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## THIS WEEK

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### 2014

A look back at the big news in Dayton and Columbia County in the year just ended.

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### BASKETBALL

The Lady 'Dogs fell to Colfax, 39-28 in a non-league game Dec. 23.

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Photo courtesy of Ski Bluewood

Three skiers celebrated their first ride of the year up the Triple Nickle chair at Ski Bluewood shortly after 9 a.m. Friday.

## Bluewood in Full Swing

### PRE-CHRISTMAS STORM BRINGS LOTS OF SNOW, SUCCESSFUL POST-CHRISTMAS OPENING

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – Patience paid off for local skiers, who enjoyed an awesome opening day at Ski Bluewood on December 26. A pre-Christmas storm dumped nearly two feet of snow at the ski area 20 miles south of here, with more falling as The Times went to press Monday. At 5 a.m. Monday, Bluewood was reporting light powder, with 29 inches of snow at the base and 40 inches at the summit. Temperatures have been in the low 20s, and are expected to fall this week.

Bluewood will be open daily through January 4. The ski area's regular hours will commence, starting next week: Thursdays through Sundays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bluewood features 24 runs, with a total vertical rise of 1,125 feet. Skiers have the option of two triple chair lifts and a platter pull. The ski area also features three terrain parks.

For more information on Ski Bluewood, go to bluewood.com.



Photo courtesy of Ski Bluewood

Powder was the order of the day on opening day at Bluewood.

## JIM LYNCH MOVES UP

### New Public Works Director confident after 20 years working alongside Dan Katsel

By Dena Wood  
THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Losing a public works director with 40 years on-the-job experience is bound to be a big blow to a city, but that hit is softened significantly when the incoming director has 20 years experience of his own. At the Dec. 17 city council meeting, the council approved a recommendation from the personnel committee, consisting of Walt Gobel, Randy Hinchliffe and Marty Dunn, to promote city crew staffer Jim Lynch to public works director. Lynch, who replaces longtime director Dan Katsel, began fulfilling his probationary period in the new position on Dec. 1.

Lynch moved to Waitsburg in 1991 from Osakis, Minn., where he worked for Fingerhut. He moved to be closer to his wife's family. He worked for the former



Courtesy Photo

Jim Lynch

Strauser Manufacturing plant in Walla Walla before hiring on to the Waitsburg city crew in 1993.

"I was originally hired to care for the cemeteries and the parks, but in the 21 years I've been here I've done pretty much everything," he said. He recalls that one of his first "big" jobs was helping with the replacement of a new main line leading towards the water treatment plant. That will come in handy since replacing the water line that runs from Main to

First and Jay will be the crew's first major undertaking on the agenda for this spring.

During his years on the job, Lynch has accumulated a lengthy list of certifications and licenses. He is a Water District Manager 2, Class 2 Sewage Plant Operator, Cross Connection Control Specialist, Wastewater Treatment Operator Class 2, and holds a CDL and Public Operator's License for pesticides.

In his role as director, Lynch says he will oversee the crew (which currently consists of Travis Newman and John Langford), plan projects, and basically "just keep the town going." He says the crew will soon install irrigation at the old mill site where the ground has already been leveled and grass has been planted. The site will soon become a historic park when commemorative panels are added to the recently constructed mill vault kiosk and the old mill turbine is placed on display.

"I think I can do a good job. I've basically been by Dan's side for quite awhile now and I'm sure I can handle it just fine," said Lynch.

## Waitsburg Man Arrested Following Burglaries

### MASON BATES IS HELD IN WALLA WALLA JAIL ON \$10,000 BOND

By Dian Ver Valen  
THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – A Waitsburg man was arrested Sunday afternoon and is being held in Walla Walla on suspicion of committing a string of recent, local burglaries.

Mason James Bates, 31, was charged in a preliminary hearing Monday with two counts of residential burglary, theft in the third degree, malicious mischief in the third degree, and possession of burglary tools.

A resident of Waitsburg's W. 6th Street contacted Walla Walla County deputies Sunday after he discovered his home had been burglarized and jewelry was missing. While investigating that crime, deputies learned from neighbors of a suspicious white male observed lately loitering in the neighborhood of W. 6th and W. 7th streets.

They also learned of four or five other recent burglaries in the neighborhood, according to Chief Operations Deputy John King.

Deputies became suspicious of Bates after they received a tip from Bates's father, also a Waitsburg resident, that his son may have been involved in the local crimes. The WWCSO report indicates that Bates may have confessed to his father that he'd "screwed up."

The father gave permission for deputies to search his home on W. 7th Street, where Bates also lives. Deputies discovered several items they believe match the description of items taken from neighboring homes. The possibly stolen property was found inside the home and in the adjoining carport, King said.

Bates, who works in Dayton, was arrested Sunday at 3:15 p.m. after returning home from work. He is being held in the Walla Walla County Jail on \$10,000 bail.



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# TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

Happy Birthday to You!



Photo by Dena Wood

Longtime Dayton resident Vida Peterson spent her 100th birthday surrounded by friends of all ages at an open-house birthday celebration on December 23.

## BRIEF

### WENAHA GALLERY HOSTS FOOD DRIVE

DAYTON – Dayton's Wenaha Gallery is gearing up for its sixth annual food drive to raise nonperishables for the Dayton Community Food Bank. This year's month-long drive will run from Jan. 3-31. During the drive, the Wenaha Gallery will offer a \$2 discount on framing for every canned item brought in (up to 20% off the total framing job.) Last year, the gallery raised 550 pounds of food that they delivered to the food bank located in the former fire station next to Dayton's City Hall.

The bank is a volunteer organization. "We distribute food to clients whose income falls below 185% of the federal poverty level. We do this on Tuesdays, from 2 – 4 p.m., but besides all that, we need people to manage the accounts, order the food, schedule the volunteers, arrange the call lists, make the decisions, and keep the unit together," said Director Laura Thorn. The food bank serves 140-160 households, representing up to 550 people each month.

As food is collected for the drive, it will be added to the ever-growing display in the Wenaha Gallery window, encouraging people to help their neighbors while taking advantage of the convenient drop-off location.

## PIONEER PORTRAITS

### Ten Years Ago January 6, 2005

Western and wildlife artist Jackie Penner has been featured in the Wheat Life Magazine December 2004 issue. The article titled "On the Penner wheat farm, a crop of Western art," highlights how farm life and artistic talent are woven together to make a complimentary lifestyle.

Local customers of AmericanWest Bank in Waitsburg and Dayton have been seeing a new face in the loan officer's office. Waitsburg native Todd Wood has been serving as commercial loan officer for the two branches of the eastern Washington-based bank since mid-December when former loan officer Eric Johnson resigned from the bank.

### Twenty-Five Years Ago January 4, 1990

George Gagnon, a member of the Blue Mountain Audubon Society, said that several members of the group did a bird count in the Walla Walla area on December 20, and came up with individual bird total of 18,615. Seven persons took part in the survey which is done annually. Leader of the local Audubon Society is Mike Denny. This included some 82 different species of birds. As you might expect, the bulk of the birds counted were mallards (10, 447) and Canada Good (3478).

Prescott Community Church began their progressive dinner with hors d'oeuvres at the home of Hazel and Delbert Wallace's; Soup with Rick and Vickie Piper; Salad at Pan and Ernie Hermanns; Main Dish at Barbara and Ken Weeks; Dessert at Randy and Kris Halley's. They played Bancko and at Midnight enjoyed fireworks.

### Fifty Years Ago January 1, 1965

Many Waitsburg residents and businessmen traded dress shoes for hip boots and began the hard work of digging out after last week's flood. Hardest hit were the homes along Preston Avenue, and the homes north of the Prescott highway. The persistent flood waters deposited tons of silt on lawns, yards, and fields which will have to be removed. Northwest of town the force of the flood actually diverted some portions of the existing river bed, and the out-of-control river cut new channels.

We would like to publicly thank all who helped us at The Times during the past week, and got us going again. Howard Davis, Roy Leid, Jim Leid, Wes Leid, Clint Clark, Bill Peterson, Ernest Kison, Kermit Jones, Dick Harper, and many others for loans of pumps, bodily aid and moral support. We would also like to announce that all those who signed up for swimming lessons in our basement pool will be disappointed because we couldn't sign up a suitable life guard. (No refunds on prepaid lesson charges, either!!)

### Seventy-Five Years Ago January 5, 1940

Wheat prices advanced from 2 to 2 1/2 cents a bushel here early in the week and there was considerable inquiry and a few thousand bushels have been sold. The quotations prevailing here Tuesday were 79 to 80 cents a bushel F.O.B. for sacked white wheat.

Watch parties were held at the several churches Sunday night. In the earlier part of the evening there were appropriate programs and later refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. N.B. Atkinson of this city attended the twenty eighth annual reunion of the Hodgen clan which was held in the Memorial building in Walla Walla on New Year's Day. Mrs. Atkinson was the first Hodgen girl born in the West.

### One Hundred Years Ago January 1, 1915

Frank Jonas lost his 1912 Mitchel-Six by fire on the State Highway near the Storms place Saturday night.

C.M. Phelps, who has charge of the grocery department at the Great Eastern, made a 12 pound fruit cake a few days before Christmas. It was placed in a show window where it attracted considerable attention.

Mrs. L. Blue received a very unique as well as practical Christmas present in the form of a power washing machine together with a small gasoline engine to furnish the power. This was a gift from Mrs. Blue's father, Mr. L. Cyrus, of Pomeroy. Mr. Blue says it is sure a fine present and the only objection he can find is that now he has to do the family washing himself.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago January 3, 1890

Our shootists have had lots of sport killing prairie chickens since the snow fall. There is an unusually large number of them this year.

K.E. Myers is suffering from what appears to be the peculiar disease, Influenza, now so prevalent in the East.

W.M. Blake, J.W. Cole, and W.T. Robinson have bought J.H. Morrow & Co.'s lumber yard, taking possession of it this morning.

Work of repairing Main Street bridge is completed. We do not know much about building bridge but to us it seems a case of putting a whole lot of new wine into old bottles.

### Touchet Valley Weather Dec. 31, 2014

**Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast**

<b>Wednesday</b> Sunny	<b>Thursday</b> Mostly Sunny	<b>Friday</b> Partly Cloudy	<b>Saturday</b> Mostly Cloudy	<b>Sunday</b> Cloudy	<b>Monday</b> Mostly Cloudy	<b>Tuesday</b> Partly Cloudy
High: 17 Low: 10	High: 21 Low: 16	High: 28 Low: 24	High: 31 Low: 24	High: 33 Low: 26	High: 35 Low: 27	High: 36 Low: 22

#### 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. 31, 1962** - Perhaps the worst blizzard in the history of Maine finally came to an end. The storm produced 40 inches of snow in 24 hours at Orono and a total of 46 inches at Ripogenus Dam. Gale force winds produced snow drifts 20 feet high around Bangor.

#### Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Monday	52	42	40/28	0.00"	0.87"
Tuesday	57	39	40/28	0.00"	0.54"
Wednesday	57	34	40/28	0.67"	+0.33"
Thursday	45	34	39/28	0.00"	42.4°
Friday	43	33	39/28	0.00"	33.7°
Saturday	46	36	39/28	0.19"	+8.7°
Sunday	43	32	39/28	0.01"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

#### Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
<b>Full</b> Wednesday	7:35 a.m.	4:16 p.m.	1:18 p.m.	2:59 a.m.
<b>1/4</b> Thursday	7:35 a.m.	4:17 p.m.	1:58 p.m.	4:03 a.m.
Friday	7:35 a.m.	4:18 p.m.	2:44 p.m.	5:03 a.m.
Saturday	7:35 a.m.	4:19 p.m.	3:34 p.m.	5:59 a.m.
<b>Last 1/3</b> Sunday	7:35 a.m.	4:20 p.m.	4:28 p.m.	6:48 a.m.
Monday	7:35 a.m.	4:21 p.m.	5:25 p.m.	7:31 a.m.
Tuesday	7:34 a.m.	4:22 p.m.	6:23 p.m.	8:09 a.m.

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# TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

## BRIEFS

### CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONNECTION

DAYTON – The next Christian Women's Connection Luncheon will take place January 14 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Seneca Activity Center (104 Green Giant Camp Road, Dayton). The cost is \$10 and the meal will be catered by Louann Truesdale.

Cathy Rasley from Walla Walla will share the many lessons gleaned from her mother and grandmother in a talk titled, "Why I Owe My Mother." Cleo Saenz will provide musical entertainments and the special feature will be a presentation from the nonprofit organization, Friends of the Library.

Call Judy Jackson at (509) 399-2005 for reservations by Friday, January 9 to reserve lunch and arrange for free childcare. Please honor reservations by gifting them to a friend or canceling by Monday, January 12.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**2**

**Retirement Party**  
Honoring Terry Nealey  
Seneca Activity Center, Dayton  
4:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Celebrating Terry's 40 years of service to clients and the community.

**3**

**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.

**Al-Anon**  
Dayton First Congregational Church (214 South 3rd Street)  
11 a.m.

**Karaoke Night**  
Tuxedo Bar & Grill, Prescott  
8 p.m. – midnight

**4**

**Mood Disorder Group**  
Delaney Building (111 S. 3rd)  
7 p.m.

**Praise Singing**  
Waitsburg Christian Church  
7 p.m.

**5**

**Waitsburg Story Time** (every Monday)  
Weller Public Library, Waitsburg  
10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**6**

**Dayton Library Story Time**  
Dayton Memorial Library  
Baby & Toddler storytime at 10 a.m. and Preschool storytime at 10:45. Storytime is free to the public and no library card is needed.

**Story Time** (every Tuesday)  
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.

**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.

**Dayton Commission**  
City Hall  
6:30  
Special meeting. Comprehensive plan update; public hearing continued.

**Alcoholics Anonymous**  
Dayton First Congregational Church (214 South 3rd Street)  
7 p.m.  
Every Tuesday and Thursday.

**7**

**Weight Loss Support**  
Waitsburg Clinic  
5:30 p.m.  
Optional weigh-in at 5:15 and an optional 30 minute group walk following the meeting at 6 p.m.

**8**

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## POLICE NOTES

### Waitsburg

Nothing reported.

### Dayton

**Dec. 22**

Assault reported between residents at Booker Rest Home; case referred to Adult Protective Services. Fraud reported after victim received a consumer line of credit he had not applied for from Boeing Credit Union. The Columbia County Sheriff's Office stated that BCU has had over 400 similar complaints recently. Littering reported on Starveout Road; an unknown subject dumped 10 plastic bags of leaves on the side of the road sometime since Dec. 17. Non-injury collision occurred when a vehicle struck a deer on Highway 12 near milepost 360. Vehicle in unreported location in Starbuck was "keyed."

**Dec. 23**

Possible domestic assault on W. Dayton Avenue reported; deputies were searching for the male suspect and a report was forwarded to the prosecutor. Fraud reported; caller claimed to be from IRS and threatened to sue resident for back taxes. Traffic hazard: tree blocking roadway on Stonecipher Road and stop sign down at the intersection of Shea and Barker roads. Road department was notified.

**Dec. 24**

Dayton resident Anthony J. Nieto, Jr., 36, was arrested on suspicion of assault in the fourth degree, domestic violence. No further information was available by press time Monday.

**Dec. 25**

Dayton man John G. Waltermire, 24, was arrested on an outstanding warrant; incident to this arrest Waltermire was charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of prescription drugs without a prescription. Waltermire is being held on \$25,000 bond in the Columbia County Jail pending trial.

## WAITSBURG CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP

The Waitsburg city crew will begin picking up Christmas trees the week of January 5.

Trees may be placed in front of homes, near the roadway, similar to where garbage cans are placed. Trees must not be flocked and should be free of all ornaments.

## BIRTHDAYS

- 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.
- January 8:** Steven Price, Esther Presler and Todd Larsen.

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337-6589  
Rev. Bret Moser

**Waitsburg Chapel**  
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Sunday School- 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
Bible Study  
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.  
Rev. Jimmie Daves  
337-6235



**School Lunch Menu**  
Breakfast listed first. Fruits & vegetables, non-fat chocolate milk and 1% white milk are offered with every meal.

- 2: NO SCHOOL
- 5: Scrambled Eggs & Bacon; Sweet & Sour Chicken, Rice
- 6: Biscuit & Gravy; Macaroni & Cheese
- 7: Combo Bar; Finger Steaks, Fries
- 8: Cinnamon Roll; Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, Fries, Watermelon, Fruit Popsicle

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# COMMENTARY

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## Happy 2015!

This issue of The Times marks, for me, the completion of two years as the paper's editor and one year as its owner and publisher. For once, the new year brings no big change in my role here.



It has been a great pleasure to help bring news and information to our readers in Walla Walla and Columbia Counties the past two years. (And let me not forget the many readers around the country who read The Times to keep up with what we're doing here.) It's a privilege to be able to provide a voice for what's happening in the Touchet Valley.

This is a team effort of course. Our Waitsburg reporter, Dena Wood, is a longtime resident of this great town and has done an outstanding job the last year and a half reporting on what the "one of a kind" people in Waitsburg are up to.

Kevin Steffanson joined us earlier this year and has done a great job working with our advertisers to help make their marketing efforts as effective as possible.

We have been blessed with the work of several great freelance contributors this year, and one of them is joining our staff in 2015. Dian Ver Valen, who once served as editor of The Times, is rejoining the paper as our Dayton/Columbia County reporter.

I want to give a special shout out to a few other important people who have made The Times better than it would have been:

Columnist (and Waitsburg High School student) Emma Philbrook is a supremely talented writer who will be greatly missed when she heads off to whichever college is fortunate enough to receive her talents.

Our pages have been graced with the outstanding work of Photographer Nick Page this year, and we will continue to present his work as much as we can.

Designer Vanessa Heim helped us create a great new layout for The Times in 2014, and she has also worked with several of our advertisers to make their products and services stand out.

Most of all, I want to thank all of our readers for the great support you give us throughout the year. We do this for you!



## EMMA PHILBROOK: STUDENT LIFE

### Just Another Monday

I sat in the living room thumbing through a seed catalog. I contemplated ripping out the order form and sending for a few choice varieties of tomato when I remembered that I would be heading off for college right before they were in season.



The floor was littered with shreds of wrapping paper. A brother and a couple assorted cousins were sprawled on the floor and furniture. A paused frame from the credits of a Christmas movie flickered on a TV screen.

It was getting warm, and I was getting bored.

Both of those changed when Mom walked in the front door, sending a blast of near-freezing air into the room.

"Emma, I just remembered something that you're not gonna like."

"Mm?"

"Your column."

I immediately started hyperventilating. I shot out of my chair and began pacing, all the while rubbing my temples and blinking in shock.

"Don't worry," Mom said. "You don't really need it in until tomorrow morning, right?"

"No. No. It's over the holidays, so it went to press this afternoon."

"This Afternoon" was the kicker. By this time, the smell of dinner was wafting down from the kitchen. A pitch-black sky lurked outside the drapes.

"Well, no. You can still send it in, right?"

"You don't understand, Mom. It's printed. The ink is dry. The bundles are packed. I am doomed."

"Well if you write it tonight - " Mom grunted.

"Well," she said, "go check your computer. The editor must have sent you an e-mail if it was that bad."

I dashed to the computer room, kicked a confused-looking uncle out of the computer chair, and hurriedly opened up my e-mail account.

"Oh no...there's...nothing."

I didn't have a single new message.

"You must be okay then! Go ahead and start typing."

"No. Look. We're too late. There's an e-mail in here somewhere that says they go to press early."

I scouted around the list of messages.

"Oh dear. He told me about this two weeks before, and I just got so distracted by the holiday, and oh my goodness, oh my goodness..."

"Oh. There. Here's one called 'Just a Heads Up,'" said Mom. "That must be it."

"See?" I said. "Right here it says that they need it by Monday morning."

"No problem," said Mom. "Today's Sunday."

"Sunday? It's Sunday? Not Monday after all?"

I was so relieved that I fainted into the keyboard.

## The Times

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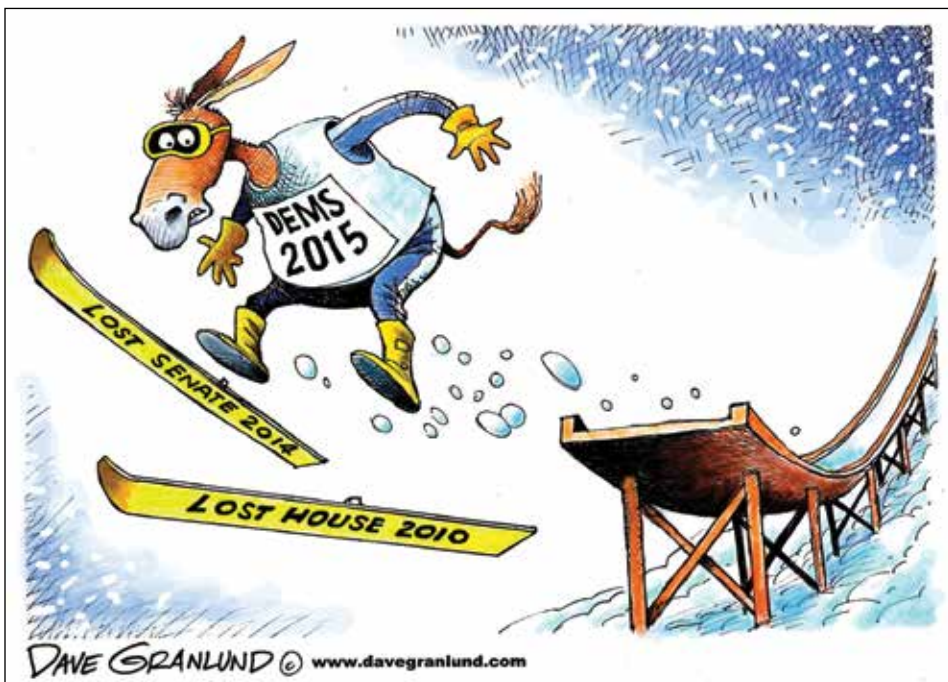
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Letters should be no more than 400 words long. All letters must be signed by the writer(s) using their actual name, and complete contact information for each writer, including address and phone number must be included.

We reserve the right to decline to publish any letter that we deem inappropriate for our readership.

## Waitsburg City Council Update

December 17, 2014

WAITSBURG - Council members include: K.C. Kuykendall, Marty Dunn, Kevin House, Debra Callahan, Mayor Walt Gobel. Karl Newell was absent.

Delores Nettles expressed concern about the tipping Christmas trees along Main Street during public comment.

Council briefly discussed the recent planning commission gathering and asked why there weren't enough commission members present to establish a quorum for the meeting.

Approved the early payoff of playground equipment which will save the city approximately \$1,200 in interest.

Approved the promotion of Jim Lynch to Public Works Director. Lynch replaces recently retired Dan Katsel.

Approved to accept financing offer of \$1.65 million from Community Bank at 1.99% to refinance two debt services, currently held by Banner Bank, and to finance upcoming water line improvements. Estimated interest savings, at half the current interest rate, will be \$90,000 in the first five years.

Approved budget amendment to adjust for change in banks and terms of aforementioned loans.

Approved creating a Emergency Action/Fire Prevention Plans for the city.

Council Reports: Callahan expressed interested in establishing a National Night Out in Waitsburg, similar to Dayton's celebration. Callahan also noted that there are already three events slated to use the fairgrounds this year: Waitsburg's first Touchet River Bluegrass Festival will take place June 26-28, a large family reunion will use the facility on Aug. 7-9, and there are plans, possibly working with FFA members, to put on a Haunted Hayride every weekend in October. Callahan asked about updating the weathered fairground signage.

## LETTER

### Pot in Walla Walla

Dear Editor,

I'm in full agreement with Joyce Anderson's letter ("Stricter requirements needed for pot processing" / Union-Bulletin / December 26, 2014).

In addition to the 1965 Walla Walla Avenue location (mentioned in her letter), here are two more examples of unacceptable locations for pot retail shops:

927 West Main Street. Tangletown Holdings (Seattle) plans to open in March 2015. This address is in a residential and small business neighborhood. A church is across the street. And The Salvation Army and St. Francis Catholic Church are about three blocks away. Gangs are active in this area.

1390 West Pine Street. Green Leaf Ventures (Walla Walla) applied for this location. Homes are very close, the Department of Corrections offices and a family restaurant are directly across the street, and two family hotels are a couple of blocks away.

12 applications are currently on file with the City Clerk (Kammy Hill at 509-527-4424) to do pot business in Walla Walla. These public documents can be accessed through this web path:

- www.wallawalla.gov
- City Government
- City Documents
- Access Document Archive
- City Council-City Clerk
- Marijuana Licenses

I urge every reader who is interested in the safety and security of our children, families, and businesses to contact the following city officials:

City Council and City Manager (Nabiel Shawa) at 509-527-4522

City Attorney (Tim Donaldson) at 509-522-2843

Development Services Director (Elizabeth Chamberlain) at 509-524-4735. Ask to be notified (by email and hard copy mail) of public hearings for all pot-related locations. And then show up at the hearings.

Lucy Henderson  
Walla Walla

# COLUMBIA COUNTY



Times file photo

In July, a Siemens wind turbine base passed (slowly) through Waitsburg on its way to a new home in northern Columbia County in Portland General Electric's new Tucannon River Wind Project.

## 2014 - Year in Review

A LOOK BACK AT THE BIG NEWS OF DAYTON AND COLUMBIA COUNTY DURING THE YEAR JUST ENDING

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON - As 2014 winds to a close, we look back on a year that brought increased economic strength to the Touchet Valley, and some momentous voting results at the ballot box. Dayton and Columbia County again put on a great string of community events. Here we go with a look back at some major stories out of Columbia County:

### Columbia Pulp Moves Ahead

In our Dec. 19, 2013 issue, we broke the news that a new straw pulp plant was in the works for Columbia County. It was to be built near Lyons Ferry, and open for operation sometime in 2015.



"[The new facility] would produce more than 400 tons of pulp per day and would likely employ more than 130 full-time workers," the article said. "The Lyons Ferry site was chosen, Begley said, because it is located in an industrial zone, and has access to a natural gas line. It also has good access to road, rail and Snake River barge transportation."

In September, we reported that Columbia Pulp was beginning the recruiting process for new employees:

"The Company's CEO John Begley said that about 30 salaried positions will be filled in the first quarter of 2015."

Separately, the company reported, "The firm will begin recruiting for 100 or more hourly operations positions beginning in January. Those positions will be filled, and training will begin, in the second quarter of next year, Begley said."

"For hourly operations employees, the firm will post openings through WorkSource Walla Walla. Those postings should begin going up early next year, according to Begley, with hiring to begin in March or April."

Begley told The Times in December that progress on development of the facility was still on track, with construction set to begin in the spring of this year.

### Wind Turbines Arrive in Columbia County

Portland General Electric spent 2014 constructing its new Tucannon River Wind Project in northern Columbia County. Wind turbine components began traveling through Waitsburg and Dayton in the spring. In July we reported:

"According to Franco Albi, PGE's project manager, deliveries to the site are expected to continue through the summer and end by early October."

"A total of 116 wind turbines will be installed, having a maximum generating capacity of 276 megawatts. The expected cost of the project is approximately \$500 million. Albi said that the project is expected to begin generating power in early 2015."

### Dayton School Bond Levy Defeated

A special Dayton school facilities committee spent much of 2013 working with architects on plans for a major renovation of the school facilities. In March 2014, after several options were presented to the public, the Dayton School Board approved a \$20 million capital bond levy that would be put before voters on April 22. It would cost taxpayers about \$2.53 per thousand dollar valuation each year. As we reported in March:

"The project, which would begin in 2015 if the

current bond measure is approved, will include a complete renovation of the high school building, system upgrades and gym modifications in the elementary school and construction of a new commons/community/administration building that would connect the two existing school buildings."

The levy was soundly defeated, with more than 70% of voters rejecting the measure.

After the vote, Dayton School Superintendent Doug Johnson told The Times the facilities committee had a range of options:

"One is to run a revised levy measure in November. Another is to address the most pressing building renovation needs through a series of short term capital levies that don't involve bond purchases."

In late November, the school board heard a recommendation from Johnson to ask voters in early 2015 for approval of a capital improvement levy of approximately \$800,000. Levy funds would be used to pay for the most critical facilities needs. No bonds would be purchased. The board is expected to make a final decision in January.

### Hospital Levy a Squeaker

In late May, the Columbia County Hospital District Board of Directors announced plans for their own capital bond levy, which would be put before voters in November. The funds would be used for a major renovation of the Dayton General Hospital facility. We reported the announcement by the district's interim CEO Jon Smiley:

"According to Smiley, the main reasons for the proposed reconfiguration are to make staff operations more efficient and to increase privacy for patients and their families. Potential changes include moving the nurses' station closer to the emergency room and moving food services closer to the Booker Rest Home facility." The remodel would also significantly renovate and expand the physical therapy area at the hospital.

In July the board approved putting a \$5.5 million dollar bond measure before the voters in November, which, if approved, would cost property owners approximately \$.50 per thousand dollar valuation per year.

The morning after the November 4 election, the preliminary count showed the measure trailing the needed 60% threshold by about seven votes. At least 100 ballots were left to be counted. After additional ballots were counted on November 7, the measure trailed by just one vote. When the final votes were counted in Columbia and Walla Walla Counties on November 23, the measure squeaked by, with 60.08% voter approval – a two-vote margin.

The Hospital District board has set an all-day workshop for Jan. 14 to begin plans for the hospital renovation.

### Write-Ins Shake Up Elections

Here's what we reported after the candidate filing period ended in May:

"Two Dayton natives, who returned to town to retire after careers away, will face off in the race to replace retiring Columbia County Commissioner Chuck Reeves."

"Merle Jackson and Dain Nysoe both filed for the position last week, Jackson preferring the Republican party and Nysoe, the Democrats."

"All of the other open positions in Columbia County received only one candidate filing."

The election picture changed significantly in the next three months. In early July, Dayton resident and former longtime Republican Party county chair Dwight Richter filed for the District 3 commissioner position, making it a three-way race.

Jackson and Richter prevailed in the August 5 primary, with Nysoe falling out of the race. Two other write-in candidates received enough votes in the primary to qualify for the November general election. Democrat Frank Blair's name was put on the ballot against State Representative Terry Nealey.

And former Columbia County Prosecutor candidate Randy O. Lewis received enough write-in votes against incumbent Rea Culwell to qualify him for the general election ballot. As we reported:

"Lewis, who challenged Culwell in her 2010 reelection bid and lost, received 18 write-in votes in this year's primary election. Culwell was running unopposed."

"According to Washington State law, if a write-in candidate receives at least one percent of the total votes cast in a race, he or she is eligible to be added to

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Times file image

Artist's rendering of proposed Dayton school renovation.

## Columbia County Transfer Station

Notice of Change

### Winter Hours

January 1 to April 11, 2015  
Monday 11:00am to 4:00pm  
Thursday Closed  
Saturday 11:00am to 4:00pm

### Summer Hours

April 14 to October 3, 2015  
Monday 11:00am to 4:00pm  
Thursday 11:00am to 4:00pm  
Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm

509-520-2040

Recycling available at the Transfer Station and behind Dingles on 2<sup>nd</sup> and Commercial.

## Nealey & Marinella

Invites you:

### RETIREMENT PARTY HONORING TERRY R. NEALEY

Join us in celebrating Terry's 40 years of distinguished service to clients and community

Seneca Activity Center  
January 2, 2015  
4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Seneca Activity Center, 101 Green Giant Rd.  
(Washington Street under the viaduct, first building on left.)

# LEGAL NOTICES

## NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq. Document: NOS Printed: 8/25/2014 7:58:30 AM Page Count: 5 IDS Automation: D eliver signed document(s) to Scan Clerk TS No.: WA-14-620425-SW APN No.: 360721530307 Title Order No.: 140084550-WA-MSO Grant-or(s): LESLI DOAN Grantee(s): WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Deed of Trust Instrument/ Reference No.: 2011-02061 I. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington, the undersigned Trustee, will on **12/26/2014**, at **10:00 AM At the main entrance of the Walla Walla County Courthouse, 315 West Main, Walla Walla, WA 99362** sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable in the form of credit bid or cash bid in the form of cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of **WALLA WALLA, State of Washington**, to-wit: **LOT 7 AND THE WEST HALF OF LOT 8 IN BLOCK 3 OF EASTLAWN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WALLA WALLA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT RECORDED IN VOLUME D OF PLATS AT PAGE 86, RECORDS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**. More commonly known as: **1533 HOBSON ST, WALLA WALLA, WA 99362** which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated **2/25/2011**, recorded **3/7/2011**, under **2011-02061** records of **WALLA WALLA County, Washington**, from **LESLI DOAN, A SINGLE PERSON**, as Grantor(s), to **NORTHWEST TRUSTEE SERVICES LLC**, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of **WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.**, as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned by **WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.** (or by its successors-in-interest and/or assigns, if any), to **Wells Fargo Bank, NA**. 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 Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: **\$7,938.06** IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of **\$86,322.18**, together with interest as provided in the Note from the **12/1/2013**, and such other costs and fees 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. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on **12/26/2014**. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by **12/15/2014** (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before **12/15/2014** (11 days before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the **12/15/2014** (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, 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): NAME **LESLI DOAN, A SINGLE PERSON** ADDRESS **1533 HOBSON ST, WALLA WALLA, WA 99362** by both first class and certified mail, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable,

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. These requirements were completed as of **7/22/2014**. 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 by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this 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. **NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS** – The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20 th 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 20 th 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. **THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME.** You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date of this notice to pursue mediation. **DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW** to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. **SEEKING ASSISTANCE** Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: **1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663)** or Web site: [http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post\\_purchase\\_counselors\\_foreclosure.htm](http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post_purchase_counselors_foreclosure.htm). The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: **1-800-569-4287** or National Web Site: <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD> or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/fc/index.cfm?webListAction=search&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dcf> The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: **1-800-606-4819** or Web site: <http://nwjustice.org/what-clear>. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. **QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE** As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Dated: 8/26/2014 Quality Loan Service Corp. of

Washington, as Trustee By: Maria Montana, Assistant Secretary Trustee's Mailing Address: Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington C/O Quality Loan Service Corp. 411 Ivy Street, San Diego, CA 92101 (866) 645-7711 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corp. of Washington 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 202 Seattle, WA 98104 (866) 925-0241 **Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Or Login to: <http://wa.qualityloan.com>** TS No.: WA-14-620425-SW IDSPub #0073664 12/11/2014 1/1/2015

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December 11, 31, 2014  
12-11-a

## Notice and Summons by Publication No: 14-7-00158-3 Termination

Superior Court of Washington  
County of Walla Walla  
Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of:

HINSHAW, Liliith Gemma  
Rayne

D.O.B.: 07/13/2013

To: JOHN DOE, Father

A Termination Petition was filed on October 13, 2014; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: January 29, 2015, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department I. 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](http://www.atg.wa.gov/TRM.aspx)

Dated: December 11, 2014

By direction of:  
John W. Lohrmann, Judge  
KATHY MARTIN  
Clerk  
By: /s/ Dee Dee Fjeld  
Deputy Clerk

The Times  
December 18, 24, 31, 2014  
12-18-c

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS NO. 14-4-00958-0

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY

Estate of

GLENN FORGEY,

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 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 the 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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Attorney for Personal Representative:  
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P O Box 5734

Vancouver, Washington  
98668

The Times  
December 18, 24, 31, 2014  
12-18-d

## PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 14-4-00211-2 RCW 11.40.030

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON  
FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY

In re the Estates of

LESLIE DILCE WENDLER  
and  
NADINE LOU WENDLER,  
Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of these estates. Any person having a claim against the decedents 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 (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or  
(2) Four (4) 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 decedents' probate and non-probate assets.

Date of First Publication:  
December 18, 2014

Personal Representative:  
Marcia L. Wendler

Attorney for the Personal Representative: Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC  
WSBA #15451

Address for Mailing or Service:  
P.O. Box 1233  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
(509) 529-1529

Court of Probate Proceedings and  
Cause Number :  
Walla Walla Superior Court  
315 W. Main  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
Cause No. 14-4-00211-2

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12-18-h

## Public Notice

The Walla Walla County Water Conservancy Board will hold its regular meeting January 7, 2014 at 2:00 PM at the Walla Walla County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main, Room 213, Walla Walla.

The Times  
December 25, 2014; January 1, 2015  
12-25-a

## PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS NO. 14-4-00214-7 RCW 11.40.030

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

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Carol A. Corrin

Deceased

The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator or the Administrator'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 Administrator 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 this 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 decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: January 1, 2015.

BARBARA SMITH,  
Administrator

Daniel J. Roach, PLLC  
Attorney for Administrator  
38 East Main Street  
P.O. Box 1776  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
509-522-6800

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January 1, 8, 15, 2015

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS NO. 14 4 00217 1 RCW 11.40.030

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

In the Matter of the Estate of:

MINNIE L. COOK,

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. 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.

Date of Filing Notice to Creditors  
with Clerk of the Court:  
December 24, 2014

Date of First Publication:  
December 31, 2014

Administrator:  
Paul D. Cook

Attorney for the Personal Representative:  
Michael V. Hubbard, WSBA  
#8823

Address for Mailing or Service:  
Hubbard Law Office, P.C.  
PO Box 67  
Waitsburg, WA 99361

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January 1, 8, 15, 2015  
1-1-b

## Notice and Summons by Publication No: 14-7-00002-1

Dependency

Superior Court of Washington  
County of Walla Walla  
Juvenile Court

In Re the Dependency of:

HUNTER O'KERT, Paxtin  
Kade

D.O.B.: 03/14/2013

To: John Doe, Father

A Dependency Petition was filed on January 8, 2014; a Fact Finding hearing will be

held on this matter on: February 4, 2015 at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department I. 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](http://www.atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx).

Dated: December 24, 2015  
By direction of:  
John W. Lohrmann, Judge  
KATHY MARTIN  
Clerk

By /s/ Kathy Golden  
Deputy Clerk

The Times  
January 1, 8, 15, 2015  
1-1-c

## NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Waitsburg Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing Monday, January 12, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter to consider approval of a Preliminary Plat.

Applicant: Warren Land Company  
Date of Application: 11/17/2014

Date of Notice of Completeness: 11/18/2014  
Location of Property: East of Port of Walla Walla Business Park surrounded by Millrace and Taggart Roads; parcel number 370911110006 - 37091111013

Project description/requested approvals: Preliminary Plat related to a 114 unit phased in Residential Development

Public Comment Period: November 27 – December 12, 2014

Existing Environmental Documents: Environmental Review Checklist, SEPA Determination Staff contact: Randy Hinchliffe, City Administrator (509) 337-6371

Hearing Date: 7pm January 12, 2015, Lions Club Building, Waitsburg Fairgrounds, 349 E. 10th Street, Waitsburg, WA 99361

All interested citizens are invited to attend the hearing and present evidence in favor or opposition of the Preliminary Plat to the Waitsburg Planning Commission. A copy of the completed application for comment can be obtained by contacting the City of Waitsburg, 147 Main Street, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361.

Planning Commission action will include a recommendation of decision to Waitsburg City Council regarding the Preliminary Plat with the final decision being made within 120 days following the letter of completeness.

Dated this December 29th  
Day of December 2014

Waitsburg Planning Commission  
Waitsburg Times  
December 31, 2014

The Times  
January 1, 2015  
1-1-d

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The Times

## Lady 'Dogs fall to Colfax

DEFENDING CHAMPS' "D" STIFLES DAYTON FOR MUCH OF GAME

THE TIMES

DAYTON – On Dec. 23, the Dayton girls' basketball team hosted defending state champion Colfax, and suffered a 39-28 loss. It was the second straight loss for the previously undefeated Lady 'Dogs. They are now 6-2.

Dayton tool a 13-12 lead into the first quarter break, but their offense began to sputter. They scored only seven points over the next two quarters, and trailed Colfax 36-19 after three.

The Lady 'Dogs suffered cold shoot-

ing for most of the game, going 8 for 30 from the field, including a Madison Mings three-pointer.

For the game, Shayla Currin led Dayton scorers with seven points, followed by Lexie Ramirez with six and Sidney Andrews with five. Ramirez also had seven rebounds.

### Dayton Boys Fall, 53-9

The Dayton Bulldogs were held to two points in the first half against Colfax, and fell, 53-9 in their non-conference matchup Dec. 23.

Dayton shot only 3-22 from the floor for the game. Zach Wagonner scored six of his team's nine points.

The Dayton girls' and boys' teams host Lind-Ritzville on Friday and then travel to Pomeroy on Tuesday.

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*the general election ballot, provided the candidate is one of the top two vote-getters. Less than 1,000 votes were cast for Prosecutor, so Lewis easily qualified.*

In the end, Jackson, Nealey and Culwell all prevailed over the write-in challengers, but those challengers' efforts made the elections much more interesting.

### 20<sup>th</sup> All Wheels Weekend Highlights Year of Successful Events

Visitors again flocked to Dayton for a half-dozen community events that were all big successes. The Columbia County event schedule was highlighted by the 20<sup>th</sup> All Wheels Weekend car show in June:

*"A little rain and chilly weather only dampened spirits slightly during last weekend's 20th annual All Wheels Weekend event here.*

*"Friday night's cruising was nearly rained out, as was the outdoor stage where live music was planned.*

*"The Ultimate Elvis concert Friday night was moved to the Dayton High*

*School Auditorium. A nearly packed house heard an awesome show. The band did a great job setting up, and almost missed dinner, according to organizers."*

Other big events in Dayton included the Dayton Days Parade on Memorial Day Weekend, Mule Mania and Alumni Weekend in July, the Columbia County Fair in September, Dayton on Tour in October and Christmas Kickoff in late November.

In late August, the Columbia County commissioners approved a plan to move Mule Mania to Memorial Day Weekend. The event will help fill the weekend that, for a century or more, had featured the Dayton Days event. With the demise of pari-mutuel horse racing in southeast Washington, the mule event will help maintain an important draw into Columbia County on Memorial Day Weekend.

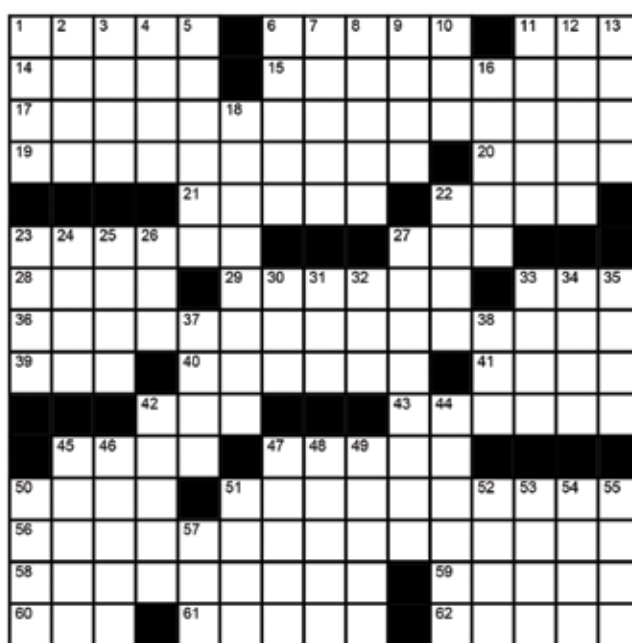
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### Across

- Sight parts
- Beginning of a conclusion
- Loser's place?
- Rustle or murmur
- Stimulant drug
- Chomps at the bit
- Arranged anew
- Ticket
- Carryalls
- Locks in a barn?
- Typewriter roller
- Carbonium, e.g.
- Campaign worker
- Dialect
- French collagist
- 1968 movie title
- 20s dispenser
- Tungusic language
- Horned goddess
- Squat
- Instant
- Have an edge against
- Old dagger
- Foreign dignitary
- Foul-smelling herb
- Goes too far
- Certain doctor
- Outdoor magazine
- Hog haven
- Extra inning
- Thirsty

### Hidden Conveyances

By Myles Mellor and Sally York



- Speck
- \_\_\_ Bear
- Merry-go-round music
- Garden figure
- Half a score
- Kind of treatment
- Rook
- Certain refrigerant
- Biblical verb suffix
- Bishop's seat in ancient churches
- Curb, with "in"
- "Hey there!"
- Issue
- Deadeye's forte
- Care for
- Antsy
- Drooping flower spike
- Wee
- Small finch
- Limestone topography

- Archie's better half
- Protection
- Niels Bohr, e.g.
- West Samoan

- monetary unit
- Bit of kindling
- Put on
- Appraiser
- PC component

### Down

- Red letters?
- Express a preference
- Continental capital
- Petri dish filler
- Orthodox Muslim
- Lacks, briefly
- Related maternally
- Archibald and Thurmond
- Decent
- It may be smoked
- Nirvana tune
- Ski trail
- Distress signal
- Ice cream flavor
- Relating to new-

### Last Week's Solution





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# 2014-2015

Abbey Farms / L&B Kitchens  
Alpine Industries  
Archer Aviation/Hogeye Ranch  
Banner Bank  
Blue Crystal Printing  
Columbia County Public Transportation

Crothers Insurance/State Farm  
Cummins Athletic Supply  
Dayton Veterinary Clinic  
Jubilee Leadership Academy  
Kyle's Custom Toys & Towing  
McGregor Co.  
Northwest Grain Growers

Randy and Becky Pearson  
Patton & Associates, PLLC/  
Brad & Sandi Patton  
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Waitsburg Boosters Club

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Columbia County  
Public Transportation  
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Dayton General Store  
Dayton Mercantile / Subway  
Dayton Veterinary Clinic  
Kyle's Custom Toys & Towing  
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## A Look Back at 2014

A CHRONOLOGICAL REVIEW OF 2014  
IN WAITSBURG AND PRESCOTT

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG/PRESCOTT – Twenty-fourteen has been a year of change, from the transfer in ownership of The Times at the beginning of the year, to the pending dissolution of the WP sports combine agreement reported just last week. With a new sports bar and restaurant taking shape on the east side of town, a trio of bronze sculptures being readied to adorn Main Street in time for the City's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and the potential to break ground on a new subdivision, it appears that 2015 will be equally noteworthy.

### January

Big changes took place at The Times when Ken Graham became the eighth publisher to own the newspaper. Graham, who had been hired as The Times' editor in 2013, purchased the business from Imbert Mathee, who had purchased it from Loyal and Kathy Baker in 2009.

Wes and Katie Leid and Jeff Broom established a WHS Alumni Scholarship Fund, owned by the WHS Alumni Association Committee and overseen by a sub-committee. Two \$1,000 scholarships were to be awarded in 2014 to continue in perpetuity.

After nearly 70 years of dedicated service Ivan Keve and Dorne Hall transferred leadership in American Legion Post #35 to husband and wife duo, Ron and Cindy Stranding. Ron took over as Legion Commander and Cindy assumed duties as Adjutant/Finance Officer.

Black Dog Rescue, situated in the Waitsburg Hardware Store operated by John and Marilyn Stellwagon, has placed nearly 2,000 animals in "forever homes."

### February

Pam Alexenko was awarded 2013 Booster of the Year.

Logan Dozier received the Youth Initiative Award from the Walla Walla County Traffic Task Force for an anti-texting campaign he organized and ran in May of 2013.

Prescott school district (\$615,000), Waitsburg school district (\$1.08 million) and Walla Walla County EMS levies (\$0.50-per\$1,000 of assessed value) each passed with substantial margins. The Waitsburg school levy showed the largest increase -- from \$882,000 in 2012 to \$1.08 million -- largely due to increased technology needs.

WP wrestler Tristan Newman took fourth place in the 285-pound class at the state tournament in Tacoma.

Waitsburg's City Council approved contracting with professional consultant Jeana Garske in order to work with Sherwood Trust to secure funds for public art to adorn Main Street. The City is moving forward with plans to create a park and historical site at the former site of Waits's Mill.

### March

Evergreen Boy's and Girl's State representatives Erik Sandoval, Meara Baker, E.J. Meserve, Emily Wilson and Yesenia Escalante reported on their experiences at the 2013 conventions.

Prescott received a \$25,000 grant from Pomegranate Center to create a "gathering space" in the burned out lot between the Tuxedo Bar & Grill and the Prescott library. International artist Milenko Matanovic and his team of designers facilitated the community-based project.

Dan Cole, Ken Cole, Jr., Guy McCaw and Byron Seney, along with wives Trina, Elizabeth, Lynn and Kim shared plans to demolish the former White Stallion restaurant building and replace it with a family eatery -- the Whiskey Creek Sports Bar & Grill.

Waitsburg's knowledge bowl team placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the state meet in Arlington, Wash. Team members included: Leighton Dorman, Nick Pearson, Chad Pearson, Hanah Grant, E.J. Meserve, Meara Baker and Emma Philbrook.



Times file photo

Artist Squire Broel presents his obelisk shaped "Founding Fathers" design to Waitsburg's art commission.

### April

Waitsburg students, McGregor Company staff and Ag Center for Excellence representatives participated in an FFA-hosted Nutrients for Life Field Day in Perry Dozier's field, south of town. The field day was part of an FFA Helping Communities Grow project spearheaded by Kimmie Hamman.

The Waitsburg Matbirds hosted 310 wrestlers in a Little Guy Wrestling Tournament on April 5. Four

Matbirds placed at the April 12 State Little Guy Tournament in Spokane: Carlos Norris (1<sup>st</sup> place), Caleb Barron (2<sup>nd</sup> place), Theo Anderson (3<sup>rd</sup> place), Gavin Gould (4<sup>th</sup> place).

The Waitsburg school board voted to hire an additional part-time certificated teacher to allow for one teacher per elementary grade level, rather than combined classes. Sixth grade will move from the elementary school to Preston Hall in the 2014-15 school year.

Waitsburg schools received multiple recognitions in the State Achievement Awards.

Waitsburg's city council approved a \$6 water rate increase to meet imminent water line repair needs.



Times file photo

This field day was part of an FFA project, organized by Kimmie Hamann (forefront), that took first place in state and earned representatives the honor of addressing the World Fertilizer Conference in San Francisco.

### May

Waitsburg's Celebration Days was a success and included several new events such as an in-city GPS Poker Run, a Brew Fest and a lawnmower rodeo.

Waitsburg Public Works Director Dan Katsel received a Lifetime Achievement Award for his 39 years service from the state Department of Health.

The Waitsburg Lions Club sold 775 tickets to their annual rib feed fundraiser.

Megan Morrison was crowned Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen at a Town Hall coronation ceremony attended by area royalty. Gary Thomas and Jeff Broom are selected as 2014 WCD parade marshals.

The Waitsburg Resource Center organized a free "Knock Out Boredom" Summer Fun program. The Waitsburg school district applied to the Seamless Summer Food Program and offered free summer lunches and breakfasts for the first time.

The Waitsburg school board approved eliminating the local senior project requirement since it is no longer required by the state as a graduation requirement.

Waitsburg's FFA chapter received first place in the state (and a check for \$5,000) at the state FFA convention for their Nutrients for Life Helping Communities Grow project.

### June

Owen Lanning, Emily Adams and Kobie Brown scored five medals between them at the state track and field meet in Cheney.

Jessica Welch replaced Laura Schnick as the Prescott library branch manager.

Nick Pearson (4.0 GPA) was valedictorian and Heidi Miller (3.962 GPA) was the salutatorian for the 2014 WHS graduating class.

Prescott High School graduated 19 seniors with Emily Wilson as valedictorian and Erik Sandoval as salutatorian.

Waitsburg's school board approved an "add alternate" bid with the city of Waitsburg that allowed for a driveway from Main Street into the Academy Street parking lot, in order to reduce traffic congestion.

Prescott celebrated the culmination of its Vacant Lot Project with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Terry Jacoy received the prestigious Lion's Club Melvin Jones Award.

### July

Café owner Allison Bond left the Coppei Café and handed the keys to Emry and Sandy Kleck, owners of The Q Wood Fired Grill.

Waitsburg resident Christopher Elliot shot and wounded a police officer in Rainier, Ore. and was later found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot.

Chad, Nick and Chloe Pearson and Kavin and Cassidy Kuykendall joined Walla Walla teens in serving the needy in Guatemala.

Moreno & Nelson Construction broke ground on the Main Street ADA project, a grant-funded project that allowed for the replacement of sidewalks on both sides of Main Street from Third through Eighth streets.

Three West Nile Virus cases are suspected in Waitsburg.

### August

Local FFA members gathered donations and delivered them to those affected by the Carlton Complex Fire -- reported to be the largest wildfire in Washington's history -- near Pateros, Wash.

Gabe Keifel was hired as a part-time sixth grade language arts and math teacher at Preston Hall and longtime substitute Wenda Parr replaced Jennifer Fischer as the fifth grade teacher.

Waitsburg's city council modified the municipal

code that allowed only licensed monument companies to set headstones in the city cemeteries.

Several Waitsburg and Dayton students enrolled in programs at the new Southeast Area Technical Skills Center (SEATECH). The \$11.5 million facility is located on the Walla Walla Community College campus and offers courses in digital media, health sciences, manufacturing and welding and sustainable energy.

Waitsburg's city council approved the art commission's selection of artists to complete the historic art pieces that will grace Waitsburg's Main Street. Squire Broel will create an obelisk-shaped piece titled "The Founding Fathers" memorializing Sylvester Wait, William Bruce and William Preston and Wayne Chabre will sculpt "The Game Table," an interactive piece honoring Fannie Weller.

### September

Eight-year-old Makenna Barron was selected to sing the national anthem at the Pendleton Round-Up rodeo.

Walla Walla county commissioners voted 2-1 to approve a ban on the production, processing and sale of marijuana in the unincorporated areas of Walla Walla County.

Waitsburg FFA representatives Kimmie Hamann and Mikala DeRuwe joined Advisor Nicole Abel in an all-expense-paid trip to San Francisco to present their award-winning Nutrients for Life program before attendees at the World Fertilizer Conference.

Jim and Geraine Hansen are named 2014 Pioneers of the Year.

### October

Former Waitsburg resident Tom Richardson received the Silver Spotlight Award from the Washington Health Care Association for his lifetime volunteerism.

Ashleigh Hubbard and Devon Harshman were selected to Waitsburg's 2015 Celebration Days court.

Food Services Supervisor Susan Wildey worked with local suppliers to treat students to a meal made completely from locally sourced foods as part of the state's Taste of Washington campaign.

Kathryn Kuykendall won the American Legion Auxiliary Americanism Essay contest at the national level.

Twenty-nine year old Prescott resident and mother of three, Jenna Morton, died in a head-on collision 12 miles east of Burbank. The Prescott and Waitsburg communities rallied to raise funds for the family.

Emma Philbrook was sworn in as Waitsburg's city council student representative.



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Community members, WSU students and a Pomegranate Center design team worked together to transform an unused space into an attractive gathering place in Prescott.

### November

WP Cross County runners Emily Adams and Landon Callas placed in the top third at the state X-C meet. Adams placed 18<sup>th</sup> out of 66 runners and Callas placed 41<sup>st</sup> out of 137 men runners.

Waitsburg's Order of Eastern Star Chapter #9 celebrated its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a catered dinner, business meeting and fashion show.

The WP football team qualified for the state playoffs for the sixth consecutive year.

Waitsburg Public Works Director Dan Katsel retired after 40 years on the city crew.

The Waitsburg school board approved a collective bargaining agreement between the Waitsburg School District and the Waitsburg Education Association.

The WP Tigers soccer team took second place, falling to Mount Vernon Christian, at the 2B state soccer championship game in Sumner, Wash. This was the third time in the last four years the Tigers have reached the state final four tournament.

### December

Jubilee Leadership Academy won the WORLD News Group's "Hope Award" and received a check for \$25,000.

The Waitsburg planning commission will consider a preliminary plat proposal for Whoopemup Meadows, a 42-acre housing subdivision to be developed by Gene and Mary Warren of Warren Land Company.

Prescott opted to end the WP athletic combine agreement effective with the 2015-16 school year. Concerns over funding and declining participation were cited as the reason for the dissolution.