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Waitsburg Firehouse Archives

Members of the Waitsburg fire team competed for prizes in Pendleton, Oregon on June 1896. Standing: Parton, Dixon, Perkins, Davison, Witt, Aldrich, Roberts, Dixon. Seated: Alwood, Ora Carz Harsh, Arnold, Parniece, Roberts, Smith (minus one). Photo has June 4, 1896 date.

THIS
WEEK



Wine of the Week
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Pioneer Portraits
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Skillet Chicken with Black Beans & Rice
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CWWFD2 asks public for input on fire chief job description

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — The Columbia Walla Walla Fire District 2 volunteers and board are grateful for the voters' approval of the 2023 Levy Lid Lift. In allocating these resources, the department has prioritized hiring a full-time, paid Fire Chief.

The department understands the importance of the community having an opportunity to give input on leadership of CWWFD2.

Assistant Fire Chief Matt Spring formed a hiring committee of department and community members to begin the process. The committee reviewed Fire Chief Descriptions from other fire departments to tailor one that meets the district's unique needs. The acting volunteer Fire Chief, Colter Mohney, approved the document which was then given to all FD2 Volunteers for review.

Now, the department is making the draft available to the community for its feedback.

The draft job description is available for review at www.cwwfd2.com/hiring.

Why community input matters:

- **Community-Centric Approach:** The department serves all the residents and businesses in the district. The public's perspectives, concerns, and expectations are vital in shaping the qualities and qualifications the department seek in our Fire Chief.
- **Ensuring representation:** Involving the community in the job description review will help the future Fire Chief serve all community members effectively.
- **Transparency and accountability:** The department invites the public to participate in this process as part of its ongoing commitment to openness and inclusivity in all aspects of the district's operations.

How to get involved:

- **Review the job description:** Take the time to read the draft job description available at www.cwwfd2.com/hiring, and consider how it aligns with the needs and values of our community.
- **Provide feedback:** Residents' opinions matter. The department wants to hear suggestions, including additional qualifications, concerns about specific requirements, or ideas to improve the description. Feedback can be submitted by email or direct mail, as indicated at the end of the job description.
- **Spread the word:** Encourage friends, family, and neighbors to participate in the review process. The more voices heard, the better informed the decision-making will be.

On behalf of the department, volunteer firefighter Corben Ketelsen said, "Together, let's work towards selecting a fire chief who will meet the highest professional standards and reflect the priorities of our community. Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to keeping our neighborhoods safe."

Waitsburg Class of 2024



By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Its almost the end of the school year and Waitsburg is preparing to celebrate the school district's graduates. "The Times" will share the senior's stories, a few each issue, until Graduation Day on June 7, 2024.

Bailey Standing

Waitsburg Senior Bailey Standing enjoys art, photography, and traveling in her free time.

At Waitsburg High School, she is involved in the FFA program and plays on the Cardinals softball team. She is enrolled in the Running Start program at Walla Walla Community College, where she studies to be an FFA teacher.

Standing is active outside of school. In the winter, she works at Bluewood; in the summer, she works as a lifeguard at local pools. She supports community events and enjoys assisting at the Waitsburg Celebration Days breakfast and the Memorial Day ceremony at the Waitsburg City Cemetery.



Karen Huwe
Bailey Standing is studying to be an FFA teacher

Kairi Dahlby

Kairi Dahlby takes Current World Problems and Culinary class at WHS in the mornings. She studies Media and Entertainment at the SEATech Skills Center in Walla Walla. Dahlby enjoys the classes, which include film, photography, and animation. She was honored as a Student of the Month in her junior year at SEATech.

She plans to continue her education at Walla Walla Community College, earn a general art degree, and transfer to a college for art and film.

A favorite memory of Dahlby's is when her SEATech class produced a commercial for a locally owned and operated Walla Walla business.

Dahlby has been a Girl Scout since the eighth grade; she likes to play video games, read, or draw in her free time.



Karen Huwe
Kairi envisions a career in the film industry.



NEWS BRIEFS

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LETTERS

AT THE LIBERTY:

"Cabrini"

THE TIMES

DAYTON — "Cabrini" is the powerful epic of Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889 and is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children. Cabrini sets off on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini uses her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.

This movie, directed by Alejandro Monteverde (who also directed Sound of Freedom), has been well regarded; with a 91% favorable by Rotten Tomatoes critics and a 96% by audiences. That website's critic's summary, in part, is that "Cabrini is an uplifting biopic with a timeless message" while the audience summary is that this movie is "a powerful reminder of what can happen when people are willing to make sacrifices for the things they believe in." It is rated PG-13 for thematic material, some violence, language, and smoking. The IMDb rating is 7.9 out of 10 and that website's parent's guide notes that this movie has moderate levels of drugs, alcohol and smoking, plus some emotionally intense scenes. Runtime is 145 minutes.

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Saturdays 7:30 pm
Sundays 3:00 pm
Tuesdays 6:30 pm

APRIL 12-16

Rated PG-13

CABRINI

Movie Premier for "Color of Threads"

Lights, Camera, Action! A movie premier is coming to The Liberty Theater in Dayton. On Monday April 22 at 7pm, you will get a chance to see Dayton on the big screen. In the Summer of 2023, a short movie, Color of Threads, was filmed at the Depot in Dayton and other area locations, produced by Walla Walla University. The cast is made up of Hollywood professionals as well as local actors. There will be a photo opportunity, screening of the film and a Q&A session with filmmakers/cast. Don't wait to get your seat by going to www.wallawalla.edu/cmm.

THE LIBERTY THEATER - DAYTON
Premier showing - Come meet the Producers

PHOTOS: MOVIE SCREENING AND Q&A WITH CAST/PRODUCERS

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COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMUNITY POOL WORKSHOP APRIL 18

THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District will host a community work session on Thursday, April 18, 2024, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Dayton School Multipurpose Room. The work session will be led by board commissioners Ted Lowe and Katie Leid. Community members are invited to come and collaborate in developing a vision for a community swimming pool. The work session will build off the results from the Pool Party session hosted by the Friends of the Dayton Community Pool in 2022. The CCPRPD says this is the time for the community to voice their vision and wish list. The district appreciates the importance of collaborating with the community to develop an overall plan for the pool.

After the work session, the Friends of the Dayton Community Pool will meet to elect new officers. Anyone passionate about constructing a new community swimming pool and bringing back programs, including regional youth summer swim teams, swim and lifesaving lessons, junior and adult aquacise, should plan to stay for the meeting. The Friends of the Dayton Community Pool is a 501 c(3) non-profit that is eligible for many funding opportunities to assist the Pool District achieve the goal of a new swimming pool. Come and be part of the team.

Coming This Fall!
Calling all volunteers
and kids 1st - 5th grades

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FIRST AMENDMENT RETALIATION

Dear Editor

It appears that some CCC members and elected officials continue to display disregard for all community members' First Amendment rights. Port of Columbia Commissioner Seth Bryan is the administrator for the Dayton Uncensored Facebook page, which allows harassment, defamation, doxxing, and cyber-harassment of community members engaging in constitutionally protected activity.

The First Amendment right to criticize public officials, access the courts, and comment on issues of public interest are well-established and supported by case law.

An elected official's retaliation against a citizen for exercising their First Amendment rights is a blackletter constitutional violation. The violation includes anyone's behavior to deter "a person of ordinary firmness" from continuing to engage in protected speech or conduct.

Disagreement is part of the democratic process. However, intimidation, stalking, cyber-harassment, and defamation with the intent to silence opposing voices is not. When a private entity has acted jointly and intentionally with elected officials, it is proper to hold these entities accountable for the actions that they helped bring about, encouraged, and condoned.

I have endured two years of retaliation for my First Amendment-protected actions, violating my constitutional rights. It's very disheartening to witness this community held hostage by a handful of individuals who attack livelihoods and reputations with disregard for constitutional rights. Creating an atmosphere of fear and effectively censoring voices.

Theresa Eier
Dayton, Wash.

WAITSBURG, WA - TOWNHALL

SPRING SPRUNG CRAFT FAIR

SAT-4th May

9am-4pm

CLASSIFIEDS HELP WANTED

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church is looking for a pianist. 3 hrs/week (this includes choir practice and Worship service), \$21/hr. Call or email Heidi at 509-337-6589 or heidi@waitsburgpres.org



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OBITUARY

Robert Wayne Lybecker

September 28, 1962 – March 29, 2024

Robert Wayne Lybecker was born on September 28, 1962, in Spokane, WA, to Gus & Caroline Lybecker, and departed this world on March 29, 2024, in Tri-Cities, WA.

Robert enjoyed playing high school football and basketball. He also enjoyed playing pool which he was quite good at! After graduating from Waitsburg High School, he pursued his passion for mechanics, earning his AA degree in Diesel Technology at Walla Walla Community College. For many years, he demonstrated his expertise as a diesel mechanic, specializing in heavy equipment. He loved talking about engines.

In his personal life, Robert was united in marriage to Carolee Mackey on June 14, 1986, and they had two wonderful children, Lance Lybecker and Patrisha Lybecker.

Lance, with his wife Brittney, blessed Robert with three grandsons, Riley, Brian, and Conner. Patrisha and her husband Edwin Cervantes extended the Lybecker family further, with four grandchildren, Noelia, Ruby, Julian, and Edwin.

Later, Robert married Elsie Nelson in Kauai, Hawaii in February 1994. They had a beautiful daughter, Kaysha, and enjoyed the beauty of the island for 2 years together. Kaysha married Brenton Reinhart, and they have two children, Brody and Madisyn.

Robert found solace and joy in the simple pleasures of life, particularly in his passion for fishing,



Robert Wayne Lybecker
September 28, 1962 – March 29, 2024

a pastime that brought him peace and tranquility amidst nature's beauty.

Robert's greatest legacy lies in the love he shared with his family. He will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him, but his spirit will forever live on in the hearts of those he loved.

Robert is survived by his son, Lance Lybecker (Brittney) and daughters, Patrisha Lybecker (Edwin) and Kaysha Reinhart (Brenton) and grandchildren, Riley, Brian, Conner, Noelia, Ruby, Julian, Edwin, Brody and Madisyn. He is also survived by his siblings, Linda Lybecker-Anders (Dale), Laura Tarp (Steve), John Lybecker (Rosie) and Richard Lybecker (Gloria). He was preceded in death by his parents, Gus and Caroline Lybecker.

CARDINALS - FROM PAGE 1

Makenna Barron

Makenna Barron has attended Waitsburg Schools since pre-school. She has been busy with school activities, including volleyball, basketball, softball, and track. She has also participated in musical productions at the Liberty Theater in Dayton.

Barron is involved in 4-H, has showcased animals at local fairs, and served in officer positions and as a camp counselor. She is currently a 4-H Junior Leader.

Barron is the FFA President, showcased animals, participated in FFA contests, and is currently the 2023-2024 Washington FFA District VI secretary.

In her senior year, Barron is the National Honor Society President, the 2024 Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days Queen, and she attends Walla Walla Community College through the Running Start program.

Her favorite memories are attending FFA competitions, conventions, and conferences.

Barron plans to run for the 2024 Washington State FFA Officer Team in May. If she is elected, Barron will take a gap year to fulfill office duties. Otherwise, Barron will attend the University of Idaho in the fall to major in Agriculture Education.



Karen Huve
Makenna Barron plans to become an Ag teacher



Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

WAITSBURG

AMERICAN 35

Bingo
Thursday, April 11 @ 6:30-8 p.m.

Wednesday,
April 24 @
6:30 -8:30 p.m.



Friday, April 26 - Live music by
Rogue Lobster, 7-9 pm
Free, open to all ages



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Fr. Steve Werner

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337-6589
Pastor Stan Hughes

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Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
337-6235
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2024-25 School Year

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for the 2024-2025 school year are also welcome to attend!

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla

No.24-3-00040-36
Guadalupe Serrano Martinez
Petitioner,
Marco Antonio Gonzalez
Trujillo,
Respondent.

The State of Washington to the Respondent Marco Antonio Gonzalez Trujillo

You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this Petition for a Parenting Plan, after the DATE, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Guadalupe Serrano Martinez, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure, to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the parenting plan petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 60 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Guadalupe Serrano Martinez 213 S 1st Ave, Walla Walla, WA. 99362
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March 21, 28 April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024
3-21-d

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
PROBATE NOTICE OF CREDITORS
No. 24 4 00071 36
In Re the Estate of M. NADINE HANSES, 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 non-probate assets.

Personal Representative: WILLIAM PIPER
Date of First Publication: March 28, 2024
/s/: WILLIAM PIPER
Personal Representative of the Estate of M. NADINE HANSES Attorney for the Personal Representative and address for mailing and service: Steven C. Frol
Minnick-Hayner, P.S.
P.O. Box 1757
249 West Alder
Walla Walla, WA 99362
Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 2024
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No.: No. 24 4 00071 36
The Times
March 28, April 4, 11, 2024
3-28-e

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla
No. 24-3-00012-36
Adrianna D. Torres,
Respondent.
Jose Angel Perez,
Petitioner,
The State of Washington to the respondent Adrianna D. Torres :

You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the DATE, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Jose A. Perez, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure, to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response to Jose A. Perez at 1311 W Yakima Street, Pasco, WA. 99301.
The Times
March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4, 11 2024
3-7-g

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No. 24 4 00014 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: ANGELA SUE TORRES, Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative, or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of:

(1) Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or

(2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of First Publication: April 11, 2024
Personal Representative: LADETRA DEAL
Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl of Minnick-Hayner, P.S.
Address for Mailing or Service: Minnick-Hayner
P.O. Box 1757
Walla Walla, WA 99362
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 24 4 00014 36.
/s/Ladetra Deal
LADETRA DEAL
Personal Representative
DATES OF PUBLICATION: April 11, 2024
April 18, 2024
April 25, 2024
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April 11, 18, 25, 2024
4-11-e

In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

No.: 4:23-cv-5151
UNION INSURANCE COMPANY, Plaintiff,
vs.
POCKETINET COMMUNICATIONS, INC; and DAVID MADRIGAL, Defendants.

The State of Washington to the said David Madrigal: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 28th day of March, 2024 and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff Union Insurance Company, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff, Geoffrey Bedell of Soha & Lang P.S., at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The complaint seeks a determination by the Court that an insurance policy issued by plaintiff to Defendant does not provide coverage for a lawsuit filed against Defendants.

Geoffrey Bedell,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.
1325 Fourth Ave.
Ste 940, Seattle, 98101
King County
Washington.

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April 4, 11, 18, 25 May 9, 16, 2024
4-4-b

STATE OF WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SEASONAL CHANGE/ TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT UNDER TWO (2) GROUND WATER CERTIFICATES
TAKE NOTICE:

That Kirk Baumann of Walla Walla, WA, has made application for SEASONAL change/ transfer of water right in order to add a point of withdrawal and change a portion of the place of use as granted under Ground Water Certificate Nos. 2265-A and 4715-A. That Ground Water Certificate No. 2265-A authorizes the withdrawal of 350 gallons per minute, 160 acre-feet per year, for irrigation of 40 acres. That the authorized point of withdrawal is from a well located within the SW¼ of NW¼ of Section 28, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M. That the authorized place of use is within the SW¼ of NW¼ of Section 28, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M.

That Ground Water Certificate No. 4715-A authorizes the withdrawal of 480 gallons per minute, 480 acre-feet per year for the irrigation of 120 acres. That the authorized point of withdrawal is from a well located within the SW¼NW¼ of Section 28, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M. That the authorized place of use is within the S½NW¼, SW¼NE¼ of Section 28, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M., excepting therefrom the right of way for a county road. That he proposes to add a point of withdrawal to the SW¼SE¼ of Section 24, T., 7 N., R. 33 E.W.M. That he proposes to change a portion of the place of use to the S½SE¼SE¼ of Section 24, T. 7 N., R. 33 E.W.M. All within Walla Walla, Washington.

Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days from (Last date of publication to be entered above by publisher) STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM - ERO
PO BOX 47611
OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7611
NOTICE
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April 4, 11, 20234
4-4-c

SUPERIOR COURT, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

NOTICE OF VACANCY AND SUCCESSION
No. 24 4 00076 36
(RCW 11.42.140)

In re the Estate of: MARY ELLA JOHNSON, Deceased.
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Non-probate notice to creditors was previously filed by a Notice Agent in Walla Walla County Superior Court cause number 23-4-00238-36, and that notice was published according to law in the Waitsburg Times, beginning on November 2, 2023. The powers and authority of the Notice Agent ceased immediately, and the office of notice agent became vacant, upon the appointment of the Personal Representative. However, except as provided in RCW 11.42.140(2), the cessation of the powers and authority does not affect the filing and publication of the previous non-probate notice to creditors and does not affect actual notice to creditors given by the Notice Agent.

Date of Filing: 3-27-2024
Date of First Publication: 4-4-2024
Personal Representative: Robert Van Dorn
Attorney at Law and Trust Officer
Upper Columbia Corporation of SDA's
Address for Mailing or Service: 505 South College Avenue
College Place, WA 99324
Telephone: (509) 242-0481
Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court
315 W. Main
Walla Walla, WA 99362
Telephone: (509) 524-2780
Cause No. 24-4-00076-36
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4-4-a

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Waitsburg City Council will hold a Public Hearing Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter to collect public testimony and discuss a submitted Petition for Annexation.
Applicant: Timothy, Patresa and Nancy Mathews
Location of Property: 685 Buttercup St
Assessor's Parcel No's: 370914120018
Purpose: Annexation of roughly 43 acres of land located within the City's Urban Growth Area
Current Zone: Residential
All interested citizens are invited to attend the hearing and present evidence in favor or opposition of the Petition of Annexation. A copy of the petition can be obtained by contacting the City of Waitsburg, 147 Main Street, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361. City Council will take action related to approval or denial of the Annexation Petition.
Dated this 8th day of April, 2024
Waitsburg City Council
The Times
April 11, 2024
4-11-d

ORDINANCE 2024-1087

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAITSBURG, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 1 OF TITLE 9 OF THE WAITSBURG MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE IMPOSITION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY TAX
The full text of Ordinance 1087 is available for examination on the City's website www.cityof-waitsburg.com or at the City Clerk's Office, 106 Main St., Waitsburg, WA, during normal business hours.
Adopted the 27th Day of March 2024
Marty Dunn, Mayor
The Times
April 11, 2024
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Superior Court of Washington, Walla Walla County

Probate Notice to Creditors
No. 24-4-00064-36
(RCW 11.40.030)

In re the Estate of Earl William Richardson, Deceased.
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (30) days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this timeframe, 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 non-probate assets.
Date of First Publication: March 28, 2024
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315 W. Main
Walla Walla, WA 99362
The Times
March 28, April 4, 11, 2024
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BIRTHDAYS

April 4: Tanner Patton, Carly Mary Jean Pearson, Dan Hofer, Jack Murphy, and Tarah McCaw.

April 5: David Smith, Ray Jeremiah, Frank Williams, Frances Allion, Susan Syferd, Jessica Meier and Rob Fry.

April 6: Dane Kiefel.

April 7: Griffen Hinchliffe, J. W. Clayton, Carla Gritman, and Jo Polumsky.

April 8: Rita Green, Harlan Hulce, Lori Holmes, Carol Groom, Kris Griffin, Kassi Nix, and Alan Kysar.

April 9: Harold A. Oliver, Becky Huwe, Josh Stewart, Amanda Crawford, and Wesley Hilton.

April 10: Bob Wardrip, Larry Loundagin, Dwight Penner, Mike DeCoria, Jennifer Mathews, Kelly Cook, Paul Green, and Lauren DeRosier.

April 11: Ray Compton, Bill Huston, Mrs. Dale Rodgers, Lavonne Hamilton, and Jessica Robinson.

April 12: Carla Nordheim, Nathan Bartlow, George Pulliam, Doug Long, Kelly Lambert, Claree Newbury, Lynn Fenton, Andrew Chase Baker, Andrea Jacoy, Molly Baker, Betty Katsel, and Jennifer Cooper.

April 13: Kris Halley, Teresa Abel, Charie Flanigan, Teresa Allen, Justin Land and Jocelyn Leid Erikson.

April 14: Marnie Ng, Jason Kenney,



Robert Hernandez, KC Price, and Trac Katsel.

April 15: Eric Collingwood, Sharon Morris, and Carla White.

April 16: Lynne Jones Simpson, Dora Loveall, Sandy McCaw, Taryn Chromy, Christina Page, Naomi Kulp, Kelsey Alleman, and Butch Peck.

April 17: Daniel Baker, Melissa Huwe, Martin Huffman, Joseph Wood, and Drew Herion.

Touchet Valley Weather							April 10, 2024			
Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast										
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday				
Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Few Showers	Scattered T-storms	Few Showers	Few Showers	Mostly Cloudy				
High: 66 Low: 40	High: 71 Low: 46	High: 75 Low: 48	High: 77 Low: 49	High: 69 Low: 42	High: 61 Low: 37	High: 60 Low: 35				
Weather Trivia			Local Almanac Last Week							
When was the first weather satellite launched?			Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip			
ANSWER: On April 1, 1960			Tuesday	77	47	60/41	0.00"	Precipitation 0.16"		
			Wednesday	63	43	60/41	0.06"	Normal precipitation 0.52"		
			Thursday	43	39	60/41	0.09"	Departure from normal -0.36"		
			Friday	53	38	60/41	0.00"	Average temperature 49.4°		
			Saturday	55	41	60/41	0.01"	Average normal temperature 50.6°		
			Sunday	57	38	60/41	Trace	Departure from normal -1.2°		
			Monday	59	39	61/41	Trace	Data as reported from Walla Walla		
Weather History			Sun/Moon Chart This Week							
April 10, 1935 - Severe dust storms across Iowa and Kansas closed schools and highways. Dodge City, Kan. experienced its worst dust storm of record, with dense dust reported from the morning of April 9 until after sunset on April 11.			First		Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Last
			4/15		Wednesday	6:14 a.m.	7:34 p.m.	7:03 a.m.	10:44 p.m.	5/1
					Thursday	6:12 a.m.	7:35 p.m.	7:34 a.m.	Next Day	
					Friday	6:11 a.m.	7:37 p.m.	8:13 a.m.	12:04 a.m.	
					Saturday	6:09 a.m.	7:38 p.m.	9:03 a.m.	1:16 a.m.	
					Sunday	6:07 a.m.	7:39 p.m.	10:02 a.m.	2:14 a.m.	
					Monday	6:05 a.m.	7:41 p.m.	11:09 a.m.	3:00 a.m.	
					Tuesday	6:03 a.m.	7:42 p.m.	12:18 p.m.	3:34 a.m.	

Let the games begin

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES



Those words will soon be heard as the summer Olympics in Paris begin. Springtime is also the beginning of Major League Baseball with the famous words, "play ball!"

As lovely as Waitsburg is, it's not Paris or home to an MBL team. When I hear, "Let the games begin," it's to announce the start of Daniel's and my garden competition. As a friend once said, "You guys don't have a relationship; you have a competition." She hit that nail on the head!

While Daniel is at work, I have gotten a head start on planting, weeding, and cleaning the beds. However, he has done the dirty work, dragging bags of compost into the yard and spreading it throughout the planters.

I have planted radishes, albeit three times. The first was too soon, typical for my impatient nature, and they didn't make it through the cold and wet weather. The second time, they started to sprout, but I was overly ambitious about weeding. Moving the dirt to dig out mint and oops, I dug up the radish sprouts. The third planting is the charm, and I see sprouts!

I also planted lettuce too early, so it's on to batch two. To ensure I have some lettuce to harvest, I also planted some starts with the seeds. After all the lettuce

we had last spring, summer, and fall, I resented buying lettuce over the winter. The agricultural wizards need to develop lettuce that can last months in the refrigerator.

Dragging out last year's seed bucket from the garden shed, I witnessed the destruction of another mouse invasion. They ate bags of seeds. I hope they grow zucchini in their stomachs and explode.

No thanks to the mice, I've planted Walla Walla sweets, leeks, and some garlic. They were looking a little sad all by themselves, so for fun, I threw in random lettuce and radish seeds. I can't wait to see Daniel's reaction to the disorganization of that bed.

The birds have been busy this year, and I've added a few more feeders to the garden for our entertainment. Even Mugsy has resigned himself to the birds' intrusion in his "yard," allowing them to eat in peace instead of chasing them away. This does not apply to neighborhood cats or squirrels hanging out in the yard; those he attacks without success, other than chasing them all away.

The birds continue to drop their seeds, and I already see sunflowers starting. I hope we are inundated with them. Last year, we didn't have many, but there was one that had a head between twelve and fifteen inches wide and a trunk with about a six-inch diameter.

Right now, I am content with the tulips, baby hyacinths, and daffodils blooming in my yard and all around town. Spring is here, and I am excited to see what grows from my planting, what appears on its own, and where our seeds actually end up sprouting. The mysteries continue.

I was encouraged by the break in the early spring rain to break out the patio furniture, clean the pillows and cushions, vacuum outdoor carpets, and wash the decks.

Now, it's ready, set, go – let the games begin.

Living History: Charlie Potter, stagecoach driver on April 14

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — The Living History program at The Fort Walla Walla Museum will highlight stagecoach driver Charlie Potter. The man loved his horses; that's what the history books say about Charlie Potter, the famed stagecoach driver from Walla Walla. Visitors have seen the museum collection's iconic stagecoach and can now meet the driver.

Living History reenactor Ron Krause will bring Potter to life in the museum's Pioneer Village at 2 p.m. on April 14.

The stagecoach driver is a new character for the ensemble this year, and Walla Walla historian Susan Monahan gave the following account of Potter's life.

The 1880s were hard times for stagecoach drivers, according to Monahan. Railroads were taking over passenger and mail transportation. Due to the railroad's increased efficiency, stages went from essential to increasingly obsolete in just a few short years. Drivers, including Charlie Potter, devoted their lives to getting people and mail to their destinations and were significantly impacted.

Potter moved from London, England, in 1848 when he was 15. Four years later, at 19, he had his first job as a stagecoach driver with a company based in Alton, Illinois. Monahan said the time was right for providing transportation due to the gold rushes in the West, which lured him to driving coaches in California and Idaho. Along the way, Potter married Margaret McInroe, who immigrated from Ireland and served as a nurse during the American Civil War.

Potter was in a race with railroad expansion. Potters' older children were born in various frontier towns from Illinois to Missouri as he tried to keep one step ahead.

The Potters arrived in Walla Walla in 1871 and built a permanent home on Cherry Street. As railroads expanded, stagecoach lines in southern Idaho were being eliminated. However, the route between Pendleton and Walla Walla was still served by a stagecoach line owned by John Ladd. Potter drove a Concord-style stagecoach for that route, carrying passengers, mail, and errands for bankers, storekeepers, and merchants. The route took Potter through the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and his stage encountered no difficulties getting through, even during the Indian troubles.

Monahan described the weather as an ever-present challenge to a stage driver. Potter proved his bravery and resourcefulness in 1875 when he saved his horses, passengers, and cargo in an accident. On route to Pendleton, Potter traversed along the Tum a Lum River on a Thursday when the water was even

with the hubs of his stage. By Friday, the river had risen over four feet, his stagecoach overturned, and one horse drowned. Potter cut the other horses loose, the two passengers managed to exit the coach, and no mail or express cargo was lost.

After the Walla Walla to Pendleton route was eliminated, he continued driving a stage between Pendleton and Blue Mountain Station until it closed.

At the time, Athena, Oregon was called Centerville, and a journalist of the Centerville Examiner suggested that when the old stagecoach was "lain aside" and the loud crack of his whip "heard no more," that Charlie Potter might take the job of conductor on a train. Instead of changing jobs, Charlie retired.

Stagecoaches arrived and departed at the Stine House Hotel on the corner of 4th Ave. and Main St. The horses were stabled at the Kirkman Stable at the corner of Spokane St. and Sumach St. There is no mention of this stable in the Kirkman family records. However, the building is visible on the Sanborn Fire and Birdseye map renderings.

Harry Painter, a native of Walla Walla, was a schoolboy in the 1880s. As a student at the Baker School, he could observe the stage terminal and barns from a classroom window.

The stage's arrivals and departures from the Stine House were sure to bring a crowd. But that crowd numbered in the hundreds when Potter returned from his last trip to Pendleton. Painter's schoolboy memories inspired him to write a poignant account of Potter's last day as a stagecoach driver.

"Potter drove to the Stine House. His passengers exited, and he tossed the mail bags to the sidewalk and drove to Kirkman stage barn on Sumac Street. The hostlers hurried out to unhitch and unharness his horses. Without a word, he waved them to one side. One by one, he threw his arms about the horses' necks. He talked to them in a low tone, and no bystanders heard what he said. He did not notice the outstretched hands of those who tried to say goodbye. As he walked away, the horses followed him with their eyes. As days went by, the school children from across the street saw him sitting in a chair on his front porch, smoking his pipe and remembering. In about a month, his obituary appeared in the local papers. I don't know what the cause of his death was as written by the physicians on the death certificate, nor did I need to know, for the neighbors told me that he died of a broken heart."

Charlie Potter died at the age of 53, and the death certificate listed the cause as brain fever. Well-known through his work, Potter's death was announced in newspapers outside Walla Walla. His obituaries de-



Ft. Walla Walla Museum

Abbot Downing passenger wagon

scribed him as a man of exceptional skill as a driver and praised his personal qualities.

"The Oregonian," said in its obituary for Potter, "The most remarkable and pathetic passing away of any of these old stage coachmen, was that of Charley Potter, after 35 or more years of continual service---a driver of various lines in California Oregon, Idaho, and Washington, which meant a life of great endurance, peril and hardship."

The Walla Walla Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. through the end of October. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students, \$5 for children ages 6-12, and children age five and under are free. Museum members receive free admission all year. Memberships start at \$35 for seniors and students; a couple can buy a dual membership for \$55, and a whole household can join for \$65.

Membership entitles people to free admission, email announcements of special events, the quarterly newsletter, "The Dispatch," and a discount at the museum store. It also includes free admission to the Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute near Pendleton. Visit the museum's calendar at fwwm.org/all events. For more information, call (509) 525-7703 or visit fwwm.org. The Museum is in Fort Walla Walla Park at 755 NE Myra Road, Walla Walla, Wash.

April 6 - Free Admission

Welcome to Spring at the Museum!
OPEN HOUSE
April 6 one day only.
Free Admission
Saturday, April 6, 2024
10:00am - 5:00pm

Open House
Fort Walla Walla Museum
755 NE Myra Rd., Walla Walla, Wash.

Wine of the Week

Abacela 2021 Fiesta Tempranillo

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES

The Jones family who founded Abacela, a central Oregon winery that is coming up on its 30th anniversary next year, did years of careful research on climate and soil conditions all over the country with a specific goal in mind. They were determined to grow Tempranillo – the renowned Spanish grape – somewhere where it could best thrive. They found the land they sought outside of Roseburg and began planting Tempranillo and a number of other Mediterranean varieties. They've succeeded beyond all expectations, and make up to five different versions of their signature grape, including this most affordable young version named Fiesta. The new vintage brings fragrant berry and mocha scents that carry on into the palate, making this instantly delicious. The tannins are lightly grainy, bringing accents of coffee grounds, black tea and tobacco as it winds down through the finish.

2807 cases; 13.8%; \$27 (Umpqua Valley) 91/100
<https://tinyurl.com/bfub25wm>



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LIONS CLUB

RIB-FEED

14TH ANNUAL, SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024

Pork Baby Back Ribs, French Bread, Baked Beans, Mac Salad - Beer & Wine
Tickets Available - Waitsburg Grocery, Banner Bank in Waitsburg
Walla Walla Electric, Pearson Dental in Walla Walla
Northwest Grain Growers, Pioneer West in Dayton
or Online at EVENTBRITE.COM

Adults 21 & Over - Tickets \$35
Starting at 6:00 pm at the Fairgrounds in Waitsburg

FUN & GAMES

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



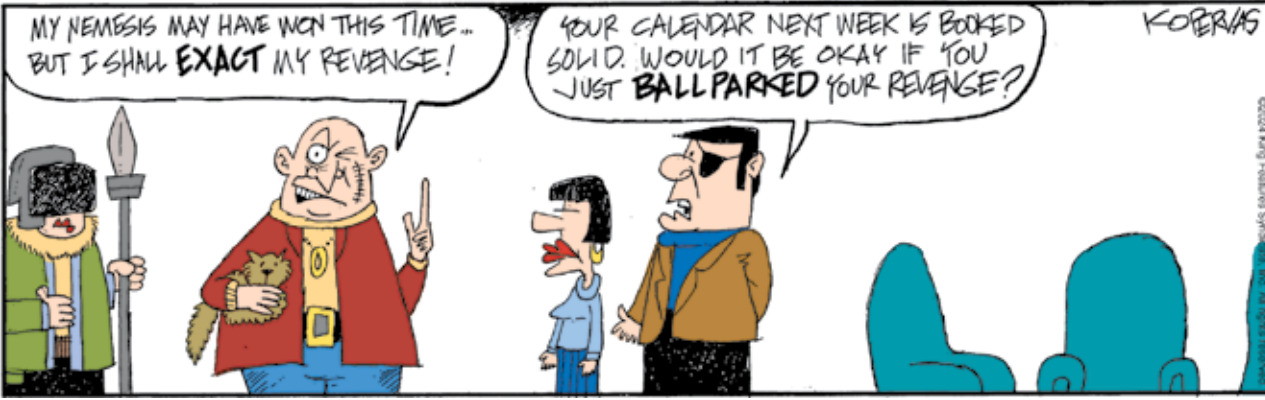
GRIN and BEAR IT



"Look what I bought with what I found buried in the back yard!"

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



PIONEER PORTRAITS

10 Years Ago
April 17, 2014

The Waitsburg Celebration Days Committee will be running a Duck Derby on May 17. Ducks will race down the Touchet River beginning at the Preston Avenue bridge and ending at the Main Street bridge. Ducks may be purchased for \$5 each and the owner of the fastest duck will take home \$500. Second place receives \$250, third takes \$100 and fourth place wins \$50. Duck owners do not need to be present to win. Winners will be announced at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 18 at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds.

25 Years Ago
April 15, 1999

Glenn Baker, Austin, MN was a Waitsburg and Walla Walla visitor this past weekend.

Weekend guest of Russ and Barb Knopp were here with their daughter and new grandson, Heidi and Brock Winegar, visiting from Cheney.

Spring vacation guests at the Tom Baker home were Charles and Patty Baker and two of their four children, Daniel and Emilie. Peggy Henry and son Anthony of Richard were also in town for a short visit.

Eugene Hansen, son of Norman and Margaret Hansen of Waitsburg, earned Academic Distinction honors for the 1998 fall semester at Whitman College. Hansen is a senior history major and graduated from Walla Walla High School in 1995.

50 Years Ago
April 18, 1974



[Photo Caption] Princess Adelle Ford and Queen of the 1974 Days of Real Sport were honored guests at Commercial Club Tuesday. They cut the cake for the celebration of the 61st running of the May races.

75 Years Ago
April 15, 1949

Candidates for race queen started their button sale Thursday. Candidates are Betty Williamson, Dolores Egli, Eileen Nutting, Deloris Brown and Joan Burres of Prescott.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. V. Zuger entertained at a Chinese dinner Friday evening after the Junior Prom in honor of their son Bill who will graduate next month.

100 Years Ago
April 18, 1924

Fire of undetermined origin totally destroyed the fine big barn on the Morris Woods ranch, situated 2 miles west of this city, at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Mutt Greer gave a little card party out at his home Saturday night, near Prescott. Besides neighbors there were several guests from Waitsburg. Everyone enjoyed themselves playing cards, eating and visiting.

Fred McConnell, a junior at Waitsburg High School, has accepted the position of elevator boy in the Denney Building in Walla Walla.

125 Years Ago
April 21, 1899

J.M. Chew a leading citizen of Waitsburg visited in Walla Walla. He stated that Waitsburg is one of the best towns in the country and does more business than any city of its size in the west. Mr. Chew reported that spring work is done and all wheat that was not killed out, looks strong and healthy.

Rufus Clapp, a wealthy Eureka Flat farmer, and Miss Gertrude Tuller, of Milton, were married there Sunday by Elder R.L. Kirland of the Christian Church.

Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

504 Main Street
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, April 16
Cabbage Roll Casserole
Roll, Fruit
Cookie
Vegetable



WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, April 11
Breakfast
French Toast & Sausage
Lunch
Mashed Potatoes & Meatballs

Friday, April 12
Breakfast
Scrambled Eggs & Toast
Lunch
Pepperoni Pizza

Monday, April 15
Breakfast

Breakfast Pizza
Lunch
Chicken Sandwiches & Fries

Tuesday, April 16
Breakfast
Blueberry Muffin Bread & String Cheese
Lunch
Uncrustables
Something crunchy

Wednesday, April 17
Breakfast
Biscuits & Gravy
Lunch
Chili & Fritos



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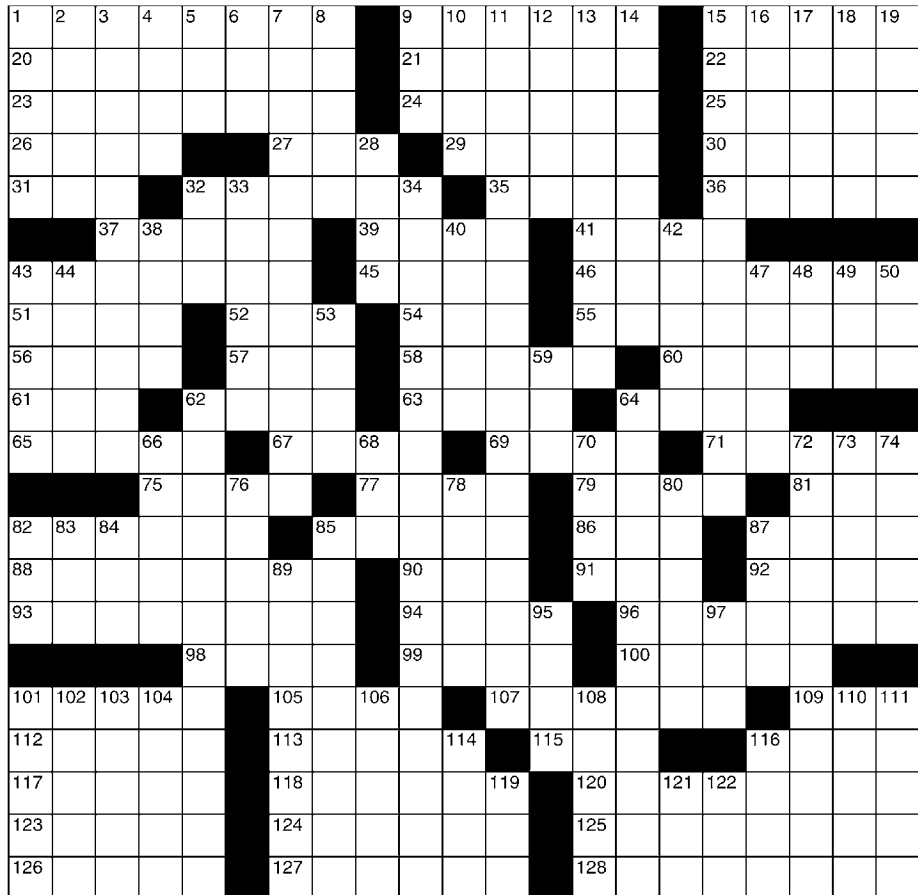
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PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

CROSSWORD DIVERSION

- ACROSS**
- 1 Extreme self-deniers
 - 9 Common proof of age
 - 15 Plotting band
 - 20 Cousins of croci
 - 21 Worker whose job is fitting
 - 22 Nice smell
 - 23 Stylized bow that's a token of affection
 - 24 Godly
 - 25 Fragment
 - 26 Unwrap
 - 27 Put on fancy duds, with "up"
 - 29 Many Punjabi believers
 - 30 Take forcibly
 - 31 Marry
 - 32 Cultural
 - 35 Many August babies
 - 36 Ford bomb
 - 37 Writer Elinor or Philip
 - 39 Praise highly
 - 41 Toad feature
 - 43 Toppings for nachos
 - 45 "The King —"
 - 46 Shakes up
 - 51 Entertainer Falana
 - 52 Nutrition std.
 - 54 "— Kapital"
 - 55 Tapering off
 - 56 Flying hooters
 - 57 They have depots: Abbr.
 - 58 Father of Beau Bridges
 - 60 Most bizarre
 - 61 Rugged truck, in brief
 - 62 Sandy islets
 - 63 Napoleon's isle of exile
 - 64 News anchor Huntley
 - 65 Hebrew holy scroll
 - 67 Plus others: Abbr.
 - 69 "Noah" actress Watson
 - 71 Chewed Andean stimulants
 - 75 Title for a fictional Southern rabbit
 - 77 Cowboys' city, informally
 - 79 Writer Dinesen
 - 81 Suffix with Seattle
 - 82 Behind bars
 - 85 Bruno — (shoe brand)
 - 86 Moo — pork
 - 87 Be boastful
 - 88 Hurting from hiking, say
 - 90 Color tone
 - 91 Gridiron stats
 - 92 Pale brown
 - 93 Legume-family plant
 - 94 Incline
 - 96 "Not so!"
 - 98 PC memory units
 - 99 19th-century Shakespeare editor
 - 100 Chevy muscle car
 - 101 Farfalle, e.g.
 - 105 A8 carmaker
 - 107 Paige of "Evita"
 - 109 Gene-splicing need
 - 112 Trellis plants
 - 113 Current style
 - 115 Finale
 - 116 Colorado ski mecca
 - 117 Vetoed
 - 118 Early online protocol
 - 120 Rip apart
 - 123 Justice Kagan
 - 124 Distinctive film director
 - 125 Ripped apart
 - 126 Impertinent
 - 127 Meager
 - 128 Jewel box holders ... or eight features of this puzzle?
 - 14 Equestrian training
 - 15 Bit of outdated hi-fi equipment
 - 16 Traveled in a curved path
 - 17 Tennis' Becker
 - 18 Astonish
 - 19 Suit coat flap
 - 28 — monster (large lizard)
 - 32 Lofty trains
 - 33 — del Fuego
 - 34 Romantic evening meal
 - 38 In-favor votes
 - 40 Longtime politico Mo
 - 42 Rival of Xerox or Canon
 - 43 Political pull
 - 44 DIYer's book
 - 47 Build upon
 - 48 Deadlock
 - 49 Mil. officer
 - 50 Mil. officer
 - 53 Mgr.'s aide
 - 59 Tasty tuber
 - 62 December 25
 - 64 Periodic payment to a stockholder
 - 66 Taper off
 - 68 Judges' org.
 - 70 Very fine rain
 - 72 Hora or hokeypokey
 - 73 Classic arcade name
 - 74 Smooth transition
 - 76 31-Across on the sly
 - 78 Viscous
 - 80 Novelist Jane
 - 82 Possibilities
 - 83 This moment
 - 84 Java
 - 85 Fulfill expectations
 - 87 Really tired
 - 89 Sailing races
 - 95 "Take it out" mark
 - 97 Beatified Fr. woman
 - 101 Really years
 - 102 Teresa of —
 - 103 "Boxcars" roll
 - 104 Cold temps
 - 106 River mouth
 - 108 Silly prank
 - 110 Constituent of gunpowder
 - 111 At — for words
 - 114 — ex machina
 - 116 Observe
 - 119 Ill, to Italians
 - 121 Inclined
 - 122 '16 Olympics host

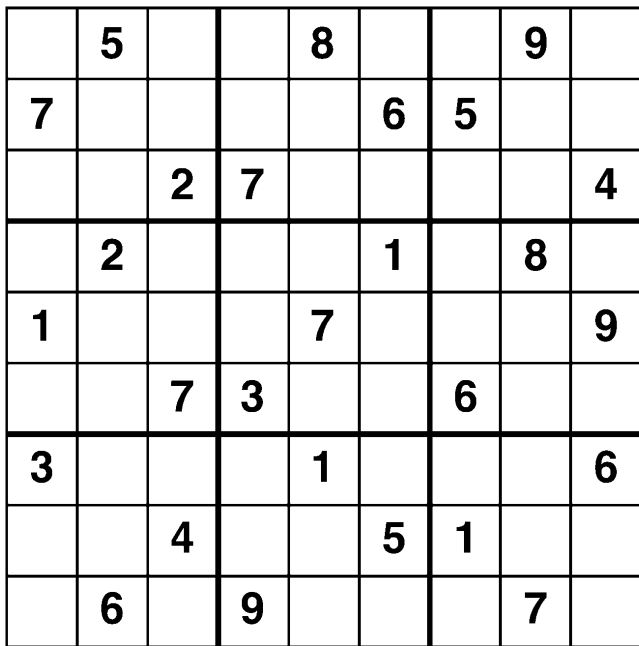


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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

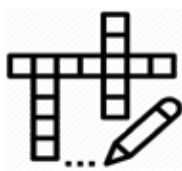


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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

Skillet Chicken with Black Beans & Rice



And just like that, the busy season is upon us. After a full day of spring cleaning the house and freshening up the garden beds, the thought of cooking dinner can feel extra daunting. This is when a satisfying one-pot recipe can really come in handy. Big flavor with fewer dishes. Here chicken thighs are roasted crisp over a bed of cumin spiced black beans and rice. Served with some fresh avocado and lime, this comforting meal has become a new weeknight favorite.

Ingredients:

- 6 to 8 bone-in, skin-on chicken thighs (about 3 pounds)
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large white onion, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, halved and sliced
- 2 cups chicken stock
- 1 jalapeño peppers, seeded and chopped
- 1 cinnamon stick
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- ½ teaspoon ground cayenne
- 1 (15-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed
- 5 ounces cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 cup basmati rice, rinsed in mesh strainer
- ¼ cup chopped fresh cilantro

Options for garnish:

- Fresh lime wedges
- Sliced avocado
- Sour cream
- Radishes
- Pickled red onion

Directions:

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. Season both sides of the chicken thighs with salt and black pepper. Heat the oil in a 12-inch heavy, ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Working in batches, brown the chicken until deeply golden all over, 3 to 5 minutes per side. Transfer to a plate and set aside. Add the onion and bell pepper to the pan and sauté until starting to soften, about 5 minutes. Season with a pinch of salt and pepper.

In a small saucepan, bring the chicken stock to a boil. Meanwhile, add the jalapeños, cinnamon, garlic, cumin, and cayenne to the onion mixture. Continue to cook for another 2 minutes then add the beans and tomatoes. Generously season with salt and pepper. Sprinkle the rice over the top in a single layer. Don't stir, leave the bean and onions on the bottom. Gently pour the boiling stock into the skillet to just cover the rice and vegetables. You might need to use a little more or less depending on pan size. Arrange the chicken, skin side up, over the top along with any accumulated juices on the plate.

Carefully, set skillet on middle rack of oven and bake, uncovered, for 35 to 40 minutes. The chicken will be perfectly crispy and golden, while the rice should be cooked tender. Sprinkle cilantro over the top and allow the dish to rest for a few minutes. Serve chicken in bowls on top of the rice and beans. Garnish with your favorite toppings, such as sour cream, fresh lime, and sliced avocado.

Notes:

The 12-inch size of the skillet is a very important factor to the success of this dish. Too much smaller or bigger and you could risk under or over cooking the rice. I used a cast iron skillet. To catch any possible overflow, I placed a sheet pan lined in foil on the rack below the skillet.

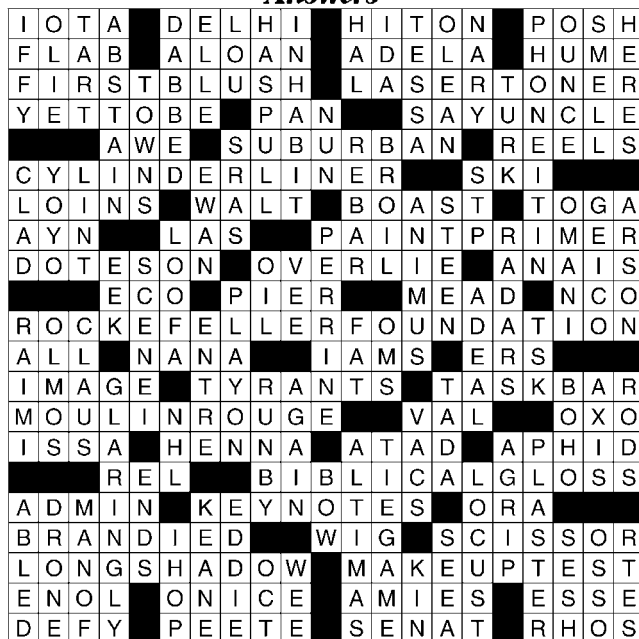
This recipe has a delightfully balanced chili flavor. However, you can adjust the heat to your taste by reducing or increasing the cayenne. If jalapeños are too spicy, try using a milder chili like a poblano or Anaheim. If you want more heat, try increasing the chilis or adding some chopped serrano peppers.

Enjoy.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

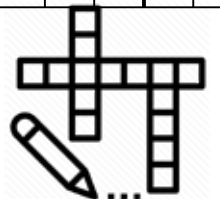
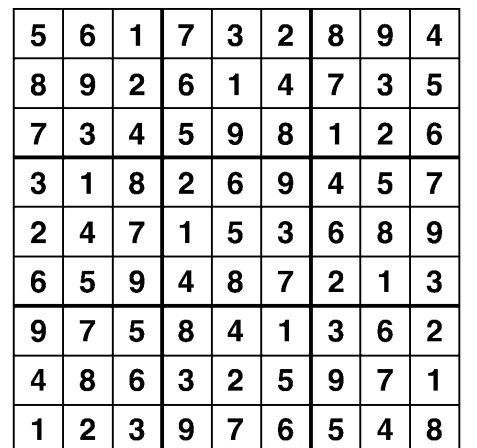
Super Crossword

Answers



Weekly SUDOKU

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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS



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

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 is available by emailing waits-
burgcc@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 Tuesday 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
New Meeting Time - Second Tuesday of the month @ 7 p.m.
Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

Waitsburg Commercial Club
Last Thursdays of the month @ Ten Ton Coffee @noon. Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank
106 ½ Preston Ave
Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.



DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

Board of Columbia County Commissioners
Regular meetings - First and third Monday of the 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 the 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 the month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners
Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District
Regular Board Meetings are held the last Thursday of each month, 5 p.m. at the Columbia County Fire District Conference Room.

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting
Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon
Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delany Library with online Zoom available.



PRESCOTT MEETINGS
Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD) Monthly meetings for 2024 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6pm



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

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