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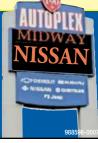
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Linda Abrams watches her sixth-grade P.E. class at Greenacres Middle School on a recent afternoon. The Liberty Lake resident is retiring this year.

'Kids are great'

Abrams retires after lengthy school career

By Hope Brumbach

Longtime teacher Linda Abrams considers herself blessed to be in the classroom.

But at the end of the school year, after more than 30 years of working with students, the Liberty Lake resident is retiring from the career she loves.

"I have been blessed my entire teaching career, and I've been blessed with my family and I've been blessed with the best students in the world," said Abrams, a fitness and health teacher at Greenacres Middle School. "And I think I always tell my class I love them. Because I do. And I hope that my students take that seriously that I really do love them, and I just want the best for

Abrams recently sat down with The Splash to talk about the highlights of her teaching career and what she plans to do next.

What prompted you to go into education?

I always wanted to be a teacher. In seventh-grade, I wanted to be a P.E. teacher, but when I went to college, by then I wanted to be a history teacher. So I did that, but it's interesting that I came back to P.E. and am doing itness and health It s a roun about circle.

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LINDA ABRAMS

Years in education

30-plus

Family

Late husband, Chip; four sons, Ben, 32, Sam, 30, John, 28, Joe, 26; three grandsons

Age

"I tell my kids I'm 96. I've been 96 since 1990 when I first started. Every year, my sixth-graders go home and tell their parents that their P.E. teacher is 96. In actuality, I'll be 62 in August."

Reading, playing tennis, teaching in her church, seeing her grandkids, traveling, movies

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Inside

See page 17 for a list of Central Valley educators retiring this year.

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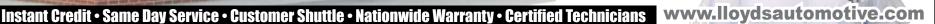
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■■■ Calendar

JUNE 10

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

JUNE 12

11 a.m.: Liberty Lake Poetry Club, Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

2 p.m.: Auditions for LLCT's "Vocal Expressions," 1421 Meadowwood Lane, Ste. 130

JUNE 14

11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Liberty Lake Senior Lunch Program, Liberty Lake City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive

6:30 p.m.: Central Valley School Board meeting, 19307 E. Cataldo 6:30 p.m.: Auditions for LLCT's "Vocal Expressions," 1421 Meadowwood Lane, Ste. 130

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7 p.m.: Liberty Lake City Council meeting, Liberty Lake City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive

JUNE 16

6:45 a.m.: Liberty Lake Kiwanis meeting, Liberty Lake City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive

10:30 a.m.-noon: Spokane Valley's Mindful Mamas, Liberty Lake Municipal Library's meeting room, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

11 a.m.-2 p.m.: Liberty Lake Senior Lunch Program, Liberty Lake City Hall

5:45 p.m.: Liberty Lake Toastmasters, Denny Ashlock Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

6:30-8 p.m.: Liberty Lake Community Theatre meeting, 1421 Meadowwood Lane, Ste. 130

7 p.m.: MeadowWood Homeowners Association meeting, Liberty Lake City Hall

7 p.m.: Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District meeting, Denny Ashlock Building

JUNE 17

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

Clarification

Due to incomplete information provided, the Friends of Pavillion Park scholarship announcement in the June 3 Splash didn't contain the name of a scholarship recipient's mother. Helen Yuan is the daughter of Chengcheng Niu.

Community Briefs

LL resident up for Scout award

Liberty Lake resident Samuel Brubaker is one of 12 nominees up for induction into the Boy Scouts of America's 100th Anniversary National Hall of Leadership, the Inland Northwest Council recently announced.

The Hall of Leadership recognizes outstanding leadership by a Scout or Scouting volunteer.

Brubaker is a recent Eagle Scout from Troop 413 who has chosen to continue on as a volunteer. He was selected because he sets a good example for younger boys both at Scouting events and in the community, according to a news release.

One of the 12 nominees from the Inland Northwest Council will be selected for induction into the National Hall of Leadership. That person will be one of only 305 selected nationwide.

Library offers resume help

The Liberty Lake Municipal Library is offering a free workshop June 24 for constructing and polishing a modern resume.

The workshop will be 6 to 8 p.m. at the library, 23123 E. Mission Ave., and will be conducted by Kathryn Kenneday of

Advanceed Career Counseling.

Registration is first-come, first-served. Register by visiting the library, calling 232-2510 or e-mailing library@libertylakewa.gov.

The program is part of the Renew Washington grant the library received.

Audition for 'Vocal Expressions'

Liberty Lake Community Theatre is holding auditions for "Vocal Expressions" this week.

The auditions are at 2 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 p.m. June 14 at the theatre, 1421 Meadowwood Lane, Suite 130.

Auditions required a one-minute a cappella song or with a CD accompaniment (background music only). Come dressed comfortably; you may be asked to perform a small dance routine.

"Vocal Expressions" is a family-oriented musical production with songs ranging from Broadway to oldies and contemporary.

For more information, visit www.libertylaketheatre.com.

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

Education Briefs

Barker High holds sale

The community is invited to the Barker High School craft and garage sale June 16.

The 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. sale at the school, 13313 E. Broadway, benefits the Barker School to Life Program. Special needs students will sell their handmade craft items, including birdhouses, painted flowerpots, decorative shelves and more. The event also will include garage sale items.

Call 228-4074 for more information.

CVSD serves free meals

The Central Valley School District is planning to serve free meals to hundreds of hungry children this summer.

Starting June 23, children can enjoy a free, nutritious breakfast and lunch served at Broadway Elementary School.

The Summer Nutrition Program is offered at no cost to all children, 18 years and younger. Registration is not required, and children do not need to be a CVSD student to participate.

The district is offering free meals at Broadway Elementary, 11016 E. Broadway, Mondays through Thursdays through July 22, except for July 5. Breakfast is served from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m., and lunch is served from noon to 12:45 p.m.

The district launched the Summer Nutrition Program in 2004. Since then, the

program has served more than 20,600 meals. The program is funded through a reimbursement from the U.S. Department of Agriculture at no cost to the district.

LL resident earns scholarship

Rosalinda Swatzell of Liberty Lake recently was awarded \$1,000 through the Alumni Association for the 2010-11 school year at Eastern Washington University. She is the daughter of Mike and June Swatzell of Liberty Lake.

Comcast awards scholarships

Liberty Lake resident Ande Seines is one of 87 students to win a \$1,000 scholarship from Comcast's annual Leaders and Achievers Scholarship, according to a company news release.

The program awards one-time scholarships to students who strive to achieve their potential, who are catalysts for positive change in their communities, who are involved in their schools and who serve as models for their fellow students.

Navy recruit completes training

Navy Seaman Recruit Justin M. Lee, son of Debbie and Michael Lee of Liberty Lake, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill., according to a news release.

Lee is a 2008 graduate of Central Valley High School.

COMMUNITY

Yard Sale returns Saturday

More than 100 homes to participate

By Josh Johnson

SPLASH STAFF WRITER

A resurrected, scaled-back version of the Liberty Lake Community Yard Sale returns Saturday for year 17, and 111 homes are on the map and many more likely will participate, said Ann Weiler, chairperson of the Liberty Lake Yard Sale Association.

Canceled in April due to a lack of volunteers, a trimmed-down yard sale was revived last month in part because Alpine Shores resident Dave Graham offered to handle the map and website.

The association agreed to waive the normal \$10 registration fee, although donations are being solicited at www.libertylakeyardsales.com to help cover printing costs.

The map — which will be available Friday at a few Liberty Lake businesses in the Albertsons and Safeway plazas — will be one of the only holdovers from past yard sales, as many of the amenities and the directional signage will no longer be part of the event.

"I just put up two more signs that are just advertising that the sale is June 12," Weiler said. "There will be no directional signs."

In its place, the association is holding a contest for unique signs, displays and decorations designed to attract a crowd to individual sales.

Weiler said she hasn't advertised the sale except on Craigslist and hasn't announced it through media outlets except on Facebook, although some local publications have learned of it and added it to calendar pages.

In past years, more than 250 homes might typically register for the event, which in recent years also featured an artisan's fair in Pavillion Park. Despite the down numbers, Weiler is optimistic about the future of the event, although it will require new volunteers to step up and get involved.

"I have been informed that no one is

For more info

For yard sale listings available Friday, visit www.libertylakeyardsales.com

returning for next year," Weiler said of the nonprofit association's board members. "(It) will need a whole new committee."

Weiler said people interested in keeping the sale going in future years can contact the association through its website, www.libertylakeyardsales.com, which will also feature sale listings on Friday.

The Arc of Spokane is planning a Liberty Lake pick-up on Monday, Weiler said. Call 328-8100 to schedule.



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Arrests and incidents:

- Theft Police responded June 1 to the report of a theft at Taco Bell, 22310 E. Appleway. The victim told police she had forgotten her purse at the fast food restaurant the day before. When she came back for it the next day, it looked like someone had gone through her purse and a digital camera and prescription medication were missing.
- **Drugs** A 20-year-old Spokane man was arrested June 1 at Pavillion Park for unlawful possession of marijuana and driving with a suspended license. While patrolling the park, officers stopped the vehicle for a defective exhaust. Police found his driving status was suspended and they also could smell the odor of marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. With the driver's permission, officers searched the vehicle and found the drug and a smoking device.
- Suspended license— A 53-year-old Liberty Lake man was arrested June 2 on the 900 block of North Liberty Lake Road for driving with a suspended license.
- Alcohol An 18-year-old Liberty Lake man was arrested June 3 on the 25000 block of East Hawkstone Loop for minor in possession/consumption of alcohol, obstructing a law enforcement officer and resisting arrest. Officers responded to the report of a male and female arguing and contacted a pair in the parking lot of an apartment complex. The male subject ran from officers as they approached, and they chased him to Appleway and Rocky Hill. He initially refused to lie down on the ground when officers commanded him, but he eventually complied. When they handcuffed him, officers said they could smell intoxicants. The suspect admitted to drinking several beers and that he is underage. When officers transported him back to the apartments, he began making threats and banged his head on the window and the cage of the patrol car. Officers found the female was the suspect's aunt and no physical assault had taken place. The suspect was booked into the county jail.
- Suspended license A 29-year-old Liberty Lake woman was arrested June 6 on the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for driving with a suspended license. An off-duty officer recognized the subject and contacted the police department. The

on-duty officer contacted the suspect and found her license was suspended.

- **No-contact order** A 39-year-old Spokane man was arrested June 5 at Appleway and Liberty Lake Road for driving with a suspended license and violating a no-contact order. The passenger in the vehicle also was arrested for an outstanding warrant for driving with a suspended license. The officer found the driver had a no-contact order in place involving the passenger.
- Suspended license A 22-year-old Spokane man was arrested June 3 on the 24000 block of East Appleway for driving with a suspended license.
- Injury accident Police responded June 5 to a two-car injury accident at Harvard and Mission. The at-fault vehicle was stopped at the stop sign on the Interstate 90 off-ramp. The other vehicle was traveling southbound on Harvard Road, and the stopped vehicle pulled out and struck the vehicle going south. The at-fault driver told police that they couldn't see the other vehicle. A passenger of the southbound vehicle was taken to the hospital.
- **DUI** A 23-year-old Spokane Valley man was arrested June 5 at I-90 for driving under the influence, driving with a suspended license and possession of marijuana. Police responded to assist Spokane County Sheriff's deputies with a traffic stop and took over the investigation.

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NEWS

News Brief

No warnings for cell phone calls in vehicles

Liberty Lake police won't give drivers a grace period in enforcing the toughened cell phone law in Washington.

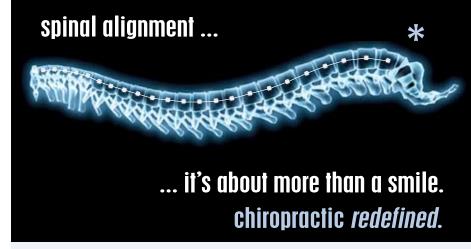
Starting today (Thursday), talking on a cell phone without a hands-free device becomes a primary offense in Washington. It carries a \$124 ticket.

Liberty Lake Police Chief Brian Asmus said the department is following the lead of other law enforcement agencies in the area in not giving drivers a grace period. Drivers have had plenty of warning, he said, and use of a cell phone when driving is just too dangerous.

For the last two years, it has been a secondary offense to talk on a cell phone, meaning that drivers had to commit another traffic violation to be pulled over. Texting while driving also is prohibited.

The new law also makes the use of a cell phone — even hands-free — illegal for drivers with intermediate licenses. In Washington, that's anyone ages 16 to 18.







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By Chad Kimberley SPLASH STAFF WRITER

There are a lot of "my firsts" that I remember fondly.

I can close my eyes and quickly visualize my first trip into Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs, where you could see the ivy on the outfield wall and smell the freshly cut grass.

I remember my first kiss while dating my future wife Tammy on her back porch in Illinois while her sister Kim and the rest of the family was asleep inside.

With a mixture of shock and joy I can recall the birth of my first child, Brianna. Don't worry, I remember the other two as well, but there is always something amazing about the first.

Of course, all the "my firsts" aren't always a pleasant memory; my first bad breakup,

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my first failing grade and my first error that cost my team a win also are seared into my memory bank.

Whether positive or negative, the first event is always memorable.

Since my family and I moved to Liberty Lake, I have had fun each summer writing a column series built around a specific theme. I struggled and failed my way through Olympic-styled events two years ago, and my family and I had some frugal family fun last summer, but now it is time to experience some new "firsts" in my life.

This whole concept started with the fact that this summer will be my first time to play in Hoopfest. I have been on the streets of Spokane to take pictures for the paper, but this will be my first chance to lace them up and get my own personal road rash scars.

This got me thinking about other things that I would like to experience for the first time that can be found in and around Liberty Lake. So this summer will be a journey, a journey of firsts — some that I anticipate will be wonderful memories and some that could end up as unforgettable missteps.

I guess you could call this my summer Bucket List. In the spirit of the movie featuring Jack Nicholson and Morgan Freeman, but in the budget reflecting a frugal family, I am going to consider doing all kinds of things; trying sushi, making my first mountain ascent, my first book club, my first wine tasting, my first deepwater start and my first symphony are all pos-

The rules are very simple: it has to be something I have never done before. For instance, I have never water skied in my life. One time when I was in junior high I went out with some friends, and right when I jumped into the water, I landed on a busted peanut butter jar (Skippy, if you are wondering) and sliced my foot open - ski adventure over, and I haven't been out since. Since I live near a lake, it seems appropriate that I finally mark this "first" off of my list.

Of course, I am more than open to having my first hole-in-one (which will result in a Splash Breaking News alert), my first bear sighting or other possibilities that local residents might come up with (feel free to e-mail me at chad@libertylakesplash. com).

This summer will be a summer of firsts, but I am hoping to avoid one specific first: my first speeding ticket. But if I get one, I am guessing it is going to be on Country Vista Drive.









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Yates aims for pain-free patients

Chiropractor opens practice in Liberty Lake

By Hope Brumbach

SPLASH EDITOR

A local chiropractor is hoping to make Liberty Lake and the surrounding area more pain-free.

Dr. Ryan Yates recently opened Intelligent Balance Spinal Care at 2310 N. Molter Road, Suite 108. Yates said he specializes in a chiropractic treatment, called National Upper Cervical Chiropractic Association (NUCCA), that promotes gentle and precise care and avoids popping, twisting and cracking.

He utilizes X-rays to pinpoint the exact "keyhole" of the spine's misalignment, Yates said. He sees patients with everything from depression to severe back and neck pain.

"People who have been in the system so long and spent thousands on health care and walked away not feeling much better than before they started their treatment. ... A lot of my patients are desper-



SPLASH PHOTO BY HOPE BRUMBACH

Dr. Ryan Yates recently opened Intelligent Balance Spinal Care, a chiropractic office, in Liberty Lake.

ate and don't know where to turn," Yates said. "My goal is to get you out of pain and then to get a true adjustment on you, which is for the body to hold a new position."

Yates, 29, graduated in October 2009

If you go

Intelligent Balance is hosting an open house from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday at 2310 N. Molter Road, Suite 108. The event will include refreshments, clinic tours and prizes

from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

He and his wife, Kelsey, and their two sons moved to Liberty Lake to be closer to family in Idaho. He chose to live and work in Liberty Lake because it's central to the Spokane and North Idaho communities, Yates said.

The Liberty Lake practice, with 1,700 square feet, is his first, Yates said. He is the sole employee; a massage therapist, Stephen Luna, works as an independent contractor in the office.

For more information about Intelligent Balance, call 924-4443.

Eclectic Gifts celebrates grand opening



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Sharon Lucas operates the scissors as Eclectic Gifts recently holds a grand opening and ribbon cutting at the store, 23801 E. Appleway Ave., Suite 230. Lucas purchased the store last year from original owner Judy Jorgensen.

Chamber celebrates 89 years



SPLASH PHOTO BY JANET PIER

The Greater Spokane Valley Chamber recently celebrates Founder's Day and 89 years in the region. The event was held at the Liberty Lake Business Center and included the Miss Spokane Valley Ambassadors, Liberty Lake resident Hannah Robb and Emalee Ohlstrom.

In Biz

LL Cellars celebrates anniversary

Liberty Lake Wine Cellars, 1018 S. Garry, is celebrating its second anniversary with an event Saturday. The 1 to 5 p.m. event is open to the community and will include appetizers and samples of the winery's first summer wine.

WELL group to discuss pet food

The next meeting of Women Executives in Liberty Lake (WELL) is at 1 p.m. Friday at the Denny Ashlock Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

The free event will feature Cindy Glidden of Inland Northwest Pet Foods. She will discuss the "truth about pet food."

For more information about the group, visit www.well99019.webs.com.

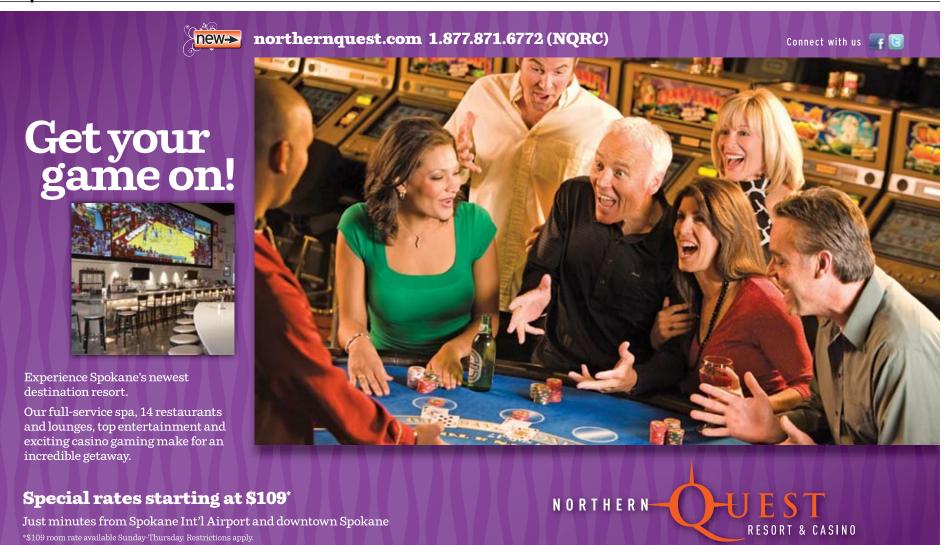
Dentist to hold open house

The grand opening of Liberty Lake Family Dentistry, operated by Dr. Michelle Olmstead, will be Sunday at 1328 N. Stanford Lane.

The 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. event is open to the community and includes a barbecue and antique car show.

The dental office moved to its new location from 2207 N. Molter Road, Suite 200.

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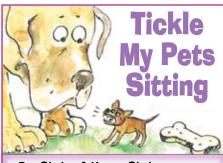
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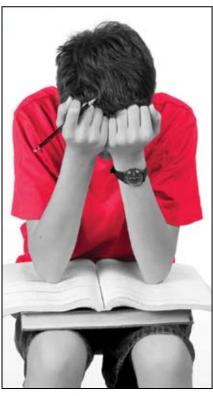




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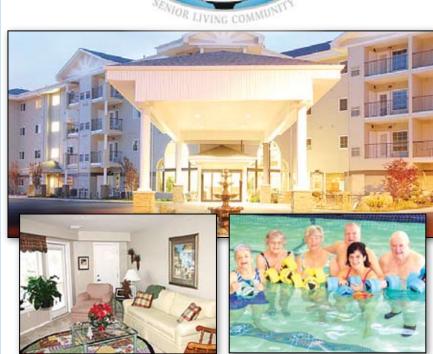
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Q: What are some of the highlights of your career in education?

A: I love my kids that I had. It's hard for me to quit because I love teaching so much. I could teach for another 10 years easily, except I don't have the energy for it. I love what I do. I love the kids. I love watching them progress. They're our future, and some of them are going to make our future great. And some of them will have to work a little harder.

The highlight of teaching is watching these kids grow up and become young adults and productive people. Now I've been in education long enough that their kids are coming back and their kids are talking to me, and it's great to see what great parents they are.

Q: What are some of your favorite memories of teaching P.E.?

A: Just having these kids. We do a lot of running, (and) listening to the kids when they come out of the locker room when we tell them we're going to run. And yet they go out there and they do it. That's what is so neat. I have found that if you challenge these kids to do their best, eventually they get there. ...

This spring, we've been playing a tag ball game and I've been playing it with them, and it's interesting as soon as I get in, everyone comes over and tags me out because I'm the teacher. It's great to have that kind of relationship with a class that they're not afraid to come and bonk you.

Q: So why are you retiring now?

A: I wanted to finish on a good year. And this is a great year. You know, I can do it. And I want to do a little traveling and I want to spend time with my grandkids and my boys.

My boys are my life, and my grandkids. Family is what counts. And it's time for me to spend time with them. ...

Teaching is the greatest occupation in the world. I can't think of anything I'd rather do. In fact, I thought, why did I want to quit because I can't find anything I'd rather do than teach. But I think it's time for more energetic people to get in there, and Dana Hilpert is taking my place (she also lives in Liberty Lake), and I'm excited about her doing that. She'll do an excellent job. But I will miss it. But I plan to do some subbing at Greenacres and probably some volunteer work. ...

I want to do some traveling. I have a trip to Florida and Hawaii planned al-

Q: What was your biggest frustration in teaching?

"I feel every kid has value, every kid wants to be loved, every kid has needs, and we can't be everyone's parent, but we can be everyone's teacher and help them through life while we have them."

— LINDA ABRAMS

A: My biggest frustration in teaching was probably having to baby sit kids to make sure they did what they were supposed to do. My greatest joy was watching those same kids reach the point where they did it because they knew they had to do it.

My sixth-graders, they're just wild Indians; they think P.E. is recess and they're just all over the place. My sixthgraders (now) ... I wouldn't have to even be in the gym. They have that discipline now. That's what life is about is learning self-discipline to do the things you have to do. That's the joy of teaching is to see kids grow to have self-discipline and to desire to do what is right.

Q: What is your teaching philoso-

A: I feel every kid has value, every kid wants to be loved, every kid has needs, and we can't be everyone's parent, but we can be everyone's teacher and help them through life while we have them.

Have fun. You can't teach and not have fun because you're not doing your job. Unfortunately, there are teachers in the world who hate to come to school every day. I didn't come to work every day; I came to school. Teaching was fun. Dealing with kids, dealing with problems, that wasn't always fun, but just feeling the energy and the youthfulness and just being with those kids made me a better person. Being a teacher is being blessed by the love of all these kids. Because in their own way, they let you know they

(There were) three things I used to tell my kids when I coached: Work hard. Learn something. And have fun. And I guess I still do that in teaching.

Q: Tell me about coaching, which you've been involved in over the years.

A: I coached basketball, volleyball and girls and boys tennis. ... But my love was tennis. I coached softball back in '85 at the junior high. I coached tennis 23 to 25 years at the high school and junior high level. I coached our girls tennis team, (and) for five years we held the championship for tennis in the middle school. And that's without club players. And with the boys, we won three straight

championships. ...

I used to coach YMCA basketball, and I coached a lot of these kids out here in Liberty Lake. ... That's one of my highlights in my life is coaching YMCA basketball. They always did well. ...

I haven't coached since my husband passed away.

Q: What's the best part of Liberty Lake?

A: My neighborhood. When we first got out here, we were so small out here, everyone knew everyone. ... Living out here was quiet and neighborly and good people, really good people, lived out here. They all had family. Family came first.



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GRADUATION 2010

Standout grads from Liberty Lake

Meet some of the high school graduates from Liberty Lake, who recently answered some serious — and not-so-serious — questions from The Splash about their school experiences, goals and wished-for superhero powers.

— Compiled by Splash staff



Jacob Amini

Age: 18 School: Central Valley High School Parents: John and

Susie Amini
What was your involvement in high

school?

I was everywhere my first two years of high school. Freshman and sophomore year, I was taking the AP route while I played in CV's drumline. I pole vaulted for track, played soccer and balanced Key Club on top of that.

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

The opportunity to attend SCC through the Running Start program. CV helped me earn both my high school diploma and my AA degree simultaneously, giving me a huge advantage. I also loved being able to take some fun classes like springboard diving.

What are your plans for the future?

I'm applying to serve a two-year mission for the LDS church. After that I will be going to school to major in chemistry and possibly earn my MD, specializing in emergency medicine.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

My solid friends. I've always been fortunate to have true friends who help me be a better person. They have been my support and guiding light while allowing me to do the same for them.

What is your secret talent?

I'm a semi-dysfunctional juggler, but I'm sure I'll go pro one day.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

If I could fly I just might be the first to die in total and complete ecstasy. As long as I can remember I have loved the thought and have dreamt about skimming the clouds. For now though, I think I'm going to have to settle with the second or two of hang time I get when I fly off a jump.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"The world is watching, show them Light."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

Ohh goodness ... that seems so far from now that it's hard to imagine where in the world I'll be! If I had to guess, however, I would bet that I'm still in school, I'm recently married and I'm loving life.



Claudia Ayala

Age: 18

School: Valley Christian High School

Parents: Don and Rosie Tucker and George Ayala

What was your in-

volvement in high school?

Track, volleyball and yearbook.

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

I would say transferring from a secular public school to a Christian school. The environment was different and everyone was open with their faith and extremely friendly.

What are your plans for the future?

Attend SFCC for photography, then join YWAM (Youth With a Mission) and disciple in Hong Kong.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

I would have to say Mr. Dan Hayek (taught Bible and government); he always pushed me to reach my goals and become better and grow stronger in my faith.

What is your secret talent?

I can text without looking at my phone, and I can probably eat more than my body weight.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

I would have the ability to teleport so I wouldn't be late to anything again.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Can you dig it?"

Where will you be 10 years from now?

Hopefully married with a well-paying job, maybe kids and fulfilling my goal to be a professional photographer.



Nathaniel Coulson

Age: 18

School: Central Valley High School

Parents: Ken and Tamara Coulson

What was your involvement in high school?

During high school I've been involved in both activities and academics. I played varsity soccer my junior and senior year(s) and have participated in Spanish club, Key Club and Honor Society. I'm also in AP (advanced placement) classes, five this year and two previously, and have taken all seven tests. I played in both bands Central Valley offers, symphonic band and wind ensemble (the audition-only group).

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

High school has been a roller coaster of good and tough times. I have to say the highlight of my experience came this year, after I had finished all five of the AP tests I was taking and could finally relax. It came with a great sense of accomplishment at finishing a rigorous AP schedule and succeeding.

What are your plans for the future?

I am attending University of Washington next fall and plan to major in bioengineering. Bioengineering is the application of engineering principles to biological systems and involves fields like stem cells, tissue engineering and advanced prosthetics. After college I want to work in research, most likely for a private company. Provided the time is right, I would also like to start my own business dealing with research and development in the fields above.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

As a whole, my AP experience has had an important impact on my life throughout high school. Because many of the people that take a few AP classes take all of them, I have been in classes with the same people over and over again. I have developed close friendships with quality people and have become a better person for it. My AP experience has also stressed a strong work ethic and critical thinking, which have made me both a better person and a more intelligent person all around. My thanks go to all the AP teachers at Central Valley for giving me, and so many others, this wonderful opportunity.

What is your secret talent?

I'm an excellent whistler. Some of my friends compare it to a young kid starting bagpipes ... I can't figure out why.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

I'd want to be telepathic/be able to read minds. Imagine the wealth of information available if you no longer had to read books, just your professors' mind! And on top of never having to pay a cell phone bill again, it'd be super cool to know what everyone around you was thinking.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Good things come to those who choose to make their own future."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

Ten years from now, assuming the Mayans were (wrong) with this 2012 thing, I will be in research for a private company helping to design either replacement organs for car accident victims and people with organ-specific diseases (like diabetes) or advanced robotic prosthetics that respond to the natural signals from the brain.



Madison Hilpert

Age: 18

School: Central Valley High School

Parents: Adam and Dana Hilpert

What was your involvement in high

school

I was the girls golf team captain, cheerleader, ASB vice president and CV's Lilac Princess.

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

Winning the Stinky Sneaker and prom!

What are your plans for the future?

Next year I am cheering at Eastern; I plan to transfer to UCLA or University of Colorado after two years and cheer.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

My best friends, Ande and Brooke, and my family have been very supportive and really positive throughout the four super busy years.

What is your secret talent?

I can swim to the end of my pool and back three times without coming up for air. (No, it is not a kiddy pool.)

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

Breathing under water! I have always dreamed of being a mermaid, but I heard you can't major in that ...

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Help! I'm trapped inside a Chinese fortune cookie factory!"

Where will you be 10 years from now?

I will be in Africa doing some kind of work there; I would like to become a doctor so I could travel to countries in need and help out.



Philip Keeve

Age: 18

School: Central Valley High School

Parents: Jonathan and Tonya Keeve

What was your involvement in high

school?

I was involved in cross country and track for my freshman and sophomore years, as well as choir as a freshman, sophomore and a senior. I also performed in the production of "Brigadoon" this last year. As a student, I took AP courses in multiple subjects.

What was the highlight of your high See GRADS, page 15

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school experience?

Stepping on the stage at the Spokane Scholars Awards Banquet. It was a huge honor to be representing my school in the fine arts

What are your plans for the future?

I am currently undecided, but am considering careers in the business or political fields, with some music on the side.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

My peers in the current senior class were my biggest influence. They were my support group, my motivation and my extended family.

What is your secret talent?

I hum ... really loudly!

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

The ability to fly. It would have been quite useful for navigating CV's crowded hallways, but it also has other less practical uses. Like making ding-dong-door ditching rather easy.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"You will live long and prosper."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

I hope to be out of graduate school, starting a successful career, in a place I can settle down, ski and start a family.



Ande Seines

Age: 18

School: Central Valley High School

Parents: Rob Seines and Rita Richey

What was your involvement in high school?

Cheerleading, ASB leadership, Washington Association of Student Councils, debate, Honor Society, volleyball.

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

The highlights of my high school career were being crowned homecoming queen and winning the Stinky Sneaker senior year. Both experiences served as good endings to my senior year.

What are your plans for the future?

Next year I will be attending the University of Montana and majoring in secondary education with a minor in political science. I am planning on being a high school social studies and government teacher or possibly work within political campaigns.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

The person with the biggest influence on my high school career would have to be Mr. Gilchrist, my U.S. history and AP government teacher. His ability to interact with students as a teacher and a mentor inspired me to go into education. He is truly an inspiration, and I'm so grateful for all he has done for me.

What is your secret talent?

I can change my own oil and rotate my own tires.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

I would like to be able to duplicate because then I could be in multiple places at the same time.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Do what you like, like what you do. Optimism can take you anywhere."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

In 10 years, I hope to be teaching in a high school or on an area reservation. I also hope to still be involved in Washington Leadership as an adviser, and possibly be a dance or cheer coach.



Jake Spencer

Age: 18

School: Valley Christian High School

Parent: Todd and Dena Spencer

What was your involvement in high

school?

Basketball, yearbook and choir.

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

I would have to say the relationships between me and my classmates. We were so close and knew everything about each other.

What are your plans for the future?

Attend North Idaho College in the fall and begin studying toward a degree in emergency medicine.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

Mr. Orr (Bible, history and science teacher). He knew me and understood some of the things I didn't. He taught me to look at life a different way. It made me feel like I lost a mentor when he passed away (before my junior year), but the things he taught me I won't forget.

What is your secret talent?

I am able to dunk a basketball despite my limited size.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

I would be able to fly — then I could go wherever I wanted and not have to pay gas.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Life is like a box of chocolates; you never know what you are going to get."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

I hope to be a successful doctor, but the reality is, I will probably still be at home!



Janni Sun

Age: 18 School: Central Valley High School Parents: Suichang

Sun and Heather Meng What was your involvement in

high school? Anything from Knowledge Bowl to ten-

What was the highlight of your high school experience?

Some good times were spent in AP class.

What are your plans for the future?

Wherever the wind takes me.

Who or what was the biggest influence on you in high school?

The learning environment created by my peers and teachers.

What is your secret talent?

I'm not so secretly a ninja.

What superhero power would you want to have, and why?

I would like to fly; that way, I'd get around quicker.

What would your personal fortune cookie say?

"Confucius say: say it anyway."

Where will you be 10 years from now?

Probably dirt poor, crashing on my friends' couches because I've spent all my money on college and travel.

Congratulations, class of 2010

The following high school seniors from Liberty Lake are scheduled to graduate from the Central Valley School District and surrounding area:

Central Valley High School

Jacob Amini • Jacob Anderson • Shane Anderson • Ian Apted • Jordan Baker • Carissa Balmes • Brett Balogh • Alex Bass • Nick Beeler • Conrad Behler • Blake Billings • Christine Bowles • Janell Brown • Daniel Campos • Adam Christensen • Jordan Collins • Megan Collins • Jonathan Coronado • Nathaniel Coulson • Jordan Coyle • Teale Cresswell • Brayden Crump • Tyler Dines • Jack Fowler • Kenneth Gerry • Lindsey Gigler • Drew Gordon • Sean Grady • Taylor Grady • Rebecca Grealy • Sydney Hamilton • Derrick Helm • Sara Hemenway • Garrett Hendrick • Loree Hill • Madison Hilpert • Krissandra Holzer • Nathan Hommel • Dakotah Howatt • Tarik Jensen • Danielle Johnson • Benjamin Jones • Philip Keeve • Savannah Kehmeier • Danielle Kienbaum • Austin Kinzey • Nicole Kirkwood • Rebecca Kissack • Sam Koester • Hillary Lake • Jessica Lee • Brooklyn Leistiko • Min Yi Liang • Breanna Logerwell • Miranda Marlatt • Kelsey Matthews • Cole McKinney • Patrick McNeil • Kailyn Mellick • Kellen Middleton • Iliya Mikheyev • Michaela Mitchell • Colton Morris • M Andrew Mullin • Rachel Nungester • Robin Nungester • Emily Orenstein • Taylor Pace • Kyle Pagliaro-Biggs • Kassie Panther • Jasmine Patch • Erik Pedersen • Brooke Petersen • Jordan Russell • Melissa Sarner • Jean-Luc Seale • Ande Seines • Tyler Shane • Kelley Shaw • Kyle Siddoway • Megan Simmelink • Nicole Simon • Taylor Simpson • Rudy Spencer • Mason Stewart • Luke Stintzi • Joshua Thompson-Finn • Jonathan Tombarelli • Jonathan Torres • Amber Troyer • Emma Vidmar • Trevor Welling • Daniel Willard • Cameron Wright • Helen Yuan

Barker High School

Whitney Connors • Tyler Duffy • Cordell Duron • Patrick Foley

East Valley High School

Joseph Means Collin

Valley Christian School

Claudia Ayala • Jake Spencer



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Above, Gloria Villars works at physical therapy after her June 2008 accident. At right, Gloria and Allan Villars stand recently in front of a square dancing hall; the Villars say Gloria continues to mend.



'She's my miracle'

Two years after car accident, Villars still making gains

By Hope Brumbach SPLASH EDITOR

Gloria Villars doesn't remember the day that changed her life.

It was two years ago this week that a driver blew through a stop sign at the Interstate 90 off-ramp at the intersection of Harvard Road and Mission Avenue and rammed the Villars' minivan.

Villars, who was in the front passenger seat, took the brunt of the impact. She sustained head trauma, a pelvic fracture, broken ribs, punctured lungs, ruptured spleen and other internal injuries.

Two years later, the 48-year-old Liberty Lake woman still is on the mend, but her family says she's fortunate to be alive.

"She's my miracle. God has given her another chance here," said her husband, Allan Villars, who was in the driver's seat in the accident. "I didn't know how much of her I would get back. I'm glad I've gotten this much of her back. So we continue our journey. And see where we go.

June 7, 2008

On June 7, 2008, the Villars family was on the way to a nephew's graduation party in Otis Orchards. Gloria and Allan Villars rode in their Chrysler minivan; their son, Josh, was in a different

vehicle trailing the family van.

Allan Villars remembers seeing the pickup truck exiting from westbound I-90 and barreling through the stop sign. Police say the driver of the pickup, Clayton Trible, 25, of Billings, Mont., was not impaired.

"He was traveling pretty fast; it wasn't very long, it was long enough for me to say 'look out,' and that was it." Allan Villars said.

His son, Josh, now 19, watched the accident unfold from two cars behind. Afterward, it felt surreal to see traffic stalled at a normally busy intersection, he said. He remembers thinking how flimsy his parents' vehicle looked as it was crushed by the pickup truck.

Gloria Villars' seat was loosened and shoved behind the driver's seat. She didn't respond to her husband, but he could hear her gargled breathing. "She was hurting really badly, I could tell," Allan Villars said. He tried calling 911, but all the lines were busy.

MedStar airlifted Gloria Villars to Deaconess Medical Center in Spokane, where she was listed in critical condition. An ambulance transported Allan Villars, who sustained "bumps and bruises" in the accident, he said. He was released by the end of the day.

Gloria Villars spent a month in the intensive care unit at Deaconess, where she underwent surgeries, another month at North Idaho Advanced Care and a third at St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute. She remembers coming to about two weeks after the accident, wondering, "how did I get here and why can I not talk," she said.

At North Idaho and St. Luke's, she began the slow process of relearning everything from using the restroom to walking.

Six weeks after the accident, "it was a major milestone for her to go 10 feet, between parallel bars with the therapist holding onto the support belt and the wheelchair right behind her," Allan Villars said.

Since then, Gloria Villars has undergone surgery to her left shoulder because of limited motion and nerve damage. She continues to receive outpatient therapy to increase motion and muscle.

A surgery also corrected her eye, which had turned in from the impact of the crash. A former singer with her church choir, she also has lost some of her voice when her vocal chords were scuffed with a breathing tube at the accident scene.

Her memory isn't back to its pre-accident capacity, the Villars said. Despite having a relatively minor brain injury, her speed of thought and short- and long-term memory have been affected, Allan Villars said. She makes more lists these days and keeps a detailed calendar.

"I remember her before the accident. If you're struggling to do the things she used to do without giving it a second thought,

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Busy intersection still lacks fix

I-90 off-ramp could get signal, roundabout in future

By Hope Brumbach SPLASH EDITOR

The intersection of Harvard Road and Mission Avenue at the Interstate 90 westbound off-ramp needs to change, city and state officials agree, but a solution has yet to be found — and funded.

The safety issue of the intersection, which now is controlled by two stop signs, one on the off-ramp and another on Mission Avenue, was highlighted two years ago by a car crash that changed the lives of Liberty Lake couple Allan and Gloria Villars.

"It's been a progressive, growing concern," Doug Smith, the city's planning and community development director, said of the intersection. "We'd like to come up with a solution, but we haven't been able to come up with a viable one."

City and state officials for years have discussed the intersection and the possibility of a traffic signal or even roundabout to help control traffic.

The state, which has jurisdiction of the intersection, determines whether a signal is needed based on safety, traffic counts and available financing, said Harold White, Washington State Department of Transportation

maintenance and traffic engineer for Eastern Washington.

While the state has identified the intersection as needing improved safety, at this point, vehicle traffic doesn't warrant a signal and funding isn't available for a fix, White said.

"As funding becomes available, we'd certainly like to address the intersection and make some improvements," he said. "At this time and into the near future, you probably won't see any changes."

In fall 2008, the state installed a larger stop sign at the I-90 off-ramp.

Liberty Lake City Councilman Odin Langford would like to see a traffic signal in place.

"We're getting to a point that we can't ignore it anymore," Langford said.

Still, traffic signals, which cost upwards of \$350,000, don't always solve problems or reduce collisions, officials cautioned.

At the Harvard and Mission intersection, a traffic signal could cause backups during rush-hour traffic on the overpass spanning I-90, Smith said.

"We couldn't do it without congruence from the state," he said. "If I was a citizen driving that every day and not understanding the engineering challenges with it, it would be easy to say put a traffic signal on it and

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Accident Numbers

Year	Total crashes in city	Harvard/ Mission	Percentage		
2002	23	2	8.7		
2003	32	2	6.25		
2004	35	3	8.57		
2005	28	3	10.7		
2006	28	5	17.85		
2007	44	5	11.36		
2008	53	8	15		
2009	37	1	2.7		
2010	20	6	30		
TOTAL	300	35	11.66		

- Source: Liberty Lake Police Department

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it's really kind of hard," said her son, Josh Villars.

Still, although her energy levels aren't the same as pre-accident, the Villars couple has returned to their common enjoyment of square dancing.

"She's done well. She sees it as slow, but she's progressed quite well, I think," said Allan Villars, 50, who works at Yoke's Fresh Market. "We're now at the level where gains will be small, whatever is left. So we just go from here."

The Villars are now discussing with their attorney about their alternatives.

"We'll at least look over the options," Allan Villars said. "Right now, we at least know within

reason what to expect out of her recovery."

The intersection

Gloria Villars still hasn't driven since the accident. Fear keeps her from getting behind the wheel. She is willing, though, to be a passenger.

The family doesn't completely avoid the Harvard and Mission intersection; it's too difficult to get from one part of town to the other without going through it, the Villars said. Allan Villars said he does keep a careful eye on the I-90 westbound off-ramp.

They agree that the intersection needs a change.

It has too much activity not to have increased traffic control, Allan Villars said.

"It needs to be a light," Gloria Villars said. "There have been more accidents since ours."



SPLASH PHOTO BY HOPE BRUMBACH

Cars line up at the busy Harvard and Mission intersection at the I-90 westbound off-ramp. State and city officials say they're still looking for a viable solution to make traffic flow better.

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call it a day. It's not that simple."

And traffic signals, such as the one on Liberty Lake Road and Appleway Avenue, don't always prevent accidents, Liberty Lake Police Chief Brian Asmsu said. That intersection typically sees more accidents than the Harvard and Mission one, which has relatively low accident counts, he

Since 2002, the Harvard and Mission intersection has accounted for less than 12 percent of all the accidents in the city, according to police department records.

"Most are coming down from people getting impatient at stop signs," Asmus said. "They get impatient and don't judge speed."

A roundabout is another option city and state officials have considered. The state has done some preliminary drawings on the site, but "there's a lot more work to be done," White said.

Smith said the problem with a roundabout is the topography challenges and also the future plans to redo the overpass and entire intersection, when the state and federal government expand the freeway from state line to Sullivan Road. That project is in the distant future, however.

"Bottom line, it comes down to funding. There are so many competing needs," said White, with WSDOT. "While I don't want to downplay its importance to do something, we have several intersections that have quite a few more accidents, and many more serious, than we have here."

In the meantime, Smith said he encourages drivers to stay patient – or avoid the intersection altogether.

"At the end of this, this is a human nature and time management challenge as much as it is an engineering challenge," Smith said. "The best piece of advice is to avoid it, if at all possible. Take the Barker exit or state line exit. It's inconvenient, but it's an alternative."

Central Valley educators retiring

By Splash Staff

Central Valley School District will bid farewell to dozens of certificated and classified staff who will retire by the end of this school year. The retirees are listed with the number of years in Central Valley schools and their most recent building and position, according to CVSD information:

Linda Abrams, 21, Greenacres Middle School,

Karen Allen, 17, Liberty Lake Elementary School, Teacher

Sandra Allen, 27, Learning and Teaching Center, Staff Development

Stephen Bernard, 34, Central Valley High School, Teacher

James Bodrock, 30, Evergreen Middle School, Teacher

Roberta Churchill, 29, Learning and Teaching Center, Transportation Assistant

Thomas Conklin, 32, Chester Elementary School, Head Custodian

Mary Damascus, 24, Learning and Teaching Center, Staff Development

Vern DeChenne, 24, Progress Elementary School, Head Custodian

Susan Fox, 29, North Pines Middle School, Teacher-Librarian

Rick Giampietri, 27, Central Valley High School,

Michael Gilbert, 15, Learning and Teaching Center, Bus Driver

Nancy Gilbert, 31, Evergreen Middle School, Lead Cook Eilene Hamilton, 30, Broadway Elementary School,

Speech Pathologist
Susan Henderson, 40, Broadway Elementary

Dolores Hernandez, 19, Opportunity Elementary School, Paraeducator

Barry Hobbs, 1, Greenacres Elementary School, Assistant Site Coordinator

Helen Honn, 33, Summit School, Teacher Eunie Hubble, 34, University Elementary School,

Georgia Hughes, 7, University High School, Secretary

Randy Jenson, 28, Bowdish Middle School, Teacher

Ann Kalstad, 32, South Pines Elementary School, Teacher Diane Kellar, 15, Greenacres Elementary School,

Head Secretary
Thomas Kendall, 28, North Pines Middle School,

William D. Knisely, 6, Learning and Teaching Center, School Psychologist

Jean Lawson, 42, Summit School, Teacher Patricia Loomis, 34, McDonald Elementary School,

Alan McLeod, 30, University High School, Teacher Marilyn Miller, 29, Sunrise Elementary, Special Education Paraeducator

Lona Moore, 19, University Elementary School, Special Education Paraeducator

Sara Moore, 16, North Pines Middle School, Teacher

Marilyn Mraz, 30, Ponderosa Elementary School, Teacher James Nelson, 4, Summit School, Special

Education Paraeducator
P Gayle Neunherz, 16, Greenacres Elementary

School, Teacher

Richard O'Brien, 32, Central Valley High School, Teacher

Sandy Phillips, 28, Greenacres Middle School, Assistant Principal Steve Rasmussen, 14, Barker High School, Teacher Barbara Richardson, 19, Progress Elementary School, Teacher

Janice Rozelle, 13, Central Valley Early Learning Center, Early Childhood Education Specialist

Michael Ruscio, 33, Evergreen Middle School,

JoAnne Shogan, 37, Evergreen Middle School, Teacher

Mark Sorensen, 9, North Pines Middle School, Teacher

Rodney Steele, 25, North Pines Middle School, Teacher

Clarice Suko, 25, Bowdish Middle School, Lead Cook

Joel Wallin, 7, Learning and Teaching Center, Bus Driver

Penny Westerhoff, 20, Central Valley High School, Assistant Cook

Louisa Wheeler, 21, Learning and Teaching Center, Transportation Assistant

Lynn Winkler, 33, McDonald Elementary School,

Jeannie Zimmerman, 41, McDonald Elementary School, Teacher Rails To Ales
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THREE CHEERS



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Cheer 1: Charlie Kienbaum, Waterskiing

Kienbaum, a 16-year-old Liberty Lake resident (pictured above), won the Fat Cat tournament trophy during a recent American Water Ski Association competition. Kienbaum skied three rounds of slalom before being bracketed into a 16-skier head-to-head final against other slalom skiers from Washington. Kienbaum became the first eastside of the state skier to

take home the championship. Kienbaum's brother Matthew, 14, also made it to the semi-final round of the tournament.

Cheer 2: Kellen Middleton, Central Valley Track and Field

Middleton, a Liberty Lake resident and senior at Central Valley, was recently named the CVHS thrower of the year and field athlete of the year at the CV Track and Field Awards Ceremony. Middleton, who threw the shot put and discus, had a season-high throw of 51'11.5 in the shot put and 134'11 in the discus for the Bears.

Cheer 3: Dakota Kliamovich, Central Valley Track and Field

Kliamovich, a Liberty Lake resident and sophomore at Central Valley, recently competed and finished in ninth place at the Washington state high school hammer championships. Kliamovich, who also competed in the high jump for CV, had her best throw travel 102'11.

CVHS Sports Roundup

CV athletes earn All-GSL honors

With the completion of the high school spring sports season, several Central Valley athletes were named to the first team All-GSL. Michelle Nemeth and Kendra Szoke were named to the girls track first team, David Borgman and Scott Simon to the baseball squad, Becky White and Lindsey Gibson to the softball team, Leslie Ho to the first team in girls tennis, her brother Peter Ho and teammate Zach Juhre were named to the boys tennis team and Devin Allen and Alex Riel were named to the soccer first team.

CV athletes recognized

The Greater Spokane League recently announced the winners of the spring NECA/IBEW award winners. The National Electrical Contractors Association and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers presented their 10th annual

awards, which recognize athletes who demonstrate superior balance in academics, athletics and community involvement.

The Central Valley recipients were Ashley Renz in track and Cameron Allen in soccer. Renz, a senior, participated in the 800-, 1,600- and 3,200-meter races along with the triple jump. Allen, a senior goalie, helped lead Central Valley to a 9-1 record in the GSL.

CV hammer athletes compete

Ten CVHS athletes recently participated in the Washington state high school hammer championships in Centralia, Wash. On the boys side of the competition, Kevin Stanley took fifth place with a throw of 171' while Colton Sdao finished one spot back in sixth with a personal-best throw of 151'4. Liberty Lake resident Dakota Kliamovich finished in ninth place in the girls division with a throw of 102'11.

Scoreboard

COMMUNITY GOLF

6/1 Liberty Lake Women's 18-Hole Golf Club

Liberty Lake Cup winner, Carol Schultz, 71

Flight A — Gisue Peters, 30 and Rose Jones, 31

Flight B — Billie Etter, 34

Flight C — Lee Sonderman and Coleen Wisenor, 38

Flight D — Dorothy Womack, 36

6/3 Liberty Lake Couples' Golf

Even holes men:

First — Frank Baker, 35.5

Second — Bob Keen and Bob Sawuer, tie 38

Even holes women:

First — Cass Dodgson, 36.5 Second — Gloria Sawyer, 37

Third — Shelia Killmen, 39

Sports Brief

Softball in the park

Softball players of all ages are invited to join other enthusiasts at Pavillion Park

at 1 p.m. every Sunday in June for pickup games. For more information, contact Lonnie Castillo at 869-3822.

Washington State hammer championships



Ten Central Valley High School athletes recently participated in the Washington state high school hammer championships in Centralia.

Pictured are (Liberty Lake residents in **bold**): **Beth Hotchkiss**, Katie Wardsworth, **Dakota Kliamovich** and **Shannon Hotchkiss**.



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Pictured are (Liberty Lake residents in **bold**): Coach Jennifer Stalwick, Tim Barrier, **Keegan Shea**, Kevin Stanley, Colton Sdao, Nick Evans, Michael Barnhart and Coach Alan Wardsworth.

Volleyball team spikes first



SUBMITTED PHOTO

VIP Juniors 16-1 takes first place at Eastern Washington Classic. Pictured are (Liberty Lake residents in **bold**): (bottom row) **Samantha Block**, Courtney Wold, Kayce Nauditt, **Delaney Fisher**; (middle row) Latasha Lofton, Jennifer Schuman; (first row) Sequoia Lofton, Kiendra Chester, Liz Gill, Ryen Pilialoha, Katie Larson, Makayla Ness and Coach Chan Esperas.

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Day on the Titanic



SPLASH PHOTO BY TAMMY KIMBERLEY

Stella Olander drinks after a toast during the Liberty Lake Elementary Titantic party last week. After learning about the history of the Titantic, third-grade students dressed up as passengers from the boat and celebrated with a meal, dancing and entertainment.

Cub Scouts celebrate end of year





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Cub Scout Pack 463 recently celebrates their end-of-year crossover ceremony at Pavillion Park. Forty-five Scouts are under the leadership of Cub Master Bruce Hotchkiss. Seven boys bridged over to Boy Scouts. The photo at left shows eight Liberty Lake Cub Scout leaders: Bruce Hotchkiss (at left); (back row) Rob Brickett, Derik Baker, Steve Pedigo; (middle row) Debbi Stewart and Kathy Whybrew; (front row) Meg Miller and John Greenup. The photo at right shows the new Wolf Scouts: Garrett Packebush, Nelson Whybrew, Luke Sherrill, Miles Stewart, Aidan van Marle, Jack Leavell and Kiley Warren. Not pictured is Thomas Dunne.

Tigers visit The Splash

Alex Hagood, Ethan Weyrauch, Isaac Trigsted and Logan Meyer learn about the role of newspapers in a community during a recent visit to The Splash newspaper. The boys are members of a Newman Lake-based Tiger Cub Scout troop.

Local Lens

Share your snapshots for The Splash's photo page. E-mail editor@libertylakesplash.com with scenes from around town, community events and Splash Travels.



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CV students at economic summit





SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Advanced marketing students at Central Valley High School participated recently in the second annual International Economic Summit (IES).

CVHS advanced marketing IES participants pictured (top photo) are (Liberty Lake residents in **bold**): (front row) Morgan Frock, Jessica Long, Ashley Richardson, Alex Bliss, **Delaney Fisher**, Amber Bliss, Courtney Stokesbary, Brooke Gallaway; (second row) Mackenzie Inge, Taryn Seacrist, **Maci McLain**, Hannah Calligan, Addison Tucker, **Julia Marquiss, Davice Johnson**; (third row) Tyler Thompson, **Aaron Houston, Jordan Tuttle**, Roni Dringle, Kendra Reilly, Leah Amsden, **Annaliese Collins, Connor Stephenson, Brandon Fayant**, Zach Norris, Devrick Barnett, Gaven Deyarmin, Danny Nimri, **Dakotah Howatt, Troy Smith**, Sam Neumann; (back row) **Evan Grinalds**, Michael Barnhart, Phil Terrell, Brandon Guy, Markus Heintz, Michael Guarisco, **Jarod Maynes**, James Notrica, Austin Parker, **Jace Parker**, **Lane Fowler**, Joseph Guerrinha, Chino Bautista and **Jake Curran**.

CVHS graphic design and web design students pictured are (Liberty Lake students in **bold**): (front row) Karissa Elliot, Thuy Duong, **Ashleigh Dillon, Hayley Fechser**, Brianna Hicks; (middle row) Zane Allinger, Erik Buechler, Jeremey Leestma, **Christopher Schneider**, Blake Holloway, Cody Bafus; (back row) Cameron Fyhrie, Eric McHugo, Bradin Giglio, **Garrett Ribail**, Nicholas Evans, Anthony Brommer and Therin Taylor.

Senior lunch



SPLASH PHOTO BY JOSH JOHNSO

Heddy Reed sports a festive hat at the head of the table for her 90th birthday at a recent Liberty Lake Senior Lunch at City Hall. Meals on Wheels organizes the s program.

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Splash Editorial

HUB deserves fair-minded consideration

It's unclear exactly what was rolled out to greet the visiting representatives from the HUB Sports Center and Spokane Regional Sports Commission at the City Council meeting last week, but it wasn't a welcome mat. On a hospitality spectrum ranging from red carpet to moat and raised drawbridge, the latter would be closer to reality.

The request made by HUB Executive Director Phil Champlin and Sports Commission President and CEO Eric Sawyer to the Liberty Lake Council was simple: Would you explore ideas for being a part of publicly funding the HUB?

Now it should be noted that the Council eventually formed a three-member committee to look into it and thereby gave the

visitors an affirmative response. But the attimes terse and prosecutive process it took to arrive at this conclusion caused us to conclude one of two things has happened:

- 1. Behind the scenes, something has caused the Council to become quite upset with this struggling facility and its advocates.
- 2. The Council is feeling a major-league need to make a public display of its impatience and frustration with anything that could cost money in this unforgiving economy.

Perhaps there is some truth in both. We don't know. What we do know is that the HUB makes a major economic impact on this community, so whether times are tough

or not, it merits an even-toned and thorough examination as a possible public purchase.

Indeed, lean economic times could prove to benefit the city. The facility is recently up for sale, but it's a buyer's market. Five years from now, in (hopefully) better economic times, the city could find itself wanting to build a similar facility to anchor its parks program. The cost of building something like the HUB from scratch sometime down the road is just one of many considerations that make this a worthwhile vetting.

The conclusion may be a yes, it may be a no. To be fair, however, it will require Council members to act as true community advocates and put any bruised personal feelings or frustrations with the process aside.

Letter to Editor

Commissioner's tactics show no respect for minority opinion

Many people have become aware of the Lancaster rezone and comprehensive plan change because of your extensive June 3 article, "Lancaster project moves forward."

It should be clear to everyone by your article that Spokane County Commissioner Mark Richard is abrogating the rights of the people who do not agree with his decision by vesting the parcel and not waiting a few days for the Board of Appeals to rule on whether he is correct. He claims the Board of Appeals is biased. So what, we are all biased. That is why there are processes in place to balance the rights of everyone in the system.

I went to many Spokane County meetings believing I had rights — and those rights would be protected by the Spokane County governing agencies, by our elected officials — but I was wrong. Our democracy only works when our elected officials protect the rights of the minority opinion (Richard and County Commissioner Todd Mielke are the majority vesting the Lancaster parcel and Commissioner Bonnie Mager the vote against).

I believe every public agency wrote letters against this vote. The fire department just put up two "No Parking Anytime" signs on the border of the property because of density and safety.

Dr. Lon Hatfield, president of the Colville School Board 20 or more years ago, said in a contentious situation, "Protecting the rights of the minority is important because the majority isn't always right." That is good governance. What Mark Richard is doing took away the right of some neighbors to appeal his decision. I went to many meetings, but they are a sham. Mark made this so complex that it invites corruption, and it beats down the ordinary citizen and wears us out. Some neighbors hired a lawyer to appeal the process and their appeal has been rendered useless.

Neighbors, if you don't call Mark Richard and let him know that his high-handed tactics suck — the phone number to the commissioners' office is 477-2265 — then don't expect your rights to be protected when someday you find yourself in the minority.

June Swatzell
Liberty Lake

Yard sale is chance to relieve pack rat tendencies

Squirrels gather nuts when they are plentiful, packing them away for the winter. Toddlers become possessive over their toys, stockpiling them for security. These are both examples of hoarding. However, neither the squirrels, nor many people, were even familiar with the term until recently.

The TLC show, "Hoarding: Buried Alive," really has brought hoarding into the spotlight. You grab a Coke and a piece of pizza and casually sit in your easy chair next to a stack of bills and magazines to watch. You wanted to grab a blanket from the closet, but when you opened it, a stack of 1963 encyclopedias tumbled out with a gaggle of used candles. "Oh well," you think, "I'll get that organized later."

The show is compelling because it is a hold your mouth open in shock kind of program. "How can people live like that?" you think. It is a good question, and is probably better answered by psychologists due to the spectrum of the disease.

But what about the folks that aren't really in that bad of shape? Maybe like me, you find that you have a couple of old computers and some artwork stuffed in closets. Perhaps you've held onto a stack of your college textbooks and notebooks for 20 years — just in case. So where is the line drawn with regard to hoarding? Many of us believe we can never have too many shoes or coats. Or maybe we save piles of magazines just in case we may get to them some day. After awhile though, closets become piled up, and stacks of things start lining the floors.

Teresa Mathers, child and family counselor, concedes, "Many hoarders might look like collectors. People who appear very organized with every purchase remaining in a box. But you open a room and see stacks of boxes of items that are stored and never used."





If this sounds like you, this could indicate a problem. The Mayo Clinic states hoarding affects emotions, thoughts and behavior. Signs and symptoms may include: cluttered living spaces; inability to discard items; keeping stacks of newspapers, magazines or junk mail; moving items from one pile to another without discarding anything; acquiring unneeded or seemingly useless items, including trash; difficulty managing daily activities, including procrastination and trouble making decisions; difficulty organizing items; perfectionism; excessive attachment to possessions, and discomfort letting others touch or borrow possessions; limited or no social interactions.

According to the International OCD Foundation, which studies and educates about Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, there are levels of hoarding. The base level is OCD hoarding which is associated with people who have irrational fears about the stuff in their lives, from contamination of items to superstitions that bad things will happen if something is discarded. OCD hoarders do not take pleasure in securing and keeping the items, the foundation notes, but what they desire and what is kept in the home are sometimes two different things.

Treatment for mild hoarding

If you are holding on to things in order to avoid any of the above situations, you may need to talk to a professional — you know who you are. Or if you find that you

hold onto items not for sentimental or useful value, but simply to keep them "just in case," you might need to start with awareness and maybe some organization.

- 1. Start by looking around your home and cleaning out closets and drawers.
- 2. Assess items you've kept for many years or multiple items of the same thing and determine if it can be recycled, sold or donated.
- 3. Keep only the items that will be used within a certain time frame six months to a year.
- 4. If it is overwhelming, seek the help of a friend or professional organizer.

Again, these suggestions are for mild cases. (In my case, just writing this article caused me to clean out eight bags of unused linens, towels and baby supplies.) If you take on more products than your house can hold and it affects basic daily functions like walking through the home, cooking, entertaining, cleaning, getting ready for work and other things, then you may need to seek help. It's not uncommon for hoarders with a serious disorder to be oblivious to the problem.

"For many, it's a control issue. They gain control in one area of their lives — by shopping for example — but then it gets out of control when they bring the things into their homes," summarizes Mathers.

If you find yourself preparing for the winters of your life like a little ground squirrel, let this motivate you. The Liberty Lake Yard Sale is Saturday, and there are people coming who would love to buy the unused stuff in your life.

Jennifer Ferrero lives in Liberty Lake and writes for the Mermaids of the Lake e-zine she cofounded. This article was adapted from a piece that originally appeared at www.mermaidsofthelake.com.

About the Opinion Page

The Splash opinion page is intended to be a community forum for discussing local issues. Please interact with us by sending a letter to the editor or Liberty Lake Voices guest column for consideration.

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OP-ED

Garden clubs celebrate 50 years

Beachcombers enjoy history of giving back







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Past and current club members enjoyed an anniversary celebration May 24 at the Denny Ashlock Building.

A new garden club was organized in Liberty Lake in October 1959. Five future members met in the home of Mrs. Arlene (Francis) Auer. They discussed forming a club with the aim of beautifying the area around Liberty Lake and stimulating their knowledge and love of gardening. Arlene Auer was elected president, Tobi Pfeiffer (Mrs. Fred) vice president and Donna Johnson (Mrs. Bruce) secretary/treasurer. A contest was held to select a name. "Beachcombers," suggested by Pat Robinson, was chosen by the club.

The organization soon grew to 23 charter members. One important project they discussed was completing a map of the community. They also numbered 254 homes, allowing visitors to find homes on the map. The map included locations of resorts, businesses and residents. It became one big project, but the ladies completed it. Selling the map was the easy part. Proceeds from the sale of the map were donated to land-scape the new community church.

The club spent two years on the project, landscaping and planting. When it was completed, the club entered their work at the church in the Sears Urban Renewal Contest. Evelyn Rasmussen (Mrs. Anton and the project chairman) was presented with a check for \$100 for outstanding work on the beautification of the grounds. Over the

years, the Beachcombers continued to weed and spray the trees. Many trees and shrubs are planted on the grounds in memory of deceased members.

Beachcombers joined the Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs. At that time, there were nine garden clubs in Spokane Valley that worked together to sponsor garden shows and competed for prizes. Many members were housewives and mothers, so clubs exchanged babysitting for meetings. Money from prizes won at garden shows was donated to beautify the grounds around Liberty Lake.

To name a few Beachcombers projects: 1960: Supplied table arrangements for the CV PTA ham dinner.

1966: Helped landscape the Greenacres Elementary School (included planting three trees).

1967: Made favors for The Veterans Hospital and Edgecliff Sanitarium.

Winter 1967 to spring 2005: Club members made craft favors for residents of Sunshine Gardens Nursing Home. Many of the favors have been saved and can still be seen in Sunshine's windows at holiday time. Beach-combers was awarded a Volunteer of the Year plaque in 2005 by Sunshine Gardens.

1972: Decorated a Christmas tree for the lobby of Washington Mutual Savings Bank

with handmade ornaments — sold the tree to the bank and donated the money to help landscape the church.

1996: Joined with the Howard Dolphin family to help pay for a bench in Pavillion Park in memory of Della Neyland (Mrs. Homer). Della was the *one* incentive that kept the club going over the years.

1997: Received permission to reprint "Memories of Liberty Lake" from the families of the authors, Mildred Brereton and Evelyn Mae Foedish. The book was underwritten by Jim Frank and retyped by Linda Skadan (Mrs. John). Proceeds were donated toward the development of Pavillion Park.

1990-2002: Fundraisers included salad luncheon with program.

2002-2005: Afternoon teas were well attended and enjoyed by the public. They were discontinued when the health department required a food handler's license to each person preparing food, making the teas no longer cost effective.

2007-2009: Tried fundraising with garage sales. Discontinued as too much work for ladies of our age.

2009: Donated a dogwood tree to the grounds of the Liberty Lake Library.

Beachcombers Garden Club is still active today, no longer connected to the Federated Garden Clubs. We are a nonprofit community club, and monies raised are donated to local needs like Spokane Valley Partners, the Liberty Lake fireworks display and helping local children have a better Christmas.

One year, the club contributed to the Centennial Trail. It has two stones in Riverfront Park, each with the name "Beachcombers" on it.

Garden clubs are a great asset to a community, and Beachcombers will be meeting this fall to decide "where do we go from here?"

Longtime Beachcombers member Margaret Rasmussen compiled much of this article from a scrapbook kept by Della Neyland.



On May 24, two Liberty Lake clubs that have been in existence in Liberty Lake for more than five decades gathered to celebrate that fact at the Denny Ashlock Building. Organized in 1959, the Beachcombers Garden Club remains active (see article at left). Another club, the Garden Gals of Liberty Lake, now only meets annually at Christmas. Both clubs were involved in several beautification and community service projects over the years, including several joint projects.

The celebration was attended by Beachcombers charter member Mary Floy Dolphin, who gave a speech sharing club memories. Other current members present included Margaret Barnes, Connie Conaway, Lorna Freeman, Patty Guillet, Marge Johnson, Sunnie Lancaster, Fran Mann, Shirley Payne, Margaret Rasmussen, Karen Ruef, Alyce Ryan, Bonnie Sawatzki and Dee Wheldon. Freeman and Sawatzki were also former Garden Gals. Former members who attended included Nancy Ashworth and Linda Knudsen of the Garden Gals, and Beachcombers Charter members Arlene (Auer) Severance, who served as the first president, and Liz Kiblin. Other former Beachcombers in attendance included Kay Olsen, Tobi Pfeifer, Laura Rydell, Betty Shulkin, Linda Skadan and Darlene Stokke.

— Josh Johnson



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GARAGE SALES

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4+family garage sale: clothing (adults+kids), furniture, household items, toys, bikes, books lots of misc. Friday 8:30a-3p, 723 N. Garry Drive, L.L.

817 N. Fairway Court, Liberty Lake, Fri./Sat. 6-11 & 12, 2010. 8am to 5pm. Gobs of stuff. Too many to list.

AAU basketball multi-family Garage sale. 521 Shoreline Drive, Liberty Lake. Great items for kids and adults. Start shopping in Alpine Shores!

Beat the crowds! Friday, June 11th; 9am-4pm; boys 8/10 clothes; junior girls size small; ladies sizes 10&14; furniture; namebrand purses; household; tires; kids toys; Meadowwood Glen: 24827 E. Maxwell Ln.

DOWNSIZING

6/12 - 8AM TILL ?? 1679 N. Carson Range; Rocky Hill subdivision. The best stuff isn't just in Meadowwood! Baby swings, jumpers, clothes, Drexel Heritage dressers, dining room table w/chairs, (2) barrel chairs, coffee table, King Sleigh bed w/new mattress, queen bedroom set, chain saw, etc - Much to see! Cash Only.

FRI, JUNE 11 8:00 A.M.

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Garage sale June 12th, 24208 E Desmet Rd, boys' bikes, clothing, boots, soccer cleats, toys, misc household items.

Garage sale June 12th. 1006 South Liberty Drive. Furniture, appliances, toys, children's clothes, infant clothes, much, much more!

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June 11/12. Fri 8-4, Sat 8-12. 22914 E Eaglebend Ln. (off Country Vista) Small boys clothes; toys; household; misc.

Multi-family garage sale. 23025 E. Broadway. June 12th & 13th 8:00-5:00. Baby/children's clothes namebrands size 0-16, Housewares, men's stuff, antique Oak telephone, steamer trunk, Lionel train set.

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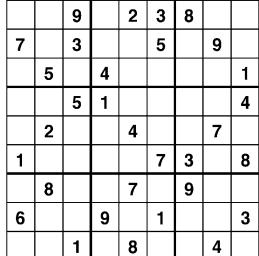
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