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A stunning float made its way down Main Street for Waitsburg's Hometown Christmas Parade. Charles Stranger created this 1,200 pound, 45 foot, human powered float to celebrate the joys of biking. The tall float used lights to form a giant bicycle. As it made its way down Main Street, it was circled by enthusiastic riders on lighted two wheelers.

THIS WEEK



Local youth programs in Valley Gift Guide

Just a few of the deserving youth programs that you can donate to through the 2022 Valley Gift Guide.

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The Valley Gift Guide, online and in print, gives donors an easy way to support the many nonprofit organizations that support health, education, daycare, food security, animal welfare, and arts and sciences. The program not only brings awareness to organizations that work in our community but includes a match from a pooled bonus fund. The Valley Giving Guide 2022 Match is not a dollar-for-dollar match; it will be a percentage match, such as a 15% match. That means that if you donate \$100, the nonprofit you donate to would receive \$115.



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Don't miss this opportunity to donate with a match and help your favorite program win prizes though December 31, 2022. Here are three youth orgnaizations The Times would like you to consider supporting this year.

THE CARDINAL'S NEST

WAITSBURG—This is the first year that Waitsburg's afterschool program, The Cardinals Nest is participating in the Valley Giving Guide. The Cardinal's Nest is an afterschool arts and science projects program for students in first through eighth grades in the Waitsburg School District. There are almost 60 students signed up this year.

The program is organized as a 501(c)3 nonprofit with a staff of three paid through the program. Cardinal's Nest Coordinator, Kathy Somers-Schirm runs the program with the help of her assistants Carol White and Senior Beth McGowen. The school district provides the room and utilities, and the Cardinal's Nest

nonprofit covers salaries, materials, and other costs. This year, for the first time, the community can donate to The Cardinals Nest through the Gift Guide. Please visit www.valleygivingguide.org for all the details about the guide, and go directly to the Cardinal's Nest donation page at https:// tinyurl.com/3fzcd2es_or use the QR code to the right.

THE CLUB

DAYTON—"It's all about our kids!!!" is the first thing you see when going to the Valley Giving Guide page for Dayton's afterschool program, The Club. The free and well-attended program serves K-5 students after school and during spring and summer

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breaks.

It is not just the young attendees who benefit from this program. Opportunities for local high school students to work as staff give valuable work experience and mentorship. For more information and to

donate to The Club, go to https://tinyurl. <u>com/yv25s6yx</u> or use the QR code for The Club on the left.

The Club QR Code

RURAL YOUTH ENRICHMENT SERVICES (RYES)



WAITSBURG—RYSE promotes and supports a wide variety of enriching activities for youth in the Touchet Valley. Projects include the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project (TVAMP),

One of the many fun and messy projects at the Cardinal's Nest.

where project leader Kate Hockersmith provides music lessons, jams, instruments, and showcases for kids and adults. She has plans to develop a music library and rehearsal and teaching studio for the program.

RYSE is committed to developing life-long interests and leadership skills, creating a cycle of mentoring and community service. Projects may include the sciences, the arts, technology, entrepreneurial business skills, agriculture, and recreational activities.

Along with TVAMP projects include the Waitsburg Urban Forestry, which provides trees for children to plant on Arbor Day.

To donate to RYSE, go to https://tinyurl. com/2a8554rt or use the RYSE QR code to the right.





Club offers a vaiety of fun and creative projects for the students.



Kate Hockersmith Kate Hockersmith and TVAMP musicians, including Lily Carpenter, brought music to Hometown Christmas.



The Nest QR Code

NEWS BRIEFS

AT THE LIBERTY:

Ticket to Paradise

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Weekly movies return to the Liberty Theater on December 9 with "Ticket to Paradise." Academy Award winners George Clooney and Julia Roberts reunite on the big screen as exes who find themselves on a shared mission to stop their lovestruck daughter from making the same mistake they once made. Ticket To Paradise is a romantic comedy about the sweet surprise of second chances.

Rotten Tomatoes critics give this movie a 57% approval rating, but the audience rates this at 87%. The audience summary is "A-list stars, beautiful scenery, and a lighthearted romcom story - what else could you want from Ticket to Paradise?" This movie is rated PG-13 (some strong language and brief suggestive material) and it has a runtime of 104 minutes.



Note from the Publisher

The Liberty Theater is listed in the 2022 Valley Giving Guide at https://tinyurl.com/3utr2kma

The theater which is operated under the nonprofit Touchet Valley Arts Council (TVAC). The Valley Giving Guide is part of TVACs once-a-year fund drive, the Annual Appeal.

Here is a link to The Liberty's photo album, with photos from almost all their shows: https://libertytheater.jalbum.net/

The Liberty Theater QR Code

Use the QR Code on the right to access the Giving Guide page for The Liberty Theater. This is the time to show your appreciation to this Dayton jewel.



NEWS BRIEFS

BOARD MEMBERS OFFER TRAINING FOR EMPLOYEES OF **THE CLUB**

THE TIMES

DAYTON - Plus Delta After School Studios (The Club) board of director members, Shellie McLeod and Brad McMasters recently offered The Club employees a training on Goal Setting. Training took place at the Port of Columbia conference room. According to McMasters, "We held the training at the Port because we wanted the employees to understand what a Port District is and why they are important for economic development and workforce development." Currently, the Port offers annual funding to The Club for workforce training.

Because after-school attendance at the Club has increased to 45+ students per day, there has been an increase in staffing. Many of the employees are in high school or recently out of high school. Executive Director, Jim Pearson and the Club's board want to help the employees develop stronger skills to aid them in their current and future employment. McMasters, a licensed Washington State educator, wrote the lesson plan. Objectives included teaching the following concepts: 1. Goal setting requires planning, effort, and action, 2. self-reflection and self-awareness is important in goal setting, and 3. self-evaluation and evaluating past goals is essential for setting future goals. Several interactive activities helped to develop their understanding of those concepts.

To learn more about The Club, you can visit their website at www.theclubdayton.org.

Remember to make a donation through the Valley Giving Guide for The Club. Support local youth programs.



BMAC HIRES GARBE RESER AS INTERIM CEO

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The board of directors for Blue Mountain Action Council (BMAC) is pleased to announce the hire of Danielle Garbe Reser as Interim CEO, effective Monday, December 5, 2022.

"We are delighted to have Danielle joining our team to bring steady leadership through this time of transition for BMAC. As the former CEO of Sherwood Trust, Danielle has been a long-time partner of BMAC and shares our deep commitment to our mission of alleviating poverty," said board chair Amie Peterson. "On behalf of the board, I also want to thank Rick Claridge for serving as acting CEO and for his continued leadership at BMAC in the critical role of CFO. We appreciate all of the BMAC staff members and are grateful for their hard work to serve our region."

Garbe Reser will serve as interim for at least four months to allow the board time to conduct a full search for a permanent CEO. Garbe Reser stated, "I am honored by the trust and confidence placed in me by the BMAC board and look forward to supporting the staff and board through this leadership transition. I've enjoyed partnering with BMAC in the past and appreciate the critical role BMAC plays in our region. Our team will continue to work with area partners to ensure BMAC's programs continue to support our neighbors, provide opportunities, and transform people's lives."

Originally from Moses Lake, Washington, Garbe Reser is a Whitman College graduate who returned to Walla Walla in 2015 to serve as CEO of Sherwood Trust. During her tenure from 2015-2020, Garbe Reser oversaw the private foundation's annual grantmaking across Walla Walla, Columbia, and Umatilla Counties, including grants for BMAC's Commitment to Community program and capital projects with The Hub and the new BMAC office. From 2001-2015, she served as a Foreign Service Officer with the U.S. Department of State with diplomatic assignments at the U.S. Embassies in Jakarta and Beirut and postings at the State Department, U.S. Senate, U.S. Department of Energy, and National Security Council at the White House. She has a master's in public administration from Columbia University. From 2021-2022 Danielle chaired Whitman College's presidential search committee and continues to serve as a Whitman College trustee and as a board member for Rural Development Initiatives, a nonprofit supporting rural economic development in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. She and her husband, Todd Reser, make their home on the family's farm in Walla Walla County.

BMAC is a nonprofit community action partnership serving Walla Walla, Columbia, and Garfield counties since 1967. BMAC announced the departure of former CEO Cate Daniels on November 23, 2022.

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Help Wanted - ECEAP Paraprofessional

Position open in the Dayton School District for a full-time (7 hr/day) ECEAP Paraprofessional starting January, 2022. To apply, submit a classified application, letter of interest & resume. Applications can be found on the employment page of the District website at https://www.daytonsd. org/page/employment or the District

office at 609 S. 2nd Street. For more information contact the District office at 382-2543. Closing date December 20, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. EOE



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WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Lunches

THURSDAY, DEC. 8 Breakfast

Pancakes & Sausage <u>Lunch</u>

Teriyaki Chicken Bowls Snap Peas Oranges

FRIDAY, DEC. 9 **Breakfast Breakfast Sandwich** Lunch Chicken Bacon Ranch Wrap Chips Cucumbers Fruit Salad

MONDAY, DEC 12 <u>Breakfast</u> French Toast

Lloyd′s

Lunch Meatballs

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn Peaches

TUESDAY, DEC. 13

<u>Breakfast</u> **Biscuits & Gravy** Lunch **Chicken Nuggets** Jo-Jos Green Beans Applesauce

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

Breakfast Donuts & Eggs **Lunch** Chili & Cornbread Cucumbers Pears

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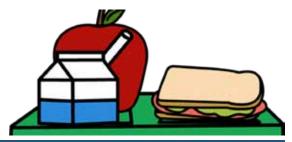
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Tuesday, December 13

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Walla Walla (509) 525-4110



NEWS

LETTERS

A THANK YOU TO TOWN FROM SANTA

Dear Editor and readers of The Times,

I am taking the time to send a follow-up letter to the Editor of the Waitsburg Times after a fabulous weekend spent in the Waitsburg area visiting with children of all ages.

Not only did I visit with children in Waitsburg at Ten Ton Coffee but had the opportunity to visit the Walla Walla Senior Center and the Kirkman House Museum.

The Senior Center hosted a bazaar to welcome the holiday season. I was invited to visit the vendors, staff, bazaar patrons, and their children. I had a surprise visit from the kitchen staff, who wanted to ensure I received their lists before I left. The Senior Center offers an Adult Day Center daily for adults of all ages.

I was also asked to drop by the Kirkman House Museum and share with staff and children of visitors there as well. The Kirkman House is steeped in local history, including that of Bruce Wayne and Batman. I thoroughly enjoyed my visit there.

I must share that where ever I visit, I always spend time at a local house of worship.

When arriving at Ten Ton Coffee on Sunday, I was surprised by a beautifully decorated and warm Christmas setting by the window looking out onto Main Street. There was a steady line of children from Waitsburg and the surrounding community. There were candy canes for all, and the Ten Ton elves kept Santa supplied with hot cocoa.

The children were well-behaved, and there was a steady hum of oohs, aahs, and laughter ringing from the rafters. Children shared their wishes with me, asking for dolls, cars, trucks, video games, flying toys, and toy cars and trains to ride. There were also requests for dollhouses, dinosaurs, a ride in a toy tank, airplanes, and sleds.

At one point, I received a first-ever request, from a young man of about eight in a three-piece blue suit and tie for a "top hat." Wow, I never saw that one coming, so I whipped out my Santa Phone and called the North Pole to give my elves a headstart on the hat.

As the day continued, we could see out of the window as the snow started to fall, with the Waitsburg Town Clock and the old City Hall behind it. As the clock rolled around toward the five o'clock mark, the Hometown Christmas parade was organizing on Main Street. At five o'clock, the siren on top of the library sounded to signal the start of the parade. There were horses, marchers, firetrucks, and the Blue Mountain Shrine club calliope leading the way. It was a sight to see lighted bicyclists and a beautiful, larger-than-life "Bicycle" float.

As for me, I was riding in the open back of a vintage Ford Bronco, fully decorated and decked out with presents in the truck's bed. We came down Main Street to the cheers, applause, whistles, and shouts of Merry Christmas. There was Christmas music coming from the calliope and singing from

WALLA WALLA COUNTY REPORTS SPIKE IN RESPIRATORY ILLNESS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Respiratory illness has dramatically increased throughout the U.S. and Washington State, causing strain on healthcare providers, clinics, and hospitals. Influenza, RSV, and COVID infections have led to increased hospitalizations and ICU admissions, with children and the elderly most affected. Over the past several weeks, Walla Walla County has seen a similar escalation in respiratory cases.

The current influenza wave is occurring weeks earlier and with a more rapid rate of rise than usual. Throughout the state, E.R. visits for influenza-like illness are 10-15% higher than this time last year. Concurrently, there are influenza-like outbreaks in Long Term care institutions and other congregate settings.

In Washington State, influenza has claimed the lives of 11 adults and two children so far this season. In November, weekly influenza cases in Walla Walla County increased from 5 to 485. In the first three days of December, the County had 98 cases.

According to Elizabeth Bowen, RN, Infection Preventionist at Providence St. Mary Medical Center, "10-20 people in the hospital in Walla Walla with a respiratory disease on any given day, with influenza being the leading cause."

RSV cases in the Pacific Northwest are double what they were a year ago and are causing hospitalizations not only in infants but also in the elderly and immunocompromised. According to Providence, there have been 133 documented cases of RSV since November 1 and a 20% increase in RSV cases over the past three weeks.

COVID continues to have substantial to high community transmission levels in Washington State with increasing case rates and hospitalizations. Most new COVID cases in our county are in those over age 65, increasing the chances of more hospitalizations.

The cumulative effect of these respiratory illnesses, occurring on the heels of a long COVID pandemic, puts immense pressure on county healthcare providers, urgent care, walk-in clinics, emergency rooms, and hospitals. To conserve emergency services, Providence St. Mary is asking people to go to the Emergency Department only if they are experiencing the following:

- Serious injury
- Chest pain or stroke symptoms,
- Feeling extremely ill,
- Having trouble breathing,
- Dizziness
- High temperature.

People with minor illnesses or injuries should seek treatment from their primary care providers and walk-in treatment centers, including Providence Express Care, Providence Urgent Care, and the Walla Walla Clinic Walk-in Clinic.

Other steps you can take include:

- 1. Get vaccinated for influenza.
- 2. Get vaccinated or boosted for COVID-19.
- 3. Cover your cough.
- 4. Wash your hands frequently.
- 5. Consider masking around vulnerable individuals.

Influenza and COVID vaccines are available at local pharmacies and your healthcare provider's office. In addition, there will be a vaccine clinic at Providence Southgate on December 8, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., targeted for back-to-school vaccines for children. Influenza and Covid-19 vaccines will also be available for children and adults.

"We each have the power to slow the spread of respiratory illness in our community and to protect ourselves and others through proper respiratory etiquette and getting the COVID and Influenza vaccines." Dr. Daniel Kaminsky, Public Health Officer.



A friendly reminder from Dayton City Hall! It is time to renew your dog's license. All dogs living within City Limits must have a current rabies vaccination and be licensed annually to a person of at least 18 years of age, pursuant to Dayton Municipal Code 6-8.24. Licenses are renewable annually through January 31st. Licenses purchased after January 31st will be assessed a late fee. To obtain more information, or to license your dog, please visit Dayton City Hall 111 S. 1st St., Dayton, WA 99328 or call 509-382-2361



NEWS BRIEFS

the crowds on the streets, along with a fire pit, hot chocolate, and hot apple cider for the onlookers at one of the local churches.

Merry Christmas, Waitsburg, and thank you for all the warmth, for one and all, as the snow continues to fall.

"The Season" has been kicked off in fine fashion!

Santa Claus North Pole







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LEGALS & NEWS

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FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY NO. 22-4-00206-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030) Estate of DANIEL LEE GIVENS, JR., Deceased.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE The above Court has appointed Linda Sue Givens as Personal Representative of Decedent's estate. Any person having a claim against Decedent must present the claim: (a) Before the time when the claim would be barred by any applicable statute of limitations, and (b) In the manner provided in RCW 11.40.070: (i) By filing with the Court the original of the signed Creditor's Claim, and (ii) By serving upon or mailing by first class mail to me at the address provided below a copy of the signed Creditor's Claim. The Claim must be presented by the later to occur of: (a) Thirty (30) days after I served or mailed this Notice to you as provided in RCW 11.40.020(1) (c), or (b) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of this Notice. If the Claim is not presented within the foregoing time period, the claim will be forever barred except as provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective for claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Date of First Publication of this Notice: December 1, 2022 BENJAMIN LAW GROUP, PLLC By /s/ Andrew L. Benjamin ANDREW L. BENJAMIN WSBA No. 15223 Attorney for the Estate Address for Mailing of Service:

Estate of Daniel Lee Givens, Jr. c/o Benjamin Law Group, PLLC 4616 25th Avenue N.E., #311 Seattle, WA 98105 The Times December 1, 8, 15, 2022 12-1-a

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE

STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA NO. 22-4-00025-7 NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In the Matter of the Estate of: GLENDA KAYE BARRON,

Deceased.

The personal representative

CITY OF DAYTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEAR-

INGS 2023 CITY OF DAYTON FINAL BUDGET NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a final public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 13th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., or soon thereafter, at a Regular meeting of the City Council of

meeting of the City Council of the City of Dayton to review and receive public input on the City of Dayton 2023 Final Budget.

Said public hearing shall be held via ZOOM ® and the ZOOM meeting information will be available online at http:// www.daytonwa.com not later than 3:00 p.m., December 8th, 2022.

Written testimony/comments shall be read into the record at the public hearing and can be submitted to the City of Dayton no later than 3:00 p.m. on Monday, December 12th, 2022. All testimony/ comments shall be submitted to/at City of Dayton, 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA 99328 or by email to info@daytonwa. com.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT **OF WASHINGTON** IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 22 4 00237 36 PROBATE NOTICE OF CREDITORS In Re the Estate of EDWIN EARL OXLEY, Deceased. The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney stated below a copy of the claim and filing of the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings commenced The cla must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(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 Date of First Publication: December 1, 2022 /s/ JENNIFER LYNN GARZA. Administrator of the Estate of EDWIN EARL OXLEY, Attorney for the Administrator 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: The Times December 1, 8, 15, 2022 12-1-d

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OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 22 4 00233 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of RUSTY BUTLER, Deceased The Administrators named below have been appointed as co-Administrators of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator, or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the

Superior Court of Washington, Walla Walla

County No. 22-4-00253-36 Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030) In re the Estate of Amy Melissa Armstrong, 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: December 8, 2022 Leif Dillow, Personal Representative Attorney for the Personal Representative: Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC, WSBA #15451 P.O. Box 1233 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1529 Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court 315 W. Main Walla Walla, WA 99362 The Times December 8, 15, 22, 2022 12-8-b

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO. 22-4-00238-36 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of:

RCW 11.40.030 LARS DAVID DYBALL,

Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of Filing Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court: December 2, 2022 Date of First Publication: December 8, 2022 Administrator: Kellie Fuquay Attorney for the Personal Representative: Julie E. Karl, WSBA #45950 Address for Mailing or Service: KARL LAW OFFICE, PLLC PO Box 66 Waitsburg, WA 99361 The Times December 8, 15, 22, 2022 12-8-e

ORDINANCE SUMMARY BY TITLE ONLY FOR

PUBLICATION PURPOSES **ORDINANCE NO. 1995** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHING-TON, PROVIDING FOR THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON, LOCATED WITHIN THE NORTH-WEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE 39 EAST, W.M. AND PROVIDING FOR SIMULTANEOUS ADOPTION OF A ZONING CLASSIFICA-TION (JASPER PINES). The full text of Ordinance 1995 adopted the _22nd_ day of _November__, 2022 is available for examination at the City Clerk-Treasurer's Office, 111 S. 1st St., Dayton, WA during normal business hours, Monday - Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Full text of the Ordinance shall be mailed upon request. By: /s/ Zac Weatherford, Mayor Attest: /s/ Debra Hays, City Clerk Approved as to form: /s/ Quinn Plant, City Attorney Published: The Times, 12/8/2022 The Times December 8, 2022 12-8-d

NOTICE OF FINAL BUDGET HEARING

The Council of the City of Waitsburg is working on a budget for fiscal year 2023 starting January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023. The Council will hold a final hearing on this matter at the regularly scheduled Council meeting on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., or soon thereafter and all interest citizens are invited to attend the hearing, at which time the meeting will be open for public discussion on the proposed 2023 budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available at Waitsburg City Hall, 106 Main Street, Waitsburg, WA or on the City's website www.cityofwaitsburg. com on Friday December 16, 2022 Dated this 5th day of December, 2022 City of Waitsburg By: Randy Hinchliffe, City Administrator The Times December 8, 2022

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Date of Filing Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court: November 29, 2022 Date of First Publication: December 1, 2022 Administrator: Angela Hoover Attorney for the Personal Representative: Julie E. Karl, WSBA #45950 Address for Mailing or Service:

KARL LAW OFFICE, PLLC PO Box 66 Waitsburg, WA 99361 The Times December 1, 8, 15, 2022 12-1-b SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA NO. 22-4-00024-7 NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In the Matter of the Estate of: RICHARD CARL HEIEREN, 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 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 Co-Administrators: Tiffany Butler and Misty Butler Attorney for the Administrator: Mona J. Geidl Address for Mailing or Service: P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362 Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause Number: 22 4 00233 36 DATED this 14 day of November, 2022. /s/ TIFFANY BUTLER, Co-Administrator

/s/ MISTY BUTLER, Co- Administrator The Times December 8, 15, 22, 2022 12-8-a



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BINGO KICKED OFF THIS YEAR'S HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS

WAITSBURG—The American Legion Auxiliary Waitsburg Unit 35 brought back the Veterans Benefit Bingo on Friday, December, 2 in the multi-purpose room at Waitsburg Elementary School. It was a big success with over eighty bingo loving participants playing to win turkeys and cash prizes. Prize donations were made in the names of family members who served in the U.S. military.

12-8-c



Karen Huwe

Bingo players won turkeys and cash at the annual Veterans Bingo hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary Friday evening

The Times

LIFESTYLES



Beka Compton carried the flag in the parade on her crowd saavy horse, Moose. Compton was the last Days of of Real Sport Queen in 2011.

Lane Gwinn

SECTION

Waitsburg Hometown Christmas rolled on



With boundless energy and talent, Hans and Noelle from Dusty Britches Farm kept the kitchen busy and the food coming over the celebration weekend.



New downtown business owner Gloria Wilson was set up with her wares from Simply Sawdust. She closed down the booth to ride a lighted bike in the parade.





Kate Hockersmith from RYSE and the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project (TVAMP) filled the stage at The Town Hall with musicians and friends.

Gaudy Gals on Main classed up the street with their bedazzled and chandeliered ride.



Lane Gwinn

The Grinch tried to take over Santa's job on Saturday. He spent a few hours with the folks at Ten Ton Coffee, making himself at home on Santas chair. Waitsburg melted his cold little heart just a bit before he went home to Whoville.



Mrs. Montgomery's preschool class made ornaments to hang on the community Christmas tree

SPORTS & LIFESTYLES

Season opener for DW Wolfpack basketball

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

DW COMBINE—DW Wolfpack high school boys team traveled to White Swan on Friday, December 2 for its season opener of EWAC basketball. The Wolfpack were out-scored in each quarter, except the third, in a rough game that had fifty-two fouls called. DW lost the battle 70-62.

Spencer Hansen led the Wolfpack in scoring with 28 points. He hit three out of seven at the three-point range and made eleven out of thirteen freethrows. Monte Pettichord recorded a double-double scoring 14 points and 14 rebounds. Ryland Kilts scored 13 points and pulled down eight rebounds. Joe Patterson scored three points, Wyatt Booth scored two, Benny Bryan had one point and Blake French contributed, scoring one point, 12 rebounds and two blocked shots.

	1	2	3	4	Total
Dayton/Waitsburg	8	18	12	24	62
White Swan	15	22	9	24	70

Saturday, December 3, the Wolfpack went to Oaksdale where it struggled to score in the first and third quarters and lost 49-44.

Rylan Kilts scored 19 points for the Wolfpack, Spencer scored 15 points and rebounded 12, Monte Pettichord scored four and Benny Bryan, Rueben Yutze and Blake French scored two points each.

	1	2	3	4	Total
Dayton/Waitsburg	4	13	2	25	44
Oaksdale	11	7	13	18	49

The Dayton Waitsburg Community Health Foundation Fund would like to thank all who contributed to the Fund in 2022. Your personal gifts and donations allowed the endowment fund to grow significantly. An extra thanks to the Columbia County Community Network, our generous sponsors, and donors of this past summer's golf tournament.

Thank You

3rd Annual Norm Passmore Golf Tournament Sponsors and Donors:

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WAITSBURG—These students were chosen by staff based on the following criteria: Being Prepared! Entering class on time, with necessary items needed for the class: pens, paper, etc. Also, using the passing time (in between classes) to use the bathroom, get a drink of water, and re-up on supplies –eliminates the need to leave class, disrupting teachers and peers during learning time.

Waitsburg Middle School

Students of the Month



Joy Nechodom

6th grade





Verbena McLaughlin 7th grade Fredy Chavez 8th grade

Christmas at the Weller Public Library

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES



(above) The Friends of the Weller Public Library invited young readers to board the Polar Express float for Sunday's parade in Waitsburg.





(right) Earlier, on Saturday, the Weller Pubilc Library got a surprise visit from a very picky reader, the Grinch. Fanny Weller seemed a bit frustrated by the green one's upside down reading habits.

Sarah Roberts



There is still time to add your business to this list! Become a sponsor of our local sports coverage. Call us at (509) 337-3042 or email advertising@waitsburgtimes.com for more information.

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LIFESTYLES





Ten Ton Coffee had visits from a disruptive and Christmas phobic Grinch before the big guy, Mr. C, Santa, Old St. Nick came to town on Sunday. Justin Jaech Jr. was able to keep his wits as the green disrupter spent some time Saturday in the shop.

Just Vinettes: by Popo Ott Choosing My Religion

I call this series "Just Vignettes" because that's what they are, just short snapshots of things that have happened to me or have been told to me. I can vouch the stories you read here are mostly true.

Once you join the Navy, among the stacks of paper to fill out is one that asks you to declare your religion. This question would sometimes come up and cause many in conversation to ponder why the government wants or needs to know our religious preferences. Like many of my cohorts, I ticked the "decline to state" box, figuring that might be the safest selection to avoid trouble in the future. By not fully answering the inquiry, we also got to exercise our American obligation to espouse impassioned opinions about something we knew next to nothing about.

About ten years into my career, the topic of religion was revisited. Someone new to our discussion decided this was an appropriate time to relay the story of her friend. This friend, who I did not know, was stricken with some condition unknown to us but apparently serious enough to be admitted to the Naval Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia. Her specif-



ic ailment is not essential to the story, but it was of a nature that caused her to lose consciousness. At one point, her physicians apparently feared her life was slipping away.

When she regained consciousness in her hospital bed, she turned her head to see where she was. Through the blur of squinted eyes, she saw two men with shaved heads dressed in saffron robes performing strange rituals at her bedside. This apparition caused

her utmost confusion as she began to wake out of her daze. She soon realized they were Buddhist priests performing their version of their last rites over her soon-to-be expired body.

She remembered she had listed her religion on the paperwork as Buddhist. She might have figured that by saying she was a Buddhist, she might avoid being asked to be a lay minister. She knew nothing of the religion; she only declared it hers because she felt obliged to choose something.

A feeling of embarrassment and shame washed over her as she wondered how much trouble the hospital staff had gone through to find two Buddhist priests at short notice in Norfolk, Virginia. All that effort to have two priests drive down to the hospital to administer last rites to a false practitioner of their religion. This anonymous woman survived and fully recovered, which allowed her to tell others her tale of woe.

Listening to this story got me thinking. Soon afterward, I marched to the personnel office and changed my chosen religion to Sufi -Whirling Dervish.

When my doctors think I am halfway through death's door, I don't want to see a group of long faces looking upon me with pity and maybe one or two shaking their heads to show the rest that there is no hope for me. I don't want to hear beeping machines sound alarms as attending nurses rush to silence them. I don't want to smell methanol and vinyl in my dying moments.

No, I want to smell exotic fragrances: camphor, cardamon, cloves, and sumac. I want to see shafts of sunlight from the hospital windows make particles of dust scintillate and illuminate patches on the tile floor. I want to see Whirling Dervishes in their long white robes and elongated fez hats, spinning with their heads cocked at a slight angle to the exotic music of drums, horns, flutes, and plucked string instruments. Dancing in a mesmerized state, the dancers would hold out their arms with elbows slightly bent as if to catch blessings from heaven.

Through this vision, I might obtain peace in my last moments on earth, or at least I would learn my doctors are not optimistic about my recovery.



By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES



ran. I'm not sure if it was because I was in a rush, but it was a confusing airport. I think the French acknowledged the challenges because there was someone to point you in the right direction every ten feet.

My ticket was a little lacking. It showed what I assumed to be the gate number; however, when I went up the escalators, I realized it was the terminal. There was no gate on the ticket or the departures board at the airport. Fortunately,

As a rule, I don't believe in signs, and yet there's a little superstition niggling in me. The day I left to start my European adventure, I noticed the bracelet I was wearing was missing. Though not expensive, it had emotional value to me. And, of course, losing it created an unwelcomed "is this an omen?" I soldiered on and headed to Seattle.



Everything went smoothly at the airport. The plane wasn't full, and I had both seats to myself. I could move without bothering anyone and even scored an extra pillow.

Daniel had assured me that since the Charles De Gaulle airport in Paris was small, I would have plenty of time to make my connecting flight. That is not true; it is a big airport, and though the security check was quick, the passport line was tortuously slow.

With all the shops at the Paris airport, I wasn't worried about keeping myself occupied if I missed my flight or it was delayed. I overheard several moms using my travel mantra to calm their kids over flight delays, "It's not the end of the world. There will be another flight so stop whining!"

American and Canadian citizens were moved to an area for automated passport clearance. It helped a little, I still had ten minutes to make my flight, so I there was someone there to assist.

Naturally, my gate was 29 out of a possible 30. Again, I ran and was the last one on the plane. Out of breath but relieved, I made my flight. My luggage didn't!

As I flew through the airport, needing directions at every turn, it reminded me that, as American's we are spoiled. I visit many countries where I don't speak the language. Luckily, most people in those countries speak English as well as their native tongue. They are hospitable and do what they can to make guests feel welcome. I am appreciative and respect them enormously.

With my luggage still in Paris, and the report made, I waited for Daniel to arrive. After a stop at the hotel, we found the nearest mall with the Portugal equivalent of Target. I bought the essentials, underwear, a hairbrush, and a change of clothes.

Traveling with Daniel may have its trials but also significant benefits. He is fluent in many languages, which helps us make friends and get great advice on local places to visit. With the World Cup being played, we are watching and cheering with the locals who tease Daniel about Italy not making the elimination.

Portugal is fabulous. The people are the warmest, with great food and wine. The old city is fascinating and has Spanish, Islamic, and English influences. We went to a port tasting and drank outstanding fortified wines, the perfect end to a day of walking miles and miles, and miles and miles.

Now, on to Spain.

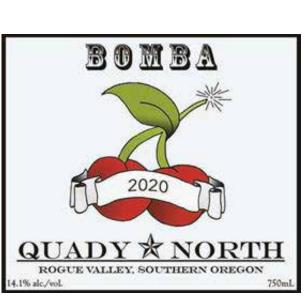
Wine of the Week



Quady North 2020 Bomba Grenache

This southern Oregon winery is a bit under-the-radar but well worth a visit if you are traveling through the Ashland area. All of their wines are well-made and fairly priced, and they do especially well with Rhône varietals. Grenache is a personal favorite, and this is sure to please anyone who loves this engaging red wine grape. It's front-loaded with cherry and blackberry and marionberry flavors and has just the right touch of earthy grapeskin highlights to frame and focus the fruit. Light accents of pepper and herb finish up as it trails out. As with all the Quady North wines, this delivers exceptional flavor at value pricing. Contact the winery at the website listed below to order this wine. 92/100; 207 cases; 14.1%; \$25 (Rogue Valley)

https://quadynorth.orderport.net/product-details/0682/2020-Bomba-750ml-141pct





Lane Gwinn Wine Cork Ornament at Gaudy Gals on Main. Check out all their Christmas goods.

LIFESTYLES

Dayton Ladies Night brings fun and shopping

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Dayton Chamber of Commerce brought Ladies Night Out back on Monday, December 5. Girlfriends and Shopping was a night for participants to relax, rewind, and reboot this holiday season.

For those who came out, it was an opportunity to find something special for hostess, birthday, holiday, and children's gifts from carefully curated items at Dayton's shops.

After visiting eight of the participating businesses, attendees for the event could enter the Grand Prize Draawing. A win/win for everyone.



Vikki's Sweet Shoppe has great ideas for those hard to buy people on your list.



Photos by Teeny McMunn Bette Lou Crothers and Avren Childers were a favorite stop at Dingles, especially their Creamsicle drink!

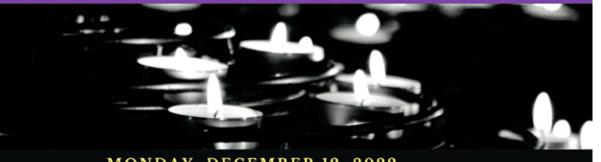


Dingles was busy with shoppers, and has always been a favorite place to either begin or end the Ladies' Nite stroll. They have a reputation of providing a lot of delicious food.

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Community Calendar

Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

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

Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. Zoom meeting information is available at https://www. waitsburgsd.org/o/waitsburg-school-district/page/schoolboard--272

Zoom info availble by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting First Wednesday of the month, 9 a.m. at Weller Public Libary For more information email: waitsburgpr@protonmail.com

Friends of the Weller Public Library SPECIAL MEETING Monday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

Weller Library Book Club Third Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Weller Public Library

Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

Board of Columbia County Commissioners First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m. Board of Columbia County Commissioners work session meetings Second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m. Call-in information available at https://www.columbiaco. com/114/County-Commissioners

Dayton City Council

Second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. Call-in information available at https://www.daytonwa.com/54inside-city-hall/city-council

Davton School Board

Third Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m.at the Dayton High School auditorium

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting TBA

Delaney room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delaney Library with online Zoom available. Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650

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

Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

WAITSBURG

At American 35 LIVE MUSIC WITH FROG HOLLOW ON DECEMBER 9

Frog Hollow Bluegrass Band, 7:00 to 9:00 pm December 9 at American 35.

EAST COAST SWING LESSONS **DECEMBER 10**

Learn East Coast Swing, 7:30 to 10:00 pm

The instructors from the Dance Center of Walla Walla will have you out on the dance floor in no time! This class is perfect for those who have never danced before, or anyone wanting to brush up on their steps. No partner is needed! \$5 cover.

SIP 'N PAINT **DECEMBER 15**

Sip 'n Paint, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Create a handmade work of art to keep or give as a gift. \$30 covers all materials and instruction when you reserve in advance; \$35 at the door. Enjoy some wine during the class to get your creative juices flowing!



Gesa Power House Movie "Stocking Stuffers: A collection of holiday shorts."

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December 13: Patsy Weber, Marilyn

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December

Wednesday, December 21

7:00 pm

\$10 - \$15

WALLA WALLA

GESA Power House Theater presents "The Nutcracker" December 16 through 18 with four shows.



Reserved seating tickets starting at \$30 are available online or by calling the Gesa Power House Theatre box office at 509-529-6500. Or online at https://tinyurl.com/mu3z7wdw





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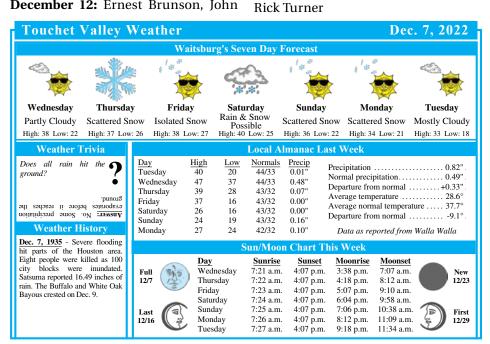
December 8: Ruth Senter, Lisa Patton, Cliff Griffin, Abby Michels.

December 9: Russ Hays, Jerry Jeremiah, Jim Bird, Patty Hernandez, Ray Meier, Sarah Reser.

December 10: Grant Woodworth, Bess Ammerman, Ron Thompson, Diane Fry, Sara Lytle, Lydia Fancuillo.

December 11: Carl Baker, Robert Ezell, Tim Mayberry, Niko Matthee, Caleb Solis.

is, Sasha Sickles, December 12: Ernest Brunson, John



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FUN & GAMES

"So when do you think you can finish

putting up the Christmas decorations?"

by Dave T. Phipps



Ten Years Ago

December 6, 2012

PIONEER PORTRAITS



[Photo Caption] Kindergartner Jessika Lambert chooses just the right spot for her gingerbread man ornament last Thursday. The Waitsburg Elementary School students got to hang their handmade ornaments on the large tree on Main Street in front of the Plaza Theatre.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 11, 1997

Waitsburg City Council voted to begin the process with the Highway Department to make the intersection of Coppei and Preston Avenues a right turn only for vehicles traveling north on Coppei Ave. "I would like to cancel the ability to make a left turn there completely," said Councilwoman Karen Peters in the Waitsburg City Council meeting last week. "It's a death trap. It's scary." Peters added that proceeding straight through the intersection would also be abolished. Councilman Mark Lambert agreed. "I stood at that corner selling smoked turkeys and I'd have to agree with you. It's a dangerous intersection." If the plan is approved, vehicles traveling north on Coppei Avenue would have to turn left at Third Street or make the turn to Preston Avenue.

Fifty Years Ago

December 7, 1972

The massive double doors on the Bruce House have been replaced with sheets of plyboard. The doors themselves have found a place in the farm shop of Lee Mantz, Jr., who plans to use some of his winter hours re-finishing them. Larry Gorsuch spent the weekend trimming the nineteen fir trees that are on the lot. This work included the removal of dead limbs and cutting others so that they are all a uniform height above the ground. A big improvement. Memorial donations for Mrs. Jennie Abbey were received this past week from Ruth and Gladys Eaton, Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Hevel, and Mr. and Mrs. David Roberts. Latest membership renewals came from Mrs. Della Brunson, and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jessup, Spokane.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

December 12, 1947

Construction of the new Eureka-Burbank Road was approved by a resolution adopted by the county commissioners at their meeting

Out on a Limb



R.F.D.





Amber Waves

WELL, FOR CHRISTMAS I HEAR THE FARMER IS HAVING MASHED POTATOES, CRANBERRIES, STUFFING ... WHAT ELSE?



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Monday.

Bert Symmonds and Floyd Stovall of Spokane have opened a diesel and equipment company in Waitsburg located back of the Touchet Valley Hardware. They are specializing in tractor and combine repairs.

Ernest Mikkelsen was renamed president of the Racing Association when the group met at the second annual Night of Real Sport last Friday evening. Homer Reed was again named secretary and Robert Butler again named treasurer.

One Hundred Years Ago

December 15, 1922

Miss Leah Sayers has returned to her home here from Walla Walla where she has been staying with her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Denney, for several weeks.

An enjoyable party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zuger one evening last week. Fifty guests enjoyed the evening dancing and card playing. Refreshments were served.

Lawrence Michelsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Michelsen, left Wednesday evening for Los Angeles, Ca. to spend the winter with his sisters, Mrs. Joe Free and Mrs. Glen McCaw who recently went there to make their homes.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 10, 1897

The Preston – Parton Milling Co. received their new dynamo on Monday and in a few days, they expect to have an electric light plant of their own. Electrician G. N. Tuttle is doing the work of setting up the plant.

J. S. Houtchens is building another Bowling Alley to be used by ladies. We can see no reason why girls shouldn't have a little fun once in a while.

The Milton post office in which there is a store was robbed last Thursday morning and the burglar captured just as he made his exit from the building. The thief, who gave his name as John Warren, had in his possession cutlery to the value of 28.50. Milton is different from Waitsburg in that Waitsburg seldom catches the burglar.

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Ginger Spice Stout ako

The Solstice is officially two weeks away, however here in Waitsburg it already feels like a winter wonderland. A fresh blanket of snow over the festive lights and decorated trees along Main Street was the perfect backdrop for our Hometown Christmas parade last weekend. In the kitchen, this is the season of cooking comforting and warm food to share with loved ones. One of my favor-



ite flavors for sharing this time of year is gingerbread, which is a broad category of sweets from thin, crisp cookies to thick cakes. Here, raw sugar creates a crunchy crust around a rich and moist cake. Robustly spiced with familiar baking spices, the addition of fresh grated ginger, black pepper, and aromatic stout beer creates a memorable twist on a holiday classic. Perfect for your next family feast, or holiday open-house.

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons butter, room temperature

- 1/2 cup raw (demerara) sugar
- 1 cup stout beer
- 1 cup molasses
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¹/₄ teaspoon ground cloves
- ¹/₄ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ¹/₄ teaspoon ground allspice
- 1/4 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- ¹/₄ teaspoon fine sea salt
- 1 ¹/₂ tablespoons grated fresh ginger
- 1 ¹/₂ tablespoons candied ginger, finely chopped
- 3 large eggs, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup dark brown sugar, lightly packed
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- ³/₄ cup canola oil
- Confectioners sugar for dusting top

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Generously grease a Bundt pan with the soft butter. Coat the entire pan with the raw sugar, turning pan to evenly coat over all the butter. Turn pan over and dump out any excess sugar. Set it aside.

In a large saucepan, combine the stout and molasses, then bring to a simmer over medium-high heat. Remove pan from the heat and carefully whisk in the baking soda. Use caution as the hot stout mixture will bubble up. Set aside and allow to cool to room temperature.

In a mixing bowl, sift together the flour, ground spices, pepper, and salt. Set it aside.

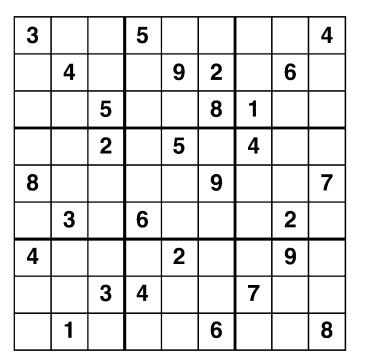
In the bowl of an electric stand-mixer fitted with the whisk attachment, mix the fresh ginger, candied ginger, eggs, vanilla, dark brown sugar, and granulated sugar on medium speed for five minutes. The mixture will be light and creamy. Next, turn the mixer speed down to low and slowly pour in the oil. Mix for another five minutes. Then, slowly add the stout mixture and continue to mix for another 5 minutes. In two batches, carefully add the dry ingredients, mixing well in between each addition. Use a rubber spatula to scrape the sides and make sure all the dry ingredients get incorporated into the mixture. Pour the batter into the prepared Bundt pan. Place the cake in the center rack of hot oven and bake for 55 to 65 minutes, or until a cake tester inserted comes out clean. Depending on your oven it could take as little as 45 to 50 minutes. Keep a close eye and start testing for doneness after 45 minutes. The cake will be very dark. Let the cake cool for about 10 minutes, then flip upside down to release while cake is still warm. If it is stuck, place back in hot oven for a couple minutes to loosen the sugar crust. When completely cool, dust the top with powdered sugar.



Weekly SUDOKU

OOK&GAM

by Linda Thistle



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.



Notes:

If you don't have any candied ginger just substitute with more fresh grated ginger. Pick a high-quality stout beer, and sip on the leftover from the bottle while the cake is baking.

Serve slightly warm, or at room temperature with a dollop of fresh whipped cream. Lovely after a holiday meal with coffee or after-dinner libations. Enjoy!

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LAST PAGE

Kids Shopping Night is a wrap

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The American Legion Auxiliary hosted its annual Kids' Shopping Night at the Waitsburg Town Hall on Monday, December 6. Volunteers and vendors set tables with great gifts at kid-size prices and complimentary gift wrapping.

There was a wide variety of gifts, including items perfect for that hard-to-shop-for parent – Dad. And for the young shoppers, there were plenty of refreshments to keep them energetic.

A big thanks to the Auxiliary, who worked hard to offer gift solutions for Waitsburg students and veterans in Walla Walla during the holiday season.



Photos Lane Gwinn

Rose Englebright leads volunteers at the gift wrapping station. The event empowers Waitsburg kids to learn the power of gift giving and recognizing their family and friends.



Jessika Lambert, Alvssa Hollingsworth, and Sara Wilson offered a range of fun gifts, including ornaments, jewelry, and Christmas books. The troop is raising money for their planned trip to Savannah, Georgia in the spring of 2023.

WINNERS OF WAITSBURG'S 2022 CHRISTMAS **LIGHTS CONTEST** THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Contest organizer Cindy Daves was pleased to announce the winners of this year's Christmas Lights Contest.

Congratulations to Kenny and Vikki Foxe, Diana and Anthony Messenger, and Gabe and Jessica Kiebel.

The winner for Best Business Christmas Lights is Blush Salon. The two honorable mentions for best business Christmas Lights are Simply Sawdust, and Ten Ton Coffee.





The winners for "Cardinal Pride" are Kenny and Vikki Foxe at 601 Coppei Ave.

Photos by Cindy Daves The prize for "Reason for the Season" went to Diana and Anthony Messenger at 220 10th St.



Gabe and Jessica Keifel won for "Polar Express" at Main and 7th St.

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