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From the July 9, 2019 edition of *The Times*, the article "Summer fun at Weller Library" showed Library manager Rosie Warehime (far right) with a full house at the Weller Public Library summer reading program on a Monday afternoon. Here, she lends a hand with a science project involving Pop Rocks and Sprite. Story on page 7.

## THIS WEEK



Wildhorse Foundation presenting the Liberty Theater with \$20,000 check for the balcony remodel project. Left to right: Dave Molesh, TVAC President, Mary Liberty-Traughber, CEO of the Wildhorse Foundation, and Debbie Ayerst, Liberty

Theater Manager.



Around the Valley with Karen Huwe (see page 9)

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## Dayton School Board hears concern over Combine

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Dayton School Board met for its regular meeting at 6:03 p.m., July 20, 2022. School board members Zac Fabian, Grant Griffen, Chair Jeffrey McCowen, Korinda Wallace, and Superintendent Rich Stewart were present at the auditorium. Aneesha Dieu attended on Zoom.

The regular meeting followed a budget hearing held at 5 p.m. The board began the meeting by approving the Consent Agenda.

During the public comment period, Jeremy Trump, a parent, and member of the Dayton-Waitsburg Athletic Combine Committee, spoke.

"Thank you for the opportunity to talk to you tonight. I come in confusion, I guess. I came to a special board meeting to talk about some issues with the combine. You guys discussed discipline, middle school athletics, finances, and joint board meetings moving forward. I guess the biggest thing I'm concerned about is that there is a lot of questioning about whether to continue a combine for middle school. It had been recommended by our AD (athletic director) to not do so.

"At that time, no decision was made whether that was going to continue or not. There was going to be further discussions. So, another joint meeting was set later in the month. It happened on the 29th. At that time, I was surprised when the announcement for the meeting came out, basically stating that we are going to stay in a full combine. No further discussion as to why that is going to happen, no further discussion that night by the boards.

"So, we're left to question what is going on. Also, in that meeting there was a list of things that were to be discussed and agreed upon. I did not hear any agreement at that meeting. Items were discussed, but there was no action taken to agree to these things.

"Many of these things that I look at, also as a committee member for the combine, will take away power from the committee and the athletic director, which I think is not right. So, I guess I'm just left a little bit confused as to what we've agreed to, what we haven't agreed to, and where we are going forward in the combine," commented Trump.

The Board did not offer an immediate response to Trump's comments other than to say it was an ongoing process. It also noted that changes in the school's administration made it difficult to answer his concerns. Stewart said the combine would be discussed further at the board retreat, scheduled for August 3, 2022.

Stewart announced during his comments that he planned to hold a small retreat for the school administration on July 21, 2022, at the Best Western Plus Motel. The purpose was to discuss the working procedures for the new administration.

Stewart said he enjoyed meeting everyone at the school and catching up with those he knew when he worked at the district fourteen or fifteen years ago.

The board quickly went through the budget status report. The board approved the 2022-2023 Fee Schedule, the DW Combine Athletic Code of Conduct, the DW Combine Parent Code of Conduct, and Resolution 2021-06 Fixing and Adopting the 2022- 2023 Budget. Each item was approved individually, without further discussion or dissent. The budget approved almost 8.9 million dollars in spending for the next fiscal year. These items approved by the Board can be reviewed on the school district's website.

nool district's website. The board chair adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

## Waitsburg School Board update

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg School Board met on July 21 for a quick business meeting followed by a budget hearing. All board members were present.

Board members went over the revised DW Wolfpack Athletic Code of Conduct. Dayton and Waitsburg school districts received the code revisions before the meeting. Dr. Carol Clarke brought up some editorial issues with the current code version, but the consensus was that the content was acceptable.

Board member Stephanie Cole gave a brief update on the last DW Combine Committee meeting, which focused on middle school football. She reported that the combine committee discussed whether the team should remain an 8-man field. The committee decided to stay an 8-man field. Cole said the middle school team would practice in Dayton this year.

During the superintendent's report, Superintendent Mark Pickel said the school has a tentative agreement with an agency called Stepping Stones, based out of Chicago, Il., pending board approval later, to try and find a SPED teacher. The school district has several teaching and paraprofessional positions open for the 2022-23 school year.

The Walla Walla Regional SWAT team visited the high school on July 19 for training. The school will host a community safety forum on August 22, with more details to be shared later.

Pickel said student representatives would begin attending school board meetings in September.

Superintendent Pickel recognized Linda Henze's 25th anniversary at the Waitsburg School District. Henze works in the business office at the district and formerly worked at the front

niversary at the Waitsburg School District. Henze works in the business office at the district and formerly worked at the front desk as an administrative assistant. Board members received an update regarding a new engine for a district-owned Suburban. Pickel said that the vehicle was

at a dealership; however, the dealership is struggling with staffing qualified mechanics. The Suburban should be returned to the district by the beginning of September.

School counselor Rosie Nechodom presented the transitional comprehensive counseling plan, which must be implement

al comprehensive counseling plan, which must be implemented by the beginning of the school year. Nechodom said she would attend the next board meeting to answer questions and work with board members to adopt a plan.

The board discussed various salary schedules before exiting into an executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Upon return from the executive session, the school board adjourned the business meeting. They moved into a public hearing regarding the budget, which was passed.



Weller Public Library held its bookmark competition, story on page 7. Cleo created a modern art masterpiece.

## **NEWS BRIEFS**

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### LETTERS

## AT THE LIBERTY:

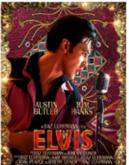
Elvis

THE TIMES

DAYTON—*Elvis* will run a second week. Please see our nearby advertisement, or our website, for movie dates and times. We have eliminated the seat buffering between groups, but online seat selection is still available. However, the incidence and spread of BA.5 variant of COVID is high, so we highly recommend that you wear face masks in the theater. We appreciate your cooperation.

Also, registration of children for the Missoula Children's Theater continues Friday, July 29. Then local children will rehearse for 5 days (Aug. 1-5) to perform *The Jungle Book* on August 5 and 6 at 7 pm. The storyline is: Ever been abandoned in the jungle, adopted by wolves, taught by a bear, befriended by a panther and chased by a tiger? In the musical adaptation of *The Jungle Book*, Mowgli the man-cub has all these adventures and more. Join him as he escapes from the Monkey-people, outwits a tiger, enlists the help of a rock-python, explores what it means to be human and learns a lesson from the brave mongoose Rikki-Tikki-Tavi. Original music and rollicking humor give new life to the classic tale by Rudyard Kipling.

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> > Rated PG-13

There is still time to sign up for the Missoula Children's Theatre production at The Liberty Theater in Dayton. This year's performance will be

## The Jungle Book.

The program runs August 1 through 6
Performances will be August 5 and 6 at 7 p.m.

Registration is still open at https://libertytheater.org/stage-productions.html
Or you can print the form and bring it in, or email it to MCT@libertytheater.org.
In-person registration will be available in the lobby during box office hours 2 pm-5 pm July 29.



Missoula Children's Theatre

THE JUNGLE BOOK

## The Times

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# CORPS INVITES PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PROPOSED LOWER SNAKE RIVER CHANNEL DREDGING PROJECT

WALLA WALLA—The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District, invites the public's comments on the draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and the Lower Snake River Channel Maintenance Immediate Need Dredging for Commercial Navigation Environmental Assessment (EA).

The Corps proposes to restore the lower Snake River federal navigation channel by removing sediment below the Ice Harbor Dam navigation lock near Pasco, Wash., and near the confluence of the lower Snake and Clearwater rivers near Clarkston, Wash., and Lewiston, Idaho.

The proposed dredging and disposal would occur during the in-water work window from December 15, 2022, through March 1, 2023. The dredged material would be disposed of in the lower Snake River at Bishop Bar, River Mile 118 in Washington State.

The 30-day review and comment period began on July 18 and will conclude on August 18. Comments may be submitted via email at NEPANWW@ usace.army.mil, inserting "LSR 2022 Dredging" in the subject line, online at http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/EnvironmentalComplianceComment/, or by mail to

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Walla Walla District

ATTN: CENWW-PPL-C (LSR 2022 Dredging) 201 North 3rd Avenue

Walla Walla, WA 99362-1876

The Draft FONSI, EA, and all supporting appendices are available at <a href="www.nww.usace.army.mil/Missions/EnvironmentalCompliance">www.nww.usace.army.mil/Missions/EnvironmentalCompliance</a>. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Benjamin Tice at (509)527-7267 or at Ben.J.Tice@usace.army.mil.

## DEATH INVESTIGATION UPDATE

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA COUNTY—The body of the individual located on July 6 has been identified, and the next of kin has been notified.

The deceased has been positively identified as 24-year-old Miguel Perez Barragan of Tri-Cities. He was born in Kennewick and was working in residential construction, according to his funeral notice.

Other details surrounding his death have not yet been released as this is an ongoing investigation.

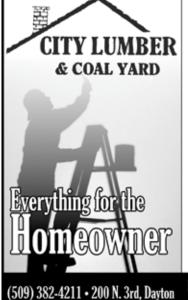
In the afternoon of July 6, WWSO deputies was notified that a citizen had found human remains east of Walla Walla in a rural area of the county. WWSO detectives, deputies, and members of the Walla Walla Regional Task Force responded to the scene and searched the area. The deceased was transported to Spokane for an autopsy which was concluded on July 7, 2022.

The sheriff's office thanks everyone for their patience and kindness as its investigators and partners continue to work toward answers for those who have lost a loved one.

This is an ongoing investigation, and the WWSO will release more information it is obtained.

I would like to thank all of the
Waitsburg volunteer first responders for
their quick action and excellent care.
Waitsburg is truly "One of a Kind".





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## **PLEASE VOTE!**

The primary election voting period ends next Tuesday, August 2nd. It is important to vote in the primary as it will narrow the field for two important positions - County Commissioner in the 3rd District and the16th LD Position 1. The voters in District 3, mostly western part of the County, will determine which two candidates will be on the November 8th general election ballot. If you're not registered to vote it isn't too late - one can register online at SOS. WA.GOV or the county website, and in person as late as Tuesday August 2nd at the Elections Office at the County Courthouse in Walla Walla.

The November 8th general election will put people in power who will play an important role in ensuring that the people's will prevails in the 2023 and 2024 elections.

I urge everyone to look at the excellent candidates running on the Democratic ticket for local and legislative district wide offices. Go to wallawalla. wa-democrats.net for a list of candidates endorsed and supported by the local party. Also listed are key races in Washington at the federal and statewide level.

Please vote! Sincerely, Kari Isaacson Walla Walla, Wash.

## FAKED FACEBOOK PROFILE STIRS DISCORD

A fake Facebook profile has been created and is interacting on the Facebook public group, Dayton Speak Freely. They are using the name, Tracey Kelley. This person created their page on May 6 of this year. Their profile states they live in Starbuck, WA. They have no FB friends, but follow one business in Dayton. This person made no FB posts until July 19, leading me to believe they were just browsing public posts without commenting until now. This person has started conversations in the FB group by asking about candidates running for local office, and publicly shaming one community member, claiming to have learned about her during the Foodstock Festival at Blue Mountain Station.

They wrote, "The one thing we did not enjoy was the busybody of a handful of people talking horribly of the upcoming candidates and a city council member. Negative talks about what terrible things are happening in Dayton because of this and that and some group that has rubbed people the wrong way. After doing some research, my partner and I discovered what seems to be a mean and spiteful woman who is deeply vindictive."

On July 22, this person asked the group for confirmation of a false statement made about Jack Miller. They didn't ask if this was true, they asked for confirmation that it was true. It seems clear to me that this person is working on a smear campaign against Jack Miller. They started by smearing a community member who supports him, posting a screenshot of her open support after calling her mean and spiteful and deeply vindictive.

There is a real person named Tracey Kelly, who shares the same profile picture. She has 138 FB friends and appears to live in Great Britain. She used the same profile picture as the Starbuck Tracey Kelley from 2/19/21 until 1/15/22. The person who is claiming to be Tracey Kelley living in Starbuck WA is defrauding the public and encouraging locals to make negative comments about two of our community members, one of which is running for public office. This kind of disinformation campaign has been used against other public officials and is destructive to our community. It is egregious and unlawful. If you see obviously fraudulent activity like this, please report it to the authorities, i.e. Facebook and local law enforcement.

Shellie McLeod Dayton, Wash.

## A FRIEND SAVED

This is a note of appreciation to the Waitsburg Ambulance crew for saving the life of my friend. On Monday, July 25, I called for an ambulance for a friend who was suffering a cardiac arrest. The crew arrived in minutes and immediately started CPR. Their quick response and training saved his life, as he had not one more minute of time to spare. I am so grateful and thankful they were there. They will forever be my heroes.

Sincerely, Patricia Gleason Waitsburg, Wash.



## **NEWS**

## **Steven Duane Sickles**

October 13, 1963 – July 7, 2022

teven Duane Sickles passed away peacefully in his sleep at 12:34 a.m. on July 7, 2022. He was surrounded by family after battling a rare disease called Multiple System Atrophy (MSA). This disease took him away from all of us way too soon!

Steve was born October 13, 1963, to Robert and Velma Sickles in Walla Walla, WA. He grew up in Waitsburg and attended Waitsburg Schools all the way through high school, graduating in 1982. He was the youngest of 4 children. Steve was involved in year-round sports during his high school years. He played football, basketball and ran track every year. He loved being outdoors always. He was very involved in Boy Scouts. He was 17 years of age when he earned his Eagle Scout Badge which became extra special when he was able to be pinned by his father, Bob Sickles, who was the Scout Master in 1980. He also attended the Boy Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P.



Steven Duane Sickles October 13, 1963 – July 7, 2022

Hills in Virginia the same year. His Eagle Scout project was to turn a little abandoned lot near the pool into a park in Waitsburg.

Steve followed in his father's footsteps by becoming a Boy Scout Leader for his sons Kyle and Michael. Steve also followed his father's lead in becoming a member of the Masons of Walla Walla in 1993 until his passing. He was also an active member of the First Christian Church in Waitsburg in his younger years until later when he began attending the Nazarene Church in Walla Walla.

Steve loved to stay busy. His first job was mowing neighbor's lawns in Waitsburg as well as at the trailer park his parents owned. Picking cucumbers and strawberries for his parents and growing pumpkins to sell were also among his first jobs. He began working during the summers at the Green Giant Cannery in Waitsburg beginning at age 16 until he moved to be at college in 1983.

Steve graduated from Spokane Community College with a Fire Science Degree in March of 1984. This was not a huge surprise to many, as Steve dreamed of becoming a Fireman from the young age of about four or five. At that young age, Steve would ride his bike to any fire he could get to just to watch the guys at work. He even chased the engine several times on his bike. As he began to search for a permanent Fire Dept position, Steve volunteered at the Waitsburg Fire Department from 1982-1985. He also worked at Nelson Irrigation in 1984 for six months and as a janitor for the Waitsburg School District at the same time. He was at the School District until August 20, 1985. He remembers painting the entire middle school. His life-long dream came true on August 20, 1985, when he was hired by the Walla Walla City Fire Department. He began his career as a Firefighter/ EMT. He was promoted to a driver/engineer in 1996. He was again promoted to being a lieutenant in 2000 and ended up meeting his goal as a Shift Captain in 2005. Unfortunately, Steve had to end his career abruptly and early February 1, 2018, as a result of the symptoms of MSA. Steve truly loved getting up every day to go to work. He Loved his job and was happy to be doing what he had always dreamed of. He was very respected within the Fire Department.

Besides loving the Fire Dept, Steve loved his family and being outdoors! His

hobbies included fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, rafting, kayaking, canoeing, snowmobiling, yard work, gardening (vegetables or flowers), cooking, freezing, canning, making homemade kombucha, yogurt, pickles & jam. He loved to work with wood and made several pieces, including the beautiful kitchen table in our dining room. He loved to camp with both his Fire Fighter Family as well as his own family. One of his favorite memories is of he and his brother-in-law, Jeff, taking a canoe out on Wallowa Lake to do some fishing. We may never know the full story (as each says the other did it), but somehow on that particular day they tipped the canoe. Steve said he had never seen anyone put a life vest on as quickly as Jeff did that day!! He always laughed while telling others of that memory. He loved spending time with Jeff & loved his company always.

Wallowa Lake was a special place to Steve. He began taking family summer vacations there every year beginning in 1985 until he could no longer go camping the summer of 2020. It was always a huge family affair, as everyone would go from both sides of our families and spend a week of just being together. He especially enjoyed Wallowa Lake when he was able to be there with his only grandson, Konner. Konner was his little Buddy. Well.... Konner & Gizmo, our Shih-tzu. He loved spending time with family whether it was just visiting, playing games, or going to a family member's sports event. Being with family and out in nature brought him the most joy.

During the last year or two of working at the Fire Department, Steve began helping his father-in-law, Harley Stafford, in doing backflow testing for the City of Walla Walla. He continued that job for several years with the help of most of the kids and Carolyn, at some point or another, until it became too difficult for

Steve and his wife Carolyn loved to travel and took several cruises, some with their parents, kids, and other family members, mostly alone to many different countries. They travelled to Jamaica, Barbados, Mexico, Italy, Spain, Honduras, Antigua, The Virgin Islands, Alaska, Canada and much of the Caribbean. They also took a trip not long after Steve retired, in their motorhome around most of the United States.

They met at the Nazarene Church in Walla Walla in 1989 and became friends then. Carolyn moved away for several years to Las Vegas. They began to talk, about 5 years after she moved, and began to get reacquainted again. They talked over the phone for 12 months when Carolyn was finally able to move back to Walla Walla where her family was. Steve and Carolyn were married on July 20, 2003. They had known each other 34 years. They spent their 19 years of marriage as best friends! They began to attend Life Church after being married.

The year after Steve and Carolyn were married, Steve was chosen to receive a ride in the Walla Walla City Sponsored Hot Air Balloon. That Balloon did not have a crew that year. Steve asked if he could give his ride to Carolyn, but it needed to be a city employee. Steve and Carolyn offered to crew for Mike Layman's Balloon that year and ended up both going up in the basket together. They continued to crew for Mike for 10 years along with most of their children, and even Carolyn's parents, all of whom rode at one point or another.

Steve was proceeded in death by his father, Robert (Bob) Sickles and his mother, Velma A. Sickles. He leaves behind his wife, Carolyn Sickles, his children, Kyle Sickles (son) of Seattle, Michael (Rachael) Hubsky (son) of Las Vegas, Sasha Sickles (daughter) of Custer, Washington & Konner Holtcamp (grandson), Shelby Hubsky (daughter) of Spokane, Cassidy Hubsky (daughter) of Belview and Amber Hubsky (daughter) of Walla Walla, his siblings, brother Ed (Heide) Sickles of Seattle, sister Sherrie (David) Morris of Waitsburg and sister Dawn (Jeff) Nichols of Waitsburg. He had many nieces & nephews, many cousins, aunts and uncles, all of whom he was very fond of. He found great comfort in each of their visits as his body began to fail him. He is grateful to each and every person who touched him, encouraged him, helped at the house in one way or another and the many who came to sit with him and visit. We are all very Grateful!! Steve's Memorial Service will be held at Life Church in Walla Walla, WA at 11:00 a.m. on Sat July 30th. Any donations may be made to the Walla Walla Professional Fire Fighters Benevolent Fund.

## LETTERS cont.

## **ENDORSEMENT FOR GOBLE**

To the editor:

Darren is an effective advocate for the valley as he strives to keep our valley culture. He devotes a community through and is there to support our future, the youth of this valley. His experience on several town and county committees, shows he understands how local government works - and doesn't. He can hit the ground running on day one. He isn't afraid to seek out new ideas and different perspectives, weighs the alternatives, considers possible outcomes, and develops reasonable positions. He is approachable and engaged, and genuinely committed to our valley!

Cindy Daves Waitsburg, Wash.

## **ELECTION DAY IS AUGUST 2**

**BALLOTS MUST BE DROPPED OFF** AT AN OFFICIAL BALLOIT BOX **BEFORE 8 P.M. ON TUESDAY AUGUST** 2ND. MAIL-IN BALLOTS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY ELECTION DAY.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

## Piper Jo Beeks

Parents Tanner and Micah Beeks of Goldendale Wash. welcomed daughter Piper Jo Beeks who joins three-year-old big brother Wesson. Piper was born at OHSU on Monday, July 18, weighting in at 6 pounds 11oz. Everyone is healthy and happy.

Oh yes, grandparents Stacy Baker of Glenwood Wash., and Andy and Denise Winnett of Waitsburg are delighted.



## Lunches

## **WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER**

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

Tuesday, August 2

## **WAITSBURG SCHOOL** DISTRICT

Waitsburg School District

The Waitsburg School District is offering free breakfast and lunch to all children under 18 years of age. Meals will end July 29. Breakfast is served between 8:30 a.m and 9:30 a.m. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m.







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337-6589

Pastor Stan Hughes

Waitsburg

Chapel 320 W. 2nd

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

Christian



## **CITY CREWS TO BEGIN WORK EARLY DURING HEAT WAVE**

WALLA WALLA/WAITSBURG—Temperatures are forecast to be well above normal for at least the next week in Walla Walla. Considering the heat wave, some city crews, and the contractors working on the Alder and Poplar projects will start work at 6 a.m. to lessen the impact of the high temperatures on outdoor workers.

Walla Walla city sanitation crews will begin commercial collection routes at 3 a.m., this will not affect residential service. This will be a temporary change, beginning Monday, July 25 and only in effect until temperatures return to a typical range.

In Waitsburg, the city crew will start work earlier to avoid the high afternoon heat.

Basin Disposal will begin collection an hour earlier through the high heat conditions.

## FIRE RESTRICTIONS ISSUED FOR PUBLIC LANDS IN **EASTERN WASHINGTON**

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Spokane District has issued a fire restrictions order. The fire restrictions order includes prohibiting the building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, including charcoal briquette fires, except when contained within provided metal rings.

The temporary ban took effect July 22 at 12:01 a.m. in the following counties: Adams, Asotin, Benton, Chelan, Columbia, Douglas, Ferry, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, Whitman, and Yakima.

In addition to prohibiting some campfires, restrictions on using off-road vehicles and smoking are also forbidden on public lands administered by the BLM and the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) in eastern Washington. A complete fire restriction order is attached to this release and can be found online at https://www.blm.gov/orwafire.

## **APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR WW WATER CONSERVANCY BOARD**

## THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA COUNTY-The Walla Walla County Board of Commissioners seeks applicants to fill an alternate position on the Walla Walla Water Conservancy Board. This member will serve as an alternate in a reserve capacity as a replacement for absent or recused commissioners. Terms on the water conservancy board are six years.

In compliance with state statute RCW 90.80.050(2), for equal representation, applicants need to meet one of the following criteria to fill these vacancies.

- Individual water right holder who diverts or withdraws water for use within the area served by the board
- Must appoint one person who is not a water right holder, except as provided in subsection (5) of this section (5). For the purposes [of] determining a person's eligibility to be appointed as a commissioner who is not a water right holder under this section, a person is not considered to be a water right holder: (a) By virtue of the person's receiving water from a municipal water supplier as defined in RCW 90.03.015, or (b) if the only water right held by the person is a right to the type of residential use of water that is exempted from permit requirements by RCW 90.44.050 and that right is for water from a

## **WALLA WALLA OPENS COMMUNITY COOLING CENTER**

#### THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The National Weather Service has issued an Excessive Heat Warning for Walla Walla County and the surrounding areas through Friday, July 29, 2022. Dangerously hot conditions, with temperatures around 105° to 115°, are expected.

To assist residents who do not have access to air conditioning during the hottest part of the day, a cooling center is being opened at 401 S. College Ave, in College Place, Wash. The cooling center will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. starting Tuesday, July 26th, through Friday, July 29. The center for Humanitarian Engagement at Walla Walla University will be staffing the cooling center with volunteers and providing water, an air-conditioned environment, and free WIFI for those seeking relief from the heat.

The cooling center is located on Valley Transit's Mainline route. Valley Transit is currently offering zero-fare rides to the public.

Additional areas where residents can seek respite from the heat include the Walla Walla Public Library, which will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Washington Park Splash Pad will be available daily from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. p.m. dai-

Anyone interested in volunteering to assist at the Cooling Center can go to the Blue Mountain Volunteer Corps website at https://getconnected.uwblue-

## **DAYTON COOLING CENTER**

#### THE TIMES

DAYTON—Beat the heat at the library. The National Weather Service has announced a heat advisory this week in Columbia County, so the Dayton Memorial Library has opened its doors as a cooling center during regular business hours. All are welcome to get out of the heat, watch a movie and enjoy cold drinks and snacks. Stay cool, everyone!

Columbia County Rural Library

111 S 3rd St. Dayton, WA

well located in a county with a population that is not greater than one hundred fifty thousand people.

• Shall choose from among persons who are residents of the county or counties or a county that is contiguous to the county that the water conservancy board is to serve.

The Water Conservancy Board is a three-member citizen body that typically meets once a month, on the first Wednesday of each month. Duties consist primarily of conducting public meetings and expediting the administrative process for voluntary water transfers and change applications within the county of non-contested water transfers among water rights holders.

Application packets can be obtained from the County website, www.co.walla-walla.wa.us, or by calling the Commissioners' Office at (509) 524-2505. Interested persons are encouraged to call or email (wwcocommissioners@co.walla-walla.wa.us) questions regarding the open position.

Completed application packets must be returned to the county commissioners' office by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 31, 2022. Please submit your completed application to wwboardcomm@co.walla-walla.wa.us or by mail to Walla Walla County Commissioners' Office, Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 W Main/P.O. Box 1506, Walla Walla). Per RCW

90.80.05 a commissioner must complete the training required under RCW 90.80.040 before participating in a record of decision.

Interviews will likely be conducted by the county commissioners.

## **SLC PUBLIC WORKSHOP SERIES: SUMMER SUSTAINABILITY SERIES**

#### THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The Sustainable Living Center (SLC) is excited to announce the Summer Sustainability Public Workshop Series.

Join SLC staff and guest presenters this summer as they explore pollinators, up-cycled art, landscape design, sustainable gardening practices, and preserving the summer harvest.

The series kicked off on Monday, July 18, with a workshop on curating pollinator-friendly gardens.

Artist and internationally renowned garden designer Kate Frey shared her expertise and resources, including Annie's Annuals, Perennials, and the Xerces Society. Frey can be reached by email at katefrey@mac.com.

Upcoming series events include:

- Thursday, July 28: Artist and educator, Anne Nelson, will demonstrate how to reshape our view of forgotten items and look at everyday objects through the eyes of an artist. Using hidden treasures from Builders ReSupply, participants will transform ordinary household items into art for their homes and yards.
- Thursday, August 4 and 11: Participants in this two-part series will learn to design a low water landscape, tour a low water garden to explore design strategies, and have their draft design reviewed.
- Tuesday, August 16: Sustainable gardening practices and no-till and no dig practices to enrich the soil and benefit the environment will be taught. Get your hands in the dirt and learn to create abundance in gardens.
- Tuesday, August 23: Jennifer Kleffner of Miles Away Farm will instruct how to easily preserve the summer harvest. Learn how to make fridge pickles, a quick solution for utilizing summer crops with no canning re-

Sign up for the workshop to discover creative, sustainable practices to enrich your life. SLC is introducing a 'pay what you can' model for workshop

The center said in a press release, "We believe the cost of a workshop should not be an obstacle to discovery and learning!"

This workshop is open to the public. Registration is required.

To register and for more information about individual workshops, please call (509) 524-5218 or visit the SLC website at https://www.slcww.org/public-workshop-series

## 14TH ANNUAL NNO COMING **TO DAYTON AUGUST 2**

## **THE TIMES**

DAYTON—Sheriff Joe Helm and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office will be busy at Dayton City Park for the 14th Annual National Night Out. Join the deputies on Tuesday, August 2, from 5:00 p.m- 8:00 p.m for a night geared towards building partnerships between local law enforcement and the communities they serve.

Exhibits and displays to be expected throughout the evening include a LifeFlight helicopter tour, a Search & Rescue Humvee, command trailer, and quads, and a photobooth. Local organizations, including the Coalition for Youth and Family, Columbia County Fire District 3, and Kyle's Custom Toys and Towing will set up displays to answer any questions you have, and maybe show off some tow trucks or other heavy equipment.

Free hot dogs, chips and refreshments are courtesy of Banner Bank, Frito-Lay, HomeStreet Bank, and Columbia County Public Transportation.

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Letters may be no more than 400 words long. All letters must be signed by the writer(s) using their actual name, and complete contact information for each writer, including address and phone number must be included.

We reserve the right to decline to publish any letter that we deem inappropriate for our readership. Letters may be rejected for libel and objectionable

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Due to volume during election season, The Times is unable to print all letters received. We strive to print as many as possible on a first come, first served basis. Letters that don't fit are moved to the following week.

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## **CALENDAR**

## **Community Calendar**

### **Waitsburg Monthly Meetings**

#### **Waitsburg City Council**

Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.



#### **Waitsburg School Board**

Third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m. Zoom meeting information is available at <a href="https://www.">https://www.</a> waitsburgsd.org/o/waitsburg-school-district/page/ school-board--272

#### **Waitsburg Commercial Club**

Last Thursday of each month July 28, noon, at Ten Ton Coffee 216 Main Street, Waitsburg

Zoom info availble by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

#### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First and third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Ten Ton Coffee, 216 Main St Waitsburg

For more information email: waitsburgpr@protonmail.com

## **Community Health & Protection Committee**

Waitsburg City Hall and on Zoom

#### Friends of the Weller Public Library

4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

#### Weller Library Book Club

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

Weller Library Board of Trustees Meeting

2nd Tuesday of each month



### **Dayton & Columbia County Meetings**

#### **Board of Columbia County Commissioners**

First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m.

Board of Columbia County Commissioners work session meetings Second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m.

Call-in information available at https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners

#### **Dayton City Council**

Second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m.

Call-in information available at <a href="https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-">https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-</a> hall/city-council

#### **Dayton School Board**

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

### Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

### **Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting**

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

**Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting** Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon

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

#### **Starbuck City Council**

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

## Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

## **WAITSBURG**

Mythical / Movable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam **Upcoming Jams** All Jams - 7:00 p.m.

7/29 Plaza Park Next to the Tuxedo! 105 S. D Street, Prescott

### Waitsburg Art Garden (WAG)

Grand Opening September 1, 2022

For questions about bookings: <a href="mailto:kstanton@mac.com">kstanton@mac.com</a> WAG is located in the little green Quonset hut across from Ten Ton Coffee and The Royal Block in Waitsburg.

## **Blue Grass Kids**

Free music program for children 7 to 18 yrs old. Many instruments are available for loan. Meeting Fridays at Preston Park

**Waitsburg Friday Market** 

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

For more information email Kate Hockersmith at tvampl@charter.net

Fridays, 9 a.m .to 1pm at Nancy's Dream Garden

Hummingbird Tea offers a stunning collection of teas

**LINE DANCING LESSONS AT** 

at the Waitsburg Friday Market.

**AMERICAN 36** 

**AUGUST 5** 

7:00 P.M.

## **DAYTON**

EVENING AT THE DEPOT - August 6, 2022 6pm to 9 pm

Annual benefit auction, supporting the day to day operations of the Dayton Historic Depot.

Individual tickets are \$45 and include a souvenir wine or beer glass to keep, live music by Rich and Nancy Monacelli, a small bites buffet prepared by Haute Stuff Catering Co, and locally crafted wine (Dumas Station & Red Band Cellars) and beer (Chief Spring's). The silent and live auctions are sure to offer something for everyone!

#### TWO PRIVATE DINNERS ON THE LINCOLN PULL-MAN CAR WILL BE AUCTIONS AT TYPE EVENT!

On August 6th, at Evening at the Depot, they will be auctioning two private dinners for 8, served in the Pullman Car's dining room. One will be on September 30 (evening before the Historic Homes Tour) and one will be October 1 (evening of the Historic Homes Tour).

Get your friends together now and work out your bidding strategy to win one of these rare opportunities to dine like 1910 Railroad tycoons!

## LOCALLY NOURISHED IS OPEN

Monday through Friday: 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM Saturday and Sunday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM



#### KIDS TIE-DYE SOCKS EVENT Thursday, Aug 4th, 10:15 a.m.

Waitsburg Elementary School Patio Nacho Lunch to follow at Waitsburg Presbyterian Church



The Abraham Lincoln Pullman is coming back to be part of the Historic Homes Tour on October 1st!







MON, WED, FRI 10 AM - 5 PM

TUE, TH 12 PM - 8 PM

SAT 10 AM - 2 PM

## **WALLA WALLA**

**Walla Walla Summer Concert Series** 6 S. 1st Street, Walla Walla

A venue in the heart of Downtown Walla Walla at First and Main for free live music throughout the summer months. There will be two live shows every Saturday night starting at 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. from July 9 through September 10.

## BIRTHDAYS

July 28: Jim Mason, Bill Donley, Jack Otterson, Jr., Jay Herion, Calvin Morton.

July 29: Ginger Henze, John Kenney, Rachel Reedy, DeLynn Liebermann.

July 30: J.E. McCaw, Kohl

Perry, Tim Rogers. July 31: Glen Vogt, Joan Hamberg, Elizabeth Jor-

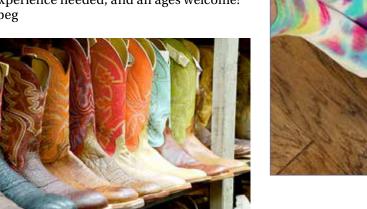
gensen, Joanna Lanning, Rob Danforth, Angela McKinley, Don Richardson, Kenneth and Richard LaRue.



August 1: Karen Lyman, Jessie Winnett, Terry Lambert, Christina Bunch and Amber Woodworth. August 2: Heather Herion, Terry Presler, Malia Kalahele.

August 3: Shannon Hodges, Christian Pearson, Stacey Estes, Troy Head, Karen Myers, Jeff Leid, Peter





## **LEGALS & NEWS**

### **CLASSIFIEDS**

## **HELP WANTED**

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

City of Dayton- Public Works Maintenance Worker Hourly Wage: \$19.60-increase to \$21.85 after 6 months Excellent benefit package and retirement. Accepting Applications until Friday August 5, 2022 **DESCRIPTION: Perform** routine and non-routine maintenance work of City owned parks and occasional work in streets, bridges, water, wastewater and storm systems, cemetery, animal

control, wastewater treatment plant, garbage, brush and liter pickup, maintenance on city owned buildings. Employee is subject to work in all departments, works all shifts, weekends, holidays, special events, subject to 24 hour call out, and perform other duties as directed by the Public Works Director or designee. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each. essential duty satisfactorily. High school diploma or GED. Be in good

health. Have a current Wash-

ington State driver's license, current CDL at least a class B or be able to obtain within 12 months of employment., current WSDA pesticide license or be able to obtain within 12 months. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this job. Full description can be obtained at https://www.daytonwa.com/ or at City Hall. TO APPLY: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. To apply, submit a completed City of Dayton **Employment Application form** with an updated resume and reference list to: Dayton City Hall Attn: Public Works Employ-

111 South 1st Street Dayton, Washington 99328 Or, rpaulson@daytonwa.com \*The City of Dayton is an

**Equal Opportunity Employer** 

**POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT** FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

PARA EDUCATOR (7 hrs./ day). The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for two (2) Para Educator positions for the 2022-2023 school year. Must hold an AA degree or equivalent.

NIGHT CUSTODIAN (8 hrs./ day, 260 days/year) The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for a Night Custodian.

**SUBSTITUTES.** Waitsburg School District has immediate openings for substitute teachers, substitute office staff, substitute classroom para-educators, substitute custodians, substitute school bus drivers and substitute food service assistants for the 2022-23 school year.

Please direct questions and inquiries to Mark Pickel, Superintendent at 509-337-6301 or E-mail: mpickel@waitsburgsd.org.

Application materials are available online @ www.

waitsburgsd.org or by calling the District Office at (509) 337-6301

Positions are open until filled. Waitsburg School District is an E.O.E.

Help Wanted: Asst. Volleyball Coach

Position open in the Dayton -Waitsburg Athletic Combine for a middle school assistant volleyball coach. To apply, submit a DW coaching application. Applications can be found on the employment page of the District website at https://www. daytonsd.org/page/employment or the District office at 609 S. 2nd Street. For more information contact Dayton or Waitsburg District office at 382-2543 or 509-337-6301. Closing date August 9, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. EOE

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT **SOUTHEAST WASHINGTON ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER** 

Opening Date: June 30, 2022 Hourly Wage Range: \$22 - \$27 + \$500/month Health Stipend + Training/Certification Term: 32 hour per week Closing Date: Open Until Filled, First Review 07/05/2022 **NATURE OF POSITION** Work closely with high-risk or other targeted groups such as

members of minority, low-income and aging populations,

and or the community to help assess, promote, maintain, improve, and achieve the level of health and wellbeing they desire. May include health assessment in client's home or office setting. If interested, a cover letter, resume along with three professional references are required and can be submitted

to sewaahealthpartnership@ outlook.com or via mail to PO Box 225, Dayton, WA. 99328. SEWAAH is an EEO employer. Help Wanted:

Weller Public Library is accepting applications for library support staff. Qualifications: experience working with young children, IT skills, ability to lift 20 lbs., pass background

Starting at \$15 per hour Applications available at Waitsburg City Hall.



## LEGAL NOTICES

#### NOTICE OF STATE'S INTENT TO NEGOTIATE LEASE

Department of Natural Resources will begin negotiations of expiring leases with existing lessees on the following parcels. All leases are subject to third party bids by interested parties. Lease terms and bidding information is available by calling the Southeast Region at 1-800-527-3305 or by appointment at the Region Office at 713 Bowers Road, Ellensburg, Washington 98926. The lease expires December 31, 2022.

Agriculture Lease	All/ Part	Sec	Twp	Rge
12-089161	All	36	9	32.0E
	Part	36	10	32.0E
12-D69967	Part	24	7	31.0E

Written request to lease must be received by August 29, 2022, at the Department of Natural Resources, 713 Bowers Road, Ellensburg, Washington 98926.

Each request to lease must contain a certified check or money order payable to the Department of Natural Resources for the amount of any bonus bid, plus a \$100 deposit. The envelope must be marked "Sealed Bid" and give the lease number, expiration date of lease applied for, and give the applicant's name. The applicant must be prepared to purchase any improvements that belong to the current lessee. For details and qualifications to submit a request, contact the Ellensburg office or call 509-925-8510. HILARY FRANZ, Commissioner of Public Lands The Times

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#### In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla

No. 22-3-00105-36 Kenneth Cowden, Petitioner. Yomary Yolenny Marte, Respondent. The State of Washington to the respondent Yomary Yolenny

Marte You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the 08/04/2022, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner. Kenneth Cowden. and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judament will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If vou do not serve vour written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Kenneth Cowden at 1322 Valley Chapel Rd Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

The Times June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 28, August 4, 2022 6-30-a

**DAYTON CITY COUNCIL** 111 S. 1st Street Dayton, WA 99328 ZAC WEATHERFORD, **MAYOR** PRELIMINARY AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING Thursday July 28th, 2022 NOTE: This meeting will be in Person and VIA ZOOM. A. CALL TO ORDER Roll Call B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA C. ITEMS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION/ACTION Consider Authorizing Resolution #1498 - Authorizing the Mayor to approve Resolution #1498. Approving the submission of a Proposition to the voters of the City of Dayton at a General Election to be held on November 8, 2022, for their approval or rejection of the creation of an independent Metropolitan Park District to board of 5 commissioners of Pursuant to RCW 35.61. D. PUBLIC COMMENT E. ADJOURN a scheduled Zoom meeting. Topic: Dayton Special City Council Meeting Time: JULY 28th 9:00 AM -VIA ZOOM

be governed by a duly elected said Metropolitan Park District, City of Dayton is inviting you to Visit daytonwa.com website & click on link Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom. us/j/3561226503 Meeting ID: 356 122 6503 One tap mobile +12532158782,,3561226503# US (Tacoma) Dial by your location +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) Meeting ID: 356 122 6503 Next regular scheduled City Council meeting is August 9th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 111 S .

1st Street, Dayton, WA

The Times

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#### **NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING** OF THE WALLA WALLA

COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION The Walla Walla County Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing to discuss the submitted the 2022 Preliminary Docket of Non-County Development Regulations and Comprehensive Plan Amendment Applications which includes one proposal.

REZ22-001/CPA22-001 -Landram Hanson Loop Rural Rezone

Site-specific Rezone and Comprehensive Plan land use map amendment of 10-acres at 3296 Hanson Loop Road (APN 310817510092, 310817510093) from Rural Agriculture 5 (RA-5) to Rural Residential 2 (RR-2). (Preliminary Docket Review) PUBLIC HEARING INFOR-**MATION** 

Wednesday, August 3, at 7:00 PM (or as close thereto as possible)

Location (in person): County Public Health and Legislative

2nd floor - Commissioners' Chambers

Walla, WA You may also participate in

Webex. Cisco Webex Meeting Link: https://wwco.webex.com/meet/

Call in: 1-408-418-9388 Meeting Number/Access Code: 969 633 053 An agenda, instructions on participating by phone or online, and a staff report, will be available approximately one week prior to the hearing. Contact staff directly for more information about how to participate virtually; if you provide your email address, we can

add you to the email distribution list. The Planning Commission, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners on whether the above application should be included on the 2022 Final Docket. The process for establishing the Final Docket is included in Walla Walla County Code (WWCC) Chapters 14.10 and 14.15 which outlines the criteria for consideration. The Board may then adopt the Planning Commission's recommended Final Docket at a regular public meeting without a public hearing pursuant to WWCC Section 14.10.060(E) and 14.15.060(E). Alternatively, if a majority of the Board decides to add or subtract amendments from the recommended Final Docket, another public hearing will be held. The decision of the Board of County Commissioners to place an amendment on

the Final Docket does not

constitute a decision that the

substance of any proposed

amendment should or will

be adopted. If placed on the Final Docket by the BOCC, the proposed amendment will be considered at additional public meetings and hearings and reviewed under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). Written comments regarding the above-listed applications may be submitted prior to and at the hearing on Wednesday, August 3. Send written comments to the following address:

Walla Walla County Community Development Department c/o Lauren Prentice, Director 310 W. Poplar Street, Suite

Walla Walla, WA 99362 commdev@co.walla-walla.

FOR MORE INFORMA-TION: For more information regarding this meeting, please contact the planning staff at 509-524-2610 or commdev@ co.walla-walla.wa.us. Walla Walla County complies with ADA; reasonable accommodation provided with 3 days

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#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

this meeting virtually via Cisco OF THE WALLA WALLA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION The Walla Walla County Planning Commission will be holding a virtual public hearing to discuss the following appli-

ZCA21-001 - Yellowhawk Resort WW, LLC, Type III Winery Zoning Code Amendments Amend Section 17.16.014 -Permitted Uses Table to make Type III Winery permitted in the Rural Residential 5 (RR-5) district via the conditional use permit process. (Final Docket Review)

PUBLIC HEARING INFOR-**MATION** 

Wednesday, August 3, at 7:00 PM (or as close thereto as possible)

Location (in person): County Public Health and Legislative Buildina

2nd floor - Commissioners' Chambers

314 West Main Street; Walla Walla, WA

You may also participate in this meeting virtually via Cisco Webex

Cisco Webex Meeting Link: https://wwco.webex.com/meet/ CDD

Call in: 1-408-418-9388 Meeting Number/Access Code: 969 633 053 An agenda, instructions on participating by phone or online, and a staff report, will be available approximately one week prior to the hearing. Contact staff directly for more information about how to participate virtually; if you provide your email address, we can add you to the email distribu-

tion list. The Planning Commission, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at the same meeting or on a date not yet determined. The Planning Commission will be asked to recommend that a proposed amendment be approved, approved with modifications, or denied. The process for review and recommendation of the final docket is described in Walla Walla County Code (WWCC) Section 14.15.070 which outline the criteria for consideration. The BOCC will then review the recommendation at a public hearing, pursuant to WWCC 14.15.070C(2). Any interested person may comment on this application, receive notice, and participate in any hearings. Persons submitting testimony may participate in the public hearing, request a copy of the final decision, and have rights to appeal the final decision. Written comments regarding the above-listed applications may be submitted prior to and at the hearing on Wednesday, August 3. Send written comments to the following address:

Walla Walla County Community Development Department c/o Lauren Prentice. Director 310 W. Poplar Street, Suite

Walla Walla, WA 99362 commdev@co.walla-walla. wa.us

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July 28, 2022



#### THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF **WASHINGTON**

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 20-4-00229-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** In re the Estate of: JOHN WESTLEY WILSON,

The personal representatives named below have been appointed as personal representatives of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representatives or to their 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 non-probate assets. Date of filing notice to creditors with clerk of the court: 2-18-2021 Date of first publication:

7/14/2022, 7/21/2022,

7/28/2022 Personal Representatives: JIM WILSON

Attorney for Personal Representatives: Janelle M. Carman Wagner

Address for Mailing or Service: 6 East Alder Street, Suite 418 Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Court of Probate Proceedings: Superior Court of Walla Walla County

315 West Main Street

Walla Walla, Washington Respectfully Submitted this 5th

day of July, 2022 by /s/ Janelle Carman Wagner, WSBA #31537 Attorney for Personal Representative The Times

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Liam Vasquez 3rd-5th grade group

## Rosie retires from the Weller Public Library

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Rosie Warehime has retired as the Weller Public Library manager. She was a grandma figure for many children in Waitsburg and will miss helping people find books, reading with kids, and engaging them in crafts. She had always been excited to go to work and stated it was the most wonderful and rewarding job she had ever had.

Before going to work at the library, Warehime worked at Grain Growers for 20 years. She also worked at the AG Link store, in the office at the Green Giant Company, and the National Bank of Commerce.

Although she loved her work at the library, she felt it was time the kids had a younger person to continue and expand programs. Rosie says the library position is a very fulfilling job.

Current Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Jim Leid, and board members at the time, Eleanora Montgomery and Becky Huwe, hired Rosie as the Library Manager, replacing Su Alexander.

Rosie has done a great job keeping the library going and getting the children reading while working with them during story time and crafts, stated Jim.

"As a long-time library board member, I had the pleasure of being part of the team that hired Rosie Warehime. It could not have turned out better. Rosie did an amazing job in the library, making it a place where families wanted to bring their kids. She also modernized the system to electronic files," wrote Montgom-

"Warehime was a great manager for our city library. She and her husband, Walt, have lived in Waitsburg for over 60 years, and practically everyone in town knows her. She was admired for her friendliness and helpfulness. The children loved her, and she kept them busy and interested in fun reading material and with arts and crafts that related to the goings on in our town. She took the time with many adults to get to know their preferences in literature and kept them well supplied. Thank you, Rosie, for your service to Waitsburg at the Weller Public Library," penned Huwe.

On Saturday, July 23, adults and kids from the community gathered at the library to wish Rosie a happy retirement. Thanks to Tiffany and Bart Baxter for making the arrangements for the cake and juice for the event and for the gift of a towering, flowering plant given to Rosie.

Waitsburg will miss you, Rosie. Enjoy retirement!



2012, edition: Rosie Warehime, library manager

(left) From The Times August 12,

for the Weller Public Library and her little friend Abby stock the new free library box with books on Waitsburg's Main Street last Thursday. Warehime said her family built two boxes for the free library and the summer reading club painted the boxes. One free library box will be outside of the library and one will be placed at Preston Park. Warehime said city residents can borrow or donate a book from the free library boxes.



Times photo

From a March 2014 article in *The Times*, Washington State Library IT Academy Project Manager Elizabeth laukea (right) demonstrates how to access courses through the web portal as Rosie and Tim Warehime look on.



Rosie Warehime at her retirementy party received gifts and cards from well wishers. All agree, Rosie will be missed.



From September 8, 2011, article "Warehime welcomed at Weller" in The Times, Ana Trejo (left front) and Rosie Warehime re-stack books at the Weller Public Library.

## 2022 Weller Public Library Bookmark Contest

The Friends of the Weller Public Library organized their 2022 Bookmark Contest. Kids in four age groups were invited to submit their bookmark designs. The groups were K-2nd grade, 3rd -5th grade, 6th-8th grade, and 9th -12th grade.

The winners from each groupwill receive a prize and their designs printed for distribution at the library. The winners' designs will be printed and available at the library after July 31. Winners will also receive prizes.

Congratulations to: Wesley Wyant – K-2nd Emma Wyant and Maci Wyant – 3rd-5th Saphira Torrens and Sophia Castillo - 6th-8th Abbigail Paolino - 9th-12th



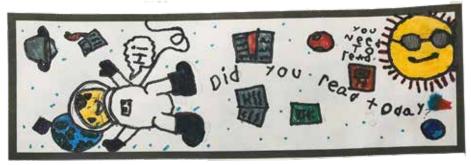
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Abbigail Paolino 9th-12th



Wesley Wyant K-2nd



Emma Wyant Third-Fifth grade age group



Saphira Torrens 6th-8th

## **LIFESTYLES**

## Two grants make colorful difference at **Bruce Museum**

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

The Bruce Museum has been spruced up for the summer thanks to two generous grants received by the Waitsburg Historical Society (WHS) this year. The funds allowed repairs to the Juliet balconies, widow's walk, the replacement of rotted support beams, and a complete exterior repainting of the building.

Secretary Rebecca Wilson said that historical Society members began working on grant applications in January of this year, and it was an intensive process. The organization identified two grants, one offered by the Wildhorse Foundation and the second from the Sherwood Trust. The Wildhorse Foundation awarded the Historical Society \$20,000 for repair needs. Wilson said they were thrilled the Foundation awarded the museum the maximum amount available to a single organization. When Wilson sat down with other WHS members to identify what to include on the Sherwood Trust CORE grant application, they chose a \$17,000 painting project for the exterior of the nearly 150-year-old man-

The society had a signed contract with a local painter when it submitted the grant application, said Bruce Museum Curator Margaret Terry. "We just needed the money," Terry shared. "They (Sherwood Trust) asked what would happen if we weren't selected, and we all said, 'we live in a very giving community; it will get done."

Sherwood Trust board members must have liked what they saw in the application and the vision of the Historical Society because they granted the group \$40,000, more than double what their original ask was. Wilson believed the Sherwood Trust had only done this once before, in an award to the Dayton Historic Depot.

The extra money will open the gate for the caretakers of Waitsburg's history to make the city's stories and artifacts more accessible to all. Installation of an American Disability Act (ADA) accessible entrance is explored, said Terry, Wilson, and WHS President Tom Land. The organization would eventually like to provide a digital experience for the museum's second floor, which is not wheelchair or limited- mobility friendly. "It's an old house," Wilson said. "We won't be able to put bathrooms or that kind of thing in there, but we are thinking of an entrance of some sort."

The funds allow the museum to open new educational opportunities for the residents and visitors of Waitsburg. Docent-led tours will return once the updates have been completed, and special guest presentations will give kids a hands-on historical look.

Earlier this year, students from the Waitsburg School District listened to an actor portray William McBean, a Canadian who came to the Walla Walla Region in 1846. He left the area and returned later with his Native American wife and children after the Indian Wars.

In the reenactment, "McBean" shared cultural items, including garments, drums, and knives, used by Native Americans across the land. He explained how trading systems worked in the mid-1800s.

"We are just taking care of the history," said Wilson. "We really want to give the history back to the people, to let them learn about it, so they know how we got here."

As the curator, Terry said that she would like to catalog each item in the house, right down to every magazine and book that was donated or left behind by previous tenants. Wilson and Terry both said that they would be happy to have some volunteer help with organizing and entering items



Lane Gwinn

The Bruce Museum getting a much appreciated facelift.

into a database

One of the original houses in town, the Bruce House, has been everything from a family home, a library, and a girls' school for a short time. Plenty of items have accumulated over the years. Curation is just one of the many volunteer opportunities available at the historic home. If you would like to volunteer, you can reach out by email at whstour@gmail.com or call (509) 386-3739.

"Volunteers don't really need any special skills," Land said. "Just a willingness to help."

The repairs will be finished up just in time for the upcoming Pioneer Fall Festival, always the third weekend in September. Land said that visitors could expect to see a period fashion show and enjoy the Lauretta McCaw Pie-o'neer Pie Contest this year, as well as a few surprises to be revealed later. This will be the return of the Fall Festival, last held in 2019.

## Waitsburg is truly "One of a Kind"!

We want to say thank you to our churches and the 30 adult and high school community members who came together to provide safe, fun activities for 50 children at our 2022 Spark Studio Vacation Bible School.

Thank you again to our generous community and churches.

Barbara Abbey, Waitsburg Presbyterian Church



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## **LIFESTYLES**

## **Around the Valley: With Karen** Huwe

## A Familiar Place and a New

One of our favorite camping spots is Winchester Lake State Park in Idaho. It is about 36 miles south of Lewiston and has a great lake to kayak or paddleboard, as motorized boats are not allowed. With an Idaho fishing license, you are sure to catch a few fish for a fish fry. The area also offers some nice hiking

Winchester is a small town of about 500 people, and this year we were camping during the 4th of July holiday and enjoyed the town's festivities. People came from around the area to enjoy a car show, a parade, kid's games, and to shop at the many vendors lining Main Street. They also put on a fireworks show over the lake, which was a hit for all in atten-

When not on the lake or hiking the trails, we enjoy setting up a cornhole tournament with family and friends or taking walks throughout the campground. Some evenings there is a program at the amphitheater about wolves or other nature talks. Sitting around the fire visiting and roasting smores is also a favorite activity.

A new spot we recently tried is Crows Butte Park near Patterson, Washington. The Columbia River is the main attraction for water activities, although it is usually a little too windy to kayak safely., Trains frequently travel the tracks across the river from the park to the enjoyment of some and the irritation of others. The park has a kids' playground area, a snack stand open Thursdays through Sundays, and an old trail to walk up to Crows Butte hill.

The highlight of our time at Crows Butte was watching a family of owls that reside in the park. It was unusual to see owls out during the day, young ones playing and looking for food on the ground while the adult owl watched over them from a near-

Get outdoors. You can't miss having a great time wherever you go!



One of the two baby owls at Crows Butte, hanging out in the daytime.





There is a beautiful hiking trail at Winchester Lake

Catching a July 4th fireworks



An adult owl keeps an eye out from above.

You know it's hot

You can watch geese while kayaking on Winchester Lake.

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

Cole Porter's song is on point this week, "It's too

It's too hot when even the dandelions popping up in the garden are dying from the heat. I thought those weeds were invincible; evidently, even they have a heat tolerance level. The weeds we planned to blast with Roundup are slowly turning brown and withering away. It saves breathing in some poison for the moment.

Mugsy is not adapting well to the heat. Usually, he is anxious to join me on a walk or go outside to run around and chase his tennis balls and other random toys, but lately, he seems content to lounge around the house and enjoy the air conditioning. When he sees me opening the door, he runs the other way.

I am grateful that our house naturally stays cool in the summer heat. But yesterday's heat was a deal breaker. With no breeze and the sun blaring, I gave in and turned on the AC, and gulped at what the next electric bill will be.

Luckily our grocery bill is slightly lower because we have some garden boun-

I am still in the learning phase of gardening. Here are a few things I have figured out for this year's harvest:

After a fantastic year of zucchini (my first spring), in the past two years,

the bugs appear no matter where I plant them. Zucchini may be banned from our future gardens.

- The cute tomatoes in the seed catalog that looked like little litchi nuts have lethal thorns which don't soften as they grow—another non-return-
- Spinach needs to be grown, picked, and eaten before it goes to seed and becomes inedible.
- Cilantro is the same as spinach, here today, gone tomorrow. But at least you can harvest the coriander seeds and use them in various dishes.
- Peppers so far, are doing well. The few that have appeared look very green and healthy. I have high hopes for them.
- Strawberries were petit but flavorful. I am hoping they get bigger next
- Amaranth is beautiful; unfortunately, it has no culinary purpose. It won't be a returning guest. The same goes for the borage I planted. Pretty, but
- Tomatoes are beginning to ripen. I picked two and ate them right off the vine. I hope to have some more, but my guess is I'll be buying tomatoes.
- String Beans are the same as the tomatoes, few and far between. I pick and eat them on the spot.
- Carrots have been short and fat and others long and skinny, all useable.
- Cabbage has been my biggest success this year. I made a large batch of coleslaw yesterday, using my green and red cabbage, carrots, homemade mayonnaise, and dressing. My proudest garden moment this year.

The heat will probably take a toll on a good portion of this year's garden. But at least there have been a few successes. And like most things, I will have forgotten the failures by next spring and start again. (Even zucchini is possible).

We are heading to Seattle this weekend for a family event. My family let me know there was a heat wave, and temperatures could reach the eighties. I tried hard not to laugh and went into my happy dance. It will be a much-appreciated break from the 100-plus temperatures here and watching my garden shrivel.

## Wine of the Week

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES

## Pacific Rim 2021 Dry Riesling

Pacific Rim makes a wide range of affordable Rieslings in a variety of sweetness levels. The Dry Riesling featured here is richly fruity with a luscious blend of peach, apricot and papaya fruit. Though it is accurately labeled as dry the ripeness of the fruit provides a slight impression of sweetness, which rounds out the palate and cuts through the tart acidity. The flavors extend into a pleasing finish with a mix of orange blossoms, Meyer lemon, pink grapefruit, and a cascade of ripe tropical fruits. It's hard to imagine a more pleasing hot weather white wine than this. Chill it down, mix it with some spritzer, and enjoy!

6551 cases; 12.5%; \$11 (Columbia Valley) https://www.pacificrimandco.com/product/2021-Dry-Riesling







## **FUN & GAMES**

### The Friendly Forest

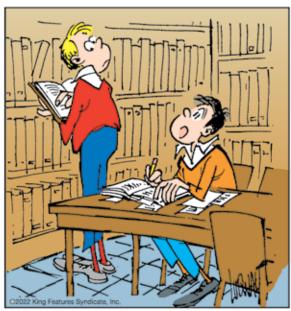
#### By Jimmye L. Turner



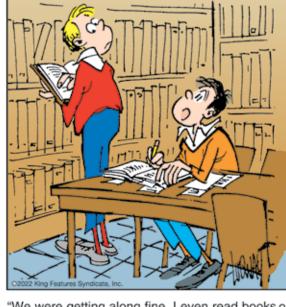


"You know I don't want them watching violence! ... Turn it back to the hockey game!"

## LAFF - A - DAY



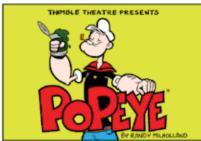
"We were getting along fine. I even read books on ecology to please her - then I made the mistake of carving our initials in a tree."



### by Gary Kopervas

## Out on a Limb HE LOOKS HUNGRY

























## Touchet Valley Weather

### July 27, 2022



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in the world occur in the U.S. Answer: 3 out of every 4 tornadoes

### Weather History

July 27, 1943 - On a whim and flying a single engine AT-6, Lieutenant Ralph O' Hair and Colonel Duckworth were the first to fly into a hurricane. This flight was the first of what would become regular Air Force flights into hurricanes.

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### PIONEER PORTRAITS

#### **Ten Years Ago** July 26, 2012

While amber waves of grain may be a nice song lyric, they are often not the nicest object to stare at for an entire 13-hour workday. Veteran harvest employee Zach Beasley is more than familiar with endless fields of wheat. This summer, Beasley will be working his fifth harvest season for Waitsburg wheat farmer Rusty Lyons. Beasley, a senior mechanical engineering student at Washington State University, said while the wheat can get monotonous, he enjoys the crew members he worked with and the money he makes working for Lyons helps put him through college. He started the job in high school when teacher Jim Leid suggested the opportunity to him.

#### **Twenty-Five Years Ago**

#### July 31, 1997

The Waitsburg Lion's Babe Ruth team, for 13–15-year-olds, finished its season in eighth place with a 6-8 record. The squad, coached by Dan McKinley, Rob Parr, John Mason, included Chris Prince, Jarod Gagnon, Marshal McKinley, Scott Mason, Brian Callahan, Reade Ferguson, Scott Zuercher, Gary Timms, Anthony Peralez, Jessie Archer, Jared Frerichs, and Curtis Johnson. The club played recently in the All-City Tournament in Walla Walla, playing CellularOne but lost 11-0.

#### Fifty Years Ago

#### July 27, 1972

Touchet Valley Grain Growers manager John Egli reported this week that the grain is really "shelling out" this year, and that from all reports this should be a record harvest. Most everyone in the area began harvest this week, with promises of record yields. Some of the ground near the Grain Growers office, which normally yields 35 bushels to the acre, has filled the hoppers with some 77-bushel yields. The Grain Gowers usually plan to finish up harvest before Labor Day, and Egli allowed that it would be very close this year. "With the heavier yields, we just may have to run a few extra days," Egli said.



[Photo Caption] The Times photographer was on hand in Portland last Saturday night when Vice-President Spiro Agnew appeared before the National Newspaper Association convention. The shot was taken with a telephoto lens because the Secret Service does not allow any closeups. Mr. Agnew was in understandably good spirits, having earlier in the day been accepted as running mate for Richard M. Nixon on the 1972 GOP national

## **Seventy-Five Years Ago**

### August 1, 1947

Bob Segraves is taking over the management of the Union Service Center on Friday, Aug. 1. It has been operated for the past years by Rex Shelton and Ivan Shelley.

Twenty-five Daughters of Civil War Veterans met with Mrs. Elmer Stonecipher for an all-day meeting on July 23, enjoying a covered-dish luncheon and a social afternoon. Mrs. Stonecipher gave a travelogue of Eastern Palestine.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Todt and daughters Jerry and Jo, and Mr. and Mrs. King Witt and children Ann and Neil returned Thursday night from a fiveday fishing trip on the North Fork of the Clearwater River in Idaho.

## One Hundred Years Ago

### August 4, 1922

Bruce Brothers who are operating their stationary outifit this week on Emory Bruce's wheat on the James Archer place northwest of this city, and a small fire Wednesday afternoon.

Waitsburg has completed her new jail and are being equipped with "all modern conveniences." The foundation and floor is of reinforced concrete and the whole has been painted white.

A number of Waitsburgers have been into the mountains during the past week hunting for the elusive huckleberry. The crop is in short supply this year and it is hard work finding enough to pick.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

### July 30, 1897

Henry Ingalls, 71 years old, stacked straw from a thresher one day and a half last week, and at the conclusion was able to jump up and crack his heels together twice before alighting.

John Kinder, who owns a fine ranch north of this city, is threshing 500 acres of wheat which is averaging 47 bushels per acre.

The Preston Parton Milling Co. is running two flour wagons this week. They are shipping an immense amount of flour.

## **PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES**

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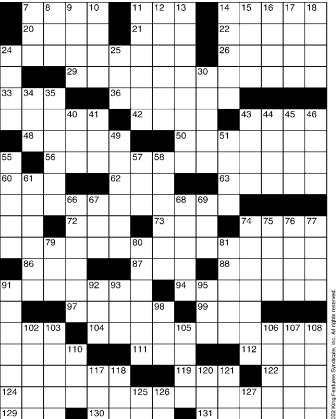
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## Weekly **SUDOKU**

## by Linda Thistle

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## **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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## **Summer Barley Salad**

Several years ago, we were in Los Angeles visiting friends and family during a milestone birthday. As part of the festivities, we were invited to a friend's house for a potluck barbeque. Being very familiar with the culinary trends of health-conscious southern California, I made a joke on our way there that the potluck would be nothing but raw kale. When we arrived at the



party, there was fresh guacamole made from avocados grown in someone's backyard, gorgeous wild-caught seafood on the grill, and taunting me on the buffet, were no less than three (slightly) different raw kale salads. While I honestly do, love a good kale salad, there is such a thing as too much of a good thing.

Since then, I have made it a mission to research and test a range of summer salad recipes that are perfect for backyard entertaining. For variety, I often turn to chilled grain salads as an unexpected and nutritious option. Here fresh green herbs, peas, and tomatoes mingle with delightful pearl barley for a distinctive side dish.

**Ingredients:** 1 cup fresh peas, shelled 2 cups pearl barley 1 pint cherry tomatoes, halved ½ white onion, thinly sliced 2 tablespoons rice vinegar 1/4 cup fresh mint, chopped 1/4 cup fresh parsley, chopped 1 teaspoon ground coriander ½ teaspoon paprika ½ teaspoon garlic powder Juice and zest of one lemon <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup olive oil 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar Salt and fresh ground black pepper

Add the shelled peas to the bottom of a large mixing bowl and set aside. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil, like you would for cooking pasta. When boiling add the barley, stir, and reduce heat to medium. Cook barley for 15 to 18 minutes, until just tender, stirring occasionally. Drain water, then immediately add the hot barley on top of the peas. Let sit for 3 to 4 minutes to steam the peas. Stir and test one pea for doneness, you want them to be bright green and still have a fresh bite. Stir to incorporate the peas into the barley, then place bowl in fridge, uncovered, to cool quickly.

Meanwhile, place the onion slices in a small shallow bowl and top with the rice vinegar. Add a pinch of salt, and stir to combine, adding a little more vinegar if needed to just barely cover the onions. Allow to sit at room temperature and macerate until the onions lose any harsh raw flavor and

When barley and peas are chilled, add the tomatoes, parsley, mint, coriander, paprika, garlic, lemon zest and juice. Stir well to evenly distribute the spices. Add the onions and the vinegar maceration liquid. Next stir in the olive oil, balsamic vinegar, then season to taste with salt and black pepper. Return to the fridge and allow to chill for at least one hour, to allow flavors to marinate together. When fully chilled, taste and adjust seasoning as needed. Add more olive oil if needed to get desired texture. Serve chilled with more whole fresh mint sprigs as a garnish, and a final flourish of cracked black pepper.

### **Notes:**

Pearl barley is found in health food stores or in groceries with large bulk food sections. If you can't find fresh peas, try using snap peas sliced crosswise into half inch segments. You could also use thawed frozen peas, adding them to the chilled barley at the same time as the tomatoes. Other fresh summer produce can be added to your liking, such as diced sweet peppers, or, yes, even tender kale. Other fresh herbs such as chives, basil or tarragon would also be lovely mixed into the salad. If you are a fan of heat, some pickled peppers such as Mama Lil's would be a fantastic addition.

This recipe is vegan as-is, but it would also be lovely with some crumbled fresh goat cheese or feta cheese. The barley will absorb a lot of oil, so do not be alarmed if you end up adding a bit more olive oil before serving.

This bright and satisfying salad makes a wonderful side dish to any grilled meat or fish. A healthy alternative to those made with pasta or potatoes, this salad gets its distinctive nutty flavor and hearty texture from the barley. This week, I served it with some curry spiced chicken skewers, and grilled vegetables with my cucumber yogurt sauce on the side, for a memorable backvard family barbeque. Enjoy!

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## Transportation plan approved at July council meeting

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Six-Year Transportation Plan was approved and adopted at the July 20 Waitsburg City Council meeting. All council members were present during the meeting.

The council heard comments from community members before the business portion of the meeting. Comments included concerns about dips in the newly-chip sealed roads in town and statements regarding the library.

The six-year plan included eight projects that the city plans to start and complete between 2023 and 2028. Projects include ongoing city-wide sidewalk replacement and repair estimated at \$10,000, ongoing efforts for city-wide street repair in coordination with Walla Walla County, estimated at \$20,000, and the \$240,000 Harmon Street Sidewalk project.

Projects include rebuilding a section of Bolles Road that runs from the Bolles/ Millrace Road intersection to the railroad crossing. The Bolles Road repair cost was estimated at \$822,000 and noted as grant-funding dependent. Grant applications have been submitted on four large-ticket projects.

Following a public hearing that received no public input, the council voted to approve and adopt the plan as presented.

Council members approved the third and final payment for the splash pad, which is fully operational now. The final payment was \$3,405.60.

Park and Recreation Commissioner Bart Baxter gave a presentation to the council on what the commission hopes to accomplish over the next few years. Parks and Rec surveyed Waitsburg community members and received 110 responses. Forty-five percent of the responses indicated that they would like to see an indoor pool constructed.

Baxter said that the commission would like to repurpose the current pool facility for alternative recreational use. He used a skate park, rock-climbing facility, or an interactive theater as examples.

Next, Baxter presented the 'vision' of what the P&R commission believes Waitsburg residents want in a pool facility. This included an indoor Olympic-size pool, a therapy pool, a fitness center, a health club, and a splash pad. He said that the facility would be open year-round and be membership-based. He did not have many answers regarding the funding for the facility, and estimated construction costs could range between \$1 million and \$11 million. Regarding potential funding, Baxter said there was \$344 million in various state-funding opportunities available over the next few years.

P&R and RYSE are running a Double the Dollar fundraiser intending to raise \$10,000, which would be matched dollar for dollar, by the beginning of the school year. Earlier this year, P&R received a \$10,000 donation specifically to be used for a pool. The donor offered further matching funds up to \$40,000 to encourage community fundraising.

City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe provided a second-quarter budget update. As of the meeting, the city's general fund has collected 38% of its estimated yearly budget and has reached 52% of its estimated expenditures.

Water sales were down slightly from the year before, but Hinchliffe said that he is estimating the upcoming hot weather to help make up for the difference. He noted that the current budget status is not indicative of the year's total budget. He said that the third quarter would be a better indicator.

The budget report can be found on the city's website, www.cityfwaitsburg. com, in the July agenda packet.

#### Vision: Imagine!





Example of an aquatic center from the Parks & Recreation presentation to the city

## **COLUMBIA COUNTY SELECTS NEW BOH MEMBERS**

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Seven Dayton community members volunteered to serve on the Columbia County Board of Health. Nancy Laughery, Charles Belany, and Debbie Davis were selected to help oversee the preservation and protection of the county's public health.

Interviewees included Laughery, Belany, Davis, Kathryn Tapio, Heather Hiebert, Dave Shreck, and Dawn Meicher.

The selected individuals will serve on staggered one, two, and three-year terms. County Commissioners Chuck Amerein, Marty Hall, and Ryan Rundell complete the six-seat board.

The Board of Health is the local government's policymaking, rule-making, and adjudicatory body for public health in the county. The board meets on the third Monday of each month, with meeting agendas available at www.columbi-

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