

Waitsburg earns State's Smart Award

Council member Charles steps down

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Mayor Marty Dunn called the city council meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2024. Council members Cindy Bishop, Kevin House, Jim Romine, Jillian Henze, and City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe were in attendance.

Hinchliffe introduced representatives from the Washington State Department of Commerce to present the city with a 2023 Governor's Smart Community Award. The Smart Project Award was given to the City of Waitsburg for its work updating the city's aging sewer system. The representative said the city executed a complicated plan that included updating terra cotta pipes, installing dozens of manhole covers, and replacing sewer lines. They noted the city's commitment to long-term planning.

Dunn asked Hinchliffe, Public Works Specialist I Lisa Norris, and Public Works Director Jim Lynch to join him to accept the award.

The mayor told the council he received a letter of resignation from Council Member Randy Charles, in which he also thanked the council and mayor.

Dunn said he and the council would miss Charles and commended the council member on his work as council liaison for the Fire District and Planning Commission. He noted Charles's contributions to the city including prioritizing fire hydrant maintenance.

The council accepted the resignation and will interview nominees to complete Charles' remaining term.

Hinchliffe reviewed updates to the hydrant system. There is a plan to continue testing, flushing, replacing, and installing several new hydrants.

Hinchliffe said it is approximately \$7,000 per hydrant, and the plan is to replace up to four of the 70 city hydrants.



Barb Jaks

A representative from the Washington State Commerce Department presented the Smart Project Award to the City of Waitsburg.

The council discussed funding for the hydrant project, including a potential utility tax increase.

The final item under new business was to approve surplussing a small property owned by the city at the end of E. 6th Street. It had been a portion of a city dump and now has little value to the city. The council approved moving forward with surplussing the property.

In unfinished business, the council discussed the county health department's deadline to submit a plan to cover or fill the empty city pool. Hinchliffe said the county might not wait for Waitsburg Parks and Recreation to complete the pool feasibility study. He said he did not know if fines from the county would be \$100 or \$1,000 a day.

The city's attorney, Jared Hawkins, said he did not think the county would want to fine the city. Hawkins said the county most likely just wants to see progress. The matter was tabled until next month.

Henze reported on an art program at the Weller Public Library, a Warren grant awarded to the

Waitsburg Christian Church for a basement pump for flood preparedness, and encouraged anyone interested to apply for the open city council seat.

Romine said more trees were being cut in the city's watershed, including one with the "no trespassing" sign attached.

House and Bishop had nothing to report.

Hinchliffe reported that the mapping of the two city cemeteries had been digitized and that the sewer project is 90% complete, including sewer lines and manhole covers.

The GIS and sewer projects are being used to cross-train the city crew in anticipation of Lynch's retirement.

The mayor suspended the public meeting and went into an executive session on the agenda per RCW 42.30.110(i) to discuss an item related to potential litigation.

The mayor adjourned the regular meeting after returning from the executive session.

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TVAMP will feature local singers and song writers on new CD

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — On February 11, the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project (TVAMP) began recording local musicians for a new album to be released on CD. This is TVAMP's fourth production, preceded by two CDs for the Blue Mountain Troublemakers and one for Switchgrass Delta.

TVAMP Project Leader Kate Hockersmith said, "We have so many wonderful local musicians in and around Waitsburg, and for years I've wanted to record local singer/songwriters."

In early February, Mike Easton of Bar Bacetto, approached Hockersmith and asked if she had plans to record, he would be happy to help. Easton studied sound engineering and worked in studios in Seattle for about ten years, while working in the restaurant industry.

Easton's offer to help Hockersmith, came at the perfect time. She had begun pre-production on an album featuring local musicians performing their original work. It only took Easton and Hockersmith a few weeks to get the project on track, recording on Sunday afternoons, primarily at the TVAMP studio in Waitsburg.

The following artists that have completed recording:

- Jimmie Turner: "Sweet Appalachia" and "Green Fields"
- Carrie Hendrix: "Paint Me a Picture of Jesus"
- Brian Hunt: "Ladder of Tenderness" and "You and Me and Both"
- Paul Gregutt: "Waiting for Waitsburg"
- Mike McQuary: "God's in the Basement"

Hockersmith said recording will continue over the next few weeks. The completed CD, with influences from bluegrass, blues, rock, folk, and Americana, should be available this summer. Look for it at TVAMP, Ten Ton Coffee, at the Mythical/Movable Bluegrass Jams, and other outlets.

Proceeds from the sale of the CD will benefit Rural Youth Enrichment Services (501c3) (RYES). TVAMP is a Project of RYES.



Kate Hockersmith

Carrie Hendrix and Jimmie Turner recording tracks at the TVAMP studio in Waitsburg.

Dayton School District narrows Superintendent search to three

Dayton Secondary Pricipal is one of three Superintendent candidates

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Dayton School Board met in the high school library at 6:30 p.m. on February 21, 2024. Board members present were Chair Jeffrey McCowen, Zac Fabian, Aneesha Dieu, and Grant Griffin. Superintendent Rich Stewart was also present.

The board approved the consent agenda, including hiring Danica Porter as the Middle School Head Softball Coach.

Dayton FFA Trap Shooting Team members presented plans for an overnight field trip to the Wenatchee area. Six Dayton students expect to participate. The trip schedule remains flexible as many sites the team hopes to visit have yet to be confirmed. The board approved the field trip.

The board approved Resolution 2023-04 canceling inactive warrants and removing them from the district's books. Action by the board with this resolution is a housekeeping measure to clean up the ledger.

At 6:50 p.m., the chair adjourned the regular meeting to go into an executive session to discuss the candidates for the permanent Superintendent position.

After two hours and fifteen minutes, the board returned to the regular session and announced the three finalists for Superintendent. The candidates are Dr. Jodi Thew, Jeremy Wheatley, and the Dayton Secondary Principal, Guinevere (Guin) Joyce. The district will allow parents and community members to meet the candidates on March 6, 2024. Meeting times are to be announced.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 6, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.



Dayton Secondary Principal, Guinevere (Guin) Joyce.

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LETTERS

AT THE LIBERTY:

“Dune: Part Two”

THE TIMES

The saga continues with an expanded all-star international ensemble cast. This movie, is the highly anticipated follow-up to 2021's six-time Academy Award-winning "Dune." This big-screen epic continues the adaptation of Frank Herbert's acclaimed bestseller Dune with returning and new stars, including Timothée Chalamet, Zendaya, Rebecca Ferguson, Josh Brolin, Austin Butler, Florence Pugh, and many other well-known actors.

"Dune: Part Two" will explore the mythic journey of Paul Atreides as he unites with Chani and the Fremen while on a warpath of revenge against the conspirators who destroyed his family. Facing a choice between the love of his life and the fate of the known universe, he endeavors to prevent a terrible future only he can foresee.

Rotten Tomatoes critics give this movie a 98% favorable, but there are no audience reviews available yet. That website's critics summarized their reviews with "Visually thrilling and narratively epic," which continues the "adaptation of the beloved sci-fi series in spectacular form." This movie is rated PG-13 for sequences of strong violence, some suggestive material and brief strong language. The IMDb parent's guide only has comments regarding violence and gore, "More violence and gruesome images than the first film. Nothing too graphic but pretty strong for PG-13." Another comment there was "Definitely more than the first, but still very clearly PG-13, and isn't that frightening." It has a runtime of 2 hours and 46 minutes. It will show at the Liberty Theater for 2 weeks.



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Letter to the Editor

We would like to express our appreciation for the wonderful spread you did for "Izzy the Camel" in your February 15th edition of the Times. You turned an extremely sad time into an awesome tribute. You must understand that we may be prejudiced, but he was our grandson.

Izzy was a born poseur for pictures, which led to his being a television star in which he was cast as a member of the walking dead in an episode of "Z Nation." When Mickey and Tawnya got married, he was the best man in their wedding along with Winnie, a miniature donkey, who was the Maid of Honor. Izzy was so proud, and you should have seen the huge bow tie he was wearing!

Izzy was such a special presence in the area, and he was known far and wide. We have received condolences from all over the country. The most defining photo you published was of Izzy drinking tea from Mickey's red cup. That cup has been all over the world, and Izzy loved it. If Mickey were to set it down, Izzy would have it in nothing flat and guzzle it down.

Izzy was so easy and tender with everyone but especially children, which he loved first, then the ladies, and last the men, unless the man had a carrot in his pocket, in which case he jumped to the front of the line. Izzy loved carrots and other crunchy vegetables, but one he didn't like was broccoli. If he were given broccoli to eat, as occurred with the late Tom Hiatt, he would swing his head wildly and spew the broccoli out of his mouth. He once "confided" to us that President H.W. Bush said, "I'm the President of the United States, and I don't have to eat broccoli if I don't want to!" and Izzy, just as famously said, "And I don't have to eat broccoli if I don't want to, EITHER!"

Thank you,
Skip and Lois Winchester
Waitsburg, Wash.

RESPONSE TO PORT COMMISSIONER'S BEHAVIOR

Letter to the editor,

I am writing in response to the last commission meeting I watched. Things seemed well until the last few minutes after the executive meeting took place. What I witnessed was a personal attack against the executive director and port employee Jennie Dickinson from commissioner Seth Bryan. After watching a professional and informative meeting, this felt like a personal ambush of ill intent. Down right bullying behavior that should never happen in any work place, let alone in a public forum. The tone and rude responses when questioned by Mike Spring were so unprofessional and so uncalled for that it really made me wonder what the true intent was behind it all. Apparently Seth Bryan has an issue with Jennie Dickinson and cannot find any fault in her hard work and efforts to help better our community, so he is attacking her personally. What is he trying to achieve by this behavior? This seems to be what I would call a hostile work environment. Personal feelings should be left out of this, and any criticism about work should be handled privately and professionally between them privately. This is how an elected official treats his employees? True colors are being revealed.

Kelly and Doug Hinds
Dayton, Wash.

Letter to the Editor

I watched the Port meeting online, 5:00 p.m., the 14th of February. After coming out of executive session where concerns about staff should be addressed, Commissioner Seth Bryan verbally assaulted Executive Director Jennie Dickinson in an open public meeting format. Which to me, is a violation of RCW 42.23.070.

I attend Port meetings on a regular basis. Jennie Dickinson has always conducted herself in a professional manner, always showing respect for the Commissioners and to the public.

It is now time for Commissioner Seth Bryan to get out pen and paper and write a heartfelt apology to Ms. Dickinson and her staff. While he has pen and paper in hand, he should also write out his letter of resignation.

Sincerely submitter,
Gerald M. Kaiser
Dayton, Wash.

CALLS FOR BRYAN'S RESIGNATION

After viewing Seth Bryan's behavior and his vote at the Feb 14, 2024, Columbia County Port Commissioner meeting I want to suggest that he should RESIGN as a Columbia County Port Commissioner IMMEDIATELY. He proposed, then voted on, removing the Executive Director's Contract, which would then leave any employee in that position with no job security, except to the wishes of what he wants to allow or not allow. Mr. Bryan's actions at that Port meeting were unprofessional and cruel. He took it upon himself to discuss personnel concerns at a public meeting. It is not the leadership we expect and need from Port Commissioners. Mr. Bryan also consistently posts negative comments about our community on social media. As a commissioner he needs to respect the Port employees for all their years of Port experience, hard work, and successful programs they have worked on to improve our community. Instead, he seems to only promote ideas to diminish our county. The Port's mission statement is - "The Port of Columbia's mission is to maximize public resources and provide investment to create jobs, provide infrastructure and maintain and improve the economic vitality of Columbia County and it's communities."

Mr. Bryan, if you don't like how our community is you are free to move away at any time.

If fellow co-commissioner Johnny Watts agrees with Mr. Bryan he should also resign. Neither commissioner should follow and act in an inappropriate and hostile way to the Port staff and the community.

Carol Anderson
Dayton, Wash.

To the editor,

It was with incredulity and disgust that I watched the Port Commission meeting of February 14, 2024, as Seth Bryan put forth an unprecedented, unorthodox motion to change the executive director from a contracted position to an at-will employee. After the motion passed 2-1 with Mike Spring against and Johnny Watts following Seth Bryan's lead in lock-step, as usual, Commissioner Bryan proceeded to make unsubstantiated accusations of insubordination against the Executive Director.

Having watched many of the Port of Columbia meetings and witnessed Commissioner Bryan's misinformed statements against many economic development projects and subsequent correct info offered by the Port Executive Director - I have been amazed at the professionalism of Jennie Dickinson in dealing with the constant hyperbole. My guess is Commissioner Bryan simply doesn't like to be corrected, doesn't see the value of informational discourse, and probably does not like to be seen as less knowledgeable than a woman.

There is no doubt in my mind that Jennie recognizes the authority of the Commission and carries out the Port Commission's direction. Jennie's commitment to the advancement of Columbia County, its businesses, and community members is stellar and above question or doubt. Her passion goes beyond her job description- volunteering in efforts to promote her community. Jennie Dickinson is respected throughout the Walla Walla-Touchet Valley. I cannot say the same of Commissioner Bryan who seems determined to destroy a community, the businesses in that community, an accomplished economic development organization, and a respected community member.

Joy Marie Smith
Waitsburg, Wash.

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OBITUARY

Donna Knotts

April 3, 1932 – February 23, 2024

Donna left us peacefully in her sleep on Friday, February 23, at home in Walla Walla, surrounded by her loving family.

Donna was born on April 3, 1932, in Waitsburg, Washington, to Charles "Todd" and Emma Laughery. She was the youngest of four children. She attended school in Waitsburg and graduated from Waitsburg High School in 1950.

Shortly after graduation, she began working at the phone company as an operator, where she met the love of her life, Howard Knotts.

They were married on October 4, 1953, in Walla Walla before Howard's deployment with the Army to Korea. Their son Keith was born in 1954 while Howard was overseas. When Howard returned, they moved to Walla Walla in 1956 at which time Donna became a homemaker. Their daughter Shirley followed in 1959, and daughter Jackie in 1964.

Donna was a Cub Scout & Girl Scout leader, often going on camping trips with the troops. She was passionate about the Seattle Mariners and baseball in general. She often traveled to Phoenix for spring training. She loved RVing with the Good Sam Club and with family. She also enjoyed sewing and quilting.

Donna loved spending time with her grandchildren and will be dearly missed.

She is preceded in death by her parents, one sister, and two brothers. Donna is survived by her husband of 70 years, Howard, son Keith (Cheryl) Knotts, and daughters Shirley (Kerwin) Dye and Jackie Knotts (Nick Woody). Three grandchildren, Andrea (Justin) Goff, Zack (Alice) Knotts, Kaylee (John) Parrish, and six great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held on Friday, March 1, at 2:00 p.m. at Mountain View Cemetery. Family and friends are invited to share memories of Donna and sign the online guestbook at www.mountainview-colonialdewitt.com.



Donna Knotts
April 3, 1932 – February 23, 2024

Library District still a topic for Dayton City Council

A second workshop will be scheduled to continue discussion on a citizen requested ballot measure

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON — Mayor Roger Trump called the Dayton City Council workshop meeting to order at 3 p.m., February 20, 2024. Council members Teeny McMunn, James Su'euga, Michael Smith, Kyle Anderson, Joann Patras, Laura Aukerman, and Shannon McMillen met at City Hall.

The workshop agenda included discussing requests to change the golf cart policy, updating the code of ethics, and the relationship between the city and the rural library district.

The council discussed a request to change the golf cart policy, including the costs and liability of allowing the carts on city streets. The city has received three requests asking golf carts to be permitted on Dayton streets, including Main Street and the Touchet River bridge. The board and mayor tabled the issue.

The council reviewed the Council Rules of Procedures and Ethics handbook section by section. They made minor changes in wording and some small changes to the policy. One policy change allows council members to participate remotely in meetings with the mayor's approval, no longer limited to once a year.

After the handbook review, McMunn apologized to the council for attempting to present data from a Neighbors United for Progress (NUP) pamphlet on the library issue at a city council workshop meeting. The accuracy of the data was not questioned; however, the pamphlet distributed by NUP may have crossed the Appearance of Fairness Doctrine. The mayor stopped McMunn from handing out the pamphlet at the earlier meeting; she promised to try and do better.

Discussion continued in response to Dayton resident Katie Roughton's request that the city consider a ballot measure to allow city voters to decide on "de-annexing" from the Columbia County Rural Library District (CCRLD.)

The mayor said he has had several discussions about the library. He said Public Works Director Ryan Paulson suggested that some citizens who were involved in establishing the rural library district with knowledge of the past attend a council workshop.

McMillen and Aukerman thought studying the issue further amounted to "beating a dead horse." Su'euga said the council should wait until the state legislature passes reforms allowing city residents to vote on the rural district library issue.

After Proposition 2, the proposed ballot measure to dissolve the CCRLD was found unconstitutional in Columbia County Superior Court and taken off the ballot; SB 5824 was introduced in the legislature to improve the process and guarantee representation. The bill would make sure everyone who pays taxes in a rural district, including city residents, would have a vote regarding the district. It passed 49-0 in the Senate and is now in committee in the House.

Aukerman said Roughton's request was not to hear the mayor and council's opinions about the library, but she came to the council to ask for a re-vote on annexation from the people of the City of Dayton."

Petras agreed with Aukerman's statement.

Trump said they would have the workshop and vote on the ballot measure at the next regular city council meeting.

The Columbia County Parks and Recreation District has been approved by voters and established through resolution by the county. Trump said the city will prepare a resolution of support for the council's approval at the next regular meeting.

The council adjourned around 4:30 p.m. The next regular meeting will be March 12 at 6 p.m. The date for the workshop meeting on the library district issue has not been announced.

WWCC LAUNCHES COMMUNITY APIARY (BEEHIVE) PROJECT

The college invites local beekeepers to operate hives on the Walla Walla campus

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Walla Walla Community College is dedicating space on its Walla Walla campus to create a Community Apiary (Beehive) Project. The new project, launching this spring, will provide space and connection for local beekeepers and multiple opportunities for education about the role of pollinators in agriculture and horticulture, food production, and healthy ecosystems.

"The goal is to form a community apiary akin to a community garden," said Dave Stockdale, Director of the William A. Grant Water & Environmental Center. "We are seeking local beekeepers interested in locating their hives on our campus for non-commercial use and study."

WWCC's Community Apiary (Beehive) Project began with conversations between WWCC leaders and instructors in the agriculture and culinary programs and Jeff Strickler, a local Realtor looking to network with other community beekeepers.

"This is my fourth year keeping bees," Strickler said. "Our corner of southeastern Washington does not currently have a local beekeeper's association affiliated with the state association. Whether you're just getting started or trying to fight disease or pests, it's nice to have a community to advise and consult."

WWCC will dedicate approximately 1,500 square feet with sheds and fencing adjacent to an existing demonstration garden for the Community Apiary. Under a new bee ordinance recently passed by the city of Walla Walla, the campus can host up to 15 hives.

The goal is for the hives to be in place by May 1. The college will establish a secured outdoor space with interpretive signs in the short term. College officials plan to identify ways the Community Apiary can integrate and grow the existing curriculum, including the Farm to Fork program.

"The Community Apiary (Beehive) Project brings together both college and community resources and allows us to accomplish what we couldn't do on our own," Stockdale said. "The Water & Environmental Center's mission includes public education and community partnerships. We're looking forward to hosting the hives and learning from those who have a passion for beekeeping."

Beekeepers interested in locating a hive in the new Community Apiary should contact Jeff Strickler at jeff@jeffstrickler.com or 509-540-5027.

For information about WWCC and the Water & Environmental Center contact Assistant Director Andrew Trogstad-Isaacson at andrew.trogstadisaacson@wwcc.edu.



Submitted photo

BIRTHDAYS

February 28: Jill McConnell, Brock Winegar, Cindy Hiatt, Sharon McDaniel, Jean Coe, Tressa Johnson, Merry Nelson, David Marr, Todd Dimak and Jeremy Nichols.

March 1: Jacob Dunn, Norma Chapman, Joan Bottles and Bill Keith.

March 2: Alina Reese, Dean Atkinson, Kyla Winger, Rich Fry, Sandy Startin, Peter Mercer, Bill Callahan, Mike A. Mayberry and Jessica DeCoria.

March 3: Sarah Moser, Mike Vennum, Michelle Miller, Cameron Pearson and Kristy and Kelly Hays.

March 4: Bill Poirier, Marilyn White,

Kathy Jansen, Ryan Jacoy, and Nicholas Newbury.

March 5: Dick Baker, Jean Miller, Larry Wayne Bunton, Paul Fischer and Kristen Danielson.

March 6: Marianne Newell, John P. Janovich, Shane Johnson, Trulie Griffin, Michael Jantz, Ryan and Scott Downing, Del Benson, Larry Olson, and Kevin Jones.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

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RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: ELIZABETH HOLBEN, Deceased.
The Co-Personal Representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Co-Personal Representatives, or to the Co-Personal Representatives' attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representatives served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or
Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice.
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Personal Representatives: Sylvia Ann Allen and Katherine Joyce Hogan
Attorney for the Personal Representatives: Kathryn Unbehaun, Minnick-Hayner
Address for Mailing or Service: Kathryn Unbehaun
Minnick-Hayner
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Walla Walla, WA 99362
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 24 4 00022 36
Sylvia Ann Holber Allen
Sylvia Ann Allen, Personal Representative
Kathi Jaya Hosm
Katherine Joyce Hogan, Personal Representative
The Times
February 22, 29 March 7, 2024
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Prescott Joint Park and Recreation District Board of Commissioners

Position # 2 VACANCY:
Term Expires 12/31/2025
Position # 4 VACANCY:
Term Expires 12/31/2027
Serving on the Board of Commissioners is an active year-round responsibility, overseeing the operation of the various aspects of the District.
• Commissioners will work on several sub-committees (Budget, Maintenance, Grants)
• Attend 12 monthly meetings, and between 5-8 specialty meetings
• Spend 3-5 hours/month during off season; 15-30 hours/month when things ramp up in Spring
Please submit a letter of interest to:
Prescott Joint Park & Recreation District (PJPRD)
PO Box 30 Prescott WA 99348
If you would like more information, please call the office at 509-849-2314, daily 9 to 1 pm.
The Times
February 15, 22, 29 March 7, 14, 21, 28 2024
2-15-d

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO. 24 4 00041 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of Doris V. Jacky
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 this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: February 22, 2024.
Karen Hart,
Lance D. Jacky,
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Co-Personal Representative
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Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290
Roach Law Firm
Attorney for Personal Representative
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The Times
February 22, 29 March 7, 2024
2-22-a

Notice of Vacancy

A board seat on the Walla Walla County Conservation District is available for appointment by the Washington State Conservation Commission. Conservation district board supervisors are public officials who serve without compensation and set policy and direction for the conservation district. An applicant must be a registered voter in Washington State and must be required to own land or operate a farm. Applicants for appointed positions do not have to live within the district to apply. The Commission must receive applications and supporting materials by Friday, March 29, 2024. For questions about candidate-required information or candidate-optional information requirements, please get in touch with the election supervisor, Cat Garza, at Cat.Garza@wwccd.net or (509) 956-3747.
The Times
February 29, March 7, 14, 21 2024
2-29-e

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 24-4-00050-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: DAVID K. CADMAN, 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 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 RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: February 29, 2024.
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The Times
February 29, March 7, 14 2024
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 24-4-00051-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: LESTER M. NELSON, 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 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 RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: February 29, 2024.
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The Times
February 29, March 7, 14 2024
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 24 4 10045 36
In re the Estate of MARTHA L. MASDEN, 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 by RCW 11.40.070 by serving or mailing to 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:
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(2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051, and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of first publication: February 29, 2024 (anticipated)
Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No.: 24 4 00045 36
Linda J. Vixie
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c/o Michael E. de Grasse
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P. O. Box 494
Walla Walla, WA 99362
The Times
February 29, March 7, 14 2024
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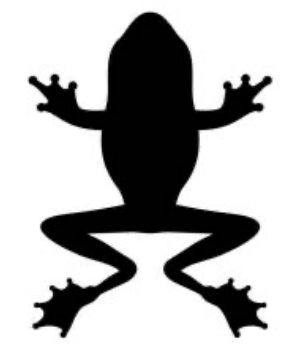
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO. 24 4 00052 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of Jeannette R. Studer
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 this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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The Times
February 29, March 7, 14 2024
2-29-g

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No. 24 4 00043 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: LOIS I. PEGEL, 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:
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Personal Representative: KEVIN BUCKLEY
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Walla Walla, WA 99362
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 24 4 00043 36
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By: /s/ Kevin Buckley

KEVIN BUCKLEY
Personal Representative
Dates of Publication:
February 29, 2024
March 7, 2024
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Wrist Casts as Bookends?

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES



Wednesday, day three of retirement, while playing tennis, I dove for a ball at the net, returned the drop shot, scored the point, and promptly fell with a big thud. Off to the ER to find out I had multiple broken bones and an impacted fracture in my left wrist.

The following day, day four of retirement, I met with the Orthopedist, and I'm scheduled for surgery February 16, to have a plate and some screws put in. My first official hardware, and hopefully, the last.

I recently read an article in a newspaper stating that most ER visits these days are seniors who injure themselves playing pickleball. When I read that, I heaved a sigh of relief. Although I've tried it a few times, I'll play it safe and stick with tennis. Guess that was a sigh too soon.

This is not a great start to retirement. But I'm no stranger to injuries or casts. You might remember that about a year and a half ago Mugsy tripped me on a dark street, I had hairline fractures in my right wrist and I was in a cast for six weeks.

When asked at the various hospitals I've been to (St. Mary's & Dayton Gener-

al), who my primary care physician is, my response is, "the ER, because I don't get sick, I just get injured." The downfall of being an active senior? Maybe. And I almost feel guilty that this is my last month on my company's group insurance prior to starting Medicare. Nothing like going out with a bang.

Poor Daniel has a new job, and now he's back to cooking dinners and washing the dishes as well. The doctor said it will probably be about six weeks for a full recovery. I'm wondering if this is karma buying new tennis shirts I should have resisted. I guess it will be a while before I can wear them.

The doctor put me in the same type of temporary cast as he did last injury, now on my left hand instead of the right. It's both adjustable and waterproof, so I can shower with it. The ability to shower was greatly appreciated, since my cast picked up a crab smell at the Lions Club crab feed we attended on Wednesday. Poor Daniel got stuck cracking the crab for me after taking pity on me trying to use my teeth.

Now, I have matching casts, first the right, now the left. When I stop using this one, I can turn them into bookends. Maybe that will remind me to read more and live vicariously through other people's adventures. Although it may not be as much fun or as fulfilling, it's definitely less dangerous!

I am getting ready for a trip to Los Angeles to attend a former client's retirement party. It's doubtful that I can manage to heave my luggage into the overhead bins and considering my consistently bad luck with checking luggage, I would like to try keeping it with me on the flight. For the first time, I will have to humble myself to ask for assistance. Or, maybe since I'll still be wearing the cast and sling, I will look just pitiful enough for someone to offer their help.

This time I'll pack a book, not my tennis racquet, and say "thank you" to anyone who helps me hoist my luggage into the overhead bin.

National FFA Week at Waitsburg High School

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — On Tuesday, February 20, National FFA week kicked off with students wearing their favorite pajamas to school and voting for the Harvest Ball Court. Freshmen Kayla Mikesell and Landen Henry, sophomores Kaya Mings and Brenton Segraives, juniors Alyssa Hollingsworth and William Daves, and seniors Makenna Barron and Quinn Benavides will represent the FFA at the dance on Friday, February 23.

On Wise Owl Wednesday, students are challenged to find creative ways to recognize their advisors—Waitsburg students dressed as their much-appreciated FFA advisor, Nicole Abel.

The WSU FFA AG Mechanics contest took place on Wednesday. It was the year's first contest, and Benavides placed 12th overall. The team will compete at WWCC on February 28.

On Thursday, the Waitsburg FFA students represented their chapter wearing this year's hot pink t-shirts and flamingo bucket hats.

The AG Olympics were held Thursday morning and determined who would be crowned King and Queen at the Harvest Ball. Participants had to throw two bags in the cornhole board or place four on top before they raced to jump a fence, crawl through a fence, crawl under a fence, climb over a fence, and then pound a fence post into the ground. After planting the post, they climbed back over the fence and raced back to the start. The winners this year were Benavides and Hollingsworth.

Fancy Friday saw numerous students dressed in their FFA official dress or "Sunday Best." The FFA week ended with the Harvest Dance, which had the theme of "Wild, Wild West."



Courtesy photo

(top right) Harvest Ball Court (l-r), Barren, King Benavides, Queen Hollingsworth, Segraives, Mings, Daves, Mikesell and Henry.

(bottom right) William Daves jumps the fence in the AG Olympics contest.



Karen Huwe

HELP SEND WAITSBURG AMAZING SHAKE STUDENT COMPETITORS TO NATIONALS

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Families and community members have geared up to raise funds for seven Waitsburg students to attend the National Amazing Shake event in Atlanta, Georgia. At the regional competition in February, the students earned their places to represent the Waitsburg School District for the first time at the national event.

Two fundraisers are planned before the students leave for the March 20-24 event. Proceeds from the sale of Cardinal gear will also go towards the trip expenses and can be purchased from Tracy Barron at tbarron@waitsburgsd.org and Ten Ton Coffee at 216 Main St., Waitsburg.

On Monday, March 4, trip supporters will offer a spaghetti fundraiser at the Waitsburg Elementary School multi-purpose room. The dinner from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. will include a dessert auction with the Amazing Shake students as auctioneers. A wide range of entertainment is included in the \$10 dinner donation.

The following Monday, March 11, fundraisers will hold a Family Fun Night at Preston Hall. There will be BBQ for purchase and games for twenty-five cents per ticket. Games in the gym, board games, and inflatable games will be available between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Mark your calendar and help send Verbena McLoughlin, Olivial Kiefel, Lillian Carpenter, Chloe McCaw, Carter Barron, Wyatt Parrish, and Jaylynn Gleason to Georgia for the National Amazing Shake event.



Karen Huwe

(l-r) Verbena McLaughlin (8th grade), Wildcards Olivia Kiefel (7th) and Lillian Carpenter (6th), Chloe McCaw (8th), Carter Barron (7th), and Wyatt Parish (5th), and wildcard Jaylynn Gleason (5th)

UP FOR CONSIDERATION

Three Moments, by Chris Engman

on view at the Royal Block and the subject of this month's Art Talk with Joseph Roberts

ART TALK
SATURDAY MARCH 2, 2024, 6-7PM

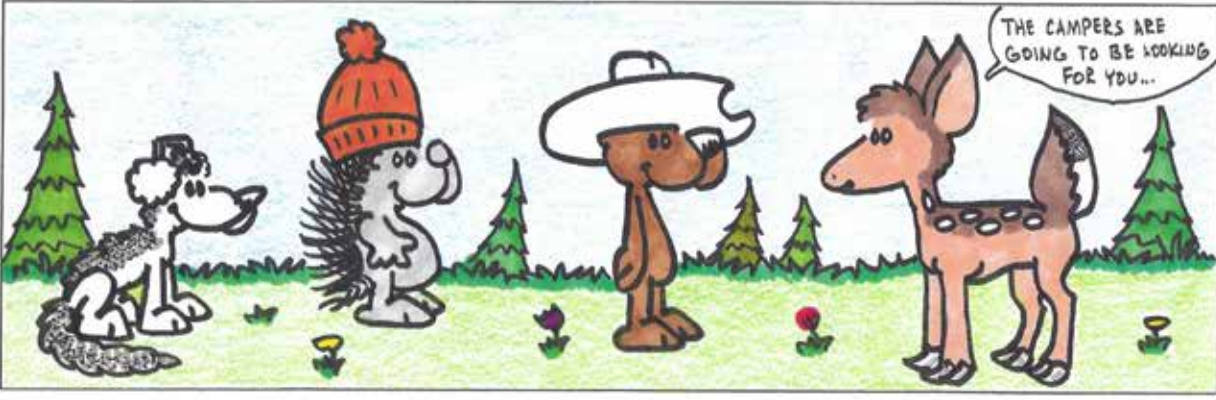
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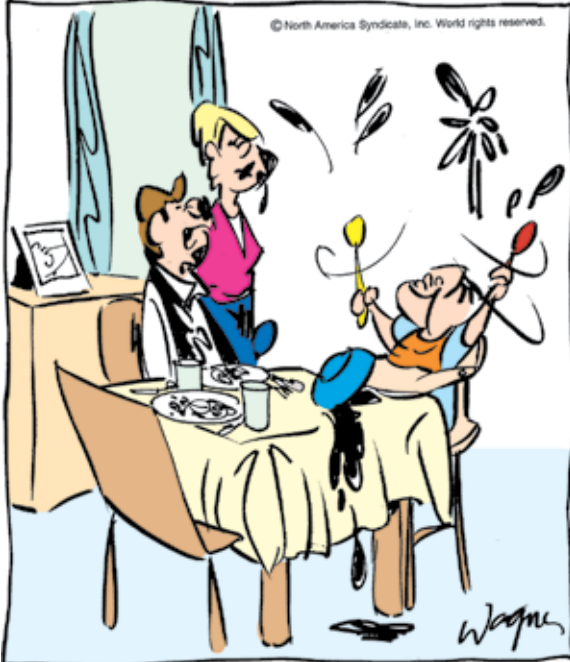


Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT



"Otis really seems to enjoy the dining experience."

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



10 Years Ago March 6, 2014

It seems there's no shortage of talent – or civic mindedness, for that matter – in the family of Doris Huffman (Ruff), of Waitsburg. Huffman recently used her artistic talents to create a painting for Waitsburg's Town Hall. Daughter Deanna Tipton – an accomplished singer and actress who was recently an extra on the remake of Dallas – performed at the Plaza Theater in 2012. Her stand-up comedy/music routine raised \$1600 for Town Hall maintenance. And most recently, Huffman's nephew, retired Air Force Band trumpeter Jon Ruff, played on the album that won the Best Latin Tropical Album Grammy at the 2014 awards in January.

25 Years Ago March 4, 1999



[Photo Caption] Scott Zuercher, a 5-10 junior guard, gave some quality minutes in the final district game for Waitsburg, coming off the bench to harass Irish ball handlers like Eric Dutton

50 Years Ago March 7, 1974

Waitsburg's Cardinals encountered Clair Clubfoot last Thursday evening, and before the smoke had cleared he pumped through 23 points in the first three quarters to give Connell a slim lead which they added to in the final stanza, then held on to win the first game of the Dayton District Tournament by 58-55. Clubfoot, shooting mainly from the edge of the key, found the range with an early basket, answered by Maib who got a pair from the line. Dider made the next couple of points for Connell, but then Scott Peterson hit from outside to know the score.

75 Years Ago March 11, 1949

Miss Myra Wardrip and Ben Bloor exchanged wedding vows March 6 at the home of the bride's parents at 9 a.m. A wedding breakfast was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graham.

The Waitsburg FFA crop judging team including Bob Collins, Howard Smith and Neal Alexander placed second at the judging held in Prescott last Friday. Bob Collins was second high boy and Howard Smith third.

100 Years Ago March 14, 1924

Homer Michelson this week sold his blacksmith shop to Floyd A. Rhay who has been located at Prescott for some time.

Mrs. G. G. Bickelhaupt and son Kenneth moved to their farm Saturday to remain through the summer. Kenneth will attend school at their home district where two years of high school work is taught.

125 Years Ago March 17, 1899

Fre McCoy, proprietor of the Racket Shop, returned last Thursday from his trip to the mines in the John Day Country, Oregon. He says he has located some excellent mining properties there and expects to return in a few weeks to remain.

The Red Cross Society on Monday of this week shipped a large box of dried fruits to Co. K 1st Washington Volunteer Infantry, now at Manila. This gift will undoubtedly be appreciated by the boys when it shall arrive there.

Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, March 5

Menu will be posted at
www.wallawallaseniorcenter.org

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, Feb 29

Breakfast
Pancakes & Sausage

Lunch
Hotdogs & Fries
Brynne's House Salad
Oranges

Friday, Mar 1

Breakfast
Scrambled eggs & Toast

Lunch
Sandwiches
Oodles of Noodles pasta salad

Monday, Mar 4

Breakfast
Berry Parfait
Lunch
Cheeseburgers & Fries
Fruit & Vegetable choice

Tuesday, Mar 5

Breakfast
Biscuits & Gravy
Lunch
Chicken Burrito Bowl
Fruit & Vegetable choice

Wednesday, Mar 6

Breakfast
Donut & Yogurt
Lunch
Chili & Fritos
Fruit & Vegetable choice



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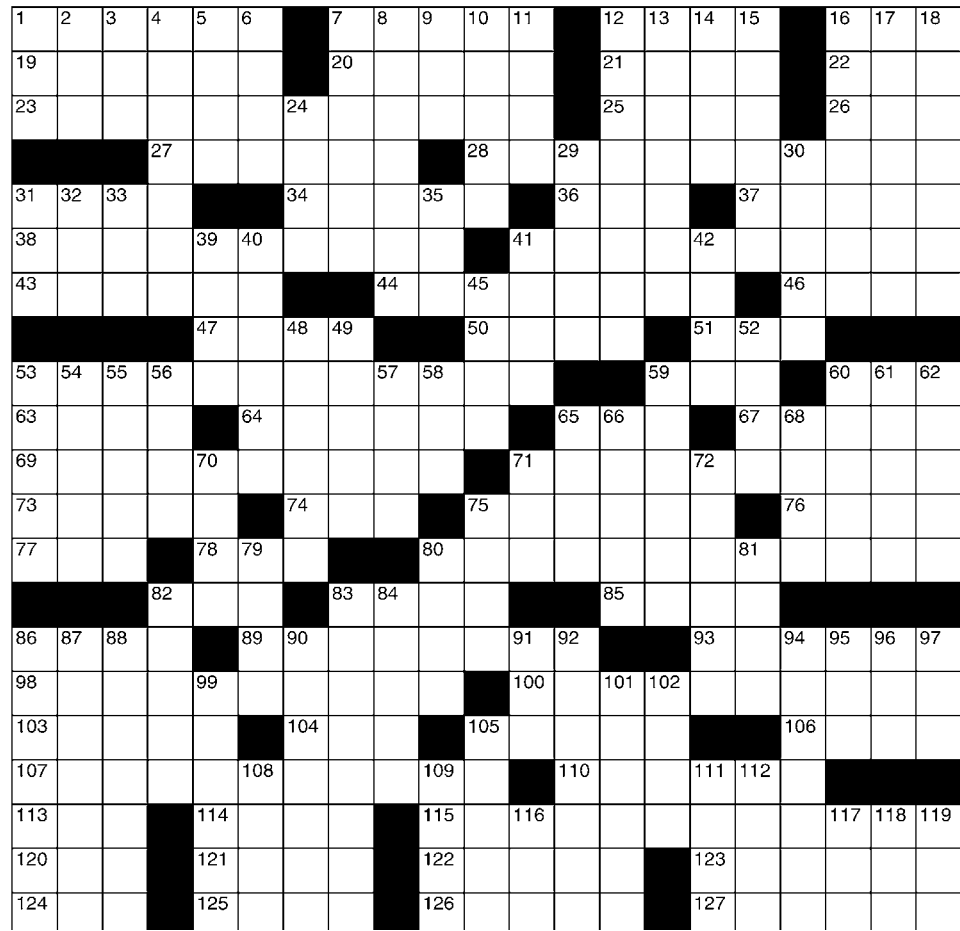
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16 Air gun ammo
19 With no secrecy
20 Caribbean resort island
21 Physiques, for short
22 Suffix with east
23 Door-bashing device
25 Working hard
26 Grazing field
27 Politician Alexandria — Cortez
28 Bud Light mascot
31 A verb often follows it
34 Vex
36 Winning tic-tac-toe row
37 "Hoarders" channel
38 "Full House" acting pair
41 Sideways-moving arachnid
43 Judo teacher
- 44 Test taker
46 Sailors, informally
47 "The Villain" actor Jack
50 Gain's offset
51 Ignited
53 "If I Only Had the Nerve" singer
59 "Ka-POW!"
60 Me, in Lyon
63 On — with (equal to)
64 One of the Kennedys
65 Org. with merit badges
67 Learning
69 Mother of Jesus
71 Things to step on in washrooms
73 Moon that's home to the Ewoks
74 Top-secret U.S. org.
75 Dialect of Aramaic
76 Ad biz award
77 French article
78 CEO's deg.
80 Flashy, diving soccer move
82 Put a flaw in
83 Dog in "The Thin Man"
85 Hockey's Phil, to fans
86 Manufacture
- 89 Leaned back
93 Negev's land
98 "Fatal Attraction" Oscar nominee
100 Feta, for one
103 Official order
104 Prevarication
105 Spiral-shelled mollusk
106 Rep on the street
107 Luxury writing implement
110 Eye ring
113 Rhinoplasty doc
114 Nastase of tennis fame
115 Halibut, sole and flounder
120 Beatified Mile.
121 Madams' counterparts
122 Eldest of the Musketeers
123 1998 Masters champ Mark
124 One of the Kennedys
125 Hug's partner
126 Century's 100
- 127 All 12 of its symbols are featured in this puzzle
- DOWN**
- 1 Dollop
2 Clean air org.
- 3 Court divider
4 Chants
5 Actor Baldwin
6 Vega's constellation
7 Grill-marked sandwiches
8 French forest region
9 Brand of faucet filters
10 Cry like —
11 Bank bought by Chase, for short
12 Govt. advances for mom-and-pops
13 Opposite of destined
14 "And When —" (1969 hit)
15 Certain high-heel feature
16 Go-Go's singer Carlisle
17 Offspring producer
18 Ones entrapping
24 "Vidi," in English
29 "Slow" primate
30 Bonnie of blues rock
31 Antis' votes
32 Corrida cry
33 Sailor's org.
35 It runs on a 52-Down
- 39 — do-well
40 Bill of tennis
41 "Hurry it up!"
42 Actress Ward
45 Balm additive
48 Female grad
49 Chatty birds
52 Apple buy
53 Went spelunking
54 Think aloud
55 Prison units
56 2012 Ben Affleck thriller
57 Turkish money unit
58 Bitterly cold
59 Adherents of an Iranian religion
60 Thousand: Prefix
61 — acid (fat product)
62 "There, there"
65 Georgia politician Bob
66 Michael of the band R.E.M.
68 Small nail
70 "— la Douce"
71 Drink-related party abbr.
72 Suffix with micro- or kaleido-
75 Read quickly
79 "I'm c-c-cold!"
80 Start to wake
- 81 Light snack
82 Small rodents, jocularly
83 Sore feeling
84 Slumber
86 Star of "I'm No Angel"
87 Slower than allegretto
88 Like booties
90 Cream-filled pastries
91 Big head
92 Contributor
94 Covered anew, as a book
95 — Lingus
96 Suffix with Senegal
97 Guided
99 In harm's way
101 Transversely
102 Those people
105 100-buck bill
108 Roman 1,052
109 Auction website
111 "The Wizard —"
112 Celeb's ride
116 Radio host Charlamagne — God
117 "Bali —"
118 Epoch
119 Small pouch



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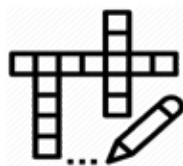
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Zippy Tofu Chili

While I am certainly known for my love of cooking savory meat dishes, throughout the week much of my diet is centered around vibrant plant-based options. Incorporating more vegetarian meals in your routine is good both for your heart health, and perhaps more importantly, the health of the planet. Over the years I have gathered a diverse collection of meatless recipes that always satisfy without ever feeling like something is missing. This delightful chili, full of bright and spicy flavors, is balanced with the addition of umami rich mushrooms and sweet corn.



Ingredients:

- Avocado oil
4 ounces mushrooms, chopped
1 (14-ounce) package extra-firm tofu, drained
1 large onion, diced
1 red bell pepper, diced
4 garlic cloves, minced
2 tablespoons chili powder
2 teaspoons ground cumin
1 teaspoon paprika
½ teaspoon ancho chili powder
Cayenne pepper, to taste
2 tablespoons tomato paste
2 (14-ounce) cans fire roasted tomatoes
1 (14-ounce) can black beans, drained and rinsed
1 (14-ounce) can kidney beans, drained and rinsed
1 cup lager or ale, such as Modelo
1 cup frozen corn, thawed
Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- Optional topping suggestions:**
Grated sharp cheddar cheese
Sour cream
Chopped scallions
Sliced avocado
Fresh lime wedges

Directions:

In a heavy or cast-iron skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of oil over medium-high heat until shimmering. Add the mushrooms and cook until just starting to brown and release moisture, about 5 minutes. Crumble the tofu into the skillet and continue to cook for a couple of minutes, allowing excess moisture to cook off. As the tofu and mushrooms begin to sizzle, season with a pinch of salt. Be careful not to burn, adding more oil if the pan seems too dry. Take off the heat and set aside.

Pour enough oil to coat the bottom of a heavy soup pot or Dutch oven and set over medium heat. When hot, add the onion and bell pepper. Sauté until the onion is translucent and soft, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic, chili powder, cumin, paprika, ancho chili, and cayenne with a pinch of salt. Stir to evenly mix the spices into the onions then make a well in the center of the pan. Add the tomato paste to the opening and cook for an additional minute until the paste is lightly toasted and the garlic is fragrant.

Next, stir in the tomatoes with all their juices, black beans, kidney beans, and the beer. Swirl a splash of water in the tomato cans and add to the pot. Raise the heat and bring mixture to a simmer. Add the mushroom and tofu mixture then lower the heat to bring to a gentle simmer. Continue to cook, stirring occasionally, for about 45 minutes to an hour. If the mixture gets too thick add some water or broth to thin it out. The chili can simmer for up to 90 minutes to allow the flavors to fully meld.

Finally, stir in the corn and cook until heated through, about 3 minutes. Taste and adjust the seasoning, adding more salt and pepper as needed. Serve in warm bowls with your favorite chili toppings.

Notes:

It helps to try and press as much moisture as possible out of the tofu before cooking. Rinse it then let it drain in a colander lined with layers of paper towels for at least 15 minutes. Next, wrap the block of tofu in a clean kitchen towel and gently squeeze out more moisture. Allow to sit in the towel while you prep the rest of your ingredients.

I served this satisfying chili with a vibrant chopped salad and some homemade corn bread. Either a crisp Mexican beer or a light red wine would make a wonderful pairing to the meal.

Enjoy.

Super Crossword

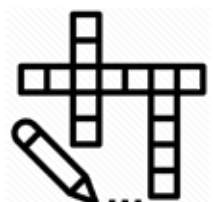
Weekly SUDOKU

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CALENDAR

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 waitsburgcc@icloud.com

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

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

Waitsburg Booster Club
First 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 1/2 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. (Unless meeting falls on a holiday.)
This month the meeting will be Feb. 26
Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting
Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon
Hybrid in-person meetings at the 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
Starbuck Town Council Special Work Session
Thursday, February 29th at 6:00 pm at City Hall

Events, Film, Performance, Live Music

WAITSBURG



St Patrick's Day Dinner and Silent Auction @ Waitsburg Town Hall

Saturday, March 9, 2024 @ 6 p.m

Advanced Ticket Sales at Gaudy Gals and from Town Hall Boardmembers.
No sales at the door!

ROYAL BLOCK WAITSBURG

MAR 2 6-7PM
ART TALK

MAR 7 6-8PM
OPEN MIC NIGHT

MAR 16 2-6PM
VINTAGE MARKET & WALLALA DUMPLINGS

MAR 22 6-8PM
MYTHICAL/MOVABLE BLUE MTN BLUEGRASS JAM

MAR 30
WOMEN IN WINE AND MUSIC
WINE TASTING WITH DAMA WINES 3-6PM
LIVE MUSIC: MARI GISELE 6-8PM



WALLA WALLA



Mythical / Movable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam
Walla Walla Public Library
238 E. Alder, Walla Walla
Friday, March 1
6 p.m.

AMERICAN 35



It's Mushroom Mayhem all month long.

Look for a featured salad, side dish, pizza, and even a cocktail showcasing mushrooms from Chesed Farms.

3/13 - Pizza class, 5:30-7:30 pm

3/14 - Bingo, 6:30-8 pm

3/16 - Live music -The Front Stoop Players 7-9 pm



DAYTON



DAYTON SENIOR CENTER (COLUMBIA COUNTY SENIOR CENTER)

Free monthly workshops at Dayton Senior Center on the first Tuesday of the month.
Call (509) 382-2006 for details.

March 5 – "Introduction to Population Health."

Community Civility Café

Conversations That Matter "Books in Libraries"

March 7, 2024
at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Pavilion

An evening of good-natured communication about the challenges of libraries and the books they make available.

The conversation will be facilitated to enhance civil discourse by "engaging people in conversations that matter."

Register Today



Hosted by The Friends of the Dayton Memorial Library.