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Taking stock in the Market

Parker has served integral role with LL Farmers Market since 2002

By Craig Howard
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

When it began in 2002, the Liberty Lake Farmers Market featured a humble collection of vendors gathered in a cheerful space along Meadowwood Lane.

Holli Parker served as the venue's manager in those fledgling years, coordinating the lineup and schedule each Saturday while managing to sell bread from Cobblestone Bakery in one of the booths along market row. Since then, the market has entrenched itself as one of the region's most popular gathering places, running from mid-May to mid-October and showcasing nearly 50 vendors hawking everything from artisan breads to flowers to locally grown produce.



SPLASH PHOTO BY CRAIG HOWARD

Holli Parker has been with the Liberty Lake Farmers Market since it started in 2002. The Spokane native and Liberty Lake resident currently serves as the market manager.

The idea for the outdoor galleria sprang from Parker's mother, Susan Parker, and her uncle, Jim Frank, CEO of Greenstone Homes, who grew up in the West Central area of Spokane and recalled traveling to the produce stands of the Spokane Valley as kids. Frank had also seen the success of neighborhood markets in Seattle to rally community spirit and a sense of

civic identity.

A staple on the market's board of directors since the start, Parker took a hiatus as market manager from 2008 to 2011. She has taught at nearby Greenacres Elementary since 2006 and has a son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter who live in Liberty Lake.



NewsMaker Q&A

Parker was born and raised in the Spokane area, graduating from Gonzaga Prep in 1990. She earned her degree from Eastern Washington University and taught for two years in Nevada before moving back to the Inland Northwest in 2002. She has called Liberty Lake home since then, a place she describes as "a great community to be a part of." In addition to the market, her calendar is consistently full of outdoor events, particularly the movies and concerts in Pavillion Park each summer.

In her second stint as market manager, Parker is responsible for an array of duties, including map/vendor layout and logistics, answering emails, event coordination and communicating with vendors outside market day. Onsite Manager Mike Durkin oversees the market each Saturday.

The Splash caught up with Parker recently to talk about the market's latest season, the future of the venue and the challenges of coordinating a moveable feast.

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Q. You served as manager when the market was established in 2002. What do you remember about that first year?

A. Our first year was fun. We only had six vendors and a lot of rain. It seemed to rain every day in May and June of that year. We would all huddle together under the canopies to keep warm, running from car to the booth to stay dry. It shows how amazing this community is that customers came in spite of the weather.

Q: What were some of the keys to getting the word out about the new venue in Liberty Lake and how did you try to distinguish yourself from the competition?

A: When we started, the only other market in the area was the downtown Spokane market. Ours was the first neighborhood market in the area. We wanted not just a place to grab groceries, but a place to enjoy. A place where the community can come shop, eat and connect.

Q: How did you and your fellow organizers decide on the site of the market? Do you feel the location has worked out well over the years?

A: We were fortunate enough to have Greenstone as a supporter of the market. The Liberty Building parking lot was the perfect place. There is plenty of parking. The "island" is a great centerpiece for customers to sit and relax, eat and talk with their neighbors. The circular nature to our layout allows for a great flow to all the vendors.

Q: What have been some of your impressions of the 2014 rendition of the market since it opened on May 17?

A: The market has been as amazing as always. Attendance continues to grow, with our loyal customers as well as new faces. Our vendors have been great about the adjustments that were needed due to the construction of Town Square Park.

Q: You had 10 new vendors join your lineup this year, half-a-dozen of whom represent area farms. How important is it for the market to be a showcase for local produce?

A: We are so privileged in this area to have amazing farms and farmers! What is better than local? Showcasing local produce allows our farmers to get their product out there. It also allows for our customers to talk and connect with the folks who are growing their food. Our farmers are so knowledgeable. They are available for any questions you may have, from how things are grown to how to prepare what you're buying for dinner.

Q: You took a break from being manager for several years when Angela Pizelo was at the helm. How is the market different now from when you first managed things?

A: Since the beginning of the market, we are much bigger — from six vendors to 49 this season. I feel that we have learned over the years, through a lot of trial and error, what works for us and what doesn't. We had a vision of what we wanted from the beginning. Having that vision makes decisions easier to make. The market board is more hands on now than we have ever been. Each member has taken on a task. In the beginning a lot was done by one or two people. The board consists of farmers, crafters, producers and community members. Having all those areas represented helps us stay well rounded.

Q: How has the construction of Town Square Park affected the market this year?

A: As a resident, I am very excited to see the Town Square come to life. It's going to be a great addition to our city. As the person who needed to set up the map for vendor placement, it was a challenge. We met as a board many times trying to decide how things would look this year. Ultimately, it was not and has not been an issue. We were able to set up as we have in years past. It has been fun watching the progress. The city set up a booth to talk with citizens and answer questions about the future of the site.

Q: What do you think the completed park and the accompanying parking expansion will mean to the market in the long run?

A: Truthfully, we don't know yet. We have had many discussions and have a lot of ideas, none of which have been finalized yet. Final plans will be made after the season is over.

Q: Finally, what is your favorite part about being involved in the Farmers Market?

A: That is a hard question to answer. I adore the vendors. Getting to know them and having formed friendships with them has been a privilege. They are amazing people who work hard to bring great produce to our community.



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Police Report

The following incidents and arrests were among those reported by the Liberty Lake Police Department from July 21 to Aug. 25.

Incidents and arrests

• **Fraud** — At 5:55 p.m. July 23, LLPD received a report of fraud at the 1100 block of North Homestead Drive. Complainant reported she was contacted by a man claiming to be a special agent for the IRS who advised she and her husband had been audited and found to owe \$5,888 in back taxes, which would need to be paid immediately in order to prevent incarceration. The complainant was instructed to put the funds on reloadit cards and give the "special agent" the card numbers so he could retrieve the funds. The complainant did so, purchasing a total of seven cards holding \$950 each. After giving the "agent" this information, he instructed her to put another \$8,000 on reloadit cards in order to stop the warrants for her and her husband's arrest that had already been issued. She purchased another eight reloadit cards and loaded \$8,000 on them before furnishing the information to the agent. When an officer tried to contact the number provided by the "special agent," he reached a generic voicemail. When he reached the reloadit card services number, he was advised the funds had already been drained from the cards. In total, she lost \$13,888.

• **Alcohol theft** — At 12:26 p.m. July 25, LLPD responded to the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for a theft. Complainant reported a male had run out of the store and gotten into a vehicle after stealing \$115.77 in alcohol.

• **Malicious mischief** — A 30-year-old Liberty Lake man was arrested at 3:38 p.m. July 26 at Aladdin and Mission roads after reportedly becoming upset after his girlfriend started moving items out of the location as she was leaving. He allegedly threw a bottle at the windshield of her vehicle, causing it to break. He was booked into the Spokane County Jail on the

charges, and was arrested again at noon Aug. 2 at the 1600 block of North Aladdin Road for violation of a court order.

• **Trespassing** — A 35-year-old Yakima man was arrested at 7:22 a.m. July 30 at the 18000 block of East Boone Avenue for criminal trespass and possession of stolen property. An officer observed the man at a location with a "for rent" sign in the front yard where he proceeded to pick up a backpack full of items from near the garage. Upon contact, he dropped his bag, which spilled open revealing tools and other miscellaneous items. It was found the bicycle the man was riding had been stolen earlier this year and was reported at an estimated \$600 loss at the time.

• **Another theft** — At 9:56 a.m. Aug. 2, LLPD responded to the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for a theft. A female was seen leaving the store with approximately \$380.18 in goods. An employee chased the subject down the roadway, but lost sight of her near the Home Depot parking lot. The subject was known to law enforcement, however, and contact was made at her residence. The subject advised law enforcement she would come into the department to turn herself in; however, she did not do so, so charges were forwarded to the prosecutor.

• **Alcohol theft arrest** — A 55-year-old Spokane Valley man was arrested at 7:53 a.m. Aug. 3 at the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for theft, third degree. He was apprehended after leaving the store with approximately \$376.97 in alcohol and other goods and was booked into the Spokane County Jail.

• **Violation of order** — A 29-year-old Spokane Valley man was arrested at 11:07 a.m. Aug. 5 at the 24000 block of East Spotted Owl Lane for violation of a no contact order. Officers arrived at the residence and asked the petitioner of a court order if the man was in the residence, to which she stated he was not. When asked if they could check the residence, the petitioner allowed the officers to come inside and

look around. After reminding the petitioner the order was in place for her protection, she admitted to lying to officers and said the man was down the hall. He was found in a closet hiding under a blanket. He was arrested for violating a no contact order and booked into the Spokane County Jail.

• **Blocking vehicle** — At 5:26 p.m. Aug. 5, LLPD responded to East Country Vista Drive and North Liberty Lake Road for a blocking vehicle. An officer observed the vehicle was abandoned in the left turn lane of the road. A male approached the officer and said the registered owner's brother had ran towards him, handed him the keys to the vehicle, and asked that he try and start the vehicle as it died on him. The officer made contact with the registered owner and told him to retrieve the vehicle before it was towed. After a period of time had passed, the registered owner was contacted again to retrieve the vehicle, but never came so the vehicle was towed.

• **Assault and robbery** — A 19-year-old Spokane man was arrested at 6:48 p.m. Aug. 7 at the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for second degree robbery and assault. Officers responded to a report that three males were involved in the theft of alcohol from the store, and it was determined by officers that the arrested man had assaulted an employee who was calling 911 after a struggle with the manager on the ground. The man was booked into the Spokane County Jail.

• **Theft and chase** — At 11:02 p.m. Aug. 8, LLPD responded to the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for a theft. Officers arrived on scene to find the vehicle with the suspect and passenger inside fleeing from the scene toward a local business. The vehicle then jumped the curb, traveling over grass and into the roadway, where it continued towards Otis Orchards. The driver was given multiple directives to stop the vehicle. However, he proceeded to travel on the roadway at speeds of 85 mph. When the

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vehicle came to a stop, both the driver and passenger fled on foot. The passenger was later apprehended by officers. It was determined he was not involved in the theft, nor had any control over the driver during the chase, and was released. The driver, known only as "East," was still being sought.

• **Transient camp** — At 4:01 p.m. Aug. 12, LLPD responded to East Country Vista Drive and North Henry Road for destruction of property and vandalism. A complainant reported a transient camp had been erected near the substation near that intersection, and there was clothing, papers and graffiti on the metal compartments. LLPD said officers will be patrolling this area frequently.

• **Drug arrest** — A 50-year-old Spokane Valley woman was arrested at 7:43 p.m. Aug. 13 at the 1300 block of North Liberty Lake Road for drug possession and a warrant. Officers made contact with the occupants of a vehicle after it was reported as suspicious. It was learned through speaking with one of the male subjects involved that the female occupant provided false information to officers. She reportedly placed a baggie of heroin down the front of her pants prior to officer contact. She

was transported to Spokane County Jail and booked on an outstanding warrant. While at the jail, they conducted a thorough search of her person, which revealed she had hid a small bag of heroin in her groin area.

• **Warrant arrest** — A 37-year-old Spokane man was arrested at 12:18 a.m. Aug. 14 at the 22000 block of East Appleway Avenue on multiple warrants. A complainant called to report a suspicious vehicle had been parked in the lot at the location for close to three hours. Officers arrived and spoke to the driver, who said she didn't want to leave with the passenger as she felt concerned for her safety, so had pulled over into a public place. The passenger was found to have warrants for false statements, obstructing law enforcement and domestic violence harassment. He was arrested and booked into the Spokane County Jail.

• **Alcohol theft and threat** — At 10:29 p.m. Aug. 18, LLPD responded to the 1200 block of North Liberty Lake Road for a robbery. A complainant reported a female had put a \$7.99 bottle of alcohol in her purse and tried to leave the store. When she was stopped, a male came up to the complainant and hit him in the head with a bottle before saying, "You're lucky I don't have a gun." Both subjects were able to flee; however, the surveillance footage was forwarded for follow-up.

Calls for service

Reported by the Liberty Lake Police Department July 21 to Aug. 25

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Agency assist	2
Alarm	7
Animal problem	1
Assault	2
Child abuse or neglect	1
Citizen assist	4
Citizen dispute	1
Counterfeiting/forgery	1
Deceased person	2
Disorderly conduct	1
Domestic violence	1
Drug possession	1
DUI	4
Fraud	1
Fugitive	5
Harassment	2
Juvenile runaway	1
Lost or found property	7
Malicious mischief	2
Message delivered	2
Missing person	1
Not classified	6
Property damage	2
Property theft	11
Possession of stolen property	1
Robbery	2
Suspicious person/circumstance	6

Traffic accident	6
Traffic offense	15
Trespassing	2
Vehicle prowling	3
Vehicle theft	2
Violation of court order	3
Welfare check	5

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Reported by the Liberty Lake Police Department July 21 to Aug. 25

Assault	1
Criminal trespass	1
Driving without license	2
DUI	3
DWLS	18
Expired registration	5
Failure to use child restraint	1
Failure to yield	1
Following too close	1
Ignition interlocks	1
Improper pass on left	1
Liability insurance	5
Malicious mischief	1
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Retreat weighs projects, priorities

By Craig Howard
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

The Liberty Lake City Council faced up to a myriad of municipal issues at its annual retreat on Aug. 19.

Spanning nearly four hours, the annual discussion of the most pressing city matters was divided into two workshop segments, with council focusing on long-term projects and policy discussions first, followed by a budget workshop.

CVSD

Central Valley School District Superintendent Ben Small began the series of workshop conversations by providing an update of the district's five-year strategic plan, covering 2014 to 2018. Small said CVSD and the city shared a priority of "community building," pointing to the recent construction of the Liberty Lake Ballfields on land once owned by the district and sold to the city as an illustration.

Small said the district will emphasize "breaking down barriers to learning" while "creating systems in every classroom that the district supports." He said students "should understand their career pursuit before leaving high school" and

pointed to the success of Spokane Valley Tech as an avenue for instilling professional direction.

Small referred to the capital facilities bond that will be on the ballot next February, saying that passage "can set up a huge success for our kids." A district win would likely mean construction of a new K-2 elementary school in Liberty Lake to the east of the new Liberty Lake Ballfields, Small said. He said CVSD continued to explore potential sites for a new middle school in Liberty Lake and noted that the expansion of Evergreen Middle School with a 'yes' vote next February would expand that school's boundary to the east. The shift would mean protecting the boundary of Greenacres Middle School and keeping more Liberty Lake-based students near home.

Passing another capital facilities initiative in 2018 or 2019, Small said, would allow CVSD to move ahead with construction of a new high school on Henry Road and 16th Avenue that would house students from Liberty Lake. The inventory of three high schools would mean an equal distribution of around 1,400 students at each campus.

Small pointed out several of the district's successes such as a 90 percent graduation rate and stellar science marks among elementary school students. He said the district fully understands that "every student learns differently" and said alternative programs like SV Tech, Barker High School and online opportunities "serve as different pathways of learning for kids."

Trailhead facility

The aging structure that serves as the welcome mat to the Trailhead at Liberty Lake golf course received its share of scrutiny on Aug. 19 as council continued to contemplate the future of the building and the valuable parcel of land it calls home.

Council did reach a consensus that it wanted to maintain ownership of the property, though Council Member Bob Moore expressed concern that, with limited room to expand, "it would be very difficult to develop on that site."

"I think we need to decide what sort of business we want to be in there," Moore said.

Others, like Langford, postulated that the plot shouldn't necessarily be confined to its current use, saying options like a batting cage and putt-putt golf could be viable.

"Is it our thought that this is always just going to stay golf?" Langford questioned.

Council Member Hugh Severs said it would be important to gauge community feedback on the future of the land while Council Member Dan Dunne emphasized that Trailhead represents an accessible venue for golfers of varying skill levels.

"This is an open space gesture," Dunne said. "It's entertainment and an amenity for our community. To replace it with buildings or impervious surface would do an injustice."

Council Member Shane Brickner went one step further, saying the loss of Trailhead "would be devastating."

Most around the dais agreed that taking on debt to fund improvements at the site would be a reasonable option. The city issued a \$2.4 million bond to buy Trailhead in 2002, a note that will be paid off in 2017.

"With a good revenue stream, it's just a transfer of cash," said Mayor Steve Peterson, who led the charge to purchase the course when it was still known as Valley View.

"For growth in the future, you have to invest," Brickner added.

While Langford acknowledged that the city "could take on a predetermined amount of debt" for Trailhead renovations, he reminded his colleagues that "to provide for the future, it has to be a cash resource." He noted that recreational ex-

At Aug. 5 meeting, Council talked traffic and sod

By Craig Howard
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

The city of Liberty Lake is not sitting still when it comes to traffic on Appleway Avenue.

At the Aug. 5 City Council meeting, the governing board heard an update on ideas to address the growing dilemma of snags on the east/west thoroughfare, particularly during peak commuting times. City Engineer Andrew Staples described how an upgrade to the traffic signal at Appleway and Liberty Lake Road would help expedite the flow of vehicles despite a considerable pricetag.

Installed close to 30 years ago, the signal would require a significant overhaul costing in the neighborhood of \$200,000 to \$250,000, Staples said. Features like a flashing yellow light — facilitating right-hand turns to the I-90 onramp — would be possible with new technology.

Refurbishing the signal "would not eliminate the backup, but help," City Administrator Katy Allen said.

In other news from the capital projects front, council authorized Mayor Steve Peterson on Aug. 5 to move ahead with the purchase of grass sod at the Liberty Lake Ballfields, currently under construction. The abundance of rocky terrain in the outfield of both diamonds, as well as the goal to have the venue ready for next baseball season, contributed to the decision. The contract with Desert Green Turf runs \$33,222.21 and includes a \$1,500 contingency to be managed by staff.

Council had discussed the installation of artificial turf at the venue last year, but the additional cost of \$350,000 proved to be a deterrent. The city has budgeted \$885,000 for the ballfields in 2014. With bids for the project coming in lower than expected, Finance Director R.J. Stevenson said the cost of the outfield sod could be absorbed.

penditures like golf are often the first aspect of a personal budget to be jettisoned when the economy falters.

City Administrator Katy Allen said with council reaching a general consensus to move forward in some fashion at Trailhead, the issue could be brought up for a workshop at a future meeting.

"This at least gives us a foundation of
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what we'd like to do," Peterson said.

I-502 moratorium

Police Chief Brian Asmus provided an update on the city's moratorium related to the sale, processing and production of marijuana on Aug. 19. Council voted on July 15 to continue the temporary ban for another six months as the end of the first moratorium, established in January, approached.

Asmus pointed out that Liberty Lake "is not alone in our moratorium" connected to I-502 that passed statewide in November 2012 by a 56-percent margin. The initiative failed among voters in Liberty Lake.

"The majority of the cities have something in place," Asmus said.

Wenatchee and Fife are both being challenged in court over their respective moratoriums. The case in Fife will be heard Aug. 29.

Asmus referred to a recent decision by the Spokane Valley City Council stipulating that marijuana retail operations in municipal boundaries cannot be within 1,000 feet of a trail. I-502 spells out buffer zones within the same distance of schools and libraries.

Council expressed interest in implementing the trail limits in Liberty Lake. Peterson pointed out that with the abundance of walkways, bike paths and sidewalks in the city, such a ruling would effectively preclude any marijuana-related business from functioning within municipal limits.

"If you take the 1,000-foot delineation, you've effectively banned it," the mayor said.

Langford emphasized that city leaders "have moral laws to uphold" despite the implementation of I-502.

"When people come up to you and say, 'Would you please not allow this,' we have a right to represent those people who don't want any part of it," he said.

Council agreed to move ahead on an ordinance that would establish criminal repercussions for minors consuming marijuana, not simply possessing the drug. Asmus said the department would utilize an officer trained in drug recognition to deal with such cases.

"My main goal is to protect our kids," said Mayor Pro Tem Cris Kaminskis.

The city will tune into the results of the Fife case later this month before making a decision on the current moratorium. In the meantime, Asmus and City Attorney Sean Boutz will be exploring the proposed trail boundaries. Council might also consider interim zoning regulations related to I-502 activities.

IN THE BOOKS, ON THE DOCKET

A look back and ahead at news from Liberty Lake City Hall

By Craig Howard
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

In the Books (August)

- Liberty Lake Police Chief Brian Asmus presided over the badge ceremony and swearing in of Officer Austin Brantingham and Sergeant Darin Morgan on Aug. 5. Brantingham started with LLPD as an intern from Eastern Washington University in 2004 and has served as a reserve officer since 2005. Morgan has been with the department as an officer since 2007.

- City Council heard an update on the HUB Sports Center from Phil Champlin, the facility's executive director. The multi-use venue in west Liberty Lake has seen attendance increase from just under 100,000 in 2010 to nearly 165,000 last year. The once financially embattled site has covered operating expenses for the last four years and has been able to set aside funds in a capital reserve fund for the past two-and-a-half years. Champlin said the HUB generated an estimated \$5 million for the local economy from out-of-town visitors in 2013. He also announced the start of a \$3.9 million capital campaign to purchase the nearly 67,000 square feet building and provide an endowment for operating expenses.

Food trucks

Allen said the city has received around a dozen requests to operate mobile food trucks within city limits. Currently, such vendors need to be connected to a community event to set up shop in Liberty Lake.

"I want to see how you want to manage this moving forward," Allen told council.

Allen noted that in the city of Spokane, mobile vendors are required to secure a 30-day permit and renew it after expiration. Spokane County requires such businesses to have a food handler's permit as well as supplies like fire extinguishers and garbage cans. Other regulations include a limit to the hours of operation and maintaining an established distance from "brick and mortar" restaurants.

Allen brought up the case of the White House Grill, which until recently maintained a presence outside the Liberty Lake Portal. She said the business operated due to the fact it "has discussed a permanent building with the city" and has a temporary building permit in place.

"They have a year to build a permanent structure," Allen said.

- Council authorized Mayor Steve Peterson to facilitate a contract for up to \$6,000 covering electrical work at the Rocky Hill barn. The site at the east-end park will be used for storage of municipal parks and recreation equipment.

- Planning and Building Services Manager Amanda Tainio provided an overview of the annual amendment process to the city's Comprehensive Plan and Development Code scheduled for consideration by council on Sept. 16. This year's agenda includes a proposal to alter the comprehensive land use map and zoning designation on a 13.1-acre parcel of land along Sprague Avenue and Henry Road from the current R-1 single-family residential status to M-2, community center mixed use.

- Looking ahead to the deadline for a new regional solid waste management contract this fall, City Administrator Katy Allen said the city should have proposals from both Spokane County and Waste Management for council consideration by early September.

- Allen said the city "understands the concerns and is exploring the options" related to the proposal of 70 ground-source heat pumps at the Lakemore residential property in the eastern section of Liberty Lake. While the Department of Ecology has been named the regulatory agency for the project, the city is conducting a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review of the project which, some say, presents a potential risk to the Spokane Valley-Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer.

Options for Liberty Lake could include holding some form of lottery each year to determine the mobile food permits issued within city limits. Severs stressed that the city needs to maintain the ability to revoke a permit if vendors create issues with traffic congestion or impact visibility on city streets. The city must also grapple with the issue of vendors on public vs. private property.

Allen said there has been talk of reducing the permit fee for food trucks from \$450 to \$75. Pending council approval, the change would take effect at the start of 2015.

"I think it's something we definitely need to address and put some parameters in place," Kaminskis said.

Budget workshop

The final portion of the retreat featured a review of capital projects starting with the Liberty Lake Ballfields, which wrapped up construction on Aug. 14. The summer's other high-profile project, Town Square Park, is slated for completion in the middle to latter part of this month.

"I think there's been a lot of positive response from the community about what

On the Docket (September)

- Council will recap the discussions and outcomes from the retreat on Aug. 19 at its Sept. 2 meeting, as well as adopt a resolution on the priorities it established for 2015.

- A workshop is scheduled for Sept. 2 on updates to the 2015 budget.

- Council is expected to award the contract for pedestrian crossing enhancements on Sept. 2.

- A special meeting will be held on Sept. 10 at 6 p.m. at City Hall to discuss feedback from the city signage survey and to gauge council input on the options presented.

- A field allocation meeting will be held at 4 p.m. Sept. 12 at City Hall for groups interested in reserving space at the Liberty Lake Ballfields for 2015.

- A workshop is scheduled at the Sept. 16 council meeting to explore utility tax options.

- A resolution on the Lakemore addition final plat will be discussed on Sept. 16.

- An open public hearing will be held on the city's 2014 comprehensive plan and development code amendment process. Closed public hearings will be held on a zone change related to the comprehensive plan and development code as well as the River Crossing North preliminary plat.

- The city will announce a proclamation declaring Sept. 8-14, "Diaper Need Awareness Week."

we've been able to accomplish," Allen said.

Upcoming projects include a major renovation of Appleway Avenue in 2015. City Engineer Andrew Staples told council on Tuesday that if a proposed upgrade of the traffic signal on Appleway and Liberty Lake Road was not included in the budget for next year, it would be included in the proposal for separate improvements on Liberty Lake Road in 2016.

The budgetary wish list for 2015 includes, among other things, a permanent concession structure at Pavillion Park, floor repair at City Hall, an additional police officer and bringing back Liberty Lake Days. Moore added that he would like to see cost proposals for lighting on the Trailhead Golf Course as well as charger outlets for electric cars.

When it came to topics of emphasis for 2015, council members chimed in with their top two picks. While recommendations like a new senior center and the Appleway signal upgrade made the list, the vast majority mentioned the Trailhead facility and a new aquatic center as the city's most significant priorities.

NEWS

Town Square Park, ballfields wrapping up construction

By Craig Howard
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

You could say it's been a winning season for capital projects in Liberty Lake.

Town Square Park and the Liberty Lake Ballfields, two long-awaited additions to the city's greenspace inventory, have sprung up this summer, turning once bleak, weed-ridden plots into future municipal landmarks.

"Overall, both projects have gone extremely well," said City Administrator Katy Allen. "The contractors have done a good job, and we've all worked together to stay on budget and on schedule. I know that our mayor and Council are looking forward to opening the Ballfields and Town Square so our community can enjoy more outdoor activities in Liberty Lake."

The construction crew for the Ballfields wrapped up their work on Aug. 14. City crews are now managing grow-in of the recently installed turf along with the irrigation system. Allen said the expectation is to have both baseball diamonds ready when the season opens next spring. The city will host a field allocation meeting at 4 p.m. Sept. 12 at City Hall for groups interested in reserving space for 2015.

Town Square Park is on track for completion in mid-to-late-September, Allen said. Work is now underway on several aspects of the project, including the archway, parking lot and restroom. Landscaping and sidewalks are also being added. The latest Fallen Heroes Circuit Course, funded separately from the park construction, is scheduled to open by Veterans Day this November.

"I'm really proud of both of these projects as a demonstration of progress — visible, material action on the part of the city," said Council Member Dan Dunne. "We've gone several years now with no significant ground-up facility improvements, so these are great to see."

Savings on both projects allowed the city to add sod to the properties. Allen said seeding of grass at each site was viewed as problematic due to high temperatures this



SPLASH PHOTO BY CRAIG HOWARD

Town Square Park phase one is slated for completion later in September. Current work on the 2-acre plot includes construction of the archway, parking lot, restroom and the addition of sidewalks and landscaping.

summer, higher evaporation rates and the challenge of keeping people off the grounds. Mowing sod will also mean less wear and tear on equipment over the first three years of maintenance.

City Council established the budgets for Town Square Park at \$785,000 and \$885,000 for the Ballfields, respectively. Both totals include design costs, construction and construction management. Allen noted that both projects "are tracking well within the budget that was approved by council."

Last fall, it was uncertain whether the Ballfields would make it out of the municipal bullpen. Following an initial split vote, however, the City Council reconvened later and, by a 5-2 vote, approved the base contract for phase one of the Ballfields that would include a pair of baseball diamonds, a parking lot and paved walking path.

"The baseball fields are way overdue," said Mayor Pro Tem Cris Kaminskas. "I've been a huge supporter of this project, but I had my doubts because I wasn't sure how the rest of the council members felt, especially with the amount of turnover we've had in the last few years."

The city purchased the site from the Central Valley School District in the fall of 2012.

The CVSD Board of Directors approved the sale for a symbolic \$10 that November with the understanding that the district could buy back the land sometime over the next 99 years for the same amount plus the value of any improvements the city makes during its tenure.

CVSD Superintendent Ben Small has assured city leaders that the fields are compatible with any district plans to build on the site.

"This is for the betterment of our community as we move forward," Small said.

Mayor Steve Peterson acknowledged Small and the CVSD board as "the key to the Ballfields."

"Second were the baseball enthusiasts like Jennifer Tomlinson and her crew as well as our council," Peterson added.

Tomlinson, co-founder of the Eastside Little League, was part of a committee along with Allen, City Engineer Andrew Staples, a handful of residents and several City Council members that researched various options for the project. One of the initial ideas included a complex with four baseball diamonds, a multipurpose field, parking lot and trails at a pricetag of \$2.5 million.

Town Square Park was identified as a top priority by City Council at its retreat last summer. Allen provided the governing board with a history of the property that September, noting that the comprehensive plan established in 2003 included mention of "a public presence in the central business district."

The city purchased 6.4 acres in the center of town along Meadowwood Lane in 2005 for \$1.75 million. A plan later emerged to build a community center and library on the site, although a \$9.8 million bond to fund the idea failed resoundingly at the ballot in April 2008. The project suffered another setback last year when a state grant fell through.

Council finally approved the development of a 2-acre rendition of Town Square Park on May 20 by a vote of 5-1.

Kaminskas said Town Square Park did not garner her vote until the city "broke the project down to only address the 2-acre Town Square Park and more details were available for that piece."

"I was not a supporter of the master plan for the 6.4 acres," Kaminskas said. "The original plan goes back too far and is not relevant to what our needs are today. It's something the council needs to revisit."

Peterson said the city's representation at the Liberty Lake Farmers Market helped generate awareness and support for the Town Square project.

"It was sitting at the Market for 17 Saturdays telling our story to the community," he said. "They rallied around the vision."

The Spokane Transit Authority will contribute \$81,000 to the project in order to add parking around a nearby Park and Ride transfer station.

"I'd say Mayor Peterson lent considerable energy to the Town Square Park project," Dunne said. "... Town Square will provide a central green space for the businesses and employees of the city, a place to pause and enjoy a sunny day."

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Calendar of Events

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sept. 1 | Labor Day

Sept. 3 | Central Valley School District first day of school

Sept. 5 | Date Night with Jesus 6 p.m., Country Vista Apartments Clubhouse. Bring your guitar and Bible for this Bible study of Genesis 1-10 on Friday nights led by Mike and Sandra Mann. For more: 714-9122

Sept. 7 | Church in the Park 10:30 a.m., Pavillion Park. Hosted by Uplift Church, there will be a live worship band, potluck-style lunch and games for kids and youth. For more: 218-1648

Sept. 11 | STCU Protect Your Credit Score free workshop Noon to 1 p.m., Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave. Join Spokane Teachers Credit Union experts to learn about the importance of a credit score, how it's determined, and how to keep it healthy. A complimentary lunch will be provided. To RSVP or more: 232-2510

Sept. 10 | Youth Group kicks off 7 to 8:30 p.m., Liberty Lake Church, 704 S. Garry Road. Junior and senior high school students are invited for pizza and soda, crazy games, prizes, great music and more. For more: 255-6266 or josh@libertylakechurch.com

Sept. 13 & 20 | Food 4 Thought food drive 8 a.m., LDS Church, across from Liberty Lake Elementary. Volunteers are needed for this drive being organized by Food 4 Thought, Liberty Lake Kiwanis, Spokane Valley Partners and local congregations of the Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints. For more: 926-2660

Sept. 13 | GermanFest 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Evergreen Fountains, 1201 N. Evergreen Road. Come enjoy German dancers and music, bratwursts and sauerkraut along with community tours. For more: www.evergreenfountains.com

Sept. 13 | Little Smoke: A Cigar Lover's Event 5 to 9 p.m., Northern Quest Resort & Casino, 100 N. Hayford Road, Airway Heights. A ticket includes 20+ cigars, food and drinks. For tickets and more: www.northernquest.com

Sept. 18 | Meet the Librarian 6 to 8 p.m., Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave. Friends of the Liberty Lake Library will host an event to welcome new youth services librarian Melanie Boerner. For more: 232-2510

Sept. 18 | Liberty Lake Cub Scout Pack Party 6:30 to 8 p.m., Liberty Lake Elementary School, 23606 E. Boone Ave. Boys in first through fifth grades (or 7 to 10 years old) are invited to come meet LL Pack 463 and hear about scouting activities. For more: 255-5806

Sept. 20 | National Drive Electric Week event 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., CorkHouse parking lot, 1400 N. Meadowwood Lane. Several different electric car models will be one hand during this event. For more: www.driveelectricweek.org

Sept. 27 | Fall Festival and Senior Fitness Expo 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Garden Plaza, 545 N. Garden Plaza Court. For more: 208-773-3701

Sept. 28 | Picnic with the Beavers 1 to 4 p.m., Liberty Lake County Park, 3707 S. Zephyr Road. Join The Lands Council and Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District for an afternoon of fun learning, a beaver hike and a surprise. To RSVP or more: 209-2851 or www.landscouncil.org/events

Recurring

Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library 4 p.m. the last Tuesday of every month, Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

Kiwanis Club of Liberty Lake 6:45 a.m. Wednesdays, Liberty Lake City Hall, 22510 E. Country Vista Drive. For more: www.libertylakekiwanis.org

Liberty Lake Centennial Rotary Club Noon Thursdays, Meadowwood Technology Campus Liberty Room, 2100 N. Molter Road.

Liberty Lake Farmers Market 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Liberty Square parking lot, 1421 N. Meadowwood Lane. The market runs Saturday mornings through Oct. 11. For more: www.libertylakefarmersmarket.com

Liberty Lake Lions Club Noon on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, Barlow's Restaurant, 1428 N. Liberty Lake Road. For more: 869-7657

Liberty Lake Municipal Library 23123 E. Mission Avenue. 4 p.m. Mondays, Lego club; 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, toddler/preschool story time; 10:15 a.m. Fridays, baby lapsed story time; 11 a.m. Fridays, toddler/preschool story time and songs; 1 p.m. Fridays, story time and crafts for preschoolers; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays, Knitting Club; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays, computer classes; 2 p.m. Saturdays, kids craft. For more: 232-2510

Liberty Lake Toastmasters 5:45 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District building, 22510 E. Mission Ave. For more: 208-765-8657

Senior Lunch programs 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, Talon Hills Senior Complex, 24950 E. Hawkstone Loop. Seniors age 60 and older invited; recommended donation \$3.50.

Spokane Valley Writer's Group 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of every month, Liberty Lake Municipal Library, 23123 E. Mission Ave. This supportive critique group welcomes adult writers. For more: 570-4440

MUSIC & THE ARTS

Sept. 12-13 | Cowboy Supper Shows Rockin' B Ranch, 3912 Spokane Bridge Road. The 20th anniversary commemorative performances will also be held Oct. 10-11. For more: www.rockinbranch.com or 891-9016

Sept. 27 | Artist Showcase & Art Auction 5 p.m., CenterPlace Regional Event Center, 2426 N. Discovery Place. During this 8th annual event, there will be a quick draw/demonstration, dinner buffet, music and live auction. The SVAC will award four art scholarships to Valley high school seniors in spring 2015. Tickets are \$50; RSVP by Sept. 22. For more: www.spokanevalleyarts.org

Sept. 27 | Heart for the Arts gala 7 p.m., Liberty Lake Community Theatre, 22910 E. Appleway Ave. The theater is holding its second annual fundraiser with wine, beer, hors d'oeuvres, auction and the one-act comedy "Take Five." Tickets are limited and cost \$35 each or \$60 for a pair. For more: 342-2055

CIVIC & BUSINESS

Sept. 12 | Women Executives of Liberty Lake (WELL) 12:45 a.m. to 2 p.m., Liberty Lake Portal, Mica Peak room, 23403 E. Mission Ave. Dr. Arron Binns with Binns Family Chiropractic

will be the guest speaker. For more: www.womenexecutivesoflibertylake.com

Sept. 19 | Business Connections Breakfast 7 a.m., Mirabeau Park Hotel, 1100 N. Sullivan. For more: www.spokanevalleychamber.org

Sept. 25 | Women, Wine and Relaxation 5:30 p.m., K Salon, 16823 E. Sprague Ave. This fall social is hosted by Women Executives of Liberty Lake (WELL). For more: www.womenexecutivesoflibertylake.com

Recurring

Central Valley School board meeting 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, CVSD administration building, 19307 E. Cataldo, Spokane Valley.

Liberty Lake City Council 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive.

Liberty Lake Library Foundation meeting Noon the first Wednesday of each month, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

Liberty Lake Merchants Association 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Liberty Lake Portal, 23403 E. Mission Ave., Suite 120. Open to business professionals interested in promoting business in the Liberty Lake and Spokane Valley areas. For more: 323-8953

Liberty Lake Municipal Library board meeting 10:30 a.m. the first Thursday of each month, 23123 E. Mission Ave.

Liberty Lake Planning Commission 4 p.m. on the second Wednesday of each month, City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive.

Liberty Lake SCOPE 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month, City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive

Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District board meeting 4 p.m. on the second Monday of each month, 22510 E. Mission Ave.

HEALTH & RECREATION

Sept. 4 | Discover Your Optimal Health Day Walk 5:30 p.m., Rocky Hill Park. There will be a 3K walk for adults and kids followed by beverages and appetizers. Registration is a single-serving food item or cash donation for the Food 4 Thought program. To RSVP or more: teambeenthere@gmail.com or 924-8500

Sept. 12 | LL Baseball fields allocation meeting 4 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive. Those who would like to use the new LL ball diamonds are encouraged to attend. For more: 755-6726

Sept. 13-14 | Breakthrough Basketball Camp 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., HUB Sports Center, 19619 E. Cataldo Ave. These camps for those in grades 7 through 12 cost \$195 per player. For more: www.breakthroughbasketball.com

Sept. 14 | Ride the Rim 7 a.m., Meadowwood Technology Campus. Cyclists of all ages and abilities can sign up for a 100-mile, 50-mile, 25-mile, 15-mile or 5-mile family ride that explores areas around Liberty Lake, Post Falls, Green Bluff and Spokane Valley. Fees vary by ride; registration

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Lindsay Ehlers stands outside Greenacres Elementary School, where she attended as a student and now works as principal.

A school homecoming

Ehlers takes helm of Greenacres Elementary

By Treva Lind
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

September will mark a full-circle homecoming for Lindsay Ehlers, who starts this school year as Greenacres Elementary's new principal.

Nearly 30 years ago, Ehlers walked through the doors of the school for the first time as a third-grader. This month, she takes over as Greenacres' top administrator, following the retirement of Susan Rasmussen.

"I'm homegrown," said Ehlers, 37. "There (are) some old pictures of me around here, and it makes me laugh, like 'Fit for Bloomsday' pictures. One of my teachers still works here, Jill Moll. I call her Mrs. Moll constantly. It's hard for me to call her Jill, and we laugh about it."

Ehlers takes the school's helm after working 10 years as a teacher at Liberty Lake Elementary,

followed by three years as assistant principal at Greenacres.

"Greenacres Elementary School is a really good place to be," Ehlers said. "We have an amazing school culture with a focus on meeting students' needs first. We have a highly collaborative team — secretaries, cooks, teachers, custodians, supervisory assistants, everyone. For me to step in this position, when there's already this culture set up, is an amazing opportunity for me."

Born in Spokane, Ehlers first lived in Spokane Valley until second grade, when her family moved to the Alpine Shores neighborhood in Liberty Lake, where her home remained. Today, Ehlers still lives in Liberty Lake. Her sons both will be at LLES next year: Matthew in first grade and Nicholas in fourth grade.

"They keep me busy," she said. "Both of my parents live in Liberty Lake, Stan and Carol Schultz. I remember when there was one stoplight and one gas station, and that was it. It's been really fun to watch the community grow. It's the only place I would raise my kids."

At Liberty Lake Elementary, she taught grades second, third, fourth and sixth, when sixth grade was still in the elementary school during 2001-02.

"I loved being a teacher," Ehlers said. "My favorite place to be is still in a classroom. That's where all the good things happen."

When asked to describe herself, Ehlers said, "I love to have fun. ... I love to come to work every day because what we do here in school is fun. I try to be a good mix of happy and friendly and outgoing while continuing to be motivated personally and motivating for my staff."

Ehlers also remembers loving school as a kid, despite being shy early in her life. She admits that many people who know her today wouldn't think she was ever reserved. She said her first teacher at Greenacres, Lynda Zachrison, helped draw her out.

"She really made me feel comfortable in my new school and always tried to bring out the very best in everyone," Ehlers said. "I remember her being so positive, and that she really cared about

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LINDSAY EHLERS

Age

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Favorite childhood teacher

Greenacres Elementary third-grade teacher, Lynda Zachrison

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"I do get up at 5 a.m. and work out every day."

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"Can I say my Mom? She's my very best friend. I feel like she modeled for me how to love and take care of my own two boys. She just really taught me a lot about perseverance and always looking for the positive in everything."

me. That was really important to me at the time."

Ehlers' love for learning pulled her toward education as a career. Retired LLES principal Linda Uphus said that Ehlers brought a strong work ethic and tenacity to embrace and share new concepts. Ehlers completed her principal internship at LLES under Uphus.

Uphus, who retired in 2011, has known Ehlers since she was a child.

"She's just a blast," Uphus said. "She's a fun person to be around, but more than that, I was in education for 36 years, and I don't think I've worked with anyone who has the work ethic she has. She has the understanding and knowledge of curriculum and what children need to know to go on to be successful."

Uphus explained that Ehlers has taught in most elementary grade levels, and she has taken initiative to know the scope and sequence of concepts kids must grasp each step of the way.

"What is her gift is she knows how to break those concepts down so the struggling learner can understand," Uphus added. "She really knows how to challenge those highly gifted and talented kids, too. If anything needs to be solved, she never gives up until she gets a solution."

Ehlers said she decided to transition into an administrative po-

sition in fall 2011 as a way to support teachers. She initially earned her undergraduate degree from Whitman College, then a master's in teaching from Whitworth University, followed by a master's degree for her administrative credential at Gonzaga University.

"I think most interesting to me about being in administration is the opportunity to support teachers in their growth," she said.

And that's easy to do at Greenacres, she added. "They're willing to do whatever it takes to make sure each student has needs met, and that makes my job really easy."

She said she prioritizes being visible in classrooms every day and getting to know students and their needs. Another aspect of her job is remaining knowledgeable about research-based best educational practices, and then bringing that professional development back to teachers, Ehlers said.

The school has its challenges, however. Ehlers said Greenacres is very full with between 600 and 650 students during the year. The staff numbers about 70 people, including about 40 teachers. A project to renovate and expand Greenacres, which has open classrooms lacking interior walls, is proposed if voters approve a February bond measure.

For this school year, Ehlers said new technology and wireless in the building will open up learning opportunities. Also, the staff has worked on a new standards-based grading system, under a district pilot, and a new teacher evaluation pilot as a state-based initiative. The grading approach focuses on helping all kids achieve a standard, Ehlers added.

"The standard sets what kids need to know and be able to do," she said. "We started implementing it last year, so it's expected to be fully implemented this year, and we're transitioning to Common Core state standards as well."

Ehlers added that the school has a number of ongoing successes, from a strong Title 1 reading program to widespread support from parents and volunteers in classrooms.

"We're working as staff on response-to-intervention programs, so that we're looking at needs of individual kids in collaborative teams," she said, "and putting plans in place to help support their learning."

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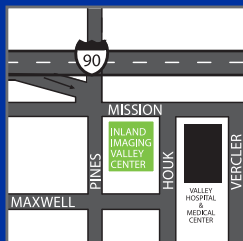
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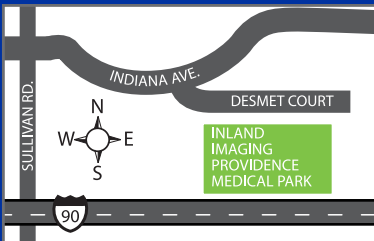
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Elected ASB officers at Liberty Lake Elementary for the 2014-15 school year include (bottom row) Emily Schulhauser, Sydney Spraggins, Ashley Boswell; (top row) Nick Sadlowski, Rachel Kimberley and Mercedes Whiting.

Learning to lead

ASB officers look forward to serving students

By **Tammy Kimberley**
SPLASH STAFF WRITER

On the final day of school in June, the baton of leadership was handed off to a new group of students at Liberty Lake Elementary School. And last year's Associated Student Body president Andrew Monson did not miss the opportunity to pass on encouraging words to the incoming officers.

Rachel Kimberley, elected as student body president for the 2014-15 school

year, said Andrew gave her a last-minute speech as the final bell rang.

"He told me, 'Don't be afraid to speak in front of crowds, and be a good president,'" she said.

The group of incoming fifth graders, who were elected to serve their school in the coming year, received some training from last year's officers who showed them the ropes and passed on some advice during the final weeks of school. During a summer visit in a local park, those same

students shared with The Wave their plans to represent LLES and be a voice for students in the coming year.

Prior to running for office, students had to show their commitment to the position by completing a number of steps.

"We had to sign a paper with the expectations before we ran," Ashley Boswell, who was elected secretary, said. "Then we had to write and present a speech that was under two minutes."

Representatives were randomly selected from each of the elementary classes to listen and grade speeches by those running for office. This helped whittle down each position to four candidates, whose speeches were recorded and played for the entire student body to vote on.

Some of the students chosen to be officers had been in a class together or played on the same sports team. But the diverse group looks forward to tackling the responsibilities and privileges that come with their positions, the first of which is welcoming incoming first-grade students and making sure they feel comfortable in their new school.

"Usually first graders are freaked out," Nick Sadlowski, vice president, said. "I want to give them a high five and just talk with them."

A warm, caring personality is just one of the characteristics that the group agreed ASB officers should have. Others mentioned included hardworking, diligent and honest.

"Officers should be kind, patient, a good listener and responsible," Mercedes Whiting, one of the sergeant at arms, said. "We should consider other kids' ideas and be helpful to the student body as well as other officers."

Once the school year starts, the group typically meets once a week during the lunchtime with LLES counselor DM Freed, who serves as ASB advisor. During that time, they will determine goals for the year and work on their leadership skills. Mr. Freed said it's not uncommon for officers to meet as many as 100 times throughout

2014-15 ASB officers at LLES:

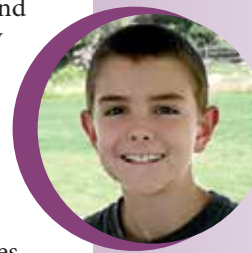
"What are you most looking forward to as part of ASB?"



Rachel Kimberley,
President

Daughter of Chad and Tammy Kimberley

"Preventing bullying and helping our school be even better."



Nick Sadlowski,
Vice President

Son of Chris and Lisa Sadlowski

"Helping younger kids and doing the announcements."



Emily Schulhauser,
Treasurer

Daughter of Eric and Aimee Schulhauser

"Helping kids get more involved in ASB."



Ashley Boswell,
Secretary

Daughter of Brad and Katie Boswell

"Doing the announcements and helping others."



Sydney Spraggins,
Sergeant at Arms

Daughter of Brian and Rasan Spraggins

"Meeting with and making friends with the other ASB officers."



Mercedes Whiting,
Sergeant at Arms

Daughter of Eric and Jinaya Whiting

"Serving the school and making this year one of the greatest years ever."

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COMMUNITY

Perks of Caring for Pets



Compiled by Tammy Kimberley
SPLASH STAFF WRITER

Whether it's a dog or cat, fish or reptile, goats or chickens, there's something kids love about animals! A variety of pets are available for families to adopt, whether you desire an inside animal to cuddle with or an outside type to play with in your yard. Many animals that 4-H kids have raised and trained will be on display this month during the Spokane Interstate Fair and the Southeast Spokane County Fair.

Studies show that close to 90 percent of kids have an animal in their home at some point during their childhood. The reasons people have pets are varied, but research proves that taking care of any animal has benefits for all ages. Read on to learn more about how kids benefit from furry friends.

Animals help with learning.

Kids tend to be more relaxed reading to pets than in front of their peers... and it can give you a lot practice. When you're reading a book, animals are quiet friends who will listen to you and not judge your skills or ability.

Pets provide comfort.

Kids more willingly share their feelings with their pets and turn to them for support when they're feeling sad or alone. Also, one study asked kids what advice they would give less-popular kids for making friends. The answer was to get a pet, as an animal gives a shy child something to talk about and a shared interest with others kids.

Animals teach kids to care for others.

Whether it's cleaning the pig stalls, giving the dog a bath or feeding a fish, kids with pets learn to show compassion and practice responsibility. And when it comes to pet care, boys are just as likely to be involved as girls.

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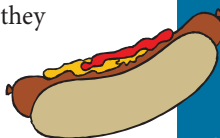


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investment. Plus having a pet such as a dog encourages kids to get outside more.

Animals help families bond.

Since a pet is often considered a member of the family, it gives the group something to do together whether that's taking a walk, grooming or playing with him. It allows the family time to slow down and show unconditional love to the pet and one another.

Sources: www.parents.com/parenting/pets/kids/pets-good-for-kids

ASB

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the school year.

He enjoys working with the group to make ASB an organization where students take responsibility for their school, conduct and attitudes toward learning.

"Over the past five years, much of ASB leadership at the middle and high school levels was students from LLES," he said. "It makes me so happy to see that they are continuing to make a difference even after they leave the doors of our school."

In addition to the meetings, the group helps with morning announcements, assemblies and fundraisers.

Mr. Freed said that a "Fun-Raiser" event last spring raised nearly \$4,000 for the ASB account and saw more than half of the school participate. It was launched as the result of ASB officers meeting with representatives of all grade levels to determine what students would like to accomplish.

"We want kids to come up and share their ideas with us," treasurer Emily Schulhauser said. "We want to make the fundraisers fun so kids will feel like it's

worth their time and money to come."

While these fun things are what interested Sydney Spraggins in running for sergeant at arms, she realizes that a lot of time is spent considering the needs and ideas of the students.

"I want to provide more opportunities for students to be involved in clubs like Math is Cool," Sydney said, "plus I want kids to learn more about ASB."

The challenge is getting all students to realize they are part of ASB, Mr. Freed said. People also often confuse ASB with PTSA, which is the parent teacher student association that works to fund purchases that benefit the school and teachers. Mr. Freed explained that ASB is its own separate organization with student leadership making decisions regarding its budgets and use of funds.

"When Mr. Freed comes to a class and asks who ASB is, students usually answer, 'the officers.' But ASB is everyone in the school," Rachel said.

This year's ASB officers were unanimous when asked why LLES is such a great place to learn — the teachers, the staff and an involved group of students.

"I actually thought for a while that ASB stood for awesome student body," Rachel added with a grin.

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Diane Murray, a retired educator, recently served as Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library president and enjoys volunteering at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

'A complete joy'

Montana transplant gives back to community

By Sarah Robertson
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

Diane Murray lived in just about every corner of Montana for more than 60 years, but now, as a five-year resident of Liberty Lake, she couldn't imagine a nicer place to call home.

Born in Fairview, Mont., near the North Dakota border, Murray recalled, "My childhood was idyllic."

Murray, 72, grew up in the country where her father owned sheep and a John Deere retailer called Collin's Mercantile. Murray fondly remembers always having horses.

"On Sundays we would saddle up the horses and ride across the hills and ride to where my grandfather had homesteaded called Collin's Grove," she recalled. "There was a creek that ran through and we would catch turtles and picnic."

From Fairview, Murray attended college in Billings at what was then Eastern Montana College (it's now called Montana State University-Billings). When asked why she decided to become a teacher, Murray replied, "When I was young, girls attended business college, became a beautician, nurse or teacher."

Murray knew she didn't want to be a nurse, so she decided to become a teacher. After many years of teaching Sunday school and enjoying the experience, as well as the children, it seemed like the best option.

Murray marveled, "Women have so many options now!"

College was a full experience for Murray. She was a resident advisor in the dorms, a member of a madrigal group and even a homecoming princess. One of her most treasured memories from her college years is traveling around Montana in the summer with her singing group.

Upon finishing college, Murray took a job teaching second grade in Great Falls, Mont. The greatest lesson she learned from living in Great Falls? "Always have a scarf with you, the wind in Great Falls is always blowing," she recalled as she patted her hair as though the wind were still gusting.

During her teaching career, Murray taught every grade between second and sixth. "I never woke up and didn't want to go to work," she said.

She met her now ex-husband, Ken, in Great Falls and moved with him to Bozeman so he could finish his degree. Ken worked with computers, and the family kept up a slightly nomadic lifestyle, moving to Billings, Glasgow Air Force Base (also in Montana), back to Fairview, Miles City, Great Falls, Missoula, and finally Butte where Murray retired before moving to Liberty Lake.

Along the way, she had three children. One of her fond memories of exploring Montana as a family was a van that they retrofitted with double-decker cots for

FAST FACTS

DIANE MURRAY

Age: 72

Favorite food: Hamburger with gorgonzola and fried onions

Favorite restaurant: Hay J's

Favorite activity: Friends of the Library book sale

camping and their many daytrips. "When we lived at the base [Glasgow Air Force Base], we would take the kids to the creek to fish and catch turtles."

Despite her years in Montana, the pull of family drew her to Liberty Lake. Her son, Scott, lives near Liberty Lake; her daughter, Michele, lives in Oregon; and her daughter Beth lives in the Spokane area as well. She has seven grandchildren.

"Liberty Lake is one of the most beautiful small towns I have been in," she said. "I am impressed with the green spaces and trees. I drove by it for years and had no idea that it was so beautiful."

Now, Murray seems right at home on her balcony full of flowers and neighbors yelling "hello" as they pass by her condo, which is not far from the library, where she is involved with the Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library.

Murray plunged into life in Liberty Lake. Many in the community likely know her from her library work; she just ended her two-year term as board president.

Georgette Rogers, circulation supervisor at the library, commends Murray for her work to support the library. "[She] is a complete joy to be around. She was chair of the Friends group and got it organized and ran a great meeting," Rogers said. "She cares about her community and the library."

Volunteering at her church, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, is also very important to Murray. She is on the charity and justice committee, takes part in Blessings Under the Bridge and sings in the choir. Possibly her favorite task is taking communion to the homebound and those living at Guardian Angels. Murray also loves going on daytrips with her Seniors on the Go group through St. Joseph's.

Murray also enjoys volunteering in one of the third-grade classrooms at Liberty Lake Elementary School.

"I feel like, if you're going to do something, do something you enjoy," she said. "I like working one-on-one. I like the bond you get with one student."

How to obtain the value of unique items

'Collecting' by Larry Cox
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Q: I have four saucers, four teacups and a sugar and creamer in Royal Ruby glass. It has such a beautiful color, I am curious about how it was made. — *Raynette, Springdale, Ark.*

A: Although the ancient Egyptians were known to make red glass, most of the pieces seen in American shops and antiques malls are of fairly recent vintage. The 1920s and '30s saw pieces being manufactured, and after a lull, production picked up again during the 1940s when Anchor Hocking introduced its pattern of Royal Ruby. The company used copper to achieve its rich color. Some of this type of glass used gold, but its use was, of course, much more expensive to produce. This glass was made in a variety of hues, from the deep-red colors of ruby to the lighter shades of cranberry.

The Royal Ruby glass produced by Anchor Hocking is plentiful and fairly inexpensive. Most collectors are especially interested in the pre-World War II pieces. Prices vary, but I would think your teacups and saucers are worth about \$35 for the set, the sugar and creamer about half that amount.

Q: My daughter's husband came from a family that included early tobacco plantation owners in the Carolinas. As a result, he inherited a beautiful bedspread made from the fibers of the tobacco plant. Would you have any idea of its value? — *Donald, Sun City West, Ariz.*

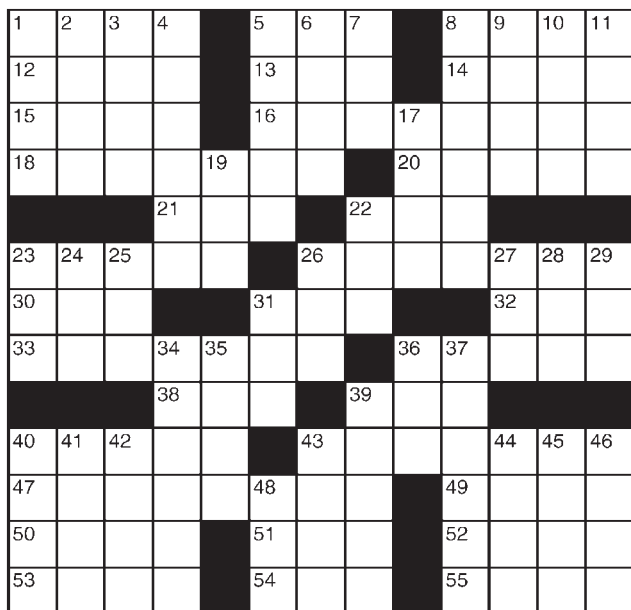
A: The short answer is no. This is a unique item, and if you truly want to determine its value, it is necessary to hire the services of a professional appraiser. Since you live near Phoenix, you also might contact The Phoenix Art Museum, which has an outstanding textile collection, and one of its experts.

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- 1 Edible seaweed
- 5 More (Sp.)
- 8 Opposed to
- 12 Finished
- 13 Inventor Whitney
- 14 Ring out
- 15 Actress Campbell
- 16 Turtle shell, e.g.
- 18 Look of pain
- 20 Photo-copier name
- 21 Greek vowel
- 22 Meadow
- 23 "Blue — Shoes"
- 26 Late "60 Minutes" correspondent
- 30 "Born in the —"
- 31 "The Simpsons" network
- 32 Payable
- 33 Designer Gianni
- 36 Eye color
- 38 Pipe material, for short
- 39 Solidify
- 40 Weird
- 43 Countertop, e.g.
- 47 Hot rodders' competition



- 49 Back
- 50 Division word
- 51 — de deux
- 52 Therefore
- 53 Examination
- 54 Explosive letters
- 55 "Handsome is as handsome —"
- 7 Knight's address
- 8 Go to a higher court
- 9 Approach
- 10 Mexican entree
- 11 Holly
- 17 Figure-skating leap
- 19 Consumed
- 22 Remiss
- 23 Minivan
- 24 Work with
- 25 Listener
- 26 Trouble
- 27 Wood-shaping tool
- 28 Pool stick
- 29 Moray, for one
- 31 Media watchdog org.
- 34 Tap
- 35 State with confidence
- 36 That girl
- 37 Batman's butler
- 39 Visitor
- 40 Fix a manuscript
- 41 Sea eagle
- 42 "Phooey!"
- 43 Read cursorily
- 44 Plane-related structure
- 45 Zoo
- 46 Love god
- 48 Suitable

DOWN

- 1 "King —"
- 2 Always
- 3 Jeans-maker Strauss
- 4 Undergrad course of study
- 5 Muhammad's birthplace
- 6 Wings

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TRIVIA TEST

1. **MOVIES:** Which movie character delivered the famous tagline: "Why so serious?"
2. **EXPLORERS:** Who was the first explorer to circumnavigate the globe?
3. **LITERATURE:** What was the original title of Jane Austen's "Pride and Prejudice"?
4. **INVENTIONS:** Who is credited with inventing Band-Aids?
5. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** Who once said, "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody"?
6. **LANGUAGE:** In British slang, what is a "torch"?
7. **MUSIC:** Which character on "Sesame Street" had a hit single with the song "Rubber Duckie"?
8. **GEOGRAPHY:** What Central American nation lies between Honduras and Costa Rica?
9. **TELEVISION:** Which sitcom featured the

character Cliff Clavin, and what was his profession?

10. **ANATOMY:** What is the common name for the axilla?

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King Crossword — Answers



Answers to Trivia Test 1. The Joker (Heath Ledger) in "The Dark Knight" 2. Ferdinand Magellan 3. "First Impressions" 4. Earle Dickson 5. Bill Cosby 6. Flashlight 7. Ernie 8. Nicaragua 9. "Cheers," postal worker 10. Armpit



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Tradition of speed part of lake's past

By Bailey Wolff

FOR THE LIBERTY LAKE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Roy Mackey remembers coming to Liberty Lake in the late 1940s to watch the outboard hydroplane races put on by the Spokane Powerboat Racing Association. His stepfather and friends were some of the best and earliest sport boat racers in the area. In thinking back on the races, Mackey laughed as he recalled those early days that would later influence his own racing career.

"You have to remember that in those days there wasn't really television and going to the lake was a big event for the whole family," he said. "We'd drive all the way out from the South Hill going 35 mph on Sprague Avenue."

Through the 1950s and into the early 60s, these races gained popularity at Liberty Lake as well as on other lakes in the Pacific Northwest. Big crowds of both spectators and competitors came to these lakes for the races.

By 1962, racers such as Earl Wham, Don Benson and Frank Sneider competed with inboard hydroplanes for first place in District Ten, which included all the courses in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and western Montana. Wham recalled racing on Black Lake near Olympia; in Polson, Mont.; on Liberty Lake, Newman Lake, Pend Oreille and Green Lake near Seattle. There were nearly 30 venues that made up the District where races were held throughout the season.

Liberty Lake's course started just in front of Sandy Beach and stretched 1 and 2/3 miles in the shape of an oval. All day a crane lifted boats in and out of the water, while boat crews tinkered with engines and the racers talked with one another,



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Earl Wham, driving the Miss Merion Bluegrass, set the world straightaway record in 1967 averaging 159.217 mph.

comparing watercraft and sharing their stories.

The Neyland family, owners of Sandy Beach, made sure to have hamburgers and cold drinks available for the crowd. Spectators also gathered along the shore in front of private residences, eager to catch sight of the screaming hydroplanes circling the track. While those in the audience had a relaxing afternoon watching the races, the drivers were locked in serious competition.

In 1967, Wham set a world straightaway record that would remain unbeaten for over three years. The speed, 159.217 mph, was his average on a straight one-kilometer course. Though Wham once got his boat up to 174 mph, going that fast for an extended period of time was too dangerous, as the plane had the tendency of lifting off the water.

"At Liberty," he said, "I only did 120, or maybe 130. The competition was always fierce which made it a great place to race."

Superwham, as he became known in the racing world, was also the only competitor from west of the Mississippi to take home the International Grand Prix trophy from Miami, Fla. This was an international race with 150 drivers from all over the world. Each January, Wham used all of his vacation time from the Bell Telephone Company to drive to Miami, participate in the race, and then return to Spokane. Because of his love for racing and the warm weather in Florida, this was a sacrifice Earl was willing to make.

Both he and Mackey joked about the lack of safety equipment while they were racing. They said that racers today wouldn't be able to leave the starting gate wearing only the helmet that they wore fifty years ago. In fact many of Wham's fellow racers lost their lives while hydroplane racing.

"In those days you could just go out and run," he said. "You didn't have to call nine sheriffs and tell all the neighbors you were racing your boat. Now there are so many laws that you just can't do like you used to."

Because of the noise and the danger, boat racing was eventually banned from Liberty Lake. Like the Dance Pavilion that once stood on the lake's west side or the electric train that brought visitors from town, the hydroplane races have given way to new traditions that define life at Liberty. It's hard to imagine screaming hydroplane boats racing on a Saturday morning. But there was a time when you could watch the big yellow crane arm working nonstop to move boats in and out of the water. There was a time when thousands of people stood on the shores of Sandy Beach or lined the perimeter of the lake sitting on docks and rocks yelling wildly for their favorite driver. And though this exciting time has passed, it still makes up a part of the community and adds some exciting character to Spokane's Inland Seashore.

Bailey Wolff grew up at Liberty Lake and is currently pursuing a dual masters degree in Global Journalism and Russian Studies at New York University.

EVENTS, COMPETITIONS AND ACTIVITIES

From the Liberty Lake Historical Society, a 2014 monthly series

- JANUARY: Ice Skating
- FEBRUARY: Parade of Mermaid Competitions
- MARCH: Opening Day of Fishing
- APRIL: Dancing
- MAY: Water Competitions
- JUNE: Liberty Lake Amateur
- JULY: All-Valley Picnics
- AUGUST: Dutch Jake Picnics
- SEPTEMBER: Hydroplane Races
- OCTOBER: Baseball Games
- NOVEMBER: Liberty Lake and Football
- DECEMBER: A.R.T.'s Christmas in July

DID YOU KNOW?

- Before the inboard hydroplanes began racing at Liberty Lake, there were outboard races that drew participants from the area. The Inland Empire Outboard Association staged boat races on Liberty Lake in 1928. More than 15 boats competed. The longest race of the day was four miles, consisting of two laps around the two-mile course.

- 1949 saw the introduction of midget hydroplane boats. They were called "over-powered shingles" and had 60-horsepower motors.

- On Aug. 28, 1949, 8,000 fans attended a powerboat race at Sandy Beach and witnessed an injury-free, multi-boat pileup. Two other crashes happened that day; both times the drivers walked away unharmed. Besides watching the powerboat races, people participated in water skiing, log rolling and paddleboard races at Sandy Beach.

"I even got in trouble one year with the chamber of commerce for saying on national TV that it was too snowy back in Spokane," he said.

Regardless of the chamber's initial reaction, they couldn't argue with the national attention that Wham brought to the community. Earl was famous for his racing and for the skill he showed in building world famous boat engines.

Before ending in the 70s, these hydroplane races became a Labor Day Tradition. With as many as ten boats racing at once, it was inevitable that some would crash. Both Mackey and Wham had close calls throughout the years that they were lucky to escape from safely.

"150 mph is fast," Wham said. "Trust me. You hit the water going 150 mph and there's a good chance you're not coming back."

After being ejected from his boat in a race near Seattle, Wham skipped nine times across the surface of the water before coming to a stop. He said, "No matter how hard you hold on to that steering wheel, when you crash going that fast you shoot out of the boat like a banana out of a banana peel."

Wham said he liked racing because it got him close to "that edge" that most people don't stray too far from while living their life. "In a speed boat you go just a little bit farther over that edge. It's about seeing how far you can step away and still make it back."



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The start of a new chapter

Library hires new youth services librarian

By Sarah Robertson
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

For Melanie Boerner, libraries have been a special part of her life for as long as she can remember. Now she is excited to join the team at the Liberty Lake Municipal Library as the new youth services librarian.

While Boerner was born in Spokane, she spent much of her childhood and adult life in San Diego, Calif. She and her family recently moved to the area to be closer to her parents.

In fact, Boerner worked for the San Diego County Library system from the age of 17. She started in high school, moved up through the paraprofessional ranks, and decided to earn her degree in library and information sciences when she was 23. After earning her master's degree, she continued working for the San Diego County Library where she was hired as a children's librarian.

"I love the children's stuff," Boerner said enthusiastically. "My favorite part of working in a library is speaking to parents and interacting with children. I like reading the teen books and talking with them about the books that they like. But the most important thing to me is the connection between the parent and the children."

Boerner will be working with a wide age range. Her job covers babies through 18-

year-olds. She will be in charge of youth programming, which includes storytimes, Lego club, after-school events and more. Boerner will also have a chance to order books—a task that she said seems a little daunting but exciting too.

"Being in charge of the collection is a bit intimidating, but I'm excited for the challenge," she said. "To have the responsibility of what is put on the shelves is new to me, and I'm looking forward to it. I'll be doing a lot of homework—I don't want to disappoint!"

As one would expect of a proper youth librarian, she enjoys young adult books. One of her favorite authors is Scott Westerfeld who penned the *Uglies* and *Leviathan* series. Her favorite book is "The Giver" by Lois Lowry—but not because it is now a movie.

"It kinda' sits with you after you read it," she said. "You don't dread reading it."

Though hardly settled in at the library, Boerner's friendliness and expertise has impressed many already. Dianne Murray, former president of the Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library, was happy with the decision to hire Boerner.

"I was impressed with her experience and knowledge—just her whole demeanor was wonderful," she said.

Library Director Pamela Mogen said she believes Boerner will bring fresh ideas, a lot of enthusiasm and a sense of fun.

"Melanie brings just as much fun and energy as our previous youth librarians, but she also brings with her over ten years of experience in a bigger library," Mogen said. "We can't wait to see what she is going to do."

And Boerner said she is very excited to be part of the Liberty Lake community and can't wait to meet all the families, kids and teens.

"I like how the community loves their



SPLASH PHOTO BY SARAH ROBERTSON

Melanie Boerner was recently hired as youth services librarian at Liberty Lake Municipal Library.

MEET THE LIBRARIAN

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Liberty Lake Municipal Library

Friends of the Liberty Lake Library are hosting a special event to welcome new youth services librarian Melanie Bournier.

There will be a Q&A time as well as punch and hors d'oeuvres.

library. They feel invested in it," she said.

"Everyone should come by and introduce themselves to me. I'm here Tuesday through Friday!"

Book Review

War writing shows soldiers' struggles



By Daniel Pringle

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In 11 stories treating the war experience from a variety of perspectives, former Marine Phil Klay's "Redeployment" is an affecting collection that leaves the reader with more details about daily life as a soldier in Iraq and at home but with little in the way



of message or meaning about the war. Free of simple takeaways on either side of the country's feelings about it, Klay relates the complicated and confusing nature of the conflict for those on the ground and their efforts to make sense of it.

With an insider's view of Marine life, Klay conveys the journey of a soldier from enlisting as a ticket out of a small town, to the stress and chaos of missions in Ramadi and Fallujah, to the return to civil society while dealing with the memories of war and the demons that some soldiers never escape. His characters reflect the diverse makeup of the military, introducing Midwesterners and Latinos, privileged whites like him-

self who served in Public Affairs, and an Egyptian-American Coptic Christian who finds himself defending his experience to a Muslim student at a New England liberal arts school and arguing against it with his pro-war father.

Klay's intense and challenging book doesn't avoid the use of jargon and acronyms that make up communication between soldiers and officers, and which places one at a further remove from keeping up with everything that is going on. Indeed, it seems that his ultimate message is that the experience of war is nearly impossible to communicate or understand, even—maybe especially—for those who directly lived it.

Daniel Pringle is adult services and reference librarian at the Liberty Lake Municipal Library.



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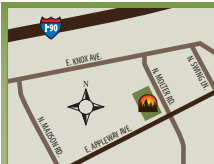
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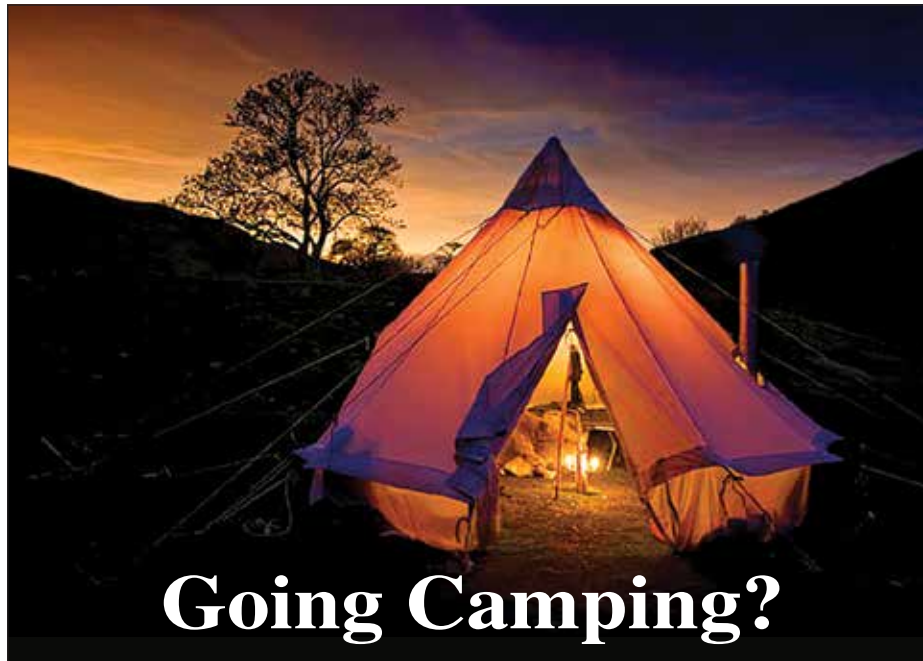
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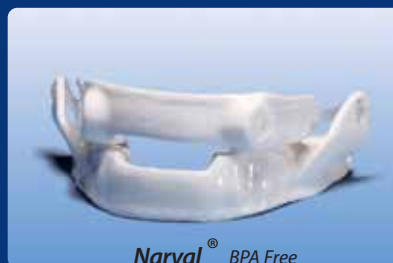
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Community Briefs

Donate to clothing drive

Local residents are encouraged to clean out their closets to donate men and women's dress clothes for the annual Best Foot Forward clothing drive Sept. 4 to 15.

Best Foot Forward provides clothing suitable for job interviews or white collar jobs as well as dressier occasions for clients of the Valley Clothing Bank. Donations of clothes, shoes and accessories such as belts, ties, purses, etc. are also welcomed.

Items may be dropped off at Liberty Lake Safeway or at The Trading Company, corner of Sprague and McDonald in Spokane Valley. If you'd like a donation slip for tax purposes, take your items directly to the Valley Clothing Bank located in Spokane Valley Partner, 10814 E. Broadway, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For more, call 255-6758.

Photo contest entries due

The Liberty Lake Community Directory is looking for photos that convey what makes Liberty Lake a unique place to live for its fifth annual photo contest. The deadline to enter this contest is Sept. 12.

Whether it's a breathtaking outdoor

scene or a beautiful shot of residents gathering at a local event, shutterbugs are asked to submit images capturing the essence of the community. The winner's photo will be highlighted on the cover, and other selected images will be featured in the 2015 Liberty Lake Community Directory.

Amateur or professional photographers age 16 or older are eligible to enter. Prizes will be awarded to the top three winners. For rules and details, go to www.libertylakesplash.com and click on the camera graphic.

Vietnam vets invited to meeting

The Vietnam Veterans of America is sponsoring a town hall meeting to inform veterans and their families of how exposure to Agent Orange could have led to the special needs of their children and grandchildren. The meeting will be held 1 to 5 p.m. Sept. 13 at United Steel Workers of America, 14015 E. Trent in Spokane Valley.

The purpose of the meeting is to obtain recorded testimony of Vietnam veterans, their children and their grandchildren who suffer serious health issues that are suspected to be a result of exposure. The group is tracking 13 birth defects and 22 presumptive diseases associated with Agent Orange.

All members of the public are welcome, and there will be representatives on hand from local service organizations. For more, call 315-3025.

Teams wanted for bed races

The 3rd annual bed race is to be held 6:30 p.m. Sept. 19 before the parade at Val-

leyfest on Sprague Ave. between University and Bowdish. Cost is \$125 for a five-person team to enter the non-motorized bed races fundraiser.

The event is sponsored by the Liberty Lake Lion's Club in partnership with the Valley Lion's Club. Proceeds from the race will go toward improvements in Nature's Place at Meadowwood Arboretum, as well as Lion initiatives for sight and hearing prevention, health and diabetes education and homelessness.

To register or for more, call 869-7657 or 220-1557.

Residential info sought for annual directory

The Liberty Lake Community Directory is currently soliciting residential information to be included in the 2015 book. Listings typically include last and first name, address and residential phone number.

Residents who are new to the area or who have recently changed their address or phone number are encouraged to email the correct information to directory@libertylakesplash.com to guarantee inclusion in the annual publication which will be mailed to homes in December. Those who have submitted information for past directories are encouraged to confirm their information for the 2015 directory.

The Directory purchases listings from local phone providers, but residents have the option of requesting their information not be included by emailing directory@libertylakesplash.com by Sept. 15.

Education Briefs

Cadet completes jump school

Tarik B. Jensen has graduated from the three-week airborne training course, also known as "jump school," at the U.S. Army Airborne School in Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

The airborne school allows Army ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) cadets attending host colleges and universities to earn their jump wings. After completing the course as qualified paratroopers, which includes one day and one night jump off C-130 and C-141 transport aircraft, cadets return to their college or university ROTC program to pursue a commission of second lieutenant in the Army.

Jensen, who is the son of Cheri Jensen of Liberty Lake, is a student at Washington State University.

Williams awarded EWU scholarship

Britany Williams from Liberty Lake was recently awarded an Alumni Association Scholarship of \$1,000 for the 2014-15 aca-

demic year at Eastern Washington University. This scholarship is awarded to a child or grandchild of alumni.

Williams is majoring in Recreational Therapy and is the daughter of Pete and Erin Louthian of Liberty Lake.

Colleges honor local students

The following Liberty Lake residents were recently recognized by colleges for their recent academic performance. Information was provided via press releases submitted from schools.

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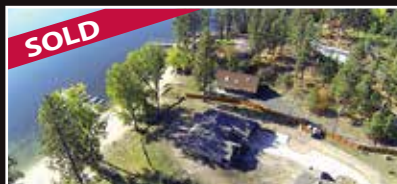
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SPLASH PHOTO BY MARY KATE KOCH

Pastor Greg Wilt is planting a new Baptist church in Liberty Lake this fall. The church will hold its first service Sept. 14 in the Liberty Lake Portal building.

New Baptist church launches in LL

By Mary Kate Koch
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

The path to planting a church in Liberty Lake has not been particularly straight or well demarcated for Pastor Greg Wilt, but on Sept. 14, Liberty Lake Baptist Church will open its doors for Wilt's first sermon in the city.

Originally from Grand Rapids, Mich., Wilt spent time in college and served for six years in the Navy before answering the call to become a pastor. After earning his degree from a Bible college in 1993, Wilt began filling a wide variety of roles in the ministry.

Wilt has served as a youth pastor, assistant pastor and head pastor. He has worked in both the steamy plains of South Carolina and in the high deserts of Bend, Ore., where he helped plant a church. But it was not until Wilt and his family took a vacation to Spokane in 2013 that he felt the call to plant a church of his own.

"It surprised me how big Spokane was, and I got excited," Wilt said. "There's a friend of mine who pastors a church in Spokane whom we met for lunch, and I was excited for him and the opportunity he had in the area. That day I told him that he'd never run out of people to minister to."

Wilt said he gave serious thought and prayer to moving from Bend to pursue a new church plant in the Spokane area. Although Wilt had consulted Spokane-based pastor Greg Boyle about the need for churches in the area, Wilt still did not have a specific location in mind for the plant when he bought a home in Spokane Valley.

"When we got here, I didn't know that Liberty Lake was going to be the place that we started the church," Wilt said. "I just knew that [Boyle] had been wanting

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Mica Peak room, Liberty Lake Portal

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to start another work in the area and we would plant it somewhere in the Spokane metro area. So I picked a place in the Valley because I figured that it was a central location no matter where the church ended up."

It was not until January that Wilt said he felt God drawing him toward Liberty Lake for the plant. Wilt rented office space in the Liberty Lake Portal and began to build relationships with locals, preparing for an opening service in the fall.

"After I knew Liberty Lake was the place, right away I decided to get to know the place," Wilt said. "If I have to buy gasoline, I'll buy it in Liberty Lake. I want to get to know the people and the culture."

Currently, Wilt is the only pastor attached to Liberty Lake Baptist Church, and the Mica Peak conference room is not terribly large. Wilt plans on expanding his staff and meeting space as the congregation grows, but for now he is happy to be in the Portal.

"One thing I noticed about the Portal was that it is a landmark for the people in Liberty Lake," Wilt said. "So I realized when I got here that this would probably be a good place to start."

Best. Summer. Ever.



By Chad Kimberley
SPLASH COLUMN

I am typing right now with a heavy heart.

Not because it has been another lost season for my beloved Chicago Cubs; I am kinda getting used to it each year. Not because I have a 1,200-page world history textbook that I am supposed to read before I try to teach an Advanced Placement class this year — and am currently on page 12. And certainly not because I have to wait another 12 months for the next edition of Shark Week and the ongoing search for Megalodon.

I am typing with a heavy heart because the days are shorter, the back-to-school shopping is completed and summer is officially coming to an end.

And this summer was awesome both locally and nationally for my family and me.

My family had a 17-day, 5,000-mile road tripping "Mount Rushmore"-styled family vacation, where we stopped at Teddy Roosevelt's national park in North Dakota, went to the Abraham Lincoln museum in Springfield, Ill., saw a Thomas Jefferson statue in a sporting goods store (still not sure about why T.J. was in a retail store) and finally celebrated the end of the journey as we sang and danced our way back into Washington State trying to see through a windshield that was the final resting place for about 1,000 Montana bugs. The only thing we didn't do was actually go to Mount Rushmore.

This vacation had all the important things you need in a long trip: food, family, friends and food. Having spent the first 30-plus years of my life in the Midwest, there are certain restaurants such as Culvers, which has the best custard that I have ever experienced, along with the local places I have enjoyed much more often than I should have over the years. And as we saw and visited with more family and friends whom they didn't remember, my kids adopted the policy of "smile and hug" as we drove our way through the Midwest.

Now as great as this vacation was in many ways, it pales to the joy we regularly find in living and experiencing summer in Liberty Lake. My Elsa-loving middle daughter was able to sing along with what looked like hundreds of other kids to "Frozen" in the park. My wife and I were able to jog our way around Liberty Lake and even place in our age division at the Lib-

erty Lake Loop (note to others who want to medal — get older and the participants in your age group decrease). My oldest daughter swam, dove and tubed her way around the lake like a fish; thankfully she has yet to be hooked.

And of course as a family we all love going down to the farmers market, enjoying the parade and fireworks on the Fourth, playing in the parks, going to the bike race in the River District, watching a play at the community theater and taking in all the other aspects that make Liberty Lake unique and awesome.

Yet my son, my youngest child, made it the best summer for me personally.

He wanted to play catch.

You see, I am a baseball junkie. I collected baseball cards as a kid. I played baseball into college. I had my bachelor's party at Wrigley Field. And I transitioned into playing slow-pitch softball as an adult when my baseball career came to an end.

Yet through the first few years of my son's life, he did not show much interest in baseball. He loved his Legos, he loved his video games, he loved playing with his sisters, he loved to watch Star Wars with me. But baseball, not so much, despite my buying him gloves, balls and gear.

Then out of nowhere this summer as I was watching a Cubs game, my son joined me on the couch. He asked a few questions, watched a few innings and then moved on with his day. This happened a few more times before one beautiful day, as we headed down to the lake to swim, Jonathan wanted to bring his glove. He wanted to play catch.

We hit the beach, brought down a tennis ball and I started working with him on catching, throwing and fielding. He caught a few, missed a bunch, got nailed several times and managed to chuck a couple of balls into the lake. But he kept coming back for more.

Being a Midwest guy, one of the greatest movies of all time in my opinion is "Field of Dreams." Kevin Costner and his dad having a game of catch amidst the corn fields of Iowa always bring a tear or two to my eyes. Now as a Liberty Lake guy, I can't help but think there is nothing greater than standing on the beach, watching the sun set over the hills, listening to my girls splash in the lake and having a catch with my son.

Hence, why I write with a heavy heart. Summer is ending. School is starting. And baseball season is wrapping up. But the most important thing is there are only 270 days or so till summer rolls around again.

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Party on the beach



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Tom Specht submitted two photos of the July 19 beach party put on by the Friends of Pavilion Park and Beachcombers. The Mountain Men provided entertainment for attendees on and around the water.



A blaze on the mountain



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Jim Klosterman used his camera to capture some of the fire-fighting activity during the July fire on Mica Peak. He also hiked up to the burn site to photograph the aftermath of the fire.



Moose sightings



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Ron Hylland captured a shot of a moose in his neighbor's yard as it walked down a street in the Sandy Beach Mobile Villa at the end of July. Debra Parker also submitted a photo of a moose visiting the Liberty Lake area (at right).



Homeschool swapmeet



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Exploring Families held a used curriculum sale at the HUB Sportscenter Aug. 6 where families could browse and shop from books, posters, educational materials and more.

Greetings from Scout camp



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Boy Scout Troop 413 recently enjoyed some time together at Camp Easton.

Local Lens Share your snapshots for The Splash's photo page. Email photos@libertylakesplash.com with scenes from around town, community events and Splash Travels.

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Miss Washington



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Hailey Stroh, 7, stands behind seven of eight trophies she won when she earned the title of Miss Washington during the National American Miss Pageant on Aug. 9.

Splash Travels



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Scott and Mic Draper took The Splash along on a Western Mediterranean Cruise. This photo was taken in Pisa on Aug. 14.

Keeping pace with pooches



SUBMITTED PHOTOS BY SHELBY BROWER PHOTOGRAPHY

Over 250 walkers and their furry companions strolled through Liberty Lake Aug. 13 during the 4th annual Mutt Strut hosted by Pawpular Companions. The event, which Pawpular Companions owner Mara Crowell said was their best-attended one yet, raised over \$9,000 in contributions for Higher Ground Animal Sanctuary.



Shutterbug snapshot



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Rich Semler captured an ominous sky with unique cloud formations during a July thunderstorm over Liberty Lake.

Swimming and socializing



SUBMITTED PHOTO

A group of Liberty Lake ladies keeps healthy by taking a water aerobics class together at the Liberty Lake Athletic Club every weekday morning. The group of friends meets after their 8:30 swim for coffee and socializing, and they said others are welcome to join them.

Summer robotics camp



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Classical Christian Academy I-Bots held a robotics camp in August. Pictured are (bottom row) Cassidy Crawford, Jenessa Norcini; (second row) Cheresa Steinbach, Nathan Bosse, Kaitlyn Knight, Elijah Manuez, Jessica Holt, Ashton Ukich; (third row) Alexander Elliot, Mira Crawford, Isaac Bushnell, Luke Roberts, Jacob Ukich, Issiah Jones, Joseph Steinbach, Katie Dion, Leandra Norcini; (fourth row) Heather Norcini, Ethan Hanson, Conrad Willems, Elisha Coad, Josiah Coad, Matthew Arndt, Richelle Manson, Chad Huscroft, Logan Shults; (fifth row) Corbin Shults, **Collin Zurfluh** and Coach Shults. (Liberty Lake resident highlighted in bold.)

Pocket park concert



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The Angela Marie Project performed at the neighborhood pocket park concert at Rocky Hill Park in mid August. The concert was sponsored by Friends of Pavillion Park.

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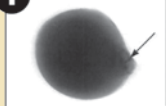
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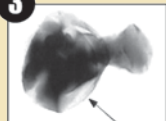
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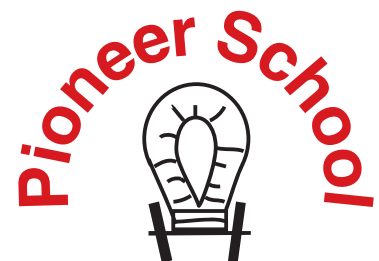
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Barlows mural traces LL history

By Valerie Putnam
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

When the new Barlows at Liberty Lake restaurant commissioned artist Joel Rabe to paint a 24-foot mural on the wall last year, he didn't know what to expect.

"The biggest challenge was coming up with the idea," Rabe said. "At first, they wanted more of an abstract."

Rabe evolved the idea into a personal look at Liberty Lake's history. Beginning at the inception of the small lake community, his concept traces the history to modern day, depicting images of actual people along the way who were involved in the lake's history.

"It was important everything was authentic," Rabe said. "I wanted to make sure the photos I used were from Liberty Lake."

Enter Ross Schneidmiller, who Rabe consulted on the project and who provided many of the photographs. Schneidmiller is longtime Liberty Lake historian and president of the Liberty Lake Historical Society.

"My first impression of Joel was this guy totally wants to absorb himself into the community history before he goes forward with what this should be," Schneidmiller said.

Rabe's idea was to transition each historical period using different tones of color, similar to photographs. He painted Liberty Lake's beginning history using sepia tones, which fade into a little bit of color depicting the 1950s. Rabe transitioned into a more

"Technicolor" look for the 1970s, and modern day is composed of brighter tones.

Using acrylic paint as his medium, Rabe selected a wide range of images, such as the old dance pavilion, Holiday Hills ski resort, hydroplane races, fireworks and soapbox derby races.

"That was a new addition while working on it," Rabe said of the special needs soapbox derby picture. "I was looking for another picture and found that one online. What a great picture."

Prior to this commission, Rabe had never taken on a project of this magnitude.

"It is a different style of painting," Rabe said of painting the images onto the wall. "The strokes are different, and you use a larger brush. You don't have to include so much detail because people look at it from the distance."

The work slowly progressed over the course of five months. Rabe would periodically have to stop to work on other projects.

"Customers would come in and see what's next," Rabe said. "The owner liked that it was progressing slowly."

When working on the mural, he would work into the wee hours of the morning, meticulously painting the different scenes.

"I had to work with their schedule," Rabe said of the restaurant staff. "I would come in at midnight, throw my cloth down and paint until 5:30 a.m."

As part of his vision for the mu-



SPLASH PHOTO BY VALERIE PUTNAM

Liberty Lake historian Ross Schneidmiller, left, and local artist Joel Rabe stand in front of the historical mural Rabe completed recently at Barlows at Liberty Lake restaurant.

ral, Rabe included people in the mural who were important in the community's history, such as Steve Liberty, Jimmy McGoldrick and George Libby.

"What really made this are the unique individuals that were part of the Liberty Lake community," Schneidmiller said. "When I fully understood what he was looking for and how he goes through his process, it was just neat to be able to see people who have been a big part of our lake's history come alive on the wall."

Libby was a personal addition

for Rabe, as the man also played a role in his own family history. Libby dedicated his life to teaching youth skills at his boy camps.

"He was an awesome guy," Rabe said of Libby. "He was a huge person in my father-in-law's life."

The people depicted on the mural are done with such realism; some patrons have either recognized themselves or others they know in some of the images.

Jim Custer's daughter recognized him on the mural while having dinner at Barlows a couple

In Biz

2nd Watch experiences significant growth

Liberty Lake cloud computing company 2nd Watch Inc. reported revenue growth of 400 percent in 2013 over 2012. Additionally, CEO Kris Bliesner said the company is on track to hit triple-digit growth this year. Bliesner attributes the firm's growth to the boom in the cloud computing market.

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months ago and notified him right away. Custer came in the restaurant afterwards.

"It's amazing the reality he did; I was truly impressed with it," said Custer, who is part of the Liberty Lake Water Ski Club photo. "That was a memorable time of my life, and it's fun to relive it."

According to Schneidmiller, each of the photos Rabe selected has a story to coincide with the image.

"Every one of these individuals had a passion for Liberty Lake and a passion for something else," Schneidmiller said. "They all have a wonderful story."

Rabe's signature rests below his favorite picture in the mural.

"My favorite picture is the railroad one," Rabe said. "Because it shows how 20-year-old boys all have an attitude. They all have the same serious look."

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Shaun Johnson recently took over ownership of Exercise Institute in Liberty Lake. She is one of many female leaders in the local business community.

‘The world is our oyster’

Liberty Lake women talk business successes

By Treva Lind
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

Pam Fredrick is a real estate staple. Shaun Johnson has made a business out of her expertise in fitness and nutrition. Cheloye Penwell struck out on her own as an independent insurance broker. Karen Pagliaro operates a successful hair salon. Dr. Laura Fischer has seen steady growth in her optometry practice.

These Liberty Lake women are among the millions of American working women and business owners who will be recognized on Sept. 22 for American Business Women's Day.

The Splash caught up with these five local innovators who have waded into business ownership to discuss their history, hurdles and accomplishments.

Tops in real estate

Pam Fredrick entered the real estate industry 18 years ago, after already finding success for 12 years owning a local property management company. In describing her professional work, primarily selling luxury residential properties, Fredrick is quick to

talk about the importance of family and life balance, which includes time with her husband John and four adult children.



FREDRICK

including Liberty Lake, and she is a member of the \$15 Million Club.

“I knew the Liberty Lake office would be an excellent place to be because of the growth in the eastern part of the Valley,” she said. “Plus, I live two miles from Liberty Lake on the river in Otis Orchards. I know the area and many people who live in the area. Our kids went to school in the Valley.”

About four years ago, Fredrick sold the franchise back to the John L. Scott company owner, but she continues working in the of-

office as an associate broker and independent real estate agent.

“I do probably 90 percent of my business by referral,” she said. “The key to remaining successful in business is keeping our clients informed (about) what’s going on in real estate.”

The importance of family was a factor in selling the business interest, she said, because she needed to spend more time with her ailing parents, who live in the Tri-Cities.

In striving for balance between business and family, Fredrick credits working with a team of top-quality professionals who take care of clients the way she would during times she can't be there.

“I think balance is healthy in every industry for women because we do so many other things,” she said, “just being there for family, taking care of homes, and to feel good about taking care of our family and home, in addition to our work schedule.”

Motivational coach

Shaun Johnson, 36, is relatively new to business ownership. A year ago, she pur-

chased the Exercise Institute in Liberty Lake, after managing the business' nutrition and fitness service since it opened in 2009.

Johnson grew up around health and fitness. Prior to her work for Exercise Institute, she served as a gymnastics head coach, and her dad was a longtime owner of Lake City Gymnastics in Coeur d'Alene.

One of her successes is her ability to help people make healthy lifestyle, fitness and eating changes, Johnson said.

“You kind of need to be a cheerleader,” she said. “I'm great at that and teaching them how to eat well for better health and ideal longevity. I've been successful with people and building relationships.”

She now lives in Post Falls, where she worked initially for an Exercise Institute outlet.

“It became too large and too busy, and the majority of my clients were actually driving from Spokane and the Liberty Lake area,” Johnson said. “We decided to move the facility to Liberty Lake, so that's what brought me here.”

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Johnson became certified as a personal trainer in 2006.

"I read a great book that revealed to me my God-given strengths and abilities," she said. "I am really good at working with people in a motivational environment. I've always been interested in health and taking care of your body, and in physical fitness and nutrition. God has blessed me, and now I'm successful at it."

In learning about business operations, Johnson decided to seek advice from a trained business coach.

"Being an employee my entire life up until this point, it's a different approach to lead an employee team and to correctly find employees," Johnson said. "A business coach helped me successfully learn to do that. I'm a coach and I believe in mentoring and seeking out help, so I sought out that advice."

Experienced client focus

Cheloye Penwell, 48, brings a varied background to the table in operating the independent agency, Lakeshore Insurance. She opened the business at the beginning of last year.



PENWELL

Previously, she worked for nearly 10 years at a major insurance company. She also owned a manufacturing company with her husband, worked in real estate and did software support. Now, Penwell said being an independent insurance

broker combines all that experience to help clients.

To open the agency, she selected an affiliate company, Bellevue-based Soleyon Insurance Partners, that provides additional professional tools and systems, as well as access to markets and insurance companies.

"I'm still in that period of make it or break it," Penwell said. "It's been a thrill."

Her current success is developing one-on-one relationships with clients.

"That has always been the part of business I've enjoyed the most is getting to know people and their situations and to have the opportunity to learn something new, help people through their challenges," she said.

She and husband Brian first moved to Liberty Lake in 1996 with their two sons, who were raised here. Opening a business in her hometown is a dream come true, she said, though the path has challenges.

"Residential insurance is under a lot of changes right now with weather issues and our litigious society," she added. "It's not as straightforward as it was even three years ago."



SPLASH PHOTO BY TREVA LIND

Optometrist Laura Fischer founded Lakeside Vision PLLC in 2010.

In the business world, even in male-dominated professions, people respond well to someone who demonstrates skills, experience and professionalism, she said.

"I think for being a woman in business, the timing has never been better to have the opportunities and advantages we have," Penwell said. "If we bring professionalism and knowledge to the table, the world is our oyster."

Penwell also puts merit in networking. She is treasurer for the nonprofit Women Executives of Liberty Lake (WELL). Members strive to support one another as women in business, she said. Although membership has dropped somewhat with the recession, she said, the shift has a definite upside.

"What we're seeing is less women working in corporations and more women being entrepreneurs," Penwell said.

Styling longevity

Karen Pagliaro can lay claim to business staying power. She launched Karen Does My Hair in Liberty Lake around 10 years ago. Although a divorce thrust her into the world of business ownership, she credits her longevity to putting customers first, marketing well and keeping her stylist skills up to date.



PAGLIARO

Pagliaro, who said she is "always 44," has a passion for styling hair that goes back to growing up in California. She finished cosmetology school in Seattle, and eventually, after marrying and moving with their young children to Lib-

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erty Lake, she continued styling and cutting hair part-time.

"When I got divorced, I was left trying to pick up pieces and support myself and two children," she said. "I didn't really want to leave my kids and work downtown for 10 hours."

She and friends built a hair salon as a separate part of her home. Over the years, Pagliaro has built a loyal client list, while staying current in the latest styling techniques.

"The most important thing is to listen to my clients and pay attention to nonverbal communication," she said. "I've had customers for 10 or 12 years. I've always loved doing hair."

Pagliaro said one business struggle was overcoming dyslexia. Now, the use of an iPad also helps, she said.

Competition is fiercer today than when she started, she added.

"A lot of salons have shot up; it's not as easy as it looks," she said. "You've got to be professional all the time."

Pagliaro also has learned the importance of taking care of herself as a sole business owner. She uses a friend's swimming pool to exercise an hour during most mornings. That's her advice to other women.

"I think women have a lot of things they have to do and are great multitaskers, at least that's what I see from behind my chair," Pagliaro said. "I see a lot of women working and supporting their families and still doing many things. It's important to give yourself down time."

She also appreciates her customers, as they often talk about life, family, losses and celebrations.

"I feel really connected to my clients," Pagliaro said. "I look forward to it every day."

Doctoring a business

Laura Fischer, 37, trained hard to earn a doctorate of optometry degree; however, optometry school doesn't teach much about business operation. Those lessons came after school, Fischer said.

She opened Lakeside Vision PLLC practice in Liberty Lake in winter of 2010.

"The first year was a big learning curve," Fischer said. She reached out to a classmate who had opened a practice. "I had worked for other doctors in the area, so I also had learned from them about the business side of things. I have networked with other business owners."

She credits surrounding herself with good professional support. "My accountant has helped me a lot along the way. He did some handholding early on," she said. "I've just found the right people, a combination of professionals, for services and my employees."

Today, she sees clients for all aspects of vision care, including eye exams, and treating glaucoma, allergies, and conditions such as pink eye and macular degeneration. While Fischer doesn't perform surgeries, she provides care before and after procedures as a client service.

When asked about accomplishments, Fischer said one milestone is gaining a steady patient load.

"The first year was the key time, and now we're seeing returning and new patients," Fischer said. "We started with one staff member; now we have a couple. I've been able to add more frame lines as we've grown."

Fischer said being a business owner allows flexibility for family. She and her husband live in Liberty Lake with their two children, both students this year at Liberty Lake Elementary School.

"If I need to pick up my daughter from school and take her to swimming lessons, I can block out that time," she said. "My daughter got to read to her brother at the kindergarten center. They love it."

Central Valley teams ready for fall campaign



By Mike Vlahovich
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

Before the hallways of Central Valley High School fill with returning students, the athletic facilities have been buzzing with the respective fall sports teams readying for the season.

Volleyball

Central Valley's volleyball team couldn't go to Chicago, so second-year coach **Amanda Bailey** brought Chicago to CV.

Bailey said she knew of the instructional Chicago Volleyball Camp before coming to CV.

"It's been around since the 1980s, is very successful, so we flew them in and they did a five-day camp for us," she said.

Tailored for the Bears' specific needs, the focus was on passing and defense to avoid last year's roller coaster ride.

"I felt it was an area we could really improve on in a camp like that," Bailey said. "The kids got a lot of touches on the ball."

CV returns nearly its entire roster and all but one starter on a team that earned just the second state berth in team history and

was the only east regional qualifier of four to win a match. The losses came to the state fourth- and fifth-place finishers.

But it was inconsistency that did in the Bears, who finished fourth in league last year, and an area addressed by the Chicago visit.

"We played really well early in the matches and kind of fell flat at the end," Bailey said. "Or we'd wait too long to get going."

The Bears need to find a middle, but returning All-GSL players **Kazlyn Roullier** and junior **Keann White** provide plenty of offense. The Bears have several liberos to choose from and depth at the other positions as well, Bailey said.

"We have hitters all over the court," she said. "We'll probably bring a player from junior varsity to play in the middle."

Other players who were part of last year's state effort include seniors **Kara Nitteberg**, **RaSasha Montgomery**, **Elena Wolf**, **Erica Burk** and basketball star **Madison Hovren**; juniors **Taryn Ungaro**, **Keann White** and twins **Jade** and **Meghan Rockwood**.

Cross Country

Members of this year's Central Valley boys cross country are going to need mouthwash, quipped coach **Kieran Mahoney**. But it wasn't entirely in jest. Last year's subpar

effort at the State 4A race — third-place team finish notwithstanding, he said — left bad tastes in their mouths.

"They're on fire with a hunger inside to have some redemption for how they finished out the season," Mahoney said.

Four members of that team are back, and another who had a strong track season bolsters the veteran team that expected to finish second behind heavily favored runaway winner Gig Harbor a year after the Bears were state champions. They trained with a purpose over the summer, said their coach.

Leading the charge is **Briton Demars**, the school junior 1,600 meter record setter last spring. He's joined by state vets **Steven Heintz**, **Spencer Jensen**, **Caleb Nicholls**, **Colton Pegram**, a state runner in 2012, but not last fall, had a strong track season. Behind them are youngsters vying for the other two varsity spots.

"We didn't have a very good day at state," said Mahoney. "We're looking to be the hungriest team out there."

While the boys were bringing home a third-place state trophy, the girls brought home hardware of their own, taking fourth. Like the boys, they also have legitimate expectations of finishing higher.

The Bears graduated nary a runner on that team and can be even stronger this year.

At state, six of seven runners were either sophomores or freshmen. **Sarah White**, **Briegan Bester** and **Kearan Nelson** finished between 35th and 40th. **Brielle Crump**, **Kayla Boyer**, **Sidney Hogberg** and **Olivia Baddeley** rounded out that lineup. And another freshman distance runner, **Gabrielle Ford**, burst onto the scene in track.

Slowpitch softball

Unlike the current state of political partisanship, slowpitch and fastpitch softball can mutually co-exist. Indeed, says CV coach **Joe Stanton**, the two seemingly disparate games actually complement each other.

"The biggest thing in slowpitch is the ball is hit every single at bat, and it forces you to make plays and get outs. You don't have the luxury of a dominant pitcher with nine, 10, 11 strikeouts per game," Stanton reasoned. "I think that carries over into the spring, where defensively it makes you better."

The fall Greater Spokane League slowpitch season begins this month. Since 90 percent of his players do both sports, it provides coaches an extra five weeks to prepare for spring.

The major difference between the games apart from the high arcing fall pitch versus the sizzler in spring is that slowpitch has a fourth outfielder, and runners can't put the

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Bears boast youthful team

By Mike Vlahovich
SPLASH CONTRIBUTOR

Youth must be served, whether Central Valley High School football coach Rick Giampietri likes it or not.

"We're going to be young again," the dean of Greater Spokane League coaches said. "But, we're pretty talented so we'll see how fast they grow up."

It's hard to imagine, but last year the Bears had three freshmen on the roster: 215-pound linebacker **Travis Hawkins**, lineman **Jordan Talafilli**, up to 309 pounds, and kicker **Ryan Rehkow** (it runs in the family. His brother Austin led the nation in punting as a freshman at the University of Idaho).

Last season, 20 sophomores were listed on the varsity squad. One, **Tanner Sloan**, is quarterback heir apparent (it also is in the genes. His dad, Rick, is the team's offensive coordinator who quarterbacked at CV and in college).

Other offensive keys include hard-running back **Spencer Miller**, who gained 795 yards and scored 10 touchdowns last season, and wide receivers **P.J. Bowden** and **Maxwell Sykes**.

Miller and promising 275-pound junior

IF YOU GO ...

CV Football vs. Coeur d'Alene

7 p.m. Sept. 5 at Coeur d'Alene High School

The Bears play their first home game

7 p.m. Sept. 12 vs. Lake City.

For a complete schedule and more, go to www.cvsd.org/centralvalley.

tackle **Scott Peck** missed summer training with injuries, but were on the field mid-August when practice began.

"Spencer had a hip injury. He tore the muscle off the bone running track," Giampietri said ruefully. "We felt it would be a good thing for him to do (run track)."

The 6-foot-4-inch Peck had a stress fracture from playing basketball.

Joining Hawkins and Talafilli on defense are Miller at linebacker and veteran safety **Tucker Stout**. Also returning is senior defensive back **Dan Dach**.

The rest of the lineup comes from the ranks of the varsity untested.

"We're going to be young in the offensive line," Giampietri said. "But they played de-



SPLASH PHOTO BY MIKE VLAHOVICH

Junior tackle Scott Peck, center, missed summer training while recovering from a stress fracture, but he was back for the start of practices in August.

cently in the summer and got better."

Other prospects, all juniors, are **Brandon Driskell**, **Bodey Hawks**, **Nathan Wycoff**, **Chauncey Garrigan** and tight end **Kyle Walton**, plus several sophomores.

Giampietri also added that some promising players may be found in transferring students.

The Bears play early non-league games against Coeur d'Alene and Lake City courtesy of a restructured Greater Spokane

League schedule.

"What's good is we get a chance to get those opening jitters out," Giampietri noted. "It'll be interesting to see how fast we grow up. I told the kids if you're good when you're young, you'll be good for a couple of years. So be good."

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SPORTS

Sports Brief

Mällinen finishes second

Coming off an SCCA Majors win at Road America, 16-year-old Max Mällinen finished second in the high-profile 45th Anniversary Formula F race at Barber Motorsports Park Aug. 9-10 in Birmingham, Ala. The Liberty Lake resident nearly won against full-time IndyCar driver, Josef Newgarden.

According to a press release, the 16-year-old junior from Central Valley High School managed to

put his No. 1 Swan Motorsports Spectrum/Honda on the outside of the front row. With the race off to a frantic start, it turned into a three-car battle for the lead for the opening 15 laps. Eventually with traffic, Newgarden was able to put a lapped car between himself and the No. 1, escaping from Mällinen with three laps to go.

Mällinen continues to attempt to qualify for the National Championship SCCA Runoffs at Laguna Seca in October.

Kickin' it at the park



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The second annual Barefoot 3v3 soccer tournament was held in early August at Pavillion Park.

Wonder women



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Liberty Lake residents Jennifer Holmes, Amy Rose and Natalie Urbha took first place as team "Easy Way Out" in the Wunder Woman Olympic triathlon held Aug. 17 in Medical Lake.

Summer basketball



SUBMITTED PHOTO

The HUB Sports Center hosted many NBC basketball camps during the summer.

Spokane Stars Blue takes second



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Spokane Stars Blue girls basketball team went 7-1 and took second place out of 88 teams competing in the Mid Summer Nights Madness Western Region basketball tournament in San Diego in July. Pictured are (front row) Shylar Sullivan, Jesse Loera; (back row) Darbi Pink, Jamie Loera, **Lacie Hull**, Jordan Rodriguez, Madison Hovren, **Lexie Hull**, Joy Cleveland-Akegbu and Mallory Kessler. (Liberty Lake residents are highlighted in bold.)

League champs



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The U12 softball team "Double S Meats" went undefeated for the season to win their third straight league championship. A week later, they took second in the end-of-season-tournament. Pictured are (top row) assistant coach Brett Gores, Kylie Constance, Kate Gardner, Emma Johnston, Claire Kaufman, Abby Miller, Lauren Hoskins, Jenna Engel, coach Doug Pecha; (bottom row) Nisa McAndrew, Sara Van Liew, Sarah Pecha, Kelsie Gores, Kaycee Gores, Savannah Pratt and Kaylee Lux.

Shadow takes second



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The Shadow U10 Boys Team took second in the Northwest Cup the weekend of August 8-10. Team members included (top row) **Zac Olson**, Brennick Soliday, Aidan Labrosse, Rudy Malloy, coach Niko Varlamos; (bottom row) **Jayce Simmet**, Ayden Pederson, **Landon Coddington**, **Patrick Reilly**, Tommy Price, **Brennen Brulotte**, Seth Johnson and **Johnny Macall**. (Liberty Lake residents are in bold.)

Competing at the next level



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Savannah Hoekstra, Liberty Lake resident and 2014 CVHS grad, is in her first year playing soccer at Eastern Washington University.

Mountain runners



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Audrey Joy, Hannah Hislop and Katie Joy ran the 3.5 mile trail run at Schweitzer Mountain on July 19.

Respect reaps rewards in community, life

By Tawni Bremer
SPLASH GUEST COLUMN



a new environment with tons of unfamiliar faces. I found that the high level of respect that everyone treated each other with was significant in breaking the ice faster. Everybody was so nice and friendly; it put me at ease immediately. I'm happy to report I had a fantastic sixth-grade year. My principal and counselors did a great job at creating an atmosphere where being respectful was always a high priority. The staff at my school did a great job of leading by example when it came to implementing a culture of respect.

One of the ways they encouraged respect was by teaching us students to try to work out problems face to face rather than fighting or arguing. My school promotes a bully free zone so that students feel they're in a safe environment. We were taught to approach someone who is being a bully in a

very kind manner and to stay calm while trying to talk out the problem. I feel that using communication is a great tool to discourage this type of behavior. The more that we students communicate and treat each other with respect the more likely incidents of bullying will decrease.

Medical Lake Middle School also encourages us students to bring respect into our community. In NJHS (National Junior Honor Society) one of the activities that we do is community service. This promotes comradery between the students by having us engage in duties that focus on others. Teamwork is a major factor in having successful NJHS events. This is where respect comes in. Everybody has to respect each other so we can work together.

Respect can be summed up by repeating

the golden rule. Treat others how you would want them to treat you. One of the reasons I love Medical Lake is because I witness respectful behavior every day all around me. Respect is very important throughout the community and our school. Without mutual respect people couldn't work together to come up with amazing ideas that will one day further the generations to come. Respect is fairness and kindness toward other people. I hope that respect continues to flow through students and the people in the community.

Tawni Bremer is entering the seventh grade at Medical Lake Middle School. Tawni actively participates in student leadership and was recently selected for National Junior Honor Society. She contributes greatly to her school community, both through her hard work and positive attitude.

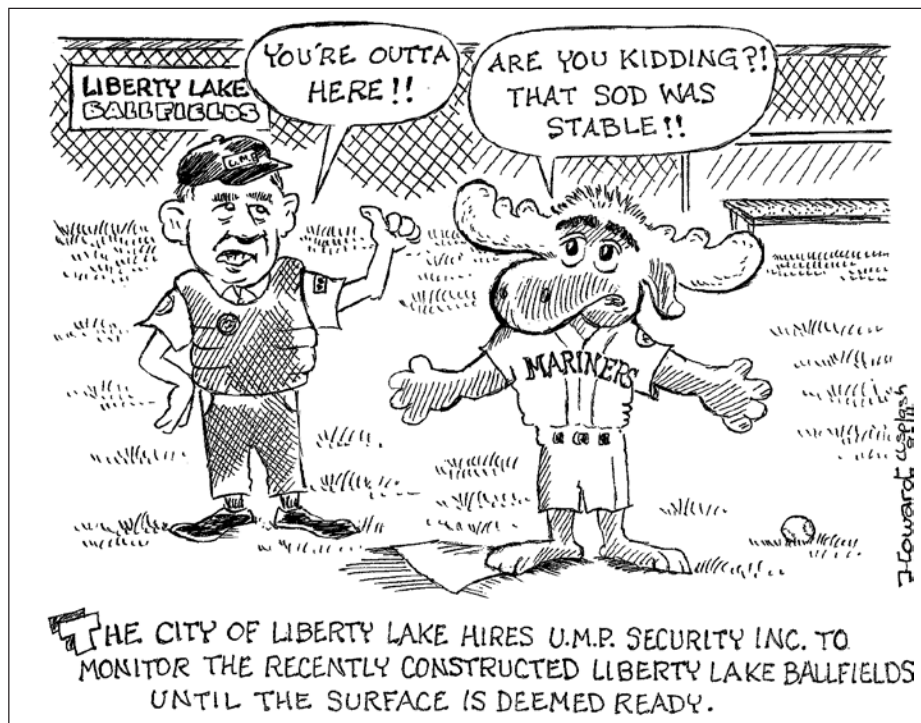
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Letter to the Editor

Club thanks community

The Baddlands Cycling Club thanks our River District neighbors, Greenstone Homes, the city of Liberty Lake, The Splash and Home Depot for supporting the 7th annual River District Criterium bicycle race held on July 29. Greenstone Corporation provided event marketing, kids' race registration, the misting tents and invited vendors. Home Depot lent barriers to protect racers from hazards along the course. Special thanks to Leonard Urgeleite for contacting the families who live on the race course.

Finally, thanks to the residents of the River District for supporting the race and allowing us to use your streets and park. We hope to see you again next year on a day that is well under 100° Fahrenheit.

Mark Bitz
Baddlands Cycling Club

NOTEBOOK

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game in motion because they can't lead off or steal.

But other aspects of the game are the same, with emphasis on defense and, believe or not, similar hitting technique.

"It's kind of funny," Stanton said. "A lot of people disagree with having kids playing slow pitch because it tweaks their swing. I absolutely think it does not. The mechanics we talk about in the fall we talk about in the spring."

If anything, he continued, the swing slows in the fall enabling players to understand what they do incorrect and adjust.

"It's huge for me," Stanton said. "I can see

their hands drop or their hips not turning. It's hard to show that when you face a 55-60 mile an hour pitch."

And those who argue it affects timing for fastpitch, Stanton counters that fastpitch hitters can get in the cage during winter and have three months to get it back.

"They don't mesh perfectly, but I think there're many more pros than cons," he said.

CV has graduated a lot of players over the past two years, but expect the team, annually in the thick of things whether playing slow or fast, to be competitive.

Soccer

What can Central Valley soccer players do for an encore? Why, a repeat state title, naturally.

"That's what every coach plays for," said

coach **Andres Monrroy**, when asked if he was still savoring last year's 4A championship. "Of course we want to go back and compete for the state title again."

The Bears do have the goods. Twelve players return from last year's team, including, three of them first team All-Greater Spokane League. Losing second-team midfielder, **Hailey Spooner**, to injury last spring is a blow.

"Pretty much everybody who played has come back," Monrroy said. Plus, there are sophomores waiting in the wings.

Another sophomore, forward **Kelsey Turnbow**, already has a year under her belt and led the Bears in scoring. Other first-team All-GSL players are seniors, defender **McKenna Stocker**, who was second team All-State, and midfielder **Megan Dimmler**.

The trio forms the nucleus of this year's squad.

The Bears have big shoes to fill in graduated goalkeeper **Jessie Kunz-Pfeiffer**, defender **Dani Greenwood** and star forward **Savannah Hoekstra**.

They'll be replaced from among varsity veterans **Kasey Ames**, **Taryn Miller**, **Alaina Bates**, **Natalie Harrington**, **Chloe Scholtz**, **Cassie Fielding**, and juniors **Erica Casey**, **Abby Horton** and **Katie Van Etten**.

"We try to take baby steps," Monrroy said, focusing first on the GSL, then district, regional and a state return. "The girls are committed to improving. Now that we won a state championship, we'll be a target for everyone."

But that's an envious place to be.

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Sept. 15 | 4x4 Co-ed Volleyball League begins 6 to 9:30 p.m., HUB Sports Center, 19619 E. Cataldo Ave. Cost is \$165 per team for this 7-week league. For more: www.hubsportscenter.com

Sept. 20 | Spokane Youth Ballet auditions 1 and 2 p.m., The Academy of Dance, 14214 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley. Auditions are being held for the Feb. 21, 2015 performance of "The Dancing Princesses" at The Fox Theater. Times are 1 p.m. (ages 6-8 with minimum one year of experience) and 2 p.m. (ages 9-12 with minimum two years of experience). For more: 922-3023

Sept. 20-21 | Slatina Jamma Pickleball Tournament 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., HUB Sports Center, 19619 E. Cataldo Ave. Sponsored by Selkirk Sport, the tournament is open to men's, women's and mixed doubles. Cost is \$20 per person plus \$5 per event. For more: www.hubsportscenter.com

Sept. 27 | HUB-apalooza Family Fun Festival 1 to 4 p.m., HUB Sports Center, 19619 E. Cataldo Ave. This free open house will feature activities for the entire family including fitness classes, jump house, face painting and more followed by a free showing of "Frozen." For more: www.hubsportscenter.com

Sept. 28 | BubbleBall JAM HUB Sports Center, 19619 E. Cataldo Ave. BubbleBall inflatable balls will be used for futsal throughout the date. For more: www.hubsportscenter.com

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Liberty Lake Running Club 6 p.m. Thursdays, Twisp Café & Coffee House, 23505 E. Appleway Ave. The club meets for a three-mile run weekly through October. For more: www.facebook.com/LLRunningClub

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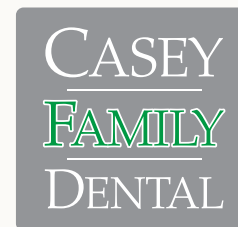
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7/29 Liberty Lake Women's Club

Game: Liberty Cup and Putting
 Overall winner: Net, Margie Tibbits, 71

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 Flight D: Gross, Patty Bordelon, 65; Net, Jean Hauer, 41
 No Handicap: Ann Armstrong, 68

8/6 MeadowWood Women's Club

Game: Odd and Even Holes, Team Event

1st Place: Michelle Knowles, Leslie Sevigny, Jackie Babin and Joyce Skidmore, Net 58
 2nd Place: Lee Sonderman, Marie Nelson, Alice Slagle and Cheryl Hull, Net 63
 3rd Place: Carol Schultz, Sue Meyer, Diana Sisco and Christy Peterson, Net 65

8/7 Liberty Lake 9-Hole Club

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 Flight D: Gross, Patty Bordelon, 61; Net, Gerri Vance, 35
 Chip in: Mary Ellen Wall

8/13 MeadowWood Women's Club

Game: Lucky 13
 1st Place: Joyce Skidmore, Net 44.5
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Montana Shakespeare in the Parks presented "As You Like It" at Pavillion Park on Aug. 23. The traveling theater troupe was brought to Liberty Lake as part of the Friends of Pavillion Park summer festival.



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The FOOD 4 THOUGHT volunteers send meals home with 200 of the homeless children in the Central Valley School District every weekend of the school year. Let's help them fill their shelves to help more students.

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- Oatmeal packets
- Granola bars
- Cold cereal bowls
- Pop-tarts
- Shelf Stable Milk

Dinner:

- Macaroni and cheese
- Ravioli (canned, with meat)
- Spaghetti-Os (canned, with meat)
- Beef stew
- Chili, with meat

Fruit & Snacks:

- Applesauce cups
- Peach cups
- Mandarin oranges
- Canned fruit
- Cheese and crackers
- Packaged Cookies
- Fruit roll-ups
- Pop corn
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