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# **NUP** received Washington Library Association Award

THE TIMES

DAYTON — Neighbors United for Progress (NUP), a nonpartisan political action committee in Dayton, has been awarded the Candace Morgan Intellectual Freedom Award 2024 by the Washington Library Association. NUP president Elise Severe accepted the award at the WLA Annual Conference on March 2 at the Spokane Convention Center.

The award is presented annually to "an individual or group for their efforts to defend, champion, support, or educate others about Intellectual Freedom in Washington State." The award recognized NUP's successful effort last year to stop a ballot measure that could have resulted in the closure of the Dayton Memorial Library.

In August 2023, a petition to place a measure on the November ballot to dissolve the Columbia County Rural Library District was submitted to the Columbia County Auditor. NUP filed a lawsuit in Columbia County Superior Court to block the measure. Among other issues, the suit argued that the law allowing the ballot measure was state and federally unconstitutional because it excluded taxpayers within the city limits from voting. The court agreed and nullified the petition.

If the measure had appeared on the ballot, Dayton's public library could have been the first in the nation to be closed by voters.

## **Great time with** food and friends at Waitsburg Town Hall

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG-Another successful St. Patrick's Dinner and Silent Auction fundraiser for the Waitsburg Town Hall was held on Saturday, March 9. The event offered the traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner, a silent auction. There was also a live auction for the remaining corned beef, a fan favorite. Auctioneer and host, Karen Huwe kept the action going, finding clever ways to up the bids.

The Town Hall Board wants to thank area businesses and community members for their numerous donations and the attendees who bid on silent and live auction

Through the tremendous work done by the Town Hall Board officers, board members, and their spouses, over \$5000 was raised to assist with Town Hall's operation and maintenance.



Was it a leprechaun or Town Hall Board Vice-President Ron Griffen who roamed the room at the St. Pat's fundraiser?

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# Prescott and **Dayton working** on Water Safety program

Concerned community members come together to insure water safety for kids

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON/PRESCOTT —The Club, which offers after-school and out-of-school programs, is working with community stakeholders to develop a water safety component as part of its summer program. Representatives from The Friends of the Dayton Library (FDL), Dayton Hospital, Kiwanis Club, and Prescott Joint Parks and Recreation met on March 7 to discuss the pro-

Club Program Director Shakira Bye told the group that there was a safety issue for kids in the community who do not have access to swim lessons. She said that until a pool is built in Dayton, kids would continue to go into the river during the summer.

Bye would like to offer water safety, swim lessons, and open swim at the Prescott's pool for kids in The Club's summer program. Funded by the Friends of the Dayton Library and Columbia County Public Health, kids will receive a bag containing swimsuits, lip balm, sunscreen, and other items they will need

for the program, free of charge. Doug Venn said Prescott Joint Parks and Recreation (PJPR) is negotiating with the Walla Walla YMCA to return to manage the pool this season. The YMCA would be responsible for providing lifeguards and lessons.

Considering the national and local shortages of trained lifeguards, Venn and PJPR are proactively reaching out to encourage high school students to sign up for the YMCA training and jobs at the pool. He expects three to five trained lifeguards to return this season.

One hurdle in attracting new lifeguards has been the \$300 cost for lifeguard training. At the meeting, the Dayton Kiwanis Secretary Joe Huether said the club would sponsor two students for the training. Anyone interested in taking the training can sign up at age 15 but must turn 16 before they start work at the pool.

Lorna Barth, President of the Friends of the Dayton Library, said in addition to the swim bag items, the group would consider providing safety class materials, including books. The funds will come from a grant the Friends received this year from the Inatai Foundation. The Friends may use the funds in the community at its discretion.

Monte Fulbright, MT, was present representing the Columbia County Hospital District, which would offer medical and health information, including swimming-related illnesses from swimming in the local rivers.

The YMCA will provide swim lessons at the Prescott Pool for kids in The Club and the Vista Hermosa House summer programs. Bye said she would like to invite the Vista Hermosa kids to join The Club for a day at Camp Nancy Lee at the end of the six-week program. Bye said it would be an opportunity for the kids to enjoy the rich outdoor recreational areas outside of town and allow the kids to use the water safety and swimming skills they learned over the summer.

Venn said he is working to form a group, possibly with the Dayton, Waitsburg, and Prescott Parks and Recreation Districts, to combine resources in building, maintaining, and staffing public pools. The Touchet Valley Aquatic Association is his working title for the proposed collective.

The Columbia County Sheriff Department will also partici-

# **Dayton School Board** offers Superintendent position to Jeremy Wheatley

Board reviews elementary school improvement plans

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Dayton School Board met in the Elementary School library at 6:30 p.m. on March 7, 2024. School Board members present were Chair Jeffrey McCowen, Zac Fabian, Aneesha Dieu, and Grant Griffin. Superintendent Rich Stewart was also present.

The school board approved the consent agenda, approving the WIAA Spring Sports Cooperative between Dayton and Waitsburg for the H.S. boys and girls golf and track and field programs. Also on the consent agenda was a leave of absence for an employee, approval of next year's school calendar, and determining snow makeup days for this year's calendar.

The proposal to hire Zac Fabian as an H.S. Girls Softball Assistant Coach was decided on separately from the consent agenda, allowing Fabian to recuse himself from that vote.

Dieu wanted to discuss next year's calendar in more depth, including late starts and early releases and a balanced or yearround school calendar for the future. A balanced calendar would spread school vacations more evenly throughout the year, keeping the same number of school days as the current calendar.

Next, the board listened to a presentation on school testing, focusing on Title I reading data and how it is used to identify students at risk for reading difficulties, monitor their progress, and seek solutions. The test results may also be used to communicate with parents to help implement success strategies.

Following the presentation on testing, the board heard presentations on the elementary school improvement plan. The detailed presentations can be viewed at <a href="https://tinyurl.">https://tinyurl.</a>

com/2fe33mar. The board met the previous evening and went into an executive session to discuss the candidates for the permanent superintendent position. Fabian said the community showed a strong preference for one of the three candidates. McCowen said all three candidates were fantastic. Dieu pointed out that 230 people filled out comment forms during Wednesday's community meet and greet.

The board voted unanimously to extend an offer



Wenatchee School District Jeremy Wheatley offerered Superintendent position at DSD.

to Jeremy Wheatley for the position, pending contract negotiations.

Finally, the board approved Resolution 2023-05 Reduced Educational Program, which would allow the board to make appropriate cuts in programs, should that become necessary.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m. The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

# **NEWS BRIEFS**

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#### AT THE LIBERTY:

"Ordinary Angels"

THE TIMES

DAYTON — "Ordinary Angels" is based on a remarkable true story. It centers on Sharon Steves (Hilary Swank), a fierce but struggling hairdresser in small-town Kentucky who discovers a renewed sense of purpose when she meets Ed Schmitt (Alan Ritchson), a widower working hard to make ends meet for his two daughters. With his youngest daughter waiting for a liver transplant, Sharon sets her mind to helping the family and will move mountains to do it. What unfolds is the inspiring tale of faith, everyday miracles, and ordinary angels.

This movie has received good reviews, with 85% favorable from Rotten Tomatoes critics and 99% from audiences. That website's audience review is "'Ordinary Angels' is an engrossing fact-based story that packs in some humor, some intense drama, and enough tears to take up a box of tissues." This movie is rated PG for thematic content, brief bloody images, and smoking. Runtime is 130 minutes (with bonus content).

Please note: the weekend of March 22, the Liberty Theater presents a live, locally produced variety show titled "Songs of the Wild". This wildlife themed show will have you singing and clapping along with some of your favorite tunes, such as Blackbird (by The Beatles), Crocodile Rock (by Elton John), and Dog Days are Over (by Florence and the Machine). It has locally talented dancers, musicians, actors and more in numbers from a wide range of genres, such as pop, rock, country and classical.

You won't want to miss this fun-filled show directed by Jae Goodridge and Samantha Steinhoff. See the Liberty Theater for more information about performance days, times, as well as seat reservations and prices.

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## ORDINARY ANGELS





## WAITSBURG HISTORICAL SOCIETY INVITES THE PUBLIC TO ITS ANNUAL COMMUNITY BOARD MEETING

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Tom Land, President of the Waitsburg Historical Society, extends an open invitation to the public to attend the Annual Community Board meeting on Thursday, March 21st, at 6 p.m. at the Weller Public Library

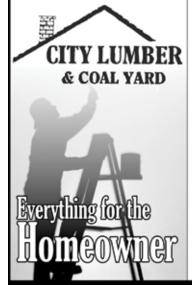
The meeting's agenda will cover expenses for 2024, proposals for expenditures, and maintenance on both the Bruce House and the Wilson Philips House. The board will also discuss the event calendar, fundraisers, and a city-wide promotion to attract volunteers.

This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the work the Historical Society board members and generous volunteers do for the community. The board has always viewed its volunteers as the backbone of the organization.

Anyone interested in their Waitsburg family roots or who has just moved to town and wishes to learn about its history, come find out how you can get involved.

For more information visit <u>www.waitsburgmuse-um.org.</u>





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# ONE BOOK, TWO VIEWS

To the Editor,

"I've looked at life from both sides now..." by Joni Mitchell

A story told in our community is about an older female who went to CC Public Library and was confronted by a large display featuring a book opened to a page with sexual images. She was upset, especially for the children. She had previously enjoyed going to the library. I understand her shock at seeing books with sexual content displayed. It didn't happen when we were young. Instead, we lived in ignorance. Others in our generation may have been curious and looked for information, possibly finding misinformation. Did we unintentionally hurt other people in our ignorance? "YES".

Does this story tell us an accurate version of the situation? We will never know. It's likely there are different viewpoints and versions. Discussing the suitability and visibility of books is a reality in our community.

That is one side of the story. Let's consider another viewpoint. A young teenager is upset, depressed, and contemplating suicide. This child feels like they don't belong in society. They feel flawed. The child's church says what they feel is an abomination to the Lord. They try not to feel this way. Their feelings don't go away. This child was born different from society's norm—the kids at school tease and bully. The child has a few friends, but most shy away. Potential friends don't understand the circumstances and are ignorant of facts about sexuality. The child has not told their parents or other adults because they fear disapproval and possibly being kicked out of their home. This child thinks they are the only person like this. The child is suicidal! Then, they see a glimmer of hope at the library, a book explaining their situation. There are others like them in the world. The book can "teach." It can teach them where to go for help or how to say "No" when someone tries to abuse them. It can lead them to more education about different societies and human differences.

If a book prevents one child from committing suicide, we all benefit. That child could grow up to be the doctor who saves your life, the person who discovers the cure for cancer, or maybe a beloved musician. If a book is difficult to find, hidden, or banned, the child remains ignorant and left to a life of humiliation and rejection. That child stands a greater chance of all sorts of actions society deems unacceptable, including suicide. We all lose.

A book that some consider inappropriate for children may be a lifeline for another child.

Try to see both sides of the issue.
Carol Anderson
Dayton, Wash.

The Dayton Veterinary Clinic will be closed for an all-staff VACATION beginning Saturday, March 23rd through Saturday, March 30th.

We will NOT be offering any services during this time, including regular appointments, emergency, and boarding services. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and our happy, waggy patients. We ask that you give us a call ahead of time for any medications refills or records requests. Our regular business hours are: Monday-Friday 9am – 5:30pm and Saturdays 9am-12am. Phone: (509)382-2661.



Thank you and wish us a happy "spring break"!

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# **NEWS & SPORTS**

#### **OBITUARY**

# Norman James Hansen

February 3, 1948 – March 6, 2024

orman James Hansen passed away on March 6, 2024, at Providence St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla, WA, after suffering a hematoma of the brain. He was with his son Eugene at the time of his death.

Norman grew up in Waitsburg, WA, as the eldest of six children of James ("Jim") and Mary Geraine Hansen. He worked on the family farm from a young age, graduated from Waitsburg High School in 1966, and then graduated from Washington State University in 1971. Norman loved playing sports, especially basketball. He once grabbed 35 rebounds and scored 21 points



Norman James Hansen February 3, 1948 - March 6, 2024

in a game against Prescott. But he loved wheat farming, working with his hands, and tinkering on machinery even more. For example, Norman mastered the art of combine and tractor overhaul and repair, became a master welder, and enjoyed taking on challenging projects, including inventing improvements to his no-till drill (with his good friend Ross Underwood) and designing and constructing basketball hoops that could raise and lower. Norman farmed wheat with his father, Jim, for decades before operating his own custom-harvesting business. He also started a custom seeding business.

Norman is survived by his three sons, Eugene Hansen (Mollee), Christopher Hansen (Kayo), and Gregory Hansen (Laura), as well as five grandchildren: Cecily, Victoria, Henry, Nikka, and Yoki Hansen. Also surviving Norman is his mother, Geraine, and five siblings: Karen Yager, John Hansen, Jeanette Hansen, Mary Hansen (Creston Rogerson), and Cheryl Hansen.

A burial service will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 2:00 PM, at the Waitsburg City Cemetery, followed by a reception at the Royal Block, 222 Main Street, Waitsburg, WA.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice through the Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W Alder St, Walla Walla, Wash. 99362. In addition, friends and family are invited to sign the online guestbook at www. herringgroseclose.com.

## **FEBRUARY PRESTON HALL STUDENT AWARDS**

#### By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg Middle recognized Preston Hall students with February's Pep Band, Perfect Attendance, and PRIDE Awards at an assembly on Friday, March 8.

Emcee Rosy Nechodom presented Shawna Hilton, Joy Nechodom, Rosalynn Harvey, Olivia Kiefel, Carter Barron, Colt Boudrieau, and Gage Mynear awards for their participation in pep band during the high school home basketball

The school acknowledged Sophia Castillo, Verbena McLaughlin, Abel Creeley, Colt Boudrieau, Laila Long, Jake Lynch, Gage Mynear, Cheri Mathews, Madison Strickland, Cody Coulston, Carter Barron, Lillian Carpenter, Audrey Kiefel, Liam Kiefel, Leif Heckman, Makaelyn Mikesell, Dylan Gutierrez, Alex Zuniga, Autumn Shelton, Alex Watson, and Holley Jensen with certificates for perfect attendance.

The PRIDE winners were:

- Prepared: Alex Zuniga Respect: Cheri Mathews
- Integrity: Sasha Mercado
- Discipline: Kaitlyn Paul
- Excellence: Jake Lynch







(top) Band Awards: (I-r) Joy Nechodom, Shawna Hilton, Olivia Kiefel, Rosalynn

Harvey, Colt Boudrieau, Carter Barron

(center) Perfect Attendance: (back row l-r) Carter Barron, Cody Coulston, Verbena McLaughlin, Leif Heckman, Alex Watson, Alex Zuniga, Dylan Gutierrez, Sophia Castillo, Laila Long, Makaelyn Mikesell (front row l-r) Audrey Kiefel, Lillian Carpenter, Madison Strickland, Cheri Mathews, Jake Lynch, Colt Boudrieau, Autumn Shelton, Abel Creeley

(bottom) PRIDE Awards: (I-r) Alex Zuniga, Cheri Mathews, Sasha Mercado, Kaitlyn Paul, Jake Lynch

#### **CARDINAL BASEBALL SWEEPS DOUBLEHEADER**

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - On their home field, the Waitsburg Cardinals swept a double-header baseball game against Walla Walla Valley Academy on Friday, March 8. The Cardinals took the first game 20-1 and ended the nightcap with a 13-9 win.

After the game, first-year Cardinal coach Joe Greer said, "I was very happy with our competitiveness, impressive batting, and logical base running. Heck of a way to start off the season."

Cyson Morris led the Cardinals in the first game with a home run, a double, and three RBIs. Jarod Hankins hit a triple and four RBIs, and Jasper Morrow hit two doubles. Klint Kuykendall and Jayton Gleason each hit doubles. Isaias Reyes was the starting pitcher for the Cardinals, and Quinn Benavides was the catcher.

Morrow started on the mound in the second game, and Hankins came in as relief. Trace Nesie was the catcher. Reves led the team with a double and three RBIs, and Jayce Gleason scored a double in the win.

Next, Coach Greer and his team will play Dayton in a double-header on the Cardinal field this Saturday, March 16, at 11 a.m.



Isaias Reyes pitched in the first game against WWVA

**MAT BIRDS** 

**WRESTLING** 

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Mat Birds Wres-

tling Club traveled to Lind/Ritzville,

home of the Marmots, for a Washing-

ton Little Guy Wrestling Tournament

on Saturday, March 9. The Waitsburg

club competed with 14 wrestlers and

brought home nine medals.

The tournament organizers bracketed the girl athletes separately from

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Jess Winona (13), Parker Winona (10), and Maggie Winona (9) each had three pins in a row and earned 1st place medals.

Phonenix Stahl (6) received a 2nd place medal in his first tournament. Also receiving 2nd place medals were Connor Murdock (9), Ian Mertens (11), Carter Barron (12), and Lydia Mertens (13), with one pin each.

Annika Winona brought home a 3rd place medal.

The team's next tournament is on March 16 at Colfax.

(l-r) Winona family medal winners: Maggie, Parker, Annika, and Jess

BIRTHDAYS

Courtesy photo

March 14: Jim Wilson, Rhonda Perry, Kathy Rose, Luanna Kalahele, and William Adams.

March 15: Drew Farley, Arvilla Cyr, Debra Olson, Stacey Mohney, Gage Baker, Sharon Puckett, Sara Payne Dimak, and Lolita Clayton.

March 16: Edna Clough, Mike Estes, Edith Largent, Carol Heilbrun, Michael Kerry, Guy Keeney, Chenae Dahlstrom, Megan Payne, and Carley Horlacher.

March 17: Sarge Frohreich, Joan Ruble, John Butler, Winton Lytle, Brian Doering and Kristi Unholz.

March 18: Sherrie Larsen, Ben Daniel and Marisa Hoops.

March 19: Verna Allen, Elaine Reese, Norma Johnson, Terry Jacoy, Josh Mayberry and E. Neil Stephens, and Beka Compton

March 20: Arlene Winnett, Andrew Wright, Kristopher Patton, Stacey Grende, Sophie Henry, and Paul John.

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PO Box 30 Prescott WA 99348
If you would like more information, please call the office at 509-849-2314, daily 9 to 1 pm.

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# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 24 4 00046 In re the Estate of CATHERINE B. WATTS, 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.

otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the

manner as provided by RCW 11.40.070 by serving or mailing to 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

presented within the later of:
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RCW 11.40.051, and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate

assets.

February 29, 2024 (anticipated)
Personal Representative:

Ann (Annetta) Gibson c/o Michael E. de Grasse Counsel for Personal Representative 59 S. Palouse St. P. O. Box 494 Walla Walla, WA 99362 Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No.: 24 4 000

/s/: Ann (Annetta) Gibson Personal Representative The Times February 29, March f7, 14 2024

2-29-a

#### NOTICE OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF MINOR CHILD

State of Georgia, Coweta County Notice is hereby given that Serena Laws has filed a petition in the Superior Court of Coweta County on 2/27/24 for the change of name of her minor child from Lawrence Jon Lamont Smith to Lawrence Jodai Laws Any interested party has the right to appear in the case and file objections within the time prescribed on O.C.G.A § 19-12-1(f)(s) and (3) Serena Laws 96 Portico PI Newnan, GA 30265 Phone: 404-507-2765 The Times

March 7, 14, 21, 28 2024

# IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 24-4-00050-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: DAVID K. CADMAN, 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 nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: February 29, 2024. Cindy Nichols Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Courtney Lawless, WSBA **Basalt Legal PLLC** 6 1/2 North Second Ave., Suite Walla Walla, WA 99362

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February 29, March 7, 14 2024

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OF WALLA WALLA
PROBATE NOTICE TO
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No. 24 4 10045 36
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MARTHA L. MASDEN,
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The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative

of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statut

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Linda J. Vixie
Personal Representative
c/o Michael E. de Grasse
Counsel for Personal Representative 59 S. Palouse St.
P. O. Box 494
Walla Walla, WA 99362
The Times
February 29, March 7, 14 2024
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RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of:
LESTER M. NELSON,
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 nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: February 29, 2024. Garrett Hudson Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Courtney Lawless, WSBA

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF WALLA WALLA
NO. 24 4 00052 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of
Jeannette R. Studer
Deceased
The Personal Representative
named below has been ap-

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. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim 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 decedent's probate and non-probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: February 29, 2024. Susan Smith. Personal Representative Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290 Roach Law Firm Attorney for Personal Repre-

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February 29, March 7, 14 2024

#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA

CAUSE NO. 24 4 00056 36

PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** RCW 11 40 030 In re the Estate of: SANDRA B. RICHARDSON, 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: Thirty (30) days after (1)the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or 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: JILL M. RICHARDSON Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl of Minnick-Havner, PS Address for Mailing or Service: Minnick-Hayner

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Court of Probate Proceedings
and Cause Number: Walla
Walla County Superior Court
Cause No. 24 4 00056 36
Date of First Publication:
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JILL M. RICHARDSON
Personal Representation

Dates of Publication: March 7, 2024 March 14, 2024 March 21, 2024 The Times March 7, 14, 21 2024

/s/ Jill M. Richardson

#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO. 24 4 00055 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In the Matter of the Estate of Veta M. Miller

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. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim 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 decedent's probate and non-probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: March 7, 2024. Dena M. Schueler, Personal Representative Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290 Roach Law Firm Attorney for Personal Repre-

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A BOARD SEAT ON THE WALLA WALLA COUNTY

**CONSERVATION DISTRICT** is available for appointment by the Washington State Conservation Commission. Conservation district board supervisors are public officials who serve without compensation and set policy and direction for the conservation district. An applicant must be a registered voter in Washington State and may be required to own land or operate a farm. Applicants for appointed positions do not have to live within the district to apply. The Commission must receive applications and supporting materials by Friday, March 29, 2024. For questions about candidate-required information or candidate-optional information requirements, please get in touch with the election supervisor, Cat Garza, at Cat.Garza@wwccd.net or (509) 956-3747. The Times February 29, March 7, 14, 21

**Public Notice** The City is taking applications/ letters of interest from interested Citizens who wish to fill a vacant position on the Waitsburg City Council. Interested Citizens are required to live within the Corporate City Limits of the City of Waitsburg as well as be a register voter in the Waitsburg District. A complete overview of the duties and regulations is available on the City's website www.cityofwaitsburg.com. Applications/ Letters of interest must be received at City Hall by 4 pm on Thursday, March 21, 2024 For questions, contact City Hall at 509 337-6371 during normal business hours. Waitsburg City Clerk Randy Hinchliffe The Times March 7, 14, 2024 3-7-i

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

OF WALLA WALLA

No. 24 4 00043 36

PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: LOIS I. PEGEL, 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 (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. Date of First Publication: February 29, 2024 Personal Representative: **KEVIN BUCKLEY** Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl of Minnick-Havner, P.S. Address for Mailing or Ser-

vice: Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 175 Walla Walla, WA 99362 Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 24 4 00043 36 First Date of Publication: February 29, 2024 By: /s/ Kevin Buckley KEVIN BUCKLEY Personal Representative Dates of Publication: February 29, 2024 March 7, 2024 March 14, 2024 The Times February 29, March 7, 14 2024

## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF

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IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA
COUNTY
NO. 23 4 00272 36
PROBATE NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In Re the Estate of:
MARILYN BROWN,
Deceased.
The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator of this estate. Any

low has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator, or the Administrator'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 Administrator served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c): or

11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) Four (4) months after the date of first publication

of the Notice.

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assets.
Administrator:
Katrina Morales
Attorney for the Administrator:
Mona J. Geidl
Address for Mailing or Service:
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Minnick-Hayner,

PSPO Box 1757
Walla Walla, WA 99362
Court of Probate and Cause
No.: Walla Walla County
Superior Court

Cause Number: 23 4 00272 36
Date of First Publication:
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KATRINA MORALES
Administrator
/s/ Katrina Morales
Katrina Morales
Administrator
Dates of Publication:
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March 21, 2024
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March 7, 14, 21 2024
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#### NOTICE OF SUMMONS

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla No. 24-3-00012-36 Adrianna D. Torres, Respondent. Jose Angel Perez, Petitioner, The State of Washington to the respondent Adrianna D.

You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the DATE, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Jose A. Perez. and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure, to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response to Jose A. Perez at 1311 W Yakima Street, Pasco, WA. 99301. The Times March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4, 11 2024

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# Palouse Outdoors: Steelhead, The (other) Fish of 10,000 Casts

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

Most of my winter trips to the Wallowa River are characterized by slippery travel across the Tollgate Crossing during an active snow or ice storm. The five-foot walls of packed snow confining the highway are intimidating yet comforting, considering that I might bounce off the wall rather than ditch my rig in the creek draining the Elgin side of the mountain. Most days are frigid, snowy, or rainy, so a bluebird sky means instant victory upon arrival at Minam State Park.

Flow conditions were about perfect this day. I typically only fish for steelhead on the descending limb of the hydrograph after a slug of water has coaxed fish to move upriver, and today was shaping up to be a good day. I got a few nods from folks headed for the State Park honey-hole as I donned my waders and strung up my fly rod. Fly fishermen are common on the Wallowa, but that doesn't mean the bobber-and-jig army won't cast a questionable glance. I am stubborn, like most fly fishermen, identifying almost exclusively as a swinger. By that, I mean I "swing" flies for steelhead and rarely employ other techniques. It's an art form that, when executed properly, is reason enough to fish; steelhead be damned.

Once fully rigged up, I strolled down to the nearby run that was entirely vacant, save for the peculiar little American dipper that bobbed along the rocks at the water's edge. Across the run was a series of boulders that had dislodged from the railroad grade where the river pushed along the toe. The depth was right, and I expected steelhead were holding in the current breaks behind the boulders.

Wading out to about mid-thigh depth, I rolled a short cast to the far side, threw an upstream mend, and waited as the line swept down and sank a few feet. I could envision my violet bunny leech wafting temptingly in the current. The cast resulted in a beautiful presentation and clean drift, but no grab. Typical. In moments like these, I can't help but wonder how the muskellunge received the "fish of 10,000 casts" award when adult steelhead don't even feed upon returning to fresh water. The fly presentation must be perfect for triggering a strike, either from aggression or other innate switches, like a cat pouncing on a perfectly wiggled bird feather or length of string.

Repeating the cast, I methodically worked downstream to cover the entire run. And to my surprise, a solid thump transferred through the line halfway through the run. Steelhead typically hook themselves when smashing a fly on the swing. Without a hookup, I moved on, dismissing the whack as a resident rainbow or bull trout, neither large nor serious enough to bury the hook in the corner of their

Crossing over to the tracks, I turned downstream toward the confluence with the Grande Ronde. The sun-warmed canyon hit a balmy 50 degrees. Fat, pewter-hide mule deer fed on greening grasses across the open south- and western-facing slopes. Steller's jays and magpies screeched and flitted among other songbirds, fleeing from the "swishing" of my waders.

The railroad winds through various rock outcrops that typically hide critters on their shaded side. The canyon looks awfully "catty" to me, so my head remains on a swivel as I hike. Passing through the cold shadows of a towering pillar, the hair on the back of my neck bristled. I never spotted the cat, but I assumed one had spotted me.

The river flowed with superb beauty, boasting a vibrant emerald tint through the deeper pools and runs. Shockingly, I was one of very few to venture down the track this day. Just as surprising, my cast-



Brad Trumbo

This healthy Wallowa River hen steelhead succumbed to the temptation of a purple leech streamer on the swing.

ing was on fire. Everything played out spectacularly, save for the conspicuous and typical lack of steel-head.

Many runs came and went over about five hours of hiking and casting, each boasting promising boulder placement and "likely lies" in the troughs. Butterflies danced in my gut with every swing, yet each ended uneventfully, the leech being stripped in as I stepped dutifully downstream and repeated the motions. The results were the same, while my expectations remained of something different—the very definition of insanity.

Upon my logical brain regaining control, I turned upstream for the truck. As I strolled, I came across a gentleman with a bobber and jig working a tight, deep cut at the base of a rock outcrop. He had a steelhead on a stringer and was fighting another. Admittedly, I was jealous but admired his catch and moved along, not to spoil his revelry or sully my pride. I shot him a nod, which provoked a satisfied smirk.

The run at the State Park where I began the day was still vacant, so I waded in and worked it just as I had that morning. The only difference this time was the steelhead that nearly ripped the rod from my weary hands on the fourth swing. My mind had already drifted to hot coffee and was kicking my feet up when the characteristic tight-line slam of an eight-pound freight train trouncing my little leech jarred my brain into panic mode.

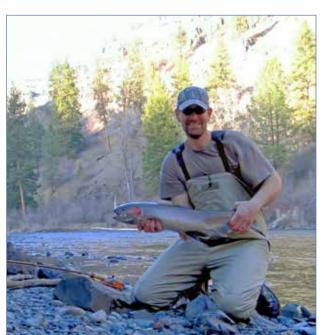
Hanging on and palming the spool, I was prepared for a long and strategic run, but something was amiss. Realizing the horror that my line had slipped under a boulder suggested that I was about to lose my only steelhead of the season.

The rush of the river eroded rocks from beneath my feet as I dashed into the waist-deep run. Being swept downstream and dancing to stay upright, I somehow freed the line. The fish responded immediately, turning tail and heading for the 150-yard-long riffle below. With few options, I gripped the reel tightly, stuck the butt of the rod into my hip, and began backing toward the shore. If my aggressive effort didn't break the fish off, the long riffle certainly would

Surprise, relief, and excruciating optimism collided as the rod rebounded, the fish turning upstream. Reeling wildly to keep the pressure on was my only move. Tense moments of give and take finally ended as a massive tail sliced the water surface in the shallows. The fish was spent.

As the steelhead gently glided into my feet, I noticed the adipose fin was clipped. I beached her immediately, gazing graciously upon the brilliant, rosy stripe spanning the length of a healthy, speckled hen measuring around 26 inches. She was magnificent, and the hard-earned prize of weeks of frozen fingers and toes, chapped lips, and shoulders sore from working an 11-foot fly rod for hours each day.

Like most outdoor pursuits, steelhead fishing is a journey that ebbs and flows with highs and lows.



Trumbo posing for a "hero shot" with his only steel-



Hiking the track that follows the Wallowa toward the Grand Ronde.

After many days without action, the routine of cast, mend, sink, swing, step, repeat becomes robotic. A single fish can restore one's faith, and my hatchery hen had reset the clock. Another season and 10,000 casts awaited.

#### LEGAL NOTICES (Cont.)

#### Superior Court of Washington, Walla Walla County

No. 24-4-00058-36

Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)
In re the Estates of Paul W.
Joice, Sr. and Eva Ruth Joice, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of these estates. Any person having a claim against the decedents must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the 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 timeframe, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against

both the decedents' probate and non-probate assets. Date of First Publication: March 14, 2024 Paul W. Joice, Jr., Personal Representative Attorney for the Personal Representative: Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC, WSBA #15451 P.O. Box 1233 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1529 Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court 315 W. Main Walla Walla, WA 99362 The Times March 14, 21, 28, 2024 3-14-a

# Wine of the Week

Lange 2021/2022 Classique Chardonnay

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES

Woo-hoo, Spring is springing (sprung?!?) So why not put away those heavy winter red wines for a while, and go with this refreshing, crisp, delicious Chardonnay from one of Oregon's finest heritage wineries.

Founded by the Lange family back in 1987, this Dundee Hills winery has maintained a strict focus on Chardonnay, Pinot Gris and Pinot Noir. The wines are drawn exclusively from estate-owned and long-term contracted vineyards. This affordable Chardonnay was blended from 25 different lots, all separately fermented. A small portion was fermented in concrete. A truly delicious, juicy, palate-cleaning style, with instantly appealing aromatics, lip-smacking acids and good concentration. The mixed tree fruits and lively citrus flavors keep it fresh throughout. I suggest a 20-minute chill in the fridge for maximum enjoyment. 645 cases; 13.2%; \$25 (Willamette Valley) 92/100.



# **FUN & GAMES**

#### The Friendly Forest

#### By Jimmye L. Turner



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



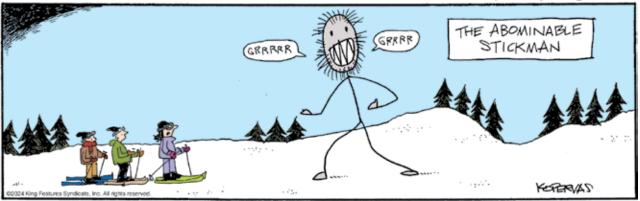


"Our car has been recalled to the factory that's been closed!"

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

**DAYTON** 



# **Events, Film, Performace, Live Music**

## **WAITSBURG**

ROYAL BLOCK







#### **It's Mushroom Mayhem all month long.** Look for a featured salad, side dish, pizza, and even

a cocktail showcasing mushrooms from Chesed Farms.

Saturday 3/16 - Live music -The Front Stoop Players

7-9 pm



#### Mythical / Movable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam



Friday, March 8 at Ten Ton Coffee @ 7 pm 216 Main Street, Waitsburg



## Visit the HIstoric Depot in Dayton March 1 – April 30 on Wednes-

in Dayton March 1 –
April 30 on Wednesday-Saturday 11:00-4:00
For more details about the Historic Depot
Museum, visit www.
daytonhistoricdepot.org

#### PIONEER PORTRAITS

#### 10 Years Ago

#### March 20, 2014

Barnstormers jam with the best at Wintergrass Music Festival. Waitsburg's Barnstormers - Chris and Emma Philbrook, Robert Walsh, and Sam McGowen - joined over 30 bands and 200 musicians at Wintergrass - the "biggest and best" bluegrass festival in the country earlier this month. The Hyatt Regency Bellevue was home base for the four-day festival that draws Grammy and award-winning artists as well as emerging artists and fans. Headliners included Tim O'Brien and Darrel Scott, the Cleverlys, Matuto, and many more. "It's an amazing learning experience. It's the largest bluegrass festival in the U.S. - possibly in the world, "said Barnstormers Director Kate Hockersmith. Hockersmith said that there are four or five stages, all performing at the same time. The concerts end at midnight, but jamming often continues all night long. "You choose a jamming or non-jamming floor when you reserve your room. I often heard kickin' bluegrass outside my door at 4:30 a.m. It was crazy."

#### 25 Years Ago March 18, 1999



[Photo caption] Playing donkey basketball is hard work and requires frequently provided nourishment, found out Jerry Baker, Waitsburg girls basketball coach. Baker got help from friend Ron Harting, who made sure the puckish Baker didn't grow faint from malnutrition. A last-second bucket by T.J. Scott lifted the W.H.S. senior to a tie with a school staff team in this ASB fundraiser last Friday.

#### 50 Years Ago

#### March 21, 1974

Mrs. Frank Danielson was hostess for the Progressive Club on March 12, 1974. Mrs. Hover Brown announced the judging of the Sewing Contest would be at Mrs. Clarence Cole's in Pomeroy, April 4, 1974, at 10:30 o'clock. This will be the Southeastern District judging. The "Citation of Achievement" certificate was read by Mrs. Frank Daniewson. This is sent by Sears, Roebuck and Company for having our C.I.P. two-year report in on time of the local help given our local projects. Mrs. Walter Atkins chose "Art" as the topic for her program. Art applies not only to painting but to anything that requires skill in performance, such as ceramics, sewing, music, sculpturing, pottery, etc. She displayed photographs of many painters and their pictures, ceramic ware, and very lovely needlecraft of many years ago. Ten dollars more was donated to the Weller Library. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Frank Danielson.

#### 75 Years Ago

#### March 25, 1949

On Monday, March 28, the First National Bank of Waitsburg will celebrate its sixtieth anniversary, having been established in 1889, the same year that the State of Washington was admitted to the Union.

Zelia Witt Alyward wrote the music and Ruth Coffee Hillis wrote the words to a new song entitled "She's My Waitsburg Girl."

#### 100 Years Ago

#### March 28, 1924

The Waitsburg Girl Reserves held a meeting on March 20. New officers elected were Margaret Cutting, president; Rita Ogden, secretary; Dorothea Kanz, treasurer; Velma Starr, reporter.

Mrs. Cora Laidlaw has gone to Los Angeles and other California points where she will visit relatives and friends for a few weeks.

Roland Allen, against a field of some thirty contestants won the billiard tournament recently conducted by the Commercial Club and will shortly be presented with the prize – a high grade billiard cue, provided by W. B. Shaffer.

#### 125 Years Ago

#### March 31, 1899

Elmer Mullinix and Artie Woodworth left on Wednesday morning for Cottonwood, Idaho where Elmer will spend the summer. Artie expects to return in a few weeks.

Henry Ingalls and John Kinder each purchased new hacks from Harry DeMuth of the John Smith implement house, last Saturday.

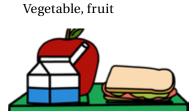
The front of the Sideboard Saloon was given a brilliant coat of paint this week which adds much to the appearance of the building.



# WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

**Tuesday, March 19**Salisbury Steak
Potatoes
Bread
Cookie



# WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, Mar. 14

Breakfast Pancakes & Bacon

Lunch

Teriyaki Chicken & Rice Fruit & Vegetable choice

Friday, Mar. 15

Breakfast

Leprechaun Smoothies & Muffin Lunch

Pepperoni Pizza Fruit & Vegetable choice

#### **Monday, Mar. 18** Breakfast

Bagels & Cream Cheese Lunch

BBQ Rib Burgers & Fries Fruit & Vegetable choice

#### **Tuesday, Mar. 19** Breakfast

Biscuits & Gravy Lunch

Chicken Quesadilla Fruit & Vegetable choice

#### Wednesday, Mar. 20

Breakfast Donut & Yogurt

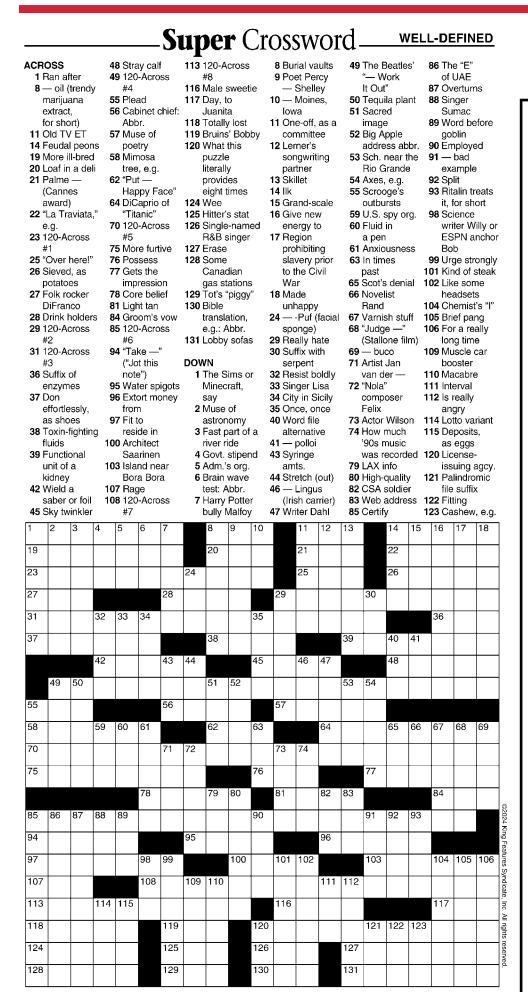
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Fruit & Vegetable choice



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# **PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES**





# Weekly SUDOKU

#### by Linda Thistle

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#### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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# **Beef and Guinness** Stew

For many, the first thing that comes to mind for Saint Patrick's Day menus is corned beef and cabbage. A delicious classic, it has certainly graced my table many times. However, when I think of Irish cuisine my mind always goes to the homey and hearty stews featuring beef or lamb. This fantastic stew has tender beef and carrots stewed with one of Ireland's most rec-



ognized exports, Guinness beer. Easy to assemble, this recipe only requires a little patience as it slowly simmers on the stovetop.

#### **Ingredients:**

6 ounces thick cut bacon

Olive oil

2 ½ to 3 pounds beef chuck

Salt and fresh ground black pepper 2 yellow onions, chopped

3 garlic cloves, minced

3 tablespoons all-purpose flour 3 carrots, ½-inch thick pieces

2 celery stalks, ½-inch thick pieces

16 ounces Guinness or other stout beer

3 tablespoons tomato paste 4 sprigs fresh thyme

2 bay leaves

2 to 3 cups beef or chicken stock (see note)

2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar

Fresh parsley, chopped

#### **Directions:**

Cut the beef into 2-inch chunks. Pat dry with paper towels then season generously all over with salt and black pepper. Set aside.

Slice the bacon crosswise into 1/4-inch sticks. Place bacon into a cold Dutch-oven or large heavy pot and set over medium heat. Cook the bacon until it crisps and the fat renders out. Remove the bacon with a slotted spoon and set aside on a plate, leaving the drippings in the pan. Raise the heat to medium-high. Working in batches, sear the beef for a few minutes on all sides, until well browned. Remove onto a plate and set aside.

Lower the heat back to medium and add the onions to the pot, cooking until soft, about 5 minutes. If the pan is too dry, add a little more oil. As the onions release some liquids use a wooden spoon to scrape the bottom of the pan. Add the garlic and cook until fragrant, about another minute. Next, add the flour and cook, stirring to fully incorporate for another minute. Add the carrots and celery, stirring to evenly combine.

Pour in Guinness, stirring to dissolve all the flour, and scrape the bottom of the pan. Return the bacon and the browned beef with any accumulated juices to the pan. Stir in the tomato paste, thyme sprigs, and bay leaves. Next, pour 2 cups of the beef stock, or enough to just cover the beef. Raise the heat and bring to a simmer.

Cover, then lower the heat to maintain a gentle simmer, and cook for an initial 2 hours. Remove the lid and continue to cook, stirring occasionally, until the beef is very fall-apart tender, and the sauce has thickened, about 45 minutes to another hour or two. In the last half hour of cooking time, stir in the apple cider vinegar.

Use a spoon to carefully skim off the excess fat from the top. Taste for seasoning, adding more salt or pepper as needed. Remove the bay leaves and thyme stems. Serve with fresh parsley sprinkled on top.

I prefer buying whole cuts of beef, such as a chuck roast or boneless short rib, and then cutting it down into cubes for braising. While you can find precut packs of "stew meat" in grocery stores, I usually find they are cut too small to hold up in a recipe like this.

When adding the stock, you want to just cover the meat. Depending on the size of your pot and the amount of beef, you could use as little as 1 cup or up to 3 cups of stock.

This stew would be wonderful served over fluffy mashed potatoes, or traditional Irish colcannon (see my recipe in the March 16, 2023, issue of The Times).

Happy St. Patrick's Day and enjoy.

#### **LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS**

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# **CALENDAR**

# **Community Calendar**

#### **WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS**



Waitsburg City Council

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

#### **Planning Commission**

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

#### **Waitsburg School Board**

Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.

Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

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

#### **Waitsburg Historical Society**

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

#### **Waitsburg Booster Club**

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

#### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

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

#### Weller Public Library

**Board of Trustees** 

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

#### Friends of the Weller Public Library

New Meeting Time - Second Tuesday of the month @

Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

#### **Waitsburg Commercial Club**

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

#### **Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank**

106 ½ Preston Ave

Thursdays, 2-4 p.m.

#### **DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS**

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

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



#### **Dayton City Council**

Second Tuesday of the month @ 6 p.m. Call-in information available at <a href="https://www.dayton-">https://www.dayton-</a> wa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council

#### **Dayton School Board**

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

#### Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

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

Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. (Unless meeting falls on a holiday.) Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787

#### **Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting**

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



#### PRESCOTT MEETINGS

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

#### STARBUCK MEETINGS

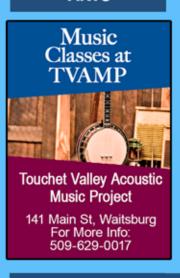
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