

Chelan County Sheriff's Office

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Sheriff Brian Burnett reports that four lost hikers were located this morning near Edwards Peak approximately 7 miles southwest of Leavenworth. The hikers were attempting to hike through the Enchantments but got off trail and became lost. They were identified as Brian Keeley (26) of Grand Rapids, MI; Anthony McAllister (27) of Grand Rapids, MI; Mary Keeley (25) of Austin, TX; and Joseph Smith (28) of San Antonio, TX.

At 7:49pm on Thursday RIVERCOM dispatch center received a call from one of the hikers stating that they were lost. RIVERCOM was able to get cell phone coordinates from the 911 call that plotted just west of Edwards Peak. The hikers stated that they were cold and wet but were not injured. They did not have any overnight gear with them but were able to find some shelter for the night. They were advised to stay put and rescuers would be en route in the morning.

This morning at 6:45am, a Chelan County Sheriff's Office helicopter (Air 30) responded to the area and located the hikers. Air 30 inserted a deputy into the area and he escorted the hikers to a safe landing zone near Toketie Lake. They were flown to the Leavenworth Fish Hatchery where they were met by a family member.

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