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Wonder where bull riders come from? It takes a curiously brave or bravely curious person who finds riding on the back of a 1,200-pound+ bucking bull enticing. Waitsburg High School student Akayden Mikesell decided to ride his first bull at the Columbia County Fair. Above is a photo of Mikesell on his third ride on September 24 at the P1FCU Arena in Walla Walla. A National and Washington State High School Rodeo Association member, he completed his fourth ride this last weekend. His family supports him, including his proud mama, Brooke Mikesell, and close friends Brayden Mohney and Caleb Barron.

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Dayton community pulls together for city pool measure

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON—An informational meeting about Proposition 1, the measure to create the Columbia County Pool District, was held on September 27, 2023, in the Delany Room at the Dayton Memorial Library.

This was the second of three meetings planned by organizers to share information and answer questions about the measure appearing on the November ballot. Lisa Naylor presented a PowerPoint presentation and was joined by Friends of the Pool members Chuck Belany and Kevin Rust. Diane McKinley was unable to attend.

Their presentation focused on letting the public know what the proposed district is and what it is not.

Proposition 1 on the November 2023 ballot is the second attempt to form a taxing district in Columbia County for a municipal pool. A metropolitan parks and recreation district was proposed by the Friends of the Dayton Pool in 2022.

The 2022 measure was not approved by voters, partly due to concerns over scope and taxation. After the election, community members who opposed the metropolitan parks and recreation district joined the Friends of the Dayton Pool to work on the new ballot measure to create a “pool only” parks and recreation district.

Some of the issues discussed at the meeting included making the pool should be seasonal (for now,) it should be heated, and the tax burden low. Belany and Naylor described their research into other municipalities with public pools. They looked at newer and older pools, issues in funding, maintenance, and funding sources.

The parks and recreation district board would need to address the condition of the current pool facility. The pool was filled and will need to be emptied and the concrete and infrastructure removed, should the voters approve the measure to replace it. The pool house has fallen into disrepair and must be updated.

In 2018, Dayton Public Works assessed the cost to build a new facility at \$2.5 million; this cost would be higher today. The construction costs would not be paid through taxpayer levies but would come from other funding, including public and private grants. Belany said the city would lease the pool property to the parks and recreation district for only \$1.

Members of the audience commented on the national shortage of public pools in the country and the increase in accidental deaths by drowning in children. The consensus in the room was that the community needs to address water safety and provide a public pool. The next meeting will be at 7 p.m. on October 25 in the Delany Room at the Dayton Memorial Library.

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WAITSBURG HAPPENING ON SATURDAY, OCT. 7 CELEBRATING OLD FARMERS DAY.

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The fourth Waitsburg Happening will occur on Saturday, October 7. This Saturday, the businesses on Main Street will be celebrating National Old Farmers Day. Expect to see tractors, combines, hay bales, horseback riders, and enjoy special cocktails, entertainment, and treats.

There will be vintage tractors and combines from Rob McKinney and Ed Burlingame displayed throughout town between 3 p.m and 6 p.m. The Plaza Theater will play “The 1919 Walla Walla Tractor Show.”



Ed Burlingame driving one of his vintage tractors in the 2022 Waitsburg Celebration Days Parade.



(above) Waitsburg Art Garden is a unique art venue.

Artist Barb Jaksa will exhibit original landscape derivative drawings (charcoal on paper) and paintings (oil on board) at the Waitsburg Art Garden. The drawings represent the artist’s investigations into the Palouse landscape. The volcanic regions of Washington and Oregon inspire the paintings. Meet the artist and see these beautiful images on Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to noon and in the afternoon from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

At American 35, “Who Bought the Farm,” a fun murder mystery dinner brought to you by THEY Improv from Spokane, Wash. Mystery, mayhem, and murder set the stage for this delicious game of cat and mouse as you search for the killer. Join Tom and Judy Bennett for a fabulous three-course dinner paired with Truth Teller wines and help solve the crime. Cocktails at 5:30, followed by dinner at 6:00. Keep your eye out for suspicious-looking characters, because if you can point out the murderer, you will win a prize. Tickets are available on Eventbrite at <https://tinyurl.com/5n6u6r8v> or on the restaurant’s website at the bottom of the “order online” page on www.American35.com.



(above) THEY Improv will bring their humor and badges to American 35.



(left) One of the drawings by Barb Jaksa that will be on exhibit at WAG, across the Banner Bank parking lot from the Royal Block.

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AT THE LIBERTY: "My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3"

THE TIMES

DAYTON — "My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3" is a brand-new adventure in this series about the Portokalos family. Join them as they travel to a family reunion in Greece for a heartwarming and hilarious trip full of love, twists and turns. Nia Vardalos wrote, directs, and stars in this movie along with John Corbett, Joey Fatone and more. Only 30% of the Rotten Tomatoes website critics rated this movie as favorable, but 72% of the audience liked it. The audience review on the Rotten Tomatoes website is "With beautiful scenery and a sweet story, My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3 may not be as great as the original, but it's still good, light-hearted fun." IMDb rates this movie as 5.3 out of 10. It is rated PG-13 for suggestive material and some nudity, but the IMDb parent's guide has all categories of its parents ratings listed as mild or none. Runtime is 92 minutes.



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October 8: Mark Tabor, Adelle Ganguet, Denise Hoon, Jim Mitchell, Debbie Webber, Gabriel Wood.

October 9: Clare Reese, Nancy Doering, Jennifer Baker, Jim Schulke, Lora Abbey, Randy Mudd.

October 10: Sereta Robinson, Brad Patton, Carolann Angell, Lyle Erikson, Christopher Carpenter, Jennifer Hilton.

October 11: Val Woodworth, Betty Branson, Michael Flannigan, Tracy Fine, Melody Harris, John Doty, Kim Porter.



Correction

In last week's article, "City of Dayton Council and mayoral candidates," there were three typos misspelling candidate Patras' last name. Writer Michele Smith was not responsible for the errors. The publisher made those errors during the layout of the paper—apologies to Joann Patras and Michele Smith. The corrections were made to the online version.

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NEWS & LEGALS

CCRLD DIRECTOR ADDRESSES ALA CONCERNS

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON—This month, in the Columbia County Rural Library District newsletter, Interim Director Ellen Brigham addressed concerns she has heard from the community about the library's connection to the American Library Association.

First, she explained that the ALA does not dictate the policies at the Dayton library.

Brigham said, "As far as I can tell, the ALA doesn't even have sample policies for libraries to pull from. When the Library Board drafts library policies, it looks at what has worked best for other libraries and what would work best in our community."

Policies can differ between libraries as boards consider their communities' needs, though widely accepted best practices are most common.

Brigham also said the ALA does not choose the books the library purchases. Like other associations, it publishes several "best of" lists and awards, including the Alex and Pura Belpré awards.

"When purchasing books for our library, we give much more weight to reviews put out by associations such as the Library Journal, the School Library Journal, Kirkus Reviews, Booklist, and Publisher's Weekly," said Brigham.

The Director also said librarians working at public libraries under RCW 27.04.055 rules must be certified by the ALA. She said nowhere in the law is the ALA mentioned; it says librarians must "hold a librarian's certificate issued by the state librarian or its predecessor."

"A librarian's certificate may be obtained by completing a master's degree in library science," she said.

To be certified as a public librarian in Washington, one must earn a master's of library or information sciences (MLIS) degree from a program accredited by the ALA. Washington law requires librarian certification for all public librarians or full-time professional staff working in a public library.

According to the Washington Librarian Certification 2023 Guide, the purpose of librarian certification is to uphold the standards of public libraries and ensure all public librarians are well-equipped to do their jobs.

After addressing what the ALA is not, Brigham said the association offers a comprehensive catalog of webinars and classes for librarians to continue their professional education. It also provides scholarships and grants.



CCRLD

Library Director Ellen Brigham

"In 2022, for example, our library received a \$20,000 grant," said the Director. "This money went towards such popular services as our Wi-Fi hotspot lending program. If we were not a member of the ALA, that would be \$20,000 less in services we would have been able to provide for our community."

Next, Brigham characterized the organization as an advocate for legislation regarding free speech, privacy, and library funding. It is not a political organization; members include librarians across the entire political spectrum.

Community members, including Jessica Ruffcorn, have asked the board to end its connection to the ALA because of comments by the current president, Emily Drabinski. She posted a now-deleted tweet after her election in July 2022 that made national conservative groups advocate for state libraries to break from the ALA.

The president of the ALA is elected to a one-year term, and the position is more of a spokesperson for the organization than a director of policy. The Council of the American Library Association is the actual policymaking body made up of 177 members.

The current President-elect, Cindy Hohl, will take office in the summer of 2024. Her profile from an ALA magazine article is available at <https://tinyurl.com/4sxkz9kn>.

"If I may speak frankly, leaving the ALA due to the words of a single one-year president would be an impulsive and short-sighted decision and would deprive our library of all the resources the ALA otherwise provides us."

The Director said the library is also a member of the Washington Library Association and the Association for Small and Rural Libraries. She said, "No library is an island, and membership in these associations gives us access to the greater community of librarians and libraries across the nation."

Again, she encouraged anyone with questions to stop by the library during her office hours, Wednesday and Friday, 3 – 5 p.m.

Times Travelers



Susan Frankhouser-Hussein in front of the Blue Mosque, Istanbul, Turkey. Sue traveled with her husband and frequent Waitsburg visitor Mark Hussein.



"The Times" at what Bill Rodgers calls "The Moonrocks." It's in southwestern Utah on what is usually 40 miles of bad or impassable road.

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
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Signed in counterparts: /s/ Brandee B. Paisano, Co-Administrator
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SPORTS

WAITSBURG CARDINALS LOSE TO DESALES, 0-48

By Amber Reyes | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Waitsburg Cardinals visited The Fighting Irish at DeSales High School on Friday, September 29. DeSales, led by first-year head coach Travis McCauley and assistant Josh Richard, had six returning starters with eight seniors on the roster of almost 30.

Four Cardinal interceptions plus one fumble inevitably resulted in the Irish coming out on top with a final score of 0-48.

Waitsburg won the coin toss and deferred to receive the start of the second half. Both teams' defense fought to keep the score 0-0 at the end of the first quarter. With five turnovers, three on the Cardinals, DeSales Junior Sal Sisk proved to be a key defensive player for the Irish.

One of DeSales' fumbles was forced and recovered by Senior Jayce Gleason.

Early in the second quarter, DeSales scored their first eight. A 42-yard Cardinals completion from Reyes to Morris would be the longest of the night. Cardinal turnovers with quick three and outs proved devastating and gave DeSales a 0-32 lead going into halftime.

The third quarter showed a strong rebound for the Cardinals' defense against DeSales wide receiver and

running back Sean Sollars and Diego Caso, who allowed only one score. Key plays by Yutzy, Vanhoose, Gleason, and Morris kept them from scoring more. Cardinals QB Reyes left the game with a head injury and did not return.

DeSales only scored once in the fourth quarter due to a strong Cardinals defense. Unfortunately, the offense did not gain enough momentum to score before the game ended.

Waitsburg Coach Gabe Kiefel said, "This was a tough loss for our team. We started out pretty confident and held them to a 0-0 score for the first quarter. Then, things started to fall apart. Despite our efforts, DeSales put together a pretty successful offensive scheme that we had no answer to."

"The wet conditions didn't help either team, but when we would recover a fumble, we couldn't convert that into points or a successful series," continued Kiefel. "I admire the character that came out of our team during such adversity. It is difficult to keep fighting when you're down so far, but our boys never gave up."

The coach said that finding the right rotation for players was a challenge.

"We just weren't able to put any momentum together. DeSales is a tough team, and they should go far this year. We will regroup, come together again as a unit, and prepare for our next game against Sunnyside Christian," said Kiefel.

Waitsburg will travel to play 2-3 SunnySide Christian Knights on Friday, October 6.



Lucas Vanhoose (10) running the ball.

Aeryelle Gleason



Jayce Gleason (50) taking down an Irishman at the 30 yard line.



Outside hitter Emma Hays spikes from a set from Kylee Henry (22)

Karen Huwe

HS VOLLEYBALL TEAM DROPS MATCHES

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg High School volleyball team lost to Yakima Tribal in five sets in Waitsburg on September 26.

The Cardinals won the opening set 25-22 before passing errors set them back in sets two and three with losses of 21-25 and 17-25. The girls won set four with a close 25-22 win. Yakima took the fifth set 15-6 to get the win.

Kylee Henry contributed 20 assists, and Makenna Barron and Peyton Struckmeier played strong at the net.

The Cardinals have a 1-6 record after losing to Liberty Christian on September 28. Liberty Christian won three straight sets, 25-15, 25-14 and 25-16.

The match scheduled for Saturday, September 30, against Mac-Hi, was canceled.

Coach Barron said her team showed true team spirit against Liberty Christian. She also said that the team gets better with their communication each match.



Libero Alyssa Hollingsworth passes against Yakima Tribal as Emma Hays looks on.

MS BOYS DROP CLOSE FOOTBALL GAME TO LIBERTY CHRISTIAN

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Cardinals' middle school football team traveled to Liberty Christian on September 28 and put up a fight before losing 30-24.

The Cardinals received the opening kickoff and Kellen Coulston took the ball 70 yards for the Waitsburg's offense held its own in the second half, scoring three touchdowns. Liam Kiefel threw three touchdown passes to Uriah York for 10, 50, and 70 yds.

The Cards' defense struggled, missing some key tackles, stated Coach Calzadillas.

York ended the game with six receptions for 195 yds and three touchdowns. Kiefel passed for 260 yards on 12 for 17 passing with one interception. Coulston had five tackles and one interception on defense, Sawyer Harshman had four tackles and one interception, and Camdyn Vories and Jake Lynch contributed with four tackles each.

The Cardinals will take a 2-1 record against Touchet on October 5 in Waitsburg at the Cardinal field, game time 4:30.

WAITSBURG MIDDLE SCHOOL B TEAM GETS FIRST WIN

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The middle school volleyball team played matches against Rogers on both September 27 at Rogers and on October 2 in Waitsburg.

Waitsburg's B team got their first win on October 2. They lost the first set 11-25, then won the following two sets: 25-22 and 28-26. At Rogers, the B team lost 13-25, 18-25 and 16-25.

The A team lost the first two sets to Rogers on September 27, 19-25, 20-25, and won the third set 25-21. In Waitsburg, the A team

lost the first two sets 11-25 and 10-25 and again won the third set 26-24.

"The B team improved over the last time we played Rogers. Lily Carpenter had some nice passes over the net, and a lot of the girls did well on their serves," said Coach Savannah Castillo.

"The A team tried some new rotations, and have some kinks to work out before they get it down. Once they do, I think it will really improve their communication and accuracy. Olivia Duncan had some great passes and got some of them where we needed them to go at just the right time," said Castillo.



Palouse Outdoors: Bird Hunting Made Simple with Outdoor Technology

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

As I lay in bed flipping through the latest edition of a well-respected gun dog magazine, an article titled “What Happened to Simple” grabbed my attention. The author is a long-time columnist for the magazine who shares healthy perspectives and insights on various bird-hunting topics. In this article, he lamented technology as the ruination of upland hunting.

The author said, “We have become so dependent on gadgetry, you might say we’ve lost our way...to discovery, to independence, to self-reliance.”

The author qualified his perspective, explaining that the use of a global positioning system (GPS) over a compass, for example, has replaced our basic outdoor skills with reliance on the “gadget,” thus eliminating valuable skills and removing us from a more meaningful connection to Mother Nature. In other words, we are disconnecting from the natural world by relying on technology, which threatens our emotional connection and sense of responsibility to care for the things we love – fish, wildlife, and the environment.

There is a line to be drawn somewhere, possibly at holographic hunting blinds and electromagnetic invisibility shields in lieu of camouflage; however, using GPS technology instead of a compass or electronic maps rather than paper is seemingly a safe distance from the precipice of losing connectedness to our natural world. A counter perspective is that we have reached the golden age of outdoor technology.

Most upland hunters that I know are nearly twice my age. They embrace iconic traditions like classic side-by-side shotguns and a tinkling bell on the collar strapped to an English setter as it quarters through thick, ruffed grouse cover. I, too, am tradition-oriented, but shunning navigational and dog-tracking aids seems counterintuitive.

While I learned to use a compass as a kid, it was never an item found in my hunting pack. I relied on a steel trap memory, uncanny sense of direction, US Geological Survey 1:24,000 quadrangle maps (quads), and a DeLorme Gazetteer to identify public land, wild trout streams, and hunting areas based on topography. I missed my mark a time or two but was never lost. Trespassing, maybe.

Fast-forward to 2009, I began supplementing paper with a Garmin handheld GPS. My graduate thesis analyzed the effects of climate change on wild brook trout streams in Appalachia. Placing thermal sensors in remote mountain streams meant I needed to know precisely where approximately 500 sensors were located from Maryland to North Carolina. The gazetteer and quads were still important navigation tools. Still, a mark on the map and site description would not lead my successors to within mere feet of a sensor the size of a small pinecone that I had intentionally hidden beneath the rocks in a wilderness stream.

The same logic can be applied to hunting locations and pointing dogs. With my first two setters running big on the Palouse, I learned to hunt upland birds with only a whistle and tentative trust to connect us. Luckily, those girls were naturals who loved to hunt with me as a team. They ranged hundreds of yards out and circled back often or at least kept an eye on me as they worked the covers. All was well when the dog was within sight, but thick Palouse bunchgrass can swallow a dog instantly.

The GPS collar system was a game-changer because it alerts me when a dog locks on point. Rather than searching aimlessly when the dog fails to check in, the GPS gives me the dog’s location, direction, and distance away. This advantage allows for a leisurely and more productive hunt. I can also see if the dog is headed



Brad Trumbo

Yuba is a small dog who is easily lost in Palouse grasses. The GPS collar allows her to be located quickly when she’s on point and pheasant flushed before the roosters get antsy.

for danger, like a road or cliff face, and turn them back by sending a “beep” to the collar.

The handheld unit for the GPS collar system provides topography, route tracking, and waypoint storage. I can mark the truck and birds where we find them, retrace steps if we get into a pickle, and revisit the good bird covers, should my memory fail me. Complementary technology is the OnX Maps smartphone application, which shows aerial imagery, road and trail systems, and land ownership information, and provides additional waypoint and tracking tools. It, too, is a game-changer for map scouting, hunt planning, and avoiding unintentional trespassing.

Finding and storing hunting access and covers has never been easier, and I prefer these technologies over the paper tools of the past. That’s not to say the paper quads and gazetteer should be burned with last year’s cardboard. I cannot fathom a day when the seatback pocket in my truck is not sagging with dog-eared gazetteers for the surrounding five states. When all else fails, like batteries that somehow “didn’t charge,” the gazetteer navigates to the old “x marks the spot” accesses that may or may not be open to the public or provide the habitat it once did.

While electronic mapping and GPS technology are simple, accurate, and available, this modern gadgetry cannot replace the need to understand a game animal’s preferred habitat, the skills required to read aerial imagery and topography to locate covers, the use of compass direction for navigation, or build the bond between hunter and dog. However, knowing where I stand on public land or public access or where my dog stands on point are two inarguable advantages of technology that provide a positive experience for the hunter and adjacent landowners. Maybe modern gadgetry is “keeping it simple,” after all.



The volume of gadgetry above may not be simple, but a day afield for Trumbo and his setters often includes (l-r) the Garmin GPS dog collar system, Garmin inReach GPS emergency communicator, a GoPro video camera, a Nikon digital SLR camera, and a smartphone with On-X Maps, and a fancy camera.

I can see clearly now!

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

In the past six or seven months, I noticed that I lost the ability to read my phone without wearing my glasses. I have worn glasses for as long as I can remember. I am near-sighted in one eye and far-sighted in the other, or as my friends used to say, cockeyed. I kept this same cockeyed vision even after having cataract surgery in both eyes a few years ago. With the new blurriness, I assumed I needed new glasses.



scratch on the floor is more prominent, the windows are a disgrace, and every streak on the glass table is more evident.

The good news is, I will dare any of my tennis buddies to dispute my line calls. Not only can I see where the ball landed with pinpoint accuracy, but I see it instead of a wad of yellow fur coming at me.



Every weed is visible in the garden; however, this hasn’t motivated me to do anything about it. The garden is fading slowly, and we still have tomatoes, spaghetti, and butternut squash. I don’t see enough leaves on the ground to get out the rake, but I guess besides changing wardrobes for the season, we will exchange the lawnmower for the rake and big leaf bags.

I’ve already started to store my sandals and sundresses and move the thermal underwear, warm socks, and scarves to within reach. Of course, now I can see all my mistakes knitting them, but warmth takes precedence.

As I bring out the sweaters, it’s a good time to check out any stains before wearing them. Yesterday, I looked down at my sweatshirt and noticed it had spots all over it. Even though Mugsy may have been the only one who noticed, I was embarrassed.

Now that I can read my phone more easily, I have no excuse for my mistake in arranging my return. I booked the 7:00 a.m. flight from Burbank to Seattle, connecting to Walla Walla at 10:45 a.m. Even with my improved vision, I couldn’t find the connecting gate information on the flight status board at the airport. I reread my phone, and it was 10:45 p.m. Duh. Thankfully, there was room on the earlier flight. I closed and rested my eyes.

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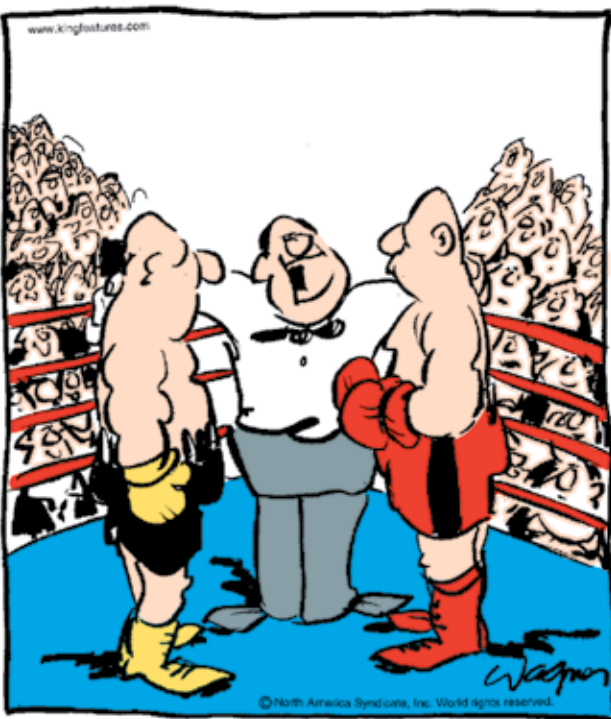


Just Like Cats & Dogs

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GRIN and BEAR IT



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



Around the Valley: With Karen Huwe

Tarzan, the Musical in Elgin, Oregon

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

ELGIN—Elgin, Oregon, is home to the Historic Elgin Opera House, where the Friends of the Opera House presents movies and live theater throughout the year.

The Elgin Opera House is in a two-story building with city government offices. The website states, "In 1911, to sever the close proximity of a house of ill repute, Elgin's city leaders built a new city hall that would serve the dual function of city government and performing arts."

Allen agreed to drive me, sisters Janet and Joanie, and Eleanora and Margaret to see Disney's Tarzan. We all knew the story of Tarzan and were curious about how it would be presented on stage.

The musical featured music by Phil Collins and followed the book, where an infant boy was taken in and raised by a tribe of gorillas. There was a lot of monkey business going on until a human expedition came into the tribe's territory, and Tarzan encountered humans for the first time. Tarzan meets Jane and then goes through many emotions to decide whether to go to England and live with humans or stay with his gorilla "family."

Two show days are left to see Tarzan—October 6 at 7:30 p.m. and October 7 at 12:30 or 4:30 p.m.

It was a nice drive to Elgin through Tollgate, where the fall colors made for beautiful scenery. We ran into occasional fog and could not see Spout Springs Ski Resort as we passed.

After getting to Elgin, we had lunch at Elgin Station Grill and Bar before the show. They have great food at affordable prices.

The Friends of the Opera House was established in 2007 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit to provide quality

arts, educational programs, and productions for the community and maintain and restore the historic Elgin Opera House Building.

The next performances to be presented at the opera house will be "Camelot" in November and "Anastasia" in December; tickets are available on the website at tickets@elginoperahouse.com.

Be sure to check the weather report going over Tollgate before you go.



Karen Huwe

(top) The stage for the musical production for "Tarzan."

(bottom) The Elgin Opera House was designed to serve double duty as theater and city offices. City Hall.

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

October 3, 2013



[Photo Caption] Jack McCaw, Lowell Richter, Bob Budig and Fred Gritman (seated) pose at the World War II Memorial in D.C. (as part of the Inland Northwest Honor Flight program).

Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 8, 1998

The experiences, friends made, and the small-town charm encountered as a seasonal employee of the Green Giant cannery during the summers of 1958-1960 made an indelible impression on young Phil Edwards of Silver City, North Carolina. So much so that Edwards, now an attorney in his hometown of Silver City, doesn't go a month without thinking about Waitsburg. "I loved Waitsburg," Edwards said. "This is the second time I've been back, the first being about 10 years ago." Waitsburg hasn't changed a whole lot, Edwards observed. "The countryside is just as beautiful as it was years ago." Edwards and his wife Becky were visitors of Mary Liebermann Phillips about a week ago.

Fifty Years Ago

October 4, 1973

Former Waitsburg residents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Teal will be observing their fiftieth wedding anniversary Saturday afternoon, Oct. 6 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Lincoln Heights Garden Apartments Recreation Center, in Spokane. Hosing the affair will be their daughters and sons-in-law, Mike and Joyce Saxon of Waitsburg, and John and LaVonne Edwards of Spokane. Also assisting will be their three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. The couple were both raised in the Endicott area where Mr. Teal's father, Frank Teal, still resides. They were married in Colfax.

Odako Club met Thursday night, Oct. 27, at the home of Mrs. Jim Archer with Mrs. Turk Ely assisting the hostess. Mrs. Joe Abbey, retiring president, reported on the pillow sale at the Pioneer Fall Festival, part of the proceeds being donated to the Historical Society towards payment of the yard sign. Installation of the 1973-74 officers was held with Mrs. Ellsworth Conover, president; Mrs. Gus Lybecker, vice president; Mrs. Allen Polumsky, secretary; Mrs. Carl Nordheim, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ben Bloor, treasurer; and Mrs. Delbert Mock, historian.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

October 8, 1948

Apple harvest in this vicinity began last week is expected to reach maximum capacity this weekend. Ralph Danielson has 35 people employed as pickers, packers and sorters.

Cecil Verhaag brought in an elk last week during the special elk hunt. His party included Dale Rodgers and Bruce Rice.

Jack Roberts and Fred Rankin were received into the Order of the Arrow at the annual ordeal ceremony at Camp Wallowa. Bill Zuger was initiated at a previous ceremony.

One Hundred Years Ago

October 12, 1923

Mrs. D. P. Bailey entertained members of the Oloha Club at a 1 o'clock luncheon Wednesday. Covers were laid for twelve. Out of town guests were Mrs. Elmer Hill and Mrs. W. G. Shuhame of Walla Walla.

Mrs. Opal Mack is supplying in the Waitsburg Mercantile during the absence of miss Rose Slater, who is visiting her brother.

Transportation for the football team to Clarkston last week, was provided through the kindness of Messrs. W. B. Shaffer, Cuttings, Wheeler and Zuger.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 14, 1898

H. J. Woodworth and J. T. Wickersham have returned from their trip in the Nez Perce country. They report everything on the boom in that section.

Born - near our city, Thursday, October 13, 1898, to C. A. Hales and wife, a son.

The only startling thing that has happened in Dayton for many years, occurred Thursday morning. The Hunt train came in on time. It was noticed at this place. A few of our citizens who are superstitious, thought there would surely be a terrible calamity happen soon.

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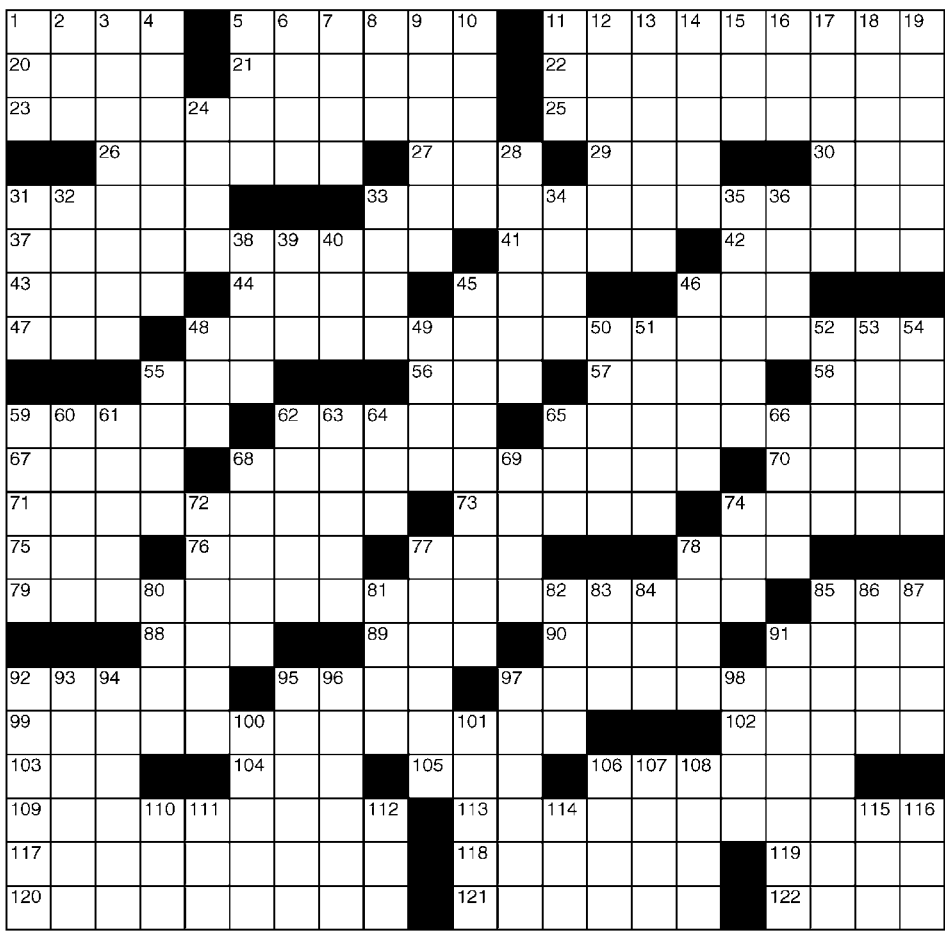


PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

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- 1 Worker welfare gp.
5 Bark syllables
11 Perform a dynamic crowd action in a stadium
20 Hospital bed attachment
21 Nomadic type
22 Turpentine, for one
23 1983-2014 periodical for adolescents
25 Reins are parts of them
26 The first task on the to-do list
27 Help-wanted, e.g.
29 Musician Nugent
30 Musician DiFranco
31 Africa's Sierra —
33 No-problem advancement
37 What a biting sarcasm person has
41 Ostrich lookalike
42 Olympic swimmer Tom
43 Royal heirs, often
44 Veep's boss
- 45 NYC subway org.
46 Shocking fish, at times
47 Stuff causing a blowup
48 Conservative moral principles
55 Like Ikea assemblies, for short
56 Sitcom alien
57 Sloop, e.g.
58 Sch. group
59 Summits
62 Smell terrible
65 Splendid
67 Special times
68 Span rotating horizontally to allow ships through
70 Sci-fi guru
71 Natives of Palermo or Catania
73 Runs slowly
74 Peeled
75 Above, in poems
76 Meara of "Southie"
77 Photo lab blowup: Abbr.
78 Ryder vehicle
79 Alternative to bifocals
85 Naples loc.
88 Deep, as a voice
- 89 Month, to Manuela
90 Put a rip in
91 Luau favors
92 De Mille of choreography
95 Game-airing channel
97 Welcome wind on a hot day
99 Entry at no charge
102 Key just above D
103 Tell untruths
104 Strike caller
105 "... boy — girl?"
106 Trial blasts, for short
109 They die hard, it's said
113 Bob Fosse film title relevant to the starts of eight answers in this puzzle
117 Distributes in shares
118 Shape-fitting game
119 For — (not pro bono)
120 Young superhero of DC Comics
121 Off the mark
122 Road curve
- DOWN**
- 1 Globe
2 — Paulo
3 Coxa, more familiarly
4 Some nuts
5 Jason's ship
6 Horse hue
7 Perturb
8 Parisian bud
9 Title anew
10 One of the Corleones in "The Godfather"
11 Cry from Homer
12 City in Kansas
13 Actress Wright
14 Fit carmaker
15 Up 'til
16 "Cursed" director Craven
17 Really attack
18 Capital of Austria
19 Junior naval officer
24 Assist illicitly
28 More or less
31 Keep going
32 Business coll. topic
33 Rocker Quatro
34 Lighter — air
35 Imagine
36 Laze about
38 Grand Ole —
- 39 Firearm rights org.
40 H.S.-level exam
45 Popular dog biscuits
46 Shirik
48 "— the season ..."
49 Sharp taste bud
50 Place to live
51 Pines
52 Willing to participate in
53 Musical exercise
54 Mixed greens
55 Lover of Lucy
59 Fable penner
60 Town shout
61 User's shortcut
62 Relatives of geese
63 Rake parts
64 Those elected
65 Rapper — Khalifa
66 Actress Meg
68 Tendon
69 Croissant, e.g.
72 Crooner Julius
74 Dads
77 "Yeah, but still ..."
78 Noun follower, often
- 80 Open delight
81 Devilkins
82 School in Berkshire
83 Natal lead-in
84 Bando of baseball
85 Sense no danger
86 Oscar winner Minnelli
87 Play — (enjoy some tennis)
91 Alternative to a right hook
92 Drifting at sea
93 Car part between headlights
94 Acupuncture item
95 NFL rusher Smith
96 Savor pekoe, say
97 Certain fuel-carrying ship
98 Take a break
100 Burj Khalifa locale
101 Super-angry
106 Razor brand
107 Skinny
108 Toward dawn
110 Sweetie
111 Make a move
112 IRS ID
114 Env. insert
115 Buddhist discipline
116 Brits' alphabet ender



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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

White Bean Chicken Chili

To regular readers of my column, it is probably no secret that autumn is my favorite time of year. In anticipation of cooler weather, I have been pulling my cozy sweaters and flannels out of storage while thinking about simmering pots on the stovetop, or bubbling casseroles in the oven. Inspired by the continuing bumper crop of peppers from our garden, I found myself craving the comforting warmth found in a batch of white bean chili. Made with ground chicken and plenty of roasted green chilies, this flavorful recipe comes together quickly, making it perfect for a weeknight meal.



Ingredients:

- 3 to 4 poblano peppers
- 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- 4 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1 pound ground chicken or turkey
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon ground chili powder
- 1 ½ teaspoons ground cumin
- 2 (15-ounce) cans white beans, rinsed
- 3 cups chicken broth
- Juice of 1 lime

For serving:

- Fresh avocado slices
- Fresh cilantro, chopped
- Fresh jalapeño, sliced
- Sour cream
- Lime wedges

Directions:

Heat a dry cast-iron skillet or comal over medium-high heat. Add the whole poblano peppers to the hot pan. Roast the peppers, turning with tongs, until charred on all sides. When done, immediately place peppers in a large bowl and cover tightly with a lid or plate. Allow peppers to sit for at least 10 minutes. When cool enough to handle, use your fingers to peel the charred skins off the peppers, then stem and seed them. Chop the roasted peppers and set aside.

In a Dutch-oven or heavy soup pot, heat the butter and olive oil over medium-high heat until melted together. Add the onion to the pan and cook for 3 to 5 minutes, stirring often, until starting to soften. Add the oregano, sliced garlic, and jalapeño, stirring to combine. Continue to cook until fragrant, about another 2 minutes. Next, add the ground chicken, chili powder, cumin, and season with salt (½ teaspoon fine sea salt or 1 teaspoon of kosher salt) and a crack of black pepper. Cook, stirring often and breaking up the chicken with a wooden spoon, until chicken is no longer pink, about 4 to 5 minutes.

Add the reserved chopped poblano peppers, white beans, and chicken stock and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer, stirring occasionally as the chili thickens, about 15 to 20 minutes. Use the back of the spoon to mash some of the beans as it cooks to help thicken the chili. Add the lime juice and taste for seasoning, adding more salt, chili, or black pepper as needed. If the chili gets too thick too fast, you can add more chicken broth as needed. Serve in bowls and top with your favorite toppings such as avocado, chopped cilantro and fresh jalapeño slices.

Notes:

Roasting and peeling your own green chilies is an extra step that is not hard to do and adds a lot of flavor. Poblano peppers are larger, heart-shaped chili peppers with a mild spice and dark green color. You can substitute other mild green chilies like Anaheim peppers for the poblanos. In a pinch you could also use 2 (4-ounce) cans of diced green chilies and skip the step of charring and peeling your own. Drain the canned chilies and add them at the same time as the beans.

You can use any ground red chili powder you have on hand, such as ground ancho, cayenne, California, chipotle, or even paprika. If you have it, a ½ teaspoon of ground coriander would also be lovely added at the same time as the cumin.

Have plenty of fresh toppings at the table to pass around. Crumbled cotija or shredded Monterey Jack would also be delicious on top. Serve with hot corn bread or your favorite corn chips.

Enjoy!

Super Crossword

Weekly SUDOKU

Answers

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CALENDAR

Community Calendar

Waitsburg Monthly Meetings



Waitsburg City Council
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7 p.m. at City Hall.

Planning Commission
Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom.

Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.
Zoom info available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

Waitsburg Home and School Association – First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All parents, school district staff, or community members are welcome.

Waitsburg Historical Society

Third Tuesday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

Waitsburg Booster Club

First Tues. of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ High School Home Ec. room

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee
Info email: info@waitsburgparks.org

Weller Public Library Board of Trustees

Second Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. at the Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

Friends of the Weller Public Library

Fourth Monday of the month @ 7 p.m.

Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

Waitsburg Commercial Club

Last Thursdays of the month @ Waitsburg Business Center @ noon. Last Thursdays of each month, Zoom info available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com



Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank

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Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

Board of Columbia County Commissioners

Regular meetings - First and second Monday of each month @ 9 a.m.

Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m.
Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

Dayton City Council

Second Tuesday of every month @ 6 p.m.

Call-in information available at <https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council>

Dayton School Board

First and third Wednesday of every month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

Fourth Wednesday of every month @ 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

September 18 @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon

Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delaney Library with online Zoom available.

Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650

Starbuck Meetings

Starbuck City Council

Second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall

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337-6589

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337-6235

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