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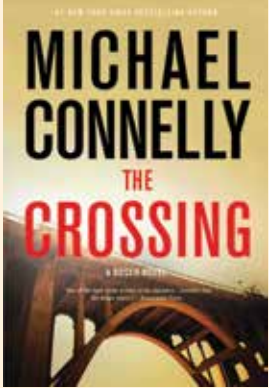
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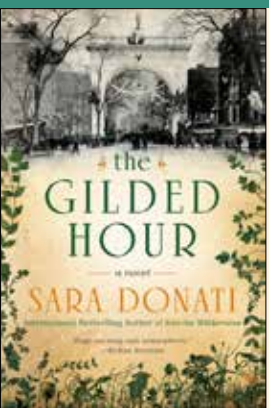


LIBRARIES

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BOOK REVIEW

Tanya Patton reviews "The Gilded Hour," by Sara Donati.

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INDOOR TRACK

Waitsburg high grad Owen Lanning, won top honors competing for Lewis-Clark State College.

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ONWARD...THROUGH THE SNOW!



Photo by Ken Graham
A light dusting of snow on Monday did not dampen the spirits of Waitsburg's founding fathers as they made their way along the sidewalk in downtown Waitsburg in front of The Times' office. This sculpture, created by Walla Walla artist Jeffrey Hill, portrays William Preston, Sylvester Wait, and William Bruce moving sacks of wheat flour from Waits' flour mill to market.

A Look Back at 2015 in Waitsburg and Prescott

Twenty-fifteen in Waitsburg has been a year of celebrations and new beginnings. Local dignitaries visited the city during May's Waitsburg Celebration Days to recognize the city's 150th birthday and to dedicate the historic bronze statues that now reside on Main Street. Several new businesses – Whiskey Creek Sports Bar and Grill, Gleason's Galley, Tricho Cuts, and Ameri – hung their shingles; and Kindergarten teacher Pam Nolan-Beasley received national recognition (again!) for her teaching skills.

It's even possible that Waitsburg could become home base for regional racing events. One can only imagine what is in store for 2016!

January

Jim Lynch took the helm as Waitsburg's new public works director. He replaced Dan Katsel, who retired after 40 years with the city.

The Waitsburg Planning Commission continued to discuss a proposed 42-acre, 114-unit subdivision called Whoopemup Meadows, located in northeast Waitsburg, with Warren Land Company owners, Mary and Gene Warren. A discrepancy arose regarding ownership of water and sewer lines that were installed by the Port of Walla Walla, and located at the industrial park next to the subdivision.

(At year's end, City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe said he believed an agreement has been reached with the Port, though nothing has been signed yet. The Warrens, who were requested to submit several studies,



Times File Photo

In January, Jim Lynch replaced Dan Katsel as Waitsburg's new public works director. Above: Lynch installs the melted turbine from Wait's Mill at the newly developed Wait's Mill Park.

have put the project on hold until Columbia Pulp breaks ground on the new pulp mill outside Starbuck.)

Former Waitsburg city attorney Kristian Hedine resigned his position with the city following his election as full-time Walla Walla County District Court Judge. His associate, Jared Hawkins, replaced him as Waitsburg's new city attorney.

Waitsburg alum Larry Weir was named National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association Washington Sportscaster of the Year.

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2015: Dayton and Columbia County Year in Review

DAYTON – The news in Dayton and Columbia County in 2015 was highlighted by fires and marijuana legalization and updates from the Columbia County Health System and Columbia Pulp. Here's a brief review:

January

Keep Kate: A group of Dayton area residents formed a group whose purpose was to encourage the Dayton School Board to retain interim middle and high school principal Kate Wenzel permanently in that position. Wenzel was hired for the 2014-15 school year only, to replace outgoing principal Andy Maheras. In December, the board chose to open up the position and solicit applications for the fall of 2015.

Hospital Consultant:

After a \$5.5 million bond levy measure passed in November by only five votes, the Columbia County Health System board moved forward to make more specific plans for a complete renovation of Dayton General Hospital. The board, staff and community members held an all-day retreat on Jan. 14, and then at their regular January meeting the board chose

to hire a consultant, Stroudwater Associates, at a cost of approximately \$60,000, to help them determine the best way to reconfigure the hospital.

Columbia Pulp Delay: John Begley, CEO of the firm hoping to establish a straw pulp processing plant near Lyons Ferry, said that the company now planned to break ground on the new facil-

ity in the spring of 2015. This was a delay of about six months from the original schedule when plans for the facility were first announced a year earlier.

February

Slack Joins Prosecutor's Office: Columbia County Prosecutor Rea Culwell announced the hiring of Public defender Dale Slack to serve as her

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Times file photo

This log home on Bowman Hill, west of Dayton, was destroyed by fire on July 22. It was one of four major fires in Dayton last summer.

CITY HALL GETS NEW SOFTWARE

ONLINE BILL PAY CUSTOMERS MUST UPDATE ACCOUNT NUMBERS

WAITSBURG – Waitsburg residents probably noticed that their utility bills looked a bit different this month. That's because the city recently upgraded its antiquated software to a more modern program, and is in the process of completing the conversion from old to new.

The change will affect residents in a couple of ways. First, the new system assigned all new account numbers. This change only affects residents who use online bill pay, through their banks, to pay their utility bills.

"It's very important that people go into their bank's bill pay setup and change the old account ID to the new ID number, which is printed on the front of the bill," said Deputy Clerk Kelly Steinhoff.

The new software will also allow residents to pay their bills with a credit or debit card directly through Vision Software's Invoice Cloud system, though there will be a small fee to use the service. That option is expected to become available in February, barring any complications.

The city decided to move to the new system after learning they would soon lose technical support for their previous software. In addition to improved support and the online payment option, the new software posts transactions in real time, unlike the old software.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

OBITUARY

JOHN HAZELBAKER

March 20, 1946 -
December 19, 2015

Longtime area resident John Edward Hazelbaker 69, passed away on December 19, 2015, at home in Waitsburg, WA.

John was born March 20, 1946, graduated from Waitsburg High School where he then married his wife Penny (Norris) Hazelbaker in Dayton. John served in the Air Force in 1966, as well as serving in Vietnam for two terms. He was an honorable discharge in 1970. He was also master of Waitsburg Grange #1 and commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars for many years.

John has four children, one exchange student, and two son-in-laws;

Dorothy and Brian Bush, Kitz and Tad Brannock, J.C. Hazelbaker (deceased October 1980), Casey Keown, and Penelope Cortes.

He also has 6 grandchildren; Tre and Brittany Brannock, Chelsey Brannock, Lexi Brannock, Beau Hazelbaker, and Braxton Hazelbaker.

John was preceded in death by his mother Eunice (Quigg) Hazelbaker (1970), father Elmer Hazelbaker (1976), and his father-in-law J.B. Norris (2004). And is survived by his mother-in-law Donna Norris of Dayton, WA, numerous nieces, nephews, brother-in-law's



and sister-in-law.

John will be missed dearly by friends and family.

Celebration of life will be January 9, 2016 at 3 p.m at the Town Hall in Waitsburg, WA.

Memorial contributions: Kitz Brannock, PO Box 22, Waitsburg, WA 99361

BIRTH

To: Vanessa Vails and John Langford of Waitsburg, a girl named Vaida Rose Langford, weighing 8 lbs. 7 ozs., born on December 20, 2015.

BRIEFS

WHITMAN PROF. TO SPEAK AT COMMERCIAL CLUB

WAITSBURG – Robert J. Carson, Professor of Geology and Environmental Studies at Whitman College, will speak at the Tues., Nov. 5 Commercial Club meeting at Waitsburg Town Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Carson has taught on the Semester-at-Sea program twice, and has directed foreign study programs in England and Spain. Most of his research is on Quaternary geology in Washington, northeastern Oregon, northwestern Wyoming, and Mongolia. He has authored several books.

Tuesday's dinner is \$12 and will be catered by Gleason's Galley. There is no charge to attend the meeting only. Please RSVP dinner reservations to ibakeve@charter.net or (509) 337-6546.

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago
January 5, 2006

The Waitsburg Community Portrait was deemed a success by photographer Jean Sherard. Some 110 folks turned out on New Year's Eve and posed on Main Street in a location that mimics historical pictures taken around 100 years ago. Seven people rode their horses and the local emergency services and Sheriff's Deputy were present. The photo will appear in a Paul Dorpat book, "Washington: Then and Now," which is expected to be printed this year.

November 9, 2005 was the end of a long, long time for a tusk believed to have come from a 15,000- to 30,000-year-old mastodon. The archaeological find was made on the ranch of Wes and Faye (Abbey) King. Faye is a Waitsburg native now living in the Odessa area and is the daughter of Joe Abbey of Waitsburg and the late Liz Abbey.

Twenty-Five Years Ago
January 3, 1991

George Downing of Waitsburg became a one-man street cleaning department recently, using his four-wheeler to move the masses of snow about Main Street. Whatever George did was effective, because the day after his first effort, the Chinook wind took everything down to pavement, and the same thing happened several days later. It was good of George to put out the effort, and if he has the key to getting a Chinook started, some of the ski area managers would like to have words with him.

Prescott Fire District 7 answered a call at the Prescott School at about 12:30 a.m. on Sunday morning. The boilers had just back fired and filled the boiler room with smoke. Sunday afternoon Dave Cloke had a fire in his van but had it out when Fire Chief Justin Mayberry checked.

Fifty Years Ago
January 6, 1966

The Waitsburg Lions Club have a treat in store for the January 11 program. They will hear from Waitsburg's world traveler, Bob Settle. Bob, who has been in the merchant marine for a number of years, will give a talk on major world waterways and end up with a view of Viet Nam as seen from aboard a merchant ship. All Lions are urged to be on hand for this program.

Waitsburg's business district was enlarged this week with the opening of a Laundromat in the old Ray Feed Store on Preston Ave. just off Main. It will fill a long-felt need in the community. The business is being operated by Maurice "Pete" Huew and J.W. "Bill" Thompson.

A boat house belonging to E. V. Mikkelsen of Waitsburg was sunk during the severe weekend windstorm at Port Kelly on the Columbia River. Mikkelsen's 20X40 boat house was lifted up by the wind, carried over the dock, and up-ended and sunk on the other side.

Seventy-Five Years Ago
January 10, 1941

Frank Wardrip won first in the cribbage tournament and Roy Allen a close second.

Mrs. Adda Roberts has been widely complimented for the efficient manner in which she installed Walla Walla County Pomona Grange and five subordinates Thursday evening at a joint installation.

Johnny Buroker left for Spokane Sunday, where he is attending Kinman Business College taking shorthand and bookkeeping.

We have just been notified of the birth of a daughter on Dec. 24, 1940 to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Davis. She has been named Caroline Louise.

One Hundred Years Ago
January 14, 1916

Lewis Neace, another of the early Washington pioneers, and one of the valleys first citizens, has gone the way that all of us must go sooner or later. He died at the family home in this city, Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock, after being at death's door for the past ten days.

The Misses Ruth and Eileen Cole were hostesses for the first large affair of the new year on Saturday evening, Jan. 8. Progressive five hundred was the main feature of the evening.

Jacob Keve, of Jasper Mountain, was in town a few days last week on his way home from a visit of several days at Dayton.

The Central Market and A. J. Woodworth are filling their ice house this week with ice from Powder River and they have many wagons and quite a crew of men at work getting the ice from the cars. Mr. Lloyd, of the Central Market is putting up 200 tons this year.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago
January 9, 1891

Elmer McKinney recently had a hand-to-hand fight with an angry steer on the range in the Crab Creek country, and it was a hard fight, too, one which came near sending Elmer "over the river." Asit was he came out minus coat, pants and shirt.

The Ladies Dime Society of the Presbyterian Church had a pleasant and profitable meeting at the residence of Mrs. Hunsaker, Thursday afternoon. The meeting was the largest the society has ever had.

FREE FOOD!



Photo by Dena Wood



Courtesy Photo

(Above left): The basement of the Waitsburg Christian Church has been filled with kids socializing and making crafts during Christmas break. The Waitsburg Resource Center offered free lunches during the holiday break and local volunteers helped the approximately 20 kids that attended each day, complete an optional activity. Children painted and decorated wooden mittens, made beads, made Flubber, put together M&M Christmas story bags, and played board games before enjoying a nutritional lunch in the Dorcas Room.

(Above right): Midway Conoco owner Sam Kumar and his crew extended the Christmas spirit to residents and passersby alike by serving up free hotdogs and smiles last week. (l to r) Denise Edwards, Ashley Razzolini, and Sam Kumar.

Touchet Valley Weather

Dec. 30, 2015

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 26 Low: 14	Thursday Mostly Sunny High: 23 Low: 12	Friday Mostly Cloudy High: 21 Low: 12	Saturday Cloudy High: 22 Low: 13	Sunday Cloudy High: 22 Low: 7	Monday Mostly Cloudy High: 20 Low: 5	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 26 Low: 8

Weather Trivia

What parts of the world receive the most hail each year?
Answer: Northern India and Kenya, as a result of strong thunderstorms.

Weather History

Dec. 30, 1988 - Unseasonably cold weather prevailed in the southwestern United States. A week of subfreezing temperatures in Southern California claimed the lives of five people. Redding, Calif. was blanketed with four inches of snow.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Monday	49	38	40/28	0.08"	0.32"
Tuesday	43	32	40/28	0.18"	0.55"
Wednesday	41	33	40/28	0.02"	-0.23"
Thursday	40	28	40/28	0.02"	0.343°
Friday	33	26	39/28	0.01"	0.338°
Saturday	32	25	39/28	0.00"	+0.5°
Sunday	33	27	39/28	0.01"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Last 1/2	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	First 1/16
	Wednesday	7:35 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	10:12 p.m.	10:34 a.m.	
	Thursday	7:35 a.m.	4:16 p.m.	11:12 p.m.	11:01 a.m.	
	Friday	7:35 a.m.	4:17 p.m.	No Rise	11:27 a.m.	
	Saturday	7:35 a.m.	4:18 p.m.	12:11 a.m.	11:53 a.m.	
	Sunday	7:35 a.m.	4:19 p.m.	1:09 a.m.	12:21 p.m.	
	Monday	7:35 a.m.	4:20 p.m.	2:09 a.m.	12:51 p.m.	
	Tuesday	7:35 a.m.	4:21 p.m.	3:08 a.m.	1:24 p.m.	

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TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

NEWS BRIEFS

DEPT. OF ECOLOGY WILL DISCUSS HANFORD CLEANUP

DAYTON – The Dayton Lions club is inviting the public to attend a presentation by Dieter Bohrmann from the Dept. of Ecology, who will discuss the Hanford nuclear site and the cleanup efforts taking place there. The 25-30 minute presentation will take place at the Delaney Room, in the Dayton Memorial Library, at 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Jan. 6.

Bohrmann will address issues related to Hanford in the context of myth vs. reality. Hanford, called the most contaminated site in North American, presents the paradox of massive contamination next to a river preserved in its natural state.

Understanding Hanford requires more knowledge than recent headlines about leaking radioactive waste tanks and missed cleanup deadlines. Bohrmann will cover some Hanford history, as well as the current progress and challenges of the nuclear cleanup efforts.

Bohrmann is the communication manager and public involvement team lead for the Dept.'s nuclear waste program in Richland. He coordinates internal and external communications and serves as the program's lead media spokesperson.

GLEASON'S GALLEY OPENS TO KIDS NEW YEAR'S EVE

WAITSBURG – Gleason's Galley will open its doors to community youth from 8 p.m. New Year's Eve to 1 a.m. New Year's Day. Kids are welcome to hang out with friends, and bring chips and/or snacks to share.

Domino's pizza will be available for \$1/slice, or possibly free if enough donations are received. Owner Karen Gleason will be on hand to provide supervision.

Church Directory

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
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337-6589
Rev. Bret Moser

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337-6235
Rev. Jimmie Daves

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Worship 11 a.m.
Each Sunday
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4: Biscuits & Gravy; Grilled Chicken & Swiss, Corn on the Cob

5: Continental Breakfast; K-5 PB&J Un-crustable, Chicken Caesar Wrap, Cucumbers

6: Longjohn; Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Pepper Strips

7: Continental Breakfast; Chicken Quesadilla, Black Beans

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

1

New Year's Day!

2

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
9-11 a.m.

The Center provides food and resources to families in the Waitsburg and Prescott School Districts.

Coffee & Craft
Prescott Public Library
1 p.m.

4

Waitsburg Story Time
Weller Public Library
10:30 a.m.

Storytime is free to the public and no library card is needed.

5

Dayton Library Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
10 a.m.

Storytime is free to the public and no library card is needed.

Prescott Library Story Time
Prescott Library
10:30 a.m.

Crafts and stories geared to preschool children, but all ages are welcome.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table
Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
11:30 a.m.

Join local seniors every Tuesday for lunch. \$4 suggested donation for those over 60. \$7 charge for guests under 60. Meals on Wheels are available. Call 337-8541 for more info.

Waitsburg Commercial Club
Town Hall
6:30 p.m.

Speaker is Robert J. Carson, Professor of Geology and Environmental Studies at Whitman College. RSVP reservations to ibakeve@charter.net or call (509) 337-6546. Dinner is \$12 and there is no charge to attend the meetin only.

Dayton Senior Round Table
Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Wii Night
Prescott Library
4 p.m.

6

Waitsburg Raceway Public Hearing
Lions Memorial Building (Fairgrounds)
7 p.m.

Anyone with questions or comments on the proposed Waitsburg Raceway is invited to attend.

Hanford Cleanup Efforts Presentation
Delaney Room (Dayton Library)
6:30 p.m.

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POLICE NOTES

Waitsburg/Prescott

Dec. 16
Ongoing civil dispute between neighbors on W. 2nd Street.

Dec. 22
Unknown vehicle drove through yard of Preston Avenue resident, leaving ruts.

Dayton

Dec. 20
Report of stolen "Minion" Christmas decoration. Decoration later returned. Report of an individual violating a protection order in Waitsburg. Caller was advised to call Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office. Report of burglary on 500 block of Cameron Ct., Prestige 10 tablet is missing. Kitchen fire reported on 600 block of Country Village, under investigation. Report of two cell phones stolen in Huntsville area. Unfounded, phones were returned. Blue or grey Dodge Challenger driving in a reckless manner in 200 block of E. Main, unable to locate. Report of yelling and shouting in 500 block of E. Main. Parties had separated prior to Deputy's arrival.

Dec. 21
Possible fraudulent call with caller reported to be a fire protection from Coeur d'Alene wanting household information. Caller did not ask for credit card or money. Welfare child check on children returned to mother after father was arrested by WWSO on outstanding felony warrants. Several cars prowled in alley on 300 block of E. Main. CD's, phone charger, and flex capacitors taken. Unwanted person in 100 block of N. 3rd. Individual was gone upon deputy's arrival and will be served with no-trespass papers.

Dec. 22
Non-injury collision in 100 block of N. 1st. Semi-truck and trailer was partially blocking US-12. Kyle's Towing was contacted to remove vehicle. Child protective services requested assistance with one of their cases.

Dec. 23
Non-reportable collision on N. Touchet Rd. Vehicle towed back onto roadway and situation under investigation for a report of reckless driving. Report of a large pile of leaves in roadway on S. 2nd and E. Park. Received a report of a stolen "PEPSI" Ford Ranger pickup from Walmart in Walla Walla. A similar vehicle was reported to be stuck in the sports parking lot behind the Dayton hospital. Jeffrey Brooks, 22, Dayton, was arrested and booked into Columbia County Jail on charges of possession of stolen property. Reportable, non-injury collision on W. Bramhall Rd.

Dec. 24
Harassment: report of a false Facebook page and miscellaneous unwanted items in the mail. Suspicious circumstance on N. Touchet Rd. Car pulled into residence driveway then took off towards town very fast. William Tewalt, 44, Dayton, was arrested on a DOC felony warrant and booked into Columbia County Jail after being warned for speeding and cited for driving while suspended and no insurance. Report of a lost bag of presents, believed to be left in the area of the Depot.

Dec. 25
Report of illegal shooting from the highway, near a residence. Forwarded to prosecutor. Domestic violence on 500 block of W. Cameron; verbal only, parties separated.

Dec. 26
Report of flashing light on Cold Spring Ln. Deputy was unable to locate. Report of threats made against ski patrol by two makes skiing in a closed area at Ski Bluewood. Deputy was unable to locate vehicle after it left.

BIRTHDAYS

January 1: Jerry Baker, James Estes, January Pietila, Kyle Perry, Caitlin Bales, Sonia Crawford, Jeana DeWitt, Josh Largent, Jerry Wood, Bill Bloor.

January 2: Joy Hill.

January 3: Mary Olona, Guy Antonius.

January 4: Meagan Zajac, Loegan Harshman, Andrea Payne, Ben Kiefel, Carol Clarke.

January 5: Fred Rankin, Barb Colby, Willard Cameron, Terry John, Aaron Jones and Ted Seaton.

January 6: Kurtis Reser, Maddie Callahan.

January 7: Cecil Webber, Erma Gilbertson, Patrick Donnelly, Jim Hofer, Alice Webber and Kristyn Scott.

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**KEN GRAHAM:
FROM THE PUBLISHER**

Happy 2016!

Welcome to the 53rd issue of The Times in 2015. Yes, this year, the first and last day of the year both fall on a Thursday, which is The Times' publication day.



So I guess you can consider this your "Bonus Issue."

As I look forward to the coming year, I've been thinking about the many important things I plan to accomplish in 2016. These include:

- Getting my hair cut ten times
- Changing the oil in my car three (or maybe four) times
- Taking about 350 showers (okay, sometimes I skip a day on the weekend)
- Enjoying at least 1,000 cups of coffee
- And yes, publishing ONLY 52 issues of The Times

As this list makes clear, much of life boils down to a series of routines. This is a good thing, because as we do the same thing over and over again, we get better and better at it. Heck, I'll probably only spill my coffee a dozen times or so this year.

The routines of all of the people in the Touchet Valley will go on in the coming year, of course. But we can expect special things to happen as well. And it's those special and unusual things – good and bad – that we specialize in reporting in this paper.

This week, you can read a rundown of the things that happened in our region in 2015. Looking toward 2016, here are some of the good things I hope we can report on in The Times:

- Bluewood will have a record season this winter. (It's shaping up that way.)
- Columbia Pulp will finally break ground on its new straw pulp processing plant near Starbuck this spring.
- Waitsburg and Dayton schools will pass their bond levies in February and be able to continue to improve the education they provide our kids.
- We'll get through 2016 without having to report on any major floods or fires or other tragedies.

We'll find out if these and other wishes come true in the coming weeks and months. In the meantime, here's wishing all of our readers a happy, healthy and prosperous new year!

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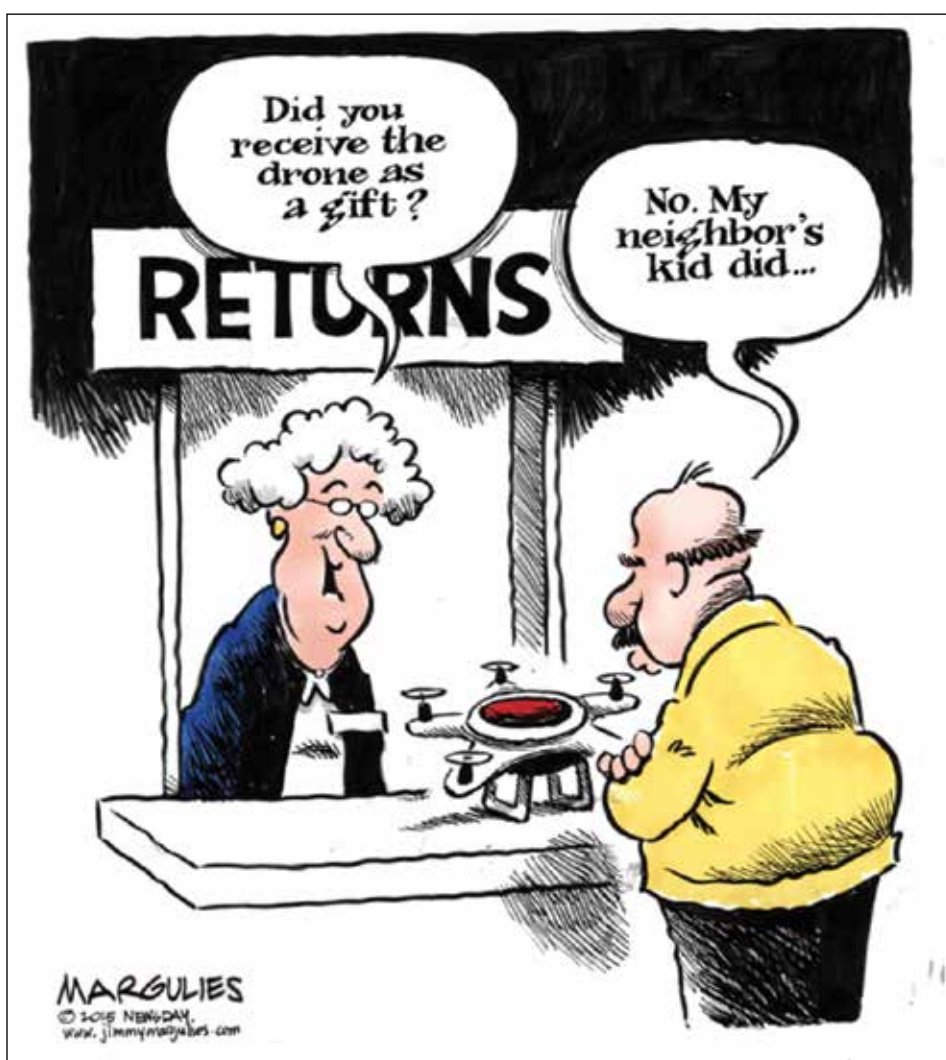
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Obama and the Limits of Executive Action

By Noah Feldman, Bloomberg View

2015 was supposed to be the year President Barack Obama would use unilateral executive action to accomplish major goals of his administration that had been blocked by Congress: relaxing deportations, closing the prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and restricting access to guns.

But all three goals stalled. Obama's executive action on immigration, announced in November 2014, was stymied in the federal courts, and the Supreme Court has yet to decide whether to hear the administration's appeal. An executive plan to close Guantanamo, rumored to be on the verge of announcement, was held back after the Paris attacks. And although some executive action on guns is still expected in the new year, it's sure to be challenged in court and, as a result, may not take effect during Obama's presidency.

For liberals who relished the idea of Obama unbound, the limitations on executive action, both legal and political, feel like unfair usurpations of legitimate presidential power. For conservatives who don't like the policies that Obama would enact, the delays surely come as evidence that the tripartite system of government is a working relationship.

Who's right? The question is important -- and not just because it's a reminder that liberals don't always favor a weaker executive nor conservatives a stronger one. If the next president is Hillary Clinton, it's likely to recur, because the Senate seems unlikely to turn Democratic and the House even less so. The season of New Year's resolutions is a good time to ask yourself: What do you really believe about executive power, independent of who occupies the office?

There are, very roughly speaking, two different ways to think about the constitutional separation of powers. One is essentially textual and historical. It asks what the Constitution says. And because the Constitution's pronouncements on each branch's power are cryptic and brief, this approach also asks how it's been interpreted over the years.

The other way of addressing the question is functional. It asks how our government works in practice -- and how we want it to.

Start with the words of the Constitution itself, which give "all legislative powers herein granted" to Congress; "the judicial power" to the judiciary; and "the executive power" to the president.

Advocates of the so-called "unitary executive" like to emphasize that Congress's powers are limited to those enumerated, while the president's executive power is unmodified except by the definite article. But it's possible to make too much of that argument. The framers -- especially James Madison -- thought that, by definition, the job of the executive was to execute the laws made by Congress. The limitations on

Congress's powers were therefore understood as extending to the president as well.

The other powers of the president, such as his roles as commander in chief and treaty maker, were expressly granted by the text of the Constitution -- and they could only be exercised in conjunction with Congress, which retained the power to declare war and (through the Senate) to approve treaties.

The upshot of all this is that the Constitution won't really tell you what you should think about unilateral executive action. Rather, whatever you conclude can be read backward into the text.

Custom might be a better guide. It's traditional for the courts to treat the history of executive action as a "gloss" upon the president's constitutional powers when they're deciding who's in charge of what. Seen in historic terms, Obama's struggles with executive action make a good deal of sense.

Previous presidents have announced policies of de facto amnesty for some categories of otherwise undocumented immigrants. But it's fair to say that none of these plans went as far as Obama's, or affected as many people.

Obama did take executive actions on gun control in 2013. But those 23 actions -- including improving the accessibility of federal data for the background check system -- should presumably have gone as far as Obama was empowered to go. Coming up with meaningful new actions that don't exceed the president's authority is going to take some serious legal creativity.

As for Guantanamo, there's room for a creative legal theory that would allow the closure, especially if the administration emphasizes the president's authority over prisoners of war during wartime. But it's only fair to acknowledge that, where Congress has expressly spoken -- as it has with regard to transferring Guantanamo detainees to the mainland -- the president's powers are at what Justice Robert Jackson once called their "lowest ebb."

Shifting to the functional approach demands that we ask whether it makes sense for the president to be able to break gridlock on highly controversial political issues. Immigration, Guantanamo and guns are all issues on which it possible for reasonable people -- and also unreasonable people -- to disagree. It's no coincidence that these intensely controversial issues, which split the country on grounds of ideology and culture, would result in blockage of government action.

It can be terribly frustrating and even dysfunctional to live under a constitutional system that invites gridlock in the face of controversy. The U.S. constitutional system does that -- not only by legal design, but also by functional design. Our two-party system over time developed the norm of allowing the party without the presidency to block

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LETTER

Dayton Levy Support Urged

Dear Editor,

In late January registered voters in the Dayton School District will be asked to determine the fate of two school levy measures, a replacement Maintenance and Operations Levy and a Capital Project levy. Both measures are worthy of your support.

The M&O levy provides 25% of the District's budgeted revenue. This funding provides financial support necessary for operational cost and general maintenance and repair tasks. Local dollars support small class sizes and academic support in K-12 classrooms, college prep curriculum and career training. An increase in the M&O levy is intended to support a K-12 Counselor position, assist with an After School Program and provide staff to meet the needs of the community's children.

M&O funds are used to provide athletics, clubs, and activities to more than half of Dayton's junior and senior high school students. State basic education funding does not provide any financial support for these programs.

The Capital Projects levy will provide the continued support for technology began by community members in 2007. The levy will fund computer equipment purchases to provide reliable access to technology for students and instructional staff.

Capital Project Levy will also provide for identified facility needs including:

- Re-shingle roofs installed during the 1985 remodel
- Replace/rebuild aging exterior doors
- Complete irrigation system
- Restore safe asphalt surface for elementary playground and bus loading zone
- Upgrade inadequate phone and communication system to provide a higher level of safety and security

Your help is needed to care for the community's investment in facilities and the educational needs of our children. Thank you.

Douglas Johnson
Dayton

SOFTWARE - FROM PAGE 1

"We realized we'd better convert now so that we could take the time to make a smooth transition instead of being forced to do it on an emergency basis," Steinhoff said.

Waitsburg's city council approved the new software purchase in October and City Hall has been slowly converting to the new system, with December being the first billing cycle using the new software.

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action, especially when it controls Congress.

Liberals today might not like that. But they should remember that if Donald Trump became president, they'd suddenly become ardent advocates for limitations on what the president could do alone. As for conservatives, the next time they control the presidency, they should remember their own arguments for limiting presidential power -- and not curse the courts or politics when those forces encourage gridlock the next time.

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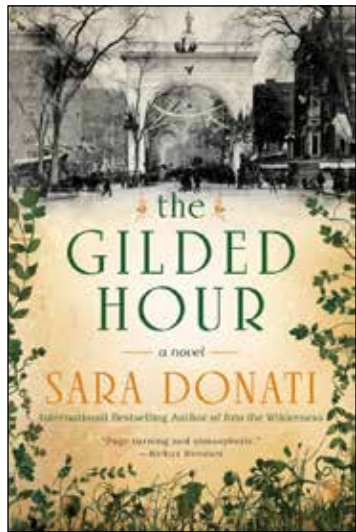
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The Gilded Hour by Sara Donati

A BOOK REVIEW BY TANYA PATTON



History lessons are wasted on the young.

In high school, I always earned an A grade in history, but I don't remember actually learning much. You see, I didn't really understand history, but I was very good at memorizing information. Historical figures and dates, as well as lectures and textbooks full of facts were "caught" then pitched back to my

teachers with very little effort or understanding on my part. I found the stories interesting but I didn't have enough life experience to comprehend the significance of those stories. Taxation without representation? Big deal. For that matter, what was the big deal about taxes? Suffrage? The power of political alliances? Government structure? It didn't make much sense to a kid without responsibilities beyond turning homework in on time.

Fast forward a few decades, now historical fiction is my favorite literary genre because I finally have enough life experience to appreciate the layers of history. I understand why taxes are a big deal because I have to pay them and I wouldn't trade my right to vote for anything. The goals of government make more sense now and the pursuit of life, liberty and happiness isn't just a cliché. A well-researched and well-written work of historical fiction is one of the best and least painful ways to learn history. I've read many outstanding works of historical fiction in the last several years. The Century Trilogy written by Ken Follet is top of my list, but the six-book Wilderness series by Sara Donati is a close second. Now, Donati has written a new book titled "The Gilded Hour" which I highly recommend!

"The Gilded Hour" picks up a strand of the same family who inhabited the Wilderness series, only 70 years later. Sophie and Anna Savard are cousins living with their widowed aunt in New York City in 1883. Both women are independent-thinking, practicing physicians in a time when few women dared to challenge the well-defined gender roles. Sophie, an obstetrician, and Anna, a surgeon, work with the indigent populations of the city, especially immigrants struggling to gain a foothold in America during rapid industrialization and economic and social change. The Brooklyn Bridge is under construction and both Sophie and Anna wrestle with challenges in both their personal and professional lives.

One of those challenges is dealing with Anthony Comstock, the founder of The New York Society for the Suppression of Vice. Comstock is a real historical figure and I was astonished to learn more about his crusade to preserve and defend the morality of an entire city. He successfully lobbied the US Congress to enact the Comstock Law. Never heard of it? Neither had I. This law made it illegal to deliver by mail or other transportation "obscene, lewd, or lascivious" printed material, and prohibited any information about contraception, abortion or prevention of venereal disease to be produced or distributed to women. I was compelled to do an Internet search to learn more about Comstock. I could hardly believe he was real!

This book is over 700 pages long and was slow to get started, but once the characters were established and I found its rhythm, I savored every page. Donati doesn't write high intensity, page turners. The reader becomes immersed in the lives of the characters, not necessarily the plot, although Donati weaves a few mysteries through the story line and leaves them unresolved – a sure sign of a sequel to follow.

The next book on my reading list is "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah. I downloaded a free sample on my Kindle and was instantly captivated by both the writing style and story. Fortunately, the Dayton Memorial Library had a copy so I'm headed for the years of the French Resistance during World War II. And speaking of the French Resistance, if you haven't read "All the Light We Cannot See" yet, don't let anything stop you. Good Reading!

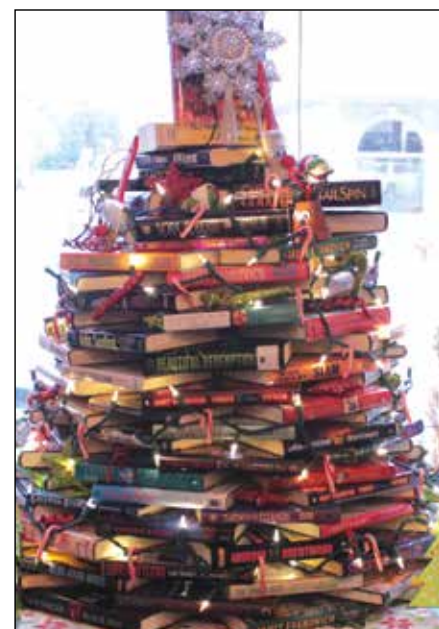


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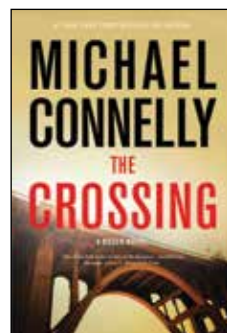
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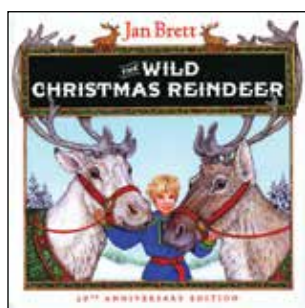


"Half Wild," by Sally Green (Science Fiction): This second book in the Half Bad Trilogy will be enjoyed by fans of dark fantasy. In a modern-day England where two warring factions of witches live amongst humans, seventeen-year-old Nathan is an abomination, the illegitimate son of the world's most powerful and violent witch. Nathan is hunted from all sides: nowhere is safe and no one can be trusted. Now, Nathan has come into his own unique magical Gift, and he's on the run – but the Hunters are close behind, and they will stop at nothing until they have captured Nathan and destroyed his father.

"The Crossing," by Michael Connelly (Thriller): In this fast-paced thriller, Detective Harry Bosch has retired from LAPD, but his half-brother, defense attorney Mickey Haller, needs his help. A woman has been brutally murdered in her bed and all evidence points to Haller's client, a former gang member turned family man. Tough the murder rap seems ironclad, Mickey is sure it's a setup. Though it goes against all his instincts, Bosch reluctantly takes the case. His investigation leads him inside the police department, where he realizes that the killer he's been tracking has also been tracking him.

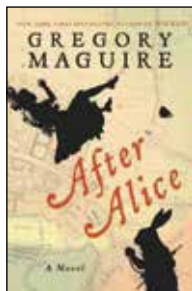


"The Wild Christmas Reindeer" by Jan Brett (Children's Fiction): Little Teeka thought she had to be firm with the reindeer to get them ready for Santa's important flight, but when her bossy yelling only got their antlers tangled up, she knew she had to try something different. This tale with its humorous close-ups of stubborn reindeer and a sharp child protagonist should prove highly popular. Brett's precise, glowing illustrations, drawing on Swedish folk art, make this a beguiling Advent calendar of a book.



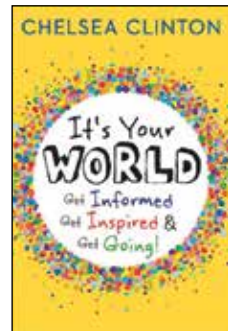
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"After Alice," by Gregory Maguire (Adult Fiction): The bestselling author of "Wicked" puts a magical twist on "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," to coincide with the 150th anniversary of Carroll's beloved classic. Ada, Alice's friend who is mentioned briefly in Carroll's original tale, tumbles down the rabbit-hole herself and embarks on an odyssey to find Alice and see her safely home. Everything that happens next is "After Alice."



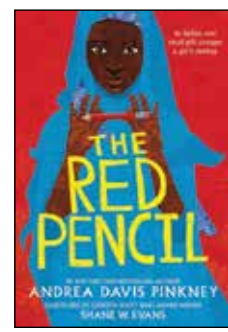
"Game of Scones: All Men Must Dine," by Jammy Lannister (Adult Nonfiction): This spoof recipe book pays homage to the bestselling "Game of Thrones" series. Dinner is sure to be unforgettable and delicious with this witty, must-have baking guide featuring pun-tastic jokes and clever, creative recipes inspired by key moments from all five seasons of Game of Thrones. This is the ultimate cookbook for GOT fans and every adventurous baker.

"It's Your World: Get Informed, Get Inspired, & Get Going," by Chelsea Clinton (Young Adult Nonfiction): In a book that tackles the biggest challenges facing us today, Chelsea Clinton combines facts, charts, photographs, and stories to give readers a deep understanding of the world around them – and how anyone can make a difference. With stories about children and teens who have made real changes in their families, communities, country and across the world, this book will inspire readers of all ages to do their part to make our world a better place. With suggestions and ideas for action, Clinton shows readers that the world belongs to every single one of us, and everyone counts.

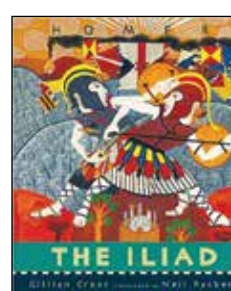


"Made You Up," by Francesca Zappia (Teen Fiction): For fans of "Silver Linings Playbook" and "Liar," this thought-provoking debut tells the story of Alex, a high school senior – and the ultimate unreliable narrator – unable to tell the difference between real life and delusion. Alex fights a daily battle to figure out what is real and what is not. Armed with a take-no-prisoners attitude, her camera, a Magic 8 Ball, and her only ally (her sister), Alex wages a war against her schizophrenia, determined to stay sane long enough to get to college.

"The Red Pencil," by Andrea Davis Pinkney (Junior Fiction): Life in Amira's peaceful Sudanese village is shattered when Janjaweed attackers arrive, unleashing unspeakable horrors. After losing nearly everything, Amira needs to find the strength to make the long journey on foot to safety at a refugee camp. She begins to lose hope, until the gift of a simple red pencil opens her mind – and all kinds of possibilities.



"The Iliad," by Gillian Cross (Junior Nonfiction): A strikingly illustrated retelling of Homer's classic. Vivid, stylistic illustrations, reminiscent of Greek pottery, depict the actions of Greek warriors and the gods they invoke, giving this large-format volume an extra measure of authenticity and appeal.



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deputy, replacing Abbie Broughton Marsh, who was leaving to take a position in Arizona. Slack was to start April 1.

Sales Tax Increase: On February 3, by more than a 2-1 margin, voters in Dayton approved a measure to increase the sales tax rate in the city by 0.2%. The funds, expected to be approximately \$69,000 per year, were to be used to establish a Transportation Improvement District in the city to help fund street and sidewalk repair projects.

Pot Store Visit: The Columbia County Commissioners visited a marijuana retail store in Prosser called Altitude on February 23, to get a first-hand look at the reality of legal marijuana in Washington. "All three commissioners expressed surprise at how clean, upscale, controlled and professional the operation appeared," The Times reported.

March

Pot Moratorium: After a public hearing on March 16, the Columbia County Commissioners voted to extend the county moratorium on marijuana business for six more months. This increased the total length of the moratorium from 18 to 24 months. Part of the reason for the extension was to wait for completion of the legislative session in Olympia, since potential legal changes were in store.

Museum Leadership: The passing of long-time Dayton Community leader Elizabeth Thorn brought to light the need for new leadership among Dayton's historic museums. Thorn led the Blue Mountain Heritage Society for many years and was the driving force behind Dayton's Palus Museum and Smith Hollow School House museum.

New Principal: The Dayton School Board selected Paul Shaber as the new middle and high school principal beginning the 2015-16 school year. A math and science teacher in Idaho, Shaber was selected over three other candidates, including 2014-15 interim principal Kate Wenzel. Wenzel served for one year, replacing former principal Andy Maheras.



Shaber

April

BMS Solar: Installation began in late March on eight solar panels which were installed on the roof of Blue Mountain Station, the Port of Columbia's Artisan Food Center. The port partnered with Walla Walla FREE, a solar energy cooperative, on the project. The panels are expected to provide nearly all of BMS's power free.

REA Switch: After months of deliberation, the Columbia County Board of Commissioners voted on April 15 to switch from Pacific Power to REA to provide power to the Columbia County Courthouse and the county's public works building. County Engineer Drew Woods estimated that the change would save the county about \$4,800 per year in electricity cost.

School Levy Loss: The Dayton School District's \$800,000 capital improvement levy was narrowly defeated in an April ballot. The measure lost by 23 votes out of 1,160 cast. The funds would have been used to address safety, security and efficiency needs, including entry and exit doors, a remodel of the front wall of the gym entryway, roof projects, updates to communications systems and a new irrigation system for the athletic fields.

May

Girls' Softball to State: In the second round of the state girls' softball tournament, the Dayton Lady Bulldogs lost to eventual state champions, Adna, 13-0. Dayton won their first tournament game, beating Okanogan, 13-8. The Lady 'Dogs lost their first losers' bracket game to Colfax, 10-7.

CCHS Accepts Design: The Columbia County Health System board agreed at their April meeting to move forward with the hospital remodel design recommended by Stroudwater and Associates. The board agreed that the design should focus on urgent care, swapping emergency room and administrative entrances, and constructing a physical therapy pool.

Mule Mania Moves: Memorial Day weekend was even more memorable, as Dayton's Mule Mania celebration moved to the May holiday weekend, from its previous spot in July. The combined Dayton Days and Mule Mania Parade Saturday morning was followed a wide range of mule-related activities throughout the weekend. The switch to the new date was considered a great success.



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The Dayton Days / Mule Mania Parade on Memorial Day Weekend was a big success.



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Lyons Ferry Park, north of Starbuck, reopened in June.

June

Lyons Ferry Park: The Washington State Parks celebrated the reopening of Lyons Ferry Park, north of Starbuck, on June 5. The park had been closed due to budget cuts for several years, though it was opened for a couple of years by volunteers from the Starbuck area. During the celebration, visitors heard several speakers, including three Washington state legislators.

All Wheels Weekend: The weather was perfect and the crowds were huge as the Dayton Chamber of Commerce put on its 21st annual All Wheels Weekend car show event. More than 300 cars lined Main Street for Saturday's Show N Shine.

Home Fires: Fire engulfed a home on Dayton's north side on June 28, and then spread to the home next door. The cause of the fire in the abandoned house on the corner of 1st and Washington Streets, which was completely destroyed is unknown. The next door home on Washington street was damaged beyond repair. This turned out to be the first of a string of fires in the Dayton area over the summer.

July

More Structure Fires: Three more major fires destroyed structures in the Dayton area in July. Early on July 15, the home of George "Bill" Waltermire, on East Commercial Street as badly damaged by fire. The cause was determined to be electrical. Two days later, a fire at the Columbia County Transfer Station caused irreparable damage to the facility's structure and much of its operating equipment, including a dump trailer. The cause is unknown. On July 22, a nearly completed and unoccupied log home on Bowman Hill west of Dayton was destroyed by fire. The fire was determined to be caused by faulty wiring in the garage, which was under construction.

CCHS Resignations: Two leaders at Columbia County Health System announced their resignation in late July. Jon Smiley joined CCHS as interim CEO after the resignation of Charley Button in 2012 and left at the end of September. CCHS board president Ted Paterson also announced his resignation at the July meeting. The resignations came at a critical time for the health system, as it embarks on a major renovation of Dayton General Hospital.

August

ATV Ordinance: On August 10, the Dayton City Council approved an ordinance allowing wheeled all-terrain vehicles on city streets. Washington State passed similar legislation in 2013 that automatically applied to all county and state byways. However, cities retained the right to regulation the application of the law individually, which Dayton did.

Grizzly Bear Fire: Lightning strikes on the night of Aug. 13 ignited a series of fires in the Wehaha-Tucannon wilderness east of Dayton that soon merged into what became the Grizzly Bear Complex Fire. The fire spread into Oregon and grew to more than 116 square miles. By early September, more than 1,000 people were either working on the fire or supporting the fire-fighting effort, including a large contingent working out of Columbia County Fire District 3 headquarters.

No Pot Ban: On August 19, the Columbia County Board of Commissioners voted down a motion, by a 2-1 margin, to ban marijuana businesses in the county. The vote ended a two-year moratorium on those businesses. The commissioners then directed the county's Planning Department and the Prosecutor's Office to draw up guidelines for establishment of growing, processing and retail operations.

September

Pot Regulations: The Columbia County Commissioners moved forward in September with plans to regulate marijuana businesses. Their plans were complicated by the fact that they must integrate state regulations for recreational use with a separate set of state regulations for medical marijuana use.

Hospital Plan Finalized: The CCHS Board of Directors approved the final site plan for the renovation of Dayton General Hospital at their September meeting. The design calls for moving the emergency room to near where the current main entrance is located; establishing a new main entrance on the north side of the building, near the current ER entrance; and expanding the physical therapy facility in the area where Booker Annex is now located. A new physical therapy pool will be located adjacent to this area. The administrative offices for CCHS will also be moved to the Booker Annex area.

October

Seneca Property: The Columbia County Board of Commissioners announced that they are in negotiations with Seneca Foods to purchase between 15 and 20 acres of land and buildings adjacent to the County Engineer's office and County Shop. The property includes the Seneca Activity Center building as well as the former labor camp buildings. Those buildings will all likely be razed.

November

Elections: Former Dayton Elementary School Principal Katie Leid was elected to a position on the Dayton School Board on Nov. 3, and took her seat in late November. Leid defeated incumbent board member Joe Huether. Ken Dyball defeated incumbent CCHS board member Jime Kime, and will join the CCHS board in January.

McGuire Hired: The Columbia County Health System board of directors announced the hiring of Shane McGuire as new CEO. McGuire, who has been Chief Operating Officer for CCHS for 5 1/2 years, will replace Jon Smiley, who left at the end of September. McGuire joined CCHS in 2010 after spending eight years as COO for OneEighty Networks in Walla Walla.



McGuire

December

School Levies: The Dayton School Board authorized putting a four-year M&O levy, which would collect \$1.46 million per year, before voters in February. This levy would replace an existing M&O levy, which will run out at the end of 2016. The Board also authorized a four-year capital projects levy on the February ballot. That levy would collect \$437,500 per year for the first two years, and an additional \$75,000 annually for the final two years.

Columbia Pulp: The development schedule for Columbia Pulp's straw pulp processing plant near Lyons Ferry was delayed throughout the year. In December, CEO John Begley told community leaders that the plant will still happen. "It's not if, but when," he said. Begley said he now anticipates groundbreaking in early 2016 with the plant in operation in early 2017.



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Structures at the Godman Springs Campground were protected during the Grizzly Bear Fire in August.

SPORTS

DAYTON BOYS FALL TO COLFAX

COLFAX – The Dayton boys' basketball team went on the road on Dec. 22 and were handed a lopsided defeat by a tough Colfax squad, 61-36. The loss put Dayton's record at 2-5 going into the holiday break.

Nearly all of the Bulldog scoring came from two players: Ben Kleck, with 17 points, and Zach Waggoner with 13. Kleck dropped in two three-pointers, and Waggoner pulled down seven rebounds.

After a strong first quarter, Dayton trailed 15-12, but their offense sputtered in the second. The Bulldogs fell behind 30-18 at the half.

"We missed some easy (shots) inside, that had we hit them, would have kept us in the game longer than we were," said Dayton coach Will Hutchens, adding, "We turned the ball over too much."

Dayton next plays Pomeroy at home on Tuesday.

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DAYTON (36) — Helm 0-0 0-0 0, Tate 1-2 0-0 2, Martin 1-4 0-0 2, Wilkening 0-0 0-0 0, Willis 0 0-0 0, Kleck 7-13 1-2 17, Bryan 0-1 0-0 0, Bren 1-4 0-0 2, Waggoner 5-14 2-2 13. Totals 15-38 3-5 36.

COLFAX (61) — Robinson 3-9 0-1 8, Berquist 0-0 0-0 0, Soncarty 5-9 0-0 10, Hall 4-7 0-1 8, Gfeller 6-11 3-3 18, Gregory 3-3 0-2 6, Lyman 2-4 0-0 5, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Kneale 0-2 0-0 0, Cloaninger 2-3 0-0 6. Totals 25-48 2-6 61.

COLFAX BEATS LADY 'DOGS

COLFAX – An ice-cold first quarter left the Dayton girls basketball team in a hole they couldn't climb out of. On the road here on Dec. 22, the Lady Bulldogs fell to Colfax, 43-24.

A lone free throw was the only score for Dayton in the first quarter, as Colfax jumped to a 13-1 lead at the break. It didn't get much better in the second quarter. Colfax led at the half, 25-5.

Sidney Andrews led her team in scoring with 10 points, including a three-pointer. Shayla Currin pulled down nine rebounds, along with her six points. Dayton committed 28 turnovers.

Dayton plays at home against Pomeroy on Tuesday.

Dayton 1 4 8 11 — 24
Colfax 13 12 10 8 — 43

DAYTON (24) — Phillips 0-2 1-2 1, Andrews 2-11 5-8 10, Price 0-2 0-0 0, Becker 0-5 0-0 0, Wanlarbkam 1-3 0-2 3, Fullerton 0-3 0-3 0, Currin 3-7 0-3 6, Laughery 0-0 0-0 0, Bryan 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 8-36 6-18 24.

COLFAX (43) — Piper Cai 5-14 0-2 12, Aune 0-8 0-0 0, Scholz 0-2 1-2 1, Scout Cai 2-10 2-3 6, Mellor 3-8 1-2 7, Sheer 0-1 2-2 2, Geier 4-9 0-0 8, Gronning 1-5 0-0 2, Garcia 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 17-62 6-11 43.

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February

Artist Suze Wood opened her Duke & Remington loft space, located in the Hubbard Building on Main Street, for a weekly Open Studio.

Waitsburg's school board voted to remain a 2B school for the 2015-16 school year, following the dissolution of the Waitsburg-Prescott combine.

Heavyweight wrestler, junior Tristan Newman, made his third trip to the State Class B Mat Classic in Tacoma, where he took fourth place, overall.

Emma Philbrook and Matthew Warren were honored at a Boys and Girls State Honor Night. Both Warren and Philbrook won Samsung American Legion Scholarships during their time at Boys and Girls State.

The WHS knowledge bowl team took first at Regionals and qualified for its fourth consecutive trip to the state meet.

Waitsburg Elementary School students bring in \$3212 through the American Heart Association Hoops and Jump for Heart program.

March

Emily Adams (baritone horn), Korben Duffy (percussion), Tayler Jones (flute), Kitty Lambert (alto sax), Chloe Pearson (flute and xylophone), Chris Philbrook (trumpet), Ariel Sandau (flute), and Robert Walsh (baritone horn) attended Honor Band in Colfax.

The Waitsburg Historical Society built a mini-house in the back lawn of the Wilson-Phillips Museum to house a scale model replica of Wait's Mill.

The WHS knowledge bowl team takes fifth place at state competition.

Mary's Candies owners Nathaniel and Erin Murphy lease space at Blue Mountain Station for their new candy-making business.

Following the dissolution of the Waitsburg-Prescott sports combine, the two schools agreed to co-op for baseball and softball the 2016 spring season.

WHS students bring home the dangers of drinking and driving with an "Every 15 Minutes" program.

April

The Waitsburg Lions Club donated \$2080 to make final payment on the Waitsburg Ambulance Service building, located on Preston Avenue.

Informational panels describing Wait's Mill and Lewis and Clark's journey, and historically interesting machinery parts salvaged from the mill, were installed in Wait's Park, at the former mill site.

The Waitsburg Historical Society offered a \$5,000 reward for the capture of the burglar(s) that made three separate break-ins to the Bruce House and Wilson-Phillips House museums, taking antique swords, guns, and medals.

Kate Hockersmith received Waitsburg Commercial Club's Community Service Award for her kid-centered service, especially as director of the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Program.

Waitsburg Grocery received the Waitsburg Commercial Club's first Business of the Year Award for community commitment.

The Waitsburg Lions funded their first annual Lions Club Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

Waitsburg Chapter FFA members Justin Lambert, Tristan Newman, Luke Alexenko, Devin Newman, and Mark Montgomery earned second place as a team at the state trap shoot in Pullman.

Devon Harshman and Ashleigh Hubbard were crowned co-queens for Waitsburg Celebration Days.

May

Pastor Mike Ferrians retired after 25 years as pastor of the Waitsburg Christian Church.

Karen Gleason opened an "old school" restaurant called Gleason's Galley from a mobile unit parked in the parking lot of AG-Link.

Jack and Nancy Otterson were named Waitsburg Celebration Days parade marshals. A horse with an empty saddle honored Karen Mohnhey who was selected parade co-marshal, posthumously.

Kevin Blair and friend Paul Baumgart built a scale model of Wait's Mill as a "gift to the town." The model is housed behind the Wilson-Phillips House Museum.



Photo by Dena Wood

Jack McCaw took a break with Fanny Weller and gave a thumbs-up during May's Celebration Days. This is one of three historical bronze sculptures added to Main Street this year.

Waitsburg Celebration Days, honoring the city's sesquicentennial, was a success and included a parade, ATV Poker Run, a marimba band, speeches from local dignitaries, and the dedication of three original historical bronze sculptures on Main Street.

The W-P boys won the Southeast District 9 track championship, outscoring Asotin 191-148.

Jeff Broom received the new Karen Huwe Mohnhey Exemplary Service Award at the 112th WHS Alumni Banquet and Reunion.

Woody's Pig Roast celebrated its 30th anniversary in Waitsburg.

June

The Waitsburg Ambulance Service dedicated their building to longtime Chief of Operations Richard Naumann, who died in April.

The newly constructed Whiskey Creek Sports Bar & Grill, located on the former site of the White Stallion restaurant, held its grand opening.

Hannah Grant and Emma Philbrook were WHS Class of 2015 co-valedictorians and salutatorian was Talen Larsen.

Waitsburg fourth grade teacher Margie Douglas, known for her Monster Cookies, retired after 42 years of inspiring creativity in the classroom.

The Waitsburg City Council initiated the process of annexing the Waitsburg City Fire Department into Walla Walla County Fire District No. 2.

Waitsburg's Izzy the Camel stars in an episode of the Syfy channel series "Z Nation" filmed outside Spokane.

Troy Larsen took over as WHS head football coach as Jeff Bartlow stepped down from a successful 16-year run.

The state legislature appropriated \$1.7 million to replace the 90-year-old Main Street Bridge, which is a flood hazard.

July

The city council approves free swimming for the rest of the summer after having to close the pool temporarily following the faulty application of a new liner.

Elizabeth Gonzales opened Ameri, a new in-home care agency, based out of Waitsburg and serving clients in Walla Walla, Dayton, and Waitsburg.

A new community service group, Friends of the Waitsburg Pool, was organized to meet pool needs.



Times File Photo

Dispatch operator Michelle Long hands out goodies to Gabe Kiefel and children during Waitsburg's first National Night Out event.

August

Waitsburg's First National Night Out event drew a crowd at the football field and was deemed a success.

Waitsburg and Dayton agree to combine for middle school football.

The Waitsburg School Board approved a \$4.1 million budget for the 2015-16 school year.

Prescott author Susan Matley (aka Cimarron Sue) publishes her first novella, "Small-g City."

Waitsburg's jimgermanbar, owned by Jim German and Claire Johnston, closed this month as German becomes more involved with renovations at the former Pastime Café building in Walla Walla.

Student Life columnist Emma Philbrook submitted her 143rd column to The Times before heading off to college at Whitman in Walla Walla.

September

After many years without a youth football team the Waitsburg Giants, with players from Dayton and Waitsburg, returned to the field. The team is coached by former Giant Bryce Scott.

Matt Elder was hired as the new high school social studies teacher.

The Waitsburg Home and School Association raised enough funds to provide school supplies for all elementary school students.

Former library branch manager Amy Rosenberg returned to Prescott as district manager for the Prescott and Plaza branches of the Walla Walla County Rural Library District.

The Waitsburg Historical Society honored the two surviving charter members, Dona Jean Smith and Bob Patton, as Pioneers of the Year.

Nine-year-old Makenna Barron sang at all Big 4 Rodeo Association rodeos and was a semi-finalist to sing at the Wrangler NFR Las Vegas rodeo.

Waitsburg resident Tysen Beckner pled guilty to charges of severely beating the four-year-old son of his girlfriend in June.

Karen Gleason moved her coffee shop/restaurant from the AG-Link parking lot to a Main Street storefront.

October

A new interpretive sign placed on Highway 124 honors the Halfway House forage station, once located on the Mullan Road, just west of Prescott.

Waitsburg's city council approves a three-year plan

to renovate the fairgrounds, including the removal of the horse track and addition of a Little League baseball complex and soccer field.

A dozen schools sent hundreds of musicians to Waitsburg to perform a mass band and choir concert in the WHS gymnasium.

Seattle resident, Lane Hill, is renovating the site of the former Farmer's Café, as a future printmaking studio and community gathering space.

Rural Youth Enrichment Services (RYES), a local nonprofit, has grown to include four independent youth-oriented groups focusing on music, gardening, art, and recreation.

Former resident, Teresa Hinchliffe, returned and re-opened her hair salon, Tricho Cuts, on Main Street.

The Waitsburg Lions club hosted their annual Salmon Feed BBQ.



Times File Photo

In November, voters approved the annexation of the City of Waitsburg Fire Dept. into Fire District No. 2. In addition, The Waitsburg Ambulance Service will dissolve Dec. 31, with Fire No. 2 taking over ambulance services. Fire No. 2 will move its office to the former WAS building.

November

Juniors Emily Adams and Landon Callas earned spots at the state cross-country meet in Pasco where Adams took home the fourth place medal.

Brandon Kelly approached Waitsburg's city council with plans to modify the fairgrounds for use as a track for regional dirt-track racing events.

The Kids' Big Give provided turkey dinners for 25 families.

Voters approve annexation of the City of Waitsburg Fire Dept. into Walla Walla - Columbia County Fire District No. 2. The District will also take over EMS services from the Waitsburg Ambulance Service which will be dissolved as of Dec 31.

December

Waitsburg welcomed the holiday season with a successful Hometown Christmas 30th anniversary weekend.

Greg Zuger retired from his position on the Waitsburg School Board following 24 years of service. Former elementary principal and middle school teacher Russ Knopp assumed Zuger's seat.

The Leos Club (assisted by the Lions) collected just shy of 1,000 pounds of food for the Waitsburg Resource Center.

The Waitsburg Resource Center will provide free lunches for children during the winter school break.

Kindergarten teacher Pam Nolan-Beasley was one of ten national semi-finalists for the Shell Science Teaching Award.

Izzy the Camel was to soon make the move from Highway 12, south of Waitsburg, to a pasture on Highway 124, west of Waitsburg.

Sydney Fowble won a \$1,000 FFA grant for her goat breeding and raising project.

Stuart Walsh was selected as city council student liaison.

The late Leona Clarno donated \$20,000 to the Waitsburg City Library.

Waitsburg's school board approved the formation of a committee to explore the possibility of a high school football combine with Dayton.

Waitsburg adopted a 2016 budget of \$1.75 million.

OWEN LANNING EARNS TOP SCORES FOR L-C WARRIORS

CHENEY - Lewis-Clark State College freshman Owen Lanning, son of Mark and Joanna Lanning, of Waitsburg, made top scores in the men's track and field indoor heptathlon - a seven-event competition - at the Eastern Washington University Candy Cane Invitational in Cheney on Dec. 5.

Lanning's score of 4,037 points automatically qualified him for the national competition and is the third best mark in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) to date. Nationals will be held in Tennessee in March.

Lanning's best event at the EWU meet was the 1,000 meter race which he won with a time of 2:53:92. The Warriors compete next at the Idaho Open in Moscow on January 16.



Photo by Joanna Lanning

Owen Lanning cleared 10'10" in the pole vault event at the Candy Cane Invitational at EWU earlier this month.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (RCW 61.24.040)

GRANTOR: MONA J. GEIDL, Successor Trustee

GRANTEE: DEAN A. JOHNSON
THE PUBLIC

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Ptn of Block 35, Blalock Orchards, Vol. "D" page 44 (full legal description appears on Page 2)

TAX PARCEL NO.: 35-07-25-52-3512

RELATED DOCUMENTS: 2010-01615 2013-00872

Borrower(s)

TO: Dean A. Johnson
308 North College Avenue
College Place, WA 99324

Subordinate Lienholder(s)

State of Washington
Department of Labor and Industries
P.O. Box 44000
Olympia, WA 98504-4000

Subordinate Lienholder(s) (continued)

Collection Bureau of Walla Walla
P.O. Box 1756
Walla Walla, WA 99362

I.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on the 29th day of January, 2016, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at 315 W. Main Street at the main entrance to the Walla Walla County Courthouse in the City of Walla Walla, Walla Walla County, Washington, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following-described real property, commonly known as 308 North College Avenue, College Place, Washington 99324, situated in the County of Walla Walla, State of Washington, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the West line of Block 35 of Blalock Orchards, as per plat thereof recorded in Volume "D" of Plats at page 44, records of Walla Walla County, which point is 60 feet North, measured along said West line, from the Southwest corner of said Block, and running thence North, along said West line, 60 feet; thence East, parallel to the South line of said Block, 150 feet; thence South, parallel to said West line, 60 feet; thence West, parallel to said South line, 150 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the highway on the Westerly portion. Situate in Walla Walla County, Washington.

Which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated February 11, 2010, and recorded under Auditor's File No. 2010-01615, records of Walla Walla County, Washington, from Dean A. Johnson as Grantor, to Land Title of Walla Walla, as original Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Blue Mountain Credit Union, as Beneficiary. Said Deed of Trust was modified by Modification Agreement dated January 30, 2013, and recorded under Auditor's File No. 2013-00872, records of Walla Walla County. Land Title of Walla Walla has resigned as Trustee under said Deed of Trust, and Mona J. Geidl was appointed successor Trustee under Appointment recorded November 18, 2014, as Auditor's No. 2014-08377, records of Walla Walla County.

II.

No action is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any court by reason of the Borrower's or the Grantor's default on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust.

Borrower filed for bankruptcy protection in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Washington, under Cause No. 12-01950-FLK13; and Beneficiary has obtained an Order For Relief from the bankruptcy stay, which order was entered on June 19, 2015.

III.

The default for which this foreclosure is made is as follows:

Failure to pay when due the following amounts, which are now in arrears:

Delinquent pmts. from April 1, 2014 in the amount of \$311.36/mo:	\$65,746.24
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Estimated fees and expenses:	
Real property taxes for 2013	\$1,707.17
Real property taxes for 2014	\$1,390.82
Real property taxes for 2015	\$1,365.09
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 3/19/12	\$5,180.35
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 11/10/11	\$668.34
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 7/25/11	\$558.79
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 4/7/11	\$524.33
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 2/1/11	\$285.26
WA State Dept. of Labor and Industries warrant 9/2/10	\$528.59
Walla Walla Co. Judgment No. 10-9-00904-0,	
Collection Bureau of Walla Walla	\$2,782.12
Attorney fees:	\$1,200.00
Trustee's fees:	\$50.00
Trustee's expenses: (Itemization)	
Title report:	\$609.84
Recording fees:	\$150.00
Service/Posting fees:	\$175.00
Postage/copying charges:	\$75.00
Publication:	
\$500.00	

TOTAL: \$80,737.10

IV.

The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: Principal and interest, \$65,746.24 as provided in the Note or other instrument secured from February 11, 2010, and such other costs and fees as are due under the Note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

V.

The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on the 29th day of January, 2016. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by January 18, 2016, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time on or before the 18th day of January, 2016, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. The sale may be terminated any time after the 29th day of January, 2016, and before the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults.

VI.

A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower at the following addresses:

Dean A. Johnson
308 North College Avenue
College Place, WA 99324

The Notice was so mailed by both first-class and certified mail, return receipt requested, on September 1, 2015, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property or personally served on the Borrower and Grantor of the Deed of Trust described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has in his possession proof of such posting or service.

VII.

The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale.

VIII.

The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property.

IX.

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale

X.

NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS: The purchaser at the trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale, the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under the unlawful detainer act, Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.06

Mona J. Geidl, Trustee
Minnick-Hayner
249 West Alder, P. O. Box 1757
Walla Walla, Washington 99362
(509) 527-3500

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
ss:
County of Walla Walla)

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Mona J. Geidl is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: _____, 2015.

Title: Notary Public
My appointment expires: _____

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der Application No. G3-30748 filed for permit to appropriate public waters, subject to existing rights, from one well, in the amount of 6 gallons per minute, each year, for non-consumptive heat exchange. The source of the proposed appropriation is located within the NW-SW of Section 27, Township 7 N., Range 35 E.W.M., in Walla Walla County.

This application has been approved for priority processing under WAC 173-152-050(2)(C).

Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days from

December 31, 2015

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
WATER RESOURCES
PROGRAM - ERO
PO BOX 47611
OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7611

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**PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030**

NO: 15-4-00250-1

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF WALLA WALLA

In re the Estate of:

DOMINIC FERRARO,

Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1) (c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: December 17, 2015.

Helen Ferraro
Personal Representative
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Jeff Burkhart, WSBA
#39454
Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC
6½ N. Second Avenue,
Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
509-529-0630

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the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of (1) thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in Section 11 of this act and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: December 17, 2015

Ralph P. Taylor
Personal Representative
LARRY SIEGEL LAW
OFFICE
129 W. Main
Walla Walla, WA 99362

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**Notice and Summons by
Publication
Dependency
No: 15-7-00153-1**

Superior Court of Washington
County of Walla Walla
Juvenile Court

In Re the Dependency of:

REYES, Zailey Meleah

D.O.B.: 11/17/2015

To: John Doe, Father

A Dependency Petition was filed on November 20, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: January 14, 2016 at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department 1. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if:

X your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence.

your parental rights to your child will be terminated. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter an order resulting in permanent loss of your parental rights in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www.atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx.

Dated: Dec. 9, 2015
By direction of:
John W. Lohrmann, Judge
KATHY MARTIN
Clerk

By:/s/Dee Dee Fjeld
Deputy Clerk
Print Name: Dee Dee Fjeld

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LEGAL NOTICES

1. The petitioner has started an action in the above court requesting that the validity of your marriage or domestic partnership be determined.

2. The petition also requests that the Court grant the following relief:
Dispose of property and liabilities.

3. You must respond to this summons by serving a copy of your written response on the person signing this summons and by filing the original with the clerk of the court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons (60 days after the 3rd day of December, 2015), the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a decree and approve or provide for other relief requested in this summons. In the case of a dissolution, the court will not enter the final decree until at least 90 days after service and filing. If you serve a notice of appearance on the undersigned person, you are entitled to notice before an order of default or a decree may be entered.

4. Your written response to the summons and petition must be on form:
WPF DR 01.0300, Response to Petition (Marriage).

Information about how to get this form may be obtained by contacting the clerk of the court, by contacting the Administrative Office of the Courts at (360) 705-5328, or from the Internet at the Washington State Courts homepage:

<http://www.courts.wa.gov/forms>

5. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be served on time.

6. One method of serving a copy of your response on the petitioner is to send it by certified mail with return receipt requested.

7. Other:

This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.100 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of Washington.

Dated 11-17-15

/s/ R. Gary Ponti 9034
R. Gary Ponti
Signature of Petitioner or Lawyer/WSBA No.

Serve a Copy of Your Response on:
Petitioner's Lawyer
R. Gary Ponti
Mc Adams, Ponti, Wernette, & Van Dorn, PS
103 East Poplar
Walla Walla, WA 99362

File Original of Your Response with the Clerk of the Court at:
Clerk of the Court
Walla Walla County Court
P.O. Box 836
Walla Walla, WA, 99362

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SERVICES; COLLECTION BUREAU OF WALLA WALLA; LINDA NUSKE; UNKNOWNHEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DAN NUSKE, DECEASED; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF MICHAEL DUQUETTE, DECEASED; AND PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN,

Defendants,
TO: The Judgment Debtors:

The Superior Court of Walla Walla County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Walla Walla County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment;
ADDRESS OF RECORD:
1601 PLEASANT STREET
WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON 99362

LOT 13 AND THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 14 IN BLOCK 2 OF PARKSIDE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON, IN BOOK D OF PLATS AT PAGE 37.

SITUATE IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

TAX PARCEL: 36-07-27-50-0213

The sale of the within described property is to take place:

Time: 10:00 AM

Date: Friday, January 8, 2016

Place: Main Entrance, Walla Walla County Courthouse, Walla Walla, Washington 99362

The judgment debtor can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of \$115,242.56 together with interest, costs, and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the sheriff at the address stated below.

The sale of the described property is subject to:

[] No redemption rights after sale.

[X] A redemption period of eight months which will expire

at 4:30 PM On the 8th day of September, 2016

[] A redemption period of one year which will expire at 4:30 PM On the ___ day of ___, 20__

The judgment debtor or debtors or any of them may redeem the above described property at any time up to the end of the redemption period by paying the amount bid at the sheriff's sale, plus additional costs, taxes, assessments, certain other amounts, fees, and interest. If you are interested in redeeming the property contact the undersigned sheriff at the address stated below to determine the exact amount necessary to redeem.

IMPORTANT NOTICE; IF THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR OR DEBTORS DO NOT REDEEM THE PROPERTY BY 4:30 PM ON THE 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016, THE END OF THE REDEMPTION PERIOD, THE PURCHASER AT THE SHERIFF'S SALE WILL BECOME THE OWNER AND MAY EVICT THE OCCUPANT FROM THE PROPERTY UNLESS THE OCCUPANT IS A TENANT HOLDING UNDER AN UNEXPIRED LEASE. IF PAGE THREE

IF THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS OCCUPIED AS A PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE BY THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR OR DEBTORS AT THE TIME OF THE SALE, HE, SHE, THEY OR ANY OF THEM, MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO RETAIN POSSESSION DURING THE REDEMPTION PERIOD, IF ANY, WITH PAYMENT OF ANY RENT OR OCCUPANCY FEE.

THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR MAY ALSO HAVE A RIGHT TO RETAIN POSSESSION DURING ANY REDEMPTION PERIOD IF THE PROPERTY IS USED FOR FARMING OR IF THE PAGE THREE

PROPERTY IS BEING SOLD UNDER A MORTGAGE THAT SO PROVIDES.

Dated this 29th day of November, 2015.

JOHN A. TURNER, Sheriff
Walla Walla County

By Sherri Krumbah, Senior Admin Clerk
240 W. Alder #101, Walla Walla WA 99362
(509) 524-5400 or 524-5411

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Superior Court of Washington
County of Walla Walla
Juvenile Court

No: 15-7-00154-9

Notice and Summons by Publication

Termination

In Re the Termination of:

CARRON, Amanda Rose

D.O.B.: 06/13/2013

To: TIFFANY RACHELE CARRON, Mother

A Termination Petition was filed on November 25, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: January 28, 2016, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department II. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if your parental rights to your child will be terminated. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter an order resulting in permanent loss of your parental rights in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Termination Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www.atg.wa.gov/TRM.aspx

Dated: 12/17/2015 By direction of:
M. Scott Wolfram, Judge
KATHY MARTIN
Clerk
By: /s/Linda Palmer
Deputy Clerk
Print Name: Linda Palmer

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with the laws of the state of Washington.

Notice: If you are not personally liable to pay this obligation by reason of a bankruptcy proceeding, then this notice is not an attempt to collect a debt but is intended only to relay information regarding your deed of trust.

Notice: If you are personally liable to pay this obligation, we wish to inform you that we are a debt collector. Any information you provide to us will be used for the purposes of foreclosing the deed of trust mentioned below.

Notice of Trustee's Sale

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned will on January 29, 2016 at 10:00 AM Walla Walla County Courthouse, 315 West Main, Walla Walla, WA 99362 located at Walla Walla County, State of Washington, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Walla Walla County, State of Washington, to-wit;

LOT 13 IN BLOCK 1 OF STONE CREEK PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PHASE 2, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 1 OF ROLL

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which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated July 1, 1996, recorded July 10, 1996, under Recorder's/Auditor's File Number 1996-06853 records of Walla Walla County, Washington, from Daniel R. Snider and Donna E. Snider, Husband and Wife, as Grantor, to Land Title of Walla Walla County, Inc., as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Washington Federal f/k/a Washington Federal Savings & Loan Association successor in interest by merger to Metropolitan Federal Savings & Loan Association as Beneficiary. The sale will be made without any

warranty concerning the title to, or the condition of the property.

II

No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust.

III

The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows:

i) Failure to pay the following amounts, now in arrears:

Amount due to reinstate by October 29, 2015
Monthly Payments:
Delinquent Monthly Payments Due:
From 03/01/2015 through 10/01/2015
6 payment(s) at \$859.00
Total:
\$6,878.00
Late Charges:
6 late charge(s) at \$29.94
2 late charge(s) at \$30.14
Total:
\$239.92
Property Inspection: \$25.00
Total Default:
\$7,142.92

IV

The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is \$68,405.22, together with interest from February 1, 2015 as provided in the note or other instrument, and such other costs and fees as are due under the note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

V

The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. The sale will be made without warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on January 29, 2015. The payments, late charges, or other defaults must be cured by January 18, 2016 (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time on or before January

18, 2016 (11 days before the sale date) the default(s) as set forth in paragraph III, together with any subsequent payments,

late charges, or other defaults, is/are cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be with cashier's or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after January 18, 2016 (11 days before the sale date), and before the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults.

VI

A written notice of default was transmitted by the beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es):

See 'Mailing List' attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

by both first-class and certified mail on September 1, 2015, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served on September 1, 2015, with said written notice of default or the written notice of default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting.

VII

The Trustee whose name and address are set forth will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale.

VIII

The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property.

IX

Anyone having objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as

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- Look
- Sign used by fortune tellers
- Direct
- Drum played with the hands
- Midwest state
- Began to appear
- Well known hat
- BBQ restaurant offering
- Catches on
- Sea veggie
- Helpful connections
- Devilish
- Cry a lot
- Freudian topic
- Change the decor
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- Boy child
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- Jemima, for one
- Tray for serving food
- Group of cooperat-
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- Drapery fabric
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- Sales pitch
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- Tenants
- Lived
- Weather map line
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to those objection if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale.

X
NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENNANTS

The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale, the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060.

If the Trustee's Sale is set aside for any reason, the submitted bid will be forthwith returned without interest and the bidder will have no right to purchase the property. Recovery of the bid amount without interest constitutes the limit of the bidder's recourse against the Trustee and/or the Beneficiary.

XI

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES WHO ARE GUARANTORS OF THE OBLIGATIONS SECURED BY THIS DEED OF TRUST: (1) The Guarantor may be liable for a deficiency judgment to the extent the sale price obtained at the Trustee's Sale is less than the debt secured by the Deed of Trust; (2) The Guarantor has the same rights to reinstate the debt, cure the default, or repay the debt as is given to the grantor in order to avoid the trustee's sale; (3) The Guarantor will have no right to redeem the property after the Trustee's Sale; (4) Subject to such longer periods as are provided in the Washington Deed of Trust Act, Chapter 61.24 RCW, any action brought to enforce a guaranty must be commenced within one year after the Trustee's Sale, or the last Trustee's Sale under any deed of trust granted to secure the same debt; and (5) In any action for a deficiency, the Guarantor will have the right to establish the fair value of the property as of the date of the Trustee's Sale, less prior liens and encumbrances, and to limit

its liability for a deficiency to the difference between the debt and the greater of such fair value or the sale price paid at the Trustee's Sale, plus interest and costs.

DATED: October 29, 2015
Weinstein & Riley, P.S.
Successor Trustee

By: /s/ William Bishop Jr.
William Bishop Jr., Assistant Secretary
2001 Western Avenue Suite 400
Seattle, WA 98121
206-269-3490
State of Washington)
) ss.
County of King)

On this 29th day of October, 2015, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared William L. Bishop, Jr., to me known to be an Assistant Secretary of Weinstein & Riley, P.S., the corporation that executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath states that they are authorized to execute the said instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal hereto affixed the day and year first above written.

/s/ Darla Trautman
Name: Darla Trautman
NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Washington at:
King
My Appt. Exp.: 04/09/2016

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claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Co-Personal Representatives: Frank L. Laufer and Linda Bayer

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FRANK L. LAUFER
Co-Personal Representative

By: /s/ Frank L. Laufer
Frank L. Laufer,
Co-Personal Representative

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the estate of the above-named decedent. Any person having a claim against decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving or mailing to the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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To: John Doe, Father
A Dependency Petition was filed on December 10, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: February 17, 2016 at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department II. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if:

your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www.atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx.

Dated: Dec. 24, 2015
By direction of:
M. Scott Wolfram, Judge

KATHY MARTIN
Clerk

By: /s/ Stacy Humphreys
Deputy Clerk
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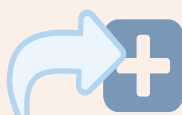
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