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Firefighters kickoff their giving season



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CLE ELUM - Kittitas County Fire District-7 Public Education Officer Kristin Carlson announced a twomonth drive culminated last week with the delivery of donations to Cle Elum-Roslyn Elementary School and Swiftwater Learning Center.

"The theme of the drive was basic needs - gym shoes, socks, underwear, pants and backpacks to name a few items.

"Participating in the drive and the delivery were volunteer firefighters from District-7 and District-6 in Ronald, along with the paid firefighters with District-7 and Medic One representing the Upper Kittitas County Professional IAFF Local 5180.'

She said others who helped with donations included private families from Cle Elum and REMAX Integrity in Cle Elum represented by Kitty Wallace and Robin Laskcody.

Donations exceeded \$2,000 and were delivered on Monday, Nov. 8.

Winter coats drive

Carlson said the same three groups of first responders are collecting donations of new winter coats Nov. 26-28 at Suncadia's Winterfest.

"Dropoff locations include District-7's Station 73 off I-90's Golf Course Road exit. Station 76 in Cle Elum on 31 Firehouse Road, and the District-6 station in Ronald.

"We welcome everyone to

Scouts saluting



SCOUTS from Ellensburg Troop 413 were in Cle Elum Thursday, Nov. 11, in honor of Veteran's Day. They deploy the flags in Cle Elum for five major holidays: Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Vet-

Have you registered your float for Cle Elum's Christmas Parade?

CLE ELUM - Saturday, Dec. 4, at 6pm. the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual Christmas Parade & Fireworks Show. The theme this year is Elves.

Lineup and late registration start at 4:30pm on Railroad Street. Judging starts at 5:15pm for first, second and third places.

The parade column moves from Bullitt to Pennsylvania Avenue traveling westward on First Street. Fireworks start at 7:00 pm. Questions? E-mail matt@kittitascountychamber.com or call him at 509-925-2002. Register online before Dec. 1 with a visit to https://tinyurl.com/ph565za9 and your float number will be emailed to you on Dec. 3. At that link, you'll also find more instructions and information.

Putnam Centennial Center gearing up for Christmas Bazaar, and holiday drive for food and gifts

CLE ELUM – Third Street's Putnam Centennial Center Executive Director Susan Klein is busy at this writing preparing for the Center's two annual holiday events.

"On Saturday, Dec. 4, from 9am to 4pm," she said, "we'll have 40-plus people set up in the ballroom for our Christmas Bazaar.

"Featured this vear are wide variety of things, including homemade crafts, Christmas decorations and wreaths, home-canned foods, t-shirts customized for you on the spot, jewelry, and so much more. Everyone is invited. Hope to see you all there!"

a public affair, is the Center's Christmas Food Baskets and Gifts for Children project.

This is how we help families in need. Everyone is welcome to drop off donations of unexpired canned foods or monetary donations. Make checks payable to the Putnam Centennial Center."

She said another source of revenues for this project is the Center's Penny Drive.

"We've got donation cans distributed all over town in various businesses. All that money we use to buy gifts for children and food for their families."

Questions? Call the Center at 509-674-7530.



