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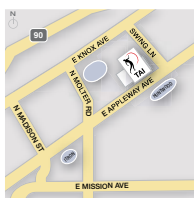
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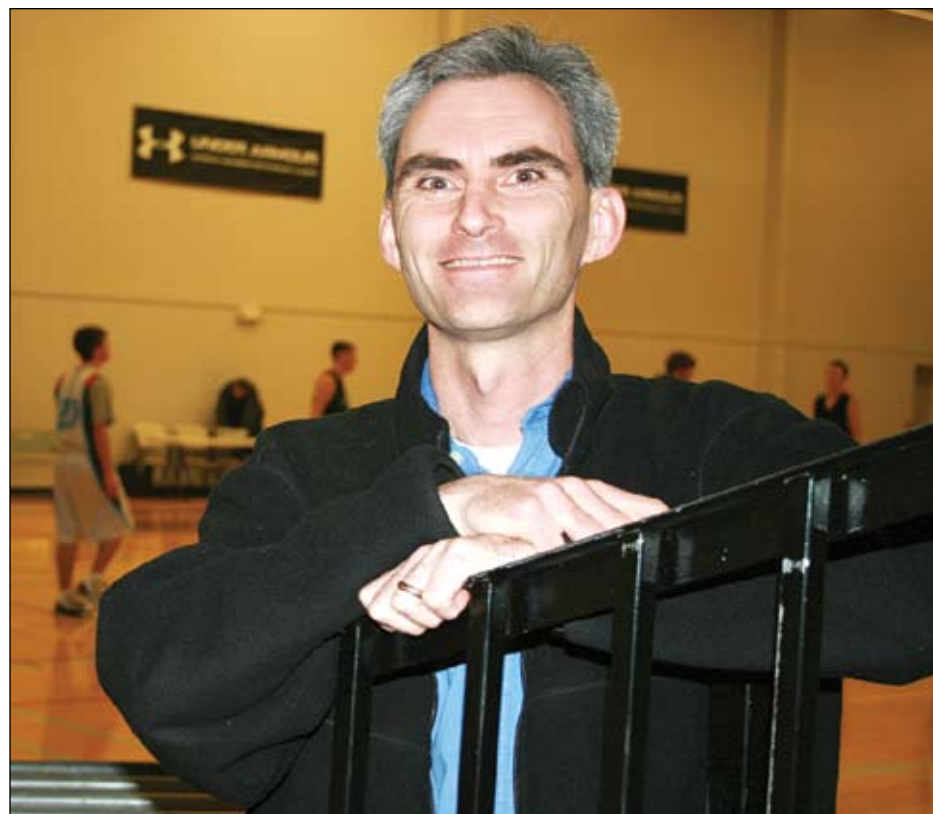


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Phil Champlin, executive director of the HUB Sports Center, is planning to expand the activities held at the facility.

A complex sports task

Champlin plans for long-term as HUB director

By Hope Brumbach
SPLASH EDITOR

For Phil Champlin, no idea is a bad idea these days.

As the new executive director of the HUB Sports Center in Liberty Lake, Champlin is gathering any and all ideas to make the regional sports complex viable for the long term.

"We're open for business, so to speak. Come bring us your ideas," Champlin said. "Spokane Valley and Liberty Lake don't have a facility like this, so we're filling a void, but no one knows we're filling that void."

His job is to change that.

Champlin recently discussed with The Splash his hopes and strategies for the HUB, a 66,000-square-foot facility at 19619 E. Cataldo Ave.

Q. What challenges is the HUB facing?

A. I don't think the challenges have changed a whole lot (in the last few years). My job comes down

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profiles:
PHIL CHAMPLIN

Age
38

Family
Married; three kids, ages 8, 6 and 4

City of residence
Spokane, since 2004

Education
Bachelor's degree from University of California Davis in agricultural and managerial economics; master's degree in business from University of Southern California

Job history
Worked for Coca-Cola in sales, then worked 11 years with Skyhawks, which produces youth sports camps, now working as executive director of HUB Sports Center

Been with the HUB
Two and a half months

Hobbies
Volleyball and basketball, coaching kids' teams, spending time with family

Life motto
"I'm a Christian, and I believe in God and believe he has a plan for my life; even though they don't make sense, they make sense in the long run."



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Community Briefs

Tickets on sale for jazz concert

Tickets are now on sale for the fifth annual "Jazz Under the Stars" to be held Feb. 19 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Central Valley High School, 821 S. Sullivan Road in Spokane Valley.

The evening includes jazz music provided by Central Valley High School, Evergreen Middle School and Greenacres Middle School along with dancing, desserts and a silent auction.

If purchased ahead of time, tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. Tickets cost \$15 at the door. The fundraiser helps support all the band and color guard programs at CVHS.

For more information, call 999-9880.

'Lightning Thief' party at library

Celebrate the release of "Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief" at the Liberty Lake Municipal Library.

The movie release party is at 6:30 p.m. on Feb. 10 at the library, 23123 E. Mission Ave. The event will include games, trivia, activities and a chance to win movie passes. Come dressed as your favorite character.

For more information, contact Tracy at 232-2510.

'Brigadoon' performed at CVHS

The Central Valley High School Theatre Department is preparing for "Brigadoon," a musical production that will come to life on the CVHS stage next month.

The story follows two Americans as they discover the enchanted place called Brigadoon and tells a tale of love, tradition, family and romance. Men in kilts, a 20-piece orchestra and 50 CVHS students will be featured in the romantic and comedic musical.

Shows begin at 7:30 p.m. during March 17-20 and 23-25. Tickets are \$8 and will go on sale Feb. 15 in the CVHS business office.

For more information, call 228-5208.

Library to hold robot contest

The Liberty Lake Municipal Library is holding a robot contest March 7-13 in honor of Teen Tech Week. The contest is open to 12- to 18-year-olds. For a complete list of rules and regulations, e-mail Tracy at trebstock@libertylakewa.gov or visit the library's Web site at www.libertylakewa.gov/library and check the Teen Space page.

Tickets on sale for WSU game

The city of Liberty Lake is offering discounted tickets to a Washington State University basketball game in Pullman on Feb. 20.

Tickets are available for \$10 each to the 2 p.m. game featuring WSU Cougars vs. USC Trojans. Ticketholders are responsible

to provide their own transportation to the game.

The deadline to order tickets is Feb. 7. Tickets can be purchased online at www.libertylakewa.gov/recreation.

For more information, call City Hall at 755-6726.

Library holds book sale

The FRIENDS of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library group is holding a used book sale Feb. 13.

The 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. event will be held at the library, 23123 E. Mission Ave. The sale includes hardbacks and paperbacks, fiction and nonfiction, children's books, biographies, recipe books, home decorating and more.

Proceeds will go toward items to be used at the library.

FRIENDS also is holding its annual meeting at 6 p.m. Feb. 23 at the library. The community is invited.

'Art for you to love' at library

Dianne McDermott, who specializes in portraiture, illustrations and local landscapes, is the featured artist at the Liberty Lake Municipal Library in February.

McDermott's show — themed "Art for you to love" — will be on display at the library, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

A reception will be held 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the library with Valentine goodies and an oil portrait on canvas demonstration.

Kiwanis to raise funds for Haiti

The Liberty Lake Kiwanis is donating \$2,000 to help victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

Kiwanis is giving the money to Surgical Implant Generation Network (SIGN) Feb. 10 at the Richland Kiwanis meeting. SIGN is planning to set up makeshift operating rooms in Haiti. Volunteer doctors travel at their own expense, and all donations go directly to the field, said Liberty Lake Kiwanis member Pat Dockrey.

Tax-deductible donations can be sent to the Kiwanis Club of Liberty Lake, P.O. Box 384, Liberty Lake, WA 99109.

For more information about SIGN, visit www.sign-post.org.

Rotary pledges Rocky Hill support

The Liberty Lake Centennial Rotary recently decided to focus time, energy and funds to the continuing improvement of Rocky Hill Park. The organization asks the public to watch for future events, projects and fundraisers.

For more information, call Mary Duncan at 892-0300.

Hilpert on Lilac Festival court

Madison Hilpert, a senior at Central

Calendar

FEBRUARY 4

Noon: Liberty Lake Centennial Rotary meeting, Denny Ashlock Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

FEBRUARY 6

10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.: Liberty Lake Library open chess, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.: Artist reception, Liberty Lake Municipal Library

FEBRUARY 8

6:30 p.m.: Central Valley School Board meeting, 19307 E. Cataldo
7:15 p.m.: Spokane Valley Camera Club, Denny Ashlock Building 22510 E. Mission Ave., projected photograph (digital and slides) competition

FEBRUARY 9

6:30 p.m.: Liberty Lake Municipal Library board meeting, Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

FEBRUARY 10

6:45 a.m.: Liberty Lake Kiwanis meeting, Liberty Lake City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive
11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Liberty Lake Senior Lunch Program, Liberty Lake City Hall
Noon-1 p.m.: Liberty Lake Lions Club meeting, Guardian Angel Homes, 23102 E. Mission Ave.

4 p.m.: Liberty Lake Planning Commission, Liberty Lake City Hall
5:45 p.m.: Liberty Lake Toastmasters, Denny Ashlock Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

6:30 p.m.: "Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief" movie release party, Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

FEBRUARY 11

Noon: Liberty Lake Centennial Rotary meeting, Denny Ashlock Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

Valley High School, recently was chosen as one of six princesses to serve on the royal court for the 2010 Lilac Festival.

During the weekend competition, 13 candidates gave speeches, conducted interviews and participated in a coronation ceremony. Hilpert received a \$1,250 scholarship for being one of the seven finalists. She is the daughter of Adam and Dana Hilpert of Liberty Lake.

For full list of community briefs, visit www.libertylakesplash.com.

News Brief

Liberty Lake Police sniff out canine program

Liberty Lake Police are tracking down the possibility of a canine drug-detection program for the city.

Police Chief Brian Asmus said the proposed program, which needs City Council approval, makes sense for the department with its focus on commercial vehicle enforcement, the city's proximity to Interstate 90, the number of people outside the area coming through the community and the number of drug arrests made by local officers.

The program also would be an asset in community outreach, he added.

The police department's budget this year

doesn't include funds for the program, Asmus said. The department still is researching the complete cost, but training for the dog and a handler is estimated at \$1,500, he said. The dog, typically a rescue animal, is free.

Local community members and businesses have responded positively to the possibility of a drug-detection canine program, Asmus said, and some people have already pledged to donate services or funds for it.

Asmus said he is presenting the proposal later this month to the City Council's public safety committee and to the full Council next month.

If approved, the animal and handler could begin training this coming fall, Asmus said.

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Police Report

The following incidents, arrests, calls for service and citations were reported by the Liberty Lake Police Department for Jan. 25-Feb. 1.

Arrests and incidents:

• **Helicopter** — Breaking up a juvenile party in Liberty Lake Saturday evening got some extra assistance from the Spokane County Sheriff's helicopter. Two Liberty Lake officers responded that night to the report of an underage party in the area of Springdale and Sharp, police said. A sheriff's helicopter was on patrol nearby and also responded to the call, flying overhead and using a spotlight to try to track down the juveniles, police said.

• **Felony harassment** — A 35-year-old Liberty Lake man was arrested Jan. 27 on the 2600 block of North Harmony for domestic violence felony harassment and threats to kill. The complainant told police her ex-boyfriend, the suspect, had sent threatening text messages and that he called her that day and threatened to kill her and her son. Police found the man at his mother's residence, and he was booked into the Spokane County Jail.

• **Hit-and-run collision** — Police responded Jan. 27 to a hit-and-run collision at Country Vista Drive and Liberty Lake Road. A witness told police the suspect vehicle hit another car near the intersection and then continued on. The witness followed the vehicle and watched it hit another car on Country Vista Drive. All three vehicles sustained severe damage, police said. The drivers of the two victim vehicles received minor injuries.

The suspect driver, a 46-year-old Liberty Lake woman, was transported to the hospital and arrested for driving under the influence after a drug recognition expert evaluated her. Police say she admitted taking Vicodin, and the drug expert suspected she also had been drinking alcohol.

• **Allsport burgled** — Liberty Lake police responded Jan. 26 to Allsport at 19505 E. Broadway Ave. to the report of an overnight burglary. The manager told police a hood and air box to two snowmobiles were taken, valued at \$1,500. Video surveillance showed two subjects climbing the fence and taking the items.

• **Two-car accident** — Police responded Jan. 28 to a two-car minor injury accident at the intersection of Harvard and Mission. The at-fault driver exited Interstate 90 and thought the intersection was a four-way stop, police said. The driver pulled out across Harvard and struck a vehicle traveling southbound.

• **Reckless driving** — A 19-year-old Spokane man was arrested Jan. 28 at Mis-

sion and Potomac for reckless driving and for possession of a dangerous weapon. A 17-year-old female from Spokane Valley also was arrested during the incident. Police observed a pickup quickly pass a vehicle eastbound on Mission, and the car then sped up to catch the truck, driving 70 mph in the 35-mph zone. The officer, thinking the interaction was a road rage incident, pulled over the truck and the car kept going. The officer arrested the driver, who said the driver of the other vehicle was a coworker and they were being "stupid," according to police reports. The officer found a set of brass knuckles in the truck, and the man was cited and released for possession of a dangerous weapon and reckless driving. Using a cell phone number provided by the male driver, police called the juvenile, who returned to where the officer had stopped the truck. She was released to her parents, police said.

• **Forgery** — Police are investigating a forgery from last month involving a Liberty Lake victim, who told police she received a call from the STCU fraud department. A questionable check had been presented in Portland, Ore., from the victim's account, and it was determined to be fraudulent. The next day, a second fraudulent check was cashed in Tacoma. The cases will be forwarded to Portland and Tacoma for follow-up, police said.

• **Felony child assault** — A 26-year-old Liberty Lake man was arrested Jan. 31 on the 1900 block of North Cavalier for third-degree felony assault of a child. Police received the report of child abuse in which a 2-year-old boy suffered an injury to his arm caused by his father and that required medical treatment. The father was booked into the county jail.

Calls for service:

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Commercial vehicle inspection	1
Death	1
Fraud, impersonation	1
Harassment	1
Traffic accident, blocking	1
Traffic accident, hit and run	1
Traffic offense	1

Citations:

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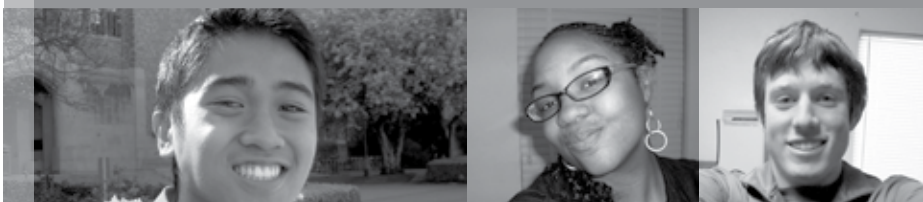
Dr. Megan Bright inserts sterile needles into a dachshund, Holly, as part of her acupuncture treatment at Legacy Animal Medical Center.

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Vet offers acupuncture as treatment option

By **Tammy Kimberley**
SPLASH STAFF WRITER

When Theresa Bowden brought her dachshund, Holly, to Legacy Animal Medical Center last year, Holly walked with a limp and rarely wagged her tail.

While Holly responded well at first to a treatment of steroids and muscle relaxants for her injured back, relapses left her nearly paralyzed.

She didn't feel comfortable with surgical options, so Bowden was introduced to Dr. Meagan Bright, who performed acupuncture on Holly. After the initial treatment, Bowden said she noticed Holly's pain had alleviated, and after a couple of treatments, she started walking again.

Bright said that Holly is one of a handful of animals that she has treated with acupuncture since introducing the concepts of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) to Legacy Animal Medical Center, 1318 N. Stanford Lane in Liberty Lake. The clinic is one of the few in the area to offer the treatment.

Although TCM is widely accepted throughout East Asia, Bright said that it is considered an alternative medicine in much of the Western world. TCM practices include herbal medicine, acupuncture,

food therapy and special types of massage.

Bright said that acupuncture can be used to treat any condition that is not life threatening, such as arthritis pain, seizure disorders and kidney or liver disease. But acupuncture is often turned to after all other options are exhausted, she said.

"The problem with acupuncture is that people often reach to it as a last resort," Bright said. "But if there's a niche we can fill where Western medicine doesn't do the trick, that's where Eastern medicine can come in."

A typical appointment involves placing dry needles on pressure points, followed by hooking the needles up to electric wires. A low frequency of voltage is applied for pain and then a slightly higher frequency for treatment, Bright said.

The whole process usually takes around an hour, and she said the animals barely notice the needles that penetrate the skin.

Acupuncture treatment is a slow process, so Bright said owners are asked to allow at least six sessions to determine results. In Holly's case, acupuncture sessions were done weekly for about a month and then spaced out more as she progressed.

Bowden said she has been "pleasantly surprised" at the effect acupuncture has had on her dog, which was evident after a recent session when Holly ran around the clinic with her tail wagging and ears alert.

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BUSINESS

In Biz

Barlows opens for dinner

Barlows Family Restaurant is opening for dinner and expanding its menu. The dinner hour will be available starting Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. Reservations are being accepted.

The restaurant, which opened in early December at 1440 N. Meadowwood Lane, offers American-style food.

The expanded hours will be 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week, with a drive-through window available for phone-in orders.

The restaurant, owned by Alicia Dodd, is in the former Stilos Steafood & Steakhouse building.

For more information, visit www.barlowsrest.com.

UPS offers free shipping to troops

The UPS Store in Liberty Lake recently launched Operation: S.W.A.K. (Sealed With A Kiss), an initiative to deliver Valentine's Day greetings to U.S. troops and veterans.

Now through Feb. 14, The UPS Store is providing free first-class postage (44 cents) for one-ounce letters to U.S. military personnel stationed overseas or to veterans in VA hospitals. The store also is offering 10 percent off shipping for packages sent to servicemen and women.

"A handwritten card or letter is a simple way to pay tribute to the efforts and sacrifices of the brave men and women who

serve our country," said Allison Wilke, new owner of The UPS Store in Liberty Lake. "Each and every card is a valuable reminder of home for the soldier who receives it."

For more information, visit the store at 1324 N. Liberty Lake Road or call 927-7878.

LL Wine Cellars wins award

The Liberty Lake Wine Cellars' 2005 Syrah recently was awarded "Double Gold" in the Wine Press Northwest Platinum Judging: Best of the Best in the Great Northwest.

LL residents honored by Marines

Liberty Lake residents Larry and Sheri Herberholz recently were honored by Marines from Coeur d'Alene's Pappy Boyington Detachment of the Marine Corps League 966.

The couple, who owns Cruiser's Bar and Grill in Post Falls, were honored for their assistance during the Toys for Tots drive, according to a Coeur d'Alene Press article. They received a flag and letter of commendation.

In Biz features Liberty Lake-connected business and tidbits. Contact The Splash with business news items at editor@libertylakesplash.com.

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"We wanted to improve Holly's quality of life, since she was a young dog when the trouble started," Bowden said. "We've achieved that with acupuncture."

Any type of animal can be treated with acupuncture, but Bright is currently offering the service on cats and dogs only. She said she has treated many arthritic animals and experiences significant success in improving their quality of life.

Bright is getting certified in veterinary acupuncture through the Chi Institute in Florida and plans to take her final class this summer. She said the clinic is just now starting to get the word out about acupuncture, and she looks forward to expanding her knowledge on other holistic medicine options.

"I primarily practice 'regular' Western medicine, but I'm adding new tools to my medical bag by incorporating Eastern medicine if the situation allows," Bright said.

For more information on the holistic treatment offered at Legacy Animal Medical Center, go to www.legacyamc.com or call 926-8387.

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Health care providers see healthy growth

Expanded offices, new practitioners come to LL

By Hope Brumbach
SPLASH EDITOR

At the time of the city's incorporation at the turn of the decade, a survey of residents gave the community's medical and dental services a failing grade.

In a notable improvement, a similar survey conducted online by The Splash last month boosted the area's health services' grade to a solid B average.

In the last decade, the community's services have greatly expanded from the urgent care clinic available before the city's birth, said Doug Smith, Liberty Lake's planning and community development director. The city is home to a variety of medical providers, dentists, an optical office, chiropractor, physical therapists and more.

Smith describes the health community's growth as "organic," with many of the dental and medical practitioners choosing to work in or near their city of residence.

That growth is continuing with a number of planned and recently completed expansions of dental and medical offices. Here's a look at some of the developments in the health community:

Dr. Ashley opens Family Medicine Liberty Lake

A local resident is establishing a new practice, Family Medicine Liberty Lake, next door to Medicine Man Pharmacy.



ASHLEY

Located at 23801 E. Appleway Ave., renovations are on schedule for a Feb. 15 opening, said Dr. Susan Ashley. Her practice will focus on providing old-fashioned medical care with the newest in medical technology, she said.

Her decision to build a practice was partly based on the need for more primary-care physicians in the area, said Ashley, who has been working at First Care and Valley Hospital.

Family Medicine Liberty Lake is utilizing a portion of the building previously occupied by Eclectic Gifts and sharing space with Medicine Man to create an area with two

exam rooms, an office and waiting area.

With visibility along Appleway and a pharmacy next door, Ashley said it's a perfect location for a physician's office. Ashley said her office will offer flexible hours, accept walk-in patients and make house calls when needed. As the demand for patient care increases, she said she may expand her practice by hiring additional help or recruiting a partner.

"Patients can get a large part of their medical care conveniently in one location while receiving excellent care," Ashley said.

Liberty Lake Health and Wellness Center planned

A nearly 26,000-square-foot health and wellness center is under development in the Liberty Lake Commons.

The primary tenant of the building will be Columbia Medical Associates LLC, a physicians' group of 33 doctors, who collectively own the group, and 40 other health care providers, according to a recent report in the Spokane Journal of Business.

The \$5 million project, developed by Baker Construction at 1334 N. Whitman Lane, could also include physical therapy and medical imaging services.

About 4,000 square feet of space still is available. Once ground is broken, the building should wrap up in six to eight months.

A representative from Columbia Medical Associates, who did not return calls seeking comment, told the Journal of Business that the group plans to recruit four additional providers once the clinic opens in Liberty Lake. The group now includes 18 clinical locations in Spokane and Spokane Valley.

Pediatric office plans new building in Liberty Lake

Valley Young People's Clinic, which now has a satellite office in Liberty Lake at 2207 N. Molter Road, Ste. 203, is planning to construct a building this year to expand the practice.

The clinic's primary location is in the Spokane Valley, and the expansion will allow the clinic to better serve patients in the Liberty Lake community and those coming from North Idaho, said Dr. Michelle Messer, a Liberty Lake resident and physician-owner.

The clinic includes seven physicians and three nurse practitioners, but only two providers typically work from the current Liberty Lake location, Messer said. The new



SPLASH PHOTOS BY HOPE BRUMBACH

Above: The waiting room of Dr. C. Ross Simonds shows the rustic feel of his new and expanded dental office.



Left: Dr. Cliff Cullings recently moved to a new building, shared with Dr. Simonds, where he offers general and cosmetic dentistry.

Below: Dr. Michelle Olmstead is building a new dental office with space for a tenant.



building, planned for 23813 E. Appleway, will allow three providers to work from the office, she said.

"We decided we wanted a building location in Liberty Lake because of the population in Liberty Lake and the family population in Liberty Lake," said Messer, adding that the new location will be similar in size to the Spokane Valley office.

The move also allows the office to own rather than lease space, she said.

The Liberty Lake office should open this fall, Messer said.

"It's supposedly a satellite office, but it's not going to feel like it," she said.

Dr. Simonds expands dental office to new building

Dr. C. Ross Simonds recently moved his general and cosmetic dentistry practice, Simonds Dental Group, to a new two-story building, called Aspen Ridge Plaza, at 22106 E. Country Vista Drive.

Formerly located at 23403 E. Mission Ave, Ste. C, his practice has expanded into

4,300 square feet on the entire second floor of the building, said Simonds, who lives in Spokane Valley.

The office, with a warm, cabin-like feel, offers seven chairs plus room to add one more.

Simonds employs 10, and he also has a dental associate, Dr. Amanda Roper, who works one to two days a week.

Simonds purchased the property four or five years ago for future construction, he said. The move allows him to own space for his office, and it also positions it more in the "heart" of the city, he said.

"We're going to be here long-term in the community," Simonds said.

Dr. Cullings moves dental office

Dr. Cliff Cullings also recently moved and expanded his dental practice into the first floor of Aspen Ridge Plaza, sharing the building with Dr. Simonds.

The move from 2310 N. Molter Road, Ste. See MEDICAL, page 11

COVER STORY

MEDICAL

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202, allows his practice to expand into 3,300 square feet and also gives him the opportunity to own the space, said Cullings, who offers general and cosmetic dentistry. The office is set up with four chairs and room to expand to seven.

Cullings, who employs five full-time and two part-time employees, called the new location "ideal" with its high visibility.

"I have room to grow," said Cullings, who lives in the Greenacres area.

Dr. Olmstead building dental office in Liberty Lake Commons

Dr. Michelle Olmstead is planning a move for her general and cosmetic dentistry prac-

tice to a building now under construction in the Liberty Lake Commons area.

Liberty Lake Family Dentistry may open next month in its new location, 1328 N. Stanford Lane. The practice now is located at 2207 N. Molter Road, Ste. 200.

The 6,500-square-foot building also will offer 1,000 square feet of tenant space, said Kim Mehaffey, the project manager.

The move will allow Olmstead to expand from six to eight chairs and own the space, Mehaffey said.

Olmstead, who lives in the Spokane area, employs nine in her Liberty Lake office. She also operates a second location in north Spokane.

— Splash Staff Writer Tammy Kimberley contributed to this report.

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NEWS/LOCAL LENS

Residents plead for Valleyway improvements

By Hope Brumbach
SPLASH EDITOR

An impassioned group of residents on Tuesday pleaded their case to improve a stretch of roadway near the Liberty Lake Golf Course that lacks pedestrian and bike paths.

The street improvements are needed for public safety at the Valleyway Avenue and Lakeside Road corner and should not be delayed, the residents told the Liberty Lake City Council.

Portions of the improvements are part of the city's requirements for the Bella Lago

residential project, which has been slow to develop after being approved in 2001. The requirement calls for the developer to install curbing and a 6-foot sidewalk or a 10-foot pathway on the west side of the street once the city makes improvements to Valleyway from Molter Road to the east city limits, a project potentially scheduled for 2013.

City staff says it makes sense to make the improvements along with the city street project, so the pathway fits into the overall plans and won't be torn out for any roadway changes.

"If it's one life, it's not a waste," retorted

resident Shannon Hale at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

The improvement issue came before the Council last month when the Bella Lago developer, after first asking for the requirement to be removed, agreed to a modification that moves the pathway to the west side of the road and ties it to the city's planned street improvements. During the recent modification process, more than 60 residents in the area complained to the Council about the delay and change in the improvements. On Tuesday, a handful of neighborhood representatives told the Council they were frustrated with the lengthy delay that

has stretched over the years.

As a result, the Council agreed on Tuesday to explore engineering costs for improving the roadway, along with the feasibility of phasing it in.

City staff said another option is to create a local improvement district with the five surrounding neighborhoods, the city and Spokane County, so the cost could be shared.

Another way to pay for the improvements is the city could cash in a letter of credit from the developer, if they refuse to make the improvements, city staff said, but the city would have to cover engineering costs.

Use-of-force training



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Liberty Lake officers last week underwent use-of-force training in a mobile training simulator that creates real-life scenarios. The simulator uses a virtual reality system that even has the capability of shooting a small plastic pellet at the officer, according to a law enforcement news release. Liberty Lake Police Department personnel participating annually in the training.



Local Lens

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Splash Travels



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The Biker Babes' annual trip was spent biking and exploring the San Juan Islands for three days. Pictured are: Ann Tichy, Carolyn Fairbanks, Janis Smith, Jan Wesche and Judi Hander.

Birth announcement



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Paxton Warren Patrick was born Jan. 5, 2010, to Chris and Kim Patrick. He joins brother Payton Christian Patrick, age 2.

COMMUNITY

LLSWD pioneer Floyd Johnson dies at 88

By Josh Johnson
SPLASH STAFF WRITER

Floyd Johnson, a longtime resident and pioneer of the Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District, died Monday in a Coeur d'Alene care facility where he lived with his wife of 46 years, Betty. He was 88.

Johnson, a Navy veteran of World War II, moved to Liberty Lake in September 1964 and soon became president of the Liberty Lake Property Owners Association. In 1969 he invited a civil engineer to speak in Liberty Lake about forming a sewer district, planting a seed Johnson worked to bring to fruition in 1973 when residents voted to form the Liberty Lake Sewer District.

"We just decided that things had to change," he told The Splash in 2002. "We were sitting with septic tanks practically on top of our water well."

Johnson remained concerned about the environment, the aquifer and the LLSWD he helped found throughout the more than four decades he lived in Liberty Lake, and he encouraged many people to share that concern and run for public office, said Bob Gamble, himself urged by Johnson to run for the LLSWD commissioner seat he held from 1994 to 1999.

"He was very civic minded and always had a lot of ideas going on in his head," Gamble said. "He was a thinker."

Johnson was born Aug. 25, 1921, in Rose Lake, Idaho, the son of Earl and Clara Johnson. He graduated from Coeur d'Alene High School, served in the Navy and spent his career as a broker with Andre-Romberg Insurance in Spokane. He married Betty Bradbury on Nov. 19, 1963. Floyd and Betty Johnson were grand marshals of the annual Liberty Lake Fourth of July Parade in 2002. His sons, Courtney and Gordon, remember his love of the outdoors, gardening projects and the natural beauty of the Liberty Lake area.

"You could often see him out in his back lot working the land," Gordon Johnson said. "He was always working outside in his yard."

Elmer Schneidmiller met Johnson at an Elk's Club meeting in 1949, and the two have been friends for more than six decades ever since.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Floyd and Betty Johnson were longtime Liberty Lake residents, and Floyd served as a pioneer of the Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District. Floyd passed away this week at the age of 88.

"Floyd was a lifelong learner," Schneidmiller said. "He could make friends with anybody and had a great sense of humor. He had a real heart for World War II veterans and particularly those who had been in a POW camp. He would seek them out to listen to their story."

Elmer's son, Ross Schneidmiller, admired his father's friendship with Johnson.

"In their later years, they would get together four to five times a week to go for groceries or coffee," he said. "If I inquired to what they talked about, Floyd would say, 'We solved all of the world's problems.' One a Repub-

lican, the other a Democrat, they enjoyed great discussions, but their friendship was first."

Johnson is survived by his wife, Betty; two sons, Courtney and wife Yvonne Johnson of Otis Orchards; Gordon and wife Madhu Pal of Portland, Ore.; and four grandchildren, Jeremy Johnson of Sacramento, Calif.; Jakala Bowling of Columbus, Ohio; and Samir and Tara Johnson of Portland.

A memorial service will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. on Monday at Templin's Resort in Post Falls. Arrangements are by Heritage Funeral Home.

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Central Valley senior Tanner Markham soars through the lane as he attempts a finger roll lay-up during action against Shadle Park. Central Valley lost 65-58.

At right: Central Valley senior Brandy Johnson goes skyward to pull down a rebound against Shadle Park. Central Valley dropped a 45-39 decision.



CVHS Sports Roundup

Boys win one, lose two

The Central Valley High School boys basketball squad picked up one league win but dropped two other GSL match-ups in recent game action. The Bears opened up their recent three-game stretch with a 65-58 loss to Shadle Park. CV got behind by nine after the first quarter and could not come back in the loss; Scott Simon and Danny Nimri, who both had 12 points, led the team.

The boys bounced back from their loss by picking up a much-needed win versus Mt. Spokane, 56-40. The Bears trailed by four at the half before taking control with a 20-8 third-quarter margin. Simon led the way again for the Bears with 16 points. The Bears could not sustain the momentum from their win versus Mt. Spokane, dropping their next contest to North Central 57-54. The game was back and forth throughout as the teams entered the fourth quarter tied before North Central pulled out the win. Nimri led the way with 20 points while Joseph Guerinha added 16 points in the loss.

Girls win two of three games

The Central Valley High School girls basketball team entered their recent three-game stretch all alone in first place in the GSL; after going 2-1 on the week, the Lady Bears now are tied atop the standings entering their final four games of the regular season. The girls dropped their first game of the stretch 45-39 to Shadle Park. The team took a five-point lead after the first quarter but saw Shadle tie it up by halftime and finish the Lady Bears off in the second

half; Brooke Gallaway led the team with 11 points.

CV bounced back from their loss to Shadle with a 53-48 win over Mt. Spokane. Kelsey Matthews led the way for the Lady Bears with 21 points and the team went 16-18 from the free throw line to help seal the victory. CV's next game was a one-point victory over North Central 46-45. Sydney Emory made one of two free throws late in the game, and the Lady Bears withstood a last second shot for the victory. CV featured balanced scoring with Gallaway leading the way with 10, while Katie Estey, Loree Hill and Emory all added nine points each.

Grapplers drop two matches

The Central Valley wrestling squad wrapped up their GSL regular season with a 34-33 loss to Shadle Park and a 52-19 setback to University High School in the annual Battle of the Bone. Against Shadle Park, the Bears used two late pins to put themselves in position for a victory before a pin in the final match game gave Shadle Park the one-point win. The Bears picked up pins from Jarod Boucher at 215 pounds, Dan Schoultz at 285 pounds, Tyler Ames at 125 pounds, Logan Ames at 112 pounds and Jarod Maynes at 119 pounds.

The Battle of the Bone started well for Central Valley as they took an early 15-4 lead behind pins from Braden Davis at 130 pounds and Jordan Wilson at 135 pounds before University cruised to 48-4 finish for the victory. The Bears' other victories came from Jacob Hollenbeck at 145 pounds and Jarod Maynes at 119 pounds.

Scoreboard

BOYS BASKETBALL

Standings Team	League	Overall
Gonzaga Prep	11-1	16-1
Mead	10-1	12-4
Shadle Park	8-2	12-4
Ferris	7-4	9-7
North Central	6-4	8-8
University	5-6	8-8
Lewis and Clark	5-6	7-9
Rogers	4-7	8-9
Central Valley	2-9	6-10
East Valley	2-9	3-14
Mt. Spokane	0-11	1-16

Results	League	Overall
1/26 CV vs. Shadle Park	65-58	L
1/29 CV vs. Mt. Spokane	56-40	W
1/30 CV vs. North Central	57-54	L

1/29 CV vs. Mt. Spokane	53-48	W
1/30 CV vs. North Central	46-45	W

WRESTLING

Standings Team	League
University	10-0
North Central	9-1
Central Valley	7-3
Mead	7-3
Shadle Park	7-3
Mt. Spokane	5-5
East Valley	4-6
Ferris	3-7
Lewis and Clark	2-8
Rogers	1-9
Gonzaga Prep	0-10

Results	League	Overall
1/27 CV vs. Shadle Park	34-33	L
1/28 CV vs. University	52-19	L

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Standings Team	League	Overall
Mead	9-2	13-3
Central Valley	9-2	12-4
Lewis and Clark	9-2	11-5
Gonzaga Prep	8-4	12-5
North Central	6-4	9-7
Shadle Park	6-4	9-7
University	5-6	7-9
Ferris	3-8	4-12
East Valley	3-8	4-13
Mt. Spokane	2-9	3-14
Rogers	0-11	0-17

Results	League	Overall
1/26 CV vs. Shadle Park	45-39	L

GYMNASTICS

1/27 CV vs. Mead, Mt. Spokane, Shadle Park, University N/A

SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 4
5:30 p.m., CV Girls Basketball at Lewis and Clark
7:15 p.m., CV Boys Basketball at Lewis and Clark

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SPORTS

Super Bowl Sunday essentials



SUBMITTED PHOTO BY BOB JOHNSON/SPOKANE SPORTS SHOTS

Brad Johnson drives to the basket for the Sasquatch of Community Colleges of Spokane at a recent game.



By Chad Kimberley
SPLASH STAFF WRITER

Super Bowl XLIV (that would be 44 for the Roman numeral-challenged) is about to kick off in just a few days, thus making it imperative that you start preparing for the ultimate Super Bowl viewing necessities.

Fifty-five-inch high-definition television. Check.

Large spread of wings, burgers and chips. Check.

A room full of friends and family. Check.

For many folks hosting Super Bowl festivities, that would be enough. But I know you, the loyal Splash reader, are not ready to settle for hosting a "common" party. How about going the extra yard and adding these few essentials to your eight-hour marathon of predictions, talking heads, live music and a few minutes of actual game play.

Essential 1: Helmet for Haiti

While many of us stateside will enjoy Super Bowl Sunday with a glutony of food, friends and comfort, thousands of Haitians will be living jammed into tents, searching for food and water and seeking to find loved ones they were disconnected from as a result of the devastating earthquake.

Why not make donating money to Haiti a part of your Super Bowl experience?

Grab a football helmet, flip it upside down and ask your guest to throw in some money per whatever category you choose. It could be \$1 each touchdown, \$3 for each field goal kicked or \$2 per catch made by Colts wide receiver Pierre Garcon whose parents were Haitian.

A high-scoring game could result in a nice donation for those in great need.

Essential 2: Exercise Equipment

A standard Super Bowl viewing moment will happen at some point of your party. A wide receiver will fail to make a catch, a linebacker will miss a tackle or a kicker will pull a field goal attempt wide left and someone will shout from their horizontal position on the couch, "I could have done that."

Now you could respond sarcastically from your kicked-back position on the recliner, but another approach would be to encourage a healthier lifestyle for all your party-goers. Have some exercise equipment out and challenge all participants to get a sweat going while watching some men truly sweating and working hard.

Depending on what equipment you have, you could challenge people to ride a stationary bike during every commercial break. If you have some dumbbells, there could be a curl per pass completion, or if all else fails, do pushups per points scored.

If you really want to go all out with the healthier lifestyle, how about a veggie plate instead of a platter of buffalo wings.?

Sorry, I'm going to the extreme. That's crazy talk.

Essential 3: Rock Band and/or Karaoke Machine

Some would say that one of the highlights of the Super Bowl, next to the commercials, of course, is the halftime show. Previous games have given viewers The Rolling Stones, Prince, U2 and, of course, the Wardrobe Malfunction. This year is the classic rock group The Who.

But for those looking to go a different route for their halftime entertainment, why not allow your guests to create their own halftime show? Plug in Rock Band or the karaoke machine and put together a five- or six-song set (halftime shows typi-

cally last 30 minutes) and allow everyone to rock and sing away the halftime break.

This is also a great way to get the kids and spouses, who up to this point might have been forgotten in the excitement of the game, to be a part of the action. Who knows, you might start a brand new tradition for your Super Bowl party; maybe next year, groups will want to be your half-time show.

Essential 4: Traveling Trophy

One of the most debated aspects of the Super Bowl is predicting the final score. Sportscasters, armchair quarterbacks and every John and Jane Doe will make a guess about whether the Saints or Colts will come out on top. Some will predict based on quarterback play, some will pick because of the stronger defense, others will base their selection on whether they have traveled to New Orleans or Indianapolis.

Since everyone has a guess, create an ongoing contest amongst your guests to predict the final outcome. Have everyone pick the team they believe is going to win and the total points that will be scored in the game. For instance, if you believe the final score will be Colts 34-Saints 24 (which I do) then you will write "Colts — 58."

To bring some fun into this essential aspect of your Super Bowl gathering, create a traveling trophy to send home with the winner with the requirement that they come back next year, bring the trophy and attempt to repeat as winner. The trophy can be a football that you list the prediction winner of each season or something like a box of Wheaties (it is the breakfast of champions) that you personalize in a creative way.

Either way, it is a great opportunity to keep everyone interested till the final seconds tick off and the confetti flies around the stadium or your living room.

Enjoy the game!

THREE CHEERS



Cheer 1: Danny Nimri, Central Valley Basketball

Nimri, a sophomore, averaged a solid 15 points a game in the Bears' recent three-game stretch in which they won one and dropped two. Nimri had a season-high 20 points in the Bears' narrow three-point loss to North Central.

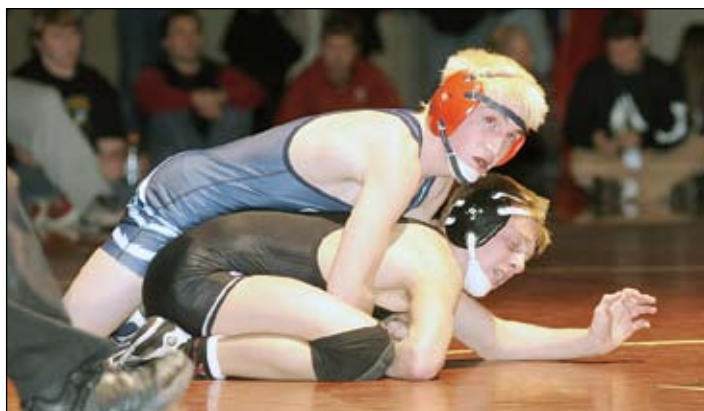
Cheer 2: Brad Johnson, Comm. Colleges of Spokane

Johnson, a sophomore guard, Liberty Lake resident and Central Valley graduate, is averaging 10 points a game in league play for the Sasquatch. Johnson (pictured at top) recently had 15 points on five three-pointers against Columbia Basin.

Cheer 3: Jacob Hollenbeck, Central Valley Wrestling

Hollenbeck, a junior wrestling at 145 pounds, had a solid week despite two losses by the wrestling squad in recent action. Hollenbeck picked up wins against Shadle Park and University high schools during the Battle of the Bone.

Wrestling for a win



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Jarod Maynes of Liberty Lake controls the action against his University High School opponent during his Battle of the Bone match; Maynes won the decision by a score of 11-3.

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Letters to the Editor

Animal control is A+ in LL

I saw your online poll in The Splash on animal control in Liberty Lake, and I just have to comment.

The animal control in Liberty Lake deserves an A-plus ever since we started dealing with SCRAPS. I walk daily, and I often find loose dogs. It used to be a big nightmare trying to call the busy local police or trying to deal with SpokAnimal. Since SCRAPS took over the contract, dealing with loose animals has been so much easier. They have been great about helping to get runaway dogs reunited with their families.

Anyone from Liberty Lake might like an update on the little yellow dog that roamed the Meadowood neighborhoods last winter for months when we had all our snowstorms. Well, everyone will be happy to know that as soon as SCRAPS took over the animal contract, he was trapped, socialized and adopted. I was very involved both physically and emotionally in this rescue effort. If it weren't for SCRAPS and how much they cared, this little guy would not have survived. They definitely deserve an A-plus for what they do for us. Thank you.

Christy Dawn
Liberty Lake

Farewell to Liberty Lake

Liberty Lake, hello and goodbye. It's been a pleasure knowing you for nine years. You have offered so much personal growth and sense of belonging to the best community I have ever, ever lived in. But, duty calls, and a job offer in California presented itself that I could not refuse.

I am pursuing my dream of the world of tennis as my profession and continuing

to work with children in creating excitement for this wonderful lifetime sport. My passions have always been restaurants and tennis, but since my kids were born, my passion became teaching children and helping to impart enthusiasm for life and to strive to be the best that they can be.

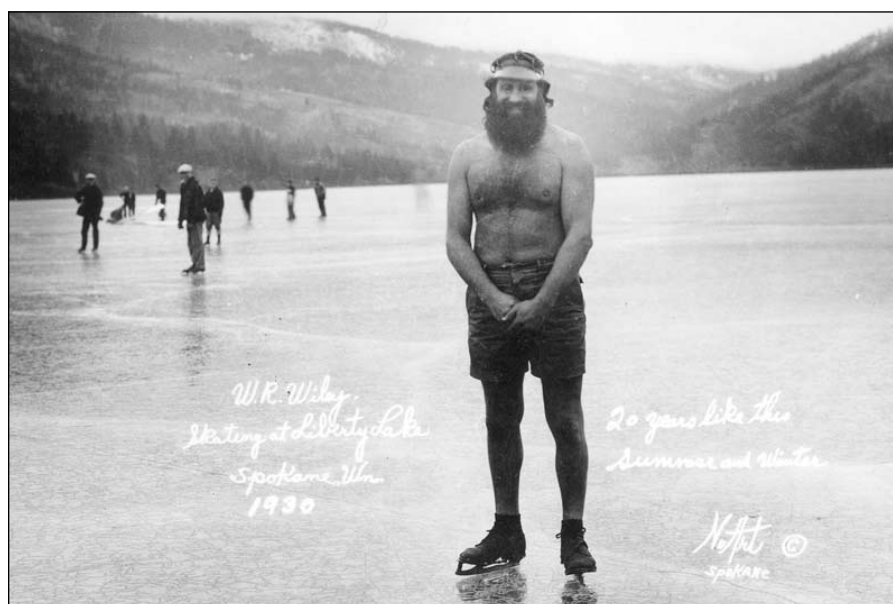
In 2010, Liberty Lake, please enjoy the fifth anniversary Father-Daughter Dance coming this spring and in support of our wonderful Kiwanis. Have another wonderful summer from events provided by the Friends of Pavillion Park and Greenstone. Support the new baseball field and skateboard park and plays from the Liberty Lake Community Theatre. And lend a helping hand to the Liberty Lake Community Tennis Association, by way of volunteering in the construction process of the new Rocky Hill Park that's now become a reality thanks to Mayor Van Orman.

This is an open call also to anyone who can step into the court and take over as president of the Liberty Lake Community Tennis Association. Our association recently procured a USTA grant and received over \$500 worth of QuickStart tennis equipment for kids ages 12 and under. We need assistance in continuing the conversation with the city to provide programming through the parks and recreation department for continued summer tennis camps for children and adult leagues and more.

And to help keep tabs on our always vibrant and thriving community, I will be subscribing to The Splash, to read weekly the successes and happiness of the great people of Liberty Lake. God bless all of you that I've come to know over the years and know that you will always be in my thoughts.

Frank Cruz-Aedo
President of the Liberty Lake Community
Tennis Association

Then and Now



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Above: Willie Willey, dubbed Spokane's 'Nature Boy' and a man who lived such a colorful and eccentric life he was a fixture in the media and nationally known, posed in ice skates (and not much else, as was his custom) on Liberty Lake in this 1930 photo. Below: Jasmine and Jordana Schneidmiller and Kaley Schafer enjoy the ice in December.



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Ripples

Liberty Lake a driving example in state

More than three years after the city of Liberty Lake allowed golf carts on most city streets, state legislators also are looking to allow golf carts to get off the fairways.

A bill by Rep. Tami Green, D-Lakewood, would let people drive golf carts in bike lanes and sidewalks throughout the state.

Another bill by Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen, D-Camano Island, would allow local jurisdictions to create golf cart zones on lower-speed streets, according to news reports.

COMMUNITY

Education Briefs

Take online survey about CV School District

The Central Valley School District is asking the public to participate in an online survey about the district's school buildings and facilities.

The survey is available at www.cvsd.org through Feb. 12.

The survey is an extension of a series of capital facilities community forums intended to gather public input.

The district's capital facilities planning committee, formed last year, is developing a long-term plan to meet the district's facility needs.

GMS students take SAT

Two Liberty Lake students last month took the SAT test — as seventh-graders.

Ryan Baker and Sidney Orr, both students at Greenacres Middle School, took the SAT as part of a program sponsored by John Hopkins University.

The John Hopkins Center for Talented Youth recognizes students who are highly capable in academics through state testing like the WASL and invites them to participate in SAT testing.

David Cunningham, coordinator of

the program at GMS, offered a night class in the weeks leading up to the test. He had around 40 seventh- and eighth-grade students attend the class, which discussed test-taking strategies.

He said 19 students from GMS were registered to take the most recent SAT. Research from John Hopkins shows that half of seventh-graders who take the SAT score as well as average juniors and seniors who take it, Cunningham said.

"It helps take the fear factor out of it, so that they'll be prepared when it actually starts to count," Cunningham said.

Instead of being sent to colleges or universities, the scores of the middle school students are forwarded to parents and the students' respective schools in the spring.

LL residents on NIC Dean's List

Liberty Lake residents Kyona Hunt and Pam Pace were listed on North Idaho College's Dean's List for fall semester 2009.

The Dean's List includes students with a 3.75 grade-point average or above.

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to three things: One is to raise awareness that the facility exists; two is to find more events to bring in to use the facility; and last is to find groups and businesses to underwrite the operating costs. I don't think those challenge are unique to me. I've had enough experience on the other side of trying to bring events to a warehouse facility. From what I've seen, the (HUB) facility has been operating on a part-time basis in the last few years. It needs to be a full-time facility, and I think the community can be using it as a full-time facility.

Q: Let's talk numbers for the HUB.

A: Amount to purchase and operate the building: \$3.9 million for the purchase and \$1.1 million for operating are still the ballpark numbers.

Number of kids and families using the HUB: 2,500 on a weekly basis.

Number of courts: Five basketball courts that can be converted into nine volleyball courts and also used for badminton, pickleball, dodgeball and soccer. There's also a batting cage.

Number of studios for classes: Three.

Square footage: 66,000 square feet with 50,000 square feet of that for court space.

Number of employees: Two full time, two part time.

Q: What changes do you hope to make?

A: Changing the logo/name: We're dropping "regional" and "valley" so it's HUB Sports Center. It's quick.

Signage: We're working on signage for the outside of the building and an awning over the front door.

Web site: We're changing the Web site to Hubsportscenter.org for the continuity and (also) raising the Google ranking.

Purpose statement: The purpose statement was "Providing personal and community renewal through sports." I'm changing that to "Our purpose is to provide events that have a positive impact on the youth in the community." The primary focus is a place for kids.

Sponsors: We've had five or six new sponsors in the last two and a half months.

Classes: We've started group fitness classes and drop-in basketball on Tuesdays at lunchtime. It's fun to see the activity.

Fields: The dream is to take the field space outside and turn it into grass and turf ball fields and then it becomes a HUB sports complex, then it really is a year-round destination.

Q: What events are coming up?

A: We will do an open house on Saturday, Feb. 27 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. In general, we will utilize groups coming in and using the facility already (basketball, soccer, badminton/pickleball, volleyball, baseball, etc). Basically, raise awareness that the facility is here, tell our story. We still need community support to keep this facility going.

Q: What will it take to keep the HUB open?

A: I think that we really need the community and businesses to make a conscious decision to support a facility like this in the community for their children.

I was part of a campaign in college to raise funds for the athletic department. And we said it was about leaving a legacy. This place is about leaving a legacy. To play events like basketball and volleyball

and soccer. This building shouldn't become a warehouse. It would be a shame to have it go backwards. I think people don't know that we still need that support, that's the biggest thing. Hopefully if they know we need support, it's not the best time people don't have money laying around, but everyone can do something.

We don't need \$1,000 from everybody. But if you want to make a \$20 donation per month, it gets us a ways down the road to getting the courts cleaned up

or paper supplies. If five people got together and said they'd do \$20 a month, that's \$100 a month. Basically, it's asking people to do their part. That's really what it's going to take, having some foresight and leaving that legacy.

If everybody waits for somebody else to do it, it's going to be too late. It's not the five-alarm fire yet, but we're not that far either. I don't want to create panic, but they have to know there's a need.

"I think that we really need the community and businesses to make a conscious decision to support a facility like this in the community for their children."

— PHIL CHAMPLIN, HUB EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Annie Lennox's, "No More 'I Love —'"
- 5 Shade provider
- 8 Grate
- 12 Ordinate counterpart
- 14 "Do — others ..."
- 15 Labyrinth beast
- 16 Ollie's pal
- 17 Little, in Paris
- 18 Unisex top
- 20 PC peripheral
- 23 Folder contents
- 24 Angered
- 25 Stately dances
- 28 "— Miserables"
- 29 Pugilist
- 30 Discoverer's cry
- 32 Mosque tower
- 34 Culture medium
- 35 — and crafts
- 36 SALT subject
- 37 Elk
- 40 Crucial
- 41 Mideast airline
- 42 Member of the clergy

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DOWN

- 1 Sweet potato
- 2 Kyoto
- 3 Sailors' org.
- 4 Evaluated by eyeing
- 5 Jacob's brother
- 6 Baton Rouge sch.
- 7 Strict disciplinarian
- 8 Potential frat member
- 9 Con
- 10 Celeb
- 11 Bridge, in Brest
- 13 Particular
- 19 Speak sloppily
- 20 Wire measure sure
- 21 Utah city
- 22 Lucy's partner
- 23 Repairs
- 25 Bergen's dummy
- 26 Takeout request
- 27 Phony
- 29 Homer's imp son
- 31 Sphere
- 33 Caught redhanded
- 34 Bottomless pits
- 36 Estate recipient
- 37 Sobbed
- 38 Lotion additive
- 39 Rid of rind
- 40 Patella site
- 43 Wall climber
- 44 Youngster
- 45 Historic time
- 46 CSA soldier

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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7	1	6	3	5	8	2	4	9
2	5	8	7	9	3	4	1	6
3	6	1	8	4	2	7	9	5
4	9	7	5	6	1	8	2	3

Solution time: 21 mins.

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