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Alaskan Kikkan Randall is an inspiring Olympic gold medalist

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SIDE TRIPS Day and weekend touring around the area

ellingham/Whatcom County (bellingham.org): An area known for its outdoor adventures, Whatcom County offers everything from whale watching to mountain climbing. Bellingham has an exciting microbrew scene and a charming waterfront promenade. Semiahmoo Resort (semiahmoo.com) offers spa treatments, kayaking and golf; and the Mount Baker Scenic Byway boasts wondrous views of mountains, forest and meadows in the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest (www.fs.usda.gov/mbs).

Flying Heritage & Combat Armor Museum (flyingheritage. com): With 26 aircraft—many of them WWII planes from five different countries—and more than 25 vehicles, such as tanks and other military equipment, on display in two large hangars at Everett's Paine Field, the museum is a historic treasure trove. There are special events held at the museum throughout the year.

Future of Flight Aviation Center & Boeing Tour (futureofflight.org): See Boeing's production line in Mukilteo, where you can view how jetliners are built in one of the world's largest buildings. You can learn about the airplane designs, the materials used to construct planes and the future of plane production.

 Gig Harbor (gigharborguide. com): Just across Puget Sound from Tacoma, the town of Gig Harbor allows for an easy getaway vacation, with many summer activities, including fishing, scuba diving, boating and guided beach walks with Harbor WildWatch. You can also cycle, golf, hike, peruse boutique shops, relax with a local wine or cocktail, and savor water-view dining.

The Hibulb Cultural Center & Natural History Preserve (hibulbculturalcenter.org): Located on the Tulalip Reservation, west of Marysville, the Hibulb Cultural Center tells the journey of the Tulalip People through the stories of the tribe. You will learn about the importance of the cedar tree to their culture and the seven value stories. Guided tours are available

Leavenworth (leavenworth. org): Celebrate spring with Maifest 2018, May 11-13, at the Bavarian-themed village, where there will be dancing, entertainment and a "maipole." Located amid the Cascade Range, Leavenworth is known for its shopping, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. The town is also famous for the many outdoor activities available in the area, from camping,



hiking, horseback riding and whitewater rafting in the summer to Nordic skiing and dogsledding in the winter.

 Olympia-Lacey-Tumwater area (visitolympia.com): Tour the 1928 state capitol building and enjoy artisanal farmers markets, the South Sound Wine Trail, distilleries, the Thurston Bountiful Byway agritourism self-tour and kayak rentals. You can also explore the trails in the Billy Frank Jr. Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge (fws.gov/refuge/Billy_ Frank_Jr_Nisqually).

Above: The Deception Pass Bridge area offers breathtaking views of Puget Sound, Right: Leavenworth celebrates Maifest, May 11-13,