

We dedicate this month's newsletter to Rich Hadley. Rich, former Greater Spokane Incorporated CEO and President Emeritus and community economic development leader, passed away on March 19.

As a District and a community, we are indebted to Rich's leadership and foresight in supporting the development of the UD as well as being a key force in the realization of the WSU Health Sciences campus and Spokane's medical schools.

I will let past and current UDDA board members, who worked and collaborated with Rich, say it best. With gratitude.

Juliet Sinisterra, CEO





Photo courtesy of WSU Health Sciences Spokane.

Rich's leadership left an indelible mark on our community as he championed projects across the region that are a reality today: the WSU Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine, the \$1 billion lobbying effort to start the North Spokane Corridor, the development of the University District, and the Spokane Teaching Health Center. He was instrumental in launching Vision 2030, now called Life Sciences Spokane, the community effort to build our life sciences industry sector. To the very end, he remained focused and committed to our community, our people, and what comes next. So many of us continue to lead forward because of Rich's passion, vision, and advocacy for our community.

- Alisha Benson, CEO, Greater Spokane Incorporated

Rich felt Spokane could be well-served with two medical schools, which required moving WSU's health sciences departments from Pullman to Spokane. He got us all talking about that, and when the pharmacy school moved up, that allowed WSU to get the medical school, and now we've got the partnership with UW and Gonzaga. He just understood that the health sciences were a major driver for a lot of the other innovative industries. He was a true consensus builder. He got the conversations rolling. He brought people together and mapped out the steps politically and the advocacy side.

- Elaine Couture, Retired CEO Providence Health and Services in WA and MT

I was privileged to have worked with Rich for nearly two decades. He helped leaders take the hill together. With him, we delivered consistently. Whether it was an investment in education, transportation, or our military families, Rich helped us see we were better together and that collaboration was about the quality of our collective outcomes. It wasn't about us but about how future generations would experience our region and celebrate the beauty and opportunities we all get to enjoy every day. His is a true legacy. I miss him already.

- Latisha Hill, Senior Vice President, Avista Development

Rich Hadley's passion for Spokane really shone through in his many efforts to support the growth of Spokane's University District. As GSI's leader, Rich was one of the original 14 people who helped us investigate multi-university collaborations in other downtown cities before we created the University District and its master plan. He served on the founding board of the University District Development Association as well as the UDPDA. As a tireless advocate and co-leader of "Spokane Leaders for a WSU Medical School", he helped

facilitate community-led efforts to carve a unique pathway for the Elson S. Floyd College of Medicine to become a reality. Always a team player, Rich's strategic insights, humble influence, and wise guidance will be greatly missed.

- Kim Pearman-Gillman, Senior Vice President, Equity & Community Development, Numerica Credit Union

My first impression was that he was very articulate and a great listener. He also had a great sense of humor...

- Susan Ashe, Retired Executive Director, Health Sciences and Services Authority

Noteworthy Community Events



Main Market Co-op Annual Meeting

May 3

Join the UD's Co-op grocery store at their annual meeting. Refreshments provided by the deli. Special Guest Speaker: John Steinman, author of *Grocery Store*.



Saranac Art Projects is pleased to present Kurt Madison and Bradd Skubinna with Sara Osebold.

May 5 – 27

Opening reception May 5. Kurt Madison, "No Words." Mixed media & found objects. Bradd Skubinna and Sara Osebold, "Hums and Burrs." Drawing and collage on canvas, paper and found surfaces.

Figure/Life Drawing

May 7

Come learn with Spokane Art School artist Tim Bovey. Participants will draw from a nude model. This is a great opportunity to work independently on projects, sketchbooks, and/or finished drawings. Whether you are a beginner at figure drawing or advanced, all are welcome. Bovey's artwork is crafted free-hand, from direct-observation. He uses a variety of media, such as graphite, charcoal, watercolor, ink, chalk, acrylic, and oil paint.



New Story Festival Spokane

May 19, 20

Gonzaga's Center for Climate, Society, and the Environment welcomes farmers, builders, entrepreneurs, scientists, musicians, spiritual leaders, and others – who are doing extraordinary work in our community. Learn how you can join them in living your purpose, for the good of people and the planet. We don't have to give in to the age-old stories of anger, division, and despair.

The poster for 'Eastern Edge' is a vibrant red. At the top, the word 'EASTERN' is in large white letters, with 'EDGE' below it in a stylized font. To the right, it says 'PRESENTED BY WSECU'. The main title 'THE NEED FOR NURSES: FROM PIPELINE TO PROVIDER' is centered in white. Below the title, the date and time are listed: 'Friday, May 12, 2023 | 7:30 - 9 a.m. The Spokane Club'. A QR code is in the top right corner. A 'TICKETS' button with the URL 'Online at ewu.edu/easternedge' is in the middle. The bottom section is divided into two columns: 'PANELISTS' and 'SPONSORS'. The panelists list includes Adam Richards, Cindy Fitzgerald, Jennifer Graham, Kelley Charvet, Brady Cass, Jennifer Larmer, Will Matney, and Jennifer Vigil. The sponsors list includes WSECU, PEMCO Insurance, JOURNAL OF BUSINESS, and Downtown Spokane Partnership. A small eagle logo is in the bottom right corner.

Eastern Edge: The Need for Nurses: From Pipeline to Provider

May 12

From the unique needs of rural and underserved communities to the shortage of professional caregivers right here in Spokane, this forum features the healthcare leaders who are at the forefront of filling the growing demand for highly-skilled nurses in our region.

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