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THIS WEEK

DAYTON



APPLIANCES

Early appliances are on display at the Dayton Historic Depot.

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WAITSBURG



SKIERS

Waitsburg fifth-graders are putting together a K-12 cookbook as a fundraiser for the fifth-grade ski program.

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SPORTS



WRESTLING

Waitsburg's Joe Adams and Tyler Hoffman advance to the State Mat Classic in Tacoma.

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WINTER WILDLIFE



Photos by Nick Page

Temperatures may be nippy but there is still plenty of wildlife to be seen. Dayton photographer Nick Page captured these critters in his lens on a Feb. 4 drive.

Ice Damages Lyon's Ferry Marina Moorages

ICE EATERS BROUGHT IN TO ALLEVIATE FREEZING AFTER THREE BOATS NEARLY SINK

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

STARBUCK -- Jim McArthur's reuben sandwich junkies will be happy to hear that the restaurant at the Lyon's Ferry Marina will have an earlier than usual opening this year.

McArthur said an early opening will go a long way to alleviate his wintertime blues, which have been worse than ever this year. This is partly because he is recuperating from total knee replacement surgery, but also because there has been considerable damage to the moorages and walkways at the marina due to winter ice accumulation in the bay.

"The Snake River was frozen from shore to shore with ice a foot thick in places," McArthur said. "It started getting colder and colder and colder. We could hear the boards cracking and popping. We walked the docks multiple times throughout the day checking

the boats. My concern was that the ice would crush the boats. Three boats almost sank."

McArthur said that one boat was taking on water. One had a loose fitting in the engine compartment, and one developed a slow leak, all due to the ice. He said that two of his employees began chopping a channel in the ice, but they couldn't do much of anything about the ice around the moorages.

McArthur said he sprang into action and began calling around to locate some ice eaters. One of his customers brought a small ice heater in to demonstrate its use.

"We saw how well it worked, and I called a company in the Midwest on Wednesday and ordered ten of them," he said. "We began using them on Saturday, and within three days we were ice free."

But McArthur's worries weren't over. During the week the Army Corp of Engineers will normally raise or lower the water level, and McArthur thought that fluctuating water levels would cause additional problems with freezing. However, the Corps didn't raise or lower

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Courtesy Image

With the Snake River frozen shore-to-shore, Lyons Ferry Marina manager Jim McArthur and his crew brought in ice eaters to prevent damage to boats in the docks.

Council Confirms Utility Rate Increase

FUNDS WILL BE LEVERAGED TO OBTAIN A LOAN TO IMPROVE INFRASTRUCTURE

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG -- At their January meeting, the Waitsburg City Council voted unanimously to approve a utility rate increase to fund imminent infrastructure repairs and upgrades, but opted to review the numbers one more time before making a final decision. The council approved the proposed increase, with minor changes, at their February meeting.

The council voted to raise utility rates by 5% on both water and sewer this year and next; followed by a steady 2.5% increase in 2019 and beyond. In addition to the rate increase, the council voted to lower the monthly allotment from 1,000 cubic feet to 500 cubic feet. However, they also voted on a reduction on the overage rate, taking it from 80 cents per 100 cubic feet down to 65 cents per 100 cubic feet.

The increase is a general increase of about \$7.00 per month over the utility bill from the prior year, according to City Manager Randy Hinchliffe. The new rates will become effective with the February billing that users will receive in early March.

"We have to keep in mind that the reasoning for this is that we have deteriorating infrastructure and spring lines that need to be fixed. So we just can't sit back and say that we don't want to raise prices. We have to realize that we have the best interest of the citizens in mind. We need to do this so we can supply them with water," Mayor Marty Dunn told the council, prior to the vote.

Established in 1865 and incorporated in 1886, Waitsburg ranks as one of the oldest cities in the State of Washington. With old age comes old infrastructure. The water system that is still in use today was installed in the early 1900s with the majority of the pipe distribution system now being made up of asbestos concrete installed in the 1950s/60s.

Sewer lines were installed in the 1930s and still consist of mainly terracotta clay pipe. Both materials are very brittle and extremely sensitive to vibration and root infiltration to where they can crack and break very easily, leading to failure.

"At the moment, nothing appears ready to completely fail in either system, but both are currently beginning to show their age. Over the past 10 years, the city has been as proactive as the budget has allowed, repairing and maintaining the distribution systems. We have continued to progress throughout a priority list of water deficiencies while continuing to reline sewer mainlines in offsetting years," Hinchliffe said.

"Due to years of cost escalation and use of reserve fund balances as a means to keep utility rates stable, the city has come to the point to where the annual budget cannot support the continual repairs and maintenance of both systems as issues develop. The estimated cost to fix the known deficiencies in both systems is in excess of \$2.5 million," he added.

Hinchliffe said the purpose of this increase is to help fund infrastructure improvements around the city. Priority is being given to the replacement of all city utility water meters, the majority of those being 30-40 years old.

Hinchliffe told the council it would be preferable to replace all the meters at once, with 20-year meters, rather than piecemeal, over time. He said a rough estimate to replace all the meters is \$300,000, but estimated that the old meters are not capturing as much as 20% of the water going through them, resulting in a loss of revenue for the city.

Once an overall revenue picture can be developed, the city intends to leverage the increases for a larger revenue loan that the city can then utilize to progress through its list of deficiencies within the water and sewer systems until it runs out of project funding, Hinchliffe said.

"Approving a rate increase is never easy, especially in a town with a small population, but in order to fulfill one of the city's essential services, a rate increase was necessary to ensure we can continue to keep the water and sewer systems in good working order as a means to keep from regular large dollar increases over time," Hinchliffe told The Times.

Questions regarding the increase or the utility systems can be directed to City Hall at 147 Main Street or by email at rjhinch@gotvc.net.



Heart Health Awareness Events

Several events are planned in Feb.

By Dena Wood
THE TIMES



DAYTON – February is Heart Health Awareness Month and there are many activities and promotions taking place in Dayton.

Columbia County Health System is asking businesses to spread the message of heart health by decorating their windows. Take the time to check out the many windows around town that have been decorated. Supporters are asked to wear red on Fridays in February and bright red “Rock the Beat” t-shirts are available for purchase at the Dayton General Hospital for \$10.

Blue Mountain Station Co-op is sponsoring a Children’s Heart Health Awareness Poster Design Contest. Kids ages 5-15 can pick up a sheet of 11-inch by 14-inch poster paper and full rules at the co-op on Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Finished posters are due Saturday, Feb. 18, and will hang in the market until the end of March. Each participant will receive two dollars in Co-op Cash to use on a future visit. Three grand-prize winners in different age groups will be given.

Blood is in short supply, and donors can give blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, Feb. 23 from 12:30 – 5 p.m. at St. Joseph’s Parish, located at 112 S. 1st St. Visit www.redcross.org to reserve a time slot.

On Saturday, Feb. 25 at 8:30 a.m., the Backroads Club will hold the second annual Heart & Sole 5K Run & Walk. The family-friendly run/walk focuses on community health. Strollers, children and walkers are welcome.

The run will start at the baseball and soccer fields behind Dayton General Hospital. Participants will follow the river dike toward Main Street, then back past the hospital and to the end of the dike at 4th Street, turning, and finishing at the hospital parking lot for a celebration, snacks and music.

A five dollar suggested donation will be used for future community events. Visit Backroads Club on Facebook for more information.



SUPT. SEARCH IS UNDERWAY

Preliminary interviews will take place March 7-8

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Dr. Bill Jordan of Northwest Leadership Associates met with school board members in executive session prior to the Feb. 8 regular board meeting and told the board that 10 to 12 candidates have expressed interest in the district superintendent position that Dr. Carol Clarke will retire from on June 30. Clarke reviewed the search timeline with those in attendance.

Applications are due Feb. 17 and the board will meet in executive session on March 1 to review them and choose preliminary interview candidates. Preliminary interviews will be held on March 7-8. All board members, as well as an interview observer panel, will hear the interviews.

The observer panel will consist of 10-12 staff and community members who will listen, but will not be allowed to ask questions. They will be coached by Dr. Jordan prior to the interviews regarding their role.

Final candidates will be selected following the March 7-8 interviews, with final interviews scheduled for March 21-23. The formatting for the final interviews hasn’t been finalized but the board will select a panel that will allow different organizations and community groups to participate.

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago
February 22, 2017

Harold Cochran of Prescott was appointed to the Board of Regents at Washington State University (WSU) by Governor Chris Gregoire last week.

The Waitsburg branch of AmericanWest Bank will cut its operating hours beginning in April, The Times has learned. “Financial factors” had a role in the decision made by the AmericanWest Bank board of directors, a bank spokesman said Tuesday.

Six Waitsburg residents attending Washington State University have earned recognition on the President’s Honor Roll for the fall 2006 semester. They are Jill Bickelhaupt, Emily Hogan, Haly Ingle, Wenda Parr, Bertha Piorier and Angela Smith.

Twenty-Five Years Ago
February 20, 1992

The City Council Wednesday night was expected to discuss a settlement with Louisiana-Pacific Corp. that would pay the city more than \$40,000 in cash and pay for seedlings and erosion prevention at the city’s watershed valued at less than \$15,000. Total value of the deal could be as much as \$60,000 – almost as much as the city makes a year in selling water and water connections: \$74,000.

A program to help the siblings of youngsters with disabilities is available beginning in April. Helen Duckworth, of Waitsburg, said there is a growing need to help children who have brothers or sisters with disabilities.

Preston Hall took up discussion time at last week’s school board meeting, as it has often in recent months. This time, board member Terry Jacoy, sought a board resolution on whether the district supports restoration of the old building, once used as a junior high school. Jacoy’s suggestion died after little interest was shown by other board members to go on record now for restoring Preston Hall.

Fifty Years Ago
February 16, 1967

Commercial Club charter members were honored guests of the club at last Saturday’s dinner in the Multi-Purpose room of the grad-school. Charter members from left to right are Frank Kinder, Roy Allen, Clarence Eaton, Frank Zuger, Chester Keiser, Alfred Hales, Jake Keve and W. H. Wallace. Charter members invited who were not able to attend were Fred. O. Cox, Fred Singer, Ralph Singer, A. C. Spofford, Emory McCown and Chet Woods.

Frank Bramlet will speak to Commercial Club on Tuesday, February 21, on the bow-and-arrow deer season in the Blue Mountains. Frank is an avid hunter and sportsman, and was awarded the Club’s Man of the Year 1966 at last Saturday’s banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kenney returned on Thursday after a vacation trip to Reno.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Abby have returned from spending several weeks in Phoenix, Arizona.

Seventy-Five Years Ago
February 20, 1942

Orders have been received this week by Dr. E. J. Lewis to report immediately for military duty, Friday, Feb. 27th.

Providing entertainment for the 164th National Guard on March 7 is the next big event scheduled by members of K of P Lodge, according to an announcement made to The Times Wednesday.

Defense leaders ask every citizen to be on the alert. Vigilance is the keynote of home defense. The public should be warned against the danger of complacency.

Waitsburg always has lovely brides, but one of the loveliest was Roberta Mae Stonecipher, who became Mrs. Lawrence Arthur Broom Saturday afternoon, Feb. 14, in a candlelight ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Butler.

One Hundred Years Ago
February 23, 1917

Smith Phillips, Vivian Mickelsen and Jay Wright represented Waitsburg in the spelling contest in Walla Walla. Smith Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Phillips, of this city, was the second best speller, having missed but one word.

Cherries, peaches, and apricots are budding out to bloom.

Miss Ethel Fudge of Huntsville spent Saturday and Sunday with her grandmother, Mrs. Kirby.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown re working for Will Hawks for a few days.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago
February 25, 1892

The city is growing east and soon Preston Avenue will be the handsomest thoroughfare in the city.

On and after the first of March it is unlawful to allow chickens to run at large within the city limits of the city of Waitsburg.

Abel White has recently sold two of his thoroughbred Norman stallions; one to Mrs. Turner and one to Mr. Semple on the Coppei.

Thomas Foster and W. H. Harris, brother and nephew of the late John Foster of Prescott, were in the city on Thursday. Their home is in Coldwater, Mich., and they are out looking after John’s affairs, but they are so delighted with this country that they may decide to locate here. We found them remarkable pleasant gentlemen.

Touchet Valley Weather

Feb. 15, 2017

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday Isolated Rain High: 42 Low: 35	Thursday Rain Likely High: 47 Low: 33	Friday Partly Cloudy High: 44 Low: 31	Saturday Cloudy High: 41 Low: 30	Sunday Mostly Cloudy High: 41 Low: 25	Monday Rain/Snow High: 39 Low: 28	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 45 Low: 31

Weather Trivia

Does cold air hold more or less moisture than warm air?

Answer: Less.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Monday	48	31	44/31	0.00"	0.52"
Tuesday	37	22	45/31	0.02"	0.49"
Wednesday	29	23	45/32	0.27"	+0.03"
Thursday	50	26	45/32	0.22"	.35.7°
Friday	50	37	46/32	0.01"	.38.5°
Saturday	47	32	46/32	0.00"	-2.8°
Sunday	41	27	46/32	0.00"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:53 a.m.	5:19 p.m.	10:36 p.m.	9:19 a.m.
Thursday	6:51 a.m.	5:21 p.m.	11:36 p.m.	9:46 a.m.
Friday	6:50 a.m.	5:22 p.m.	No Rise	10:16 a.m.
Saturday	6:48 a.m.	5:24 p.m.	12:34 a.m.	10:48 a.m.
Sunday	6:46 a.m.	5:25 p.m.	1:31 a.m.	11:23 a.m.
Monday	6:45 a.m.	5:27 p.m.	2:26 a.m.	12:04 p.m.
Tuesday	6:43 a.m.	5:28 p.m.	3:19 a.m.	12:50 p.m.

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TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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Dayton Senior Round Table

Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Ave.
204 pm.

Waitsburg Friends of the Library

Weller Public Library
7 p.m.

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Dayton Youth & Children Program

Dayton Memorial Library
3 p.m.

Coffee, Cookies, Coloring
Dayton Memorial Library
3-5 p.m.

Enjoy coffee, tea, and cookies while coloring intricate and unique coloring book designs.

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Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
9-11 a.m.

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PRESIDENT'S DAY

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

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

17: French Toast; Fish Tacos, Cabbage, Pico de Gallo

20: Presidents Day – NO SCHOOL

21: Biscuit & Gravy; Chicken Fried Steak, Gravy

22: Cinnamon Roll; Baked Potato Bar, Graham Crackers, Broccoli

23: Muffin & Yogurt; Beef Tacos, Black Beans

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Prescott Library Story Time

Prescott Library
11 a.m.
Crafts and stories geared to preschool children, but all ages are welcome.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
11:30 a.m.
Join local seniors every Tuesday for lunch. \$4 suggested donation for those over 60. \$7 charge for guests under 60. Meals on Wheels are available. Call 337-8541 for more info.

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12 p.m.
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Community Wildlife Protection Plan Meeting

Columbia County Fire District #3 (111 Patit Rd.)
1 p.m.
Citizens are invited to attend and share their priorities regarding wildfire protections.

Dayton Planning Commission

Planning Commission Board Room
6:30 p.m.

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Dayton Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
10 a.m.

Celebrate Recovery
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7 p.m.
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Dayton Historic Preservation Commission
Dayton City Hall
6 p.m.

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Dayton Senior Round Table

Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

St. Joseph's Parish (112 S. 1st, Dayton)
12:30 - 5 p.m.
Visit www.redcross.org to reserve a time or drop in.

Waitsburg Resource Center

106 Preston Avenue
2-4 p.m.

Prescott School Board

High School Board Room
6 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS HELP WANTED



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NEWS BRIEFS

ROYALTY FUNDRAISER

WAITSBURG – Citizens are invited to support Waitsburg Celebration Days Royalty at a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Fri., Feb. 24 at Waitsburg Town Hall. A social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. The evening will also include a silent auction and dessert auction.

Tickets are 2 for \$15 or \$10 each. Wine and beer will be available by donation. Funds will be used toward royalty expenses such as wardrobe and travel. Tickets may be purchased by calling Cheyanne at (509) 629-1693 or by messaging Ann Adams on Facebook. They will also be available at the door.

LIONS CRAB FUNDRAISER

DAYTON – The Dayton Lions Club will host its second annual crab dinner on Sat., March 11 from 5-7 pm. at the Dayton school multipurpose room. Tickets must be purchased by March 1, in order for the club to know how much crab to purchase.

This is the second year for the event that the Lions hope to see grow into an annual fundraiser. This year's event will include live music by Bobby K. and Mike McQuary, and several door prizes will be given away.

The menu includes fresh crab (cleaned with no shell), macaroni salad, baked beans, coleslaw, garlic bread, dessert, and beverages. Funds generated from the event will be used for sight and hearing assistance, scholarships, and other contributions for youth and the benefit of the community.

Tickets are \$30 per person and **must be purchased by March 1** from any Dayton Lions member or at Dingles, located at 179 E. Main in Dayton.

COL. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING DATE CHANGES

DAYTON – Beginning March 1, 2017 the Columbia County Board of Commissioners regular meetings will be held the first and third Monday of each month, at 9 a.m. Work sessions will be held at 9 a.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

The commissioners meet at the courthouse, 341 E. Main Street, Ste #4. Agendas are available online prior to the meetings at www.columbiaco.com.

WILDLIFE PROTECTION PLAN MEETING

DAYTON – Citizens are invited to discuss their priorities for updates to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan meeting on Feb. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Columbia County Fire District #3 station located at 111 Patit Rd. in Dayton.

The updated CWPP document will focus on three key areas: creating fire adapted communities, improving wildfire response, and restoring and maintaining healthy landscapes. The goal of the project is to review and update, if necessary, initial assessments of wildland fire risk in Columbia County and make mitigation recommendations towards the achievement of the three established goals.

BIRTHDAYS

February 17: Loyal Baker, Jack Rodgers, Chris Blair, Mathew Kurth, Betty Sauer, Angela Webb and Larry Lawrence.

February 18: Cole Lindsey, Greg Schuler, Lauri McKinley, Michael and Philo Murphy, Nancy Powers, Ann Ahler and Charles Mead V.

February 19: Carrie Abel, Margaret Osterero, Rick Harper, and Mark Johnson.

February 20: Harvey Danielson, Jace Grende and Colter Mohny.

February 21: Dick Brunton, Ted Hopwood, Rich Pierson, Travis Wood, Joshua Wood, Chris Huwe and Molly and Mandy Hays.

February 22: Cheri Maxwell, Gerald Morgan, Charles Morgan, Tristien Cook, Alexandra Bloor, Betty Crabtree, Nicole Eastwood.

February 23: John A. Reese, Jay Thomas, Jane Conover Waldher, Jason Cook, Becky Harshman, Margaret Gibson, Heidi Sickles and Brandon Cole.

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Who Will Protect Americans From Their Protectors?

By George F. Will, *The Washington Post*

WASHINGTON -- At their post-Civil War apogee, 19th-century Republicans were the party of activist government, using protectionism to pick commercial winners and promising wondrous benefits from government's deft interventions in economic life. Today, a Republican administration promises that wisely wielded Washington power can rearrange commercial activities in ways superior to those produced by private-sector calculations in free market transactions.

According to the Financial Times, which interviewed him, Peter Navarro, head of the president's National Trade Council, says an administration priority is "unwinding and repatriating the international supply chains on which many U.S. multinational companies rely." This will make life interesting for, among many others, America's third and 24th largest corporations, Apple and Boeing.

The tiny print on the back of iPhones accurately says it is "assembled," not manufactured, in China. The American Enterprise Institute's James Pethokoukis notes that parts come from South Korea, Japan, Italy, Taiwan, Germany and the United States. Components of Boeing airliners' wings come from Japan, South Korea and Australia; horizontal stabilizers and center fuselages from Italy; cargo access doors from Sweden; passenger entry doors from France; landing gear doors from Canada; engines and landing gear from Britain.

Navarro's "unwinding and repatriating" is, to say no more, part of an improbable project: making American greater by making Apple, Boeing and many other corporations much less efficient and less competitive. This will further slow economic growth, making even more unattainable the 4 percent (more than double the economy's average growth this century) or higher growth that the administration says will enable it to spend \$1 trillion on infrastructure (including a \$15 billion or so wall on the Mexican border, begun after nearly a decade of net negative immigration from Mexico), while substantially increasing military spending,

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In Arizona Heat, Spring Cactus League Baseball Begins

By Reid Wilson, *Special to The Washington Post*

I'm walking down a long, paved sidewalk in early March, with a practice baseball field on my left and a grove of well-trimmed trees on my right. I'm worrying about the snow that fell as I left Washington, D.C., the night before, worrying about work and bills and the hassles of everyday life, worrying about the sunscreen I left at home.

A hundred yards from the stadium, I hear what has become an annual ritual: A cheer rising from the stands, the cheer of a happy and hopeful crowd that has traveled to Phoenix to watch their baseball team prepare for the season ahead.

In that moment, I stop, I breathe deep, I smile to myself. Weight lifts off my shoulders.

The players call it spring training. I call it the end of winter, the end of a long, cold season of being locked indoors and the beginning of a new time of year, marked by the return of baseball and my annual pilgrimage west. For this weekend, I will care only about our national pastime, and the joy it brings those of us lucky enough to be worried about sunscreen in March.

Today, my team, the Seattle Mariners, is playing the Milwaukee Brewers at Maryvale Baseball Park, on the west side of the Valley of the Sun. It is 90 degrees - a dry heat, the locals insist, and it truly is a bearable and happy heat. My parents have flown down to meet me; we sit a few rows up the first base line to watch the game, in which the rising star Taijuan Walker, since traded to the Arizona Diamondbacks, pitches a few meaningless innings behind a team of minor leaguers in Major League jerseys. We feel, like we will for the next several days, as if we're sitting on top of the game, close enough to overhear the conversations between the players and the umpires.

Over the following long weekend, I will visit three more stadiums in all quadrants of the Phoenix area. Each of the 10 stadiums scattered from Mesa to Glendale, Scottsdale to Surprise, is unique, built over the last 20 years as Arizona's Cactus League has evolved from quiet ritual to reliable tradition. While different in their own ways, each stadium offers the same feelings of proximity and intimacy; enterprising young fans have far better odds of scoring an autograph along the outfield wall, more seasoned fans a far better chance that their shouts of encouragement will be heard than in any Major League park.

Most important, every stadium offers cheap tickets. While tickets to Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City can be quite a bit more expensive, admission to a Royals game in Surprise, in the northwest corner of the Valley, can be had for \$19; tickets to the beautiful

outfield lawn, where children spend the game playing catch and families spread picnic blankets, cost \$8.

Try ticket resale websites such as StubHub or VividSeats, especially during weekday games, and those prices can fall more. A few years back, as I wooed his daughter, my now-father-in-law was impressed that I scored seats to a White Sox home game, behind home plate, for just \$5 each.

Proximity is the biggest selling point to Cactus League fans: spring training brings 15 teams to 10 stadiums around the Valley of the Sun, all within driving times of 45 minutes or less. It is not uncommon for the hardcore fan to spend an afternoon in the sun, at a game that starts at 1 p.m., and an evening in the cool desert air at another game that begins at 7 p.m.; a few years back, in what I considered the pinnacle of my baseball fandom, I hit eight games in five days, accompanied by any and every friend I had ever made in Arizona.

The variety of the stadiums themselves makes for an eclectic experience. Each ballpark has its nods to hometown fans: At Maryvale Baseball Park, at 20 years old the second-oldest of the stadiums around Phoenix and home of the Brewers, we ate bratwurst. In Surprise, where the Royals share a stadium that rises out of the middle of the desert with the Texas Rangers, we ate barbecue and pork tenderloin.

At the glistening Salt River Fields, which opened in 2011 for the hometown Arizona Diamondbacks and the Colorado Rockies, I had a decadent Sonoran hot dog, wrapped in bacon, drenched in chili and dressed with aioli that defied my best napkin-aided efforts at protecting my shorts almost immediately. ("So," my wife summarized, after I told her the ingredients, "it's a bacon dog with mayonnaise?" She was not wrong.)

Spring training in Arizona offers the best of baseball for both the obsessive and the casual fan; as life has intruded, I increasingly find myself shifting from the former category to the latter, and the experience of a trip to Phoenix never diminishes. At Maryvale, a fellow Mariners fan in front of me kept detailed notes about each player's time on the field. At Surprise, where my parents and I watched the Mariners beat the Rangers, I chuckled to myself when young guys with jersey numbers in the 80s - players unlikely to come anywhere close to the Major Leagues this year or next - trotted out to replace others in the middle of a game. The Mariners hadn't even bothered to sew their names on the back of their jerseys, and several went unacknowledged by the public address announcer, perhaps because their names had not been included on the team's official roster.

The informality is not unusual. In

fact, the entire spring training experience has a delightfully casual feel about it, as if even the announcers are working out the winter kinks and everyone knows that nothing is to be taken too seriously. At Surprise, someone forgot to turn off the Lady Gaga song playing over the loudspeaker while the live vocalist belted out "The Star-Spangled Banner"; at Tempe Diablo Stadium, just south of Arizona State University's campus, where I watched Los Angeles Angels slugger Mike Trout launch a massive home run before heading to the airport to catch my flight home, silence echoed around the park for a solid 45 seconds before the recorded version of the national anthem struggled to life. At Salt River, a Padres pitcher ran warm-up sprints along the outfield track in the middle of an inning.

Phoenix, too, has a casual feel. Over years of visiting my father-in-law there, even during Christmas, I cannot remember the last time I wore anything other than shorts.

The valley itself, which has grown explosively in recent years thanks to an influx of snowbirds from Chicago to Seattle (every third license plate, it seems, is from Illinois or Washington), is becoming perpetually more refined while maintaining its laid-back appeal.

That is not to say, by any means, that the valley has no charm beyond spring training. After a hard day of eating salt-laden ballpark fare while watching others exert themselves in the hot sun, fans have limitless dinner options ahead of them. Phoenix, the land of strip malls, offers every possible chain - I will confess to a predilection for Red Robin, the cheapo burger chain founded in my home town of Seattle, where the basic Tavern Double burger with bottomless steak fries has added inches to my midsection.

Near the Peoria complex, which the Mariners and San Diego Padres share, a hole-in-the-wall sushi joint called Fresh Wasabi delivers what its name promises, along with about two dozen specialty rolls, including the shrimp-and-tuna Booty Booty roll and the Sweet Thang roll, filled with salmon, cream cheese and crab.

On this weekend, after three full days with my parents, I have one more task to complete: While my father-in-law delivers my parents to the airport, I want to get a few more hours in the sun. So I meet my friend Seth at Tempe Diablo Stadium to try to squeeze in a few more innings before I have to return to reality.

I am not disappointed: Because it does not count, spring training is for experimenting, and that means the excitement of stolen bases. In the regular season, the rise of Sabermetrics and other cold analyses of baseball statistics means few players risk the long-shot option of swiping second.

In spring training, such larceny is a common feature, and in my final few moments in the sun I witness a half-dozen acts of brazen base-stealing. Half a dozen foul balls come close enough that we leap out of our seats, threatening the safety of Seth's pretzel and my Cracker Jacks, a thrill that only happens in the rich seats in the Major League parks.

Cactus League games run from Feb. 24 to April 1. Prices vary by park and team, but general-admission lawn seats start at \$8 per game. Tickets on resale websites such as StubHub.com can fall even lower, and virtually every stadium has tickets available until just a few hours before first pitch. Tickets to Chicago Cubs and Seattle Mariners games tend to be more expensive, while tickets to Milwaukee Brewers and Kansas City Royals games are generally the least expensive. Visit cactusleague.com for a complete schedule.

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leaving entitlements unreformed and delivering enormous tax cuts. Cuts that, according to the Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget (co-chaired by Republican Mitch Daniels and Democrat Leon Panetta, both former directors of the Office of Management and Budget), will reduce revenues by \$5.8 trillion over 10 years. This, as the Congressional Budget Office projects that even without (BEG ITAL)any(EN ITAL) of the administration's proposed spending spree and tax cuts, under current law the national debt would increase by \$9.4 trillion.

Speaking of supply chains: In her book "The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy," Georgetown University's Pietra Rivoli recounts a conversation with a man from Shanghai who said that if she would come to China he would help her see various places involved in producing the inexpensive T-shirts exported to America. She would see where the yarn is spun, the fabric is knit and the shirts are sewn. Asked if she could see where the cotton is grown, the man from China said he could not show her that because the cotton probably is grown in "Teksa." Rivoli spun a globe around to China and asked him to point to Teksa. "He took the globe and spun it back around the other way. 'Here, I think it is grown here.' I followed his finger. Patrick was pointing at Texas."

Today's Republican administration promises protection against the destruction of American jobs by the Chinese, Mexicans and other foreigners. The really prolific destroyers are: Americans. As Reason's John Tamny says, Americans streaming movies from Netflix (based in Los Gatos, Calif.) erase

American jobs in movie theaters and DVD rental stores. Americans buying books from Seattle-based Amazon have caused many American bookstores to do what Borders' (400 stores, 11,000 employees) did: disappear. Americans using San Francisco-based Uber are destroying many taxi drivers' jobs.

Evidently our protectors in the administration must believe this: The destruction of American jobs because Americans buy goods or services of some American companies rather than those of other American companies is benign. But the destruction of American jobs because Americans buy goods or services of foreign companies is intolerable.

An administration confident about conducting interventions in the economy should demonstrate care when bandying numbers. But in defending the sensible idea of reducing government regulation of the financial sector, Gary Cohn, director of the president's National Economic Council, said this would save "literally hundreds of billions of dollars of regulatory costs every year." Former Treasury Secretary Larry Summers notes the implausibility: "Total bank profits last year were about \$170 billion." Deregulation will more than double profits?

As today's Republicans celebrate a protectionist administration that is confident that Washington's superior wisdom can improve upon the market's allocation of economic resources, Democrats must resent Republican plagiarism. Who will protect Americans from their protectors?

George F. Will began his column with The Post in 1974, and he received the Pulitzer Prize for Commentary in 1977. He is also a contributor to FOX News' daytime and primetime programming.

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the water level, until the danger of more ice had passed.

Port of Columbia Manager Jennie Dickinson looked the situation over on Tuesday last week.

"The docks have steel frame under the wood boards. The frame is twisted, bent, and broken," Dickinson told the Port commissioners. "The floatation is moved all over the place – the walkways and moorages. The roofs of the moorages are damaged, and conduit is ripped off the walls. It will take a work barge with the capacity to take the pressure off the floatation, slip under it, and move it around."

Dickinson has filed a claim with the Port's insurance company, and McArthur has appointments with several contractors this week to assess the situation and provide cost estimates.

McArthur said the marina will open on Feb. 14, with limited hours on Wednesday through Sunday. The Snake River Grill will open for all those "Reuben junkies" on February 21.



Photo by Michele Smith



Courtesy Photo

Jim McArthur and his crew used ice eaters to thaw the ice around the moorages at the Lyon's Ferry Marina a couple of weeks ago. McArthur's team cut holes in the ice, tied the ice eaters off to the cleats on the docks, and dropped them into the water. Propellers on the ice eaters brought warmer river water from the bottom, to the surface, to melt the ice accumulation.

Top: McArthur with one of the ice eaters. Above: Bubbles are evidence of a submerged ice eater in action.

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Early Appliances On Display

New exhibit at the Dayton Depot shows how electrification improved homemaking

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Take a tour of a new exhibit at the Dayton Historic Depot Museum, beginning on March 1, to see some gadgets that made the lives of women “easier” in the years from the early 1900s to the 1950s.

“We’re looking at the intersection of consumerism, changing women’s roles, and rural electrification,” said Museum Director Tamara Fritze about the idea behind the exhibit.

Most of the appliances on loan to the museum are electric, with the exception of a display of hand tools for mixing, and some irons

which had to be heated on a wood stove, Fritze said.

By 1910, alternating electrical current entered American homes at 120 volts, allowing for the standardization of appliances. Manufacturers began developing appliances based on the electric resistance coil, with the idea of profiting from the burden of household chores, which fell mainly upon homemakers, according to the exhibit pamphlet.

Rural electrification began in 1935, through the Rural Electric Administration and the Electric Home and Farm Authority. The mission of the EHFA was to stimulate the use of electrical power by making home appliances affordable. The idea was that increased electrical demand could lower prices for electricity.

By 1941, 79% of American homes had electric irons, 52% had electric refrigerators, and/or electric washing machines, and 47% had vacuum cleaners, according to research done by Fritze for the

exhibit.

A brass transit on a tripod, an early electric meter, a lightning arrester, and a large insulator are some of the items on loan from Columbia REA, and those represent the efforts of rural electrification in the 1900s.

“They’re kind of fun,” said Fritze pointing to toasters, irons, coffee pots, clocks, radios and other electrified appliances, in use from the early 1900s up to the 1950s.

The items in the display are temporarily on loan from members throughout the community, and some are from the Boldman House Museum, Fritze said.

“A Better Home: Domestic Gadgets and Rural Electrification” will be on display from March 1, through Nov. 15 at the Dayton Historic Depot, at 222 E. Commercial St.

For more information about the exhibit contact Museum Director Tamara Fritze at (509) 382-2026.



Photo by Michele Smith

Museum Director Tamara Fritze shows off her vacuuming skills with a 1950s era Airway Sanitizer vacuum cleaner. The vacuum cleaner is on display in a new exhibit called A Better Home: Domestic Gadgets and Rural Electrification. The exhibit opens on March 1, and runs through November 15, 2017 at the Dayton Historic Depot.

Meet the People Responsible for an Improving Public Library

A DEDICATED STAFF BRINGS NEW LIFE TO THE LIBRARY

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Good things have been happening at the Dayton Memorial Library, including a recent honor bestowed on the library by the American Library Association, for the Family Dinner and Story Program, which will be featured on the ALA website “Future Trends of Libraries.”

Since Dusty Waltner hired on as the Library Director in March of 2015 there have been many visible improvements at the Dayton Memorial Library.

“My goal has been to increase programming and services, and boost awareness in the community, to let people know we’re here,” said Waltner.

When she was first hired Waltner said she analyzed the physical layout of the library, to try to figure out how to achieve additional space.

With that in mind, Waltner turned the basement, which was being used for storage, into the Children’s Library, and began expanding the adult section on the main level, she said.

Waltner said her focus for the library is on material collections in current trends, and bestsellers, and replenishing some of the classics. She said there are now 100,000 titles in the catalogue.

Raising awareness about online resources, and increasing accessibility to technology, for library patrons, are important goals, Waltner said.

“We’ve moved to a digital world,” she said. “So many people don’t even know how to fill out an online job application.”

The library recently offered a workshop to teach people how to download library materials onto their electronic devices.

Waltner said she will offer more workshops in the future, and that could include tutorials in Microsoft Word and Outlook.

In 2017 Waltner is looking forward to painting the main floor, adding shelving for the DVD audio book collection, and getting an underground sprinkling system installed for the landscaping.

An elevator, and a security system might be nice, too, Waltner added.

None of these things have been accomplished without the help of the library staff, Waltner said.

Waltner said the library Youth Specialist, Carolyn Laib, has a special talent with the children she works with.

“She is not afraid to dance around with the kids,” Waltner said about Laib’s interactions with her young charges. “Her storytimes are fabulous.”

Laib worked at the Dayton Memorial Library in April, 2015, and she is responsible for collections, programming and organization, and outreach with the schools, in her capacity as the children’s librarian.

“I love getting to know the kids . . . It’s going to be fun watching these kids grow,” said Laib.

“I knew a lot of people in the community, but now I know more,” Laib said. “It’s a great place to work!”

Adult Specialist Howard Beuhler was hired on January 1, 2015 at the library and he is in charge of managing and organizing the proper layout of the main floor, and adult materials collections.

“Howard is even-keeled and has a great attitude. Everyone gets along with him. Our patrons ask for Howard,” Waltner said.

“The library should be a place for literacy,” said Beuhler. “We’re working towards that, and making this a pleasant social place.”

Beuhler has been focused on improving the reference section, placing more emphasis on history and genealogy,



and on providing more consistent programming for adults, while making collections more easily accessible.

Beuhler said he would like to expand the audio book titles, and devote a couple of hours a week to patrons with computer issues.

Recently Beuhler has added a new shelving system for periodicals and newspapers.

Connecting the Friends of the Library, past librarians, and high school interns with the current library is on Beuhler’s mind, as well, he said.

Sylvia Beuhler and Sandy Dare, with The Friends of the Library, are helping keep books shelved properly through the Adopt-a-Shelf program. High school intern Andrew Price is helping with that, as well, Beuhler said.

“We’re hitting the cookbook section hard,” Beuhler said about a particularly unruly section of books.

Library Assistant Vicki Zoller began working at the library on January 25, 2016.

“Since she got here, she has made the library known in the community,” said Waltner.

Zoller is responsible for all cataloguing, book ordering, and materials acquisitions, AND she is responsible for all marketing, promotions, social media, and for maintaining the library website, Waltner said.

“Who wouldn’t want to work at the library?” Zoller asked.

As a newcomer to Dayton, Zoller said that working at the library seemed like a logical way to get to know the community and do “something useful,” she said.

Zoller’s goals are to provide the same level of service at the Dayton Memorial Library that patrons find in bigger communities, especially for young people, she said.

It is likely the first person library patrons see at the library is Library Assistant Rachel McGanty, who was hired on June 21, 2016, and who works at the circulation desk.

McGanty is responsible for the circulation desk, book holds, shelving, straightening shelved books, and all the other daily work that goes on in the library, Waltner said.

“She’s really good with establishing a personal connection,” Waltner said about McGanty’s effervescent personality.

McGanty agrees, “I love interacting with people.”

And last, but not least, at the library is Eric Rodrick who performs facilities and landscaping maintenance at the library.

Rodrick has been working at the library for two years, Waltner said.

“It doesn’t matter what the task is, he will do it. Whatever it is he will jump in, and do it,” she said.

Waltner said she has been working in libraries, in some capacity, for the past twenty years. She received her Master’s Degree in Library and Information Science from Louisiana State University in August, 2015, while in the beginning stages of her employment at the Dayton Memorial Library.



Clockwise from top left: Librarian Dusty Waltner, Library Assistant Vicki Zoller, Library Assistant Rachel McGanty, Youth Specialist Carolyn Laib, Adult Specialist Howard Beuhler, Eric Rodrick, Maintenance.

Prescott Pride On the Rise

PREVIOUSLY STRUGGLING SPORTS PROGRAM IS SEEING SUCCESS

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

PRESCOTT – Prescott High School Athletic Director Susan Deruwe smiled as she described the chants and cheers, in support of the Prescott Tigers, that had filled the school halls earlier in the day. Such enthusiasm is the norm for many high schools, but it has been years since Prescott has experienced that type of school spirit, according to school administrators.

Effective with the 2015-16 school year, Prescott withdrew from a long-standing Waitsburg-Prescott sports combine in an attempt to combat continually dwindling sports participation numbers. Two years in, it appears that going solo has been a success.

Numbers are up in sports at all levels. Students are turning out who have never played before. And elementary students are looking forward to middle and high school after seeing the successes of the older students, Deruwe said. She was quick to credit the success to the support of the administration and school board.

“The board helped analyze our programs to try and figure out how to get kids to turn out. We continued to see the number of kids that were participating decline and tried to figure out how to stop that trend,” District Superintendent Brett Cox said.

School board member Sara Fletcher



Courtesy Photos

Left: The Prescott Tigers volleyball team celebrates a good play.

Above: an enthusiastic crowd cheers at a recent district basketball playoff game.

provides the board with sports updates and also drives bus for the district. She said the fall activity bus that takes students home to Vista Hermosa after practices was full to capacity, at least double what it used to be.

“Identity is up for the community and the school. School spirit is up all around, the energy level in the building is up and there’s more positive energy,” Fletcher said.

Cox said the school has always had strong numbers in soccer, where they placed third in state this year. Other sports participation numbers have seen a striking increase since leaving the combine, however.

Deruwe said 19 high school girls turned out for volleyball this year and they were able to field both varsity and JV teams. In prior years they had three to four players turn out. Another 18 girls turned out for junior high volleyball, when only two to three had played

in previous years.

In winter sports, Deruwe said the girls’ high school basketball team has 15 players, and ten girls are playing at the junior high level. Numbers are similar for the boys’ basketball team, which includes players from Jubilee Leadership Academy.

The boys’ basketball program has seen success this year and is currently in the district playoffs.

Cox said soccer is played earlier in the day when many parents can’t attend games, but that families attend the evening basketball games, bringing younger siblings who are inspired by the older players and enjoy the excitement of the gym and the band.

“It’s fun because the elementary students are watching the success of the older kids and I’ve had them asking me questions on the bus about going to State and how that works. They’re seeing that it’s a possibility for them

to go to state in every sport and it’s something they’re looking forward to,” Fletcher said.

Success on the court has also translated to success in the classroom.

“The more kids we have in athletics, the more kids are held accountable academically. It gives us some leverage in the classroom that we didn’t have before. That’s nice. I think every sophomore but one made honor roll. There are a lot of benefits,” Cox said.

Cox said it’s not just the athletes who benefit. He estimates that at least half of the student body is involved in some way if managers, scorekeepers, cheerleaders, band members, and concession workers are included.

“It’s getting hard to find kids to man the concession stand because we have so many kids turning out to play. It’s a good problem to have,” Cox said.

This spring, Prescott will offer JV baseball and fastpitch softball, with

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From Soups and Salads to Skis on the Slopes

K-12 COOKBOOK SALES WILL FUND SKI PROGRAM

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Waitsburg fifth-graders are soliciting recipes from every student and staff member of Waitsburg schools, to be included in the first edition of the Waitsburg K-12 School Cookbook. All funds will be used toward the fifth grade ski program.

Waitsburg’s ski program was initiated by retired teacher Pam Conover with the first trip to Ski Bluewood taking place in 2009. Since then, classes have raised funds through fun runs, selling pizza kits, running the basketball hoop shoot during varsity games, selling pizza slices during high school games, and more.

Fifth grade teacher Gabe Kiefel said his goal each year, is to raise enough money to pay for every student to participate in the ski program free of charge.

Parent Lisa Morrow is helping to organize the cookbook, which they hope will become an ongoing fundraiser.

Ski Bluewood General Manager Kim Clark said Bluewood offers special rates to schools for multi-week lessons in order to create the culture of skiing from an early age.

“Skiing is part of a healthy lifestyle and it keeps their minds and bodies active. Studies show that if people don’t start skiing at an early age, they seldom take it up later in life,” Clark told The Times.

Kiefel said that all of his 23 fifth graders are participating in the program this year, and only two had skied before. He also said it’s not always easy to learn a new life skill.

“The first day was fun. Some students struggled and some students excelled, but none of them quit, despite wanting to. I am proud of this group being willing to try something that is difficult, exhausting, and painful at times,” Kiefel said.

If you have a student who hasn’t submitted a recipe, they have until Fri., Feb. 18 to do so. Recipes will



Courtesy Photo

Waitsburg fifth graders took instruction during a lesson at Ski Bluewood earlier this month.

list the student or staff member’s name. Categories include: Appetizers/Beverages, Soups/Salads, Breads/Rolls, Desserts, Vegetables, Main Dishes, Miscellaneous. Recipes should be submitted to Gabe Kiefel at the elementary school by Fri., Feb. 18.

Morrow estimates the cookbooks will be priced between \$10 and \$12 and customers will be able to preorder in the near future.

WAITSBURG SCHOOL BOARD

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Elementary Principal’s Report:

The fifth grade ski program is underway and the costs are being offset by sales of a K-12 School Cookbook. Proceeds will support students for this year and future year.

Elementary students held their Jump/Shoot for Heart fundraiser kick-off. The actual Jump/Shoot event will be held Feb. 22.

The Home and School association Father-Daughter dance was a huge success. The HASA is raffling a trout carving that will be raffled at the annual school carnival on April 21.

Secondary Principal’s Report:

All MAP testing has been completed at the high and middle schools. End of Course tests in biology and algebra 1 have been completed. Most sophomores are taking the SBAC Test Prep class with Mrs. Leid. Parents are able to visit <http://sbac.portal.airast.org/> and take practice tests with their students. Teachers are able to perform targeted testing and access immediate feedback.

Teacher collaboration on Feb. 1 centered around learning strategies to assist students with brain injuries or concussions. The Feb. 8 collaboration looked at MAP scores with a focus on how to help sixth graders transition to high school.

The Harvest Ball is Feb. 24. Prom will be held at Preston Hall on April 22 and the theme is “Black and White.”

Athletic Director’s Report:

Basketball brackets were not available but re-

gional playoffs will be in Spokane on Feb. 24-25 with state playoffs on March 1-4, also in Spokane. The boy’s basketball team is still in the running.

Spring sports begin Feb. 25.

The board approved a request that head high school girls’ softball coach, Angie Potts, will also serve as head middle school softball coach. The school received several applicants for head middle school coach, but none had prior coaching experience. This solution will allow for one veteran coach (either Potts or high school assistant coach Allan Wilson) to be present at all games and they will provide mentoring for new coaches. Middle and high school would practice together, with the practice being extended for high schoolers. Ten middle school girls plan to turn out with three Dayton girls expressing interest.

Superintendent Report:

Enrollment is down from 292.71 to 290 for February. The average for the year is 290 which is above budgeted and puts the district in a good position for enrollment apportionment.

Dr. Clarke said the school has received questions regarding certain medical treatments and said the school follows OSPI Infectious Disease Control Guide protocols. Clarke said guidelines change over time and it is no longer the practice to exclude children who arrive at school with lice. Instead, the school is instructed on how to inform and work with the parents. Clarke said it is also that confidentiality also be maintained.

The board discussed how the three snow days would affect graduating seniors. During the discussion it was expected that seniors would still graduate June 2, but diplomas would be withheld until seniors meet attendance requirements by attending

school the mornings of June 5-7 to take finals. Another snow day occurred following the meeting but Clarke said plans remain the same.

Student Achievement Update:

High School Principal Stephanie Wooderchak gave a presentation on how teachers organize and utilize the data from test scores. Wooderchak said staff has done a great job of embracing data and making changes as needed.

Superintendent Search Update:

Dr. Clarke gave an update on superintendent search timeline. See story on page 2.

Capital Projects Update:

The district had received three Request for Qualifications for an architectural and engineering firm to oversee the projects, with two days left before the submission deadline. Forte Architects of Wenatchee, EHM Architecture of Seattle and Tri-Cities, and Design West Architects of the Tri-Cities, all submitted ten copies of RFQ’s, as requested. A fourth firm sent one copy and Dr. Clarke was trying to reach them to request the other sets.

Committee members Ross Hamann and Christy House will identify which firms to bring in for an interview. The board has also been looking for a construction manager. Hamann and House interviewed a candidate, whose qualifications will be discussed in executive session, Clarke said.

Personnel:

The board approved the hire of Dan LaRue as full-time custodian, Rick Suchodolski as part-time custodian, and Joe Rhymes as head coach for middle school baseball.

SPORTS



Photos by Andie Holmberg

Above left: Waitsburg's Jacob Dunn puts up a three-point shot over a Colton defender during Saturday's district playoff game. Above right, Kyle Gradwohl gets an easy fast-break layup.

Gradwohl, Dunn Lead Cardinals over Colton, 62-51, in Districts

WAITSBURG SENIORS COMBINE FOR 51 POINTS IN WIN; CARDS TO TAKE ON POMEROY FRIDAY

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Kyle Gradwohl racked up 27 points and Jacob Dunn added another 24, as the Waitsburg boys' basketball team beat Colton in the first round of District playoffs.

With the win, the Cardinals move on to face

Pomeroy Friday in Colfax in the district championship. The winner of that game moves on to regionals the following weekend. The loser will play a consolation game Saturday for a last chance to make regionals.

Waitsburg led 14-12 at the end of the first quarter, and built the lead to 32-20 at the half and cruised to the win.

In the game, Gradwohl and Dunn each had one three-point shot. Dunn also pulled down eight rebounds, and Gradwohl had five assist.

Colton	12	8	14	17	— 51
Waitsburg	14	18	17	13	— 62

Colton — Kinzer 4 2-4 12, Wolf 1 0-0 2, B. Chadwick 6 5-6 20, Vining 1 0-0 3, R. Chadwick 2 3-4 8, Druffel 1 2-4 4, Schultheis 0 2-2 2; Team: 14 14-20 51

Waitsburg — Callas 1 0-0 2, Garrity 3 0-4 7, French 1 0-0 2, Miller 0 0-0 0, Dunn 9 5-8 24, Gradwohl 12 2-2 27, Branson 0 0-0 0; Team: 26 7-14 62

3-point goals — Colton 6 (D. Chadwick 3), Waitsburg 3 (Gradwohl, Dunn, Garrity); Total fouls — Colton 13, Waitsburg 17; Fouled out — none; Rebounds — Colton N/A, Waitsburg 28 (Dunn 8); Turnovers — Colton N/A, Waitsburg 16; Assists — Colton N/A, Waitsburg 12 (Gradwohl 5)

Waitsburg Girls Fall to Pomeroy, 55-24

LOSS PUTS LADY CARDINALS INTO LOSER-OUT GAME AT DISTRICT TOURNAMENT THIS WEEK

THE TIMES

POMEROY — The Waitsburg Girls' basketball team played their first playoff game here on Feb. 8 and struggled against a strong Pomeroy team, falling 55-24.

The Lady Cards were to play a loser-out game on Monday.

Waitsburg got blown out in the first half, falling behind, 18-4 after the first quarter, and trailing 38-8 at the half.

Taylor Jones and Taylor Hays each had six points to lead the Cardinal scoring. All of Hays's scoring came on two three-point shots. Analisea Araya pulled down five rebounds for Waitsburg.

Waitsburg	4	4	10	6	— 24
Pomeroy	18	20	9	8	— 55

Waitsburg — Miller 0-0 0-1 0, Brannock 0-3 0-0 0, Harshman 1-4 2-4 4, Espara 0-2 0-0 0, Jones 2-11 2-4 6, Sandau 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-1 0-0 0, Forney 0-1 0-0 0, Hays 2-5 0-0 6, Pearson 0-5 4-6 4, Araya 2-7 0-0 4; Team 7-40 8-15

Pomeroy — Halbert 2-5 1-2 5, Gingerich 1-4 0-0 3, Heytvelt 1-4 3-7 5, Watko 4-8 2-6 10, Halverson 1-3 0-0 2, Smith 4-13 2-2 10, Dixon 8-13 0-0 16, Caruso 1-1 0-0 2, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Lindgren 0-1 0-0 0, Wolf 1-3 0-0 2; Team 23-55 8-17 55

3-Point goals — Waitsburg 2 (Hays 2), Pomeroy 1 (Gingerich); Total Fouls — Waitsburg 16, Pomeroy 17; Fouled out — none; Rebounds — Waitsburg 20 (Araya 5), Pomeroy 27 (Dixon 7); Turnovers — Waitsburg 34, Pomeroy 24; Assists — Waitsburg 6 (Pearson 2, Sandau 2), Pomeroy 12 (Halbert 3, Gingerich 3)

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Thank you for supporting the Cardinals

Joe Adams is Regional Wrestling Champion

ADAMS, HOFFMAN MOVE ON TO STATE MAT CLASSIC AT TACOMA DOME THIS WEEKEND

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

COLBERT – Waitsburg's Joe Adams won all three of his matches at the Regional Meet in Colbert Saturday, to take first place in the 182-pound class. He moves on the state tournament at the Tacoma Dome on Friday and Saturday, as regional champion.

Also moving on to state is Tyler Hoffman, who took third place in the 285-pound class. David Just and Ky Adams will both travel to Tacoma as alternates.

Joe Adams won his first match, against Damon Holt, of Republic, by pin at 0:25. In his next match, Joe pinned Jared Taft, of Selkirk, at 1:14.

Joe won the championship match, against Isaiah Black, of Kettle Falls, by decision, 8-3.

Hoffman was pinned in his first match by Cody Perryman, of Inchelium, at 1:18. He came back against Malaki Norris, of Springdale, with a pin at 2:07.

In the match for third and fourth place, Hoffman was awarded third due to an injury default.

In the 160-pound class, Ky Adams was pinned by Taylor Flesher, of Kettle Falls, at 2:43. In his next match, Ky pinned Pomeroy's Ed Schuroff at 4:18.

Ky next wrestled Glenn Johnson, of Liberty, but was pinned at 2:28. He won his final match, against Ozius Harden, of Reardan, by decision, 8-4, to qualify as alternate at state.

David Just, wrestling at 138 pounds, lost his first match to Wilbur-Creston's Ethan Tesche by decision, 11-8. He came back to beat Ray Strozyk, also of W-C, in a 12-6 decision.

In his next match, Just was pinned by Chris Jones, of Colfax, at 4:01. Just then pinned Justin Chapman, of Davenport, to qualify as alternate.

At 152 pounds, Devin Newman wrestled Davenport's Justin Regan, and was pinned by Regan at 2:29. In his next match, Newman was pinned by Parker Zappone, of Almira/Coulee/Hartline, at 1:34. The loss ended Newman's season and his high school wrestling career.

"It has been great to watch Devin grow into the man that he is," said Waitsburg coach Lanny Adams. "It has also been an honor to be able to sit in the corner and coach Devin in his high school career."



Photo by Andie Holmberg
Waitsburg's Joe Adams put the hurt on an opponent during a meet earlier this week. Adams advanced to the State Mat Classic in Tacoma this weekend, after winning the regional Championship on Saturday in Colbert.

Bulldogs' Season Ends with Loss to Mabton

SENIOR BEN KLECK KNOCKS DOWN 31 POINTS IN HIS FINAL HS GAME

THE TIMES

MABTON – The Dayton boys' basketball team lost a tough season finale to Mabton here on Saturday, 60-57. The loss ended the season for the Bulldogs, who finished with a 4-16 record.

Dayton jumped out to a 20-11 lead in the first quarter, but Mabton came roaring back in the second, to take a one-point lead at the half, 37-36. The bulldogs led by one at the end of the third quarter, but couldn't hold the lead.

For the game, senior Ben Kleck shot 13-20 from the field, hitting three three-point shots, and went two-for-two at the free-throw line. He scored 31 points in

his final game as a Bulldog. Tanner Bren, also a senior, finished his high school career with 12 points. Senior Cal Martin had nine rebounds.

Dayton 20 16 10 11 — 57
Mabton 11 26 8 15 — 60

Dayton — Helm 2-10 0-1 5, Dieu 0-0 0-0 0, Martin 1-9 0-0 2, Willis 2-8 0-4 5, Kleck 13-20 2-2 31, Bryan 1-2 0-1 2, Bren 4-18 4-5 12; Totals 23-67 6-13 57

Mabton — Enriquez 1-2 2-4 4, Garca 6-14 4-7 19, Trujillo 1-1 0-0 2, Morales 2-4 0-0 4, Aguilar 2-3 0-0 4, Ruiz 6-18 8-9 22, Benavidez 1-3 2-2 5, Amezcuca 0-0 0-0 0; Totals 19-45 16-24 60

3-point goals — Dayton (Helm, Willis, Kleck 3), Mabton (Garca 3, Ruiz 2, Benavidez); Total fouls — Dayton 22, Mabton 17; Fouled out — Dayton (Kleck, Bryan); Rebounds — Dayton 39 (Martin 9), Mabton 29 (Benavidez 6); Turnovers — Dayton 15, Mabton 9

SHORTHANDED LADY 'DOGS FALL TO MABTON, 48-35

Dayton girls end regular season at 18-2 overall and 13-1 in league play

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

MABTON – The Dayton girls' basketball team played without two starting seniors in their final league game here Saturday, and lost to Mabton, 48-35. It was the Lady Bulldogs' only league loss of the season. The game, originally scheduled for Feb. 4, was delayed twice because of weather.

Starters Shayla Currin and Josilyn Fullerton, along with reserve Neylan Bryan, were suffering flu symptoms and did not make the trip to Mabton.

Dayton ended the Eastern Washington Athletic Conference regular season with an overall record of 18-2, and a league record of 13-1.

The team had already clinched the EWAC championship prior to the Mabton game. They enter the playoffs as a number-one seed, and are guaranteed an appearance in the round of 16 2B state playoffs.

Dayton jumped out to an early lead, ending the first quarter up 8-3. However Mabton came back and took a two-point lead, 21-19, at the half. Mabton dominated the rest of the way, as the Lady Bulldogs struggled to score, with only 16 points in the second half.

For the game, Jenna Phillips and Sidney Andrews each scored 10 points. Phillips also pulled down 11 rebounds.

They Dayton girls play their first district playoff game in East Wenatchee Saturday. The state round of 16 begins the following weekend.

Dayton 8 11 7 9 — 35
Mabton 3 18 13 14 — 48

Dayton — Phillips 3-8 4-4 10, Andrews 3-4 4-6 10, Laughery 1-7 0-0 2, Boggs 1-3 0-0 3, Wanlarbkam 1-4 0-0 2, Brincken 1-4 2-4 5, Patton 0-0 1-2 1, Griffen 0-0 0-0 0, Steinhoff 1-1 0-2 2; Totals 11-31 11-18 35

Mabton — N. Galarza 3-9 0-0 6, McCallum 1-6 1-2 3, Guerrero 5-11 5-8 18, A. Galarza 2-8 1-1 5, Gutierrez 0-0 0-0 0, Zavala 0-5 1-2 1, Sanchez 3-9 0-1 6, Aguilar 0-2 0-0 0, Rojas 2-9 3-4 7, Hernandez 0-3 2-2 2; Totals 16-62 13-20 48

3-point goals — Dayton (Boggs, Brincken), Mabton (Guerrero 3); Total fouls — Dayton 20, Mabton 18; Fouled out — Dayton (Andrews), Mabton (Zavala); Rebounds — Mabton 27, Dayton 26 (Phillips 11)

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LEGALS

No. X16 79740 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
FOR THE COUNTY OF
WALLA WALLA

PONTI & WERNETTE,
P.S.,
A Washington Corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN MEDINA, Defendant.

The State of Washington
to the said Defendant, John
Medina:

You are hereby summoned
to appear within sixty days
after the date of the first
publication of this summons, to
wit, within sixty days after the
12th day of January, 2017, and
defend the above entitled ac-
tion in the above entitled court,
and answer the complaint of
the plaintiff, Ponti & Wernette,
P.S., and serve a copy of the
answer upon the undersigned
attorney for plaintiff, Richard
G. Wernette, at his office
below stated; and in case of
your failure so to do, judgment
will be rendered against you
according to the demand of
the complaint, which has been
filed with the clerk of said
court.

The object of the action
against you is a request for
judgment for attorney fees
incurred on your behalf.

Richard G. Wernette
Ponti & Wernette, P.S.
103 East Poplar Street
Walla Walla, Washington
99362
Walla Walla County

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No. (16-3-00173-9)
In the Superior Court of the
State of Washington for the
County of Walla Walla
Alma Esperanza Vasquez
Pina, Petitioner,
Salvador Pina Hernandez,
Respondent.

The State of Wash-
ington to the Salvador Pina
Hernandez:

You are hereby sum-
moned to appear within 90
days after the date of the first
publication of this dissolu-
tion of marriage summons,
after the 26th day of January,
2017, and defend the above
entitled action in the above
entitled court, and answer the
complaint of the petitioner,
Alma Esperanza Vasquez
Pina, and serve a copy of your
answer upon the petitioner at
the address below stated; and
in case of your failure so to
do, judgment will be rendered
against you according to the
demand of the dissolution
petition, which has been filed
with the clerk of said court. If
you do not serve your written
response within 90 days after
the date this summons was
served on you, exclusive of
the day of service, the court
may enter an order of default
against you, and the court
may, without further notice to
you, enter a final order and
approve or provide for the
relief requested in the petition.
The court will not enter the
final order until at least 90
days after filing and service.
Serve a copy of your response
on Alma Esperanza Vasquez
Pina at 224 NE Birch Ave Apt
M College Place, WA 99324.

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No. 07-3-00264-7 Summons Served by Publi- cation

(SMPB)
Superior Court of Washing-
ton, County of Walla Walla

In re the Marriage of:
Petitioner/s (person/s who
started this case):
MARISOL NAVARRETE
And Respondent/s (other
party/parties):
ERIK NAVARRETE

Summons Served by
Publication

To (name): Marisol Na-
varrete – The other party has
asked the court to (check all

the requests included in the
Petition):

Parenting Plan and Relo-
cation

[X] Approve or change a
Parenting Plan or Residential
Schedule.

You must respond in writing
if you want the court to consid-
er your side.

Deadline! Your Response
must be filed and served
within 60 days of the date
this summons is published.
If you do not file and serve
your Response or a Notice of
Appearance by the deadline:

No one has to notify you
about other hearings in this
case, and

The court may approve the
requests in the Petition without
hearing your side (called a
default judgment).

Follow these steps:

1. Read the Petition and
any other documents that
were filed at court with this
Summons. Those documents
explain what the other party is
asking for.

2. Fill out a Response on
this form (check the Response
that matches the Petition):

[X] FL Modify 602, Re-
sponse to Petition to Change
Parenting Plan, Residential
Schedule or Custody Order

You can get the Response
form and other forms you need
at:

The Washington State
Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms

The Administrative Office
of the Courts – call: (360)
705-5328

Washington LawHelp:
www.washingtonlawhelp.org,
or

The Superior Court Clerk's
office or county law library (for
a fee).

3. Serve (give) a copy of
your Response to the person
who filed this Summons at
the address below, and to
any other parties. You may
use certified mail with return
receipt requested. For more
information on how to serve,
read Superior Court Civil Rule
5.

4. File your original Re-
sponse with the court clerk at
this address:

Superior Court Clerk, Walla
Walla County
315 W. Main St., Walla
Walla, Washington 99362

5. Lawyer not required: It is
a good idea to talk to a lawyer,
but you may file and serve
your Response without one.

Person filing this Sum-
mons or his/her lawyer fills out
below:

/s/ John C. Julian 1/23/17

John C. Julian, WSBA
#43214

I agree to accept legal
papers for this case at (check
one):

[X] Lawyer's address:
5 W. Alder St., Ste. 238,
Walla Walla, Washington
99362

This Summons is issued
according to Rule 4.1 of the
Superior Court Civil Rules of
the State of Washington.

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NO: 17-4-00013-1

PROBATE NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

IN THE SUPERIOR
COURT OF THE STATE OF
WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUN-
TY OF WALLA WALLA

In re the Estate of:

MARIAN R. PLUCKER,

Deceased.

The personal representa-
tive named below has been
appointed as personal repre-
sentative 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 representa-
tive'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 effec-
tive as to claims against both
the decedent's probate and
nonprobate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
TION: February 9, 2017.

Robert G. Plucker
Personal Representative
Attorney for Personal Rep-
resentative:

Jeff Burkhart, WSBA
#39454
Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC
6½ N. Second Avenue,
Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
509-529-0630

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Pursuant to the Revised
Code of Washington 61.24, et
seq. TS No.: WA-15-696207-
SW APN No.: 36-07-20-
51-0303 Title Order No.:
150320293-WA-MSO Deed of
Trust Grantor(s): KENNETH
D ANDERSON, CHERYL G
ANDERSON Deed of Trust
Grantee(s): HOUSEHOLD
FINANCE CORPORATION III
Deed of Trust Instrument/Ref-
erence No.: 9707885 I. NO-
TICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
Quality Loan Service Corp. of
Washington, the undersigned
Trustee, will on 3/17/2017
, at 10:00 AM At the main
entrance to the Walla Walla
county Courthouse, located at
315 W Main, Walla Walla, WA
99362 sell at public auction to
the highest and best bidder,
payable in the form of credit
bid or cash bid in the form of
cashier's check or certified
checks from federally or State
chartered banks, at the time
of sale the following described
real property, situated in the
County of WALLA WALLA,
State of Washington, to-wit:
Lot 3 In Block 3 of Green's
Park Addition to the City of
Walla Walla, according to the
official plat thereof of record
In the office of the Auditor of
Walla Walla County, Wash-
ington, in book "C" of Plats
at page 28. Parcel #36-07-
20-51-0303 More commonly
known as: 816 ALVARADO
TERRACE, WALLA WALLA,
WA 99362 which is subject
to that certain Deed of Trust
dated 8/21/1997, recorded
8/21/1997, under Instrument
No. 9707885, Book 255,
Page 2313 records of WALLA
WALLA County, Washington
, from KENNETH D. ANDER-
SON & CHERYL G. ANDER-
SON, HUSBAND AND WIFE
, as grantor(s), to PIONEER
TITLE COMPANY, as original
trustee, to secure an obliga-
tion in favor of HOUSEHOLD
FINANCE CORPORATION III
, as original beneficiary, the
beneficial interest in which
was subsequently assigned to
Christiana Trust, a division
of Wilmington Savings Fund
Society, FSB, as indenture
trustee, for the CSMC 2014-
RPL4 Trust, Mortgage-Backed
Notes, Series 2014-RPL4, the
Beneficiary, under an assign-
ment recorded under Auditors
File Number 2016-01630 II.
No action commenced by the
Beneficiary of the Deed of
Trust is now pending to seek
satisfaction of the obligation
in any Court by reason of the
Borrower's or Grantor's default
on the obligation secured by
the Deed of Trust/Mortgage.
III. The default(s) for which this
foreclosure is made is/are as
follows: Failure to pay when
due the following amounts
which are now in arrears:
\$24,111.49. IV. The sum ow-
ing on the obligation secured
by the Deed of Trust is: The
principal sum of \$48,659.13
, together with interest as
provided in the Note from
9/10/2014 on, and such other
costs and fees as are provided
by statute. V. The above-de-
scribed real property will be
sold to satisfy the expense
of sale and the obligation
secured by the Deed of Trust
as provided by statute. Said
sale will be made without war-
ranty, expressed or implied,
regarding title, possession or
encumbrances on 3/17/2017

. The defaults referred to in
Paragraph III must be cured by
3/6/2017 (11 days before the
sale date), or by other date as
permitted in the Note or Deed
of Trust, to cause a discontinu-
ance of the sale. The sale will
be discontinued and termi-
nated if at any time before
3/6/2017 (11 days before the
sale), or by other date as
permitted in the Note or Deed
of Trust, the default as set
forth in Paragraph III is cured
and the Trustee's fees and
costs are paid. Payment must
be in cash or with cashiers or
certified checks from a State
or federally chartered bank.
The sale may be terminated
any time after the 3/6/2017
(11 days before the sale date)
and before the sale, by the
Borrower or Grantor or the
holder of any recorded junior
lien or encumbrance by paying
the principal and interest, plus
costs, fees and advances,
if any, made pursuant to the
terms of the obligation and/
or Deed of Trust, and curing
all other defaults. VI. A written
Notice of Default was trans-
mitted by the Beneficiary or
Trustee to the Borrower(s) and
Grantor(s) by both first class
and certified mail, proof of
which is in the possession of
the Trustee, and the Borrower
and Grantor were personally
served, if applicable, with said
written Notice of Default or the
written Notice of Default was
posted in a conspicuous place
on the real property described
in Paragraph I above, and the
Trustee has possession of
proof of such service or post-
ing. The list of recipients of the
Notice of Default is listed with-
in the Notice of Foreclosure
provided to the Borrower(s)
and Grantor(s). These require-
ments were completed as of
4/27/2016. VII. The Trustee
whose name and address are
set forth below will provide in
writing to anyone requesting
it, a statement of all costs and
fees due at any time prior to
the sale. VIII. The effect of
the sale will be to deprive the
Grantor and all those who hold
by, through or under the Grant-
or of all their interest in the
above-described property. IX.
Anyone having any objections
to this sale on any grounds
whatsoever will be afforded an
opportunity to be heard as to
those objections if they bring
a lawsuit to restrain the sale
pursuant to RCW 61.24.130.
Failure to bring such a lawsuit
may result in a waiver of any
proper grounds for invali-
dating the Trustee's sale. X.
NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR
TENANTS – The purchaser at
the Trustee's Sale is entitled
to possession of the property
on the 20 th day following the
sale, as against the Grantor
under the deed of trust (the
owner) and anyone having an
interest junior to the deed of
trust, including occupants who
are not tenants. After the 20
th day following the sale the
purchaser has the right to evict
occupants who are not tenants
by summary proceedings
under Chapter 59.12 RCW.
For tenant-occupied property,
the purchaser shall provide
a tenant with written notice
in accordance with RCW
61.24.060. THIS NOTICE IS
THE FINAL STEP BEFORE
THE FORECLOSURE SALE
OF YOUR HOME. You have
only 20 DAYS from the
recording date of this notice
to pursue mediation. DO
NOT DELAY. CONTACT A
HOUSING COUNSELOR OR
AN ATTORNEY LICENSED
IN WASHINGTON NOW to
assess your situation and refer
you to mediation if you are eli-
gible and it may help you save
your home. See below for
safe sources of help. SEEK-
ING ASSISTANCE Housing
counselors and legal assis-
tance may be available at little
or no cost to you. If you would
like assistance in determining
your rights and opportunities
to keep your house, you may
contact the following: The
statewide foreclosure hotline
for assistance and referral to
housing counselors rec-
ommended by the Housing
Finance Commission: Toll-free:
1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-
4663) or Web site: http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/home-ownership/post_purchase_counselors_foreclosure.htm.
The United States Department
of Housing and Urban Devel-
opment: Toll-free: 1-800-569-
4287 or National Web Site:
<http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD>
or for Local counseling
agencies in Washington:
<http://www.hud.gov/offices/>

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bListAction=search&search-
state=WA&filterSvc=dfc The
statewide civil legal aid hotline
for assistance and referrals
to other housing counselors
and attorneys: Telephone:
1-800-606-4819 or Web site:
<http://nwjustice.org/what-clear>
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previously been discharged
through bankruptcy, you may
have been released of person-
al liability for this loan in which
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exercise the noteholders rights
against the real property only.
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ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT
A DEBT AND ANY INFORMA-
TION OBTAINED WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE
Dated: 11/10/2016 Quality
Loan Service Corp. of Wash-
ington, as Trustee By: Tricia
Willis, Assistant Secretary
Trustee's Mailing Address:
Quality Loan Service Corp. of
Washington C/O Quality Loan
Service Corp. 411 Ivy Street,
San Diego, CA 92101 (866)
645-7711 Trustee's Physical
Address: Quality Loan Service
Corp. of Washington 108 1 st
Ave South, Suite 202 Seattle,
WA 98104 (866) 925-0241
Sale Line: 916-939-0772 or
Logi n to: <http://wa.qualityloan.com>
Trustee Sale Number:
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STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOL- OGY

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

TAKE NOTICE:

That Kenny Hill Vineyard,
LLC of Walla Walla, WA on
Jan. 12, 2017 under Applica-
tion NO. G3-30782, filed for
permit to appropriate public
waters, subject to existing
rights, from one well in the
amount of 46.8 gallons per
minute each year, for seasonal
irrigation of 60 acres. The
source of the proposed approp-
riation is a well located within
the NW ¼ NE ¼ of Section
17, Township 7 N., Range 37
E.W.M., in Walla Walla County.

The applicant is request-
ing additional instantaneous
quantities only (GPM). No
additional acre-feet are being
requested.

Protests or objections
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STATE OF WASHINGTON

NEWS BRIEF

WALLA WALLA COUNTY FAIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS OPENING

WALLA WALLA COUNTY – Walla Walla County is
looking to fill a vacancy on the Walla Walla Fair and
Frontier Days Board of Directors. Board terms are
three years with members eligible to serve up to three
terms. For balanced representation, female appli-
cants are encouraged to apply, but all applicants will
be considered.

The board meets monthly, or as needed, but
board members perform approximately 10 hours of
board-related duties during most of the year. In the
weeks surrounding the annual Fair and Frontier Days
event, held over Labor Day weekend, board members
serve a minimum of sixty hours a month.

Application packets may be obtained at www.co.walla-walla.wa.us or at the County Commission-
er's Office (314 W. Main) or by calling (509) 524-2505.
They may also be picked up at the fairgrounds office
(ninth and Orchard) or by calling (509) 527-FAIR.

Completed applications packets are due to the
county commissioner's office by March 6. As part of
the selection process, applicants may be interviewed.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

TAKE NOTICE:

That Gregory Chan of
Seattle, WA on Jan. 12,
2017 under Application NO.
G3-30781, filed for permit to
appropriate public waters,
subject to existing rights, from
one well in the amount of 31.2
gallons per minute each year,
for seasonal irrigation of 16
acres. The source of the pro-
posed appropriation is a well
located within the NE ¼ NE
¼ of Section 17, Township 7
N., Range 37 E.W.M., in Walla
Walla County.

The applicant is request-
ing additional instantaneous
quantities only (GPM). No
additional acre-feet are being
requested.

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ORDINANCE 2017-1040

AN ORDINANCE OF
THE CITY OF WAITSBURG,
WASHINGTON, AMEND-
ING SECTIONS 9.01.080,
9.01.090 AND 9.01.091 OF
THE WAITSBURG MUNIC-
IPAL CODE RELATING TO
AMOUNTS CHARGED FOR
WATER AND SEWER RATES

The full text of Ordinance
1040 is available for exam-
ination on the City's website
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or at the City Clerk's Of-
fice, 147 Main St., Waitsburg,
WA, during normal business
hours.

Adopted the 7th Day of
February 2017
Marty Dunn, Mayor

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Missing Snowboarder Found Safe

MISSING SNOWBOARDER FOUND SAFE AT BLUEWOOD

DAYTON – Thirty-two year old snowboarder, Able Cortinas, of Richland was reported missing at Ski Bluewood at 6 p.m. on Fri., Feb. 11 when he failed to arrive at the car of the group he was traveling with. He was found safe the following morning.

Ski Bluewood partnered with the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, LifeFlight, U.S. Forest Service, Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office, and local volunteers and initiated a search Friday evening. Cortinas had last been seen at 4:30 p.m. in an area known as Vintner's Ridge at Ski Bluewood. The search was called off at 1:22 a.m. on Feb. 12 and resumed at 9 a.m. that same morning.

Cortinas was discovered walking down a snowmobile trail, by a group of snowmobilers, at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 12. He was transported to a ski patrol shack where he was medically checked by Ski Bluewood EMS personnel.

Cortinas had no apparent injuries. He said that once he realized he would be out all night, he built a shelter in a tree grove, and began walking at day-break.



Courtesy Photo

Able Cortinas posed for cameras outside a Bluewood Ski Patrol shack after being found safe after being lost on the slopes overnight.

Weller Library Receives Sponsorships

WAITSBURG – Book purchases for the Weller Public Library for the months of March and April are now covered. Anita baker donated \$200 in memory of Tom Baker for March and Susan Donegan donated \$200 for April.

Anyone wishing to sponsor a month's worth of book purchases for the library can contact Friends of the Library president Karen Huwe at (509) 386-6960.

All are welcome to attend the next Friends of the Library meeting at 7 p.m. on Thurs., Feb. 16 at the Weller Public Library on Main Street.



TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Texas Caviar

I chose this recipe for this week because I have been lacking in vegetable dishes. I mentioned before that my vegetables are mostly eaten plain.

This was served at our church coffee hour and was a hit. One other person served something similar, but with brown rice added. It was served with tortilla chips, but I think it could be served as a side dish.



Ingredients:

- 1/2 onion, chopped
- 1 green bell pepper, chopped
- 1 bunch green onions, chopped
- 2 jalapeno peppers, chopped
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 1 (8 ounce) bottle zesty Italian dressing
- 1 (15 ounce) can black beans, drained
- 1 (15 ounce) can black-eyed peas, drained
- 1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
- 1 bunch chopped fresh cilantro

Directions: In a large bowl, mix together onion, green bell pepper, green onions, jalapeno peppers, garlic, cherry tomatoes, zesty Italian dressing, black beans, black eyed peas, and coriander. Cover and chill for 2 hours. Add desired amount of cilantro.

MY NOTES: I copied the directions. But for me, I would have said "Mix it all together."

If you want it spicy, I think one would chop the whole jalapeno peppers. My friend said she removed the seeds and membrane. She used low fat zesty Italian dressing and chopped all the vegetables very small. I would use canned corn, not frozen, as frozen corn can get tough. Also, Blue Mountain Station has some varied healthy chips.

I think this is a great side dish to share if you are having company, or to take for a get together.

Enjoy!

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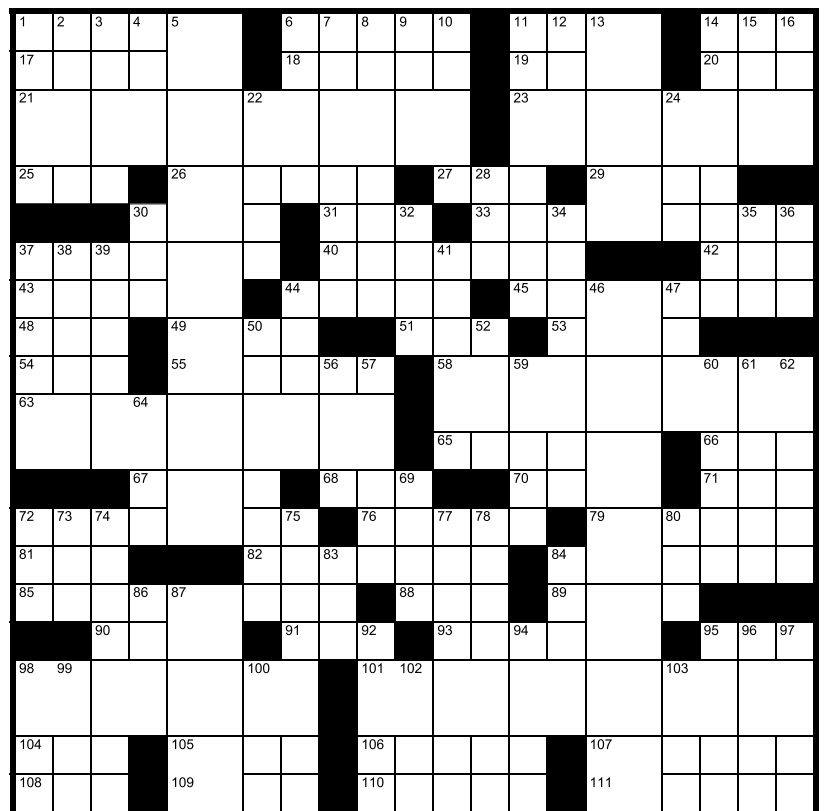
THINK BIG BY EVAN BIRNHOLZ

ACROSS

- 1 Costume pieces for many a death metal band
- 6 Cash in Cancun
- 11 End of an address, often
- 14 Container of Greek life
- 17 Choir section
- 18 Cast member, at times
- 19 Cast member, at times?
- 20 Memorable span
- 21 Septet of stars called the Plough in the United Kingdom
- 23 Subject of creation science?
- 25 Eustachian tube setting
- 26 Standing
- 27 Ivanovic who retired from tennis in December 2016
- 29 Flaky fish
- 30 Insect classified as endangered in 2016
- 31 ___ port
- 33 Harrowing vehicles
- 37 Bright
- 40 More demanding
- 42 Welcoming gift at Kona International Airport
- 43 Betray
- 44 "The Sleeping Gypsy" artist Rousseau
- 45 Organized, as spreadsheet data
- 48 One of a trio in "Our Town"
- 49 "Nuthin' but a 'G' Thang" rapper Dr. ___
- 51 Pitchfork-shaped character
- 53 "Madam Secretary" channel
- 54 Take on moguls
- 55 Becomes apparent to, with "on"
- 58 General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, collectively
- 63 Major commotion
- 65 Copy writer?
- 66 Blue Hawaii ingredient
- 67 Genesis transportation
- 68 Constantly cracking one's knuckles, e.g.
- 70 "The One" of a sci-fi trilogy
- 71 Fighter who boasted, "I should be a postage stamp; that's the only way I'll ever get licked"
- 72 Dudes in Durango
- 76 Smooths, in a way
- 79 Weapon that delivers pulses
- 81 Overthrow to first, e.g.
- 82 Mop cleaner
- 84 Swimmers at the zoo
- 85 Blacked out, in a way
- 88 Dominate, in slang
- 89 Grp. with working Capitals?
- 90 List-ending abbr.
- 91 Softball question
- 93 Time machine?
- 95 Fawn : deer :: calf : ___
- 98 "Nobody cares"
- 101 Top dog
- 104 Disencumber
- 105 Turf ___ (athlete's woe)
- 106 Moving company founded in 1945
- 107 Settle, as a debt
- 108 Sycophantic response
- 109 Cereal box prize, maybe
- 110 Dev of "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel"
- 111 Divides

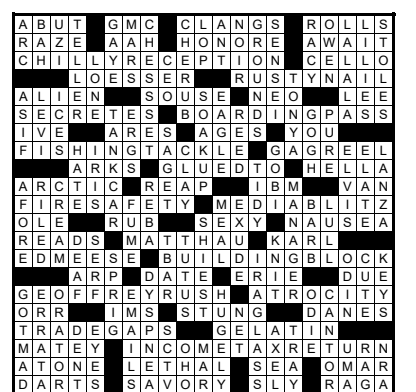
DOWN

- 1 Earned
- 2 Pierce portrayer
- 3 Cookbook instruction
- 4 Butterfly ___ (fish also called a dragon carp)
- 5 One lacking in frugality
- 6 Malodorous Le Pew
- 7 Carry out
- 8 Mountie's hat
- 9 Bomber pilot in "Catch-22"
- 10 "The View" co-host
- 11 Musical featuring an unnamed emcee
- 12 Celestial body
- 13 Fast-food staple invented by Jim Delligatti in 1967
- 14 Figure that has come in Sun Set Malibu and Shaving Fun varieties
- 15 Little bit of work
- 16 Part of a routine
- 22 Quarry
- 24 "___ too bad"
- 28 Vague power
- 30 About Me section on a website, perhaps
- 32 Postprandial reaction, perhaps
- 34 Mythological character who served as an inspiration for the musical "Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark"
- 35 Stephen of "The End of the Affair"
- 36 Title for Mick Jagger
- 37 Members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, e.g.
- 38 Billiards hall items
- 39 Heirloom site, maybe
- 41 Essential parts
- 44 Shaped, as with an ax
- 46 Literary symbol of mass surveillance
- 47 Bring into play
- 50 Most foul-smelling
- 52 Hirsute TV cousin
- 56 Target or barrier for an athlete, depending on the sport
- 57 Quake
- 59 Cooped-up creatures
- 60 Expunge
- 61 "Elements of Algebra" writer of 1770
- 62 Gulf state VIPs
- 64 Downtown ride
- 69 Tool for an ax wielder?
- 72 "Let ___ Go" (top 10 hit for Passenger)
- 73 Sphalerite, e.g.
- 74 Title role for both Gary Cooper and Adam Sandler
- 75 Creator of Frankenstein's monster
- 77 "Great – how do we get out of this predicament?"
- 78 Talk show host who co-directed the documentary "Body of War"
- 80 Scoreboard abbr. for New England's Super Bowl LI opponent
- 83 Ruckus
- 84 Formerly
- 86 Enjoyed Life, say?
- 87 Feline that roars
- 92 Lingerie specification
- 94 Hold 'em player's giveaway
- 95 It launched the race, sports and culture website The Undeafened in 2016
- 96 Bismuth's neighbor on the periodic table
- 97 Opening set?
- 98 Like Muscadet wine
- 99 High roller's roller
- 100 Facilities for James Bond
- 102 "___-ching!"
- 103 "Get the idea?"



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OBITUARIES

ERNEST ROBERT "BOB" WARREN JR.

1926 - FEB 11, 2017

Dayton Farmer Bob Warren passed away Feb. 11, 2017 at 90 years of age at Booker Rest Home in Dayton, WA with his wife of almost 65 years by his side. He was born in Pomeroy, WA the youngest of 6 children of Ernest Robert Warren Sr. and Anna (Carlson) Warren. He graduated from Pomeroy HS in 1944 and was drafted into U.S. Army. After an honorable discharge, Bob returned to Pomeroy to work the Warren family farm. He then moved to Dayton, where he started farming with his brother-in-law Paul Talbott. He married Nadine Magill on June 7, 1952. In 1964, he purchased his own farm and moved his wife and four children: Tressa, Gene, Glenn and Bill to Bundy Hollow the following year. Bob believed in agricultural diversification and at one time grew 110 acres of asparagus for the Green Giant cannery in Dayton. He also owned 100 acres of apples and pears. Primary crops were winter wheat, barley, cattle, hay, peas, lentils and chickpeas. He was actively engaged in many professional organizations in the area and served in leadership positions for most including: Columbia County Farm Bureau, Washington State Farm Bureau, Columbia County Grain Growers, Columbia County Crop Improvement Association, Columbia County Cattleman's Association, Columbia County Weed Board, Columbia County Soil Conservation District, Columbia County Board of Equalization, Columbia County Port Commissioner, Columbian REA, Washington-Oregon Pea Growers Association, Dayton Task Force, Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club, Washington State Crop Improvement Association, ASCS County Committee and American Legion. Bob received numerous honors and awards over his distinguished career in agriculture and in service to the agricultural industry and community.

He was a member of First Christian Church and served many years as a deacon. He shared his passion of agriculture with his wife and children fos-



tering their involvement in chores, 4-H and FFA livestock projects, and working all aspects of the farm. He encouraged his children to get a college education and was proud that all received a degree from Washington State University.

Bob is survived by his wife Nadine; his children Tressa Petersen (Jim) of Burbank, WA, Gene (Mary) of Dayton, Glenn (Aileen) of Dayton, and Bill (Kristine) of Dayton, eight grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, four sisters: Amelia Talbott, Myrtle Hoke, Claire Cone and Ernestine White and a brother Stanley.

He enjoyed supporting and attending his grandchildren's activities, investing in the stock market, conservation efforts and celebrating the Fourth of July in the mountains.

Bob was very appreciative of the in home care givers that enriched his and Nadine's lives over the past four years and the care provided by Walla Walla Community Hospice over the past six months.

The family requests in lieu of flowers a donation be made to the Dayton/Waitsburg Community Health Foundation, Dayton First Christian Church or Hospice of Walla Walla.

A celebration of life service will be held at First Christian Church in Dayton Friday, February 24, 2017 at 11 a.m. with burial immediately following at the Dayton Cemetery. Lunch will be served at the First Christian Church following the burial.

RITA DONNELLY

JANUARY 24, 1924 -
FEBRUARY 8, 2017

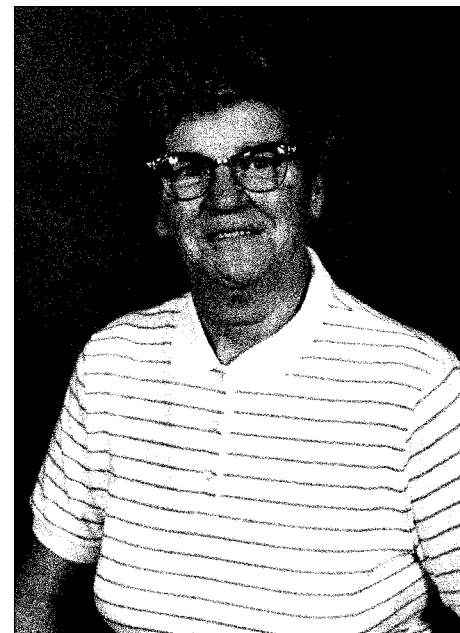
Former Waitsburg resident Rita Donnelly slipped from this life Feb. 8 at the Odd Fellows Home in Walla Walla. She was born January 24, 1924 in Camden, N.J. to Polish immigrants Joseph and Margaret C. Smith. Her sister Bernice was born in December 1924. Less than two years later, Margaret was widowed for the 2nd time, leaving her with two toddlers and five older children from her first marriage. A housekeeper when the depression came, she could no longer afford to care for the two young girls still at home. In 1931 they were placed in an orphanage run by the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Philadelphia. And their mother was able to visit them frequently at St Vincent's (The Home as Rita referred to it).

In the seventh grade, Rita started working at St Vincent's in the kitchen. She left the orphanage at 21 to work, eventually working for a good family in Ridgeway, N.J. In 1951 she began exchanging letters with Richard Donnelly, a Waitsburg gentleman she met through the 'Chaperone Club,' a Catholic magazine. They exchanged pictures and she invited him back East for her birthday party in 1952. While there, he proposed.

She came out on the train by herself, and they were married at St Mark's church in Waitsburg on May 4, 1952. Over the years she made several trips back east, and family members were able to visit her occasionally as well.

In June 1955, they began their family, with the birth of a son, Louis. An asthmatic, he spent most of his early years in hospitals, an asthmatic foundation in Tucson, and a foster family to be near to the hospital. All this took a toll on Rita, as she was all too familiar with separation from those she loved most. A daughter Rose was born to them in November of 1958.

Despite her own health issues, Rita worked cleaning houses, mowing lawns, and occasionally cleaning the post office in Waitsburg. She was a



member of the American Legion Auxiliary, and active in St Marks' Altar Society. She took care of the church, trained altar servers, and taught catechism. She was widowed in 1987, and moved to Walla Walla in 2002 to be closer to her daughter.

She was a devout Catholic and devoted letter writer. Unable to drive because of epilepsy, she rode a bike everywhere. When she could no longer bike, she walked. Rita enjoyed her daily walks, even after being relegated to a walker. She loved visiting with friends and neighbors, having family dinners, and being around her grandchildren.

Besides her husband, she was preceded in death by her son Louis, brothers Michael Swiacki, Stanley 'Jack' Swiacki, her sisters Kathryn Swiacki, Agnes Andruzzi, Vicki Licketto, and Bernice Lapiola. She is survived by daughter Rose and son-in-law Sam Worth of Walla Walla, her grandchildren Jena and Casey Worth, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A Rosary will be held at Herring-Groseclose Funeral Home (315 W. Alder, Walla Walla) at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17. Funeral services will take place at St. Mark's Church in Waitsburg (405 W. 5th) at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 18. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Walla Walla Catholic Charities, St. Mark's Altar Society, or KHSS Catholic Radio, in care of Herring-Groseclose Funeral Home.

PRIDE - FROM PAGE 7

eight graders playing up. They hope to build a strong high school program down the road.

Cox said he and Josh Gonzalez coached a 4th/5th grade Little League team last year, but that was the first Prescott had seen in many years. "Our kids just haven't had much opportunity to play much baseball," he said.

Cox, Fletcher, and Deruwe all spoke highly of the coaches who they say have done a great job building the programs. Head coach Bob Young was assisted by Melissa Linklater for volleyball, and Mark Grimm and assistant Jesus Cruz coached soccer. Grim also coaches girls' basketball, assisted by Mike Guisti. The boys' basketball team is coached by Allyn Friffin, assisted by Josh Wisner.

This spring, veteran Dustin Snediger will coach baseball, assisted by Brett Mayberry. Young and Linklater will team up again to coach softball.

"We have some great coaches who have worked very hard to bring back Tiger athletics and build up teams," Deruwe said.

"It's just been fun. We redid our logo. We've got people showing their Prescott pride. It's fun to get involved and be a part of something," Cox said.

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