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THIS WEEK

OLYMPIA



AWARDS

16th Legislative District Representative Terry Nealey is recognized for his public records work.

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FROST IN THE HOLLOW



Photo by Bill Rodgers

This picturesque winter scene, taken in December, 2016, was captured along Middle Waitsburg Road, just north of Londagin Road, by Waitsburg landscape photographer Bill Rodgers. Read about Bill and his art on Page 7.

DAYTON



GOLF COURSE

A new concessionaire will take over at the Dayton Golf Course in March.

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DW FULL COMBINE IS A GO

Both school boards unanimously approve the combine on a two-year basis

By Dena Martin | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Waitsburg and Dayton school boards brought an end to uncertainty about the proposed middle and high school Dayton-Waitsburg full athletic and activities combine at a joint school board meeting at the Waitsburg Elementary School on Monday night. In one fell swoop, both boards unanimously agreed to join into a two-year combine agreement and accepted the 38 individual action items presented by the combine advisory committee.

Following an hour of discussion at the

well-attended meeting, each board, in turn, unanimously approved entering into the combine agreement with a two-year initial commitment.

The boards had planned to discuss and approve each of the 38 individual items addressing practice and game locations, coach hiring procedures and salaries and cost-share issues. Instead, they took the suggestion of Waitsburg board member Russ Knopp who motioned to approve the combine document in its entirety.

The recommendations were the result of negotiations presented by the combine advisory committee which is made up of administration, coaches and parents from each district. The committee has met regularly over the last year to work through specifics of the combine, but slowed negotiations after hearing that some community members in Dayton were not on board with the combine.

Students in both Dayton and Waitsburg

were polled last November, with results from both districts showing a very high approval rating for the combine. However, Dayton Athletic Director and High School Principal Paul Shaber said that after hearing negative comments around town, Dayton recently took another survey which came back with a 50/50 approval rating for the combine.

The response resulted in a hold on combine negotiations while Dayton sought community input to determine the reasons behind the apparent lack of support. Now that the combine has been approved, the advisory committee will continue to work through the remaining combine logistics.

“This is somewhat of a living document. It’s still open for talk. If something doesn’t work, we’ll get back together and talk about it. We’ll probably do a lot of talking. I don’t think it’s an annual thing. I think it will be a weekly or monthly thing,” said Dayton

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SPORTS



BASKETBALL

The 7th grade Dayton-Waitsburg AAU Birddogs basketball team played their first tournament in Lewiston

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Dayton General Hospital Offers Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy

Treatments help those in need of chronic wound care

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Dayton General Hospital is adding Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy (HBOT) to its wound care treatment protocol.

There is a growing need for chronic wound care, especially for patients with diabetes, which is the number one reason for treating chronic wounds, said Dr. Kurt Frauenpreis, Program Medical Director, and Provider.

“We’re living longer but we’re not taking care of ourselves. Younger people are being diagnosed with diabetes and the expense is horrendous, right now,” he said.

Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy works by helping the body’s oxygen-dependent, wound-healing mechanisms function better.

While enclosed in the chamber at greater than normal atmospheric pressure, patients breathe pure oxygen, which saturates the blood plasma, allowing it to carry from 15 to 20 times the normal amount of healing oxygen to the body’s tissues.

Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy is also used to treat other disorders such as neuropath-



Photo by Michele Smith

DGH Respiratory Therapist Tom Anderson, on the left, and Sechrist Technician Matt Coleman inspected two Sechrist Hyperbaric Oxygen chambers that arrived at the hospital last week.

ic ulcers, pressure ulcers, and ischemic ulcers. It is also used to treat trauma-caused and surgically-caused wounds, burns, venous insufficiency, as well as other chronic non-healing wounds.

When a patient is referred by a physician to the Wound Care Center for treatment, and authorization from the insurance company is given, an appointment will be made for evaluation and treatment, Frauenpreis said.

If the criteria is met for HBOT then the patient will undergo treatment with multiple visits. Depending on the patient’s re-

sponse, each treatment, or “dive” in the chamber will take around 90 minutes to complete.

“The surrounding medical community is on board with this,” Frauenpreis said.

Dayton General Hospital has been preparing for this new service line for many months, through outreach and marketing and hiring and training of staff.

Angela Trenti has been a nurse practitioner for the past 15 years and she is the

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OBITUARIES

BARBARA ANN WEAVER, NEE BACHMANN OR BARBARA A. (BACHMANN) WEAVER DECEMBER 4, 1922 - JANUARY 18, 2018

Rode her sorrel pony Skookum bareback over the wheat fields her daddy farmed in the foothills of the Blue Mountains, skied those hills on pine planks with her beloved siblings Fritz and Margaret, learned to read and write in a one room schoolhouse on Coppei Creek, learned to dance as her aunt and uncles played at the community hall by the homestead on Jasper Mountain, graduated valedictorian of Waitsburg High School's class of 1940, went to Washington State University on a scholarship and earned a degree in English and a Phi Beta Kappa key and made her professors cry when she couldn't stay in 1945 to help teach all the returning GIs. Fulfilled the wishes of those professors 30 years later by getting a Master's in reading instruction from Loyola Marymount. Loved to sing. Sat on fence posts as a 4 year old and entertained the hired hands with her rendition of "Big Rock Candy Mountain," was enlisted in the WSU choir by a member who heard her singing in the dormitory shower, sang for 30 years in the choir at St. Lawrence Martyr and another 30 at St. John Fisher, sang barbershop in Sweet Adelines with LA South Towns and Verdugo Hills Chorus, and classical with Los Cancioneros of Torrance for decades. Met the love of her life, William Weaver, another scholarship student at WSU, who married her twice, once in 1944 and again in 2003, and who took her to Southern California where he founded a medical practice. Raised eight children with boundless love, infinite patience, sly humor, and humble wisdom. Weathered many a storm through her steadfast faith in God. Read voraciously, watched Days of Our Lives loyally, completed the Times crossword diligently, played Scrabble and Bridge formidably, and gener-



ally enjoyed golf except when she four-putted. Was, in short, a goddess who surprised us all by not being immortal. We feel so blessed to have known her. She was preceded in death by her parents Frederick and Anna A. ("Lena" Keve) Bachmann of Waitsburg, WA, husband William, son David, daughter Barbara and son-in-law Roger Batty, and brother Lt. Col. Frederick C. Bachmann. She is survived by her sons and daughters: Michael (Susan), Pleasant Hill, CA; Jim (Tamara), Bend, OR; John (Leslie), Lafayette, CA; Joanna (Brett) Cooper, Cayucos, CA; Liz (Will) Brady, Langlois, OR; Bill (Marina Reisinger), Bend, OR; daughter-in-law, Barbara Hagedorn (David), Spokane, WA; sister, Margaret Brown, Greeley, CO; 17 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren and many cousins, nieces and nephews, and dear friends from golfing, choir, church, and life. Funeral Services will be at St. John Fisher Catholic Church, 5448 Crest Rd, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA, Saturday, February 17th at 11 AM. A reception will follow at the church auditorium. Donations can be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

IOLA LEE BRAMHALL FEBRUARY 28, 1920 - JANUARY 28, 2018

Iola Lee Bramhall, a lifelong resident of the Dayton area, passed away Sunday, January 28, 2018 at her home along the banks of Patit Creek surrounded by her loving family. She was 97. A Memorial Service celebrating her life will be held on Thursday, February 1st, at 2:00 p.m. at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Dayton. A private burial service will take place in the Dayton Cemetery. Iola was born February 28, 1920 at the family homestead at the Aurora Orchards south of Dayton. She was the second born of three girls to bless the home of Neil and Fairy June (Kneff) Ryerson. As a small girl the family lived near the orchards along the North Fork of the Touchet River before moving to Kettle Falls, Washington. A few years later, Iola moved back to Dayton and into the home of her grandmother. She attended the Star school and Dayton High School, where she graduated in 1938. She met Jack Merrill Bramhall while in high school but it wasn't until a few years later when she was working as a waitress that Iola made him a milkshake that he never forgot. They dated for a while and were married November 9, 1941 in Spokane. They made their home on his family's farm along Bramhall Road and Iola kept very busy as a homemaker and mother. During the war the Bramhall's supplied eggs, milk and pigs in support of the war effort. Iola was an excellent cook and made large meals for the harvest crews. Her pies were famous. In addition to being a great cook she was connoisseur of good food, she enjoyed talking about food and loved planning menus. Iola was a lifelong learner and had a curiosity about many varied subjects. She studied architecture and design and she also wrote a book that will be cherished by her family. She was a very talented artist and painted numerous oils, watercolors in her later life and pastels that were often given as treasured gifts. She was very musical and had played the piano since age 14. Iola also sang in a group of nine women and could write music when a certain part was needed.

She was a member of the Dayton art club and of Redeemer Lutheran Church. Iola had a profound belief and relationship with God which words cannot capture. Her faith was evident to all who knew her and so was her love of a good party.

She needed no excuse for celebration and was determined to live a positive life and vigorously promoted this way of living. She was a hostess through and through and could throw a party that was as elegant and classy as she was. She especially loved the holidays. Iola will be remembered as a very wise and strong woman. Her husband Jack passed away May 15, 1997 and in 2000 she moved in with her daughter and son-in-law Jill and Dick Ingram. Iola will be missed by many in the community but mostly by her two daughters; Marilyn (Joe) Banz and Jill (Dick) Ingram both of Dayton; 4 grandchildren, Danielle Banz, Marilee Bramhall, Jessica Coffey and Justin Ingram; 6 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-granddaughter; and by her sisters, Donna Hart of Texas, Marlene Brodhead and Myrna Hutchison both of Dayton. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by sisters Muriel Segraves, Luana Matthews and Dixie Robanske. Memorial gifts in Iola's honor are suggested to a charity of donor's choice.

Hubbard-Rogg Funeral Home of Dayton is caring for the family.



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago February 7, 2008

Administrations at Waitsburg and Prescott school districts will now delve into the "nuts and bolts, the nitty-gritty" of combining middle and high school athletics between the two schools following approval by the Waitsburg Schools Board of Directors last week. Prescott's Board unanimously approved the idea on January 24.

In the final game on Kison Court, Cardinals senior John Gertsch scorched the nets with seven treys and 25 points to lead the Waitsburg Cardinals to a 73-54 win over the Dayton Bulldogs. The win clinched Waitsburg's championship of the Blue Mountain 2B Division. They are 7-1 in the 2B Division, 10-2 in the Blue Mountain League and 13-5 overall.

Twenty-Five Years Ago February 4, 1993

Next time you are in downtown take a look up. You might not want to be driving when you do that, though. New "mini blinds" were installed last week over windows in Waitsburg's City Hall, on the second floor. In all 11 windows got new coverings in City Hall, including the four upstairs windows on the west side of the building along Main Street. "Everybody has seen the new blinds upstairs at City Hall," Mayor Roy Leid commented during the last council meeting. "It looks good." City Clerk Ann McCambridge said that the old, tattered blinds were a source of complaints from residents who called the broken blinds "tacky."

The Blue Mountain and Palouse River Railroad, a short-haul line that has taken over the Walla Walla to Dayton run, is trying to get a \$1.2 million track improvement project going with the help of the Port of Walla Walla and the state and federal governments. The Blue Mountain line hauls grain and Green Giant-processed asparagus from Dayton through Waitsburg on tracks at the north end of town. In addition, the line pucks up wheat in Prescott and hauls it to Wallula for shipment in Union Pacific cars.

Fifty Years Ago February 1, 1968

Waitsburg has fallen in love with Julie - and proved it with a joyful, tearful reunion last Sunday after she was named Washington State Junior Miss in Pullman on Saturday night, January 27. Julie Ann Stonecipher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Stonecipher, capped two successful nights during the 3-day pageant by winning the coveted honor and an all-expense paid trip to Mobile, to enter the National Junior Miss Pageant in Mobile, Alabama.

The Annual Banquet of the Waitsburg Commercial Club will be held in the multi-purpose room of the Waitsburg School at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 6. Master of Ceremonies at the banquet will be Larry Broom of Waitsburg. An added feature will be Julie Stonecipher, Washington's Junior Miss, who will sing for the group.

The betting boot at the Days of Real Sport grounds in Waitsburg was a total loss as a result of a fire last Saturday at approximately 6:30 p.m. Officials said that some boys were playing in the booth and apparently a fire built to keep warm got out of hand. The rest of the building will have to be demolished. The Association carried no insurance on the structure.

Seventy-Five Years Ago February 5, 1943

A house warming was given Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lawrence on last Friday evening when sixteen friends surprised the young couple, who were married last fall and are living on the Frank Neace farm.

DeNova Club met with Mrs. Gail Talbott. Mrs. Jack Clodius gave a paper on "Cheese."

Local farmers are signing AAA forms at the Touchet Valley Grain Growers office this week to comply with the 1943 Food for Victory program.

One Hundred Years Ago February 8, 1918

Viola Longanbach, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Longanbach of McKay Hollow, was thrown from her pony Monday and for a time it was feared the child was seriously injured. The little girl was on her way to school and upon meeting an automobile the horse whirled and ran.

Do not neglect the importance of full-blood roosters at the head of your flock. S.C. Rhode Island Reds for sale by Walter Price, Waitsburg.

C. B. Williams, while trying to make the turn around the dummy policeman at the intersection of Main and Second Streets, Friday, broke a front wheel off his car, when the machine skidded into the curb in front of the Model Bakery. The car was moving at a low rate of speed but it simply refused to turn on the snow-covered pavement.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago February 10, 1893

A very pleasant sleighing party went out and spent Monday evening with Miss Jennie Roberts. A "delightful time" was the unanimous verdict of the guests.

While the present state of the weather, the extreme cold and deep snow are a little unpleasant we are all delighted with it because we know it is of untold benefit to us and our country in the future.

E. H. Allen this week put up ice a foot in thickness. The huge cakes were the flat lie thrown in the face of any who say that in this country we never have any cold weather. Change never to seldom and you'll hit the nail on the head.

Touchet Valley Weather

Jan. 31, 2018

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly Cloudy	Scattered Rain	Scattered Rain	Scattered Rain	Scattered Rain	Scattered Rain	Partly Cloudy
High: 48 Low: 34	High: 43 Low: 33	High: 53 Low: 40	High: 51 Low: 39	High: 49 Low: 41	High: 54 Low: 46	High: 51 Low: 43

Weather Trivia

Can there be lightning during a snowstorm?

 Answers: Yes. Lightning and thunder are common during snowstorms.

Weather History

Jan. 31, 1911 - Tamarack, Calif. was without snow the first eight days of the month, but by the end of January had been buried under 390 inches of snow, a record monthly total for the United States.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	52	35	42/31	0.12"	0.48"
Wednesday	58	42	42/31	0.31"	0.51"
Thursday	47	33	42/31	0.01"	-0.03"
Friday	47	37	43/31	0.00"	46.9°
Saturday	56	43	43/31	0.01"	36.8°
Sunday	57	44	43/31	0.03"	+10.1°
Monday	67R	38	43/31	Trace	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	7:16 a.m.	4:57 p.m.	5:29 p.m.	7:22 a.m.
Thursday	7:15 a.m.	4:58 p.m.	6:44 p.m.	8:04 a.m.
Friday	7:14 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	7:58 p.m.	8:39 a.m.
Saturday	7:12 a.m.	5:01 p.m.	9:10 p.m.	9:11 a.m.
Sunday	7:11 a.m.	5:03 p.m.	10:18 p.m.	9:39 a.m.
Monday	7:10 a.m.	5:04 p.m.	11:24 p.m.	10:07 a.m.
Tuesday	7:08 a.m.	5:06 p.m.	Prev Day	10:35 a.m.

TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

1

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.

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue (side of Banner Bank)
2-4 p.m.

Family Storytime and Dinner
Dayton Memorial Library
6 p.m.

2

Prescott Story Time
Prescott Library
11 a.m.

3

Teen Cookie Social
Dayton Memorial Library
Noon - 2 p.m.

Waitsburg Senior Sports Recognition
WHS auditorium
Girls' recognition at 4:40 and boys prior to game warmup.

4

Super Bowl Party
Whiskey Canyon Sports Bar & Grill
3 p.m.

5

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

American Legion
Waitsburg Town Hall
6 p.m.

Celebrate Recovery, Dayton
Catalyst Church (311 S. 4th)
Dinner 6 p.m.; Meeting 7 p.m.

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Dayton Storytime
Dayton Memorial Library
10 a.m.

Celebrate Recovery, Waitsburg
Waitsburg Christian Church
6:30 p.m.

Waitsburg Home & School Assoc.
Elementary School Library
6:30 p.m.

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Waitsburg Town Hall Board
Town Hall
7 p.m.

Prescott Parks & Rec Board Meeting
District Office (101 S. D St., Ste. A)
7 p.m.

COLUMBIA REA TO SELL DAYTON OFFICE TO NW STRAW PULP, LLC

DAYTON - The Columbia Rural Electric Association (REA) announced in a press release on Tues., Jan. 30 that they will sell their Dayton office to NW Straw Pulp, LLC. Columbia REA will cease business in the Dayton location, located at 115 Main Street, on March 22. The sale is expected to close no later than April 1.

In November, Columbia REA announced plans to close the Dayton office and consolidate offices as a cost-saving measure but had no plans for the Dayton office at the time.

"It's great to see that the location on Main Street will not sit idle, and NW Straw Pulp, LLC is a great choice to occupy this site," said Columbia REA CEO Les Teel.

NW Straw Pulp, LLC is currently developing a waste straw mill at Lyons Ferry known as Columbia Pulp.

The Walla Walla Service Center will serve as the main office for Columbia REA in the future.

CCHS RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

DAYTON—The public is invited to a special ribbon cutting ceremony and guided tours to mark the grand re-opening of the Columbia County Health System, following the completion of the hospital renovation and enhancement project. The ceremony will take place at Dayton General Hospital, on Feb. 27 at 4 p.m.

CCHD CEO Shane McGuire said, "When we first began our renovation and enhancement project, our objectives included modifying the building to support the services we are performing today, which are very different from the services that we provided in 1964 when the hospital was constructed."

"Additionally, we wanted to enhance work flows, significantly increase patient privacy, and enhance service lines like adding aquatic therapy. In reality, we achieved all of those objectives, and more," McGuire said.

R.S.V.P. to Ryan Russell at 382-2531 ext. 5117, or on line at: ryanr@cchd-wa.org

HELICOPTER CRASH KILLS 1, INJURES 2 DURING MULE DEER RESEARCH

GARFIELD COUNTY - One crew member was killed and two were injured when a private helicopter flying under contract with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) crashed in Garfield County while performing a mule deer study on Sat., Jan. 27.

The pilot, Blake Malo, 33, Clarkston and crew member Garrett Bradshaw, 30, Eagle Point, Ore., were injured and taken to St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Lewiston. Crew member Benjamin M. Poirier, 19, Berthous, Colo. did not survive the crash.

All three men were employed by Hells Canyon Helicopters, which operated the craft.

"This is a tragic accident that will be deeply felt not only by the families but by members of our own staff who have worked with this dedicated crew," said WDFW Director Jim Unsworth in a press release.

The crash occurred about 20 miles northwest of Pomeroy where the crew was working with ground-based biologists to attach radio collars to mule deer to study the animals' movement and survival, according to regional WDFW wildlife manager Kevin Robinette.

Saturday was the first day of fieldwork in the Blue Mountains. Law enforcement officials were alerted on Saturday afternoon by a WDFW biologist when a smartphone app tracking the flight showed that the aircraft stopped moving.

The crash is still under investigation.

SENIOR NIGHT, FEB. 3

WAITSBURG - Waitsburg will honor senior athletes prior to Saturday's game against St. John-Endicott in Waitsburg. The girls' game begins at 5 p.m. with the senior athletes being recognized at 4:40 p.m.

Male athletes will be honored prior to the warm-up for their game which is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

BIRTHDAYS

February 2: Lacy Wood, Grant Garrett, Lauren Broom-Vjoertomt and Brandon White.

February 3: Ryan Neal, Ben Turner, Norman Hansen, Robert Weller, Eric Rohde, Mike Gauch, Joe Watson and Chris Walker.

February 4: Morgan Baker, Chelsey Smith, Meredith Huwe, Stacey Bennett, Mathew Akers, Renee Bailey, Robert Bailey, Matthew Lyons, and Elaine Till.

February 5: Tim Abel, Andrea Tuttle, Mary Phillips, Loretta Hunt, Janet Hart, Jack and Jim Hubbard, Helen Richardson, Chad and Nicholas Pearson.

February 6: Aidan Larsen, Jena Worth, Lorene Wood, Sueann Neace, Crystal Werner, Teresa Luders, George C. Robinson, Shawn Davis, Lloyd Walker, Jade Alleman and Mike Bergevin, James Harri.

February 7: Wendy Cobb, Thomas Reese, Melvin and Michael Newbill and Connie Wyrick.

February 8: Talen Larsen, Doug Beckel, Betty Klundt, Penny Jones, Karen Hansen, Jani Jansen, Judy White and Judy Helm Gross.

Church Directory

St. Mark Catholic Church
405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.
382-2311
Fr. Steve Werner

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
504 Main
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
337-6589
Rev. Bret Moser

Waitsburg Chapel
320 W. 2nd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
337-6235
Rev. Jimmie Daves

Waitsburg Christian Church
604 Main St
Worship 10:00 a.m.

Each Sunday
337-8898
Rev. Matthew Wyatt

New River Fellowship
121 Main St, (Town Hall)
Waitsburg
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
www.newriverfellowship.org
520-5676



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

2: French Toast; Mozzarella Cheese Stix, Marinara Sauce EARLY RELEASE 12:10
5: Muffin & Yogurt; Ham & Potato Casserole
6: Biscuit & Gravy; Teriyaki Chicken, Rice, Cucumbers
7: Cinnamon Roll; Chicken Pot Pie
8: Cook's Choice; Straw Hats

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LETTER

WHERE DOES SCHOOL LEVY MONEY GO?

To the Editor:
Isn't it funny how, within the mass propaganda campaign to "Vote Yes for Our Kids," so little is mentioned about how the taxes we are encouraged to regularly, every two years, levy upon ourselves are not predominantly spent on school maintenance and repairs?

Four years ago, the Dayton School District floated a (failed) 20-year, \$19.9 million construction bond to fix a school they lamented was simply falling apart. In an April 5, 2014 Union Bulletin article by Rachel Alexander, superintendent Doug Johnson brought out, reluctantly I imagine, some interesting points:

Johnson "explained that maintenance and operations levies are used to fund a wide range of things that state funding doesn't cover," Alexander wrote.

"Among those are athletics and other extracurricular activities . . . He said about 20 percent of Dayton's current maintenance and operations levy, or \$225,000 per year, goes to regular maintenance."

Really? 20 percent? One can't help but wonder, if more than 20 percent of Maintenance and Operation Levy money had been regularly spent on school infrastructure and repair, would we need a Capital Levy for "Security, Health, and Efficiency Improvements"? (What odd, open-ended wording.)

In every "Maintenance and Operation Levy" I've ever been assaulted with, all I've heard about is that the money is earmarked to repair and update aging, ancient, unsupportable, distressingly awful infrastructure. Little is said about athletics and extracurricular activities. (By the way, after the 2017 state legislative session raised all our property taxes – seen your updated tax bill yet? – to "fully fund basic education for public schools," the new name for M & O Levies was changed to "Enrichment Levies.")

So my question is this: given that all I read about in school-friendly newspaper articles and editorials, half-page ads, and the laminated flyer sent to my home is about the ancient, aging boilers, what percentage of the amount demanded is earmarked, exclusively, toward replacement, upkeep, maintenance and repairs of the school's physical infrastructure?

And what percent goes elsewhere? ("Security." "Health." "Efficiency.") And specifically, what is that "elsewhere"?

Carolyn Henderson, Dayton

WATER BOTTLING PERMIT IS A BAD IDEA

Dear Editor,

This is in regards to Perry Dozier's request for a water bottling permit from his well. I am going to speak plainly on this, and I hope that people will think about it seriously...this is nothing but greed. It has a great potential for affecting

Surrounding property wells and may even affect Prescott water supplies.. This is water for sale, and it is not being put to farming use. The other thing that people need to think about is that it would open the opportunity for many more to apply this and

What happens to our aquifer and ground water is vital to our farming and household needs! Please be very careful in your thoughts on this for our future in this area. We must protect our water resource!

Joanne Hesser-James, Dixie

Americanisms



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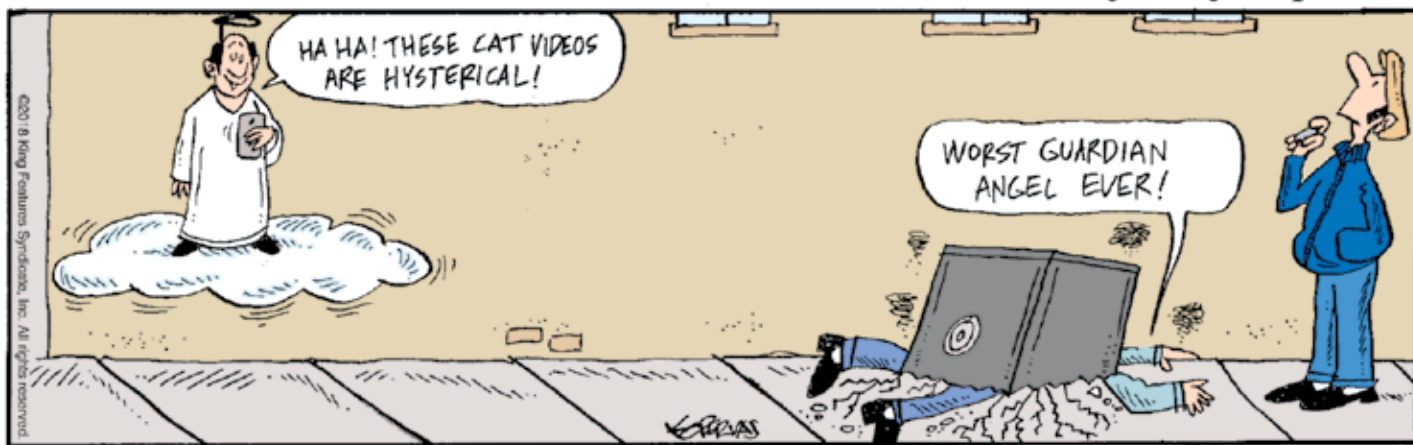
"Take two of these and call me if he still bugs you."



"The quiet evening I planned together doesn't call for popcorn!"

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



STRANGE BUT TRUE

by Samantha Weaver

* It was Italian novelist, philosopher and university professor Umberto Eco who made the following sage observation: "Fear prophets and those prepared to die for the truth, for as a rule they make many others die with them, often before them, at times instead of them."

* The average (presumably non-bearded) man will shave at least 20,000 times over the course of his lifetime.

* Although it is a dog, the dhole, which is native to Asia, doesn't bark; to communicate with other members

of its pack, it whistles. Evidently, that high-pitched sound carries better than low-pitched barking in the dense forests where it lives.

* Third-century Saint Lawrence of Rome was martyred for his faith by being roasted alive on a gridiron. I suppose it makes a certain kind of sense, then, that he's the patron saint of cooks and tanners.

* If you're not in a romantic mood as Valentine's Day approaches, you might want to consider reviving the vinegar valentine popular in the 19th century. Rather than conveying love and affection, these insulting missives -- usually sent anonymously,

for obvious reasons -- were dripping with sarcasm and black humor. Some were intended to discourage unwanted suitors, but others were just mean, accusing the recipient of being too aggressive (for women) or too submissive (for men) or of putting on airs, among other things. There were even occupation-specific cards targeted at doctors, salesladies, artists, etc. According to an article in Smithsonian magazine, in the mid-1800s, these vinegar valentines accounted for half of all valentine sales in the United States.

* Those who study such things say that 20 percent of American men have spent at least one night in jail.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

The History Channel

* On Feb. 7, 1914, the silent film "Kid Auto Races at Venice" premieres featuring the actor Charlie Chaplin in his first screen appearance as the "Little Tramp."

* On Feb. 9, 1942, the Normandie, the first major liner to cross the Atlantic in less than four days, burns and sinks in New York Harbor during its conversion to an Allied troop transport. A welder set fire to life preservers, and by early the next morning the ship lay smoking and capsized in the harbor.

* On Feb. 6, 1952, King George VI of Great Britain and Northern Ireland dies. Princess Elizabeth, the oldest of his two daughters, was crowned Queen Elizabeth II on June 2, 1953, at age 27.

Today, Elizabeth has reigned for almost 65 years.

* On Feb. 5, 1988, in Miami, Panama military strongman Gen. Manuel Noriega is indicted for drug smuggling and assisting Colombia's Medellin drug cartel in trafficking cocaine to America. Noriega was found guilty at his 1991 trial and sentenced to 40 years in prison. He later was imprisoned in France and Panama, where he died in 2017.

* On Feb. 10, 1996, world chess champion Garry Kasparov loses the first game of a six-game match against Deep Blue, an IBM computer. Man ultimately defeated machine, however, as Kasparov bested Deep Blue in the match with three wins and two ties and took home the \$400,000 prize.

Letters Welcome

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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.

TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

WOUND THERAPY - FROM PAGE 1



Photo by Michele Smith
The oxygen plant supplies liquid oxygen for the Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy chambers.

new clinical program director for the Wound Care Center.

Trenti said she has visited with discharge planners at Providence St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla as well as with managers at the Walla Walla Clinic, Home Health Agencies, and cardiologists to bring them on board with treating patients at DGH's Wound Care Center.

Trenti has also reached out to administrators in the nursing program at Walla Walla Community College, inviting them to engage nursing students in the program, she said.

The closest HBOT is at Kadlec Medical Center, in Richland, and for patients in Walla Walla the trip to DGH is a better option, Trenti explained.

Kadlec Medical Center is willing to share some of their patients with DGH, too, Trenti said.

Nurse Practitioner Melissa Czapka, is the Wound Care Center provider. She said she will be seeing patients and caring for their wounds.

Certified Respiratory Technician Tom Anderson, is the HBOT Technician and safety officer, and his wife, Kathy Anderson, CRT, is also an HBOT Technician.

Other wound care nurses are Lindsay Auchterlonie, RN, and Gayle Rex, RN.

Czapka, Trenti, and Dr. Frauenpreis have all undergone, or will undergo, more specialized training at Healogics, Inc. in Jacksonville, Florida.

Healogics, Inc. considers itself to be the premier provider of advanced wound healing services, with around 800 Wound Care Centers and a network of specialists throughout the nation.

New Hours at Waitsburg Resource Center

By Dena Martin | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Beginning in February the Waitsburg Resource Center will no longer be open on Saturdays. The center, which provides food and resources for residents in Waitsburg and Prescott school districts, is open from 2-4 each Thursday.

The decision was made because very few people come in on Saturdays. If demand warrants, the center will look at extending Thursday hours.

The resource center provides many resources to the community, in addition to providing food to those in need.

In 2017, the center provided 80 winter break lunches, serving over 100 children. They also offered activities before lunch.

Twenty-five children are currently taking advantage of the "backpack program" which sends food home for the weekend.

At Christmas, the center sponsored

a town-wide visit from Santa, who traveled by fire engine to distribute stockings. Santa was assisted by fire department and resource center volunteers. Many children eagerly awaited Santa's arrival outside their homes.

The center has also sponsored mobile dental van visits, spring break lunches, summer reading program snacks, provided free bicycle helmets and backpacks and more.

The Waitsburg Resource Center is volunteer-operated. The center receives food from the Federal Food Assistance Program through Blue Mountain Action Counsel, local food drives and generous donations from local businesses, organizations, school clubs and individuals.

Financial and food donations are always welcome and may be delivered during regular center hours.

Anyone in need of food that can not make it to the center between 2-4 p.m. on Thursdays may contact Pastor Matt Wyatt at (916) 622-9932.

VISIONING



Photo by Michele Smith

The Dayton School District held an informational meeting in the Elementary Multi-purpose Room on Wednesday of last week, to discuss the District's facilities, and talk about the \$800,000 Capital Levy Request that will go before voters in February. At that meeting middle and high school principal Paul Shaber led an exercise to help those in attendance understand the need for improvements to the district's aging facilities, the costs of improvements, and how to pay for them. Short term capital levy requests are filling the gap that resulted from the lack of passage of a bond in 2013, that would have funded comprehensive school facilities improvements. Circulars with information about the 2019-2020 capital levy request and the projects needing the most attention have been mailed to all households in the District, said Superintendent Doug Johnson.

"Be engaged to the best of your ability, and we will try to be engaged with you," said Johnson thanking the public for attending the meeting.

Above: High School Principal Paul Shaber addresses community members at last week's visioning meeting.



Courtesy Image

Artist, researcher and university professor Nona Hengen depicts the history of the Palouse region in her art. Hengen's books and paintings are on display at the Wenaha Gallery in Dayton and she will give two informal talks on March 3.

Talk about Art

Special to The Times by Carolyn Henderson

Art and history are not neutral subjects. Because they both deal with humanity, with all its messiness of politics, differing opinions, varied cultures, and good and bad behavior, both disciplines force us to think, question, ponder, analyze, reason, and explore.

One thing we immediately discover is that there are no easy answers. The second thing develops from the first: though there are no easy answers, it does not mean we stop looking for them.

Nona Hengen, a writer, researcher, speaker, artist, and former educator and university professor, has spent 30 years studying the Palouse region: its original inhabitants, the Spokane, Coeur d'Alene, and Palouse Native American tribes; the clash of those inhabitants with the U.S. Government; and the lives of the pioneers from whom many people in the region descend. Hengen has chronicled her findings in a series of books, stories, magazine articles, and paintings – ranging from the 1858 Battle of Steptoe that was instrumental in dismantling the region's Native American indigenous culture to the light hearted, fanciful tales of carousel horses.

Presently, a collection of Hengen's 16 books and both her historical and nostalgic paintings are on special display at Wenaha Gallery. On Saturday, March 3, Hengen will be at the gallery in person to present two informal talks, one at 1:30 and one at 3 p.m., on the Native American/U.S. Government battles. She will accompany her talks with a DVD presentation.

Joining Hengen will be Walla Walla watercolorist Roy Anderson, who will play music in between Hengen's speaking, along with showcasing his paintings of musical instruments; and Pasco glass artist Gregory Jones, who creates colorful, lacy, hand-crafted bowls. The Special Art and History Show is free.

Wenaha Gallery, located at 219 East Main in Dayton, is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Thought for the Day:

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-- Chinua Achebe



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Front row: Levi Boudrieau, Jasper Morrow, Quinn Benavides, Yukon Mings, Ryland Kiltz
 Middle row: Jesse Mings, Jayce Gleason, Braden Mings, Benny Bryan, Zach Wood
 Back row: Coaches Josh Wood, Jesse Mings, Bill Ayotte
 Not pictured: Daylan Marlow



Courtesy Photos

The DW Birddogs 7th grade AAU basketball team, coached by Bill Ayotte, Josh Wood and Jesse Mings, competed in a tournament in Lewiston last weekend. The goal of the group is to help the boys improve their basketball team skills and individual fundamentals, promoting good sportsmanship and good citizenship, according to Ayotte. "We competed well last weekend in Lewiston. Our team played well, gave one hundred percent effort and had a great time. We are planning on playing in a couple of more tournaments and are looking for a few games with local AAU teams this spring," Ayotte said. Above: Coaches Jesse Mings, Bill Ayotte and Josh Wood encourage the DW Birddogs during last week's tournament in Lewiston.

Bulldog Boys Take Double Weekend Losses

THE TIMES

WHITE SWAN – The Dayton Bulldogs came close to taking a win against White Swan here on Saturday night, but couldn't clinch the deal. The Cougars took the league game 69-50 over the 'Dawgs.

The Bulldogs were in the lead 30-28 at halftime but couldn't keep the momentum going. Junior Helm, Chris Andrews and Mason Finney all scored in the double figures making 14, 12, and 10 points, respectively.

On Friday, the Bulldogs took a 63-21 home court loss against Tri-Cities Prep. Helm was top scorer in that game as well with nine points and Andrews followed with six.

T-C Prep 63, Dayton 21
 DAYTON (21) — Helm 9, Fulbright 2, Dieu 0, Finney 4, Jenkins 0, Andrews 6, Seney 0, J. White 0, B. White 0. Totals 9-37 3-6 21.
TRI-CITIES PREP (63) — Singleton 14, Valenica 6, Amato 2, Jacobs 6, Nelson 8, Baker 2, Mercado 5, Hielt 2, Sheehan 0, Stewart 2, Geist 16, Iniguez

0. Totals 25-54 2-3 63.
T-C Prep 7 23 21 12—63
Dayton 4 2 3 12—21
 3-point goals — TCP 11, Day 0. Total fouls — TCP 4, Day 14. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — TCP 28, Day 23. Turnovers — TCP 4, Day 17. Assists — TCP 10, Day 1.

White Swan 69, Dayton 50
 DAYTON (50) — Helm 14, Fulbright 0, Dieu 4, Finney 10, Jenkins 0, Andrews 12, Seney 6, J. White 4, B. White 0. Totals 19-47 7-14 50.

WHITE SWAN (69) — Sampson-Craig 6, Jones 17, Bass 4, Zuniga 0, Leavitt 11, Cree 2, Shavehead 0, Soaring-Eagle 18, Walker 1, Sampson 0, Stevens 10. Totals 27-56 10-20 69.

Dayton 9 21 8 12—50
White Swan 10 18 21 20—69
 3-point goals — Day 5, WS 5. Total fouls — Day 16, WS 10. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Day 29, WS NA. Turnovers — Day 16, WS NA. Assists — Day 5, WS 0.

LADY 'DAWGS FALL TO WHITE SWAN AND TRI-CITIES PREP

WHITE SWAN – The Lady Bulldogs took two hard losses this weekend falling 65-15 on a road match with White Swan on Saturday and losing 57-15 at home against Tri-Cities Prep on Friday.

Dayton high scorers in the White Swan game were senior Tatum Laughery with 6 points and freshman Sadie Seney with three points. Junior Neylan Bryan, sophomore Kira Boggs and freshman Cassidy Laughery added two points each.

Tri-Cities Prep 57 Dayton 15
TRI-CITIES PREP (57) — Mak. Brandner 10, Ghirardo 6, Dickson 6, Boothe 9, Mad. Brandner 2, White 5, Von Oelhoffen 19. Totals: 20-58 12-19 57.
DAYTON (15) — Steinhoff 2, Laughery 2, Boggs 2, Bryan 4, Laughlin 2, Seney 3. Totals 6-27 3-7 15.
T-C Prep 14 25 13 5—57
Dayton 2 4 5 4—15
 3-pointers — TCP 5, Day none. Total fouls — TCP 14, Day 17. Fouled out — TCP (Ghirardo). Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — TCP 29, Day 26. Turnovers — TCP NA, Day 34. Assists — TCP NA, Day 6.

White Swan 65, Dayton 15
DAYTON (15) — C. Laughery 2, T. Laughery 6, Boggs 2, Bryan 2, Seney 3. Totals 7-32 1-6 15.
WHITE SWAN (65) — Pineda 4, Anderson 11, Andrews 16, Zintzun 2, Bass 6, Zaglowe 2, Cheney 16, Wolfsberger 4, Castilleja 4. Totals 26-57 9-13 65.
Dayton 7 2 6 0—15
White Swan 22 21 10 12—65
 3-pointers — Day 0, WS 3. Total fouls — Day 13, WS 10. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Day 39, WS 24. Turnovers — Day 40, WS NA. Assists — Day 5, WS NA.

UPCOMING HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAMES

Dayton Basketball

Fri., Feb. 2 TCP @ Dayton
 Girls 6 p.m./Boys 7:30 p.m.
 Sat., Feb. 3 Mabton @ Dayton
 Girls 5 p.m./Boys 6:30 p.m.

Waitsburg Basketball

Fri., Feb. 2 Pomeroy @ Pomeroy
 Girls 6 p.m./Boys 7:30 p.m.
 Sat., Feb. 3 St. John/Endicott @ Waitsburg*
 Girls 5 p.m./Boys 6:30 p.m.
 *Senior recognition night

Prescott Basketball

Fri., Feb. 2 Touchet @ Prescott
 Boys V 7:30 p.m.
 Sat., Feb. 3 Pomeroy @ Pomeroy
 Boys V 6:30 p.m./Girls V 5 p.m./
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Photos by Bill Rodgers

Photographer Bill Rodgers appreciates the ample scenic photo opportunities just minutes from his home in Waitsburg. Top left: "A Fantasy in Frost, 2017" This favorite grove of black locusts are less than five minutes from Waitsburg. Top right: "Up at Rock Point, 2017" Rodgers snapped this shot on Jasper Mountain while waiting to watch fireworks displays from across the valley on the Fourth of July.

Capturing the 'Wallouse': A Photographer's Paradise

RETIRED GEOLOGIST BILL RODGERS USES PHOTOGRAPHY TO 'PAINT' LOCAL LANDSCAPES

By Dena Martin | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Semi-retired geologist Bill Rodgers moved to Waitsburg almost exactly two years ago and says he absolutely loves living in "a photographer's paradise." His landscapes have been featured in a collection of books by the Blue Mountain Land Trust and Rodgers hopes to offer landscape photography workshops in the not-too-distant future.

Rodgers says his love of the land developed at an early age.

"When I grew up in Spokane, there was a little undeveloped hill behind our house; a big pile of basalt known as The Mountain. I knew every inch of that – the rocks, the caves, and all that stuff. I'm sure that imprinted at an early age. I've always loved the mountains, the creeks, and the valleys," Rodgers said.

Rodgers graduated from Whitman College with a biology degree (because they didn't have a geology program) in 1970 and went on to teach high school in Canada for a couple of years.

"I loved teaching earth science and finally realized I should have been a geologist and went to the University of Washington and became one," Rodgers said.

He then spent ten years as a professional prospector in the mining industry, looking for new mineral deposits, mostly in the western United States.

"When I got tired of living in mining camps and hotels for 330 days a year and getting laid off every

two years, which is the mining industry – boom or bust – I got into environmental consulting," Rodgers said.

He consulted in the Seattle/Vancouver B.C. area for several years and still does some part-time consulting. He spent the last three years prior to retirement working at Hanford while living in Walla Walla, and moved to Waitsburg in February of 2016.

Rodgers said he bought his first camera in 1969, while attending college at Whitman.

"I grew up loving landscape paintings and wanted to be a landscape painter, but I can't paint for beans. The camera kind of allowed me to do that, and it's just evolved over the years," he said.

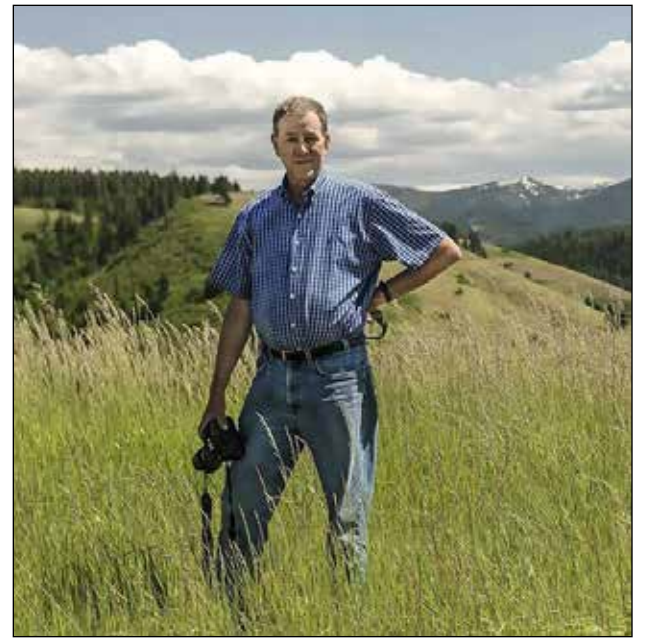
"I was very frustrated at Whitman because I found the landscape kind of boring. I wanted jagged mountains and waterfalls and things. But now I feel like I'm in Heaven. It's a photographer's paradise. I just love what is possible to do here," he added.

Rodgers became involved with the Blue Mountain Land Trust (BMLT), which works with private landowners to preserve the natural, scenic, and agricultural value of privately-owned lands, and has been on the advisory board for just over a year.

Each year, the BMLT offers Learning on the Land, a series of educational classes and excursions that connect the community to area resources. Rodgers said he first learned of BMLT four or five years ago when he took a Learning on the Land photography class led by Whitman geology professor Ellen Bishop.

Last year, he and fellow photographers lead some classes of his own and more are planned for 2018.

"I'll be doing two photo classes in the fall. There are a lot of other really neat things they're going to be doing. There will be a ride on the dinner train from Elgin to Enterprise and we'll visit farms and grain elevators," he said.



Bill Rodgers in his element

Several area photographers have pooled their talents to produce The Blues Collection, a series of books that celebrate the landscape of the Blue Mountains. Rodgers edited the first and third volumes and his photos are included throughout the series.

Rodgers said the books raise some funds for the BMLT but were created mainly to raise awareness of the need for conservation and to protect private lands, since private lands don't have advocates. The Blues Collection can be found at bmlt.org/the-blues.

Rodgers said he sells prints through his website billrogersphotography.com "every once in awhile,"

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Terry Nealey is Recognized for Public Records Work

NEALEY WAS AWARDED THE ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON CITIES CHAMPION AWARD

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA – District 16 Representative Terry Nealey (R) was awarded the Association of Washington Cities City Action Days conference in Olympia on Jan. 24. Nealey was one of eight legislators to be recognized for championing city issues last year.

Nealey and Joan McBride (D) of Kirkland were recognized for their work to pass legislation to help modernize the Public Records Act.

"AWC is pleased to recognize representatives McBride and Nealey for their work in the legislature to help local governments serve their residents better," said Pat Johnson, AWC President and Buckley Mayor. "Cities need champions in the Legislature, and these two representatives certainly rise to the occasion, again and again."

Nealey was instrumental in helping pass House Bills 1594 and 1595 which



Courtesy Photo AWC Director and Waitsburg Councilmember KC Kuykendall presented the AWC City Champion award to Representative Terry Nealey for his work in updating the Public Records Act.

makes public records requests less burdensome to cities. The bill, among other things, updates the process of asking a requestor to clarify a request, allows city to impose service charges to exceptionally complex requests, prohibits overly broad requests, creates a grant program to help improve public records management and allows cities to charge a small fee for providing copies of electronic records.

"For too long our local government entities were exposed to the financial burdens and risk of lawsuits as a result of vexatious requestors exploiting outdated public records laws. It was

time to update the statute to curb the abuse, while still protecting open and transparent government. It took several attempts, perseverance and stakeholders coming together to find a solution," said Rep. Nealey.

"It is an honor to accept this award. However, it was a team effort. Many can take credit for this achievement, including the Association of Washington Cities for their involvement and support," he added.

The Association of Washington Cities is an Olympia-based organization advocating on behalf of Washington's 281 cities and towns.

COMBINE - FROM PAGE 1

Board Member Dan Butler.

Discussion prior to the board vote touched on cost-sharing, transportation, athlete safety and coaching issues.

Dayton parent Byron Seney asked why the agreement was only for two years, saying that a minimum four-year agreement would give coaches time to build successful programs and would give eighth graders the security of knowing they would have a program through high school.

Dayton District Superintendent Doug Johnson said one concern is that the way the WIAA classifies schools is no longer based on a set enrollment number, but is a "moving target" based on school enrollment and the total number of schools.

"If we were to have a bump in enrollment in either or both (districts) that when added together we became 1A, then that was a concern. And that would happen in two years when WIAA re-does their application," Johnson said.

"I honestly haven't heard a concern yet that is bad enough not to do this. There are fixes to all of them and they all can be remedied. I haven't heard one thing that was close to important enough to even bat an eye at," said Dayton parent and coach Jesse Mings.

"We need to go into this with a very positive attitude. We should not go into it saying, 'Oh well, in two years it might be here and it might not.' We need to go into it one hundred percent and we need to have the attitude in the classroom, in the home, and in the community that we're going to make this work because it's what is best for the kids," said WHS teacher Nancy Bickelhaupt.

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Preliminary Estimate:
Base Bid – Elementary School & Field House: \$2,570,000
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Alternate #2 – Masonry at Field House: \$ 20,000
Alternate #3 – High School Lower Level HVAC \$ 280,000
Alternate #4 – Preston Hall HVAC \$ 270,000

Proposals will be accepted by the District until 3:00 PM, prevailing time, on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the Waitsburg School District Building at 184 Academy Street, Waitsburg, WA. Bid proposals will be opened publicly and read aloud at 3:00pm. Interested parties are invited to attend.

A Pre-Bid Conference, optional for all General Contractor prospective bidders, will be held Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 10:30 AM at the project site, 184 Academy Street, Waitsburg, WA.

Plans and Specifications are available, beginning Monday, February 5, 2017, through the Architect.

E-mailed PDF drawings and specifications are available at no cost (highly encouraged). Printed paper sets are available at \$200 per set. The cost is refundable provided the documents are returned in good condition within 10 days after bid opening to the office of the Architect. Contact Chelsea Holstad, Office Manager with Design West Architects by e-mail at cholstad@designwest-pa.com to request documents.

Bid security amounting to five percent (5%) of the total Base Bid must accompany each Bidder's proposal in accordance with Instructions to Bidders.

Bid documents will be available for examination during the bidding period at the following locations:

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Abadan Regional Plan Center – Spokane, WA
Hermiston Plan Center – Hermiston, OR
Spokane Regional Plan Center – Spokane, WA
Tri-City Construction Council – Kennewick, WA
Walla Walla Valley Plan Center – Walla Walla, WA
Yakima Plan Center – Yakima, WA

No bidder may withdraw his proposal after the date and time set for opening thereof or before Award of Contract, unless said award is delayed beyond 30 days. Substantial Completion shall be achieved in compliance with Section 01 10 00 of the project specifications.

The project requires compliance with prevailing wage under RCW 39.12 and apprenticeship participation of 15% under RCW 39.04.320.

The District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, and in particular, to reject a proposal not accompanied by the required bid security or data required. The process shall comply with WAC 180-29-105, RCW 28A.335.190 and RCW 43.19.1906.

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Bids will be publicly opened at the Columbia County Commissioners Chambers at 341 East Main St. Dayton, Washington after 10:00am on Tuesday February 20, 2018.

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Feb. 1, 8, 2018
2-1-a

Case No. 18-4-00012-1 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030)

IN THE SUPERIOR
COURT OF THE STATE OF
WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUN-
TY OF WALLA WALLA
In Re the Estate
of
GAYLEY SHATTUCK
WILSON

Deceased.

The Co-Personal Rep-
resentatives named below
have been appointed and
have qualified as Co-Personal
Representatives 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 Co-Personal Representatives or the Co-Personal Representatives' 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 Co-Personal Representatives 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 RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of filing
copy of Notice to Creditors:
01/23/2018
Date of First Publi-
cation: 02/01/2018

/s/
KAREN LANGERT
Co-Personal Representative
/s/
JULIE WILSON
Co-Personal Representative

The Times
Feb. 1, 8, 15, 2018
2-1-b

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing has been established for Monday, February 5, 2018 at 11:00 am in the Columbia County Commissioners office to hear comments on the proposed 2018 Columbia County Fairgrounds and Golf Course Fee Schedules. Copies of the proposed fee schedules are available for inspection at the Columbia County Commissioner's office during regular business hours.

Approval is pending this hearing.

By Order of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners.

Leanne J. Peters
Clerk of the Board

The Times
Jan. 25, Feb 1, 2018
1-25-a

No: 17-7-00210-0 Notice and Summons by Publication Dependency X Termination (SMPB)(Optional Use)

Superior Court of Wash-
ington
County of Walla Walla
Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of:
WEIS, Owen Nathaniel Elijah
D.O.B.: 08/09/2016

To: **EMILIE MICHELLE
DELAROSA, Mother
JONATHAN STE-
PHEN WEIS, Alleged Father
JOHN DOE**

A Termination Petition was filed on December 18, 2017; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: **March 2, 2018, 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

Dated: Jan. 18, 2018
Issued by Petitioner:
/s/ Michelle M. Mulhern
Michelle M. Mulhern, WSBA#
23185
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

The Times
Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8, 2018
1-25-d

No. 17-4-00220-6 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In Re the Estate of
VERLE ARLINE DEVINE,
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 stated below a copy of the claim and filing of the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1) (c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice.

If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

Personal Representative:
MARK DUNKEL

Date of First Publication:
February 1, 2018

/s/ Mark Dunkel
MARK DUNKEL
Personal Representative of the
Estate of VERLE ARLINE
DEVINE

Attorney for the Personal
Representative and address
for mailing and service:

David S. Grossman
Minnick-Hayner, P.S.
P.O. Box 1757
249 West Alder
Walla Walla, WA 99362

Publish: 2/1/2018,
2/8/2018, 2/15/2018

Court of Probate Proceed-
ings and Cause Number:

Walla Walla County Super-
ior Court
Cause No.: 17-4-00220-6

The Times
Feb. 1, 8, 15, 2018
2-1-d

OFFICIAL CALL FOR BIDS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That sealed bids will be received at the Waitsburg City Hall, 147 Main Street, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361, until 2:00 p.m. on Friday, February 9, 2018 for the following:

1992 Kubota FZ2100 Commercial Mower with 3239 hrs

Sealed bids will be opened and publicly read at 2 p.m. or soon thereafter on Friday, February 9, 2018 at Waitsburg City Hall, 147 Main Street, Waitsburg, WA 99361 with the surplus mower going to the highest bidder.

A minimum bid of \$250 is required. Additional information is available by contacting Waitsburg City Hall, 147 Main Street, Waitsburg, WA 99361. Bids will be taken based upon the condition of the vehicle being 'as is' with no warranty nor guarantee. The mower can be viewed at the City of Waitsburg's Public Works Shop at 128 Coppei or by appointment by contacting Waitsburg City Hall.

The Waitsburg City Administrator reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted and to waive any informality in the bids.

Bids must be sealed and plainly marked "sealed bid".
Randy Hincliffe
City Administrator

The Times
Feb. 1, 2018
2-1-g

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Material Lease Changes
The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has commenced the process of amending material terms and conditions of Dryland Lease No. 12-E56223 leased to Greg Fletcher and described as All of Section 16, Township 9 North, Range 33 East, W.M., Walla Walla County containing 640 acres. The specific

change(s) returning CRP ground back to dryland agriculture production and extending the term of the lease to expire August 31, 2027. Comments may be addressed to DNR Southeast Region Office, 713 Bowers Rd, Ellensburg, WA 98926, or by calling (509) 925-8510. Comments must be received by February 12, 2018
Hillary Franz, Commissioner of Public Lands
The Times
Feb. 1, 2018
2-1-c

NOTICE OF APPLICATION COLUMBIA COUNTY SHORELINES-SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

Columbia County Planning and Building hereby gives notice per WAC 173-27-110 that the Department has received a complete Shorelines Substantial Development Permit Application from Columbia County Public Works for the following project:

APPLICANT: Columbia County Public Works, PO Box 5, Dayton, Washington 99328. Contact Andrew Woods, Columbia County Engineer, 509-382-2534

PROJECT LOCATION: Vernon Smith Bridge on Rose Gulch Road, unincorporated Columbia County, Washington, T: 9N, R: 38E, S: 3.

APPLICATION RECEIVED: The application was received on January 29th, 2018, and was deemed complete on January 30th, 2018.

PROPOSAL: To rebuild the Vernon Smith Bridge and realign Rose Gulch Road in unincorporated Columbia County, Washington. The new Vernon Smith Bridge will cross the Touchet River approximately 250 feet upstream from the existing crossing. Improvements will include realignment of Rose Gulch Road, and replacing the existing 165' long bridge with a 135' long bridge. The application included the Shorelines Substantial Development Permit, the SEPA DNS (below), and a completed JAR-PA. All application materials are available for review at the below address.

SEPA: A Determination of Non-Significance was issued by Columbia County Public Works (lead agency for the project) on January 19, 2018. The application included the DNS and completed SEPA Checklist.

ADDITIONAL PERMITTING: At this time, no additional environmental permits are required per review of the completed JARPA.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS: The Department of Planning and Building hereby requests written comments for the above described project. Written comments can be submitted by the following methods: In person at 114 South 2nd Street, Dayton, Washington 99328 or via email to Meagan_bailey@co.columbia.wa.us. Written comments must be submitted no later than March 2nd, 2018.

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Feb. 1, 2018
2-1-f

File No. HO17-009 NOTICE OF APPLICATION

The application described below has been submitted to the Walla Walla County Community Development Department (CDD).

File name/Docket #: Type 2 Home Occupation Lawn Care Company/HO17-009
Application type: HOME OCCUPATION, TYPE 2
Applicant: ROQUE DIAZ
PO BOX 430

WALLA WALLA WA, 99362
Property Owner: CISNER-OS, LARA MARIA NANCY
PO BOX 430
WALLA WALLA WA, 99362
Project description: Home

Occupation consisting of equipment storage for a lawn care company. A company truck and trailer will be parked in the garage or driveway and lawn care equipment will be stored in the garage. No non-resident employees will be employed on site. The property is zoned Agriculture Residential 10-acres (AR-10). The site is generally located at 4531 S Highway 125 (APN # 350611440048).

Required Permits: None identified

Development Regulations: WWCC 17.08.261

Date of application: 12/7/2017

Date determined complete: 01/19/2018

Date of notice: 02/01/2018

REVIEW PROCESS AND PUBLIC COMMENT: The

decision on this application will be made by the CDD Director. The comment period for this project is fourteen (14) days from issuance of this notice; this period ends February 15, 2018. The notice of application is required by RCW 36.70B.110 and Walla Walla County Code (WWCC) 14.07.080.

To be considered as a party of record send written comments to:

Walla Walla County Community Development Department
c/o Don Sims, Associate Planner

310 W. Poplar Street, Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us

APPEALS: The Director's decision may be appealed by the applicant(s) or parties of record to the Walla Walla County Hearing Examiner pursuant to WWCC 14.11.010 and 14.11.030.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact Don Sims, Associate Planner, at 509-524-2618 or commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us.

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Feb. 1, 2018
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DESPERATE

Today's Word

3. Staple; 4. Design
1. Range; 2. Stable;

solution

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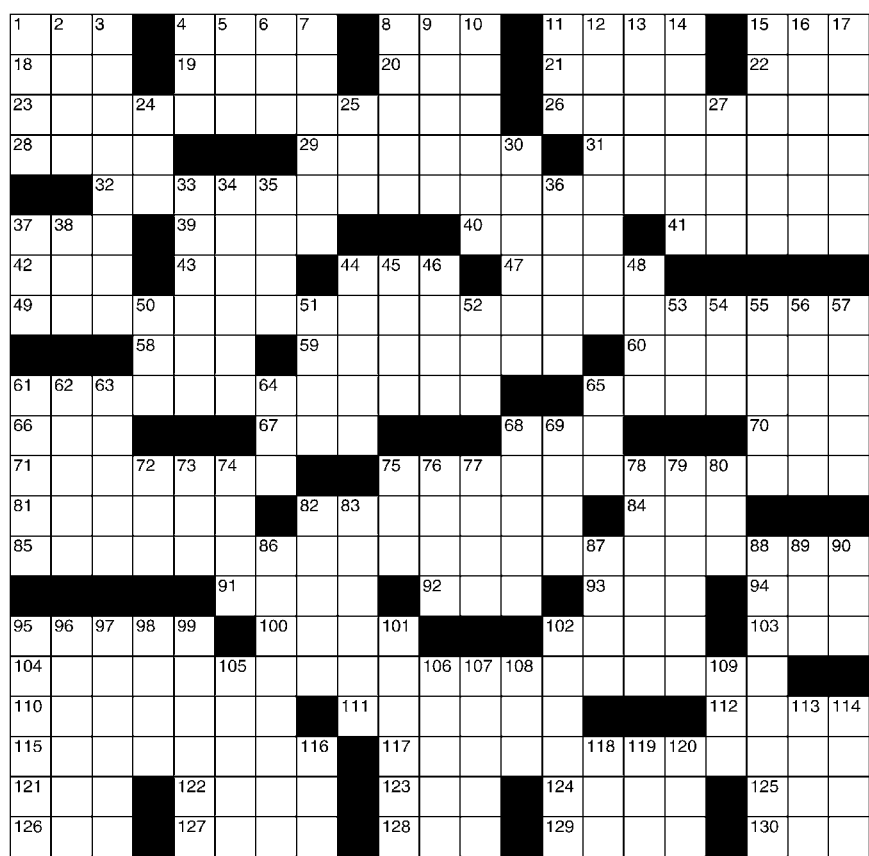
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PUZZLES/RECIPE

Super Crossword

PUNNING UP AND DOWN

- ACROSS**
- 1 Jan. and Feb.
 - 4 Project detail, for short
 - 8 Coll. dorm monitors
 - 11 Salt Lake City athletes
 - 15 Speedy WWW hookup
 - 18 Nibble away
 - 19 Funny Bombeck
 - 20 Trio after N
 - 21 12-point-wide type
 - 22 Lemur kin
 - 23 Start of the first riddle
 - 26 Ship routes
 - 28 Henry of Time and Life
 - 29 The Teletubby that's yellow
 - 31 Certain citrus grove yield
 - 32 Middle of the first riddle
 - 37 Lingerie garment
 - 39 Snobbish
 - 40 Un-PC suffix
 - 41 Retort to "Not so!"
 - 42 Wrestling pad
 - 43 Party game cry
 - 44 Peaty place
 - 47 Slave over — stove
 - 49 End of the first riddle
 - 58 U.S. snoop gp.
 - 59 Creameries
 - 60 State as fact
 - 61 First riddle's answer
 - 65 Zagreb site
 - 66 "My Man" singer Yoko
 - 67 Pre-58- Across org.
 - 68 Immodesty
 - 70 Old fed. led by Nasser
 - 71 Hydrogen atom's lack
 - 75 Start of the second riddle
 - 81 Holds up
 - 82 Cybernames
 - 84 English rocker Brian
 - 85 Middle of the second riddle
 - 91 Andy Taylor's son
 - 92 Look at
 - 93 Org. giving tows
 - 94 See 75-Down
 - 95 Storage site
 - 100 Misfortunes
 - 102 Livy's 2,150
 - 103 Couple
 - 104 End of the second riddle
 - 110 Intercept and turn aside
 - 111 Gin joint
 - 112 Oohs and —
 - 115 "You have my word"
 - 117 Second riddle's answer
 - 121 Cinematic Spike
 - 122 Purple fruit
 - 123 Go — rant
 - 124 Black-and-white treat
 - 125 — culpa
 - 126 Cut out
 - 127 Aug. follower
 - 128 April follower
 - 129 Simple
 - 130 Purported psychic gift
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Cry feebly
 - 2 Island of Hawaii
 - 3 Detached, musically
 - 4 Jiffy
 - 5 Ace
 - 6 Aussie bird
 - 7 Hardened skin area
 - 8 Fit for a king
 - 9 Straight as —
 - 10 Nerdy sort
 - 11 Big name in pkg. shipping
 - 12 Got stowed
 - 13 PC-sent greeting
 - 14 Deli meat
 - 15 "Blasted!"
 - 16 Big name in swimsuits
 - 17 Not to such a degree
 - 24 Tetley option
 - 25 "True —!" ("Yes siree!")
 - 27 Santa — (hot winds)
 - 30 All the world, per the Bard
 - 33 Actress Metcalf
 - 34 One-dimensional
 - 35 Body part above eyes
 - 36 One of the Musketeers
 - 37 X6 and Z4 carmaker
 - 38 Pep rally cry
 - 44 Doldrums
 - 45 Any of the Joads, e.g.
 - 46 Female kid
 - 48 Old despot of Russia
 - 50 Cry in Berlin
 - 51 Tallies
 - 52 Bite playfully
 - 53 General —'s natty
 - 54 "There — tide..."
 - 55 Abate
 - 56 Event with evidence
 - 57 Gawky
 - 61 Pilot and Fit carmaker
 - 62 "— a nap!"
 - 63 Pianist Glenn
 - 64 History unit
 - 65 Fishcake fish
 - 68 Actor Murphy
 - 69 Main point
 - 72 Oil byproduct
 - 73 Bread or booze
 - 74 — buco
 - 75 With 94-Across, donkey noise
 - 76 Sun, moon and star
 - 77 Cablegram
 - 78 Jewish Passover
 - 79 Surround with a saintly ring
 - 80 Caveman Alley
 - 82 Functional
 - 83 Turtle covers
 - 86 Makes
 - 87 "— Rock" (1966 hit)
 - 88 "Heavens!"
 - 89 Liquid filling la mer
 - 90 A couple
 - 95 For some time
 - 96 Prison, informally
 - 97 Began to cry, with "up"
 - 98 Prefix with Chinese
 - 99 Chews noisily
 - 101 Ski race
 - 102 "Some Like It Hot" actress
 - 105 Cyber-submit to the IRS
 - 106 Massey of "Rosalie"
 - 107 "Never ever!" for a 7-Down
 - 108 Common site
 - 109 Set (down)
 - 113 Tilling tools
 - 114 Flip one's lid
 - 116 First-aid ace
 - 118 History unit
 - 119 — Moines
 - 120 Male kid



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Weekly SUDOKU

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Weekly SUDOKU

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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SEE ANSWER ON PAGE 8

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Area

ANGER

Level

BLASTE

Basic

PETALS

Create

SINGED

TODAY'S WORD

TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Balela Salad

A Mediterranean salad made with chickpeas, black beans, lots of fresh herbs and lemon juice.

I saw a piece of paper in the fax, and 99.9% of the time it is insurance advertisement or wonderful trips for unbelievable prices. I was surprised to see this recipe. I'm not sure if someone faxed it to me, because it came with no note, but I took it as a sign that it needed to go in this week. For several reasons. It is listed as a gluten-free, vegetarian, or vegan side, salad, or dip option to serve at Super Bowl. The other reason is I didn't have any other recipe in mind.

I Googled it and found that there are quite a few variations, but the basics are the same.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 ea. (15 oz) cans Bush's chickpeas, rinsed and drained
- 2 ea. (15 oz) cans Bush's black beans, rinsed and drained
- ½ c. chopped onion
- 1 jalapeno, finely chopped (optional)
- ½ c. sun dried tomatoes (best if use the ones in oil in a jar)
- 1 pt grape tomatoes, cut in half
- 1/3 c. fresh dill, chopped
- 1/3 c. fresh basil, chopped
- 1/3 c. fresh Italian parsley (flat leaf) chopped
- ¼ c. lemon juice
- 1/3 c. extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 3 Tbsp apple cider vinegar
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Feta cheese (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

In a medium bowl, mix together the chick peas, black beans, onion, jalapeno pepper, sun dried tomatoes, tomatoes, and herbs. Whisk together the lemon juice, olive oil, garlic, vinegar, and salt and pepper. Drizzle the dressing over the salad mixture, lightly stir. Refrigerate salad for several hours or overnight to meld flavors. Add feta cheese, optional.

MY NOTES:

It sounds flavorful, doesn't it? Since I signed up to serve for coffee hour in a few weeks, I think I will make this and serve with chips. I will make the German Chocolate cake again, since it was a hit, and the almond roca, because I have almonds and Hershey bars left over, though I may have to hide them. ENJOY



NOW HERE'S A TIP

By JoAnn Derson

* If your dryer is taking a long time to run its cycle and the clothes STILL aren't dry, check your lint trap. Follow the hose all the way to the end, and be sure to check the grate that is in place where the hose exits an exterior wall. Lint can build up here, making it hard for heat and steam to escape. It's also a fire hazard.

* "In our house, we use nail polish to distinguish whose plastic leftover containers are whose. My roommate and I both bought the same set (a good deal!), and we painted a little X on the bottom and on the top of the lids in contrasting colors. So I only use the red dot ones, and she uses the dark blue." -- M.T. in Florida

* "I purchased a couple glass-cleaning cloths that were nice and big. I used my sewing machine to sew the edges together and make a little sack. It stores my reading glasses, and I can keep them clean and not scratched up." -- R.E. in Missouri

* "I wanted to use my staple gun to attach a cord along a board for a craft project. I taped a craft stick to the bottom so that the staple would not go in all the way, leaving an allowance for the cord. I just used extra-long staples. It worked great and turned out very secure, and I didn't have to worry about a staple slicing up an electrical cord!" -- F.D. in Texas

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Library Board of Trustee Position Open (2)

The Columbia County Rural Library Board of Trustees is accepting applications from anyone interested in completing the remainder of a five-year term as trustee. The term will end March 31, 2022. Applications must be received at the Dayton Memorial Library by February 16 2018. A Trustee information packet and application can be obtained at the Dayton Memorial Library, 111 S. 3rd Street or from the District's web site: www.ccrld.lib.wa.us

Library Board of Trustees Position Open (1)

The Columbia County Rural Library Board of Trustees is accepting applications for a five-year term as trustee beginning April 2018. Applications must be received at the Dayton Memorial Library by February 16, 2018. The incumbent trustee will be applying for this position. A Trustee information packet and application can be obtained at the Dayton Memorial Library, 111 S. 3rd Street or from the District's web site: www.ccrld.lib.wa.us

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT LEAD WORKER – SOLID WASTE COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

Columbia County Public Works is seeking a Lead Worker – Solid Waste. This position is responsible for the operation of the County's transfer station, recycling program and the household hazardous waste collection program. A Class A Commercial Driver's License is required for this position.

This is a bargaining unit position. Wage for this position is \$21.52 per hour increasing to \$22.08 per hour upon successful completion of the probationary period. Applicants may receive credit for time working for other cities or counties performing similar work. This credit may be used to place the applicant higher

up the wage scale, but will not be used for seniority within the bargaining unit.

This position receives a monthly stipend of \$800 to pay for medical, dental, vision and life insurance.

To Apply: Application packets may be obtained at www.columbiaco.com or from the Columbia County Public Works Department, P.O. Box 5, 415 N. Guernsey Ave., Dayton, WA 99328 or call (509) 382-2534. Applications must be received by 3:30 pm on February 16, 2018. Previous applicants must complete a new application package. Any existing applications on file will not be used for this hiring. This position will remain open until filled.

Columbia County is an equal opportunity employer.

THANK YOU FOR READING

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Photo Courtesy of Mike Gallinat

On Saturday, volunteers from the Tri-State Steelheaders, and staff from the WDFW used seven pickups to load 933 20-30 pound Chi nook Salmon carcasses from the Lyons Ferry Hatchery into the Tucannon River. The project is part of a Stream Nutrient Enrichment Plan, to enhance the numbers of Spring Chinook and Steelhead. Above: Tri-State Steelheaders volunteers place salmon carcasses into the Tucannon River.

A FISH TALE

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Tri-State Steelheaders and Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife staff have been playing “Mother Nature” in the Tucannon River.

WDFW fish biologist Michael Gallinat of Dayton said that in recent years too few salmon and steelhead have returned to the Tucannon River to spawn and die, providing the necessary nutrients to maintain a productive food web. So the WDFW has developed a protocol for stream nutrient enrichment.

Improving the food web is a bonus for aquatic bugs and, in turn, for fish, so the fish get a healthy start in life, before making their way to the ocean, Gallinat said.

Gallinat compared this to “fertilizing your garden” to achieve bigger and

better crops.

“The bigger the babies, the better they survive,” he said about the fish. “The smaller ones don’t survive as well.”

After receiving a clean bill of health, more than 700, 20-30 pound, Fall Chinook carcasses were delivered to the Tucannon River and placed just downstream from places where fish spawn naturally.

Gallinat said this program has been conducted throughout the state for decades, but sporadically in the Tucannon River.

With a protocol for Stream Nutrient Enrichment in place, the team can perform “Mother Nature’s” job every year until the numbers of Spring Chinook and steelhead increase.

Otters, eagles, and other wildlife stand to benefit, as well, Gallinat said.

‘CHICKEN BILL’S CAFÉ AND BBQ’ TO OPEN AT DAYTON GOLF COURSE

By Michele Smith
THE TIMES

DAYTON—Bill and Teresa Ayotte are to be the new restaurant concessionaires at the golf course, according to Mike Himmelberger, President of the Dayton Golf and Country Club Association.

Bill Ayotte said the restaurant is to be called “Chicken Bill’s Café and BBQ.” It will be a small

operation, he said.

“We’re still working out the details,” Ayotte said.

Teresa Ayotte currently works as the Food and Beverage Manager for Ski Bluewood. Bill Ayotte has experience working for Cisco as a food representative, he said.

The Ayottes live in Waitsburg and are looking forward to being part of the community in Dayton, he added.

The contract with the Dayton Golf and Coun-

try Club Association runs from March 15 through the end of October, which is the official end of the season, and there is an option to renew, Himmelberger said.

The Ayottes will also be responsible for the collection of green fees during the golf season..

“We’re hoping for a good year,” Himmelberger said.

“We’re pretty excited. They’re nice people,” he said about the Ayottes.

AWARD RECIPIENT



Courtesy Photo

Kari Dingman (center), received the Ann Faast award from the Inland Northwest Wildlife Council in Spokane. The award recognizes Dingman for her hard work as a WDFW employee. INWC volunteers work on projects in the Wooten Wildlife Area. For the last several years the group has worked on removing old interior barbed wire fences that are no longer needed and hinder wildlife. Dingman is an Assistant Wildlife Area Manager for the W.T. Wooten Wildlife Area.

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has been in some pop up shows in Walla Walla and hopes to get his work into more wine tasting rooms. He said Lane Hill is planning to do a show of his work at Ten Ton Press in Waitsburg.

“I’m a good photographer, but a terrible marketer,” Rodgers said, laughing.

His next endeavor is to begin offering landscape photography classes of what he calls “The Wallouse,” the 50-mile area surrounding Waitsburg. Rodgers said the Palouse is a hot spot for photography, but he believes the Waitsburg area offers superior photographic opportunities.

“I want to offer workshops focusing on the Waitsburg area. I think it’s got a lot more variety in landscapes. A lot of things for people who like rolling hills but we have so much more. I’m hoping that people will be interested in coming here since there is much more going on in Walla Walla than in Colfax, where people tend to stay now,” he said.

Rodgers said he also hopes to distinguish himself from other photographic workshops by focusing more on the artistic aspects of photography. Walla Walla artist Leslie Cain will help teach classroom-setting sessions, when groups aren’t out in the field.

“We’ll be talking about principles of composition and we’ll be looking at a lot of landscape paintings. Painters have been painting beautiful landscapes for a long time. There’s a lot to be learned from looking at them and learning some of the concepts they used,” he said.

Rodgers says he loves living in Waitsburg and practicing his art here.

“I go to town on Clodius Road. It’s amazing how different it looks based on the light, the season, the changing crops. I don’t know how many times I’ve driven that road but I always take my camera and I always get good stuff. And it’s not a duplicate of what I did last year at the same place. It’s really amazing,” he said.

Interested parties can follow Bill at Bill Rodgers Photography on Facebook and at www.billrogersphotography.com and learn more about upcoming workshops at www.waitsburgslp.com.

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