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November 12, 2020

Sent via e-mail: pdc@pdc.wa.gov

Alice Fiman Compliance Officer Washington Public Disclosure Commission 711 Capitol Way S., # 206 Olympia, WA 98504

Re: PDC Case Number 78780

Whalen, Jason

Allegation: Violations of RCW 42.17A.320 for failure to disclose sponsor identification on paid political advertising in the Tacoma Weekly.

Dear Ms. Fiman:

Pursuant to your email dated October 30, 2020, this email serves as my timely response (due November 12) to the above allegation, filed as PDC Case Number 78780.

The Allegation. The allegation as described by the complainant, is as follows:

D. Candidate Whalen Violations: As noted above, RCW 42.17A.320 requires that all political advertising contain sponsor information identifying who paid for the advertisement. Mr. Whalen purchased the advertising package from the Tacoma Weekly that included cover stories, editorials, and the newspaper's endorsement. He knew that the cover story was not journalism, but was advertising purchased by his campaign. He should have ensured that appropriate sponsorship information was included in all Tacoma Weekly stories about his campaign after he paid them on August 24, 2020. Mr. Whalen is an attorney in Tacoma, and has represented parties in campaign finance matters (representation of the Economic Development Board for Tacoma-Pierce County in the recent settlement of a case against the Port of Tacoma, Chamber of Commerce, and Economic Development Board).

#### The Facts.

As noted in the complaint, I (like other candidates, as indicated in the complaint) received an email solicitation from the Tacoma Weekly offering an advertising package.

I had previously seen the edition of the Tacoma Weekly that had a cover story of Javier Figueroa, as well as one of his campaign ads.

The package price of \$2,500 included a number of print ads, banner ads, some wrapped boxes with our campaign ad, and the opportunity for a cover story, which I understood would be similar to the background piece done for Mr. Figueroa. Although the original information sheet provided by the Tacoma Weekly (included in the complaint) referenced a "Tacoma Weekly Endorsement," I did not purchase, nor did I ever receive, an endorsement from the Tacoma Weekly. I did, on the other hand, receive the election endorsement from *The News Tribune*. I know the difference.

I paid and reported my \$2,500 expenditure with the Tacoma Weekly, as noted in the complaint. There is no allegation that the expense was improperly reported.

Thereafter, my campaign staff prepared and submitted print ad copy to the Tacoma Weekly for our weekly advertisements. All of our printed campaign ads, prepared by our campaign and submitted to the Tacoma Weekly, contained the required sponsorship disclosure, as required by RCW 42.17A.320. Copies of the campaign ads we prepared and submitted, as well as the "box wrap design", are attached hereto.

I disagree with the complainant where she alleges that I "knew that the cover story was not journalism, but was advertising purchased by his campaign." For the cover story, I sat down for an <u>interview</u> with Tacoma Weekly reporter, Matt Nagle. From *his* interview, Mr. Nagle wrote a background, human interest story on me, similar to what had been done for Mr. Figueroa. There was no statement of the Tacoma Weekly's "endorsement" of me or of our campaign in the article whatsoever. Frankly, the article, while positive, was mostly background information about me, my family, and my reason for running—similar to other articles about other candidates I had seen during the 2020 campaign. It did not read to me as "political advertising," but I understand now that is a matter of statutory definition.

I was provided a draft of Mr. Nagle's article to review for substantive accuracy. Unlike our campaign's preparation of all print ad copy, in which we included the campaign's (as sponsor) name and address, we did not control the final preparation and formatting of the article or otherwise prepare it for publication. It was Mr. Nagle's journalistic story, based on his interview of me. If the Tacoma Weekly understood the article to be sponsored content, based on its own advertising package, it should have included the requisite disclosure.

The article was published in the September 2, 2020 edition of the Tacoma Weekly, which has now been removed from their publication. The election was held over 60 days later, on November 3, 2020. I did not win the election to the Pierce County Council, District 6 position.

The Statute.

RCW 42.17A.320(1) provides, in relevant part:

All written political advertising, whether relating to candidates or ballot propositions, shall include the sponsor's name and address. . . . For partisan office, if a candidate has expressed a party or independent preference on the declaration of candidacy, that party or independent designation shall be clearly identified in electioneering communications, independent expenditures, or political advertising.

RCW 42.17A.005(40) defines "Political advertising" as including "any advertising displays, <u>newspaper ads</u>, billboards, signs, brochures, <u>articles</u>, tabloids, flyers, letters, radio or television presentations, digital communication, or other means of mass communication, <u>used for the purpose of appealing, directly or indirectly, for votes or for financial or other support or opposition in any election campaign."</u>

RCW 42.17A.005(21)(a)(i) – (iii) defines "Electioneering communication" as meaning any broadcast, cable, or satellite television, radio transmission, digital communication, ... billboard, newspaper, or periodical that (i) clearly identifies a candidate for state, local, or judicial office . . . (ii) is broadcast, transmitted electronically or by other means . . . or otherwise published within sixty days before any election for that office in the jurisdiction in which the candidate is seeking election; and (iii) either alone, or in combination with one or more communications identifying the candidate by the same sponsor during the sixty days before an election, has a fair market value or cost of one thousand dollars or more.

However, under RCW 42.17A.005(21)(b)(iii), the statute states that "Electioneering communication" does not include: A news item, <u>feature</u>, <u>commentary</u>, or <u>editorial</u> in a regularly scheduled news medium that is: (A) <u>Of interest to the public; (B) In a news medium controlled by a person whose business is that news medium; and (C) not a medium controlled by a candidate or a political or incidental committee.</u>

Notwithstanding the fact that the cover story was published greater than 60 days prior to the November 3 election, it may not qualify as "Electioneering Communication." To the extent that the cover story drafted by the Tacoma Weekly staff, from the interview conducted by the Tacoma Weekly staff, and formatted and published by the Tacoma Weekly staff, it was a feature story in their regularly scheduled news medium that was (a) of interest to the public; (b) in the news medium controlled by the Tacoma Weekly, and (c) not a medium controlled by this candidate or campaign. If so, then the cover story was not "Electioneering Communication."

To the extent that the cover story was part of the advertising package paid to the Tacoma Weekly, and was written (by Tacoma Weekly staff) to "appeal for votes," then it arguably falls

within the definition of "political advertising" and should have had the requisite sponsor information identified, as was included on all print ads prepared by the Whalen Campaign. Frankly, the largest value of the \$2,500 advertising package to the campaign was the weekly political ad copy that was published—all of which had the requisite sponsor identification included, as indicated in the attached ads with this letter.

When I first learned of the issue (from commentary on Ms. Lopez' social media on or around September 17), I emailed the Tacoma Weekly staffer and advised of the issue and asked that Tacoma Weekly check out the concern and, as appropriate, run a correction that the cover story was sponsored content. I am not aware whether a correction was subsequently run or communicated in the Tacoma Weekly.

Certainly, there was no intent on my part or on the part of our campaign to violate campaign disclosure laws, including RCW 42.17A.320, which is why our campaign prepared ALL print ads used in the campaign—all of which included the requisite sponsor name and address. Unlike our print and banner ads, our campaign did not control the formatting and final publication preparation of the cover story article, written by the Tacoma Weekly.

After learning of this issue, I publicly acknowledged (in a Tacoma City Club candidate forum, in response to a question on this precise issue) that the cover story likely should have been identified as "sponsored content." I have publicly acknowledged the issue and addressed the concern in a good faith effort to comply.

Moreover, in a subsequent advertising package with The Ranger – Northwest Airlifter, we ensured that an article written and approved by our campaign indeed included the identification and address of the campaign, as sponsored content. A copy of this article, published in the September 17-23, 2020 edition of The Ranger is also attached hereto.

There was certainly no intent to avoid transparency in campaign finance reporting in this case. The \$2,500 advertising expense (most all of which was for the print ads) was properly reported on my C-4; there is no allegation that the expense was not properly reported. Moreover, in the <u>same</u> September 2, 2020 issue that published the cover article at issue, our campaign also published our first political advertisement (on page 7 of the newspaper), in which the campaign, as sponsor of the ad, was clearly identified: "Paid for by Whalen for County Council (R), 7201 Holly Hedge Lane SW, #2, Lakewood, WA 98499."

At the time, I thought that a cover story, like I observed had been done with Mr. Figueroa, was not "traditional" political advertising — unlike the ads we prepared for the campaign, which were clearly political advertising. Whether or not the cover story met the definition of "electioneering communication" or "political advertising," I understand that more, not less, sponsor disclosure meets the intent and purpose of the statute.

I believe we made good faith efforts to comply, as soon as we learned of the possible problem with sponsor identification in the cover article. First, I contacted the Tacoma Weekly and asked for review of the concern and necessary correction. Second, I acknowledged the issue of concern in a public candidate forum. Finally, we ensured, in the subsequent article in The Ranger, that we included the proper sponsor identification. All of our print ads and campaign flyers have included proper sponsor identification.

I trust, by this thorough response, that the PDC Staff acknowledges my efforts to comply and to take responsibility, as appropriate, for this limited, one-time issue.

There is no indication that this issue affected the outcome of our election, as it was published greater than 60 days prior to the election AND I lost the election, nonetheless.

I appreciate your consideration and review of this complaint and response and ask that the complaint be expeditiously resolved through reminder or warning. My partisan campaign days are over and the likelihood of a future violation, albeit minor, is remote.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jason M. Whalen

Jason M. Whalen

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# At Election Time, Hire a Vet

JASON WHALEN, A COLLABORATIVE CANDIDATE

By JM Simpson

As an attorney and the City of Lakewood's deputy mayor, Jason Whalen consistently works in a collaborative manner.

"Rather than worry about partisan politics or who gets credit for what," he wrote in an email, "we know that the mission is best achieved by working together for the common good."

That common good has Whalen serving on the Lakewood City Council for the past 11 years, with six of those years as deputy mayor.

He now seeks to serve the common good on the Pierce County Council, Position 6.

His work ethic earned him a commission through Gonzaga University's ROTC program. He served in the Army as a field artillery officer from 1985 through 1992.

Whalen's service continued his family's tradition of wearing the cloth of the country. His maternal grandfather served in the Army in World War I after training at then Camp Lewis in 1917, and his father was a Naval officer during World War II and the Korean War.

What's more, as a child Whalen's family moved often
— something military members know very well. His
father's medical profession and career with the Veterans
Administration took him and his family from Montana to
Oklahoma, then to Colorado, then back to Montana, and then
on to Oregon, Alaska, and finally to Washington.

A state debate champion, Whalen graduated from Spokane's North Central High School and then attended Gonzaga University.

While there, he was on the debate team and enrolled in Gonzaga's ROTC program. Commissioned as a second lieutenant in 1985, he was honored as a Distinguished Military Graduate.

After initial officer training at Fort Sill, OK, additional schooling in "special" weapons training, and a stop at Fort



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Army veteran Jason Whalen is ready to serve both the civilian and Joint Base Lewis-McChord communities as their representative on the Pierce County Council, Position 6.

Benning, GA to attend Airborne School, Whalen was stationed in Bamberg, Germany where he served with a nuclear capable field artillery battalion.

"As a young second lieutenant, I learned the value of training and teamwork," Whalen wrote, "and I learned that respect is earned, not demanded."

Whalen wants to serve on the Pierce County Council, Position 6, and he plans to earn and keep the respect of the Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) community by producing results.

As his record as a city council member shows, he has proven he can "create and attract new businesses to Pierce County and stabilize and retain existing businesses in order to build long term economic resilience ... which provides strong support for JBLM and our service members," he explained.

He also understands the symbiotic relationship between JBLM and Pierce County.

"JBLM represents over \$9 billion in economic impact to our region annually, and active duty military members, veterans, dependents and the businesses that serve them are critical to our economic vitality and sustainability as a community," Whalen added.

"I will advocate for more training and vocational support for those military members transitioning to civilian careers."

In line with his commitment to providing economic opportunity, Whalen pledges to work for the creation of more affordable housing options and reliable transportation infrastructure to further accommodate military and civilian families.

Whalen understands what all service members, present and past, and their family members know to be true.

"I firmly believe that the adage — 'Hire a Vet' — has great meaning in these challenging political times," he concluded.

"Those of us who have served have a common bond to protect and preserve this nation and the ideals for which she stands, and while there is a lot of disruption in our national body politic, we can and must do better here at the local level. Folks can start by hiring this vet on Nov. 3."

For more information about Jason Whalen's candidacy, please visit www.whalenforcouncil.com.

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Department for 32 years. She says

her time in management makes her

It has been nearly 20 years since Pierce

County voters cast their ballots for a new

sheriff, and in this election the choice

includes a woman - something of a rare occurrence for the county in this posi-

While she may be a new face among

voters, Lieutenant Cyndie Fajardo is a

36-year veteran of law enforcement. She

began her career in Colorado in 1979 as a deputy with the Arapahoe Coun-

ty Sheriff's Department, one of three

women to attend the police academy

there at that time. She came to Pierce

County in the late 1980s and has spent

32 years with the Pierce County Sheriff's

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## ΓER 20 **YEARS** THERE'S ABOUT TO BE A **NEW SHERIFF** IN TOWN

**BY MATT NAGLE** matt@tacomaweekly.com

Over that time she worked her way through the ranks and divisions of the department - from street patrol to narcotics teams, commanding the Parkland-Spanaway Precinct and multiple community programs. She is currently a task force leader for Washington State Urban Search and Rescue, which responded to the World Trade Center disaster, Hurricane Katrina, the OSO Landslide and other national disasters. Locally, she is manager of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Program where she partners with deputies and volunteers to bring home the missing.

When asked why she chose to run for Pierce County Sheriff, especially during these times of so much contro-

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Ed Troyer has been with the Sheriff's Department for 36 years, 20 of them as high-profile public information

Through his work as the Pierce County Sheriff's Department's public information officer for the past 20 years, Ed Troyer is a familiar face among locals. In total, he has put in 35 years with the department and he says that now is the right time in his career to run for the county sheriff position.

"I was born and raised in Tacoma and I love this county and our department. I'm not ready to be done," he said. "A lot of people came to me and asked me if I'd run. I took a hard look at it and decided that I would be able to do it, and my heart would be 100 percent into it."

Troyer said that endorsements for his campaign continue to come in, most

recently Tacoma Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 31, Longshore and Warehouse Union Local #23 and Pierce County Sheriff Paul Pastor.

"I intend to vote for Ed Troyer for Sheriff and I encourage you to vote for Ed as well," Pastor said in a written statement. "I believe that he is best suited to build on the Department's accomplishments, keep it centered and address and correct its imperfections. He will maintain ethical and legal practices, which will serve to protect the rights as well as the safety of the community."

Like Fajardo, Troyer has seen his share of scrutiny in the media, and he welcomes it. "Being in the public eye opens me up for more scrutiny and I expect

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The Puyallup tribe is back in the news again, this time stemming from last week's announcement that the tribal council intends to file a lawsuit against hydropower company Electron Hydro, located near Orting. The tribe is alleging intentional and ongoing violations of the Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act after rubber debris flowed downstream to the Puyallup River from a mishap during a project to modernize the dam. Tribal council vice chair Sylvia Miller told the Seattle Times that the tribe "will do whatever we have to, to protect those lands and waters; we will take every dime if we have to."

This is the same type of rhetoric that came from the tribe during its failed fight to stop the liquefied natural gas (LNG) plant from being constructed at the Port of Tacoma. The tribal council went so far as to declare a "climate state of emergency" over the plant and accused Puget Sound Energy of hoodwinking the public, stating, "From the beginning, PSE engaged in a deceptive marketing campaign of promoting LNG as a soundbite-friendly 'transition fuel."

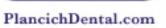
A spokesperson for Electron Hydro stated that the tribe previously supported the project to perform work necessary to install sediment and fish exclusion facilities at the dam in order to protect salmon

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# SISTER CITIES BOOK CLUB GOES TO UKRAINE The Treatment Cities Reals Club has

The Tacoma Sister Cities Book Club has announced its October selection, focusing this time on our Sister City of Brovary, Ukraine.

Starting Oct. 19, book club participants will launch into celebrated Ukrainian author Oksana Zabuzhko's new book "Your Ad Could Go Here." With its compelling title and cover art, book club organizer Hunter White said this promises to be a great literary experience.

"For me, this was an easy pick. I've seen this book around and it's gotten a lot of buzz online. I just found the title and the cover image so thought provoking. It looks and sounds so much different from any other book that we've read. It immediately inspired interest in me and other people as well," he said.

According to the book description, in this short story collection, Zabuzhko "turns the concept of truth over in her hands like a beautifully crafted pair of gloves. From the triumph of the Orange Revolution, which marked the start of the 21st century, to domestic victories in matchmaking, sibling rivalry, and even tennis, Zabuzhko manages to shock the reader by juxtaposing things as they are - inarguable, visible to the naked eye with how things could be, weaving myth and fairy tale into pivotal moments just as we weave a satisfying narrative arc into our own personal mythologies. At once intimate and worldly, these stories resonate with Zabuzhko's irreverent and prescient voice, echoing long after reading."

Zabuzhko is known as Ukraine's leading public intellectual. She made her poetry debut at the age of 12, yet because her parents had been blacklisted during the Soviet purges of the 1970s, it was not until the perestroika that her first book was published. Her novel "Field Work in Ukrainian Sex" (1996) was named in

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2006 as the most influential Ukrainian book for the 15 years of independence. She has authored more than 20 books of poetry, fiction, and non-fiction, which have been translated into 15 languages. That the book is a collection of short stories will allow readers to learn a lot about Brovary and Ukraine.

"It's really nice to switch between stories as the author introduces different characters in different situations," White said. "We're really trying to get an understanding of our Sister City in a short period of time so we're able to see a wide swath of society in one book."

White expressed gratitude to Sweet Pea Flaherty of King's Books for his ongoing and knowledgeable help with the book club. Meetings had been held at the bookstore prior to the pandemic, but now are being held virtually starting Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. then generally on the fourth Monday of each month. To learn more and to sign up, visit www.Tacoma-SisterCities.org and email White at hunter.ro.white@gmail.com.



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## CELEBRATE GREEN TACOMA DAYS

**BY MATT NAGLE** 

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The Green Tacoma Partnership invites community groups, families, and individuals to participate in Green Tacoma Days and to celebrate Arbor Day between Thursday, Oct. 8, and Sunday, Oct. 11. This year's celebration will take place virtually over four days instead of on a single day as in years past. Participants are encouraged to take individual actions and participate in distanced activities, including some right from their homes that help protect and restore natural spaces in their neighborhoods.

New this year, participants can download the GooseChase app on a mobile device, sign up for the "Green Tacoma Day Mobile Passport" - a virtual scavenger hunt, and earn points toward giveaways and public recognition. After joining a scavenger hunt as an individual or a team, participants can take action to explore their neighborhoods, participate in small group restoration activities with family or close friends (following safe



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practices), or learn new strategies for protecting Tacoma's natural spaces right from the comfort of their own homes.

Activities include identifying tree species around your house or in a public park, creating an arts and crafts project with kids, and researching an environmental topic online, among dozens of other ways to get involved.

Green Tacoma Days are the celebration of the Green Tacoma Partnership's work to restore urban green spaces, while Arbor Day celebrates the planting, growing, and caring of Tacoma's trees. For 26 years, the Arbor Day Foundation has recognized Tacoma as a Tree City USA, and for 17 years recognized Tacoma Power as a Tree Line USA for the City's commitment to maintaining a healthy

Green Tacoma Partnership members include the Tacoma Tree Foundation, Pierce Conservation District, City of Tacoma, Tacoma Public Utilities, Metro Parks Tacoma, Forterra, EarthCorps, Tacoma School District, Pierce County Parks, and Tacoma Community College.

To learn more about participating and to register online, visit greentacomaday. org or contact EarthCorps South Sound Senior Project Manager Dan Enbysk at (253) 455-8936.

## **CITY RECEIVES LOAN FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT**

Recently the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced a \$20 million Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) loan with a 1.2% interest rate to the City of Tacoma. The loan will help finance the modernization of electrical distribution systems at the City's primary wastewater treatment

"The funds from the WIFIA loan will be used to upgrade an important City facility," said Mayor Victoria Woodards. "The City is grateful to the Environmental Protection Agency and the WIFIA staff for their support to modernize the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant. Through this effort, our plant will remain state of the art, which allows it to protect the waters of Commencement Bay and the Puget Sound for decades to come."

The City's Electrical Distribution System Replacement Project will repair, replace, and rehabilitate the entire 40year old electrical distribution system at the Central Wastewater Treatment Plant. Modernizing the plant's primary electrical power will improve reliability, support worker safety, and protect water quality in Commencement Bay and the greater Puget Sound. The project will take two years to complete.

"The City is fortunate to receive financial assistance from the EPA for this project," said Environmental Services Direc-



The loan will finance modernization at the city's primary treatment plant.

major milestone that allows the project to proceed ahead of schedule."

This project will help protect Puget Sound from unnecessary wastewater discharges by improving the reliability of the City's Central Wastewater Treatment Plant, which treats over 7 billion gallons of wastewater annually.

To find out more about the City's Wastewater Management, visit cityoftacoma.org/wastewater, or for more information on the WIFIA program, visit epa. gov/wifia.

## **CHOOSE YOUR CAR RAFFLE HUMANE SOCIETY TEAMS UP WITH** LARSON AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County, which has remained open for the duration of the ongoing pandemic and cares for nearly 10,000 pets each year, is partnering with Larson Automotive Group for a unique fundraiser that could end with you driving away in a brand-new vehicle of your choice.

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Choose Your Car Raffle at a participating location, either the shelter or one of Larson Automotive Group's 13 locations, for \$5 each.

The winner will receive a \$40,000 gift certificate toward the purchase of a vehicle of your choice from one of the 16 Larson Auto-

motive Group brands: Toyota, Volkswagen, Hyundai, Audi, Mercedes-Benz, Porsche, Cadillac, Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge and Ram.

Larson Automotive Group CEO Robert Larson Sr. shared, "The quest is to raise \$100,000 for the animals through the Choose Your Car Raffle. These animals need us!"

Only 20,000 tickets will be sold, and 100 percent of each ticket purchase will help support the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County to continue to serve the needs of abused, abandoned, and injured pets in the community.

"We are all grateful to Larson Automo-

tive Group for their generous support of Tacoma and Pierce County's homeless pets in need. We hope our community will take advantage of this fun and exceptional opportunity to help save more lives," said Ashley Taulbee, Director of Development & Community Engagement at the shelter.

The drawing will take place on Thursday, Dec. 17, at noon via Facebook Live. You do not need to be present to win. You must be 18 years or older to be eligible to enter the raffle. See official rules at thehumanesociety.org/carraffle.





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# ARE YOU READY FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION?









BY JULIE WISE,
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As the election approaches, we have been hearing from voters who are anxious or concerned about the upcoming election. Your local county election officials want to share what you can do to help ensure that you are registered, receive your ballot, return your ballot, and make sure your ballot is processed counted.

In Washington State, we have been voting by mail for more than 15 years. We are confident that our vote-by-mail system is safe, timely and secure, and we are committed to making sure that your voices are heard. As county elections officials, we are ready for the Nov. 3 General Election - are you?

#### PREPARE NOW AND MAKE A VOTE PLAN.

Make sure that you're registered to vote and make sure your address is correct. All registered voters will automatically receive a General Election ballot in the mail in mid-October. If you are registered, you do not need to call us for a ballot. The deadline to register online is Oct. 26, and after that you must register in person.

Think ahead about how you'll return your ballot. No postage needed whether you return your voted ballot through the mail or use one of the hundreds of ballot drop boxes located throughout the region.

Visit VoteWA.gov to register to vote, to update your registration and to find the location of the nearest ballot drop box. VoteWA.gov and county elections websites are great resources for voters – utilize these tools to help ensure you are prepared for the election.

#### STAY HOME, STAY SAFE.

Washington voters have the pleasure and privilege of voting from home versus standing in line for hours outside of polling places. Your ballot is delivered to your mailing address about two weeks in advance of the Nov. 3 deadline.

For most voters, there is no need to vote in person. Keep yourself, your neighbors, and your election workers safe by returning your ballot by mail or by dropping your ballot in a secure ballot drop box.

#### DON'T DELAY.

Whether you return your ballot by mail or through a ballot drop box – don't wait until Nov. 3. Vote early to give yourself time to track your ballot and ensure it was counted, to avoid the last-minute crowds at ballot drop boxes, and certainly to avoid lines on Election Day.

If you vote early, you will have plenty of time to fix any issues that might arise with your ballot like updating your signature if necessary. An early vote also ensures that your votes are counted in Election Night results. There is no reason to wait – get your ballot, fill it out and get it back to us!

#### YOUR VOTE IS SECURE

Vote-by-mail is secure. Our state has layers of physical and cyber security measures in place to protect your vote and our elections. We work tirelessly, during every election, to ensure a safe and secure voting process.

We cannot ignore that there is a lot of misinformation circulating about voter fraud. In Washington State, voter fraud rates are incredibly low and attempts at fraud are few and far between. We are all proud of our respective county's security measures and multiple processes in place to prevent voter fraud in our vote-by-mail environment.

#### WE'RE HERE FOR YOU.

If you need assistance, your county elections office is ready to help! Don't hesitate to call your county election office. We can likely assist you without you having to make a trip to the elections office or a Vote Center, especially if you make sure you're already registered.

Fifteen years of vote-by-mail has prepared us well for this election. We have a strong partnership with the United States Postal Service, we've installed hundreds of ballot drop boxes throughout our respective counties, and we've prepared and planned for this election for years. We're ready – it's your turn to get ready too. Make your vote plan now so you can stay home and stay safe. Vote early and track your ballot so you can fix any issues and know that your ballot was counted. Your county election officials are committed to a safe and secure election. All you need to do is vote.





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## Smashing the glass ceiling in the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District A win for Congressional candidate Elizabeth Kreiselmaier would begin a new chapter for this seat long held by men. (Paid Adv



This year, America celebrates the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote. On Aug. 18, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, bringing victory to the movement for women's suffrage that had begun about 100 years

In this light, the 2020 race for Washington's 6th Congressional District seat takes on historic meaning. Never in the history of this political position has a woman run and made it to the General Election, until this year. Having won the Primary Election in August, Elizabeth Kreiselmaier now faces off with incumbent Derek Kilmer in next month's General Election.

A win for Kreiselmaier would impact the overall balance of power in Congress in two significant ways: Politically, it would shift this District seat from Democrat, as it has been for decades, to Republican - a change Kreiselmaier believes is urgently needed right now, given what she describes as "the radicalization of the Democrat party as a whole and its shift away from common-sense compassion toward the underserved, and toward a more socialistic type of control that undermines the dignity and freedom of all individuals as people, not just projects or pawns. This isn't your parents' Democrat party anymore - what's being pushed, if it were fully implemented, would make America, as we've known her to be, completely unrecognizable."

Second, and notably, a win for Kreisel-

With more than 60 years of political involvement, Marlyn Jenson (right) is Kreiselmaier's honorary campaign manager.

Kreiselmaier (middle) with young supporter KellyAnna Brooking (left) and Maia Espinoza, candidate for state school superintendent.

maier would be a move toward eliminating the gender inequity that's persisted in Congress even in today's world. Right now, the makeup of Congress stands at 25 percent women, with only 3 percent being Republican women just 13 out of 435 members, two of whom are from our state: Cathy McMorris Rodgers in the 5th Dis-

trict and Jamie Herrera Beutler in the 3rd

"I say, let's make it three!" Kreiselmaier smiled. "There is an imbalance in Congressional diversity for sure, in terms both of gender and of thought."

Kreiselmaier emphasized that she is not a person that dwells upon identity or gender politics. "I really do look at life through the lens of merit-based assessment and selection, where hard work and strong performance really do pay off, no matter who you are," she said. She is simply pointing out that "more women are needed in public office to 'smash the glass ceiling' so that the makeup of Congress better reflects the makeup of the population as a whole."

When asked what she thought was the biggest barrier to more women getting involved in politics, she replied, "There are lots of reasons, but I think the biggest one is simply the *status quo*. I think that all of us can become complacent, and without specific internal impetus or external encouragement, we just tend to let things stand as they are. But we really do need more women to get involved, and I believe the key lies in mentoring. It was certainly instrumental in my case, and I'm already paying it forward to others I meet along this journey."

Stepping Up to Make a Difference

When asked how she came to be running for this Congressional seat, Kreiselmaier said, "I was asked by others to run because of what they saw in me," arising from her various community volunteer roles, particularly within the Republican Party, over the course of her 15 years in Pierce County. "In the past when I've been asked to run for various things, I've always been too busy with my career or my family. But this time, with so much at stake in this election, I decided to consider it." After praying about it and getting the green light from everyone she consulted about it, she ultimately stepped up to the challenge after being urged initially by her friend and fellow activist Marlyn Jensen to run.

Now she calls Jensen her honorary campaign manager. "If things go well, Marlyn will get all the credit. And if they don't, I'll take all the blame," Kreiselmaier laughed.

Jensen has a long and proud legacy of more than 60 years of political involvement with 46 of those years in Pierce County's 26th District. She has worked with and mentored many Republican candidates running for Congress and feels that Kreiselmaier "has the best chance of anyone, anytime, anywhere to

win this race," Jensen said.

"I've worked with a lot of people over the years and I thought Elizabeth would be a great candidate at a higher level. She is able to get so many people supportive of her because of her intelligence and common sense. She is probably the most brilliant lady I've ever known. We need great leaders like that at a national level."

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Jensen noted that Kreiselmaier is also an engaging speaker, especially in front of a crowd. "Wherever she speaks, people love her. She has a powerful, unifying message and people like her on both sides and the middle of the aisle. She is just amazing and can get everyone to work together. And young people just love Elizabeth. They're coming out of the woodwork to help her campaign."

One such young person is KellyAnna Brooking, a 12-year-old middle school student in Kitsap County and an outspoken conservative. She is actively campaigning - distributing flyers, doorbelling and giving other such support for her favorite candidates like Kreiselmaier, as well as starting a local chapter of Turning Point USA.

Brooking met Kreiselmaier at a recent fundraising event where they both had a chance to speak to the crowd. The two hit it off immediately. "I really liked her speech at the Ladies of Liberty event," Brooking said. "We were both speaking about women's involvement in politics." Brooking described how she appreciates Kreiselmaier's mentorship and excitement in helping young people like her get politically active. As she put it, "I feel it's important for kids to get involved early so that we can speak our voice when

#### Mom on a Mission to Clean Up the House

As a "Mom on a Mission to Clean Up the House," Kreiselmaier is confident that being a woman, wife and mother with a Ph.D. and a successful career in educational program evaluation will help bring needed change to the District. She is not coming from a political career perspective, but rather from a sense of urgency in wanting to help people to address real concerns and make a real difference.

"I bring both a strong professional background and the bold heart of a Mom. I call it fierce devotion, kind of a mama bear mentality," she said. "I love this country the way I love my own child. It's currently in a state of unrest, and the things we hold dear are being threatened. Our freedom is fragile and we have to fight for it. I'll bring the soul of a Mom to this job."

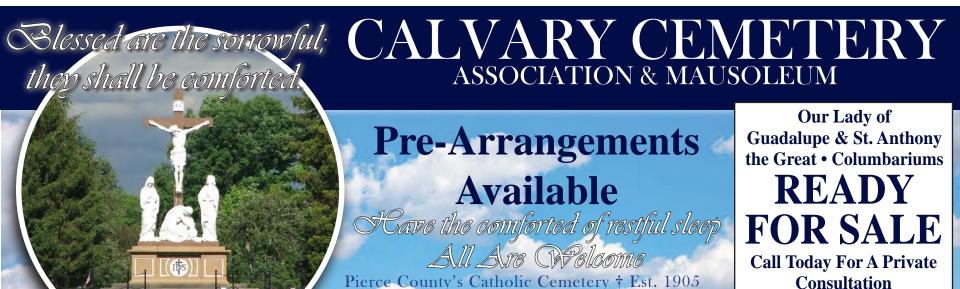
In campaigning across the six counties, Kreiselmaier said she noticed a common thread emerging: "My opponent's views and votes just don't reflect the desires of our District. Honestly, he's better suited to Seattle. The 6th Congressional District is ready for a change and deserves a better choice, and that's what I'm offering."

To illustrate her own belief in working together to bring the 6th Congressional District to new levels of opportunity and prosperity, Kreiselmaier turned to a quote from late Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg: "Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that would lead others to join you."

"That pretty much says it all," Kreiselmaier said. "She exemplified the ability to disagree politically with someone, yet remain very close friends. She did that with Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia; they would share meals and holidays together, and I find that inspiring. It's something we all could learn from."

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LCB BEGINS LISTENING SESSIONS FOR SOCIAL EQUITY TASK FORCE

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As a member of our state's Social Equity in Marijuana Task Force, Paula Sardinas brings a wealth of professional and personal experience to the table.

Among her professional involvements, she serves as a Governor's appointee to the Washington State Commission on African American Affairs, which she represents on the Task Force. She is also a longtime cannabis lobbyist, working across the country to provide testimony and write cannabis legislation at the state and federal level. In our state, with Rep. Eric Pettigrew (D-Seattle) and other stakeholders, Sardinas helped to write HB 2870 that created the task force.

Personally, she is intimately familiar with the failed War on Drugs in that her brother was sent to prison when he was 17 years old and set free when he was 42.

"He was just released last year," she said. "I know what the War on Drugs did to families because I know what it did to my own family."

This is why Sardinas is a staunch advocate for including a wide range of voices in the Task Force's work. The state Liquor and Cannabis Board (LCB) held its first listening session on Sept. 29 to hear from Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC) communities regarding experiences and concerns with the existing cannabis system, and Sardinas invited at least 50 cannabis activist groups to take part – from the Black Cannabis Commission and Black Excellence in Cannabis, to the Urban League and

NAACP. The next listening sessions are scheduled for Oct. 5 and Oct. 12.

"We cast a broad net to try to capture as many disproportionately impacted voices as possible because I think the LCB needs to have some understanding of where community is, and we're not in the same place right now," she said. "The purpose of these listening sessions is really about educating the LCB and hearing the lived experiences of the Black and have impacted, and then forging a path

forward starting from ground zero to rebuild trust where we can launch a successful social equity program."

These listening sessions are being held prior to the Task Force's first official meeting, which had to be postponed to this month due to the coronavirus. At this meeting, the Task Force members hope to elect a chair and co-chair.

Sardinas believes that the Task Force



Brown people that Bringing her professional and personal experiences to the Task Force, the LCB's policies Paula Sardinas wants everyone at the table.

is a step in the right direction to bring an even playing field for the licensing of cannabis retail shops.

"We needed something that got the community involved and engaged," she said. "But I also think that communities need to hold the Task Force, the Legislature and LCB accountable to doing more than just talking. The intent needs to be met with those dollars from the Governor's office and action from the LCB.

If not, we're going to be looking pretty much like Illinois," one of several states mired in their own struggles with bringing social equity to their states' cannabis industry.

When asked if she was at all surprised that Black and Brown people were locked out of the cannabis licensing process such that forming the Task Force was necessary, Sardinas replied, "Not in the slightest. When you look at I-502 and the way it was constructed, it is obvious to anyone who works in cannabis policy that it was constructed with the intent to keep People of Color out of the industry and they will never convince me otherwise."

For example, the LCB uses a point system to determine if an applicant qualifies for a cannabis license. The board will not normally issue a marijuana license to an applicant who has accumulated eight or more points, with a felony representing 12 points. This poses a huge roadblock for Black and Brown people, who are disproportionately arrested for marijuana and other "drug" offenses.

"If you look at HB 2870 and the way we constructed the law, now if you have a cannabis arrest or you've been disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs, we give you points for that. That's how it should have been done from day one," Sardinas said.

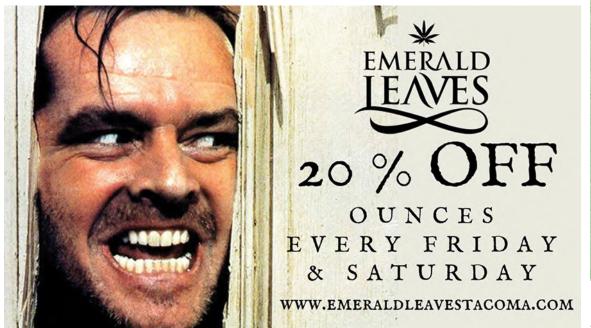
"Getting the task force up and going, being intentional about the work we're doing and involving activists, advocates and people with lived experiences will help to make sure that we create something that is both successful and sustainable."

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dia, "We will fight this thing; we owe it

to our ancestors, who are still out there.

What would they say? They would say

we are disrespected, and mother earth

is being disrespected." However, as

self-proclaimed "water warriors" that

hold the Puyallup River sacred, the tribe

consistently commits its own infractions

against the waterway. Thousands of

pounds of fish netting have been left in

the river, and little if anything is done to

keep its banks clean of litter and debris.

What is the tribe's financial responsibil-

ity to take care of its own river? If it can

pledge "every dime" to stop Electron Hy-

dro, why are those funds not being used

in more practical ways right on the res-

Just as with Electron Hydro, the trib-

al council filed lawsuits against the

LNG plant as well - and lost. Then after

months of protesting against LNG, trib-

Tribal council vice chair Sylvia Miller seen here with a big smile told the Seattle Times that the tribe "will do whatever we have to, to protect those lands and waters; we will take every dime if we have to.

Presenting Troyer with a \$50,000 donation "At the old River Boat Casino.

matter, particularly council member Annette Bryan, who made the issue a big deal during her campaign to get elected. This left ratepayers shelling out tens of thousands of dollars to cover PSE's infor-

The 116-year-old Electron Hydro channels power to 20,000 homes.

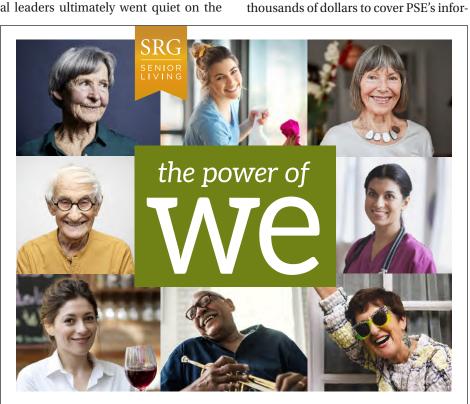
mation campaign to educate people on the real facts about LNG.

The tribal membership has no input on the council using their money to file lawsuits like these, lawsuits that apparently result in the tribe getting nothing. So far, the tribal council has filed for and received \$58 million in federal COVID relief funds, but none of it has been distributed to the membership yet. Tribal members have grown angry over these types of financial flubs, but the tribal council doesn't seem to learn from it.

Spending money on frivolous lawsuits during the time of the coronavirus points to just plain bad decisions being made on the part of the tribal council, which impacts everyone in the tribe. Tribal council decisions affect the broader population as well. Desperate for money, the council and management at the Emerald Queen Casino are taking risks that no other local tribal casino is taking. As a protective measure to help stop the virus from spreading, no other casino in the county allows patrons to smoke, but the EQC does. Now the EQC is making plans to bring back concerts, again ignoring that the virus shows no signs of letting up. This week, Washington State passed the 90,000 mark in the number of positive cases, with local case numbers in Pierce County remaining steadily high. Between this and a COVID super-spreader in the White House, leadership is failing across the board, from the Puyallup tribal council to the Oval Office.

In more troubling tribal news, long time Marine View Ventures CEO Chad Wright has announced his plans to quit. Wright's departure indicates turbulent waters ahead for the tribe's economic development arm, as MVV's economic development initiatives would seem to be key now more than ever. On the other hand, Wright received a stout income, which will no doubt free up some tribal finances for the time being.

For the tribal council, they saw the writing on the wall long ago where Wright's poor job performance is concerned, yet did nothing. Under his leadership, MVV was no powerhouse in helping the tribe diversify its income base, with only the marina and a handful of gas stations and convenience stores. Now a new MVV leader has to be found, compounding an already urgent need for the tribe to pay its bills.



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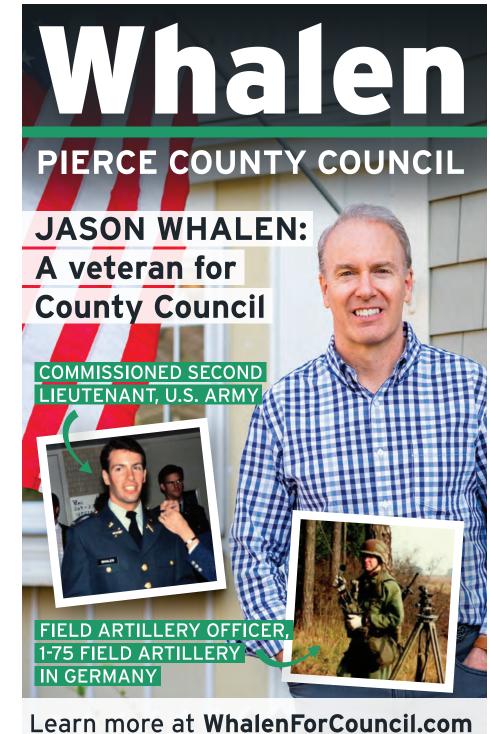
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## THERE'S ABOUT TO BE A NEW SHERIFF

## **CYNDIE FAJARDO From Cover**



Fajardo with Search and Rescue at the OSO landslide.

versy where law enforcement is concerned, she replied, "I dedicated my life to it. When I began my law enforcement career, I always had the hope that maybe someday I could be a police chief or sheriff and try my ideas out on the profession. I know that I'll give 100 percent to it and be extremely successful in moving the department forward."

During the course of her election cam paign, Fajardo has been scrutinized heavily for the alleged violations of protocols, practices and procedures among the Sheriff's drug unit that Fajardo formerly supervised. While she can't comment due to ongoing investigations, she did emphasize that the unit deals with cartel-level drug trafficking, which requires hard and immediate decisions that she stands behind.

"It will be dealt with and the truth will be known. I don't believe I did anything illegal, as was proven by the investigation. Once it's all out, people will understand that my unit conducted themselves with integrity. They wanted to protect the citizens of Pierce County," she said. "They made many sacrifices in their personal life to do this very dangerous job, and we're getting multiple pounds (of drugs) off the streets of Pierce County that did not get into the hands of our children or relatives."

As Sheriff, Fajardo has numerous ideas in mind for how she would run the department, with recruiting new deputies being a top priority.

"We need new blood because it brings new ideas," she said. "We need that new, young blood that will take the department to the future."

Diversity among the force is also important to her. "I've always felt that our department did not reflect the community that we represent. I encourage people of color to apply for a job with our department. We need that diversity. It helps my other officers understand things, especially the nuances that come with different cultures. You don't learn that from a book; you learn it by having that exposure and those friendships and having peers to bounce things off of. That's where you really get down to learning what you need to do your job effectively."

She wants voters to take into account her years of being in the trenches with officers. "I've gone to your house on your call. I've probably been the one that came upon your car accident. In my search and rescue work, I'm the one that held your hand while your kid was missing. I'm the one that was out there with you on all of these.

"You have to know the work the officers are doing. You have to know what they need when you're the boss. I will never lose that contact with my street folk because they are the heart and soul of the department. They're the ones that have the everyday contact with the community. It has always been my belief that I can't ask you to do something that I'm not willing to try to do myself. That's what makes me the candidate that voters should select."

### **ED TROYER From Cover**



Paul Pastor and Ed Troyer speak at a press conference about slain deputy Daniel McCartney.

that. Our department does some things really well and other things that we need to do better and improve on."

Between himself and his opponent, Cyndie Fajardo, Troyer believes that is the better choice of candidate in that he would bring with him his sense of the community programs that he has either partnered with or led for many years – executive director of Pierce County Crime Stoppers, lead coordinator for the local Toys for Tots, and commissioner on the Washington State Gambling Commission, among others.

"I think this is the right time for that to happen – for community organizations, alternative programs and law enforcement to come together to address the problems that we have," he said. "I like to have other agencies helping with mental health, homelessness and drug and alcohol addiction because the more professionals that do that, the more it frees our people up to do police work. Let's bring people in to work together."

Another reason that Troyer believes makes him the best pick for Sheriff is his experience in communities of color through Toys for Tots, law enforcement youth camp and many organizations away from law enforcement and with law enforcement.

"I have direct family members that are Native American and that are African American. They've grown up with me and I've grown up with them," he said. "I've coached youth sports for 20 years so I'm really tied into what the kids are doing. Some have even applied to work for us."

He said that one of his first tasks as Sheriff will be to put together a diversified team of leaders. "By the time I'm done, half of my staff will be women and people of color."

Troyer began his career with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department in 1985 as a deputy and worked the streets for 10 years. From there, he spent five years in the investigations unit, juvenile detention, special operations and was on the FBI gang task force. Working in administration for the past two decades, Troyer runs the department's child abduction response team. He developed the county's original Amber Alert and Silver Alert plans as well. He has been awarded with four medals of merit and additional professional commendations.

With the prospect of being elected sheriff, Troyer made the decision to step away from some of his commitments so that he can focus on his job. A new executive director for Pierce County Crime Stoppers has been named, he attended his last meeting with the state Gambling Commission last month, and he will act as advisor only to Toys for Tots. He isn't gone from them for good, however.

"I want to continue our Sheriff's Department working with those types of groups and others – churches, non-profits, foundations – all the community groups throughout Pierce County, and tie us closer to them," he said. "We can get a lot more done in the community."

## CREATING ARTISTIC EXPRESSION FOR PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA

Art is expression, and now people living with dementia in Pierce County can express themselves through art.

Openings Minds through Art (OMA) is a new service to our community from Lutheran Community Services (LCS) Northwest. The art classes for people with dementia are made possible by a federal grant from the Administration for Community Living. Scripps Gerontology recently certified LCS Northwest as an OMA provider and Laurie Arndt as our local art instructor.

"It's exciting to facilitate a way for people with dementia to communicate through art," Arndt said. "Participants don't need specific skills other than a willingness to try to be creative."

OMA was founded in 2007 by Dr. Elizabeth "Like" Lokon at the Scripps Gerontology Center, an Ohio Center of Excellence at Miami University. Pierce County is a trailblazer, as our current art students are the first to take virtual OMA classes during the pandemic.

OMA is a series of six weekly classes, held via Zoom, that include instruction and creative time. Prior to the session, supplies are safely dropped off on participants' porches. Classes have four to five artists who are assisted by their care partners. Projects range from collages and paintings to tie-dyes. People with dementia are trained to rely on imagi-



All that's needed is willingness to be creative.

nation instead of memory and focus on remaining strengths instead of lost skills. At the first OMA class here, one participant said she was "frustrated by her brain not working correctly." By the end of class, she said creating art was "very nice and fun." It was clear she felt joy through her art.

Each series of OMA classes will have new participants. Filling classes shouldn't be a problem, as an estimated 12,000 people in Pierce County live with dementia. At the end of a series, students will present a virtual art show. When the pandemic ends, OMA classes and art shows will be held in person.

OMA is part of LCS Northwest's Dementia Friendly Pierce County initia-

tive. The initiative includes Dementia Friends, a one-hour information session for anyone who wants to learn more about understanding and helping people with dementia.

For more information on OMA, Dementia Friends and Dementia Friendly Pierce County, please contact us at dementiaservices@lcsnw.org, or call LCS Northwest at (253) 272-5433.

## HAUNTED HEADLIGHTS TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Tickets for the socially distanced and slightly spooky drive through Haunted Headlights are now on sale. This Oct. 30 & 31, Graham plays host to Pierce County's ghastly glow event. Fit for all ages, the ghoul and goblin haunted drive takes place in Frontier Park. Visitors will stay safe in their vehicles as they creep along the haunted path of eerie lights and apparitions.

To join in on the family-friendly Haunted Headlights event, it is advised to purchase the limited tickets in advance. The October sky will be lighter during the earlier timeslots, making the experience a little less creepy for younger kiddos.

Pre-sale tickets are \$9 per vehicle and are on sale now. All tickets must be purchased in advance and are available online only. Tickets will not be sold at the event site. When purchasing a ticket, attendees will select a date and specific 15-minute entrance time. A limited



number of tickets are available for each entrance time. If an entrance time does not appear on the ticket purchasing site, that entrance time is sold out.

The Haunted Headlight event will go on rain or shine. No refunds will be offered due to inclement weather. Due to limited capacity, purchasing tickets early is encouraged. Tickets may be purchased at www.piercecountywa.org/Haunted-Headlights.

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## Bring it to Barb

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Answering your questions on mental health, relationships and life issues

#### THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

#### Dear Barb,

I know there is resentment in my marriage and I can't explain exactly how it began. My husband and I have been married for over 20 years and we have had our ups and downs. It feels like it's a strain to be together. I can sense it during our daily living, and I want to mend our relationship. Counseling is too expensive and not an option now, so a few ideas would be helpful please.

#### Signed, Married But Miserable

#### **Dear Married But Miserable,**

Resentment is a silent killer for a marriage. It takes root over time. It can be a series of small behaviors that can spell doom for the relationship. Resentment can only be eliminated through self-awareness, acknowledgment and healthy communication.

First thing to remember is that you're on the *same team* and you need to act that way as much is humanly possible. It's not a competition on who is right or wrong, fast or slow or smartest. As long as you stay aligned on the important issues, even differences in parenting styles, your relationship can survive.

Also remember we marry to have a partner, not another parent. Demeaning your partner in private or public does serious damage.

Intimacy can be felt in many ways. A wink from across the room to let the other person know they are still seen and desired is such a small gesture, but all-important.

Money is a major source of stress and resentment in many marriages. Even those that have money create a budget together and have regular discussions, putting all cards on the table.

The more times you fail to come through on something – household chores, showing up at an appointment or a child's event, (even if it is unrealistic in your opinion) – the more resentment festers

Validation is crucial to every relationship. It doesn't just apply to actions, but also validating emotions, fears, excitements and achievements. No matter what your love language or personality type, verbal validation transcends what we may think in our own heads. Simply put: Respect eliminates resentment and creates intimacy.

Seek common threads in your daily living with your husband, and even create new joint ventures. Look at each area of your life for the biggest strains of contention then slowly, with humility and compromise, discuss those suspected issues that you think could be creating resentment. It may surprise you at how receptive your husband may be. He is probably feeling the distance in the relationship as well and wants resolution too. Don't hold back sharing your real feelings with your partner. When you do, it only leads to an emotional breakdown in communication and ultimately a miserable marriage.

Barb Rock is a retired mental health counselor and the published author of "Run Your Own Race: Happiness after 50." Send any questions related to mental health, relationships or life issues to her at BarbRockrocks@yahoo.com or text to (253) 377-9668.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON (rcw46.55.130), GRAHAM TOWING #5124 WILL SELL ABAN-DONED VEHICLES TO THE HIGHEST BID-DER ON October 14, 2020 AT 11:00am. PRI-OR INSPECTION WILL BE FROM 10:00am UNTIL 11:00am. THIS COMPANY CAN BE CONTACTED AT 253-262-2869. FOR QUES-TIONS REGARDING THE AUCTION THE SALE IS LOCATION IS: 10015 213TH ST E GRAHAM, WA 98338 Published in the Dispatch October 7, 2020

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUN-TY OF PIERCE CIT BANK, N.A., Plaintiff(s), vs. JOHN SCANNELL, IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES CHIOFAR AKA CHARLES R. CHI-OFAR ET AL., Defendant(s). Cause No. 16-2-06314-0 SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY TO: JOHN SCAN-NELL, IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE ADMIN-ISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF CHARLES CHIOFAR AKA CHARLES R. CHIOFAR, Judgment Debtor(s). The Superior Court of PIERCE County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Pierce County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment in the above-entitled action. If developed, the property address is 2701 64TH AVENUE NE, TACOMA, WA 98422. The sale of the above described property is to take place: Time: 10:00 A.M. Date: Friday, October 30, 2020 Place: 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma, WA 98402 2nd Floor Entry Plaza The judgment debtor can avoid the sale by paving the judgment amount of \$354,147.11 together with interest, costs, and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the Sheriff at the address stated below: Dated at Tacoma, Washington, September 8, 2020. PAUL A. PASTOR, JR., SHERIFF OF PIERCE COUNTY. By: Christine A. Eaves, Deputy Civil Section, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room, 1B 203, Tacoma, Washington, 98402 (253) 798-7520 See legal description below or reverse: LE-GAL DESCRIPTION THE SOUTH 90 FEET OF LOTS 1 THROUGH 4. INCLUSIVE, IN BLOCK 24, SAMUEL OSBORNE FIRST ADDITION, AS PER PLAT RECORDED IN VOLUME 9 OF PLATS AT PAGE 63. RECORDS OF PIERCE COUNTY AUDITOR; SITUATE IN THE CITY OF TACOMA, COUNTY OF PIERCE, STATE OF WASHINGTON, PARCEL NO.: 6570000561 ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: MALCOLM CIS-NEROS, A LAW CORPORATION NATHAN F. SMITH, ATTORNEY 2112 BUSINESS CENTER DR, FL 2 IRVINE, CA. 92612 (949)252-9400

#### NOTICE OF VIRTUAL MEETING FOR THE EATONVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Regular Eatonville Town Council Meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, October 12, 2020 at 7:00PM will be held as a virtual meeting. The only public comment that will be allowed will need to be submitted in writing to the Town Clerk by 5:00PM on October 12, 2020. You may submit public comment to townclerk@eatonville-wa. gov or by dropping in the drop box located at Town Hall, 201 Center St W.

To access the Zoom meeting please use the link below, you will need the passcode to access this meeting. https://us02web.zoom. us/j/89447469168?pwd=MXZRR3djTGZ4eXgrcDhjcC9zbWRHZz09 or by calling +1-253-215-8782 Meeting ID: 894 4746 9168. Pass-

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Superior Court of Washington, County of Pierce In re the Custody of: Child(ren): JOHN WIL-LIAM CHRISTOPHER HOLMES Petitioner/s: ASHLEY JOANN RUSS And Respondent/s: TERESA LEIGH HOLMES THOMAS WILLIAM GRIPP No. 20-3-01800-6 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Summons Served by Publication To (name): TERESA LEIGH HOLMES -The other party has asked the court to (check all the requests included in the Petition): Parenting Plan and Relocation [x] Approve or change a Parenting Plan or Residential Schedule, Child Support [x] Approve or change a Child Support Order. [x] Order the parent/s to provide medica support. [x] Order payment of children's day care, education, long-distance transportation, or other expenses. [x] Decide how the parents may claim the dependent children on their tax forms. Non-Parent Custody [x] Give custody of the children to a non-parent. [x] Approve reasonable visitation for the parents in a non-parent custody case. Other [x] Other: Child tax exemptions to Petitioner(s) every year. You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this summons is published. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline: -No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case. and -The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: 1. Read the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. 2. Fill out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition): [x] FL Non-Parent 415, Response to Non-Parent Custody Petition You can get the Response form and other forms you need at: -The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/ -The Administrative Office of the Courts - call: (360) 705-5328 -Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or -The Superior

Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). 3. Serve (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt reguested. For more information on how to serve. read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. 4. File your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Pierce County County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 110, Tacoma WA 98402 5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawver, but you may file and serve your Response without one. Person filing this Summons or his/ her lawver fills out below: /s/ Ashlev Joann Russ 08/28/2020 ASHLEY JOANN RUSS Print name and WSBA No., if any I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one): [x] the following address (this does not have to be your home address): GENERAL DELIV-ERY ABERDEEN WA 98520 (If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the State of Washington. Published in the Dispatch September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & October 7, 2020

Superior Court of Washington, County of Pierce In re the Custody of: Child(ren): KAREEM AR-

KEE ROSE JR KARMAH NIYAJA TAPEEKA WILLNELL ROSE KO'RON MALACHI EZEKIEL ROSE Petitioner/s: WILLIE B PHERGSON And Respondent/s: KARLA MICHELLE MCGRIFF KAREEM ARKEE ROSE SR No. 20-3-02484-7 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Summons Served by Publication To (other party's name/s): KAREEM ARKEE ROSE SR I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: PETITION FOR NON-PARENTAL CUSTODY You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this Summons is published: October 7, 2020. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline: -No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and -The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: 1. Read the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. 2. Fill out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition): [X] FL Non-Parent 415, Response to Non-Parent Custody Petition You can get the Response form and other forms you may need at: -The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts. wa.gov/forms -Washington LawHelp: www. washingtonlawhelp.org, or -The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). 3. Serve (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. 4. File your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Pierce County County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 110, Tacoma WA 98402 5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one. Person filing this Summons or his/her lawyer fills out below: /s/ Willie B. Phergson 09/29/2020 WILLIE B PHERGSON I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one): [X] the following address (this does not have to be your home address): c/o PIERCE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT 5501 6TH AVENUE, TACO-MA WA 98406 (If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Superior Court Civil Rule 5 and local court rules. This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the state of Washington. Published in the Dispatch October 7, 14, 21, 28, November 4 & 11, 2020

Superior Court of Washington, County of Pierce In re the Custody of: Child(ren): KAREEM AR-KEE ROSE JR KARMAH NIYAJA TAPEEKA WILLNELL ROSE KO'RON MALACHI EZEKIEL ROSE Petitioner/s: WILLIE B PHERGSON And Respondent/s: KARLA MICHELLE MCGRIFF KAREEM ARKEE ROSE SR No. 20-3-02484-7 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Summons Served by Publication To (other party's name/s): KARLA MICHELLE MCGRIFF I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: PETITION FOR NON-PARENTAL CUSTODY You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this Summons is published: October 7, 2020. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline: -No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and -The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: 1. Read the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. 2. Fill out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition): [X] FL Non-Parent 415, Response to Non-Parent Custody Petition You can get the Response form and other forms you may need at: -The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts. wa.gov/forms -Washington LawHelp: www. washingtonlawhelp.org, or -The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). 3. Serve (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. 4. File your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Pierce County County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 110, Tacoma WA 98402\tab5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one. Person filing this Summons or his/ her lawyer fills out below: /s/ Willie B Phergson 09/29/2020 WILLIE B PHERGSON I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one): [X] the following address (this does not have to be your home address): c/o PIERCE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT 5501 6TH AVENUE, TACO-MA WA 98406 (If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120) You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Superior Court Civil Rule 5 and local court rules. This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the state of Washington. Published in the Dispatch October 7, 14, 21, 28, November 4 & 11, 2020

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In re the Custody of: Child(ren): TIMBER LYNN ROSE MARIE YEARY Petitioner/s: TAMMIE MARIE GIBSON JEREMY NEAL GIBSON And Respondent/s: JADE MARIE GIBSON JOHN DOE No. 20-3-02563-1 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Summons Served by Publication To (other party's name/s): JOHN DOE I have started a court case by filing a petition The name of the Petition is: NON-PARENT CUSTODY PETITION You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this Summons is published (Publisher enter date of first publication here): September 9, 2020. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline: -No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and -The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: 1. Read the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. 2. Fill out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition): [X] FL Non-Parent 415, Response to Non-Parent Custody Petition You can get the Response form and other forms you may need at: -The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts wa.gov/forms -Washington LawHelp: www. washingtonlawhelp.org, or -The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee) 3. Serve (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5, 4, File your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Pierce County County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 110, Tacoma WA 98402 5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one. Person filing this Summons or his/ her lawyer fills out below: /s/ Tammie Marie Gibson 09/02/2020 TAMMIE MARIE GIBSON /s/ Jeremy Neal Gibson 09/02/2020 JEREMY NEAL GIBSON I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one): [X] the following address (this does not have to be your home address): 21804 MOUNTAIN HIGHWAY EAST. PMB #136, SPANAWAY WA 98387 (If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) Note: You and the other party/ies may agree to accept legal papers by email under Superior Court Civil Rule 5 and local court rules. This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the state of Washington, Published in the Dispatch

In re the Parenting and Support of: Child(ren): ISABELLA MACKENZIE CHAMPAGNE Petitioner/s: JEFFREY ALAN BROOKS And Respondent/s: MELISSA MARIE PARSONS No. 20-3-01836-7 Summons Served by Publication (SMPB) Summons Served by Publication To (name): MELISSA MARIE PARSONS - The other party has asked the court to (check all the requests included in the Petition). Parenting Plan and Relocation [x] Approve or change a Parenting Plan or Residential Schedule. Child Support [x] Approve or change a Child Support

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Order. [x] Order the parent/s to provide medical support. [x] Order payment of children's day care, education, long-distance transportation. or other expenses. [x] Decide how the parents may claim the dependent Other [x] Other: Child tax exemptions to Petitioner every year. You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side. Deadline! Your Response must be filed and served within 60 days of the date this summons is published. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline: -No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case. and -The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment). Follow these steps: 1. Read the Petition and any other documents that were filed at court with this Summons. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for. 2. Fill out a Response on this form (check the Response that matches the Petition); [x] FL Modify 602, Response to Petition to Change Parenting Plan, Residential Schedule or Custody Order You can get the Response form and other forms you need at: -The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms -The Administrative Office of the Courts - call: (360) 705-5328 - Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or -The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee). 3. Serve (give) a copy of your Response to the person who filed this Summons at the address below and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5. 4. File your original Response with the court clerk at this address: Superior Court Clerk, Pierce County County-City Building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Room 110, Tacoma WA 98402 5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your Response without one. Person filing this Summons or his/her lawyer fills out below /s/ Jeffrey Alan Brooks 08/28/2020 JEFFREY ALAN BROOKS Print name and WSBA No. if any I agree to accept legal papers for this case at (check one): [x] the following address (this does not have to be your home address): 6209 BOCK AVENUE SUMNER WA 98390 (Optional) email: (If this address changes before the case ends, you must notify all parties and the court in writing. You may use the Notice of Address Change form (FL All Family 120). You must also update your Confidential Information Form (FL All Family 001) if this case involves parentage or child support.) This Summons is issued according to Rule 4.1 of the Superior Court Civil Rules of the State of Washington. Published in the Dispatch September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 & October 7, 2020

TS No WA07000004-20-1 TO No 200009486-WA-MSI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ Grantor: CYRIL O JOHNSON JR. A SINGLE MAN Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust: Caliber Home Loans, Inc. Original Trustee of the Deed of Trust: CHICAGO TITLE COMPA-NY OF WASHINGTON Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Caliber Home Loans, Inc. FKA Vericrest Financial, Inc. Reference Number of the Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 201804300730 Parcel Number: 0420316063 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on July 17, 2020, 09:00 AM, 2nd Floor Entry Plaza Outside the County Courthouse, Pierce County Superior Courthouse, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma WA 98402, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, the undersigned Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the Coun ty of Pierce, State of Washington, to-wit: LOT 2 OF PIERCE COUNTY SHORT PLAT RE CORDED OCTOBER 28, 1993, UNDER RE-CORDING NUMBER 9310280203, WHICH AMENDS PIERCE COUNTY SHORT PLAT NUMBER 9212170403 IN PIERCE COUNTY WASHINGTON. TOGETHER WITH PRIVATE ROAD AND UTILITY EASEMENT AS DELINEATED ON THE SHORT PLAT EXCEPT THAT PORTION OF SAID EASEMENT LYING WITH-IN LOT 2. SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF PIERCE, STATE OF WASHINGTON, APN 0420316063 More commonly known as 5614 86TH ST E. PUYALLUP. WA 98371-6224 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated April 27, 2018, executed by CYRIL O JOHNSON JR, A SINGLE MAN as Trustor(s), to secure obligations in favor of MORTGAGE ELEC-TRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. as designated nominee for CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, recorded April 30, 2018 as Instrument No. 201804300730 and the beneficial interest was assigned to Caliber Home Loans, Inc. and recorded December 19, 2019 as Instrument Number 201912190312 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Pierce County, Washington. II. No action commenced by Caliber Home Loans. Inc., the current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrowers' or Grantors' default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/ Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: FAILURE TO PAY WHEN DUE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WHICH ARE NOW IN ARREARS: DELIN-QUENT PAYMENT INFORMATION From

of Payments 7 \$4,156.87 Total \$29,098.09 LATE CHARGE INFORMATION September 1 2019 March 3, 2020 \$400.00 PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: April 27, 2018 Note Amount \$540,038,00 Interest Paid To: August 1, 2019 Next Due Date: September 1, 2019 Current Beneficiary: Caliber Home Loans, Inc. Contact Phone No: 800-401-6587 Address: SPOC Department, 3701 Regent Blvd, Irving, TX 75063 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of \$530,210.80, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured, and such other costs and fees as are due under the Note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute V. The above described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on July 17 2020. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by July 6, 2020, (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before July 6, 2020 (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Para graph III is cured and the Trustees' fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers' or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the July 6, 2020 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults, VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the current Beneficiary Caliber Home Loans, Inc. or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following ad dress(es): ADDRESS CYRIL O JOHNSON JR 5614 86TH ST E. PUYALLUP, WA 98371-6224 CYRIL O JOHNSON JR 6408 25TH ST NE TACOMA, WA 98422 UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CYRIL O JOHNSON JR 5614 86TH ST E PUYALLUP, WA 98371-6224 by both first class and certified mail on January 31, 2020, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place January 31, 2020 on the real property described in Paragraph I above and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a state ment of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustees' Sale. X. Notice to Occupants or Tenants. The purchaser at the Trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61 24 060. Notice to Borrow er(s) who received a letter under RCW 61.24.031: THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date on this notice to pursue mediation DO NOT DELAY CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Telephone: (877) 894-4663 or (800) 606-4819 Website: www.wshfc.org The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Telephone: (800) 569-4287 Website www.hud.gov The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone (800) 606-4819 Website: www.homeownership wa.gov Dated: March 11, 2020 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as Duly Appointed Successor Trustee By: Alan Burton, Vice President MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps 500 Union Street, Suite 620 Seattle, WA 9810 Toll Free Number: (844) 367-8456 TDD: (800) 833-6388 For Reinstatement/Pay Off Quotes contact MTC Financial Inc. DBA Trustee Corp sOrder Number 71109 Pub Dates: 10/07/2020 10/28/2020, EATONVILLE DISPATCH

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## FIVE HOME REMODELING TIPS FROM THE PROS

With the extra time many Americans have spent at home over the past few months, there have been plenty of opportunities to think about how that living space could be improved.

While this may not be the ideal time to tackle a full gut and renovate project, it may still be possible to do some smaller scale remodeling projects that update and improve your home. For example, simple cosmetic repairs like painting and replacing vanities can make a noticeable difference with minimal work or investment. Or if you're hesitant about bringing contractors into the house, outdoor projects like replacing fencing, adding paver stones or constructing outdoor living spaces may be a benefit for your family.

Before you take on a project, consider these tips from Robi Kirsic, MCKBR, UDCP, chairman of the board of the National Association of the Remodeling Industry and co-CEO of TimeLine Renovation & Design.

Define the Purpose: The first consideration whether you're making changes for yourself or for future resale is the purpose of your project. This determines everything from the budget to the materials you select. Remember projects in the kitchen and bathroom typically bring the greatest return on investment. It's also a good idea to plan how you'll use the renovated area. When possible, incorporate elements of universal design that don't change how the space looks but will change how it works. For example, in the bathroom, install a curbless shower, taller toilet and block in walls to allow future installation of grab bars.

Stick to a Budget: Another early deci-



sion is your budget. It's fruitless to spend time looking at materials and making design decisions based on products that exceed your budget or, conversely, fall below the quality level you prefer. Having a professional involved can help keep you from overspending and identify areas you may want to splurge or pull

Select a Remodeler: Friends and family can be great resources when it comes to choosing a remodeling contractor since they're likely to give detailed and candid opinions about their experiences. When you begin interviewing companies yourself, verify they're licensed and insured, and ask what they offer above those minimum requirements. Are they certified or accredited? Do they specialize in the type of work you're considering? Also be sure to request and check references and search online for reviews.

Conduct Virtual Meetings: While some projects may require an in-person assessment, many planning sessions can be conducted virtually. You can even shop products to be used in your project virtually since online catalogs typically show a variety of colors and finishes along with prices. For items you need to see or feel to choose, like flooring, request samples to test in your home. To make your virtual meetings most productive, prepare by providing a detailed scope of work and be ready to provide measurements and show the space cleared of clutter.

**Keep it Safe:** For some families, sticking to outdoor projects may be more comfortable in the short term. For those who are ready to bring contractors inside, there are numerous steps you can take to create a safer working environment. Examples include asking everyone involved to wear face masks and gloves and using plastic at doorways to keep the work area separate from the living area. Regular disinfecting and a thorough cleaning at the end of the project are also important preventive steps.

Find more remodeling resources, including certified contractors in your community, at RemodelingDoneRight.

## Stay Home ANSWERS

- **#1 Blair Underwood, American Actor**
- **#2 Cam Gigandet, Movie Actor**
- **#3 Avery Bradley, Basketball Player**
- #4 Dyan Cannon, Actor

### **THEN & NOW**

Never Never Land. Opened in 1964, with the last figures like the Old Woman' Shoe pictured here demolished in 2010.

Point Defiance Park entrance, 1939. The federal government formally granted the park's name to the city in 1905.

#### #3

Fort Nisqually, originally located in DuPont and reconstructed in the 1930s at Pt. Defiance.

Point Defiance Park North Pacific Aquarium. Opened in 1963 with admission 50 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

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Thinning will enhance the health and beauty of your trees. Often when trees become too thick, follage in the middle dies off or ilmbs become too heavy and crowded. Dead, damaged, crowded, and inverted limbs are removed to allow wind to pass through and to allow more light on the remaining foliage.

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STUMP GRINDING

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## WINDSAIL REDUCTION/CROWN

enour flow fees can become hazardous when the crown (top) fithe trees becomes thick and heavy or the trees see for many limbs to allow wind to pass through, the can selectively remove limbs and this the crown allow wind to pass through and greatly reduce

TOPPING/VIEW TRIMMING
Topping can be a viable option when windsail reduction is not desired or a view is in jeopardy. The fact remains that topped trees do not blow over 6at least until large new tops grow up—generally 15-20 years) unites there is a systemic problem (root rot, disease, etc). Topping, however, will promote rot at the top of the tree over a period of time, can reduce the life soon of a tree course the limbs to This process takes a long time and the trees will be safe for at least 15-20 years. They can be trimmed back or re-topped when they become a problem. We are not rabid "anti toppers" as some are but we will give you honest advice if we feel another option may be better.

When disaster strikes we will be there to remove When disaster strikes we will be there to remove trees from houses or clean up from storm damage. We do not believe in bilking customers or insurance companies just because they are in a bind, we want you to be happy and call us back if you are ever in need of other services.

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#### Italian Ristorante "With Javier, community service is a way of life. He is very dedicated to

this community. There are those who make things happen, those who watch things happen,

and those who wonder what happened. Javier makes things happen." Joe Stortini, Owner, Joeseppi's Italian Ristorante

#### Kent Keel

"I have had the privilege of serving on UP City Council with Javier for over eight years. He is a tenacious advocate for working families and businesses, and he takes the time to understand the details of issues to help determine the best path forward. Javier

has my full support." Kent Keel, University Place Councilman and former mayor; Chair, Sound Transit Board of Directors



#### Willie Stewart

"I endorse Javier because he is a military veteran who has shown great interest in people all of his life. He is committed to public service. He has had a variety of experiences in government through his previouspositions,

and I know that he will do a great job."

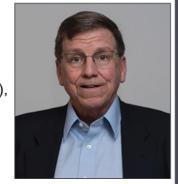
Willie Stewart, Educator. Veteran and Greater Tacoma Peace Prize recipient (2019)



#### Tim Strege

"Javier has a compelling life story of facing challenges to become a notable elected official committed to opportunity for all. As an Independent, Javier will work for policies that improve our neighborhoods, protect the environment, and create family wage jobs."

Tim Strege, Tacoma City Council (elected 3 terms), Tacoma's Public Utility Board (past member)



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"Javier supports small business. I've seen his name out there when I'm driving around, and he came out one day, sat down and talked. I respected and enjoyed what he was saying.



## Sapporo Steak House & Sushi

"I own a business and I feel like Javier is going to be really good for the county, Javier supports businesses and employees – businesses first then businesses can hire more people and put them back to work. This is what we need right now and for the future." Tina Lee & Max Lee, Owners, Sapporo Steak House & Sushi



## Sam's Barber Shop

"Javier has always been great for small businesses in University Place. He has supported us and helped us through COVID and I really appreciate that he is there for his constituents." Joe Veillette, Owner, Sam's Barber



## Neesa's Kitchen

"We at Neesa's Kitchen endorse Javier because I believe that he is a good guy who has given his life to public service. I am a new small business owner, and I believe that he will definitely help small businesses prosper." LaShawn McQueen, Owner, Neesa's Kitchen



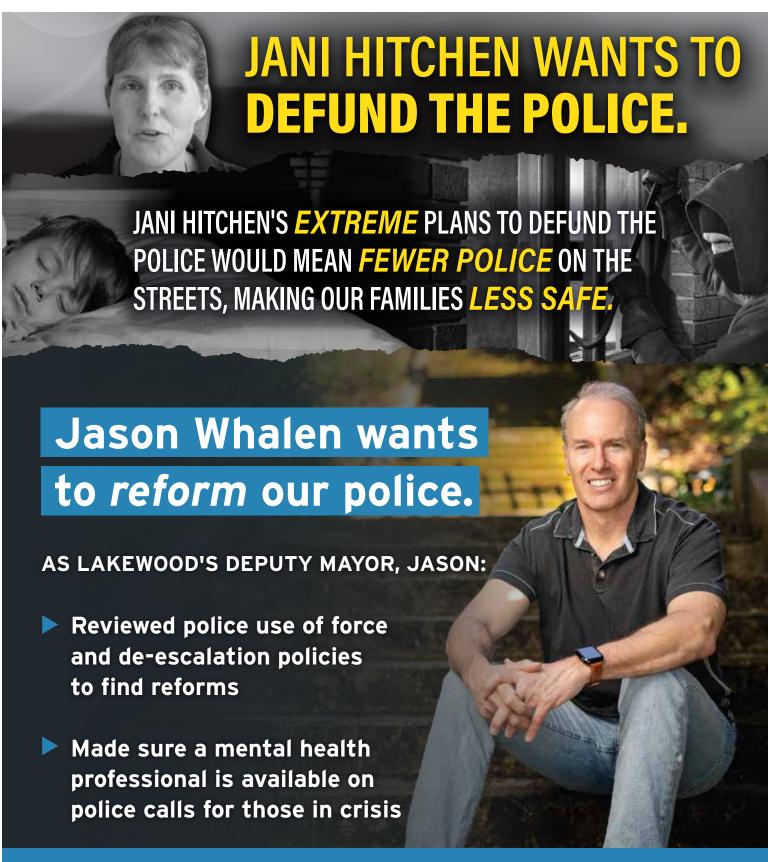
#### University Place Radiator & Auto Service

"Javier is a voice of fiscal reason and social sanity in a sea of hype and misinformation. Javier says what he believes and is absolutely transparent." Greg Taylor,



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As your county council member, Jason will continue to fight for smart reforms while ensuring our police have the training they need to make sure all members of our community feel safe.

Jason Whalen knows how critical it is to increase mental and behavioral health services. That's why he has pledged to vote to increase those services as your county council member.

We can trust Jason to fight for our values because he has done it before.

## As Lakewood's Deputy Mayor, Jason:

- 1 Increased mental and behavioral health services
- 2 Reviewed police use of force and de-escalation policies to find reforms
- (3) Made a mental health professional available on police calls for those in crisis
- 4 Ensured a healthy rainy day fund to respond to emergencies and economic downturns like the COVID-19 pandemic
- 5 Increased affordable housing options
- 6 Improved health and safety standards for rental housing

"Jason has a bipartisan track record of getting results as Lakewood's Deputy Mayor. Working together, he increased mental health services, reviewed police de-escalation and use of force policies to find reforms, and fought for a rainy day fund to respond to emergencies like COVID-19. We need leaders like Jason fighting for us on the County Council."

- Mary Moss, LAKEWOOD CITY COUNCIL MEMBER



Jason Whalen and Mary Moss marching for equality.

Jason
White County Council

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My pledge to you is to work hard to make your life better. I will fight to increase mental health services, reform our police, and take the COVID-19 response seriously to keep people healthy."





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Your vote for Jason Whalen for County Council will ensure we get these important results for all Pierce County residents.



Fighting for our values.

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- ✓ REFORM AND IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY
- **✓** IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

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## As Lakewood's Deputy Mayor...

- Ensured a mental health professional was available on police calls for those in crisis. Jason knows this kind of police reform is critical.
- Committed one percent of the general fund to human services, including mental health services.
- Partnered with Pierce County and the Cohen Veterans Network to bring Washington's first mental health clinic serving veterans and military families to Lakewood.

Jason has pledged to increase mental and behavioral health services. He knows how important this issue is for our communities.

### **VOTE** Jason Whalen for County Council

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