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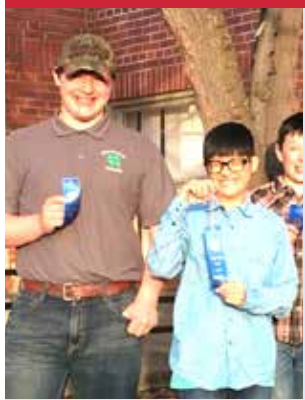


### COWBOY POETRY

Cowboy poet Lynn Kopelke entertained an audience at the Dayton Memorial Library last week.

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### 4-H WINNERS

Four Waitsburg 4-H members brought home blue ribbons from the Walla Walla Co. 4-H Demonstration and Presentation contest.

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## TOUR OF WALLA WALLA IN WAITSBURG



Photo by Dena Martin

The Tour of Walla Walla Men's Pro Categories one and two took to the road at noon on Saturday to compete in the 90.3 mile Kellogg Hollow Road Race. Left: Competitors follow lead cars across Waitsburg's Main Street Bridge. See additional photo on Page 6.

## Waitsburg School Board Ponders Meal Policy Changes

### PROVISION 2 PROGRAM WOULD ALLOW ALL STUDENTS TO RECEIVE FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

By Dena Martin  
THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – “I love the idea of kids starting the day well-fed, and I love the idea of older students eating alongside younger students. The more I think about this, the more excited I get!”

Those were the words of Waitsburg junior high and high school principal Stephanie Wooderchak during a discussion on food service at the April 19 school board meeting.

Food Services Manager Susan Wildey approached school board members at their March 15 meeting requesting that they consider participating in the Provision 2 food program. The program provides free breakfast and lunches to all children, regardless of economic eligibility.

While Provision 2 allows all students to receive free meals, the school would only be reimbursed for students that qualify for free or reduced meals. The base is established in year one, but Wildey said she didn't have the information necessary to determine how much the program would cost the district.

Wildey said that, of those who filled out free/reduced lunch applications, 63% of elementary school students, 56% of Preston Hall students and 33% of high school students are currently eligible for free/reduced lunches. The problem, she said, is getting everyone to fill out the forms, especially the high school students.

Wildey said that once the data is collected and submitted for the base year, there are no further requirements to collect data such as free/reduced applications, audits or state assistance records, which is less work for food service. She said it would also remove the need to collect money from families that don't pay their bills.

“That just takes a lot

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## B.A. Keve is Waitsburg's Citizen of the Year

### JUSTIN GLEASON IS EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AND LAHT NEPPUR IS AWARDED BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg Commercial Club presented B.A. Keve with its 2018 Citizen of the Year service award on April 18, during the annual meeting and awards presentation at Waitsburg Town Hall.

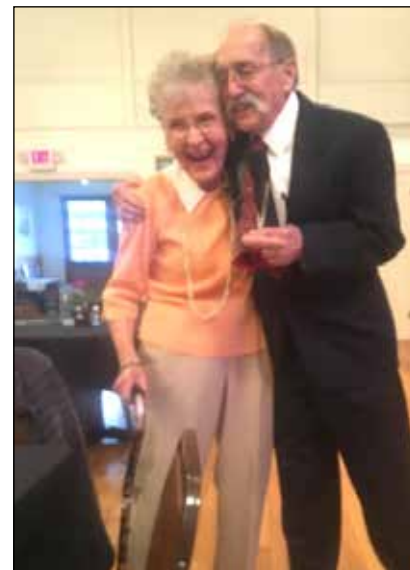
Emcee Larry Johnson described Keve as a “Waitsburg promoter” who is “passionate about our community.” She is “extremely easy to like,” and “would never intentionally offend anyone,” he added.

Keve was nominated by Cindy Standring, who described Keve as “the ‘communicator’ of Waitsburg.”

In her nomination, Standring also said of Keve, “She has been serving for many years on the American Legion Auxiliary, where she helps veterans in the community. She works tirelessly at the Christmas gift shop for veterans, turkey bingo, Memorial Day ceremony, and so much more.

“She is a supporter of the Rainbow Girls and Rural Youth Bluegrass Program. B.A. is a true historian to Waitsburg. She keeps track of the town people and truly cares about the families in our little town of Waitsburg.”

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Courtesy Photo

Emcee Larry Johnson presents the Citizen of the Year award to B.A. Keve.

## Helm, Jenkins Seek Columbia Co. Sheriff Post

Stories by Michele Smith | THE TIMES

### JOE HELM

DAYTON – For 11 years, Joe Helm has been Chief Deputy for the Columbia County Sheriff's Office, and he is now running for sheriff in the 2018 election.

If elected, Helm said he would like to restore the fundamental functions of law enforcement which are to enforce, educate, prevent crime. And he wants to make sure deputies are more than mere community guardians, but are also active community members.

As Sheriff, Helm said he will strengthen community-oriented policing programs and collaborate with other agencies to pool resources, which can prevent many crimes from happening.



Joe Helm

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### JEFF JENKINS

DAYTON – Jeff Jenkins says he has many ideas about how to address an understaffed and underfunded Columbia County Sheriff's Department, an inadequate jail facility, illicit drug use in the community, community trust and participation, working with other agencies to solve crimes, and restructuring the department to better serve the community.

“I ride around in a patrol car all day, and what else is there to do but think?” he said.

Jenkins will be on the 2018 election ballot this fall to replace Columbia County Sheriff Rocky Miller, who is retiring at the end of this year.

Jenkins said his nearly 19 years with the Sheriff's



Jeff Jenkins

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# TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

## NEWS BRIEFS

### WESTERN FUN



Photo by Michele Smith

Last week, the Dayton Library's Delany Room was crowded with folks who gathered to eat some "chuck," and hear some old-fashioned cowboy philosophy through word and song. Local poets and story tellers Craig Horlacher and Marty Hall entertained the crowd with some bits of cowboy wit and wisdom, and the crowd sang along with local musicians Tanya Patton, Heather Stearns, Jimmie Turner, and Howard Beuhler, who told the tale of the cowboy way of life through song. Above, cowboy poet Lynn Kopelke, of Enumclaw, Wash., performed in the Delany Room last week. Kopelke spoke about his own way of life, which features "a moon, a mountain, and a couple of mules." He ended his program with some sage words of advice: "Keep your brim in the shape of a smile," he said, fingering his cowboy hat.

### SPRING BOOK SALE

DAYTON – The Friends of the Dayton Memorial Library Spring Book sale will be held this weekend at 250 E. Main St. Hours are Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p. m., and on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Books are 50 cents per inch when stacked against the yard stick.

For more information call the library at (509) 382-4131, or Sylvia Beuhler at (509) 629-2052.

### DEMENTIA WORKSHOPS PLANNED FOR MAY

DAYTON – Southeast Washington Aging and Long-Term care is offering workshops on care for dementia patients at the Columbia County Senior Center on May 1 and 2.

Topics will include understanding and recognizing the differences between "normal" and "not normal" aging, conditions that sometimes mimic dementia, and warning signs and practical tips for working with people living with dementia. Resources will be made available.

The May 1 session will be from 2 to 6 p.m. The same information will be presented again on May 2, from 8 a.m. until noon

The Senior Center is located at 311 S 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Dayton. For more information call Betty Keller at (509) 382-2403.

### DAYTON 3RD ST. SALE MAY 5

DAYTON – Dayton's annual 3rd Street Yard Sale will be held Saturday, May 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. South Third Street will be closed during the sale from Main Street to Park Street.

The Liberty Theater and several Dayton churches will participate in the sale. Other vendors may participate on 3rd St. with a \$10 sign-up fee. Other yard sales will be held in various locations around Dayton.

For more information, call Joe Huether at (509) 386-7295.

### SCHOOL MEALS - FROM PAGE 1

of time. It's also imperative, I feel, that every child receives a nutritious meal for breakfast and lunch," Wildey said. She said that she has seen students arrive with packed lunches consisting solely of a bag of chips or a package of saltines.

Wildey said the District has seen an increase in the number of students who don't eat breakfast at all. She said Provision 2 would allow the district to implement a Breakfast After the Bell program, where all students eat in the cafeteria after school has started, or meals are delivered to the classroom.

"I also think the program encourages students to stay on campus. As a parent, I would require my child to eat at the school if it was free," she said.

Following that meeting, Wooderchak did her best to collect forms from high school students. She visited each high school classroom, explaining the need for students to return the reduced lunch forms, and

offered candy bars as reward for completed forms returned.

In spite of incentives, only 33 high school students returned the forms, which was not enough to provide a good estimate of how much the District would be reimbursed through the program.

"All I can suggest is that we try it for a year, see if it works, and review the financials then. I think it would be a very positive thing for our community," Wildey told the board.

While enthusiastic about the idea, board members were reluctant to approve the program without a clear idea of the costs. After discussion, they expressed a strong desire to implement a Breakfast After the Bell program and requested that Wildey return in May with best guess figures to operate the program for breakfast-only in 2018-19.

Wildey agreed and said a decision would need to be made by the end of May so that she could apply in June.

## Americanisms



"Experience is a great advantage. The problem is that when you get the experience, you're too damned old to do anything about it."  
—Jimmy Connors

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## BIRTHDAYS

April 26: Charlie Baker, Ernest Hermanns, Delores Nettles, Dain Henderson, Rich Lee, Gregory Kalahele-Stearns, Bryan Thomas, Patsy Donavon, Dawn Keith, Anna Newbury and George Porter.

April 27: Kathy Harshman and Tom Morrison.

April 28: Garry Katsel, and Judy Deines.

April 29: Cole Morris-Rodgers, Nancee Hinchliffe, Kenny Finch, Glenda Mings and Emily Yokel, Danielle Henry.

April 30: Janice Wills, and Patti Eng.

May 1: Josh Smith, Jennifer Jameson, Adam Erikson, Troy Larsen, Corinne Atkinson and Barbara Sax-on Abbey.

May 2: Kevin Davis, Patsy Fredericks, Bill Hopwood, Roger Hillis and TerriLynn Stensgar.

May 3: Alexander Reese, Hanna Becker, Dorothy Wolfe and Andrew Peterson.

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**KEN GRAHAM: FROM THE PUBLISHER**

## The Problem with Competition

**O**n April 16, the Columbia County Commissioners voted 2-1 to select the Dayton Chronicle over The Times to be that county's legal newspaper for 12 months, beginning July 1. (The Times was awarded the contract last year.)



This year, Commissioners Norm Passmore and Merle Jackson voted to select the Chronicle, even though its bid was 61% higher than The Times' (\$7.36 per column inch, vs. \$4.50 for The Times).

Furthermore, The Chronicle uses a significantly larger typeface for its legal notices than The Times does, which means the same notice will take up about 20% more inches in the Chronicle than in The Times.

Therefore, a typical notice that runs in the Chronicle next year will cost more than twice as much as it would in The Times.

I'll spare readers the stages of surprise, anger, frustration, disappointment and resignation that I've gone through over the past week. Let's just say that the idea that two commissioners now think the Dayton Chronicle is worth twice as much money as The Times is a tough nut to swallow.

Yes, the Chronicle has a somewhat higher print circulation in Columbia County than The Times does. But all legal notices published in The Times are available free for anyone to view on our website. (The Chronicle doesn't have a website.) So print circulation should not be a significant factor in the decision.

This brings me to the subject of competition. I spent a significant portion of my time in college (...yes, partying and various things that went along with that, but also...) studying economics. I was taught, and still strongly believe, that competition among businesses is essential for a healthy economy.

And efficient government also requires that government agencies select among competing vendors to do work for them.

We encourage kids to get involved in sports and other types of competition, like Knowledge Bowl, because we know that healthy competition is a good thing.

But sometimes competition makes people uncomfortable. The Chronicle has been operating in Dayton for well over a century. The Times started covering Dayton and Columbia Coun-

ty about eight years ago (which was before I arrived on the scene, by the way).

The relationship between the Chronicle and Columbia County is kind of like an old marriage. However stale and dull it may look to those of us on the outside, it endures. And the last thing it needs is competition.

Regardless of the reasons commissioners Passmore and Jackson may state for voting the way they did, it appears to me that maintaining that relationship was a big factor. I think they think the Chronicle deserves a large taxpayer subsidy simply because of their history together.

And I know that many other people in Columbia County agree with that position. I've heard plenty of people say they don't like that The Times "moved in" on the Chronicle's "territory."

I happen to believe that a vendor to the government should not be treated like a marriage partner. What if the commissioners made all of their spending decisions based on sentiment rather than cost? Guess which direction your taxes would go, and how far.

Last year, after The Times was awarded the Columbia County contract, the Chronicle sued Columbia County, claiming that The Times should not have been allowed to bid. The Chronicle lost. Then the Chronicle sued The Times (I'm not making this up), saying we shouldn't be allowed to run legal notices in Columbia County at all. The Chronicle lost again. Now they've appealed that decision to the state Court of Appeals. We're still awaiting their decision.

With all of this lawyering, you can see how the Chronicle's owners feel about competition. It's ironic that, despite the conservative political views they espouse in print, they're willing to spend a lot of money to try to avoid having to operate in a competitive environment themselves.

After the commissioners' decision last week, The Times will move on. We won't sue the county, and we won't sue the Chronicle. Rather than wasting our money on lawyers, we'll keep focusing on providing a quality product that's crisp and colorful and informative ... and as competitive as we can make it.

In the meantime, if you're a taxpayer in Columbia County and you think the commissioners may not be spending your tax money wisely, I encourage you to use their recent legal newspaper vote as an example when you complain to them.

**RANDY HINCHLIFFE:  
CITY OF WAITSBURG**

## Water Meter Replacement Set to Start

**W**ith the annual election over and the same city council re-elected to another term, the city of Waitsburg is moving forward with a variety of projects, including water meter replacement and various design and engineering work for future system improvements.

At the last city council meeting, the council authorized my office to start the water meter replacement project, which at its base is the replacement of approximately 550 water meters throughout the city at an expense of about \$300,000. With the majority of water meters being on average 60 years old, this project has a number of benefits to the city and leads off with the elimination of the remaining know lead sources in our water system as a means to comply with the governor's directive to eliminate all sources of lead in Group A water systems within a certain number of years. While there is lead in our system, there is no reason to be concerned with the current levels; our water was tested recently and on average contains less than .001 mg/L of lead, which is lower than lowest level of testing required by the state.

In addition to the lead removal component, it will also free up a considerable amount of public works time associated with reading the water meters, allowing them to complete other tasks. It currently takes two employees about one week to read all of the meters, and after the meters are replaced, one employee will be able to read all of the meters in just a few hours. Other benefits include the recapture of lost revenue associated with slowing down of the old meters and elimination of the need to do a winter prorated, as we will be able to read the meters year-round, which also allows us to catch water leaks before they get out of control.

The plan is to start the work in May with two crews of two employees each working in various areas of the city, with work expected to last about six months. On days they are working at or near your property, the water will be shut off for period of time, with the average replacement taking about two hours to complete.

Once the new meters are up and running smoothly, this project will guarantee the meters for at least the next 20 years, and will allow us to keep up on the replacements as needed rather than waiting and paying for excess of 500 meters at once.

**LETTER**

## OLDER AMERICANS MONTH 2018

Dear Editor,

Across the country, the "Age Wave" of older Americans are taking part in activities that promote wellness and social connection, sharing their wisdom and experience with future generations, enriching their communities. They're working, volunteering, mentoring, learning, leading and engaging.

Older Americans Month (OAM) recognizes older Americans and their contributions to our communities providing an opportunity to hear from, support, and celebrate our nation's elders. This year's OAM theme, "Engage at Every Age," emphasizes the importance of being active and involved, no matter where you are in life - you are never too old (or too young) to participate in activities that can enrich your physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

Remaining socially engaged can improve the quality of life for older adults and I encourage all of you to focus on how older adults in our area are engaging with friends and family, and through various community activities, and share this information designed to highlight older adults not only during the month of May but throughout the year.

Visit [www.altc.washington.com](http://www.altc.washington.com) and join us as we "Engage At Every Age"!

Stephanie Carpenter  
Chair, SE WA Aging and Long Term Care, Columbia County Advisory Council  
Dayton

## Letters Welcome

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# TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

## 4-H WINNERS



Photo courtesy of Cindy Daves

Elephant Toothpaste, lava lamps, volcanic chemical reactions and combustion using shotgun chokes. These were a few of the topics members of Waitsburg's Home Grown Go Wild 4-H Club presented April 17 at the Walla Walla County 4-H Extension Office's Demonstration and Presentation Contest.

Shown, left to right, are Timothy Daves, William Hong, Sawyer Nichols and Sarah Hong. These four members presented in front of both judges and community members, sharing their knowledge about their science-based subject and or persuasive speech with a question and answer session at the end of each presentation. They will present again in May in hopes of earning a chance to travel to the Washington State Fair in September in Puyallup.

Congratulations to Timothy Daves who earned two blue ribbons: one for his demonstration and another for his persuasive speech, Nichols and William and Sarah Hong also earned a blue ribbon each for their science based projects.

## JOE HELM - FROM PAGE 1

"Our community has limited resources to deal with the problems that do exist here, but our strength lies in the ability we have to work together to more efficiently address those problems," Helm said.

He said community-policing is the best way to combat the drug and drug-related offenses that are plaguing the community.

"Crimes such as theft, car prowls and burglary are committed by those people involved in drugs," Helm said. "I feel if we collaborate as a community we can really curtail the drug problem."

Cross-training deputies in narcotics investigations, and offering them broader training, would be helpful as well, he said.

Helm said an emphasis on educating youth about the harmful effects of drinking and substance abuse will pay dividends as young people reach adulthood and are full members of the community.

Helm said the department can provide better safety and security at the local schools through increased early-morning, lunchtime, and after-school patrols, as well as providing a steady presence in the form of a school resource officer.

"We will make our presence known, and just our presence being there is one major deterrent, and it puts us in a position to respond to any emergency situation," he said.

Helm says arming teachers should only be done through careful review of school district policies and state and federal regulations, and only with proper training. "I know that's a hot topic," he said. "There is not just an easy answer."

The Sheriff's Office is currently understaffed, and Helm says he will work to actively to recruit and retain staff through a variety of funding methods, including grants. At a minimum there should be six road deputies and three in administration, he said.

Helm said volunteers and reserve deputies can supplement any activities by regular law enforcement staff.

"The community wants to know that we are being accountable. As a member of this community, I want to make sure that our county is safe, not only for my own family, but the other families we know and care about," said Helm. "We are a small county, and as much as the sheriff's office needs to be effective to the community, we need the support of the community to be fully effective."

Helm was raised in Walla Walla. He graduated from Eastern Oregon University in 2001 with a BA in bilingual studies, Spanish, and physical education. After spending two years in South America on a humanitarian mission, Helm was hired by the Department of Corrections in Walla Walla, as a corrections officer. In 2007 he was hired as a deputy by the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.

Helm, and his wife, Jasmin, have three children: Joseph, 17, Jordyn 14, and Janae, 12 who attend Dayton schools.

According to his press release, Helm has been involved in local theater with his children, and in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. He has coached for Touchet Valley Little League as well as the Blue Mountain Youth Soccer Association.

Helm currently serves the Columbia County Youth Coalition as a strengthening families facilitator, and he is on the association board for Fire District 3.

## JEFF JENKINS - FROM PAGE 1

Office has led to a variety of training and assignments. His current assignment is as a narcotics deputy, working in tandem with Walla Walla, Garfield and Asotin counties on the Southeast Washington Narcotics Taskforce.

If elected, Jenkins said he will establish a "zero-tolerance" policy regarding illicit drug use. "There was a time when you could not get meth in the valley," he said.

Jenkin said, 95-97% of the crimes being committed in the county are drug-related, and 60% or more is related to methamphetamine. He said this has become more of a problem after funding from a pilot program to help rural areas combat illicit drug use ended in 2011.

"Grants are worth going after and staying after. I would like to have a grant writer in the county," said Jenkins.

Jenkins said the Sheriff's Office needs to be more transparent with the community, so people are aware of crimes taking place, and in which areas.

Crimes are more easily solved with public input, he said, and he plans to bring the community on board to help identify patterns of drug use and distribution.

Jenkins said an open line of communication between school administrators and the Sheriff's Office is important. He would especially like to get a school resource officer on board at the schools, and he said he is in favor of arming teachers to protect students in classrooms. Having deputies trained in newer techniques and

trends is also important, he added.

Jenkins said that when crimes are committed and charges are filed, he would like to see greater follow-through. Hiring a part-time detective would help when investigations stall.

"Officers also need to be trained on what to charge. We're going to charge all crimes, DUI and drug charges. If we reduce drug crime we reduce overall crime," he said.

Jenkins thinks there is a role for staff to be more involved in other aspects of community service such as the Citizen's Academy.

Jenkins and his wife, Dina, have a 16-year-old son, Alex. He said his own community service has been family-oriented.

He has served as Touchet Valley Little League president, as youth soccer and summer swim league coach, and in 4-H as a leader, council member, and officer.

Jenkins said he loves serving in law enforcement and he wants the community to be a safe and welcoming place. "I look forward to the opportunity to serve the people of Columbia County to the best of my ability," he said.

Jenkins is a 24-year law enforcement veteran who began his career as a reserve deputy for the Payette County Sheriff's Office in Idaho. He became a jailer in 1995, attended and received his Detention Certification at the Idaho Post Academy, in 1996, and advanced to deputy the following year. He received his patrol certification in 1998 before being hired by the Columbia County Sheriff's Office in June 1999.

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# SPORTS

## MORE TOUR OF WALLA WALLA



Photo by Dena Martin

The Tour of Walla Walla men's peloton heads north out of Waitsburg during the Kellogg Hollow Road Race on Sunday.

## DW Girls Sweep TCP, Drop Two at Kittitas

### DW OVER TRI-CITIES PREP, 16-1, 14-4

By Ken Graham  
THE TIMES

PASCO – The Dayton-Waitsburg softball team took on Tri-Cities Prep here on April 17 and came away with two big wins, 16-1 and 14-4.

In game one, DW got hot early and racked up 11 runs in the first inning. They plated five more in the next four innings before the game was called after five on the 10-run rule.

Scully Castorena led her team with four hits. Hana Becker, Ariel Sandau, Heidi Dobbs, and Neylan Bryan got two hits each.

Pitcher Megan Robins gave up only three hits in the game.

In game two, DW again built a big lead early, getting seven runs in the first and building their lead to ten after two. This game was also called after five innings.

Sadie Seney and Ariel Sandau had three hits each, including a home run by Seney.

On the mound, Seney pitched a complete game, giving up only three TCP hits.

"The DW infield again had a very good

game playing defense with Hana Becker showing off her arm often and ending the game with a pretty double play," said DW assistant Troy Larsen.

#### Game 1

DW 11 2 1 0 2 – 16 16 0  
TCP 1 0 0 0 0 – 1 3 0

Robins and H. Dobbs; MacRoberts and Kruschke

HR – None

Hits - DW: T. Laughery, Becker 2, Sandau 2, Robins, H. Dobbs 2, Castorena 4, Forney, Bryan 2, Williams; TCP Brandner, Kruschke, Monteon.

#### Game 2

DW 7 3 2 2 0 – 14 13 0  
TCP 0 0 3 0 1 – 4 3 0

Seney and H. Dobbs;

Dickson, MacRoberts, Dickson and Kruschke.

HR - DW, Seney, TCP, Brandner.

Hits - DW: Becker, Castorena 2, Sandau 3, H. Dobbs 2, Bryan, Seney 3; TCP: Brandner, Dilly, Valencia.

### KITTITAS OVER DW, 14-4, 12-5

KITTITAS – DW traveled to Kittitas on Saturday and had two tough losses, dropping their double-header, 14-4 and 12-5.

In game one, DW led 2-1 after one inning, but Kittitas came back and

built their lead, scoring at least two runs in each of the next five innings. The game was called after six on the ten-run rule.

For the game, DW had nine hits, including two each by Megan Robins and Sadie Seney. Pitcher Robins gave up 18 hits.

"On a very windy day DW struggled with that wind tracking balls, and both teams fought errors due to the wind," said Larsen.

In Game two, Kittitas built a 10-4 lead after three innings, and DW couldn't make up the difference. The game went the full seven innings.

DW had a total of 11 hits, including three by

Robins and two each by Castorena, Sandau and Heidi Dobbs.

Seney pitched a complete game, giving up eight hits.

"DW fell victim to some untimely walks and errors, which lead Kittitas to 12 runs on eight hits," said Larsen.

DW was to travel to Liberty Christian on Tuesday and will host White Swan in Waitsburg on Saturday.

#### Game 1

DW 2 0 1 0 1 0 – 4 9 8  
Kittitas 1 3 3 2 3 2 – 14 18 6

Robins and H. Dobbs; Williams and Hyatt.

HR - Kittitas (Vincett).

Hits - DW: Becker, Castorena, Robins 2, Sandau, H. Dobbs, Seney 2, Stienhoff; Kittitas; Vincett 3, Webster 2, Hyatt 4, Baker, Williams 3, Allemand, Coates, Miller 2, Allphin.

#### Game 2

DW 2 1 1 0 0 1 0 – 5 11 3  
Kittitas 3 2 5 0 2 0 X – 12 8 0

Seney and Becker; Carpenter, Webster (4), Allphin (5) and Hyatt.

HR - None.

Hits - DW: Becker, Castorena 2, Robins 3, Sandau 2, H. Dobbs 2, Williams; Kittitas: Vincett, Webster, Hyatt 2, Coates, Williams, Allemand, Ledgard.



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WAITSBURG FIELD HOUSE UNDER CONSTRUCTION



Photos Courtesy of Waitsburg School District

Construction of the Kenneth Marcus Zuger field house at the Waitsburg High School athletic field is underway. Left: Footings were inspected and concrete poured on April 17.

WAITSBURG AWARDS - FROM P1

Justin Gleason was named Employee of the Year during the ceremony. A 12-year employee at Waitsburg Grocery, Gleason was nominated by the store's owners, Dan and Trina Cole.

"Justin started out as a very shy person on the job," Dan Cole said in his nomination letter. "He really did not want to work up front with the public yet, and just wanted and was happy to do freight and stock shelves."

But later, Cole said, "Justin was very quick to learn how to operate the (cash) registers and decided that he enjoyed being around all the customers that came into the shop. He learned the gift of gab rather quickly, and from there, he has just moved up the ladder."

The Business of the Year award was presented this year to Laht Neppur Brewing Co. owners Court and Katie Ruppenthal. They were nominated by Lynne Carpenter.

The Ruppenthals have operated their brewery at 444 Preston Ave. for more than a decade. In her nomination letter, Carpenter said, "In 2005, Court and Katie took an empty shell of a building and turned it into a thriving establishment that anchors the restaurant business in our charming little town."

"If the goal of a business is to promote the town, draw visitors, meet the needs of locals and put a friendly face on a community, Laht Neppur had done that quite handily. In an era and locale where restaurants and other small businesses come and go like spring and summer, Laht Neppur has prevailed and increased their offerings."

A special award was also presented during the ceremony to longtime Waitsburg attorney Mike Hubbard. Hubbard was lauded for his many years in business in Waitsburg, and his support of Waitsburg community events.

Hubbard joined his father Vaughn Hubbard's law practice in 1976, in historic downtown Waitsburg. He formed Hubbard Law Office, P.C. in 1993 upon Vaughn's retirement. He is a graduate of Gonzaga University School of Law.

He is a longtime supporter and promoter of Waitsburg's Days of Real Sport and Celebration Days events.



Photos by Teeny McMunn

Top to bottom: Waitsburg Commercial Club President Joy Smith presents the Business of the Year Award to Court and Katie Ruppenthal of Waitsburg's Laht Neppur Brewery. Justin Gleason shows off his award. Waitsburg attorney Mike Hubbard.



DAYTON SCHOOLS' CAPITAL PROJECTS MOVE AHEAD

GAP training for teachers and staff was to be held April 25

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON – Dayton School Superintendent Doug Johnson's report to the school board at last week's meeting included an update on capital projects.

Johnson said three entry doors have been replaced, one into the kitchen and two on the back side of the high school. He is working on cost estimates for surveillance cameras, which will be placed in the main entryways during the summer.

Seventy-five phones have been installed throughout the school system, and the roofing and boiler replacement projects are in the preparatory state. Johnson said he is working with business manager Paula Moisio on financing details.

April and May are big tax collection months, said Moisio. Johnson said the plan is to make eight quarterly payments for the \$35,000 boiler system. But he hopes the district can avoid having to finance the roof project.

The athletic combine advisory committee is currently receiving applications for head coaching positions for volleyball, soccer, cross country, and girls' and boys' basketball. Interviews will be conducted from April 25 to May 1.

The District received a distribution from the Day Estate of approximately \$68,800 earlier this month, Johnson reported.

Johnson said GAP safety training is to be provided to teachers on April 25. The four-hour workshop is designed to teach staff what actions to take during the gap of time at the start of an incident until law enforcement and support staff arrive on the scene.

In her report to the board, Elementary Principal Denise Smith said the elementary school has participated in the following activities: parent/teacher conferences were held on March 21, ASB elections are underway, four families participated in Title 1/LAP night, and the book fair was successful. Every student who bought a book received one free of charge, she said.

Cinco de Libros is coming up on May 3, and elementary students will receive a book, and maybe a sombrero, at the taco salad dinner.

"Everybody's working hard, plugging away at it," Smith said about activities in the elementary school.

Smith said teachers in the elementary and middle school are participating in i-ready assessment training. "We're feeling pretty good about that."

"It's a good place to be," Smith said about the atmosphere in the elementary school.

New hires include Renee Slaybaugh, as business education instructor and FBIA advisor, and Sarah Reser as an elementary teacher.

Waitsburg School Board Update

April 19, 2018

Board members present: Christy House, Russ Knopp, Ross Hamann. Marilyn Johnson and Randy Pearson were absent.

Secondary Principal's Report:

-Prom will be held April 28 at the Preston Hall gym. Dayton and Waitsburg will hold a joint prom. The prom will be held in Waitsburg with the theme "A Night in Paris," chosen by Dayton.

-The junior high band traveled to Dayton for a junior high mass band on April 19.

-WHS students participated in the "Every 15 Min-

utes" program April 19-20.

-Youth and Government students will travel to Olympia for the YMCA Youth and Government Conference May 25.

-The State FFA convention will be held in Pullman on May 10-12. Thirteen Waitsburg FFA students are going. The food science and vet science teams will compete.

-Sixth grade students will attend Camp Wooten with Dayton students on May 29 – June 1.





# LEGAL NOTICES / NEWS

## WAITSBURG SCHOOL BOARD - FROM P 7

### Athletic Director's Report:

-Spring sports are underway and there have been no cancellations due to weather, so far.  
-Spring football will begin in the next three weeks.  
-Fall schedules have been completed.

### Facilities/Maintenance Transportation Report:

-Progress photos of the capital bond projects can be viewed on the Waitsburg School District Facebook page.  
-The new school bus has arrived but has not yet bit the road.

### Elementary Principal's Report:

-March conferences had good attendance.  
-The April 13 Home and School Carnival fundraiser was a success.  
-Waitsburg's Got Talent show will be held April 23.  
-SBAC testing has started.  
-Professional Learning Communities are continuing to meet.  
-Journeys English/Language Arts curriculum trainers visited on April 17-18.  
-Fifth-grade patrol students will attend a Walla Walla Sweets baseball game on June 8, and each will receive an autographed baseball.

### Superintendent's Report:

-Interviews were held for the music teacher position being vacated by Brad Green. An applicant was offered the job but declined. Interviews will continue.  
-Superintendent Mishra will attend the WASA Superintendent's Conference May 6-8.  
-The WSSDA Reginal Meeting will be held May 10 in Walla Walla.  
-Mishra gave an update on the Community Series Events Paper Tigers and the Suicide Awareness Program.  
-Next year's preschool will be administered by ESD 123 rather than Walla Walla Community College. The ESD has secured 20 ECEAP slots for Prescott and Waitsburg students. Prescott students will be bussed over. Mishra said it appears that the financial commitment from Waitsburg will be less than it has been. ESD personnel will meet with Waitsburg School District Staff next week and will attend the next board meeting to give an update on the program.

### Enrollment:

Current enrollment is 279 students with 267.40 FTE (full time equivalent). That is down from 283 and 271.48, respectively, in March.

### Combine Update:

-Coaching positions have been posted and there is at least one applicant for each position. Waitsburg school board representatives on the hiring committees are: Randy Pearson, volleyball; Christy House, cross-country and soccer; Russ Knopp, basketball. Updated salary schedules reward longevity. No coaches from either district will experience a reduction in pay.

### Real Property Consideration:

The cost to short plat the District House, separating it from the playground and parking lot, will be \$4,000-\$5,000, according to Anderson Perry and Associates. The cost to survey the two Coppei properties and finish work at the athletic field will run about \$5,000. The board approved moving forward with the survey work and short plat while "proceeding with caution" in regard to potential later sale of the properties.

### Food Service:

-Food Services Manager Susan Wildey presented information on the Provision 2 food program that would provide free breakfast and lunches to all students. See story on Page 1.

-Due to the kitchen remodel slated for this summer, the Summer Feeding Program will be abbreviated. A shorter program will run in July only. Due to the lack of an approved warming area and three-section sinks, brown-bag lunches will be served from the concession stand.

### -2018-2019 Schedule:

Teachers Gabe Kiefel and Lynn Martin spoke about the work staff has been undertaking to come up with an acceptable modified block schedule. The district is still working to determine whether a seven-period, eight-period, or modified block schedule will work best for students and teachers.

### 2018-19 Projected Staffing:

-Mishra presented an initial staffing and student/teacher ratio chart for 2018-19.

### Out of Endorsement Waiver:

-The Board approved an out-of-endorsement waiver for Ben Christensen, who is teaching high school Spanish. Christensen is qualified under the "highly qualified" requirements but is not qualified under the new Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requirements. The Board approved requesting a two-year endorsement waiver.

## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## Moments in Time

The History Channel

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\* On April 30, 1933, Willie Nelson is born into a family of Texas musicians. He penned his first song at age 7. Years later he wrote "Funny How Time Slips Away," "Night Life" and the Patsy Cline classic "Crazy" all in one week.

\* On May 5, 1944, Bertha Benz, the wife of inventor Karl Benz and the first person to drive an automobile over a long distance, dies in Germany. In 1888, Bertha drove 65 miles to her mother's, over unpaved roads. She refueled the car with Ligroin, a detergent then used as fuel. When the car's fuel line clogged, she unclogged it using one of her hairpins.

\* On May 2, 1957, Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wisconsin) succumbs to illness exacerbated by alcoholism and dies at age 48. McCarthy had been a key figure in the anticommunist hysteria known as the "Red Scare" that engulfed the U.S. after World War II.

\* On May 1, 1963, despite running out of oxygen, James Whittaker of Redmond, Washington, becomes the first American to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, the tallest mountain in the world.

\* On May 4, 1977, British journalist David Frost interviews former President Richard Nixon. In the televised interview, Nixon admitted that he had not thought the White House tape recordings regarding the Watergate scandal would come out.

\* On May 3, 1980, 13-year-old Cari Lightner of Fair Oaks, California, is killed by a drunk driver while walking along a quiet road on her way to a church carnival. Cari's tragic death compelled her mother, Candy Lightner, to found the organization Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD).

\* On May 6, 2004, the familiar theme song ("I'll Be There For You" by the Rembrandts) heralds the final original episode of NBC's long-running comedy series "Friends." The show had debuted in 1994 and ran for 236 episodes.

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

Sherry Lynn Shirley, Petitioner,  
No. ( )  
Daris Shirley,  
Respondent.

The State of Washington to Daris Shirley:

You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the (enter starting date), 2018, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Sherry Lynn Shirley, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address stated below; and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Sherry Lynn Shirley at 1520 Kelly Place Suite 140, Walla Walla, WA. 99362

The Times  
April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2018  
4-5-h

**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA**  
NO. 18 4 00064 3  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030

In the Matter of the Estate of  
MARYBELLE L. HOPWOOD,  
Deceased

The personal representa-

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

Date of Filing Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court: April 9, 2018

Date of First Publication: April 12, 2018

Co-Personal Representatives: Jerald R. Munden & Theodore N. Hopwood

Attorney for the Co-Personal Representatives: Michael V. Hubbard, WSBA #8823

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**In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla**  
Saul Alexander Bennett, Petitioner,  
No. (17-3-00263-6)  
Teresa Anne Garcia, Respondent.

The State of Washington to the respondent Teresa Anne Garcia:

You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after April 12, 2018, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Saul Alexander Bennett, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Saul Alexander Bennett 202 W Birch St, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

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**COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The Columbia County Public Works Department invites bids for the design and construction of a 60 ft by 100 ft metal sand shed.

Interested contractors may acquire bid documents from the Columbia County Public Works Department at 415 N. Guernsey Ave. in Dayton, Washington or by going to the Public Works page at www.columbiaco.com

Bids may be mailed or hand delivered to the Columbia County Public Works Department at PO Box 5

or 415 N. Guernsey Ave., Dayton, Washington 99328 until 9:45am on Monday May 7, 2018. Bids delivered in person will only be received at the reception desk. Bids will be opened after 10:00am on Monday May 7, 2018 in the chambers of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners located on the third floor at 341 E. Main St in Dayton, Washington.

William Andrew Woods,  
P.E.  
Columbia County Engineer/  
Public Works Director

Dates of publication: Week of April 16, 2018  
Week of April 23, 2018

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4-19-b

### Notice of Public Hearing

A Public Hearing will be held at 10:30 am on May 7, 2018 for the Board of Columbia County Commissioners to consider Ordinance 2018-003 - Columbia County Road Naming and Addressing Ordinance. The proposed ordinance is only applicable to the unincorporated area of the county.

A copy of the proposed ordinance can be obtained at the Columbia County Public Works Department 415 N Guernsey Ave., Dayton or by going to the county website at www.columbiaco.com. The public hearing will be held on the 3rd Floor of the Columbia County Courthouse, 341 East Main, Dayton, WA to hear public comment on the proposed action. If you cannot attend this meeting but still want to make comments, send written comments to Columbia County Public Works Department, PO Box 5, Dayton, WA 99328 no later than the time and date of the hearing.

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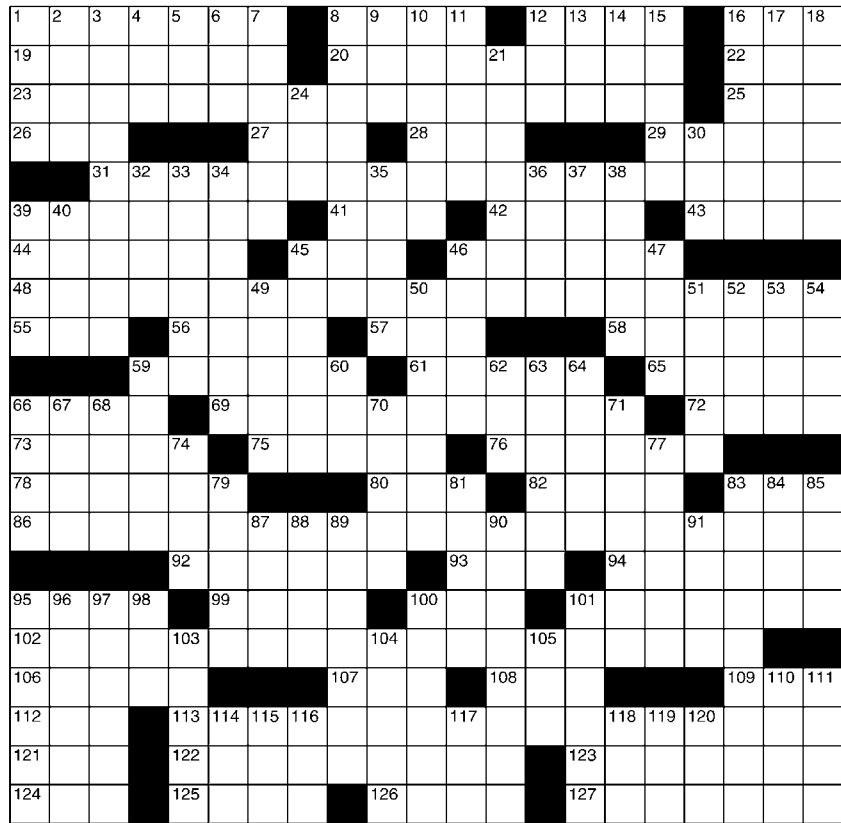
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  - 19 Waldorf — (hotel)
  - 20 Instantly
  - 22 Stan of comics
  - 23 Start of a riddle
  - 25 Eggs in a lab
  - 26 Lock insert
  - 27 AAA request
  - 28 — Aviv
  - 29 Entryways
  - 31 Riddle, part 2
  - 39 Said aloud
  - 41 Zebra's kin
  - 42 Very gloomy
  - 43 "Electric" fish
  - 44 One of the 12 apostles
  - 45 Post-Q string
  - 46 Alternative to Zoloff or Paxil
  - 48 Riddle, part 3
  - 55 Olive of comics
  - 56 2004-10 nickname on the Houston Rockets
  - 57 Actor Mineo
  - 58 Biting comedy
  - 59 Boozed up
  - 61 Slangy assents
  - 65 Arcade coin
  - 66 Not firm
  - 69 Riddle, part 4
  - 72 Allows to
  - 73 Less diluted
  - 75 Opening for a letter-shaped bolt
  - 76 Like part of the heart
  - 78 "The Simpsons" voice actor
  - 80 Disk in a 1990s fad game
  - 82 "Milk" Oscar winner Sean
  - 83 OR figure
  - 86 Riddle, part 5
  - 92 Crystal-lined
  - 93 Scepter
  - 94 Mobster's code of silence
  - 95 Fair-minded
  - 99 Take — (sample the drink)
  - 100 The "E" of PEI: Abbr.
  - 101 Having as a foundation
  - 102 End of the riddle
  - 106 Persona non — (outcast)
  - 107 Quadrennial games org.
  - 108 Brain wave test, in brief
  - 109 Chest bone
  - 112 Address for a knight
  - 113 Riddle's answer
  - 121 Koko or Kong
  - 122 Most itty-bitty
  - 123 Decorated pilots
  - 124 Get married
  - 125 Hedge shrubs
  - 126 Lofty works
  - 127 Least slobby
  - DOWN**
  - 1 Rubberneck
  - 2 Court great
  - 3 "Don't move"
  - 4 Lobster trap
  - 5 Geller with a psychic act
  - 6 Prefix with represent
  - 7 Gave a gentle touch
  - 8 Whizzed by
  - 9 Ignited
  - 10 Some spitzes
  - 11 Actor Finch
  - 12 Lao- —
  - 13 "Says —?"
  - 14 Gut-punch sound
  - 15 Exaggerated
  - 16 Dress
  - 17 Let slip
  - 18 Leavenings
  - 21 Quickly, musically
  - 24 Santa's laugh sounds
  - 30 Swallowed
  - 32 Utter agony
  - 33 Noble Brit
  - 34 Said nothing
  - 35 "C6mo —?" (Juan's greeting)
  - 36 Univ. lecturer
  - 37 Minnelli of "Arthur"
  - 38 Garner
  - 39 As many as Arthur
  - 40 "So — say"
  - 45 School break
  - 46 Volcano that destroyed St. Pierre
  - 47 Small talk
  - 49 Knows the answer
  - 50 Be really flattering
  - 51 Ringlike isle
  - 52 Tandem, e.g.
  - 53 Pitcher
  - 54 Hankers
  - 59 Far from lax
  - 60 650, in old Rome
  - 62 Gardner of old films
  - 63 Table protector under a warm dish
  - 64 Not as iffy
  - 66 Fix, as a dog or cat
  - 67 Liqueur akin to Sambuca
  - 68 Herr's wife
  - 70 Pueblo dwellers
  - 71 Vocalize loudly
  - 74 Actress Diana
  - 77 Absence of vigor
  - 79 "Save me —"
  - 81 Avant- — (totally new)
  - 83 Cajun dish
  - 84 Painter Dix
  - 85 Bluish green
  - 87 "Baloney!," to Brits
  - 88 Falco or Adams
  - 89 Patches
  - 90 Costs for cheap apartments
  - 91 Jail unit
  - 95 Many-pieced puzzle
  - 96 Still green
  - 97 Roped in
  - 98 Trike rider
  - 100 Cut in glass
  - 101 Enthusiast
  - 103 Run-down
  - 104 Lead-in to economic or political
  - 105 Lead-in to colonial
  - 110 Glazes, e.g.
  - 111 Unequaled
  - 114 "— -haw!"
  - 115 "Gross!"
  - 116 Little — (tykes)
  - 117 British verb ending
  - 118 Be in the running (for)
  - 119 Noted time
  - 120 Actor Faxon



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TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

## Golden Potato and Ham Soup

The nights are still cool enough to enjoy a great bowl of soup for dinner, with a thick slice of bread. Joe made this for dinner and it's delicious. We had leftover ham and Yukon potatoes to use, so this was perfect. He often Googles what we have and the computer comes up with recipes to use them.



As with most soups, ingredients can be flexible. If your family does not eat ham, then turkey ham, chicken, or beef sausage would work just as well.

### INGREDIENTS:

- 6 c. cubed Yukon gold potatoes
- 2 c. water
- 1 c. sliced celery
- 1 c. sliced carrots
- ½ c. chopped onion
- 2tsp dried parsley flakes
- 2 tsp chicken bouillon granules
- 1 tsp salt, ½ tsp pepper
- ¼ c. all-purpose flour
- 2 c. whole milk, divided
- 1 pkg (16 oz) process cheese (Velveeta)
- 1 c. cubed fully cooked ham
- 1/3 c. real bacon bits

### DIRECTIONS:

In a Dutch oven, combine the first nine ingredients. Bring to a boil over medium heat. Reduce heat, cover and stir for two minutes or until potatoes are tender.

Meanwhile in a small bowl, combine flour and ¼ c. milk until smooth, add to soup. Bring to a boil, cook and stir for two minutes or until thickened. Stir in cheese and remaining milk until cheese is melted. Add ham and bacon, heat through. Yield: eight servings.

### MY NOTES:

I wouldn't substitute the Yukon potatoes with russets because I think they will break down and make the soup too thick (my opinion). The red potatoes may be ok.

For sure, we did not use Velveeta. But then that's a personal choice. We had shredded cheddar cheese in the freezer and used that instead. And we did not have bacon bits.

I followed up with Angel food cake with Klickers frozen strawberries. I have mixed emotions about using a cake mix that you just add water to make the Angel food cake. Part of me is glad it was that quick and easy, the other part wanted to do it the long way for a homemade taste. But I didn't have extra time so did the cake mix.

Enjoy!

## LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

### Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

7	3	4	9	8	1	2	6	5
8	5	1	7	2	6	9	4	3
6	9	2	4	5	3	8	1	7
1	2	9	3	7	5	4	8	6
3	6	7	1	4	8	5	2	9
4	8	5	2	6	9	3	7	1
9	1	8	6	3	2	7	5	4
5	4	3	8	1	7	6	9	2
2	7	6	5	9	4	1	3	8

### Hitori

answer

4	2	3	2	3
3	1	5	5	4
5	5	1	4	3
1	5	4	3	4
2	5	4	1	5

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

8			5			9		
	2					1		4
		3		8			7	
	1		6	9				7
		4		7			5	
5					2	8		
6			9					1
	8			6		3		
		5			8			2

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## Conceptis Hitori

Each puzzle consists of a square grid with numbers appearing in all squares. The object is to shade squares so:

1	5	3	1	2
5	4	1	3	4
3	4	3	1	5
4	4	2	3	3
2	1	5	4	4

- No number appears in a row or column more than once.
- Shaded (black) squares do not touch each other vertically or horizontally.
- When completed, all un-shaded (white) squares create a single continuous area.

1	2	4	3	1
1	3	5	4	4
1	5	2	4	3
4	5	3	1	2
3	1	2	2	5

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