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Not tennis weather

A small herd of deer watches warily as walkers pass nearby the spot in Coulee Dam's Cole Park where they had bedded down near the tennis courts to wait out Sunday's snowfall. Low temperatures will return, along with various probabilities of more snow from Saturday through next Tuesday, according to the Weather Watcher Forecast on page 8. — Scott Hunter photo

Library would like to hear from you

North Central Regional Library would like to hear from you.

The five-county library district is currently working on a new strategic plan and would like to hear what the public thinks of its libraries and what they'd like to see in the future.

The organization operates Grand Coulee's public library.

A public survey is now available online

at www.ncrl.org, and copies in English and Spanish can be picked up at any of the district's 30 branch libraries in Chelan, Douglas, Grant, Okanogan and Ferry counties.

The survey asks questions about which libraries people use, how often they visit, and why they go there (such as to attend programs, check out books or use public computers). It also asks what library services are most important to people, and what they would like to

see added or expanded.

NCRL hopes to have all surveys returned by Feb. 1.

The survey result will help the library district create a long-range plan that will guide public spending priorities in the future.

For additional information about the survey or strategic planning process, patrons can call NCRL Deputy Director Barbara Walters at 509-663-1117, extension 129.

Area burglaries spiked in 2016

by Roger S. Lucas

Grand Coulee's police department showed a marked increase in the number of burglaries reported in its jurisdiction (which includes Electric City) in 2016 over what it reported for 2015, according to records released last week.

The report, which included Electric City, showed there were 42 attempted and actual burglaries for 2016, compared to 23 for 2015, an 82-percent hike.

Burglary records for Coulee

Dam were not available for 2016, but the number of burglaries in 2015 was shown as six.

Police have stated that the spike in burglaries is thought largely to be drug related, with burglars trying to obtain articles that they can sell to obtain money to feed their habits.

The same general address on Hill Avenue in Grand Coulee showed four burglaries for last year.

A general total of nine burglaries were reported for the Burdin

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Colville Tribes to pay \$250K in settlement

by Scott Hunter

The Colville Tribes will repay the federal government nearly a quarter million dollars to settle allegations it submitted false Medicaid claims in connection with bills submitted by a mental health contractor for services allegedly never rendered, U.S. Attorney Michael Ormsby announced in Spokane late Tuesday.

The tribes, which have not admitted to any wrongdoing, agreed to pay \$245,860 for alleged "billing irregularities" between January and August 2010, said a press release from Ormsby, the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington.

At the time, the tribes were using an independent contractor from Omak, Washington, for "child mental health encounter sessions," the U.S. attorney said. The tribes submitted that contractor's invoices for payment

from the Washington State Medicaid Program, which uses federal funds.

"In 2010, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), along with the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) and the U.S. Attorney's Office, began an investigation into allegations that the contractor falsely documented weekly billing invoices for alleged encounter sessions, which the contractor submitted to the CCT for child mental health counseling sessions which were either not provided or were not medically indicated or necessary," Ormsby's office said.

That office, along with the FBI and the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, found bills for a 10-week "summer group course, with the same curriculum, year after year, and for the same children" that indicated "mental health sessions had been individually provided to each of the children," the U.S.

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Newsbriefs

Mayor Wilder chairs board

Coulee Dam Mayor Greg Wilder was named chairman of the Regional Board of Mayors and presided over the group's first meeting of 2017 Monday afternoon.

No rate increase

The Regional Board of Mayors received word Monday that Sunrise Disposal didn't plan on raising its garbage collection rates for 2017.

Councilman says different rate discussed

Jesse Tillman, a councilman at Elmer City, stated last week that his research showed that the average hourly rate for city clerks was \$14 an hour. The minutes of the council meeting showed that he had stated it to be \$12 an hour. The discussion came up Dec. 8, when the town council there was considering an increase for town clerk Gary Benton from \$17.50 an hour to \$19.50 an hour. The increase was granted by the council.

About that trailer ... maybe

The Regional Board of Mayors is going to take a second look at purchasing another trailer for the Delano Regional Station. Manager Randy Gumm had requested the purchase of one this year, but the mayors didn't put it in the 2017 budget. On Monday the four mayors agreed to look at the request again in their February meeting.

Commissioners sworn in

Grant PUD commissioners Tom Flint and Dale Walker, who were both re-elected during the general election last November, took their oaths of office during the commissioner meeting Tuesday.

Flint, a fifth-generation farmer in Grant County, is the commissioner of the A-At Large District. He joined the commission after being elected to the board in the fall of 2000. His term expires in 2020.

Walker is the commissioner for District No. 2, around Moses Lake. He was first elected to the commission in the fall of 2010.

He is a long-time resident of Grant County, having been actively involved in agriculture and agriculture research. His family was involved in the development of the Columbia Basin Project. His term expires in 2022.

Annual Balde Eagle Festival set

The annual Balde Eagle festival will be held in Grand Coulee Thursday, Feb. 16, and in Davenport on Friday, Feb. 17, according to National Park Service Education Specialist Janice Elvidge.

Events on both days are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Elvidge said the event, which educates kids in cooperation with local schools, can use help from volunteers in several areas:

- Housing is needed in the Grand Coulee Dam area for one man with at least one

bird. He's new to the festival this year, she said, and will need one room for two to three nights, depending on weather.

- Site coordinators are needed for programs at the Ridge Riders facility, the Vet Center in Electric City, and St. Henry's Catholic Church. Site coordinators need to be at their site at 8 a.m. to assist with any setup. They then meet each group, get numbers and basic information, and then help the presenter as needed. It is especially helpful for the coordinator to have a personal cell phone, as none of the sites

have telephones.

- In Davenport, an assistant is needed to help during the day.
- Grand Coulee and Davenport lunch sponsors are needed. (Lunch is provided for each speaker and site coordinator.)

Those willing to help can contact Elvidge at 509-754-7848 or 509-631-4229. Or they can contact new Education Ranger Dorea Martin at 509-754-7843 or by email at dorea_martin@nps.gov.

School district seeks public input

Survey available soon

by Roger S. Lucas

Patrons of the Grand Coulee Dam School District will soon have an opportunity to officially comment on local schools.

The district just recently prepared a survey, which will be online, covering a number of topics relating to different aspects of schools.

The survey follows up Superintendent Paul Turner's efforts to communicate more directly with staff and patrons of the school district. Turner, who took over duties of superintendent last August, stated then that "communications" was one of his top priorities in the months ahead.

The district's board of directors also plans to use the survey information to help reshape its strategic plan, which outlines the direction the district is going in education and how it is going to get there.

Each year the district's board of directors updates its strategic plan to take advantage of current educational trends and community school

challenges, and finds a way to incorporate them into the local plan.

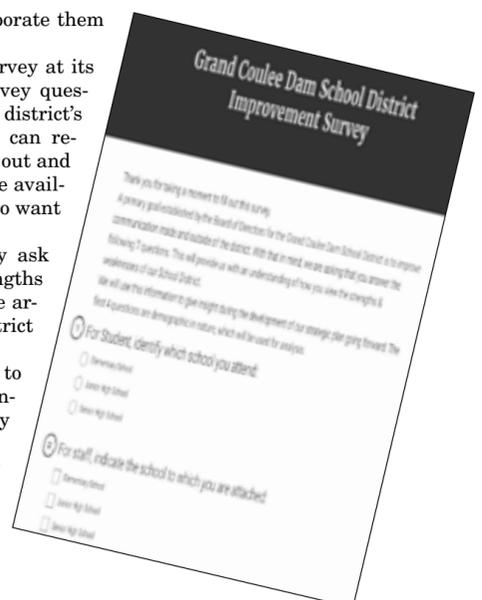
The school board approved the survey at its meeting Monday night, and the survey questions will soon be reachable from the district's webpage at www.gcdsd.org. Patrons can respond to the survey online or print it out and mail it in. Copies of the survey will be available at the district office for those who want a hard copy.

The nuts and bolts of the survey ask staff and patrons to name three strengths of local schools, and also for the three areas where respondents think the district can make improvements.

The survey also asks respondents to identify the level of school — elementary, junior high, or senior high — they identify with and their age grouping.

The information from the survey will be tabulated for the school board and made available to the public.

Turner encouraged everyone to take part in the survey.





A map showing the approximate locations of burglaries in Grand Coulee and Electric City in 2016. — Map data © Google Maps 2017

Burglaries Continued from front page

Boulevard and B Street areas. Twelve of the burglaries reported for 2016 were in Electric City. These were scattered throughout the city. Twenty-five of the burglaries still are listed as “active,” indicat-

ing that police are still working on those cases. Police reported that favorite targets recently have been storage units, where burglars use cutting tools to take out locks and then rummage around the units

to see what they can take that might be sellable later. While most burglaries occur in the evening hours, many are reported in daytime hours.

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Attorney Office said. “As alleged, the CCT submitted claims for payment of these false individual counseling sessions to Medicaid based on the falsified invoices.”

The investigating agencies found that the sessions “were not clinically directed, did not address the patients’ diagnoses, and had little to no clinical value,” and that the CCT “was allegedly complacent in its supervision and review of their counseling contractor’s work.”

The allegations are related to the 2014 conviction of Debra Van Brunt-Oreiro, of Omak, who was sentenced to five years probation for filing false income tax returns and ordered to pay \$250,172 in unpaid taxes to the IRS.

owner-operator of ADJR Counseling Services in Omak, and provided mental health counseling and therapy services to Colville Confederated Tribal (CCT) members and non-members.

She filed false income tax returns for 2006, 2007 and 2008, which under-reported income she received from the CCT by approximately \$575,616. She also failed to file a 2009 federal income tax return, even though she earned approximately \$233,737 in income that year, Ormsby’s office announced at the time.

According to its Voluntary Tribal Compliance Agreement with the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the CCT will designate a compliance

officer and committee, have an annual review performed by an independent review organization, will establish internal policies and procedures, and will submit annual reports to HHS.

“Fraudulent schemes such as those alleged here drain scarce Medicaid dollars and jeopardize the program’s ability to provide necessary medical care,” said OIG-HHS’s Special Agent in Charge Steven J. Ryan. “Today’s settlement with CCT will help protect tribal children and the program upon which they depend.”

Tribal Business Council Chairman Mike Marchand could not be reached for comment late Tuesday.

Weather forces delays at GCD and Nespelem schools

by Roger S. Lucas

Old Man Winter interrupted Monday’s start of school, forcing a two-hour delay because of snow at both Grand Coulee Dam and Nespelem schools.

In Coulee Dam, interim bus manager George Davis said roads in general were bad in all directions. He singled out roads in the Nespelem area, Del-

rio, Grand Coulee/Delano area, upper Electric City and “just roads everywhere.”

Electric City, Grand Coulee and Coulee Dam city crews were hard at it Monday morning trying to keep streets open. It wasn’t necessarily the depth of the snow, but finding room to move it into.

It was the first “snow delay” of the season, a rare occurrence in the district.

NPS to present plan for Ice Age Floods trail

Local trail info to be presented too

by Roger S. Lucas

Community members are encouraged to attend an Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail informational meeting Jan. 23 in Coulee Dam.

The national project is to tell the story of the Ice Age Floods, which includes 16,000 square miles in four states and, locally, formed the Grand Coulee.

The meeting in two weeks will feature a report from National Park Service’s Denise Bausch, who will speak on the NPS’ long-range interpretive plan for the trail system.

The meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 23, from 1-3 p.m., in the community room at Coulee Dam Town Hall.

Bausch will give a 45-minute presentation followed by a question-and-answer period.

The meeting will also include short presentations by the city of Electric City, the Coulee Area Park & Recreation District, Coulee Dam Town Council members David Schmidt and Gayle Swagerty, and the chamber of commerce’s Economic Development Council.

Electric City Deputy City Clerk

Russell Powers said Monday that he will report on the city’s plan to develop a trail system with an Ice Age Floods theme through the city, which includes parks and recreation plans. The city has been working on its plan for a year and has had several community meetings. The city has designated \$400,000 from its hotel/motel fund to springboard the trail’s development.

Bob Valen, of CAPRD, will speak about developing a part-

nership with the NPS and developing some wayside exhibits, and also building community support.

The two Coulee Dam councilmembers plan to discuss what is going on in their town in regard to trail development.

A member of the Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Council will also participate in the discussions.

The meeting is being coordinated by Tiffany Quilter of the Grant County Health District.

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Flu

A community guide for prevention and care

From the desk of Infection Control
Sandy Edwards, RN

Vaccination is the best protection against the Flu. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that everyone age 6 months and older has an annual flu vaccine. A nasal-spray vaccine is an option for healthy children ages 2 and up, as well as for healthy nonpregnant adults through age 49. Talk with your healthcare provider.

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Public comment period extended for scoping input for the Columbia River System Operations Environmental Impact Statement

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation and the Bonneville Power Administration are seeking your help to shape our basin’s future. Together, the three agencies operate 14 federal multi-purpose projects on the Columbia and Snake rivers, known as the Columbia River System, that serve the region with flood risk management, navigation, power generation, irrigation, fish and wildlife conservation, recreation, and municipal and industrial water supply.

We are preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to review the environmental and socioeconomic effects of the long-term system operations and configurations of these projects.

To begin this process, the three agencies are hosting public scoping meetings throughout the basin. If you were unable to attend a scoping meeting in your area, you can also find information about the NEPA process and about the way we currently operate the system posted on our website at www.crso.info. You can also use the website to provide us comments that can help define the issues, concerns and thoughts on system operations for consideration in the EIS.

Based on requests from a number of interested organizations, we have extended the scoping comment period to Feb. 7, 2017, in order to allow more time for development and submission of written comments.

After the scoping period ends, we will carefully review the comments received to help inform a range of alternatives and impacts to resources for evaluation in the EIS. We are committed to considering all regional perspectives and to running an open and transparent public process. To that end, we will continue to provide opportunities for meaningful engagement and dialogue with the region after the scoping comment period closes. We all have a stake in the operation of the system and the environmental health of the Columbia River Basin, so we encourage and look forward to hearing your thoughts and comments.

If you have already shared your thoughts, we thank you! If you have not yet shared your perspective, there is still time to do so. Again, the revised public comment period for scoping will now conclude Feb. 7, 2017.

Please go to the website for information about the NEPA process, or send your comments to comment@crso.info. You also may mail your written comments to CRSO EIS, P.O. Box 2870, Portland, OR 97208-2870.

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OPINION

Avoiding déjà vu all over again

The late Yogi Berra coined the phrase, "It's déjà vu all over again!" It is used extensively to describe political miscues.

Case in point: ObamaCare. Recently, the Wall Street Journal's Kimberley Strassel wrote a column describing President Obama's failure with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). "The vision of the president calling on his party members to — yet again — lay down their political lives for his 'signature' law was a reminder of how this disaster began."

Unfortunately, Republicans, who now control Congress and the White House, may be poised to repeat the same mistakes Obama and Democrats made in 2010 when they jammed the ACA through Congress — important sections unwritten and devoid of Republican input.

When the President signed the law on March 23, 2010, most members of Congress had no time to skim, let alone read, the bill. It was 2,700 pages which changed by the minute.

Then House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) admitted she was waiting to pass ACA to learn what was in it. That statement summarized the predicament of lawmakers, eroded public confidence and caused a strong backlash among voters.

President-elect Donald Trump and Republicans, holding the majority on Capitol Hill, now find themselves in the Democrats' shoes. They are poised to act swiftly to repeal Obamacare and replace it with something yet to be defined.

Democrats and Republicans must realize that making healthcare affordable and available is an "American" issue, not a political football. The stakeholders are not just party-line voters, but people from every circumstance in life and all parts of our nation.

Elected officials must bring all interests together and work diligently to find practical and affordable solutions. The goal needs to be: keep what is working and thoughtfully design and implement new solutions to fix what is not.

It can't wait. ObamaCare may fall of its own financial weight. Our federal government owes over \$20 trillion and the ACA subsidies will reach \$42.6

billion this year, which is up from \$32.8 billion in 2016, the Center for Health and Economy reports.

According to the Washington Policy Center, 170,000 people in our state receive health insurance through the state exchange and most of these people receive federal subsidies. Another 600,000 Washingtonians were placed in the expanded Medicaid program, where 90 percent of the costs are paid by federal taxpayers.

While Trump and GOP lawmakers are eager to fix health care, they must be surgical in their approach and sell workable strategies to the public.

It is possible. Washington state lawmakers did it in the early 1980s.

At the time, the insurance gap was among the "working poor" — people earning too much to qualify for Medicaid, but in low-wage jobs offering no health insurance. In 2016, those individuals would earn between \$12,000 and \$24,000 yearly.

Employers and people with health insurance paid higher premiums. Providers had to raise rates to recover costs for the uninsured. Meanwhile, our state Legislature struggled just to fund Medicaid.

Lawmakers, health experts, doctors, hospitals, insurers and employers worked together and came up with the "Basic Health Plan." The legislation passed in 1987 and was fully implemented in 1993. Between 1999 and 2009, the BHP covered over a half million people.

The BHP had its share of problems. As expenses mounted, subsidized premiums rose and the waiting list grew, state budget cuts took a toll. However, the process used to develop it is one to emulate.

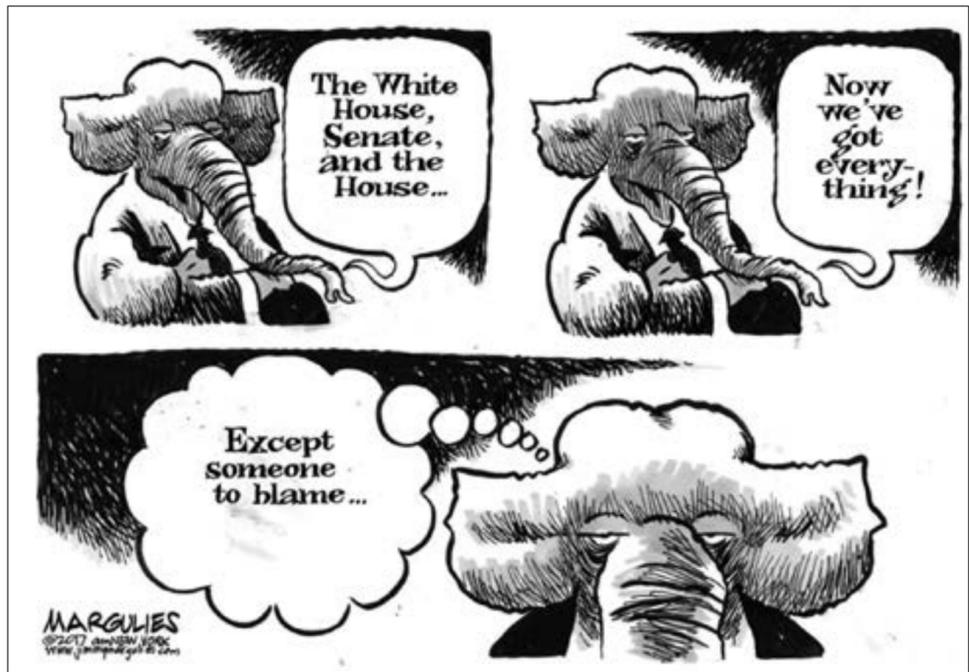
As Strassel concluded: "Long before ObamaCare cratered on the merits, it had failed in the court of public opinion — because of both the manner and the means by which it became law."

Hopefully, that is a lesson learned.

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Guest Column

by Don C. Brunell



Senior Profile: Aiyanna Picard

As we start the New Year I wanted to highlight some of the seniors in this year's class at Lake Roosevelt who are succeeding and striving to make a difference in their own lives. I choose Aiyanna Picard because, well, she is "The Legend," and we kind of have a history with each other.

A long time ago, when I worked with Colville Tribal Emergency Services, we got a call about a lost girl. To make a long story short, this girl was lost for a few days in the woods, and hundreds were called in to look for her. She was found and was perfectly fine, just hungry and cold. That girl was Aiyanna, and that is how she received her nickname "The Legend" from the "Voice of the Raiders."

I sat down with Aiyanna and asked her how things were going. She had a lot to say and had that unforgettable smile on her face the whole time. It is a contagious smile that makes you want to smile right along with her. The only time that smile disappears is on the volleyball court when she is spiking down the ball on the opponent's side of the net. Volleyball has become her passion, and volleyball is what she would love to do at the next level. She also wants to be a nurse. She wants to help people and has a big heart to help others, and nursing seems the perfect fit for her.

When I asked her about her senior year she said, "It's going great, some road bumps but every senior has them, but I feel like I am finishing strong!" She also added "It has been a very fun year and I have liked it so far." She credited all the teachers and staff at Lake Roosevelt for her success, but pointed out Mrs. Whitelaw for really influencing her. "She really helped me discover who I am as a person and what I want to be," Aiyanna said. "Her character and the

way she teaches really challenges you to be better, and I just love the way she interacts with us." Great words from a great student.

It has not all been easy for Aiyanna. She lost her father, Francis Picard, at a young age, and that has been her biggest hurdle to overcome so far. As she spoke about him her smile got even bigger as she fought back the emotions that I knew were there. "It was hard, but as I got older I just knew he was there with me, and that made me want to work harder to succeed. I wanted to be a better person for him and for my future." I know she is making him proud.

Our talk was brief, but not really; we have spoken many times over her high school career. She is the kind of student whom everyone gravitates to and respects for the decisions she makes. She is currently applying for scholarships and colleges, and is looking for a school to give her the right opportunity. She has advice too. For future seniors: "Keep up on your work," she advises. "There is a deadline for a reason, and in college or in the real world you must meet those deadlines if you want to succeed. And the teachers here at LR are just trying to prepare you for the next level."

I, for one, cannot wait to see where she lands and how she affects the world. As a nurse, as a volleyball player or anything else she wants to do, I know that she will succeed and rock the world with her determination, passion and that awesome smile. I also know that her dad and the rest of her friends and family are so proud of her and can't wait to see what other legendary things she accomplishes. Keep smiling, Legend, and go make us all proud.

Jess, shut up!

Jesse Utz



Our system comes with no guarantees

There are a lot of dire predictions about our representative democracy out there. We're just past a presidential election campaign in which candidates complained about a rigged political system. Now, commentators worry about the imminent failure of the American experiment.

I don't agree with these predictions of calamity. Our representative democracy is not on the verge of collapse. But I do see stresses and tensions that should concern anyone who cares about our system of self-government. Our representative democracy has been remarkably stable and successful for over 200 years, but that is no guarantee it will survive and prosper.

The mere fact that this nation is filled with so many citizens who have lost confidence in key institutions is worrisome. The Gallup organization's ongoing polling has found declines in public confidence over the past few decades in everything from the Supreme Court and Congress to the police and even the military. It shows a pervasive drop in public regard for the institutions that undergird American life.

The reasons stem in part from a declining willingness among the people who inhabit those institutions to observe the norms of behavior that evoke public confidence. This is notable especially on Capitol Hill and in political life, where the parties seem to have abandoned fair play and taken to using institutions to maximize partisan advantage. In the Senate, the recent refusal even to hold hearings on the President's nominee to the Supreme Court brought the lack of comity between branches to a new low.

Politicians engage in a degree of partisanship that a few decades ago would have disqualified them in the eyes of the voting public. They attack opposing politicians' patriotism, impugn their loyalty, accuse them of criminal activity, question the fairness of the election process itself — with virtually no evidence — and seek to undermine their effectiveness in office. Small wonder that elected

officials' legitimacy is increasingly called into question among the public at large.

If we had a media that prized both the vigilance and impartiality it displayed during its heyday, these tendencies might not run so rampant. Similarly, if politicians were willing to negotiate, compromise, and search for remedies to the nation's challenges, then our current dysfunctional inability to get things done would be less of a hallmark of these times.

Yet too many politicians seem fine with dysfunction. They appear more interested in holding power than in using it to solve problems. They reject the norms of behavior in a civil society — for example, the New York politician who wished President Obama dead of Mad Cow Disease. They sidestep accountability and transparency: tweeting their stances rather than facing hard questions, avoiding press conferences that would give reporters a chance to hold them to account, preferring public rallies to the give and take that allows the public to examine and scrutinize their stances.

All of this poses real challenges to the system. So what might be done to restore public faith in its fairness, justness and decency?

Paul Light, a professor of public service at New York Uni-

versity, recently came out with a paper, "What Americans Want from Government Reform," that reinforces the proposals many reformers have been pushing in recent years. His list of fixes that would enjoy support among ordinary Americans in both parties includes reducing the role of money in elections, boosting ethical constraints on elected officials, reducing waste and inefficiency, finding ways to increase the voices of ordinary citizens, and ensuring that civil servants and political appointees are qualified and competent.

Americans don't expect miracles. They just want the basic features of government to work. But here's the thing: making this happen is up to us. Politicians may be directly responsible for the problems above, but you and I as voters allow them to get away with it. We voted them into office, kept them there, and paid little attention to their shenanigans.

The problem is not just the politicians. It's us, too. The first words of the Constitution read, "We the People," not "We the Government." It's up to us to strive for a more perfect union, and to be vigilant about these adverse tendencies that threaten to undermine our representative democracy.

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Let's start out with a quick look back at 2016 weather, shall we? What really stands out for me in 2016 was the amount of precipitation we received. Our area averages 10.55 inches annually. Well, that changed and will likely change the overall average as well. We had three months with really good precipitation — January: 2.15 inches as measured by my personal weather station (1.90 inches as measured by the official weather station at the Bureau of Reclamation), March: 2.70 inches (1.82) and October: 3.60 inches (3.98).

Our total precipitation for 2016 was 14.89 inches (14.24). Total snow for the winter of 2015-16 was 17.6 inches (19.3). More telling is the wide variance in those numbers. My personal weather station is three-and-a-half miles from the official weather station and 130 feet lower, a short distance, though measurable differences.

The high and low temperatures for 2016 were 102.3°F (June) and 2.2°F (December). We broke into triple digits in June (102.3), July (100.7) and August (100.2). We had single-digit readings in January (5.2°) and in December (2.2°). Yep, the weather can vary considerably here in the Coulee. Of course, I think you already know that!

I want to say thank you to the folks with the Bureau of Reclamation who, on a daily basis, gather weather data at our only official weather station; it's greatly appreciated.

Now, let's look at December

2016. A high temperature of 43.8°F came on the 4th. A low of 2.2°F occurred on the 16th. Our mean was 24.6°F, cooler than our average mean of 29.5°F. The all-time low was -16°F in 1968. I measured 11.8 inches of snow fall with a Snow Water Equivalency (SWE) of 0.82 inches.

We've experienced cold temperatures recently. Cold, like heat, can cause real harm to us humans. Add some wind to the cold equation and we should really be cautious. Here are some things to look out for:

Frostbite: It first affects exposed body tissue where blood circulation may be limited, such as your fingers, toes, nose and ears.

Make sure all body parts are well covered. When frostbite starts, feeling is lost in the affected area and your skin will be white or pale looking. If you suspect you are experiencing frostbite, hold the frostbitten area closely against warm skin and get into a warmer environment.

Hypothermia: Low body temperature is the most common winter weather killer. Most people are surprised to learn that hypothermia deaths can occur with temperatures between 30 and 50 degrees. If you or your clothing are wet, then hypothermia becomes even more likely. Warning signs to watch for include uncontrollable shivering, memory loss, disorientation, slurred speech and drowsiness. Seek out medical attention for victims suspected of suffering from hypothermia. If you can't do that, the victim should be warmed slowly with warm liquids along with dry clothing and blankets.

Sixty-six years ago

Spillway bucket repair. Inside a floating caisson showing portion of damage to surface of the bucket v

— Jan. 6, 1951.



Obituaries

Barbara Marie Lackner



Barbara Marie Lackner passed away Monday, January 2, 2017, after a courageous battle with cancer. Barbara was born to Lloyd and Mary Virgo April 28, 1948. She lived on the family farm in Stevinson, California, until she married the love of her life, Michael Lackner, June 5, 1965. They had three children while living near Stevinson until they moved to Coulee Dam, Washington, in 1979. Barbara enjoyed gardening with Mike. She was always redecorating one room or another in the homes she was so proud of. Her favorite place was in the kitchen, cooking for family and friends. She ran a successful

bake shop in Grand Coulee, Washington, for several years. She was always happiest surrounded by her family.

She is survived by her husband of over 51 years; her daughter, Michelle (Jim) of Mansfield, Washington; sons: Alan (Callie) of Noxon, Montana, and Kevin of Schenectady, New York; her beloved grandchildren: Jamie (Derick), Jared (Jessie), Jeremy (Tasha), Austin, Alana, Shelby, Blake, Wyatt; great-grandchildren: Jeffrey and Courtney; brother, Lloyd Virgo; sister, Marlene Virgo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother.

A memorial service was held at 2 p.m., Saturday, January 7, at Grand Coulee Community Church. Please sign Barbara's online register book at www.stratefuneralhome.com. Strate Funeral Home of Grand Coulee, Washington is serving Barbara's family.

Phyllis "Marlene" Grant

Phyllis "Marlene" Grant, 61, went to be with her Lord Jesus one day following her 61st birthday on Monday, January 2, 2017, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee, Washington. Born Sunday, January 1, 1956, in Spokane, Washington, to Robert W. and Phyllis Grant Sr., Marlene graduated from Coulee/Hartline High School in 1974. A member of Hartline Assembly of God, Marlene loved Jesus with all of her heart. Marlene surrounded herself with animals of all breeds and so chose work which allowed her to be around them, such as leading vacationers on trail rides on horseback at Sun Lakes State Park; rescuing errant dogs, cats and many other animals as a volunteer Animal Control Officer for the Grant County Humane Society; and as an employee at Pitt's Game Farm in Coulee City, Washington. Aside from animals, Marlene enjoyed exploring You Tube and playing X-Box, but the closest to her heart was always spending time with her grandchildren.

Predeceased by her father, Robert W. Grant Sr., as well as both her paternal and maternal grandparents; Marlene will be greatly missed by her mother, Phyllis Rice; brothers: Robert Jr., J Ed and Jeff; daughter, Amber Olson; son, Robert Olson; grandchildren: Adrian Grant, Ashley Garza (Ben) and Andrea Olson; great-grandchildren: Kaiden

Garza, Kyanna Graza, Kalaya Garza and Isabella Graza; and her faithful four-footed companions - two dogs: Maddy and Riley and two cats: Mister and Mumbles.

A celebration of Marlene's life will take place at 10 a.m., on Friday, January 13, 2017, in Hartline Assembly of God Church, 989 Willard St, Hartline, WA 99135. A private inurnment will take place at Valley View Cemetery in Soap Lake, Washington, at a later date.

In her passing, Marlene gave the gift of sight to two people, through the donation of her corneas.

Contributions can be made in Marlene's memory to the Humane Society or the Hartline Assembly of God Church.

Please sign Marlene's online guest book at www.stratefuneralhome.com. Strate Funeral Home of Grand Coulee, Washington, is serving her family.



Joyce M. Nee



Passionate educator, devoted Catholic, lover of the outdoors. Beloved sister, friend and wife, and most of all, extraordinary mother to her own children and countless others. Joyce Nee brought comfort, happiness, and joy to everyone who had the honor of knowing her.

Joyce M. Nee, 86, passed away on Sunday, January 1, 2017, at Hospice House in Spokane, Washington, surrounded by her loved ones. Joyce was born January 26, 1930, in Republic, Washington, to Hugh and Marguerite Maycumber. She graduated from Republic High School in 1947, then spent a year working and exploring with her best friend, Bernice Theile (Kuehne), in Seattle, Washington. She returned to Republic in 1948. On February 2 of the following year, she married Thomas O. Nee of Keller. Keller would be their home for the remainder of their lives, where they would operate a cattle ranch and raise nine children.

Joyce worked for the Keller School District for more than 30 years. She held many positions, such as school board member, bus driver, and superintendent. In her time with the school district she made an impact on an immeasurable number of lives, much like she did in all of her activities.

Joyce enjoyed playing pinochle with friends and relatives, tending to her garden, creating beautiful quilts and appreciating the scenery of the San Poil Valley. She was a devout Catholic who served the Saint Rose of Lima Church throughout her entire life in Keller. In addition to serving the church, Joyce was involved in Catechism, various Ultreyas, and many Cursillos.

Her legacy lives on through her children: David (Veronica), Linda (Chris), Penny (John), Ruby (Alan), Tom (Tena), Mike (Mary Jo), Les (Brenda), Jody (Andy), and Jamie (Lynne); her grandchildren: Richard, Torie, Spencer, Joahlee, Gage, Sawyer, Gary, Andy, Stockton, Matthew; and her great-grandson, Cash.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Thomas O. Nee; her parents, and her siblings: Doris, Donald, Phyllis and Gilbert.

Services were held at the Keller Community Center in Keller. The Rosary was held Friday, January 6, at 7 p.m., and the funeral to follow on Saturday, January 7, at 10 a.m.

Joyce was a strong member of the Keller community, a legend, some say. Her absence will be felt by all. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Keller, or to the Hospice House in Spokane, Washington, in Joyce Nee's memory.

Please sign Joyce's online register book at www.stratefuneralhome.com. Strate Funeral Home of Grand Coulee, Washington is serving Joyce's family.

Althea Thomas Rider

Althea was born July 8, 1963, in Grand Coulee, Washington, to Ranae Thomas and Al Garry and passed away Friday, December 23, 2016, in Tomball, Texas.

She was raised in Nespelem and attended school at Nespelem and Grand Coulee Jr. High.

She married John Hall Sr., and had four children: John Jr., Phillip, Charles and Rhonda.

After a divorce from John, she met Charles (Brown) Rider. They married and lived in Tacoma.

She enjoyed being a member of the Grand Coulee Eagles, spending time with family and watching movies, traveling to different places and meeting new people.

Althea is survived by her children: John Jr., Phillip, Charles, and Rhonda; her grandchildren; one brother, Randy Thomas; and one sister, Ellen Marie Thomas.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Ranae Thomas and Al Gerry, and Charles (Brown) Rider.

Please sign the online guestbook at www.stratefuneralhome.com. Strate Funeral Home of Grand Coulee, is caring for Althea's family.



Gladys Marie (Teslow) Sharp 1926 - 2017



Gladys Marie (Teslow) Sharp, 90, passed away Sunday, January 1, 2017, in Bellevue, Washington. She was born on July 20, 1926, at Swedish Hospital in Seattle, Washington. She was the daughter of Jenny C. (Olson) Teslow and Edward E. Teslow, and one of six siblings. Gladys lived in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle until her family moved to Grand Coulee, Washington, when she was seven years old. She spent her childhood in Grand Coulee and attended Grand Coulee High School.

Gladys married William W Sharp (Bill) of Lewistown, Montana, on July 3, 1947, in Wilbur, Washington and the couple made

their first home in Grand Coulee. They moved to Moses Lake, Washington, in 1948, where she resided until 2008. She then moved to Spokane Valley, Washington, to be with her daughter, Kathy, and husband John. She moved to Seattle in 2013.

Gladys was mainly a stay-at-home mom but also worked at several places in Moses Lake. Throughout her life there were many family gatherings in Grand Coulee and Moses Lake. She enjoyed camping, fishing with the family and golfing with Bill. Gladys was a great cook and loved telling jokes and stories. She had a great relationship with her kids and adored her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. After Bill's death in 1993, she was active and traveled with the Moses Lake Senior Center. She traveled to China, Bermuda, Atlantic City, and vacationed in Hawaii with her sister Millie. She was also an avid bowler. She was preceded in death by her parents, Jenny and Ed Teslow of

Grand Coulee, and by her sisters and brother: Mildred Johnson (Don deceased) of Ellensburg, Washington; Verna Waters (Jim deceased) of Seattle; Bob Teslow (Betty living) of Moses Lake; and nephew, Eddie Teslow (Clifford and Sandy living) of Moses Lake.

Survivors include her brother, Clifford Teslow (Sandy), of Moses Lake; and sister, Elsie (Tiny) Rawley (Stan deceased), of Coulee Dam. She raised four children: David Sharp (Pam) of Kennewick, Chris Anstrom of Maple Valley, Kathy Branda (John) of Spokane Valley and Brenda Chervenak (Dave) of Preston.

Her grandchildren include Jaime Sharp (Mandy) of Hailey, Idaho, Erik Sharp of Kennewick, Brandon Anstrom of Maple Valley, Collin Anstrom (Andrea) of Maple Valley, Tracy Bishop Stendal (Torfin) of Seattle and Kendra Bishop Cawley (Brian) of Seattle. Her great-grandchildren include Jaiman and Story Sharp of Hailey, Idaho, Isa Sharp of Tri-Cities, Annelie and Arvid Stendal of Seattle, Theo Cawley of Seattle and Bodhi Anstrom of Maple Valley. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

There will be a celebration of her life scheduled at a later date for friends and family.

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Spratline/Vieira have a girl

Micaela Spratling and Jesse Vieira, of Coulee Dam, Washington, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kalani Marie Vieira, born Friday, December 30, 2016, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee. She weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz., and was 19.5 inches in length at birth.

Siblings include Natalie, Anthony and Athena. Maternal grandmother is Deborah Spratling. Paternal grandparents are Michael Vieira Sr. and Theresa Cavasos.

It's a boy for the Knights

Cameron and Kelsie Knight, of Nespelem, Washington, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Karson Wayne Knight, born Sunday, January 1, 2017, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee, Washington. He weighed 8 lbs., .08 oz., and was 19.75 inches in length at birth.

Maternal grandparents are Debbie Campbell and Don Osborne. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Yolande Knight. Great-grandparents are Mary and Larry Campbell.

Katiches have a girl

Sorrell and Melissa Katich are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Saige Kellie Katich, born Tuesday, January 3, 2017, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee, Washington. She weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz. and was 21.5 inches in length at birth.

Siblings include Eli 9, Conner 8, and Buck 2. Maternal grandparents are Tom and Kellie Groth. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Karlene Katich; great-grandmother is Edith Whitelaw.

Meetings and Notices

CHAMBER THIS WEEK

The Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce will meet at noon, this Thursday, January 12 at the senior Center. General business is on the agenda.

GRANT COUNTY DEMOCRATS TO MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the Grant County Democratic Party will be Tuesday, January 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Democrat's building at the fairgrounds. Preliminary agenda items are how to move the party forward and party unification. Refreshments will be provided.

If you have any questions please call Chairman Jill Springer Forrest at 509-765-4790.

COULEE CREATORS MEET

Coulee Creators meet at 412 Federal Ave., Grand Coulee, every Tuesday 1-4 p.m. Contact Marlene Oddie 509-386-5715 or marlene@kissedquilts.com for details. Enter east end of building, push in door knob to release door latch.

LINCOLN COUNTY FIRE DIST. 9 TO MEET

Lincoln County Fire District #9 will meet Sunday, January 15, at 6 p.m., at the Nazarene Church, SR-174 East, Grand Coulee.

OKANOGAN COUNTY DEMOCRATS TO HOLD POTLUCK

Okanogan County Democrats are having a potluck luncheon starting at noon Saturday, January 14. A meeting will follow. Join them at the Okanogan Grange Hall, 395 Tyee Street in Okanogan.

OKANOGAN COUNTY 4-H LEADERS TO MEET

The Okanogan County 4-H Leaders Council's first meeting of the year will be at 6 p.m., on Thursday, January 12, at the WSU Extension Office, Courthouse Room 101, Okanogan. For more information call 509-422-7245.

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Mariah Boyd hustles past Waterville defender Ari Salcido Saturday on her way to 21 points in the game. — Jacob Wagner photos

Lady Raiders defeat Fillies and Lady Shockers

by Jacob Wagner

The Lady Raiders basketball team is 6-2 in the league after decimating Bridgeport on the road last Tuesday, 63-36, then defeating Waterville at home on Saturday, 42-31.

The girls are ranked 17th in the state for 2B schools, according to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association. The ranking does not yet factor in two of the ladies' wins.

Lake Roosevelt tried out some new techniques against the

Bridgeport Fillies, and it paid off with a 27-point win.

"It was one of those games where it seems like offensively and defensively everything worked," said Head Coach Wallace Pleasants. "We tried out a few different things so we don't show the same stuff all the time and it seemed to work pretty well."

Against the Waterville Shockers, Lake Roosevelt took the lead early and managed to hold onto it throughout the entire game. LR led 20-12 at the half.

Mariah Boyd led the Raiders with 21 points.

Pleasants attributed the win to effort, consistency, and staying disciplined,

"We've been working hard on being more consistent in what we do," he said. "We're definitely a lot stronger on our defensive work than our offense, but you know, baby steps. As long as we get it all clicking by the end of the season I'll be happy."

The girls won a home game last night against the Oroville Lady Hornets, 63-34. Details will follow next week.

The ladies travel to Brewster Thursday to face the Lady Bears, beginning with the junior varsity game at 4:30 p.m. The next home event is Tuesday, January 17, when the Lady Raiders will take on the Liberty Bell Lady Mountain Lions, with games also scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m.

Fillies 36 Raiders 63

Raider Points
St. Pierre 20, Boyd 18, Dick 12, Olbricht 9, Adolph 2, Hansen 2

Shockers 31 Raiders 42

Raider Points
Reyes 4, Boyd 21, Dick 1, St. Pierre 7, Olbricht 9

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Kayla St. Pierre led LR in points against the Fillies.



This week in sports

Thurs., Jan. 12
4:30 p.m., Raider Basketball at Brewster

Sat., Jan. 14
10 a.m., Raider Wrestling at Rainier Tournament

Tues., Jan. 17
4:30 p.m., Raider Basketball here with Liberty Bell

Thurs., Jan. 19
4:30 p.m., Raider Basketball at Soap Lake

Sat., Jan. 21
10 a.m., Raider Wrestling at Kittitas Tournament
1 p.m., Raider Basketball here with Manson

Tues., Jan. 24
4:30 p.m., Raider Basketball at Tonasket
6 p.m., Raider Wrestling at Wilbur-Creston Mixer

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Raiders wrestle in Okanogan and Warden

by Jacob Wagner

Raiders wrestled in the Brewster Mix & Match last Tuesday, then in a Warden tournament on Saturday.

The Brewster Mix & Match is without brackets and team points, but is rather an opportunity for wrestlers to gain experience. Three Raiders participated in the Brewster event, each wrestling two opponents, and each winning both of their matches.

Raider Kaleb Horn's first opponent was Okanogan's Will Clark, whom Horn defeated with two takedowns, five near falls, and an escape, for a "technical fall" with a final score of 18-1. Horn's next op-

ponent was Michael Lewis of Oroville, whom Horn also defeated by technical fall (a lead of 15 or more points) with a score of 17-2.

Raider Jon Shelly pinned Oroville's Roger Castillo in three minutes, then defeated Brendan Warren of Okanogan 11-2.

Raider Tony Nichols defeated Oroville's Hunter Devon with four takedowns and three near falls, winning by technical fall 16-1. Nichols then won 9-3 against Seal Parks Eply of Okanogan with three takedowns and an escape.

In the Jeremiah Schmunk Invitational in Warden, six Raiders wrestled, with two of them wrestling exhibitions and four of them wrestling for team

See WRESTLING page 8

LR lose two by slim margins

by Jacob Wagner

The Raider basketball team has a 1-7 win-loss record in the league after losing by four points, 46-42, in Bridgeport last Tuesday, then by five points, 43-38, against Waterville on Saturday at home.

The Raiders and the Bridgeport Mustangs traded leads through the game, but in the end the Mustangs took a four-point victory.

"We're still trying to figure out how to win at the end of the game," Raider Head Coach Levi Seekins said. "We had every opportunity to do so, but just didn't hit the shots when we had them. As a team we played really hard. We just didn't execute down the stretch."

Junior Trevor McCraigie led the Raiders with 30 points for the game. "Trevor shot the ball well, a great individual effort from him," Seekins said.

On their home court Saturday, Raiders were off to a good start against the Waterville Shockers, leading 29-18 at the half, the best half of their season according to their coach. McCraigie sank several three-pointers in the first half and was again the leading scorer for the Raiders with 21 points for the night.

"He has pretty good shot selection," Seekins said.

But the second half saw the Shockers make a comeback, shocking the Raiders by taking the lead, then the win.

"We could not score in the second half," Seekins said. "We missed seven layups in the game, missed open jumpers, turned over, and let their pressure get to us."

Seekins plans to work on giving his players more confidence in shooting by having them take more shots at game speed during



Trevor McCraigie's three-pointer talent contributed to his double-digit leads in Raider scoring last week. — Jacob Wagner photo

practice. That way, he explained, they'll be more confident during the games as the speed of the game won't seem as foreign.

The boys lost a home game last night against the Oroville Hornets, 59-53. More details to come in next week's Star.

The Raiders head to Brewster Thursday to face the Bears, with the junior varsity game scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m. The Raiders will take on the Liberty Bell Mountain Lions in Coulee Dam

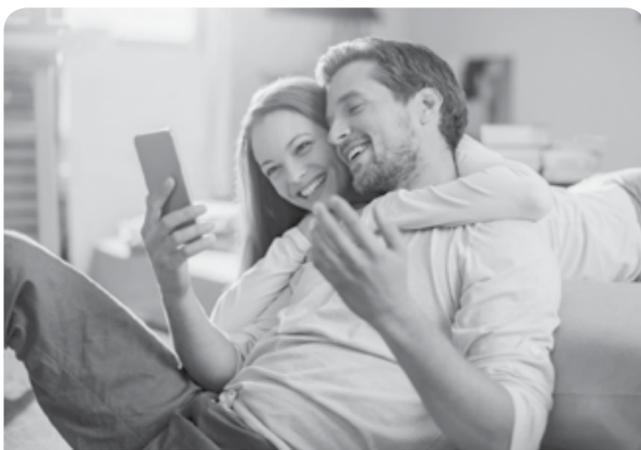
next Tuesday, also starting at 4:30 p.m.

Raiders 42 Mustangs 46

Raider Points
McCraigie 30, Williams 1, Picard 2, Trotter 3, Whiteman 6

Shockers 43 Raiders 38

Raider Points
McCraigie 21, Kiser 5, Picard 4, George 2, Lindsey 4, Whiteman 2



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Entity: Corporate
Reports To: CTFC Board of Directors
Salary Grade: DOE
FLSA Classification: Exempt
Closing Date: 1/17/17



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Colville Tribal Federal Corporation ("CTFC") is seeking an experienced, people-oriented business executive to serve as Chief Corporate Officer of CTFC, the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation's section 17 corporation, and its member tribal governmental limited liability companies. The ideal candidate is a strategic thinker with a strong financial background and the ability to establish and nurture a corporate culture for success that reflects the values and goals of the Colville Tribes in establishing CTFC and its companies.

The CCO shall provide the Board of Directors accurate and data-based information on CTFC's profitability, solvency, stability and liquidity and research and analysis of business and financial information to provide strategic direction and assist the Board to make well-informed decisions regarding CTFC's current operation and future direction.

Essential Functions:

- Provide leadership, direction, and control to all aspects of the CTFC and its member companies' activities within the context of policies established by the CTFC Board, and in compliance with federal, tribal law and applicable state laws.
- Provide leadership to establish a corporate culture that reflects the mission, vision and values of CTFC and the Colville Tribes.
- Represent CTFC to the public, particularly in critical areas of public and political policy.
- Provide mentorship and guidance to member company management enabling management to develop realistic long-range strategic plans and annual operating plans to maximize profits, develop management skills and achieve other non-financial objectives established by the Board.
- Provide financial expertise (budget development and execution) and management training to strengthen and maintain the Corporation's viability.
- Supervise the corporate staff as assigned by the CTFC Board of Directors.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities (Minimum Qualifications):

- Bachelor's Degree in Business Management, Finance, Human Development or related field.
- MBA or professional degree preferred OR fifteen (15) years of experience in upper-level management may be considered in lieu of an advanced degree.
- Minimum fifteen (15) years of progressively responsible experience in management and leadership roles in business required.
- Minimum five years Tribal and other Government experience preferred.
- Demonstrated record of mentoring and developing management personnel to instill a strong business culture of success and respect.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Section 17 Federal Corporations and member limited liability companies preferred.
- Experience representing entity to shareholders or similar groups.
- Ability to speak and present information clearly and concisely to groups.
- Strong analytical skills to evaluate plans and operations.
- Ability to establish credibility and be decisive.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with peers, subordinates, as well as public, and private officials.
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#319 Sunny Drive, Electric City, It is all about location and it is hard to find a better location than this one. Home is appr 2,500 s.f. all on one level and nestled next to federal land overlooking Banks Lake. The home has 4 bedrooms and 3 baths, Living Room with Wood Fireplace, Updated Vinyl 2 pane windows and vinyl siding. Custom built in 1961, it has a huge Family Room with woodstove, an in-ground heated pool and large patio in the backyard. There is an attached 2 car garage and the property is 95' wide by 270 feet deep, or appr .60 of an acre all together. **List Price is now just \$269,900.**

#122 Williams Ave, Electric City, Immaculate 3 bedroom ranch style home in Electric City. Built in 2005, home has 6" exterior walls and was built to super good cents construction standards. Home is 1,530 square feet and all on one level. There is a formal living room, A large Family room with gas fireplace, Arch tab roof, Central H & AC with HP. The property has a fenced yard with auto sprinklers, a huge graveled parking area, and a kennel for the puppy. Attached 420 sf garage. The property is appr. 75 feet wide by 110' deep with alley access. Average monthly electric bill is just \$48. **List price is \$209,500.**

#201 Ferry Avenue, Coulee Dam. Very well built home in Historic West Coulee Dam. The home has 2 bedrooms on the main level with 1 bath, plus another bedroom and bath downstairs. The home has just over 1,200 square feet on the main level, plus another 800 square feet downstairs. Built in 1934, it has had a number of updates. It has metal siding, 2 pane vinyl clad Low E gas windows, Updated 200 amp circuit breaker service. The kitchen has several cabinets with glass fronts and all the major appliances are included. Big utility room on main level. Large Rec room downstairs with a pool table. Spacious corner lot that is about 9,100 sf all together. Nice Patio and fenced backyard as well. **List Price is now just \$149,500.**

431 Ronald Drive, Grand Coulee, Here is a darling 3 Bedroom 2 bath home with new paint inside and out, plus new floorings as well. Home has 950 sf on the main level, plus almost 700 sf downstairs. Built in 1967, home has gas FP in Living Room, Large Family room, Electric BB and wall ac, and comp 3 tab roof. Like new composite deck looking up the river. There is a 1 car built in garage and shop. Property is appr 80 feet wide by 80 feet deep. **List price is just \$129,500 and seller will provide a \$2,500 closing cost credit.**

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111 Palmer Ave., Electric City

#111 Palmer Ave, Electric City, WA , Need a 4 Bedroom Home without the big price? Take a look at this. Built in 1990, this Man home is 1,809 s.f. in size and has huge master bedroom and master bath on one end, and 3 bedrooms and full bath on the far end. Arch tab roof is 14 years old, central Heat and Air, Vinyl lap siding, and fenced yard. Includes stove, ref, dw, w & d, and hot tub. Property is 60' wide by 106' deep or 6,360 sf. **List Price is just \$109,500 with a \$6,000 carpet allowance.**

#202 1st Avenue, Elmer City, Built in 1971, this tri-level home has just over 1,650 square feet all together. There are 3 Bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths, however you could make it back into a 4 bedroom home if you wish. It has new carpeting in LR, DR, and Family Room, single pane windows, bb electric heat & wall air conditioning, copper plumbing, and T1-11 vertical siding. Main bath upstairs has been completely renovated. The property is appr. 8,050 sf in size, plus part of a vacated alley, and a 50' wide by 70' deep parcel adjacent to federal land that gives you additional off street parking. Property is conveniently located next to the hiking/biking trail. **List price is just \$125,000.**

#609 Aspen Street, Coulee Dam, Very nice 3 Bedroom-2 bath Ranch Style Home that is appr 1,250 sf in size. Built in 1935, the home has been nicely renovated over the years. Living Room is roomy and has a wood fire place. Kitchen has updated cabinets and counters and includes Stove, Ref, DW, and Dining Room close by. Large UR includes w/d and lots of storage. Master Bedroom has a master bath with shower. The home has vinyl siding, Comp 3 tab roof and a fenced backyard. It's been rewired with 200 amp CB service. Copper & Galv plumbing, BB Heat & Air Conditioning. Property is 60' by 93' in size. **List price is just \$117,250 with \$3,500 closing cost credit.**

311 Davis Street, Elmer City, 2 Bedroom 2 bath 1994 Nashua Man Home overlooking the Grand Coulee Dam and the Columbia River. Big Living Room with Vaulted Ceilings, Vinyl 2 pane windows. Newer floor coverings throughout. Beautiful kitchen with breakfast bar, stove, ref, dishwasher, and lots of counter space. There is a large patio to take full advantage of the view. It has Central H & AC and a Comp 3 tab shingle roof. The property is about 57.5 feet wide by 118.5 feet deep and is fenced. There is a 200 s.f. storage/shop building and off street parking as well. **List Price is just \$70,000 and subject to Short Sale Lender approval.**

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214 A Street, Grand Coulee. Here is the perfect little cottage just for you. Home has 750 s.f. on the main level, plus another 750 s.f. in the basement. Home has recently been replumbed. It still has the older fuse electrical service. Concrete block construction with Comp 3 tab roof, stucco interior walls, and patio area. Lot is 50' by 120' deep and has 1 car carport. **List price is just \$49,500.** Owner also has another 50' by 120' building site available next door. If you want the extra property, not a problem, **List price for both is \$59,900.**

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- 9 Ruins
- 16 "Mamma Mia!" group
- 20 Perennial Italian encore
- 21 Place to spend drams
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- 23 Arriving where there's no outlet
- 25 Kind of "beware"
- 26 Wrestling in the
- 27 One more than bi-
- 28 Tight spot
- 29 Baggins of "The Hobbit"
- 30 "Calm down!"
- 36 Ga. hours
- 39 Any of les Antilles
- 40 Works in a gallery
- 41 Stem (from)
- 42 One the Blessed Virgin's titles
- 47 "Gangnam Style" rapper
- 48 Sit-ups work them
- 50 River vessel
- 51 Unrefined metals
- 52 Like sports cars, briefly
- 54 Common lot sizes
- 56 Assertions
- 58 Instruction in force indefinitely
- 61 Web program-ming language
- 62 — really help if ...
- 64 Day to "beware"
- 65 Suffix with Benedict
- 66 Ford bombs
- 68 They're hidden in the centers of this puzzle's eight longest answers
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- 77 "Homeboys" play cards
- 79 Moral lapses
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- 88 In an unstrict way
- 89 Elongated fish
- 90 — Sea (Asian body)
- 92 Problematic plant swelling
- 93 Old Giants great Mel
- 94 Vase variety
- 95 Shout just before flying
- 97 Small monastery
- 100 During each
- 102 Bullfight yell
- 103 Decade divs.
- 104 Celebrity advocate for UNESCO
- 110 Torn apart
- 111 DiFranco of folk rock
- 112 Play scenery
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- 117 Out of port
- 118 Hiragana or katakana, in a sense
- 123 Injury, in law
- 124 Dessert style
- 125 Ticketmaster specification
- 126 Payment to howdies
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- DOWN**
- 1 Taunt
- 2 "I love him like —"
- 3 "The Eternal City"
- 4 — light (filming lamp)
- 5 Touch, e.g.
- 6 Texter's "Wow!"
- 7 Hissy
- 8 Boots, e.g.
- 9 Bike spokes, say
- 10 Before, in poetry
- 11 Key with one sharp
- 12 Stinging insect
- 13 Military foe
- 14 Baking pan
- 15 Unhappy
- 16 Home of St. Francis
- 17 Broad street
- 18 Slinging insect
- 19 Chilly
- 24 Airport landing: Abbr.
- 29 "It's chilly!"
- 31 Avila aunt
- 32 Just about
- 33 "Nest ce
- 34 Ingests too much of, informally
- 35 180-degree turn, informally
- 36 Break out of
- 37 Fended (off)
- 38 Voices below altos
- 43 Not at all advanced
- 44 Grazing spot
- 45 Hit — screen
- 46 Suffix with 40- or 50-
- 47 Oh-so-prim
- 49 Latvia was one: Abbr.
- 52 All that — bag of chips
- 53 Biographer
- 54 Form a thought
- 55 Toyota of the 1980s
- 57 Cotton thread type
- 59 Pointed a firearm
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- 63 "Noah" director
- 67 Sluggish
- 69 "Hud" co-star to a Brit
- 70 Rural hotels
- 72 Wiry
- 73 Film director Bergman
- 74 Elia pieces
- 78 "Fa-a-ancy!"
- 80 Mel's brassy waitress
- 81 Rodent's last meal, maybe
- 82 Gregarious sort
- 83 Gem mineral
- 84 "The Raven" poet's initials
- 85 — Hill (R&B quartet)
- 87 Bill's film bud
- 91 Faith forsaker
- 94 Geller of mentalism
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- 115 Portion (out)
- 116 Comic actor Roscoe
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- 120 Reds great Roush
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- 122 Big name in water filters

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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Grand Coulee Police

1/3 - The manager of the Spring Canyon Apartments told police that someone had entered one of the apartments. He said that he had opened up all the blinds and locked the door the previous day, but he found the blinds pulled shut the next day. The manager said the person on the lease was in jail and that whoever had been in the apartment was not authorized to be there. Police entered the apartment but no one was there.

- Police were called to the Spring Canyon Apartments where, they were advised, people were arguing and it was turning violent. Police found that one of the individuals had been trying to deliver food to a daughter when a person in one of the apartments got into an argument with them.

1/4 - A woman in Electric City told officers that she had a phone call telling her she needed to send money or her electrical service would be shut off. It was determined that it was a fraudulent call.

- Police responded to a barking dog incident at a West Grand Avenue location in Electric City. The owner of the dog was given a warning.

- A woman told police that she was concerned about children not being cared for at a Stevens Avenue location in Electric City. Police went to the location and found that the children appeared to be well cared for.

1/6 - Police went to a location on Burdin Boulevard because of a report that a man and woman were arguing. Police found that the man was upset because his driveline was broken.

1/7 - Police were asked to check on the welfare of a man walking on Crest in Electric City. The police found a man walking carrying two frozen pizzas, a half bottle of wine, and singing "Bad Company." The man was told to stay out of the street.

- The owner of CJ's Storage reported that someone had cut the lock on one of the units and had attempted to cut another lock. The renter of the unit was advised.

- A woman on Stevens Avenue in Electric City told police she was afraid to go into her residence because she was afraid that a woman inside would harm her. Police arrested the woman inside for harassment and took her to Grant County jail also on a separate warrant that had been earlier posted for failure to appear in court on a permit violation.

1/8 - A 88-year-old man from Coulee Dam will receive a citation in the mail for hit-and-run property damage after he allegedly hit a tree while at King's Court RV Park.

Coulee Dam Police

12/26 - An officer gave a woman whose car was stalled a ride to Elmer City since it was snowy and cold outside.

12/27 - A report of a suspicious person on foot near the credit union turned out to be nothing, as the officer drove throughout the area and couldn't locate anyone.

- A person who gave a Montana address was cited for driving with a revoked license. He was stopped

because his license plate was covered with snow.

12/29 - An officer responded to a vehicle fire in Elmer City to assist in traffic control. The vehicle was near two trailers and the fire was quickly brought under control.

12/30 - A woman on Pine Street reported that she heard the alarm on her car go off as it was parked in her garage. When she investigated she found that her car keys were missing. Nothing else was taken.

- A town employee advised that when he checked the public restroom at Mason City Park the area was clean, but that there was a person locked in one of the stalls. When he returned he found the toilet plugged with a book and towel. He identified the person to police.

- A driver was warned for not making a full stop coming out of the credit union's driveway on Columbia.

- Police returned a bag of deicer and a snow shovel to a man on Camas Street who had reported them stolen.

- A window was open at a house that has been vacant, but officers didn't go in the house.

1/1 - An 18-year-old driver was stopped after an officer noticed his brake light wasn't working properly. The officer learned that the man's license had been suspended since January 2016. A licensed driver took charge of the vehicle.

- A Wilbur man asked police to check on his mother who lives on Cedar Street. He said he had been trying to reach her but couldn't and was concerned. Police checked on the woman and found that she was fine, and then notified the son.

1/2 - An ambulance crew treated a person on Cedar Street who had run out of the pills they were taking.



Anticipation

Jake Chaffee and Graciela Paslay begin their assent in a futile attempt to block Merle Kennedy's return volley Monday night in recreation league volleyball at the former middle school. Eight teams participate in the league. — Scott Hunter photo

BOWLING

THURSDAY MIX-UPS		
TEAM	W	L
The Melody	46	22
Fry Bread Pwr	45.5	14.5
San Poil Valley	36	32
Bob & His		
Gutter Girls	28.5	39.5
High Game: John Stensgar 268; Candy Weed-Butz 31		
High Series: John Stensgar 737; Candy Weed-Butz 625		
Splits: Percy K. 3-6-7-10; Bob S. 2-7		
Previous - High Game: Marvin Bob 245; Brianna Stanger 219		
High Series: Marvin Bob 600; Brianna Stanger 577		
Splits: Brianna Stanger 4-7-9; Mae Stensgar 2-7-8; Gwen Hilson 3-10		

DAM KEGLERS		
TEAM	W	L
#6	170	150
#4	169.5	150.5
#3	165.5	154.5
#5	162.5	157.5
#2	157	163
End of 1st Half: #6 wins by 1/2 Point over #4		
High Game: CJ Bjorson 235; Mae Stensgar 201		
High Series: CJ Bjorson 611; Mae Stensgar 535		
Splits: Dale Bjorson 6-7-10; Percy Kuehne 6-7-9-10		



"Grand Coulee Area Weather" or www.grandcouleeweather.info

Day	Low - High	Conditions
Wed.	Low 4° - 16° High	Mostly sunny - Wind Chill all day
Thu.	Low -2° - 12° High	Sunny and Cold
Fri.	Low 6° - 10° High	Mostly Sunny and Cold
Sat.	Low 12° - 20° High	Generally sunny - slight chance of snow
Sun.	Low 20° - 23° High	Partly cloudy - slight chance of snow
Mon.	Low 26° - 30° High	Snow showers
Tue.	Low 34° - 37° High	Snow to rain mix

COLUMBIA LEAGUE 2nd Half			SENIORS	
TEAM	W	L		
Team 6	07	01	1-4-17	
Strike or Spare	01	07	Bob S. 218/176/205=599	
Solid T Const.	01	07	Scott E. 207/134/174=515	
High Game: Ron Staggs 264			Jesse V. 169/231/268=668	
High Series: Ron Staggs 730			Ray D. 151/133/137=421	
Previous - High Game: Amos Staggs 240			12-28-16	
High Series: Amos Staggs 683			Bob S. 189/122/208=569	
Splits: Jesse 2-4-7-10			Scott E. 186/125/133=494	
			Ray D. 157/154/139=450	
			We need more seniors!	

Wrestling

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points in the brackets. The Raiders placed seventh out of nine teams, with 56 points from the four. Tonasket won the event with 171.5 points from 18 wrestlers.

Nichols won first place in the 145-pound division, pinning Keyan Francois of Connell, winning 9-4 against Zion Butler of Tonasket, then 5-2 against Austin Rimestad, also of Tonasket.

"He wrestled well against quality wrestlers, so those are good wins for him," remarked Raider Head Coach Steve Hood.

Following a bye round, Horn lost to Devin Walton of Tonasket, but then pinned Abraham Suarez of Warden in two minutes and 16 seconds, and gained a win against Gerardo Morales of Connell, who was disqualified. Horn took third place at 120.

"Kaleb had the upper hand against this guy, who beat him last year, but the other guy lost his cool and got disqualified," Hood said. "Kaleb had a good day."

Raider Steven Flowers took fourth at 195. Flowers pinned Dylan Kalma of Tonasket before losing to Luke Peebles of Kittitas. Flowers won by major decision, 18-8, against Brandon Baugher of Tonasket, but then fell to Devin Roberts of Riverview. Peebles and Roberts went on to take first and third in the bracket respectively.

Shelly placed sixth at 126. Shelly pinned Richard Gonzalez of Warden in the final seconds of their match up at 5:55, but lost to Espino of Pateros, Gomez of Connell, and Bretz of Tonasket.

The lone lady Raider wrestler, Ida Sue, pinned her opponent, Cathy of Pateros, twice in exhibition matches: first in 1:57, then again in 3:23.

Raider Taylor Circle went 1-1 in his exhibition matches against wrestlers from Connell and Riverview.

"It was a good competition," Hood said. "Some of these weights, it was the best competi-

tion we've seen all season long, so we're happy with the way the day turned out."

The Raiders will travel all the way to Rainier, Washington, on Saturday for their next event, the aptly-named Rainier Tournament, where 16 teams will compete.

"We'll see some of the west side B schools, as well as a number of west side A schools, which gives us a chance to see our potential state competition," Hood said.

"Our whole season is designed around peeking into postseason, anything that we can do," Hood said. "We're constantly looking at how we're matching up against who we'll see later on and what we can do to improve that. A lot of what we're doing in the coming weeks is helping our wrestlers learn how to come up with a specific match plan for a specific wrestler."

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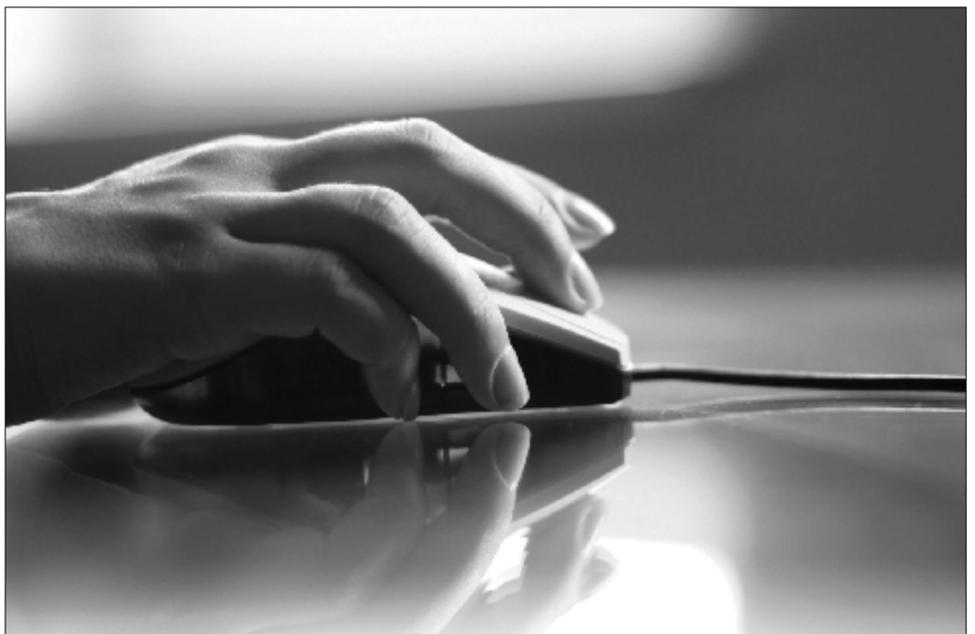
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