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THIS WEEK

DAYTON



RESTROOMS

Three entities have partnered to construct new ADA compliant public bathrooms near Dayton's Historic Depot courtyard. (See Page 6)

WAITSBURG



FAIR FIRSTS

Lash LaRue shares his first-time experience showing and selling a 4-H animal at the Wala Wala Fair. (See Page 7)

SPORTS



KICKOFF!

The Waitsburg Cardinals kick off the football season with a 45-7 win over Mac-Hi. (See Page 8)

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Parting is such sweet sorrow



Photo courtesy of Pam Gales-Alexenko

Luke Alexenko, of Waitsburg, spends some quality time with "Missy" at the 2015 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days last weekend. This is Luke's final year to show pigs with the Waitsburg FFA Chapter. See story on Page 7 to read about a "first-timer's" experience showing at the fair.

KEN GRAHAM: ON THE FIRE LINE

The Fire Management Complex

The Grizzly Bear Complex Fire mostly stopped growing a couple of weeks ago, but it still covers about 116 square miles of the Wenaha Tucannon Wilderness and surrounding lands. While many areas in the interior of the fire still smolder away, fire crews from around the country, and even the world, are keeping the perimeter from growing.



Last Thursday I got a close-up look at the efforts of some of the more than 1,000 people who were either fighting the fire then, or supporting the firefighting effort.

The logistical challenge of coordinating all of those people and the tasks they are performing became clear right away. It made the work they are doing all the more impressive.

I met up with Debbie Wilkins and Holly Hutchinson at about 8:30 in the morning at Fire District 3's new station just east of Dayton on Patit Road. Wilkins was serving as the Public Information Officer (PIO) for the team working in Branch I of the fire - its northernmost section. Hutchinson is a PIO trainee, and will soon be qualified to shepherd clueless reporters around on her own.

At the station I was handed pants and a shirt made of Nomex. (Nomex is a flame-resistant material made by DuPont.) I was also given a hardhat and leather gloves. This is all required apparel out on the fire line.

I also got a copy of the "Incident Action Plan" for Thursday, Sept. 3. This is a 36-page booklet filled with very small print that lists all of the lead personnel in each division and what their tasks are for the day. Lots of other information is included, such as logistic information, safety and risk assessment information, the weather forecast and a fire behavior forecast. In the back of the book is a blank medical incident report, just in case.

Wilkins drove us up Fourth Street and out North Touchet Road toward Bluewood ski area. In her regular job, Wilkins is a Forest Service Ranger who recently took over the ranger position in the Siuslaw National Forest, near the central Oregon coast. She's an Idaho native who has spent her career with the forest service working all around the western U.S.

Hutchinson grew up in Michigan and now works in the USFS office on Rose Street in Walla Walla. Her husband is a full-time forest service firefighter who is currently working in the Colville area.

Frustrated Hunters

About three miles before we reached Ski Bluewood, we passed two men standing next to a pickup and camper. One of them waived at us to stop. The road was closed to the public just beyond this point because of the fire, and they weren't happy.

"I have a bull (elk) tag that I've waited 15 years to get," one of the men said. "Now I can't get up to the camp to use it."

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"Great Pumpkin" Disqualified

Local kids grow biggest pumpkin at Walla Walla Fair, but officials lose postmarked envelope

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - "When I thought of all the things that could possibly go wrong with growing a giant pumpkin, this is the last thing I would have expected," said Gayle Broom. Her group's pumpkin was the largest at the Walla Walla fair, weighing in at 195 1/2 pounds, but failed to bring home a ribbon because of a (disputed) late entry.

Broom grew her first giant pumpkin, weighing 114 pounds, in 2013 and took first place in the weight class at the Walla Walla County fair. In 2014, Rebecca

Whitehurst and Brayden Wood joined Broom in her pumpkin-growing efforts, and again took first place at the fair, with a gourd weighing in at 211 pounds.

This year, nine student farmers worked with Broom through the summer, learning about gardening and working to grow a true "Great Pumpkin." Six of the kids were from Dayton and three were from Waitsburg, ranging in age from 5 to 14.

Broom started the pumpkin project, now officially named the Waitsburg Youth Giant Pumpkin Growers, to teach kids to garden and grow their own organic produce. She thought raising giant pumpkins would be a fun way to do that because pumpkins are so dramatic.

This year's fair entry was grown from an Atlantic Dill Giant seed and weighed 195 1/2 pounds, slightly smaller than last year's, but



Photo Courtesy of Gayle Broom

Gayle Broom poses with this year's giant pumpkin entry from the Waitsburg Youth Pumpkin Growing Team.

more than 60 pounds heavier than the next entry which weighed 135 pounds.

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FIRE MANAGERS CONTINUE GRIZZLY BEAR MONITORING

[Editor's Note: Following is the US Forest Service update on the Grizzly Bear Complex Fire for Monday.]

Elgin, Ore. - While recent weather has been useful in stopping the growth of Grizzly Bear Complex fires in the short run, fire managers know that it has just slowed the fire down for now. Firefighters are mindful of the extended forecast, which includes warm fall days, and the fact that large fuel that burn for a long time are extremely dry from the extended drought that has affected the Inland Northwest.

With these factors in mind, the southern portions will continue mop-up, and containment lines along the south and west will continue to be reinforced with fuel reduction efforts on the road side.

The brief weather system brought snow and rain across the fire, which is excellent for mop-up, but only has a temporary effect on wetting fuels larger than a finger. These fuels will rapidly dry out again once the sun comes out. The plan for the Griz-

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TRANSFER STATION RE-OPENS

DAYTON - The Columbia County Transfer Station (500 Cottonwood St.) re-opened, following a recent fire at the facility, on Thursday, Sept. 3. The station is operating regular business hours but users will find the entrance and exit to the dump have changed during the temporary set-up.

Normal business hours are Tues. and Thurs. from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sat. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The transfer station accepts appliances, tires, oil, paint, paper, glass, aluminum, and cardboard. Green waste items are accepted through Oct. and should not be larger than a soda can and in manageable lengths.

Recyclables including newspaper, mixed paper, glass, and cardboard may also be deposited in receptacles at the Dingle's of Dayton parking lot on Main and North First St.

Call the Public Works office at (509) 382-2534 with any questions.

TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

FUTURE FARMERS AT THE FAIR



Photo by Pam Alexenko

Waitsburg High School FFA members are a hardy crew. Last week they were busy showing and caring for animals at the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days. (Watch for award results in next week's issue.) At the same time, they were attending sports practices, playing ball games, running in cross-country meets and getting ready for the start of school on Tuesday. This week they'll be showing at the Columbia County Fair in Dayton.

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago September 15, 2005

Ben Flathers found his calling in 1942 when he joined the U.S. Army and the Prescott farmer continued his service in the reserves as he blended it with his agricultural pursuits from 1947 through the 1970s. Flathers, 87, moved from his ranch residence to Wheatland Village Retirement Apartments in Walla Walla about a year ago and is being honored as the Waitsburg Historical Society's 2005 Pioneer of the Year.

Jack and Laurette McCaw were honored as the Waitsburg Booster Club Boosters of the Year in a plaque presentation made during half time of the Waitsburg-Elgin game last Friday. The McCaws have been supporting Cardinal athletics, academics and other extra-curricular activities for decades, helping in ways from coaching to baking for bake sales.

Cub scouts and parents from Pack 332 in Dayton-Waitsburg had a picnic dinner at Camp Nancy Lee, on the South Fork of the Touchet River, near Dayton last Wednesday, September 7 to inaugurate the new Scout season. Cub scouts Tim Ihle, Fred Gritman, Reed Costello, Timmy Wood and Marshall Nechodom and their families attended.

Twenty-Five Years Ago September 13, 1990

Margaret and Miles Collingwood have been selected by the Waitsburg Historical Society as Pioneers of the Year for 1990. They will be honored at the Pioneer Fall Festival on Sunday, September 16, immediately following the church service. The Collingwoods' home place, north and west of Waitsburg, contains the original farmstead where Miles was born. He has lived at that location for most of his life.

Waitsburg has proven "a real good place to hang my shingle," says attorney Vaughn Hubbard. This year marks the 40th year since he came here. Hubbard's role as a small town attorney has seen him doing the legal jobs like most others before him but he certainly did not stay in those tasks. Hubbard has proven his legal mettle in many places besides Waitsburg and Walla Walla County. That service has taken him to the legislative halls of the state, thence to places hardly dreamed of when he first came here in 1950, fresh out of law school.

Fifty Years Ago September 9, 1965

The 4-H Dogies under the leadership of Mrs. Fred Harris gained valuable experience and prizes with their exhibits at the S. E. Washington Fair. Jill Zuger exhibited garden produce; Glen Smith, a fat steer; Carol Hinchliffe, feeder steer; and Helen Long, pressed weed collection. Debbie and Howard Smith, Glen Smith and Carol Hinchliffe were the stock judging team.

Boy Scouts of Troop 336 had a last summer fling before school bells ring, with a camping trip on north fork of the Coppei September 3-4. Participating were Charles Baker, Ben Brown, Bill Brown, Doug Brown, Fred Brown, Ralph Brown, Martin Huffman, Alan Huwe, Pat Mohny, Randy Pearson, and Rich Pierson.

Newly-named football coaching staff for Waitsburg Cardinals are, Dick Kinart, Head Coach, Art Jarvis and Larry Hickman, assistant. Dick Kinart takes over the assignment of Geoff Kellman who died on September 1 following hospitalization for pneumonia. Dick played four years of college football in the line at CWSC, two of those years on the same team with former coach Gary Frederick. His high school experience was at Washougal where he played line and fullback.

Sixty Years Ago Sept. 16, 1955

Robert Webber, Bruce Brunton and Ed Clark received their Eagle rank at a Court of Honor Tuesday evening. Taking ribbons at the Southeastern Washington Fair from the 4-H Garden Club were Judy, Billy and Frances Donley, Judy and Ernie Duckworth, Duane Gusse, Johnny Dodson, Frances Williams, Frances Franklin, Thelma and Clarence Williams, Judy and Lynnette Kruchek, Gary Wheeler and Frank Harvey.

Seventy-Five Years Ago Sept. 13, 1940

Mr. and Mrs. John Schiltz formerly of this city but now living in Canton, Ohio, accompanied by their granddaughters Mary Elizabeth and Mildred Reigle were guests several days last week to Mr. and Mrs. George Samuels.

The formal opening was made Sunday and Monday of the DeWitt Funeral Home in Walla Walla under the management of Leonard DeWitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stonecipher formerly of this city are the parents of a 7 1/2 pound son, born at Ontario, Or. Sept. 10. The young man has been named William Dean.

One Hundred Years Ago Sept. 17, 1915

E. H. Leonard has purchased an interest in the Preston-Shaffer Milling Co., operating in this city and in Athena. He expects to move to Waitsburg as soon as the Portland Flouring Mill can arrange to install a manager in his stead.

Frank Billups is lying at the Brining hospital with a badly torn scalp and a broken collar bone sustained Wednesday when a team driven by Alex Mock with a load of peaches from Miss Cora Loundagin's orchard backed off the approach of the Star bridge and pitched Mr. Billups onto the rocks below and spilled the load of peaches promiscuously.

NEWS BRIEF

EVERY KID IN A PARK PROGRAM

A new national program encourages families and classes to visit national parks by allowing 4th grade students to obtain free annual passes to more than 2,000 federal recreation areas, including national parks, monuments and historical sites.

From Sept. 1, 2015 through Aug. 31, 2016, 4th grade students can visit www.everykidinapark.com and play a game to access their Every Kid in a Park annual pass. They can then use the pass to treat their families to thousands of parks and sites across the country at no charge. The website also includes learning activities, safety tips, and trip-planning tools.

"During the National Park Service's centennial celebration, we want everyone to get to know their national parks. We hope these free passes will introduce 4th graders, their classes, and families to our national treasures, places where they can run and play, explore and learn," said National Park Service Director Jonathan B. Jarvis.

Nearby sites include Whitman Mission National Historic Site, Nez Perce National Historical Park, Oregon Caves National Monument, Crater Lake National Park, and John Day Fossil Beds, to name a few. An interactive map on the website makes it easy to find a place to visit.

The goal of the Every Kid in a Park program is to connect 4th graders with the outdoors and inspire them to become future environmental stewards.

Touchet Valley Weather

Sept. 9, 2015

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast



Wednesday
Sunny
High: 82 Low: 55



Thursday
Sunny
High: 85 Low: 55



Friday
Sunny
High: 86 Low: 57



Saturday
Sunny
High: 89 Low: 56



Sunday
Sunny
High: 83 Low: 51



Monday
Partly Cloudy
High: 84 Low: 51



Tuesday
Partly Cloudy
High: 85 Low: 54

Weather Trivia

Who developed the temperature scale?
Answer: In 1714, Gabriel Fahrenheit developed the scale.

Weather History

Sept. 9, 1989 - The first snow of the season began to whiten the mountains of Wyoming early in the morning as a moist and unusually cold storm system affected the state for two days. By the morning of the 11th, a foot of snow covered the ground at Burgess Junction.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Monday	80	56	85/58	0.00"	0.65"
Tuesday	83	60	85/58	0.00"	0.17"
Wednesday	70	60	84/57	0.09"	+0.48"
Thursday	71	51	84/57	0.00"	.63.0°
Friday	70	44	84/57	0.00"	.70.5°
Saturday	69	50	83/56	0.53"	-7.5°
Sunday	68	50	83/56	0.03"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
New 9/13	6:23 a.m.	7:15 p.m.	2:55 a.m.	5:26 p.m.
Wednesday	6:25 a.m.	7:13 p.m.	3:54 a.m.	5:58 p.m.
Thursday	6:26 a.m.	7:11 p.m.	4:54 a.m.	6:27 p.m.
Friday	6:27 a.m.	7:09 p.m.	5:53 a.m.	6:54 p.m.
Saturday	6:29 a.m.	7:07 p.m.	6:52 a.m.	7:21 p.m.
Sunday	6:30 a.m.	7:05 p.m.	7:51 a.m.	7:47 p.m.
Monday	6:31 a.m.	7:03 p.m.	8:49 a.m.	8:14 p.m.
Tuesday				

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Dayton Chamber of Commerce Assistant Manager/Events Coordinator Position
The Dayton Chamber has an opening for its Assistant Manager/Events Coordinator Position. This is a full-time position that involves administrative responsibilities and event planning and execution. Compensation is DOE. The Chamber is an EOE. High School degree and basic typing skills are required. Contact Andrew Holt at the Chamber 509-382-4825, chamber@historicaldayton.com.

HELP WANTED

Blue Mountain Counseling has an opening for an Office Assistance (32-40 hours/week). The job description and application may be picked at Blue Mountain Counseling, 221 E. Washington Ave., Dayton, WA 99328. Salary: DOE/DOQ. For questions and/or information call 509.382.1164. E.O.E.

YARD SALE

Dayton Yard Sale. 1100 S 3rd Street, September 11th & 12th. 9am-5pm. On patio and back of house. Barbeques, like new handbags, Victorian chairs, lamps with shades, kitchen stuff, hunting stuff, antiques, books, high table with four chairs, medical equipment, and lots more.

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Dayton School Board Opening
The Dayton School District Board of Directors is accepting applications to fill the District 3 position due to the resignation of Board Member Marchand Hovrud. For more information please see our website at www.daytonsd.org or call the District office 509-382-2543. Applications available on-line or in the District Office. Closing date September 24, 2015.

TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

11-13

Columbia County Fair

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No School in Dayton

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Beth Moore Simulcast
Liberty Theater, Dayton
8:30 a.m.
Call (509) 382-4860 for tickets to this event, sponsored by Touchet Valley pastors. This year's theme is 'Audacious' and tickets are \$25.

Crochet Class
Prescott Library
1 p.m.

Karaoke
Tuxedo Bar & Grill,
Prescott
8p.m. - midnight

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Dayton City Council
City Hall
7 p.m.

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Dayton Library Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
Baby & Toddler storytime at 10 a.m. and preschool storytime at 10:45. Storytime is free to the public and no library card is

needed.

Prescott Library Story Time
Prescott Library
10:30 a.m.
Crafts and stories geared to preschool children, but all ages are welcome.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table
Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
11:30 a.m.
Join local seniors every Tuesday for lunch. \$4 suggested donation for those over 60. \$7 charge for guests under 60. Meals on Wheels are available. Call 337-8541 for more info.

Dayton Senior Round Table
Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Artisan Food Market
Blue Mountain Station,
Dayton
12 - 6 p.m.

Exercise Your Imagination!
Prescott Library
After school
What can you make from 35 LEGO pieces?

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

11: Pancakes; Corndog, Fries
14: Breakfast Sandwich; Turkey sub, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Cucumbers, Avocado
15: Continental Breakfast; Grilled Chicken Nuggets, Sweet Potato Tots
16: Cinnamon Roll; Baked Potato Bar, Broccoli, Graham Crackers
17: Continental Breakfast; 100% Beef Tacos, Tortillas, Black Beans

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Dayton School Board
609 S. 2nd.
6:30 p.m.

Waitsburg City Council
Lions Memorial Building,
Fairgrounds
7 p.m.

Waitsburg School Board
Preston Hall Board Room
7 p.m.

Christian Women's Connection
LC at the Green (209 N. Pine St., Dayton)
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Gloria Law from Bellingham, Wash. will speak on the theme "Never . . . Ever . . . Give Up HOPE." Sherri Huwe of Dayton will share on the disability movement. Call (509) 399-2005 by Sept. 11 for reservations. Cost is \$10.

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Dayton Senior Round Table
Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
2-4 p.m.
The Center provides food and resources to families in the Waitsburg and Prescott School Districts.

Friends of the Prescott Library
Prescott Library (103 S. "D" Street)
7 p.m.

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EVENTS

BETH MOORE SIMULCAST

DAYTON - Touchet Valley pastors are once again sponsoring a Living Proof Beth Moore live simulcast at Dayton's Liberty Theater (344 E. Main, Dayton) on Sat., Sept. 14. This year's theme is "Audacious", which is also the title of Moore's latest book.

In "Audacious", Moore shares the realization that her vision was incomplete and lacked something women were aching for. Moore identifies that missing link, spotlighting a turning point she says has the capacity to infuse any life with holy passion and purpose.

Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and the event ends at 4:30 p.m. Bring a lunch or visit a local restaurant during the lunch break from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased by calling (509) 382-4860.

EXERCISE YOUR IMAGINATION

PRESCOTT - The Prescott Community Library will host an Exercise Your Imagination: What Can You Create with 35 LEGO Pieces, after school on Tues. Sept. 15. The program is made possible by a grant from the Washington State Library.

For more information call (509) 849-211 or email amy@wvrrurallibrary.com.

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COURT NEWS

Columbia County Superior Court September 2, 2015

First Appearance/Arraignment:

Joseph John Richter, 31, homeless; entered not guilty plea to one count of violation of uniform controlled substance act - possession of amphetamine, a Class C felony; one count of violation of uniform controlled substance act - use of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor; two counts of criminal trespass in the second degree, a misdemeanor; one count of contempt of court, a misdemeanor; one count of criminal trespass in the first degree, a gross misdemeanor; one count of reckless burning in the second degree, a gross misdemeanor. Richter returned repeatedly to the property of the alleged victim, from which he had been trespassed. He is also accused of starting a fire in a metal pan next to the residence and burning bank statements and an EBT card.

Sentencing:

John E. Stearns, 59, Waitsburg; pled guilty to one count of assault in the fourth degree with sexual motivation and guilty to one count of contempt of court, for violation of a no contact order. Stearns was sentenced to 138 days served and 227 days suspended on conditions including 24 months probation, alcohol and drug evaluation and no contact with the victim. Stearns must pay fines, fees and assessments in the amount of \$709.40 or \$809.40, if a DNA fee is required.

Charles W. Gilliland, 31, Dayton; pled guilty to one count of assault in the third degree - domestic violence, a Class C felony; one count of reckless driving, gross misdemeanor; and one count of assault in the fourth degree - domestic violence, a gross misdemeanor. Defendant was sentenced to 88 days with time served; fines, fees and restitution in the amount of \$2583.97; and 60 months probation to include alcohol and drug evaluation.

Trials Set:

Jackson G. Miller, III, 49, Dayton; charged in August with three counts of harassment - threats to kill and one count of stalking while armed with a deadly weapon. Trial reset to Jan. 12, 2016 due to lawyer calendar conflict.

Salvador D. Saucedo, 25, Milton-Freewater; charged with attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle, a Class C felony, and driving while license suspended, third degree, a misdemeanor. Trial set to Nov. 9-10.

Aidan Joseph Gemmill, 18, Dayton; charged with five counts of rape of a child first degree. Waived right to a speedy trial. Trial set for Oct. 21.

Dante A. Brown, 19, Dayton; charged with two charges of delivery of a controlled substance (meth), within 1,000 feet of the perimeter of school grounds or in a public park. Trial reset to Oct. 15-16.

Richard Lee Lyman, 64, Columbia, Mo.; charged with theft in the second degree, malicious mischief in the second degree and making false or misleading statements to a public servant for allegedly collecting archeological materials illegally. Court will hear motion to dismiss on Sept. 16. Trial date set for Oct. 15-16.

Mathew Turner Boulanger, 38, Columbia, Mo.; charged with theft in the second degree and malicious mischief for allegedly collecting archeological materials illegally. Trial date set for Oct. 15-16.

Jared J. Mings, 32, Walla Walla; charged with trafficking in stolen property and second-degree theft. Trial set for Nov. 9.

Other Legal Action:

Anthony J. Nieto, Sr., 56, Dayton; charged in November with 1st degree assault. Appeared for change of plea and sentencing but lawyer was unable to be present due to car trouble. Continued to Sept. 16.

Aaron Michael Nichols, 32, Walla Walla; charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance other than marijuana, a Class C felony; one count of use of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor; one count of unlawful recreational fishing in the second degree, a misdemeanor. Court approved a two week continuance requested by the State. Nichols was released on \$10,000 bond.

Dewey D. Bell, 74, Dayton; previously pled not guilty to charges of first-degree animal cruelty and unlawful aiming or discharge of a firearm. Prosecution is continued to Sept. 16 for resolution or resetting.

BIRTHDAYS

Sept. 11: Kathleen Johnson, Roger Becker, Justin Bergevin, Jason Crawford, Bonnie Olson.

Sept. 12: Jim Pearson, Glenn Hayes, Marshal McKinley, Mitch Gagnon, Chelsi Hermanns.

Sept. 13: Dave McKenzie, Sr., Jeffrey Hofer, Joey Garcia, Nadine Scoggins, Helen Rich, Claudia Hevel-Doty, Jeffrey Liebermann, Nancy Bickelhaupt, Christine Jenks, Brook Rasmussen.

Sept. 14: Jerry Harshman, Stan Pierson, Dan Jones, Doug Brown, Scott Ford, Mathew Kennedy, Bob Olson, Karen Matthee.

Sept. 15: Brooke Hoon, Bessie Tate, Sharon Merrow, Lynn Piersol, Gini Clarno Walters, George Gagnon.

Sept. 16: Lois Mettler, Kevin Steffanson, Bruce Harris, Jerry Mock, Pam Davis, Dan Bickelhaupt, Carter Henry.

Sept. 17: Gustavo Reese, Tom Duckworth, Elizabeth Alleman, Mindy Eaton, Nathan Hansen, Nathan Hamann.

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Rev. Bret Moser

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Worship 11 a.m.
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**KEN GRAHAM:
FROM THE PUBLISHER**

See You at the Fair!

First of all, let's give a big giant 195 pound "BOO" to the judges of the biggest pumpkin contest at the Walla Walla County Fair. What they did was "un-Fair." (See our Page 1 story for more details.)



I would think that fair officials could trust a bunch of hardworking kids who put that much effort into the grand pumpkin to believe them when they say the entry form was mailed on time.

But enough about that. We're coming up on weekend number two of local fair season. Preparations are underway for the Columbia County Fair, starting Friday.

As I write this, kids and adults are already arriving at the fairgrounds in Dayton with their livestock and their exhibits for the Pavilion.

On Friday morning, after the free early breakfast, from 6-9 a.m., Dayton's American Legion Color Guard will lead a flag ceremony to officially open the fair. I hope our readers will come and show their support.

This year's fair also features lots of new activities, including:

- Pony Rides
- Mechanical Bull
- A Medstar helicopter fly-in
- Movie on the Barn Friday night
- Ice Cream Social Sunday afternoon

This year will also be the second year that Rascal Rodeo will be making its appearance at the fair. This is a great event that allows special needs kids and adults to be cowboys and cowgirls for a day.

Other events are coming back after successful runs. These include:

- Muttin Bustin'
- Jackpot Rodeo
- Dance on the Midway
- Church in the Chicken Chapel
- And, of course, the Sunday afternoon Demo Derby

The Columbia County Fair organizers always encourage the participation of people throughout the Touchet Valley, including Waitsburg and Prescott residents.

So put on your boots and hat and get on over to the Columbia County Fair this weekend.



We Will Continue to Support Firefighting Effort

By Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers

This summer our region has been ravaged by wildfires. We've seen unprecedented damage—homes burned, communities evacuated, and both civilians and firefighters tragically killed. An area nearly the size of the State of Delaware has burned, and dark, smoke-filled skies across our state remind everyone of the devastation facing our region.



Until we are certain you and your neighbors are safe from these catastrophic fires, we will pay whatever it costs to fight them. That is our policy today, and I will ensure it continues to be our policy. Over the past two decades we have more than doubled funding for wildfire management. Last December, I voted to fully fund wildfire fighting at \$1.39 billion, and that law was signed by President Obama. Those funds are being used right now to help pay for firefighters and equipment battling the blazes across Eastern Washington.

Throughout the summer I have visited firefighting teams who are

working tireless hours to keep all of us safe. The funding we voted for in December supports these men and women as they fight wildfires.

We will continue to make certain there is enough money to fight these fires and keep people safe. It's the right thing to do. But we must also take steps to help stop forest fires from reaching catastrophic levels. It's the responsible thing to do.

This spring I introduced a bill to do just this, and earlier this summer I helped author and pass through the House bipartisan legislation that will help prevent catastrophic fire, effectively fight wildfires when they happen, and bring jobs and opportunity to rural communities.

Furthermore, in the aftermath of these fires, we must reduce dangerous trees left behind and provide funds for forest restoration—my goal will be to push for timely salvage and reforestation.

As we move from crisis to recovery, many will continue to face significant challenges. If you have questions or need help, please reach out to my office at 509-353-2374.

I will continue to monitor the situation closely. And I will continue to push for solutions to help stop future fires and preserve healthier forests for generations to come.

PUMPKIN - FROM PAGE 1

"I think the heat had an effect and then something – we think maybe a beaver – took a couple of bites out of it," said Broom. She washed the pumpkin with a bleach solution and dried it with a hairdryer daily, to keep it from rotting, which worked.

"I thought the fair judges might have a problem with the bite marks, but they didn't," Broom said. Unfortunately, they did have a problem with something else.

Even though the Waitsburg had the heaviest pumpkin, they had to forfeit the blue ribbon because fair officials didn't receive the entry form, required by Aug. 4, until Aug. 6. Broom said the form was postmarked on the 4th, as required in the instructions, but the official she spoke to said they no longer had the envelope to prove it.

Broom said she has purchased medals and rosettes for her team, anyway,



Courtesy Photo

Left to right: Hunter Crow, Amy Bly, Makaylin Baker, Laney Crow, Madison Gallardo, Haylee Crow. Not shown: Jaxson Anderson, Cougar Anderson, Joslin Nodine, and Jemma Anderson.

because they deserve it. "All the kids worked really hard and threw themselves into the project. I'm really proud of them," she said.

Broom's team will have a table at the Pioneer Fall Festival on Sept. 20 and will auction off some of their largest pumpkins and sell others. There will also be a sign-up sheet available for students who want to participate in next summer's project.



Courtesy Photo

Clyde Burdine (along with his dog Wiggles) of Alpine Industries used his heavy equipment to load the giant pumpkin for transport to the fair. Above: Clyde's assistant, Bill Moran, makes sure the pumpkin is safe and secure.

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GRIZZLY - PAGE 1

zly Bear Complex is to allow the fire to continue to burn within the wilderness boundary, with extensive monitoring of fire activity. The road and brushing work along the 64 Road will act as containment fire line on the western boundary of the Wilderness.

In addition, completed structure protection work around the Slick Ear, Little Turkey, and Godman cabins are designed to protect them should the fire move in that direction. There will be people patrolling that area for fire behavior and quick response to any increase fire activity.

Fire hose, pumps and other equipment will be removed from areas where mop up has been completed. Crews will be taking an inventory of over 37 pumps and where they have been deployed all around the fire in order to retrieve them when the fire is out. Roads into the Complex remain closed.

A closure description and map of closed roads is available at all Umatilla National Forest offices as well as on the Umatilla National Forest website: www.fs.usda.gov/Umatilla.

TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

FIRE TOUR - FROM PAGE 1

The elk archery season was to start Saturday. Wilkins patiently explained that with so many firefighters and support personnel using the roads, it was important for their safety and ability to do their jobs that the public, including hunters, be restricted from those roads.

"They're probably going to open that area up on Monday," she told the men. "No one else can go up there either, so the elk will all still be up there when you get there."

They didn't seem satisfied, but Hutchinson gave them the phone number for the office of the ranger overseeing the Umatilla forest and said he was the one who made road closure decisions. Then we proceeded south.

Noxious Weed Mitigation

A couple of miles farther, we came upon an equipment washing station. It was located at the Touchet Corrals area just before the Bluewood entrance. Two young men about 20 were sitting next to a trailer with a water tank and several pressure washers. Two small tents were set up nearby.

Brandon and Bryce are from Idaho and work for a company owned by Brandon's father that contracted with the Forest Service. They'd been there over a week. Their job was to wash down trucks and other large equipment before it headed out of the forest.

Wilkins explained that the purpose of the wash-down was not to make the equipment look prettier, but to avoid transporting noxious weeds out of the area.

Base Camp at Bluewood

More than two dozen small tents of various colors lined the left side of the parking lot at Ski



Photos by Ken Graham (except as noted)

Clockwise from above: Holly Hutchinson photographs the smoke plumes looking south from a ridge near Little Turkey. Your intrepid reporter at Little Turkey. Firefighters' tents set up below the chairlift at Bluewood. Bluewood base camp manager Jess Hancock (with gray cap and beard) talks to Job Corps workers at the supply unit in the Bluewood parking lot.

Bluewood. Additional tents were set up under the chairlift on the uphill side of the lodge building. This was the main staging area for the firefighting effort on the north side of the fire.

We met Jess Hancock, who was in charge of the camp. He is from Utah. Hancock explained that the owners of Bluewood had allowed the forest service to take over the lodge. "They've been really cooperative," he said. Bluewood's generators were up and running, and a catering company from Pendleton was using the lodge kitchen to prepare meals for most of the forest service workers and contractors in Branch I.

In front of the lodge was a large area of tables and chairs under a big yellow awning. Meals were served here.

Hancock said that, at the Bluewood camp, supplies of gasoline and diesel fuel were available for vehicles and equipment working the north side of the fire. Several water tenders were also based here.

A supply area was set up on the side of the parking lot. Hancock said that Job Corps workers from South Dakota and Wisconsin were here working to sort and dispense supplies for the several hundred workers and contractors on the north side of the fire.

At Bluewood, we met the supervisor for "Division Yankee," Ken Wright, and a trainee working with him, Brandon Davis. They are both BLM employees, also from Utah.

Wright and Davis would lead us up the hill to the Godman Springs

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Photo by Holly Hutchinson

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- 5 pm Mutt Show
- 5-8 pm Dinner at the Fair/Free Live Music
- 8 pm Free Movie on the Barn

Saturday

- 7-9 am CC Marksmen Club Breakfast by donation
- 9 am Fairgrounds Open
- All Day Activities & Entertainment
- 9:30-11:30 am Rascal Rodeo
- 11 am- 1pm Special Vendors BBQ Lunches
- 12:30 pm Market Livestock Sale
- 5:30 pm Mutton Bustin'
- 6 pm Jackpot Rodeo
- Adult (13 & over) \$6 Juniors (7-12) \$5
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Sunday

- 9 am Fairgrounds Open
- 9 am 4-H/FFA & Open Horse Show - indoor arena
- All Day Activities & Entertainment
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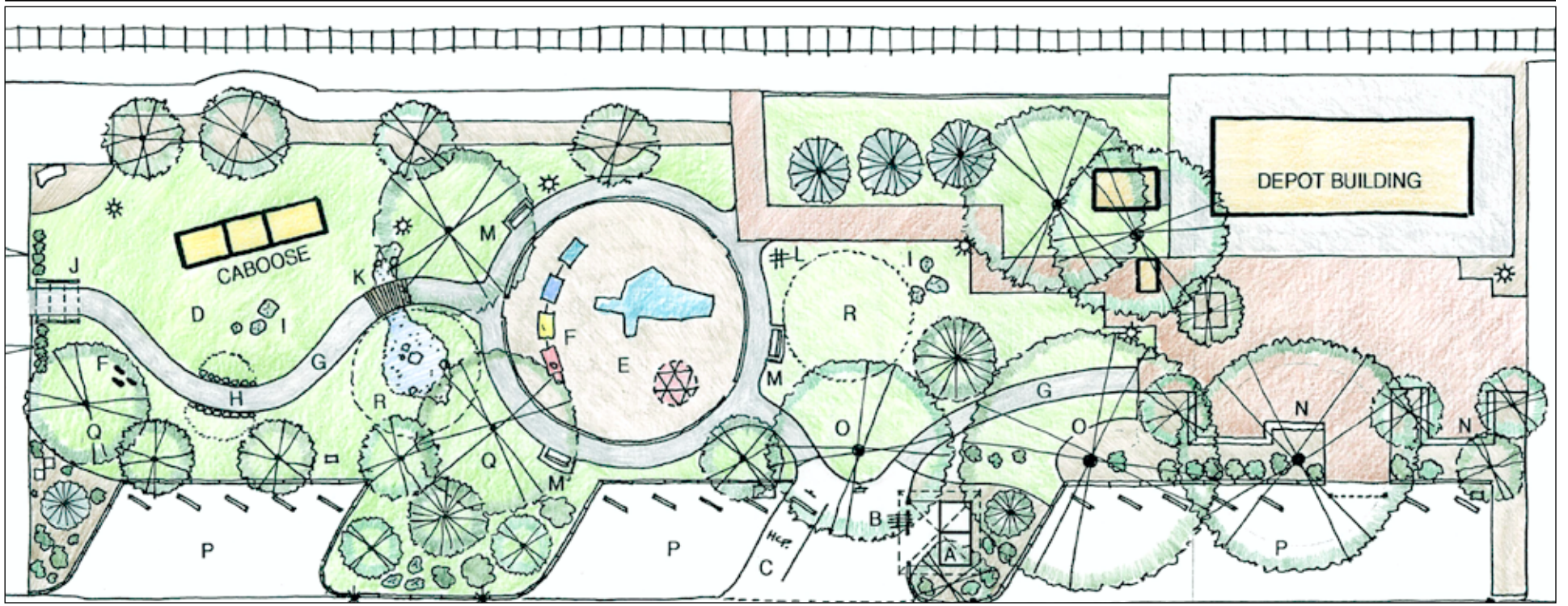
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PUGET SOUND ENERGY



Restrooms for Christmas?

DAYTON'S FIRST YEAR-ROUND PUBLIC RESTROOM FACILITY IS UNDERWAY

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

DAYTON – In an effort to encourage visitors and residents to spend time, and hopefully money, in downtown Dayton, three entities have joined forces on a two-phase project to enhance Dayton's downtown historic district. Phase one of that project, the construction of year-round, ADA-compliant public restrooms, broke ground this month.

The Dayton Development Task Force, the Dayton Historic Depot Society and the City of Dayton have partnered together to continue improvements to the Commercial Street Corridor. The corridor is home to the Smith Hollow School, the Dayton Historic Depot Museum, its courtyard, a restored Union Pacific Caboose and a new playground area. The adjacent alley is lined with public parking.

Funds from the Washington Main Street Tax Credit Incentive Program, which allows community businesses to donate a percentage of their state Business and Occupation tax or Public Utility Tax toward the development of downtown Dayton, were used to secure the services of Jim Stenkamp Architecture, whose firm also designed the Blue Mountain Artisan Center. Stenkamp developed a two-phase plan to dramatically improve the Caboose Park area.

Phase One is the addition of the restrooms near the playground and De-

pot courtyard. These will be Dayton's first year-round, public restrooms.

"With the playground getting more use and all the public and private events taking place at the Depot courtyard, the Depot Museum was getting more and more requests to use their restroom. And it's really not set up for that kind of use," said Port of Columbia manager and Task Force member Jennie Dickinson.

The design of the new restroom building will match the Depot with the same style siding, roof pitch and color. It will have two separate restrooms, an overhanging roof entry, a frost-free drinking fountain and handicapped accessible parking adjacent.

The structure will be placed so that it will be visible from Main Street and will be easily accessible to those parking in the alley, Weinhard Hotel patrons, tourists, event attendees and residents.

Dickinson said the Caboose Park area already has a blended ownership and shared maintenance. The city owns the area housing the Caboose, the playground, and the alley. The Depot Society owns the Depot and courtyard, rents the ground under the Caboose from the city, and allows public parking on its property adjacent to the alley.

The Task Force maintains the playground and a portion of the landscaping that is on City property. Dickinson said that the three entities have agreed to share the costs and responsibilities for the maintenance and operations of the new restrooms as well.

Financing for phase one is "very close" Dickinson said. She estimates costs for the restroom facility, adjacent ADA parking, and landscaping to be about \$65,000. The already-completed design and survey (which also includes the phase two improvements) is an ad-

ditional \$20,000.

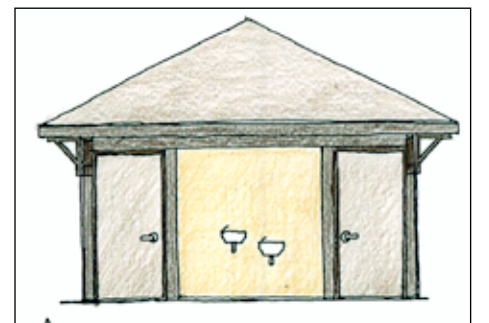
The Dayton Development Task Force and the Dayton Historic Depot Society have committed \$30,000 each, the Dayton Columbia County fund has committed \$5,000 and Columbia REA has donated \$10,000, leaving only \$10,000 in additional funding needed.

Phase two of the Caboose Park project includes additional enhancements – some fun and whimsical – to the park area. A metal arbor, reminiscent of a railroad tunnel, will welcome visitors to the park. The playground will be reconfigured in a circular area surrounded by a fence and walkway.

Columnar basalt and a grass mound will serve as informal seating, new trees and shrubbery will provide additional shade, and a six-foot concrete path will allow easy access from the park entrance to the playground. A post with directional signs – some real, and some

just for fun – will be positioned near the playground.

Dickinson said that raising the last of the funding for phase one is the priority for now, however. She said the builders, M4 Construction, have been offered an incentive if the restroom facility is completed in time for this year's Christmas Kickoff, which will take place Nov. 28 and 29.



Designs by Jim Stenkamp Architecture



Photo by Ken Graham

Top: The two-phase design plan for Caboose Park, restrooms are marked as "A." (One of the greenery bumpouts has been nixed to allow for more alley parking.) Center: The restroom is designed to imitate the style of the Depot. Above: M4 Construction has broken ground on the site next to the Depot.

Code Enforcement Ordinance Goes to Commissioners

ORDINANCE WOULD GIVE COUNTY NEW "TEETH" TO ENFORCE BUILDING AND HEALTH CODE VIOLATIONS

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Columbia County Planning Commission gave its approval last month to a proposed new county ordinance which would add much-needed teeth to the county's ability to enforce its zoning and health codes.

The proposed code-enforcement ordinance would be a completely new document for the county, according to County Planning Director Kim Lyonais. It stemmed from a need shared by his office and the county prosecutor's office, he said.

Lyonais said that he and his staff have become very frustrated with a recent spate of violations to county building and health codes. These include everything from trash and junk piles and abandoned vehicles to cabins being built in the mountains without permits.

Lyonais said that, beyond sending letters to property owners, his office is limited in the steps it

can take to enforce county codes.

In a conversation with The Times, Deputy Prosecutor Dale Slack said that the new ordinance creates three levels of enforcement.

The first level is the notification process, which is similar to the current notification rules.

The second step allows the planning office to cite violators with an infraction when they fail to comply with the code after the notification process has taken place. The county could then impose a civil penalty and fine of up to \$500 for first violations and \$1,000 for subsequent violations.

The third level of enforcement would allow the county to charge a violator with a misdemeanor if they continue to fail to comply. Filing of criminal charges against violators would allow the Sheriff's Office and criminal court system to assist the county in enforcing the codes.

According to Slack, the county currently does not have the capability for civil or criminal punishment for building and health code violators.

The Columbia County Commissioners are expected to take up the proposed new code enforcement ordinance at their first regular meeting next month. If approved by the commissioners, the ordinance will take effect later this year.

WALLA WALLA FAIR & FRONTIER DAYS DAYTON FFA & 4-H LIVESTOCK RESULTS

FFA Swine

Jennifer Warren: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

FFA Beef

Logan Hersey: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

Bryeanna Myrick: Blue Fitting and Showing

4-H Swine

Dan Magill-Katsel: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

4-H Beef

Sadie Seney: Blue Market, Champion Fitting and Showing

Jessie Atteberry: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

4-H Sheep

Anna Fortier: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

Josilyn Fullerton: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

Shaelyn Fortier: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

Tayven Seney: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing

First Time at the Fair

RAISING ANIMALS TEACHES RESPONSIBILITY AND WORK ETHIC

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – First-time 4-Her Lash LaRue admits that showing an animal at the Walla Walla fair is hard work, but says it's well worth it. "I had fun with it and I'll definitely do it again next year. I'm saving some of my money to buy just the kind of lamb I want and saving some for feed for next year," Lash said.

Eleven-year-old Lash, along with his older brother Joseph, joined the Crafty Farmers R Us 4-H group this year, after his parents asked if he'd be interested in raising a 4-H animal.

"I decided to give it a try. I wanted to do a pig, but I couldn't because we didn't have a place to keep it, so I went with sheep. I feel like I made the right choice. It's a way to bond with an animal and learn, and you have to work with sheep more," he said.

Lash said lambs need to be walked daily, to help them stay healthy and gain muscle. In addition to daily walks the 4-H group worked together with their lambs several times a month, preparing them for judging and teaching them how to brace properly. "You want to make sure they're not jumpy when you put them in place," he said.

Lash named his Suffolk cross lamb Daniel because fellow 4-Her, Braden Kitselman, had named his lamb Jack. "Get it? Jack – Daniel?" Lash asked with a grin.

Lash has another lamb he'll be taking to the Columbia County Fair this weekend named Spaz. "That's for two reasons. Because it was bald with this really cool spiral sticking up on its head. And then the first time that I saw it, it came up really close to me and started shaking," Lash said.

Fair prep began on Wednesday when Lash helped his dad, Dan LaRue, make three separate trips to Walla Walla, hauling in animals. "It took two hours to get the first pig in the trailer, 30 minutes to get the second pig in, and then about 30 seconds to load up all eight lambs," Lash said. (Possibly, another indicator that raising lambs was the right choice.)

Each 4-H club decorates their stall area and members post pictures of them posing with their animal. Members are also required to make and display an educational poster. During the fair Lash said he cleaned the stall daily, changed water three times a day, and fed his lamb twice a day, as well as preparing for showing events.

Lash said most FFA and 4-H members bring campers and stay at the fairgrounds, but his grandparents were using his family's camper. "We were just going to put sleeping bags in the tack room, but then we decided it was going to be too cold," he said. Instead, they drove home each night, which meant getting up at 5:30 a.m. to be at the fairgrounds bright and early each day.

Lash said he stayed at the fairgrounds most of the day, then came home for a quick nap before Waitsburg Giants football practice at 5:30 p.m.

When it came to the showmanship competition, Lash said he "didn't do too well, but OK for my first year." He said that showing his lamb for market was tough. All that bonding had paid off and it was hard to say good-bye.

"My favorite part of fair was being there with my sheep. Once he fell asleep in my arms and put his head on my belly. Then when I sold it I cried because I was sad," he said.

Lash sold his 155 lb. lamb for \$5.50/lb and said the average sale price was between \$5/lb. and \$7/lb. "The Reserve Grand Champion sold for \$18/lb. and Bra-



Courtesy Photos
Top: Lash LaRue (center) sneaks a kiss from his lamb Daniel during fitting and showing.
Center: Lash snuggles with Daniel while the lamb sleeps on his shoulder during some fair down-time.
Above: Braden Kitselman, owner of Jack and also a member of Crafty Farmers R Us 4-H Club, had his own fair first this year. Kitselman won his first belt buckle for having the Overall Grand Champion Lamb.

den (Kitselman) got Grand Champion and his sold for \$13/lb. It kind of depends on if they already know you or not when they bid," Lash said.

Tough as it was, Lash is pleased with what he's learned and is looking forward to Dayton this weekend, and then doing it all over next year.

"It taught me responsibility and to have respect for something that you have to take care of and work with and take responsibility for," he said. "It was definitely a good experience."

FORMER LIBRARY MANAGER RETURNS TO PRESCOTT

Amy Rosenberg will manage Plaza Way branch in Walla Walla as well

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES



Amy Rosenberg

PRESCOTT – It may look a bit like a game of musical chairs – library style – but returning library branch manager Amy Rosenberg feels like she's found a perfect fit. Rosenberg is pleased to be back in Prescott and is looking forward to facing new challenges.

Rosenberg served as branch manager in Prescott for a year before assuming the same position in Dayton in early 2013, where she stayed for about two years. Now Rosenberg is back in Prescott as district manager for both the Prescott and Plaza Way (Walla Walla) branches of the Walla Walla County Rural Library District.

"I'm really excited about the challenge of managing two branches. They are very different, with very different challenges, and that's intriguing to me. It gives me a chance to stretch and grow as a librarian in different ways," Rosenberg said.

Rosenberg moved to Dayton from Pendleton, Ore. about four years ago, for her husband's job. Her husband, Dale Slack, was hired in Dayton as a public defender and is now the Deputy Prosecutor.

Rosenberg had Bachelor of Arts in Art History degree and had held a variety of jobs ranging from a blackjack and poker dealer in Florence, Ore. to manager of the Heritage Station Museum in Pendleton, Ore. After moving to Dayton, she began pursuing her Master of Library and Information Science degree online, which she earned in March 2014.

"I love everything about being a librarian. I love that we stand up for intellectual freedom, that we provide necessary services to our community, that we foster literacy and intellectualism, that we provide spaces for people to pursue their interest and expand their knowledge.

"I love that we let everyone in and that everything is free. It feels like a radical act, like giving the keys to the kingdom to anyone who wants them," Rosenberg said.

In her new position as dual branch manager, Rosenberg is replacing Joel Gaten at the Plaza branch and Jessica Welch at the Prescott branch. Rosenberg took over both branches on Sept. 1 and has wasted no time in getting down to business.

"Right now, I'm gathering information and re-familiarizing myself with the community. Sharon (Psenak) and I are working together to put together some great programs for the fall. The week of Sept. 27 is banned books week and I'm planning a fun and interactive display.

"I'm also working on redesigning the existing space so that it flows a little better and is more comfortable. The board just voted to expand the Plaza Way branch into the space next door, so I'm pretty excited about the opportunity to help design that space as well," she said.

"I'm really looking forward to serving the Prescott community again," Rosenberg said. "It's a tight-knit community. Everyone is so welcoming and they really love their library. I'm glad to be back!"

Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Waitsburg 4-H Livestock Results

Lambs

Braden Kitselman: Grand Champion Overall Market, Grand Champion Showmanship
Joey LaRue: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship
Lash LaRue: Red Market, Blue Showmanship; 2nd Weight of Gain
Mckellyn Bradham: Red Market, White Showman, 3rd Weight of Gain

Swine

Seamus House: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster, Swine Barn Sportsmanship
Koby Harris: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster
Levi Boudrieau: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster
Caleb Barron: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster
Makenna Barron: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster
Braden Mohny: Blue Market, Blue Fitting and Showing, Blue Educational Poster
Broc Brooks: Red Market, Blue Showmanship
Colsey Brooks: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship
Zack Wood: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship
Mya Wood: Blue Market, Blue and Reserve Grand Champion Showmanship
Lexi Benson: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship, 9th Livestock Judging
Cason Nichols: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship, 6th Livestock Judging
Veronika Grace: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship
Devon Harshman: Blue Market, Blue Showmanship, 2nd Livestock Judging
Pen of 4 Market Swine: 2nd Corral Wranglers 4-H

Goats

Kaleb Kuykendall: Blue Market Light Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing
Klint Kuykendall: Blue Market Light Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing
Kate Kuykendall: Blue Market Medium Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing
Megan Forney: Blue Market Medium Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing, 1st Rate of Gain
Grace Coulston: Blue Market Heavy Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing, Overall Fullblood - Pure Breed Junior Does Grand Champion, Overall Fullblood - Pure Breed Junior Does Reserve Grand Champion, Overall Fullblood - Pure Breed Does Reserve Grand Champion
Sydney Fowble: Blue Market Heavy Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing, Overall Fitting & Showing 4-H Goat Grand Champion, Overall Fullblood - Pure Breed Does Reserve Grand Champion, Blue Percentage Does, 1st Livestock Judging
Mackenzie Forney: Blue Market Heavy Weight, Blue Fitting & Showing, Blue Fullblood - Pure Breed Does
Pen of 4 Market Goats: Corral Wranglers 4-H (Grace, Sydney, Kaleb, Kate)

Steers

Drew Farley: Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer, Blue Fitting & Showing, Champion Blow & Show Team
Amy Farley: Blue Market Steer, Blue Fitting & Showing, Champion Blow & Show Team, Blue 13 & Under Hi-Point Open Horse Exhibitor
4-H Beef Herdsmanship: Wilson Hollow Wranglers

Dunn, Crockett Lead Cardinals to Big Win Over Mac-Hi

45-7 win gives boost of confidence to new head coach Troy Larsen

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – New Waitsburg head coach Troy Larsen got his first win in a big way last Thursday, as his Cardinal team trounced the Mac-Hi Pioneers 45-7.

The Cardinals' junior quarterback Jacob Dunn had a stellar night, completing 17 of 20 passes for 323 yards and five touchdowns. Junior running back Travis Crockett rushed for 155 yards on 17 carries, and scored twice.

Larsen had special praise for his offensive line. "The one similarity on the night is the WHS line of scrimmage and the offensive line lead by seniors Mark Montgomery and Tristan Newman," he said. "The OL controlled a young Mac-Hi line."

Regarding the defensive line, Larsen said, "Dillon Knowles and Zach Hubbard stepped up on the night with veteran Montgomery. Knowles plugged gaps and caused havoc in the back field for 8 tackles while Montgomery covered the left side with 11 tackles. Zach Hubbard had his first start at middle linebacker and led the team with 16 tackles."

The Cardinals did their scoring damage early, building a 32-0

lead at the half. Dunn connected on TD passes of 24 and 63 yards in the first quarter, and another for 13 yards in the second. Crockett added touchdown runs of 1 yard and 12 yards in the second quarter.

The Pioneers got their only score of the night early in the third quarter. Dunn came back and scored two more touchdown passes, of 27 and 10 yards.

Receiver Jason Carter also had a big night for Waitsburg, catching eight passes for 217 yards and two touchdowns.

For the game, Waitsburg suffered no turnovers, while intercepting the Pioneers twice and recovering one fumble.

Waitsburg 45, Mac-Hi 7
Mac-Hi 0 0 70-7
Waitsburg 14 18 76-45

RUSHING — Mac: Calvillo 7-26, Birdwell 23-54, Fenrenbacher 6-4, Chester 1-(-1), Flores 1-0, Lopez 1-(-16), Kilburg 2-8. Waits: T. Crockett 17-155, Dunn 8-(-31), Jarvis 2-20, Carter 1-(-2), Philbrook 1-(-2), Miller 1-(-5)

PASSING — Mac: Birdsell 3-12-1, 8 yards. Waits: Dunn 18-20-0, 323 yards, Miller 2-2-0, -4 yards

RECEIVING — Mac: Lopez 1-7, Chester 1-3, Flores 1-(-2). Waits: Carter 8-217, Jarvis 3-43, T. Crockett 5-34, R. Crockett 3-16, Garrity 1-27



Photos by Nick Page
 Above: Waitsburg quarterback Jacob Dunn launches a pass against the Milton-Freewater defense Thursday night.

Right: Running back Travis Crockett stiff-arms a defender as he gains big yardage against the Pioneers.



Bulldogs Stumble at Home against Elgin

DAYTON CAN'T OVERCOME ELGIN
 PASSING ATTACK PLUS FOUR
 TURNOVERS IN 48-16 LOSS

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Dayton Bulldogs opened their eight-man football schedule Friday with a 48-16 loss to Elgin.

The Huskies blew the game open early with three first-quarter scores to take a 20-0 lead. They led 26-0 at the half.

The Bulldog offense finally got going in the second half when quarterback Cal Martin connected with Tanner Bren for a 16-yard scoring pass in the third quarter. Martin ran in the two-point conversion.

In the fourth quarter, two Martin runs of 23 and nine yards, set the Bulldogs up on the Elgin 11-yard-line. Jeffery Tate ran the ball in from there to score. Martin again converted for two points.

For the game, Martin was five for 20, for 96 yards passing. He also led the team in rushing, with 47 yards. Bren caught five passes for 96 yards and one TD. The Bulldogs suffered five turnovers in the game, including four on fumbles. Dayton intercepted Elgin twice.

Elgin 48, Dayton 16
Elgin 20 6 6 16-48
Dayton 0 0 8 8-16

RUSHING — Elgin: Weaver 6-16-1, McKay 10-63-1, Little 8-51, Christenson 1-4, Owen 6-21, Moodenbaugh 3-11, Reddick 2-0, Team 1-(-10); Dayton: Willis 13-19, Martin 8-47, Bren 3-(-1), Johnson 1-0, Tate 2-8-1, Team 5-(-51)

PASSING — Elgin: Little 13-22-2, 289 yards, 5 TDs; Dayton: Martin 5-20-1, 96 yards, 1 TD, Bren 2-3-0, 28

yards
RECEIVING — Elgin: Christenson 11-24-4, Owen 2-48-1; Dayton: Bren 5-96-1, McHaffie 1-21, Wooldrige 1-7



Photo by Ken Graham

With Quarterback Cal Martin blocking, running back Trystan Willis takes the ball around the left side during Friday night's game against Elgin.

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Lady Cards Kick off Season with Wins

WAITSBURG WON FOUR OUT OF FIVE SCRIMMAGES AT KAHLOTUS JAMBOREE

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg Lady Cardinals were full of spunk and sass when The Times joined them for a team dinner following their Sept. 3 practice. When asked what they planned to focus on this year, the answer was simple and optimistic. “Win everything!”

If their performance at Saturday’s jamboree in Kahlotus is a season indicator, they may not win “everything,” but they’re off to a good start.

The Cardinals scrimmaged against five teams and walked away with four wins. With only seven girls suited up, the Cards racked up wins against Prescott, Connell #2, Connell #1, and Lacrosse/Washtucna. The only loss was against Tri Cities Prep.

“They did a great job. They were competitive against a very good team from Tri-Cities Prep,” said Coach Angie Potts, who commented that several members of the TCP team play volleyball throughout the year.

With the dissolution of the Waitsburg-Prescott combine, the girls said they miss their former Prescott teammates, especially Athziry Amezcua, who is a senior this year. Smaller numbers have also called for some creativity in fielding both a Waitsburg JV and varsity team.

With a total of 17 players turned out for the season, Waitsburg will break from tradition and play varsity games first this year. Then, any varsity players who still have play time available (a player can play five sets a night), will suit up for the JV game.

“I’m not putting any seniors on JV since that’s the team that we need to build. It needs to be younger kids who get playing time,” said Potts.

“We have six seniors on varsity, but a lot of our strength comes from our sophomores and juniors. That makes



Times File Photo

Coach Angie Potts pumps up her team during a tournament last year.

our JV pretty small, with only five players. As long as we don’t go five sets with a team, we will have girls available to play,” she added.

This year’s player’s include: freshmen Kelsey Alleman, Lena Baker, Mackenzie Forney, and Devon Harshman (who will play on varsity); sophomores Anna Nerf, Tayler Jones, Ariel Sandau, Karlie Mathews and Chloe Pearson; juniors Jade Alleman, Taylor Hays, Timber Frohreich; and seniors; Caitlyn Jones, Caitlin Mohny, Anissa Holmberg, Bailey Adams, and Josie Tyler. Senior Jaidyn Brown will sit the season out because of medical reasons, but is a team manager.

The players listed their strengths as playing scrappy, strong hitting, and teamwork and Coach Potts agrees. “They’re very scrappy, especially when they communicate. The more they communicate, the scrappier they play,” she said.

“I thought their hitting would be the last thing we’d develop, but it’s better than I thought it would be. Since we’re a short team we’re going to focus more on defense and passing,” she added.

Both players and coach agree that developing consistent serves is a priority. “We’ll be working a lot on the overall knowledge of the game – fully understanding what the other team is doing and being able to anticipate based on that,” said Potts.

With a positive season opener under their belts, the Lady Cards are looking forward to a replay at this weekend’s tournament in Waitsburg which runs from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sat.

Tigers Take Off

COACH YOUNG WILL FOCUS ON CHARACTER AS WELL AS SKILL

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

PRESCOTT – “With the return of varsity volleyball to Prescott, I look forward to building a program here for which the student body and community can be proud of,” said first-time Lady Tiger coach Bob Young. And while Young is new to Prescott, he’s not new to coaching.

Most recently, Young coached 7th grade volleyball at Sager Middle School in College Place, from 2011 to 2013. He also coached at Republic High School in Republic, Wash. from 1977-79 and was head volleyball coach at Central Washington University in 1980. Young has also coached baseball, softball, track, basketball and cross country.

Young began teaching middle school English in Prescott last year after a 35-year gap in his teaching career while he was working in the business world. He was pleased to learn of the new coaching opportunity.

“I love coaching. It’s a great chance to help kids grow outside of the classroom. I believe sports are a great opportunity to learn how to develop the personal attributes of: character, commitment, confidence, cohesiveness and competitiveness,” he said.

Young wasted no time and began

networking with local college coaches soon after he was hired to coach last spring. “I met with Don Hepker of Walla Walla University (WVU) and Matt Helm of Whitman College. Matt was gracious enough to host a two-day clinic at Prescott (during the summer) for our girls, focusing on the first touch skills of serving and passing,” Young said.

“We turned out Sept. 1 to watch Whitman beat WVU at Sherwood Center. The girls got to see firsthand what volleyball can look like,” he said.

The Tigers kicked off season play at the LWK Jamboree at Kahlotus on Saturday, Sept. 5. “We finished 1-4 against Connell, Waitsburg, TCP and LWK. It was a learning experience. Our focus was on setting the tone of team unity for the season. The girls responded well to that. We have a special group of girls. We are in the beginning stages of developing our skills and learning the game,” Young said.

Young said the team will rely on their captain, Athziry Amezcua, who played with WP for the last several years, for leadership and experience. Team members include seniors Athziry Amezcua, Ruby Rosales, and Perla Xolio; juniors Michelle Cardenas, Elizabeth Perez, and Maribel Mendiza; sophomores Jocelyn Granados and Yoali Ortega; and freshman Ashley Diaz.

“I’m looking forward to see how our girls come together, to see how they learn to compete, to see how they overcome adversity, to see how they learn to work hard and find the benefits of hard work,” Young said.



Courtesy Photo
New Prescott Tigers varsity volleyball coach Bob Young (back left) poses with his team during a volleyball clinic with Whitman College coach Matt Helm (foreground) in Prescott this summer.

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Ref: Weidner, Doreen & Piephoff, Shawn, 2015-011203/4036.1502371
Reference Number(s) of Documents assigned or released: 2011-05217
Document Title: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Grantor: Bishop, Marshall & Weibel, P.S.
Grantee: Doreen Weidner, a single woman and Shawn Piephoff, a single man
Abbreviated Legal Description as Follows: SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec. 29, Twp 7S, Rng 36E
Assessor's Property Tax Parcel/Account Number(s): 230045/360729230046

WE ARE A DEBT COLLECTOR. THIS COMMUNICATION IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

I
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Bishop, Marshall & Weibel, P.S. will on September 18, 2015 at 10:00 am at the main entrance of the Walla Walla County Courthouse, 315 West Main Street, in the City of Walla Walla located at Walla Walla County, State of Washington, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Walla Walla County, State of Washington, to-wit;

A TRACT OF LAND IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 36 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON, WHICH POINT IS 86 FEET SOUTH FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE WEST LINE OF 86 FEET SOUTH FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF CHESTNUT STREET IN SAID CITY; THENCE WEST PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID CHESTNUT STREET, A DISTANCE OF 136 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING FOR THIS DESCRIPTION; FROM SAID TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING THENCE WEST PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID CHESTNUT STREET A DISTANCE OF 56.8 FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE EAST PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF CHESTNUT STREET A DISTANCE OF 56.8 FEET; THENCE NORTH PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE A DISTANCE OF

50 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. ALSO, A TRACT OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 7 NORTH, RANGE 36 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE IN THE CITY OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, WHICH POINT IS 86 FEET SOUTH FROM THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF CHESTNUT STREET IN SAID CITY; AND RUNNING THENCE WEST, PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID CHESTNUT STREET, A DISTANCE OF 136 FEET; THENCE SOUTH PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF CHASE AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET; THENCE EAST PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF CHESTNUT STREET, A DISTANCE OF 136 FEET TO A POINT IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID CHASE AVENUE; THENCE NORTH, ALONG

THE WEST LINE OF SAID CHASE AVENUE, A DISTANCE OF 50 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATED IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated June 23, 2011, recorded July 8, 2011, under Auditor's File No. 2011-05217 records of Walla Walla County, Washington, from Doreen Weidner, a single woman and Shawn Piephoff, a single man, as Grantor, to FNTG-FNTIC, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. is a separate corporation that is acting solely as a nominee for Quicken Loans Inc. and its successors and assigns as Beneficiary. Quicken Loans Inc. is now the beneficiary of the deed of trust. The sale will be made without any warranty concerning the title to, or the condition of the property.

II
No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust.

III
The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows:

Failure to pay the following amounts, now in arrears:

Amount due to reinstate by May 19, 2015

Delinquent Monthly Payments Due from 09/01/2014 through 5/1/2015:

4 payment(s) at \$ 869.95
5 payment(s) at \$ 869.93

Total: \$7829.45

Late Charges:
9 late charge(s) at \$ 25.05 for each monthly payment not made within days of its due date
Total Late Charges: \$225.45

Recoverable Balance \$1143.37

TOTAL DEFAULT \$9198.27

IV
The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: \$114,032.73, together with interest from August 1, 2014 as provided in the note or other instrument, and such other costs and fees as are due under the note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

V
The above described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. The sale will be made without warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on September 18, 2015. The payments, late charges, or other defaults must be cured by September 7, 2015 (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time on or before September 7, 2015 (11 days before the sale date) the default(s) as set forth in paragraph III, together with any subsequent payments, late charges, or other defaults, is/are cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be with cashier's or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after September 7, 2015 (11 days before the sale date), and before the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor, or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults.

VI
A written notice of default was transmitted by the beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following

address(es):

See 'Mailing List' attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

by both first class and certified mail on February 11, 2015, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served on February 11, 2015, with said written notice of default or the written notice of default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting.

VII
The Trustee whose name and address are set forth will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale.

VIII
The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property.

IX
Anyone having objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objection if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale.

NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS

The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060.

If the Trustee's Sale is set aside for any reason, the submitted bid will be forthwith returned without interest and the bidder will have no right to purchase the property. Recovery of the bid amount without interest constitutes the limit of the bidder's recourse against the Trustee and/or the Beneficiary.

XI

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS AND PARTIES WHO ARE GUARANTORS OF THE OBLIGATIONS SECURED BY THIS DEED OF TRUST: (1) The Guarantor may be liable for a deficiency judgment to the extent the sale price obtained at the Trustee's Sale is less than the debt secured by the Deed of Trust; (2) The Guarantor has the same rights to reinstate the debt, cure the default, or repay the debt as is given to the grantor in order to avoid the trustee's sale; (3) The Guarantor will have no right to redeem the property after the Trustee's Sale; (4) Subject to such longer periods as are provided in the Washington Deed of Trust Act, Chapter 61.24 RCW, any action brought to enforce a guaranty must be commenced within one year after the Trustee's Sale, or the last Trustee's Sale under any deed of trust granted to secure the same debt; and (5) In any action for a deficiency, the Guarantor will have the right to establish the fair value of the property as of the date of the Trustee's Sale, less prior liens and encumbrances, and to limit its liability for a deficiency to the difference between the debt and the greater of such fair value or the sale price paid at the Trustee's Sale, plus interest and costs.

XII
NOTICE
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Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/fc/index.cfm?webListAction=search&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dfc>

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DATED: May 18, 2015

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State of Washington)
) ss.
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On this 18 day of May, 2015, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared William L. Bishop, Jr., to me known to be an Officer of Bishop, Marshall & Weibel, P.S., the corporation that executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the said instrument to be the free and voluntary act and deed of said corporation, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned, and on oath states that they are authorized to execute the said instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal hereto affixed the day and year first above written.

/s/ Darla Trautman
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SHERIFF'S PUBLIC NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

No. 12-2-00840-1

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

THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, its successors in interest and/or assigns,

Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF EARL D. RILEY; TERESA BECKVOLD; DEANA MAXSON; JULIE HOULIHAN; HSBC BANK USA, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES; OCCUPANTS OF THE PREMISES,

Defendants.

TO: The Judgment Debtors Named Above:

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

82 South Columbia School, Burbank, Washington 99323

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: TRACT 3 AS DESIGNATED ON SHORT PLAT FILED JULY 13, 1978 IN VOLUME 1 PAGE 113 OF SHORT PLATS, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 7806229, RECORDS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON; TOGETHER WITH AN ACCESS EASEMENT ALONG THE EAST 30.0 FEET OF THE NORTH 358.85 FEET OF THE SAID EAST HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 8 NORTH, RANGE 30 EAST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN.

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

Time: 10:00 AM
Date: Friday, October 2, 2015

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

The judgment debtors can avoid the sale by paying the judgment amount of \$79,094.15, together with interest, costs and fees, before the sale date. For the exact amount, contact the sheriff at the address stated below.

Dated this 20th day of August, 2015

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Aug. 27, Sept. 3, 10, 17, 2015
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SHERIFF'S NOTICE TO JUDGMENT DEBTOR OF; WRIT FOR ORDER OF SALE

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The sale of the described property is subject to:

[X] No redemption rights after sale.

[] A redemption period of eight months which will expire

at 4:30 PM On the ___ day of ____, 20__

[] A redemption period of one year which will expire at

4:30 PM On the ___ day of ____, 20__

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE; IF THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR OR DEBTORS DO NOT REDEEM THE PROPERTY BY 4:30 PM ON THE 2ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015, THE END OF THE REDEMPTION PERIOD, THE PURCHASER AT THE SHERIFF'S SALE WILL BECOME THE OWNER AND MAY EVICT THE OCCUPANT FROM THE PROPERTY UNLESS THE OCCUPANT IS A TENANT HOLDING UNDER AN UNEXPIRED LEASE. IF PAGE THREE

IF THE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS OCCUPIED AS A PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE BY THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR OR DEBTORS AT THE TIME OF THE SALE, HE, SHE, THEY OR ANY OF THEM, MAY HAVE THE RIGHT TO RETAIN POSSESSION DURING THE REDEMPTION PERIOD, IF ANY, WITH PAYMENT OF ANY RENT OR OCCUPANCY FEE. THE JUDGMENT DEBTOR MAY ALSO HAVE A RIGHT TO RETAIN POSSESSION DURING

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

Dated this 20th day of August, 2015.

JOHN A. TURNER, Sheriff
Walla Walla County

By Sherri Krumbah, Senior Admin Clerk
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Aug. 27, Sept 3, 10 17, 24, Oct. 1, 2015
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**NO: 15-4-00165-3
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030**

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

In re the Estate of:

FRIGYES M. VOROS,
Deceased.

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

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: September 3, 2015.

Rosalie V. Kilmer
Personal Representative

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Jeff Burkhart, WSBA #39454
Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC
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Walla Walla, WA 99362
509-529-0630

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**NO: 15 4 00166 1
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030**

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

In the Matter of the Estate of

CHARLENE R. KUICH,
Deceased.

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

(1) Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to Creditors as provided under 11.40.020(1)(c); or

(2) Four (4) months after the date of the 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.

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Personal Representative: Thomas E. Kuich
Attorney for Personal Representative: Daniel J. Hess, of Hess Law

Address for Mailing or Service: Hess Law Office, PLLC
415 N. Second Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362

Court of the Probate Proceedings

and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause Number: 15 4 00166 1

/s/Thomas E. Kuich

The Times
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**Affidavit of Probation
Notice of Public Meeting**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commission of Public Hospital District No. 1, Columbia and Walla Walla Counties, Washington (the "District") will hold a Special Board Meeting on September 15, 2015 at 6 [PM] in the Administrative Conference Room of the Dayton General Hospital, Resolution No. 7-2015, which authorizes the District to issue, sell and deliver its limited tax general obligation bond to pay costs of acquiring and installing certain technology equipment.

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**PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 15-4-00174-2
RCW 11.40.030**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In re the Estate of:

SHIRLEY LORRAINE WADE,

Deceased.

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

1. Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or

2. Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice.

If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Personal Representative: Brian Carlson

Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl, Minnick-Hayner

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Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 15-4-00174-2

Date of First Publication: September 10, 2015

BRIAN CARLSON

Personal Representative

By: /s/ Brian Carlson

Brian Carlson,
Personal Representative

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**PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 15-4-00172-6
RCW 11.40.030**

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

In re the Estate of:

MYRNA JEAN HELGESON,

Deceased.

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

1. Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or

2. Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice.

If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Personal Representative: Hildy Helgeson

Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl, Minnick-Hayner

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Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 15-4-00172-6
Date of First Publication: September 10, 2015

HILDY HELGESON
Personal Representative

By: /s/ Hildy Helgeson
Hildy Helgeson,
Personal Representative
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Sept. 10, 17, 24, 2015
9-10-d

**Notice and Summons by Publication
Termination
No: 15-7-00114-0**

Superior Court of Washington
County of Walla Walla
Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of:

NORTHROP, Angel Damon
Ray

D.O.B.: 05/15/2014

To: Karrie Elaine Northrop,
Mother

A Termination Petition was filed on August 6, 2015; a Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: October 15, 2015 at 9:30 AM, at Walla Walla County Superior Court, 315 W. Main St., Walla Walla WA, Department I. You should be present at this hearing.

The hearing will determine if:

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

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

Dated: September 3, 2015

By direction of:
John W. Lohrmann, Judge
KATHY MARTIN
Clerk

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

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on September 8, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington adopted the following:

Ordinance No. 435, as follows: APPROVING A REQUEST BY WALLA WALLA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE REVISING ESTABLISHED ROADWAY DESIGN STANDARDS, WHICH INCLUDES BASIC DESIGN STANDARDS FOR VARIOUS ROADWAY ELEMENTS IN BOTH THE URBAN AND RURAL PORTIONS OF WALLA WALLA COUNTY, AND AMENDING WALLA WALLA COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 12.06 TO REFLECT REVISED STANDARDS

Each ordinance in its entirety is available from the Walla Walla County Commissioners' Office, County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main (Room 203)/P. O. Box 1506, Walla Walla, WA 99362, or call 509/524-2505 to make a public records request.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2015

Board of County Commissioners
Walla Walla County, Washington

By: Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

The Times
Sept. 10, 2015
9-10-f

**Phone and Internet Discounts
Available to CenturyLink Customers**

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission designated CenturyLink as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier within its service area for universal service purposes. CenturyLink's basic local service rates for residential voice lines are \$18.00 per month and business services are \$32.00 per month. Specific rates will be provided upon request.

CenturyLink participates in a government benefit program (Lifeline) to make residential telephone service more affordable to eligible low-income individuals and families. Eligible customers are those that meet eligibility standards as defined by the FCC and state commissions. Residents who live on federally recognized Tribal Lands may qualify for additional Tribal benefits if they participate in certain additional federal eligibility programs. The Lifeline discount is available for only one telephone per household, which can be either a wireline or wireless telephone. A household is defined for the purposes of the Lifeline program as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline service is not transferable, and only eligible consumers may enroll in the program. Consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain Lifeline telephone service can be punished by fine or imprisonment and can be barred from the program.

Lifeline eligible subscribers may also qualify for reliable home high-speed Internet service up to 1.5Mbps for \$9.95* per month for the first 12 months of service. Please call 1-866-541-3330 or visit centurylink.com/internetbasics for more information.

If you live in a CenturyLink service area, please call 1-888-833-9522 or visit centurylink.com/lifeline with questions or to request an application for the Lifeline program.

***CenturyLink Internet Basics Program** – Residential customers only who qualify based on meeting income level or program participation eligibility requirements, and requires remaining eligible for the entire offer period. First bill will include charges for the first full month of service billed in advance, prorated charges for service from the date of installation to bill date, and one-time charges and fees described above. Qualifying customers may keep this program for a maximum of 60 months after service activation provided customer still qualifies during that time. Listed High-Speed Internet rate of \$9.95/mo. applies for first 12 months of service (after which the rate reverts to \$14.95/mo. for the next 48 months of service), and requires a 12-month term agreement. Customer must either lease a modem/router from CenturyLink for an additional monthly charge or independently purchase a modem/router, and a one-time High-Speed Internet activation fee applies. A one-time professional installation charge (if selected by customer) and a one-time shipping and handling fee applies to customer's modem/router. **General** – Services not available everywhere. Have not have subscribed to CenturyLink Internet service within the last 90 days and are not a current CenturyLink customer. CenturyLink may change or cancel services or substitute similar services at its sole discretion without notice. Offer, plans, and stated rates are subject to change and may vary by service area. Deposit may be required. Additional restrictions apply. **Terms and Conditions** – All products and services listed are governed by tariffs, terms of service, or terms and conditions posted at centurylink.com. **Taxes, Fees, and Surcharges** – Applicable taxes, fees, and surcharges include a carrier Universal Service charge, carrier cost recovery surcharges, state and local fees that vary by area and certain in-state surcharges. Cost recovery fees are not taxes or government-required charges for use. Taxes, fees, and surcharges apply based on standard monthly, not promotional, rates.



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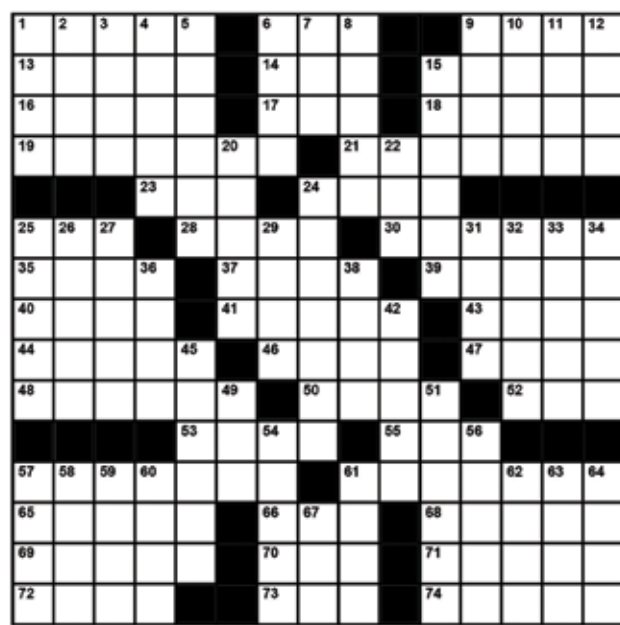
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13. Unfinished
14. Ring bearer, maybe
15. Lake crosser
16. "Grimm's Fairy ___"
17. Horse-and-buggy
18. Communication "U"
19. Cardigan
21. Wicker or willow
23. Census datum
24. "___ She Lovely?"
25. Harass
28. Start of a brand new day!
30. Deep-sixed
35. Matures
37. Carry's partner
39. Distance in the UK
40. Priceless?
41. Uses a computer
43. Intelligent horse breed
44. Lab work
46. Bench
47. In the cellar
48. Playground equipment
50. Part of surf and turf
52. Most assuredly
53. It's not right
55. 1773 jetsam
57. Mood
61. Newscast segment
65. Hurried
66. Reverence
68. Hot spot
69. Where cakes are made
70. "Murder, ___ Wrote"
71. London paper
72. Quarterback's option
73. Peak
74. Trail



Down

1. Play parts
2. Chess tie
3. Stubborn animal
4. Notions
5. Broke in
6. Red or whitetail?
7. Put your ___ in
8. Seizes
9. Utter
10. ___ and for all
11. Jamaican all-time great sprinter
12. Visits, a dentist for example
15. Made for one person
20. Dead-on
22. Colony member
24. Check out
25. Some are inflated
26. Coincide
27. "Silly" birds
29. Methods
31. Stamp
32. Drift
33. Rub out
34. Monies owed
36. Starts a fire

38. Try, as a case
42. Union member
45. Mixed foods with dressing
49. Dripping
51. Zoo attractions
54. Spread
56. Storage room
57. This season's carrots
58. Volcanic flow
59. Secures
60. One department in a clothing store
61. Blubber
62. Sanctuary
63. Flush
64. Relax
67. "Tommy" singers

Last Week's Solution



THE LAST PAGE



Photos by Ken Graham

L to R above: A firefighter posed in front of a cabin at Godman Springs Campground. Professional loggers from Roseburg (l) and Cottage Grove, Ore. posed at Little Turkey. After the tour was complete, assistant PIO Holly Hutchinson (l) and PIO Debbie Wilkins posed beside Wilkins' vehicle at the Fire District 3 station near Dayton. Below: A hand crew works alongside the road leading into Little Turkey.

Campground, where another camp was set up. We drove back out the Bluewood access road, following Wright's pickup, and then turned left and headed into the mountains.

After about five miles, Wright stopped near a clearing and off to our right I could see billows of smoke – my first view of the actual fire. I took a few photos, but I would get much better ones later.

A couple of miles farther, we encountered a gray SUV coming the other way. "That's the Safety Officer," Wilkins said. "Good thing we have our hardhats with us."

The driver seemed put off when Wilkins told him she had a reporter with her, but we ended up talking to him for a couple of minutes anyway. He looked to be in his fifties, and he said he lives in North Carolina. He is a former firefighter for the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

When asked if he missed being out on the fire line, he smiled and said, "Nope, I have my memories. That's all I need." Then he drove off in his comfortable car.

Godman Springs

At the Godman Springs Campground, the Forest Service owns a small group of cabins that are normally available for rental by the public. However, at the moment, they were wrapped in what looked like tinfoil.

The nearby campground had been the sleeping spot for many firefighters and other workers in the area. However, because the threat of the fire growing had diminished considerably, the camp was being broken down that day and these people were moving back down to Bluewood.

We were told that many of those folks were unhappy about having to move – they preferred the remoteness and all the wildlife in the area. But the difficult logistics of moving supplies here daily meant that the camp needed to be broken down as soon as possible.

Some of the supplies that were already here were being moved to a makeshift storage area, in case conditions changed and personnel needed to return.

As we were leaving Godman, a firefighter offered to pose next to his truck, which was parked in front of a cabin wrapped in foil, right down to the handrails. It reminded me of a scene from photos I used to see of WPA workers in the woods during the depression – except for the tinfoil and the modern truck.

Firefighter Lunch

At Godman I was offered, and accepted, a firefighter sack lunch. It was a regular-sized lunch bag stuffed to the top with goodies. Back in the car, I grabbed a great-looking turkey sandwich from the top of the sack and ate it. It was pretty good.

Then, as I dug down farther, I found a little baggie with tomato and lettuce and a pouch of mayonnaise. Dang, that would have been a first-rate sandwich. Oh well. These lunches were designed to eat at a picnic table, not in a passenger seat.

Also in the sack were potato chips, an apple, trail mix, cookies, a nutrition bar and apple juice. There were a lot more calories there than I'd burned that morning, but I ate it all (except the loose tomato and lettuce).

Little Turkey

While I ate, we followed Wright and Davis on up the road to a spot called Little Turkey. As we approached, I saw a number of bright yellow shirts under hard hats on both sides of the road. And

I heard chainsaws.

This was a hand crew clearing brush along the roadside. Wilkins said that USFS hand crews always work in groups of 20. We drove around a chainsaw and a couple of fuel cans that were sitting beside the road. Most of the workers waved as we went by.

Little Turkey consists of a small group of what are called "Residence Cabins." These are privately owned cabins that sit on forest service land. Their owners lease the land from USFS and build and maintain them themselves. All of the cabins here were wrapped.

A group of workers with chainsaws were busy here cutting and stacking downed wood. "These cabin owners are going to be happy when they see all the wood waiting for them," Wilkins said.

Two portable containers that looked like small swimming pools sat near the stacked wood, filled with water. There were no water sources here, but I was told the water tenders visited regularly.

Near one of the cabins at Little Turkey I met a group of loggers. Wilkins and Hutchinson told me that the forest service hires professional loggers to fall large trees that hand crews aren't trained to handle.

I spoke with two of the loggers, who said they were from Roseburg and Cottage Grove, Ore. "What a beautiful area this is," the Roseburg logger said. "We've never been up around here before."

They explained that they are private contractors who work for logging companies in central Oregon most of the year. But during the summer, they often contract with USFS to work on fires.

"It's a great deal for us," said the Roseburg logger, "because the forests where we normally work are often closed in the summer due to fire danger. It's good work and we get to see other parts of the country."

The Cottage Grove logger said he had seen wolf tracks the day before just up the road from where we stood. On his phone, he showed us a photo he took of a track in the dry dirt, with his own boot print next to it. The wolf track was as wide as his boot. "I didn't know their feet got that big," he said. "I saw cougar tracks crossing the road at a right angle to the wolf tracks," he added.

Viewing the Fire

We drove out of Little Turkey, and Wright and Davis led us to a ridge where we got a great view of the interior of the Grizzly Bear fire. Plumes of smoke rose throughout a broad area of forest below us. The terrain looked incredibly rugged.

I asked Wright if any firefighters were working down in that area and he said absolutely not. There are no structures or people living in that part of the National Forest, he said. "We just let it burn."

The goal of the firefighting effort is to hold the perimeters of the fire and keep them from moving. As of Tuesday, the Grizzly Bear Complex Fire had not grown for many days.

On the ridge, Hutchinson took photos of the smoke plumes on her iPad, and I did the same with my official Times news camera.

Back to Base

We said farewell to Wright and Davis and headed back to Dayton. We made the hour-long drive back past Godman, and then over a different set of roads than we came up on. The more easterly route led us to Skyline Drive and then Eckler Mountain Road, which dropped us down to Mustard and Fourth Streets in town.



Back at the Fire District 3 station, Wilkins and Hutchinson said they needed get to work on updating road closure notices. I changed back into my civilian clothes and then insisted that they come outside for a photo before I left.

My day on the fire lines left me with a couple of strong impressions. First, we not only live in a beautiful area here in the Touchet Valley, but just a few miles away is one of the most incredibly beautiful and rugged areas of mountains that can be found anywhere. And I rarely make the effort to

go there. I promised myself I would come back sometime after the firefighters are gone.

I also have a great new respect for the complexity involved in fighting a wildfire. The coordination and communication effort required to identify the work needed to be done each day and assign it to the right people is immense. I can only imagine the additional effort required to recruit all of these workers and get them here on short notice.

And I thought I had a hard job running a three-person newspaper office.

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