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Battle Ground seeks westward expansion toward Dollars Corner in comprehensive plan update

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Battle Ground is seeking to expand its urban growth area west toward Dollars Corner while removing approximately 330 acres from the Meadow Glade area, a move city planners say would better position the city to accommodate employment growth over the next 20 years.

The proposed urban growth boundary changes are part of Battle Ground's comprehensive plan update and are now moving through Clark County's review process. Planning Supervisor Sam Crummett said the Dollars Corner expansion is the city's primary growth request for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update.

The city's proposed shift follows several years of evaluating where Battle Ground should accommodate future growth. Crummett said city planners determined Meadow Glade was not the most efficient area for urban expansion because

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Goodwill draws more than 500 customers in first 15 minutes at Ridgefield opening



Photo by Cade Barker

Ridgefield Mayor Matt Cole joins Goodwill staff for the grand opening and ribbon cutting of the new Goodwill Superstore located on the east side of Interstate 5 in Ridgefield on Thursday, Sept. 3.



Photo by Cade Barker

Goodwill staff greet customers with applause during the early morning grand opening on Thursday, Sept 3.



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Overflow parking was required for the Goodwill Superstore in Ridgefield as a rush of customers flocked to the store for the grand opening on Thursday, Sept. 3.

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More than 500 customers walked through the doors of Ridgefield's new Goodwill store during its first 15 minutes after the ribbon was cut at 8 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3.

The turnout and hype surrounding the newest Goodwill Superstore in Clark County came despite the early morning start and overcast weather, with shoppers arriving well before the store opened.

Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette Vocational Services Director David Miller said the crowds were typical of what the organization sees during grand openings.

"Every time we have a grand opening, we have people here. Doesn't matter what the weather is, they're here. They're wrapped around the building," Miller said.

The Ridgefield location is intended to be more than a retail store, Miller said. Revenue from donated merchandise helps fund Goodwill programs, including employment assistance, education and career services.

Goodwill's job connection program helps people find employment, while the organization also offers free English and second-language classes, U.S. citizenship test preparation and computer training ranging from basic skills to advanced Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel.

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Flags, food and traditions fill downtown Ridgefield for Multicultural Festival

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"I love Ridgefield," a passerby called out on Saturday, Sept. 5, as downtown Ridgefield was filled with the colors and flags of nations from around the world, capturing the spirit of the city's ninth annual Multicultural Festival.

For Megan Dudley, president of the Ridgefield Multicultural Initiative, the festival is about giving residents a place to celebrate who they are while creating opportunities for others to learn.

"Today is our ninth multicultural festival and we have a theme of history to go along with our pop-up museum, which is the last day for the museum," Dudley said.

The festival brought music, vendors, performances and other forms of cultural expression to downtown Ridgefield. Dudley said the event was created to provide a space where

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Vancouver Ballet Folklorico performs in front of a couple hundred attendees of the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5.

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Yacolt community members step up to help town tackle long-standing projects



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Yacolt Mayor Ian Shealy envisions the Yacolt Community Center will not just be funded by community members, but also built by community members as volunteers continue to inquire about potential projects with the former Yacolt Community Church building at 509 W. Cushman St.



Photo courtesy of Ian Shealy

Yacolt community members and businesses have stepped up to assist in numerous capital projects, including siding repairs on Yacolt Town Hall.

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From replacing rotten trim at town hall to installing lights at the Little League fields, residents and local businesses across Yacolt are increasingly stepping forward to tackle projects the town has struggled to complete on its own.

Mayor Ian Shealy said the community involvement reflects a broader change he has witnessed since taking office, with residents and businesses volunteering their time, materials and money to address needs throughout the community.

"It kind of echoes what a lot of people have been doing over the last two and a half years, is community members finding out that there's needs that the town really can't fill on their own and taking it upon themselves to help out," Shealy said.

One recent example is ongoing work at Yacolt Town Hall, where deteriorating trim had gone without repairs as the town lacked the resources to take on the project.

Community members volunteered their time to remove and replace the trim, while Western United Civil Group donated materials to help reduce the cost.

A project that Shealy said could have cost about $200,000 if contracted out is instead expected to cost the town roughly $3,000 to $4,000 for materials and several public works employee hours.

"So at the end of the day it's going to end up being three to four thousand dollars," Shealy said. "So the fact that local businesses and some community members decided to step up and help us get this done, it's huge."

> **"We're truly going to build a community center that's built by the community."**
>
> **— Ian Shealy**
> *mayor of Yacolt*

The same approach is now being applied to Yacolt's community center.

The town received $750,000 in state funding to purchase the property, with Shealy saying the town is working with the Washington state Department of Commerce to close out the grant and complete the purchase. The purchase is projected for October.

Since news of the funding became public, community members and businesses have expressed interest in helping rehabilitate the building.

One of the biggest challenges is the roof on the roughly 9,000-square-foot building. Grants Roofing has volunteered to replace it as a community project.

"A roof on a 9,000-square-foot building is not cheap," Shealy said. "And they're stepping up and doing it and that's amazing."

Other companies have also expressed interest in helping with painting, flooring and other improvements. Shealy said the town plans to eventually bring community members through the building to discuss its future and begin fundraising for interior renovations.

The community's involvement even extends beyond town-owned facilities.

Shealy pointed to a partnership between Clark Public Utilities, Yacolt Little League and the town that resulted in lights being installed at the Little League fields. The project took about a year of volunteers working after hours to develop a plan, select equipment and complete the installation.

"That's a huge thing for the Little League, for the kids in town," Shealy said. "And they did all that on their own. No one benefited from it other than the kids and the families and it's huge that these people decided to say, 'Hey you know this is something that the kids need and we're going to do it.'"

Another local family also volunteered to repair and paint the Little League clubhouse and snack shack after securing donated paint and fixing deteriorating trim.

Other local businesses and organizations have contributed in different ways. Shealy said Zing Broadband donated fiber optic needed to keep the town's camera system operating and continues to provide the service without charging the town.

Businesses also regularly contribute to community events and nonprofit fundraisers, while volunteers participate in the town's annual cleanup.

Shealy said the increased involvement represents a significant shift in the relationship between residents, businesses and town government.

"When I got elected and came into the office there were, I wouldn't say burned bridges, but there was a lot of separation between town and community," Shealy said. "So, I would say, in the last two years it's changed drastically."

For Shealy, seeing residents from different parts of the community take ownership of local projects has been one of the most meaningful aspects of serving as mayor.

"For me, I think it's a huge blessing," he said. "I think it's one of the greatest things I've been able to witness as mayor is watching people from all areas of life in the community that are deciding to say hey I want to help too."

Shealy said the community's willingness to volunteer has allowed projects that had been discussed for years to finally move forward.

"So from my perspective it's been really cool to watch it happen," he said.

He encouraged residents who want to contribute to attend town council meetings, offer ideas or volunteer their skills.

"We're truly going to build a community center that's built by the community and not just funded, you know," Shealy said. "And, to me, I think that means more to build something together."









Invasive knotweed persists at Gee Creek; local volunteers urge Ridgefield to treat the weed more aggressively



Photos courtesy of Paul Snoey

Logs have been deposited by the city to improve streambank erosion. Horsetail ferns, a native plant that grows widely along the trail, can be seen.



Photos courtesy of Paul Snoey

Blackberry thickets grow along Gee Creek.



Photos courtesy of Paul Snoey

From left to right, volunteers Tevis Lapsa and Paul Snoey are pictured on the bank of Gee Creek.



Photos courtesy of Paul Snoey

Japanese knotweed along Gee Creek, growing within a blackberry thicket.

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After a multi-decade struggle by volunteers and city officials, knotweed has reared its head at Gee Creek once again in 2026.

"In 2009, Gee Creek was choked with Japanese knotweed from Pioneer Street to North Main Avenue. Most of the removal was a volunteer effort," Paul Snoey, an 80-year-old veteran volunteer at Ridgefield's Abrams Park, wrote in an email to The Reflector.

Japanese knotweed can be recognized by its hollow, purple-tinged stems and late summer sprays of white-green flowers.

Because it spreads via fragmentation, knotweed must be injected or sprayed with herbicide in order to kill the root system.

Once the plant is fully dead and brittle, it can be removed. This is the method Snoey and other volunteers used to treat knotweed from 2009 until 2016.

In 2016, things changed for the volunteers, many of whom tended the land for years.

"The city wanted us to have an applicator's license … So we worked with somebody else from the Watershed Alliance and somebody from Fish and Wildlife, under their auspices to spray," said Tevis Lapsa, a longtime Gee Creek volunteer.

Lapsa said the arrangement continued until the city of Ridgefield began exclusively allowing city contractors to work on the land.

Now, knotweed grows within dense thickets of overgrown blackberry, complicating its removal.

The 2025 shuttering of the Watershed Alliance has been a blow to Ridgefield's management of the Gee Creek banks, according to Ridgefield Public Works Director Ryan Thambert.

> **"I take a lot of pleasure in what I've done, knowing I've made a difference."**
>
> **— Paul Snoey**
> *longtime Gee Creek volunteer*

But the city hasn't given up on the knotweed invasion.

"Ridgefield Public Works has put together (a request for proposals) for knotweed management," Thambert wrote in an email. "We will have a contract in place and a contractor on board within the next month. Once the contractor is selected, work will begin to control the weeds along the creek over the next 12 months and beyond. We do recognize that it is late in the 2026 season, and we are committed to doing more next year … The city of Ridgefield shares Mr. Snoey's goal of a healthy creek that is weed-free and lined by native plants and trees. We are grateful for the many hours and many years' worth of work that volunteers, such as Paul Snoey, have put into the management of Gee Creek."

After the 2009 knotweed removal, "Hundreds of trees were planted," Snoey wrote. "Some of the cottonwoods planted in 2010 and later are nearly 100 feet tall and are keeping Gee Creek cool and shaded."

Today, many of the trees and shrubs planted in 2023 also remain, and native flora such as distinctive horsetail ferns grow abundantly in the park.

Snoey is a lifelong nature lover.

He has known since 2002 that he planned to care for the creek during his retirement.

"I've always been fond of Gee Creek … and I take a lot of pleasure in what I've done, knowing I've made a difference," he said. "Even doing physical labor, I find it to be a joyful experience."





Local harvest brings fresh produce to Clark County students

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Ridgefield School District students will soon have locally grown apples and pears on their school menus following a community harvest event at Brush Berry Farm in late August.

The event, organized through a partnership between Chartwells K-12 and participating school districts, resulted in the harvest of more than 450 pounds of apples and pears, according to a Ridgefield School District news release.

The produce will be distributed and served at school cafeterias in Ridgefield, Hockinson, Battle Ground, Washougal and Evergreen school districts.

Hockinson School District Superintendent Steve Marshall thanked Chartwells for its work connecting students with local farms and food producers.

"Chartwells has been more than a food service provider; they have been a partner," Marshall said in the release. "Our students receive fresh, local ingredients in their meals, while local farms benefit and strengthen their connection to our schools."



Photo courtesy of Chartwells K-12

Apples hang from a tree at Brush Berry Farm, where volunteers harvested more than 450 pounds of fruit in late August.



Photo courtesy of Chartwells K-12

Volunteers harvested more than 450 pounds of fresh apples and pears at Brush Berry Farm. The produce will be distributed to local school cafeterias.

Ridgefield Lions Club welcomes new member

THE REFLECTOR

The Ridgefield Lions Club welcomed new member Jennifer Fletcher during its Aug. 26 meeting.

Fletcher, second from left, was sponsored by T.J. Wilcox-Olson and initiated by Stephen Staudinger of the Battle Ground Lions, a past district governor. Ridgefield Lions President Stacy Mueller also participated in the ceremony, according to a press release.

The Ridgefield Lions Club is open to new members interested in helping the community. More information is available at RidgefieldLions.org.

Ridgefield deputy city manager retiring after 14 years of service

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Ridgefield Deputy City Manager Lee Knottnerus will retire Sept. 15 after 14 years with the city.

Knottnerus, who has served as deputy city manager and HR/Administrative Department director since 2012, has been involved in several community initiatives, including the Ridgefield Main Street Program, First Saturdays, Big Paddle and the Multicultural Festival, according to a City of Ridgefield news release.

"Under Lee's leadership and care, the City's population and organization have grown and thrived," City Manager Steve Stuart said in the release. "While most of her amazing work is behind the scenes, the positive impacts she's created are felt throughout our community."

The city launched a search for Knottnerus' replacement Aug. 21 and plans to interview candidates during the first two weeks of October. More information is available at shorturl.at/6QIPf.

Vitals *Birth, Obituaries and Death Notices*

Death notices

Susan Slider, 69, of Battle Ground, died Aug. 6. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Dale Bailey, 77, of Woodland, died Aug. 18. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

Ronald Lange, 80, of Battle Ground, died Aug. 19. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Randy Smith, 69, of Amboy, died Aug. 20. Arrangements are under the care of Northwood Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 360-574-4252.

Richard Zach, 65, of Woodland, died Aug. 24. Arrangements are under the care of Woodland Funeral Home, 360-225-8441.

Gregory Baxivanos, 91, of Camas, died Aug. 25. Arrangements are under the care of Brown's Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 360-834-3692.

Maribeth Rushing, 86, of Ridgefield, died Aug. 27. Arrangements are under the care of Northwood Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 360-574-4252.

IN LOVING Memory

Jessie Weatherley, 79, of Woodland, died Aug. 27. Arrangements are under the care of Woodland Funeral Home, 360-225-8441.

Irene Allen, 86, of Washougal died August 27. Arrangements are under the care of Straub's Funeral Home, 360-834-4563.

Ida Horne, 86, of Ridgefield, died Aug. 29. Arrangements are under the care of All County Cremation and Burial Services, 360-718-7948.

Carlos Vallin-Estrada, 65, of Ridgefield, died Aug. 29. Arrangements are under the care of Northwood Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 360-574-4252.

Arlen Wogen, 91, of Vancouver, died Sept. 1. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Peter Vanson, 52, of Amboy, died Sept. 1. Arrangements are under the care of Layne's Funeral Services, 360-687-3143.

Joan Marie (Padden) Hayden

Feb. 18, 1955 - July 25, 2026



Our beloved mother, Joan Marie (Padden) Hayden, passed away peacefully on July 25, 2026, in Vancouver, Washington, surrounded by her loving family. Born on February 18, 1955, in West Seattle, Washington, Joan was the oldest of five siblings and lived life with energy, color, enthusiasm, and joy.

Joan loved people and was always willing to help anyone in need. She was a second mother to many of her sons' friends, welcoming them into her home and treating them as family. Her career included sales with Princess House Crystal, real estate with Stan Wiley, Prudential, and Persimmon, and retail work with JCPenney, Pier 1, and Fred Meyer. Joan loved to travel and, above all, cherished time with her family. She was a cancer survivor who volunteered with Relay for Life and cancer support groups in the Vancouver area, offering compassion and encouragement to others facing difficult journeys.

Joan was the beloved wife of Ron Hayden, her husband of more than 50 years, and a loving mother to Colin (Meagan) Hayden of Post Falls, Idaho, and Sean (Holly) Hayden of Brush Prairie, Washington, and all her grandchildren. She is survived by her brother, Patrick Padden, and was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Marjory (O'Brian) Padden; her siblings, Chris (Robert) Treakle, Pauline Padden, and Mike (Vivian) Padden.

Joan leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, generosity, and countless memories. Her bright spirit and colorful personality will live on through her family, friends, and all those she welcomed into her life. She loved everyone, and she made everyone feel loved in return. A memorial service and celebration of Joan's life will be held Sept. 12th, 2026, at 2:00 PM at Elim Church in Brush Prairie, Washington.

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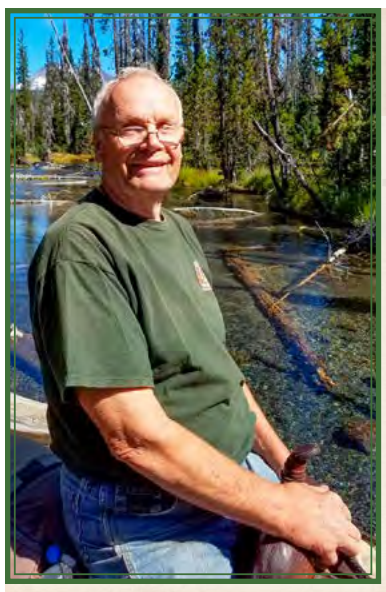
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David John Waldal

5/31/1944 - 8/30/2026



David John Waldal, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, veteran, storyteller, and friend, passed away peacefully on August 30, 2026, at the age of 82.

Dave was born in Seattle, Washington, on May 31, 1944, and spent most of his life in Battle Ground, Washington, where he built a life filled with hard work, adventure, laughter, and, above all, family.

He was the loving husband of Babette Waldal. Together, they shared a life filled with memories, adventures, and the love of the family they built. Dave was a proud father to Tony Waldal; Brian Waldal and his wife, Leilani; Amber Phillips and her husband, Sean; and Dustin Waldal and his wife, Jilese. He was also a proud grandfather to Sarina and great-grandfather to Julia. His family was his greatest source of pride and joy, and watching it grow brought him a special kind of happiness.

Dave was a man who could do just about anything. With his background as an automotive machinist and his natural ability to figure things out, there was rarely a problem he couldn't solve. He was the family's own version of MacGyver! Give him a handful of odds and ends, and somehow, he'd figure out how to make them work. His hands were rarely still, especially when he was in his shop, one of his favorite places to be.

He loved the outdoors and adventure. Horseback riding, gold mining, fishing, and camping were among the many things that brought him happiness. His curiosity, independence, and love of working with his hands made him happiest when he was building, fixing, exploring, or simply doing something alongside the people he loved.

Dave was also known for his stories and his sense of humor. A natural storyteller and jokester, he had a way of making people laugh and turning ordinary moments into lasting memories. His stories, jokes, and unmistakable ability to make something work will be remembered and retold by his family for generations.

Before becoming the family man and gifted craftsman they knew and loved, David proudly served his country in the United States Army as an electrician during the Vietnam War. His military service was a meaningful part of his life and a testament to his willingness to serve and provide for others.

But perhaps Dave's greatest work was not done in his shop, on a job site, or even in the Army. It was done in the lives of the people he loved. He built a family, taught through example, shared his knowledge and humor, and left behind a legacy that cannot be measured in things he made, but in the lives he touched.

He will be deeply missed by Babette, Tony, Brian and Leilani, Amber and Sean, Dustin and Jilese, Sarina, Julia, and all of the family and friends who were blessed to know him.

His hands may no longer be busy in his shop, his stories may have fallen quiet, and his laughter may no longer fill the room, but the work of his life remains in the people he loved.

We are grateful for his service to his country, grateful for the years we were given with him, and grateful for the legacy of love he leaves behind.

May he rest peacefully in the arms of the Lord, and may the God he trusted welcome him home. Until we meet again, Dad, Grandpa, Great-Grandpa, and beloved husband, you will always be loved, always be remembered, and never be forgotten.

There will be an intimate memorial service held in Vancouver, WA on 9/12/2026 for friends and family.

William "Bill" Gerald Conrad

11/25/1950 - 8/30/2026

William "Bill" Gerald Conrad, 75, of Woodland, WA, passed away from BPDCN (a rare leukemia) in peace and comfort at his home, surrounded by his loved ones, on August 30th. Bill was born on Nov. 25th, 1950, in Vancouver, WA, to Lois and Carlton Conrad. Bill's father was in the military, so he moved around quite a bit growing up, but for the majority of his life, Woodland was his home, even spending some of his childhood at Arrow Auto Court, a motel his parents ran in Woodland.

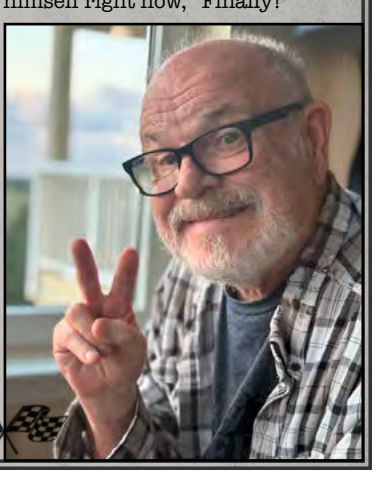
Bill graduated from West High School in Bakersfield, CA, in 1969; that same year, he would be married to his wife of 57 years, Tobie Ann Conrad (McMackin). Bill and Tobie would go on to have two children: their daughter Christi and son Robert.

Bill was a truck driver (logging, gas hauler, and dump truck for paving) for the majority of his life. When it came time to retire, he'd like to spend his free time fishing, watching NASCAR races, and playing with his dog Maggie, but most importantly, he was a family man; he enjoyed spending time with his family and loved playing with his great-grandchildren, Finley and Hudson.

He is survived by his wife, Tobie; his children, Christi (son-in-law Jesse) and Robert (daughter-in-law Janice); siblings Joe, Elaine, and Diana; his eight grandchildren, Katelynn, Justin, Grace, Sophia, Tatum, Traven, Cameron, and Tyler; his great-grandchildren, Finley and Hudson; and his bonus family, Robbi, Maya, Brody, Bree, Isaac, and Gavin.

Preceded in death by his parents, Lois and Carlton Conrad; brothers, John and Danny.

Bill always joked about how he wanted to make the newspaper well. I know he's thinking to himself right now, "Finally!"



Historic railroad car owned by Chelatchie Prairie Railroad destroyed in Vancouver fire as man faces arson charge



Photo courtesy of Vancouver Fire

A fire caused over $600,000 in damage to Furniture World SW in Vancouver on Friday, Aug. 28. The same fire also destroyed a historic railroad car owned by the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.



Photo courtesy of Vancouver Fire

A historic railroad car owned by the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad was destroyed in a fire in Vancouver on Friday, Aug. 28.

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A historic railroad passenger car that the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad had hoped to restore was destroyed in a Friday, Aug. 28, fire at Furniture World SW in Vancouver, with investigators later determining the blaze was intentionally set.

A man who is already in custody has been charged with first-degree arson.

The fire at 7017 NE St. John's Road began shortly after 6 p.m. on Aug. 28 and involved multiple areas, including the Furniture World warehouse, a large dumpster, nearby grass and the railroad car stored behind the business.

According to the Vancouver Fire Department, 56 firefighters from Vancouver Fire and Clark County Fire District 6 responded after receiving a report of a large box or dumpster fire against a building. Crews arriving at the scene found significantly more fire than initially reported, including flames impinging on the building near a roll-up door and the railroad car burning behind the warehouse.

A second alarm was requested as conditions rapidly developed.

Firefighters determined the exterior fire had extended into the warehouse and ignited furniture inventory inside. The fires were brought under control in about 40 minutes, Vancouver Fire stated.

Employees at Furniture World evacuated safely after the building's fire alarm activated. No injuries were reported, the Vancouver Fire news release stated.

The damage to the business is estimated at more than $640,000, according to a later Clark County Sheriff's Office news release.

The fire also destroyed a piece of local railroad history that had been in the possession of the nonprofit Chelatchie Prairie Railroad based in Yacolt.

Railroad President Randy Williams said the passenger car had been given to the organization with plans to move it to the railroad's yard in Yacolt and restore it for future use.

"It was a presidential car for Northern Pacific Railway's president when Northern Pacific was in this area, Burlington Northern bought them out I think in the '70s or something," Williams said.

Williams said the organization had been working on the car for more than a decade. Thirteen years ago, he spent several evenings underneath the car working on its brake system in preparation for moving it.

The move was ultimately delayed because the route required bridge repairs. The county has since completed those repairs, but the railroad car remained at the Furniture World property.

"We went down and removed the barbed wire with the intention of taking it up to Yacolt, to our yard, but then found that the railway path wasn't clear," Williams said.

The car had also been repeatedly occupied by people experiencing homelessness, Williams said. Railroad volunteers had previously welded the doorway shut after evictions, only to have people return.

Williams said the car contained furniture that appeared to have been removed from the Furniture World dumpster, including recliners, mattresses and office chairs.

"There were people actively living in there," Williams said.

The railroad had considered several options for restoring the car, including removing the roof and sides, cleaning out the interior and installing bench seats. But Williams said the steel body had deteriorated too much to make restoration practical.

The loss also creates a financial challenge for the Chelatchie Prairie Railroad. Williams said the nonprofit only insures cars that are in revenue service, although it has blanket policies that could potentially cover some expenses associated with the fire.

As of the interview, the railroad was working with its insurance agent to determine whether any coverage applied.

Williams said the likely fate of the railroad car is now scrap, although some components may be salvaged for use on other railroad equipment.

"It's just a tragic loss of local history," Williams said.

The car featured a parlor at the back, where Williams said much of the fire occurred, along with inlaid mahogany and velvet.

"It was beautiful," Williams said. "It's just unfortunate that it went that way."

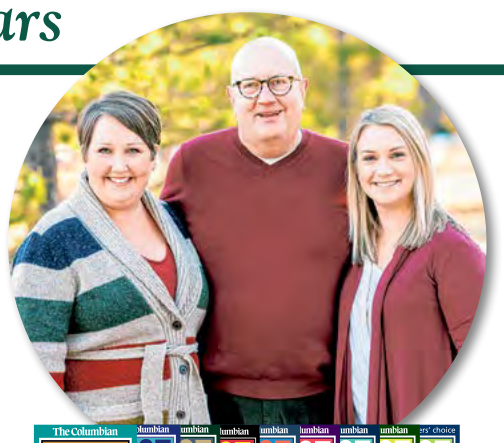
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Council approves development agreement for Ridgefield Community and Recreation Center

Center slated to open November 2028

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The Ridgefield City Council received updated exterior renderings of the Community and Recreation Center in December 2025.

The Ridgefield City Council on Aug. 27 voted 6-1 to approve a development agreement with Blue Rock Ventures that would establish the financial, construction, ownership and operating framework for the planned Ridgefield Community and Recreation Center.

The agreement with BRV Ridgefield Holdings LLC outlines a public-private partnership for a roughly 43,000-square-foot, two-story facility at 5001 N. Pioneer Canyon Drive. The project would divide the building into a publicly owned Community Center and a privately owned Recreation Center, with the two portions separated by a firewall but designed to operate as a single facility.

The agreement anticipates $15 million in city funding for the Community Center, with the city planning to use limited tax general obligation bonds. BRV, meanwhile, anticipates contributing approximately $32 million toward the Recreation Center. BRV would have to provide written confirmation and a financial guarantee acceptable to the city showing that its funding is available.

The Recreation Center is planned to occupy about 31,000 square feet and include a gymnasium with an elevated track, lap and recreation pools, locker rooms, a fitness center, child care area, studios and administrative space. The approximately 12,000-square-foot Community Center would include multipurpose spaces, classrooms, a teen center, commercial kitchen and other community spaces. Parking, landscaping, trails and outdoor areas would be part of the project as well.

Under the proposed agreement, the city would serve as the project's construction entity through Tapani Construction, while BRV would pay the construction costs associated with the privately owned Recreation Center. The city would pay for the Community Center, Ridgefield city attorney Janean Parker explained in a presentation.

The agreement also addresses the Recreation Center's future public use.

As part of the consideration for the city's no-cost ground lease, BRV would be required to provide discounted membership, access or participation rates for Ridgefield residents. The center would also have to maintain at least 80 hours of facility and aquatic-center operating hours per week year-round, unless otherwise approved by the city or temporarily closed for maintenance or safety reasons.

The agreement calls for aquatic programming to include lap swimming, open recreation swimming, swim lessons, aquatic fitness, organized team or group use and adaptive aquatic opportunities. It also requires efforts to make programming accessible to youth, families, seniors, people with disabilities and low- and moderate-income residents.

The city would receive at least six hours per week of rent-free use of portions of the Recreation Center for city-sponsored recreational or community activities. Those activities would have to be scheduled at least 90 days in advance and coordinated around existing BRV or operator programming.

The agreement also establishes a long-term ownership arrangement. Improvements funded by BRV would be owned by BRV, subject to the city's leasehold interest. At the end of the ground lease, however, ownership of the Recreation Center improvements would transfer to the city.

The proposed agreement sets an outside deadline of Nov. 1, 2028, for substantial completion. The city anticipates construction being completed during the summer of 2028, followed by pre-opening preparations in the fall. The deadline could be extended for unavoidable delays outside the parties' reasonable control.

Before physical construction can proceed, several conditions must be met, Parker said in the presentation. Those include confirmation of city and BRV funding, execution of the ground lease, resolution of environmental and wetland mitigation requirements, execution of the long-term facility lease, completion of a project and funding schedule and a boundary line adjustment defining the land associated with each portion of the facility.

Once construction is complete, the city would lease the Recreation Center back from BRV under a proposed 30-year operating lease. However, the amount the city would pay under that lease has not yet been finalized.

BRV would also be required to maintain financial-assistance or scholarship programs intended to reduce barriers to participation. The operator would submit an annual programming plan and annual report to the city, allowing city officials to review programming, participation, financial assistance and inclusive recreation efforts.

The city would retain oversight of operations, programming schedules, pricing structures and community-access policies. If the city determines that operations have materially departed from the facility's public recreational purpose, it could request reasonable operational adjustments, provided those changes do not materially affect the Recreation Center's financial viability.





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Jaime Herrera Beutler speaks out against Washington income tax

BY CARLEEN JOHNSON
The Center Square

Former Congresswoman Jaime Herrera Beutler held a press conference Wednesday to urge support for the income tax repeal initiative backed by Let's Go Washington.

I-645 asks voters if they want to repeal the recently passed income tax for individuals who make more than $1 million a year, or combined household income above that threshold.

"Washington is where we call home because we love our way of life here. We love what it has to offer. And to me, it's worth protecting," said Herrera Beutler in a Wednesday morning press conference broadcast on TVW.

"When I was asked if I wanted to join this effort to defeat the income tax, I was enthusiastically in because I want my kids to stay here and I want my future grandkids to stay here. I don't want to chase them all over the country."

Herrera Beutler, who served in the Washington House of Representatives representing the 18th Legislative District from 2007 to 2011, became the first Hispanic person to represent Washington state in federal office earning a seat in Congress in 2011.

She was one of ten House Republicans who voted to impeach President Donald Trump in 2021 following the January 6 Capitol attack, which likely cost her losing the conservative base in 2022's primary.

The former Congresswoman said she is convinced that backers of the income tax fully intend to expand it to be a tax on all levels of income.

"Their issue is not that money isn't coming in. The issue is how much they're spending and how fast," she said. "And there's bipartisan consensus that they're overspending. I mean, we have had two former governors now, Governors Chris Gregoire and Gary Locke both said that Olympia has a spending problem."

Former Governor Locke spoke about his concerns about majority Democrats' spending addiction in Olympia during an exclusive interview with The Center Square in July.

"There's no budget discipline. They're taking one time money and creating permanent programs without any thought as to how they are going to sustain that program," Locke told The Center Square July 17 at the Association of Washington Business Economic Futures Summit.

Locke said voters are losing confidence with lawmakers as money is shifted around from one program to another.

"If you borrow money to pay for a program, where will you find the money to replenish or repay that fund? And then where are you going to find the money then to continue the program for which you borrowed that money? I think that the Legislature has passed all these revenue programs, and some of it, I support. But they still have a budget deficit," said Locke.

"Pretty soon, people are going to say, 'Wait a second, I can't trust those folks," he said.

Herrera Beutler said lawmakers backing the income tax made clear their intentions to expand it down the road by not including suggested amendments.

"In debates around this bill, there were amendments put up to shield those of us who make under a million dollars from the future tax. If you're not going to tax everybody else, and you're just going to tax millionaires, then go ahead and put that language into the bill and vote on that. Make that binding," she said.

"And the sponsors of the bill rejected that….it's because they plan to come for that money."

The Center Square reached out to Invest in Washington Now, one of the main groups backing the No on I-645 campaign, for comment about Herrera Beutler's support for I-645.

"Two predictable things today: it's raining in Western Washington in September, and a Republican former member of Congress is in favor of cutting education and health care funding so that wealthy people have lower taxes. Yawn," wrote Erik Houser with Invest in WA Now via email.

The former Congresswoman was asked why she felt compelled to come out in support of I-645.

"This is purely me wanting to make sure that my kids, as they get into a place where they're looking to start their own lives, that they can start it here and they don't flee the state," she said.

"Because working class people don't have the same ability I would say, as some of these large corporations or some of these uber-wealthy people. I'm really focused on the people who don't have those abilities."

Ridgefield High School fundraiser supports Pink Lemonade Project

THE REFLECTOR

The Ridgefield High School Associated Student Body is raising money for the Pink Lemonade Project through its Black Out for Cancer T-shirt fundraiser, a local nonprofit that supports and educates those affected by breast cancer.

The "Fight Cancer" T-shirts cost $15, with all profits benefiting the Pink Lemonade Project. The fundraiser raised nearly $4,000 in 2024, and organizers hope to surpass that total this year, according to a Ridgefield School District news release.

Shirts must be preordered by Sept. 13 and will be available for pickup beginning Oct. 7 after school at Ridgefield High School, 2630 S. Hillhurst Road, Ridgefield. To order a shirt, visit shorturl.at/u8fK2.



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A pink-themed T-shirt featuring the Ridgefield High School mascot will be available for purchase as part of a fundraiser benefiting the Pink Lemonade Project's efforts to fight breast cancer.

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National chain to possibly pour into diluted Battle Ground coffee scene

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Photo by Cade Barker

National coffee chain, 7 Brew, which currently does not operate a location on the West Coast, has submitted for a pre-application conference in Battle Ground at a site along West Main Street near where Thirst Trap Soda Shack's location sits.

A national coffee stand chain with no current locations in the Pacific Northwest has submitted plans to the city of Battle Ground.

Associated plans and documents necessary for a pre-application conference were submitted to Battle Ground staff by 7 Brew Coffee at the end of August. No pre-application conference has been scheduled with Battle Ground as staff continue to review plans with the review phases slated to be completed on Friday, Sept. 11.

7 Brew is proposing its Battle Ground location at 805 West Main St. in the vicinity of Thirst Trap Soda Shack.

As of press time, a project narrative and site plans were unavailable.

7 Brew Coffee is a rapidly expanding drive-thru beverage chain that was founded in 2017 in northwestern Arkansas. The company has grown from its original stand to more than 700 locations across 38 states, according to the company. Of those 38 states, the closest with a 7 Brew location include Utah, Montana and Arizona. There are currently no locations in Washington, Oregon or California.

7 Brew's website says its stands serve more than 1 million drinks per day and employ more than 45,000 Brew Crew members.

Its stands typically feature double drive-thru lanes, with the company emphasizing quick service and highly customizable beverages. The menu extends beyond coffee to include energy drinks, teas, smoothies and shakes, with the company advertising more than 20,000 possible drink combinations through different flavors and customizations.

The chain's rapid expansion has made it a growing competitor in the drive-thru beverage market alongside established brands such as Dutch Bros, which typically do not offer restaurant-style seating.

A Battle Ground location would add another national drive-thru coffee brand to a market that already includes Dutch Bros Coffee, Starbucks and Black Rock Coffee Bar, along with over a dozen locally owned coffee stands and cafes.

7 Brew's proposed location along West Main Street is currently in the pre-application stage, meaning the conference is an early step in the city's development review process and does not represent final approval for construction.

Egrets a plenty at Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge



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LEFT: A large flock of great egrets stand along the shore of a wetland pond at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Carty Unit on Wednesday, Sept. 2.

RIGHT: A large flock of great egrets fly away from a wetland pond at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge Carty Unit on Wednesday, Sept. 2.

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Body of missing Oregon man found in Cowlitz County

THE REFLECTOR

The body of a missing Oregon man was found in Cowlitz County Sunday, according to a news release from the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office.

Brent Erickson, of St. Helens, Oregon, had last been seen on Aug. 7. According to the sheriff's office, Erickson had gone to deliver food to a family near the Kalama River but never made it.

The sheriff's office had been assisting the St. Helens Police Department in the search.

On Aug. 28, a witness reportedly found Erickson's 2003 Ford F-150 stuck in a ditch in Weyerhaeuser timberland near the 6402 line. The truck was unoccupied.

"Deputies were unable to locate Erickson at this time, and due to hours of darkness, the scene was secured and a search and rescue mission was initiated the following morning," Undersheriff Troy Brightbill said in Monday's news release.

On Aug. 29, Cowlitz County Search and Rescue personnel attempted to locate Erickson but were unsuccessful. A Weyerhaeuser Woods Security employee found his body the next day — about a half mile from Erickson's truck.

Brightbill described the location as a "steep area with thick underbrush."

"Deputies responded to the scene with the Cowlitz County Coroner's Office and recovered the body," Brightbill said. "Mr. Erickson's next of kin was notified of his passing."

According to the release, the cause and manner of Erickson's death is pending, though an autopsy has been conducted.

"The Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the citizens, staff and volunteers who assisted in the search for Mr. Erickson," Brightbill said in the release. "Search efforts included over 800 miles of road searches in the St. Helens Tree Farm, in addition to ground searches, Human Remains Detection K-9 searches, and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) searches."

Brightbill noted assistance from Columbia County Search and Rescue, Clark County Search and Rescue, Cowlitz County Department of Emergency Management Amateur Communication Services, Weyerhaeuser Woods Security and the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office UAS Unit and its reserve deputies.



Photo courtesy Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office

Brent Erickson, of St. Helens, Oregon.

Forest landowners appeal stream buffer ruling, warn of timber industry impacts

THE REFLECTOR

The Washington Forest Protection Association (WFPA) and Washington Farm Forestry Association (WFFA) announced Aug. 27 that they would appeal a Thurston County Superior Court decision upholding the state's expanded requirements for buffers along non-fish-bearing streams.

The rule, which took effect Aug. 31, expands no-harvest buffers around certain non-fish-bearing perennial streams, with buffers ranging from 50 to 75 feet depending on the stream and location.

The landowner groups said the rule could reduce timber available for harvest and affect rural communities, according to a WFPA press release.

WFPA and WFFA argued the state did not demonstrate that existing protections were failing to protect fish and water quality before expanding the requirements. They also said the new buffers could reduce harvestable forestland, increase road and planning costs and affect the value of private timberland.

The groups' concerns extend beyond landowners, as Washington mills rely heavily on timber from private forests. The challenge was supported by 16 counties, ports, school districts, fire and emergency service districts and local business organizations in an amicus brief citing potential effects on local jobs, tax revenue and public services.

"This is not a conservation win if the state's own record shows limited fish benefits, and immense harm to working forests and rural communities," Jason Spadaro, executive director of WFPA, said in the release.

The groups said the appeal seeks to balance aquatic habitat protections with the economic needs of working forests. The American Forest Resource Council also separately challenged the rule, citing concerns about timber supply and wildfire risk.

Road repairs to begin on Forest Road 93 in the Gifford Pinchot

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THE REFLECTOR

Road repair work on Forest Road 93 on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest began Sept. 1 and will continue through Oct. 30, a news release from the Gifford Pinchot National Forest stated.

Forest Road 93 runs north and south between Mount St. Helens and Mount Adams and intersects with Forest Road 90 at Lewis River Horse Camp.

The project will fortify the adjacent hillside and reinstall a key culvert.

The route was initially damaged by a large weather event in December 2023, when a landslide impacted the supporting hillside. A temporary bypass was constructed, but ongoing erosion has since made the road unsafe and impassable.

The road will be closed from milepost 2.26 at the junction with Forest Road 9039 to milepost 6.95. During the closure, Forest Road 93 will not be accessible as a through route. Forest Road 9039 will remain open and will continue to provide access to Forest Road 90 and Forest Road 25.

Forest managers ask visitors to avoid the closure area for the safety of personnel and the public during construction. Keeping the road closed allows crews to work quickly and efficiently with heavy equipment, reduces hazards, and helps the project stay on schedule, the release stated.

For updates about ongoing road repairs and closures in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, visit tinyurl.com/4c7mz8w7.



File photo

Mount Adams glows pink in the alpenglow at sunset on Saturday, July 6.







Man twice deported pleads guilty in Longview double-murder, sentenced to life without parole

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A Kelso man who has twice been deported from the United States pleaded guilty to killing two men outside a Longview quinceañera in April and was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Andres Carrasco-Sanchez, 49, pleaded guilty on Aug. 27 in Cowlitz County Superior Court to two counts of first-degree aggravated murder, with firearm enhancements, for the April 11 killings of Cristian Garcia Segundo, 21, and Sergio Adrian Segundo, 30, both of Mexico.

Carrasco-Sanchez also pleaded guilty to second-degree unlawful possession of a firearm, attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle and alien in possession of a firearm, according to a news release from the Cowlitz County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

Life without the possibility of parole is the only sentence available under Washington law for first-degree aggravated murder, the news release added.

The investigation also uncovered Carrasco-Sanchez's previous immigration and criminal history.

According to the prosecutor's office, Carrasco-Sanchez had previously been deported from the United States in 2004 and again in 2020. When he was deported in 2020, he was prohibited from entering the country for 20 years.

Court documents also allege Carrasco-Sanchez was prohibited from possessing firearms because of a 1995 felony conviction for first-degree possession of stolen property.

The shootings occurred April 11 outside the AWPPW Hall at 724 15th Ave. in Longview, where about 200 people had gathered for a quinceañera.

According to court documents previously obtained by The Reflector, Carrasco-Sanchez became angry after believing Garcia and Segundo, who he had never met, were making prolonged eye contact with his girlfriend and smiling at her. He interpreted the behavior as flirting and disrespect.

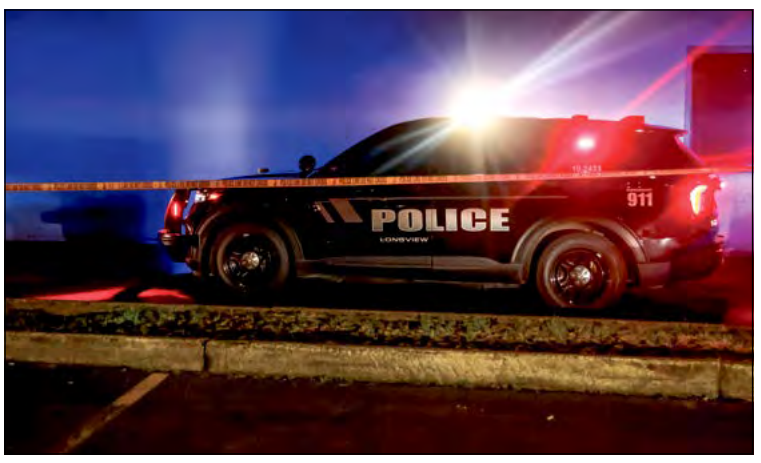


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A Longview Police Department patrol vehicle sits behind crime scene tape last April at the scene of a shooting that left two dead during an event attended by around 200 people at the AWPPW Hall in the 700 block of 15th Avenue.

Carrasco-Sanchez argued with his girlfriend before leaving the party, according to the probable cause affidavit. He then drove to Rose Valley, obtained a handgun missing its serial number, and returned to the AWPPW Hall.

The Cowlitz County Prosecuting Attorney's Office said Carrasco-Sanchez later admitted to investigators that his purpose in driving to Rose Valley was to obtain a gun so he could shoot the victims.

Carrasco-Sanchez waited outside the hall until the two victims exited the building. He approached the men and attempted to fight Garcia, according to court records. Segundo stepped between the two men.

Carrasco-Sanchez then pulled out the handgun and shot both men in the head.

Investigators said Carrasco-Sanchez later acknowledged that neither victim had struck him before the shooting.

During a post-Miranda interview with detectives, Carrasco-Sanchez allegedly admitted to shooting both men once in the head. He also asked investigators whether the victims had died.

According to court documents, he later told investigators, "It was their fault, they started it."

As officers arrived at the scene, they identified a suspect vehicle leaving the area and began pursuing it through West Longview. During the pursuit, officers reported seeing a handgun thrown from a black Nissan pickup truck near 16th Avenue and Alabama Street. Police later recovered a black 9mm pistol with no serial number.

The pursuit eventually returned to the AWPPW Hall, where Carrasco-Sanchez was arrested following a brief foot chase.

Court records state Carrasco-Sanchez also admitted to fleeing the shooting, leading officers on the pursuit and throwing the firearm from his vehicle.

Responding officers found both victims suffering from gunshot wounds to the head. Garcia Segundo was transported to St. John Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead. Segundo was pronounced dead at the scene.

The two victims were cousins who were visiting the United States on work visas and were employed in Kennewick, according to the prosecutor's office. Both men left behind family members in Mexico, including three young children.



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The Longview Police Department controls the scene of a shooting that left two dead at the AWPPW Hall in the 700 block of 15th Avenue last April.

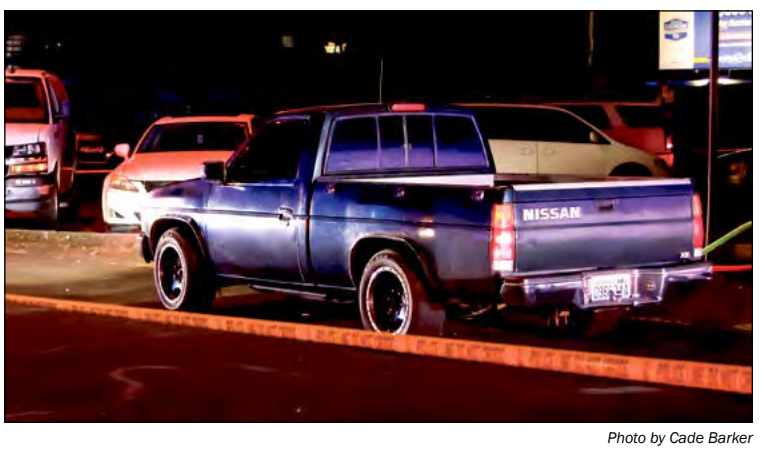


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Police tape surrounds the suspect's pickup truck in a parking lot near the AWPPW Hall in Longview as investigators process the scene of a fatal shooting that left two dead last April.

The charges against Carrasco-Sanchez were initially filed April 15, four days after the shootings. Prosecutors charged him with two counts of aggravated murder in the first degree with firearm enhancements, unlawful possession of a firearm, attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle, and alien in possession of a firearm.

A judge granted the state's request April 16 to hold Carrasco-Sanchez without bail pending trial. He pleaded not guilty during his arraignment April 21.

Carrasco-Sanchez ultimately pleaded guilty to the charges Aug. 27. The prosecutor's office said the guilty plea also avoided federal prosecution for possessing a firearm after illegally entering the United States.

The case was investigated by the Longview Police Department with assistance from the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office, Kelso Police Department and Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife on the scene.

The Cowlitz County Prosecuting Attorney's Office credited Longview police with their efforts to apprehend Carrasco-Sanchez and investigate the killings.

"We recognize that the victims' families continue to suffer from their tremendous loss and hope the resolution of this case will help them heal," the prosecutor's office said in a statement.

The state was represented by Chief Criminal Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Eric Bentson.









Photo by Cade Barker

The end of the checkout line began to stretch around the interior of the Goodwill Superstore in Ridgefield after a grand opening rush on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Goodwill

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"We offer all these services free, no charge whatsoever," Miller said.

The Ridgefield store allows those services to be provided directly in the community while also giving residents another location to donate and shop.

"This is a brand new community for us to be in, not only to donate and to shop, but also provide services and to give back to the community for all the donations and all the sales they give us," Miller said.

For Ridgefield Mayor Matt Cole, the opening represents an opportunity for a growing city to add both employment and services without requiring residents to leave the community.

"It's absolutely amazing because it just represents so much more than just people opening up a store to shop at," Cole said. "I think this clearly represents something larger than the community, so it's really exciting to see so many people come out for it."

Cole said the store is expected to bring about 40 new jobs to Ridgefield. Goodwill's hiring event drew more than 100 applicants, he added.

"This is 40 new jobs in the city of Ridgefield," Cole said. "It's a lot of entry-level jobs, too."

Among the early shoppers were Vancouver residents Ellery Douglas and Monica Martinez, who arrived with coffee expecting to grab a few items. Halfway through their shopping experience, the two already had a full cart. Martinez said the pair came because Goodwill grand openings can offer an especially good selection.

"Because it's Goodwill," Martinez said on why the two were shopping at the grand opening. "It's important to come out to the grand opening because I feel like when they first open they usually put a lot of, like, gems in the store."

The pair found Levi's jeans, Kate Spade crystals, champagne glasses, glassware, a runner rug and small silver-plated frames. Douglas said one of her favorite finds was a small ceramic piece designed to hold cinnamon sticks.

"It's just like got this cute botanical. It's tiny, but I think it'll be really cute displayed with my spices in my home. So, I'm excited for that," Douglas said.

Douglas said the size of the opening crowd was surprising, particularly after hearing that some shoppers had arrived as early as 6 a.m.

"I'm very surprised, yeah," Douglas said. "We went and got coffee, and then we pulled up, and we're like, 'yeah, we should have been here maybe earlier.'"

The crowd made shopping more difficult, Martinez said, but also added to the excitement.

"It's a little anxiety inducing for sure," Martinez said. "Not used to shopping at Goodwill and having 20 people in line."

However, the grand-opening rush created a line that stretched literally around the inside of the store.

For Miller, the massive opening crowd underscored the role Goodwill hopes to play in Ridgefield.

"We know there's a lot of people here that need services and can take advantage of the discounts we offer in our stores, especially in a tough economy right now," Miller said.

Cole called the opening another milestone for Ridgefield as the city continues to grow.

"Again, it's just another community milestone," Cole said. "As we grow, it's good to have good partners to grow with you."

The Ridgefield Goodwill Superstore will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., located at 121 S. 65th Ave., in Ridgefield.



Photo by Cade Barker

Friends embrace in the middle of the new Goodwill Superstore in Ridgefield on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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The entrance line stretched around the front of the building as Goodwill opened its doors in Ridgefield for the first time on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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It is time for action by folks who can alter Port of Ridgefield's waterfront plans

It's time the Port of Ridgefield, Ridgefield City Council and Mayor Matt Cole listen to the community.

Today, the Friends of the Ridgefield Wildlife Refuge made a statement about the proposed waterfront development, and it is time that the folks who can alter the port's plans do so as soon as possible.

Those who are aware of the plans, which at the moment is almost 4,000 voices, have told the port and the city loud and clear that what they propose is not acceptable, and now the Friends of the Refuge and the Vancouver Audubon Society expressed their concerns.

It's time for the port and city to finally listen and get creative on making the Ridgefield Waterfront a special place and not just another "development."

We hold out hope they will figure out how to develop this correctly and not just make it about the money. Time to find a developer and/or funding to do this right. They only have once chance to get it right (or wrong) and the opposition keeps growing as more folks are informed.

I propose the city do a land swap with the port and place the recreation center with outdoor sports fields at the waterfront and put the port's hotel, apartments and other multistory buildings by the Grocery Outlet where there is mass transit, walking distance to grocery stores, etc., as it makes more sense there than at a waterfront.

Jamie Keiser
Ridgefield

The real victims of Washington's income tax

By Mike Sotelo
Ethnic Chamber of Commerce Coalition

Like me, about half of all workers in Washington are employed by small and medium businesses, either their own or someone else's. That simple truth is exactly why the new 9.9% tax on income over a million dollars should worry voters and business owners throughout Washington.

While politicians sell it as only affecting "the rich," the new tax will hit the many successful restaurants, contractors and other small businesses that reach that threshold and (as is common) are set up as pass-through entities whose incomes flow through to their owner's personal income tax returns.

Of equal or greater concern, when higher earners and their companies leave our state to avoid the new tax (in addition to rising B&O taxes, increasingly burdensome government regulations, the state capital gains tax, and nation-leading estate tax), our customers disappear with them. This means less spending in our restaurants, fewer clients for our contractors, and shrinking opportunities for the very communities we represent.

I'm a co-founder of the Ethnic Communities Chambers of Commerce, which represents thousands of first-, second- and third-generation small business owners — many of them restaurant owners, contractors and service providers. Our members are already struggling with skyrocketing costs and shrinking margins. Now, this tax threatens to drive away the customers they depend on, making it even harder to survive, grow and pass that success on to the next generation.

This isn't just about taxes — it's about what we're willing to accept as "normal." When politicians break their promises, when the will of Washington voters is overturned by the courts, and when basic public safety disappears from our streets, people stop believing that hard work and strong values will be rewarded. That loss of faith hurts small business owners most of all.

The real tragedy is what this does to families. When kids watch their parents work long hours, overcome obstacles and still struggle just to keep their businesses' doors open, they lose faith in the idea that hard work pays off. Instead of seeing entrepreneurship as a path to pride and success, they learn to expect less. That mindset shift can echo for generations.

Washington has a long history of politicians making promises they have no intention of keeping. Voters have repeatedly rejected a state income tax for almost a century, and here we are again, with yet another attempt to get around the will of the people. Our communities have seen this movie before, and we're tired of the same ending.

That's why the Ethnic Communities Chambers of Commerce has stepped up as a plaintiff in the lawsuit against this tax. We're fighting to protect not just our businesses, but the promise that hard work and entrepreneurship can still lead to a better life for our members and their families.

We've watched the wealthy and their businesses leave Washington in growing numbers. Nearly one in four high-net-worth individuals are now considering leaving the state. When they go, our restaurants get quieter, our contractors get fewer calls, and opportunity itself starts to shrink. Small businesses don't recover from that kind of loss.

The question we must ask ourselves is this: What are we willing to accept as normal? Skyrocketing taxes, broken political promises, unsafe streets and failing schools are not normal. We cannot allow these things to become our standard, because if they do, we lose the very foundation that makes success possible for our families and our communities.

This tax is just the latest chapter in a long story of politicians who promise one thing and deliver another. Washington voters have twice stopped a car tab tax, only to have the Washington state Supreme Court undo the will of the people by simply calling it something different. That kind of cynicism is exactly why taxpayers have become so jaded.

Our children deserve to see their parents succeed through hard work, not despite it. The Ethnic Communities Chambers of Commerce is drawing a line. This tax threatens the very communities its proponents claim to help. It's time to stop accepting broken promises and shrinking opportunities as normal. Washington's small businesses deserve better.

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Mike Sotelo, co-chair of the Washington Ethnic Chambers of Commerce Coalition, is founder of Consolidar, which concentrates on education and training, workforce development, and healthy living in the Latino community.

Soaring debt is bucket of ice water

By Don C. Brunell

The recent news that our national debt has swollen to $40 trillion should be the "bucket of ice water" America needs to finally address our financial woes.

Our nation is on an unsustainable borrowing trajectory, and it is getting much worse. If left unattended, we will drown in red ink.

The federal debt is larger than the entire value of the goods and services produced in our country. Our economy, as measured by gross domestic product, was valued at over $32 trillion in the second quarter of this year, according to the Bureau of Economic Analysis.



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For comparison, the World Bank reports the five largest economies after the United States are China, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom and India. Combined, their GDPs are $37 trillion.

According to the fiscal watchdog Peter G. Peterson Foundation, it is a grim milestone in the history of the nation's fiscal health.

"At $40 trillion, if the United States were to pay down $1 billion of debt each day, it would take nearly 110 years to pay it all off," the foundation wrote.

The debt clock website shows in 2024 Americans paid nearly $1.2 trillion in gross interest on the national debt — making interest the single fastest-growing category of federal spending. The national debt keeps rising, adding nearly $7 billion each day, according to the foundation.

For context, in 2024 the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) reported that is more than the entire defense budget ($886 billion), more than Medicare ($874 billion), and more than the government spends on veterans, education, transportation and science combined.

The CBO projects that net interest will grow to $1.7 trillion by 2034, assuming no new recessions or pandemics, wars or other fiscal shocks.

Today, each of America's 131 million households pay federal income tax and, if our debt repayment was to be called by lenders, they would owe over $306,000 each. Keep in mind an estimated 40% citizens pay no income tax.

Debt is a problem for households as well. Total U.S. household debt, including mortgages, auto loans, credit card debt and student loans, was almost $19 trillion in the second quarter, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. That's about half the U.S. government's total debt burden

And if you keep adding the rest of the world's richest people, you don't get much closer. The total net worth of all 500 richest people on the Bloomberg Billionaires Index comes out to almost $13 trillion.

American Institute for Economic Research reports data from the IRS and economic studies show that the top 10% of U.S. taxpayers earn nearly half of all income but pay 72% of federal income taxes.

To believe that the 10 "world's super rich" would pay off our debt is a "pipe dream." They have a combined net worth of $2.7 trillion, according to Bloomberg. The national debt is 15 times larger.

The longer elected officials push debt under the carpet, the larger the problem becomes. Our federal finance crisis calls for bipartisan solutions.

The last real bipartisan attempt to put our government on a sustainable path came in 2010 when former Sen. Alan Simpson (R-Wyoming) and Erskine Bowles, former White House chief-of-staff under Bill Clinton, were assigned to develop solutions.

Everything was on the table including a combination of taxes, economic growth and spending policies; however, they learned quickly there are "no silver bullets." While taxpayers and politicians supported the approach, they balked at the painfulness of the recommendations.

Put simply, in this election, voters need to ask candidates how they will pay for what they promise.

There will be pushback, but dodging the financial impacts is an injustice to our grandchildren who will ultimately pay the bill.

It is time for another bucket of ice water!

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I worked with John Braun — the attack ads don't tell the truth

By Tim Sheldon

I served in the Washington state Senate with John Braun for years.

I was a Democrat, John was a Republican, and we didn't agree on everything.

But I worked closely enough with him to know his record — and the attack ads now being run against him badly distort it.

Take state spending. John was indeed one of the Senate's lead budget negotiators when Republicans controlled the Senate. But the enormous growth in state government cited in the latest attack ad occurred after Democrats took full control of Olympia.

John didn't write those budgets. He fought them.

That distinction matters. During the years when we worked together in a bipartisan Senate majority, John earned a reputation as a serious fiscal conservative who understood budgets and pushed relentlessly to control spending and protect taxpayers. Blaming him for budgets passed years later by Democratic majorities is simply dishonest.

The claim that John authored the "biggest property-tax hike in state history" is equally misleading.

I was there.

The 2017 legislation was part of the Legislature's bipartisan response to the Washington Supreme Court's McCleary Decision requiring the state to fully fund public schools. It shifted responsibility for school funding from local levies toward the state and actually reduced property-tax rates for many homeowners, particularly in rural communities.

Then there is the claim that John somehow gave himself a 72% pay raise. Anyone familiar with Washington government knows legislators do not set their own salaries. An independent citizens' commission does that.

John not only lacked the authority to award himself a raise — he publicly opposed legislative pay increases before the commission.

Campaigns are rough, and candidates should expect their records to be scrutinized. But voters deserve arguments based on what candidates actually did.

I know John Braun's record because I served alongside him. I watched him negotiate budgets, challenge excessive spending and work across party lines when it was in the best interest of Washington taxpayers.

There are plenty of legitimate issues for candidates to debate in this election.

Distorting John Braun's record shouldn't be one of them.

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Tim Sheldon served for 32 years in the Washington state Legislature, including 25 years in the Washington state Senate and seven years in the Washington state House. He served as president pro tempore in the Senate and as the assistant majority leader.

Pilot, passenger escape injury after emergency landing in Gifford Pinchot National Forest



Photos provided by the Lewis County Sheriff's Office

An 18-year-old pilot and his 27-year-old passenger escaped injury Tuesday after they were forced to crash-land their 1965 Cessna airplane into the Cispus River.

Pilot, 18, and passenger, 27, both walked out on Forest Road 23 after crash

BY THE REFLECTOR

An 18-year-old pilot and his 27-year-old passenger escaped injury Tuesday, Sept. 1, after they were forced to crash-land their 1965 Cessna airplane into the Cispus River.

"These two young men are very lucky to be alive and to walk away without injuries," Lewis County Sheriff Rob Snaza said Tuesday, after the sheriff's office and assisting agencies found the two individuals near milepost 11 on Forest Road 23.

At about 12:18 p.m., the sheriff's office received the initial report of an airplane that had crashed about 10 miles south of the Packwood area. Based on the coordinates provided, the sheriff's office determined the single-engine plane had landed on or near the Cispus River.

Snaza said he arrived in the area at about 12:51 p.m. Another deputy was already on the scene. The U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Randle Fire & EMS and the Morton Police Department also responded to the crash.

As personnel searched the river, dispatch began relaying text messages sent from the plane's occupants to 911. Snaza said the two men reported they could hear the sirens.

Personnel eventually located the Bainbridge Island residents.

According to Snaza, the plane, which landed in shallow water facing east, surrounded by a bed of rock, suffered "no real damage," other than to its propeller.

The sheriff said the plane was not leaking any fuel after the crash.

"It was a great team effort by everyone involved," Snaza said. "I really could not be more pleased with the outcome."



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According to Snaza, the plane was coming from Port Townsend. At about 4,000 feet, the plane experienced engine troubles. At about 3,000 feet, the pilot began making preparations to land.

"They both had experience in flying," Snaza said.

The USFS will now act as the primary investigating agency, according to the sheriff. A subsequent news release from the sheriff's office stated the incident is being referred to the Federal Aviation Administration.

Clark County seeks applicants for Board of Equalization

THE REFLECTOR

Clark County is seeking applicants for one primary and three alternate positions on the Clark County Board of Equalization, which hears appeals from property owners over assessed property valuations and exemptions.

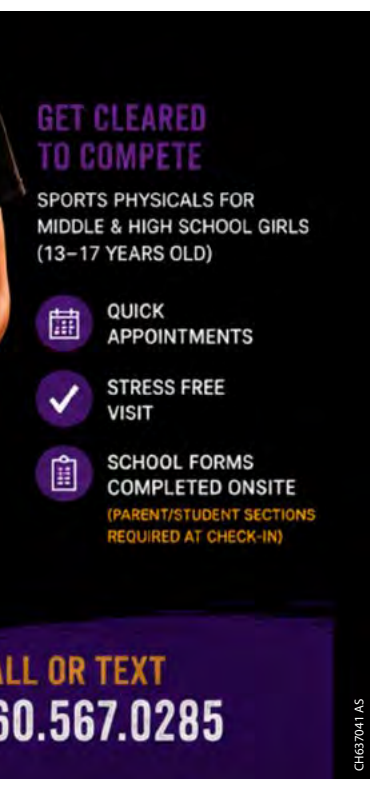
The three-member board is an impartial citizen panel. Members serve three-year terms and are paid $100 per day for hearings they attend, according to a Clark County news release.

Hearings are held Tuesday through Thursday mornings on alternating weeks for about 10 months of the year. The average commitment is about six mornings per month, with hearings lasting approximately three hours, plus time to review cases.

Applicants must be Clark County residents and know about real or personal property appraisal, real estate or property tax law. They cannot hold elected office or be an employee of an elected official. Former Clark County Assessor's Office employees are not eligible to serve for two years after leaving their employment. The county will provide training on Board of Equalization practices.

Applications must include a letter of interest and résumé and are due by 5 p.m. Oct. 2. They can be mailed to Jake Goodwin in the County Manager's Office at P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666-5000, or emailed to Jake.Goodwin@clark.wa.gov.

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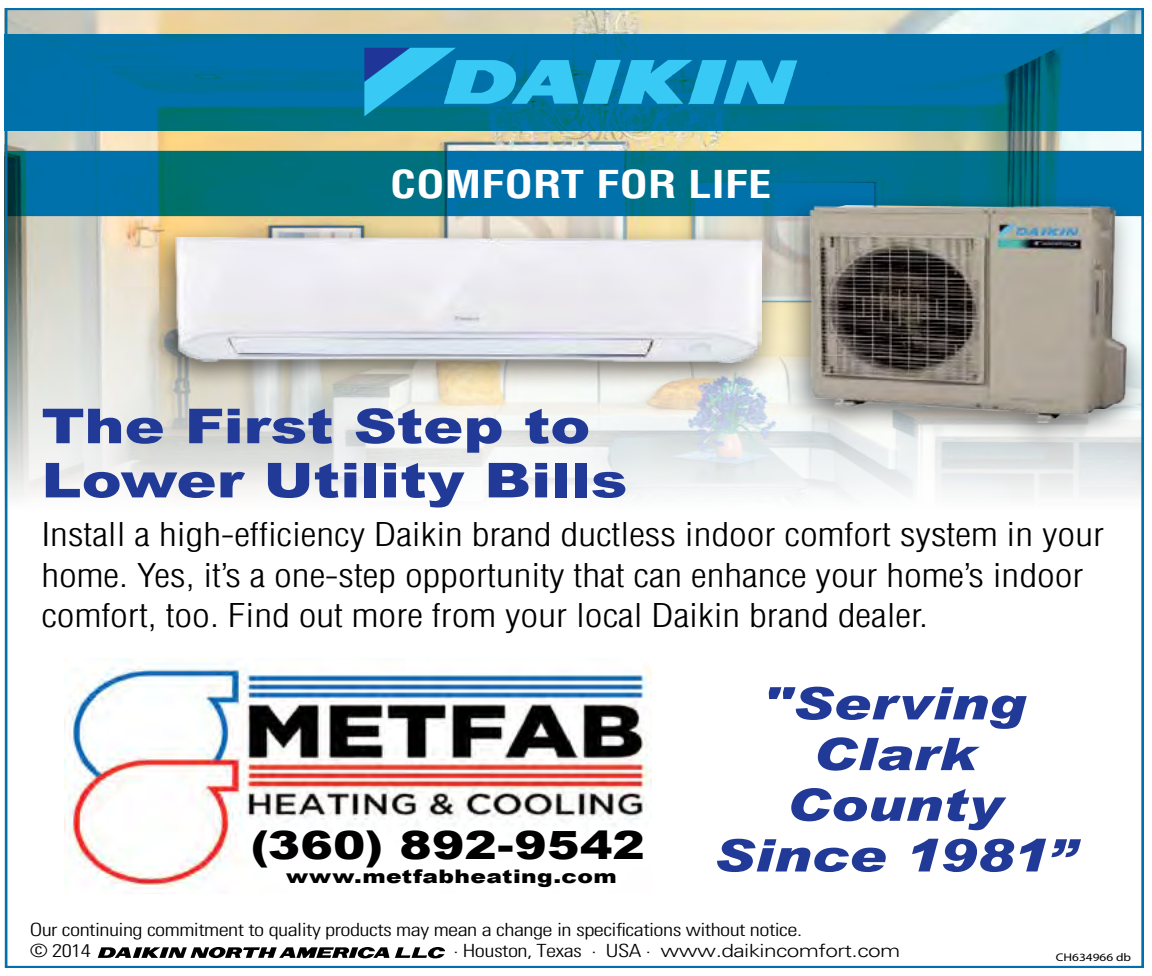


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of its existing infrastructure and development patterns.

"Under the Growth Management Act, which is statewide planning policies that we need to adhere to, one of the major ones is to avoid sprawl," Crummett said. "So when we studied where we best should grow, and this goes back years, we felt like Meadow Glade was not the most efficient area to grow into because of lack of infrastructure and growth trends were not going in that area."

The city also considered the character of the Meadow Glade area, which includes larger residential properties.

"And the residents themselves didn't seem particularly excited about bringing on urban higher densities into that area," Crummett said.

The city instead identified the Dollars Corner area as a better location for future employment growth, particularly following prior improvements to state Route 502.

The highway was expanded from two lanes to four lanes in 2016, while employment development has already begun in the area under county jurisdiction.

"And there's already a hodgepodge of jobs growth in that area under the county jurisdiction," Crummett said. "And it made sense for us to go in that direction to capture job growth."

Crummett emphasized that an urban growth boundary does not immediately place the affected property under city jurisdiction. Rather, the boundary identifies areas where the city could potentially annex in the future.

"It doesn't mean the city has that property or is responsible for the roads and infrastructure in those areas. It's still county jurisdiction," Crummett clarified.

He said the city has not previously provided infrastructure in the Meadow Glade area — which was subject to some confusion in a recent Clark County Planning Commissioners meeting.

"We've never had any infrastructure in this area," Crummett said. "We've never owned any streets or sewer systems in that area."

The proposed expansion is primarily intended to address a shortage of land for employment rather than a shortage of land for housing.



Photo by Cade Barker

The city of Battle Ground is seeking to add an area of Dollars Corner into its urban growth area to accommodate future job growth, with state Route 502 readily available to handle traffic impacts.



Photo by Cade Barker

Construction occurs at a gas station and quick mart near the intersection of state Route 502 and Northeast 72nd Avenue at Dollars Corner. The city of Battle Ground is seeking to add the area into its urban growth area.



Photo by Cade Barker

A pair of food trucks are parked near the intersection of state Route 502 and Northeast 72nd Avenue in Dollars Corner. The city of Battle Ground is seeking to add the area into its urban growth area.

As part of its planning requirements for 2025 through 2045, Battle Ground must plan for 6,979 additional housing units and 7,677 jobs, according to Crummett.

A city land capacity analysis found that Battle Ground could accommodate its projected housing growth within its existing urban growth boundary, even with the proposed removal of Meadow Glade acreage.

"The short answer is yes, we do believe we can accommodate that growth anticipated within our 20-year time frame with the lands we have designated," Crummett said.

The analysis instead identified a shortfall in employment capacity.

"But what we did find was that there was a shortfall in employment lands," he said. "So that's why we had to do our expansion because we had nowhere else in the city to accommodate jobs."

The city envisions the Dollars Corner area primarily as an employment center, with commercial opportunities along the state Route 502 and 72nd Avenue corridors.

"The big picture vision is for Battle Ground to provide jobs close to home," Crummett said. "Specifically to allow residents to hopefully find employment near their homes and avoid driving to either Vancouver or Portland or elsewhere for work."

The area is already identified for employment-oriented development through the city's Westside Employment zoning.

"We have zoning in place that would fit in there called Westside Employment, and there's a minimum jobs requirement in that area," Crummett said.

The city does not envision the area being dominated by low-employment industrial uses.

"What we don't envision is, for example, large warehouses that wouldn't accommodate jobs," Crummett said.

The city also wants to accommodate existing businesses and trades while creating opportunities to recruit larger employers.

"We've kept it, I would say, fairly broad market-friendly commercial more along the highways in our expansion area," Crummett said. "And then we do want to accommodate existing homegrown businesses and trades as well as be competitive in the region and even nationally and internationally to be able to have land to recruit and accommodate future employers."

If the county approves the proposed urban growth boundary changes, more detailed planning would still be required before annexation and development occurs.

"What we'd anticipate is if this does make it in our urban growth boundary, then there'd be further sub-area planning efforts where we'd look at more detailed plans, go out to the citizens again, and refine our vision in that area specifically," Crummett said.

The city is also planning for transportation infrastructure as part of the potential expansion. Crummett said Battle Ground's existing citywide trail plan and other transportation planning documents would inform future development.

In the Dollars Corner area, he said, trails would be incorporated alongside employment development.

City Communications Manager Alisha Smith said the city's nonmotorized transportation action plan identifies existing gaps in pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure that can be considered as future development occurs.

The proposed urban growth changes are the result of several years of work involving city staff, residents, volunteers, the planning commission and city councils.

"Just that these plans don't get thrown together overnight," Crummett said, regarding what citizens can take away from comprehensive planning. "This is the work of many volunteers, citizens and the planning commission and previous and current councils that have in some ways touched on these efforts over the past, I'd say, five to six years that have gone into our plan."

Smith said the city's work on the proposal is now largely complete as the process moves to the county.

"So we've done our work and now it's taking it up to that next level with the county now," Smith said on where the comprehensive update plans sit before finalization.

The county's review will determine whether the proposed urban growth boundary changes move forward as part of the comprehensive plan update. Crummett said the city also identified two additional parcels that it hopes will be restored to its preferred alternative after being left out of an earlier version.

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Attendees at the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival dance to music on Saturday, Sept. 5.



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Michelle Alany and the Mystics perform on stage at the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5.



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Dancers with Vancouver Ballet Folklorico perform on stage during the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5.

Festival

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people could express their cultures without worrying about being ostracized.

"That's what this whole day is, so music and vendors and just cultural expression in lots of different forms," she said.

Among the performances was mariachi music, Vancouver Ballet Folklorico, and others scheduled to perform throughout the day. Dudley noted that some of the dancers in the Vancouver Ballet Folklorico are from Ridgefield, giving local youth an opportunity to showcase their talents in their own community.

"So it's nice to see the kids being able to show their talent on the stage in Ridgefield," she said.

The Ridgefield Multicultural Initiative formed as a nonprofit in 2022 after the festival had already become a community tradition. The city initially began the event in 2018 as a First Saturday event, but organizers eventually saw an opportunity to create a nonprofit that could take on more responsibility for the festival and develop additional events promoting a welcoming environment.

"We wanted to do events that would promote a welcoming environment for all peoples," Dudley said.

That emphasis on learning and understanding also extends to Ridgefield High School, where students have developed their own Multicultural Night through the National Honor Society.

August Hynning, a Ridgefield High School senior and member of the committee organizing the event, said the goal is to bring people together through food, activities, music and displays about different cultures.

"We're not the same, we're all different people and everybody has different backgrounds and different histories, and it's important to learn about diversity because you're going to see it everywhere, so you might as well embrace it," Hynning said.

Hynning said learning about other cultures can offer a window into family histories, traditions and perspectives that people may not otherwise encounter.

"I love hearing different folklore, and like just learning about other people and it allows you to really see other perspectives, and it's just really cool," Hynning said.

Hynning said the larger lesson extends beyond the festival itself.

"I'm hoping that people take away that it's good to be a community and just see all the different things that people are doing with their time," Hynning said. "The world is bigger than what you see out your front door."



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Flags of many countries, like the Uruguay flag, were flying throughout downtown Ridgefield during the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5.



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Attendees video Vancouver Ballet Folklorico performing on stage at the Ridgefield Multicultural Festival on Saturday, Sept. 5.

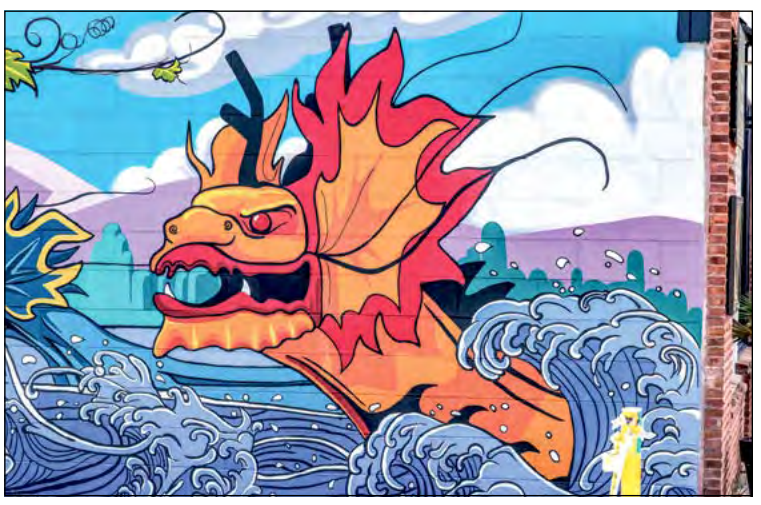


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A mural shows Ridgefield's connection with dragon boats in downtown.

Arson

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intentionally set and identified two separate areas of origin, according to the Sheriff's Office.

Investigators also obtained surveillance video showing a person matching the description of 31-year-old Josue Paredes Merino near an area where the fire is believed to have started.

Paredes Merino was arrested on Aug. 28 on multiple charges, including second-degree theft and reckless burning, after a witness reported seeing him start a separate brush fire near the 4000 block of NE 119th Avenue. That fire burned less than 200 square feet before being extinguished by Clark County Fire District 6.

Deputies later located Paredes Merino after he allegedly stole a bicycle from a nearby residence. The bicycle's owner confronted him and held him at gunpoint near the 2200 block of Brookview Drive until deputies arrived.

About two hours before the brush fire was reported, firefighters had responded to the Furniture World blaze.

Following the fire marshal's investigation and additional detective work, Paredes Merino was charged on Thursday, Sept. 3, with first-degree arson in connection with the Furniture World fire.

Sheriff's Office investigators also identified Paredes Merino as a person of interest in a third fire that occurred around the same time between the Furniture World fire and the brush fire. That investigation remains ongoing.

As of press time, Paredes Merino remains in custody at the Clark County Jail held on $7,500 bail.

Meanwhile, Williams said the railroad is focused on cleaning up the site and determining what can be salvaged from the historic car.

"I've got a meeting scheduled with a rail car repair and recycling company on Tuesday on site to make further dispositions to see what their feelings are," Williams said.

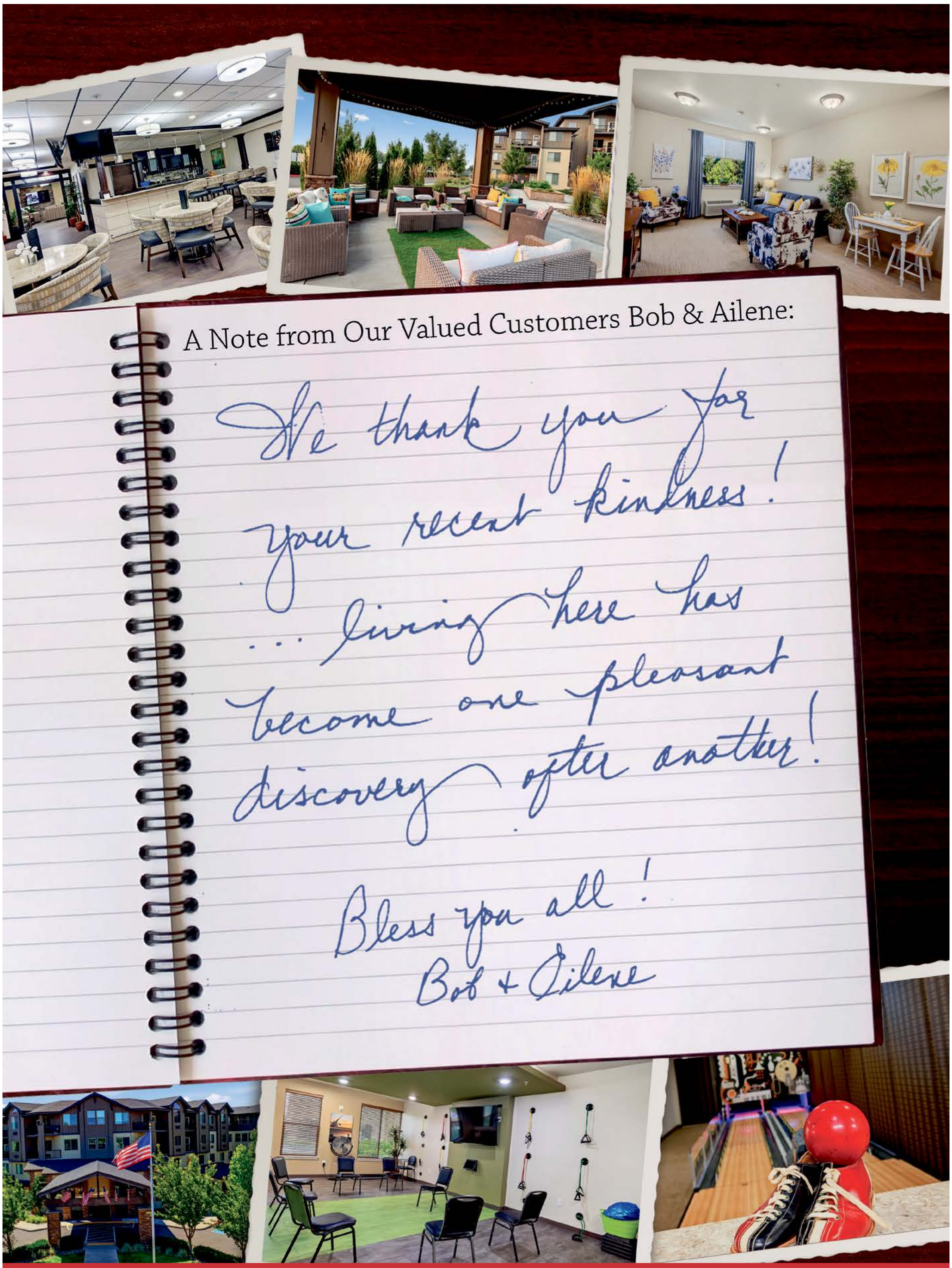
"There are some harvestable parts on there that we'll be taking off that we can move on to other equipment that we own," he added. "So some of it will be harvested for repair parts for later."





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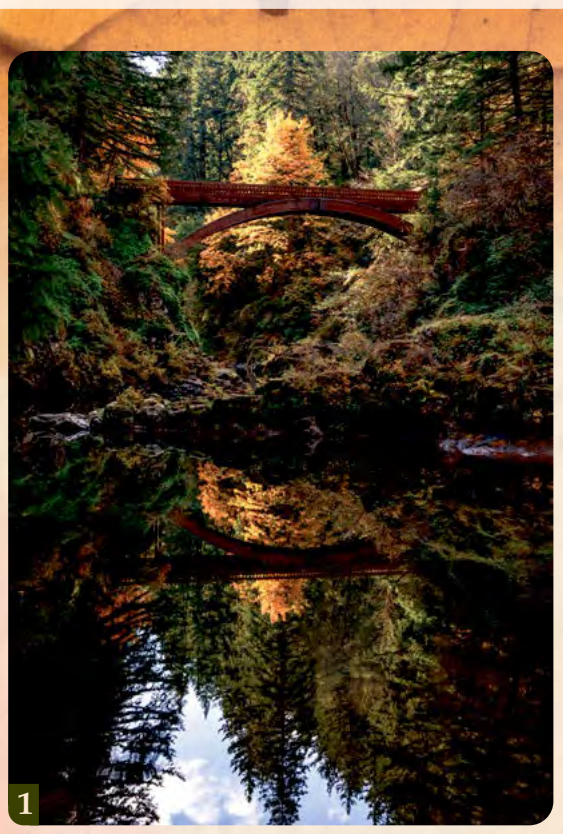
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Fall color close to home

Ten spots to see autumn across Clark, Cowlitz counties

Photos by Cade Barker



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1. The sun brightens a leafy tree starting to turn an autumn yellow upriver from the Moulton Falls bridge spanning the East Fork Lewis River in October 2025.

2. Bigleaf maple trees splash vibrant yellow throughout the gorge's canopy during early fall at the Cedar Creek Grist Mill in north Clark County in October 2025.

3. The late-morning sun beams through towering conifer trees as the forest understory begins to flash fall colors at Moulton Falls Regional Park along the East Fork Lewis River in October 2025.

4. Fallen leaves dot the surrounding landscape of Cedar Creek just upstream from the Cedar Creek Grist Mill near Woodland in October 2025.

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Southwest Washington might not be the first place that comes to mind when people think of fall foliage nationwide, but local residents don't have to travel far — or hike far — to find autumn color.



As summer gives way to fall — as felt last week with a storm system that brought cooler temperatures — maples, vine maples, alders and other deciduous trees begin trading their summer greens for shades of yellow, orange and red. The changing leaves can be found along rivers and lakes, through forested trails, around historic buildings and even from the driver's seat on area rural roads and some inner-city thoroughfares.

For seniors, families and anyone looking for an autumn outing without a long or strenuous hike, Clark and Cowlitz counties offer a variety of options.

Here are 10 destinations worth adding to a local fall-color itinerary.

Cedar Creek Grist Mill

Near Woodland, the Cedar Creek Grist Mill offers perhaps the most distinctive fall-color scene in the region.

The historic water-powered mill was built in 1876 and sits in a wooded gorge along Cedar Creek. Old-growth maple trees surround the site, turning vibrant shades of yellow and orange during a relatively short window in the fall.

Located at 43907 NE Grist Mill Road, the mill is roughly 25 minutes from Battle Ground and about 15 minutes from Interstate 5 near Woodland.

Visitors can park near the mill and walk onto the covered bridge for one of the area's best fall photography opportunities, with the historic structure, creek and colorful trees coming together in one view.

The museum and grain-grinding mill is open from 1 to 4 p.m. each Saturday, although visitors can view the national historic site and grounds throughout the year.

Moulton Falls Regional Park

Near Yacolt, Moulton Falls Regional Park combines some of the area's best fall scenery with several recognizable Southwest Washington landmarks.

The park encompasses the East Fork Lewis River and Big Tree Creek, with waterfalls, rock formations, forested trails and the historic Moulton Falls Bridge.

The dense, damp forest along the river provides plenty of color, including trailside vine maples that can turn brilliant shades of red. A short dirt trail also leads toward Yacolt Falls, offering another view into the colorful river corridor.

Fall visitors should use caution on the trails, as sections can become slippery after precipitation.



For those looking for an easier walk, the nearby Hantwick Trail offers about 2.6 miles each way along the river and can be accessed at 29643 NE Hantwick Road. The trail provides a flatter alternative with a variety of deciduous trees along the East Fork Lewis River.

Moulton Falls Regional Park is located at 27781 NE Lucia Falls Road near Yacolt and has three parking areas.

Lucia Falls Regional Park

Just down the road, Lucia Falls offers another opportunity to combine fall foliage with the East Fork Lewis River.

The waterfall and rocky river create a natural focal point, while the surrounding forest provides a colorful backdrop. Visitors can pair the stop with Moulton Falls, creating a single outing through arguably Clark County's most scenic river corridor.

The two parks are connected by a trail, allowing visitors to extend their trip without getting back into the car.

Battle Ground Lake State Park

Battle Ground Lake State Park provides an accessible combination of water and forest close to Battle Ground.

The lake is surrounded by trees and trails, with colorful deciduous trees standing among the area's evergreens. The lakeshore provides opportunities to see the fall colors reflected across the water, particularly on calmer mornings.

For visitors with ADA parking permits, accessible parking can help eliminate the short, steep walk down toward the lake. A flatter section of trail and gathering area along the lakeshore provides an easier place to take in the scenery.

Because it is a Washington state park, visitors should have a Discover Pass for vehicle access.

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5. Moulton Falls Regional Park is host to multiple color-changing trees and shrubs, as well as scenic views with Yacolt Falls and the Moulton Falls Bridge.

6. J.R. Anderson Road twists down to Mason Creek and is dotted with colorful fall foliage in a small valley in north Clark County on a foggy October morning in 2025.

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Lewisville Regional Park

Just outside Battle Ground, Lewisville Regional Park provides another low-impact option for viewing fall colors.

Located at 24611 NE Lewisville Highway, the park includes a large mowed-grass meadow, forest and views of the East Fork Lewis River.

A section of flat, compact gravel paths makes portions of the park accessible for visitors who don't want to tackle steep or uneven terrain. Leafy deciduous trees are scattered among towering evergreens, creating a distinctly Northwest version of fall color.

Lacamas Regional Park

In Camas, Lacamas Regional Park offers one of the more diverse fall-color outings in Clark County, with several miles of trails winding around Lacamas Lake, Round Lake and Lacamas Creek.

The area's combination of wooded trails, open water and waterfalls provides plenty of variety for visitors, whether they are looking for a leisurely walk or a spot to photograph autumn foliage.

The lakes also offer opportunities for reflections of the surrounding trees on calm mornings, while the forested sections of the trail provide a closer look at changing leaves. The park's waterfalls and creek corridors add moving water and rocky features to the scenery.



For visitors who want to make a longer outing of it, the interconnected trail system allows them to explore different portions of the park rather than visiting a single viewpoint.

Lacamas Regional Park is located at 3344 NE Everett St. in Camas. Parking is available at the park, with additional access points around Lacamas Lake and Round Lake.

Salmon Creek Greenway

In the Felida area north of Vancouver, the Salmon Creek Greenway Trail provides a different kind of fall outing.

The 3.9-mile asphalt trail has little elevation gain and follows Salmon Creek through meadows and leafy forest. Along the way, visitors can combine fall-color viewing with birding, bicycling or walking a dog.

The eastern end of the trail can be accessed from Salmon Creek Regional Park and Klineline Pond at 1112 NE 117th Street in Vancouver. The western end is accessible along Northwest 36th Avenue near Northwest 138th Street.

The trail's relatively flat surface makes it one of the more accessible places to experience fall scenery in the Vancouver area.

Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge River S Unit

Fall color at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge isn't necessarily about brilliant orange maple trees.

Instead, the refuge's grasses and marsh vegetation can turn burnt orange as the season progresses, creating a different type of autumn landscape.



The River S Unit's auto tour loop gives visitors the opportunity to see the scenery and wildlife from their vehicles, making it particularly appealing for those who would rather avoid a long hike.

The refuge also offers strong wildlife-viewing opportunities in late October and into November. Deer activity increases during the rut, adding another seasonal attraction to a fall drive.

The auto tour loop is accessed from Hillhurst Road in Ridgefield.

Lake Sacajawea

In Longview, Lake Sacajawea provides one of Cowlitz County's most accessible fall-color destinations in an urban setting.

The lake is surrounded by walking paths, bridges, gardens and mature trees, allowing visitors to experience autumn without leaving the city.

The water provides opportunities for reflections, while bridges and pathways offer different perspectives around the lake. Unlike some of the more rural destinations in the two counties, Lake Sacajawea can be enjoyed as a casual walk rather than a dedicated hiking trip — and always keep an eye out for the squirrel bridges.

State Route 504 to Coldwater Lake

For those who would rather experience fall color from behind the wheel, the drive along state Route 504 toward Coldwater Lake offers a scenic autumn outing through the Mount St. Helens area in local roadtrip fashion.

Known as the Spirit Lake Memorial Highway, SR 504 travels from Interstate 5 through the Toutle River Valley and into the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. Forested stretches, changing vegetation and views of the volcanic landscape create a fall drive for a full-day roadtrip opportunity stopping at scenic pullouts and enjoying hikes.

Coldwater Lake provides a destination at the end of the route, with views across the water and of the recovering landscape created by the 1980 eruption. A short boardwalk and interpretive trail offer an accessible way to take in the scenery.

The Coldwater Lake Recreation Area is located around milepost 45 on SR 504. Visitors should check road and recreation-area conditions before heading out, particularly later in the fall.

Planning around peak color

There is no single weekend when every tree in Clark and Cowlitz counties reaches peak color.

Lower-elevation areas generally begin showing noticeable changes in October, with mid-October often a strong starting point for fall-color viewing around Clark County. Higher-elevation areas can change earlier, while individual species can peak at different times.

Weather can also dramatically affect the season. Cool nights and sunny days can help produce stronger color, while heavy rain and wind can quickly strip leaves from trees that have already reached their peak.

That makes the timing somewhat unpredictable — but also means visitors can find different stages of autumn by changing elevation or location.

This year, the fall foliage map by explorefall.com illustrates an October color burst. Though, that roadtrip to Mount St. Helens may start to see decent color around Sept. 25.

For much of Clark County's forested areas, fall colors could start to turn lovely around Oct. 10-15, peaking just 10 days later.

Autumn leaves have a chance to be at their peak the week after Halloween, but could also be past their peak depending on weather. The map further illustrates fall colors coming to a close by Nov. 17.







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Tigers win a close gridiron affair over Spudders in week one action

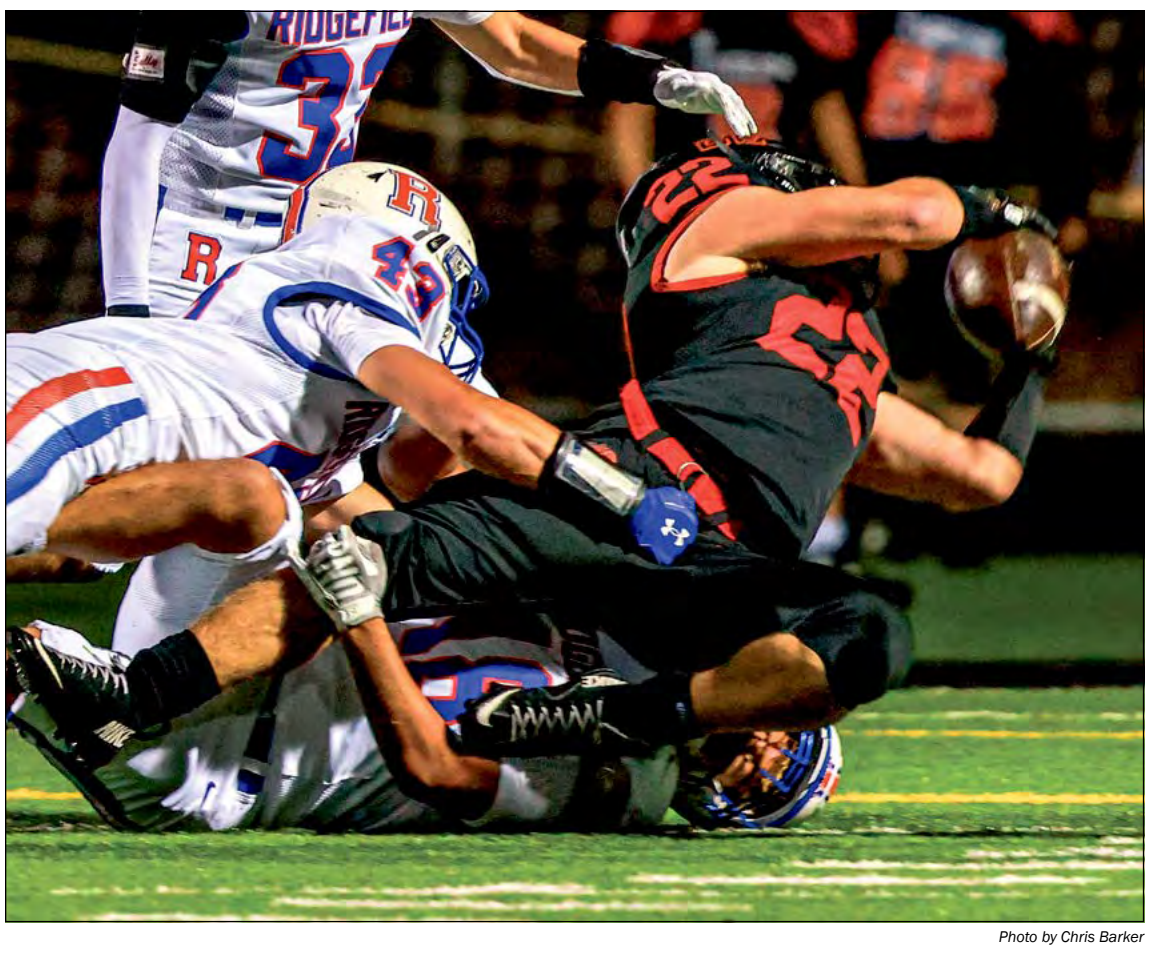


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Battle Ground running back Miles Skov successfully converts a two-point conversion in the second half of the Tigers' 24-17 victory over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.



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Battle Ground Tigers' Addison Roa-Cooper scores one of his two big man touchdowns in the 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

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The Battle Ground Tigers began their first game with heavy hearts, but later hearts fulfilled with a 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

On the first play of the game, a penalty was called for too many players on the field, with the 12th Tiger being No. 18, the late Trent Richardson, a 2026 Battle Ground graduate who recently passed away in a tragic accident at a local park. Richardson's parents were escorted onto the field, receiving the game ball and a standing ovation from the crowd after the first play of the game.

After the win, Battle Ground head coach Mike Woodward said the win showed flashes of what his team can become, while also exposing areas that need to be cleaned up.

"Ridgefield was really tough," Woodward said. "But I think our kids, in the end, showed some pretty good poise and hung around and didn't panic."

Woodward said the Tigers' defense stood out, but mistakes on offense and special teams kept the team from playing a cleaner game.

"We just couldn't get out of our own way. … And made some mistakes," he said. "Defense was outstanding, but special teams and offense, there's just stuff to clean up. I mean, we've got to watch the film and kind of see exactly what it is, but there's bits and pieces. The good news is, it's fixable."

One of the players who drew particular praise from Woodward was Miles Skov, who Woodward said leads by example as a quiet leader. Skov led the Tiger offense with over 200 rushing yards, added a touchdown and two-point conversion to the standout night, as well.

"He doesn't say a word,

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WEEK ONE FOOTBALL SCORES

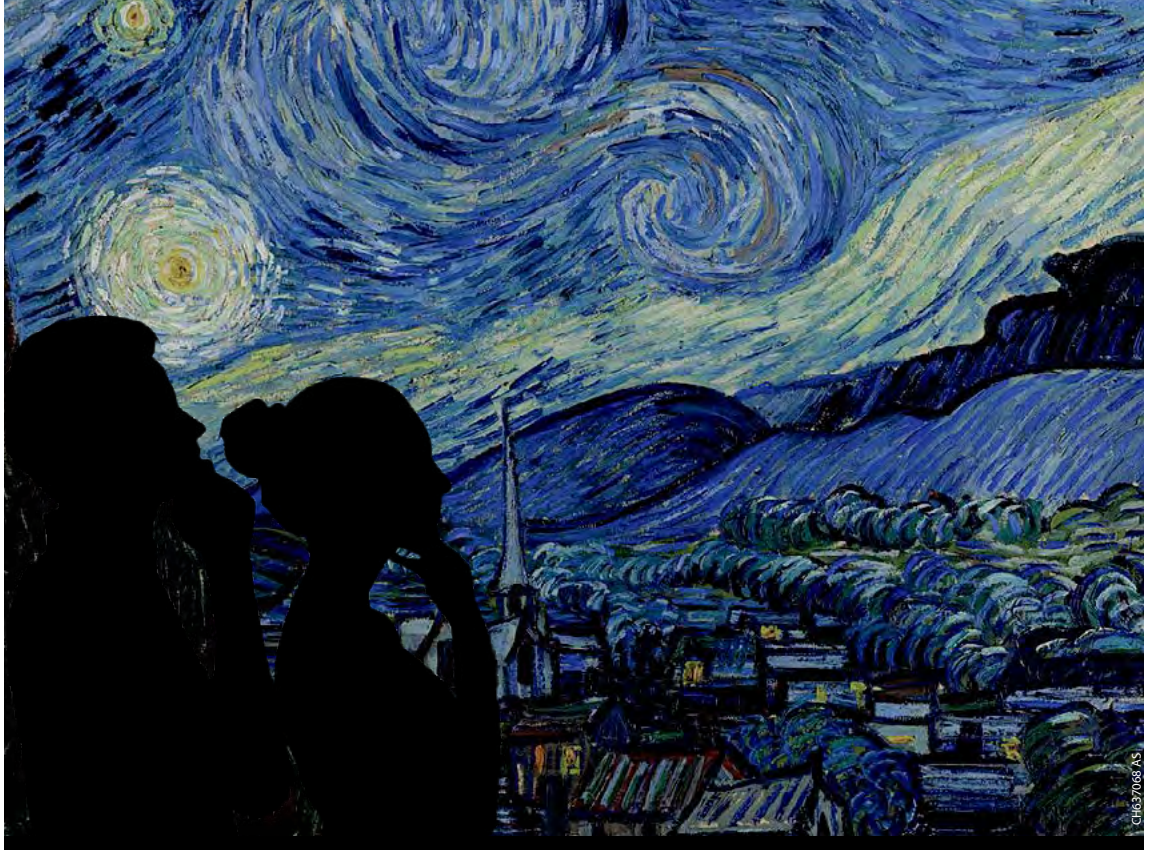
Battle Ground 24, Ridgefield 17
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Battle Ground's Finnegan Mereen, No. 1, and Trenton Righter, No. 8, form No. 18 for the late 2026 Battle Ground High School graduate and standout Tiger football player Trent Richardson. The Richardson parents, Kelly, left, and Corey, were presented with the game ball after the first play of the game honored Richardson on Friday, Sept. 4.

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Battle Ground Tigers' offensive line gets set and ready for a play led by senior center Turner Avery, 55, during the Tigers' 24-17 win against the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

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Ridgefield Spudder Jack Curtis, 3, returns one of his two scoop-and-score fumble recoveries in Ridgefield's 24-17 loss to Battle Ground on Friday, Sept. 4.

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Ridgefield Spudder cheerleaders excite the crowd during week one football action at Battle Ground High School.

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Miles Skov runs for a large chunk of yards during the Battle Ground Tigers' week one 24-17 victory over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

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Ridgefield Spudders running back Fabian Angobung takes a handoff during the Spudders' week one 24-17 loss to the Battle Ground Tigers on Friday, Sept. 4.

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Battle Ground Tigers' quarterback Jacob Bryant delivers a pass in the Tigers' 24-17 victory over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

Photo by Chris Barker



The Battle Ground football captains walk to the middle of the field for the coin toss ahead of the Tigers' 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

Photo by Cade Barker



Ridgefield Spudder kicker Hudson Merwin boots a 41-yard field goal to gain a one-point lead in the third quarter of Ridgefield's 24-17 loss to Battle Ground on Friday, Sept. 4.

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The Battle Ground High School student section celebrates after a big play in the Tigers' 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

Photo by Cade Barker

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ever, so he leads by example," Woodward said of Skov. "He's a rugby player, and you can tell by the way that he tackles on defense, the way he runs. He just doesn't go down."

Woodward said Skov's physical style is a product of his rugby background and his determination to prove that size isn't a limitation on the gridiron.

"He's got a humongous heart," Woodward said, adding that no one is too small for football and that some of his best players he has ever coached have been on the smaller end of the roster.

Another example of a Tiger playing with a big heart is Jackson Fick, who returned to the field after an injury-plagued camp made an immediate impact for the Tiger defense.

"He was outstanding. He broke up a lot of plays and played well," Woodward said of Fick. "Another example of a kid, you know, the size of the heart is what matters."

On the larger size of the roster, Addison Roa-Cooper, a defensive lineman who scored two "Big Man" touchdowns after receiving the handoff on offense in a pair of goal line situations, kept the assessment of his performance simple.

"It was pretty good. I loved it," he said.

Roa-Cooper also credited his rugby experience with helping him handle a big man's running game and the physicality of football.

"Getting hit with no pads on is pretty helpful," he said.

Woodward hopes the Tigers will turn around in a week's time for their rivalry game against Prairie on Friday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m. at District Stadium.

"We'll clean this stuff up, and we'll be a much better football team," Woodward said.

For the Spudders, Ridgefield head coach Scott Rice said the game provided encouragement despite the challenges of facing a 4A opponent with a largely inexperienced lineup for his squad.

"We have 22 guys that started the game on both sides of the ball tonight. Maybe one of them started a game last year," Rice said.

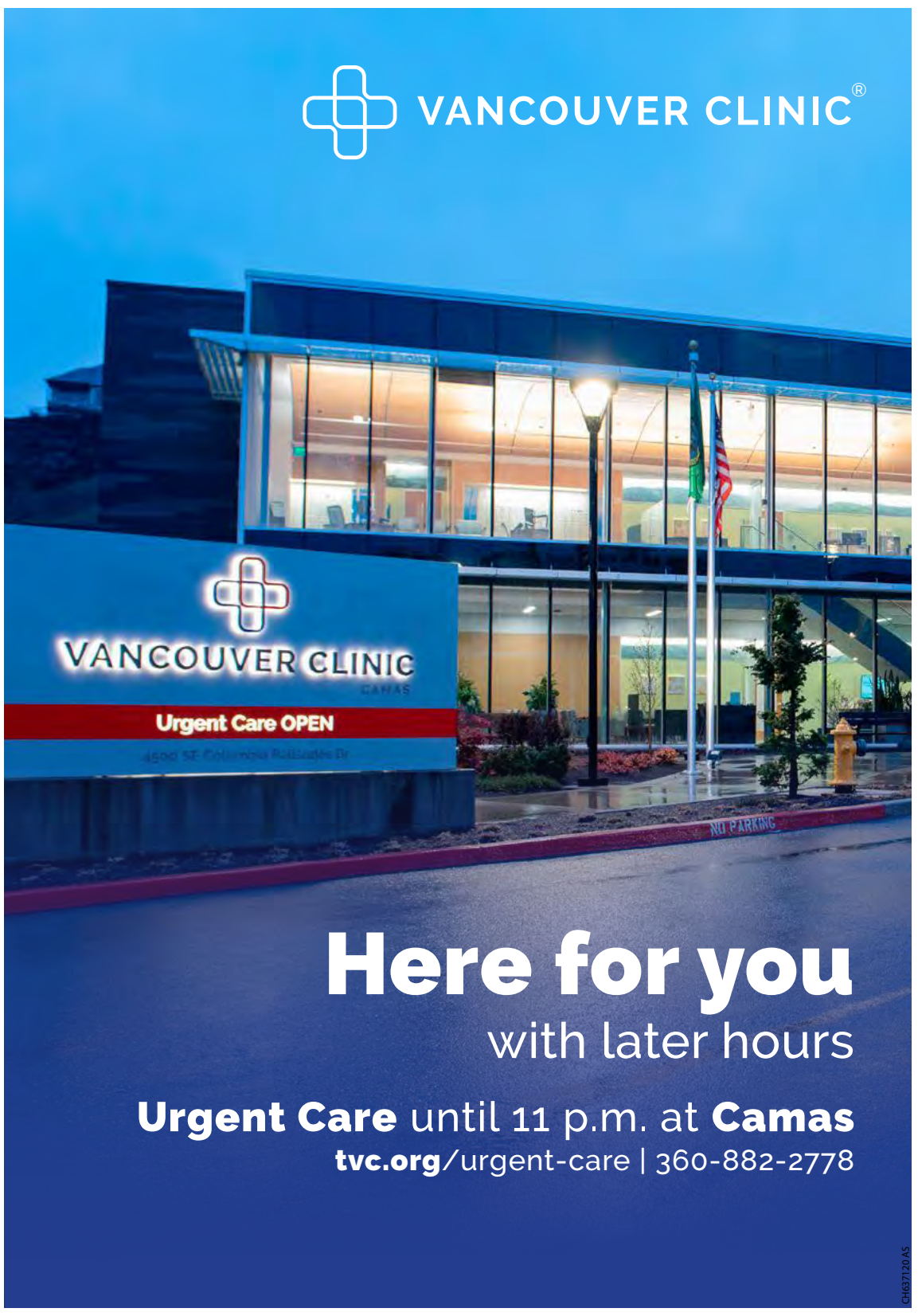
Despite that inexperience, Rice said the players responded with the kind of effort he wanted to see.

"A lot of guys went in and fought exceptionally hard against a 4A school, showed some gumption a little bit," Rice said. "There's a lot of grit in there."

Rice said there is still plenty for the team to correct, but the

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At the center of it all



Photo by Chris Barker

Battle Ground center Turner Avery looks across the line before snapping the ball during the Tigers' 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.



Photo by Chris Barker

Battle Ground center Turner Avery awaits to snap the ball during the Tigers' 24-17 win over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

Battle Ground senior Turner Avery leads Tigers' offensive line in win over Ridgefield

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The man who handles the football every offensive play of the game and gets the job done: Battle Ground senior center Turner Avery.

Avery returns to lead the Tigers' offensive line in 2026 after being awarded with First Team All League honors in the 4A Greater St. Helens League (GSHL) for the 2025 season. To start the 2026 season, Avery led the Tiger offensive line in a 24-17 week one victory over the Ridgefield Spudders on Friday, Sept. 4.

Avery, on the first play of the game, had his hands on a very special football. A yellow flag was thrown, and a penalty for Too Many Players On The Field was called by the head referee. The 12th player on the field was the late Trent Richardson number 18. That special football was then given to the parents of Trent Richardson, Corey and Kelly, who were escorted onto the field. After the game, Avery spoke about the emotional loss of Richardson.

"It was probably the toughest two weeks of my life," Avery said of the opening two weeks of the season following Richardson's passing. "The passing of our friend Trent, ya know, he's a brother to all of us. I think this win was for him."

After a dominant run game Avery said the close knit offensive line group would be headed to In-N-Out Burger, then back to his house for the night.

"We ran the ball very well," Avery said regarding the win with over 200 yards rushing for the Tigers.

Avery hopes the rushing game stays strong, with an emphasis on the passing game for a balanced attack as the Tigers look towards the week two rivalry matchup against the Prairie Falcons at District Stadium on Friday, Sept. 11.

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performance gave him confidence moving forward.

"It's a good team. Like, there's a lot of upside, we've got to fix a lot of stuff," he said. "But it's one of those that I can't walk away without feeling pretty confident about it with a game that battled right down to the last minute trying to win it."

Rice said the upcoming matchup against another 4A opponent, the Skyview Storm, represents an important step for a 2A Ridgefield program preparing to regularly compete against larger schools.

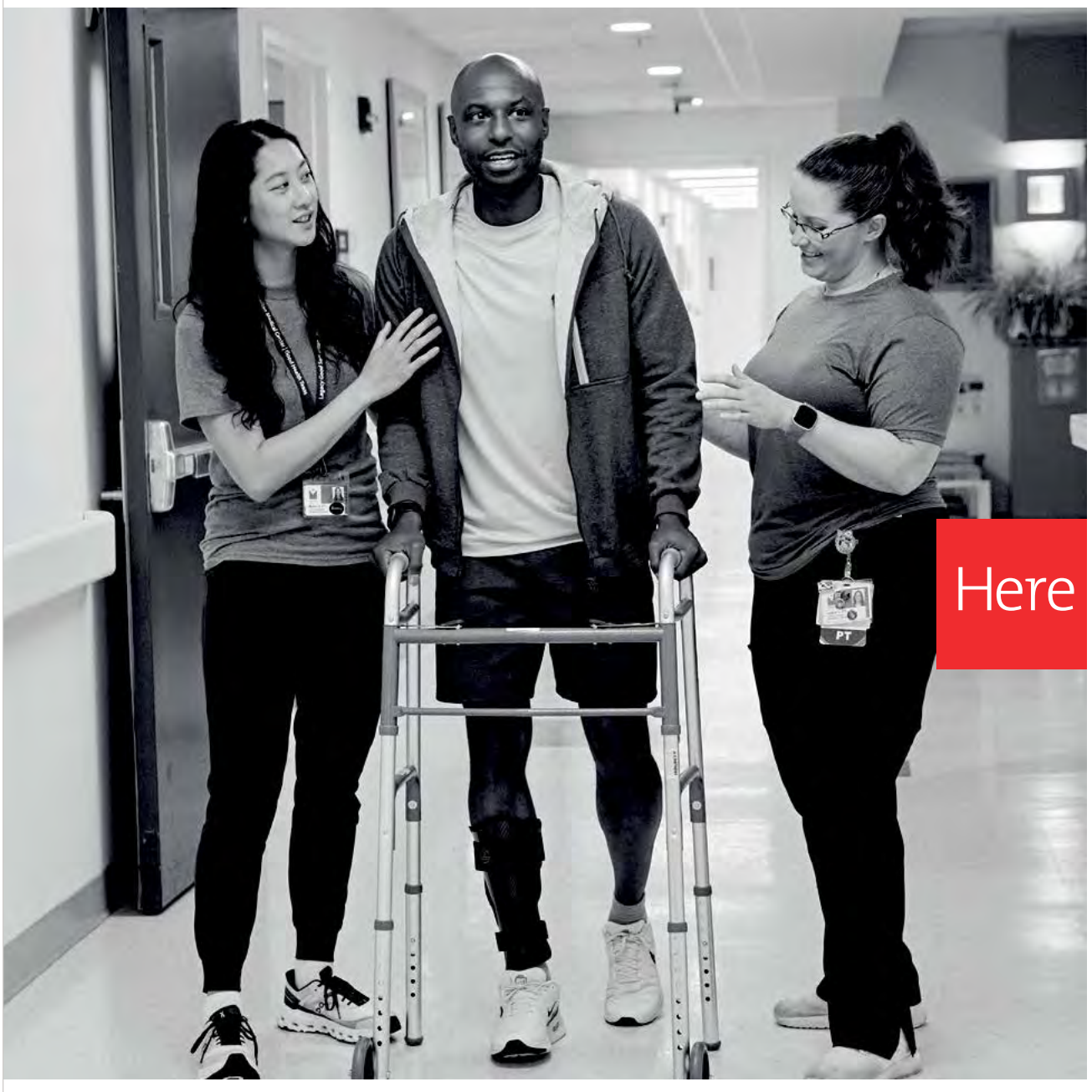
"Those are going to be common games for our guys. So we've got to learn to make them common games," Rice said.

"Every opportunity is an experience opportunity," he added.

Rice also praised Jack Curtis for turning in a strong defensive performance, including capitalizing on two turnovers for a pair of scoop-and-scores as the Spudders' lone touchdowns.

"He's a heck of an athlete. He's a great kid," Rice said. "He's a competitor, and I'll take him on the line any day of the week."

The Ridgefield Spudders next take on the Skyview Storm at home on Friday, Sept. 11, at 7 p.m.



Sports

Hockinson sweeps Battle Ground in volleyball season opener

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Hockinson opened its volleyball season with a sweep of Battle Ground on Thursday, Sept. 3, winning 25-15, 25-21 and 25-20 behind a balanced offensive and defensive effort.

Hockinson coach Mallorie Henker said her team came into its first match determined to make an early statement.

"I just think my girls came out and they played really, really hard, and they were determined and came for a good showing for our first match of the season," Henker said.

Emilie Willis led Hockinson offensively with 17 kills while adding 12 digs and three aces. Setter Caidence Hunt finished with 21 assists, 10 digs and a team-high seven aces.

Evelynn Matson contributed five kills and three blocks, while Juliana Kamahaku added four kills, five blocks and three digs.

The victory marked the beginning of the third season for Henker at the helm of the Hockinson volleyball program. She said the Hawks have a mix of returning players and newcomers who have brought additional energy to the roster as the Hawks look to grow the program each season.

"So, this season I have a lot of returning girls, but I have a lot of new girls that are really bringing some fire and energy to the program," Henker said. "And we're just going to keep moving forward and keep working hard and battling out every game."

Hockinson's serve-receive was one of the biggest strengths Henker saw in the opener, while the Hawks' front row provided another source of production, she said.

"Our serve-receive is fantastic. We have great serve-receive," Henker said. "And we have a lot of really strong front row players that can move the ball around, put it down in really key times."



Photo by Cade Barker

Hockinson junior Audrey Spurlock goes up for a kill during the Hawks' 3-0 win over the Battle Ground Tigers on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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Battle Ground freshman Payton Fridlund returns the ball in the Tigers' 3-0 loss to the Hockinson Hawks on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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Hockinson sophomore Caidence Hunt hits the ball back over the net during the Hawks' 3-0 win over the Battle Ground Tigers on Thursday, Sept. 3.

Battle Ground seeks to continue to gel as a team

The Tigers opened the season against a Hockinson team that proved difficult to slow down, but head coach Myke Pace said he sees potential in his young roster.

"I just told the girls that we have a really high ceiling this year," Pace said. "I think we've got a lot of potential this year, we've got a lot of new pieces, but we have a lot of potential, we've got a lot of skill and they just need time to work together."

Battle Ground has just one senior on its roster along with two freshmen, leaving the Tigers with plenty of room to develop chemistry as the season progresses.

"I think it's about gelling and I think it's about being on the court together and about learning each other's tendencies and about our setters learning the hitters and the hitters learning the setters," Pace said, emphasizing the team chemistry aspect.

Pace said the Tigers' two freshmen, Treeva Olin and Payton Fridlund, brought noticeable energy in their varsity debuts.

"I was very impressed with both my freshmen tonight," Pace said. "They showed out for what could have been an intimidating time to play their first home match on varsity as freshmen, and it could have been really intimidating, and they rose to the occasion."

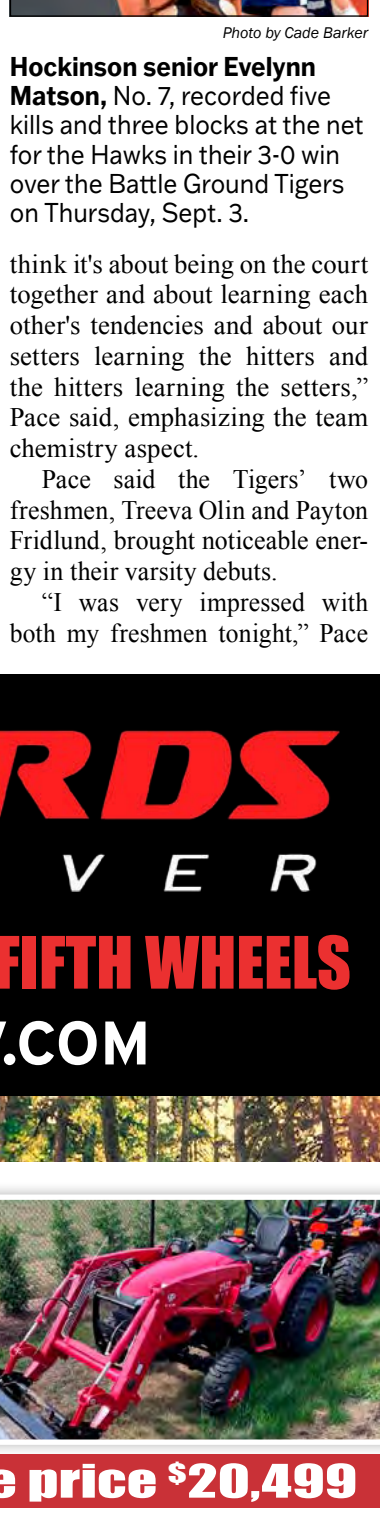


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Hockinson senior Evelynn Matson, No. 7, recorded five kills and three blocks at the net for the Hawks in their 3-0 win over the Battle Ground Tigers on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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Hockinson volleyball head coach Mallorie Henker talks to her team after Battle Ground called a timeout in the third set of the Hawks' 3-0 win on Thursday, Sept. 3.



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Battle Ground freshman Treeva Olin, left, celebrates with Riley Hurliman after scoring in the Tigers' 3-0 loss to the Hockinson Hawks on Thursday, Sept. 3.

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Battle Ground's skydiving grandma completes eighth skydive



Photo courtesy of Shirley Romig

Shirley Romig, center, was joined by friends and family for her second "Jump For Justice" benefiting Shared Hope International on Sunday, Aug. 30.



Photo courtesy of Shirley Romig

Shirley Romig, 80, of Battle Ground, completed her eighth skydive on Sunday, Aug. 30, also marking her second "Jump For Justice" benefiting Shared Hope International.

Shirley Romig, 80, takes to the skies for Shared Hope International

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At 80 years old, Battle Ground resident Shirley Romig has found a way to combine an adrenaline rush with a cause close to her heart.

Romig completed her eighth skydive since turning 70 years old, her second consecutive jump as part of a fundraising effort for Shared Hope International, a Vancouver-based organization working to combat child sex trafficking, on Sunday, Aug. 30.

For Romig, the jump is about more than stepping out of an airplane. It is a way to bring attention to an issue she believes too many people overlook.

Romig first went skydiving at age 70 with her daughter, shortly after the death of her husband. Her daughter had always wanted to skydive, and Romig decided it was something she wanted to experience, too.

"I just keep living and doing things that I wanted to do," Romig said of how she enjoys her senior years.

Since then, skydiving has become a recurring part of her life. Her daughter and all three of her granddaughters have also skydived with her.

"We're adventurous ladies, I guess," Romig said.

This year's jump marked her second fundraiser for Shared Hope International. In preparation, Romig spent time selling raffle tickets for a quilt and talking with people throughout the community about the organization.

Those conversations became one of the most meaningful parts of the fundraiser for Romig.

"I was selling drawing tickets for a quilt to raise funds for Shared Hope International, and that's where I met people in this community," Romig said. "I had information that I could hand out about Shared Hope, and several people opened up to me that live here, and what they're dealing with right now."

Romig said hearing those stories was emotional, but they also reinforced why she continues to participate in her now annual "Jump For Justice."

"I wish people in this community would wake up and pay attention because these people shouldn't have to be dealing with this kind of stuff," she said. "It's heart wrenching when you hear their story."

Shared Hope International works through prevention, restoration and justice, according to Lilli Seale, who spoke about the organization and Romig's fundraising efforts.

The organization was founded in 1998, initially working internationally before shifting much of its focus to the United States in the early 2000s. Its work includes policy and legislative reform, professional training, research and partnerships providing resources to trafficking survivors.

Seale said community members such as Romig can help reach people in ways an organization cannot do alone.

"There's really only so much we can do on our own," Seale said. "But when people from a community want to step up and make a difference on their own, it is making a deeper impact than we ever can."

Romig's fundraising efforts this year were expected to bring in between $4,000 and $5,000, with funds supporting Shared Hope's broader work, including its Keep Our Kids Safe initiative, which focuses on increasing training for professionals nationwide.

Seale said Romig has also helped spread awareness beyond the fundraiser itself, visiting local businesses and talking with community members.

"Shirley's been everywhere," Seale said. "Just the connections that she's made throughout this fundraising is remarkable, really. And it's a true testament to the power of communities."

For Romig, the message is simple: People do not have to skydive to make a difference.

"Some of them say, 'I could never do that,'" Romig said. "I said, 'Well, then find something that you could do.'"

The experience of skydiving itself remains part of the appeal for the 80-year-old adrenaline junkie. Romig described the seven- to 10-second free fall as an "adrenaline rush" before the parachute opens and provides views of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountains.

But ultimately, she said, the cause keeps bringing her back.

"Because I'm making a difference for Shared Hope," Romig said. "And that's what keeps me doing it. Plus, I like it."

Romig is already planning her next jump. She said eight people have committed to participate next year, with the goal of filling two planes.

"Next year will be my ninth (jump)," she said.

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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, Sept. 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.

Ghost Town Poetry Open Mic: Thursday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m., Art at the Cave, 108 E. Evergreen Blvd., Vancouver. Hear poetry during an open mic featuring poet and musician Adrienne Awen. A $5 donation is suggested.

9/11 Patriot Day Salute: Friday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m., Vancouver Waterfront, 695 Waterfront Way, Vancouver. Honor those lost on Sept. 11, 2001, and recognize first responders, military personnel, veterans and civilians during an event hosted by the Community Military Appreciation Committee. The event will include remarks from local leaders, including U.S. Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez, and a keynote address from Col. Joshua Hovanas. Complimentary two-hour parking validations will be available to first responders, active-duty military members and veterans.

LADY Mad Hatter's Meeting: Friday, Sept. 11, 11:30 a.m., 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. For more information, email BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or call Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

Battle Ground Legacy Night: Friday, Sept. 11, 6:15 p.m., Battle Ground High School district stadium, 300 W. Main St., Battle Ground. Battle Ground School District staff and alumni are invited to the annual Legacy Night. The event will take place during the Battle Ground High School vs. Prairie High School football game. Alumni will be invited onto the field for special recognition. Attendees are encouraged to dress in the style of their graduation decade. Tickets are available at the door or online at shorturl.at/tLUvW.

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. Participants may fill their own bag, or one provided, for $10. Smaller bags are available for $5. 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.

Kelso Highlander Festival & Scottish Games: Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 12-13, 8 a.m., Tam O'Shanter Park, Tam O'Shanter Way, Kelso. Celebrate Scottish heritage during the annual Highlander Festival and Scottish Games. The full-day free event will include dance competitions, live Celtic music, hammer throwing and more. For more information, visit kelsohighlanderfestival.com.

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 Luncheon: Monday, Sept. 14, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Battle Ground Event Center, 912 E. Main St., Battle Ground. Learn about senior advisory services during the monthly Battle Ground Senior Citizens luncheon. Lunch will include gluten-free and vegetarian options. The doors will open at 10:30 a.m., and a $7 donation is suggested. To attend, RSVP by emailing BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or calling Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

Senior Lunch and Learn: Wednesday, Sept. 16, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., 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. To attend, RSVP by emailing BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or calling Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

Woodland Seniors Coffee, Crafts & Laughs: Thursday, Sept. 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Woodland Community Center, 782 Park St., Woodland. Cassadellys Floral will host a workshop on making live floral arrangements featuring jars and sunflowers. Participation costs $15, and registration is required. To join, visit the Woodland Community Center from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, or call 360-560-2495.

Senior Toenail Care Clinic: Friday, Sept. 18, 12-3 p.m., Woodland Community Center, 782 Park St., Woodland. Seniors are invited to learn about toenail and foot health during a clinic hosted by Woodland Senior Enrichment Group. Participants will also receive foot care. The fee is $10 per person.

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: Friday, Sept. 18, 11:30 a.m., 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. For more information, email BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or call Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

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, 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.

Help Palestine Dinner & Fundraiser: Saturday, Sept. 19, 5:15 p.m., Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 12513 SE Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver. Learn about the Palestinian struggle during a dinner fundraiser hosted by Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. Proceeds will benefit the Center for Jewish Nonviolence. Dinner will be catered by Lebanese restaurant Al Amir, and admission is $35. Payment is available via Venmo to William-Sterr-1 using confirmation number 7187.

Plant Propagation Class: Saturday, Sept. 19, 10 a.m.-12 p.m., CASEE Center, Building B, 11104 NE 149th St., Brush Prairie. Learn about propagation timing and techniques from Clark County Master Gardener and NatureScaping coordinator Julie Carlsen. The class will discuss various methods of propagation, including stem cuttings and plant division. The class is free for NatureScaping Wildlife Botanical Gardens members and $15 for non-members. Register by emailing info@naturescaping.org.

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. Drop off donations at the library Sept. 13-18 during open hours or bring them 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 Hernández 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.

Oregon Trail & Cider Press Family Day: Saturday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Camp Hope, 12800 NE Roper Road, Battle Ground. Families can take part in Oregon Trail-inspired activities, including river crossings, "buffalo hunts" and other challenges, followed by a fall festival with apple cider pressing, crafts, inflatable bubble suits and more. Family tickets for up to four people are available at shorturl.at/837Ud.

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. For more information, email BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or call Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

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.

Fireside Tales of Horror: Saturdays, Oct. 3-24, 7-8 p.m., The Historic Covington House, 4201 Main St., Vancouver. Listen to an evening of bone-chilling stories around the fireplace at Covington House during an event hosted by Clark County Historical Museum. The event is intended for those aged 13 and older. Tickets are available for purchase at cchmuseum.org/programs-events.

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.

Furry Friends Annual Dinner and Auction: Saturday, Oct. 17, 4:30-8:30 p.m., Royal Oaks Country Club, 8917 NE Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver. Raise funds for the care of felines at Furry Friends cat shelter during a western-themed dinner. The evening will feature auctions and gourmet dining. Tickets are available for purchase at shorturl.at/g1jxl. To learn more, visit furryfriendswa.org.

Ongoing

La Center Farmers Market: Sundays, 1-5 p.m., Legacy Park, 515 E Birch Ave., La Center. Browse handcrafted goods, seasonal produce, and sweet treats during the weekly La Center Farmers Market. The market will run until Oct. 25. For more information, visit LaCenterMarket.com or email info@lacentermarket.com.

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. For more information, email BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or call Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

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. For more information, email BattleGroundSeniorCitizens@gmail.com or call Sharon Wodtke at 360-953-3278.

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

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September marks the beginning of new hunting seasons across Washington, including early archery opening for deer and elk. As hunters across the state gear up for big game, waterfowl, and upland bird seasons, they can review the 2026 Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Hunting Prospects.

Hunting Prospects, released annually, give hunters a detailed look at expected conditions, harvest trends, and game activity in each of the state's 17 wildlife management districts, a news release from the WDFW announced.

The WDFW advises hunters to pay special attention to the following for the 2026 hunting seasons:

- Wildfire impacts: Some hunting opportunities might be impacted by wildfire closures. Wildfire information is available on the Washington state Department of Natural Resources website at https://tinyurl.com/3a2hczdx.
- Chronic wasting disease (CWD): Deer, elk and moose hunters in 100-series game management units (GMUs) in the department's Eastern Region must follow new regulations to limit the spread of CWD in Washington. Hunters harvesting a deer, elk or moose in 100-series GMUs must submit a sample from their harvest for CWD testing. Review CWD information on the department's website at https://tinyurl.com/yp9vf2fb.
- Wildlife feeding ban: As of 2025, feeding deer, elk, moose or other wildlife that may cause these species to congregate, is illegal in Washington. Feeding wildlife congregates animals, potentially spreading diseases like CWD. More information about the new rule prohibiting wildlife feeding is available at https://tinyurl.com/58a99u73.
- Black bear hunting: Hunters who wish to harvest a black bear in certain GMUs must first pass the bear identification test available on their online licensing profile. All successful bear hunters are required to submit a premolar tooth by Dec. 1. Visit WDFW's black bear webpage at https://tinyurl.com/4wdu8kv9 for more information.
- Youth waterfowl hunting: This year's youth-only waterfowl hunting dates are Sept. 26 (Western Washington) and Oct. 3 (Eastern Washington) for hunters 15 years of age or younger. For more information, refer to the latest Washington Game Bird and Small Game Hunting Regulations at https://tinyurl.com/yjtxyzaa.
- Youth pheasant hunting: This year's youth-only pheasant hunting dates are Sept. 12 and 13 statewide. Youth pheasant hunting is open to hunters aged 15 years old and younger. For more information, refer to the latest Washington Game Bird and Small Game Hunting Regulations at https://tinyurl.com/yjtxyzaa.
- National Hunting and Fishing Day: National Hunting and Fishing Day celebrations will be held Sept. 19 in Waitsburg and Oct. 3 in Wenatchee. These events offer family-friendly opportunities to enjoy outdoor sports, participate in hunter education, and learn more about how hunters and anglers contribute to conservation. Refer to WDFW's website at https://tinyurl.com/yp7j8afh for more information.

Hunting licenses can be purchased online, by phone, or by visiting a WDFW office or license dealer location. New this year, hunters have the choice to carry either electronic licenses and tags through the MyWDFW app or carry paper licenses on 8.5-inch by 11-inch standard copy paper. After notching their transport tag electronically in the app, big game and turkey hunters using mobile licenses must write down a confirmation number on flagging tape, duct tape, etc., and attach it to the harvest while in transport, according to the release. How-to guides for using app features are recorded on WDFW's website, available at https://tinyurl.com/mun9xs25.

WDFW'S 2026 Hunting Prospects can be found at https://tinyurl.com/mwk3p73j.



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The Reflector is inviting hunters across Clark and Cowlitz counties to share photos of their harvests through this fall as the general hunting season gets underway this month.

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Calendar

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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 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, singalongs, 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, Beacock 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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Clark County Market Update | *By Kevin Taylor*

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- More homes are coming on the market, giving buyers more choices.
- Well-priced homes continue to attract strong interest.
- If you're waiting for the "perfect" time to buy or sell, your personal situation may matter more than trying to time the market.

Have questions about today's market?

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
No. 26-4-01055-06
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)
In the Matter of the Estate of:
MARILYNN ALICE WHITE,
Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as the Personal Representative of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorneys at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of Court: August 24, 2026
Date of First Publication:
September 2, 2026
Personal Representative:
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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY
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PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

IN THE ESTATE OF:
RITA A. THIPADO, Deceased
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Represen-

138002 Blair Road

Notice of Temporary Road Closure per RCW 47.48.020
Southeast Blair Road will be fully closed for the Blair Road Improvement Project from Sept. 14 through Sept. 25, 2026. Access to properties within the project area will be maintained. Emergency vehicle access will be maintained. Through traffic will be directed onto a detour route.The closure is part of a project to improve a 1.44-mile segment of Southeast Blair Road. The project includes:
-Repaving the roadway
-Removing and reconstructing approximately 200 feet of deteriorating roadway
-Improving the banking (tilt) at select curves to improve handling and safety
-Replacing existing guardrail at designated locations
-Upgrading bridge rail on the bridge carrying Southeast Blair Road over the Little Washougal River
-Replacing all roadway signage
Project information and updates are available at the project website: clark.wa.gov/public-works/southeast-blair-road. For more information, contact Construction Engineer Oliver Jim, 564-397-5927, oliver.jim@clark.wa.gov, or Project Manager Scott Fakler, 564-397-4648, scott.fakler@clark.wa.gov.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR COWLITZ COUNTY
No. 26 4 00366 08
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
Estate of
DAVID A. ZYLSTRA
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 the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate.
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
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PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In re the Estate of:
WILLIAM F. STRITE,
Deceased.
The co-personal representatives named below have been appointed as the co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives or the co-personal representatives' 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 co-personal representatives were served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
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Co-Personal Representatives:
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON
NO. 26 4 01081 06
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In re the Estate of:
WILLIAM F. STRITE,
Deceased.
The co-personal representatives named below have been appointed as the co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives or the co-personal representatives' 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 co-personal representatives were served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
SEPTEMBER 9, 2026
Co-Personal Representatives:
WILLIAM C. STRITE &
LAURIE D. SHERRILL
Attorney for the Personal Representative:
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VANCOUVER, WA 98660
(360) 694-9601
Court of probate proceedings and cause number:
Clark County, Washington
Superior Court
Cause No. 26 4 01081 06
CLARK COUNTY COURTHOUSE
1200 FRANKLIN
P. O. BOX 5000
VANCOUVER, WA 98668
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Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives

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Wednesday, August 26, 2026
S/ Ronald Hood, Administrator
S/ Grant C. Broer,
WSBA#25588,
Attorney for Administrator
Broer & Passannante, PS
8904 NE Hazel Dell Avenue,
Vancouver WA 98665
360-576-7947

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137923 NTC HAMBLIN

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030) Probate Department Case No. 26-4-01038-06

In the Matter of the Estate of: LOUISE MARIE HAMBLIN, 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 to the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Clerk of 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 non-probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 26, 2026
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
Jeremiah Jacob Peil
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
Lindsey George
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE:
1412 NE 134th St. Ste 130
Vancouver, WA 98685
Dated: August 20, 2026
MYATT & BELL, P.C.
S/ Lindsey George,
WSBA #59721
Attorney for Personal Representative

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137928 Well Permit

TAKE NOTICE:
That King's Lakeside Park & Water Association of Ariel, Washington on November 28, 1994, under Water Right Application No. G2-29148, filed for a permit to appropriate public groundwater, subject to existing rights, from 3 proposed wells for year-round use in the amount of 50 gallons per minute (gpm) and 80.6 acre-feet per year (ac-ft/yr) for municipal use. The sources of the proposed appropriation are located within the NE quarter of the SW quarter of Section 23, Township 6 North, Range 2 East, W.M., within Cowlitz County. The proposed place of use is located within the area served by King's Lakeside Park & Water Association within Cowlitz County. To view this application as well as the source of the proposed appropriation and place of use, visit our Water Right Search application and web map search here: *https://appswr.ecology.wa.gov/waterrighttrackingsystem/WaterRights/default.aspx*
Protests to this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for the objections. Protests must be accompanied with a fifty dollar ($50.00) nonrefundable recording fee. We accept check or money order only. Do not send cash. **Send your protest with the $50.00 fee to the Department of Ecology at the address below within 30 days from:** August 26,2026

Department of Ecology
Cashiering Office
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Olympia, WA 98504-7611

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137931 BGR Condemnation

BATTLE GROUND CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PLANNED FINAL ACTION FOR CONDEMNATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with sections 8.12.005 and 8.25.290 of the Revised Code of Washington, the Battle Ground City Council, at a meeting on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026**, will consider an ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to commence condemnation actions to acquire land, rights-of-way, and/or easements relating to the SW Eaton Boulevard Improvements Project. The Council may take final action relating to said ordinance during the meeting. According to the tax rolls of Clark County, the ownership and tax parcel numbers of the property affected by this proposed final action for condemnation are as follows:
Ownership: Phillip Matoy and Celeste Matoy
Tax parcel numbers: 192406000; 192363000
The meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Battle Ground City Hall, 109 SW 1 st Street, 2nd Floor, Battle Ground, Washington. Further information can be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (360) 342-5008 or cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org. Please refer to the City Council agenda for meeting instructions.

Public Notices:
Persons requiring special arrangements in order to participate in meetings should call the City Clerk's office at (360) 342 5008 or email cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org at least two (2) business days prior to the scheduled meeting.The public is invited to view the full City Council Meeting Agenda on our website at www.cityofbg.org. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Any subject placed on the agenda, regardless of how the matter is stated on the agenda, may be acted on by the City Council.

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Za informacije na bosanskom jeziku obratite se na adresu cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
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137932 Peru Condemnation

BATTLE GROUND CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PLANNED FINAL ACTION FOR CONDEMNATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in accordance with sections 8.12.005 and 8.25.290 of the Revised Code of Washington, the Battle Ground City Council, at a meeting on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026**, will consider Ordinance 2026-14 authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to commence condemnation actions to acquire land, rights-of-way, and/or easements relating to the SW Eaton Boulevard Improvements Project. The Council may take final action relating to said ordinance during the meeting. According to the tax rolls of Clark County, the ownership and tax parcel numbers of the property affected by this proposed final action for condemnation are as follows:
Ownership: Shelley Peru and Rayna Peru
Tax parcel numbers: 192385000; 192378000; 192366000
The meeting will commence at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Battle Ground City Hall, 109 SW 1 st Street, 2nd Floor, Battle Ground, Washington. Further information can be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (360)342-5008 or cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org. Please refer to the City Council agenda for meeting instructions. *Public Notices:*
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Gửi yêu cầu nhận thông tin sẵn có bằng tiếng Việt đến cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
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137961 NTC HANCOCK

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Probate No. 26-4-01059-06

In the Matter of the Estate of:
JANET HANCOCK,
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 claims 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 file the original of the claim with the Clerk of this 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 in RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of this notice or within four months after the date of the filing of the copy of this notice with the Clerk of the Court, whichever is later. 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 deceased's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FILING COPY OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS WITH CLERK OF THE COURT: August 21, 2026
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
September 2, 2026
Personal Representative:
Sherrie Lynn Rhodes
1660 N. 18 th St, Unit 19
Washougal WA 98671
Attorney for Estate:
Joe F. Yonek, WSB #17763
Address: 13023 NE HWY 99 STE 7 PMB 301
Vancouver, WA 98686
Telephone Number:
(360) 571-7321

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137962 2027-2032 Parks Plan

SEPA NOTICE - DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) 2027-2032 Clark County Parks and Lands Capital Improvement 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 adopt an update to the Parks and Lands Capital Improvement Plan for the years 2027 through 2032, as a non-project SEPA review required by law. The Parks and Lands CIP identifies park and legacy land acquisition and improvement 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 park, open space and conservation improvement work schedule that addresses resident needs and financial constraints while considering environmental Concerns. 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 *www.clark.wa.gov/public-works/sepa*. Copies are also available at no charge from David Stipe, Parks Planning and Development Manager, (564) 397-5881. The public is invited to comment on this DNS by submitting written comments no later than September 17, 2026, to *david.stipe@clark.wa.gov*. Written comments may also be submitted to David Stipe, Clark County Public Works, 1300 Franklin Street, PO Box 9810, Vancouver, WA 98666-9810.

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137963 2027-2032 TIP SEPA DNS

SEPA NOTICE - DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

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 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the years 2027 through 2032, as a non-project SEPA review required by law. The TIP identifies public works capital projects including new construction, reconstruction, bridges, bicycle and pedestrian safety, hot mix preservation improvements, and signalization construction to maintain and enhance Clark County's transportation system in unincorporated Clark County. 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 Chris Carle, Capital Programming Manager, (564) 397-4523. The public is invited to comment on this DNS by submitting written comments no later than September 17, 2026, to chris.carle@clark.wa.gov. Written comments may also be submitted to Chris Carle, Clark County Public Works, 1300 Franklin Street, PO Box 9810, Vancouver, WA 98666-9810.

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137973 NTC Gameson

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK IN PROBATE NO. 26-4-01065-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

In Re the Estate of Lloyd William Gameson III,
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:
September 2, 2026.
Renee Long
Personal Representative
Robert M. Gregg,
WSBA #12553
Attorney for Personal Representatives
Address for Mailing or Service:
12503 SE Mill Plain Blvd, Ste 240
Vancouver, WA 98684
Telephone: (360) 694-6505

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137975 NOH Hynes

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK
NO. 24-4-00607-06
NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL REPORT AND DECREE OF DISTRIBUTION

In the Estate of:
ROBERT GORDON HYNES,
Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Personal Representative of the above-entitled estate has filed a Final Report and Petition for Distribution with the Clerk of the above Court and has asked the Court to settle such report, distribute the property to the heirs or persons entitled thereto, and to discharge the Personal Representative. A hearing on such report and petition has been set for the 2nd day of October, 2026, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. in the Department of the Probate Judge, before the Honorable Camara L. J. Banfield, Department 5 of Clark County Superior Court, 1200 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. DATED this 24th day of August, 2026.
S/ KAREN MALELLA-MANKER,
WSBA #54165
Attorney for Personal Representative
Karen Malella-Manker
Attorney at Law
1014 Franklin Street, Suite 110
Vancouver, WA 98660
(360)448-7504

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ.

Grantor: SEAN CARTER LOEHR, A SINGLE PERSON Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust: Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for the FLIC Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 1 Original Trustee of the Deed of Trust: FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: NewRez LLC FKA New Penn Financial, LLC DBA Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing Reference Number of the Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 6179141 Parcel Number: 185668174 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 9, 2026, 11:00 AM, At the Public Service Center Gazebo Clark County, 1300 Franklin St, Vancouver, WA 98660, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, the undersigned Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of Clark, State of Washington, to-wit: LOT 87, COBBLESTONE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK 311 OF PLATS, PAGE 323, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. APN: 185668174 More commonly known as 15718 NE 24TH AVENUE, VANCOUVER, WA 98686 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated April 23, 2024, executed by SEAN CARTER LOEHR, A SINGLE PERSON as Trustor(s), to secure obligations in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as designated nominee for VISTA POINT MORTGAGE, LLC., Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, recorded April 29, 2024 as Instrument No. 6179141 and the beneficial interest was assigned to WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR THE FLIC RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 1 and recorded January 5, 2026 as Instrument Number 6296320 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Clark County, Washington. II. No action commenced by Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for the FLIC Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 1, the current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrowers' or Grantors' default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: FAILURE TO PAY WHEN DUE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WHICH ARE NOW IN ARREARS: DELINQUENT PAYMENT INFORMATION From October 1, 2025 To June 2, 2026 Number of Payments 2 Monthly Payment $6,027.89 2 $6,439.21 5 $6,509.36 Total $57,481.00 LATE CHARGE INFORMATION October 1, 2025 June 2, 2026 $1,314.70 PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: April 23, 2024 Note Amount $700,000.00 Interest Paid To: September 1, 2025 Next Due Date: October 1, 2025 Current Beneficiary: Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for the FLIC Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 1 Contact Phone No: 800-365-7107 Address: 75 Beattie Place, Suite 300, Greenville, SC 29601 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $688,965.96, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured, 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. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on October 9, 2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by September 28, 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 September 28, 2026 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustees' fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers' or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the September 28, 2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the current Beneficiary, Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for the FLIC Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 1 or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): ADDRESS SEAN CARTER LOEHR 15718 NE 24TH AVENUE, VANCOUVER, WA 98686 JESSICA LYNN LOEHR 15718 NE 24TH AVENUE, VANCOUVER, WA 98686 by both first class and certified mail on April 24, 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 April 24, 2026 on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustees' Sale. X. Notice to Occupants or Tenants. The purchaser at the Trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. Notice to Borrower(s) who received a letter under RCW 61.24.031: THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. Mediation MUST be requested between the time you receive the Notice of Default and no later than 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the Notice of Trustee Sale. If an amended Notice of Trustee Sale is recorded providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Washington State Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) Website: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 Website: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Toll-free: 1-800-606-4819 Website: https://nwjustice.org/home Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70.258) may impact residential real property (1-4 residential units) title transfers to covered entities trusts, with reporting requirements unless exempt. https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers Dated: June 3, 2026 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as Duly Appointed Successor Trustee By: Alan Burton, Vice President MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps 606 W. Gowe Street Kent, WA 98032-5744 Toll Free Number: (844) 367-8456 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 For Reinstatement/Pay Off Quotes, contact MTC Financial Inc. DBA Trustee Corps NPP0490050

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137980 NTC Haeseker

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON NO. 26 4 01080 06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In re the Estate of:
STEVEN LEWIS HAESEKER,
Deceased.
The personal representative named below has been appointed as the 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 non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION:
SEPTEMBER 9, 2026
Personal Representative:
MICHELE C. DeHART
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. 264 01080 06
CLARK COUNTY COURTHOUSE
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S / LORI L. GASCON,
WSBA#37866
Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ.

Grantor: SIDEAN HANG, AN UNMARRIED MAN Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust: Idaho Housing and Finance Association (which also dba HomeLoanServ) Original Trustee of the Deed of Trust: WFG NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF CLARK COUNTY WA LLC Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Idaho Housing and Finance Association dba HomeLoanServ Reference Number of the Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 5982316 Parcel Number: 110539030 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 9, 2026, 09:00 AM, Public Service Center Gazebo near the corner of Franklin and 13th street, across from the Clark County Courthouse, Clark County Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, the undersigned Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of Clark, State of Washington, to-wit: LOT 15, MCGILLIVRAY HIGHLANDS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME G OF PLATS, PAGE 805, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. APN: 110539030 More commonly known as 14409 SE 15TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98683 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated October 27, 2021, executed by SIDEAN HANG, AN UNMARRIED MAN as Trustor(s), to secure obligations in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for FINANCE OF AMERICA MORTGAGE LLC, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, recorded October 29, 2021 as Instrument No. 5982316 and the beneficial interest was assigned to Idaho Housing and Finance Association (which also dba HomeLoanServ) and recorded April 1, 2026 as Instrument Number 6313964 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Clark County, Washington. II. No action commenced by Idaho Housing and Finance Association (which also dba HomeLoanServ), the current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrowers' or Grantors' default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: FAILURE TO PAY WHEN DUE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WHICH ARE NOW IN ARREARS: DELINQUENT PAYMENT INFORMATION From October 1, 2024 To May 26, 2026 Total Monthly Payment $50,620.00 Total $50,620.00 LATE CHARGE INFORMATION October 1, 2024 May 26, 2026 $853.20 PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: October 27, 2021 Note Amount $378,026.00 Interest Paid To: September 1, 2024 Next Due Date: October 1, 2024 Current Beneficiary: Idaho Housing and Finance Association (which also dba HomeLoanServ) Contact Phone No: (800) 526-7145 Address: 565 W Myrtle St., Boise, ID 83702 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $357,963.11, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured, 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. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on October 9, 2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by September 28, 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 September 28, 2026 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustees' fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers' or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the September 28, 2026 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the current Beneficiary, Idaho Housing and Finance Association (which also dba HomeLoanServ) or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): ADDRESS SIDEAN HANG 14409 SE 15TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98683 OCCUPANT 14409 SE 15TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98683 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SIDEAN HANG 14409 SE 15TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98683 THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION 1000 2ND AVENUE, SUITE 2700, SEATTLE, WA 98104-3601 THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION 1 WEST ELM STREET, FIRST FLOOR, CONSHOHOCKEN, PA 19428 by both first class and certified mail on April 21, 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 April 21, 2026 on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustees' Sale. X. Notice to Occupants or Tenants. The purchaser at the Trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. Notice to Borrower(s) who received a letter under RCW 61.24.031: THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. Mediation MUST be requested between the time you receive the Notice of Default and no later than 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the Notice of Trustee Sale. If an amended Notice of Trustee Sale is recorded providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Washington State Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) Website: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 Website: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Toll-free: 1-800-606-4819 Website: https://nwjustice.org/home Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70.258) may impact residential real property (1-4 residential units) title transfers to covered entities trusts, with reporting requirements unless exempt. https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers Dated: May 26, 2026 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as Duly Appointed Successor Trustee By: Alan Burton, Vice President MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps 606 W. Gowe Street Kent, WA 98032 Toll Free Number: (844) 367-8456 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 For Reinstatement/Pay Off Quotes, contact MTC Financial Inc. DBA Trustee Corps NPP0489736 To: THE REFLECTOR 09/09/2026, 09/30/2026

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137982 NTC Wilkinson

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK No. 26-4-01110-06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)

In the Matter of the Estate of:
BRENDA MARIE WILKINSON, 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 inRCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorneys at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of Court: August 31, 2026
Date of First Publication:
September 9, 2026
Personal Representative:
CHANTAL C. FLETCHER
c/o Rachael A. Young
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137986 NTC McMahon

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK No. 26-4-01085-06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Estate of:
BERYL M. McMAHON,
Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney, at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against the decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Name of Appointed Personal Representative: LILLIAN LEWIS. Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court: 09/01/2026.
Date of First Publication:
09/09/2026. Dated and signed this 31st day of August 2026, by: S/ LILLIAN LEWIS
Personal Representative of the Estate of:
Beryl M. McMahon, Deceased
SUBMITTED BY:
S/ STEVEN M. SOWARDS,
WSBA #20815
DATE 08/27/2026
Attorney for Personal Representative
Boyd, Gaffney, Sowards & Treosti, P.L.L.C.
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PO Box 5
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137988 NTC LaLonde Jr.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARK No. 26-4-01110-06 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)

In the Matter of the Estate of:
LLOYD F. LALONDE, JR.,
Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorneys at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of Filing Copy of Notice to Creditors with Clerk of Court: September 1, 2026
Date of First Publication:
September 9, 2026
Personal Representative:
JANE LALONDE
c/o Rachael A. Young
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137990 NTC Hodgdon

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY NO. 26-4-01044-06 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOANNE CAROL HODGDON
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as 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 creditors 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 the claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Date of First Publication:
September 9, 2026
Personal Representative:
Emily J. Alexander
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Jonathan J. Cavanagh
Address for Mailing or Service:
Cable Huston LLP
1455 SW Broadway,
Suite 1500
Portland, Oregon 97201

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137993 Ord No. 2026-16

BATTLE GROUND CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Ordinance No. 2026-16 Amending Battle Ground Municipal Code Section 17.135.150 Storage of Recreational Vehicles and Trailers in Residential Districts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Corrections; and Establishing an Effective Date

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Battle Ground City Council will hold a public hearing on **Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7:00 p.m** . in the City Council Chambers, 109 SW First Street, Second Floor, Battle Ground. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive testimony on proposed Ordinance No. 2026-16, which would amend Battle Ground Municipal Code Section 17.135.150 and update regulations for storing recreational vehicles and trailers in residential districts. Members of the public may provide testimony in person during the public hearing or submit written public comments on this matter. The submission period for written public comment ends at 1:00 p.m. on **Monday, September 21, 2026**. Written comments should be addressed to the City Clerk's Office at Cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org or by mail to the City of Battle Ground, c/o City Clerk's Office, 109 SW 1st St., Suite 221, Battle Ground, WA 98604, with the heading "Public Comment for Disbursement to the City Council." Further information can be obtained by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (360) 342-5008 or cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org. Please refer to the City Council agenda for meeting instructions.

Información será traducida al español a petición de cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
Информация имеется на русском языке по запросу на cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
如需相关信息的中文版本请来函索取: cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
Gửi yêu cầu nhận thông tin sẵn có bằng tiếng Việt đến cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
Za informacije na bosanskom jeziku obratite se na adresu cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.
Ang impormasyon ay makukuha sa Tagalog sa pamamagitan ng kahilingan sa cityclerk.info@cityofbg.org.

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137994 NTC Boxberger

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 26-4-01074-06

In the Matter of the estate of **PRISCILLA G. BOXBERGER**, 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 provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving 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 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:
September 9, 2026
Personal Representative:
Karl Boxberger
Attorney for Personal Representative: J. Mackenzie Hogan, WSBA #47283
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10300 SW Greenburg Rd., Suite 530, Portland, OR 97223-5486

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq.108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 Trustee Sale No.: WA-26-1051801-RM Title Order No.: 01-26024831 Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 5985995 Parcel Number(s): 158655050 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: LAO PAO XIONG, AN UNMARRIED MAN Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): NewRez LLC Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: NewRez LLC, d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing I.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 10/9/2026, 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, to-wit: LOT 25, ORCHARD ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME "311" OF PLATS, PAGE 181, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. More commonly known as: 13707 NE 65TH ST, VANCOUVER, WA 98682 Subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 11/2/2021, recorded 11/9/2021, under Instrument No. 5985995 records of CLARK County, Washington, from LAO PAO XIONG, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as grantor(s), to CASCADE TITLE COMPANY, as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR BETTER MORTGAGE CORPORATION, ISAOA, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to NewRez LLC, the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6195055 II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $14,737.38. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $161,660.57, together with interest as provided in the Note from 11/1/2025 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 10/9/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 9/28/2026 (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 4/24/2026. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only until 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this Notice of Trustee Sale to be referred to mediation. If this is an amended Notice of Trustee Sale providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: https://nwjustice.org/home Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note-holders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-26-1051801-RM. Dated: 5/28/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-26-1051801-RM Sale Line: 800-280-2832 or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com IDSPub #0315163 9/9/2026 9/30/2026

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq.108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 Trustee Sale No.: WA-25-1027652-SW Title Order No.: CTT25049694 Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 5476640 Parcel Number(s): 101200056 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: LEWIS R GLOSICK AND KAREN J GLOSICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): Planet Home Lending, LLC Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Planet Home Lending, LLC I.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 10/9/2026, 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, to-wit: UNIT 37, BURNT BRIDGE CREST, A CONDOMINIUM RECORDED IN VOLUME "G" OF CONDOMINIUMS, PAGE 743, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION THEREOF, RECORDED UNDER CLARK COUNTY RECORDING NO. AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO: More commonly known as: 5723 NE HAZEL DELL AVE. UNIT B, VANCOUVER, WA 98663 Subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 12/23/2017, recorded 1/5/2018, under Instrument No. 5476640 records of CLARK County, Washington, from LEWIS R GLOSICK AND KAREN J GLOSICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as grantor(s), to CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY , as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR BELEM SERVICING, LLC DBA PATRIOT HOME MORTGAGE, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to Planet Home Lending, LLC, the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6282832. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $44,987.57. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $172,895.97, together with interest as provided in the Note from 5/1/2025 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 10/9/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 9/28/2026 (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 12/2/2025. 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 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 NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only until 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this Notice of Trustee Sale to be referred to mediation. If this is an amended Notice of Trustee Sale providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: https://nwjustice.org/home Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note-holders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-25-1027652-SW. Dated: 6/3/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-25-1027652-SW Sale Line: 800-280-2832 or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com IDSPub #0315261 9/9/2026 9/30/2026

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq.108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 Trustee Sale No.: WA-25-1029913-BB Title Order No.: CTT25053153 Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 6033258 Parcel Number(s): 37919005 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: ABEL COSENTINO, AS HIS SEPARATE ESTATE, UNMARRIED Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): SELENE FINANCE, LP Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Selene Finance, LP I.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned Trustee, will on 10/9/2026, 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, to-wit: THAT PORTION OF LOT 1, LINCOLN PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK C OF PLATS, PAGE 50, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT THAT IS 124 FEET NORTH FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE NORTH 90 FEET; THENCE EAST 213 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 24 FEET; THENCE WEST 72 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 66 FEET; THENCE WEST 141 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE FOLLOWING LEGAL DESCRIPTION SHOWN AND DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST AS FOLLOWS: THAT PORTION OF LOT 1, LINCOLN PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK "C" OF PLATS, PAGE 50, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT THAT IS 124 FEET NORTH FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE NORTH 90 FEET; THENCE EAST 213 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 24 FEET; THENCE WEST 72 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 66 FEET; THENCE WEST 141 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. More commonly known as: 5815 NW GARFIELD AVE, VANCOUVER, WA 98663-1145 Subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 2/18/2022, recorded 3/30/2022, under Instrument No. 6033258 records of CLARK County, Washington, from ABEL COSENTINO, AS HIS SEPARATE ESTATE, UNMARRIED, as grantor(s), to OLD REPUBLIC NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR LADERA LENDING, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to SELENE FINANCE, LP, the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 6298173. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $39,266.26. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $428,047.07, together with interest as provided in the Note from 5/1/2025 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 10/9/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 9/28/2026 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the 9/28/2026 (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 5/4/2026. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale. X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only until 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this Notice of Trustee Sale to be referred to mediation. If this is an amended Notice of Trustee Sale providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in this amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: https://nwjustice.org/home Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note-holders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-25-1029913-BB. Dated: 6/4/2026 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-25-1029913-BB Sale Line: 800-280-2832 or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com IDSPub #0315294 9/9/2026 9/30/2026

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Title Order #: 250302471-WA-MSI

AMENDED NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Grantor: GUIDO E SCIPIONE, A SINGLE PERSON
Current beneficiary of the deed of trust: U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST
Current trustee of the deed of trust: North Star Trustee, LLC
Current mortgage servicer for the deed of trust: Selene Finance, LP
Reference number of the deed of trust: 3642962
Reference number of notice of sale: 6267782
Parcel Number(s): 189888000
I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee, **NORTH STAR TRUSTEE, LLC** will on **10/9/2026**, at **11:00 AM at the Public Service Center Gazebo Clark County, 1300 Franklin St, Vancouver, WA** sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Clark, State of Washington, to-wit: THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 36 WHICH IS 502 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE WEST, 162 FEET; THENCE SOUTH, 128 FEET, THENCE EAST, 162 FEET, THENCE NORTH 123 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED AS: THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 1 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF SECTION 36 WHICH IS 502 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE WEST, 162 FEET; THENCE SOUTH, 128 FEET, THENCE EAST, 162 FEET, THENCE NORTH 128 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
Commonly known as: 4909 NE 101ST CIRCLE VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON 98686
which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 5/15/2003, recorded 5/23/2003, as Instrument No. 3642962, records of Clark County, Washington, from GUIDO E SCIPIONE, A SINGLE PERSON, as Grantor(s), to LS TITLE OF WASHINGTON, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned to U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No. 6118893. 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
Total Monthly Payments Due / TOTAL:
January 1, 2025 - August 14, 2026: $23,140.76
Corporate Advances: $9,369.30
Suspense: ($36.35)
LATE CHARGE INFORMATION
TOTAL LATE CHARGES
TOTAL: $138.28
PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION
Note Dated: 5/15/2003
Note Amount: $119,950.00
Interest Paid To: 12/1/2024
Next Due Date: 1/1/2025
IV.The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: Principal $50,811.93, 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, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on **10/9/2026**. The default(s) referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/28/2026, (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 9/28/2026 (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 9/28/2026 (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 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 addresses:
NAME / ADDRESS
GUIDO SCIPIONE AKA GUIDO E SCIPIONE
4909 NE 101ST CIR
VANCOUVER, WA 98686
GUIDO SCIPIONE AKA GUIDO E SCIPIONE
4909 NE 101ST CIRCLE
VANCOUVER, WA 98686
by both first class and certified mail on 7/1/2025, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served 7/3/2025, 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 and tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants and tenants by summary proceedings under the Unlawful Detainer Act, 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 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 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-HOME (1-877-894-4663) Sitio web: https://www.homeownership-wa.org/ Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (Department of Housing and Urban Development): Teléfono: 1-800-569-4287 Sitio web: https://answers.hud.gov/housingcounseling/s/?language=en_US Línea directa estatal de asistencia legal civil para obtener asistencia y derivaciones a otros asesores de vivienda y abogados: Teléfono: 1-800-606-4819 Sitio web: https://nwjustice.org/home This office is enforcing a security interest of your creditor. To the extent that your obligation has been discharged by a bankruptcy court or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy, this notice is for informational purposes only and does not constitute a demand for payment or any attempt to collect such obligation. **IMPORTANT NOTICE**: **Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit North Star Trustee, LLC from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network. See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320). If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to North Star Trustee, LLC or North Star Trustee, LLC's designated representative. If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n)(10-(11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury. If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale.**
DATED: 08/17/2026
NORTH STAR TRUSTEE, LLC, as Trustee
Kellie Barnes,
Trustee Sale Officer
Address for service:
North Star Trustee, LLC
6100 219th ST SW, Suite 480
Mountlake Terrace,
Washington 98043
Trustee Phone No: (206) 866-5345
Trustee Fax No: (206) 374-2252
Trustee Email:
info@northstartrustee.com
Beneficiary / Servicer Phone:
(877) 735-3637
STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH)
I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Kellie Barnes is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument, on oath stated that she was authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the Trustee Sale Officer of North Star Trustee, LLC to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.
Dated: 08/17/2026
Theresa Stearns
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Washington, residing at Mountlake Terrace, WA
My commission expires 7/11/2029
EPP 48994 Pub Dates 09/09 & 09/30/2026

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Loan No: ******4409
TS No: 25-16930
Order No.: 2719611WAD

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
4/24/2026 NOD Posting Fee $125.00
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

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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
Michelle R. Ghidotti,
Esq., as Trustee
PPP #25-009495

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TS No: 26-39634
Order No.: APN: 126042224

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 RCW

Grantor(s): Jon T Zweiger, a married man as his sole & separate property Current beneficiary of the deed of trust: THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A The Bank of New York as trustee for registered Holders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-5 Current trustee of the deed of trust: Vylla Solutions - Washington, LLC Current mortgage servicer of the deed of trust: Carrington Mortgage Services, LLC Document number(s) of the deed of trust: 3821254 Parcel number(s): 126042224 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on **10/2/2026**, at the hour of **10:00 AM, AT THE PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER GAZEBO CLARK COUNTY, 1300 FRANKLIN ST, VANCOUVER, WA** 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 14, WINCHESTER HILLS, PHASE 2, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN BOOK "310" OF PLATS, PAGE 631, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON.
Commonly known as:
19616 SE 42ND STREET
CAMAS, WA 98607
which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 4/15/2004, recorded 4/30/2004, as Auditor's File No. 3821254,, records of Clark County, Washington, from Jon T Zweiger, a married man as his sole & separate property, as Grantor(s), to Landsafe Title of Washington, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned by Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successor and assigns to THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A The Bank of New York as trustee for registered Holders of CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2004-5, under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No. 5742762. 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: **THE INSTALLMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 11/1/2025 PLUS LATE CHARGES AND ALL SUBSEQUENT INSTALLMENTS AND LATE CHARGES; FAILURE TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES AND INSURANCE, INCLUDING ALL INTEREST DUE THEREON PLUS PENALTIES INCURRED IN THE PROTECTION OF THE SECURITY HEREIN; PROPERTY TAXES AND INSURANCE MUST BE CURRENT AND PROOF OF THE SAME PROVIDED OR REIMBURSEMENT FOR ADVANCES MADE, WILL BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE OF REINSTATEMENT; ATTORNEY'S FEES INCURRED IN THE PROTECTION OF THE SECURITY HEREIN; AND ANY RECURRING OBLIGATIONS.** Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: $29,756.55 (together with any subsequent payments, late charges, advances, costs and fees thereafter due). IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The Principal $97,933.78, together with interest as provided in the Note from 11/1/2025, 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. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on **10/2/2026**. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/21/2026, (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 9/21/2026 (11 days before the sale) the default(s) 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 9/21/2026 (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):
NAME
Jon T Zweiger, a married man as his sole & separate property
ADDRESS
19616 SE 42ND STREET
CAMAS, WA 98607
NAME
Jon T Zweiger
ADDRESS
19616 SE 42ND STREET
CAMAS WA 98607
by both first class and certified mail on , 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 objection to the 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 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. Website: http://www.homeownership.wa.gov The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Telephone: (800) 569-4287. Website:. http://www.hud.gov The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone:(800) 606-4819. Website: http ://nwjustice.org/get-legal-help Please be advised that the trustee may require entity or trust bidders at this trustee's sale to provide information, documentation and/or certification of the vesting instructions and the data required to be reported pursuant to FinCEN regulations effective for transfers of residential real property to covered transferees on or after March 1, 2026. The required information must be provided to the trustee before a trustee's deed will be issued for covered transfers. The Buyer may be required to pay charges associated with the gathering and reporting of information to FinCEN. Additional information regarding these regulations and the required transferee information and certifications can be found at https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers and https ://www.fincen.gov/rre-faqs#D_5
DATED: 6/4/2026
Vylla Solutions -
Washington, LLC
11335 NE 122nd Way,
Suite 105
Kirkland, WA 98034
Phone No: (888) 313-1969
Andrea Noveron,
Trustee Sale Specialist
PPP #26-005641

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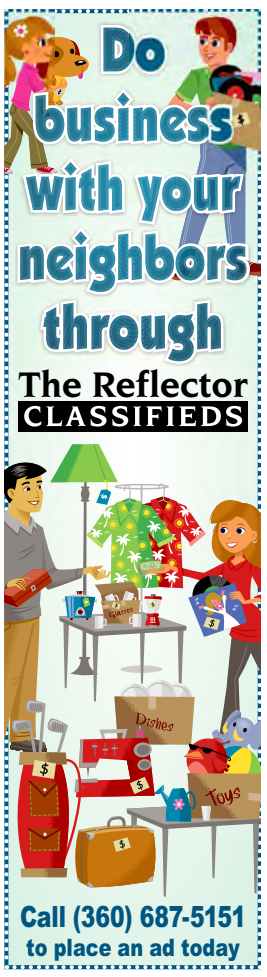
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 RCW

Grantor: Matthew Shine
And Rebecca Shine,
Husband And Wife
Current Beneficiary of Deed of Trust: Bungalow Funding, LLC
Current Mortgage Servicer for the Deed of Trust: Valon Mortgage, Inc. 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: 6073824 Parcel Number(s): 37300-940 Abbr. Legal Description: LOT 50 BLK 4 Harney Heights E/66 **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 **10/9/2026**, at **11:00 AM** at **THE PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER GAZEBO CLARK COUNTY, 1300 FRANKLIN ST, VANCOUVER, WA** 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 50, BLOCK 4, HARNEY HEIGHTS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN VOLUME E OF PLATS, PAGE 66, RECORDS OF CLARK COUNTY, WASHINGTON. SITUATE IN THE CITY OF VANCOUVER, COUNTY OF CLARK, STATE OF WASHINGTON. Commonly known as: 1520 E 16th Place
Vancouver, Washington 98661
which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 8/23/2022, recorded 8/26/2022, under Auditor's File No. 6073824, records of Clark County, Washington, from Matthew Shine And Rebecca Shine, Husband And Wife, as Grantor(s), to WFG National Title Company Of Clark County, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR POINT MORTGAGE CORPORATION BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned to Bungalow Funding, 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
8/1/2025
THRU
(blank)
NO.PMT
10
AMOUNT
$2,416.85
TOTAL
$24,168.50
BENEFICIARY'S ADVANCES, COSTS AND EXPENSES
DESCRIPTION/ADVANCE AMOUNT
5/20/2026 Nonsufficient Funds Fees $20.00
5/20/2026 Exterior Property Inspection-Delinquent Loan Fee $60.00
5/20/2026 Non-Judicial Foreclosure Attorney Fees $697.50
5/20/2026 Unapplied Balance ($2,060.24)
5/20/2026 Late Fees $295.02
ESTIMATED FORECLOSURE FEES & COSTS
5/20/2026 Trustee's Fees $510.00
5/20/2026 NOD Posting Fee $125.00
5/20/2026 T.S.G. Fee $1,053.18
5/20/2026 Record Assignment of Deed of Trust $303.00
5/20/2026 Record Substitution of Trustee $301.00
5/20/2026 Mailing Service Fee $73.60
5/20/2026 Trustee's Fees $935.00
5/20/2026 Notice of Default Mailings $162.28
TOTAL DUE AS OF: 5/20/2026 $26,643.84
IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $319,992.51, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured from 7/1/2025, 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 10/9/2026. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 9/28/2026, (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 9/28/2026 (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 9/28/2026 (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
MATTHEW SHINE
3314 SE 19TH ST APT S7
VANCOUVER, WA 98683-6590
Matthew Shine
1520 E 16th Pl
Vancouver, WA 98661-4738
Matthew Shine
1520 E 16th Place
Vancouver, Washington 98661
Matthew Shine
1620 E. 16th Place
Vancouver, WA 98661
Matthew Shine
1650 SE TACOMA ST APT 104
PORTLAND, OR 97202-6778
Matthew Shine
6955 SW NYBERG ST APT T102
TUALATIN, OR 97062-8232
MATTHEW SHINE
6965 SW NYBERG ST APT U201
TUALATIN, OR 97062-8337
Occupant
1520 E 16th Place
Vancouver, Washington 98661
Rebecca L Bennett
1520 E. 16th Pl
Vancouver, WA 98661
Rebecca L Bennett
1620 E 16th Pl
Vancouver, WA 98661
Rebecca Shine
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Unknown Spouse and/or Domestic Partner
Matthew Shine
1520 E. 16th Place,
Vancouver, WASHINGTON 98661
Unknown Spouse and/or Domestic Partner
Rebecca Shine
1520 E. 16th Place,
Vancouver, WASHINGTON 98661
by both first class and certified mail on 4/21/2026, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and on 4/21/2026 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://prestigepostandpub.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: (949) 776-4697**
THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
DATED: 5/26/2026
Michelle R. Ghidotti, Esq.
1920 Old Tustin Avenue
Santa Ana, CA 92705
Phone: (206) 331-3280
Fax: (949) 427-2732
Michelle R. Ghidotti,
Esq., as Trustee
PPP #26-004365

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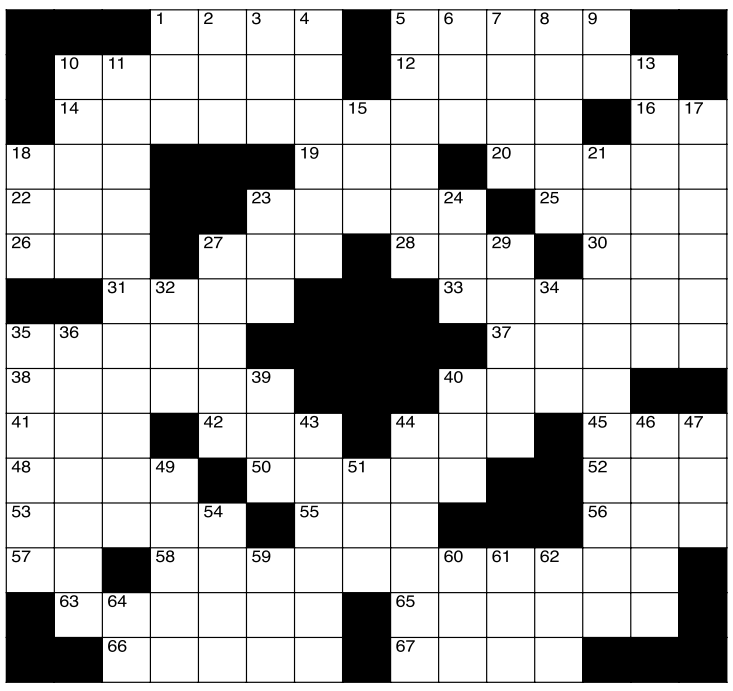
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10. A way of looking
12. Properly
14. Rolled steel
16. Not down
18. Law degree
19. Consume food
20. Intermediate ecological stage
22. Old world, new
23. Dispense justice
25. Stiff hair-like structure
26. Ethiopia
27. Cool!
28. Father
30. An enthusiastic devotee of sports
31. Holm oak
33. Be united
35. Rattling breaths
37. Supermarket chain
38. Provided with a quality
40. Samoan monetary unit
41. Swiss river
42. Hill (Celtic)
44. Have already done
45. ATM company
48. Syngman __, Korean president
50. Very willing
52. Arctic explorers (abbr.)
53. Food listings
55. Bachelor's place to crash
56. Big Blue
57. Sports magazine
58. Relating to a place north of south of the equator
63. Female follower of Bacchus
65. A type of laugh
66. Slovenly women
67. Large jug

CLUES DOWN

1. Boxing's GOAT
2. Zero
3. Midway between north and northeast
4. Concurred
5. Added flavor
6. Amount of time
7. Eggs of parasitic insects
8. S-shaped moldings
9. Atomic #45
10. __ d'art: small artistic item
11. A godparent's "kids"
13. Nocturnal burrowing lizard
15. Hit lightly
17. Aircrafts
18. Witness
21. Alluding to something
23. Take to the limit
24. Baglike structure in a plant or animal
27. Start over
29. Administered
32. Romanian monetary unit
34. Unit of liquid capacity
35. Equips with weapons again
36. Disney town
39. Female deer
40. Title of respect
43. A place to go rafting
44. A way to conclude
46. Type of television
47. Georgia rockers
49. Leonhard __, Swiss mathematician
51. Slang for gun
54. River in Bosnia and Herzegovina
59. Bar bill
60. Small, gray-headed crow
61. Frozen water
62. Norwegian krone
64. Commercial

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Battle Ground schools approve budget with $14 million gap

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The Battle Ground Public Schools Board of Directors approved a $227 million budget that relies on fund balance reserves to cover a $14 million gap between projected revenue and expenditures as the district enters its first full school year without local levy funding.

The board voted 5-0 on Monday, Aug. 24, to approve the 2026-27 budget following a public hearing. The general fund budget projects $212,992,846 in revenue and $227,003,616 in expenditures, leaving expenditures $14,010,770 higher than revenue.

Michelle Scott, the district's financial administrator, said the budget was shaped by the loss of levy revenue and reductions already made by the district.

The district's February election "required a $20 million reduction in programs, in addition to the already $14 million that we had already done, and then use of fund balance reserves," Scott said.

The 2026-27 school year will be

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Rockin' Youth Rodeo brings hundreds of young competitors to Battle Ground

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What began in 2021 as an effort to give young people in Clark County an opportunity to get involved in rodeo has grown into one of the largest youth rodeos in the Pacific Northwest.

The Rockin' Youth Rodeo returned last weekend from Friday, Aug. 28, through Sunday, Aug. 30, at the Clark County Saddle Club in Battle Ground, bringing an estimated 270 competitors from across Washington, Oregon and Idaho, according to organizer Lacy Keller.

"We started it in 2021, just as we felt like there was a need to have an opportunity for kids in rodeo, especially in Clark County," Keller said. "And so we started, you know, we have events and opportunities for kids, especially the little littles, which is really unique a lot of times."

The event includes children at a variety of ages and skill levels, including some of the youngest participants in the sport.

"I feel like the little littles are overlooked, and by little littles, I mean like we have kids that sometimes aren't even 1 year old out there on a little pony," Keller said.

The rodeo is designed not only as a competition, but as

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A Rockin' Youth Rodeo competitor awaits his run in the pole bending event at the Clark County Saddle Club in Battle Ground on Saturday, Aug. 29.

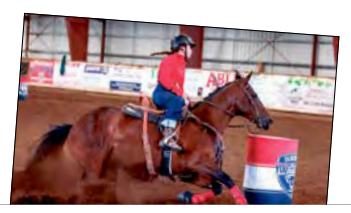
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Youth compete in the pole bending event during the Rockin' Youth Rodeo at the Clark County Saddle Club in Battle Ground on Saturday, Aug. 29.

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A youth competitor makes the final turn around a barrel during the barrel racing event in the Rockin' Youth Rodeo at the Clark County Saddle Club in Battle Ground on



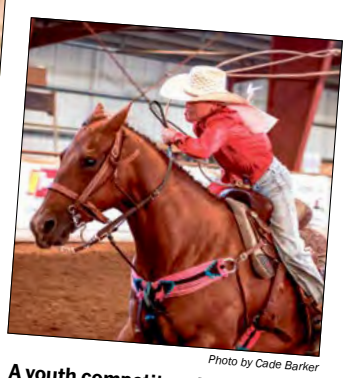


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A youth competitor chases down a calf in an attempt to rope the neck during the rope breakaway event in the Rockin' Youth



