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BLACK LIVES MATTER



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Some of the nearly 500 people who marched last Friday afternoon in Omak in protest of the killing of George Floyd by a member of the Minneapolis Police Department. While the protesters marched through downtown chanting "George Floyd" and "Black Lives Matter" there were several armed people on each side of the block who said they were there to protect businesses from vandals and looters. The protest was peaceful and no damage was done during or after the march. Right, what started out as an elbow bump between protester Jeff Phillips of Omak and an armed Robert Thomas of Riverside, turned into a hug. The embrace followed after Anderson thanked everyone that came out to march, as well as those armed people who lined the sidewalks, for being peaceful.



County OK'd to move into Phase 2

Six new cases of coronavirus in South County

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OKANOGAN — Okanogan County was approved last Friday to move into Phase 2 of Gov. Jay Inslee's "Safe Start" plan toward reopening the county. "Today Washington State Secretary of Health John Wiesman approved Okanogan County to move into Phase

2 of Gov. Jay Inslee's Safe Start plan," said Okanogan County Public Health in their Friday, June 5 update on the number of COVID-19 cases.

Okanogan County, along with Clark, Pierce, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom counties were allowed to make the move from Phase 1 to Phase 2 on Friday, according to Weisman.

King County was approved to move

into a modified version of Phase 1. Ferry, Lincoln, Stevens, Columbia, Garfield, Pend Oreille and Wahkiakum counties were approved to move from Phase 2 to Phase 3. A total of five counties are in Phase 1, one county is in a modified version of Phase 1, 26 counties are in Phase 2 and seven counties are in Phase 3.

In Phase 1, an individual business is only allowed to reopen after it can implement the state guidelines for a safe start. The guidelines can be found

at: coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/safe-start. Okanogan County Economic Alliance has a Smart Restart Toolkit online that provides resources for reopening businesses at: www.economic-alliance.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Smart-Restart-Toolkit-Final.pdf.

On May 29, Gov. Jay Inslee, in collaboration with the Washington State Department of Health, established a data-driven approach to reopen Washington and modify social and

recreational activities while minimizing the health impacts of COVID-19. Washington will move through the phased reopening county-by-county, allowing for flexibility and local control to address COVID-19 activity geographically.

The state says this approach reduces the risk of COVID-19 to Washington's most vulnerable populations and preserves capacity in our health care

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Facebook post leads to nearly 17,000 signatures asking county commissioner to step down

Petitioner says meme could 'incite violence' against protesters

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TONASKET — A petition posted online by a Tonasket man asking Okanogan County Commissioner Jim DeTro to resign or be ousted from office after he shared a meme, has garnered over 16,000 signatures.

Caleb Knowlton led the meme DeTro shared to the commissioner's personal Facebook page on May 30 showing a semi-tractor-trailer with blood and damage on the front of it with the words "Just drove through Minneapolis. Didn't see any protesters." had the potential to incite violence against people protesting against the death of George Floyd. Floyd, a black man, died during his arrest for a non-violent crime in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The video of the incident has led to the arrest of the

police officer who knelt on Floyd's neck for murder and three other officers as accomplices.

Since then, thousands of people have taken to the streets around the nation and internationally to protest the deaths of people of color in custody of police. At one March a semi-tractor-trailer actually did push through a crowd, but none of the protesters were harmed. The driver, however, was pulled from the truck by angry protesters.

Knowlton's post asking for people to sign the petition said, "This country is in a very dark, vulnerable, place. A moment where we can either grow, or go in a direction that will be worse than where we were before. As a man who holds the office of County Commissioner, in Okanogan County, I believe he should be held to a very high standard that represents everyone. He just doesn't represent those who voted for him, but also the ones who disagree with him.

"This petition needs to either encourage him to resign or someone

in higher authority needs to ask for his resignation. By stepping down, hopefully someone else will take his place, someone who doesn't side with causing violence against those he disagrees with. Civility doesn't belong to a political party, it belongs to everyone and Jim DeTro doesn't fit the description of a man of honor, respect and civility. He must resign from his office."

Knowlton, who admits to not having a history of activism, said he could not stand by and not speak out against DeTro sharing the meme. He said he went on Facebook and started the petition to have greater access to getting his message about the county commissioner out to more people.

"I don't have a history of this sort, this is the first time I've done anything like this. I don't see myself as an activist," said Knowlton, who has voted Republican in the past and still considers himself a Republican.

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Oroville extends Emergency Declaration due to COVID-19

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OROVILLE — At their Tuesday, June 2 meeting, the Oroville City Council extended their Emergency Declaration regarding COVID-19 through July 7, bearing in mind that at the time the county was hoping to move into Phase 2 of the governor's Safe Start program.

"I talked to Mr. Branch about an hour ago and he says we are probably going to be moved into Phase 2, probably tomorrow," said Mayor Jon Neal, referring to a conversation he had with Okanogan County Commissioner Chris Branch. "He doesn't know what exactly what that means because it's an ever changing array of things. I'm hoping maybe next meeting we can do it maybe face to face."

City Clerk JoAnn Denney asked if there would be an amendment because Gov. Jay Inslee proclaimed there would be no in-person meetings before June 17.

"That has been my understanding and Chris (Branch) didn't know for sure either. He's hoping that once we

get into Phase 2 the county will have a lot more direction into what we can do from there. So I guess at this point we can approve this through July 7th and rescind it whenever we're able to go back to normal... whenever that is," said Mayor Neal.

Councilman Mike Marthaller asked if it would take the full council to rescind the Emergency Declaration or whether the mayor could make that decision. Neal said it depended on the council, they could meet to rescind it or give him the power to do so.

"It would seem to me to get this off as soon as possible it would be advantageous to give you the power to do it," said Marthaller.

"I'd be comfortable Jon if you thought you had to pull the plug on it to just call a special meeting," said Councilman Ed Naillon.

Naillon made the motion to adopt Ordinance 891 extending the Emergency Declaration and Councilman Kolo Moser made the second and the motion passed, with

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Tonasket group's goal: Build a collaborative community

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TONASKET — A group of local leaders and representatives from various organizations have banded together to develop a shared vision for the wellbeing and future, while working on ideas and actions that promote collaboration within the town of Tonasket and the wider community.

Tonasket Collaborative Network is facilitated by Debbie Roberts, who has expertise in conflict engagement. Alisa Weddle, also a facilitator of TCN, has a background in education and team building. Weddle also holds a seat on the Tonasket City Council as of this year.

"In these uncertain times Tonasket is pulling together with generosity, compassion, and strength," said Roberts.

TCN members include community members Steve McCullough, Ernesto Cerrillo, and Jordan Weddle, of Tonasket School District; Jean Pfeifer, Jerry Bradley, and John McReynolds, of North Valley Hospital; Daniel Klayton

and Sara Dunn, North Central Library; Alice Attwood (along with Weddle), Tonasket city government.

The group has gathered bi-monthly since July of 2019, talking about ways the city entities can come together to build trust, while supporting each other and the larger community.

Roberts said the group is particularly interested in offering positive ways of handling local conversations and learning from each other's expertise. The group of leaders have discussed in great length, several ideas that could offer citizens and businesses ways to connect and learn together.

With the pandemic, TCN has discussed what resources are available to help businesses that are struggling as people continue to stay home. Collective brainstorming and solutions are at the forefront as the group looks into ways to support students who are learning from home and those whose jobs have been cut back or cut altogether.

"All of us are wondering how we can come together while staying apart, and also what the new normal will look like

after this pandemic. As a collaborative model, TCN's ongoing vision is collaboration and trust-building among all of us in Tonasket," said Roberts.

Roberts said the group has looked at ways they can assist those in need due to the temporary closing of businesses and the need to distance from each other at this time.

Weddle said one agency that is responding to greater need is the Tonasket Food Bank, where there has been an outpouring of community care through increased donations of both food and money.

"During this crisis the number of food bank clients has increased from 120 families served in a week, to 210 families served the week of April 16 (one third of the clients being children, and another one third being senior citizens). In individuals these numbers translate from 420 each week to the current number of 735," said Weddle.

According to Weddle, the state and federal food deliveries now represent only about one third of the current need for food.

"Even with increased donations the

Tonasket Food Bank has had to use cash reserves to purchase additional food weekly. Not only is there tremendous appreciation for those who have stepped up to donate during this crisis, but added gratitude for the new volunteer presence of young people, who are handing out food each week thus allowing the older volunteers to stay safe as they shelter in place," said Weddle.

At the request of Tonasket Collaborative Network, the Tonasket Food Bank has agreed to set up an additional account by which to respond to this coronavirus with donations to other needs in the community.

"We are exploring opportunities such as; supporting internet access, helping ease utility and housing burdens, bolstering local businesses, among other ideas.

Weddle said the TCN is asking for suggestions for other initiatives that could be added to the list.

"We want to hear about them," said Weddle.

According to Weddle, the group is continuing to hone this new idea

regarding community support, and in the near future will provide information about how to request donations be housed in this new account to support a wide range of community needs during this vulnerable time for many, in wake of the pandemic.

"It's hard to say what exactly the next weeks and months will look like, but we know we can count on our Tonasket community to pull together and help each other through. Meanwhile, the Tonasket Food Bank continues to gratefully accept your much needed donations for food," said Weddle.

TCN said community members can contact Debbie Roberts, 509-486-2192, if they have questions regarding food bank donations they wish to make. All donations can be mailed to Tonasket Food Bank, 101 Highway 97, Tonasket, WA 98855.

In the coming days and weeks, the Tonasket Collaborative Network will be looking at other donation opportunities, as they continue with gratefulness for the generosity of their fellow citizens.



Tigers on parade

Cody Clark (left) and a parade of other Tigers, warmed the hearts of community members, celebrating the end of an unique year for the Class of 2020. Above right, Grace Cory gave a wave to family and friends who came to cheer on local graduates during Saturday's Senior Celebration Parade. Right, Lyndzi Scott, along with other 2020 graduates from Tonasket High School were celebrated with a parade on Saturday, June 6. Graduation will be in July.

Teresa Hawkins/submitted photos



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Councilman David McElheran casting the lone vote in opposition. McElheran said he would have voted in favor if there had been an addendum giving the mayor the power to rescind the declaration without having to have a special meeting should the county move into Phase 2.

Denney asked if the council should discuss Veterans Memorial Park and what to tell campers who have reservations to stay there.

"I had that conversation with Chris too and he wasn't sure moving to Phase 2 would let us open up or not and he was going to research and get back to me," the mayor said. "I guess at this point if we wanted to say as soon as we are able to open, we will. I guess at this point you really can't put a date on that until we have more clarity from the powers that be."

Councilman Marthaller asked where the city was at with the fuel system at the airport.

"I remember we were putting

out bids for a new fuel system, where are we at with that?" asked the councilman, himself a pilot.

Denney said the bid specs for the system had not yet been developed and needed to be done.

"Thank you for bringing that up Mike," said Naillon.

"How can we facilitate getting this done. One of the reasons I wanted to have this discussion is the FAA is putting a real priority on airports as a valuable, necessary asset for emergencies, not just this COVID thing, but any type of emergencies. And, I've been made aware that there is federal money out there through the FAA. They're begging airports to take it. It seems we'd want to strike while the iron is hot and I will offer any assistance I can," said Marthaller.

Denney replied, "So we have been notified by the FAA that we are still eligible for funds. When we asked them if the fuel system was an eligible cost they told us they would research that and get back to us and they

have not made contact with us."

She added that the FAA's concern was that if it was not an eligible cost it would jeopardize the city's future projects.

Marthaller again offered his assistance to Steve Thompson, Superintendent of Public Works.

"I did get three different quotes. I can't remember them exactly, but they were from \$54,000 to two hundred and something thousand. So I need to come up with some kind of spec and I didn't know how to spec it. I didn't see how we could even do \$54,000," said Thompson.

"Yeah, that's a long way from that original \$35,000 we've been figuring," said Marthaller.

Thompson said the original company that gave him the \$35,000 when asked to bid came in at \$54,000.

"If it is agreeable I'll get ahold of state aviation and see if we can get any assistance on that," Marthaller said.

Thompson and the council said it was agreeable to them.

"It's agreeable to me Mike. I'd like to see that fuel system a priority. I've been wanting that for a couple years now," said Naillon.

The Washington State Liquor & Cannabis Commission (WSLCB) asked if there were any comments in renewing the liquor licenses for Alpine Brewing and Akins Harvest Foods. There were no comments from the council members.



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He said no one was more surprised when his petition on Change.org reached over 10,000 signature in about a day and half.

"I was completely blown away! When I went to check I thought it would only have a couple of hundred and really quick it went over 10,000," he said.

When asked whether people have voiced support or disapproval to him personally, he said it depended on whether he saw them on the street or they commented online.

"Usually when I see them face to face they are supportive. People have said they were scared to speak out publicly against the commissioner's post and thanked me for helping

them to voice how they felt. The ones that are against usually comment on Facebook, I consider many of those comments as coming from cyber bullies," he said.

Knowlton said some comments led him not to attend the Black Lives Matter March in Omak last Friday, even though his wife, mother, father and other family members, as well as a large group from his church, participated.

"I was told for my own safety not to go. One family member, who is related to law enforcement, told me that. Others who advised me not to go were local politicians and other family members," he said.

When asked if he had personally

heard from Commissioner DeTro, Knowlton said he hadn't.

"People tell me he is willing to talk, but I have no way of getting ahold of him since he made his Facebook page private. He cut off all opportunity," Knowlton said. "I'd love to tell Jim I don't think you're bad, you're just doing a bad job of representing those who voted for you."

Knowlton said he isn't trying to do a smear campaign against DeTro, whose district covers the north end of the county, which includes Knowlton's town of Tonasket.

"This isn't some smear campaign. I want people to be honorable and this isn't a partisan issue, this is a human thing. Posting that meme wasn't classy it is not something we should expect from the people we elect to represent us," he said.

The young man said most of the pushback against the commissioner's post isn't from the "far left from the Coast as DeTro is claiming," but from ordinary people who found the shared meme disturbing and not representative of the people of Okanogan County.

"I'd tell him I'd love it if you apologized. I'd like him to take ownership of his mistake and apologize, but all I've heard is that he wrote 'pay no attention to the post and that his page was hacked,'" adds Knowlton.

The subject of the meme did come up at the first Okanogan County Commissioners meeting following DeTro's sharing of the meme. It was brought up by his fellow commissioner, Chris Branch, who said he himself avoided using social media for this type of political discussion.

DeTro, who worked as a professional truck driver for several decades, talked about the meme showing a truck that obviously hit a large animal like a cow. He seemed to indicate that he was unaware of the reaction sharing the meme would cause. DeTro, who is chairman of the Board of Commissioners and serving his third term, also said the electorate could vote him out of office, but his position wouldn't be up for another two plus years.

A meme is defined by Merriam-Webster's dictionary as "an amusing or interesting picture, video, etc., that is spread widely through the Internet."

Editor's note: Caleb Knowlton is the son of Gazette-Tribune reporter Laura Knowlton to see the current petition count on Change.org go to <https://bit.ly/3dRzN1e>.

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system, while safely opening up businesses and resuming gatherings, travel, shopping and recreation. The plan allows counties and the secretary of health to holistically review COVID-19 activity and the ability for the county to respond when determining if a county is ready to move into a new phase.

To apply to move to the next phase, counties must submit an application to the Washington State Department of Health. The application process requires support from the local health officer, the local board of health and the county executive or county commission.

Each county must demonstrate they have adequate local hospital bed capacity as well as adequate PPE supplies to keep health care workers safe. The metric goals for moving between phases are intended to be applied as targets, not hard-line measures. Where one target is not fully achieved, actions taken with a different target may offset a county's overall risk. Some of the metrics the secretary of health will evaluate in addition to other information provided by counties include:

COVID-19 activity: The ideal target for new cases will be 25 or fewer per 100,000 residents over a 14-day period. Hospitalizations for COVID should be flat or decreasing.

Healthcare system readiness: The available hospital

beds in a given jurisdiction would preferably be at less than 80 percent occupancy.

Testing: Counties should show they have adequate testing capacity, 50 times as many people per day as they have confirmed new cases per day - which equates to positive test results under 2%. They also need to show rapid turnaround time for test results, ensuring that we can work effectively to contain the virus.

Case and contact investigations: The goal is to contact 90 percent of cases by phone or in person within 24 hours of receipt of a positive lab test result. There is also a goal of reaching all that person's contacts within 48 hours of a positive test result. Additionally, there are goals to make contact with each case and contact during their home isolation or quarantine to help ensure their success.

Protecting high-risk populations: The ideal number of outbreaks reported by week— defined as two or more non-household cases where transmission occurred at work, in congregate living, or in an institutional setting - is zero for counties under 75,000, and no higher than three for our largest counties.

Requests to move into the next phase are reviewed by the secretary of health, who can approve the plan as submitted,

approve with modifications or deny the application. If circumstances change within the jurisdiction, the secretary of health can modify the current phase or move the county back into an earlier phase. A county can also identify when they need to return to an earlier phase or eliminate approved activities.

People in high-risk populations are strongly encouraged to limit their participation in these Phase II activities and business services. High-risk populations are currently defined by the CDC as: People in high-risk populations are strongly encouraged to limit their participation in these Phase II activities and business services. High-risk populations are currently defined by the CDC as:

- Persons 65 years of age and older;
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- People who have serious heart conditions,
- People who are immunocompromised,
- People with severe obesity,
- People with diabetes,
- People with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis, and
- People with liver disease; and
- People who live in a nursing home or long-term care facility

"If circumstances within Okanogan County change, the Secretary of Health can modify the current phase or move the county back into an earlier phase. Okanogan County officials can also identify if we need to return to an earlier phase or eliminate approved activities," states the agency.

On Monday, Public Health reported one new confirmed case of COVID-19 in the south part of the county. Added to the five cases of the virus in South County it reported on Friday, that brings the total number of confirmed cases in Okanogan County to 67 with 52 listed as recovering and two deaths since testing first began here. A

Of the 1780 samples sent for testing, 1667 had negative test results and there are 46 test results pending. With Monday's report, South County (Pateros to south of Malott) still has had the most confirmed cases by far, with 35. Mid-County (Malott to Riverside) has 13 confirmed cases, the Colville Reservation, 11, the Methow Valley, five and North County (north of Riverside to Oroville), three.

More information available [Learn more about reopening](https://www.okanogandem.org)

and the statewide response to COVID-19 at www.coronavirus.wa.gov.

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BLM march was quite impressive and surreal

It was impressive to see around 500 people marching through downtown Omak last Friday in support of the Black Lives Matter movement and protesting the death of George Floyd while in custody of four Minneapolis police officers.

The march started with speeches and an eight minutes and 46 seconds moment of silence at Civic League Park in memorial to Floyd, who died after a police officer knelt on his neck for that amount of time. Jeff Phillips, a transplant from Florida, who had married an Omak woman, said he recalled stories from his grandmother who faced racism while marching for civil rights when dogs were set on protesters in Alabama. "I'm an Omaker now and glad to see all colors here," he said. "Love always defeats hate." Later he said, "Black lives matter, but that doesn't mean all lives don't matter. So we made signs that say all lives matter." Before the march began he made a plea to his fellow protesters to not let anyone highjack the movement.

The marchers then headed down Central and wound their way to Main Street. To chants of "Black Lives Matter" and "George Floyd, George Floyd" and "I can't breathe," the group stretched nearly the length of downtown Omak.

We say surreal, because along Main Street there were several armed people, mostly men, who claimed to be there to protect the downtown businesses. It just isn't everyday you see people with semi-automatic rifles and pistols lining the sidewalks of one of our downtown communities or spotters with binoculars on rooftops. While some were maybe a little smirky, the heavily armed were respectful of the marchers' right to peaceably assemble and exercise their free speech rights. In turn, the marchers were respectful of these "protectors" right to bear arms. Rumors of busloads of rioters and looters heading to Omak, Tonasket and Oroville were being spread on the internet. One of the armed men said it's not over after the march, wait until tonight. Like we said, surreal.

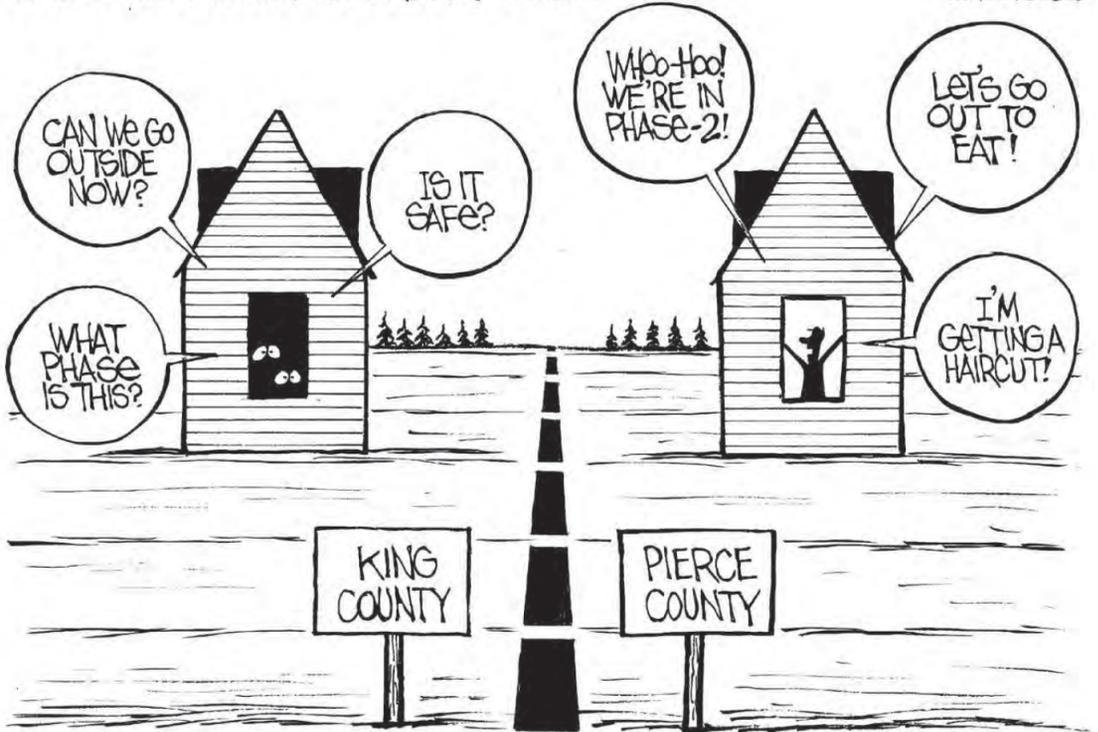
On the way back north from Omak, there were a few people sitting out on a nice evening with their guns in Tonasket, but we didn't see any in Oroville. Perhaps they were still in Omak waiting for the riot that never came. It looked like some were hoping for a confrontation but got words of peace instead. They just didn't get their chance to shoot a looter or a rioter.

Perhaps the most surreal moment came near the end of the protest, when the marchers had stopped in a parking lot. Phillips said, "All of you came out tonight and there hasn't been a window broken or a fight, even by those who didn't march." He expressed his appreciation to both the marchers and those who who were there to protect the businesses. At that point he and one of the armed men, Robert Thomas from Riverside, went to bump elbows in a shared gesture during this time of social distancing, but ended up in a long hug. It was one more memorable moment in a long line of them that day.



Out of My Mind
Gary A. DeVon

HOW EXACTLY DOES THIS MAKE ANY SENSE?



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Showed strength and tolerance

Dear Editor,

A demonstration was held in downtown Omak on the evening of June 4th, 2020 in support of the Black Lives Matter movement and the late George Floyd. Approximately 300 people participated in the peaceful demonstration which began around 5 p.m. and ended around 7:30 p.m.

A group of local business owners and other supporters, many of whom were armed, were present along Main and Central Streets prepared to protect businesses and participants from the violence and destruction that has occurred in several cities throughout the nation at other demonstrations. Local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies from through-out Okanogan County along with Lifeline Ambulance, Life Flight and Omak Fire formed a comprehensive response plan to both protect demonstrators and their right to express their concerns, as well as to preserve public safety during an emotionally charged event. No incidents occurred which required police or emergency services to respond during the demonstration.

Chief Jeff Koplin, Omak PD and Sheriff Hawley would like to thank all of the participants in the demonstration as well as the business district supporters for showing that the residents of Okanogan County demonstrate what it means to be strong, yet tolerant of other's views and accepting of differences.

Regards,
Undersheriff Aaron J. Culp
Okanogan County Sheriff's Office

Which Black lives matter?

Dear Editor,

"Brutal and disproportionate killings of persons of color and recent deaths of more black men and women in our nation." There is no "epidemic" of racist cops killing black suspects! It would take cops 40 years to kill as many black men as have died at the hands of others black men in 2012 alone. The number, 4,472. "You can have your own opinion, but you can't have your own facts." - Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan

CDC statistics show police killings of blacks declined almost 80 percent from the late '60s through the 2010s, while police killings of whites have flatlined. In 2015, under Obama, 38 police shootings of unarmed black men and 32 white. 2019 under "racist" Trump, nine and 19 whites! In recent years, about 50 cops have been shot and killed annually in the line of duty. So, more cops are killed each year than are unarmed black suspects. A police officer is 18.5 times more likely to be killed by a black male than an unarmed black male is to be killed by a police officer. All this with millions of U.S. police/civilian interactions per year!

No. 1 cause of preventable death for young white men is accidents, like car and drownings. The No. 1 reason for death,

preventable or otherwise, for young black men, is homicide. In 2018, there were approximately 7,400 black homicide victims, with 90 percent at the hands of another black man. More than half of the nation's total number of homicides, out of a black population of 13 percent. Black men making up 6 percent of the total population.

That "systemic racism" has been going on 400 years dishonors the 750,000 with more than 50 percent northern whites and blacks who died fighting a civil war to end it. Tragically, in recent riots, the Lincoln memorial and statue honoring black civil war soldiers, (the 54th regiment), were defaced. The soldier statue 123 years to the day it was dedicated! So much for public education!

With good intentions, the "war on poverty" was started in 1964 by Democrat President Lyndon Johnson. Remembering "the road to hell is paved with good intentions," trillions of dollars later, worse than ever. Where did all that money go? Certainly not to the inner cities and schools it was intended for. In fact, parts of cities destroyed in 1968 are still that way!

Last Republican mayor in Baltimore, 1967. Detroit, 1962. Philadelphia, 1952. Chicago, 1927. So what is life like for minorities in these cities? Mothers teach their children when you hear a loud noise, hit the floor or ground because it might be a gunshot. Sending your child off to school and praying they make it back home. Risking your life going to the local store, which are gone now after the riots, creating "food deserts!" Graduating from high school reading at a grade school level. Drug dealers and other criminals running your streets. This Memorial Day weekend, 85 people were shot and 25 killed in Chicago, with 18 happening in 24 hours, making it Chicago's deadliest day in 60 years with no cops involved! Do these black lives matter? In the recent "protests," a retired black fireman's put his life's savings into a bar. It was burned to the ground. 22 black police and citizens have been killed. Do you know their names? Do their lives matter? Freddie Gray died in Baltimore in 2015. The city was said to have a "systemic race problem" even though the mayor, police chief, most of the city council, the prosecuting attorney and half the officers involved were black. The judge before whom two officers tried their cases was black; the U.S. attorney general was black, as was the president of the United States. Hmmm.

The death of Floyd Brown was at the hand of an officer with 18 prior complaints in 19 years yet was still on the force. The last Republican mayor or city council member in Minneapolis was in 1974! So for all these years, these cities have been led by racists or incompetents! Which one? Who keep getting re-elected! The apparent insane solution? Dismantle the police departments! When police backed off in Baltimore in 2015, violent crime spiked with 344 murders, last reached in 1993 with 100,000 more residents! Cities are out of control on fire right now. Imagine the chaos with no cops at all in Democrat run cities across the country!

Leaving minorities in even more danger since most can't have guns. After 60+ years of civil rights, etc, \$15 trillion and even a group called Black Lives Matter, sadly, black lives matter less than they ever did. Incidentally, will the celebrities, politicians, etc, calling for disbanding, also give up their security or Secret Service?

And get off your knees! If you personally injured someone, ask their forgiveness. Human beings do not kneel before other human beings! You're not a "white supremacist" just because you are an American. You are not a "white supremacist" just because you are a police officer, (especially when you're a black police officer). These are scare tactics used to control good people. Incredibly, even cleaning up the mess makes you a racist! You can speak your mind and ask questions, and not only is it okay to do so but it's your right as an American. Concerning questions; isn't saying all whites are racist a racist comment? If "we're all one race" and the white part is allegedly racist, aren't the other parts racist too? The truth. Racism occurs in people of all colors and should always be condemned!

The American economy was destroyed to prevent the spread of COVID-19. If Black Lives Matter, why are protesters being encouraged to protest by the thousands breaking all COVID-19 rules, if blacks specifically are more likely to die from it, while churches and businesses cant even open to prevent the spread? When I said opening was worth the risk, the following week a letter stated, "livelihoods are important, but so is saving lives." Will we see one condemning the danger of mass protesting?

David Wolosik
Oroville

Amazing parents

Dear Editor,

I just want to take a minute to thank all my wonderful parents for all their help in finishing off our school year. This entire process could not have happened if not for them. Somehow, this experience has made me feel closer to the families than say a normal year. Communicating weekly with parents and students has really bonded the teacher, parent and student connection.

Not only are the parents tremendous, but our staff at Oroville Elementary has been amazing. The paraprofessionals, kitchen staff, bus drivers and the admin for putting all this together was truly incredible. Sending things home for kids to read was made easy because of them and their knowledge of what routes the kids were on. Thanks again.

Sarah Gilliam, thanks for all your organizational skills that really made this remote learning run smooth. You are great to work with and will be missed by our staff.

Kids, keep being the great superstars that you are and we all look forward to seeing you in school again.

"sbagliando si impara"
Todd Mathews
First Grade Teacher
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Father's Day a special day to remember your dad

A glance at the calendar shows me that Father's Day is coming up. Gives you folks that are fortunate to still have a dad on the scene to do something special for him. My father has been gone for many years but there is never a day that I don't think of him, one way or another. He was so special to many, but especially to me.

Some years ago when I was interviewing the late Mr. Art Blackler he told me that although he was 90 years old, he loved learning new words and new things. Therefore, he really enjoyed Jeopardy on TV. I too, past 90, still learn new things quite often. For instance last week while channel-surfing, on one of the sports stations, I came across a game called Footvolleyball, which is played on a beach in the sand. Very similar to beach volleyball, except the players cannot use their hands. The game I watched was between the U.S. and Brazil and believe it or not, the U.S. won. Sorry, Marco. (My Brazilian son)

For a lady in distress, like me last week, over tire problems. Les Schwab is very helpful. Glad they are so near my address.

"The time is always right, to do what is right." (Dr. Martin L. King quote)

Growing up as a farm "brat," I hated it. Smelly cows and pigs, goats, and dumb chickens and lots of dirty work. But, how thankful I am for farmers who provide so much of what goes on our tables, both the growers and the harvesters and the truck drivers that get the stuff where it needs to go. I know we've all had surprise phone calls,



THIS & THAT
Joyce Emry

when we could. She was always so friendly and happy, when in reality we all knew her problems, but she continued to make the delicious foods we enjoyed so much.

If you drive on 21st Ave., as you go by my house you will see the most beautiful orange California poppies, by the dozens. They just did it all by themselves. My flower pots are usually filled at Mother's Day by one of my daughters, but she didn't get to do her job this year, due to the virus thing. I even saw someone stop their car and take a photo of the "blaze of glory."

As has been repeated, so many things are affected by the virus.... I don't know how many have ever heard of the College of the Ozarks. It is a unique college to help those who qualify (financially) and the students work to help make ends

meet. They have a dairy, restaurants, bakeries and many other types of businesses. When the students were sent home it left a lot of jobs and no workers. They are trying to carry on, but it's rough. It is called the college of hard work. It is located close to Branson, Missouri and very interesting to visit. One of the major money makers is their fruit cakes. They make hundreds and mail them near and far.

People keep asking me if the Eders still have buffalo. I guess I should call and get an answer, but on driving by I did see three... two adults and one young one.

I have too many notes and today I am trying to throw out the ones I've used and get organized... a little bit. I don't think I've written that a racoon recently walked by my house, went on to Shaw's and was seen to have a young one in its mouth. So, keep the lid on your garbage can or you might end up with a mess to pick up.

How many remember the Oroville State Bank? I've been going through files and found a note written on an old blank check. Remember when you could grab a check from the lobby and write a check in the bank? My late husband would say, "Yeah, that was when a handshake was as solid as a signature" and now we aren't allowed handshakes. Something is wrong with this picture, right? And guess where the checks were printed? Right here in Oroville at the old Gazette office.

So, Okanogan County has been relegated to Phase II, whatever that means. Hopefully includ-

evening of sun with delicious hors d'oeuvres, live music, and wine available for purchase from the winery. There will be a purse auction and raffle throughout the evening. Bring your family, friends and coworkers to enjoy out bidding them. It promises to be a great time to kick off the summer. The Support Center assists victims of crime in our community/county.

attendees will hear from the author and then have an opportunity to submit questions through the chat feature for the author to answer live.

Wine, Women & Purses
OMAK — This is a benefit for The Support Center at Rockwall Cellars in Omak on June 25 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Come enjoy an

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Oroville Senior News

We are continuing to deliver or have picked up lunch meals at the Center as per prior order by phone on the day of the lunch by 9:15 a.m. at 509-476-2412.

We are proud to be of service to our Senior community through the OCTN lunch program and base for transportation in North County.

The menu for Thursday, June 11th - Lemon Pepper Fish; Friday, June 12th - BBQ Chicken; Tuesday, June 16th - Chicken Fried Steak and Thursday, June 18th - Chicken Parmesan.

Check out our website at: <http://seniorcenter98844.com> or see our Facebook page at: Oroville - WA Senior Citizens.

Enjoy the great summer weather while you can. Until next week.

—Raleigh Chinn
Senior Center Reporter

Hilltop Comments

We've had so much rain lately that things are growing fast. It seems like the lawn gets mowed and needs it again in a couple days. It also seems like it's been a cool spring. I've had only one day where the house got a little too warm in the evening. I'm not complaining, just commenting.

Yay, church is now in session. At least the one that I attend as it's small to begin with. I have missed it as my internet is so slow that I can't access the sermons online.

Phase 2 means that we can have Grange meetings again. We met Wednesday, June 10 and will meet again July 8. Maybe we can have some other Grange activities soon.

Judy Howletts called and wanted people to know that she has veggie starts at Highland Meadows on Nealey Road. She also has Tumbling Tomato baskets. In addition, she is a good one to go to for advice on gardening, especially up here on the hill where it is more difficult to grow things.

This week's recipe is from the Molson Highlands Cookbook. If any of you went to school in Oroville 40 to 60 years ago and had one of the many Morris kids in your class, it was always a treat when Mrs. Florence Morris made doughnuts for any class party.

Raised Doughnuts: 2 cups buttermilk, 5 Tbls. sugar, 1 1/2 tsp. salt, 1 1/2 tsp. soda, 2 packages yeast, 3 eggs, 5 Tbls. margarine, 1 tsp. nutmeg and 5 cups flour, enough to make soft non-sticky dough. Glaze: 1 cup powdered sugar, 3 Tbls. cream, 1 tsp. maple or vanilla flavoring.

Heat buttermilk until warm. Add sugar, salt and soda; stir. Add yeast and stir until dissolved. Add eggs and melted shortening and half of flour and nutmeg. Mix until well blended. Add remaining flour and knead. Put into a greased bowl. Let rise until double. Punch down and let rise again for 30 minutes. Roll out and cut for doughnuts or maple bars. Let rise again. Fry in deep hot fat. When slightly cooled dip in glaze.

Last week George and Willie Penner, Vicky Didenhover and I

drove to Odessa to a quilt shop that is going out of business. What a fun time we had buying fabric at 40 percent off. We all bought lots, some more than others, huh, George? We had lunch at the golf course and it was very good.

—Joanie Emry Raymond
Highland Correspondent

UPCOMING

Tonasket Farmers Market

TONASKET — The Tonasket Farmers Market is Thursday, June 11 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Triangle Park. Due to COVID-19, the Market will follow state and county rules and best practices. There will be a curbside program for those who do not want to come into the park. Park by the cement building on Western Ave. near the "Curbside Order-Pickup" sign, phone number to call for service. A Market rep will come and take customers written list of what they want with quantities, fill the order and bring the food and bill to the car; customer pays one total amount and the Market reimburses the various vendors.

Oroville Farmers' Market

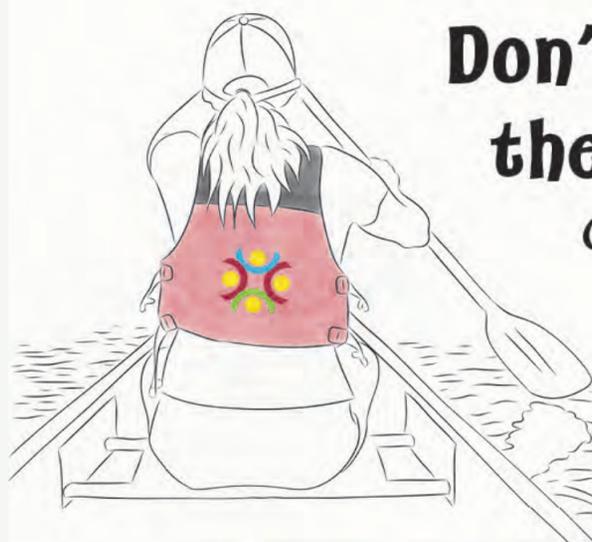
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Farmers' Market is Saturday, June 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Vendors are set up along the sidewalks. The Market is at Madeline Wells Park, behind the Oroville Public Library. Due to COVID-19, the Market will follow state and county rules and best practices. For more information, text or call OMA market manager, Maria Corrales-Rubio, 509-557-9747.

Author Kristin Hannah

North Central Regional Library will host NCRL Reads Virtual Author Series for adults this summer. On Tuesday, June 23 at 4 p.m. the author is Kristin Hannah. She is an award-winning and bestselling author of more than 20 novels including the international blockbusters, *The Nightingale*, as well as *Winter Garden*, *Night Road* and *Firefly Lane*. Her novel, *The Nightingale*, has been published in 43 languages and is currently in movie production by TriStar Pictures, which also optioned her novel, *The Great Alone*. She is a former-lawyer-turned writer who lives in the Pacific Northwest with her husband. Learn more at www.kristinhannah.com. To participate, register through NCRL's online calendar at www.ncrl.org. Registrants will receive an email with the Zoom meeting information. During each event,

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Annual renewal CUP 2016-2
One-year review CUP 2019-2
The Okanogan County Office of the Hearing Examiner has scheduled a public hearing...

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Pit.
CUP 2016-2 allows the operation of an animal (dog) rescue/kennel at 32900H Highway 97, Oroville WA 98844.
CUP 2019-2 allows the operation of a gravel pit that also does asphalt batching and concrete batching...

Okanogan County Notice of Final Decision

Project: Exempt Segregation - Parcel 3421230057
Proponent: Moccasin Lake Ranch #1 INC
Decision: Approved
The Okanogan County Office of Planning and Development approved the above-noted project.

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Notice of Final SEPA Determination and Hearing Date
CUP 2018-1 Aircraft Hangar
Notice is hereby given that an application has been submitted by Paul Christen on behalf of Carla Larsen to permit two aircraft hangers in accordance with Okanogan County Code 17A.220.010.

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NOTICE OF Application and public hearing
Dietrich pier Shoreline variance 2020-1
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing has been scheduled in front of the Okanogan County Hearing Examiner to consider an application received from Al Dietrich, Goldyn Investments for a variance from shoreline dock length requirements...

Okanogan County Notice of Final Decision

Project: Boundary Line Adjustment
(parcel 3125270029 & 3125270030)
Proponent: Shawn & Klancy O'Connell
Decision: Approved
The Okanogan County Office of Planning and Development approved the above-noted project.

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In re the Estate of: ALLAN LEE LEMON, Deceased.
NO. 20-4-0003224
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- 2. Stay out of its way!
3. Pelvic parts
4. Tennis great Chris...
5. Particular arrangement
6. Away from wind
7. *Mother's favorite gift?
8. Ancient marketplace
9. Part of a scheme
10. No neatnik
11. Sushi restaurant soup
12. One-pot meal
13. Like the States
20. *One of the Gilmore girls
22. Hill dweller
24. One-eyed giants
25. *She played Forrest Gump's mother
26. May edition, e.g.
27. *Worn atop the Queen Mother
29. Denials
31. Nike's "Just ___"
32. Private
33. "Take it back!"
34. *Mother in KrakUw
36. Lard cousin
38. October birthstone
42. Plural of sputum
45. Rundown
49. Bottom line
51. Kind of ungulate, pl.
54. Where you'll find AM
56. Living room centerpiece?
57. Gamecock's spur
58. *Greek goddess of fertility
59. Bald eagle's nest
60. *Mums' mums
61. Opposite of cheer
62. International Civil Aviation Org.
63. Puppet precursor, possibly
66. *Female gametes
68. Caff alternative

ANSWERS grid

- ACROSS
1. *Ali Baba and the Forty... sing.
6. Eureka!
9. Schools of thought
13. Sound of artillery
14. Car nut
15. Without illumination
16. Nosey one
17. Kind of trip?
18. Lasso loop
19. *Little Women's mom
21. *Tracee Ellis Ross on TV
23. ___ o' shanter
24. Quitter's word
25. Like a fiddle?
28. Like Charles Dickens'
Tim
30. Quarantine state
35. *Egyptian goddess of fertility
37. Insane, in Spain
39. Mother or daughter, in Italy
40. *Biblical Rebecca's son
41. Online reviews
43. Research facil.
44. Fisherman's decoys
46. Daytime entertainment
47. Furniture wood
48. End of the road, pl.
50. Blatant promotion
52. Swedish shag rug
53. Yours and mine
55. Little squirt
57. *Mother's mom
61. *She fought for Mother's Day, then against it
64. In advance
65. *Bambi's mom
67. Fancy tie
69. Less than fernier
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING INTERIM OKANOGAN COUNTY CODE REVISIONS

OCC 17A.400.130 (1) WATER AVAILABILITY STUDY AREA UPPER TUNK, LOWER TUNK, TAMARACK SPRINGS BASIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Okanogan Board of County Commissioners will conduct a public hearing on June 23, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. to take public testimony regarding ordinance 2020-3 approved on June 02, 2020 that adopted interim code revisions to OCC 17A.400 Water Availability Study Areas. The public hearing is scheduled to meet the procedural requirements found in RCW 36.70.795. The interim code revisions amend OCC 17A.400.130 by identifying the Upper Tunk, Lower Tunk, and Tamarack Springs Basin in WRIA #49 as water availability study areas. The effect of this decision is to prohibit the application for land divisions in order to study water availability in the identified sub-basins. The interim code revisions will undergo environmental review and be scheduled for additional public hearings before the Okanogan County Regional Planning Commission followed by the Okanogan Board of County Commissioners.

The public hearing will be conducted on June 23, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium in the Virginia Grainger Building in Okanogan, WA. Verbal testimony will be taken with a time limit of 3 minutes per speaker. Written comments may be submitted at the hearing. Written comments will be accepted prior to the hearing and may be submitted in writing or electronically to Lalena Johns, Clerk of the Board, at 123 5th Ave N Ste 150, Okanogan, WA 98840 or at ljohns@co.okanogan.wa.us. Date of publishing is June 10 and 11, 2020.

A copy of the interim code revisions may be viewed on the Okanogan County Planning Department website at www.okanogancounty.org/planning. Information regarding this proposal can be obtained from: Okanogan County Office of Planning and Development, Pete Palmer, Director of Planning, 123 5th Avenue North, Suite 130 Okanogan, WA 98840 (509)422-7218 or spalmer@co.okanogan.wa.us. Published in the Methow Valley News June 10, 2020; Okanogan Valley Gazette-Tribune June 11, 2020. OVG900488

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF WASHINGTON AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH

Estate of: KENT A. MARSON, Deceased.
Case No.: 20-4-00733-31
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent that arose before the Decedent's death must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (a) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor, as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.51 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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Public Hearing Six Year Transportation Improvement Program City of Tonasket

The Tonasket City Council will hold a public hearing during the regular Council meeting on June 23, 2020. This meeting will be held virtually. The purpose of the hearing is to review and possibly adopt the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for the years 2021 - 2026. Interested persons are invited to attend virtually. The information to access the meeting will be on the City's website prior to the meeting.
Alice J. Attwood
City Clerk-Treasurer
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a public hearing will be held on June 16, 2020 at 11:00 A.M., in the Okanogan County Commissioners hearing room, located at 123 5th Ave North, Room 150, Okanogan Washington

regarding an application for a 50-year franchise by Colville Confederated Tribal Fisheries, to construct, operate, and maintain water lines. Franchise is located within the county right-of-way of beginning at MP 0.230 on OCR 3358, Brooks Tracts Road and traveling east to MP ± 0.400. Members of the public may comment on this proposal. All written comments must be received prior to the start of the public hearing in order to be entered into the record. Testimonies will be heard during the Public Hearing at the above time and location. Please send written comments to Okanogan County Department of Public Works, Anna Randall, 1234A 2nd Ave. S., Okanogan WA 98840 or email to arandall@co.okanogan.wa.us. Dated May 28, 2020 at Okanogan, Washington. Josh Thomson, P.E. County Engineer
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PUBLIC NOTICE ORDINANCE NO. 891 AN ORDINANCE extending the emergency declaration in the City of Oroville due to COVID-19 through July 7, 2020, or sooner if the Oroville City Council determines that the extraordinary measures contained herein are no longer required for the protection of the public peace, safety and welfare of the City of Oroville. The above summary is of an ordinance adopted by the Oroville City Council during the June 2, 2020 regular meeting. Entire copies of the ordinance may be obtained at the Oroville City Hall, 1308 Ironwood, during normal working hours (Monday - Friday, 7:30 - 4:00).
ATTEST: JoAnn L. Denney, Clerk-Treasurer
Pub.: Okanogan Valley Gazette-Tribune June 11, 2020
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Public Hearing Notice NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners have set a Public Hearing for 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 and will be held in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comment for or against the consideration of a budget supplemental appropriation within the Crime Victims Fund 129 in the amount of \$19,698. The funds are from Grant money that will now be correctly stated in the 2020 budget. The hearing will be held in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room located at 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington. Persons wishing to comment may attend the hearing or submit their comments in writing to the Commissioners' Office at 123 5th Avenue North, Rm 150, Okanogan, Washington 98840. Published in the Methow Valley News June 3, 10, 2020; Okanogan Valley Gazette-Tribune June 4, 11, 2020. OVG899936

PUBLIC NOTICE SIX YEAR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Notice is hereby given that the Oroville City Council will hold a public hearing for the purpose of reviewing and adopting the Six Year Transportation Program for the years 2021-2026, at 7:00 pm, Tuesday, June 16, 2020. Pursuant to Proclamation 20-28 issued by Governor Insee on March 24, 2020 and further amended, which prohibits in person meetings, attendance to this regular meeting is only allowed via speakerphone; call in number is 800-366-4519.
ATTEST: JoAnn L. Denney, Clerk-Treasurer
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INVITATION TO BID Sealed bids for the 2020 Landfill Crush Project, will be received by Okanogan County at the Office of the Board of County Commissioners, located on the first floor of the Grainger Administration Building, 123 Fifth Avenue North, Room 150, Okanogan, Washington. Mailed proposals must be received by no later than the last working day prior to the bid opening date. Hand carried proposals will be received only by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners at the address stated above until 11:00:00AM Pacific Time, Tuesday June 23,

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2020 and will then and there be opened and publicly read. No facsimiles or electronic proposals will be accepted. All bid proposals shall be accompanied by a bid proposal deposit by certified check, cashier's check or surety bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such bid proposal. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish a satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to Okanogan County. Project Specifications are available at the office of the County Engineer, 1234A 2nd Ave. South, Okanogan, WA 98840 or contact the Contracts Administrator at 509-422-7333. Bid proposals must be submitted on the original documents provided in the accompanying bid packet.

Informational Project Specifications are also available on the County website at www.okanogancounty.org/PW and in various plan centers located in Washington.

The County of Okanogan in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it

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will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex, in consideration for an award. The Board of Commissioners of Okanogan County, reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities in the bidding. The award of this contract, if made, will be to the lowest responsible bidder. This Contract provides for the production of 75,000 tons of Crushed Landfill Cover Material including haul to stockpile, and other work including Site Reclamation. The Contractor shall excavate 15,000 tons of material from the excavation site shown in Exhibit A, haul to crush site to be crushed and stockpiled. The remaining 60,000 tons of cover material will be crushed out of the crush site and stockpiled as shown in Exhibit A, all in accordance with the attached Contract Plans, Contract Provisions, and the Standard Specifications. Published in the Methow Valley News June 3, 10, 2020; Okanogan Valley Gazette-Tribune June 4, 11, 2020. OVG899916



Sudoku

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

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

ANSWERS

1	2	9	8	4	6	1	5	7
1	6	8	2	5	7	4	9	3
5	4	1	8	3	7	2	6	9
9	5	2	1	8	3	7	6	4
6	8	1	7	2	4	9	5	3
5	7	2	4	9	6	8	1	3
4	9	7	6	1	8	5	2	3
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SATURDAY JUNE 1, 2019 AT 3:00PM @ TONASKET HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
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college students on a wilderness canoe trip — a gripping tale of friendship tested by fire, white water, and violence. He has also written *Celine, The Painter and The Dog Stars*. His non-fiction work includes *Kook, The Whale Warriors, Hell or High Water* and *Catching the Perfect Wave*. Heller is a longtime contributor to NPR and a former contributing editor at Outside Magazine, Men's Journal, and National Geographic Adventure. He holds an MFA from the Iowa Writers' Workshop in poetry and fiction and lives in Denver, CO. Learn more at www.peterheller.net. To participate, register through NCRL's online calendar at www.ncrl.org. Registrants will receive an email with the Zoom meeting information. During each event, attendees will hear from the author and then have an opportunity to submit questions through the chat feature for the author to answer live.

Author Blake Crouch

North Central Regional Library will host a NCRL Reads Virtual Author Series for adults this summer. On Tuesday, July 28 at 7 p.m., Blake Crouch will be the guest. Crouch is a bestselling novelist and screenwriter. He is the author of the novel, *Dark Matter*, for which he is writing the screenplay for Sony Pictures. His international-bestselling *Wayward Pines* trilogy was adapted into a television series for FOX. With Chad Hodge, Crouch also created *Good Behavior*, the

TNT television show starring Michelle Dockery based on his Letty Dobesh novellas. He has written over a dozen novels that have been translated into over thirty languages. Crouch lives in Colorado. Learn more at www.blakecrouch.com. To participate, register through NCRL's online calendar at www.ncrl.org. Registrants will receive an email with the Zoom meeting information. During each event, attendees will hear from the author and then have an opportunity to submit questions through the chat feature for the author to answer live.

Food Banks

NORTH COUNTY — The Tonasket Food Bank operates every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 101 Hwy. 97 N. For more information, contact Debbie Roberts at 509-486-2192. The Oroville Food Bank operates every Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., excluding holidays, in the basement of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. For more info call Sarah Umana at 509-476-2386.

Listing your event: Events can be listed up to two weeks before it occurs. If space allows, it may be included prior to the two week limit. Our online calendar at www.gazette-tribune.com allows events to be listed for longer periods. Calendar items must include day, date, time and location and a contact number. Currently our online calendar is undergoing changes and is unavailable. Send submissions for the print edition to editor@gazette-tribune.com or *Gazette-Tribune*, P.O. Box 250, Oroville, WA 98844.

Oroville High School held virtual graduation June 6

Parade planned for graduates in July

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OROVILLE - If you missed Oroville High Schools virtual graduation ceremony on June 6, you can still watch the Class of 2020 receive their diplomas online on YouTube.

To watch go to <https://youtu.be/DxEXLnQ2mKY> or access the video through the school district's website at <https://oroville.wednet.edu> or Facebook page (Oroville School District #410 - Oroville Washington) and choose the Oroville High School Graduation Facebook Event.

OHS has set the date of July 18, 2020 as the date when it will provide a graduation parade for the OHS Graduating Class of 2020. The target date could change depending on where the county is at in the state's phased reopening plan.

Option A, which is contingent on the county being moved into Phase 4 by the state

Department of Health, would have the graduates stage with the parade and riding on a senior float in caps and gowns. The float would stop in the center of town, by the public library where each senior would be announced and asked to stand and be recognized, one at a time. After the parade, the graduates would meet on the football field for graduation photos with family and friends.

Option B, would be used if the county continued in Phase 2, which was announced last Friday. If the county had moved to Phase 3, Option B would be the same with a few alterations. In this option, there would be a parade on July 18, whether May Festival holds one or not. Each seniors would be given two vehicle passes: One pass will be for the vehicle that the senior is in with immediate family members, the second pass will be for one extended family household. This follows the mandate set by Gov. Inslee and also follows Okanogan County Public Health's guidelines. All

attendees must remain in their vehicles at all times.

"In accordance with Washington Department of Health and Okanogan County Health guidelines, to ensure that this is followed, local police and parking lot attendants will ask anyone that does not follow this guideline to get back into their vehicles or they will be asked to leave," says a statement from the school district.

Vehicles containing seniors will navigate the parade route which will start at the high school at 11 a.m. and end back at high school by 12 p.m. Once the parade concludes, all vehicles will need to disperse immediately.

This year's valedictorian is David Ray and the co-salutatorians are Christina Herrick and Edwin Garcia. See next week's issue of the *Gazette-Tribune* for any updates, a list of the scholarships awarded to the graduates and the senior tribute section with photos of this year's graduates from Oroville and Tonasket.

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<p>OROVILLE</p> <p>Faith Lutheran Church 11th & Ironwood, Oroville • 476-2426 Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m. "O taste and see that the Lord is good!" Supervising Chuck Cooley • Deacon Dave Wildermuth Lent Wednesday</p> <p>Immaculate Conception Catholic Church 12:30 p.m. English Mass every Sunday 2:00 p.m. Spanish Mass every Sunday 4 p.m.-4:45 p.m. Adoration and Confession Tuesdays 5:00 p.m. Weekday English Mass Tuesdays Father Luta Nsubuga • 509-476-2110</p> <p>Oroville United Methodist Come Worship with us at 10 a.m. 908 Fir, Oroville 476-2681</p> <p>Valley Christian Fellowship 142 Eastside Oroville Rd. 509-476-2028 Pastor Randy McAllister Sunday: 9:15am Morning Prayer 10:00 am Sunday School (Adults, Teens, & Children) 11:00 am Worship & Main Service 11:00 am Children's Church K-6th Grade 6:00pm Sunday Evening Life Groups (Call for more info) Wednesday Evening: 5:00 to 6:00pm Dinner for Children 6:30pm Service & Children's Classes Thursday: 2:30pm Cross Class w/Pastor Randy Friday: 10:30am to 12:30pm Questions & Answers w/ Pastor Randy</p> <p>Trinity Episcopal 602 Central Ave., Oroville Sunday School & Services 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: 1st, 3rd, & 5th Morning Prayer: 2nd & 4th • Healing Service: 1st Sunday The Reverend Marilyn Wilder 476-3629 Warden • 476-2022</p> <p>Church of Christ Ironwood & 12th, Oroville • 509-476-3214 Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11a.m. Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Seventh-Day Adventist 10th & Main, Oroville - 509-476-2552 Bible Study: Sat. 9:30 a.m. • Worship: Sat. 11 a.m. Pastor Dan Cole • 208-640-1265 Online Services at orovilleadventists.org</p> <p>Oroville Free Methodist 1516 Fir Street • 509-476.2311 Sunday School 9:15 am • Worship Service 10:15am office@orovillefmc.org • Pastor Rod Brown</p>	<p>LOOMIS</p> <p>Loomis Community Church Main Street in Loomis 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Service Pastor Keith Singer Information: 509-223-3542</p> <p>CHESAW</p> <p>Chesaw Community Bible Church Nondenominational • Everyone Welcome Every Sunday 10:30 a.m. to Noon</p> <p>Highlands Vineyard Church Service 11 am Sunday • Pastors Mike and Beth Bricker 2035 Chesaw Rd (above the mercantile) In The Upper Room 509-425-2397</p> <p>TONASKET</p> <p>Tonasket Bible Church 10 6th East and Whitcomb • 509-429-2948 Pastor Stephen Williams • www.tonasketbiblechurch.org Sun. Worship Service 9:30 am Sun. Christian Education Hour 11am • Sun. Eve. Service 6pm "SANCTIFY THEM IN TRUTH; YOUR WORD IS TRUTH." JOHN 17:17</p> <p>Holy Rosary Catholic Church 7:30 am English Mass every Sunday 7:00 p.m. Spanish Vigil Mass every Saturday Father Luta Nsubuga 509-476-2110</p> <p>Immanuel Lutheran Church 1608 Havillah Rd., Tonasket • 509-485-3342 Sun. Worship 9 a.m. • Bible Study & Sun. School 10:15 "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--not by works, so that no one can boast." -Eph. 2:8-9 "Joining Jesus, we live in God's love, sharing His Word and serving others"</p> <p>Crossroads Meeting Place Tonasket Foursquare Church 415-A S. Whitcomb Ave. • Pastor George Conkle Sunday: 10 a.m. (509) 486-2000 • cell: (509) 429-1663</p> <p>Tonasket Community UCC 24 E. 4th, Tonasket • 486-2181 "A biblically based, thoughtful group of Christian People" Sunday Worship at 11:15 a.m.</p> <p>Ellisforde Church of the Brethren 32116 Hwy. 97, Tonasket. 10 am Sunday School. 10:30 am Worship Service "Continuing the work of Jesus...simply, peacefully, together" Pastor Debbie Roberts, 509-486-3541 <i>Open doors affirming diversity and welcoming to all</i></p> <p>Baha'i Faith Devotions and fellowship every other Saturday at 2 p.m. at The Hillside Apartments in the Community room. 515 Tonasket Ave. Tonasket, WA 98855. Call (509) 476-3839 for more information.</p>
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