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Brad Trumbo

A white-crowned sparrow snacks on the tender leaves protruding from freshly broken buds. Palouse Outdoors continues on page 3.

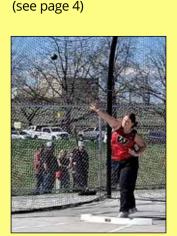
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Students return from Global **Amazing Shake**

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Six Waitsburg students have returned from an amazing experience in Atlanta, Georgia.

The students qualified to compete at the Global Amazing Shake event at the Ron Clark Academy in March. While there, the students and their chaperones enjoyed several attractions in Atlanta. The Coca-Cola Museum, the Martin Luther King Memorial, the Fernbank Natural History Museum, and the College Football Hall of Fame were big hits.

Over 400 students from the United States, Canada, and Honduras attended the event, emphasizing manners, discipline, respect, and professional conduct. The three-day competition consists of case-scenario stations that all the 4th through 8thgrade students pass through. The Waitsburg students met new people, learned history and culture, and did well in the "Work the Room" challenge at the Academy.

Ava McCaw's favorite part was the "Work the Room" challenge. Carter Barron enjoyed meeting new people, making lifelong friendships, and the places the group visited. Kaitlyn Paul enjoyed learning about the soda company's history at the Coca-Cola Museum.

Emily Knudson enjoyed meeting new friends at the event. Oaklee Adams liked meeting Ron Clark and going down the slide where students were given a topic to start conversations. A highlight for Wiley Gagon was the visit to the College Football Hall of Fame.

Chaperone Dusty Wirtzberger loved seeing the kids experience Atlanta, its culture, the competition, and trying new things outside their comfort zones.

Chaperone Tracy Barron said that the students meeting other competitors and making new friends was a definite highlight. The Waitsburg students strengthened their bonds with each other, which Barron said was great to see.

The school, chaperones, and the students thank the community for helping these young people get the opportunity of a lifetime. They all enjoyed all aspects of the trip.



(l-r) Dusty Wirtzberger, Carter Barron, Oaklee Adams, Emily Knudson, Ava McCaw, Kaitlyn Paul, Wiley Gagnon, and Tracy Barron.

BARBARA DANFORTH NAMED WAITSBURG CELEBRATION DAYS PARADE MARSHAL

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg Celebration Days committee is pleased to announce Barbara Danforth as this year's parade marshal. She shares the honor with her late husband, Bob Danforth.

Parade marshals are chosen for their commitment to making Waitsburg a great place to live, learn, work, and play. Barbara was the 1948 Days of Real Sport Queen and the Waitsburg Historical Society's 2023 Pioneer of the Year. She supports Waitsburg's FFA, a member of the De Nova Club, and was recognized for 70



years of service to the Order of the Eastern Star in 2024. She and Bob are alumni of Waitsburg Hight School.

The Waitsburg Celebration Days Parade will be held at 10 a.m., on May 17 on Main, West Fourth and West Sixth streets and Arnold Lane.

Scott Hudson to run for Port of Columbia, Dist.1

THE TIMES

COLUMBIA COUNTY — Scott Hudson, a lifelong resident and community leader in Columbia County, announced his candidacy for Port of Columbia Commissioner, District 1.

In his announcement, Hudson said his background in accounting, real estate, and community service makes him well-qualified to address the challenges and opportunities facing the port and the county's economy.

Hudson said his nearly 30 years in accounting and tax preparation provides him with the financial expertise

to effectively oversee port operations. As a real estate broker, he would bring an understanding of land use and development to support the port's economic growth and job creation mission.

The candidate served as a Dayton City Council Member for eight years, and is vice-president of the Dayton Chamber of Commerce and president

Courtesy photo Scott Hudson

of the Dayton Development Task Force. As port commissioner, Hudson said he would prioritize six key objectives:

- Retain the port-owned rail line
- Develop criteria to govern the sale of port assets
- Assist local businesses to grow and thrive in an increasingly competitive environment
- Respond to state business leads
- Expand partnerships
- Develop a skilled workforce that meets the needs of current and future industries

"I believe that by investing in our local businesses and workforce, we can create a sustainable economic future for Columbia County," said Hudson. "I am committed to promoting initiatives that will strengthen our community and enhance the quality of life for all residents."

For more information about Scott Hudson's campaign, visit www. <u>electscotthudson.com</u> or email electscotthudson@gmail.com.

NEWS BRIEFS

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AT THE LIBERTY:

"The Day the Earyth Blew Up: A Looney Tunes Movie" April 4-8

THE TIMES

DAYTON — That's not all, folks! Porky Pig and Daffy Duck, one of the greatest comedic duos in history, are making their hilarious return to the big screen in the sci-fi comedy adventure, "The Day the Earth Blew Up: A Looney Tunes Movie.

This is the first fully animated Looney Tunes feature-length film created for a theater audience. Porky and Daffy are the unlikely heroes and Earth's only hope against the threat of an alien invasion. It is a buddy-comedy of epic proportions as they race to save the world. The movie delivers all the laughout-loud gags and vibrant visuals that made Looney Tunes iconic but on a scale not yet experienced. It promises to be out of this world. The cast includes Peter MacNicol, Wayne Knight, Eric Bauza, Jeff Bergman, Laraine Newman, Candi Milo, and Fred

The consensus of "Rotten Tomatoes" critics is that the movie restores the charm of Looney Tunes with a daffy dose of high energy and inventive gags. "The Day the Earth Blew Up" shows the iconic characters remain fun. One of the site's audience critics said, "So much fun! My family loved it, and we couldn't stop talking about it on the way home. Glad to see Looney Tunes in top form again."

The audience and critics agreed by giving it an 88% rating. "The Day the Earth Blew Up" is rated PG for cartoon violence, action, and rude and suggestive humor. It has a runtime of 91 minutes.

Next weekend, on April 11-15, the theater will show "Last Breath." The film is based on a true story about teamwork, resilience, and a race against time. It is about an oil rig worker stranded without air for 40 minutes on the sea floor after being disconnected from his umbilical cable. Stars Woody Harrelson. It is rated PG-13 for brief, strong language.

The upcoming movie lineup includes "Minecraft" and "The Friend."





OBITUARIES

John Oakley **Eaton**

June 19, 1941-March 22, 2025 U.S. Army Veteran

Tohn Oakley Eaton departed this life peacefully the evening of March 22, 2025, in Yuma, Arizona. John was born June 19, 1941, to Laura Pearl Spragg Eaton and Walter Eaton, their eighth child and youngest son. He explored Eckler Mountain above Dayton, Washington, until the age of eight when the family moved to their Patit farm, just outside Dayton, so John could attend Dayton schools. John graduated from Dayton High in 1961, then earned his AA degree in Applied Sciences from Columbia Basin College in Pasco, Washington, in 1963. He served honorably in the U.S. Army from 1963-1965, remaining in the Army Reserves until 1967. John then spent two years with the Forestry Service in Pomeroy, WA., from 1965 to 1967. He found his niche with the Columbia County Road Department, spending 37 years with the department, retiring in

John and Sharon (Naslund) married on July 9, 1977, in Sharon's parents' yard in Spokane. The couple made their home in Dayton, becoming snowbirds in Yuma, in 2022, moving full-time in the Fall of 2024.

John was caring and good, quick to smile or joke, mild-mannered, but never to be underestimated. He loved his life in Dayton, the Eckler Mountains, where he and his siblings knew the names of the hollows and valleys. He grew up stalking mushrooms, camping, and hunting and continued to enjoy the small pleasures of the outdoors until his health prevented it. He was a loyal friend to many and a fixture at the 3 p.m. coffee club, where he loved to visit; John



John Oakley Eaton

played a mean hand of cards and kept a connection with his friends after moving.

Above all, John was a family man. He and Sharon have two sons. Robert (Robb) and Randy, who were the absolute light of his life. Once their sons married and added two wonderful daughters-in-law and four grandchildren, was even sweeter for Papa (and Noma) Eaton. His most favorite moments in retire-

ment were spent with his 'boys' and their families. John was a member of the American Legion, the Lion's Club, the Dayton Eagles, and the Dayton First Christian Church.

John is survived by Sharon of Yuma, AZ; Robert (Robb) and Petal (Makenzie and Isaiah) of Carv. NC: Randy and Danelle (Calvin and Simon) of Gig Harbor, WA; brother-in-law, Roger Naslund of Deer Park, WA; and numerous nieces and nephews who loved their Uncle John, dearly.

John was predeceased by his parents, Walter and Laura Pearl, and his siblings, Otho Eaton, Mary-Alice Powell, Shirley Wilson, Norman Eaton, Merna Elkin, Arlie Eaton, and Lanada Cunningham.

The family thanks Southwestern Palliative Care and Hospice and his special caregivers for their compassionate care.

Memorial Services in Dayton and Yuma will be held at a later date.

John 11:25 NIV, Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die."

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Kirra Belle Marks March 29, 2025

Kirra Belle Marks was born at home in Inlet, Florida, on March 29 to proud parents Kirsten Miller (Waitsburg High School graduate) and Zach Marks.

Grandmother Michele Paul of Waitsburg was present when Kirra arrived at 11:26 p.m., weighing 7lbs 4 oz and 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents Darren and Sarah Marks and other aunts and uncles also reside in Ponce Inlet.

Kirra has many relatives in Washington eager to meet her, including Grandparents Michele and Casey Paul, Great-grandparents Michael and Claudette White, Uncle Bryer Paul, and Aunt Kaitlyn Paul, all in Waitsburg, Uncle Brayden Miller of Spokane, and grandparents Todd Miller of Kennewick, Pat Meliah of Walla Walla and Joy Kinter of Clarkston.



READER'S PHOTO



Fred Hamann captured the elusive "Waitsburg Bigfoot," affectionally known as "Harry," who is more involved in the inner workings of Waitsburg than one would think. He earnestly expresses his support for the upcoming vote of the Waitsburg School district

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Palouse Outdoors: Lost in **Transition**

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

The sun set behind the western slope, giving way to the clammy chill of early spring twilight. Yet, the alpenglow bathed the greening wheatfields across the canyon with a soul-penetrating glow borne only of Mother Nature's splendor. The day had been warm and beautifully sunny, but a light down jacket was welcomed where I stood in the shadows. The clutches of winter were slowly slipping away as I rotated, taking in the 360-degree panorama that was now afforded me by the lengthening day.

A raucous of birdsong rang throughout the little wooded draw in the evening quiet. Red-winged blackbirds squawked in the fir overhead while the males postured, flashing their brilliant crimson shoulders. They arrived several weeks prior during the coldest winter days. Black-headed juncos and rosy-faced House finches buzzed through the lilacs. Rumbling hoots of a great horned owl mating pair echoed robotically through the sheet metal barn walls. Somewhere within this timeless, endless routine, I began breathing easy.

A black streak caught my attention on the dimming hillside. High above the house, an old fence row was overlain with last year's invasive weed mat. The unknown scurrying critter darted through a gap in the weeds beneath the fence wire. Soon after, the drab, weedy mess covering the slope began to writhe with scuffling valley quail - their small gray bodies appearing more like mice as they zigzagged, pecking at the weed seeds along the way to their brush pile roost.

A female departed the hillside, silently canting as she sailed over my right shoulder into the lilacs. A male piped up behind me in the blackberries, announcing his surprise at her arrival. Wings slapped against branches as she emerged, climbing high into the lilacs, followed by two males. The trio then propelled toward the hillside in a blur.

The act indicated courtship behavior, sparking my awareness of similar activities among the other quail. Doubles and triples ran circles around the hillside, up and over logs, beneath downed locust branches, and around the deer trail switchbacks leading to the wheatfield above.

"Seems early," I thought.

Acute awareness of my behavioral tendencies suggests that everything "seems early" these days - the early March warmth, for example. Fortunate-



Brad Trumbo

A female Bullock's oriole pauses on a limb while gathering material to build her hanging basket nest.

ly, the memory of a journal never fails. Thumbing through the pages documenting my homestead quail covey elucidated that 60 degrees and valley quail courtship in early March is common. Either my mind is prematurely aging, or time is screaming at a breakneck pace, which makes it feel like noteworthy phenomena are coming faster each year. Regardless, we're amidst transition.

The cold aluminum can containing a full-bodied Dark Star imperial stout began stinging my left hand as I stood motionless, lost amid the hints of seasonal change. Snowbells speckled the yard with their drooping white flower heads. Daffodils and crocus were pushing up. And the birds enacted their cyclical rituals.

As the final drop of stout slid past my lips, the irrelevant transitions of society came back into focus. The weighty "reality" having left my mind was clarifying, albeit for the briefest of moments. What's more, there was the obvious irrelevance of humans to a surrounding world focused solely on survival - the profound aspect of having a pulse and requiring only the basics of food, water, and shelter to live a perfectly fine existence.

Spring is a time of rejuvenation and soul-fortification. A season of change, nevertheless. Change is one of the few constants in life, and with it, the ebb and flow of humanity. We transition with it in our cyclical routines, often losing sight of what tru-



Violet crocus, one of the earliest bloomers, breaks through a mulch layer following a late snow, forecasting brighter days ahead.

ly matters. As we approach the summer season of plenty, endeavor to stop and look around, breathe deep, smile, and embrace the company of others. Gift yourself the release of being lost in Mother Nature's seasonal transition.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY

No.: 25-4-00059-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** (RCW 11.40.030) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MELVIN E. STRINGHAM, JR.,

OF WALLA WALLA

Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address

stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: March 20, 2025 Personal Representative: Bryant D. Stringham Jared N. Hawkins, WSBA #35426 Attorney for Personal Repre-

probate and nonprobate

assets.

sentative Address for Mailing or Service: 2225 Isaacs, Suite A, Walla Walla, WA 99362 Court of probate proceedings and cause number: Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No. 25-4-00059-36 The Times March 20, 27, April 3, 2025 3-20-b

ORDINANCE SUMMARY Pursuant to RCW 35A.12.160, the Council of the City of Prescott hereby approves for publication the following Ordinance Summary: The Ordinance summarized is Ordinance No. 2024-10, adopted by the Council of the City of Prescott on November 21, 2024. The Ordinance establishes the City's 2025 budget. The Ordinance is divided into four (4) sections. Section 1 adopts the 2025 Budget for the City of Prescott. Section 2 states the estimated resources for each separate fund of the City, totaling \$505,553.00 in revenue sources, and appropriates total expenditures in the amount of \$505,553.00, broken down by fund as follows: (a) General Fund (\$324,080.00); (b) Street Fund (\$66,193.00); (c) Emergency Rescue Fund (\$3,130.00); and (d) Water Utility Fund (\$112,150.00). Section 3 states that the City Clerk shall transmit a certified copy of the budget to the State Auditor's Office and to the Association of Washington Cities. Section 4 states that the Ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication.

A copy of the entire Ordinance will be mailed upon request or may be examined at City Hall. This Ordinance was APPROVED by the Council of the City of Prescott on the 21st day of November, 2024. /s/: Jay Potts Mayor The Times April 3, 2025 4-3-a

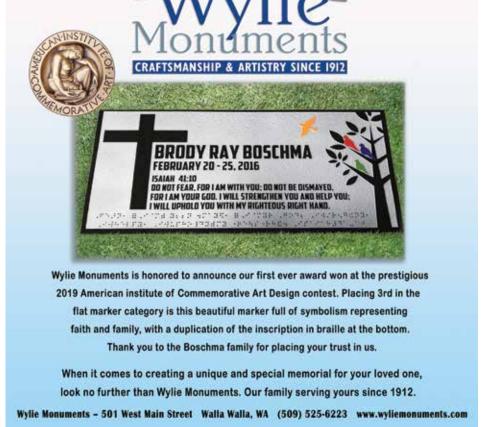
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OF WASHINGTON

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FUN & LEGALS

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



LEGAL NOTICES cont.

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Matter of the Estate of Kathryn D. Powers Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the person named below has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached. to the personal representative at: 91 Walnut Street, La Grande, OR 97850 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain further information from the personal representative

Dated this 25th day of March, 2025

Personal Representative: Ellen Barton, 91 Walnut Street, La Grande, OR 97850 541-786-0558 Date of first publication: March 27, 2025 The Times March 27, April 3,10, 2025 3-27-c

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF WALLA WALLA
No. 25-4-00065-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estates of:
Noel E. Talich and Doris M.
Talich.

Deceased.
The co-personal representatives named below have been appointed as co-personal representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedents 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 in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (30) days after the co-personal representatives served or mailed the notice to the creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this timeframe, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedents' probate and non-probate assets

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: March 27, 2025 Co-Personal Representatives: Dianne G. Long and Dennis E. Talich Attorney for the Personal

Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC, WSBA #15451 P.O. Box 1233 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1529 The Times March 27, April 3, 10, 2025

Representative:

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BENTON NO. 25-4-00064-03 NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA RUTH REED, Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claims in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorneys of record at the address stated below and file the original of the claim with the Clerk of this Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: 1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or 2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate

probate and non-probate assets.
Date of first publication: March 27, 2025
/s/: Phyllis Marie Reed, Personal Representative
By: /s/: Benjamin J. Volmer, WSBA No. 48779
Attorney for Personal Representative
1025 Jadwin Ave, Richland, WA 99352

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 24-4-00211-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO
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RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of:
RICHARD L. DAVIDSON,
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

time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: March 20, 2025. Brenda J. Davidson Morgan, Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Repre-

TION: March 20, 2025.
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PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago April 1, 2010

For decades, one of the first spring rituals in the Touchet Valley has been the Waitsburg Junior Livestock Show & Fair, where children enter their animals and art projects to be seen and judged. Not this year. Citing dwindling springtime attendance, the show's organizers have decided to try another time of year to host the event, which is now scheduled for the weekend of June 12-13. "We've been eliminating too many kids that didn't have projects by April," fair president Howard Smith Jr. said. "It's kind of an experiment. If the board decides it doesn't like the June timeframe, we'll move it back to April."

Twenty-Five Years Ago March 30, 2000

Call it spring fever. Call it doing what comes naturally... even if you're a heron. But the mating urge is on in the world of the great blue heron. And that explains the absence of the long-legged birds in fields as we drive the local highways and byways. Two sizable rookeries (several heron nests in one tree or more) we keep our eyes on have had occupants ... herons standing on the nests. We noticed this last year at the small rookery at Blalock Lake on McKinney Road west of College Place.

Fifty Years Ago March 27, 1975



[Photo caption] 1975 Days of Real Sport Queen Candidates Tammy Cole and Laurie McCaw. Queen's Dance at Waitsburg Legion Hall March 29th. Buy a ticket from your favorite candidate – admits you to the dance. Admission \$1.00 per person. Live Music 9-12:30

Seventy-Five Years Ago April 7, 1950

Penny and Ralph Jones are spending spring vacation at Mt. Hood where they will enjoy skiing and visit their aunt and uncle. Spring appeared to be on the way this week with a few balmy days but valley residents were rudely awakened Thursday with a very wet blizzard and temperatures around 30. However by noon the sun was shining again. Dolph Egelston was elected mayor in Tuesdays election with over 300 votes cast. Councilmen are Harold Bloor, Joe Van Amburgh, E. J. Lewis, Albert Land and John Egli. A. T. Sutton was elected treasurer.

One Hundred Years Ago April 10, 1925

Mrs. Clarence Eaton entertained Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. F. G. Trichler. The party was a surprise, the event being her birthday. Twenty five ladies were present. Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the Misses Gladys and Ruth Eaton. Misses Erma and Margaret Shuham of Walla Walla are spending a few days this week visiting their uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Hayes.

Roland Allen left Tuesday for Paulson B.C. to look after his interests in the Paulsen Mining Co. He expects to be gone several weeks.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago April 13, 1900

Carl Jensen and Miss Eliza Freeburn, two well known people of Prescott, were married in that town last Saturday.

At last we are enabled to note the fact that a new fence has been built along the west side of the Neace property on Main Street. It is certainly a great improvement to the looks of that portion of Main Street.

The new City Council was sworn in on Monday at noon. R. H. Ormshee was re-elected attorney and City Clerk at a salary of \$30 per month.

Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, April 8 Meatloaf & Gravy Potatoes Bread, Cookie Fruit

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, April 3 Breakfast

Donut & Scrambled eggs Lunch

Teriyaki Chicken & Rice Roasted Broccoli Mandarin oranges

Friday, April 4 Snow Makeup Day



Monday, April 7 Breakfast Vogurt Parfait

Yogurt Parfait Lunch

Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza Caesar Salad Carrots, Pineapple

Tuesday, April 8

Breakfast Biscuits & Gravy Lunch

Chicken Burrito Bowl Fresh Toppings Black bean salsa Apples

Wednesday, April 9

Breakfast
Pancakes & Sausage
Lunch

Chili & Fritos Roasted corn Peach cups



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CARDINAL BASEBALL WIN DOUBLEHEADER

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Waitsburg High School's boys' baseball team won both doubleheader games at St. John on Saturday, March 29.

This was the team's first competition of the season after games scheduled for March 25 were canceled due to the lack of umpires.

In the first game, the Cardinals won 20-2 behind the dominating pitching by Isaac Mahre who struck out seven with no walks. The strong defensive lineup consisted of Isa Ryes (catcher), Rollin Carpenter (1st base), Bryer Paul (2nd base), Jarod Hankins (3rd base), JJ Gleason (shortstop), Caleb Patrick (left field), Victor Whitmore (center field), and Ryan Meier (right field). The game ended due to the 10-run rule after the fifth inning.

On offense the team displayed plate discipline and aggressive baserunning. The Cardinals had seventeen hits in the game, thirteen bases on balls. and thirty stolen bases.

The Cardinals made a major come-back in the second game. They were down 4-15 after four innings. The team then held the Eagles scoreless in the last three innings while scoring fourteen runs for the 18-16 win. The Cardinals had a big seventh inning scoring nine runs to take both games of the doubleheader.

Bryer Paul started on the mound in the second game. In three innings he had four strikeouts and walked four. Cougar Anderson came in on relief, striking out one and walking one. Isa Reyes closed the game with five strikeouts, two walks, and hit a home run in the high scoring seventh inning.

Game 1	Inning 1	Inning 2	Inning 3	Inning 4	Inning 5	Total
Waitsburg	5	3	3	4	5	20
St. John	0	1	0	0	1	2

Battery: Mahre and Reyes

Waitsburg hits:

Mahre - 2, Gleason - 2, Paul - 2, Reyes - 1, Hankins - 2, Patrick - 1, Whitmore - 1, Carpenter – 1

Game 2	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Waitsburg	1	0	3	0	0	2	9	18
St. John	2	0	10	3	0	0	1	16

Battery: Paul, Anderson, Reyes and Mahre

HR: Reyes

Waitsburg hits:

Henry – 1, Gleason – 2, Reyes 4, Hankins – 2, Hinchliffe – 1, Anderson – 1

WAITSBURG HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - Sixteen teams competed at the 7th Annual Clay Lewis Invite at Hanford Stadium in Richland, Wash., on Saturday, March 29.

The Cardinals had a good meet against some high-quality competi-

"The athletes are taking to heart what they're learning about technique and applying it," said Coach Necho-

The following Waitsburg athletes set personal records at the meet:

- 100m Michelle Chavez
- 400m Alyssa Byers
- Shot put Olivia Duncan and Addison Crenshaw
- Discus Fredy Chavez, Crenshaw, Duncan
- Javelin Brenton Segraves and Alyssa Hollingsworth

The Cardinals' next competition is against ten schools at the Bantam Small School Invite at Clarkston High School on Wednesday, April 2.



Olivia Duncan gets a PR in the shot put at Hanford

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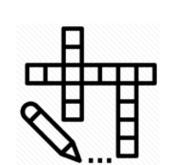
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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS

Waitsburg City Council

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

Planning Commission

Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom.



Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m. Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburgcc@ icloud.com

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

Waitsburg Historical Society

Third Thursday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

Waitsburg Booster Club

First Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ High School Home Ec.

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee Info email: info@waitsburgparks.org



Weller Public Library **Board of Trustees**

Second Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. at the Weller Public Library, 212

Friends of the Weller Public Library Second Tuesday of the month, @ 7:15

Waitsburg Commercial Club

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

Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank

Food donations on Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.

106 ½ Preston Ave

Clothing donations available at the Waitsburg Christian Church 604 Main Street, upstairs on Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.

DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

Board of Columbia County Commissioners

Regular meetings - First and third Monday of the month @ 9 a.m. Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m. Call-in information available at https://www.columbiaco. com/114/County-Commissioners

Dayton City Council

Second Tuesday of the month @ 6 p.m. Call-in information available at:

https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council



Dayton School Board

First and third Wednesday of the month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

DHS Alumni Meeting

Every Third Thursday @ 6:30 p.m. Dayton Eagles on Main St. Dayton.

The Coalition for Youth and Families

Second Tuesday of the month @ noon @ The Port of Columbia - 1 Port Way, Dayton, Wash.

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commis-

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

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787

Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District

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

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

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

PRESCOTT MEETINGS

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



STARBUCK MEETINGS

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

Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

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Tate Clay Studio Spring 2025 April 4 - May 18, 2025

Saturdays & Sundays 9 a.m. to noon

Session #1 April 4 - 6

Session #2 April 11 - 13 Session #3 April 18 - 20

Session #4 May 9 - 11

Session #5 May 16 - 18

Class Fee: \$200.00, materials included. Instructor Greg Tate teaches the basics of working with clay in this three session class. Class meets at the instructors home studio. Each class is three hours and will cover basic instruction in hand-building, wheel throwing and glazing.



BIRTHDAYS

April 3: Deanna Huffman Tipton, and Mary Beth Reese.

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

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

April 6: Dane Kiefel.

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

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

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

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405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg

Mass Sunday 5 p.m.

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504 Main

Sunday School 8:45 a.m.

Worship 10 a.m.

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Pastor Heidi Lum

Sunday School 9:45 a.m

Worship 11 a.m.

Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Bible Study

Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.

337-6235

Rev. Jimmie Daves

Waitsburg

604 Main St Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m 😽

Each Sunday 337-8898 Pastor Cameron Hedges

Waitsburg Artists March 7 through April 27 at Combine Art Collective Artist Reception on April 4, 4 to 6 p.m. 130 E Rose St Walla Walla, Wash. https://combineartcollective.com



TVAMP **Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project**

Mythical Movable Bluegrass Jam

Friday, April 4

6 p.m. Walla Walla Public Library 238 E. Alder, Walla Walla

