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Beka Compton

The Dayton Eagles Lodge, 222 Main Street in Dayton, sustained heavy fire damage to support structures in the upper floor. Demolition occurred on Sunday, with crews removing the unstable portion of the facade. Don't worry: The sidewalks and street are open just in time for All Wheels Weekend.

All Wheels Weekend rolling into Dayton June 18 - 20



Susan Arthur Photography

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Rev your engines and head to Dayton this weekend, as All Wheels Weekend kicks off Friday, June 18, with the “Cruise for Gene” night cruise and Friday Night Music on the Court House lawn.

According to Chamber Director Belinda Larsen, the event will motor on as usual, with the only exception being the partial sidewalk closure in front of the Eagles Lodge. The lodge sustained significant damage during a fire on June 8, 2021. After efforts by the city and others to clear the area of debris and stabilize the building's facade, cars can safely park in front of the building.

The Eagles Auxiliary will be hosting a breakfast on Saturday, June 19, starting at 6:30 a.m., until 11 a.m., or until they run out of food. Head over early to the American Legion, 211 E Clay Street, to grab a plate of fresh biscuits and gravy, hash browns, and scrambled eggs.

After breakfast, Main Street will be lined with cars of all calibers: rat rods, classic rides, and modern favorites. Don't miss the famous Drag Races, which are always a fan favorite! A food court and beer garden will be available. A special appearance from local celebrity Izzy the Camel on Saturday afternoon, and later that night, the Frog Hollow Band will be performing live, starting at 6 p.m., on the lawn at the Historic Dayton Courthouse.

A golf tournament and putting contest at the Touchet Valley Golf Course and a hearty Father's Day Breakfast at the Columbia County Fairgrounds will take place on Sunday, June 20.

CWWFD2 hears from hiring committee on Chief job description, expectations

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Columbia-Walla Walla Fire District 2 (D2) fire commissioners met Wednesday, June 9, for a regular meeting. During the meeting, Ashley Strickland presented the revised Fire Chief job description, expectations, and recommendations to the board.

The hiring committee began revising the job description and expectations for the Chief position, a few months back. The committee included Strickland, who acted as the head of the committee, Matt Spring, Brooke Mikesell, Dane Henze, Jake Long, and Jason Taylor.

The committee recommended that D2 open up conversations with the Columbia County Fire District 3 to develop a formal agreement for administrative and training assistance. Strickland said that District 3 has a long-standing invitation extended to D2, but a formal agreement would create extra accountability, and Strickland believed that it might help boost member involvement.

Strickland said the committee's following recommendation was to have the board of commissioners and the hiring committee attend a fire association meeting, so they can hear what members look for and desire from leadership, especially from the Chief. Strickland said that he had observed a disconnect between firefighters and the board of commissioners and shared that, along with many hiring committee members, a joint meeting would be an opportunity for everyone to speak freely. He also recommended that the association and the commissioners meet throughout the year to maintain that line of communication, even after the district hires a new chief.

“I think it would help make this an open, transparent process for the hiring process,” Strickland said. “This would give them (fire association members) a voice.”

The final recommendation was to have firefighters take on different duties within the Chief's description to help prevent being behind on things like billing, training and certification status of each member, and equipment inspections. Strickland said assigning tasks in this fashion will help keep the district up to date and add another line of accountability.

Strickland moved on to the Chief's job description, where he went into detail for all of the suggested duties. Some specifics included having a presence at all local meetings and events, attending 90% of Firefighter Association meetings, at least ten Fire Commission meetings, and at least 65% of all training. Under this proposed description, the chief would also be tasked with establishing a long-term plan for the department's success, at a standard that the public should expect.

“I don't think that the public has the same view of the department that a lot of the people in the department assume,” Strickland explained. “For instance, I believe that if you randomly survey people in Waitsburg, they would tell you that the department has a transporting ambulance. Some of it is history, there used to be one, and some of it is because you still use an ambulance “box” as a responding vehicle. We think that the chief should be responsible for making sure that the public understands that ‘no, we don't have a transporting ambulance.’”

After discussions regarding the Chief's description, Commissioner Jake Long

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

MORE THAN \$3.67 MILLION IN FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP WASHINGTON LIBRARIES AND MUSEUMS

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—Washington State Library, a division of the Secretary of State's Office, announced that more than \$3.67 million would be made available to help public, academic, and tribal libraries and museums statewide.

The funding is part of the \$200 million allocated in the American Rescue Plan Act to the Institute of Museum and Library Services in response to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic.

Washington State Library will award grants to help museums and libraries implement and sustain public health protocols and defray technology, personnel, training, supplies, equipment, and other operating costs.

In addition, the grants will enable libraries and museums to enhance their digital-inclusion efforts, such as creating or expanding internet hotspots, Wi-Fi capabilities, and digital content and resources supporting education, health, and workforce development.

Beginning June 14, qualified libraries and museums are encouraged to apply online at <https://washstatelib.libguides.com/ARPAwa>.

"Libraries and museums are critical to our communities' vitality and well-being. Part of addressing the pandemic is to ensure they have the resources and bandwidth they need to deliver the important services people rely on every day," said Washington State Librarian Sara Jones. "We thank the Institute of Museum and Library Services for helping make these grants possible, and we are grateful for the opportunity to support and help sustain our local libraries and museums."

"TAILS AND TALES" THEME FOR CCRLD READING PROGRAM

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The theme for this year's Columbia County Rural Library District Summer Reading Program is "Tails and Tales" and activities will include crafts, storytelling, music, and much more for all ages. The program began on Monday, June 14, and will run through Friday, August 6, 2021.

Registration is free and ongoing. Included in the registration packet is a bingo-style card of activities to enjoy. Complete a row of activities and bring your card to the library on Friday to pick up your prize and be entered in the raffle drawing for a prize basket at the end of the summer.

This week's activities include take-and-make Origami bookmarks; Discovery Kids music and storytelling on Wednesday, June 16, from 10:00 - 11:00 am; and a "Butterfly Puddlers" craft all day on Thursday, June 17.



AT THE LIBERTY: Spirit Untamed

THE TIMES

Spirit Untamed is an epic adventure, with a star-studded cast doing the voices, about a headstrong girl longing for a place to belong who discovers a kindred spirit when her life intersects with a wild horse. This film is the next chapter in the beloved story from DreamWorks Animation, which started with the 2002 film *Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron*, and has continued in the Netflix series *Spirit Riding Free*.

Lucky Prescott (Isabela Merced) never really knew her late mother, Milagro Navarro (Eiza González), a fearless horse-riding stunt performer from Miradero, a small town on the edge of the wide-open frontier. Like her mother, Lucky isn't exactly a fan of rules and restrictions, which has caused her Aunt Cora (Academy Award® winner Julianne Moore) no small amount of worry. Lucky has grown up in an East Coast city under Cora's watchful eye, but when Lucky presses her luck with one too many risky escapades, Cora moves them both back with Lucky's father, Jim (Oscar® nominee Jake Gyllenhaal), in Miradero.

Lucky is decidedly unimpressed with the sleepy little town. She has a change of heart when she meets Spirit, a wild Mustang who shares her independent streak and befriends two local horseback riders, Abigail Stone (Mckenna Grace) and Pru Granger (Marsai Martin). Pru's father, a stable owner Al Granger (Emmy winner Andre Braugher), is the best friend of Lucky's father.

A heartless horse wrangler (Emmy nominee Walton Goggins) and his team plan to capture Spirit and his herd and auction them into a life of captivity and hard labor. Lucky enlists her new friends and embarks on the adventure of a lifetime to rescue the horse who has given her freedom and a sense of purpose. Through Spirit, Lucky has discovered a connection to her mother's legacy and her Mexican heritage that she never expected.

Rotten Tomatoes critics rate this movie as 43% favorable, but the audience score is 97% favorable. This film is rated PG for some adventure action and has a running time of 1 hr. and 28 minutes.

This movie shows June 18-22, on Fri. & Sat. at 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 3:00 p.m., and Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. (not 7:30).

Masks that cover your nose and mouth are still required in the Liberty Theater, except when guests eat or drink while in their seats. This requirement remains because the CDC considers theaters as relatively high-risk indoor venues for those not vaccinated. Please help us provide a relatively safe environment for all by complying with this mask requirement and maintaining social distancing for a while longer. We appreciate your assistance and support.

CCRLD INAUGURAL ELEVATOR RIDE TO BE LIVE STREAMED JUNE 23

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The new elevator at the Columbia County Rural Library District building will see its first official ride next Wednesday, June 23, 2021, starting

at 3:00 pm. The event will be live streamed via the library's Facebook page, allowing guests to tune in from home. Visit the Columbia County Rural Library District's Facebook page to join in on the fun.

Touchet Valley Weather June 16, 2021

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy
High: 79 Low: 52	High: 86 Low: 55	High: 93 Low: 61	High: 91 Low: 62	High: 89 Low: 61	High: 90 Low: 63	High: 91 Low: 62

Weather Trivia

What part of the world sees the most thunderstorms?

Answer: Island of Java, Indonesia.

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Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	
Tuesday	72	50	76/53	0.00"	Precipitation 0.10"
Wednesday	70	53	77/53	0.00"	Normal precipitation 0.34"
Thursday	71	52	77/53	0.00"	Departure from normal -0.24"
Friday	76	49	77/53	0.00"	Average temperature 66.3°
Saturday	82	55	77/53	0.10"	Average normal temperature 65.2°
Sunday	93	56	78/54	0.00"	Departure from normal +1.1"
Monday	89	60	78/54	0.00"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
First 6/17	5:01 a.m.	8:46 p.m.	11:03 a.m.	12:45 a.m.
Thursday	5:01 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	12:15 p.m.	1:09 a.m.
Friday	5:01 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	1:29 p.m.	1:31 a.m.
Saturday	5:01 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	2:45 p.m.	1:53 a.m.
Sunday	5:01 a.m.	8:47 p.m.	4:04 p.m.	2:15 a.m.
Monday	5:02 a.m.	8:48 p.m.	5:26 p.m.	2:41 a.m.
Full 6/24	5:02 a.m.	8:48 p.m.	6:49 p.m.	3:11 a.m.

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Friends of the Weller Library meeting welcomed large crowd

Over 30 supporters of the Weller Library showed up to learn about the city's plan to move the library and sell the building.

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

Waitsburg—On Wednesday, June 9, the Friends of the Weller Library met for their regular monthly meeting. The meeting was held at the Weller Library in Waitsburg and attended by approximately 30 people.

Karen Huwe, past president of the group, welcomed everyone before turning the meeting over to new president Lisa Winnett. After the last meeting's minutes were read and approved, Winnett opened discussion on the City Council's possible decision to surplus the library. She said the group knew nothing of the plan until they read it in *The Times*.

Librarian Rosie Warehime stated that she was opposed to moving the library. She felt the historical value of the location and the alternative ADA service she has provides are reasons the library should be allowed to stay in the current location.

Skip Carpenter spoke of the need to keep the few remaining historic buildings and amenities in Waitsburg from disappearing. He commented on the disintegration of city services, including outsourcing garbage management, suspension of tree and yard waste disposal, ending city-wide yard clean-up and closing the pool. He said it appeared to be "open season on kids." He referred to the Weller Library and the building as the "spark plug" of the city.

There was a general agreement at the meeting that the building needs repair and renovation. The city said that the city's renovation costs are more than private parties which led to a discussion of a nonprofit or private party buying the building on behalf of the library.

The attendees discussed two possible scenarios: The first is creating two properties, the upstairs to be sold to a private party, and the bottom space would continue to be owned by the city and house the library. The money from the upstairs sale would fund renovations to the library for ADA compliance and increased functionality.

The second idea was whether the city could sell the entire building to a private party using criteria other than the highest bidder. Could the council create bidding criteria that allow preserving the building and housing the library to be considered an asset to the city? A winning bid could include cash and a long-term, low-cost lease for the library.

Suze Wood offered her experience working with the City Administrator, Randy Hinchliffe, saying she receives direct answers to her questions. In a conversation with Hinchliffe that day, she said his concerns for the building were primarily ADA compliance-re-

lated. She said he also had concerns over the upstairs being vacant and the library running out of space.

Wood said that she told her brother, who is a lover of libraries, about the status of the building. He was interested in the possibility of buying the building to allow the library to stay in the current space. He would make the necessary changes for ADA compliance and renovate the upstairs as an apartment.

Should the City decide to sell the building without the library as a tenant, the Wood family offered potential rental space in the building currently being developed as Duke & Remington. Hinchliffe said that would not be possible as the city is not interested in renting space for the library. They will only locate it in a building the city owns.

Attendees who were at the city council meeting last month, felt the decision to move the library to another building had already been decided. They shared that Councilmember Jim Romine said the city was looking at a building to house both City Hall and the Weller Library.

Local realtor, Lynne Carpenter confirmed the city was making contact with building owners, her family was contacted about their building at the north end of Main Street by the pool. She said the family did not feel it was an appropriate location for the library but would consider it if the situation was dire.

Carpenter pointed out that there was only one building currently on the market that would be big enough for what the city has said it would like to do. The large white metal building at the north end of Main, owned by Northwest Grain Growers and most recently occupied by Limagrain Cereal Seeds, is on the market. (Update: The building was taken off the market Thursday morning after the meeting. The owners are in negotiations)

This led the meeting to discuss the potential cost to move the library. Twila Tate, a Waitsburg resident and a librarian at the Walla Walla library, voiced concern over the lack of planning or budget for a move. She described the types of funding she was familiar with for libraries and wondered why the city had not applied or received any of these grants to work on the library.

Jillian Henze said she heard four main problems voiced by those at the meeting. The first was a lack of trust in City Hall and the City Council; the second was a lack of communication from the city. A third was the building's physical state, including ADA concerns and the needed renovation to the upstairs. The last was the lack of funding for any long term-investment in the library and building.

The library board was asked by several attendees what steps should be taken at this moment to protect the Weller Library. Kate Hockersmith reminded the group that any city council member could table an action item on the agenda. They only have to move to table the item, before or after discussion, and it will be held until the following monthly meeting.

The library board decided to distribute a petition to communicate with the council. The board would

like to slow the surplus process down to allow the library board, supporters, and the city council to work together to find the best solution. They agreed they wanted to explore options that might keep the library where it is.

There was talk about raising funds to make an offer on the building should it go to surplus. Bids must be at least \$14,000 which is 10% of the appraised value of \$140,000. However, the council could decide not to accept any bid.

Should the surplus decision be tabled at the June 16 meeting, the board would ask the council to hold a workshop so the public can be a part of the problem solving needed to make the final decision on the library's future.

Joy Smith said new Washington state legislation may allow the city to consider development of affordable housing upstairs as part of a successful bid.

It was mentioned that the city council held a meeting in executive session at the same time as the Friends of the Library meeting. Executive sessions are allowed to cover buying real estate, setting the price for selling real estate and discussing new appointments qualifications.

The city always posts upcoming city council meeting agendas and packets on the website under the government tab. The June 16 meeting agenda includes setting a public hearing on the proposal to surplus the Waitsburg Fairground property and a final vote to surplus the Weller Library building. Those interested in the council's decisions should read the published agenda and packet and attend the meetings held the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lions Club at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds.

DAYTON YARD SALES

So Many Yard Sales,
So Little Time!

Saturday, June 26th
8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Blue Mountain Heritage Society
Palus Museum - 426 E. Main Street
and
First Congregational Church
214 S. 3rd Street - Downstairs

Community Calendar

Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

Waitsburg City Council:
Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.
Call-in information available at www.cityofwaitsburg.com/government-1

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

Waitsburg Gun Club:
Monday May 24 - General Membership / Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Walla Walla County Commissioners
Every Monday and Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m.
Call-in information is available at https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/2020_agendas.php

Dayton & Columbia County Meetings Board of Columbia County Commissioners
First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m.
Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

Dayton City Council
Second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m.
Call-in information available at <https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-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 information.

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Every month on the Third Monday at 7:00 PM
Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Special Meeting via Zoom
Tuesday, June 1, 2021, starting at 7:00 pm
Zoom link and information available on the library website at daytonml.org

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting - Online
Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon
Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5598153650>
Starbuck City Council:
Second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall

DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH

Dayton Senior Center
403 E. Patit St.
12 p.m.
Drive Up Only

Thursday, June 17
BBQ chicken
Baked beans
Carrots
Coleslaw
Corn bread
Brownie
Juice, Milk

Tuesday, June 22
Hamburgers
All the fixings
Potato chips
Watermelon
Cookies
Milk

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, June 22
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Vegetable (chef's choice)
Beet salad
Roll
Fruit

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Shooting at Shangri-La RV park on June 6

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

DAYTON—A shooting incident on June 6 at the Shangri-La River Ranch RV Park, west of Dayton, left one man critically injured, and another has been arrested. According to the police report, Justin G. Karl, 40, was working on his motorcycle in the early hours of Sunday morning. His wife, Stephanie A. Karl, 48, could hear him working when she heard a loud noise. She went outside to find Justin yelling that he had just been shot. A Columbia County Sheriff's deputy responded to the incident at approximately 1:30 a.m. On arrival, the deputy provided basic aid to the victim, who was having difficulty breathing. The deputy observed multiple bullet wounds on the victim's chest and abdomen. Karl was life-flighted to Kadlec Regional Medical Center in Richland, where he would receive emergency surgery. On Sunday, he was listed in critical condition, and there has been no update on the victim's condition.

According to the incident report, another resident at the park, Willard Norton, said he heard a large animal attacking something in the bushes next to his trailer and went to the park owner's son, Joshua B. Wilson. Norton said that he and Wilson drove down a side road and observed 'yellow eyes' in the trees. Wilson then exited the pickup with a shotgun. He shot once into bushes between the road and the park. Norton claimed he yelled at Wilson that it was unsafe to fire the gun so close to the trailers.

After a search of the area, deputies were unable to locate Wilson at the scene. He was later found at a friend's trailer at the park approximately ten hours after the incident at 11:30 a.m., Sunday morning. Initially, Wilson claimed Norton borrowed the shotgun and was responsible for the shooting. He later admitted to firing the gun after learning that Norton, Justin Karl, and Stephanie Karl identified him as the shooter. He walked the arresting officers down the path he took after the incident and showed them where the gun was hidden. In his statement, Wilson admitted he left the scene with the gun, telling Norton that he was planning to call for help, but admitted to never making the call.

Columbia County Prosecuting Attorney Dale Slack confirmed on Wednesday that Wilson would be charged on one count of Assault in the Third Degree (Class C felony) with a firearm enhancement (9A.36.031(f), criminal negligence), and Drive-By Shooting (Class B felony). The firearm enhancement adds a mandatory 18 months to Wilson's sentence. As of June 9, Wilson was being held on a \$300,000 cash or surety bond.

LIBERTY THEATER ANNOUNCES NEW MANAGER, THEATER ASSISTANT

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Liberty Theater is proud to introduce Debbie Ayerst as the new Theater Manager. Ayerst has worked for three years as the Assistant Manager and has been very capable and dependable. She will now take over the overall operation of the theater. The interim manager team, consisting of Dave Molesh, Glen Mendel, and Michael Luce, will continue to assist her during the transition and further training.

The theater is also proud to introduce Alys Webber as the new Theater Assistant. She has been a lobby Volunteer for three years, and has a variety of useful prior experience. She now will have further training as a projectionist and will be in charge during some shows.

The Liberty Theater is open Sundays and Tuesdays, 2:30 p.m.- 9:30 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays, 2:30 p.m.- 10:30 p.m. Visit their website for current screenings, programs and more, <https://libertytheater.org/index.html>



Theater Manager, Debbie Ayerst



Theater Assistant, Alys Webber



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said that the district needed to look at implementing a burn ban for the summer season, suggesting that it would go into effect in July. He did not think that postponing that ban would be wise, based on current fire conditions, and thought that the ban would extend beyond Labor Day. The commissioners voted on a ban in Walla Walla County, but were unable to vote on a Columbia County ban due to lack of Columbia County Commissioner attendance.

This sparked conversation about the attendance of an unspecified Columbia County commissioner, who has been absent for most of the district's meetings. The absence has created delays on implementation of important functions, including the burn ban. Commissioner Long said he would be contacting that commissioner, asking them to start attending meetings or step down.

Commissioner Long shared that a utility/command type vehicle may be available from the Columbia County Public Works department, to be used by duty officers or acting chief. The vehicle would allow a person in charge to be the "first eyes on the scene" without tying up a fire truck. It was unclear whether the truck would become available, or when.

The commissioners exited the meeting for an executive session, to discuss a personnel issue.

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BIRTHDAYS

June 17: Pat Davison and Gabriel Kiefel.

June 18: Bernice Patrick, Linda Bode, Gertrude Brock and Ryan Leid.

June 19: Barbara Johnson, Rollin Carpenter.

June 20: Beau Marshall, Frank Loveall, Louis Donnelly, Katreena Mabe, Seth Pierson, Cameron Danforth, Amber Hilton.

June 21: Gemma Pennington, David Dunn, Dick Harper, Tawnya Nettles, Peggy Brookshire and Anita Baker.

June 22: Andy Winnett, Michael Spidell and Paul Cook.

June 23: James Lehr, Teresa McConnell, Debbie Shaeffer, Delbert Porter, Michelle Bergevin, Lynn Savage, Jon Gibson and Heather Havens.



WWCSO

June 12

Male arrested for DWLS, 1st, and Failure to have Ignition Interlock Equipment

June 14

An unidentified subject ran from a vehicle following a traffic stop. W Hwy 12/ Rainsdance Road, Burbank

Theft of a generator. E Hwy 12, Dixie
Vehicle sunroof broken out. N B St, Prescott

CCSO

June 7

Animal call. Highway 12

Citizen contact at Shangri La RV Park. Rose Gulch
Shots fired. Lower Hogeeye Hollow

June 8

Accident, non-injury at PDQ Dayton. Main Street

Suspicious activity reported at Washington Federal Bank. Main Street

Missing person reported. Main Street

June 9

Fraud reported. Dutch Flat Road

Accident, non-injury. Eager Road

Traffic call at Knoblock Apartments. 5th Street

June 10

Abandoned vehicle reported. Clay Street

Theft reported. Country Village

Lost property reported. Oak Street

June 11

Theft at Dayton Mercantile Subway, IGA. Main Street

Found property at the Church of Latter Day Saints. 3rd Street

Welfare check. Creamery Street

June 12

Malicious mischief reported at the Eagles Fraternal Order. Main Street

Harassment reported. 1st Street

Injury accident. Highway 12

June 13

Suspicious activity reported. Starveout Road

Suspicious activity reported. School Bus Lane

Welfare check. Touchet Road

The Times

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Cardinal's Nest to offer Summer Program

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Cardinal's Nest is pleased to offer four weeks of hands-on art and science activities this summer! Thanks to generous grants from the Sunny Day Foundation, Northwest Grain Growers, and matched through United Way and the facilities provided by the Waitsburg School District, this summer program is available at no cost.

Sessions are Monday to Thursday, 9:00-10:45 a.m. Kathy Schirm will be leading the activities with her usual enthusiasm and focus on positive interactions with students. In order to follow current guidelines from the Department of Health and ensure that the students get the guidance they deserve, each session will be limited to 20 participants.

If your student has participated this year in The Cardinal's Nest or the Cardinal's Nest Art program and has a registration form on file, you do not need to complete a new one.

If your student does NOT have a registration form on file, you can download one online or pick one up on the first day your student attends. The registration form is available on the district's website, www.waitsburgsd.org

Return the registration as follows:

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The Cardinal's Nest

PO Box 217

Waitsburg, WA 99361

Email to kschirm@waitsburgsd.org

Text to Kathy Carpenter (509) 629-1876 or Kathy Schirm (509) 629-2991

Sessions will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. The completed registration form will hold your student's place. If a session is full, you will be notified, and your child will be placed on a waitlist.

Activities will be located at the Waitsburg Elementary School – Room 145, entrance through the southwest door. Participants can pick up a Grab-and-Go lunch when they leave for the day, through August 6th. A snack bag will be available for kids from August 9 through 12.

SESSION 1: June 28 - July 1 (Age groups 2nd-7th grades)

Monday, June 28 – Nature Sculpture/fossil making

Tuesday, June 29 – Elephant Toothpaste/free art

Wednesday, June 30 – Water Gun Painting

Thursday, July 1 – Bubble Painting flowers with soap

SESSION 2: July 12-15 (2nd-7th grades)

Monday, July 12 – Spin Art Painting

Tuesday, July 13 – Making Bouncy Balls

Wednesday, July 14 – Solar Ovens pt.1

Thursday, July 15 – Solar Ovens pt. 2

SESSION 3: August 2-5 (Kindergarten-1st grades)

Monday, August 2 – Nature Sculpture Fossil Making/ Clay

Tuesday, August 3 – Tile Coasters

Wednesday, August 4 – Making Oobleck/Bouncy balls/Fizz, Bubble, and Foam

Thursday, August 5 – Splatter Painting Creations/ Making Colors

SESSION 4: August 9-12 (Age groups 2nd-7th grades)

Monday, August 9 – Hands-on science experiments peeling eggs with vinegar

Tuesday, August 10 – Elephant Toothpaste

Wednesday, August 11 – Black Glue/Watercolor creations

Thursday, August 12 – Free Day/Building Creations with a variety of materials

Engagements

EDWARDS-STEINHOFF



Dayton couple, Samantha Edwards and Cody Steinhoff are happy to announce their wedding engagement. The ceremony will take place on September 4, 2021 at 3 p.m. in McMinnville, Oregon.

CWWFD2 ANNOUNCES BURN BAN

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Columbia-Walla Walla Fire District 2 announced that a burn ban will go into effect in the district, including the City of Waitsburg, on July 6. The ban will extend into September, with an end date to be announced.

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2021 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Unveiled

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days have officially kicked off their 155th Fair season. At the annual Showcase fundraiser held Saturday, June 5th, 2021, Frontier Days Foundation board members, Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days board members, and manager Greg Lybeck unveiled the 2021 fair theme. The lineup for 2021 featured concert artists and grounds acts, and the annually recognized Rodeo Legends, Parade Marshal, and Distinguished Sponsor.

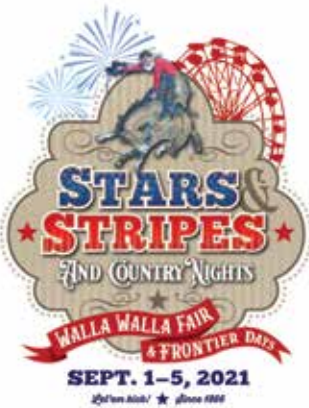
The Fair announced its theme for 2021, "Stars & Stripes and Country Nights," honoring the first responders during the pandemic and recognizing the 20th anniversary of the September 11th attacks.

"This year's fair theme 'Stars and Stripes & Country Nights' has such special meaning after all that our community and our nation have been through this year. It seemed fitting to honor those from 9/11 and all emergency workers who sacrificed so much to get us through COVID. It is now time to celebrate as a community because we have all earned it and have been through so much," said Greg Lybeck, Fairgrounds General Manager.

As the 2020 Fair was canceled due to COVID-19 closures, last year's planned Chicago concert has been rolled over to Wednesday, September 1, 2021. Hailed by many as one of the most influential bands in music. The legendary rock and roll band with horns, Chicago, is the first American rock band to chart Top 40 albums in six consecutive decades.

Country musician Lainey Wilson will be performing Thursday, September 2, on the Inland Cellular Many Waters stage. Lainey Wilson has fast become one of Nashville's most buzzed about newcomers thanks to a fiery live show and prolific songwriting. Wilson's current single "Things A Man Oughta' Know" was highlighted in NPR's Best Music of 2019.

Additionally, several other musical entertainment acts are scheduled for the free concert nights on the Inland Cellular Many Waters Stage, including: The First Annual Walla Walla Fair; Frontier Days Battle of the Bands Championship; Fast Lane, an Eagles Tribute Band; Storm Rider, a Western Washington band



paying tribute to Santana and The Doors; and local band Whiskey Creek. More entertainment along with a full line up of Latino bands for Sunday evening are being scheduled and will be announced soon.

The 2021 Fair will also bring new grounds acts including: Hypnotist and Comic Justin James and Sarrafina, the world's youngest hypnotist (at 9 years old) and DockDogs®, an exciting nationally recognized competitive dog sport.

DockDogs® consists of 3 different sporting disciplines: Big Air – the first sport and the most popular, this is the Long Jump of canine aquatics; Extreme Vertical – introduced in 2005 it is considered the High Jump of canine aquatics; and Speed Retrieve – launched in 2008 this is a timed sport involving the combination of run, jump, swim and retrieve.

In recognition of their hard work and efforts, exhibitors at the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days may enter competitive categories and compete for a ribbon and possible premiums. In 2019, exhibitors included almost 6,000 youth exhibitors in 4-H, FFA and Open Class and a total of \$48,826.40 was paid in premiums. Washington State Department of Agriculture provides Fairs with funding for premiums based on the previous year's premiums paid out. Since there was no Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days in 2020 nor premiums given out, no funds were expected for 2021. However, WSDA provided Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days and all Washington Fairs with \$3,000 to be used toward premiums for exhibitors.

At its annual Showcase fundraiser event this last weekend, funds raised from the Raise Your Paddle portion of the auction were earmarked for premiums for exhibitors. In previous years, the Frontier Days Foundation raised funds for various projects such as a trailer for the historic Stagecoach or the new electronic reader board which will be installed on 9th street in July 2021.

"The Walla Walla County Commissioners, Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Board of Directors and Fair Management are committed to ensuring exhibitors receive their premiums this year. We were amazed at the outpouring of generosity from our Showcase attendees and we want to send a heart-felt thank you to those who have made donations for premiums to exhibitors," said Greg Lybeck, Fairgrounds General Manager.

While a large portion of the premiums for exhibitors was raised at the Showcase event, there is still a need for additional funds to cover expected premiums to be paid at the 2021 Fair. To make a donation for exhibitor premiums, checks can be made to Frontier Days Foundation, PO Box 2224, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

Delta variant listed as 'variant of concern' by CDC

The Delta variant accounts for roughly 10% of US COVID-19 cases

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Tuesday announced that the Delta variant of COVID-19, also known as B.1.617.2, is being monitored as a "variant of concern." The variant was currently designated as a "variant of interest."

A 'variant of concern' designation is reserved for strains of the virus that scientists believe are more transmissible, or may cause more severe disease. Current vaccines, treatments and tests may be less effective against the emerging strain, according to the CDC website.

Over the past few months, COVID-19 cases have been declining in the US, but, as of June 5, the Delta variant accounted for 9.9% of all cases, based on data presented by the CDC. The variant has become the dominant strain in India, where it was first discovered in December of 2020, as well as in the United Kingdom, and is infecting young people more frequently. Health officials in the

United States are concerned that the Delta variant could become the dominant strain in the US, based on current trends.

Typical COVID-19 symptoms, including cough, fever, and loss of taste or smell are in line with the Delta variant, however, Professor Tim Spector, who runs the Zoe Covid Symptom Study, said that the Delta variant can feel 'more like a bad cold' for younger people, in a June, 2021 interview with the BBC. Other symptoms include muscle aches, a new continuous cough, a high temperature, headache, loss of appetite, and chills are all associated with the variant. Gastrointestinal issues, including nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal pain are some of the more severe symptoms.

According to data shared by the BBC, the Pfizer and AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines are highly effective against the Delta variant. AstraZeneca is not yet approved for use in the United States. A study published in the Lancet indicated that the Pfizer vaccine provided up to 79% protection against the Delta variant in fully-vaccinated individuals.

The UW Medicine's Virology Lab is tracking the spread of the Delta variant, reporting that there have been 170 cases detected. Washington is one of 29 states that has confirmed cases of the variant.

LEGAL NOTICES

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

No. 21-20021536
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

ROBERT S. WEISS and PATRICIA L. WEISS, Husband and Wife, and PAUL L. BUTLER, as Trustee of the Paul L. Butler Family Trust, Plaintiffs,

vs.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, a dissolved nonprofit corporation, DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS, unknown persons, Defendants.

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS:

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this Summons, to wit, within sixty (60) days after the 10th day of May, 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court and answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the Plaintiff, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the Complaint in this action, which has been filed with the Clerk of said court. The object of this action is to quiet title for real property.

DATED this 17th day of May 2021

Minnick - Hayner, P.S.
By: /s/ James K. Hayner,
WSBA #6398 of Attorneys for Plaintiffs
The Times
May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No. 21 4 00123 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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The Personal Representative named below

has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney stated below a copy of the claim and filing of the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice.

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Personal Representative: MELVIN H. GAMMOND
Date of First Publication: June 17, 2021.
By: /s/ Melvin H. Gammond
Personal Representative of the

Estate of PENELOPE GAMMOND
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ORDINANCE SUMMARY BY TITLE ONLY FOR PUBLICATION PURPOSES
ORDINANCE NUMBER 1983

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON, CREATING A NEW CHAPTER OF THE DAYTON MUNICIPAL CODE AND ADOPTING POLICY AND INCENTIVE FOR MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY LIMITS

The full text of Ordinance 1983 adopted the 9th day of June 2021, is available for examination at the Dayton City Hall, 111 South 1st Street, Dayton, WA during normal business hours, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.
By: /s/ Zac Weatherford,
Mayor

Attest: /s/ Trina Cole, City Administrator
Approved as to from: /s/ Quinn Plant, City Attorney
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ORDINANCE SUMMARY BY TITLE ONLY FOR PUBLICATION PURPOSES
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You win some; you lose some



By Alexandra Fitzgerald | THE TIMES

Every time I think I have the garden dialed in I'm reminded that I don't. Such is life. Overall, May has been kind to our garden with stable weather though a bit cold in our area (the last frost was May 20th). It has, however, been incredibly dry, and I'm thankful for drip irrigation on timers. One of the only upsides to the lack of rain is that the weeds aren't too bad yet. We haven't been subject to any herbicide drift so far this season which has also helped the garden flourish.

But while the weather was reasonable, my gardening skills were still put through their paces this past month. Enemy Number One in my garden is the gopher. Full Stop. As a biologist and generally earth-friendly person, I recognize that every species has a purpose and a place in the ecosystem. I tolerate bug damage, grow a variety of flowering plants to support native insects, and maintain "messy" areas in the garden to provide habitat for mice, salamanders, snakes, and other critters that call this patch home. Gophers, however, have systematically destroyed my tolerance and have devoured every last straw I had.

Over the years, they've killed a cherry tree, five squash plants, several bean patches, at least a hundred onions, and almost every potato I've ever attempted to grow. Every raised bed is lined with gopher wire. I plant each raspberry, blackberry, blueberry, and fruit tree inside a gopher wire-basket fortress. Any squash or tomatoes that go in the ground unprotected have a 50/50 chance of survival at best. This month the gophers gamboled in and out of my raspberry patch and happily headed on to the asparagus, doing untold damage beneath the surface.

There was one unfortunate and dramatic conclusion to a gardening session when I unwittingly unearthed a gopher within the confines of my gopher wire-enforced raised bed. Brad might have the



blood on his trowel, but I dished out the sentence. No mercy. We've joked that we need to start collecting bull snakes to release onto our property in hopes they would help us with our little gopher problem. The coyotes and owls certainly haven't kept up with them.

We had a bountiful harvest of spinach, asparagus, and rhubarb, but my hopes for spring peas seem to be shattered yet again by some enigmatic and voracious insect I have yet to spot. Of all the crops I wouldn't have expected to be difficult are peas. But every year, they get continually mowed down. My next step is to sneak out to the garden at night with a headlamp to try and catch an insect in the act. We'll see if I ever get around to it...my guess is no. Ironically, the fields surrounding our house are full of peas in flower. So it goes.

As we shift into June, we're harvesting our spring broccoli, garlic scapes, and strawberries. I replanted the melons that withered in the late may cold snap. I've also replanted the squash that got scuffled to death by quail, who incidentally love the straw placed at the base of my plants for protection; let's add that to the lessons learned for 2021. However, I would still say overall, the garden is flourishing.

The tomatoes and peppers are in the ground and setting fruit, so that's an encouraging sign of summer. The raspberries are covered in flowers despite the gophers tunneling through the patch, and the potatoes I've opted to grow in fabric pots seem to be thriving so far. Soon I will be starting seeds for fall crops inside to prep for transplanting into the garden in late July through August. I envision a bountiful harvest of cabbages, winter squash, and carrots to grace our fall table.

Allan Armitage once said that "Gardening simply does not allow one to be mentally old, because too many hopes and dreams are yet to be realized." Maybe one day I'll get those spring peas. Until then, I'll keep dreaming.

Waitsburg long-time runner finishes first marathon, shares dangers of running along local roads

Running as many as 43 miles in a week opened Ann Adams' eyes to the dangers of running along the highways and backroads surrounding Waitsburg and Dayton

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Long-time Waitsburg resident Ann Adams has been running for more than a decade, but it wasn't until earlier this month that she hit one of the ultimate running milestones: She finished her first marathon, running more than 26 miles in just over four hours, at the North Olympic Discovery Marathon in Port Angeles, Wash.

The North Olympic Discovery Marathon follows the Olympic Discovery Trail, which stretches roughly 100 miles from Port Angeles to Port Townsend. The course zigged and zagged through the lush rainforest, the lively town of Sequim, and around the quaint tourism district of Port Angeles. Nearly 1,000 runners, coming from all over the country, dashed through creek crossings, soccer fields, and scenic trails before hitting the five-mile finishing stretch along the Straits of Juan de Fuca.

Why would anyone want to run for 26.2 miles? Adams said a coworker and fellow runner at work challenged her in what she described as a 'roundabout way.'

"I figured if he can do it, I can do it," she said while laughing. "It was fun having someone to bounce ideas off of and share frustrations and achievements with."

She beat her coworker to the finish line, however, as he plans on running his marathon at the end of the month.

Adams began her marathon training in February, following a 16-week plan she found in *Runner's World* magazine. The training targeted runners averaging 30 miles per week, she explained. Over the next four months, she ran five days a week; sometimes, her weekly mileage was as low as 19 miles per week, working up to as many as 43 miles per week.

Adams said she had observed a significant increase in local traffic over the last ten years. Still, it wasn't until she was spending hours a day on the roads that she realized just how dangerous it is for runners, cyclists, and other outdoors-fitness enthusiasts of all calibers in the area.

"Regardless of what I wore, drivers seemed not to see me," she said, explaining that the first half of her training happened before daylight savings time. "I wear a lighted LED vest with reflective material on it, as well as a lighted headband. When it is chilly, I have a fully reflective jacket that looks like a lightbulb running down the road."

Drivers not seeing her was not only a problem on the highways but on side roads as well. Much of her training was done on Lower Hogege Hollow, Bolles Road, and Mill Race Road, but she said the backroads were often scarier than the highways.

"There is so much traffic, and people don't really slow down," she said. "There are no shoulders and no



where to go to get out of the way."

The highways, including Highway 12 and Highway 124, were a bit safer to run on, as they both had wide shoulders, but she said sharing the highways with semi-trucks and vehicles pulling trailers got a little bit 'hairy' at times. Adams said she follows safety recommendations for runners while training, including facing traffic when she runs so she can see what is coming towards her.

One of the scariest moments of her training happened just up the road from her house. A driver passed in a no-passing zone, crossing the white fog line and nearly striking her. According to data released by the National Highway Traffic Administration in

2019, nearly 6,300 pedestrians were killed in the US by drivers, the highest number of fatalities since 1990. The same study showed that female cyclist fatalities jumped up 29.2% in 2018, compared to a 3.2% rise in male cyclist fatalities.

However, the grueling training and hours of running were not enough to spook the seasoned runner away from future marathons. She's already pondering the idea of another long run, saying that she knows she can do better next time. Adams said she is hopeful that the proposed Touchet Valley Trail would be ready for use by then. A motor-free trail would make training a lot easier, not to mention safer, for runners, cyclists, and walkers alike.

"There seem to be a lot more runners and bicyclists in town, and it (a trail) would be really nice with the increase in traffic over the past several years to have a safe place to run," Adams said. "It would be nice to have a safe space to enjoy our beautiful area without worrying about a car side-swiping you."

In the meantime, Adams plans on continuing to train and stay in shape, always keeping an ear out for her next race. And, not to brag or anything, but she happens to be my mom. I was able to join the family when we cheered her across the finish line and can't wait to do it again!



Beka Compton

Top left: Runners competing in the North Olympic Discovery Marathon had a nice, five-mile-long finish along the water. Ann finished her run in just over four hours, and is already thinking on how she can be faster next race.

Above: Ann, daughter Emily, and son-in-law Jonny Handel all ran the marathon. Both Emily and Jonny are collegiate runners, and offered some much-appreciated advice and encouragement along the course.

Bottom left: Just a couple of pieces of reflective clothing that Ann wears while training, most of which happens on the roads and highways surrounding Waitsburg. A trail in the area would offer runners a safe place to exercise.

SPORTS

An interview with Prescott's Athletic Director, Jeff Foertsch

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

The following is a brief interview with the Prescott School District's Dean of Students/Athletic Director, Jeff Foertsch. We discussed summer activities, school sports schedules, Esports, and the Prescott School District App, which can be found by searching for "Prescott School District, WA" in the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.

Q: *When did you start using the Prescott School District App?*

A: "We've had the app maybe three or four years, but in terms of athletics, it started last year. The new administration here, Justin Bradford, is very much in favor of using the app and using Facebook. We are trying to get our communication down to one system, so we are all using it. Of course, in athletics this year in Washington, we've all gone to the Arbiter (ArbiterSports) system. We can now link our Arbiter schedules that athletic directors have to make to the app, so in theory, everything is found in one place. It also allows for communication between coaches and students without necessarily having to use personal phone numbers or personal emails, which obviously we would prefer not to do for overall safety reasons."

Q: *Looking at the app, it looks like soccer is starting up soon?*

A: "In Washington after Memorial Day, we are allowed to do summer activities. At this point, they are also potentially planning to go to 'The Bomber Summer Classic in the middle of July.' It is a tournament in Richland that some years we've gone to. The plan is to go there this year as well."

(The Bomber Summer Classic is a soccer tournament for High School boys and girls teams held in Richland and was started in 1997.)

Q: *Will there be games locally?*

A: "Not this summer, no. So, the only games I think the soccer kids are doing will be at the Bomber Classic."

Q: *Do you anticipate high school sports will reset to regular schedules come fall?*

A: "As of today, that is what I believe is happening, yes. We are going back to a normal schedule where we are currently allowed for summer activities. This year's rule was that you could do out-of-season coaching after two weeks of the season. So other sports could continue to go if they chose to. Of course, here at a small school, we didn't run two sports at a time for anything. There are just not enough kids. I do believe that come fall, we are supposed to be back to as normal as possible. In District 9, we didn't play basketball this year. As a group, we voted to finish our basketball before Memorial Day. Mostly because a lot of the Whitman County schools have graduation earlier, and people didn't think they would be able to field teams following graduation."

Q: *Are you considering starting an Esports program in the district?*

A: "There has been some discussion here about Esports. My understanding, the WIAA is going to be a go next year. I'm not sure about here at this school. We have a technology club that's run by Coach (Allyn) Griffin. We have talked a little bit about potentially jumping into that, but as of right now, there are no one hundred percent definite plans for that. I will tell you, though, if there is interest here, we will look into it. We are not going to say no, it is not a real sport, or we are not doing it. If kids want to do it, it is something that we will definitely pursue here. I don't think most of the Whitman County people are very interested in Esports. It hasn't been promoted much, at least where I go to meetings at District 9. I think it is potentially coming here."

Q: *Would the district require additional resources to start an Esports program?*

A: "I think that's a question we don't know the answer to. I've done a little bit of work on Esports, and I've attended some online meetings over Zoom and so forth. I think that we have the equipment to do it if we wanted to get started."

We ended the conversation with Foertsch expressing confidence that should students want to participate in Esports, the District would provide necessary upgrades to introduce it into the school. After a challenging year for school athletics, it is heartening to see the AD keep the focus on the students and their access to athletics.

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- 6-9pm • Friday Night Cruise
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- 7:30-9pm • Opening Ceremony/
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SATURDAY JUNE 19

- 6:30-10am • Registration
- 9-4pm • Classic Show 'n' Shine
- 9:30-10am • Tribute to the Flag
- 10, 12:30, 2:45pm • Outlaw Lawn Dragster Races
- 10am-4pm • Izzy the Camel
- 10am-2pm • Poker Walk
- 12-6pm • Food Court
- 2pm-3pm • Men's "Drag" Races
- 4-5pm • Beer Garden
- 6-9pm • Trophy Presentation
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- Friday, June 25th:
All Day Practice rounds, Tee time required. Call 382-4851
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Party on the Patio. Hors d'oeuvres provided. Drinks for purchase.
- Saturday, June 26th:
8:00 a.m. Cafe opens, Breakfast available for purchase.
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Registration
9:00 a.m. Shotgun start. Lunch at the turn.

ENTRY FEES: \$100.00 per 2-person team

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Limited to first 27 teams that have submitted full payment and a complete entry form for both players (name, address, email). Entry forms available at the Touchet Valley Golf Course: 209 N Pine St, Dayton WA or from the contact listed below.

ENTRY DEADLINE: Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021

INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tournament: Mike Himmelberger, 509-386-1809
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Restaurant Confidential

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

In 2000, a new celebrity chef was born when Anthony Bourdain's book *Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly* became a best seller. At the time, I was working as a "kitchen slave" for Daniel, the executive chef at famed restaurant *Citrus* in Los Angeles. Bourdain's book divulged many truths about the behind-the-scenes antics in many restaurant kitchens.

For example: No, kitchen staff doesn't spit on food or add weird things to your salad as retaliation. If food falls on the floor, it doesn't end up back on the plate. However, we may do a big eye roll if you order your \$100 steak well done; and depending on the chef and his temperament, it may wind up being finished off in the microwave rather than the oven, just to make sure it's rubbery.

Also, don't eat fish on Monday. The last time we can purchase fresh fish is Friday, so by Monday, it's four days old and no longer fresh! However, fish that has been previously frozen, no problem, enjoy!

Going into our fourth week as local restaurateurs, we've already experienced strange, comical, and heartwarming situations. The recent Eagle building fire last Tuesday caused much excitement and concern. Jaime, our front-of-house help, called me to make sure we were OK (yes, she is that considerate) and to let us know the fire was three doors down from us. I mistakenly assumed that with the street blocked off, the café would have a slow Wednesday. Evidently, the unfortunate fire brought out the curious and the hungry; we had one of our busiest days yet.

That evening a young couple with 18-month-old twins came in for an early dinner. Evidently, they were hungry and ordered a big dinner. Meanwhile, a few tables away, a not-so-hungry couple was sharing a salad and a sandwich. When they finished and asked for their check, they also asked for the young family's check, which they also paid. They explained it was their way of showing their admiration



"Well I can assure you sir, the fish was fresh when the menu was printed last Tuesday."

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for the patience and parenting style of the young couple, heartwarming to us, and what a nice surprise for the young family.

The next day, to bring us back to earth, we had four for lunch whose order was funny or weird (you choose)! Tandoori chicken without the chicken, a burger very well-done on gluten-free white bread with no lettuce, tomato, or dressing; a cod sandwich without bread, and gluten-free pasta without the meat. However, they managed to polish off two desserts, both laden with cream, gluten, and sugar. I don't think that even I could rationalize that one!

We are proud of our 100% score from the Health Inspector and, I guess to prove he believed we earned it, he came for lunch last weekend with his wife and one-year-old daughter. No pressure? I must have washed my hands fifty times while they were there.

Recently we served a couple from Prescott who were treating their grandchildren and great-grandchildren, whom they hadn't seen since the pandemic. It was a wonderful family reunion held in our little café. Moment like that make up for the occasional customer who orders the turkey sandwich without turkey, bacon jam, or bread. Maybe order the salad? Daniel fumes! Jamie and I do another eye roll.

There are more stories to come, but my biggest frustration: Daniel's side of the garden is doing better than mine. There is no justice!

Audio Farm:

All About Bob

By John Avery | THE TIMES

Memorial Day Weekend passed last, and for me, it will always be associated with concerts at the Gorge Amphitheater. Home to the now-defunct Sasquatch Music Festival, which I attended many times during my college days, it is one of the most stunning concert venues in the Northwest. Featuring multiple stages, spectacular views, and wildly overpriced food and drinks, it is an iconic landmark of Washington State and the undoubted host of many folks' wildest memories.

It was also the venue of my very first concert, which, admittedly, I've exploited for bragging rights: the headliners were Paul Simon and Bob Dylan! While now, as an adult, I can comfortably humblebrag about my introduction to live music being two

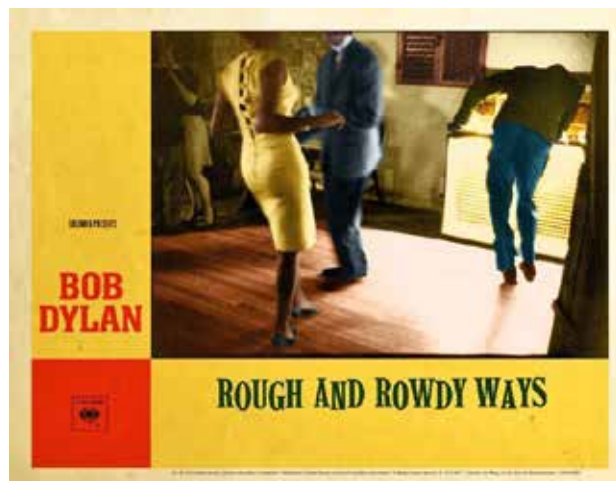


living legends, as a 12-year-old boy, I was miserable, dragged there by my parents against my will (to put it melodramatically).

To me, Bob Dylan was what old people forced us to listen to in cars, his voice akin to the sound of a dial-up modem. Acting like a cooler-than-thou brat, I brought along a newly released Harry Potter book, frowned for several hours, and scoffed at all the dancing, tie-dye-clad old folks that smelled like skunks. Man, oh man, what I missed because of my sour mood!

Ironically, when I sent my mom Bob Dylan's newest release, *Rough and Rowdy Ways*, it was now she that seemed skeptical. My mom has long been a Bob Dylan nut, eating up almost everything he put out, but Dylan's voice is now well-worn. I was shocked she didn't like it because, for me, the record is Dylan's best in decades. Musically rich and bursting with zesty lyrical imagery, it's classic Dylan.

"I'm a man of contradictions, I'm a man of many moods, I contain multitudes," Dylan sings on the opening track. It sets the tone for an album that gets bluesy, folksy, and even hymnal. On the highlight track "I've Made Up My Mind to Give Myself to You," Dylan gets lost in spiritual introspection: "My heart's



photos courtesy Columbia

like a river, a river that sings, just takes me a while to realize things...I hope the gods go easy with me."

The album closes with two long-form Dylan opuses, "Murder Most Foul," which recalls the turbulent days surrounding the JFK assassination, and "Key West (Philosopher Pirate)," which finds Dylan "looking for immortality" in Key West. "If you've lost your mind, you'll find it there." Don't let Dylan's voice dissuade you from this marvelous album, truly one of Dylan's best.

Creative woodworking by Ron Jackson on display at Wenaha Gallery

THE TIMES

Wenaha Gallery's newest Art Event features Walla Walla woodworker Ron Jackson, who has been creating with wood for 67 years and counting. Jackson's Art Event runs through Monday, July 12.

Jackson first fell in love with working in wood during junior high shop class. In the 1960s, he worked for Whitehouse Crawford Company in Walla Walla, a sash, door, and cabinet shop. That gave him his foundation in working with wood.

He built upon that foundation through the years by constructing three homes, including the "forever home" that he and his wife have been in for the last 30 years. In addition to his work building the house, he fashioned all the cabinetry and some of the home's furniture.

Jackson and a partner started a business salvaging hardwood trees in the region. They milled the trees into lumber and shipped the wood to buyers as far away as New York and Hawaii.

"The learning curve associated with the process of falling, hauling, milling, and drying hardwood to successfully obtain an end product that did justice to this region's beautiful hardwoods was substantial," Jackson says.

Now nominally "retired," Jackson and his wife Dianne work from a 450-square-



foot shop creating custom furniture and accessories from maple, walnut, oak, mahogany, bubinga (from West Africa), jarra (related to the eucalyptus, from Australia), teak, and more. His gun boxes, with a secret lock opened by a magnetic handle, are especially popular, as are his small hobby cabinets designed for hunters, fisherman, and jewelry owners. His serving trays and charcuterie boards often feature an imaginative use of resin, behind which he incorporates leaves, rocks, twigs, and other organic elements.

Wenaha Gallery, located at 219 E. Main, Dayton, features Jackson's work through July 12. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9-5, and by appointment.



Courtesy Photos

Top left: Ron Jackson

Top right: Walnut and resins serving tray is an example of the artist's use of mixed media.

Bottom Right: Jackson's clever gun boxes with hidden magnetic closures.

Bottom left: Beautiful mixed wood box with feet, creating an illusion of the box floating about the table.



FUN & GAMES

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

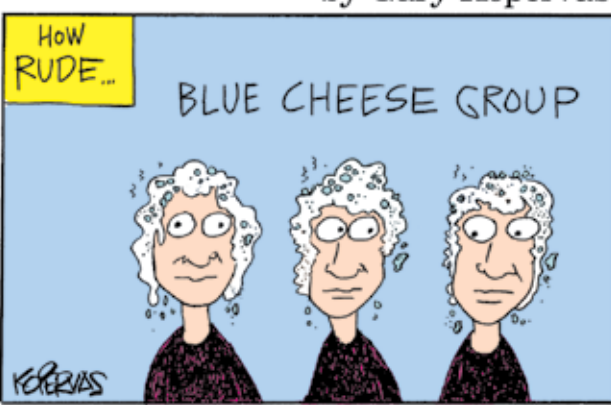
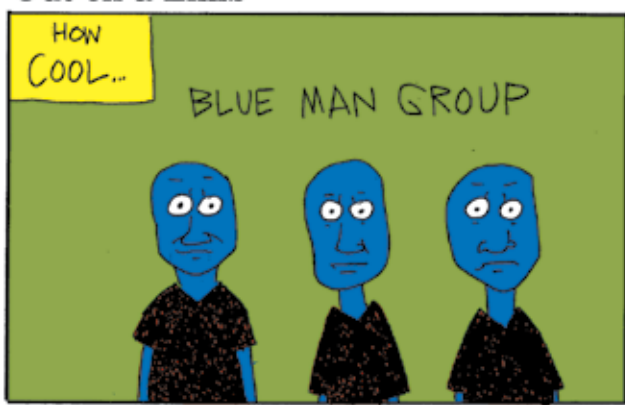


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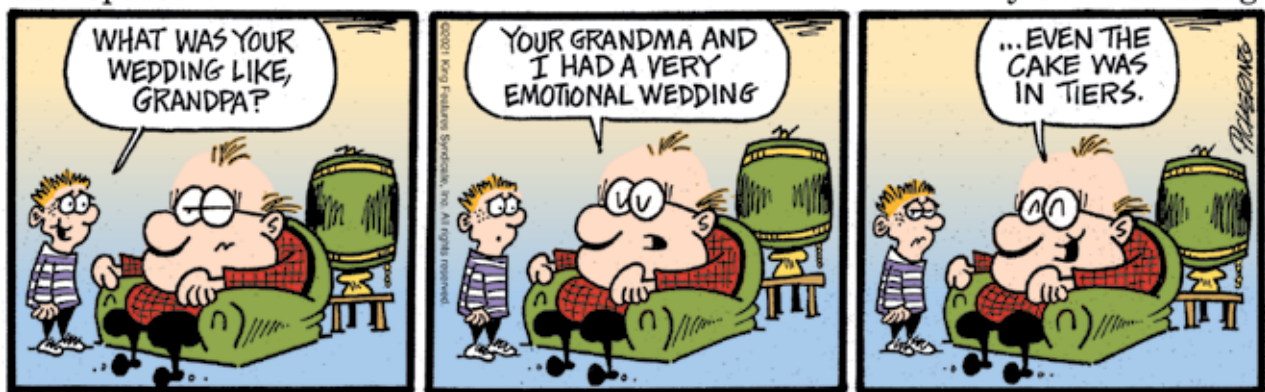
"He used to come and talk to us every day, but we haven't seen or heard from since we elected him to congress!"

Out on a Limb



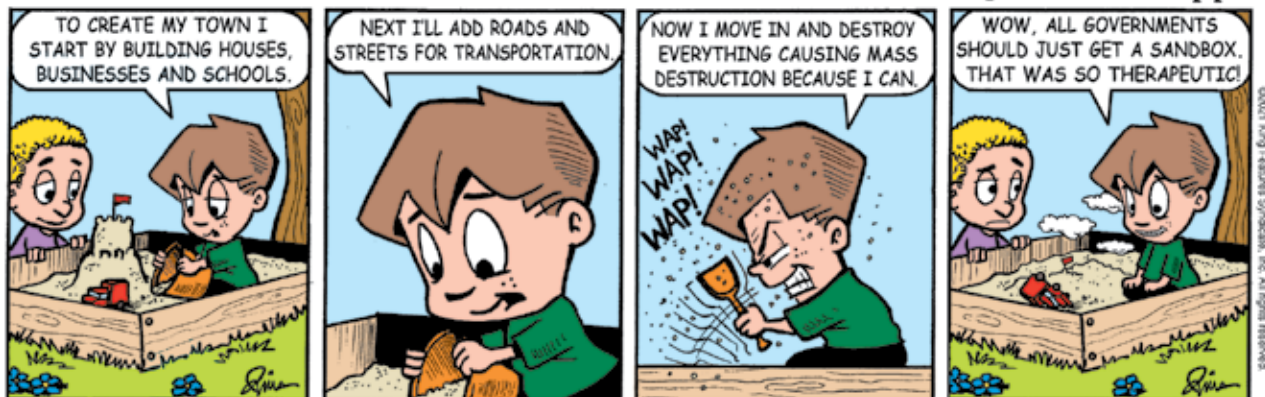
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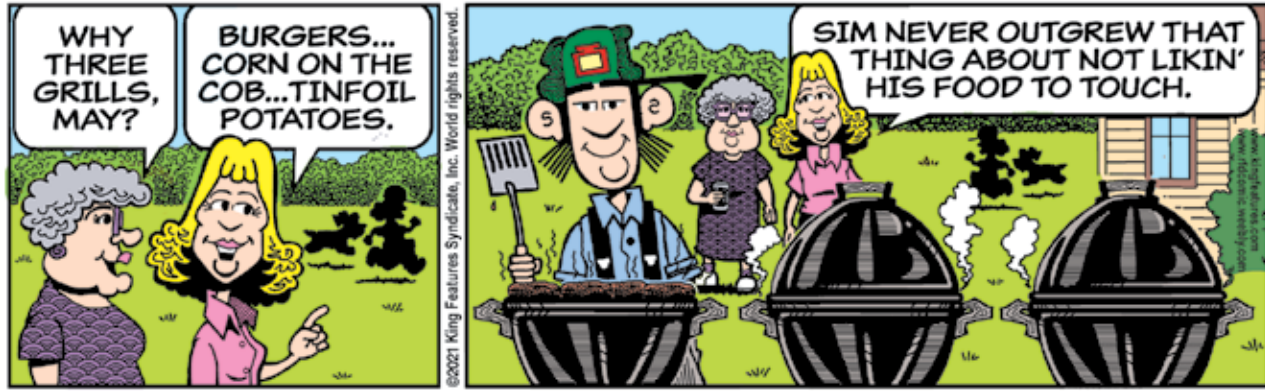
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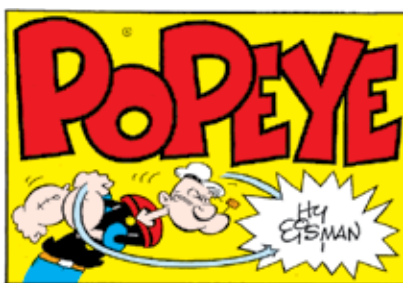


by Dave T. Phipps

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by Mike Marland



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago
June 23, 2011

One Main Street merchant noted that on Saturday morning, All Wheels looked more like Christmas Kickoff than the hot-tarmac Father's Day weekend car show Daytonites and visitors have come to expect. But even though the number of families coming to the mobility extravaganza was down this year, the number of cars on Main Street was as big as ever and very few participants complained about the weather.

Half a lifetime ago, Danny Cole made a gutsy move. He was only 25 when he got the help of two silent partners, his dad Ken and Bob Jamison, to buy the grocery store from Jim and Joan Helm. It was called Jim's Market and it needed a big investment in new inventory, new produce coolers and a bank of walk-in freezers that would be so big, Cole feared he might have trouble filling it. "We jumped in with both feet and took off running," he said. A quarter century later, Cole is celebrating 25 years as owner of the Waitsburg Grocery Store, only a few months after his 50th birthday.

Twenty-Five Years Ago
June 20, 1996

The class of '46 celebrated their 50th reunion on May 24 at the home of Tom and Jan (Roberts) Rocconella in Waitsburg. Special entertainment was provided by the Waitsburg quartet. Bob Perry surprised everyone with several old-time songs played on the guitar and harmonica. There were 33 attendees including members of the class of '45.

Loyal and Kathy Baker, former Waitsburg residents who moved to Deer Park in 1989, announced this week that they will be returning to Waitsburg and are the new publishers of *The Times*. This issue is the Bakers' first as owners. Loyal Baker worked as a reporter, photographer, editor and advertising sales representative for the paper from 1981 until 1989, while it was under the ownership of his father and mother, Tom and Anita Baker. Kathy, the daughter of Joan Summers and the late Ted Berry of Walla Walla, is a homemaker and plans to handle the bookkeeping duties at *The Times*.

Fifty Years Ago
June 17, 1971

Superintendent Gerald Maib told *The Times* this week that staff hiring for the 1971-71 school year is near completion with two additions to the staff. Doris Huffman, Waitsburg, who recently graduated from Walla Walla College, will take over the second grade position vacated by the retirement of Mrs. Gladys Keve. Mrs. Huffman, a graduate of Wa-Hi, attended E.W.S.C. and received her degree in Elementary Education with a minor in art and history. Mrs. Huffman is married to Marvin and the couple have two children, Martin, a 1971 graduate of Wait-Hi, and Deanna who will be going into the fifth grade.

Thirty-five descendants of the pioneer A.C. Dickinson family gathered Sunday afternoon, at the First Christian Church for a picnic which was to have been held in the park but inclement weather forced the group inside. Family members were greeted locally by Mrs. Della Brunson and Glen Conover. For some of the group, the visit to Waitsburg was the first in fifty years. They came from California, Spokane, Seattle, and other coastal points, as well as Moscow, Id., Colfax and Walla Walla.

Seventy-Five Years Ago
June 21, 1946

Bill Zuger, of the local Boy Scout troop, is one of two boys selected from this area to go to Camp Wallowa at the expense of the Blue Mountain Council, to participate in the Senior Expedition, August 10 to 15.

Bounty on magpies, being paid by the State Game Commission, ends June 30.

Attending the banquet at the Elk's Club Wednesday evening were Bill Keve, Cal Malone and Parke Enders.

One Hundred Years Ago
June 24, 1921

Lee Laughery has purchased a new binder and is preparing to begin cutting hay, he being the only one of our farmers lucky enough to not have a crop last year to be harvested late in the fall, therefore he got his fall grain seeded in good season and has a good crop this year.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bateman and children Gladys, Wayne and Frances attended the Rinehart reunion picnic Saturday at the Singleton grove near Walla Walla.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Lloyd drove to Crab Creek Monday to attend the racing program.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago
June 20, 1896

A party of young people surprised James and Peter Loundagin at their Bachelor's Hall on Thursday evening. They reported having a fine time and lots of strawberries.

A. Carston and F. Woodworth procured a license Thursday for starting a saloon in this city. They will commence business about the last of July.

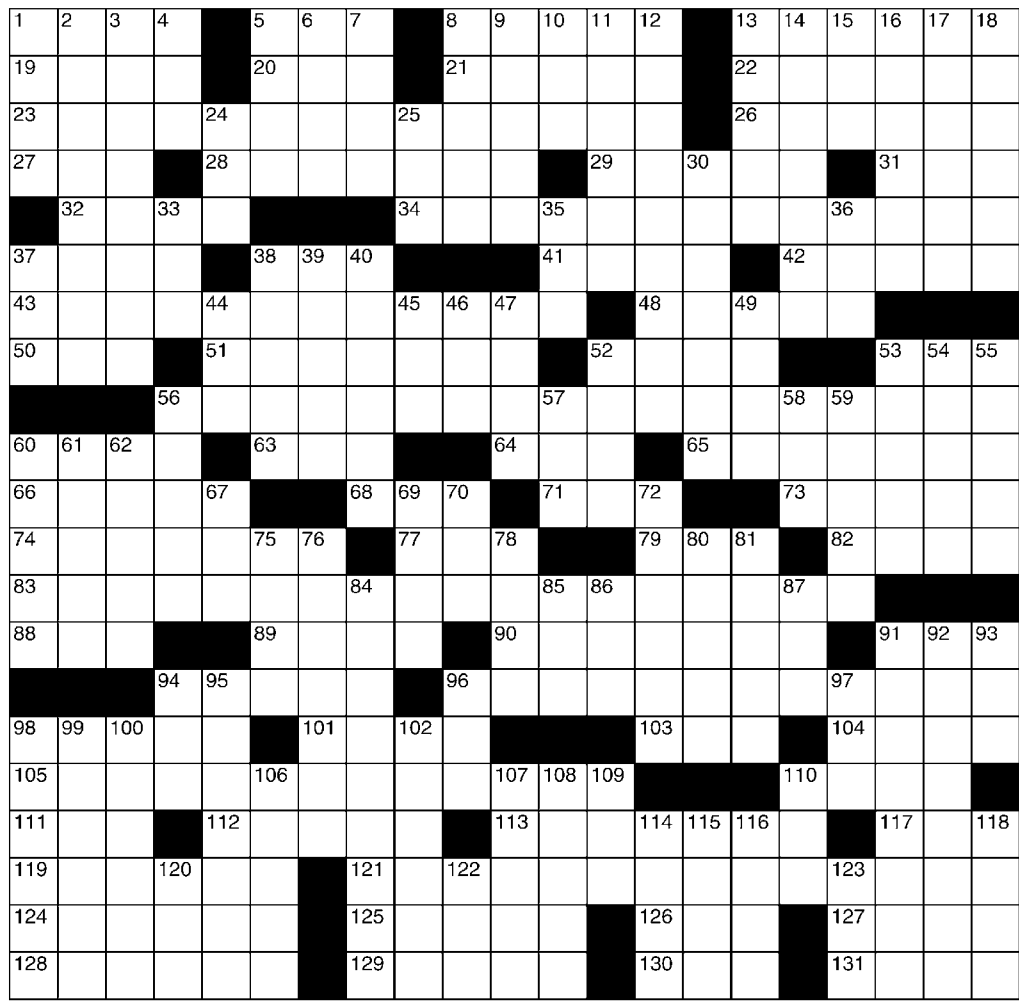
Mr. Harry Bartmess and Miss Gella Lloyd, daughter of Hon. A. G. Lloyd, were married in Walla Walla Sunday at Mrs. Argos' by Rev. Duncan Wallace. Only a few relatives and intimate friends were present for the ceremony.

PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

TINKERING WITH THE ELEMENTS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Austrian peaks
5 MLB stat
8 Mitch who wrote "Tuesdays With Morrie"
13 Three-tone chords
19 Toxin-fighting fluids
20 Critter treat
21 "The king," in France
22 Popular social news website
23 Extracted element #79 with a big hammer?
26 Renée of silent films
27 "Science Kid" of PBS
28 Reinforcing eyelet in a hole
29 Go out on —
31 Chilling stuff
32 Unfeeling
34 Element #16 that's causing difficulty?
37 Owls' prey
38 Carrere of "Jury Duty"
41 Fleming and McKellen
- 42 "August: Osage County" playwright Tracy
43 "That celestial object seems to be composed of element #5?"
48 Tartan wearers, e.g.
50 Some dashes
51 Neighbor of Lithuania
52 Off-road rides, in brief
53 Before now
56 Sea rovers plundering element #6?
60 Big road rig
63 Bismarck-to-Austin dir.
64 — Tomè
65 Overcomes
66 Shawls, e.g.
68 ICU worker
71 Genetic ID
73 Small sample
74 Very virtuous
77 Gaudy scarf
79 Suffix with peace
82 Prattle
83 "Quit asking about my supply of element #83?"
88 Stew tidbit
- 89 Birch, e.g.
90 "Impossible for me"
91 Small sample
94 Twyla of dance
96 Element #30 in a medicine cabinet?
98 "George & —" (old talk show)
101 Special glow
103 "FWIW" part
104 Gets the total
105 Element #18 found in a city opposite Vancouver?
110 Lightish sword
111 Hub city for Israel's El Al
112 Bad-smelling
113 Narcissist's quality
117 Biol. or anat.
119 Combo punch
121 Element #29 collected by actress Loni?
124 Ancient Crete native
125 To the point
126 ETs' ship
127 Gershon of "Face/Off"
128 "— Wedding" (1990 Alan Alda film)
- 129 Great Lakes tribespeople
130 Go bad
131 Crumb toters
- DOWN**
- 1 Invites
2 Russian Revolution theory
3 Things made for sale
4 Small pouch
5 Unendingly
6 Change
7 Very little bit
8 Change
9 Without a — stand on
10 Good pal
11 "So chic!"
12 Hanging to the calves, as a dress
13 Brits' trolleys
14 Popular energy drink
15 Altar reply
16 Free-floating
17 Punched out, as jigsaw pieces
18 Pilots
24 CIA's onetime rival
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30 Rescuee's cry
33 "Give — call"
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45 Raw rock
46 Toys — (kids' chain)
47 Bears, in Spain
49 Suffix with opal
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54 "I — run!"
55 First stage
56 Brought (in), as music
57 Voguish thing
58 Rear, at sea
59 Make it to
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61 Bert's friend
62 — Carta
67 Surreptitious
69 Double-reed instrument
70 Bovine critter
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75 Very little bit
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80 "— one to complain ..."
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87 Hanks of film
91 Slice-serve motion
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93 Windows 10 runners
94 Blasting inits.
95 To the middle point
96 Drinking spot
97 Microwave
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118 Nest egg funds, for short
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122 Soft & —
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MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

Strawberry Rhubarb Pie



As we move into the summer months, my culinary inspirations become increasingly influenced by what is ready to be picked in the garden. Compared to years past, the strawberry plant that runs along the east side of our house, has been extra bountiful lately. With a big bowl of perfectly ripe strawberries on hand, I set out to make a special dessert this week, researching recipes for cakes, soufflés, trifles, and crisps. Then, inspiration hit me when I remembered the robust rhubarb we have growing on the other side of the house. Of course, strawberry rhubarb pie! It is always worth remembering that some flavor combinations are classic for a reason. Here a perfectly flakey crust surrounds the sweet and tart fruit filling. For an unexpected twist I've added fresh mint (also from my garden) which, along with the lemon, pairs beautifully with the strawberries and rhubarb.

Ingredients:

- For the crust:**
½ cup ice water
2 cups all-purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt
12 tablespoons cold unsalted butter, cut into ¼-inch cubes
- For the filling:**
1 pound rhubarb, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces (about 3 cups)
1 pound strawberries, trimmed, cut in half lengthwise (about 3 cups)
1 ½ cups sugar
¼ cup cornstarch
Pinch of salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
Juice and grated zest from one small lemon
1 tablespoon fresh mint, minced
2 tablespoons butter, cut into pieces

For assembly:

- 1 egg
1 tablespoon water
2 tablespoons coarse (demerara) sugar

Directions:

Prepare the crust. Mix flour and salt together in a large mixing bowl. Add butter and cut into flour using a pastry cutter, or your fingertips, until incorporated into the texture of gravel, leaving large irregular pieces of butter. Working quickly, mix in three quarters of the ice water with a fork until clumps of dough begin to form. Add more water if needed. Combine until dough just begins to form. Do not overwork. Gather two-thirds of the dough, and form into a ball. Wrap in plastic and compress into a smooth disk. Repeat with remaining third. Place dough disks in the refrigerator and let rest for at least one hour.

In a large bowl, mix rhubarb, strawberries, sugar, cornstarch, and salt. Add vanilla, lemon juice, zest, and mint. Stir gently and set aside. Preheat oven to 425.

Roll out larger disk of dough on lightly floured surface, and line a 9-inch pie pan. Fill with fruit filling and dot the top with small pieces of butter. Roll out smaller disk of dough into round and top pie. Crimp edges together. Make egg wash by whisking egg and water until fully mixed. Lightly brush top crust with egg wash and sprinkle with demerara sugar. Cut 5 slits radiating around top crust for steam vents.

Place pie on a foil lined baking sheet and set in oven. Bake for 20 minutes. Lower temperature of oven to 375 and bake until pastry is evenly golden brown, and filling is bubbling in center, about 45 minutes to 1 hour longer. If crust starts getting too dark, loosely cover with foil during last 20 minutes of baking. Cool on wire rack for at least one hour if serving warm, or for several hours, to allow filling to set.

Notes:

Of course, if you don't have strawberries in your garden, you can buy them. They are wonderful this time of year. Look for organic and local, if you can. As for the rhubarb and mint, both are available at many grocery stores and farmers markets. Or ask around, chances are you have some neighbors with more than they can use.

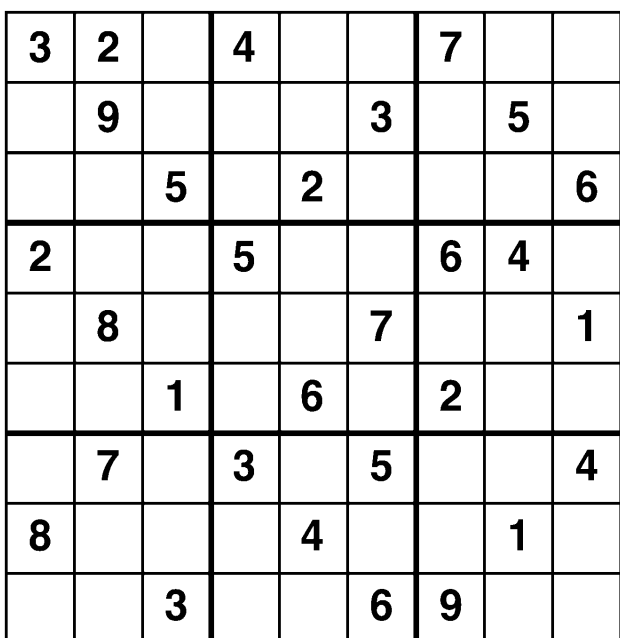
This crust is perfect for any fresh seasonal fruit filling, such as cherries, peaches, and apples. If you are patient, try making a lattice top.

Serve with a scoop of vanilla ice cream or a dollop of fresh whipped cream. Enjoy!

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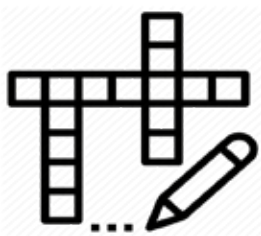


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Weekly SUDOKU

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Waitsburg FFA Mini Banquet recognizes member accomplishments

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WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg FFA gathered on June 7 for their annual year-end banquet, but this year, it was “mini.”

President Koby Harris welcomed the FFA members in attendance. Brayden Mohney thanked the numerous community members and parents who continually helped the Waitsburg FFA chapter by chaperoning trips, hauling animals, participating in activities or just lending a helping hand. The following were recognized:

- Dean Wass
- Lisa Morrow
- John Gleason
- Keith & Karen Harris
- Colter Mohney
- Becky White
- Stephanie Wooderchak
- Charlie & Tracy Barron
- Brian Segraves
- Maisee & Anthony Peralez
- Greg & Geraldine Maxfield
- Keith Marlow
- Jim Lynch
- Lisa Norris

Mohney named three businesses/organizations that have generously donated their time and merchandise to support the various activities such as fundraisers. These businesses contribute to the success of the chapter through monetary donations, hiring FFA members to work and allowing the members to conduct events and they helped the members to clean up after events.

- The McGregor Co
- Waitsburg Gun Club
- Waitsburg Lions Club

FFA members Alexis Reeves and Theo Anderson were awarded Agronomy certificates. The Agronomy Career Development Event (CDE) challenges students to build and demonstrate knowledge in the wide field of agronomy.

Extemporaneous Speaking certificate was awarded to Makenna Barron. This event challenges students to practice their presentation skills, articulation and logical thinking and advocate for agriculture and agricultural education.

In the Veterinary Science Career Development Event, students work in teams to demonstrate their technical competency with small and large animals by completing a written exam, critical-thinking scenario questions, identifications and hands-on practicums. Koby Harris, Zac Bly, Jasper Morrow, Lilly Bone, Makenzie Lewis and Alex Struckmeier all received Veterinary Science certificates.

The Agricultural Technology and Mechanical Systems Career Development Event helps students develop technical knowledge and an ability to work with others to solve complex agricultural problems. Koby Harris, Caleb Barron, Brayden Mohney, Owen Yost and Jay Dimak received their certificates.

The National Chapter Award Program is designed to recognize FFA chapters that actively implement the mission and strategies of the organization. These chapters improve chapter operations using the National Quality Chapter Standards and a Program of Activities that emphasize growing leaders building communities and strengthening agriculture. Chapters are rewarded for providing educational experiences for the entire membership. The National Chapter members are Koby Harris, Brayden Mohney, McKenzie Lewis and Caleb Barron. This year, the Waitsburg FFA Chapter placed 4th in the state and will be moving on



Nicole Abel rewarding Koby Harris with the FFA President plaque.

for National review.

The National FFA Creed Speaking Leadership Development Event recognizes outstanding FFA members for their ability to present the National FFA Creed from memory and answer three questions related to it. Makenna Barron and Abbi Paolino were recognized for their FFA Creed Speaking.

The Star Greenhand award went to Makenna Barron, an award reserved for the chapter's most active first-year member who has plans for a strong supervised agricultural experience program and has demonstrated leadership within the FFA.

Greenhand FFA degree certificates were awarded to Elsie Mann, Kylee Henry, Owen Yost, Peyton Struckmeier, Makenna Barron, Laura Hill, Jasper Morrow, Garrett Palmer, Abbi Paolino and Seazyn Russell.

Trap Shooting Team members were Koby Harris, Caleb Barron, Jasper Morrow, Garrett Palmer, Makenna Barron, Zac By and Amy Bly.

The Dekalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award honors outstanding high school seniors for excellence in three areas: scholarship, leadership and agriculture work experience was Awarded to Koby Harris.

WAITSBURG HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2021



Photos courtesy of Karen Huwe

Class of 2021 with their class advisor, Karen Huwe.



Katherine Houchin, Alvin Knowles, Koby Harris and Quentin Marcum, from the Class of 2021, before graduation.



On Friday, June 4, the seniors started their day with breakfast.



WHS Seniors (now officially alumni) after graduation on June 4.



Thursday, June 3rd, the high school staff invited the seniors to dinner before walking as a class to the Waitsburg Christian Church for baccalaureate.

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