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Farewells said, piece by piece

Granite Falls man, 94, dismantles a handcrafted house in woods



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Earl Ingebright, 94, looks down at the cedar house that he is tearing down piece by piece on his property along Jordan Road on Friday afternoon. The structure is more than 100 years old and made from hand-split cedar. Ingebright no longer wants to insure the building, and his insurance company wants him to dismantle it before they remove it from his policy.

By GALE FIEGE
Herald Writer

GRANITE FALLS — As far as Earl Ingebright is concerned, the old cedar house is one of a kind. He marvels at the structure, which was built upon tree stumps entirely from hand-hewn cedar. The small house is sliding off its meager foundation, but despite 111 wet winters, the wood is still dry and solid.

Ingebright, 94, is in the process of tearing the house down, piece by piece. It breaks his heart, but his insurance company wants it fixed up or taken down.

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The original windows are still intact at the top of the house.

Guilty on 45 counts



Jerry Sandusky

Former Penn State University assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky is found guilty on

45 of 48 counts of child sexual abuse. Story, Page A3

Fewer help at state parks

Volunteers, needed more than ever because of budget cuts, are putting in the lowest level of hours since 2005.

By JERRY CORNFIELD
Herald Writer

OLYMPIA — Volunteerism at state parks in Washington is declining at a time when it is most needed to help the cash-strapped agency keep the gates open and sites operating.

Hours contributed by volunteers nose-dived in 2011 to their lowest level since 2005, a fall that coincided with budget cuts that forced layoffs of managers and employees involved in overseeing efforts to attract the unpaid helpers.

The amount of donated hours in 2011 was 40,186 fewer than in 2010 and 66,453 fewer than in 2009 when volunteerism in parks peaked, according to figures in a report compiled by the governor's budget office.

"It's significant. Forty thousand hours is a whole bunch of goodness gone away," said state Rep. Hans Dunshee, D-Snohomish, chairman of the House capital budget committee and a frequent parks visitor.

State parks officials blame the drop on the troubled economy and mandated background checks for volunteers, not dissatisfaction

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Seniors to get \$40 to use at farmers markets

By JULIE MUHLSTEIN
Herald writer

EVERETT — A popular food assistance program resumes Sunday, the first time this season that qualified seniors will get \$40 checks to spend at farmers markets.

This summer's program will kick off from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Everett Farmers Market on the waterfront, where the first

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batch of checks will be given out. Checks that can be spent on fresh fruits, vegetables and other market foods will be available on other dates, through July 11, at sites that include Stocker Farms in Snohomish, Bakerview Apartments in Everett, the Mukilteo

Farmers Market and the Mukilteo office of Senior Services of Snohomish County.

"Last year, we served 1,527 people," said Martha Peppones, nutrition program director for Senior Services of Snohomish County, the agency overseeing the annual program.

"We actually have the highest or second highest redemption rate in the state," she said. "That tells

me our folks here really need the program. They like it, coming to the market to pick up the checks. They're spending them."

The Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program is paid for by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and money appropriated by the Legislature each year from the

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