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A robotics mentorship program gets off the ground at the Dayton Memorial Library.

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SUPPORT

The communities of Dayton and Waitsburg show support for Mike and Melissa Ferrians.

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Hospital Redesign Takes Shape

CCHS HAS CREATED A
WEBSITE FOR PUBLIC
TO LEARN ABOUT DGH
REDESIGN/REMODEL

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—At their board meeting on Jan. 25, Columbia County Health System commissioners heard from CEO Shane McGuire about latest schematic showing the new layout of Dayton General Hospital after the upcoming remodel is completed.

"We are still refining the schematic," said CEO Shane McGuire about the redesign.

The schematic shows the emergency room entry where the current main entry is. It will be moved slightly to the right of the existing entry, replacing some business offices, McGuire said.

Contrary to previous plans, the Emergency Room facilities will not be moved. However, the emergency department nurses' station will be located to the left of the new ER entrance. Acute/swing beds will be located on the south wall of the building. Pharmacy and Diagnostic Imaging departments will be moved to the core of the facility.

The schematic shows the new main entrance located on the north side of the building



Courtesy Image

A rendering of the emergency entrance to Dayton General Hospital, as it will look after the upcoming renovation. This entrance will be located where the current main entrance is.

with ready access to outpatient services, including laboratory, diagnostic imaging, business offices, and rehabilitation services and the new aquatic therapy pool. The gift shop and Dietary and Engineering Services are to be located on the northeast section of the building.

"We have to remain flexible," said McGuire. "We won't truthfully know what we are fully doing until we get into the construction phase."

McGuire also told the board that a new CCHS website has been created to give the public access to information and updates regarding the hospital redesign/remodel project.

A remodel discussion forum, remodel event calendar, and remodel documents, including the hospital redesign schematic, can be viewed on the new site at: build.cchd-wa.org.

In his report to the commissioners McGuire said the new Meditech ER Solutions computer system purchased by CCHS should be up and running on March 1. He said a training schedule is being finalized, with training to take place in February for admitting personnel and for nurses.

McGuire told the commissioners about some workflow/module oversights when the Meditech ER Solutions comput-

er system was purchased last year. These include interface costs associated with getting billing to flow from one system to the other.

McGuire said he would like to see Quick Claim Medical Billing, the contract company responsible for the clinic billing, take over the hospital billing that is currently done by Trubridge, Inc. This is due to a higher level of performance for Quick Claim Medical Billing, he said. Doing so would eliminate the interface costs of around \$35,000, to get the billing to flow from Trubridge to INHS/Meditech, he explained.

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SPORTS



BASKETBALL

The Waitsburg boys beat TCP 54-46 Saturday. (See Page 8)

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Football Combine Receives Support

Exploratory committee lays out details and benefits at joint work session

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Members of the Combine Exploratory Committee from both Dayton and Waitsburg expressed strong support for a Waitsburg-Dayton football combine at a well-attended joint work session of both school boards at the Waitsburg Elementary School library on January 27.

After listening to a detailed list of suggestions about how the combine should work from the exploratory committee, Dayton school board chair Dan Butler got to the heart of the matter.

"I would really like a review of what are the advantages for Waitsburg and what are the advantages for Dayton – and I mean kids – what are the advantages for the kids?" Butler asked.

WHS head football coach Troy Larsen said there were some very important advantages for both towns; most important-



Times File Photo

The WP and Dayton football teams faced off against one another in this 2013 game, but may join ranks in coming years.

ly, safety concerns and the fact that both schools would have the opportunity to play 11-man football.

Due to a statewide reclassification by the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA), Waitsburg has been reclassified from a 2B school to a 1B school and Dayton will remain 2B. But if Waitsburg were to drop to 1B, they would have to play 8-man football.

The only way for a school to opt up to 2B

in one sport, and not in all sports, is to combine with another school for that sport.

Because of low turnout, Dayton played 8-man football last year but is concerned they might not be able to field a team in coming years. Both schools have dwindling middle school enrollments. By combining, the schools would be able to play 11-man football as a 2B team.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

OBITUARY

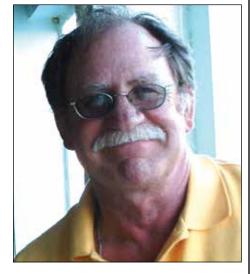
JOCK V. NYSOE APRIL 14, 1950 – JANUARY 23, 2016

ock Nysoe, 65, passed away January 23, 2016, at Providence St. Mary's Medical Center in Walla

Jock was born April 14, 1950 in Dayton to Glen and Janis (Donohue) Nysoe, and was the third of four children. Jock grew up in Dayton; attend Dayton Elementary School and graduated from Dayton High School in 1968. He then attended Western Washington University, and in 1971, attended The Evergreen State College in Olympia, before returning to Dayton to help out with the family's farming operations, which at the time included wheat, peas, an apple orchard on the Tucannon, and a small cattle operation.

Jock did extensive foreign traveling with his brother Greg, which included visits to India, Nepal, Singapore, the Philippine Islands and Mexico. He also traveled extensively throughout the United States with family, friends and relatives.

A sense of humor, dry wit, and the open and friendly manner in which he dealt with people throughout the community, was typical of Jock's personality. He was a member of the Columbia County Grain Growers, served on the planning commission for the City of Dayton and ran an unsuccessful campaign for County Commissioner as a Democrat, which is probably the reason he lost the race in his very conservative county. Jock was always willing to help others, no matter what the need and never asked for anything in return. He lived life the



way he wanted.

Jock was preceded in death by his father, Glen; mother Janis; and his brother Greg. Jock is survived by his Aunt, Dwyla Donohue of Seattle, brothers Dain (Claudia) Nysoe both of Dayton, and Jason Nysoe of Spokane, and numerous cousins here in Dayton as well as across the state.

He filled his need for family by enjoying his nieces; Hanna Nysoe and Haley McSpadden (Travis) of Spokane; and his nephews Brent Nysoe (Tara) of Seattle and Tyler Nysoe (Laura) of Maple Valley plus his great nieces and nephews Julian, Anna, Dane, Isabelle, Emma, Oliver and Jack. Jock played Santa last Christmas for the Nysoe grandchildren and Cousin Ryan (Cindy) Donohue's grandchildren.

Memorial service will be Friday, February 5, 1:00 p.m. at First Christian Church, 410 S. Third St. Dayton. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Glen Nysoe Cancer Fund through Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W. Alder, or by mail to 216 S. First Street, Dayton, WA 99328.

NEWS

WENAHA SHARES USEFUL AND USABLE ART

DAYTON - In a never-ending quest to introduce people to art in all forms, Dayton's Wenaha Gallery is featuring the artisan soaps of Jesse and Scooter Johnston of Walla Walla Soap Works through Feb. 20.

The **Johnstons** have taken a typically mass-produced item and turned it into usable, useful sculpture. The couple's signature Artisan Bar is rectangular, with sworls and peaks across the top like frosting. The Johnstons fell in love with the unique shape after they became frustrated trying to make perfectly rectangular bars.

"When we decided to peak the top a bit to help it appear less uneven, this proved to be the best thing ever, as once you free yourself from the box you really fell the creativity take over," Jesse said.

Creativity abounds as the Johnstons, along with their grown children, create non-allergenic, artistically-pleasing soaps with names like Cranberry Fig, Mango Mandarin, and Bar None, the unscented, non-colored bar that is a consistent top

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago February 9, 2006

Fifty-Five Plus Club will meet for a noon potluck this Friday, February 10 at Ye Towne Hall. Hostesses are Kay Pettichord and Janice Wills.

[Photo caption] Waitsburg Hardware and Mercantile co-owner John Stellwagen tends to business with the help of "Cougar," a tawny feline who has become a mascot at the establishment. Stellwagen and his wife Marilyn took in the cat, who love attention and is vociferous if none is received. Regulars around the pot-bellied stove at the longtime store also take their turns giving Cougar love and attention. Near the old brass cash register it's coffee, cookies and Cougar, but not necessarily in that order. Coincidentally, exactly 10 years ago The Times sported a real cougar on its front page.

Twenty-Five Years Ago February 7, 1991

Waitsburg Marshal Tom Longo called this week to say he plans to recognize Deputy Rick Ferguson for his life-saving response to a critical situation in town this past weekend.

Roy Leid, Morris Kurth and Bernard Donnelly attended the Blue Mountain Sportsmen Council meeting in Dayton recently, and received approval on their letter to the State Game Commission by an 88-0 vote.

"Waitsburg Pacific Power customers enjoy electric prices that are among the lowest of all investor owned utility companies in the United States," reported Bud Prince, Pacific Power's area manager.

Fifty Years Ago February 10, 1966

Mrs. Glen Hofer was elected chairman of the Weller Library Board at their regular meeting in January. Mrs. Jack Wright is vice-chairman; Mrs. Vaughn Hubbard, sec'y; Mrs. Art Combs, treas.; Mrs. Kenneth Zuger, publicity and new member to replace Mrs. Larry Broom who had completed her term.

Dee Barnett's junkyard which added local color to the foreground of the Centennial Postcard, is no more. The property was purchased by the County Commissioners from Dee, and the County Crew held a real "barn burner" there last Monday morning. The multitude of items which Dee had added to his expanding collection included a couple of old tombstones, refrigerators, old-fashioned muffin tins – in fact, you name it, it probably was there. Buried, we might add, under about four feet of floor mud. The land, which adjoins the Touchet river, will be added to the County lot which is now occupied by a building used to house maintenance equipment.

Seventy-Five Years Ago February 14, 1941

Will F. Hawks has let the contract to William Vogt of this city, for the erection of a modern farm home on the farm recently purchased from the

The Commercial Club will sponsor its second annual Basket Social in the Club rooms, Tuesday night, Feb. 18 at 6:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Rufus Veatch entertained the Sorotus Club Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Donald Harris presented a paper "5000 Years of Toys."

Robert Segraves, while working with R. R. Johnson and crew in pulling trees in the Moore Orchard, was struck in the right eye by a limb of a falling tree on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. C. Atkins left Sunday night for Grass Valley, Calif. where she will visit relatives and old friends for several weeks. In the meantime "W.C." the genial Northern Pacific agent, will appreciate an extra pie occasionally.

One Hundred Years Ago February 18, 1916

This valley had over three feet of snow, breaking all records for snow on the ground at one time for past 30 years.

Friday night at the Preston Hall will be staged the big game with Prosser. Seats are being put in to accommodate the crowd.

The Bruce and Houtchens Grocery has been more than tearing things up at their store during the past week. This grocery promises to be one of the brightest and cleanest grocery stores in this part of the country when the remodeling is completed.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago February 13, 1891

No danger of the Mongolidians of this city being disturbed now. They gave a fine dinner to a large number of their Waitsburg friends on Mon-

Wanted – A hand to do general work on a small farm, by the month. "Going wages" will be paid and the job will last as long as harmony exists between employed and employee, or until the money runs out. Inquire at this office.

Miss Bertie Cos last Wednesday morning rose early, went to Walla Walla, a distance of thirty miles reaching there a few minutes after eight o'clock, went to the land office and filed on a quarter section of land and was home again in time to get dinner that same day. Think of it! Sixty miles of travel and a quarter section of land in less than half a day. That's the kind of girls we have in Waitsburg.

Touchet Valley Weather Feb. 3, 2016 Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast Wednesday **Thursday** Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Rain/Snow Mostly Cloudy Partly Cloudy Mostly Cloudy Mostly Sunny Sunny Mostly Sunny High: 45 Low: 29 High: 43 Low: 34 High: 45 Low: 33 High: 46 Low: 33 High: 43 Low: 31 High: 42 Low: 28 High: 44 Low: 32 **Weather Trivia Local Almanac Last Week Normals** Precip <u>Day</u> Precipitation 0.33" What is the temperature Monday Normal precipitation 0.49" of lightning? 42 29 42/30 0.00" Tuesday Departure from normal-0.16" Wednesday 42 34 42/30 0.00" Average temperature40.19 Thursday Average normal temperature 36.2° Δ nswer: It is estimated at 50,000 50 39 43/30 0.09 Friday Departure from normal +3.9° 45 35 43/30 0.00" Saturday **Weather History** 43/30 0.00" Data as reported from Walla Walla Sunday Feb. 3, 1988 - Arctic air **Sun/Moon Chart This Week** continued to invade the central Moonrise <u>Day</u> **Sunrise Sunset** Moonset United States. The temperature 12:39 p.m. Wednesday 7:12 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 2:51 a.m. at Midland, Texas plunged Full 5:02 p.m. Thursday 7:10 a.m. 3:47 a.m. 1:26 p.m. 2/22 from a record high of 80 7:09 a.m. 5:03 p.m. 4:41 a.m. 2:21 p.m. degrees to 37 degrees in just Friday 7:08 a.m. 5:05 p.m. 3:22 p.m. three hours. Morning lows Saturday 5:31 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 7:06 a.m. 5:06 p.m. 6:16 a.m. in the higher elevations of Sunday First Last Wyoming were as cold as 38 2/15 Monday 7:05 a.m. 5:08 p.m. 6:57 a.m. 5:41 p.m. 3/1 6:55 p.m. Tuesday 7:03 a.m. 5:09 p.m. 7:34 a.m. degrees below zero.

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> 337-6589 Rev. Bret Moser

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BRIEFS

HEART HEALTH NFORMATION NIGHT

WAITSBURG - Columbia County Health System will hold a Heart Health Information Night at the Waitsburg High School gym during the Dayton/ basketball Waitsburg game on Fri., Feb. 5, from 6-8 p.m.

Blood pressures will be taken on request.

WWGH RECEIVES EMERGENCY CARE AWARD

WALLA WALLA - Adventist Health/Walla Walla General Hospital has been named a Women's Choice Award recipient as one of America's Best Hospitals for Emergency Care for the second consecutive year.

The credential places WWGH in the top five percent, out of 3,800 emergency rooms that report the data to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid, in the nation for emergency care. Award recipients are scored on eight measures that rate primarily to the amount of time taken in the emergency room.

The Women's Choice Award identifies the nation's best health care organizations by measuring against the needs and preferences of women, when it comes to treatment and a quality hospital experience.

"At WWGH, we provide a no-wait emergency and chest pain center that individuals and families in our community can rely on when minutes matter most," said Linda Givens, WWGH Interim, Vice President of Patient Care, in a press release.

Heart Health Information Night

Waitsburg High School Gym 6-8 p.m.

Information night will take place during the Dayton/Waitsburg basketball game. Blood pressures will be taken upon request.

Waitsburg Resource Center

106 Preston Avenue 9-11 a.m.

The Center provides food and resources to families in the Waitsburg and Prescott School Districts.

Coffee & Craft Prescott Public Library

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

Dayton Library Story Time

Dayton Memorial Library 10 a.m.

Storytime is free to the public and no library card is needed.

Prescott Library Story Time

Prescott Library 10:30 a.m.

Crafts and stories geared to preschool children. but all ages are welcome.



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

Breakfast Bake: Mozzarella Cheese Stix, Marinara Sauce 8: Breakfast Sandwich; Hamburger **Mashed Potatoes** 9: Continental Breakfast; Grilled Chicken Nuggets, Tater Tots 10: Cinnamon Roll; Ham & Potato Casserole, Roll, Broccoli 11: Continental Break-

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

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.

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.

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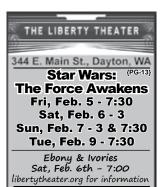
Prescott Library 4 p.m.

Waitsburg School Board Preston Hall Boardroom 7 p.m.

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POLICE NOTES

Dayton

Jan. 17

Reportable non-injury accident on US-12. Brendon Donovan, 21, Waitsburg, lost control on icy roads. Johan Fila, 49, Dayton, was booked and released on charges of 4th degree assault reported in the 300 block of E. Richmond. Report of prowler in 500 block of S. 1st. Described as 5'10", thin, wearing a black hoodie. Report of vehicle theft in 1000 block of S. 4th; unfounded, vehicle was repossessed.

Reportable non-injury accident. Henry Hurley, 19, Pullman, lost control of vehicle on icy roadways on N. Touchet Rd. Reportable non-injury accident on N. Touchet Road. Ovie Smith, 38, Richland, lost control of vehicle on icy roadway. Unwanted subject at 300 block E. Richmond. Unwanted subject at 500 block W. Cameron. Reckless driving reported on Main Rd. in Huntsville.

Jan. 19

Assisted Dept. of Corrections in apprehending John Waltermire, 25, Dayton, on DOC charges. Waltermire was taken into custody without incident. New charges of possession/possession with the intent to deliver, methamphetamine were submitted to the prosecutor. Report of shoplifting in 100 block of E. Main. Suspect dropped knife when challenged; under investigation. Assisted DOC in apprehending Dante Brown, 20, Dayton, on DOC charges. Brown was taken into custody without incident and booked into county jail. New charges of controlled substance and possession of a legend drug were submitted to prosecutor. Report of individual making threats in 400 block of E. Washington is under investigation. Deloris Elder, 51, Dayton, struck a deer crossing the roadway. Report of individual making threats on N. Touchet Rd. is under investigation.

Jan. 20

CCSO and Walla Walla Police Dept. executed a second search warrant at 305 E. Dayton Ave. #B. Officers developed probably cause through items recovered in teh first search warrant executed earlier this month at the same address. Property recovered was linked to several Walla Walla burglaries/thefts. Stihl chainsaw reported stolen in the last 3-4 weeks in 200 block of W. Patit. Saw was returned early the next morning, on the caller's porch. Timothy Testerman, 42, Walla Walla, was arrested on a Walla Walla warrant. Testerman was cited for possession of a dangerous weapon at the time of his arrest. Small child's bicycle was found in 300 block of E. Clay. Theft of a Stihl chainsaw was reported on Fountain Springs Road. Caller advised they knew who did it and father of suspect brought it back. Under investigation. Report of a person in black looking into vehicles on 900 block of S. 3rd. Elderly gentleman was out for a walk, unfounded. Beer bottle thrown through window on 300 block of W. Main.

Report of assault with a hammer in 400 block of W. Main. No actual contact made, report forwarded to prosecutor. Report of two individuals loading property into an older gray Chevy. Suspects gone upon deputy arrival. Threats made over Facebook, contact made with both parties. Scooter found in 600 block of E. Dayton Ave. Report of car prowl, most likely from the night the other 19 were done. Nothing appears to be missing, just rummaged through. Report of an erratically driven older silver pickup that nearly struck a pedestrian in 500 block of E. Main. Unwanted subject reported in 100 block of N. Cherry. Erratically driven white and red Dodge pickup reported on US-12. Assault reported in 100 block of S. 6th. Subjects gone upon deputy arrival. Report forwarded to prosecutor.

Report of erratically driven vehicle on US-12; medical issue. Reported car prowl in 400 block, E. Mustard. Most likely from the night the other 19 were done. Small change appears to be the only thing missing. Unwanted Subject reported in 100 block, N. Cherry; Civil Issue. Phone fraud reported - Publishing Clearinghouse ploy. Unwanted subject in 200 block of S. 2nd, gone upon deputy arrival. Car prowl reported in 1200 block of S. 2nd, most likely from night others were done; key taken. Car prowl in 200 block of E. Clay, nothing missing.

Jan. 23

Report of loud motorcycle early in the morning in 1400 block of S. 5th. Report of loud trucks early in the morning in 1500 block of S. 5th. Report of several individuals in dark clothing trying to hide in bushes after having fled from the Blue Mountain Hotel area. Unable to locate. Johan Filla, 49, Dayton, was arrested and booked into Columbia County Jail on charges of 4th degree assault, domestic violence.

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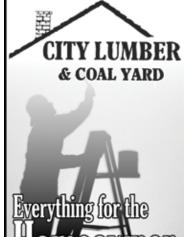
February 5: Tim Abel, Andrea Tuttle, Mary Phillips, Loretta Hunt, Janet Hart, Jack and Jim Hubbard, Helen Richardson, Chad and Nicholas Pearson.

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

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

February 9: Gabe Hofer, Thomas House. February 10: Pat Zuger, Susan Kenney, Betty Harpe, Ryan Wertz and Sara Wilson, Ryan Wertz.



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COMMENTARY

KEN GRAHAM: FROM THE PUBLISHER

How to Abuse a Good Law

There have been many times over the years that I have put on my reporter hat (OK, I don't actually have one, that's just an expression), walked into a government office and asked for a copy of something. It might



have been meeting minutes from the city council or a "probable cause" document from law enforcement.

I cannot think of a time when the person I made the request to wasn't friendly and cooperative. And I always tried to be the same. If the minutes weren't ready yet, I agreed to come back later. I've never felt like someone tried to hide something.

It turns out though that even those casual verbal requests I made were subject to a Washington State law called the Open Records Act. And if I wanted to, I could sue one of those agencies, claiming that a year or two earlier they had not responded to a request I made. And according to the law, I might be entitled to up to \$100 per day in damages – plus legal costs. That could add up to a lot after a couple of years.

This is the kind of scenario the Town of Starbuck is facing right now. A lawyer from Spokane named Stephen Kirby is suing Starbuck in Columbia County Superior Court for thousands of dollars – including legal costs – because he claims they never responded to two letters he sent in 2014 requesting some public records. (See story on Page 5.)

The city claims they never received the letters, and besides that, there are no documents that meet the criteria he asked for. Nevertheless, Starbuck has incurred thousands of dollars in legal fees to defend itself, and the case has yet to be resolved.

Open government is absolutely essential in a democracy, and laws such as Washington's Open Records Act are very sweeping in the obligations they place on government agencies to make records available to the public. But how much can these laws be abused?

To learn more about all of this, I sat down last week with Columbia County Prosecutor Rea Culwell, knowing that she is the point person for many of the requests that come into the county.

"They take up a ton of time," she told me. "In fact I was working on one when you arrived."

Culwell said that Columbia County receives many public records requests

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Three Delusions Driving Cruz, Sanders Campaigns

By Stephen Stromberg, The Washington Post ·

IOWA CITY - Ted Cruz is the Bernie Sanders of the Republican race, and Bernie Sanders the Ted Cruz of the Democratic race. No matter how you look at it, three delusions drive both candidates' campaign narratives.

Delusion Number 1: We will transform the country, uniting it behind an expansive agenda that will move the nation's politics sharply away from center. The country must see that it agrees with us and has all along.

"All across this country, millions of people rose up and became the Reagan revolution," Cruz said to an overflowing hotel auditorium in Ames, Iowa, on Saturday, citing a moment in which a Republican who was called too conservative converted a generation of working-class Democrats. "The same thing is happening again. All over this country people are waking up."

"This campaign . . . is about political revolution and transforming America," Bernie Sanders told a crowd of 3,500 packed into a college gymnasium in Iowa City on Saturday. "What I will do . . . is start to make the United States Congress listen to what the American people want by mobilizing the American people," Sanders said in Des Moines on Thursday. The point is punctuated at Sanders rallies by Jill Sobule's "Democratic Socialist Marching Song," which declares that "There's nothing to fear, just look in the mirror, you are a socialist too."

Cruz and Sanders cannot lead simultaneous popular political revolutions. And, in fact, neither will. As my colleague Ruth Marcus pointed out last week, President Barack Obama had the best chance in decades to revolutionize American politics, and he failed. Cruz and Sanders, each offering far more radical agendas than Obama did, each appealing to slices of the country eager for ideologically comforting wishful thinking, will not even get the chance.

Delusion Number 2: The nation is primed for a revolution because things are terrible.

The country is "staring at the edge of a cliff," Cruz said in Ames, warning of another four to eight years of Obamalike leadership. "Our Constitution is hanging by a thread," Cruz's warm-up act, Glenn Beck, declared. "We are facing enemies foreign and domestic."

Because of Citizens United, Sanders claimed in Iowa City, the United States is an "oligarchy" in which the top expropriates money from the bottom and the next generation is all but doomed to crushing student debt and a lower standard of living. "I don't think (Sanders) is a McGovern. I think he's an FDR," Berner Lisa Avelleyra said at Saturday's Sanders rally, comparing the nation's current conditions with the Great Depression that propelled Franklin Roosevelt into office with a massive congressional majority and mandate.

Sanders's hyperbole is somewhat more palatable than Cruz's; income inequality and campaign finance reform are more serious issues than overblown tales of the death of American freedom. But both candidates take real problems - income inequality, political money, inefficient government programs, the use of executive orders over the past two presidencies - and amp them up into high national emergencies at a time when the economy, the jobs picture and healthcare access are all steadily improving, when the United States stands among the freest places on Earth, and when Americans enjoy advanced levels of protection from all sorts of threats, from terrorism to disease. The country faces big challenges, but the fundamentals are not dire.

Delusion Number 3: The country is in its current state because of the corrupt or otherwise illegitimate actions of others.

Cruz warned about the "root threat of progressivism" and declared that in his first day in office he will revoke all of President Obama's "illegal and unconstitutional executive actions," begin the process of repealing Obamacare and end the Common Core educational standards. "Washington is fundamentally broken," Cruz explained, because of "bipartisan corruption." He makes jokes about Democrats stealing elections with voter fraud.

Sanders reliably traces the country's problems to "these huge financial institutions that...control the economic and political life of this nation." In a 20-minute speech Saturday night he mentioned billionaires more times than I could count.

Delusion Number 3 is crucial. It makes the country's problems seem easy to solve - rescind Obama's executive actions! Overturn Citizens United! - and it implies that those who oppose the program are complicit in the corruption.

But, of course, reality is more complicated. Cruz ignores analyses finding that the regulatory drag from the president's Environmental Protection Agency climate change actions, for example, is simply too small to seriously harm the national economy. Sanders' blaming Wall Street for everything ignores all sorts of evidence that disagreements in the United States reflect much more than simple election-buying; corporate America did not want the government shutdowns or the debt-limit shenanigans of the past several years, yet the GOP went through with both, anyway.

A core reason the United States is not already an arch-conservative country or a democratic socialist country is the political system's many checks and balances combined with voters' preferences. In other words, people disagree. Which is exactly what most Americans will do if the Republicans nominate Cruz or the Democrats nominate Sanders.

Letters Welcome

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LETTERS

DAYTON ASB URGES YES VOTE

Dear Editor,

We would like to bring to your attention the seriousness of our school's situation. We urge you to pass both of the upcoming levies; most urgently the Maintenance and Operations Levy, and the equally important Capital Projects Levy. The Dayton High School roof has leaked for as long as any of us can remember. It leaves disgusting brown stains on our ceiling tiles and large wet spots on the carpets in the hallways. It also occasionally drips on students' heads or books when they walk by. This fix is long overdue and we ask that you please consider the student body when making your decision.

Our art class was cut two years ago and if the Maintenance and Operations Levy is not passed our other three electives (Ag, Wood Tech, Band) are at risk of being cut as well. The repercussions of this may include students leaving our school because we will only be able to offer core classes and other schools will be able to offer much more. Dayton High School staff and students take pride in the quality extracurricular activities available for such a small town; it would be devastating to lose one of the most positive programs we have here. Thank you for your time.

Dayton HS Associated Student Body Jenna Phillips, Public Relations Officer

OUTSIDERS TOOK UP FORUM TIME

Dear Editor,

Several Clarkston area residents came to Waitsburg attempting to discredit Representative McMorris Rodgers. In the process they took up a good portion of the town hall meeting held so local area residents could visit with their representative. Apparently "local area" includes a 1.5-hour drive—oneway though there was a closer meeting in Dayton. Ms. Bates and company have done this at several other McMorris Rodgers' events at other locations according to one source.

Ms. Bates researched enough to find the numbers she wanted. She missed the ones that showed insurance for low income folks has been available through the state for some time, premiums based on ability to pay. Unfortunately, as with vehicle insurance, some make one payment only. It would be interesting to know how many of the 81,300 folks to whom Ms. Bates referred (insured under the Affordable Care Act in eastern Washington) will choose to pay the fine rather than premiums. Just curious, will hospitals be required to report those without insurance to make sure they pay the fine? Not likely with existing privacy

Jim Davison Waitsburg

PLEASE VOTE YES ON DAYTON LEVIES

Dear Editor,

Please show support for the Dayton School District and our kids and vote yes on the upcoming levy. Many of the items in the Capital Projects portion are things we must take care of for the sake of the facilities and our children's safety. Even if you do not have a school-aged child, these are our children. In order to have a successful community, we must support a successful school district. Roof projects, new asphalt, exterior doors, security cameras- these are the very basics of a well-functioning facility. It takes a village to raise a child, and we cannot fail our children. The leaders within our school are doing their best to better our children's future, please vote yes on the levy.

Terry Robins Dayton

NEWS / COMMENTARY

Starbuck Faces Public Records Lawsuit

CITY PAYS THOUSANDS IN LEGAL FEES, CLAIMS REQUEST FROM SPOKANE ATTORNEY NEVER RECEIVED

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

STARBUCK - The Jan. 26 special meeting of the Starbuck City Council revolved around a subject that has consumed the city's focus since last June: a public records request and subsequent lawsuit that has already cost the city thousands of dollars.

In early June, Spokane attorney Stephen Kirby, through his business, Tikor Consulting, brought suit against the Town of Starbuck for failure to make public records available for inspection in a timely manner, pursuant to RCW 42.56.520.

The Complaint, filed in Columbia County Superior Court on June 1 last year, includes copies of a letter dated Oct. 29, 2014 and a follow-up letter on Nov. 24, 2014, requesting that the Town of Starbuck "provide electronic copies of all invoices the city has received

for legal services by private firms between Dec. 2013 and the present."

Starbuck City Clerk Candice Harrison said she never received those letters and the city was unaware of their existence until they received notice of the lawsuit. And even if they had, there were no records to provide, she added.

Harrison said the city assumed they would be protected by the city's liability insurance. But when she contacted their insurance company, she learned that coverage did not include liability for public records requests.

The city then hired Ephrata attorney Dalton Pence, who was recommended by the city's insurance company. Case court documents include a June 8, 2015 letter from Pence to Kirby's counsel explaining that, "Starbuck never received the referenced request or letters until they were provided companion to the Complaint for Damages on June 2, 2015.'

Pence's letter also states that Starbuck did not have any invoices for legal services concerning the time period set out in the request or letter. "With this understanding in mind, please advise concerning your client's intent to pursue this case," Pence wrote.

Kirby has moved forward with the case and filed a

subpoena on the United States Postal Service to provide forms and information relating to the Town of Starbuck's Post Office Box, in order to discover who had control of the Post Office box at the time of the request. Columbia County Superior Court Judge Scott Gallina signed the subpoena on Jan. 20.

In his request for relief, Kirby is seeking the requested records, the cost of bringing suit, reasonable attorney fees, penalties of \$100/day effective Nov. 17, 2014, and pre- and post-judgments as allowed by law.

Harrison said Starbuck's city council was adamantly opposed to settling, feeling they had done nothing wrong, even though they have been repeatedly advised that they would be better off financially to do so. But after spending nearly \$7,000 in legal fees, they recently offered Kirby a settlement offer which she said was countered with a much higher amount.

"People out here volunteer their time just to keep the city going," Harrison said. "Then to have something like this happen - it just takes the wind out of your sails."

At their Jan. 26 meeting, Starbuck's city council voted to make a second settlement offer. When The Times went to print, the city was unaware of any response from Kirby's counsel to that offer.

House Bill Would Limit Public Records Requesters

WNPA, Olympia News Bu-

OLYMPIA—Lawmakers are looking to modify the Public Records Act in an effort to help local agencies that claim they're burdened by overbroad and massive public-records requests.

House Bill 2576 would give local agencies the power to limit the time they spend each month responding to public-records requests, and would allow local agencies to charge a fee for providing public records that are requested for commercial purposes.

Rep. Joan McBride, D-Kirkland, the bill's sponsor, said the bill isn't meant to undermine transparency in local government, but instead help limit what she calls the "one percent" of requests that amount to harassment of taxpayer-supported public agencies.

"This is a very modest bill and a good, elegant, first step in talking about public records," McBride said Jan. 28 at the bill's hearing in front of the **House Local Government** Committee.

The bill has received wide support from officials in local government agencies, who say they don't have the necessary staff to deal with some of the broadest requests from private companies and citizens, and are upset that they can't recover the costs for providing large volumes of records.

Pat Fitzpatrick, deputy city attorney in Kent, said he supports the bill creating a way for local agencies to recover the costs of providing the broad records requests for profitable use from private entities.

"Cities, universally, are in support of the Public Records Act," Fitzpatrick said. "What we are not in support of is private corporations making profit off the backs of citizens."

Diana Carlen, a representative of LexisNexis, a software company that provides customers with public records, said most

By LaVendrick Smith, of the company's clients need the records for information on things such as local government, law enforcement and businesses. She said the bill would force the company to pass the increased costs on to their custom-

> "That is not going to stop the problem of overly broad and harassing requests," Carlen said.

> The proposal also creates a commission to oversee disputes between agencies and requesters, and creates an account where 20 percent of the amount awarded to a requester in court against an agency would go to supporting the commission.

> Opponents of the bill, including media members, say the bill weakens the Public Records Act, which was created by a citizen initiative in 1972.

> Arthur West, a citizen activist from Olympia, said the bill creates hys

teria about the number of people who are using public-records requests to harass agencies for profit, and that the bill would have unintended consequences.

"There are some overbroad requests, and there could be something carefully tailored to fix that," West said. "This

A government watchdog organization takes issue with establishment of a new commission, saying it's not needed for the oversight of disputes between requesters and agencies.

"It takes disputes involving public records requests out of a neutral venue—our courts—and into a political arena," said Juli Bunting from the Washington Coalition for Open Government.

Some opponents agree that something needs to be done to curb the requests that have become a burden for local governments, but said the bill would go too far in limiting citizens requesting records for legitimate reasons.

Kathy George, from the Washington Coalition for Open Government, said while the bill might stop the "one percent" of abusers, the rest of the requesters are hurt by allowing an agency to limit the time it spends working on requests.

"You're saying 'sorry, but you all have to wait in line," George said. "This is really drawing a line between the government and the people it serves."

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each year. In fact, there's a link on the county's web site that allows members of the public to submit them. Public records requests have become much more numerous in the past fifteen years, she added.

Culwell said that most PRRs are for a legitimate purpose, but sometimes the volume of documents requested is huge, and each one must be checked, in case they contain information that is confidential and exempt from disclosure. Also, three or four times a year, the county will receive a request in which she feels that the requester was purposely trying to trick an agency into making a mistake, so a fine can be

"To my knowledge, the county has never been fined over a public records request," Culwell said.

Culwell said that last year she received a request for copies of all of her emails sent from her office account. She spent many hours going through them to redact any information that was exempt from disclosure. A few months before that, she said, she was asked by someone for copies of all of her emails that contained swear words. (I'm not making this up.) She complied with that request, and I got the sense that there might have been more than one or two.

Just this week, the state legislature is considering a bill that would make changes to the Open Records Act, which is described in the WNPA article on Page 5. This is aimed more at requests for huge volumes of records, often by for-profit data companies.

But I think there's another issue, and that is that the incentives are whacked. A law that calls for a fine up to \$100 per day to be paid to the aggrieved party, is just inviting parties to become aggrieved.

And a small town like Starbuck is not going to have the resources to fight a lawsuit in court. It will therefore feel obligated to settle its case for a few thousand dollars. No doubt this is the kind of situation at least a few public requesters are counting on.



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DAYTON

Robotics Mentor Program Takes Off

High school mentors lead library robotics program

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

DAYTON - Thanks to a grant from the Washington State Library and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the Dayton Memorial Library is now home to a middle school robotics program.

Each Thursday afternoon, about 15 junior high students work with high school mentors to design and program different types of robots. The students use the LEGO Mindstorm Robotics Kits, expansion kits, and five laptops that the library received through the grant.

Dayton was one of only four Washington schools to receive the LEGO robotics sets through the Washington State Libraries Exploring Technology grant. The grant was created to empower libraries as exploration centers for youth and to help youth increase their science, technology, engineering and math skills.

The library staff worked together to write the grant for the Robotics Mentor Program. Once the grant was awarded, the library staff collaborated with high school principal Paul Shaber and high school robotics teacher Kristina Knebel to develop the long-term program.

Five high school students volunteer weekly as mentors: Emily Truean, Isaac Garcia, Kris Karl, Hope Lopez, and Kendall Field. Emily, Hope and Chris are part of the high school ro-



botics program, but Isaac and Kendall just wanted to help out.

"So far it's been really fun," Emily said. "They caught on to programming really quickly."

The mentors serve as advisors, answering questions when the junior high students get stuck. Hope said they will eventually begin holding competitions and will assign students to perform specific tasks such as building a robot animal or a robot that can perform an 'Olympic" event.

The program will run through May, then start up again next fall, with a new set of students.

"This program is a great way to get younger students excited about robotics, while allowing the high school robotics team students to share their knowledge and passion with others in the community," said Knebel.



Photos by Dena Wood

Clockwise from top right: (I to r) High school students Emilly Truean, Isaac Garcia, Hope Lopez, and Kendall field mentor younger students in robotics. (Kris Karl not shown.) Mentor Emily Truean and library assistant Howard Beuhler watch as Devin Milan puts his programming to the test. Hope Lopez, Milan, and Beuhler offer encouragement as Milan programs his

Arianna Pratt (left) checks out her robot while Trista Villaro (right) concentrates intenly on her programming.





Dayton School Board Records are Now Online

Older meeting minutes and resolutions have been digitized by Washington State **Archives**

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON-Paula Moisio, business manager for the Dayton School District and President of the Blue Mountain Heritage Society, has been working with the Washington State Archives branch of the Office of the Secretary of State to get the oldest school board minutes and resolutions digitized. The board meeting minutes go all the way back to July 1903, she said. The resolutions are from the years 2009 going back to 1963, she added.

Moisio said that in March 2011, the Washington State Archivists began to allocate funds for local organizations to have specific records archived. She said the principle behind that is the idea that archiving critical public records is part of a sound records management plan.

Dayton School District was one of thirty-three applicants to receive grants from Washington State Archives, and Moisio said she was able to obtain a grant in the amount of \$4,250 for the project.

According to Moisio the documents were located in various places around the district, including the basement storage room, the elementary safe, and the district office. She said meeting minutes were in various forms

– from the old journal ledgers, to three-ring binders, and the resolutions were in three-ring binders in the district

After arranging the records in chronological order, Moisio packed them in specially approved boxes and a representative took them to Olympia in Sept., 2014. Archivists then began the process of digitizing and microfilming the original documents. They also created an index of each record, she said.

When that process was finished, the project coordinator began uploading the records to digital archives and completed the project in 2015, she said.

"Although the process, from start to finish, was lengthy, it was a pretty smooth process, and the State Archive office was very helpful and courteous throughout the process,' Moisio said. "Digitizing records helps to eliminate some of the potential risks due to water damage, fire damage, contamination, and loss of access to the records."

kept in a controlled environment, according to Moisio.

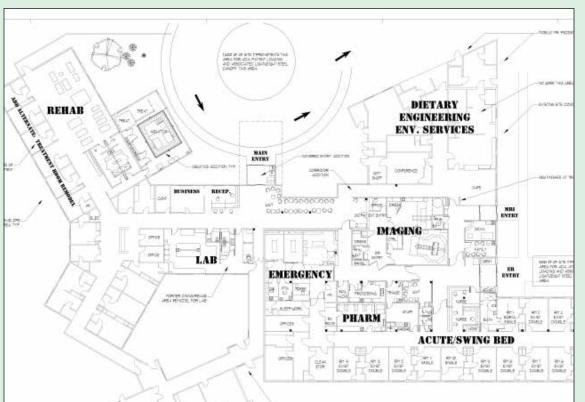
Moisio said there is a link to the archived material on the DSD website, with a step-by-step guide for how to access the information.

Go to www.daytonsd.org. and look under the board tab for instructions, or go to: www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/ home and enter Dayton School District in the "Search by Keyword" window, then select "Minutes" and "Meeting Records" in the pull-down menu, or "Resolution Records" in the pull-down menu, and enter search criteria.



Courtesy Photo

The State retains the original documents, and they are State Archives Document # 10 for October 13, 1919 discussing the wills of Dr. Marcel Pietrzycki, and his wife Mary, and the trust fund they set up to establish a "trade school" in connection with the Davton Public School Dist.



Courtesy Image

This schematic shows the location of departments as they will be arranged after competion of Dayton General Hospital's upcoming renovation. The current ER entrance is at the left, and will be moved to the location of the current main entrance, in the top-middle of the schematic.

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A clearing-house module for seamless flow of billing would need to be created at a cost to the hospital district of \$40,000. McGuire said that having that in place would clear the path for Quick Claims Medical Billing to take over the billing, which will be done in stages, and help to bring billing back inhouse.

The commissioners approved those funds, and also an additional \$43,681 for a module for clinic-wide scheduling, because that was not provided for in the original design, McGuire said.

McGuire also told the commissioners that former clinic manager Cheryl Skiffington has been hired to be the new Compliance Officer for CCHS. He said Skiffington will be responsible for internal audits and the revenue cycle. and that she will be an asset due to her previous experience managing both clinics. Skiffington will begin work the first part of Febru-

ary, he said. The commissioners approved appointing former hospital district commissioner Jim Kime and Dr. Norm Passmore to the board finance committee. They will be asked to represent the community on the committee, they said.

The commissioners also approved the levy certification that was to have been done by the end of last year. It had been held up while waiting for tax information from the Columbia County Assessor regarding wind farms, which has now come in.

The commissioners also announced their first board retreat in 2016. They said they hope to begin developing a strategic plan at the retreat.

The retreat will be held on Monday, Feb. 22, at the Best Western Hotel Conference room, and is open to the public, they said.

Community Raises Funds for Ferrians

LOCALS RETURN THE GIFT OF MINISTRY AS MELISSA FERRIANS FACES CANCER DIAGNOSIS

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Fellow actors, musicians, co-workers, and friends are banding together to offer support to Melissa and Mike Ferrians in their time of need. Several fundraisers are being organized to raise funds for the Ferrians, as Melissa walks through a recently diagnosed battle with colon cancer.

The Ferrians stepped down from pastoral life last May, when Mike retired after serving 25 years as pastor of the Waitsburg First Christian Church. During that time, Melissa was right beside him, serving the community every step of the way.

The couple has given freely of both their time and their musical talents. They created and lead the Salt & Light youth choir ministry, which involved teens from throughout the valley, for 15 years. Melissa has led choirs and directed music in Waitsburg and Dayton, including many Touchet Valley Action Council (TVAC) live musicals. Mike has played many roles in TVAC productions, and has co-directed two musicals.

In late December doctors dis-

covered that Melissa had a tumor and polyp in her colon. Both were cancerous. She underwent surgery on Jan. 27 to remove a section of colon as well as her gallbladder. She is currently recuperating well at home.

Melissa is currently employed by Columbia County Transportation, and Mike works at d'Olivo on Main Street in Walla Walla. And while they each love their job, taking time off to deal with an unexpected health hurdle is more challenging than when they were in church ministry.

However, a grateful community is stepping forward to help ease the financial

stress of uncovered medical expenses, as well as unpaid time off work for both Mike and Melissa.

TVAC is giving back by donating the proceeds of their upcoming Ebony and Ivories event to the Ferrians. Ebony & Ivories, an evening of classical and contemporary music, champagne, and chocolate, takes place Sat., Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students and may be purchased online at libertytheater. org.

A "Ferrians Medical Fund" has also been established at Banner



Courtesy Photo

Mike and Melissa Ferrians pose with their sidekick Jack, shortly after purchasing their home in Waitsburg.

> Bank in Waitsburg to help with expenses related to Melissa's medical care. Donations may also be made to the Dayton Banner Bank branch.

In a public letter, Janet Ihle wrote, "Mike and Melissa have a dissonance in their song, currently. Stress, worry, schedule hassles, physical illness, financial burdens. If you have been blessed by their ministry, please consider supporting them through this time with prayers, words of encouragement, logistical/physical support, or financial help."



Former Waitsburg Chapter FFA president Mikala Deruwe posted this photo on Facebook along with her response to the controversial PETA article. Many local students posted photos of themselves in their FFA jackets or posing with their animals.

#FFA Proud

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - Last week, the animal rights group, PETA, came out with a harsh attack against the values of the National FFA Organization in a blog post titled "FFA is Lame . . ." that went viral and caused a strong response from FFA members on Facebook. Hashtags like #FFAProud, #FFAStrong, WHYIFFA, and #FFAPride ran rampant as members jumped to the organization's defense.

Below are exerpts of posts from just a few of the local FFA members who responded.

Timber Froherich: "Considering I am a proud showman, member, and officer in my local FFA chapter, I'd like to set this straight for those who do not know the truth about showing a market animal. Number 1: from the moment we buy our animals from the farmer, we are told by Mr. Jerry Hall to treat our animals with the same respect we treat ourselves." (Timber went on to list specifics about the care required for FFA animals.)

Emily Adams: Every time I zip up that corduroy jacket, whether it's for a fair or I'm competing in a CDE, I get a sense of pride. I'm part of the largest student ran organization in the nation. Joining the FFA has been one of the greatest things I have done.

Mikala DeRuwe: FFA has opened the door for so many young adults. Even though I was farm born and raised, I learned so much through FFA about agriculture that I'd never known before. Agriculture is the center of our lives, even if we don't always think of it to be. I will continually support the National FFA Organization because it brings much more to the table than just food, it brings everlasting knowledge.

Paige Wood: FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership. I learned an abundance from FFA, not only about livestock, but social skills, money/time management, and responsibility, only to name a few.

Waitsburg Chapter FFA Advisor Nicole Abel said she was proud of her students and parents and dittoed a post by fellow Ag Science instructor and friend, Tracy Brown. "'I believe in the future of agriculture, with a faith born not of words but of deeds. I am an agriculture educator by choice and not by chance.' Two creeds I live by every day. Today I have seen my heart and passions articulated by former students, parents, and colleagues. I love it!"



Courtesy Photo

FFA parent Pam Alexenko posted this photo of her son, Luke Alexenko with his FFA pig,. on Facebook. She captioned it "FFA all the way!"

InvoiceCloud™

Waitsburg Residents Have Option to Pay Utility Bills Online

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – The City of Waitsburg utility customers now have the option to view and pay their utility bills online. The City has partnered with InvoiceCloud, a web-based electronic invoice presentment and payment company, to provide faster, more convenient billing services to residents.

The new online payment service will offer residents more flexibility in paying their bills. The system is easy to use and will allow residents to

system is easy to use and will allow residents to pay their bills with either a bank account or credit/debit card.

No registration is required to view an online replica of a paper bill or to pay bills. Payment receipts will be sent via email or can be printed directly from the computer screen. There is a service fee to pay online, but not to view bills.

Though InvoiceCloud offers the service, the City does not currently offer paperless billing or autopay options. If customer response is positive, those services may be added in the future, said Deputy Clerk Kelly Steinhoff.

Waitsburg utility users can go to: www.cityof-waitsburg.com to view and/or pay bills online.

COMBINE - FROM PAGE 1

Larsen said a side benefit of the reclassification is that Dayton and Waitsburg can build a strong bond as a football team, but they will not have to compete against each other in other sports, since Dayton will be 2B and Waitsburg 1B.

Larsen said that having more players on the field greatly increases the safety of the kids.

"When you have 40 kids on the field you can put the kids at the right level and in the right positions," he said. "You don't have 14-year-olds on the field with 18-year-olds, which is where injuries happen."

Larsen also said that the combine allows for a full JV schedule, which will allow the younger players to gain more experience.

"Varsity-wise, we're a better football program," he said. "You can get a lot more players on the field. The fresher you are, the more alert you are, the less injuries you have. You just don't see the kinds of injuries you do when you're at a small school and a freshman has to play varsity football."

Larsen said that more players means

more competition among players who will work harder for positions during practices and the off-season.

"I'll be honest; you give us 40-50 kids and we're going to be pretty successful – we're going to win a lot of football games. And winning breeds enthusiasm in communities, in schools, in players, and parents. You have a better program," he added.

Waitsburg High School Athletic Director Stephanie Wooderchak said that the reclassification is a four-year commitment. If either school chose to separate from the combine during that period, each school would have to revert to an independent athletic program.

Several student athletes were exploratory committee members and expressed support for the combine.

"I think it's a good opportunity for both schools that might not get the experience to play real football otherwise," said Dayton junior Ben Kleck. "Hopefully, it will be a successful team. If you look at how many injuries we've had because we've been so short-numbered, it's not worth it for us to play football with 18 people. It makes sense. And the JV can gain experience without being thrown into varsity games."

Waitsburg junior Jacob Dunn also

voiced support. "There are little details we need to figure out, but it's definitely the right thing to do. I think all the kids feel that way. For each level of play it's extremely beneficial," he said.

The exploratory committee presented the boards with a list of suggestions for the proposed combine.

- Most practices will be in Waitsburg, with home games in both towns.
- Waitsburg will retain the current coaching staff and Dayton will hire two coaches.
- Dayton transports high school and junior high football players to practices in Waitsburg and Waitsburg incurs all transportation costs for away games.
- Waitsburg jerseys will be worn at Waitsburg home events and at all away events.
- Dayton jerseys will be worn for all JV games and at Dayton home varsity events
- Helmets will have a stripe down the middle with a Bulldog on one side and a Cardinal on the other. Athletes will participate in choosing the mascot designs.
- An effort will be made to split home games between the two towns.
- A committee should be formed to ex-

- plore a combined cheer program.
- One home game will be a dedicated senior night/homecoming in each town.
- The bands will play together at home events
- There should be a band, student, and parent section at each event.
- Waitsburg's athletic director will schedule events (JV/V), organize workers at Waitsburg events, produce programs for all events, and attend league meetings.
- Each town's athletic director will provide supervisors for their home events.
- Whoever hosts, keeps the gate and concession receipts and can run their own fundraisers.

Notes submitted by Dayton committee member Steve Martin indicate that, without a thorough cost analysis, the exploratory committee believes the combine will cost each district about \$1,000 above current expenses. This factors in costs for uniforms and equipment, coaches, and transportation.

No one spoke in opposition of the combine. The school boards will vote on the combine at their upcoming board meetings. Dayton meets next on Feb. 3 and Waitsburg meets Feb. 10.

SPORTS

Cardinals Knock Off Jaguars, Fall to Asotin, DeSales

Waitsburg 54, TCP 46

PASCO - Waitsburg boys went on the road Saturday night and took a victory from Tri-Cities Prep, 54-46. At press time, the Cardinals were 10-8 overall and 5-5 in SE 2B League play.

The Cardinals had a balanced offensive attack, with four starters scoring in double figures. Kyle Gradwohl led his team with 14 points, including three 3-pointers. Jacob Dunn had 13 points, Landon Callas had 12, including two treys, and Jason Carter scored 11. Dunn also pulled down 11 rebounds. Carter had 10 assists.

The Cardinals were down 24-20 at the half, but outscored the Jaguars 15-5 in the third quarter to take a lead they wouldn't relinquish.

Waitsburg was to travel to Prescott to take on the Tigers Tuesday night, and then will host Dayton Friday night to complete league play.

Waitsburg 6 14 15 19-54 Tri-Cities Prep7 17 5 17—46

WAITSBURG (54) — Potts 0 0-0 0, Callas 4 2-4 12, Carter 08-118, Dunn 60-313, Penner 10-03, Gradwohl 5 1-2 14, Montgomery 2 0-1 4. Totals 18 11-21 54.

TRI-CITIES PREP (46) — Mercado 4 2-7 12, Pederson 0 2-5 2, Dickerson 3 0-0 8, Amato 0 0-2 0, Kim 2 0-0 4, Su 0 0-0 0, Jones 4 4-4 15, Geist 2 0-0 6, Perez 0 0-1 0. Totals 15 8-19 46.

3-point goals — Waitsburg 7 (Gradwhol 3, Callas 2, Dunn 1, Penner 1), Tri-Cities Prep 8 (Jones 3, Geist 2, Dickerson 2, Mercado 1). Total fouls — Waitsburg 16, Tri-Cities Prep 19. Fouled out — Tri-Cities Prep, Pederson, Mercado. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Waitsburg 35 (Dunn 11), Tri-Cities Prep NA. Turnovers Waitsburg 7, Tri-Cities Prep NA. Assists — Waitsburg 16 (Carter 10), Tri-Cities Prep NA.



WAITSBURG - The Cardinal boys hosted Asotin Friday night, but were no match for the league-leading Panthers, falling 67-38.

Asotin jumped out to a 20-10 first-quarter lead and never looked back. After trailing 34-22 at the half, the Cardinals were outscored in the second half, 33-16. The Panthers burned Waitsburg for nine three-point Daily 1, Blunt 1), Waitsburg 3 (Callas, Carter, Grad-

Mark Montgomery led the Cardinals with 10 points. He also pulled down 11 rebounds. Jacob Dunn scored nine.

Asotin 20 14 20 13—67 Waitsburg 10 12 8 8—38

ASOTIN (67) — Weakland 7 0-0 20, Magnuson 4 0-0 9, Jaggernauth 2 0-0 4, Wise 4 0-0 8, Sokolowski 0 1-2 1, Daily 4 0-0 9, Blunt 4 3-3 12, Klappenback 2 0-0 4, Ball 0 0-0 0. Totals 27 4-5 67.

WAITSBURG (38) -Potts 2 0-0 4, Callas 1 2-2 5, French 0 0-2 0, Carter 2 0-0 5, Dunn 3 3-5 9, Penner 0 0-0 0,





Left: Waitsburg's Jason Carter goes up for a jump shot against DeSales on Jan. 26. Right: Mark Montgomery fights with a DeSales player for a rebound.

Gradwohl 2 0-0 5, Montgomery 4 2-8 10, Branson 0 0-0 0, Hatfield 0 0-0 0. Totals 14 7-17 38.

3-point goals — Asotin 9 (Weakland 6, Magnuson 1, wohl). Total fouls — Asotin 17, Waitsburg 8. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — NA, Waitsburg 36 (Montgomery 11). Turnovers — Asotin NA, Waitsburg 19. Assists — Asotin NA, Waitsburg 5 (Carter 3).

DeSales 47, Waitsburg 43

WAITSBURG - The DeSales Irish withstood a big third-quarter rally by the Cardinal boys to hold off Waitsburg for a win on Jan. 26, 47-43.

After trailing 26-17 at the half, the Cardinals outored the Irish 15-7 in the third quarter to pull within one at the break, 33-32. But Waitsburg couldn't make the sale, and ended up falling by four.

Kyle Gradwohl scored nine points, and Mark Montgomery knocked down eight to pace the Cardinals.

DeSales 15 11 7 14 — 47 Waitsburg 11 6 15 11 - 43

DESALES (47) — Montero 0 1-2 1, Standard 5 0-2 12, Leahy 6 2-3 14, Rodriguez 1 0-3 2, Crowley 3 1-3 7, Miedema 2 2-2 6, Baumgart 1 2-4 5. Totals 15 8-19 47.

WAITSBURG (43) — Potts 0 3-6 3, Callas 1 3-4 6, Carter 2 3-5 7, Dunn 2 2-4 6, Penner 1 0-0 2, Gradwohl 4 1-2 9, Montgomery 4 0-0 8. 14 14-21 43.

3-point goals — DeSales (Standard 2, Baumgart), Waitsburg (Callas, Dunn, Gradwohl). Total fouls — Waitsburg 19, DeSales 16. Turnovers — DeSales 16, Waitsburg 11.

CARDINAL GRAPPLERS HEAD TO SUB DISTRICTS

NEWMAN AND NORRIS ARE #1 SEEDS

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg Cardinal wrestling team traveled to Ritzville on Sat., Jan. 26 for a non-league match, then to Pomeroy on Sat., Jan. 30, for the final

league meet of the season.

Ritzville Mix & Match At the Ritzville non-

league Mix & Match tournament the Cardinals faced off against Ritzville, Pomeroy, Almira-Coulee-Hartline, and Moses Lake. Both Dejay Lalka and Tristan Newman walked away with

Heavyweight Tristan Newman (285) won both of his matches, pinning Joe Benedict (LRS) in

1:02 in match one and

"He got the inside added.

who competes with just them. Probably some of one leg, also scored double-wins. Lalka pinned Robert Hipolito (ML) in 4:14 for his second career win and his first win by pin. He then pinned Jospeh Robertson (ML) by fall in 4:46.

"A very well-wrestled match. Class act by Mr. Hipolito! I don't think there was a dry eye in the

for moves and hitting

the best sportsmanship I have seen in a long time. Only in wrestling would something like this happen," he said, describing the second match.

David Lewis (113) and David Just (138) didn't win but both wrestled well, according to Lanning.

"All of the wrestlers showed improvement. Everyone was working for moves and countering the opponents move attempts," Adams said.

Pomeroy League Meet The Cardinals racked up several wins inn Pomeroy, where they wrestled against Colfax, Gar-Pal, Reardan, Liberty (Spangle), Lind-Ritzville,

and Pomeroy.

Carlos Norris (113) won by an 18-2 decision against Jonas Canup (Colfax). Ky Adams (145) won by an 10-5 decision against Thomas Perryman (Liberty). Joe Adams (170) won by a 2-0 decision against Mason Payne (Reardan). Tristan Newman (285) got the lone pin of the night, dropping Hunter Dawley (Reardan) in 1:11.

The Cardinals head to Liberty High School for the sub-district tournament on Sat., Feb. 6. The top four wrestlers from that tournament will advance to the regional meet at Reardan on Feb. 13.

Current seeding placements are: 113 Carlos Norris (1), Da-

vid Lewis (2) 138 David Just (4), Dejay Lalka (6)

145 Ky Adams (3), Devin Newman (5)

170 Joe Adams (4) 285 Tristan Newman (1)

pinning Tucker Guiles (LRS) in 1:46 in his second match.

control and took Benedict down with a bear hug. After that, it was just a matter of time before the ref's hand slapped the mat," said Coach Lanny Adams, describing Newman's first match. "He controlled the next match as well," Adams

Dejay Lalka (138),

stands," Adams said, describing match one. "Dejay was working

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SPORTS



Photo by Dena Wood

Junior Lexi Brannock (12) heads for the net as 8th grade Irish guard Lauryn Lyons (20) keeps a close eye on the ball at the Jan. 26 DeSales vs. Waitsburg home game.

Lady Cards Fall to DeSales, 63-21

WAITSBURG - The Lady Cards fell hard to the DeSales Irish in a home court league match on Tues., Jan. 26. The Irish took the win 63-21.

Waitsburg made 11 points to DeSales 18 in the first quarter but lost steam as the game progressed. The Cards scored six points in quarter three and two each in quarters three and four. The Irish scored 27 points in the second quarter, added 11 in quarter three, and seven in the final quarter.

DeSales senior Emily Baumgart earned nearly half the Irish score with 30 points – all earned in the first half of

High scorer for Watisburg was freshman Devon Harshman with seven points and five rebounds, followed by Lexi Brannock with five. Tayler Jones, Ariel Sandau, Chloe Pearson, and Analisea Araya added two each to the Cardinal's score and Mackenzie Forney added one, going 1-2 on the free throw line. — Waitsburg 32, DeSales 12.

DeSales 18 27 11 7 — 63 Waitsburg 11 6 2 2 — 21

DESALES (63) — Baumgart 7 13-15 30, Acock 1 0-0 2, K. Buratto 3 3-4 11, Kjeldgaard 0 0-0 0, H. Buratto 1 0-2 2, Cortez 2 0-3 5, Jones 1 1-2 3, Lyons 0 0-0 0, Haider 3 1-2 7, Olson 1 1-2 3. Totals 19 19-30 63.

WAITSBURG (21) — Williams 0 0-0 0, Brannock 1 2-2 5, Harshman 2 2-4 7, Forney 0 1-2 1, Jones 1 0-4 2, Sandau 1 0-0 2, Mohney 0 0-0 0, Hays 0 0-0 0, Pearson 11 0-0 2, Araya 1 0-3 2. Totals 7 5-15 21.

3-point goals — DeSales (Baumgart 3, K. Burrato 2, Cortez), Waitsburg (Brannock, Harshman). Total fouls — Waitsburg 22, DeSales 15. Fouled out — Waitsburg (Harsman, Pearson). Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Waitsburg 35 (Harshman 5), DeSales 31 (Baumgart 7, K. Buratto 7). Turnovers | DeSales 18 8 4 14—44

DAYTON GIRLS DROP INTO FIRST-PLACE TIE WITH DESALES

Dayton 47, WWVA 35

COLLEGE PLACE – The Dayton Girls played a solid game and easily coasted past Walla Walla Valley Academy on Jan. 26, taking a victory on the road, 47-35.

The Lady Bulldogs took a 22-18 lead into halftime and then extended it to 30-22 after three.

For the game, Shayla Currin had a double-double for Dayton, with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Madison Mings added 11 points, including two three-point shots. Jenna Phillips had 10 points, along with three assists.

Dayton 10 12 8 17 — 47 WWVA 8 10 4 13 — 35

Dayton (47) — Phillips 3-8 4-4 10, Andrews 2-13 3-6 7, Price 0-0 0-0 0, Becker 1-2 1-4 4, Wanlarbkam 0-1 0-0 0, Mings 3-10 3-4 11, Fullerton 1-3 0-0 2, Currin 5-12 3-5 13, Laughery 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 15-50 14-23 47.

WWVA (35) — Evans 0-1 306 3, King 2-11 4-5 8, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Underhill 4-12 3-3 13, Browning 4-11 0-0 11, Miller 0-3 0-0 0, Cole 0-0 0-0 0, Graham 0-7 0-0 0, Rothrock 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 10-46 10-14 35.

3-point goals — Day 3-16 (Becker, Mings 2), WWVA 5-22 (Browning 3, Underhill 2). Total fouls — Day 13, WWVA 18. Fouled out — none. Technicals none. Rebounds — Day 34 (Currin 11), WWVA 37 (King 8). Turnovers — Day 16, WWVA 26. Assists — Day 7 (Phillips 3), WWVA 5 (Graham 4).

DESALES 44, DAYTON 38

DAYTON - The Dayton girls suffered their first league loss of the season Friday night, falling to DeSales, 44-38. The loss dropped the Lady Bulldogs into a tie with the Irish in the SE 2B District 9 league, with each team sporting an 8-1

Dayton fell behind early on hot De-Sales shooting, and trailed 18-9 after one quarter. They fought back and were down by only three at the half, 26-23. The game was tied after three, but the Irish went on a 14-8 run in the fourth quarter to pull out the victory.

Jenna Phillips led a balanced Dayton attack, scoring 10 points, while Madison Mings and Sidney Andrews dropped in eight apiece. Mings had two three-points. Josilyn Fullerton pulled down eight rebounds, and Phillips had three assists.

Dayton 9 14 7 8—38

DESALES (44) — Baumgart 4 3-4 14, Acock 5 5-7 17, K. Burrato 0 0-0 0, H. Burrato 0 0-0 0, Cortez 0 0-0 0, Lyons 2 1-4 5, Haider 1 2-8 4, Olsen 1 1-2 4, Totals 13 12-24 44.

DAYTON (38) — Phillips 3 4-7 10, Andrews 3 2-3 8, Becker 1 0-0 3, Mings 3 0-1 8, Fullerton 1 1-3 3, Currin 3 0-0 6, Moore 0 0-0 0. Totals 14 7-14 38

3-point goals — DeSales 6 (Baumgart 3, Acock 2, Olsen 1), Dayton 3 (Mings 2, Becker 1). Total fouls — DeSales 17, Dayton 16. Fouled out — Dayton, Currin. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — DeSales 27 (Lyons 10), Dayton 28 (Fullerton 8). Turnovers — DeSales 15, Dayton 22. Assists — DeSales 7 (Baumgart 2, Acock 2, Lyons 2), Dayton 7 (Phillips 3).

Ritzville 39, Dayton 36

RITZVILLE - The Lady Bulldogs showed their fatigue in the first half of their third game of the week, and couldn't recover against Lind-Ritzville Saturday night, losing 39-36.

Dayton scored only one point in the second quarter and dug a big hole, trailing 19-8 at the half. After a furious comeback in the third and fourth quarters, the Lady Bulldogs trailed by three points with a few seconds left, but couldn't convert a three-pointer to tie

Sidney Andrews led Dayton with 12 points. Josilyn Fullerton had six points, as did Madison Mings, who's scoring came on two three-pointers. Shayla Currin led the Lady 'Dogs with nine rebounds.

Dayton 7 1 12 16—36

Ritzville 7 12 9 11-39

DAYTON (36) — Phillips 2-7 0-3 4, Andrews 3-12 6-8 12, Price 0-0 0-0 0, Becker 1-2 1-1 3, Wanlarbkam 0-0 0-0 0, Mings 2-7 0-0 6, Fullerton 3-10 0-0 6, Currin 2-7 1-2 5, Moore 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 13-47 8-14 36.

LIND-RITZVILLE (39) — Ziemer 1-2 0-0 2, Nygren 3-9 0-0 8, Schell 0-0 0-0 0, Curtis 3-12 7-10 16, O'Brien 0-1 0-0 0, Jantz 2-3 1-1 5, Miller 1-5 0-0 2, Harder 3-8 0-0 6, Lamar-Pasla 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 13-41 8-11 39.

3-point goals — Day 2 (Mings 2), L-R 5 (Nygren 2, Curtis 3). Total fouls — Day 16, L-R 14. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Day 28 (Currin 9), L-R 25. Turnovers — Day 11, L-R 10. Assists — Day 11 (Fullerton 3, Currin 3), L-R 8.

TCP Drops Prescott in Overtime, 61-55

THE TIMES

PRESCOTT - The Prescott boys' basketball team mounted a big comeback in the fourth quarter against Tri-Cities game 50-50. But the Jaguars outscored the Tigers 10 2-3 26, Lopez 0 0-0 0, 11-5 in the overtime period to take the victory.

Prescott was down 25-22 at the half, and fell to an eight-point deficit at the end of the third quarter, before rallying for the tie.

Travis Crockett led the Tigers with 26 points, including four three-pointers. Jose Gonzales added 21 points, and knocked down two treys.

T-C Prep 10 15 15 10 11 - 61Prescott 7 15 10 18

5 - 55

TRI-CITIES PREP (61) — T. Mercado 6 0-0 12, Pedersen 4 2-2 10, Muse 0 0-0 0, Dickerson 4 2-2 10, Amato 2 0-2 4, Kim 0 0-0 0, Jones 4 1-3 9, Geist 5 4-5 15. Totals 25 9-14 61. Prep on Jan. 26 to tie the PRESCOTT (55) — Gonzales 9 1-4 21, T. Crockett

Fedderson 0 0-0 0, Potts 3 0-1 6, Rosales 1 0-3 2, Miles 0 0-0 0. Bussereth 0 0-0 0. Totals 23 3-11 55.

3-point goals — TCP (Geist), Prescott (Gonzales 2, T. Crockett 4). Total fouls — Prescott 15, TCP 12. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none.

TIGER GIRLS LOSE TO LACROSSE-WASHTUCNA, 55-37

THE TIMES

PRESCOTT - The Prescott girls' basketball team dropped a home match against Lacrosse-Washtucna on Saturday, 55-37.

High scorer for the Tigers was Bianca Flores with six buckets and 14 points. Briseida Ayala added 10 points, Anahi Morfin scored 4, and Sonya Crispin dropped a 3-pointer. Fatima Gonzalez, Anna Flores, and Jocelyn Granados added two points each.

L-W (55) — A. Harder 2 3-10 15, Guske 0 2-3 2, Gordon 7 0-0 14, Ayers 1 0-0 2, Meyers 5 6-8 16, Stanaway 1 0-0 2, N. Harder 2 0-4 4. Totals 17 12-25 55.

PRESCOTT (37) — A. Flores 1 0-0 2, Crispin 1 0-0 3, Morfin 1 1-2 4, B. Flores 6 0-2 14, Gonzalez 1 0-0 2, Ayala 4 0-0 10, Granados 1 0-0 2. Totals 15 1-6 37.



LEGAL NOTICES

SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROP-**ERTY** NO. 13-2-00938-3

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-

FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MAS-TER PARTICIPATION TRUST.

Plaintiff,

VS.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND ASSIGNS OF JAMES M. SWENTIK; THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES OF JAMES M. SWENTIK; JARED M. SWEN-TIK: JOSHUA SWENTIK:

THOMAS C. LAWLEY; ALI-CIA N. PAUL; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES **UNKNOWN CLAIMING** ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN

THE REAL PROPERTY **COMMONLY KNOWN AS 134** YELLOWSTONE ST., WALLA WALLA WA 99362,

Defendant(s),

TO: The Judgment Debtors Named Above:

The Superior Court of Walla Walla County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Walla Walla County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment. If developed, the property address is:

134 Yellowstone Street, Walla Walla, Washington

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 16 OF DONNIE'S AD-**DITION IN WALLA WALLA** COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AC-CORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE **AUDITOR OF WALLA WALLA** COUNTY WASHINGTON, IN BOOK F OF PLATS AT PAGE

SITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

TAX PARCEL NO. 36-07-32-52-0016

The sale of the within described property is to take place:

Time: 10:00 AM

Date: Friday, February 26, 2016

Place: Main Entrance, Walla of September, 2016 Walla County Courthouse, Walla Walla, WA

The judgment debtors can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of \$220,782.75, together with interest, costs and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the sheriff at the address stated below.

Dated this 13th day of Jan-

Walla Walla County

JOHN A. TURNER, Sheriff

By: Sherri Krumbah, Senior Admin Clerk 240 W. Alder #101, Walla Walla, WA, 99362 (509) 524-5400 or (509)

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524-5411

NOTICE TO JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF: WRIT FOR ORDER OF SALE NO. 13-2-00938-3

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-INGTON

FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY

U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MAS-TER PARTICIPATION TRUST,

Plaintiff,

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND ASSIGNS OF JAMES M. SWENTIK: THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES OF JAMES M. SWENTIK; JARED M. SWEN-TIK; JOSHUA SWENTIK;

THOMAS C. LAWLEY; ALI-CIA N. PAUL; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES

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WALLA WALLA WA

Defendant(s),

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The sale of the described property is subject to:

[X] No redemption rights

[] A redemption period of eight months which will expire

[] A redemption period of one year which will expire at 4:30 PM On the _ 20

The judgment debtor or debtors or any of them may redeem the above described property at any time up to the end of the redemption period by paying the amount bid at the sheriff's sale, plus additional costs, taxes, assessments, certain other amounts, fees, and interest. If you are interested in redeeming the property contact the undersigned sheriff at the address stated below to determine the exact amount necessary to redeem.

IMPORTANT NOTICE; IF THE JUDGMENT DEBT-OR OR DEBTORS DO NOT REDEEM THE PROPERTY BY 4:30 PM ON THE 26TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016, THE **END OF THE REDEMPTION** PERIOD, THE PURCHASER AT THE SHERIFF'S SALE WILL BECOME THE OWNER AND MAY EVICT THE OCCU-PANT FROM THE PROPERTY UNLESS THE OCCUPANT IS A TENANT HOLDING UNDER AN UNEXPIRED LEASE.

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REDEMPTION PERIOD. IF ANY, WITH PAYMENT OF ANY RENT OR OCCUPANCY FEE. THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR MAY ALSO HAVE A RIGHT TO RETAIN POSSESSION DURING

ANY REDEMPTION PERIOD IF THE PROPERTY IS USED FOR FARMING OR IF THE PROPERTY IS BEING SOLD UNDER A MORTGAGE THAT SO PROVIDES.

Dated this 13th day of Jan-

JOHN A. TURNER, Sheriff Walla Walla County

By Sherri Krumbah, Senior Admin Clerk

240 W. Alder #101, Walla Walla WA 99362

(509) 524-5400 or 524-5411

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-**INGTON** IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

OF WALLA WALLA In the Matter of the Estate

Jill K. Montgomery Deceased NO.: 16-4-00009-4 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** RCW 11.40.030

The

Co-Personal Representatives named below have been appointed as Co-Personal Representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Co-Personal Representatives or the Co-Personal Representatives' attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Co-Personal Representatives served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both decedent's pro-

bate and non-probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: January 21, 2016

Jaci A. Hoeft and Sandra

Co-Personal Representa-

Daniel J. Roach, WSBA

#14633 Daniel J. Roach, PLLC Attorney for Co-Personal

Representatives 38 East Main Street P.O. Box 1776 Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-522-6800

> The Times Jan. 21, 28, Feb. 4, 2016

No. 16 4 00003 5 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** RCW 11.40.030

SUPERIOR COURT, STATE OF WASHINGTON. COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In the Matter of the Estate

ALICE PONTAROLO

Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Any persons having claims against the deceased must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented

within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

Date of First: February 28, 2016

Publication: The Times: Waitsburg, WA

Personal Representative:

Michael Pontarolo

Attorney for the Personal Representative:

Nicholas J. Pontarolo 601 West Main, Suite 1212 Spokane, WA 99201

Address for Mailing or Service:

c/o Nicholas J. Pon-

tarolo Delay, Curran, Thompson, Pontarolo and Walker P.S

601 West Main, Suite 1212 Spokane, WA 99201

Court of probate proceedings and cause number:

Walla Walla County Superior CourtCause Number: 16 4 00003 5

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SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROP-**ERTY**

NO. 15-2-00225-3

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-INGTON

FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,

Plaintiff,

VS.

SCOTT CRITES, DE-CEASED; JACK CRITES; LIN-DA CRITES; TODD CRITES; JACQUELINE GUTIERREZ; UNKNOWN HEIRS. SPOUSE. LEGATEES AND DEVI-SEES OF SCOTT CRITES. DECEASED; DOES 1-10 INCLUSIVE: UNKNOWN OC-CUPANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY; PARTIES IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY; PARTIES CLAIMING A RIGHT TO POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PERSON-SOR PARTIES CLAIMING ANY

RIGHT. TITLE ESTATE LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ES-TATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN;

Defendants,

TO: The Judgment Debtors Named Above:

The Superior Court of Walla Walla County has directed the undersigned Sheriff of Walla Walla County to sell the property described below to satisfy a judgment. If developed, the property address is:

673 Hanson Loop, Burbank, Washington 99323

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 23 OF SAGE VIEW ADDITION TO WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 6 OF ROLL FILES, AT PAGE B-5, RECORDS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY. WASHINGTON; **EXCEPTING THAT CER-**TAIN 1003, 67 X 14 LIBERTY MOBILE HOME, SERIAL #09L26607.

TAX PARCEL NO. 30-08-12-58-0023

The sale of the within described property is to take

Time: 10:00 AM Date: Friday, February 26,

Place: Main Entrance, Walla Walla County Courthouse, Walla Walla, WA

The judgment debtors can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of \$64,681.40, together with interest, costs and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the sheriff at the address stated below.

Dated this 20th day of Jan-

JOHN A. TURNER, Sheriff Walla Walla County

By: Sherri Krumbah, Senior Admin Clerk 240 W. Alder #101, Walla

Walla, WA, 99362 (509) 524-5400 or (509) 524-5411

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Notice and Summons by **Publication** Dependency [X] Termination

Superior Court of Wash-

County of Walla Walla Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of:

CARRON MCCARTHY, Justin Lee Andrew

D.O.B.: 06/23/2013

A Termination Petition was filed on December 28, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: March 16, 2016, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department II. You should be present at this hearing.

To: JOHN DOE, Father

The hearing will determine if your parental rights to your child will be terminated. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter an order resulting in permanent loss of your parental rights in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Termination Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www. atg.wa.gov/TRM.aspx

> Dated: January 20, 2016 By direction of: M. Scott Wolfram, Judge KATHY MARTIN Clerk

By: /s/ DeeDee Fjeld Deputy Clerk Print Name: Dee Dee Fjeld

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1-28-c No: 15-7-00172-7

Notice and Summons by

Publication [] Dependency [X] Termination

Superior Court of Washington

> County of Walla Walla Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of: CARRON, Crystal Leeann

D.O.B.: 03/09/2010

To: JEREMY SCOTT

BROWN, Father

A Termination Petition was filed on December 28, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: March 16, 2016, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department II. You should

be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if your parental rights to your child will be terminated. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter an order resulting in permanent loss of your parental rights in your absence.

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By direction of:M. Scott Wolfram, Judge KATHY MARTIN Clerk By:/s/ Dee Dee Fjeld Deputy Clerk Print Name: Dee Dee Fjeld

Dated:January 19, 2016

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No: 15-7-00174-3

Notice and Summons by Publication [X]Dependency [] Termination

Superior Court of Washington

County of Walla Walla Juvenile Court

In Re the Dependency of:

ANDREWS, DEBRA

D.O.B.: 12/25/2015

To: MICHELLE MARIE PARKS, Mother JASONN WAYNE JOHN ANDREWS, Father JOHN DOE, Father

A Dependency Petition was filed on December 29, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: February 25, 2016, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department II. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www. atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx.

Dated: 1-22-16 By direction of: M. Scott Wolfram, Judge KATHY MARTIN Clerk By: /s/ Dee Dee Fjeld Deputy Clerk Print Name: Dee Dee Fjeld

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No: 16-7-00003-6

Notice and Summons by Publication [X] Dependency

Superior Court of Washinaton

[] Termination

County of Walla Walla Juvenile Court

In Re the Dependency of:

ARRIAGA, Alondra Yesenia D.O.B.: 04/30/1999

To: RHONDA ORLEEN PACHECO, aka Rhonda D Pacheco/Ronda C Pacheco/ Rhonda

O Carver/Ronda Lopez, Mother, JOSE ARRIA-GA-VASQUEZ, Father,

JOHN DOE

A Dependency Petition was filed on January 7, 2016; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: March 10, 2016, at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department I. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence.

To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DSHS at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www. atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx.

Dated: 1-22-16 By direction of: John W. Lohrmann, Judge KATHY MARTIN Clerk By:/s/ Dee Dee Fjeld Deputy Clerk Print Name: Dee Dee Fjeld

The Times Jan. 29, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, 2016 1-28-f

LEGAL NOTICES

Trustee Sale # P1373121-WA Title # 7256600 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date on 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 eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance 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 recommended by the Housing Finance Commission Telephone: 1-877-894-HOME(1-877-894-4663) . Web site: http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post_purchase_counselors_foreclosure.htm The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Telephone: 1-800-569-4287 Web site: http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/ sfh/hcc/fc/index.cfm?webListAction=search&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dfc The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 Web site: http://nwjustice.org/what-clear I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, CLEAR RECON CORP., 9311 S.E. 36th Street, Suite 100, Mercer Island, WA 98040, Trustee will on 3/4/2016 at 10:00 AM at OUTSIDE THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE GARFIELD COUNTY COURT-HOUSE, 789 W. MAIN ST., POMEROY, WA 99347 sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or 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 Garfield, State of Washington, to-wit: LOT 2 IN BLOCK 11 OF POTTER'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF POMEROY Commonly known as: 906 ARLING-TON POMEROY, WA 99347 APN: 1 056 11 002 2510 0000 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 12/1/1999, recorded 12/3/1999, as Auditor's File No. 5732, records of Garfield County, Washington, from WILLIAM T. MILLER AND JULIE ANN MILLER, HUSBAND ANF WIFE, as Grantor(s), to GARFIELD COUNTY TITLE COMPANY, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of ASSOCIATES FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPANY, INC., as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned by Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, under an Assignment recorded under Auditor's File No 20140194. II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust or the Beneficiary's successor 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:

PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: 12/1/1999 \$124,472.28 Note Amount: Interest Paid To: 4/5/2011 5/5/2011 Next Due Date: PAYMENT INFORMATION FROM THRU NO. MT **AMOUNT TOTAL** 5/5/2011 2/4/2014 33 \$991.60 \$32,723.13 2/5/2014 2/4/2015 12 \$1,648.27 \$19,779.24 2/5/2015 10/4/2015 8 \$1,150.99 \$9.207.92 10/5/2015 \$1,136.90 \$1,136.90 ADVANCES/LATE CHARGES **DESCRIPTION TOTAL** Corporate Advance \$2,483.00 ESTIMATED FORECLOSURE FEES AND COSTS **DESCRIPTION TOTAL** Trustee's Fee's \$1,350.00 Record Substitution of Trustee \$14.00 T.S.G. Fee \$551.48 Posting of Notice of Default \$100.00

Mailings

TOTAL DUE AS OF 10/21/2015

IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of \$108,419.52, together with interest as provided in the Note from 5/5/2011, and such other costs and fees as are provided by statute. V. The above described 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 warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 3/4/2016. The erred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 2/22 (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 2/22/2016 (11 days before the sale) 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 2/22/2016 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the or the Grantor's successor interest or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, 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 transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "1" by both first class and certified mail on 9/11/2015, 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 posting. 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 Grantor 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 invalidating 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 20th 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 20th 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. If you are a servicemember or a dependent of a servicemember, you may be entitled to certain protections under the federal Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and any comparable state laws regarding the risk of foreclosure. If you believe you may be entitled to these protections, please contact our office immediately. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Dated: 10/26/2015 CLEAR RECON CORP., as Successor Trustee For additional information or service you may contact: Clear Recon Corp. 9311 S.E. 36th Street, Suite 100 Mercer Island, WA 98040 Phone: (206) 707-9599 EXHIBIT "1"

JULIE ANN MILLER

NAME

ADDRESS

POMEROY, WA 99347

906 ARLINGTON

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The Times Feb. 4, Feb. 25, 2016

PROBATE NOTICE TO CRED-

ITORS

No. 16 4 00014 1

(RCW 11.40.030)

OF THE STATE OF WASH-

OF WALLA WALLA

Deceased.

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of

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate

EVELYN LYNN PATTER-

The Personal Represen-

tative named below has been

appointed as Personal Repre-

person having a claim against

the decedent must, before the

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by any otherwise applicable

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provided in RCW 11.40.070

Personal Representative or

by serving on or mailing to the

the Personal Representative's

attorney at the address stated

below a copy of the claim and

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dent's probate and nonprobate

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-

Personal Representative

Walla Walla, WA 99362

NO: 16-4-00016-7

PROBATE NOTICE TO CRED-

ITORS

RCW 11.40.030

OF THE STATE OF WASH-

In re the Estate of:

OF WALLA WALLA

Deceased.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

MARGARET IRENE FAN-

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

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sonal representative's attorney

at the address stated below

a copy of the claim and filing

the original of the claim with

the Court in which the probate

proceedings were commenced.

The claim must be presented

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sentative served or mailed the

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Feb. 4, 11, 18, 2016

LARRY SIEGEL LAW

This bar is effective as to

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129 W. Main

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DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: February 4, 2016.

Margaret Mae Douglas Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative

Jeff Burkhart, WSBA #39454

Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC 61/2 N. Second Avenue, Suite 200 Walla Walla, WA 99362

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NO: 16-4-00017-5

PROBATE NOTICE TO CRED-**ITORS** RCW 11.40.030

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-**INGTON** IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

In re the Estate of:

PAUL DENNIS DODSON,

Deceased

OF WALLA WALLA

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty

sentative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1) (c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

days after the personal repre-

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: February 4, 2016.

Linda L. Raguso Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative:

Jeff Burkhart, WSBA #39454

Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC 61/2 N. Second Avenue, Suite 200

Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630

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STATE OF WASHINGTON **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE/ TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT UNDER THREE (3) GROUND WATER CERTIFI-**CATES**

TAKE NOTICE:

That Columbia View Water Services of Burbank, WA, has made application for change/ transfer of water right in order to add two points of withdrawal as granted under Ground Water Certificate Nos. G3-24153C, G3-24154C, and G3-20296C.

That Certificate No. G3-24153C authorizes the withdrawal of 600 gallons per minute, 276 acre-feet per year, continuously, for community domestic supply.

That the authorized point of withdrawal is from one well located within Farm Unit 2, Irrigation Block 3, within Sec. 12, T. 8N., R. 30 E.W.M.

That Certificate No. G3-24154C authorizes the withdrawal of 600 gallons per minute, 276 acre-feet per year, continuously, for community domestic supply.

That the authorized point of withdrawal is from one well located within Lot 2. Block 1 of Addition 4, Columbia View, within Sec. 12, T. 8N., R. 30 E.W.M.

That Certificate No. G3-20296C authorizes the withdrawal of 600 gallons per minute, 135 acre-feet per year, continuously, for community domestic supply.

That the authorized point of withdrawal is from one well located within Tract 7 of the Plat of Ringhoff Ranch Acres No. 1, within Sec. 12, T. 8 N., R. 30 E.W.M.

That they propose to add two wells to each of the above certificates, both wells being located within the NW1/4SW1/4 of Sec. 1, T. 8N., R. 30 E.W.M.

All within Walla Walla County, Washington.

Protests of objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days from

December 31, 2015

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOL-

WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM - FRO PO BOX 47611 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7611

> The Times Feb. 4, 11, 2016

STATE OF WASHINGTON **DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

TAKE NOTICE:

That Blue Mountain Lavender Farm of Touchet, WA on Jan. 11, 2016 under Application

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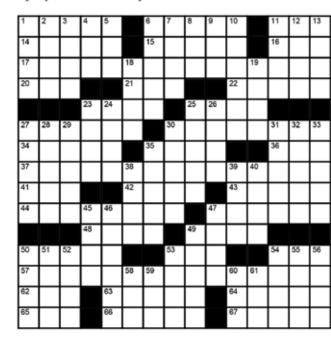
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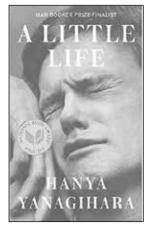
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NEW AT THE LIBRARIES

Weller Public Library 212 Main Street, Waitsburg Hours: Mon. and Thurs. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Storytime: Mon., 10:30 a.m.



"A Little Life," by Hanya Yanagihara (Adult Fiction) - "A Little Life" follows four college classmates as they move to New York in search of fame and fortune. While their relationships, which are tinged by addiction, success, and pride, deepen over the decades, the men are held together by their devotion to the brilliant, enigmatic Jude, a man scarred by an unspeakable childhood trauma. This stunning novel

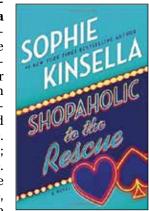
is about the families we are born into, and those that we make for ourselves.

"Fates and Furies," by Lauren Goff (Adult Fiction) - Every story has two sides. Every relationship has two perspectives. And sometimes, it turns out, the key to a great marriage is not its truths but its secrets. At the core of this rich, expansive, layered novel, Lauren Groff presents the story of one such marriage over the course of twenty-four years.

"A Knight of the Seven Kingdoms," by George R.R. Martin (Fantasy) - Taking place nearly a century before the events of "A Game of Thrones," "A Knight of the Seven Kingdoms" compiles the first three official prequel novellas to George R. R. Martin's ongoing masterwork, "A Song of Ice and Fire." These never-before-collected adventures recount an age when the Targaryen line still holds the Iron Throne, and the memory of the last dragon has not yet passed from living consciousness.

Dayton Memorial Library 111 S. 3rd Street, Dayton Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. & Thurs., 12-8 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Storytime: Tues., 10 a.m.

"Shopaholic to the Rescue," by Sophie Kinsella (Adult Fiction) – Becky Brandon is on a major rescue mission through the American West to Las Vegas! Her father has vanished from Los Angeles on a mysterious quest with the husband of Becky's best friend, Suze. Becky's mum is hysterical; Suze is flat-out desperate. Worse, Becky must tolerate an enemy along for the ride, who she's convinced is up to no good.



"The Revenant: A Novel of Revenge," by Michael **Punke** (Adventure) – A thrilling tale of betrayal and revenge set against the nineteenth-century American frontier, the astonishing story of real-life trapper and frontiersman Hugh Glass

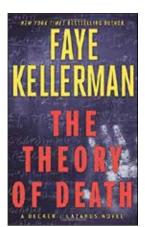
"Voice of Freedom," by Fannie Lou Hammer (Children's Nonfiction) – Stirring poems and stunning collage illustrations combine to celebrate the life of Fannie Lou Hamer, a champion of equal voting rights.

"Old Wolf," by Avi (Children's Fiction) – Hunting the predator and its prey—is at the heart of this riveting and suspenseful novel from Newbery Medalist Avi with illustrations from Caldecott Medalist Brian Floca.

Prescott Library

103 S. D. Street, Prescott Hours: Tues., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Fri., Noon – 6 p.m.; Sat.,

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.



"The Theory of Death," by Faye Kellerman (Mystery) – Now living in upstate New York, former LAPD lieutenant Peter Decker is plunged into a bizarre web involving academia, underworld crime, and calculating killers in this compulsive novel in New York Times bestselling author Faye Kellerman's beloved Decker and Lazarus series.

"Closer to the Heart,"

by Mercedes Lackey (Fantasy) - Sequel to Mercedes Lackey's "Closer to Home," this adventure continues Mags's journey as Valdemar's herald spy.

"Forbidden," by Eve Bunting (Young Adult) – In early-nineteenth century Scotland, sixteen-year-old Josie, an orphan, is sent to live with an aunt and uncle on the rocky, stormy northwest coast. She's told that Eli, the young man she's attracted to, is forbidden to her, but not why. Spirited, curious, and determined, Josie sets out to learn the village's secrets and discovers evil, fueled by heartless greed, as well as a ghostly presence eager for revenge

LEGALS CONTINUED

No. G3-30752 filed for permit to appropriate public waters, subject to existing rights, from one well, in the amount of 47 gallons per minute, each year, for seasonal irrigation of 10.17 acres. The source of the proposed appropriation is located within the NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 8, Township 6 N., Range 34 E. W.M., in Walla Walla County.

The applicant is requesting additional gallons per minute (Qi) only. No additional acrefeet (Qa) are being requested.

This application has been approved for priority processing under WAC 173-152-050(2)(C).

Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recordingfee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days from February 11, 2016.

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOL-

WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM – ERO PO BOX 47611 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7611 The Times Feb. 4, 11, 2016 2-4-f

COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

IN THE MATTER OF THE VACATION OF THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR TWO UNOPENED ROADS IN GARDENA CON-TOURED TRACTS, SITUATED IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 33 EAST,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIV-EN, that the County Engineer has been ordered to report to the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington, on the proposed vacation of the right of way for two unopened roads in Gardena Contoured Tracts, said vacation being more particularly described as follows:

ALL OF THAT 40.00 FOOT WIDE DEDICATED RIGHT OF WAY LYING BETWEEN TRACTS 36 AND 37 OF GAR-DEN CONTOURED TRACTS PER THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN VOLUME "C" PAGE 41 OF PLATS, RECORDS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SITUATED IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 33 EAST,

ALL OF THAT 40.00 FOOT WIDE DEDICATED RIGHT OF WAY LYING BETWEEN TRACTS 37 AND 38 OF GAR-DENA CONTOURED TRACTS PER THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN VOLUME "C" PAGE 41 OF PLATS, RECORDS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SITUATED IN SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 33 EAST,

and that the 22nd day of February, 2016 at the hour of 10:30 A.M., in the Commissioners Chambers, County Public Health and Legislative Building, located at 314 W. Main Street, has been set for the hearing of said report.

Dated at Walla Walla, Washington

This 1st day of February

Board of County Commis-

of Walla Walla County, Washington

By: Connie R. Vinti Clerk of the Board Published: The Times 02-04-2016 & 02-11-2016 The Times Feb. 4, 11, 2016

NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR A **FRANCHISE**

In the Matter of The Applica-Gregory Kraft 3205 128th Street NE Marvsville, WA 98271

FOR PERMISSION AND **AUTHORITY TO CON-**STRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A UTILITY SYSTEM WITHIN THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

WHEREAS, Gregory Kraft has filed with the Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners, under the provisions of Chapter 36.55, RCW, an application for a franchise to construct, operate, and maintain a utility system within the public right of way in Walla Walla County.

All that part of County Road Log Number 93290, presently known as Cummins Road, a 12 inch pvc irrigation line crossing at or near mile post 1.4, and running parallel on the east side of Cummins Road between Ash Hollow Road and mile post 1.14: a 3 inch encased irrigation line crossing at or near mile post 1.41; a 6 inch+/- irrigation line crossing at or near mile post 1.64; and a 6 inch+/- irrigation line along the south side of Cummins Road between mile posts 1.41 and 1.64, and along the north side of Cummins Road between mile posts 1.64 and 1.83, situated in Section 27, Township 7 North, Range 33 East W.M., Walla Walla County, Washington.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing will be held on said application, by the Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners in their office in the Commissioner Chambers, County Public Health and Legislative Building, located at 314 West Main Street, Walla Walla, Washington, on Monday the 22nd day of February 2016, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as such hearing may be held.

DATED at Walla Walla, Washington this 1st day of February, 2016

By: Connie Vinti Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners Advertised: The Times February 4th and 11th, 2016 The Times Feb. 4, 11, 2016 2-4-h

NO. 16 4 00020 5 **NOTICE TO CREDITORS** RCW 11.40.030

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHING-

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In the Matter of the Estate

JOE F. McCOWN, JR.,

Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

Date of Filing Notice to Creditors

with Clerk of the Court: February 5, 2016

Date of First Publication: February 4, 2016 Personal Representative:

Margaret Jean McCown Attorney for the Personal Representative: Michael V. Hubbard, WSBA

Address for Mailing or Service: Hubbard Law Office, P.C. PO Box 67 Waitsburg, WA 99361

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STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR SEASONAL CHANGE/

TRANSFER

OF WATER RIGHT UNDER ONE (1) GROUND WATER CERTIFICATE

TAKE NOTICE:

That Scott Byerley of Walla Walla, WA has made application for seasonal change/transfer of water right in order to add three points of withdrawal and change the place of use as granted under Ground Water Certificate No. 4303-A for the 2016 irrigation season.

That Ground Water Certificate No. 4303-A authorizes the withdrawal of 1200 gallons per minute, 1050 acre-feet per year for the irrigation of 350 acres.

That the authorized point of withdrawal is a well located within the SE1/4SE1/4 of Sec. 5, T. 6 N., R. 36 E.W.M.

That the authorized place of use is within the E½SW¼ and SE1/4, Sec. 5, T. 6 N., R. 36 E.W.M., all south of Ransom Clark D.L.C., and the N1/2, Sec.

8, T. 6 N., R. 36 E.W.M. That he proposes to add three wells, two wells located within the SE1/4SE1/4 of Sec. 24, and one well within the SW1/4SW1/4 of Sec. 25; all within T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M.

That he proposes to change the place of use to lands within the following: E½SW¼, and the SE1/4 of Sec. 5, all South of Ransom Clark D.L.C., and the N½ of Sec. 8, all within T. 6 N., R. 36 E.W.M., less 90 acres. 80 acres in the S1/2 of Sec. 24, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M., and the northern 10 acres of of parcel 340725410003 within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 25, T. 7 N., R. 34 E.W.M.

Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections: protests must be accompanies by a two dollar (\$2.00) recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (39) days from Feb. 11, 2016.

> State of Washington Department of Ecology 4601 North Monroe

The Times Feb. 4, 11, 2016

Take a look at the chart below. What do you see? Dayton Citizens for Education see that our current tax rates are barely covering the necessities of education and facilities maintenance.

2014 Tax Rate Comparison					
District	M&O	Bond	Capital	Total Tax	
			Levy	Rate	
Touchet	\$3.27	\$2.89	\$0.00	\$6.16	
College Place	\$3.39	\$2.66	\$0.00	\$6.05	
Colfax	\$3.31	\$1.49	\$0.66	\$5.46	
Waitsburg	\$3.19	\$2.28	\$0.00	\$5.47	
Walla Walla	\$3.68	\$1.23	\$0.00	\$4.91	
Asotin Anatone	\$3.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3.87	
Prescott	\$1.98	\$1.23	\$0.00	\$3.21	
Pomeroy	\$1.82	\$1.08	\$0.00	\$2.90	
Dayton	\$2.20	\$0.00	\$0.12	\$2.32	

The state is not fully funding education. It's up to us, the voters, to take care of our facilities, provide a safe environment, and provide appropriate funding levels for education.

PLEASE VOTE YES FOR KIDS!

PROPOSED REPLACEMENT LEVY RATES

Year	M&O	Capital Levy for Technology & Facilities	Total Tax Rate		
2017	\$2.03	\$0.61	\$2.64		
2018	\$2.09	\$0.62	\$2.71		
2019	\$2.15	\$0.11	\$2.26		
2020	\$2.21	\$0.11	\$2.32		