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TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2025



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The City of Maple Valley is developing a plan to enhance and preserve Lake Wilderness Park for future generations. We need your input to ensure this beloved park continues to serve the community in the best way possible. Provide your feedback on new amenities, conservation efforts, and future improvements at <https://engageberrydunn.mysocialpinpoint.com/.../lake...> For citywide parks and recreation planning, visit <https://engageberrydunn.mysocialpinpoint.com/.../parks...> Help shape the future of Lake Wilderness Park. Share your ideas today.

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## Independence Day Celebration in Maple Valley on July 3

Everyone is invited to a spectacular family-friendly celebration on **Thursday, July 3, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:20 p.m. at Lake Wilderness Park** 22500 SE 248th Street Maple Valley, WA 98038.

Come and enjoy live music, engaging games, delicious food, and a dazzling fireworks show featuring the **Maple Valley Youth Symphony Orchestra** with a special National Anthem performance by the Maple Valley Jr. Idol Winner.

### Event Highlights

- Live Music & Entertainment:**  
Enjoy a lineup of performances all evening, culminating in an unforgettable fireworks show.
- Family Fun & Games:**

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5:00PM-9:00PM	KID'S ACTIVITIES & BOOTHS	BEACH LAWN
5:00PM-8:30PM	FIELD DAY ACTIVITIES	BEACH LAWN
5:00PM-6:00PM	LEXI RICHTMYER 🎵	STAGE
6:30PM-7:45PM	CODY BARTELS 🎵	STAGE
7:50PM-8:00PM	PIE BAKING AWARDS	STAGE
8:15PM-9:45PM	90'S REWIND 🎵	STAGE
9:45PM -9:58PM	WELCOME ADDRESS	STAGE
9:58PM-9:59PM	SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM	STAGE
	COUNTDOWN TO FIREWORKS	STAGE
10:00PM-10:20PM	FIREWORKS W/ MUSIC BY MVYSO 🎵	

Participate in picnic games and community activities throughout the park.

•**Homemade Pie Baking Contest:**  
Bakers of all ages are invited to enter their favorite fruit pie! Pre-registration is required. Learn more & register here.

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# Black Diamond Police Reports

On 05/30/2025, officers were dispatched to a fire assist at the 32000 block of 3rd Ave. Officers responded to the address discovered that a resident had not been eating, drinking and had not been taking their medications. Officers involuntary committed the gravely disabled subject.

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On 5/31/2025, an officer responded to the 29600 block of 232 AVE SE for a report of a suspicious person. The officer contacted the subject and found they were a solicitor without a solicitors license. The subject was advised to obtain a solicitors license.

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On 5/31/2025 at approximately 2158 hours, the Black Diamond Police Department conducted a traffic stop with a vehicle near the 29300 block of 216th Avenue SE after observing a traffic violation. Through investigation, Officer's determined the driver was under the influence and booked them into a nearby correctional facility for the offense.

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On 05/31/2025 at approximately 2241 hours, officers were dispatched to the 32900 block of Cedar Ave SE, in reference to sounds of a child yelling and upset possibly being associated with a vehicle which left the scene. Officer checked the area not finding any signs of a disturbance. Officers obtained video footage from several residences in the area, not locating any evidence of a crime. All footage obtained has been save digitally.

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On 06/01/2025, I was dispatched to an order violation at the 25500 block of Lawson St. Dispatched advised that Snohomish Dispatch advised that there was an order violation (protection order) reported to them and that the protected person was in Black Diamond at the time of the violation. The Officer attempted to contact the both parties involved and was unable to reach anyone.

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On 6/1/2025 at 2129 hours, the Black Diamond Police Department conducted a traffic stop with a vehicle near the 28300 block of 216th Avenue SE after discovering the registered owner had a revoked driver's license. Officer's identified the driver as the registered owner and issued a citation for the offense. The subject then had a licensed driver drive them and the vehicle away from the scene.

## Independence Day Celebration in Maple Valley on July 3

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•**Food Trucks & Concessions:**

Savor a variety of tasty offerings from local food trucks and our beach concession stand. Stay tuned for the 2025 food truck lineup!

•**Fireworks Display:** Find the best views on the Beach Lawn area—bring your lawn chairs and blankets.

**Parking & Transportation**

•**Limited On-Site Parking:**

Carpool if you can! View the parking map at [https://maplevalleywa.gov/government/departments/parks\\_and\\_recreation/special\\_events/maple\\_valley\\_independence\\_day\\_celebration/parking\\_details.php](https://maplevalleywa.gov/government/departments/parks_and_recreation/special_events/maple_valley_independence_day_celebration/parking_details.php) for options near the event.

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•**Alternate Parking:** Free parking is available at Lake Wilderness Elementary School. Walk to the park via the Cedar River Trail.

•**Tip:** Bring a flashlight for safe navigation after the fireworks show.

**Safety & Important Notices**

•**Security:** The Maple Valley Police Department will be on-site to ensure a safe environment. Please note that no alcohol or personal fireworks (including sparklers) are allowed.

•**Boat Restrictions:** Boats will not be permitted on Lake Wilderness during the fireworks display.

•**Road Closures:** Expect temporary closures around the park exit (intersections at SE 248th St & Witte Road and SE 248th Sat & Lake Wilderness Drive) starting at approximately 10:15 PM. Please follow all posted signs and directions.

## Tahoma Multi-Class Gathering Planned for Mud Mountain Park

THS alumni can look forward to a fun afternoon while meeting with other classmates at the 5th Annual Tahoma Multi-Class Alumni Picnic. The gathering is planned for Sunday, July 27th at Mud Mountain Dam Park. It is six miles east of Enumclaw at 30525 SE Mud Mountain Rd.

With classmates mainly from pre-1960, and 1960 through 1975, the largest covered picnic area has been reserved. However, classmates should bring lawn chairs as there is limited seating and the picnic has been very well attended. The area is ADA accessible. Plans are made to gather from noon until early evening with lunch served around 1:00 pm.

Main dish is fried/baked chicken with salads. Other foods and water will be provided. Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share, along with serving utensils. Plates, cups, silverware, and napkins will be available. Donations are welcome. If there are more donations than needed, the excess will be applied to next year's picnic. Those who have contact with others from Tahoma are encouraged to share the

details and an invitation to join.

Maple Valley Historical Society will be gathering alumni contact information. Those who have questions, comments and concerns can text or call Julie (Collier) Holbrook at 801-946-9290 or email [jholbrook2006@hotmail.com](mailto:jholbrook2006@hotmail.com).

Mud Mountain Dam Park is a beautiful environment with spectacular views, a wading pool, two playgrounds along with a zipline and tether ball. There is also a dog park. All the covered shelters are close to a restroom. An Observation Area and Vista Trail of .3 miles is close to one large seating area. The park's five walking trails range from .3 to 3.1 miles. Along with munchies and a lawn chair, classmates should bring a friendly attitude to mingle with alumni from various classes.



The Greater Maple Valley Unincorporated Area Council (GMVUAC) will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 7, 7-9:30 pm at the Maple Valley Fire Station 22225 SE 231st St (across from King County Sheriff's Precinct #3). Visit the GMVUAC website (<http://gmvuac.org/>) for the agenda and Zoom information, which will be posted several days before the meeting.



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### An Encouraging Word Taylor Creek Church

By Pastor Jason Katen



## Our Freedom

We who live in the United States have much to be grateful for. As a nation, we enjoy freedoms that others only dream about. We have the freedom to pursue life, liberty, and happiness; the freedom to speak openly, to worship God, and live the American dream.

How was all this made possible? It was made possible by those who believed by faith that this type of freedom could be obtained and should be obtained. The Declaration of Independence reads with such fervor and faith: "When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness..."

Fifty-six men signed the Declaration of Independence. Their conviction resulted in untold suffering for themselves and their families. Of the 56 men, five were captured by the British, twelve had their homes ransacked and burned, and two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army. Another had two sons captured. Nine of the fifty-six fought and died from wounds or hardships of the war. In all, 25,324 Americans gave their lives for independence.

July 4<sup>th</sup> is the celebration of this freedom accomplished. This freedom is given to us by God. I believe God has continued to bless this nation because of the biblical principles it has stood upon as constructed by the founding fathers. Sadly, over the decades, the teaching and adherence to these principles have slowly eroded, moving us farther and farther away from our foundation. Today we need men and women with the same integrity and principle as those who signed the Declaration of Independence many generations ago. Are you one of these? Think about this as you celebrate your independence.

Would you like to know more? We would love to speak with you. Call us at 425-432-0634, or contact us at [www.taylorcreekchurch.org](http://www.taylorcreekchurch.org). We invite you to join us for Sunday service: 9:00 AM for Sunday School and 10:15 AM for Worship. Address: 21110 244th Ave. S.E., Maple Valley.



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We invite you to also join us throughout the week for personal encouragement and spiritual growth through Adult Small Group Bible Studies, Studies for Men, Studies for Women, as well as Youth Ministry (grades 7-12) and Adventure Club (ages 3 through grade 6).

We are located at 21110 244th Ave. SE (right off Hwy 18). For more information about our church or other activities, please call the church office at (425) 432-0634 or visit our website at [www.taylorcreekchurch.org](http://www.taylorcreekchurch.org). Senior Pastor: Jason Katen

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# When Coal Was King

By Bill Kombol

Last week’s column featured a photo of two ladies seated on a log that extended far over the rushing waters of the Green River Gorge. This week highlights another among 20 images taken by a party of five during their 1920 road trip from Index to Black Diamond around Labor Day. Three women and two men rest on a huge boulder in the bed of the Green River about 200 feet upstream from what is now a single-lane bridge controlled by stoplights on each end. The Green River Gorge Bridge stands 155 feet above the fast-flowing waters below.

The grandeur of the Green River Gorge has long beguiled visitors. Its charms were first enjoyed by Native Americans long before White settlers arrived in mass following Victor Tull’s discovery of coal in July 1880. By the summer of 1885, the Oregon Improvement Company was shipping coal from their company town named Franklin. Two miles east, the Black Diamond Coal Mining Company shipped its first train loads in December 1884. Both operations tapped the famous McKay seam, perhaps the finest coal deposit in Washington.

By 1904, the Pacific Coast Coal Company had purchased both the Franklin and Black Diamond mines and their associated company towns, which were operated in conjunction with their Newcastle and Lawson workings. The corporate owner, Pacific Coast Company, controlled railroads and shipping lines providing control of their coal from mine to market. Over the next 30 years, Franklin’s mines produced over three million tons of coal.

By 1915, coal’s reign in Franklin was nearly over, although small-scale extraction continued for seven more years. That same year King County built a modern steel-truss bridge across the Green River. Pacific Coast Company began identifying land holdings with development potential. The company marketed sales of Franklin property under the name Pacosco.

Henry Ford’s introduction of the Model T in 1908 revolutionized assembly line production and made automobiles affordable to middle-class Americans. With a newfound freedom in easy transportation, city dwellers soon took to the road in search of rural paradise. They found it at the Green River Gorge where an entrepreneur, Captain Dick Craine purchased 11 acres from Pacosco and developed his resort with a hotel, furnished cottages, clubhouse, tents, and picnic grounds.

Born in Perry, Ohio around 1870, Dick Craine moved to Bellingham at age 17 to work in the logging industry before suffering a knee injury at a sawmill. He next traveled to Alaska as a self-made adventurer – panning for gold, hunting, trapping, trading with Eskimos, and finally operating the Last Chance Roadhouse, Saloon, and Trading Post during the Klondike Gold Rush. While plying the Yukon River in his own steamboat, he gained the nickname Captain.

Further adventures followed including leading a troupe of Native Alaskans that imitated Buffalo Bill’s Wild West show. For a short time, he operated museums in Seattle and Bellingham where he displayed Indian artifacts and Alaskan mastodon fossils. Craine’s first “Eskimo Village” was presented in 1901 at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, New York, and Charleston Exposition the following year.

He then traveled to Europe with a new show, “Alaskan Village” that played at the Crystal Palace in London for six months. Returning



to America he staged his show at Madison Square Garden and Chicago’s Coliseum, culminating with its production at the 1904 St. Louis World’s Fair. For the next decade, Craine organized Hiawatha pageants with Ojibwa Indians and performed at numerous Chautauqua summer festivals. Of course, Capt. Craine was the chief showman and lecturer.

After surveying property near the Green River Gorge in 1919, Craine purchased 11 acres from Pacosco to build his resort and display his collection of curios. He often donned the persona of Felix, the Yukon Sourdough, telling Alaskan tales of his interactions with Eskimos and Canadian Ojibwas. Craine and his wife, Bessie (Wilson) constructed Ye Olde Green River Lodge which competed for tourists against Charles Brown’s Falls View Inn, John Ridges’ Green River Gorge Resort, and Frances Stearns’ Vagabond Inn, all surrounded by the natural beauty of the Green River Gorge.

Most of the facilities of the former resorts at the Green River Gorge Bridge are gone, though the 1925 lodge building stands at the east side of the bridge. The surrounding property is private, but parking and access to both sides of the river are available for a \$5 donation at the lodge.

This photo comes courtesy of JoAnne Matsumura, an Issaquah historian. Biographical information about Captain Dick Craine was researched by Dr. Richard Feldman, an Indianapolis physician and part-time historian, whose latest book is “What Our Patients Have Taught Us.”

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**A1 Right Towing and Recovery** 18451 Des Moines Memorial Dr, Seatac, WA 98148. **Saturday, July 5, 2025.** Viewing starts: 11:00 a.m. **Auction starts at 12:00 p.m.**  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Dick's Towing and Road Service, Inc.** 8425 1st Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108. 206-364-2000 Ext. 137. **Wednesday, July 9, 2025.** 2 hour preview @ 8-10 a.m. **Auction @ 10 a.m.** For list of vehicles see [www.roadoneseatle.com](http://www.roadoneseatle.com)  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Easy Towing, LLC,** 648 Elliott Ave W, Seattle, WA 98119. **Monday, July 7, 2025.** Viewing 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. **Auction at 11 a.m.**  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTIONS  
**Gary's Westside Towing Inc #5951** will sell to the highest bidder the 15 abandoned vehicles on **JULY 9, 2025 at 2 p.m.** prior inspections will be from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. The sale location is at 5939 4th Ave S., Seattle WA 98108.  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Lincoln Towing Enterprises Inc.** 1201 North 125th St., Seattle, WA 98133 . 206-364-2000. **Saturday, July 5, 2025.** 3 hour preview @ 7-10 a.m. **Auction @ 10 a.m.** For list of vehicles see: [www.roadoneseatle.com](http://www.roadoneseatle.com)  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Lincoln Towing Enterprises Inc.,** 8425 1st Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108. 206-364-2000 Ext. 1370. **Wednesday, July 9, 2025.** Preview 8-10 a.m. **Auction @ 10 a.m.** For list of vehicles see: [www.roadoneseatle.com](http://www.roadoneseatle.com)  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Payless Towing & Recovery** 33905 Pacific Highway South, Federal Way, WA 98003. 253-941-4565. **Thursday, July 3, 2025 @ Noon** Viewing @ 11:30 a.m.  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Payless Towing & Recovery** 33905 Pacific Hwy South, Federal Way, WA 98003. 253-941-4565. **Tuesday, July 9, 2025 @ Noon / Viewing @ 11:30 a.m.**  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Skyway Towing & Recovery RTTO 5191 & RTTO 5023** 2025 S 341st Pl., Federal Way, WA 98003. **Tuesday, July 8, 2025 -** Viewing: 12:30 - **Auction 1:30 p.m.** See list at [skywaytow.com](http://skywaytow.com)  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**Todd's Towing,** 1410 East North Bend Way, North Bend, WA 98045. Auction: **Thursday, July 3, 2025.** Preview @ 9 a.m. Auction at 10 a.m. **425-888-3414.**  
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ABANDONED VEHICLE AUCTION  
**US Towing,** 24816 Pacific Hwy South, Kent, WA 98032. **Thursday, July 3, 2025.** Viewing at 10 a.m. **Auction at 11 a.m.** 206-824-3448.  
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LEGAL NOTICE

**Childfind Project**  
Children from ages three to 21 who have need for special services in education and educationally related areas are the subject of a nationwide effort called the Childfind Project. A Preschool Assessment Team of teachers and special service professionals from Tahoma School District is conducting free clinical assessments for three-to-five year olds on specific Fridays of each month.  
It is expected that 10 percent of children participating in developmental screening clinics will have potentially handicapping conditions. The following developmental areas are assessed in preschool children: fine motor (small muscle); gross motor (large muscle); hearing/vision; communication which includes receptive language, expressive language and articulation (speech sound errors); cognitive/pre-academic (general intelligence) with a focus on attention and memory, reasoning and academic skills, and perception and concepts; social/emotional and behavior development; and, self-help skills.  
If a child is identified through this screening as having areas of deficiency that qualify them for special service, the school district will establish a program to meet their needs. Individual programs will depend upon a number of factors such as the type and degree of delay, appropriate program, and availability of programs. Further information is available from Melissa Horton, school psychologist at 425-413-3579. The Childfind Project is also conducted locally for other school children up through age 21. Those students who are attending private schools within the Tahoma District boundaries are also eligible for evaluation through the district. Upon referral the evaluation team determines the need for assessment and the specific area of assessment. The school psychologist or building principal has further information. If your family lives in any of the following situations: in a shelter; in a motel or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation; in a car, park abandoned building, or bus or train station; doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship, then your school-age children may qualify for certain rights and protections under the federal McKinney-Vento Act, which includes evaluation for services through the Childfind Project. If your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district where you are staying to attend a screening.  
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The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students." Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.  
Parents or eligible students have

the right to request that a school correct records which they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth his or her view about the contested information. Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions. School officials with legitimate educational interest; other schools to which a student is transferring; specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes; appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student; organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school; accrediting organizations; to comply with a judicial order for lawfully issued subpoena; appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law. Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates attendance. However, schools must tell parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTA bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school. For additional information or technical assistance, you may call (202) 260-3887 (voice). Individuals who use TDD may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339. The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-4605.  
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**Court of Washington County of King In re the Estate of Kenneth Howard Freeze, Deceased.**  
**No. 25-4-04200-3 KNT Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030) PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**  
The above Court has appointed Kathleen C. Wiebe as Personal Representative of Decedent's estate. Any person having a claim against Decedent must present the claim:  
•Before the time when the claim would be barred by any applicable statute of limitations, and  
•In the manner provided in RCW 11.40.070:  
•By filing with the Court the original of the signed Creditor's Claim, and  
•By serving upon or mailing by first class mail to me at the address provided below a copy of the signed Creditor's Claim.  
The Creditor's Claim must be presented by the later to occur of:  
•Thirty (30) days after I served or mailed this Notice to you as provided in RCW 11.40.020(3), or  
•Four (4) months after the date of first publication of this Notice.  
If the Creditor's Claim is not presented within the foregoing time period, the claim will be forever barred except as provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective for claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
Date of First Publication of this Notice: Tuesday, July 1, 2025. Dated: June 24, 2025  
/s/ Jennifer A. Gellner: Jennifer A. Gellner, Gellner Law, Attorney for Personal Representative, WSBA #30701  
Address for Mailing of Service: Jennifer A. Gellner, Gellner Law, 8407 S. 259th Street, Suite 203, Kent, WA 98030-7536  
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