driver brings big dreams to Clark County Fair

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The Malicious Monster Truck Tour made its debut at the Clark County Fair after fair management sought a change in companies to bring the excitement of monster trucks back.

The Malicious Monster Trucks, out of Port Orchard, headlined by 20-year veteran Bill Payne driving Rockstar, made a statement for all four shows on Thursday, Aug. 13, and Friday, Aug. 14, with high-flying action.

In monster truck "Elbows Up," a driver is still trying to find his way and build experience show after show. For Joe Briggs, driving a monster truck is the culmination of a dream that began when he was 3 years old.

Briggs, a 43-year-old Phoenix, Arizona, native and new driver for the Elbows Up monster truck, made his Clark County Fair debut Thursday, Aug. 13, bringing years of mechanical and pit-crew experience to the driver's seat this year.

"I saw my first monster truck and I was hooked," Briggs said. "So after that, I've followed them all my life."

Briggs spent 12 years working as a pit crew member at local shows before getting an opportunity to join a team full time. He said the position required him to uproot his life and move across the country, but it eventually gave him a chance to pursue the goal of driving.

"I was a mechanic by trade," Briggs said. "I always tried to learn how they work and what the components were like, and then, as I got older, I started going to small shows talking to owners and got the opportunity to actually start helping in the pits with small tasks."

As he demonstrated his abilities, Briggs said he gradually took on more responsibility, learning about the machines and how to identify potential problems.

Eventually, the team he now drives for posted online that it was looking for full-time employees with the possibility of driving.

"And I uprooted my life, moved across the country and worked full time," Briggs said. "I've been home six days this year."

The Clark County Fair offered Briggs and the Malicious Monster Trucks crew a different type of venue than some of the larger speedways on the tour. With a smaller arena, Briggs said safety and adapting to the available space are priorities.

"We try to do the best, fun show we can with the space we have," Briggs said. "It's a little bit of a smaller arena here. So obviously, for safety, we're going to be, you know, cautious with our stuff. But we try to put on a good, fun show for everybody."

For Briggs, freestyle is the highlight.

"My favorite part of the show is freestyle," he said. "You know, the racing is fun, but I kind of like just going out and doing whatever I want."

Despite the spectacle of monster trucks, Briggs said there is considerably more technique involved than simply stepping on the accelerator and launching over ramps.

"People think we just kind of point and shoot, stomp it to the floor and go," he said. "That wouldn't be a very productive thing for us."

Drivers study the jumps, the distances and the available space before deciding how to approach each obstacle. Briggs said he has continued to improve at judging ramps and controlling his speed during his first year behind the wheel.

"I'm still a newer driver," Briggs said. "This is my first year. October will be a year behind the wheel. So, I'm still kind of learning things."

Briggs said the demanding schedule, which includes driving, maintenance, fabrication and transporting equipment, is balanced by the opportunity to climb into a monster truck and perform for crowds.

"But the reward is we get to go out and kind of do whatever we want in one of these trucks for a couple of minutes," he said. "And that's a hard thing to pass on."

Briggs hopes his path demonstrates that becoming a monster truck driver is attainable for those willing to work toward it.

"If you put your heart into it and you learn things that will help commercial driver's license, mechanic experience, fabrication," he said, "you can accomplish getting behind the wheel of one of these things without spending half a million dollars to buy your own."



Photo by Cade Barker

Monster truck "Elbows Up" hits a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.



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Monster truck "Mixed Up" bounces after a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.



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Monster truck "Rock Star" makes a turn after hitting a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.



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Monster truck "Elbows Up" hits a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.



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Monster truck "Spitfire" hits a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.



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Monster truck "Rock Star" soars through the air after hitting a jump during the 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, performance at the Clark County Fair.

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Chinook Indian Nation carrieshistory forward at Tansy Point

BY AISLIN TWEEDY
The Chinook Observer



Photo by Amiran White

At left, Mary Johnson carries her daughter, Malea, as they dance with Leanne Dague during the Chinook Indian Nation's First Salmon Ceremony at Tansy Point earlier this year.

On the land along Tansy Creek, an old Sitka spruce stands as a witness. The tree was already growing when Chinook leaders gathered at Tansy Point 175 years ago to negotiate treaties with the United States. It has remained through generations of change, through the displacement and loss experienced by the Chinook people, and through the long fight for the federal recognition the nation says it was promised.

Now, as the Chinook Indian Nation returned to Tansy Point on Aug. 15 to commemorate the 175th anniversary of those treaty negotiations, the tree is still there. For Chairman Tony Johnson, that matters. The Chinook Indian Nation recently had the tree cored to confirm its age. It predates the 1851 treaty negotiations.

"These trees are witnesses to both the events that are happening today, but also this thing that happened 175 years ago," Johnson said.

The tree witnessed the negotiations. It has witnessed the Chinook people return to the land. And Johnson hopes it will witness many more generations doing the same. That continuity is at the heart of what the commemoration means to the Chinook Indian Nation.

Tansy Point is not simply the location where treaties were negotiated. It is a place where Johnson believes the ancestors of today's Chinook people gathered together — a rare point in time when the people of the five tribes that make up the Chinook Indian Nation were all present.

The Chinook Indian Nation descends from five tribes: the Clatsop and Kathlamet in Oregon and the Lower Chinook, Wahkiakum and Willapa in Washington. All five negotiated individual treaties with the U.S. at Tansy Point. The treaties were different in their details, Johnson said, but the Chinook leaders approached the negotiations from a position of strength.

"They were not our people groveling to the United States," he said. "This is our people proudly representing our long heritage and history."

A gathering of ancestors

The significance of Tansy Point reaches beyond the treaties themselves. Johnson said the leaders who participated in the negotiations wanted their communities to understand what was happening. They brought men, women, children and elders together so they could witness the negotiations and understand the decisions being made.

By that point, disease and displacement had already devastated Chinook communities. Johnson estimates the population had fallen to roughly 10% or less of what it had been before introduced diseases and other disruptions. That loss, he said, made something historically unusual possible: people from all five tribes could gather together in one place.

Centuries earlier, the population of the five communities would have been too large for everyone to fit at Tansy Point. But after generations of disease and displacement, the communities were small enough that their people could gather. For Johnson, that makes the place even more significant.

Tansy Point became one of the first treaty councils in which those communities participated, and their leaders made a deliberate decision to bring the community with them.

"They made sure to bring every man, child, elder, woman, auntie, uncle, grandmother, grandpa," Johnson said.

The gathering was not simply an event for political leaders. It was something the broader community was expected to understand and remember. One example Johnson points to is the request from Clatsop leaders that river traffic be stopped before negotiations concerning their lands and waterways began.

To Johnson, the request demonstrates the position from which the Chinook leaders negotiated. They understood the land as theirs. They understood their communities as sovereign. And they approached the U.S. accordingly.

"This was a negotiation between sovereigns," Johnson said. "We approached it in a dignified way."

Treaties not ratified

The treaties negotiated at Tansy Point were never ratified by the U.S. For the Chinook Indian Nation, that unresolved history continues to shape the present. Johnson is careful to distinguish the failure of those treaties from any failure by the Chinook people. The nation negotiated in good faith, he said. Its leaders gave their word intending to honor the agreements they made. The United States did not ratify the treaties.

"That was not our doing," Johnson said. "This is a failure of the United States to live up to its fundamental responsibilities."

Johnson said the lack of ratification has had consequences that continue today, including the Chinook Indian Nation's lack of federal recognition. He sees that status not as the result of the Chinook people failing to maintain their identity or political community, but as the result of a decision made by the United States.

The Chinook Indian Nation has continued to organize, govern and maintain its connection to its ancestral lands. Johnson said many of today's tribal leaders can trace their family lines directly to the leaders who negotiated and signed the Tansy Point treaties.

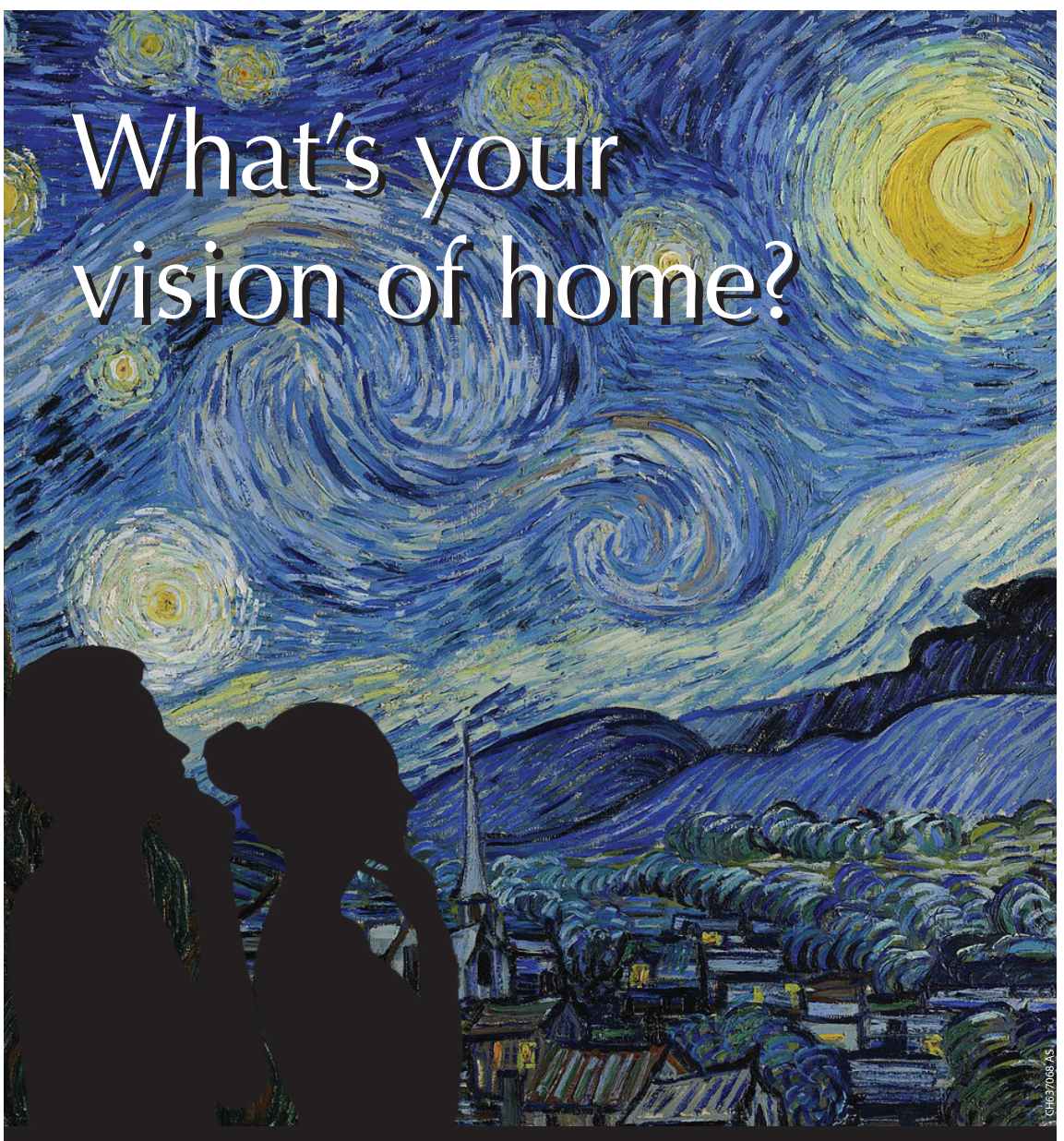
That continuity extends beyond the treaty negotiations. Johnson pointed to the Chinook people who came together in the 1890s to hire the nation's first attorneys, those who wrote the first Constitution in the 1920s and those who rewrote the Constitution in 1951. Again and again, he said, descendants of the same families have carried the work forward. The fight for recognition is therefore not a new political campaign. It is part of a much longer history of Chinook leadership.

Bones of their ancestors

Johnson also connects the nation's continued presence on its ancestral lands directly to sovereignty. He said the United States attempted to move the Chinook people away from their homelands — including efforts in 1851 to move them east of the Cascade Mountains and later efforts to move them north toward the Olympic Peninsula.

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Sports

Over 100 golfers converge at Lewis River Golf Course to support Battle Ground Public Schools

On Friday, Aug. 14, Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools hosted its inaugural golf tournament fundraiser, bringing 120 area golfers together to support the Battle Ground Public Schools District at the Lewis River Golf Course in Woodland.

Additional fundraiser support from the golf tournament included 15 sponsors, a silent and online auction, as well as a raffle.

"We are grateful to all of the golfers, sponsors and volunteers who made it possible," said Terry Dotson, chair of Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools.

To learn more about Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools, visit votebgschools.org.



Photo courtesy of Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools

Volunteers with Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools line up for a photo during the inaugural fundraiser golf tournament at the Lewis River Golf Course on Friday, Aug. 14.



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Golfers hit shots during the Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools inaugural golf tournament fundraiser on Friday, Aug. 14.



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Pictured above at the Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools inaugural golf tournament from, left to right: Abram Jenks, Peter Tapio, Max Booth and Cade Barker.



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Reflector reporter Cade Barker lines up his tee shot on hole 8 at the Lewis River Golf Course on Friday, Aug. 14 during the Battle Ground Citizens for Better Schools inaugural golf tournament.

Ridgefield Raptors season ends in West Coast League South Division championship game

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The Ridgefield Raptors' 2026 season ended after a 7-2 loss to the Corvallis Knights on Tuesday, Aug. 11, in the South Division championship game.

Prior to the division championship game on Aug. 11, the Raptors had faced the Knights six times in the prior two weeks. The Knights earned a 4-2 advantage in those six games en route to the South Division No. 1 seed, finishing the second half of the season 18-9 after starting off 13-14 in the first half.

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.

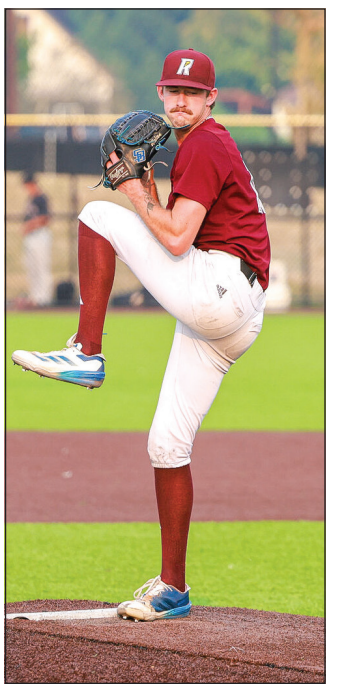


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Tyler Walton of the Ridgefield Raptors winds up a pitch during the team's regular season finale on Wednesday, Aug. 5.



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Community Calendar

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 per person, plus tax and fees. 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 Lakeshore 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.

BGEF "Stuff the Bus" supply drive: Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Walmart and Fred Meyer in Battle Ground. The Battle Ground Education Foundation is holding its annual "Stuff the Bus" school and personal hygiene supply drive.

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.

"Mind Your Business" Book Launch: Tuesday, Sept. 1, 5-8 p.m., Hidden House Event Space, 100 W. 13th St., Vancouver. Join local business coach Jacki Elsom to celebrate the release of her first book, "Mind Your Business: A Leader's Guide to Managing the Mind That Runs Everything." The event is free. Networking opportunities with local business owners and refreshments will be available. To register, visit shorturl.at/T944J.

BG Senior Citizens Healing Together: Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1-2:30 p.m., Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Join fellow seniors to process grief in an educational class led by a certified grief recovery method specialist. Each session includes a lecture, open discussion and practical tools to help heal from grief. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

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.

Mushroom Hunting for Beginners: Saturday, Sept. 5, 2-4 p.m., Ridgefield Community Library, 210 N. Main Ave., Ridgefield. Learn about Pacific Northwest mushroom foraging during a beginner-friendly class, hosted by Ridgefield Community Library. The class will discuss the skills and tools needed for accurate mushroom identification.

Sunflower Senior Garden Club: Tuesday, Sept. 8, Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Learn about gardening and connect with fellow seniors during the quarterly Sunflower Seniors Garden Club. This inaugural meeting will discuss future gardening topics and group activities. Contact Terri Risling at 360-903-6160 for more information.

Adult Bad Art: Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2-3 p.m., Woodland Community Library, 411 Lakeshore Dr., Woodland. Create intentionally imperfect artwork during this lighthearted art program, hosted by Woodland Community Library. Participants can make their worst art, discuss the process and vote on the most impressively bad piece.

Woodland Seniors Paint & Sip: Thursday, September 10, 1-3 p.m., Matranga Vineyard, 1044 B. St., Woodland. Join fellow seniors for a day of painting and wine, hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. Attendance and fees vary by canvas size, with 8-by-10-inch canvases costing $27 and 5-by-7-inch canvases costing $17. A charcuterie board and soda will also be available. To register, email seniorinfo55up@yahoo.com.

LADY Mad Hatter's Meeting: 11:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 11, Red Robin, 1112 SW Scotton Way, Battle Ground. Monthly meeting for the Battle Ground Senior Citizens LADY Mad Hatters. Participants are responsible for their own meal costs. The doors do not open until 11 a.m. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

Friends of Woodland Community Library Used Book Sale: Friday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Woodland Community Library, 411 Lakeshore Dr., Woodland. Find deals on used items during a book sale, hosted by Friends of Woodland Community Library. Proceeds from the sale will support the library.

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 La Center Community Library Used Book Sale: Saturday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., La Center Community Library, 1411 NE Lockwood Creek Road, La Center. Find deals on used items during a book sale, hosted by Friends of La Center Community Library. Proceeds from the sale will support the library.

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.

Senior Lunch and Learn: 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16, Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Learn about fall prevention during a seminar, hosted by Battle Ground Senior Citizens. Cash donations will be accepted. RSVP by contacting Sharon Wodtke, 360-953-3278 or emailing swodtke@comast.net.

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.

BG Senior Citizens Veterans Lunch Club: 11:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 18, The Prairie Tavern, 14925 NE Caples Road, Brush Prairie. Meet fellow veterans at the monthly lunch club hosted by Battle Ground Senior Citizens. Participants are responsible for their own meal costs. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

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.

Winterize Your Garden For Spring Success: Saturday, Sept. 19, 4-5 p.m., La Center Community Library, 1411 NE Lockwood Creek Road, La Center. Learn how to winterize your garden and ensure spring success during a Master Gardener seminar. Topics will include plant protection, soil enrichment and winterizing irrigation systems.

Community Clothing Swap: Saturday, Sept. 19, 2-4 p.m., Battle Ground Community Library, 1207 SE Eighth Way, Battle Ground. Refresh your wardrobe at this all-ages community clothing swap. Donations can be dropped off at the library Sept. 13-18 during open hours or brought directly to the event. Items must be dry, clean, scent-free and in good condition. Socks and undergarments will not be accepted. Dressing rooms will not be available at the event. Donations are not required to participate.

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.

"A Million Miles Away" Film Screening: Sunday, Sept. 20, 3-5:30 p.m., Battle Ground Community Library, 1207 Se Eighth Way, Battle Ground. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a community screening of "A Million Miles Away," a biopic about José Hernandez and his path from farm worker to NASA astronaut.

Putting Your Garden to Bed: Tuesday, Sept. 22, 6-7 p.m., Woodland Community Library, 411 Lakeshore Dr., Woodland. Learn how to prepare your garden for winter and set it up for spring success during a Master Gardener seminar. Topics will include garden maintenance and ways to reduce springtime work.

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

BG Senior Citizens Cellphone Class: 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday, Sept. 28, Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Learn how to use a cellphone and maximize its capabilities during a class hosted by Battle Ground Senior Citizens. Contact Sharon Wodtke, swodtke@comcast.net, for more information.

Walk to End Alzheimer's: Saturday, Oct. 3, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Esther Short Park, 605 Esther St., Vancouver. Join Clark County locals in raising awareness and funds to end Alzheimer's disease. Proceeds from the 3.1-mile walk will benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Registration is required to join the walk, and is available online at shorturl.at/c7cQ4.

FVRL Foundation Authors & Illustrators Gala: Tuesday, Oct. 6, 5:30 p.m., Hilton Vancouver, 301 W. Sixth St., Vancouver. Raise funds for programs at Fort Vancouver Regional Libraries during the foundation's annual gala. This year's event will feature author Amy Tan, known for "The Joy Luck Club" and "The Bonesetter's Daughter." The event will include a silent auction, cocktail hour and gourmet dinner. Tickets are available at shorturl.at/hD2Mo.

Ongoing

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.

Enhance Fitness Class: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. and 10-11 a.m., Battle Ground Senior Center, 116 NE Third Ave., Battle Ground. Seniors

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New owner, familiar faces: BevRidge Public celebrates grand reopening in Ridgefield



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Guests enjoy lunch on Saturday, August 8 during the grand reopening.



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Spacious patio seating.



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Jafet Lopez, the new owner of BevRidge

SUMMER SORENSEN
For The Reflector

A kids' soccer game sideline conversation led to an ownership transition of BevRidge Public, a beloved local restaurant and bar in Ridgefield.

Jafet Lopez, the new owner and a restaurant industry veteran, tells the story of how it began while coaching his kids' soccer team. He had mentioned to Sherman, a fellow soccer parent and co-owner of Brothers Cascadia Brewing, that he hoped to own his own restaurant when the time was right.

Sherman, who knew Ashley Gurrad, the original owner of BevRidge, told Lopez he should contact her. That connection led to the ownership transfer celebrated with a grand reopening on Saturday, Aug. 8.

BevRidge Public first opened in 2023 as a beverage-forward pub establishment. Regulars began suggesting a heartier food menu, and they answered the call, adding more options and thus transitioning into more of a restaurant than a bar. Lopez said he and Gurrad hit it off in their initial conversations over their shared vision of what the space should be: a community gathering place that strives to excel at hospitality and a wonderful guest experience.

Same place, elevated experience

As Lopez takes over, he stresses that there are no major changes, only improvements in the plans.

"I want everyone to have a great experience and feel like this place is for them," he said. "I'm trying to take it to the next level with an elevated cuisine experience and a more upbeat environment."

For example, themed music, such as Latin, to go along with Taco Tuesday. He's also rolled out some new menu options, such as steak and frites, caprese salad, and bone marrow as an appetizer.

Lopez said he wants the experience to be accessible for families, pointing to the restaurant's happy hour as a way to make dining out more affordable. Happy hour runs Monday-Sunday from 3-6 p.m. and 8 p.m.-close.

Jessica Haberman, a local who dines there regularly with her family of six, expressed satisfaction with the kids' meals, saying that the presentation is very kid-friendly, and the meals included bottomless lemonade.

Community roots

Lopez pointed out that in addition to a great dining experience, he plans to use his profits to benefit the community, citing support for local youth sports and a forthcoming donation to La Center Elementary, where his kids attend.

As a resident of La Center, he's learned that there are families who can't afford lunch or new shoes for their children; his donation is to help provide for that need. His deeper motivation hits closer to home.

"I'm doing this for my family," he said of his restaurant ownership endeavor. "I want to set them up for their future."

Looking forward, Lopez has plans to expand to additional locations, which will include small speakeasy bars with different cultural themes.



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The grand reopening celebration included face painting for kids.

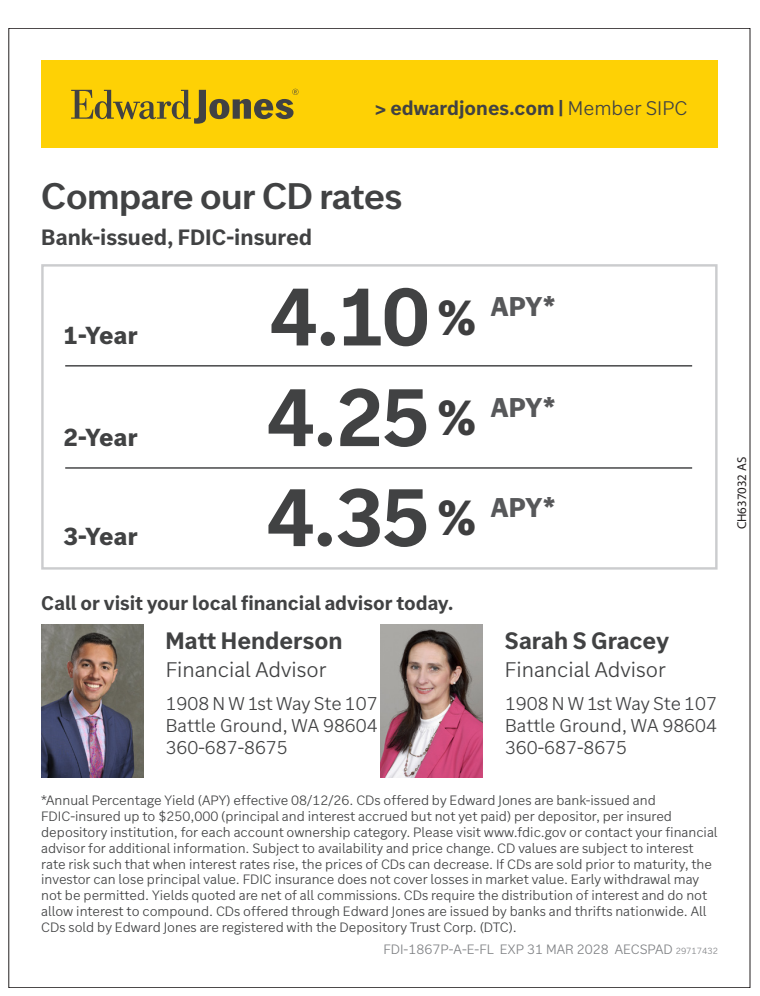
But, for now, he's all in on maintaining and improving BevRidge's community vibe.

BevRidge Public serves cocktails, pub fare, kid-friendly cuisine and a selection of beer and wine. It is located at 4315 S. Settler Drive, Suite 100, Ridgefield. Hours are Monday-Tuesday, noon-9 p.m.; Wednesday-Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; Friday, 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; and Sunday from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Brunch is served Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Find out more at bevridgepublic.com.









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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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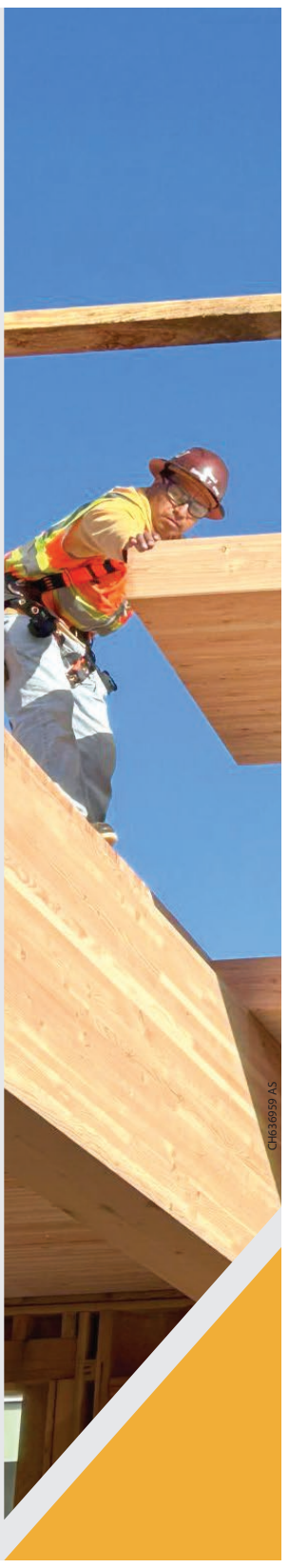
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Garage Sales General

Garage Sale
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
August 21st - 23rd
8am-5pm
1645 Guild Rd, Woodland

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137909 NOD Orchard Hills Estates

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION ORCHARD HILLS ESTATES, INC.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Orchard Hills Estates, Inc. filed articles of its dissolution with the Washington Secretary of State on August 13, 2026. Any person or entity with a claim against Orchard Hills Estates, Inc. must provide a notice of claim to Orchard Hills Estates, Inc. no later than December 12, 2026. All claims will be barred if a written notice of claim describing the claim with reasonable particularity has not been delivered to Orchard Hills Estates, Inc. on or before the above deadline. Orchard Hills Estates, Inc. 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:
Orchard Hills Estates, Inc.
4610 NE 77th Ave., Suite 100
Vancouver, WA 98662
DATED this 13th day of August, 2026.

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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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137790 Summons Espiritu

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
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:
Melles Anne Bobge
S/ Millie Anne Roberge,
#31711
Date: 06/29/26
I agree to accept legal papers for this case at Lawyer's address: 900 Washington St. Ste 800, Vancouver WA 98660.
Email (if applicable):
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
Mandatory Form (06/2026)
FL All Family 110
Summons Served by Publication. 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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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):

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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.*
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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

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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 prejudgment interest accruing from April 2, 2026 through April 21, 2026, $597.40 ($29.87 per diem x 20 days); plus postjudgment 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
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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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137834 SBP AUMILLER

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 defendant 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, Defendant. 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
Vancouver, Washington 98666
(564) 397-2225

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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 at-

torneys 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 nonprobate 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:
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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 nonprobate 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
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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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137884 NTC Paulson

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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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.
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PUBLICATION:
AUGUST 12, 2026
PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVE:
MICHAEL R. HORN
ATTORNEY:
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Yates Marshall PLLC
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Vancouver,
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137898 NTC Castro

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK Case No. 26-4-00971-06 **NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.020 & .030)**

In the Matter of the Estate of RENATO T. CASTRO,
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 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:
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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
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LOREN JONER, Attorney
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Battle Ground, WA 98604
Clark County, Washington
Superior Court Case
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137900 NTC Haines

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK No. 26-4-00985-06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of: THOMAS EVERETT HAINES, 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 FIRST PUBLICATION: AUGUST 19, 2026
Personal Representative:
DARIN WARD
Attorney for the Personal Representative:
LORI L. GASCON
1014 FRANKLIN STREET
VANCOUVER, WA 98660
(360) 694-9601
Court of probate proceedings and cause number:
Clark County, Washington
Superior Court
Cause No. 26 4 00423 06
CLARK COUNTY
COURTHOUSE
1200 FRANKLIN
P. O. BOX 5000
VANCOUVER, WA 98668
LORI L. GASCON,
WSBA#37866
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Trustee Sale # 139644-WA
Title # 250487253-WA-MSI

Notice of Trustee's Sale

Grantor(s): WILLIAM F. CLEVENGER, AN UNMARRIED MAN Grantee(s): FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF WASHINGTON, A WASHINGTON CORP. , as Trustee Original beneficiary of the deed of trust: MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS Current beneficiary of the deed of trust: SELENE FINANCE, LP Current trustee of the deed of trust: CLEAR RECON CORP Current mortgage servicer of the deed of trust: Selene Finance Reference number of the deed of trust: 5629982 Parcel number(s): 117899832 UNIT(S) D, EDGETREE CONDOMINIUM PHASE II I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, CLEAR RECON CORP, 601 West 1st Avenue, Suite 1400, Spokane, WA 99201, Trustee will on 8/28/2026 at 9:00 AM AT THE PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER GAZEBO NEAR THE CORNER OF FRANKLIN AND 13TH STREET, ACROSS FROM THE CLARK COUNTY COURTHOUSE OF THE CLARK COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER, 1300 FRANKLIN STREET, VANCOUVER, WA 98660 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: UNIT(S) D, EDGETREE CONDOMINIUM PHASE II, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 21, 1985, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 8506210106, AND SURVEY MAP AND PLANS RECORDED IN VOLUME H OF CONDOMINIUMS, PAGE 288 RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO. MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED AS: UNIT(S) D, EDGETREE CONDOMINIUM PHASE III, A CONDOMINIUM ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 21, 1985, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 8506210106, AND SURVEY MAP AND PLANS RECORDED IN VOLUME H OF CONDOMINIUMS, PAGE 288 RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO. Commonly known as: 13806 NW 10TH CT UNIT D VANCOUVER, WA 98685 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 7/23/2019, recorded 7/25/2019, as Auditor's File No. 5629982, Deed of Trust Re-Recorded on 10/09/2019 as Instrument No. 5658186, records of Clark County, Washington, from WILLIAM F. CLEVENGER, AN UNMARRIED MAN , as Grantor(s), to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF WASHINGTON, A WASHINGTON CORP. , as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned to LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No 6259531. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust or the Beneficiary's successor 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: $31,789.29 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $211,811.69, together with interest as provided in the Note from 11/1/2024, 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 8/28/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/17/2026, (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 8/17/2026 (11 days before the sale) 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 8/17/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the or the Grantor's successor interest or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the 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 Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "1" by both first class and certified mail on 9/30/2025, 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. 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. If you are a servicemember or a dependent of a servicemember, you may be entitled to certain protections under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and any comparable state laws regarding the risk of foreclosure. If you believe you may be entitled to these protections, please contact our office immediately. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. 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: Telephone: (877) 894-4663 Web site: www.homeownership.wa.gov Línea directa estatal sobre ejecuciones hipotecarias para obtener asistencia y derivación a asesores de vivienda recomendados por la Comisión de Financiamiento de Vivienda del estado de Washington (Housing Finance Commission): Teléfono: 1-877-894-4663) Sitio web: www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Telephone: (800) 569-4287 Web site: answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (Department of Housing and Urban Development): Teléfono: 1-800-569-4287 Sitio web: 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: (888) 201-1014 Web site: nwjustice.org Línea directa estatal de asistencia legal civil para obtener asistencia y derivaciones a otros asesores devivienda y abogados: Teléfono: 1-800-606-4819 Sitio web: nwjustice.org THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: APR 08, 2026 CLEAR RECON CORP, as Successor Trustee Monica Chavez, Authorized Signor For additional information or service you may contact: Clear Recon Corp 601 West 1st Avenue, Suite 1400 Spokane, WA 99201 Phone: (206) 707-9599
EXHIBIT "1"
NAME/ADDRESS
WILLIAM CLEVENGER
13806 NW 10TH CT
VANCOUVER, WA 98685
WILLIAM F CLEVENGER
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TS No: 2025-100839 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE OF COMMERCIAL LOAN(S) PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ. Grantor(s): EVERGREEN HQ, LLC, A Washington limited liability company Current beneficiary of the deed of trust: Oakhurst Income Fund I, LP, a Delaware limited partnership at to 73% interest and Palladius Income Fund SPE LLC, a Delaware limited liability company as to 27% interest Current trustee of the deed of trust: Beacon Default Management, Inc., a Washington corporation Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Platinum Loan Servicing, Inc., 24025 Park Sorrento, Suite 150, Calabasas, CA 91302, Attn: Thomas Murray Reference number of the deed of trust: 6177034 Parcel number(s): 986050-549 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on 8/28/2026, at 11:00 a.m. at the Clark County Public Service Center Gazebo located at 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660 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: Abbreviated Legal Description: LOT 1 SP 4-179 VANCOUVER MARRIOTT RESIDENCE INN 0.43A SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A" FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "B" FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY Property Commonly known as: 12330 Southeast 5th. Street, Vancouver, Washington, 98683 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 3/26/2024, recorded 4/17/2024, under Auditor's File No. 6177034, records of Clark County, Washington, from EVERGREEN HQ, LLC, A Washington limited liability company, as Grantor, to WFG NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF CLARK COUNTY WA, LLC, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of OAKHURST INCOME FUND I, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, as assigned by that certain Assignment of Deed of Trust, dated 04/02/2024, by OAKHURST INCOME FUND I, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, as to an undivided 100.000% interest, in favor of PALLADIUS INCOME FUND SPE, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company as to an undivided 27.000% interest, recorded 04/17/2024, Auditor's File No. 6177104, records of Clark County, Washington. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust 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: November 1, 2024; December 1, 2024; January 1, 2025; February 1, 2025; March 1, 2025; April 1, 2025; and May 1, 2025. The loan matured on June 1, 2025, and Borrower failed to pay the unpaid balance of principal and accrued and unpaid interest which became due and payable on June 1, 2025, together with late fees, trustee's and foreclosure fees and expenses, legal fees and court costs arising from or associated with Beneficiary's effort to protect and preserve its security. Failure to pay when due to the following amounts which are now in arrears: $4,451,394.45. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: Principal sum of $3,600,000.00, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured from 10/01/2024, and such other costs and fees as are due under the note and 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. The sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 08/28/2026. The default(s) referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/17/2026, (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 8/17/2026 (11 days before the sale date) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is/are 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 8/17/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, 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 Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "C" FOR LIST OF MAILINGS by both first class and certified mail on 1/20/2026, 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 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 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. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. [Intentionally left blank, see signature on next page] DATED: 5/28/2026 Beacon Default Management, Inc., a Washington corporation, as Successor Trustee Shannon Papa, Authorized Signatory For additional information or service, you may contact: Beacon Default Management, Inc. 4201 Aurora Ave N, Suite 200 Seattle, WA 98103 Phone: (206) 347-1060 EXHIBIT "A" Legal Description Lot 1, Short Plat, recorded in Book 4, Page 179, records of Clark County, Washington. Parcel B: Easements for access, parking and stormwater drainage appurtenant to Parcel A above, as set forth in the Declaration of Reciprocal Easements recorded on March 26, 2019 under Auditor's File No. 5594421. Situate in the County of Clark, State of Washington EXHIBIT "B" Personal Property All buildings, structures, improvements, fixtures, and appurtenances now and later placed on the Mortgaged Property, including, without limitation, all apparatus and equipment, whether or not physically affixed to the land or any building, which is used to provide or supply air cooling, air conditioning, heat, gas, water, light, power, refrigeration, ventilation, laundry, drying, dish washing, garbage disposal, or other services; and all elevators, escalators, and related machinery and equip-

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ment, fire prevention and extinguishing apparatus, security and access control apparatus, partitions, ducts, compressors, plumbing, ovens, refrigerators, dishwashers, disposals, washers, dryers, awnings, storm windows, storm doors, screens, blinds, shades, curtains, curtain rods, mirrors, cabinets, paneling, rugs, attached floor coverings, furniture, pictures, antennas, pools, spas, pool and spa operation and maintenance equipment and apparatus, and trees and plants located on the Mortgaged Property, all of which, including replacements and additions, shall conclusively be deemed to be affixed to and be part of the Mortgaged Property conveyed to Trustee under this Security Instrument. EXHIBIT "C" NAME ADDRESS Alkesh Patel 511 Northeast 138th Avenue Vancouver, WA 98684 Chuck Ng 301 North Lake Avenue, Suite 310 Pasadena, CA 91101 Evergreen HQ LLC 12330 SE 5th Street #3rd Vancouver, WA 98683 Evergreen HQ LLC 1419 W. Main Street, Suite 110 Battle Ground, WA 98604 Evergreen HQ LLC 511 Northeast 138th Avenue Vancouver, WA 98684 Evergreen HQ LLC Attn: Alkesh Patel 12330 SE 5th Street Vancouver, WA. 98683 Oakhurst Income Fund I, L.P., a Delaware limited liability company 875 Century Park East #940 Los Angeles, CA 90067 Occupants/Tenants 12330 Southeast 5th Street Vancouver, Washington 98683 Ply-Tech Corporation, a Kentucky corporation P.O. Box 757 Glasgow, Kentucky 42142 Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, P.C. Attn: Melisa K. Thompson 700 Washington Street, Suite 701 Vancouver, WA 98660 Washington Secretary Of State Legislative Building 416 Sid Snyder Ave SW Olympia, WA 98501

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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TS No.: WA-25-1023219-BF
APN No.: 107358-078
Title Order No.: 250504236-WA-MSI AMENDED Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24.130(4) Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 6187779 Parcel Number(s): 107358-078 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: ROSE A. HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN AND HUGO HERNANDEZ JR., A SINGLE MAN AND YOLANDA HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN AND DANNY HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE MAN Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC As the prior sale was rescinded pursuant to RCW 61.24.050, this amended notice is issued pursuant to RCW 61.24.050(5) as to the Notice of Trustee's Sale recorded 10/14/2025 under CLARK County Auditor Instrument Number 6280472. I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 8/28/2026 , at 09:00 AM At the Clark County Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660, in the Public Service Center Gazebo near the corner of Franklin and 13th street, across from the Clark County Courthouse 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 39, GRANADA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME G OF PLATS, PAGE 286, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. More commonly known as: 11919 NE 80th STREET, VANCOUVER, WA 98682 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 6/13/2024, recorded 6/17/2024, under Instrument No. 6187779 records of CLARK County, Washington , from ROSE A. HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN AND HUGO HERNANDEZ JR., A SINGLE MAN AND YOLANDA HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN AND DANNY HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE MAN , as g rantor(s), to WFG NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF CLARK COUNTY , as original t rustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for MORTGAGE EXPRESS, LLC., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns , as original b eneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC , the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6220323 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: $67,408.32 . IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $397,534.32 , 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 8/28/2026 . The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 8/17/2026 (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 8/17/2026 (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 cashier s or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 8/17/2026 (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 9/12/2025 . 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 right's against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-25-1023219-BF. . Dated: 7/14/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Tianah Schrock, Assistant Secretary 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-25-1023219-BF Sale Line: 800-280-2832 or Login to:
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON

CHAPTER 61.24 RCW

Grantor: Jayne Folk, an unmarried woman and Joseph Daniel Phelan, a widower
Current Beneficiary of Deed of Trust: loanDepot.com, LLC Current Mortgage Servicer for the Deed of Trust: loanDepot.com, LLC Current Trustee for the Deed of Trust: MICHELLE R. GHIDOTTI, ESQ. Trustee's address is 1920 Old Tustin Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92705 (206)331-3280 If there are any questions regarding this Notice, please contact (206) 331-3280 Reference Number of Deed of Trust: 6000845 Parcel Number(s): 986057-231 Abbr. Legal Description: LOT 209, 5TH PLAIN CREEK STATION PHASE 2, 312/135 **THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME.** 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 Washington State Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 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: Toll-free: 1-800-606-4819 https://nwjustice.org/home I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on **9/18/2026**, at **11:00 AM** at **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 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: LOT 209, 5TH PLAIN CREEK STATION PHASE 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME 312 OF PLATS, PAGE 135, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. TOGETHER WITH THOSE 20.00 FOOT WIDE ACCESS AND UTILITIES EASEMENTS OVER, UNDER AND ACROSS PORTIONS OF LOTS 190 THROUGH 206 AND LOTS 207 THROUGH 215 AND TRACT E, FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF SAID LOTS, AS DELINEATED AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON SAID PLAT. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. Commonly known as: 15507 NE 72ND WAY VANCOUVER Washington 98682 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 12/15/2021, recorded 12/17/2021, under Auditor's File No. 6000845, records of Clark County, Washington, from JAYNE FOLK, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN AND JOSEPH DANIEL PHELAN AND KATHERINE SUSAN PHELAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor(s), to WFG SALMON CREEK OFFICE, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned to loanDepot.com, LLC. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust 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. 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:
PAYMENT INFORMATION
FROM 1/1/2025 THRU(Blank) NO. PMT 17 AMOUNT $2,881.28 TOTAL $48,981.76
BENEFICIARY'S ADVANCES, COSTS AND EXPENSES
DESCRIPTION / ADVANCE AMOUNT
4/24/2026 Accrued Late Charges $345.68
4/24/2026 Recoverable Corp Adv Amount $3,930.97
4/24/2026 Forecasted Late Charge $86.42
4/24/2026 NSF Fee Amount $50.00
4/24/2026 Adjustment ($188.64)
ESTIMATED FORECLOSURE FEES & COSTS
4/24/2026 Trustee's Fees $540.00
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4/24/2026 T.S.G. Fee $1,249.60
4/24/2026 Record Substitution of Trustee $301.00
4/24/2026 Mailing Service Fee $48.00
4/24/2026 Trustee's Fees $990.00
12/11/2025 Notice of Default Mailings $96.00
TOTAL DUE AS OF: 4/24/2026 $56,555.79
IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $434,105.08, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured from 12/1/2024, and such other costs and fees 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. The sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 9/18/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/7/2026, (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 9/7/2026 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III, together with any subsequent payments, late charges, advances, costs and fees thereafter due, is/are 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 9/7/2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower, or Grantor or any Guarantors 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 Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s) at the following address(es):
NAME / ADDRESS
J. Daniel Phelan
15200 NE 76th St
Vancouver, WA 98682
Jayne Folk
15200 NE 76th St
Vancouver, WA 98682
Jayne Folk
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
Joseph Daniel Phelan
15507 NE 72ND WAY
VANCOUVER WA 98682
Katherine Susan Phelan
15507 NE 72ND WAY
VANCOUVER
Washington 98682
The Estate of Katherine Susan Phelan, Deceased
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
The Heirs & Devisees of Katherine Susan Phelan, Deceased
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
Unknown Spouse and/or Domestic Partner of Jayne Folk
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
Unknown Spouse and/or Domestic Partner of Joseph Daniel Phelan
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
Unknown Spouse and/or Domestic Partner of Katherine Susan Phelan
15507 NE 72nd Way
Vancouver, WA 98682
by both first class and certified mail on 12/18/2025, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and on 12/18/2025 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. 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. 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. If you are a servicemember or a dependent of a servicemember, you may be entitled to certain protections under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and any comparable state laws regarding the risk of foreclosure. If you believe you may be entitled to these protections, please contact our office immediately. Additional disclaimers 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. Service of Process should be sent to: Michelle R. Ghidotti, Esq., c/o Gary Krohn, Reg. Agent, 144 Railroad Avenue, Suite 236, Edmonds, WA 98020-4100 and faxed to (949) 427-2732. **If there are any questions regarding this Notice, please contact (206) 331-3280. Note: Gary Krohn is the Registered Agent for service of process only. All other communications and correspondence should be directed to the Trustee named above, at the address and phone numbers listed. SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT** https://www.servicelink.auction.com **FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: (866) 539-4173** THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. DATED: 5/4/2026
Michelle R. Ghidotti, Esq.
1920 Old Tustin Avenue
Santa Ana, CA 92705
Phone: (206) 331-3280
Fax: (949) 427-2732
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Town of Yacolt - Summary of Ordinance #608

The Town Council of the Town of Yacolt adopted Ordinance #608 at its regularly scheduled Town Council meeting held on August 10, 2026. The content of the Ordinance is summarized in its title as follows: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF YACOLT, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 6.10 TO THE YACOLT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING LIVESTOCK ON PRIVATE OR TOWN PROPERTY; ADDING REGULATIONS REGARDING HORSES IN TOWN; PROVIDING FOR RETROACTIVE EFFECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION.** The effective date of the Ordinance is August 19, 2026. A copy of the full text of the Ordinance will be mailed upon request to the undersigned at the Town of Yacolt Town Hall, P.O. Box 160, Yacolt, WA 98675: (360) 686-3922 Published this 19th day of August, 2026 in The Reflector. Stephanie Fields, Town Clerk

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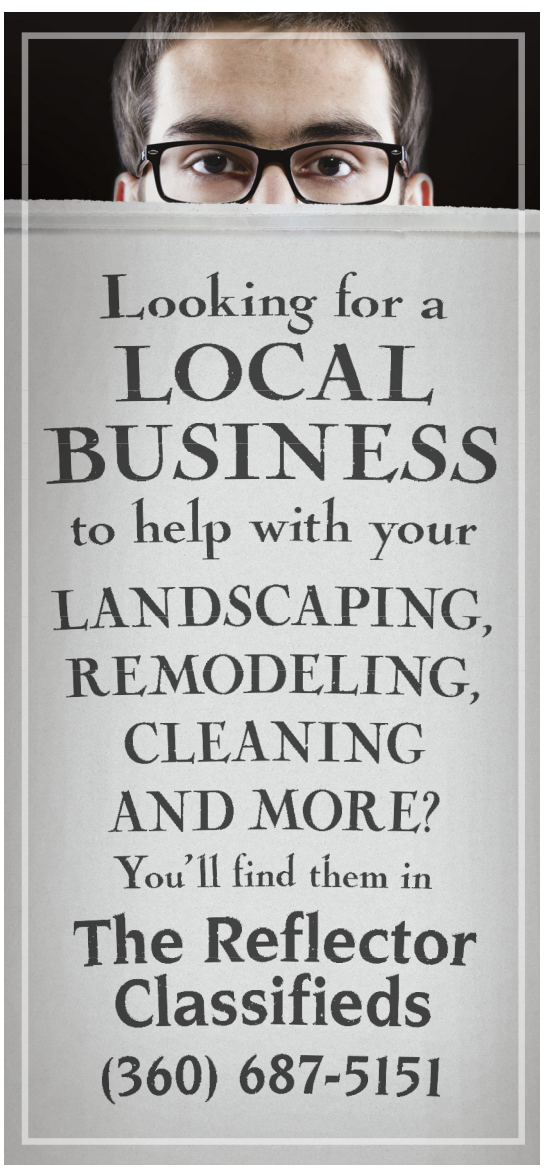
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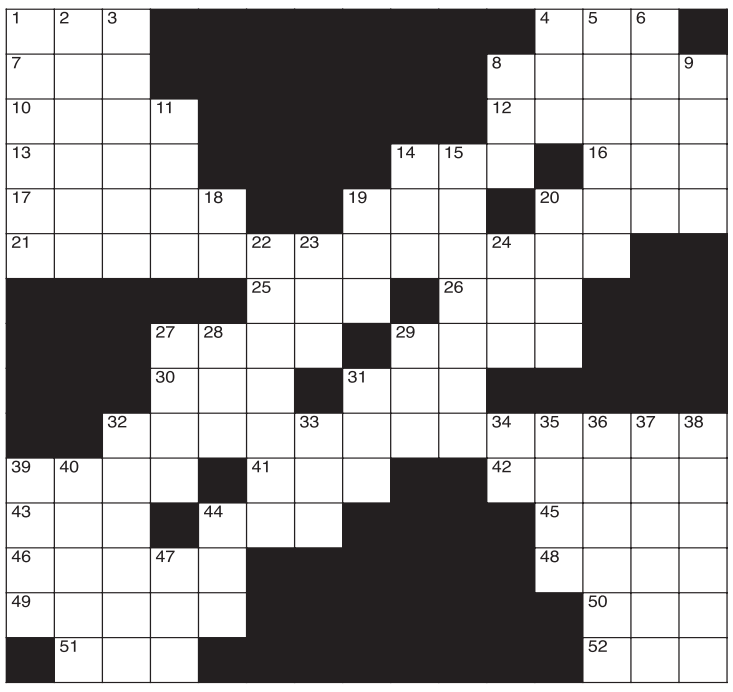
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4. Fixed charge
7. Each
8. Feeling of humiliation
10. Coat with sticky substance
12. Powerful "Severance" family
13. Japanese city
14. "Pulp Fiction" actress Thurman
16. Hat
17. Place where rockers work
19. Psyche
20. Snakelike fishes
21. Where people live
25. Body part
26. Old towel
27. One's essential being
29. Japanese alcoholic beverage
30. Boxing's GOAT
31. Wet muddy ground
32. Christian Laettner is one
39. A place to store lawn tools
41. Large tub for liquid
42. Old World lizard
43. One-time European member group
44. Healing student
45. Nuclear weapon
46. "Kiss of the Spider Woman" actress Sonia
48. Silk garment
49. About some Norse poems
50. Woman religious community member
51. Congressman (abbr.)
52. Two-year-old sheep

CLUES DOWN

1. An insane person
2. "Homeland" actress Danes
3. Buttock muscles
4. US federal agency
5. Birds of prey
6. Electronic communication
8. Ocean
9. Terminates
11. Low-pitched sound from a bell
14. Exclamation: yuck!
15. A place to attach a boat
18. Exclamation of surprise
19. Make a mistake
20. Border line
22. Have religious faith
23. Klutz
24. Large tree
27. House of __ rulers
28. Red deer
29. Small coin (French)
31. Popular sandwich
32. 10-year period
33. Not good
34. Government lawyer
35. Egypt's intelligence agency
36. Without an occupant or incumbent
37. Stain with one's hands
38. Crippling
39. One point east of southeast
40. Large, united groups
44. __ and cheese
47. Alcoholic beverage

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Answers on Page A5

SUDOKU

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