



Statue restored

A landscape crew and one CMC employee, Erik Rogers, erect a popular sculpture at its new home at Coulee Medical Center Nov. 20. The Richard Beyer sculpture, donated by the Castrodale family, used to greet people approaching the front en-

trance to the old Coulee Community Hospital. It was removed for cleaning during construction of the new facility. — Scott Hunter photo

Volunteer of year nominations are open

The Star is accepting letters of nomination for the 2012 Volunteer of the Year through Dec. 10.

The annual honor is given to one person in the community who exemplifies the spirit of working selflessly for a cause or just helping those who need it.

Anyone who volunteers his or her time and talent for the good of someone else is eligible, whether in the public eye or not.

Nominations for groups of people will not be accepted.

The entire community will comprise the selection committee. Letters of nomination will printed and posted online, and everyone can vote in an online poll. Individuals with no Internet access can write in their signed vote. Only one vote will be accepted per individual.

Only one vote will be accepted per computer address.

Voting will cease on Dec. 18 at 6 p.m. The honoree will be announced in the following week's newspaper.

Letters of nomination can be emailed to scott@grandcoulee.com or mailed or dropped off at The Star, addressed to The Star V of Y, P.O. Box 150, Grand Coulee, WA, 99133.

Include your name and contact information, and the reasons you believe your nominee deserves recognition. Be specific and include contact information for people knowledgeable about the nominee.

Telephone calls are not acceptable for nominations.

Party busted in Grand Coulee

18 minors charged

by Roger S. Lucas

A 20-year-old man was cited for possession/consumption of alcohol by a minor and for 17 counts of supplying alcohol to minors, after officers were called on a complaint of noise at a residence on 803 Division Street, Grand Coulee, about 12:30 a.m., Sunday morning.

A person living nearby complained to police of excessive noise coming from a party at the home. When officers arrived, they found evidence of drinking both outside and inside the residence. Police met two teenage boys attempting to leave, and they rushed back into the house yelling, the cops are here.

An officer went to the rear door of the house just in time to

see some of the group attempt to leave. They dumped the beer they had in their hands and went back inside.

The officer's report stated that it appeared there was 25-27 in the house.

Officers questioned 20 individuals, all minors, and ended up filing charges against 18.

Teenagers were scattered about the house and beer containers were found in abundance. One teen became disruptive and was encouraging others to do so and had to be handcuffed.

The party was at the 20-year-old's house, and he refused to say how he got the alcohol. Two in the group were over 21, and not cited.

The officer had all the teens pour out their drinks. Officers contacted the minors' parents and guardians.

Then the party was over.

Newsbriefs

Wal-Mart donates for car seats

Omak Wal-Mart employees, through their foundation, recently made a \$500 cash gift to Coulee Medical Center to purchase seven infant car seats.

Coulee Medical Center CEO Scott Graham said the hospital appreciated the cash gift and noted: "By law, every newborn must leave our facility in an approved infant car seat. This gift means a number of babies will be able to go home ... as quickly and safely as possible."

Students to eye college interests

Six students from Lake Roosevelt High School will travel to the University of Washington next week to look over the UW campus and contact officials in the area of their general study interest. Making the trip and their areas of interest are: Brandin Smith, psychology; Hillary Carriere, nurse practitioner; Charli Knight, pre-law; Mary Ann Matheson, teaching; Brady Black, engineering; and Ashley Lezard, pharmacy. Victor Camarena is leading the group and the board approved the travel request Monday night.

County must recount votes

Okanogan County Auditor Laurie K. Thomas had to certify the Nov. 6 election results Tuesday, but a recount is required in the race between two Republicans running for county commissioner in District 2.

The contest between Bud Hover and Ray Campbell favored Campbell by 10 votes, only six hundredths of a percent, 7,194 - 7,184.

Sorting ballots by the county's 226 precincts was slated to start Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m., with the manual ballot recount tentatively set for 9 a.m. Dec.

3., according to Mila Jury, the county's certified election administrator and chief deputy auditor.

Heroin ring foiled

A significant heroin trafficking ring was broken up last week with a cross-state effort, the Grant County Sheriff's Office announced Tuesday.

The joint Moses Lake Police and INET investigation spanned several months and uncovered a heroin narcotics trafficking ring moving drugs between Moses Lake and the Seattle area.

After a search warrant was executed last week in the Moses Lake area, several people were taken into custody and heroin seized.

INET detectives determined the heroin was coming out of the Seattle area and traveled to Bellevue, Wash. where they teamed up with the Eastside Narcotics Task Force.

Undercover drug buys were conducted in the Seattle area resulting in five arrests — among them Matthew R. Dizzard, 25, and Caspar J.S. Wandler, 22, both from Seattle. Investigators seized over four ounces of heroin, a handgun, and almost \$7,000 in cash.

The investigation continues. Supervised by the Grant County Sheriff's Office, the Interagency Narcotics Enforcement Team is made up of detectives from the sheriff's office, Washington State Patrol, Quincy Police Department and Moses Lake Police Department.

Cold tips

Grass growth has just about slowed to a stop, note Grant/Adams Counties Master Gardeners in their latest newsletter, "Grounded". But if your lawn has grown taller than the regular mowing height, you should mow it one more time. It should not be left extra long going into winter, as there are some diseases that can attack lawns during the winter months and long grass is conducive to these turf diseases. Extra short grass can make your lawn more vulnerable to winter drying and cold temperature injury.

Board starts discussion on new school name

by Roger S. Lucas

It's time to play "name that school."

The school board is tackling the job of naming the district's new K-12 facility by passing the process off to Superintendent Dr. Dennis Carlson.

But it's all according to Hoyle. The board policy calls for district buildings to be named after persons who have attained national or local prominence in the field of education, arts and sciences, politics, military achievements and statesmanship; after U.S. presidents or Washington national senators or representatives or after the geographic characteristics of the area in which the facility is located.

Sensing that this could be a hot potato, and given the convenient procedural part of the policy,

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Voters turn down park district request

by Roger S. Lucas

The Coulee Area Park & Recreation District's efforts to obtain tax revenue failed at the polls by about 44 votes.

The district's final vote count gave the measure 57.42 percent favorable votes. It needed a 60-percent yes vote to pass.

Voters within the district's boundaries cast 2,076 votes, of which 1,192 were favorable, 884 unfavorable.

County auditors were required to certify the election with the state on Tuesday.

The district would have gained 15 cents per \$1,000 of property valuation, providing money for the upkeep of North Dam Park and seed money for projects needing matching grant money. It would have cost a homeowner with a \$100,000 home \$15.

This was the second time the district sought public money through an election. It failed by about the same margin last time.

District Chairman Phil Hansen said he was "disappointed," but he said district commissioners had plenty to do with the maintenance of North Dam Park and with pursuing an aquatic/wellness center project they have been exploring with the hospital district.

Asked if the park district would try again, Hansen responded, "Probably not anytime soon. We will have to talk about it."

Final figures show Douglas County gave the most favorable response, providing 105 yes votes and 71 no votes for 59.66 percent in favor, the closest of the four county totals to the 60 percent needed.

Grant County had 527 for and 397 no votes for 57.03 percent; Lincoln County tallied 74 yes votes and 62 no votes for 54.41 percent; and Okanogan County recorded 486 yes votes to 354 no votes for 57.86 percent.

If the issue had passed it would have provided about \$35,000 to the district, and its plan was to use the tax dollars to leverage grant money.

| COULEE AREA PARK AND REC DISTRICT Coulee Area Park and Recreation District - Proposition No. 1 Maintenance and Operation Levy | | | |
|---|---------|--------------|-------------|
| *Multi-county race. Results include all counties involved. | | | |
| County | Measure | Vote | Vote % |
| Douglas | Yes | 105 | 59.66% |
| | No | 71 | 40.34% |
| Grant | Yes | 527 | 57.03% |
| | No | 397 | 42.97% |
| Lincoln | Yes | 74 | 54.41% |
| | No | 62 | 45.59% |
| Okanogan | Yes | 486 | 57.86% |
| | No | 354 | 42.14% |
| Combined Total | | | |
| All | Yes | 1,192 | 57.42% |
| | No | 884 | 42.58% |
| Total Votes | | 2,076 | 100% |



Rotary seeks project to double new school funds

by Roger S. Lucas

The Rotary Club is seeking a project from the school district so it can go after a grant to double its fund for the new K-12 school.

Rotarians Jim Keene, Roy Hamilton and Bob Valen appeared before the school board Monday night and told directors that the club had an opportunity to get a grant equaling its \$15,000 school building fund but needed a project in order to do so.

Keene said he was grateful for all the small donations during the club's school fund projects and it was in a position to leverage its money to twice that amount.

Rotarians said they wanted a project that would grip the club's district grantors.

The board named its two principals as the "go to" people to develop ideas for the project.

Principals Brad Wilson and Lisa Lakin said they would discuss the offer with their respective staffs and develop a list that the board and Rotary Club could work from.

Hamilton said that the club must get its grant application in before March 1, and if it won the Rotary District grant, money would be available in July. He added that the club would have two years to exercise the fund.

Ideas that percolated during the evening included playground equipment and bleachers for the gym.

The project would be for something not covered by state funding.

Rotarians have been raising money for the new school since it was announced that the project had been funded by the state.

Medicare OKs ambulance billings

by Roger S. Lucas

Ambulance services for Medicare patients have finally been approved for payment, Fire Chief Rick Paris told Grand Coulee City Council members last week.

Paris said that a third-party billing service can go back to Jan. 1, 2009, according to Medicare sources. He stated that normally Medicare doesn't accept billings that are more than 12 months old.

"I don't know yet how many billings and how much this represents in money," Paris said.

The city has been trying to get the Medicare problem solved, and before the federal agency would accept the billings it had to have its officials visit the site. In a letter earlier this year, officials said that they had come to Grand Coulee but there wasn't anyone at city hall at the time.

Paris was informed that on a subsequent visit, all of Medicare's

concerns had been satisfied.

Meanwhile, other billings have been moving along well, and the billing company has recovered a lot of the revenue temporarily lost because the billings hadn't been made.

Paris also reviewed a new chart for ambulance services, which the council went on to approve last Tuesday night. While some charges are increased other services are grouped together to make billings simpler, Paris explained.

Shift in schools affects sidewalk grant

by Roger S. Lucas

There's a new twist to that Spokane Way sidewalk project.

Grand Coulee's council heard engineer Jeff Stevens from Gray & Osborne explain that he thought the Spokane Way sidewalk application needs to have its language adjusted to reflect the fact that Center School is not now the primary reason for the project.

Stevens said that two years ago, when the language of the application was developed, the

school district hadn't embarked on a building program that would eliminate Center School.

The main language of the application was that it would service students walking to the school.

Now the language is going to emphasize the dangers of pedestrians walking along a road traveled by service trucks. It will also address drainage concerns, and emphasize that the sidewalk would service those who walk to the library and to town for shopping.

Stevens said he didn't think there would be any problem getting the grant with the changed language.

Gray & Osborne will receive \$26,000 for the design work for the \$225,000 project. The timeline for the project calls for it to go out for bid in February, 2013, and for completion in August, 2013.

The grant is from the state's Transportation Improvement Board.

Family night introduced new high school curriculum

by Scott Hunter

High school students will find a radically altered science and math curriculum offered next year at Lake Roosevelt High School, and the school has launched a "STEM Family Night" program to introduce the concepts and get family involved.

Monday at 6 p.m. at the the Village Cinema, 18 people gathered to hear the concepts.

STEM is the education profession's acronym for "Science Technology Engineering and Math," which, as a combined subject area, is being emphasized nationwide.

Lake Roosevelt has been awarded a \$1million-plus grant to imple-

ment the new curriculum, which will be based more on learning through application of knowledge in projects than on typical lecture-based instruction, said Victor Camarena, project coordinator.

He and Principal Brad Wilson took a tour earlier this month of the implementation of what he said was Toppenish High School's very successful similar program.

Lake Roosevelt will follow the "Project Lead the Way" curricula, next year offering classes in "Human Body Systems" and "Principles of Biomedical Sciences."

Wilson and science teacher Ralph Rise attended training in Chicago last month.

The courses follow "a proven hands-on, real-world problem-solving approach to learning. Students

explore the concepts of human medicine and are introduced to topics such as physiology, genetics, microbiology and public health," states the PLTW website.

Rise was happy with the turnout of about seven families at the theater Monday. He hopes to build more interest as the programs grow, including interest in the after-school teams at the heart of the school's ability to win such major grants.

Rise, shop teacher Lee Largent, community members and others have been involved for several years in strictly off-the-clock extra curricular activity after school and on weekends, helping students explore science in ways that have won multiple awards competing with the biggest schools in the state.

That record has caught the attention of important individuals at the state level in education, Rise said Monday night. The success had led to more networking and successful grant applications.

Name

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the ball for naming the overall complex and the two educational wings, K-6 and 7-12, falls in the superintendent's court.

Procedures call for Carlson to name a committee to work up at least three names and not more than five for the new school.

It was offered that the facility might have an overall name, and the two wings named separately to help people find their way when they visit the school.

Guidelines for the committee include that the names must be

known and significant to members of the community and not conflict with other schools in the area. Naming after living persons should be avoided unless the circumstances warrant otherwise.

The committee can solicit help from members of the community. When the name list is complete it will be submitted to the board for selection.

The process was started at Monday night's board meeting. Carlson was not available Tuesday for comment.



Tethered to towers

Wilson Construction linemen Monday dismantle equipment on the new towers carrying 500 kilovolt lines from the Third Powerhouse on Grand Coulee Dam. The linemen are tethered to the tower when they are in place, but not usually on the climb up. — Scott Hunter photo

Chamber event is Saturday

Nearly 200 people will get to experience "A Night in Paris" without having to leave town Saturday night.

It's the Grand Coulee Dam Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Vintners & Brewers Tasting & Auction night at the Vet Center in Electric City.

Some 183 tickets have been sold. No additional tickets will be available for the event.

The evening event begins at 6 p.m. with wine and brew tastings, food, and both silent and oral auctions.

Wines and beers are from L'Ecole No. 41 Winery, Otis Kenyon Winery, Patit Creek Cellars and Rocky Coulee Brewing Company.

Hors d'oeuvres are being supplied by Pepper Jack's Bar & Grille.

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OPINION

Plenty deserve it

Think about all the people you (all of us) take for granted. Folks who do things to help their community as a matter of course.

No community could function without its volunteers and their selfless spirit.

That's why each year this newspaper honors one volunteer in particular, picked by the community as

the "volunteer of the year."

That process begins this week, with our call for nominations (see front page). In the last issue of the year, we'll announce who was chosen.

Scott Hunter
editor and publisher

Letters From Our Readers

Volunteer of the Year nomination: George Kohout

I would like to take this opportunity to nominate George Kohout as volunteer of the year.

We are not members of the Ridge Riders, but we appreciate what George has done for the entire community. He has brought the Ridge Riders from the brink of extinction to a very vibrant and forward looking organization that contributes substantially to the

community.

He organized the recognition dinner for Shane Proctor that raised thousands of dollars for the Ridge Riders and Colorama Rodeo. He followed that up with securing advertising for the Ridge Rider events from Coors Brewery. On top of that, he was instrumental in organizing a number of "Bull O Rama" events throughout the

summer.

My hat is off to George and his ability to bring together a very impressive working group for the Ridge Riders. On top of that, he had bypass surgery at the end of the summer. Congratulations George.

R. Roy Hamilton

Positive approach energizes

Last week you published an article about the Coulee Dam/Elmer City sewer plant project that painted a very positive face on the Coulee Dam Town Council. And, as it was, they earned that praise — they deserved that praise! They were courteous, they were interested, they were responsive, and they were focused on a better and more flexible project path. As an active participant in that meeting I also found the town's engineer to be more thoughtful and open to other/different ideas and solutions ... bravo to them all! I left that meeting reenergized and anxious to begin the process of working "with" Coulee Dam, Elmer City, and the Colville Tribe ... working to find grant monies and other ways to reduce the large and looming sewer rate increases.

Mayor Snow and two council members were not at that uplifting council meeting and it is my

hope that they too will embrace this and a more unified and flexible approach. Of course this means a bit of bruised pride to some, and maybe a dinner or two of crow for others ... a small price when it comes to saving us all (each family) nearly \$600 each year on our utility rates.

As with most things, synergy only works when there are willing and equally respected (and respectful) partners. For this to work, the town of Coulee Dam must become a ship-mate, not "just" a captain barking orders from the wheel-house on a ship floundering dangerously close to the rocks. Or better yet, they could (should) realize that there are other and more applicable metaphors that define a "partnership." A paradigm, if you will, where both input and decisions are better made from left to right as opposed to from the "my way," top-down

method heretofore embraced by the Coulee Dam mayor and town clerk. Letting (helping) this happen takes the kind of leadership we all saw from the Coulee Dam Town Council, a few weeks ago.

Synergy and symbiosis often require change and "compromise," then too every once in a while, it prefers a "consensus." Let's hope we are actually on one of these two paths, preferably the latter — there is just more bang for the buck when you get/have that "consensus!" It's time to break the old adage of, "the more things change, the more they stay the same."

We shall see. Will Mayor Snow, the other two council members, and even the town clerk/treasurer follow the more positive and progressive lead, or will they continue to be divisive and rift with obstruction?

Greg Wilder



We must work together to prevent across-the-board spending cuts and tax increases

There is no question that the past few years have been challenging for many Americans. Americans have weathered 45 straight months of unemployment ranging from 7 to 10 percent. After four years of running trillion-dollar deficits, our national debt currently stands at \$16.2 trillion. These figures are so large that it is sometimes easy to forget that they have real consequences, but our debt level means each American owes nearly \$52,000.

Last year, Congress and the President reached a compromise to put a \$2.4 trillion down payment on our debt. While a portion of the cuts were spelled out in the law, the rest were to be decided by Congress. If an agreement is not reached by the end of the year, across-the-board-cuts, also known as sequestration, will occur in January. This means cuts to our national defense, Hanford cleanup, and Impact Aid, while completely ignoring entitlement programs that make up 60 percent of the federal budget and continue to grow year after year without Congressional oversight.

In January, Americans also face a looming tax increase as current tax rates are scheduled to expire - resulting in a \$2,200 tax increase on the average family of four and the potential loss of 700,000 jobs. The combination of these looming across-the-board

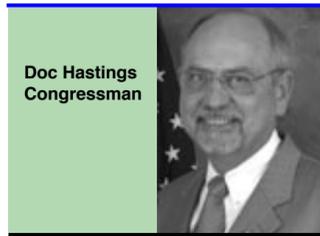
cuts and tax increases are a very real threat to our fragile economy as it is still struggling to recover.

Back in March, I supported a budget blueprint that passed the House of Representatives, which included a plan to replace sequestration with responsible reforms, and to streamline our tax code by eliminating loopholes and using the savings to lower tax rates - giving certainty to families and businesses.

I don't expect the Senate or President Obama to agree with everything in our proposal. However, neither the Senate, which hasn't produced a budget in more than three years, nor the President have provided any plan for how to avert sequestration and looming tax increases. This has made it very difficult to negotiate a solution.

This month's election results make it clear that the American people expect Congress and the President to work together to solve the serious challenges facing our nation, so that we ultimately leave a better world for our children and grandchildren.

I stand ready to work with my colleagues in Congress and President Obama to find solutions to avoid across-the-board spending cuts and looming tax increases, while addressing our national debt and giving our job creators the certainty they need to get our economy back on track.



Doc Hastings
Congressman

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Myth Busted: Poll shows entrepreneurs would let high-income tax cuts expire

The politically charged debate over high-income tax cuts is reaching a fever pitch, and the question being asked across the nation is whether small businesses' hiring ability will suffer if these cuts expire at the end of the year. Recently released scientific opinion polling shows what real small business owners think, and it might surprise you. The majority of small employers in the poll—more of whom identify as Republican than Democrat, an important distinction given the partisan nature of this debate—believe raising taxes on the wealthiest 2 percent is the right thing to do in light of our budget crisis.

The truth of the matter is that small business owners are far more concerned about improving economic conditions for the middle class—a category virtually all their customers fall into and which 97 percent of them are part of, too. According to an independent telephone poll Small Business Majority released on Oct. 25, 86 percent of small business owners oppose increasing tax rates for household income below \$250,000, and seven in 10 strongly oppose it. What's more, a 52 percent majority supports letting tax cuts on household income above \$250,000 expire.

These entrepreneurs recognize the important role middle class Americans play in the overall success of our economy. If they see an increase in their tax rates, as is scheduled to occur at the end of this year, middle class customers will have less disposable income. Less money in their pockets means less demand for small businesses' goods and services, and that's something that could affect small business hiring decisions.

As someone who has been in the top income brackets before and who probably will be again this year, Anne Zimmerman, owner of Zimmerman and Company CPAs in Cincinnati, Ohio, should understand the situation better than most. "I can tell you with certainty that being in the top tax brackets has nothing to do with my hiring decisions," Anne said. "There's no way I'd let a couple percentage points be-

ing added to my personal tax rate get in the way of business decisions. I make those decisions by considering demand for our services, plain and simple."

That ties into another widely-used, albeit misguided, small business argument for extending the high-income tax cuts: since a large number of small business owners, Anne included, file their taxes as individuals, their businesses would be extra-sensitive to an increase in the top individual income rates.

While 54 percent of small business owners we surveyed do in fact have their business revenue passed through to their personal taxes, only 5 percent reported household income exceeding \$250,000.

And for the sliver of owners who do earn more than \$250,000? Only income above that threshold will be impacted by the rate increase, a little known but important fact.

Earnings below that amount will continue to be taxed at the lower rate. So how many small business owners are making the really big bucks—say, over \$1 million? We released polling in February that found out of 500 randomly selected small business owners across the nation, only one had income in that range.

These statistics are vital to cutting through the rhetoric surrounding this issue. We wish more small businesses did fall into those top brackets, but that's just not the case. And seeing entrepreneurs used as pawns in policy battles that don't impact them is "incredibly aggravating," as Anne Zimmerman puts it. "Let them expire!" she said. "It's the middle class that drives demand for my business and it's middle class people who run most small businesses. Those are the job creators who can drive our economic recovery and who need a tax cut."

Arensmeier is the Founder & CEO of Small Business Majority.

American Forum. 11/12.



John Arensmeier
Founder & CEO
Small Business Majority

Ten Years Ago

Several of the decades-old circuit breakers for water pumps and generators in Grand Coulee Dam will be replaced at a cost of millions over the next two or more years. The Bureau of Reclamation awarded Albuquerque, New Mexico based Gardner Ziemke Company a \$9.7 million contract on Nov. 20.

The Washington State Silver Glove boxing championship will take place in Coulee Dam next week.

AFTER HOURS - Chamber of Commerce members join Coulee Hardware hosts in an after-hours party the store hosted Thursday night.

Twenty Years Ago

Local contributions to a fund that would allow KPBX Public Radio to construct a translator tower in the Grand Coulee Dam area were at \$46 as of Tuesday, according to station manager Dick Kunkel.

Dann, the newest member of the Grand County Sheriff's Department K-9 team, has been assigned to Deputy Ron Renken of Electric City.

Loose dogs in Nespelem will lose their freedom after a new dog pound is opened in December.

Water storage in Lake Roosevelt from now until next spring will look much like it did a year ago - that is unless there's a significant shift in the weather pattern.

New businesses opening in the area include Pacific Pride in Grand Coulee and Lakeshore Gifts in Electric City.

Thirty Years Ago

New physical therapist at

Forty Years Ago

An Elmer City student and a Coulee Dam student at Western Washington State College have been admitted to the WESC professional education program. They are Aleta C. Rice and Neletta Warnecke.

The Grand Coulee Dam Lions Club this week announced they will have space available for signatures on two huge Christmas Cards on display in Grand Coulee and Coulee Dam.

Fifty Years Ago

Frank Sanford Jr., Dave Rawe, Perry Brooks and Evan Jensen returned from their elk hunting trip on Thursday. Ted R. Richard and Ted C. Rice all spent part of the week elk hunting in the Yakima area.

Sixty Years Ago

Mrs. Donald Leston of Grand Coulee, Mrs. Clyde Keefer Jr. and Mrs. J.E. Parmenter of Coulee Dam will attend the state board meeting of the Washington Congress of Parents and Teachers at Tacoma.

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Births in the Coulee

It's a girl for Moreno/Boyd

Brittany Moreno and Jerald Boyd Sr. of Coulee Dam, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Jayla Ann Boyd, born Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee. She weighed 5 lbs., 13 oz., and was 18 inches in length at birth.

Siblings include Marishia Boyd, 18 and Jerald Sonny Boyd Jr., 12. Maternal grandmother is Cheyenne McLaughlin. Paternal grandparents are Norman Boyd and Gladys Boyd.

Clover/Dennis have a girl

Valerie Clover and Michael R. Dennis of Coulee Dam are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Kinzley Evelyn Dennis born Monday, Nov. 19, 2012, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee. She weighed 6 lbs., 7.5 oz., and was 18.75 inches in length at birth.

Siblings include Kody 10, Ashlyn 9 and Jeri 5. Maternal grandparents are Ray and Kathy Clover of Electric City. Paternal grandparents are Bill and Linda Goodin of Grand Coulee. Great-grandparents are great-grandma Jean Routon, Arizona and great-grandpa Carlos Clover, Arizona. She was named after her late great-grandma Elizabeth Evelyn Dennis.

Elwell/Brown have a boy

Amber Elwell and Evan Brown of Nespelem are proud to announce the birth of their son Zayne Lennox Brown on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 22, 2012, at Coulee Medical Center in Grand Coulee. He weighed 6 lbs., 10 oz., and was 20 inches in length at birth.

Siblings include Evander Lee Brown. Maternal grandparents are Annabelle Elwell and Brian Stine. Paternal grandparents are Lita Avalino and Raymond Sammaripa. Great-grandparent is Raeann Choweah.

Meetings & Notices

CHAMBER TO MEET AT NOON AT VETS' CENTER

The GCD Chamber of Commerce will meet at noon at the Vets Center in Electric City on Thursday, Nov. 29, to start decorating for the Vintners and Brewers event being held this weekend. Pepper Jack's Bar & Grille will be providing lunch.

PORT DIST. 7 TO MEET

Grant County Port District No. 7 will hold its regular monthly meeting Thursday, November 29, at 1 p.m., at the Grand Coulee Dam Airport office.

FALL NOXIOUS WEED CONFERENCE

Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board is sponsoring a Fall Noxious Weed Conference on Wednesday, Nov. 28, from 8 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. at the Annex/Agriplex on the Okanogan County Fairgrounds.

For more information call the board at 509-422-7165 or stop by the office, Room 102 in the courthouse, to pick up an agenda.

TOPS MEETINGS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter meets on Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. at Grand Coulee Senior Center prior to the exercise group gathering at 10 a.m. Come and join for the health of it.

TOPS#WA1490, Coulee Dam meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., meeting following weigh in downstairs in the ground level fellowship hall in the Coulee Dam Community Presbyterian Church, 509 Central Ave., across from the Colville Tribal Museum. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is a non-profit weight loss organization.

EAGLES #2577 MEETINGS

The Eagles #2577 Aerie meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. The next meeting is December 11, at 7 p.m. The Auxiliary meets the first and third Tuesday of every month. Next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 4.

THEM DAM WRITERS MEET

Them Dam Writers meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month. The meetings are held from 1-3:30 p.m. in the art room at the senior center. The next meeting will be Wednesday, December 5.

CARE AND SHARE FOOD BANK OPEN

The food bank at the Church of the Nazarene normal operating hours are every other Monday from 2 to 4 p.m. It is located at the Church of Nazarene, hwy 174, Grand Coulee. The bank still can use clean plastic grocery bags.

LIBRARY HAS FRIDAY STORY TIME

The Grand Coulee Library Story time is every Friday at 10:30 a.m. Regular library hours are Mondays and Thursdays 12:30 - 5:30 p.m.; Tuesdays 12:30 - 7:30 p.m. and Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. For information concerning library programs or services call 633-0972.

LOCAL AA MEETINGS

Confused in the Coulee AA meetings are held on Mondays at 7 p.m., Friday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m. at the Vets Center in Electric City. Call Paul 633-3377 days or 633-3345 evenings. New Hope Group meetings are held Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Vets Center. For more information call John 633-2448. These are open, non-smoking and handicap accessible.

In Nespelem the group Bound and Determined holds its meetings Monday evening at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Church. Contact Myrna 634-4921 for more information there.

SENIORS HAVE WHEELCHAIRS, CRUTCHES AVAILABLE

Through the Grand Coulee Dam Senior Center a program is available to members and other persons who for a short time need a wheel chair, walkers, crutches, canes, bath stools and other items of this type.

For those who have any of the above items that are from the center and no longer used please return. Call 633-2321 for info.



Pumping health

Inland Northwest Blood Center workers attend to donors James Hicks, left, and Randi Pakoatas Monday during a blood drive at Coulee Medical Center's old clinic building. INBC collected 40 units of blood. — Scott Hunter photo

St. Dunstons services change

St. Dunstan's Church will hold services at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2, this week only. Regular Sunday services resume at 9 a.m. the following week.

Museum group looking for members

by Birdie Hensley

The Coulee Pioneer Museum is looking for members that want to preserve the history and heritage of the Grand Coulee Dam Area. The museum is moving forward with plans to gather information, photos, personal histories, and much, much more about the area. The name is "Coulee Pioneer Museum". We have a tax number, logo, a slate of officers and an address. With memberships and donations, we will open a bank account soon. At this time we are looking for a donated area where we can gather information and work on projects. One day we will grow big enough to have our own museum.

Memberships of \$25 for 2012-2013 memberships can be mailed to PO Box 203, Grand Coulee, WA 99133. We are busy getting the museum up and running.

We need funds for supplies and equipment. With a room, we can start to category information for reference at a later date. We have started gathering family history and relationships. With a computer and scanner we will start to gather and document materials. A Grand Coulee Dam family tree has been started, that can be used on to help document residences at Spring Canyon and for later reference at the Museum. At this time we have over 1000 people entered.

If you are interested in helping, the next meeting will be held, Wednesday, Dec. 5, at 1 p.m., at the art room above the Senior Center. Or you can contact one of the officers which include: Birdie Hensley, Gayle Swagerty, Darlene Morava, Patty Taylor, Joanne Turner or Linda Zlateff.

Senior menu

Wed., Nov. 28 - Dinner
Shepherd Pie with Hamburger & Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit Platter, Pudding Parfait.

Thurs., Nov. 29 - Dinner
Elmer's Bean & Bacon Soup, Fruit Salad/Relish Tray, Cornbread/Cake, grocery shopping and errands with Sara.

Fri., Nov. 30 - Breakfast
Link Sausage, Eggs, Country Potatoes, Toast, Fruit Bowl & Orange Juice.

Mon., Dec. 3 - Breakfast
Bacon & Eggs, French Toast, Peaches, Orange Juice.

Tue., Dec. 4 - Dinner
Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Salad, Broccoli & Cauliflower Medley, Cook's Choice Dessert with Fruit.

Wed., Dec. 5 - Dinner
Baked Chicken, French Fries, Fruit Salad, Corn, Pudding.

Thurs., Dec. 6 - Dinner
Philly Dip Sandwich with Au Jus, Jay's Homemade Chips, Pineapple & Cabbage Slaw, Peanut Butter Cookies.

Fri., Dec. 7 - Breakfast
Denver Omelette with Cheese, Ham, Green Peppers & Onions,

Hash Browns, Toast, Mixed Fruit, Orange Juice.

Mon., Dec. 10 - Breakfast
Sausage Links, Eggs, Hash Browns, Toast, Pears, Orange Juice.

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Middle school students of the month

Students of the month for October from GCD Middle School include, from left: Brianna Whybark- 5th, Braxton Hernandez- 6th, Hotona LaCourse- 7th, Will Friedlander- 8th.

Center School students of the month



For September they include: front row: Nichole Batten, Raeley Portch, Shyleigh Gray; middle row: Kaitlyn Nordine, Chase Marchand, Kendra Duclos; back row: Ariana Morse, Tanner Kiser, Tyler Palmer, Elijah Palmanteer. Not pictured Sam Wapato and Hannah Lind



For October they include - front: Coda Arcasa, Aidan Palmanteer, Landon Jenkins, Noah Hunt; middle: Brit Egbert, Nichole Batten (September), Alexandra Harris, Jaelyn Cleveland; back: Valerie Jury, Vanessa Ankney, Lacey Moon, Makenna Alling, Lillie LaPlace, Harlie Daniels. Not pictured Nathan Tonasket, Andrew Poyner

Ski club meeting

Those interested in joining the ski club should attend a meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 5 p.m. at the Nespelem School library, or 6:15 p.m., at the LRHS library.

Students must attend with parent for information and sign up. Any questions call Sue Dickey 633-1555 evenings

School board hears progress on new school

by Roger S. Lucas

The Grand Coulee Dam School District board got a lesson in color combinations as architect Cameron Golightly, from Design West, reviewed the color schemes of the new K-12 school Monday night.

He explained that the K-6 wing would be a bit more colorful than the 7-12 wing which will have more "grown up" colors.

Golightly reviewed color schemes for flooring, wall coverings and countertops during his presentation.

The color schemes reflected earth tones, similar to those being considered for the outside of the building.

Board members were quick to get in the fray, throwing out all

kinds of color suggestions, only at the end giving the architect the green light to finalize the plan.

The architects from the Pullman firm have been working through a core group made up of administrators, teachers and townspeople.

Golightly assured the board that the timeline was progressing well and that the district could go out for bid as early as mid-January, 2013.

That would mean that a construction start of late spring could be comfortably met.

Emily Williams, a senior at Lake Roosevelt High School, told the board that she would like to do a project for the new school. It was suggested that she consider doing a sign for the voc-tech building.

Society inducts new members

Eight students joined the Lake Roosevelt High School chapter of the National Honor Society in a ceremony Oct. 29.

Inducted were Shay Duclos, Zachary Erickson-King, Andrew

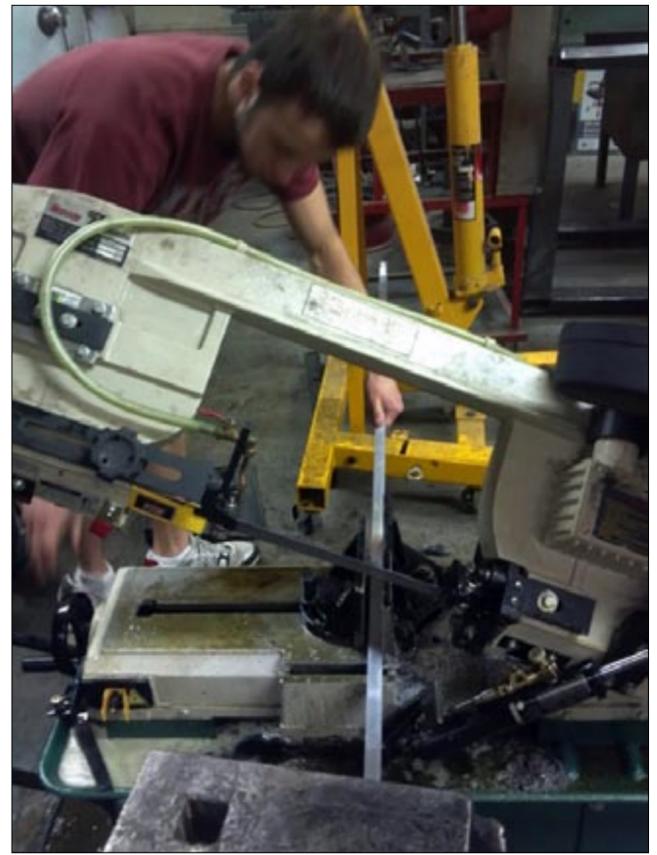
McCure, Katelynn Schilling, Hayley Seylor, Jazmyne Sumner, Cassidy Trapani and Coltin Williams.

Their induction brings the society's number to 29.

Club's family night set to discuss impact

Friends of Rachel Club members will share with the community a message against bullying at a family event Dec. 3 at 6 p.m. at The Village Cinema.

Club members will discuss their projects and the impact Rachel's Challenge is having on the community. The presentations will be followed by a movie shown for attendees of the family event. Any family event attendees wishing to stay for the movie need to bring a canned good donation to benefit the local food bank.



Brady Black uses a band saw to cut a piece of square metal tubing for use in lifting the robot. — submitted photo

Robotics team to head to Ellensburg

by Roger S. Lucas

Lake Roosevelt High School is sending its robotics team to two competitions in December.

The six-student team is made up of Tim Loch, Jordan Charles, Corbin Wilder, Joshua Wilder, Devan Black and Brady Black and coached by Jeremiah Seekins.

The school board gave its approval for the trips Monday night, learning that the cost associated with the travel was being borne by a grant from the 21st Century group.

The first trip, this Saturday,

Dec. 1, will take the team to Ellensburg for the First Tech Challenge Regional Qualifying session.

The second trip, a continuation of the competition, will be held Dec. 15, in Tacoma.

It's Lake Roosevelt's initial year for robotics competition.

The robot is made from a lego set, with maximum size 18 inches wide and tall. Seekins said a scissor design could lift a companion robot up to 10 feet in the air, but he noted that the first week, it probably would reach about three to four feet.

GCD school board briefs

Hires, etc.

The Grand Coulee Dam School District board accepted one resignation, approved a leave and stipend and made seven hires Monday night.

Kyle Desautel's resignation as head boys basketball coach was accepted and the board hired Jeff Brisbois to take his place. Michael Rounds, a Middle School Title VII paraprofessional, was given a requested leave. Hired were Senneatt Hodge, night custodian at Center School; Stephanie Hermetz, high school nurse on a one-to-one role;

Jaci Gross, seventh grade girls' basketball coach; Brooke Meinzer, Grand Coulee Dam Middle School winter cheerleading coach; Kathy Krohn, Title VII coordinator; Brad Oliver, LRHS assistant boys' basketball coach; and Principal Lisa Lakin was given a stipend for her extra duties as co-principal at Center School.

climbed by 15 during the month of November to 634, compared to 619 in October. The board budgeted 610 students in its current school year budget.

Surplus declared

The school board Monday night declared as surplus a number of library materials, many of which have never been checked out. The material included audio cassettes, equipment, books and records.

Student count up

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Carol Visker, Clerk/Treasurer
(Publish November 21, 28 and December 5, 2012)

Town of Nespelem

FINAL BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Nespelem will hold a Final Budget Hearing on Tuesday, December 11, 2012, 5:00 P.M. at Town Hall. Copies of the 2013 Preliminary Budget are available at Town Hall during normal business hours. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to provide either written or oral comments concerning the 2013 Budget at said Final Budget Hearing.

Lynn Schilling-
Clerk/Treasurer
Publish November 28, December 5, and 12, 2012.)

Grant County

Mosquito District 2

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(Publish November 28, 2012)

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503 Butler Square., Grand Coulee
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#1009 River Drive, Coulee Dam, 3 Bedroom 2 bath home with large family room. The home is appr. 1,550 square feet in size and was built in 1968. It has wood lap siding, copper plumbing and hardwood floors in several of the rooms. With the extra large 20,000 square foot lot, either build that huge shop or do a BLA and create a 2nd home site for a new home. List price is just \$139,000.

214 Kelso Avenue, Electric City. Very Clean 2 Bedroom 2 Bath Fleetwood Man home built in 2000. The home is just over 1,100 s.f. plus there is an 85 s.f. frame addition along with a large covered entry deck. Home was built to Super Good Cents standards and has 6" exterior walls and Central Heat and AC. It also has 2 pane vinyl clad windows, updated floorings and new paint, and Comp 3 tab roof. The shop/garage is 18' by 30' and has good access off the alleyway. The property is 65' by 150' deep and has fenced yard and auto sprinklers. Stove,ref,dw, washer/dryer and dry sauna all included. Owner will consider an owner contract on approved credit with minimum 25% down payment. List Price is just \$104,000.

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| <p>W Main St., Almira \$59,000</p> <p>This 2 bedroom, 1 bath home is situated on Main Street in Almira. The house is nestled under mature Evergreens. The vinyl siding and roof were replaced in '98. The house has some updates and is move in ready. Great starter home!</p> | <p>Lot 1 I.S., Coulee City \$70,000</p> <p>Beautiful level lake view lot. Owner has certificate for septic and electricity at lot.</p> | <p>Lot 10 J Rd NE, Coulee City \$50,000</p> <p>Lake view lots available! Sage Canyon ranch is offering 1 and 2 acre lots with incredible views of Banks Lake! Whether you are wanting an afternoon of fishing or a relaxing evening watching the sun set over the lake, this unique property enables you to do both. Recreational opportunities are endless! Spend your days hiking, hunting, golfing or boating. Just steps away from a walking trail that takes you to the city park and marina.</p> |
| <p>9607 SR 17, Coulee City \$66,000</p> <p>This 41.92 acres with cabins, house, shop is sold "AS IS". There are a lot of vehicles and "stuff" on this property. The seller does not make any claims as to the condition of the buildings on the property. Any clean-up etc is fully up to the buyer. Seller is not liable nor do they make any claims as to the structural or soundness of any of the structures.</p> | <p>Lot 4 I.S., Coulee City \$70,000</p> <p>Beautiful level lake view lot. Owner has certificate for septic and electricity at lot.</p> | <p>NNA Northern Ave NE, Coulee City \$75,000</p> <p>Beautiful view of Banks Lake! Great level lot on 4 acres. Power close. Drill well & install septic. This 1872 sqft Chateau style cabin is move in ready. The furniture is included. Well appointed furnishings with "open concept" living. Built in 2006, it has 3 beds, 2 baths and 2 car attached garage. It has its own well, septic and sits on one acre. The view is unobstructed of Banks Lake. You have quick and easy access to water sports and fishing. Gas free standing fireplace. Owner financing.</p> |
| <p>285 O Rd., Coulee City \$299,900</p> <p>This beautifully updated rambler with full basement. Boasts 3,912sqft sits on 7+- acres. Located close enough to Coulee City to make it convenient to get supplies, but far enough out to enjoy country living. This home potentially has five bedrooms with 2 3/4 baths. The living room features a brick fireplace as does the family room downstairs. The heart of the home is the baker's kitchen with a 4X11 granite slab counter top, gorgeous cabinets, and one of a kind features.</p> | <p>Lot 2 I.S., Coulee City \$65,000</p> <p>Beautiful level lake view lot. Owner has certificate for septic and electricity at lot.</p> | <p>22014 E Hwy 2, Hartline 99135 \$115,000</p> <p>This 5bedroom 2.5 bath, 2372 SqFt home is situated very close to Hartline on Hwy 2. It has a 2 car attached garage and has several out buildings including a large barn. All of this on 4 acres could make a fabulous "get away" destination or a great home for those who need a lot of space. Come see what this listing has to offer.</p> |



Coulee Cops

Compiled from police files

Grand Coulee Police

11/18 - Police confronted a driver known to have a suspended license. He said he had a new license. When asked for his new license the driver produced a license issued in 2009. The man couldn't produce an insurance card, and will likely be charged with driving without a valid license, driving while suspended, having no insurance and giving false statements to an officer. The man's mother came to take control of the car.

- A motorist was stopped because his license tabs didn't correspond to the vehicle he was driving. The officer found that the car had been recently purchased but the registration was not changed. The driver was advised to take care of the problem, and then got a ticket for not having insurance.

- A bartender at an Electric City tavern called police to say that he had found a baggie with a crystal-like substance in it. The officer picked it up and entered it in the department's evidence room.

11/19 - An officer stood by in the Coulee Medical Center's emergency room where a patient was reportedly combative. The man had been brought in by Tribal Police because he had suicidal tendencies. While enroute to the hospital he had damaged an officer's car.

11/20 - A bartender at The Wolf's Den reported that a man was pounding on the door and wouldn't go away. The officer learned that the man was banned from the place and had been drinking there. When further service was denied, the man left, then returned and pounded on the door. He was told if he came back he would be arrested.

- An officer driving on Stevens Street in Electric City saw a man driving who was wanted on a warrant. He was taken to Grant County Jail. A licensed driver took charge of the vehicle.

- Dispatch advised that there was a woman in trouble near The Fusion restaurant in Electric City. Police found the woman under a tree and she told them that she was on her way to the laundromat in Grand Coulee and needed to rest. Police cancelled the ambulance call and gave the woman a courtesy ride to her destination.

- A clerk at a store in Grand Coulee advised police that two men were walking back and forth in the parking lot and she thought it suspicious. Police confronted the pair who said that as soon as they put antifreeze in the vehicle they would head out.

- A person reported that they had found a black case contain-

ing an AC/DC lighter, pink straw, syringe, glass pipe with blue color and residue, a clear/broken glass pipe, foam, plastic bag with crystal type substance and a pink cloth with Lewis County on it. All the items were destroyed by police.

11/20 - Police were called to an Electric City house on West Grand Avenue where there was a report of a dispute between two youth. The officer found that one had a warrant out for his arrest and took him to the Grant County juvenile facility.

11/21 - Police checked on a helicopter at the Grand Coulee Dam Airport and when the officer arrived the copter took off to the south and then turned to the north. The unit landed again later and police found that it was an army helicopter.

11/22 - As an officer patrolled Alcan Road, he recognized a woman walking along the roadway as a person wanted on a warrant. He arrested her and reportedly found a smoking device with methamphetamine traces. She was taken to jail on the warrant, and charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia was added to her arrest.

11/23 - An argument over the Apple Cup football game placed an Electric City woman in Grant County Jail for slapping her boyfriend. Police were called to the School Avenue Electric City home where a broken picture frame and fresh flowers the man had purchased for the woman were tossed outside. The woman was booked on domestic violence in the fourth degree. Enroute to jail the woman slipped one of her handcuffs off and got sick and vomited in the back of the patrol car. She told the officer that she had swallowed one of her rings and it was lodged in her throat. An ambulance was called, and the woman was returned to Grand Coulee for treatment and later taken to jail.

11/24 - Police saw a person driving while his license was suspended and followed him until the vehicle stopped to issue the man a ticket. A man exited the house and started calling the officer names. With the man were two dogs, one running loose, and the man was told he was violating a city ordinance allowing his dog to run loose. The man continued calling the officer names until he backed into the house.

11/25 - Police checked on a report of horses on highway 174. The owner of the horses told police that someone had cut the gate which allowed the horses to get free.

- Plant Protection advised police of two individuals fishing in a restricted area at North Dam Park. The two were advised to leave and did so.

11/26 - A 16-year-old was arrested and taken to Grant County Juvenile facility after allegedly taking a vehicle without permission and driving it around town. The vehicle was taken from an Electric City residence where the officer arrived just after the boy returned it.

Coulee Dam Police

11/19 - Police discussed with school officials a report of a threat made by a high school student against a teacher. The threat was made on Facebook and police got a record of the threat and the communication made with other parties. The teacher said she thought that the person was capable of carrying out the threat. The information was forwarded to the Okanogan County juvenile authorities for possible charges.

11/21 - Several youths were questioned about entering a vacated house on Central Drive and causing damage. The house was being reconditioned by the Colville Confederated Tribes whose officials were asked by police to provide an estimate of damages. The youths were identified and questioned at the middle school.

11/22 - A man on Central Drive advised police that a person had come to his door to inquire if there was any work for him to do. When he was told no, he made a threat about burning the man's house down. Police are investigating.

- A man was arrested for violating a "no contact" order. The woman who had the court order was riding in the vehicle the man was driving. The man said the two had been camping near Nespelem. He asked the officer to let him go because the woman, from Texas, couldn't find her way back to the campsite. The officer explained the arrest was mandated and he was taken to Okanogan County Jail.

11/25 - A woman reported that she had hit a deer with her vehicle. Tribal Police were called and dispatched the deer. The vehicle was drivable.

Local challenges encourage creative alternatives

After having been in Grand Coulee for almost two years now, one of the biggest changes that I am still trying to adapt to is an unexpected one. It's not the distance to the nearest big box store or mall, nor is it the weather or the size of the community.

Somewhat surprisingly, it's the fact that I cannot put out my recycling with the trash.

For much of my youth, many might have labeled me an environmentalist. When I was in high school I organized a grass roots campaign, if it could even be called that, to ask the lunch ladies not to give out the paper bowls with the chicken sandwiches. They already came wrapped in aluminum foil. Why did we also need the paper bowl? I thought it a waste and tried, before the term was coined, to Reduce Our Use.

"Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" is now the accepted slogan for waste reduction. It's so popular, Jack Johnson has even written a catchy song about it. And for many, this is an edict that ingrains itself into everyday life.

When we moved here and I found out there was no easy way to recycle, I was a little horrified. The young environmentalist in me protested.

The practical side of me understands that the nearest recycling center is too far away to make the business — and that is what recycling is, however noble the cause might be — profitable.

I also understand that space is not a limiting factor like it is in other parts of the country where I have lived. In other parts, burgeoning landfills require citizens to be very conscientious about not only recycling but also the other two sides of it: reducing our use of new products and reusing what we already have.

With every environmentalist cell in me protesting when I throw clearly recyclable material in the trash, I have tried to be creative as to minimizing my footprint in whatever way I can. I even know some in our community who store up their recyclables and haul them to a convenient recycling center in nearby

towns. Admirable, and worth the effort, if time and space affords such a system. If not, there are a few alternatives around town worth checking out.

Although my pantry is filled with a plethora of canvas bags, I must confess I use them far less than I ever thought I would and instead opt for the convenience of the grocery store plastic bags. Plastic bags that find their way to the landfill usually also find their way to harming the environment, killing more than 1 million birds each year, to name just one negative impact. Luckily, these plastic bags are easily recycled and are made into excellent re-used products. Our local Safeway has a plastic bag recycle box just inside its front

door by the flowers. In my house, the plastic bags build up in my garage to an embarrassing quantity, and a few times a year you will find me carting a gigantic armful of plastic bags to the bin in Safeway. It may take me some time to get there, but my bags get recycled nonetheless, and that's what matters.

Also at our Safeway, there is a bin for recycling aluminum cans to raise money for the Senior Center. This isn't quite as simple as throwing them in the green bin and dragging it out to my curb, but at the same time, I like it almost even better. In this case, the money for recycling those cans goes to a local group.

I don't generally use a lot of plastic or glass bottles, but when I do, I try to find another use for them or change brands if possible. Milk for my daughter comes in compostable cartons and glass jars become excellent alternatives to plastic Tupperware.

In the midst of the waste-producing holiday season, I challenge all of us to find ways to be kinder to the land that nurtures us and to be cognizant of what we throw in our trash cans. Sometimes, a little creativity is all it takes.

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