Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

February 18, 2019
6:30 p.m.
Putnam Centennial Center, Kiwannis Room
719 E. 3rd St., Cle Elum, WA 98922

AGENDA

I. **Introductions**

II. **Approval of Agenda**

III. **Approval of Minutes**
   a. January 21, 2018*

IV. **Public Comments/Announcements/Correspondence**

V. **Reports:**
   a. Operations Report (G. Scherer)
   b. Superintendent's Report (J. Petersen)
   c. Ancillary Report (R. Holden)
   d. Finance Report, Approval of Expenses* (S. Olander)
   e. Open Door Clinic Report
   f. Ambulance Garage

VI. **Old Business**

VII. **New Business**
   a. Next Meeting Date: March 18, 2019

VIII. **Executive Session RCW 42.30.110(h)**

IX. **Adjournment**

Key:
*Action Item

Kittitas County Public Hospital District #2

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date:	Monday: January 21, 2019
Minutes of:	Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Meeting Place:	Putnam Centennial Center, Cle Elum, WA
Minutes Submitted By:	Scott Olander, Treasurer

Call to Order:
Regular Meeting: Call to order made by Commissioner Rogalski at 6:30 p.m.

Introductions:
Commissioners: Floyd Rogalski, Hartwig Vatheuer, Fred Benjamin, Kevin Nicholson. Superintendent: Julie Petersen; Treasurer: Scott Olander; Ancillary Operations: Rhonda Holden; EMS Manager: Geoff Scherer; Michele Wurl: Community Relations; Retiring Treasurer: Libby Allgood.

Approval of Agenda:
Action: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Vatheuer and seconded by Commissioner Nicholson. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:
Action: A motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Regular meeting was made by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. Motion carried.

Public Comments/Announcements/Correspondence:

Operations Report:
The Commissioners reviewed the written operations report for December 2018. Geoff Scherer noted that December was a busy month. Also noted was that there is a process in place to work with Snoqualmie Fire District regarding dispatch and response.

Superintendent's Report:
The Commissioners reviewed the written report for December 2018. Julie Petersen reported on the clinic damage due to flood. She referred to a complete report on the incident that was included in the Board packet. Julie recommended that the Board consider hiring an independent building inspector to check repairs after completed. It was agreed that Julie will work with Ron Urlacher, Director Facilities KVH, and bring forward a list of recommended inspectors.

Ancillary Report:
The Commissioners reviewed the written report for December 2018. Rhonda also noted that Putnam Centennial Senior Center had not charged for use of space for the Board meeting or for temporary space for Physical Therapy Services after clinic flood.

Finance Report:
The financial statements for December 2018 were reviewed by the Commissioners, including a review of actual versus budgeted revenue and expense variances.

Action: A motion to approve the checks for December was made by Commissioner Vatheuer and seconded by Commissioner Nicholson. Motion carried.

Action: A motion to approve the 2019 Budget Amendment was made by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. Motion carried.

Open Door Clinic:
Open Door volume repost was reviewed by the Commissioners.

Ambulance Garage:
The commissioners reviewed the ambulance garage design component worksheet previously completed by Geoff and the staff. Julie and Rhonda will communicate with architects regarding the design and will request that they attend the March meeting for preliminary design discussions.

Old Business:
Michele Wurl led discussion on process for appointment of a new commissioner. She provided a proposed schedule including advertisements and screening. Commissioners Nicholson and Benjamin will screen applications prior to scheduling interviews.

Resolution 01-21-19-01, Appointment of Scott Olander as Treasurer, was presented by Julie. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Commissioner Vatheuer and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. The motion carried.

New Business:
A request for authorization to purchase capital items totaling $55,000 to stock the new ambulance was presented. A motion to approve the request was made by Commissioner Nicholson and seconded by Commissioner Benjamin. The motion carried.

There was discussion regarding need for an additional new ambulance. Commissioner Benjamin requested that Geoff obtain a quote for an ambulance to bring on line in early 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Vatheuer and seconded by Commissioner Nicholson to retain current board officers for 2019, President: Floyd Rogalski; Vice President/Secretary: Hartwig Vatheuer. Motion carried.

Next regular meeting date: February 18, 2019. Location to be confirmed prior to meeting.

Announcements:

Executive Session:

There was no executive session.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m. by Commissioner Rogalski

Operation's Manager Report – January 2019

	January 2019	January 2018
Incidents	91	95
Patient Count	96	99
Patient Transports	74	67
Patient Refusals	16	20
Year to Date Transports	74	67
Station #73 Transports	37	
Station # 99 Transports	33	
Passed Calls	0	

No. of Stipend Shifts	
District #7	3
Other	3
Cle Elum FD	0
Monthly Total	6

PERSONNEL

Stipend shifts increased to 6 this month, with 3 EMT's taking part in the overnight program. One of the EMT's was offered a fulltime firefighter job at District 7 and will no longer be doing stipend shifts with the HD#2. I will hold off on offering a per-diem position to a Paramedic so I can monitor this year's budget more closely.

APPARATUS

Will be going to Braun in Chehalis on February 20th for inspection and pickup of new ambulance. I will be looking in to finding a space to park our back up rigs, until the new station is built. M4 had batteries replaced, it has over 130,000 miles and has been remounted once, Braun is putting together a quote for the next ambulance build.

Year	Unit	Beg ODO	End ODO	Miles	Location	Comments
2019	M7					Build
2016	M6	68,525	71,156	2,631	Station 99	In Use
2016	M5	103,434	106,309	2,875	Station 93	In Use
2014	M4	130,244	131,429	1,185	Station 99	Back Up

MISCELLANEOUS

- MCI on January 4th, crews helped with patient transports and medical command, Eastside Fire and Rescue assisted with incident providing medical transport and taking over medical command. Both crews and I attended the after-action review at SPFR with Eastside and DOT.
- Crews are working diligently with SPFR as we trial the change of dispatch services, there are still challenges that arise with the radio patch and need to be worked out with operations.
- I have been working with Amy Diaz on gathering data for KPI (Key Point Indicators) graphs will start to show up in board packets, On Scene time for Trauma patients and Blood Glucose for Stroke patients

Kittitas County Hospital District #2

Patient Transport Count per Destination

Hospital	January
Centeral Washington Hospital	
Harborview	4
KVH	43
Snoqualmie Valley Hospital	9
Swedish Issaquah	8
Virginia Mason	
Yakima Regional	2
Yakima Memorial	3
Childrens	2
University of Washington	
Valley Renton	
Overlake	2

	January
Out of County Transports	30

Patient Transport Count per Zone

Zone	YTD	January
Snoqualmie Pass	13	13
Fire District 8	3	3
Fire District 7	17	17
Cle Elum	7	7
Easton	3	3
Ronald	6	6
Urgent Care	10	10
Roslyn	4	4
South Cle Elum	3	3
Family Medicine - Cle Elum	1	1
KVH	2	2
Other	1	1

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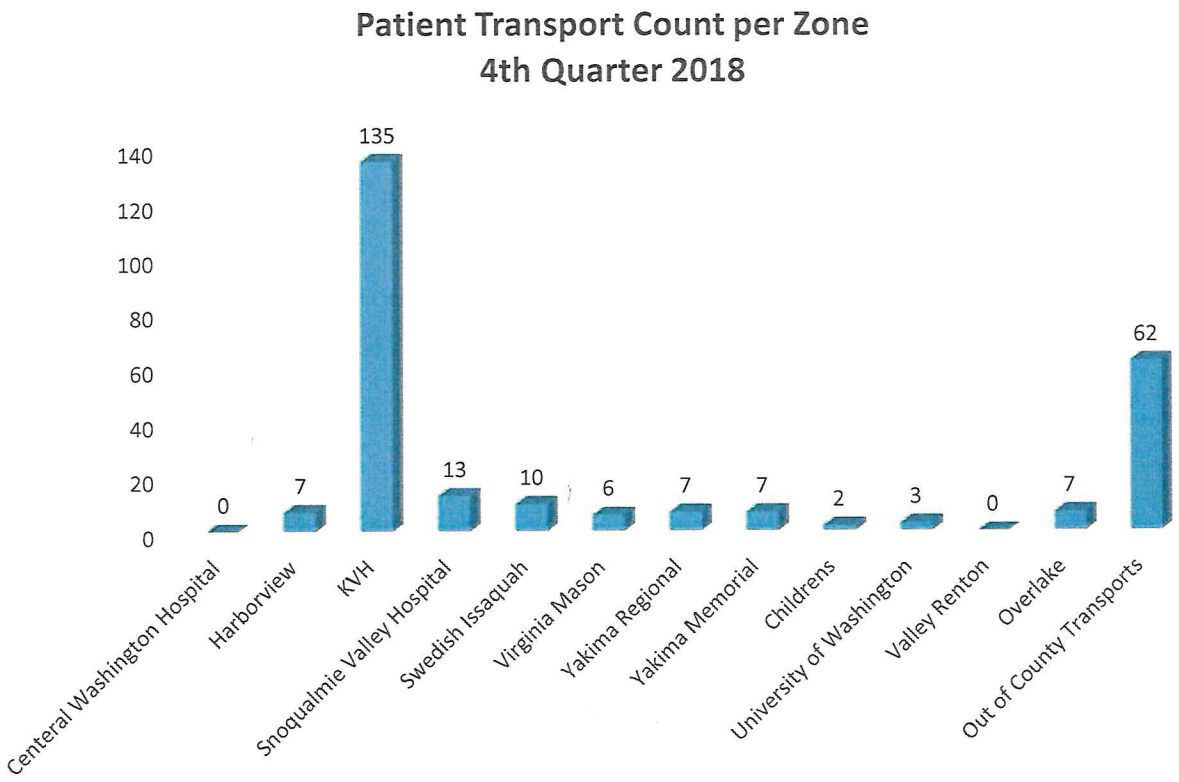

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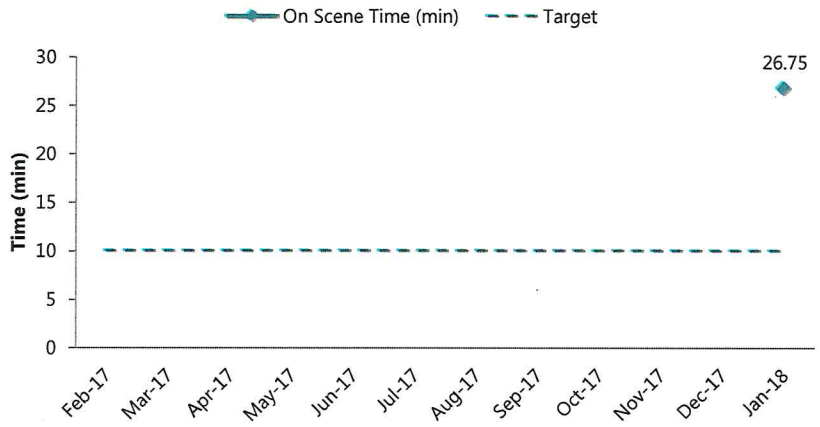
Quality Metrics

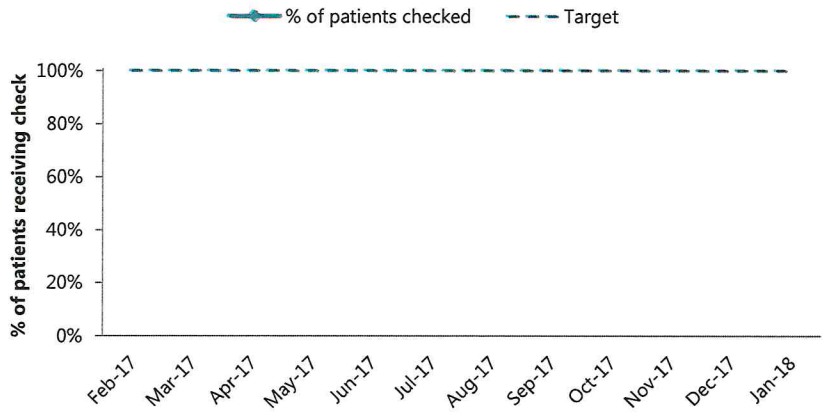
On Scene Time ↓



# of cases	###	###	###	###	###	###	###	###	###	###	###	10

Glucose Checked ↑

for patients with stroke symptoms



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UPPER KITTITAS COUNTY
HOSPITAL DISTRICT #2

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Julie Petersen

February 2019

Water Damage at the Cle Elum Primary Care Clinic

To date the cleanup and drying process at Cle Elum is complete. After the asbestos abatement VK Powell and their sub-contractors were provided access to assess the final scope. The construction area is still isolated and under negative pressure with barriers and HEPA exhaust fan for the reconstruction process. Zurich, the insurance carrier, hired a building consultant who is developing a construction cost to compare against VK Powell. The building consultant and VK Powell are in direct contact to discuss scope and details of the reconstruction. VK Powell expects to start reconstruction 2/25.

Appointing a Commissioner

Two District #2 residents expressed interest in filling the vacant Board position. Commissioners Nicholson and Benjamin will conduct interviews prior to the February Board meeting. An assessment of the candidates will be conducted in executive session.

Ambulance Garage

Leadership (Julie, Geoff, Rhonda and Scott) will be meeting with KDA prior to the March Board meeting to review conceptual designs for the garage options based on the master site plan as well as additional information gleaned through site visits and EMS staff.

Real-Estate Offers

I just wanted to note that I periodically (maybe twice a year) receive inquiries from parties who may be interested in purchasing land from Hospital District #2. I have not been forwarding these inquiries based on the 2018 Master Site plan.

Operations report to Hospital District #2 Board of Commissioners
February, 2019

Ancillary Service Operation Report:

- **Swedish Specialty Services**
  FMC is continuing to utilize the space leased to Swedish. At this point we do not have a timeframe on when the repair work will be complete, but it is anticipated it won't be until March. There has been no response from Swedish regarding their plans for specialty services in this location.

- **Cle Elum PT**
  Due to the flood and inclement weather, volumes were down for Cle Elum PT in January. Out of 182 available appointments, 152 were kept and 40 were cancelled. Of the 40 cancellations we were able to fill 12 of those appointments with another patient.

- **Ambulance Garage**
  KDA will join us at our March meeting to review the required elements of the Ambulance Garage.

Respectfully submitted by Rhonda Holden, MSN, CENP

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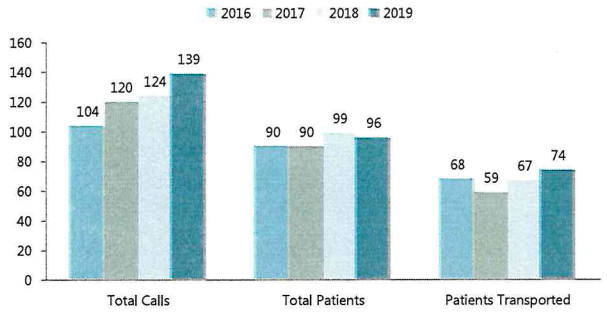
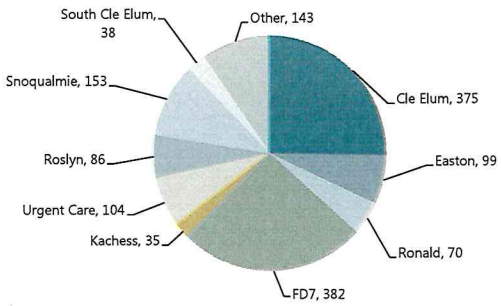
Volumes, YTD



Calls by Zone

Past 12 Months



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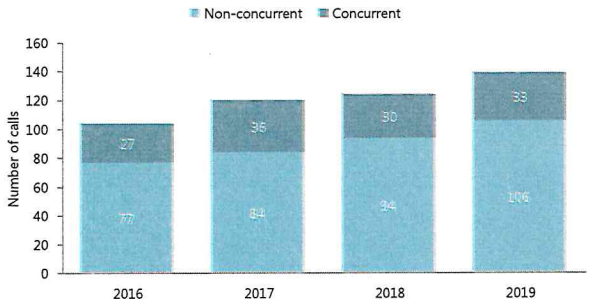

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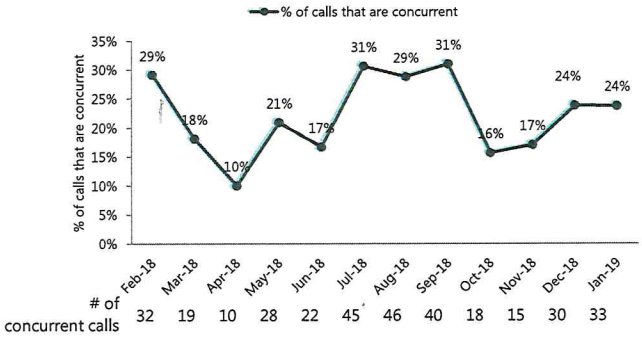
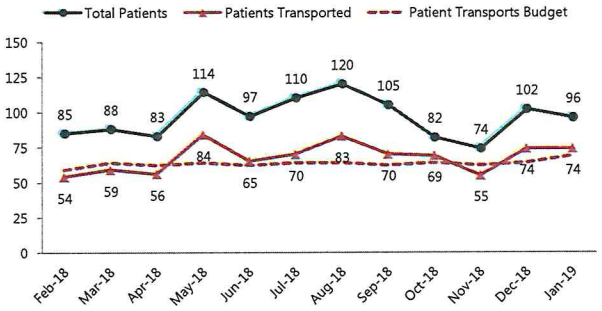


Patients and Transports



Days Cash on Hand

YTD values through end of previous month

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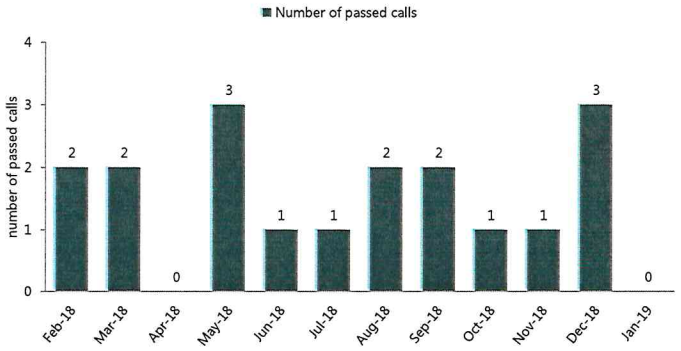
Turnout Time - Dispatch to Enroute

02/01/2018 to 01/31/2019

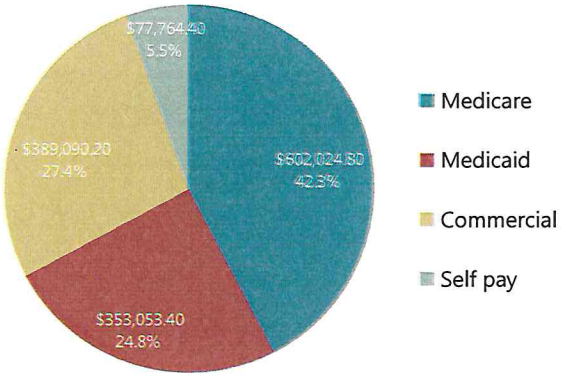
Apparatus	Responses	Turnout Time
A511 (CEFD)	2	3:00
CEFD Overall	*2*	*3:00*
A721 (FD7)	3	4:21
A731 (FD7)	3	1:42
A761 (FD7)	6	5:52
FD7 Overall	*12*	*4:27*
M931(HD2)	619	2:08
M991 (HD2)	751	1:52
M992 (HD2)	27	2:05
HD2 Overall	*1397*	*1:60*

Passed Calls



Payor Mix by Charges

10/01/2017 to 09/30/2018



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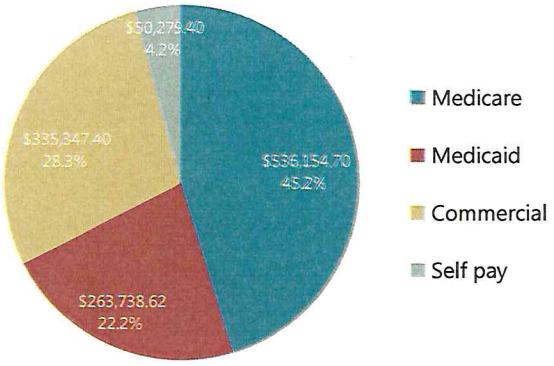
10/01/2016 to 09/30/2017



YTD values through end of previous month

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Kittitas Valley Community Hospital District #2
Statement of Revenue and Expense

MEDICAL BILLABLE RUNS	74	64	10	74	64	10	66
AVERAGE CHARGE PER RUN	2,128	2,129	668	2,128	2,129	668	1,638

	Current Month			Year to Date			Prior
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD
INTEREST INCOME	7,420	2,840	4,580	7,420	2,840	4,580	1,602
RENTAL INCOME	24,479	24,479	0	24,479	24,479	0	23,528
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AMBULANCE REVENUE	157,475	136,234	21,241	157,475	136,234	21,241	108,087
TOTAL REVENUE	**189,374**	**163,553**	**25,821**	**189,374**	**163,553**	**25,821**	**133,218**
CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	56,607	50,452	6,155	56,607	50,452	6,155	46,215
BAD DEBT	8,616	6,649	1,967	8,616	6,649	1,967	5,302
CHARITY CARE	0	946	(946)	0	946	(946)	2,214
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	**65,223**	**58,047**	**7,176**	**65,223**	**58,047**	**7,176**	**53,731**
NET OPERATING REVENUE	**124,150**	**105,506**	**18,644**	**124,150**	**105,506**	**18,644**	**79,487**
SALARIES AND WAGES	80,612	77,500	3,111	80,612	77,500	3,111	70,326
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	22,692	24,531	(1,839)	22,692	24,531	(1,839)	19,961
PROFESSIONAL FEES	1,495	8,661	(7,166)	1,495	8,661	(7,166)	0
SUPPLIES	10,035	14,795	(4,761)	10,035	14,795	(4,761)	14,886
UTILITIES	2,406	2,588	(182)	2,406	2,588	(182)	1,753
PURCHASED SERVICES	29,220	21,593	7,627	29,220	21,593	7,627	13,246
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	15,316	15,316	(0)	15,316	15,316	(0)	0
DEPRECIATION	25,070	29,473	(4,403)	25,070	29,473	(4,403)	25,725
INSURANCE	2,039	2,275	(236)	2,039	2,275	(236)	2,192
LICENSES AND TAXES	1,215	2,039	(824)	1,215	2,039	(824)	310
INTEREST EXPENSE	12,635	12,449	186	12,635	12,449	186	12,497
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	91	4,375	(4,284)	91	4,375	(4,284)	0
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	1,595	1,137	458	1,595	1,137	458	623
EXPENSES	**204,420**	**216,732**	**(12,313)**	**204,420**	**216,732**	**(12,313)**	**161,520**
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	**(80,269)**	**(111,226)**	**30,957**	**(80,269)**	**(111,226)**	**30,957**	**(82,033)**
TAX LEVY INCOME	120,753	117,299	3,454	120,753	117,299	3,454	114,342
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE COST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	**40,484**	**6,073**	**34,411**	**40,484**	**6,073**	**34,411**	**32,309**

DAYS CASH ON HAND	1116.0
AR DAYS	79.0
CURRENT RATIO	12.12
COMMITTED CAPTIAL FUNDS	
2019 AMBULANCE	274,000
2020 AMBULANCE	255,000
AMBULANCE GARAGE	1,700,000
TOTAL COMMITTED CAPITAL FUNDS	2,229,000
DAYS CASH AFTER COMMITTED FUNDS	702.0

Kittitas Valley Community Hospital District #2
Statement of Revenue and Expense

MEDICAL BILLABLE RUNS	74	64	10	74	64	10	66
AVERAGE CHARGE PER RUN	2,128	2,129	668	2,128	2,129	668	1,638

	Current Month			Year to Date			Prior
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD
INTEREST INCOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RENTAL INCOME	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AMBULANCE REVENUE	157,475	136,234	21,241	157,475	136,234	21,241	108,087
TOTAL REVENUE	**157,475**	**136,234**	**21,241**	**157,475**	**136,234**	**21,241**	**108,087**
CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	56,607	50,452	6,155	56,607	50,452	6,155	46,215
BAD DEBT	8,616	6,649	1,967	8,616	6,649	1,967	5,302
CHARITY CARE	0	946	(946)	0	946	(946)	2,214
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	**65,223**	**58,047**	**7,176**	**65,223**	**58,047**	**7,176**	**53,731**
NET OPERATING REVENUE	**92,251**	**78,187**	**14,064**	**92,251**	**78,187**	**14,064**	**54,356**
SALARIES AND WAGES	80,982	77,267	3,715	80,982	77,267	3,715	70,008
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	22,692	24,531	(1,839)	22,692	24,531	(1,839)	19,961
PROFESSIONAL FEES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	10,035	14,733	(4,699)	10,035	14,733	(4,699)	14,886
UTILITIES	2,298	2,375	(77)	2,298	2,375	(77)	1,718
PURCHASED SERVICES	21,541	13,773	7,767	21,541	13,773	7,767	7,621
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEPRECIATION	11,093	15,810	(4,717)	11,093	15,810	(4,717)	12,024
INSURANCE	396	575	(179)	396	575	(179)	555
LICENSES AND TAXES	165	2,039	(1,874)	165	2,039	(1,874)	0
INTEREST EXPENSE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	60	4,025	(3,965)	60	4,025	(3,965)	0
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	0	800	(800)	0	800	(800)	0
EXPENSES	**149,261**	**155,928**	**(6,667)**	**149,261**	**155,928**	**(6,667)**	**126,773**
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	**(57,010)**	**(77,741)**	**20,731**	**(57,010)**	**(77,741)**	**20,731**	**(72,417)**
TAX LEVY INCOME	56,610	54,219	2,391	56,610	54,219	2,391	53,372
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE C(	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	**(400)**	**(23,523)**	**23,122**	**(400)**	**(23,523)**	**23,122**	**(19,045)**

Kittitas Valley Community Hospital District #2
Statement of Revenue and Expense

	Current Month			Year to Date			Prior
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD
INTEREST INCOME	7,420	2,840	4,580	7,420	2,840	4,580	1,602
RENTAL INCOME	24,479	24,479	0	24,479	24,479	0	23,528
OTHER OPERATING REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AMBULANCE REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE	**31,899**	**27,319**	**4,580**	**31,899**	**27,319**	**4,580**	**25,131**
CONTRACTUAL ADJUSTMENTS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BAD DEBT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHARITY CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEDUCTIONS FROM REVENUE	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**
NET OPERATING REVENUE	**31,899**	**27,319**	**4,580**	**31,899**	**27,319**	**4,580**	**25,131**
SALARIES AND WAGES	(370)	233	(603)	(370)	233	(603)	318
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROFESSIONAL FEES	1,495	8,661	(7,166)	1,495	8,661	(7,166)	0
SUPPLIES	0	62	(62)	0	62	(62)	0
UTILITIES	107	213	(106)	107	213	(106)	36
PURCHASED SERVICES	7,679	7,820	(141)	7,679	7,820	(141)	5,625
CEUCC SUBSIDY EXPENSE	15,316	15,316	(0)	15,316	15,316	(0)	0
DEPRECIATION	13,977	13,663	314	13,977	13,663	314	13,701
INSURANCE	1,643	1,700	(57)	1,643	1,700	(57)	1,638
LICENSES AND TAXES	1,050	0	1,050	1,050	0	1,050	310
INTEREST EXPENSE	12,635	12,449	186	12,635	12,449	186	12,497
TRAVEL AND EDUCATION	31	350	(319)	31	350	(319)	0
OTHER DIRECT EXPENSES	1,595	337	1,258	1,595	337	1,258	623
EXPENSES	**55,158**	**60,804**	**(5,646)**	**55,158**	**60,804**	**(5,646)**	**34,747**
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	**(23,259)**	**(33,485)**	**10,226**	**(23,259)**	**(33,485)**	**10,226**	**(9,617)**
TAX LEVY INCOME	64,144	63,081	1,063	64,144	63,081	1,063	60,970
NON-OPERATING BOND ISSUE CC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NET INCOME (LOSS)	**40,885**	**29,596**	**11,289**	**40,885**	**29,596**	**11,289**	**51,354**

Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2

Balance Sheet

	Year to Date	Prior Year End	Change
CASH	3,753,866	3,736,723	17,142
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	212,803	189,746	23,057
TAXES RECEIVABLE	1,403,401	54,634	1,348,766
PREPAIDS	9,535	4,078	5,457
INVESTMENTS	2,255,980	2,251,689	4,292
CURRENT ASSETS	**7,635,585**	**6,236,871**	**1,398,714**
LAND	843,524	843,524	0
PROPERTY, PLANT,& EQUIPMENT	6,182,141	6,182,141	0
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	(3,063,816)	(3,038,746)	(25,070)
NON CURRENT ASSETS	**3,961,849**	**3,986,920**	**(25,070)**
DEFERRED OUTLOWS	104,300	104,300	0
ASSETS	**11,701,734**	**10,328,091**	**1,373,643**
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	59,504	6,654	52,850
INTEREST PAYABLE	25,270	12,635	12,635
ACCRUED PAYROLL	27,335	28,890	(1,555)
ACCRUED BENEFITS	52,537	45,063	7,474
CEUCC SUBSIDY PAYABLE	195,502	180,186	15,316
CURRENT PORTION REVENUE BOND - LTGO	269,736	269,736	0
CURRENT LIABILITIES	**629,884**	**543,164**	**86,720**
LONG TERM REVENUE BOND - LTGO	4,189,608	4,189,608	0
NET PENSION LIABILITY	492,745	492,745	0
DEFERRED INFLOWS - PENSION	81,035	81,035	0
DEFERRED INFLOWS - LEVY	1,246,440	0	1,246,440
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	**6,009,828**	**4,763,388**	**1,246,440**
LIABILITIES	**6,639,712**	**5,306,552**	**1,333,159**
NET INCOME (LOSS)	40,484	(0)	40,484
UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	5,021,539	5,021,539	0
FUND BALANCE	**5,062,023**	**5,021,539**	**40,484**
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	**11,701,734**	**10,328,091**	**1,373,643**

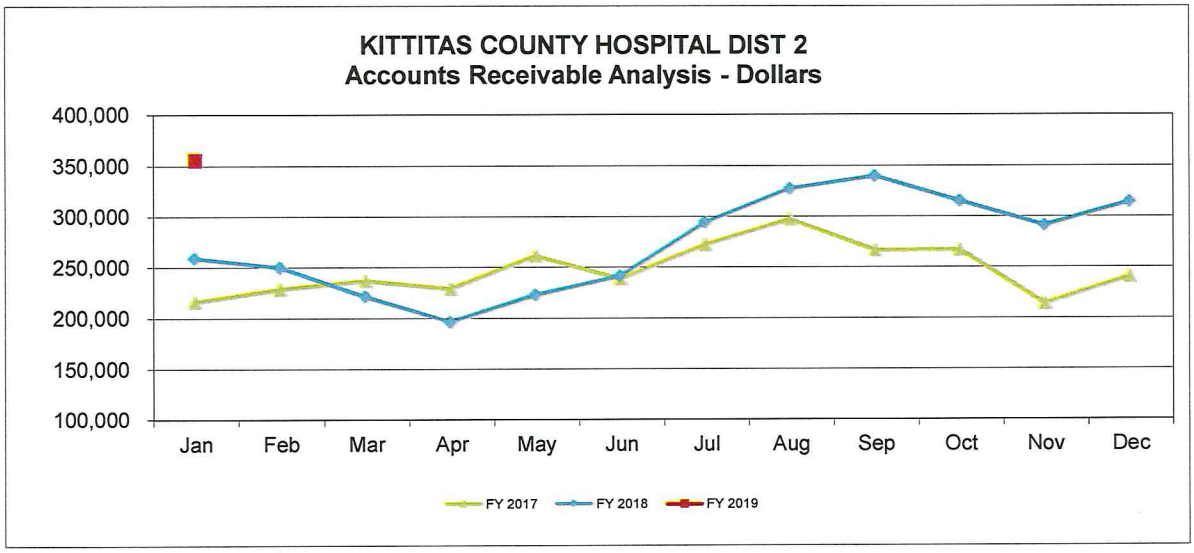
Kittitas County Hospital Dist 2

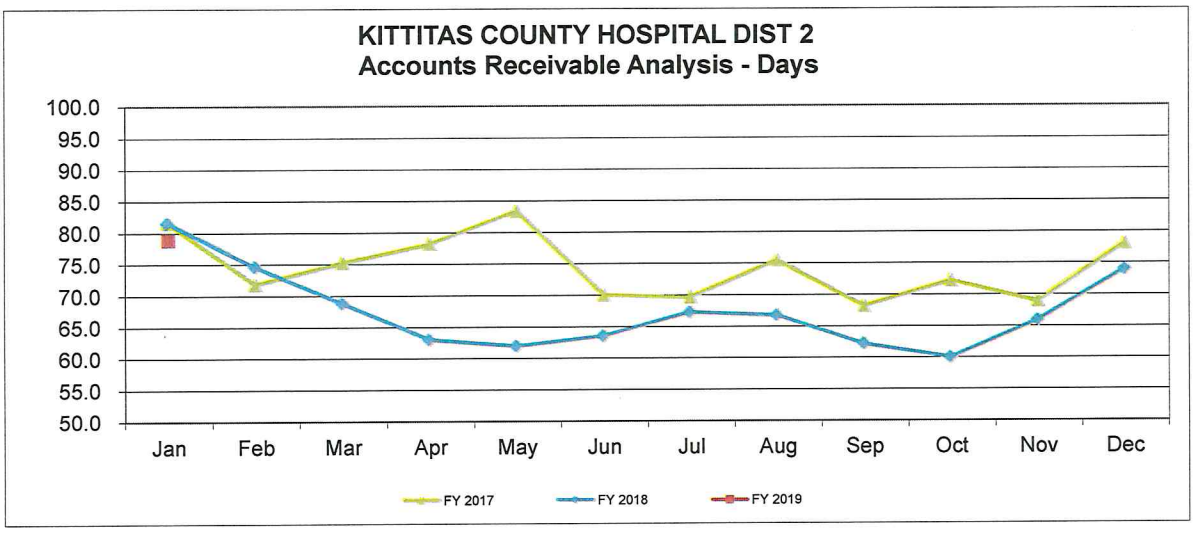
Statement of Cash Flows

	CASH
NET BOOK INCOME	40,484
ADD BACK NON-CASH EXPENSE	
DEPRECIATION	25,070
NET CASH FROM OPERATIONS	**65,555**
CHANGE IN CURRENT ASSETS	
PATIENT ACCOUNTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES	(23,057)
PROPERTY TAX RECEIVABLE	(1,348,766)
PREPAID EXPENSE	(5,457)
TOTAL CHANGE IN CURRENT ASSETS	**(1,377,280)**
PURCHASE OF PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT	0
INCREASE IN INVESTMENTS	(4,292)
PROCEEDS FROM SALE/MATURITY OF INVESTMENTS	
TOTAL CHANGE IN ASSETS	**(1,381,572)**
CHANGES IN CURRENT LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	52,850
INTEREST PAYABLE	12,635
ACCRUED PAYROLL	(1,555)
ACCRUED BENEFITS	7,474
CEUCC SUBSIDY PAYABLE	15,316
TOTAL CHANGE CURRENT LIABILITIES	**86,720**
PRINCIPLE PAYMENT ON REVENUE BOND	0
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	1,246,440
NET CHANGE IN CASH	**17,142**
BEGINNING CASH ON HAND	3,736,723
ENDING CASH ON HAND	**3,753,866**

KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIST 2
Accounts Receivable Analysis

	Jan-19	Dec-18	Nov-18	Oct-18	Sep-18	Aug-18	Jul-18	Jun-18	May-18	Apr-18	Mar-18	Feb-18
SYS DESIGN EMS												
A/R Dollars	355,769	314,138	290,860	315,042	339,493	327,325	293,791	240,886	222,260	195,991	221,004	249,386
A/R Days	79	74	65.9	60.0	62.2	66.7	67.3	63.5	61.9	63.0	68.8	74.6





KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIST 2

BOARD MEETING JANUARY 2019

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE WARRANTS/ EFTS TO BE APPROVED				**CHECK DATE:**
# 1 WARRANT NUMBERS:	10359-10376	NET AMOUNT:	**$32,410.76**	14-Jan-19
			$32,410.76	

PAYROLL WARRANTS / EFTS TO BE APPROVED			
PPE 01-05-19	NET AMOUNT:	**$24,338.26**	11-Jan-19
PPE 01-19-19	NET AMOUNT:	**$23,282.62**	25-Jan-19
		$47,620.88	

TOTAL NET WARRANTS & EFT'S	**$80,031.64**

Upper Kittitas County Public Hospital District #2
Detailed Statement of Accounts Payable Transactions
Month of January 2019

Account Class	Check No	Vendor	Amount
Balance Sheet	10362	DANIEL H BRUNNER, CHAPTER 13 TRUSTEE	150.00
	10363	DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	83.50
	10364	DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	2,996.23
Employee Benefits	10364	DEPARTMENT OF RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	1,894.08
	10372	NORTHWEST FIRE FIGHTERS TRUST	17,777.00
Supplies	10359	AMAZON	28.60
	10359	AMAZON	34.45
	10359	AMAZON	59.30
	10359	AMAZON	32.45
	10359	AMAZON	45.99
	10365	JAMES OIL CO., INC.	693.69
	10366	LIFE ASSIST, INC.	1,053.08
	10367	MARK VAN MAREN (EMPLOYEE REIMB.)	247.20
	10373	OXARC INC	100.47
	10369	MCI	35.53
	10374	PUGET SOUND ENERGY	18.08
	10374	PUGET SOUND ENERGY	16.70
Purchased Services	10368	MCGUIRES LANDSCAPING & WINTER SVC LLC	1,655.10
	10370	MICROSOFT	405.01
	10375	TARGETSOLUTIONS LEARNING LLC	3,065.00
	10376	YAKIMA ADJUSTMENT SERVICE	22.09
Travel & Education	10367	MARK VAN MAREN (EMPLOYEE REIMB.)	588.13
Other Direct Expenses	10360	AWPHD ASSOC OF WA PUBLIC HOSP DISTS	1,000.00
	10361	DAILY RECORD	31.08
	10371	NORTHERN KITTITAS CO TRIBUNE	168.00
	10371	NORTHERN KITTITAS CO TRIBUNE	210.00
			32,410.76

Open Door Health Clinic

Executive Director Report
February12, 2019

Compiled by Angie Love; for tracking the month January, 2019 Patient Statistics

	Ellensburg	Cle Elum	Dental	Total
Former Patient	21	2		23
New Patients	20	0		20
Total	41	2		43

Statistics Summary: For the month of January the patient's symptoms include RX refills, testing, lab results, stomach pain, high blood pressure, sore wrist, diabetes, MRI, patients wanting counseling and many others symptoms. The patient visits are around lower because of Cle Elum clinic cancelled.

Volunteer Statistics

Volunteer	Ellensburg	Cle Elum		Total
Medical	10	1		11
Non-Medical	15	0		15
Partner	8	4		12
Total	34	5		39

Medical professionals include: Dr. Bob Schneider; Dr. Asriel, Cindy Gregory; Mara Fusfield, NP,Maureen Woon, Marissa Krager, Clint Thompson, Natazshya DeSkala, Drue Larson.

Non-Medical Volunteers include: Heather Clerf, Susan Camacho, Jacob Darley, David Farr, Cameron Cupp, Johnathan Basterrechea, Megan Keeler, Lilly Ahi, Katie Rodenberg, Haillie Resmussen, Maggie Hall, Madison Woodworth, Edith Zaragoza, Grayson Long & Rafealle Cordova Gamez.

Partner volunteer include: Union Gospel Mission Clinic; Safeway; Fish Food Bank, Health District #2, Super One Pharmacy, KVH, CHCW, Creekside Dental, United Way, MTI.

Week	Hours	Miles	Notes
1	35	52	Clinic: Ellensburg
2	35	44	Clinic: Ellensburg, Cle Elum
3	35	32	Clinic: Ellensburg
4	35	52	Clinic: Ellensburg, Cle Elum
Total	140	180	

Activity Summary: In addition to my routine responsibilities such as attending hosted clinics, managing the clinic's phone, email, preparing a monthly Executive Director report and other administrative duties my list of projects in January include:

- Developing an intern schedule for Spring
- Looking for funders, sent letters to churches in Kittitas
- Looking for sponsors for last 2 dental clinics (location undetermined)

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INTERLOCAL PROPOSAL

FEBRUARY 12, 2018

KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT 2
ATTN: GEOFF SCHERER
505 POWER STREET
CLE ELUM, WA 98922

RE: ONE (1) 2019 NORTH STAR 155-1 TYPE I AMBULANCE

BRAUN NORTHWEST IS PLEASED TO OFFER THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL WHICH IS BASED UPON THE OPEN KITTITAS VALLY FIRE & RESCUE BID DATED 06/12/17 WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INTERLOCAL PURCHASE BY OTHER AGENCIES:

ONE (1) 2019 NORTH STAR TYPE I 155-1 AMBULANCE ON A 2019 RAM 3500 4X4 GAS CHASSIS MATCHING ENCLOSED SPECIFICATIONS DATED 06/18/18 AND UNIT #2600-1 "AS BUILT" DRAWINGS DATED 01/18/18 WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

- **Utilize 2019 Ram 3500 4x4 Gas chassis**
- **Change orders #1-3 from Build #2790-1**
- **Option page selected with Build #2790-1**

BASE BID PRICE KITTITAS VALLEY FIRE AND RESCUE	**$179,310.00**
CHANGES TO SPECIFICATION	**$ 17,341.00**
TOTAL F.O.B. CHEHALIS, WA	**$196,651.00**

Sales tax not included

F.O.B.: **CHEHALIS, WASHINGTON**

DELIVERY: **APPROXIMATELY TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY (270) DAYS ARO.**

TERMS: **NINETY PERCENT (90%) PAYMENT DUE UPON RECEIPT OF VEHICLE. BALANCE DUE IN THIRTY (30) DAYS.**

Braun Northwest, Inc. is a Washington dealer (0991-A) with insurance information available upon request.

Respectfully Submitted by:
BRAUN NORTHWEST, INC.

Tami McCallum, V.P. Sales

Date: 1/17/2018

We agree to accept the above proposal:
KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DIST. #2

Signature **Date**

Printed Name **Title**

TM/sel
cc JY
Enclosures: Specifications, drawings

NORTH STAR
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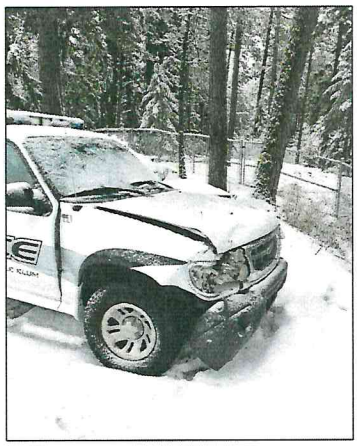
Cle Elum-Roslyn patrol vehicle in collision on state Route 903



By DAILY RECORD STAFF

A Cle Elum-Roslyn-South Cle Elum police officer was involved in a crash at 9:30 p.m. Friday on state Route 903, according to a news release.

According to the release, officer Ben Flick was driving northbound in snow and freezing rain, when a 1997 Chrysler Sebring lost control and spun out into the Flick's lane. The vehicle was struck on the passenger side by the Ford Explorer patrol vehicle.

The driver, 56-year-old Teodoro Anaya-Garcia of Ellensburg, was trapped inside the vehicle, and needed to be helped out by fire personnel. He was the only person in the vehicle.

Flick was able to exit his vehicle and call dispatch for help.

Anaya-Garcia was transported to Harborview Hospital where it was reported he was in stable condition. The officer sustained no injuries, but was evaluated at KVH only as a precautionary.

Due to the severity of the accident, and the involvement of a patrol vehicle, the Kittitas County Sheriff's Department was called in to investigate the accident, according to the release.

Both vehicles were total losses.

PHOTOS COURTESY CLE ELUM-ROSLYN-SOUTH CLE ELUM POLICE DEPARTMENT

ABOVE: The 1997 Chrysler Sebring involved in a crash with a police officer on Friday. **LEFT:** The Cle Elum-Roslyn-South Cle Elum patrol vehicle involved in a crash last Friday.

Hospital District 2 seeks applicants to Board of Commissioners

For the DAILY RECORD

The Board of Commissioners for Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 (KCPHD No. 2) is seeking applicants for a vacancy in position 5, an "at large" position, according to a news release.

Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 provides ambulance services to Upper Kittitas County residents through Upper Kittitas County Medic One. KCPHD No. 2 also supports a small amount of the care provided at KVH Urgent Care — Cle Elum and the Open Door Medical Clinic (a free clinic that is open two Saturdays per month).

People interested should submit a letter of interest by Feb. 8 including relevant background information and assets the person can bring to the Board of Commissioners. Interviews will be conducted the week of Feb. 11 and the successful applicant will be appointed by the Feb. 18 KCPHD No. 2 Board meeting. Applicants must be registered voters residing in Hospital District No. 2.

The individual who is appointed will hold the position through the November 2019 general election. That individual would have the option to run for the position in the November 2019 general election for a full four-year term ending in 2023.

Letters of interest should be sent electronically to mweed@kvhealthcare.org or by hard copy to the KCPHD No. 2 Board of Commissioners, Attn: Mandy Weed, Executive Coordinator, Kittitas Valley Healthcare, 603 S. Chestnut St., Ellensburg, WA 98926. For additional information, contact Mandy Weed at 509-962-7302 or visit http://www.ukcmedicone.org/board-of-commissioners.

Wildfires/from A1

State Sen. Brad Hawkins, R-East Wenatchee, said the plan should be a top priority for legislators.

"I believe that this issue of wildfires and wildfire suppression is as important to the state of Washington as education, as mental health, as other infrastructure issues," Hawkins said.

The federal government shutdown could hamper firefighting efforts, Franz said, noting that some training programs already have been canceled because of the shutdown.

Between 2013 and 2018, DNR said it cost an average of $153 million in state and federal money per year to fight wildfires. That period included Washington's record-setting wildfire seasons in 2014 and 2015.

Fires those two years destroyed hundreds of homes, burned 2,300 square miles and in 2015 killed three firefighters.

More recent fire seasons in Washington have reduced air quality across the state in summer months.

Last year, DNR responded to more than 1,850 wildfires, a record number, that burned about 440,000 acres. Most of the fires were put out while still small, the agency said.

As the state's population grows, more than 2.2 million homes now lie in the potential path of wildfires, according to a recent U.S. Forest Service study.

The highest risks for wildfires are in Eastern Washington, which has hotter and drier summers than the region west of the Cascade Range.

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"Wildfire fire is not an east side or west side problem. It is not an urban or rural problem. Wildfire is a problem for all of Washington," Franz said.

Fire suppression costs make up about 9 percent of the total costs of wildfires, the agency said. Much higher are the costs of lost business, infrastructure, habitat, timber, grazing, and agriculture resources, disaster recovery, and health impacts, DNR said.

"We can't stop fires from occurring, but we can stop doing the same things we've always done in dealing with them, said Chief Dave LaFave of Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue and the Washington Fire Chiefs Association.

AP

President Donald Trump pauses while speaking about the partial government shutdown, immigration and border security in the Diplomatic Reception Room of the White House in Washington Saturday

Shutdown/from A1

The Republican plan is a trade-off: Trump's border wall funding in exchange for temporary protection from deportation for some immigrants. To try to draw more bipartisan support, it adds $12.7 billion in supplemental funding for regions hit by hurricanes, wildfires and other natural disasters. All told, it would provide about $350 billion for nine Cabinet departments whose budgets are stalled. Other than the wall and immigration-related provisions, the core measure hews closely to a package of spending bills unveiled by House Democrats last week.

In exchange for $5.7 billion for Trump's wall, the legislation would extend temporary protections against deportation to around 700,000 immigrants covered by the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA. Trump has tried dismantling the Obama-era program, which covers people who arrived in the U.S. illegally as children, but has been blocked by federal lawsuits.

That figure is substantially lower than the 1.8 million people Trump proposed protecting a year ago in a plan that also included other immigration changes and $25 billion to pay the full costs of building his wall. Trump's proposal was among several the Senate rejected last February.

TEMPORARY PROTECTIONS

The new Senate bill would also provide three more years of temporary protections against deportation to around 325,000 immigrants in the U.S. who have fled countries racked by natural disasters or violent conflicts. Trump has ended that program, called Temporary Protected Status, for El Salvador, which has the most holders of the protected status, as well as for Honduras, Nicaragua and several other countries.

Democrats said that Trump's proposal for a three-year DACA extension didn't go far enough and that he was simply offering to restore elements of immigration provisions he'd taken away. And immigration advocates protested a Trump-backed plan to require children from El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala who are seeking asylum in the U.S. to apply at processing centers to be set up in Central America.

Some on the right, including conservative commentator Ann Coulter, accused Trump of offering "amnesty."

"No, Amnesty is not a part of my offer," Trump tweeted Sunday, in response. He added: "Amnesty will be used only on a much bigger deal, whether on immigration or something else."

While the House and the Senate are scheduled to be back in session Tuesday, no votes have been scheduled on Trump's plan. McConnell spokesman David Popp said the GOP leader "will move" to vote on consideration of the president's proposal this week. The bill includes funding for most domestic agencies.

House Democrats, meanwhile, are pushing ahead this week with their legislation to reopen the government and add $1 billion for border security — including 75 more immigration judges and infrastructure improvements — but no funding for the wall.

On Tuesday, Trump tweeted that Democrats are playing "political games" and repeated his claims that the wall is a solution to drugs and crime — although the Drug Enforcement Administration says only a small percentage of drugs comes into the country between ports of entry.

"Without a Wall our Country can never have Border or National Security," Trump tweeted. "With a powerful Wall or Steel Barrier, Crime Rates (and Drugs) will go substantially down all over the U.S. The Dems know this but want to play political games. Must finally be done correctly. No Cave!"

The impact of the government's longest-ever shutdown continues to ripple across the nation. The longest previous shutdown was 21 days in 1995-96, when Bill Clinton was president.

The Transportation Security Administration said the percentage of its airport screeners missing work hit 10 percent on Sunday, up from 3.1 percent on the comparable Sunday a year ago.

The screeners, who have been working without pay, have been citing financial hardship as the reason they can't report to work. Even so, the agency said it screened 1.78 million passengers Sunday with only 6.9 percent having to wait 15 minutes or longer to get through security.

Asked in an interview on "Fox News Sunday" whether Trump's Saturday proposal represented a "final offer," Vice President Mike Pence said the White House was willing to negotiate.

"Well, of course," Pence said. "The legislative process is a negotiation."

CALENDAR

Submit events to the Daily Record at www.dailyrecordnews.com. Events in this column are listed on a space-available basis. Times, dates and locations are subject to change.

TODAY, JAN. 22

- Computers With a Purpose, 10 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Children's Story Time, 11 a.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn
- Chess and Science ages: 10 and under, 3 p.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn
- Ellensburg Downtown Rotary Club, 5 p.m., Rodeo City Bar-B-Que, Ellensburg
- Weight Watchers, 5 p.m., Ellensburg Adult Activity Center, Ellensburg
- AWANA Youth Ministry, 6:15 p.m., Calvary Baptist Annex, 507 N. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Manastash Ridge stakeholder committee meeting, 6:30 p.m., Department of Natural Resources Southeast Regional Office, 713 Bowers Road, Ellensburg
- Cultural Conversations, 6:30 p.m., Hal Holmes Community Center, 201 Ruby St., Ellensburg
- Boy Scout Troop 493, 7 p.m., St. Andrews Church, 401 S. Willow St., Ellensburg
- City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., City Council Ch a.m.bers, 201 S 1st St, Roslyn
- City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Cle Elum City Hall
- Alcoholics Anonymous — Serenity Seekers, 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 1201 N. B St., Ellensburg

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23

- Morning Exercise Class, 8 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL), 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Level 1: Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance, 10 a.m., Stand Bassett Youth Center, Ellensburg
- Silver Sneakers, 11 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Al Anon — Discovering Choices, noon, First United Methodist Church, 210 N. Ruby St. Room No. 3, Ellensburg
- Brown Bag Lunch & Learn, 12:10 p.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg
- Caregiver Support Group, 2 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 1201 N. B St., Ellensburg
- Chess and Science ages: 10 and up, 3 p.m., Roslyn
- Weight Watchers, 5 p.m., Ellensburg Adult Activity Center, Ellensburg
- City of Ellensburg Planning Commission, 5:45 p.m., City Council Chambers, 501 N. Anderson St., Ellensburg
- New Year New you: Jump-start your Health, 6 p.m., Hal Holmes Center, Ellensburg
- Friends of the Roslyn Library meets, 7 p.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn
- Alcoholics Anonymous — Thorp Meeting, 7 p.m., Thorp Community Church, 150 First St.,Thorp

THURSDAY, JAN. 24

- Free-Form Faceting with Rich Baker, 9 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

BIRTHDAYS

Send birthday announcements before noon the day before the birthday. Just call 925-1414 x249 or email newsroom@kvnews.com.

TODAY, JAN. 22

- Jacqueline Davis
- David Dick
- Ron Frye
- Kristin Gaskill
- Les Knudsen
- Dixie May
- Sam Slothower
- Julian Smart
- Kayla Stanton
- Bob Coleman

Thank you to Cle Elum fire crew

At 11:35 a.m. our son was born while driving to the Ellensburg hospital. My wife, BethAnn had her water break at Red Bridge Road and Teanaway, in Cle Elum, and in less than a mile she delivered our son while I was driving!

She's an awesome strong lady! I called 911 and the fire/aid crew from Cle Elum arrived in 10 minutes and did an excellent job calming and caring for us, ultimately loading my wife and newborn son in their ambulance and taking the to KVH in Ellensburg.

I also wanted to thank the state trooper who arrived within seconds and helped with traffic control and helped keep me calm. Thanks to everyone!

— *David Herzog*

CONTRIBUTED

A baby was born in the car on the way to KVH from Cle Elum.

NEWS BRIEFS

COURTESY OF KITTITAS COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE

Rescue crews responded an snowmobiler injured in a crash on a trail near Sasse Mountain on Thursday.

Woman injured in snowmobile crash

Kittitas County Sheriff's Office deputies and Search and Rescue personnel responded with assistance from Fire District 6 and Hospital District 2 to rescue a snowmobiler who had crashed six miles northwest of Roslyn on a trail near Sasse Mountain at about 2:33 p.m. Thursday, according to a news release from the Sheriff's Office..

Cle Elum resident Sheri Carter, 44, was the only rider on a rented snowmobile when she lost control and went over a steep embankment.

She was extricated and then transported from the scene back to the roadway on snow rescue equipment and then transported to KVH by ambulance with non-life threatening injuries.

Duo set to perform at Central on Friday

Renowned pianist, Jon Kimura Parker, and violinist, Aloysia Friedmann will give a recital of solo and duo works on 7 p.m., Friday, in the Jerilyn McIntyre Concert Hall on the Central Washington University campus, according to a news release from concert organizers.

Parker won the Gold Medal at the Leeds International Piano Competition. He has appeared with many major orchestras including the Berlin, Philadelphia, New York and Los Angeles Orchestras.

Violinist and violist, Aloysia Friedmann, has performed with New York's most prestigious musical ensembles, and a special onstage role on Broadway. In December Aloysia Friedmann was named a Musical America Top 30 Music Professional.

School district foundation holding fundraiser on Friday

The Ellensburg School District Education Foundation is holding a fundraiser from 6-9 p.m. Friday in the Kittitas Valley Event Center's Teanaway Hall, according to a news release.

Proceeds go to funding projects that benefit local educators and students, as well as providing clothing and educational materials for students in need.

Last year, the foundation awarded $16,194 in grants to fund projects allowing students to attend a Seattle Repertory Theatre production, books for the Early Learning Coalition, the summer bookmobile and an upright piano at Morgan Middle School and band instruments at the high school.

The event will include a silent auction, and tickets cost $25 and can be purchased at www.esdef.net/annual-event-tickets.

— Staff reports

CWU to host Civil Rights exhibition

For the DAILY RECORD

COURTESY OF NEH ON THE ROAD

Central Washington University is hosting the nationally-touring NEH exhibition, For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights, from Jan. 30 through March 16.

"For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights," a nationally-touring exhibition from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEH) on the Road, will be at the CWU Museum of Culture and Environment (MCE) from Jan. 30 through March 16, according to a news release from CWU.

Students from the Diversity and Equity Center (DEC) have collaborated with students from the Museum Studies minor on a companion exhibit, that situates this history within the Pacific Northwest. This exhibit will be on display from Feb. 1-8 in the DEC, located in Black Hall room 105-1.

Through a collection of photographs, television clips, art posters, and historic artifacts, the exhibit traces how images and media disseminated to the American public transformed the modern civil rights movement and jolted Americans, both black and white, out of a state of denial or complacency.

Visitors will explore dozens of forceful and persuasive visual images, including photographs from magazines, such as LIFE, JET, and EBONY; CBS news footage; and TV clips from "The Ed Sullivan Show." Also included are civil rights-era objects that exemplify the range of negative and positive imagery — from Aunt Jemima syrup dispensers and 1930s produce advertisements to Jackie Robinson baseball ephemera and 1960s children's toys with African American portraiture.

"For All the World to See" is not a history of the civil rights movement, but rather an exploration of the vast number of powerful images that influenced how Americans perceived race and the struggle for equality.

Throughout winter quarter, the MCE, in conjunction with CWU's Africana and Black Studies and the DEC, is hosting a series of events that address themes from the exhibition to include:

■ Jan. 31, 5 p.m. Opening Celebration: Music, food, and speakers to honor the opening of For All the World to See

■ Feb. 19, 5 p.m. Being Black in Ellensburg: A safe space for CWU's black students, faculty, and Wellington Events Center staff and Ellensburg community members to share stories.

■ Feb. 21, 5 p.m. Un/Belonging: Can People of Color Call Ellensburg "Home"?: A panel featuring the voices of people of color in our community as they reflect on living in Ellensburg.

■ Feb. 28, 5 p.m. Intersectionality and Solidarity: A Roundtable Discussion with Masonya Bennett, Ph.D.: Join Bennett along with a diverse group of students, faculty, staff, and community members as they consider new forms of solidarity going forward.

Also offered are tours of the exhibit, led by CWU black student leaders from CWU's Black Student Union, S.I.S.T.E.R.S., Brother 2 Brother, and Scholars in Action. These tours, called "Walking in Our Shoes," are open to the public and will take place:

■ Feb. 7, 5 p.m.

■ Feb. 14, 3 p.m.

■ Feb. 21, 11 a.m.

The exhibition was curated by Maurice Berger, research professor and chief curator at the Center for Art, Design and Visual Culture at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. It was co-organized by The Center for Art, Design, and Visual Culture and the National Museum of African American History and Culture, Smithsonian Institution.

Robotics/from A1

"I think that STEM classes should be in the classroom as early as possible," Eng said. "Not everyone does sports and for some kids robotics and programming is their thing and it's another avenue for them to explore, learn and grow, but also have a chance to compete."

Mount Stuart's robotics club is comprised of fourth- and fifth-grade students. There are 24 students and eight teams make up the league.

GAME DAY

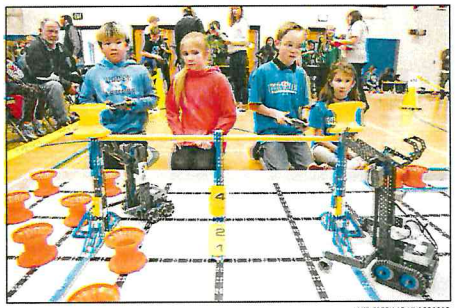
On a Saturday morning, like any competitive sport, Mount Stuart's gymnasium was filled with eager students getting ready to compete against each other. Students came as far as Seattle came to compete in a range of mini competitions.

Two robots compete against each other in teams of two. Each student has 60 seconds to score as many points as possible through a variety of tactics.

"Communications is a big part of it," Eng said. "When the kids get paired up for qualifying match they have to find their team alliance and talk about 'what can your robot do what can my robot do' and come up with a strategy together."

Eng crosses his arms and watches as some of his students prepares for a match.

"They go to these events and see middle schoolers who have been doing it for years and see new designs on robots and the kids get inspired by those ideas," he said.



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From left to right: Ryuga Allen, Gage Weaver, Atlas Walker and Zoey Hobbs use controllers to direct robots they built in a robotics tournament for elementary and middle school students in Ellensburg on Saturday.

Emma Banker and James Koepke from Wenatchee rep green matching robotics sweatshirts and hover over their robot. They go over every detail making sure nothing is amiss before giving the OK to set off to the arena. Koepke is the team's self-proclaimed engineer note taker for the tournament.

Koepke meticulously keeps track of how many points his teams robot wins and whether or not they had a "good" or a "bad" match.

"I'm the engineer for this team so I basically write down everything that happened for that day. Engineers are kind of like the National Geographic they write down everything and take really good notes," Koepke said.

When asked why he likes being in a robots club, Koepke said it keeps his mind running and he hopes one day he could work for NASA and go to space.

Homeless/from A1

"We provided a hot lunch and showed movies," she said. "I was very pleased with the coming together of the community to make this happen."

While the resource fair was going on, teams of volunteers focused on separate regions of the county to locate homeless residents. Two teams went to Upper County, looking at Easton and Cle Elum. Blackson said one team went east to Vantage and Kittitas, while another walked the tracks in Ellensburg and checked local parks trying to locate potential homeless camps.

"We pretty much covered the whole county that way," she said. "We really didn't find a lot of folks that way, most folks came into Hal Holmes for the event or had been at the cold weather shelter prior."

One of the challenges Blackson said the teams encounter during the count is coming across people who do not want to talk to them. She said this year they encountered three people at two different camps that were not interested in talking, and that people who are uncooperative are not included in the survey.

"They may be in a tent," she said. "It may be obvious to us they are in a tent, but we don't walk up and yank open the tent flap. If we approach a camp, we kind of stand on the outskirts and talk so people can hear."

Blackson said another challenge is finding the places where homeless people decide to stay when not in shelters. She said they work with the police and with reports they have been given from community members to better understand where the locations are.

"You just go out and look," she said.

Blackson said the main count comes from individuals using resources such as the Cold Weather Shelter and the resource fair held Thursday. She said the county has seen examples of homelessness individuals living in recreational vehicles, similar to the trend on the West Side. When these people are taken into the survey, she said they determine whether the vehicles have heat, hot water, the ability to cook hot food and take a bath. If any of those factors are missing, she said the individuals are considered to be living unsheltered.

"An RV that's plugged in and everything is considered to be housed," she said.

This was Blackson's first time participating in the Kittitas County PIT count. She said the experience was especially rewarding to see all the community members coming together to make the event happen, and that the event is critical to the community.

"I think the count is very important," she said. "I think you can't solve the problem if you don't know the extent of the problem."

CALENDAR

Submit events to the Daily Record at www.dailyrecordnews.com. Events in this column are listed on a space-available basis. Times, dates and locations are subject to change.

TODAY, JAN. 29

■ Computers With a Purpose, 10 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Children's Story Time, 11 a.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn

■ Chess and Science ages: 10 and under, 3 p.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn

■ Weight Watchers, 5 p.m., Ellensburg Adult Activity Center, Ellensburg

■ Lion Rock Speaker Series: Joe Powell, Lisa Norris, Jeff Suwak, 6 p.m., CWU Brooks Library, Ellensburg

■ AWANA Youth Ministry, 6:15 p.m., Calvary Baptist Annex, 507 N. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Boy Scout Troop 493, 7 p.m., St. Andrews, 401 S. Willow St., Ellensburg

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — Serenity Seekers, 7 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, 1201 N. B St., Ellensburg

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

■ Morning Exercise Class, 8 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL), 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Level 1: Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance, 10 a.m., Stand Bassett Youth Center, Ellensburg

■ Silver Sneakers, 11 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Al Anon — Discovering Choices, noon, First United Methodist Church, 210 N. Ruby St. Room No. 3, Ellensburg

■ Chamber Toastmasters Meeting, noon, Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce, 10 N. Ninth St., Yakima

■ Chess and Science ages: 10 and up, 3 p.m., Roslyn

■ Weight Watchers, 5 p.m., Ellensburg Adult Activity Center, Ellensburg

■ How Will Employment Services for my Student Work?, 5:30 p.m., Gallery-One, 408 N. Pearl St., Ellensburg

■ Friends of the Roslyn Library meets, 7 p.m., Roslyn Public Library, 201 S. First St., Roslyn

■ Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Thorp Community Church, 150 First St., Thorp

THURSDAY, JAN. 31

■ Pine Needle Basketry, 9 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Free-Form Faceting with Rich Baker, 9 a.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Take off pounds sensibly, 9:30 a.m., Mercer Creek Church Room 15, Ellensburg

■ Opening Celebration Honoring For All the World to See: Visual Culture and the Struggle for Civil Rights, 5 p.m., Central Washington University Museum of Culture and Environment, 1200 N. Wildcat Way, Ellensburg

■ Divorce and Separation Support Group — DivorceCare, 6 p.m., Mercer Creek Church Activity Center, 1407 N. B St., Ellensburg

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — There is a Solution, 6 p.m., Adult Activity Center, 506 S. Pine St., Ellensburg

■ Celebrate recovery, 6:30 p.m., Mercer Creek Church Fellowship Hall, Ellensburg

BIRTHDAYS

Send birthday announcements before noon the day before the birthday. Just call 925-1414 x249 or email newsroom@kvnews.com.

TODAY, JAN. 29

■ Haley Taylor

■ Andrea Morse

■ Christine Seaton

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Legals

Kittitas PUD No. 1

Small Works Roster

Kittitas Public Utility District No. 1 has established a small works roster for projects on utility infrastructure and facilities with an estimated value of $300,000 or less and Kittitas PUD Projects for which can be used for awarding contracts from $10,000 to $300,000 without going through a formal bidding process. Any contractor wishing to be included on the small works roster for Kittitas PUD No. 1 should go to the Kittitas PUD No. 1 website at www.kittitaspud.com and complete an application.

Kittitas PUD No. 1 is establishing a small works roster for building repair, maintenance and construction, landscaping, low voltage electrical work, flagging services, excavation, crane services, gate/fencing services and road building.

All contractors who request to be on the small works roster are required to be properly licensed or registered to perform such work in the State of Washington.

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PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF KITTITAS COUNTY

"NOTICE OF CALL FOR SEALED BIDS"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the Public Utility District No. 1 of Kittitas County, 1400 Vantage Hwy, Ellensburg, Washington, 98926 until **3:00 PM, February 7, 2019** to be publicly opened and read aloud at that time for the following items:

BID CALL #19-007 - ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMERS

The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities in the bidding and to accept the bid/bids deemed to be in the best interest of the District. Bids must be accompanied by a bid bond, certified check, cashier's check or cash in the amount of five (5%) of the total bid.

Specifications and bid forms may be obtained in the office of the Public Utility District No. 1 of Kittitas County, 1400 Vantage Hwy, Ellensburg, Washington 98926 or online at www.kittitaspud.com . If further information is required, contact the District by phone (509) 933-7200. Mail sealed bids to the Public Utility District No. 1 of Kittitas County, 1400 Vantage Hwy, Ellensburg, Washington 98926

Daled this 17th day of January 2019.

Perry Wood
Operations Manager

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NOTICE OF ACTUAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION BY COUNTY FORCES

COOKE CANYON ROAD HARD SURFACING

CRP 294 -18

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Cooke Canyon Road Hard Surfacing project was completed on July 23, 2018.

Actual Cost of Construction by County Forces: $36.909

/s/: Mark Cook
Mark Cook
Public Works Director/County Engineer

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UPPER KITTITAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT #2

Board Seeks Applicants

Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2 is seeking applicants for Position #5 on the Board of Commissioners.

Selection process -

- Applicants must submit a Letter of Interest indicating interest in the position, relevant background information, and assets that they can bring to the Board of Commissioners.
- Application deadline: February 8, 2019, with interviews being conducted the week of February 11.
- Appointed board member will serve through the November 2019 general election. That individual would have the option to run for the position in the November 2019 general election for a four-year term.

Send Letter of Interest electronically or by hard copy to -
Board of Commissioners
Attn: Mandy Weed, Executive Coordinator
Kittitas Valley Healthcare
603 South Chestnut St.
Ellensburg, WA 98926
mweed@kvhealthcare.org

Applicants must be registered voters residing in Kittitas County Public Hospital District No. 2, which operates Medic One Ambulance Services.

Additional information is available at www.ukcmedicone.org or contact Mandy Weed, 509-962-7302.

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CLE ELUM – Byron and Ella Walton report their winter snowfall measurements for the week:

Wednesday, Jan. 9.....1.5"
Thursday, Jan. 17.....0.5"
Saturday, Jan. 19 .....2.5"

Season total: 43.0-inches.

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...position through the November 2019 General Election. That individual would have the option to run for the position in that election for a full four-year term ending in 2023.

Letters of interest should be sent electronically to mweed@kvhealthcare.org or by hard copy to the Kittitas County Public Health Department #2 Board of Commissioners, Attn: Mandy Weed, Executive Coordinator, Kittitas Valley Healthcare, 603 S. Chestnut St., Ellensburg, 98926.

For additional info, contact Weed at 509-962-7302 or visit www.ukcmedicone.org/board-of-commissioners.

KCHD-2 Board Members

Floyd Rogalski, Hartwig Vatheuer, Fred Benjamin and **Kevin Nicholson** sit on the Hospital District #2 Board of Commissioners.

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...many witnesses' schedules. Many had full time jobs, businesses to run, and lives to lead."

Weighing in, and not weighing in

Tuesday **Etoy Alford Jr.**, a defense attorney on the case who hails from Union Gap, opted not to comment on the verdict. Also on Tuesday a family spokesperson advised the *NKC Tribune* that the Kingcades also opt not to comment.

Lori Clemente, of ARRF Animal Rescue, said she fielded several phone calls about the condition of the horses when concern for them surfaced. Here's what she had to say.

"After several years of fielding phone calls regarding the neglect of these beautiful animals, and several more years waiting for a trail resulting in a verdict, we are pleased that some justice was served.

"We are grateful to Kittitas County deputies and lead investigator Pete Fletcher, to **Dr. Mike Fuller** and Rodeo City Equine Rescue for their care of the horses after they were seized. We're also grateful to Deputy Prosecutor Jodi Hammond for never giving up. All of those people acted as the voices for these animals.

"We are hopeful the verdict sends the message that animal neglect is not taken lightly in this community.

"Finally, if you are having trouble caring for your animals, please reach out and ask for help rather than let them suffer."

What's the gauntlet lawyers face?

Asked what the biggest challenge is in an animal abuse trial, Hammond replied, "The statue requires us to prove prolonged pain and suffering and that's difficult when you're dealing with an animal, as opposed to a person who can testify."

dinner at 6:00 p.m.; followed by the pageant. The evening is hosted by the Cle Elum Roundup Association at the Putnam Centennial Center in Cle Elum.

Candidates for the 2019 Cle Elum Roundup Queen and Jr. Queen titles include Jayme Myers, Erin Richins and Ava LaValley.

A special hat crowns and buckles will be awarded to the

new Queens that were created by Lone Star Silversmiths.

Tickets for this event must be purchased in advance by calling Tiffany Borgman at 509-304-8092.

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...fund just from this event."

How many Rotarians do you have in the club today? "We have 42 and are always looking for engaged members. For more information on how to get involved, email the club at ukcrotary@gmail.com."

What else is Rotary working on? "We are still looking at completing a Phase 2 improvement at Cle Elum City Park.

"Other than that, a big focus for us is the kids: getting them engaged and encouraging them to look at opportunities beyond high school."

More info on event

Call 509-304-4651 or, as mentioned, e-mail ukcrotary@gmail.com.

on the road to recovery.

In July 2017 the jury in the first trial was unable to convey a verdict.

Before the trial ended last week, the defense, in addition to several failed requests for a dismissal, attempted to provide the court with physical evidence never once mentioned in the two years this case has endured.

The defense argued the Kingcade's had stored a measurable number of horse-care items on the property where the horses were seized that

uled for Friday, Feb. 1, Hammond said the defendants have 30 days to appeal. If they do not, then they serve out their sentences, up to a year for each count.

Hammond said the prosecution has the option to retry the 13 counts that hung the jury. Tuesday she said that decision had not yet been made.

Why so long?

Hammond explained why the case dragged on for two years. "For instance, the defendant's didn't appear at one trial setting and Deborah had a new attorney appointed after the last trial. It was also challenging to work with so ...

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WHAT'S INSIDE

NORTHERN KITTITAS COUNTY
TRIBUNE

Pilot dies in air crash near Ellensburg

KITTITAS COUNTY – Shortly before 5 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 17, a Kittitas County farmer notified law enforcement that a small plane had just crashed in one of his fields. First responders reported the sole occupant of the plane was 75-year-old **Dr. Frank L. Smith** of Wapato who was pronounced dead at the scene, just south of Ellensburg.

Under Sheriff **Clay Myers** reports, "The scene was secured and the FFA and county coroner were notified.

"The only circumstance reported at this time is that a few minutes before the crash Smith appropriately communicated his take off and direction from Bowers Field in Ellensburg. It is believed he was bound for Yakima.

"So the cause of the crash and/or the cause of death are not known at this time. Next of kin have been notified."

On behalf of the sheriff's office Myers expressed condolences. "Our thoughts and prayers are with the pilot's family, friends and the aviation community for their loss."

water in concrete raceways before their release into the wild this spring. 233,745 more of them will be trucked to Jack Creek in the Teanaway sometime in mid-February. The crew (back row, L-R) Andrew Lewis, Chuck Carl, Quinn James, Chad Stockton (tall one with green hoodie) and Tim Eagan; (front row, L-R) Simon Goudy and Markeyta Pinkham.

Photo courtesy of Charles Strom

Nicholls resigns from Board

Kittitas County Hospital District-2 seeks candidates

by Jim Fossett | jim@nkctribune.com

CLE ELUM – Hospital District 2 Commissioner **Claire Nicholls** resigned from the board, effective Tuesday, Jan. 1.

Said Nicholls, "It's been my privilege to serve our community as a commissioner of Hospital District 2, and I want to thank my fellow commissioners for their support and understanding as I worked through my decision to resign.

"Very simply, there was no longer enough time in the day to continue pursuing all the commitments I had made, so I needed to reprioritize.

"The district is in excellent hands, with a strong board, leadership team and vision for the future. Again, thanks to all for this opportunity to serve."

In harmony with her resignation Hospital District 2's Director of Community Relations **Michele Wurl** began the search for a replacement Tuesday with this press release sent to the *NKC Tribune*.

Call for applications

The district is seeking applicants for a vacancy in Position 5, an at-large position.

The district provides ambulance services to Upper Kittitas County residents through Upper Kittitas County Medic One.

"Kittitas County Public Health Department #2 also supports a small amount of the care provided at KVH Urgent Care-Cle Elum and the Open Door Medical Clinic, a free clinic open two Saturdays a month.

Interested persons should submit a letter of interest by Friday, Feb. 8, including relevant background information and assets the person can bring to the board.

Interviews will be conducted the week of Feb. 11. The successful applicant will be appointed by the Monday, Feb. 18, Kittitas County Public Health Department #2 board meeting.

Applicants must be registered voters residing in Hospital District 2.

The individual who is appointed holds the

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Rotary's annual snowmobile FUNd Run this weekend

by Jim Fossett
jim@nkctribune.com

CLE ELUM – On Saturday, Jan. 26, at Ronald's Last Resort, snowmobilers gather to register and hit the woods for a ride. Registration gets a patron five raffle tickets – with bonus tickets available. Upper Kittitas County Rotary club event chair **Jodi Larsen** and snowmobiler **Kerry Jo Horn** answered some questions about the event, sponsored by Evergreen Home Loans.

What are bonus raffle tickets? "You get five chances to win just by registering and riding the course, but you can opt to buy more.

"There are five stops on the ride. At each stop you are given a raffle ticket. Once riders receive the five tickets, they return to the Last Resort. At approximately 3:30 p.m. winners are announced."

How long is the run this year and to where does it go? "It's a groomed trail over Sassy Mountain about 20 miles long."

What kind of concessions will be on hand? "None. We invite people to patronize the Last Resort."

Will you have a couple of fire rings this time around? "Yes. They're always popular."

When will riders leave The Last Resort? "After registering, snowmobilers depart around 10:00 a.m. Last riders are out at 12:30 p.m."

What prizes are offered at the 3:30 drawing? "We have a $1,000 grand prize, a $750 second prize and a third prize equivalent to $500. We also have lots of other prizes donated by local businesses and an assortment of snowmobile gear and accessories."

What does Rotary do with the proceeds from this event? "All proceeds support the education of our youth."

How important is this fundraiser to Rotary and the communities the club serves? "It's incredibly important as are all our events. Last year we were able to put away more than $6,000 in our scholarship...

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Cricket's sixth birthday party, a very unusual one at that

by Jim Fossett | Jim@nkctribune.com

CLE ELUM – Friday, Jan. 4, six-year-old kindergartener Madison "Cricket" Wadsten had a surprise birthday party of another sort. Her 57-year-old grandfather, **David Peccalaio**, tells the story.

"We'd decided we would have a birthday party for her with family only, but then at the last minute we changed our minds to open it up – but you know how last minute parties go. We couldn't make it happen, and when Madison found out … she was on a computer watching cartoons. When I came in, she had her hands on her face, tears streaming.

"When we moved here in August, I started looking around for local information, groups to get involved with and so on. That's when I stumbled over Facebook's Cle Elum, What's Up and joined the group.

"After I saw Madison in tears I logged onto that site and put out a request to anyone who wanted to come by. No presents needed."

David said he couldn't believe the response. His post fetched hundreds of responses.

"I put out the word on Facebook a little after 5:15. Ten minutes later two or three people called – and then it kind of blew up. Even the Cle Elum Fire Department and Medic One. They brought two engines and an aide car the kids at the party were able to tour. They got Madison into an engine and let her blow the horn. She loved that.

"Before it was over we had 65 or 70 people at the house. It was amazing. We went through a sheet cake, a big one, a couple of gallons of ice cream, and later, around 8:30 three ladies from JoDel's Take-N-Bake in Cle Elum showed up with pizzas.

"Madison was pretty excited. There were at least a dozen kids there, so she made some new friends. People brought lots of gifts.

"I was in tears most of the time. I will never forget what this community did."

David said wife **Debbie** baked some goodies and delivered them to the fire station to close the chapter on this very special birthday story.

CRICKET with grandpa David after the party. Her comment about the event ranked high on the cute-factor scale. Courtesy Debbie Peccalaio

INSIDE THE Peccalaio home at the party – happily crowded, nearly every nook and cranny. Courtesy Debbie Peccalaio

MADISON got to honk the horn in one of the fire trucks brought along. Courtesy Cle Elum Fire Department

Cricket weighs in

After the party was over, Madison said it was the best birthday she'd ever had. Then she said, "Nana, Papa – we need a bigger house!"

David said to top the birthday off, the next day Madison got a trip to the Family Fun Center in Tukwila.

I-90 shutdown a blessing

David was headed to work early Friday morning when Snoqualmie Pass closed. Had he left earlier – he never would have made it home for the party. All things happen for a reason?

CEFD n' Medic One

Mike Lackey orchestrated the firefighter, Medic One response.

"I was on Facebook when I saw it so I called my assistant chief Nate Henderson and asked permission to bring an engine and a rescue vehicle to the party, so they knew they were welcome in town.

"When I called David to let him know we were coming," Lackey laughed, "he asked me, 'Are you serious?'

"We rounded up some firefighters and Medic One. My wife Sarah and daughter Kaydence came along. Kaydence got two Lego sets for Christmas and wanted to bring one as a gift, so my wife wrapped it up quick and we were off."

He said other firefighters to the rescue included **Beau Foster**, **Cole Lowenstein**, and **Lt. Chase Stanley**. Medic One personnel included EMT **Emily Blakley** and Paramedic **Sonya Vraver**.

About the family

David runs a café on the Microsoft campus. Wife Debbie works for a westside oil company.

Their plan was to retire in five years and move to Cle Elum where Madison lives with mom Ashley, but when Debbie found a house on 3rd Street much quicker than expected – they decided to go for it. They settled on it and moved here in August.

Being new in town, you can imagine their reaction to the impromptu birthday party. Madison is their first and only grandchild. David posted this on Facebook, "I am truly grateful for moving here. I already love this city and everyone in it."

THE GROUP that gave up their Friday night to make a young girl's birthday special (L-R) Cole Lowenstein, Lt. Chase Stanley, Beau Foster, Mike Lackey, Sonya Vraver, Emily Blakley. On the truck are Vraver's daughters, along for the photo shoot: McKenna (top) and Hailey. Courtesy Mike Lackey

Google, Facebook nabbed

OLYMPIA – Attorney General **Bob Ferguson** announced that Google will pay $217,000 and Facebook $238,000 over allegations the companies failed to maintain legally required information for Washington state political advertising placed on their online platforms since 2013.

"On June 4, Ferguson filed two campaign finance lawsuits in King County Superior Court asserting Google and Facebook failed to maintain information for political advertising required by Washington campaign finance laws.

"These requirements have been in place since 1972, when Washington voters approved the original initiative on campaign finance transparency.

"Washington campaign finance laws require political advertisers to maintain information about those who purchase advertising and make that information available to the public.

"According to the lawsuits, Google and Facebook did not obtain, maintain, or provide any of the legally required information associated with Washington campaigns."

DSHS announces February food benefits are available in January

OLYMPIA – The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) announced that due to the partial federal government shutdown, most clients would receive their basic food benefits for February no later than Sunday, Jan. 20.

The USDA Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) directed state agencies to issue Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), known as Basic Food in Washington, to minimize the potential impact of any lapse in funding because of the shutdown.

"Healthy food is foundational to our well-being and without it, we struggle to fully contribute to our communities," said **Babs Roberts**, Director for the DSHS Community Services Division within the Economic Services Administration.

"In our state, over 900,000 children and adults receive food benefits. Seventy-five percent of the people who receive Basic Food do not receive any other cash assistance to make ends meet."

SNAP recipients normally see their monthly food benefits arrive on their Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT cards) anywhere from the first of the month to the 20th.

DSHS is urging clients who receive February benefits early to budget carefully. "Some recipients – those who get their benefits on the 20th of each month, for example – will be going two months between SNAP disbursements," Roberts explained. People will want to ensure that the benefits they are receiving now last as long as possible."

DSHS is keeping its website along with its Facebook and Twitter accounts updated as it receives guidance from the federal government.

At this time, if the shutdown does not end by March, it is unclear of the impacts, but DSHS does acknowledge there could be some disruption to programs and services.

For more info, keep visiting the agency's Economic Services Administration's website.

Full court press on salmon predators

PORTLAND, OR – It was a good year for those angling for northern pikeminnow in the Columbia and Snake rivers. More than 3,000 people registered for the 2018 Northern Pikeminnow Sport Reward Program.

Combined, they spent more than 23,000 angler days catching and removing 180,271 of these salmon-eating fish, protecting young salmon and steelhead from predation.

While harvest was down a bit from 2017 due to higher river flows, angler success was better in 2018.

Average catch per angler per day in 2018 was 7.52, up from 7.38 in 2017. All together, anglers were paid about $1.4 million for their efforts.

The program, funded by the Bonneville Power Administration, has run annually from May 1 through Sept. 30 for more than 20 years.

160 trees harvested and sold at Christmastime

CLE ELUM KIWANIAN Hartwig Vathauer presents Kip Fox with a gift to acknowledgment for her significant role in the club's 2018 Christmas tree sale and fundraiser in Cle Elum. "This one was the most successful sale in the 26 years we've been doing it," said Vathauer. "We harvested 160 trees and sold 160. We're grateful to the Nature Conservancy for availing the trees to the club and to the patrons of this very important fundraiser. Proceeds go right back into the community, mostly to our youth programs."

Photo courtesy of Mary Vathauer

Five interesting facts about Martin Luther King, Jr.

CLE ELUM – Monday, Jan. 21, was *Martin Luther King Jr. Day*. Here are some interesting insights into this American icon's life.

1. King was the youngest person awarded the *Nobel Peace Prize* in 1964.
2. At the Atlanta premiere of the movie *Gone with the Wind*, Martin sang with his church choir.
3. There are over 730 streets in the United States named after Martin Luther King, Jr.
4. He was awarded the *Congressional Gold Medal* and the *Presidential Medal of Freedom*.
5. The name on his original birth certificate was Michael King. This was a mistake, however. He was supposed to be named after his father who was named for Martin Luther, the leader of the Christian reformation movement.

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Elum Eagles.

She's on the Roslyn Art Festival planning committee.

But there's another facet of Adelson, one that showed itself when she first arrived in the Upper County.

"I worked as a K-12 substitute teacher at the Easton and Cle Elum-Roslyn school districts because I love teaching just about anything," she smiled, "be that physics, guitar, English, history, PE or anything in between. I've also done some work in Special Education."

What's her motivational quote, the one that serves as her wellspring?

"I've had several over the years, based on what was going on in my life.

"In college, for instance, it was: don't let school get in the way of my education.

"At this writing it's: live life to the fullest – and – a quote from **Rabbi Hillel**: 'If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am not for others, what am I? And if not now, when?'"

What's on her Bucket List? It's a lengthy one, representative of her wish to live life to its fullest.

"I'd like to do more traveling. I've never been to Australia or New Zealand. I'm a diver and I'd like to try the Great Barrier Reef.

"I'd also like to visit Chile, Morocco, the Grand Canyon, the Galapagos Islands, go on a photo safari in Africa, fly a helicopter and swim with the wild dolphins again.

"I'd like to volunteer for organizations helping sea turtles, orphaned elephants, dolphins, chimpanzees, orangutans, and/or gorillas."

What are some of the most valuable lessons she's garnered from her life so far?

"Embrace life's adventures. Make the best out of any situation – and find the good in everyone."

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teering during 2018.

This year's 2019 honorees are to be recognized at an April 12 ceremony at the Governor's mansion in Ol

of Washington's most dedicated volunteers," said Gov. Jay Inslee.

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NEW YEAR'S BABY
It's a girl!

MEET KITTITAS COUNTY'S New Year's Day Baby: Skylar Jade Stroh, shown here with mom Morgan and dad James shortly after Skylar came into the world.

Courtesy Stroh Family

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ELLENSBURG – Tuesday, Jan. 1, **Skylar Jade Stroh** came into the world at 8:34 a.m., weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces, and measuring 20 inches. She had a full head of brown hair.

Mom **Morgan**, 32, and dad **James**, 32, waited six days for Skylar to arrive, while Morgan was in labor at KVH. She is the couple's first child. They make their home in Kittitas.

Morgan commutes to Selah where she works as the administrative assistant to Yakima Valley School's superintendent. She said she would be taking a few weeks off to be with the baby. James works at the chip plant on Bullfrog Road in Cle Elum.

Skylar's maternal grandparents are **Tim** and **Quenby Farrell**. Paternal grandparents are **Ed Stroh** and **Kathi Stroh**.

Would you like to get involved with youth

Tiger males Mohan, 14, and Dumai, 6, also live in the zoo's Asian Forest Sanctuary habitat. Dumai is a brother to Kali and Kirana.

However, Dumai, who was born at Point Defiance, is soon scheduled to depart for Wildlife Safari in Winston, Ore a recommendation b Zoo guests had an opp see him and bid him fa weekend.

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Potato Bowl

CBS sports reporter Tom Fornelli painted this picture of Wilson's performance.

"Wilson's 18 throws picked up 317 yards, good for 17.6 yards per attempt. He threw four touchdowns, including a 26-yard scoring toss as well as a 70-yarder.

"He set a school record for consecutive completions in a single game with his 18 completions, passing the previous mark of 14 set by Steve Sarkisian in 1995 and Steve Young in 1982.

"The 18 consecutive completions came one short of tying the bowl record set by Mike Bobo at Georgia when he completed 19 straight passes in the 1998 Outback Bowl."

About Wilson

He's a 6-foot-3, 205-pound quarterback majoring in business. [illegible] at Corner Canyon High, he threw for 2,708 yards [illegible]

Cle Elum-Roslyn

MONDAY, JAN. 21 ~ NO SCHOOL ~ MLK DAY

TUESDAY, JAN. 22

Breakfast: Cheese Omelet, Ham Slice, Cereal, Bagel w/Cream Cheese.
Lunch: Penne Chicken Alfredo OR Chef Salad, Roll, Fruit & Veggie Bar.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23

Breakfast: Pancake & Sausage on a stick, Cereal, Bagel w/Cream Cheese.
Lunch: Baked Chicken Strips, Waffles OR Tuna Hoagie, Soup, Fruit & Veggie Bar.

THURSDAY, JAN. 24

Breakfast: French Toast, Sausage Link, Cereal,

Open Door Clinic cancelled for Jan. 26

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LE ELUM – Wednesday, 2, a ceiling pipe burst at lpha Way's KVH Family cine-Cle Elum, trigger- flood after the lower r pressure set off fire klers. An official said r damage impacted nine rooms and that Thurs- appointments were re- uled for Urgent Care on Street. On Friday pro- s moved back in. By lay, Jan. 7, the clinic was operational with limited . However, the Open Clinic typically hosted VH Family Medicine-Cle is cancelled for Sat- y, Jan. 26, due to ongoing r work.

compensate for the can- tion, patients needing attention are welcome at the Open Door Clinic in Ellensburg hosted by Community Health of Central Washington, 521 E. Mountain View Ave. Clinics there are scheduled for:

- Saturday, Jan. 19, 9 a.m. to noon.
- Thursday, Jan. 24, 6-9 p.m.

The clinic is free. No reservations are necessary. First-come, first-serve for basic, non-emergency healthcare.

About the Open Door Clinic

Angie Love has been the nonprofit's director for the past three years. She took the job after graduating from Central Washington University with a degree in Public Health.

"The Open Door Clinic," she said, "is a nonprofit founded in 1999 by Doctors **Mark Larson** and **Robert Davis**. Our service is made possible by volunteer doctors, some nurses and medical students studying at Central Washington University.

"2019 is our 20th year, so our plan is to host a number of larger fundraisers.

"I just met with **Viva Rogers** in Cle Elum. She presented us with a $1,000 check on behalf of the Eagles Craft Club.

"It seems the Upper County has a lot more residents willing to help so we can bring our services to the community.

"Since we started bringing the dental van to Cle Elum, Viva has been telling everyone about us, getting sponsors and donors, and finding people needing our help. Dental health is key to overall health."

THE DAY AFTER New Year's a ceiling pipe burst inside Alpha Way's KVH Family Medicine-Cle Elum. The facility was back in operation by Monday, Jan. 7, with limited space due to ongoing repair work.

Photo courtesy of Wendell Rogers

PEN DOOR CLINIC Director Angie Love accepts a $1,000 donation from Viva ogers on behalf of the Eagles Craft Club.

Photo courtesy of Wendell Rogers

Why does Love work in Public Health?

"I'm really passionate about helping disadvantaged people have a healthy life.

"Kittitas County is a good place for this work. Did you know it has the highest rate of uninsured individuals in the state? I was kind of shocked to discover that."

Want to get involved?

Sponsors, donors, volunteers and people in need of non-emergency healthcare are invited to call Love at 509-929-7266. The nonprofit is also on Facebook: Open Door Clinic Ellensburg.

About the staff

By way of an introduction to the board and volunteer staff, here below are the key players.

David Farr, board chair, clinic volunteer and Central Washington University medical student.

Angelyn (Angie) Love, the nonprofit's director.

Dr. Levente Fabry-Asztalos, board member and Central Washington University professor.

Mitch Spenser, board member and Central Washington University medical student.

Dr. Robert Davis, board vice chair and owner of Ellensburg's Valley Vision and Hearing Associates.

Jan Riggin, board member.

Heather Clerf, board member, treasurer and clinic volunteer.

Susana Camacho, board secretary and clinic volunteer.

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partnership has been ned. How so?

ook at what's going on in le's school district. re going to run a $1 bil- ix to get back everything need.

Here at Thorp School half Para's are unfunded and ay have 1.07 or 1.08 ad- strators for the building. o makes the decisions to nd to those kinds of ages? Well, it used to be cal school boards. They public hearings and so- d public input. They took k at the needs. The prin- s sat down with them and we're going to need this we're going to need that, then they set the levy nt to get the funding. ing this month, we can't at anymore because they

Then, the money that's left in the $1.50 levy is all for enrichment, meaning pay for a full-time counselor, a nurse one day a week, and the extra Para's we need. I could go on down the list, to include things such as extracurricular programs and teachers paid to run them."

The strategy

"What we want to do with the Capital Projects Levy has become our strategy and our theme: Just maintain what we have. We're not asking for new buildings. We're just asking to maintain what we have and the services we provide in preparation for maybe four or five years out, when we'll need to tackle capital projects aimed to modernize, replace or upgrade infrastructure and facilities."

fall putting a modernization grant application together, but we didn't get the grant. There were bigger needs in other parts of the state. We will continue submitting the grant. The state is looking to fund more small schools like Thorp with large modernization needs that can't afford it.

"What we were up against was districts like Bellevue that can run a half billion dollar bond. The state loves that and they're more than willing to match it. Bellevue has the tax-rich base to get the bond passed. Then the state kicks in millions from timber sales.

"But what they've realized is that small outer districts such as Thorp don't have the bonding capacity to do what districts like Bellevue can do.

"In the letter I got informing me we weren't getting the grant, I learned the state is waking up to the disparity. They're now saying they've been helping these bigger districts and leaving little dis-

they do that, we're going to move up on the list. So we're hoping that while we're maintaining our buildings for the next four years – with help for the Capital Levy we're proposing in February – we'll eventually get that grant. The good news, of course, is grant dollars aren't local money.

"If we work together as a community we could end up with buildings that last for a generation."

What capital levy dollars would fund

The entire list of prioritized capital expenditures is available to everyone. Contact the school for a copy, but to give you an idea, here below are some of the line item projects listed, each targeted for one of the years under the four-year levy umbrella:

- Upgrade the computer lab, the CTE shop, Chrome (laptop) carts, the school's security and septic systems, radiator valves and student lockers.
- Build a playground fence (currently leased).
- Roof maintenance.
- Build a greenhouse.
- Upgrade the kitchen, irrigation and sprinkler systems.
- Install a new front sidewalk. Pave the parking lot.
- Paint targeted building exteriors and interiors.

Levy community meeting

Perkins held the first community meeting on Jan. 15 at Thorp School. The next is slated for tonight, Jan. 17, 6 p.m., at Sunlight Waters.