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DONATIONS

Wildhorse donates \$18,346 to help with heating the new Dayton Boys & Girls Club building in Dayton.

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DAYTON



COMBINE

A Dayton school survey shows more parents are opposed to a full athletic combine with Waitsburg than in favor.

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SPORTS



BASKETBALL

Cardinal boys' and girls' basketball teams struggle against Weston-McEwen.

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OPENING WEEKEND



Courtesy Photos

Skiers and snowboarders were all smiles at Ski Bluewood on opening weekend. The resort opened Fri., Dec. 22, just in time for winter break, with 14 inches of fresh snow and a total of 23 inches at the base and 30 inches at the summit.

Left: Jayce Gleason, Jasper Morrow, and Duke Morrow get ready to take to the trails.

Above: Sandra (l) and Amy Farley are all smiles as they hit the slopes.

2017 In Waitsburg and Prescott: The Year in Review

By Dena Martin | THE TIMES

The struggles and contentions of 2016 allowed for a year of growth and positive movement for the City of Waitsburg in 2017. The former Waitsburg City Fire Department operated successfully as Columbia-Walla Walla Fire No. 2, the city organized a tree committee and a fairgrounds task force to deal with ongoing issues of public concern and the newly replaced Waitsburg Main Street Bridge opened to traffic in December.

As 2017 ends, the school district, under the guidance of new District Superintendent Jon Mishra, holds a timeline for capital bond projects to begin this spring, the city has secured funding to begin work on infrastructure repairs and the city council approved a partnership with the Corp of Engineers for a Flood Feasibility Study.

City government, groups, clubs, individuals and scores of volunteers continue to work hand-in-hand to make Waitsburg special, one-of-a-kind town that it is known to be. May 2018 be a year of continued restoration and growth.



Times File Photo

High and middle school principal Stephanie Wooderchak was named Three Rivers Middle Level Principal of the Year in January 2017.

January

The Waitsburg School District began seeking community input as part of the process to select a new district superintendent to replace Carol Clarke who would retire at the end of the school year.

The Waitsburg City Council approved an agreement with the US Army Corps of Engineers and the Washington State Historic Preservation Office regarding the historic preservation of the Main Street Bridge, which was scheduled to be replaced.

Waitsburg artists Suze Wood and Lane Hill worked with Waitsburg students as part of the Cargenie Picture Lab program.

The Waitsburg Home and School Association held a very successful father-daughter dance fundraiser.

High and middle school Principal Stephanie Wooderchak was named Three Rivers Middle Level Principal of the Year.

City and school crews battles with weeks of icy, snowy weather. Rivers swelled and overflowed in spots, but there was no significant flooding.

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Columbia Pulp, Hospital and Railroad Are Top Stories in Dayton in 2017

Columbia Pulp, hospital renovations and Boys & Girls Club were hot news

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Columbia County was a happening place in 2017.

Columbia Pulp
“Pulp Fiction” became fact in July when Columbia Pulp I, LLC secured financing for its \$184 million straw pulp manufacturing plant near Starbuck. Excavation began in earnest in August, and the official groundbreaking ceremony and site tour took place in October. The \$184 million facility will produce 149,000 tons per year of market pulp

from wheat and alfalfa straw and 95,000 tons per year of carbohydrate-lignin co-product. When fully operational the Lyons Ferry Straw Pulp Plant will employ 70.

Dayton General Hospital
The \$5.5 million Dayton General Hospital Renovation and Enhancement project that began in June 2016, was finished in December. DGH was renovated to accommodate a full line of outpatient services including: speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, a therapy pool, ultrasound, and behavioral health care, all of which are enhancing the bottom-line financial picture.

Shortline Railroad Reopens
After several years of embargo on a portion of rail track in need of repairs, and a two-year concerted effort on the part of Port officials, 34 miles of track



Times File Photo

The Columbia-Walla Walla Shortline Train pulled into the historic Dayton Depot on Oct. 7 for its grand reopening.

between Dayton and Walla Walla are open again to commercial business. The track had been closed since 2012. On Oct. 7, the Columbia Walla Walla train

pulled into the Dayton Historic Depot for a grand opening ceremony.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

BRIEFS

DAYTON CHAMBER DIRECTOR LET GO

DAYTON – Dayton Chamber of Commerce Director Justin Nix was terminated from his position on Tuesday morning, effective immediately, according to chamber board president Bill Clemens.

Clemens said that the Chamber has decided it needs to move in a different direction, and so felt it was best to part ways with Nix.

Clemens also said that the Chamber Assistant and Events Manager, Melissa Bryan, will continue to hold the chamber office open until the board is able to meet early next month and make a decision about moving forward to hire a new director.

DAYTON-WAITSBURG ATHLETIC/ACTIVITIES COMBINE MEETING, JAN. 8

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg School District will host an athletic/activities community combine meeting on Mon., Jan. 8, at 6 p.m. in the elementary school library, located at 184 Academy St. in Waitsburg.

The format will be similar to the meeting recently held in Dayton. There will be an overview of the combine as well as next steps. Community members will have an opportunity to ask questions in an open question-and-answer session.

OBITUARY

HELEN MARIE (LONG) RICH

MARCH 7, 1954 – DECEMBER 8, 2017

After a years-long struggle with a number of health issues, Helen was called home on Fri., Dec. 8, 2017.

Helen Marie Long was born on March 7, 1954 to Richard and Juanita Long in Dayton, Wash. She was raised and went to school in Waitsburg, Wash., graduating in 1972.

On June 3, 1972, she married Monty B. "Chip" Rich in Waitsburg, and in September of 1972, they moved to Asotin where they lived to the present. She was mother to two sons. Helen worked at Tri-State Memorial Hospital from 1975-1976 and at the Asotin Market from 1976 to 1980.

Helen loved art. She painted and worked in stained glass.

Helen is survived by her husband at their Asotin home; a son Eric J. Rich of Federal Way, Wash.; a grandson Isaac J. Rich of Clarkston; a great-grandson Alex W. Rich of Clarkston; and a brother, Jake (Michelle) Long of Waitsburg. She was preceded in death by a sister, Peggy MacDowell; and a son Adam J. Rich.

There will be a private family service.



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago January 3, 2008

With a skiff of snow and threatening skies, construction workers busy with the new Waitsburg Clinic at the corner of Third and Main were hard at work a couple of days after Christmas. Through mid December, concrete was poured and soon a floor was put down, then last week walls were up and indeed the Clinic is beginning to take shape. The structure is hoped to be roofed and ready for interior work by mid January.

One man was arrested and Walla Walla County Sheriff's deputies are investigating another suspect following a disturbance described as "pandemonium" at the Whetstone Public House at 110 Preston Avenue in the early morning hours of December 29.

Twenty-Five Years Ago December 31, 1992

Waitsburg is out of gravel. And, along with the rest of his holiday gifts, Councilman Don Wills has been shopping for gravel. He reported to the council this month that the best deal he could find was from Konen Rock Crushing, Inc. of Dayton. The company would sell the city 250 yards of gravel for \$12 a yard.

The warden who supervised five hangings at the penitentiary in Walla Walla opposes letting relatives of victims watch executions. Bobby J. Rhay, who spent his formative years in Waitsburg, said allowing victims' attendance at state-sponsored executions gives them a "Roman Holiday" aspect.

Anti-death penalty activists plan a vigil at the state penitentiary in Walla Walla beginning at midnight, Sunday, Jan. 3, two days before Westley Dodd is scheduled to be hanged for murder. It would be the first execution in the state in 30 years.

Fifty Years Ago December 28, 1967

Photo caption: Proudly displaying their first Christmas Tournament trophy is a hustling Cardinal team who just wouldn't give up. Down by as much as 12 points during the first three quarters of the ball game, they applied pressure in the final stanza and won it in overtime. Dan Henze, Tom Mock, Robert Maib, Jim Leid, Coach Glynn Davis, Dave Hevel, Ray Mohny, Mike Beechinor, J. K. Keve, John Conley, Larry Conover, Marc Zuger.

May 25-26 are the dates set for the 55th annual running of the Days of Real Sport in Waitsburg for 1968. The dates were chosen at a corporation meeting which named Bill Zuger, President; Bill Payne, Vice President; Jack Griffin, Treasurer; and Board members, Joe McCown, Bob Patton and Kenneth Smith. Notable from the point of view of service is the re-appointment of Herman Gohlman as Racing Secretary. "Herm" is beginning his 25th year in that post.

Seventy-Five Years Ago January 1, 1943

Miss Lucille Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brown, left recently for Washington D.C. where she will report December 28 as a junior clerk and typist under civil service.

Miss Patricia Hirsch, who has been attending the University of Washington, is assisting Mrs. Dilts this week with her physical education classes.

A group of friends surprised Alex Henry Saturday evening on his seventy-fourth birthday. The evening was spent playing cards.

The Alto Home Economics Christmas party was held on Dec. 18 at the home of Mrs. Mount Shaffer. Games and refreshments were enjoyed. Those serving refreshments were Mrs. Gordon Talbott, Mrs. Joe Grate and Mrs. Shaffer.

One Hundred Years Ago January 4, 1918

Rachel Shuttleworth Hinchliffe was born in Keithley, England, Aug. 31, 1845. Died at her home in the country nine miles south of Waitsburg on Dec. 19, 1917 at the ripe age of 72 years.

A grain elevator and storage house with gas engine and cleaner equipment, is to be built at Menoken siding, north of this city, this spring by Jack Sweazy and Charley Neace. The new structure will cost \$11,000; the Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co. has the contract.

The buggy in which John Danielson was riding into town was struck by an automobile Wednesday after dark and badly mashed up. Mr. Danielson was thrown to the pavement with the rig on top of him, but fortunately he was not seriously injured, aside from a severe shaking up.

The natives are enjoying the deluge of rain in Jasper Mountain. It has taken away all the snow.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago January 6, 1893

Miss Myrtle Loundagin on Thursday brought to this office a large bunch of bright buttercups, plucked from the hillside on the banks of the classic Coppei. Think of this, ye who are striving in other parts to keep from freezing.

Rev. O. J. Gist was kind to our reporter on Tuesday of this week. In order to furnish a little item he allowed his horse to become frightened, run away, upset the cart, throw his reverence out, and then fall into the ditch and take the cart on its back. No bones in either man or cart were broken.

The Missouri ladies of Prescott wish it announced that they will give a free dinner New Year's Day, at which all Missourians are cordially invited.

Touchet Valley Weather

Dec. 27, 2017

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Scattered Snow	Scattered Rain	Rain Likely	Few Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
High: 28 Low: 20	High: 35 Low: 25	High: 40 Low: 32	High: 39 Low: 29	High: 34 Low: 26	High: 36 Low: 28	High: 37 Low: 29

Weather Trivia

Why does salt help keep snow from turning to ice?
Answer: Salt water needs to be much colder to freeze.

Weather History

Dec. 27, 1982 - The worst Louisiana rainstorm in more than 100 years came to an end. More than 18 inches fell at Vinton, La. during the three-day storm. Damage was estimated at 100 to 200 million dollars. President Reagan declared ten parishes disaster areas.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	59	42	38/28	0.22"	0.62"
Wednesday	43	28	38/28	Trace	0.54"
Thursday	42	25	38/28	0.00"	+0.08"
Friday	39	29	38/28	0.19"	29.6°
Saturday	29	10	38/28	Trace	33.0°
Sunday	19	8	38/28	0.12"	-3.4°
Monday	23	19	38/28	0.09"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	7:34 a.m.	4:14 p.m.	12:44 p.m.	12:52 a.m.
Thursday	7:35 a.m.	4:14 p.m.	1:15 p.m.	2:02 a.m.
Friday	7:35 a.m.	4:15 p.m.	1:51 p.m.	3:14 a.m.
Saturday	7:35 a.m.	4:16 p.m.	2:32 p.m.	4:29 a.m.
Sunday	7:35 a.m.	4:17 p.m.	3:23 p.m.	5:43 a.m.
Monday	7:35 a.m.	4:18 p.m.	4:22 p.m.	6:54 a.m.
Tuesday	7:35 a.m.	4:19 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	7:56 a.m.

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for para educator (7 hrs./day) this is a temporary position for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.

For application materials and position information please contact the District Office at (509) 337-6301.

Waitsburg School District has an immediate opening for a full-time regular route bus driver.

Minimum qualifications:

Class B CDL, air brake restriction lifted, student endorsement, passenger endorsement. Training may be available.

For application materials and position information please contact Colter Mohny at (509) 337-6301 ext. 3400.

Positions are open until filled. Waitsburg School District has immediate openings for substitute teachers, substitute classroom para-educators, substitute custodians, substitute school bus drivers and substitute food service assistants.

For application materials please contact the District Office at (509) 337-6301. Waitsburg School District is an E.O.E.

Columbia County Public Transportation is looking to hire a part time on call dispatcher. Hours will vary depending on need. Starting wage for this position is \$15.52.

The Touchet Valley Golf Course is looking for a Concessionaire interested in operating their OWN restaurant at the Dayton Golf Course. Collecting daily green fees would be required. Interested parties please contact Mike at 509-386-1809 for additional information.

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TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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Worship 11 a.m.
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Rev. Bret Moser

Waitsburg Chapel
320 W. 2nd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
337-6235
Rev. Jimmie Daves

Waitsburg Christian Church
604 Main St
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Each Sunday
337-8898
Rev. Matthew Wyatt

New River Fellowship
121 Main St, (Town Hall)
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
www.newriverfellowship.org
520-5676

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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 (side of Banner Bank)
2-4 p.m.

29

Soup for the Soul
Dayton First Christian Church (410 S. 3rd, Dayton)
5:30 p.m.
Last Friday of the month.

30

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue (side of Banner Bank)
9-11 a.m.

31

East Coast New Year's Eve Party
Liberty Theater
7 p.m.

JANUARY

1



First Day Hike at Palouse Falls
Palouse Falls State Park
10 a.m.

Waitsburg American Legion
Waitsburg Town Hall
6 p.m.

2

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.
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3

Dayton Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting
Location TBD
Noon

Dayton Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
10 a.m.

Celebrate Recovery
Waitsburg Christian Church
6:30 - 8 p.m.

4

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Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue (side of Banner Bank)
2-4 p.m.

Family Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
6 p.m.

Dayton Friends of the Fairgrounds
American Legion Building
7 p.m.



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

Lunch and activities at the Waitsburg Christian Church for kids of all ages.

Dec. 26, 26, 28
Jan. 2, 3, 4
11 a.m. - Noon

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Dec. 20
Attempted fraud reported on Coppei Ave.
Dec. 18
A juvenile was arrested on a warrant out of a vehicle in Waitsburg on Dewitt Road and E. Hwy 12.
Dec. 17
A Dayton woman reported a theft from her Waitsburg storage unit.
Dec. 14
Simple assault between teen girls at Waitsburg High School. Report of an assault at Jubilee Leadership Academy.

NEWS BRIEFS

WINTER BREAK LUNCHESS AND ACTIVITIES

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg Resource Center will provide holiday activities and lunches for children of all ages at the Christian Church (corner of Main and 6th St.) on the following days: Tues., Wed., Thurs., Dec. 26, 27, 28 and Jan. 2, 3, and 4. Activities will begin at 11 a.m. with lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Contact Pam Conover at 337- 8876 for more information.

WILDHORSE GIFTS \$18,000 TO BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

GRANT FUNDS WILL APROVIDE HEATING THROUGHOUT THE FACILITY

DAYTON – Thanks to the Wildhorse Foundation of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation recently awarded a \$18,346 grant to the Boys and Girls Club of Dayton. The funds will allow the organization to add heating units to the east and west ends of the building, to provide adequate heat throughout the entire facility.

The transfer of the building property, on Cameron St., from Dan and Ginny Butler to the Boys and Girls Club of Dayton is complete and will further strengthen the club's fundraising ability.

EAST COAST NEW YEAR'S EVE

DAYTON – Ring in the New Year at the Liberty Theater with a special screening of The African Queen, the 1951 classic World War I adventure starring Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn. Directed by legendary director John Huston, the film tells the story of a missionary who tasks a gin-swilling river boat captain to attack an enemy ship. The film starts at 7:00 pm and is followed by a reception in the Liberty Annex. Celebrate with a complimentary glass of champagne and a 9 p.m. East Coast New Year's Countdown.

BIRTHDAYS

December 28: Brendan Donovan, Peggy Baker Mudd, Marie Leonard, Nancy Otterson, Jo Ann Perry, Ellie McWilliams, Scott Huwe, Gail Harshman, Sarah Chromy, Kelly Jo Lyons, Janice Mason Eatherton, Christopher Danforth, Richelle Coleman, Jayce Gleason and Jay Dimak.

December 29: Jared Kibler, Betty Rollins, Linda Anderson, Howard Laughery, Dick Finch, Miles Hubbard, Holly Menino, Kevin Blair, Colby Mayberry.

December 30: Bob Collins, Megan McKinney, Henry Hubbard, Krista Houle.

December 31: Janice Ford, Beth Tietjen, Gail Leid, Eva Leroue, Nancy Engels, Gannon Grende, Barry Hulce.

January 1: Jerry Baker, James Estes, January Pitela, Kyle Perry, Caitlin Bales, Sonia Crawford, Jeana DeWitt, Josh Largent, Jerry Wood, Bill Bloor, Teeny McMunn.

January 2: Joy Hill.

January 3: Mary Olona, Guy Antonius.

January 4: Meagan Zajac, Loegan Harshman, Andrea Payne, Ben Kiefel, Carol Clarke.

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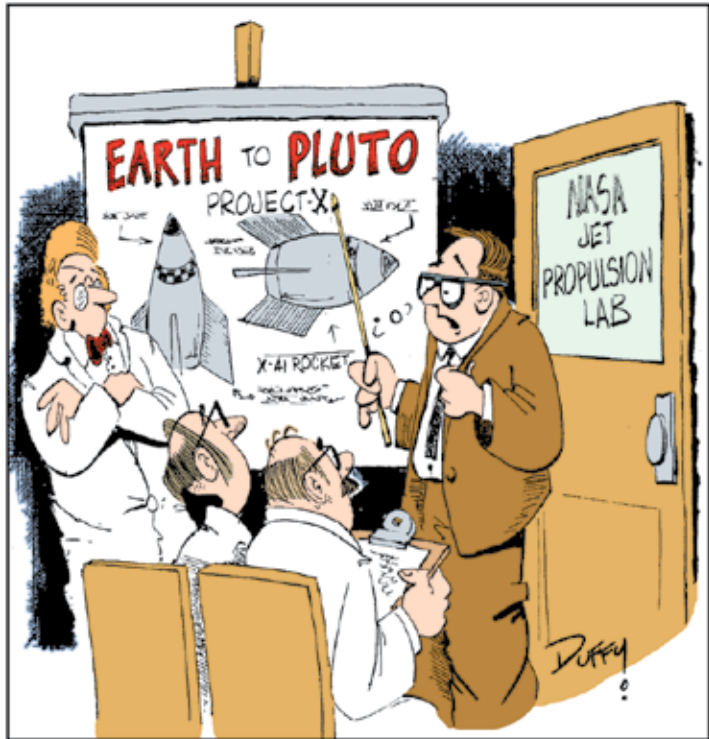
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GRIN and BEAR IT



"So much for the hidden camera idea."

NEWS BRIEFS

COLUMBIA COUNTY ADOPTS 2018 BUDGET

DAYTON—The Board of County Commissioners has adopted the final 2018 current expense fund in the amount of \$4,521,893 and the 2018 various budgets in the amount of \$5,874,285.

The 2018 Public Work Department budget, with total authorized expenditures of \$6,778,811 has also been adopted.

County employees will receive a 2% cost-of-living adjustment and step increases were given to some employees.

The BOCC wanted to hire a human resources manager but there was no room in the 2018 budget, according to Commissioner Mike Talbott.

Talbott said the Board will revisit the issue sometime in 2018.

SKI BLUEWOOD OPENED FRIDAY

DAYTON – Ski Bluewood began its 2017-18 season a bit later than usual, but opened the mountain just in time for winter break. Snow sport enthusiasts were welcomed to Bluewood on opening day, Fri., Dec. 22

"We're off to a bit slower start this year than anticipated due to snow conditions. but with 14 inches of fresh snow and a total of 23 inches at the base and 30 inches at the summit, we're ready to welcome everyone back to the mountain for great holiday skiing and snowboarding," said Bluewood General Manager Kim Clark.

Bluewood will be open daily from Dec. 22 through Jan. 1, except for Christmas Day. The resort will be open on New Year's Day. Daily hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., except for Christmas Eve when the resort will close at 2 p.m.

Beginning in January, Bluewood will be open Wed. – Sun. and on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Mon. Jan. 15.

Call (509) 240-8991 for recorded updates on conditions and other information. Information is typically updated by 5:30 a.m. Updates can also be found on the Ski Bluewood Facebook page.

Dayton-Waitsburg Full Combine Lacks Parent Support

School district plans meetings for athletic combine and Capital Levy

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—A recent survey of parents and students in grades 6-12, show fewer than originally thought, are in favor of the full athletic combine with the Waitsburg School District, said District Superintendent Doug Johnson.

Two hundred thirty surveys were sent to parents with 85 responses. Thirty-eight percent approved a full combine and sixty-two percent said "no".

Two hundred surveys were sent to students and the response is half in favor and half opposed.

The main reasons cited are the cost, loss of identity and mascot pride, said middle and high school principal Paul Shaber.

"The news is very concerning to the board," Johnson said. "It was believed the full combine would move forward in the fall of 2018. It seems that while many, if not most, support the current football and baseball combine, taking the next step has not garnered the same



Photo by Michele Smith

At the December school board meeting, School board Director Katie Leid played a board game created by 7th graders in Jeff McCann's English Language Arts class, based on the book *Walk to the Moon*. The activity was one of three assignments to help students reflect, problem-solve, and build confidence in public speaking.

level of support."

Johnson said a combine requires full support from students, parents, school officials, and the community.

The next combine meeting has been scheduled for Jan. 8 in the Waitsburg Elementary Library at 6 p.m. The board will take information from the surveys to the meeting and discuss how to proceed, he said.

On Jan. 25, at 6 p.m., in the elementary multipurpose room, the community is invited to attend another important meeting. This meeting is to discuss and gather input on a Long Range Facilities Plan for the Dayton School District as well as to answer questions about the proposed two-year capital projects levy, Johnson said.

School Nurse Amie Green has been working to ensure children either have received all the state mandated immunizations or completed the exemption process.

"The district reminds parents to confer with their child's physician to insure the immunizations requirements are met," Johnson said. "Gaps usually occur when students go into 6th grade and into high school."

A Facility Safety Audit was conducted last month on the entire campus. Areas suggested for improvement by the auditor are; door locks and procedures, fencing, installation of safety and tinted glass, adding surveillance cameras, improving wayfinding signage and improving communication tools.

All employees will undergo training in safety and security on Feb. 7, from 1-5 p.m. with additional training scheduled for the fall of 2018.

Johnson said the district is reviewing potential math curricula. A curriculum called "Ready Math" has been reviewed at the National Level and has received

high praise in all categories. Online lessons and opportunities for intervention has impressed teachers, Johnson said.

Business Manager Paula Moio said the general fund cash balance is higher than usual. Enrollment is slightly above the budgeted amount and tax collections are strong.

The district has purchased a new bus. Funds for the bus are part of a depreciation schedule and reimbursement is through the state budget.

Elementary Principal Denise Smith said staff and students recently celebrated the honor of being named a School of Distinction, for five-year growth in state assessment scores in math and English language arts.

Smith said the Christmas concert was well attended and Mr. Sumner and the students did a great job.

Middle and high school Principal Paul Shaber said the Level Up Respect Initiative has been a success and the teachers want to repeat it.

He said students have been recognized for respectful and positive behavior by their classmates, teachers and administrator, with gift cards.

"The staff and other students actually have noticed a difference. The staff wants to do it, again," Shaber reported.

Focus on Performance teacher groups have met to discuss transitions, safety, and big picture items.

Shaber said he has recently heard comments from the community that he and his staff are not doing enough about harassment and the perceived negative school climate.

Shaber would like the community to take a look at what has been done since he came on board, from November 2015 until November 2017.

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CONTINUED FROM LEFT

- Screened "Paper Tigers" and hosted student discussion.
- Invited Brad Barton to discuss meeting challenges and creating a bright future.
- Sent all students to a CAP retreat about how to interact with students who are always negative.
- Implemented "Anonymous Alert" notification system for immediately reporting harassment at any time of day.
- Implemented a "Second Steps" curriculum for all middle school students discussing positive peer interaction, bullying prevention, drug and alcohol awareness for the 2016-17 school year.
- Screened the movie "Hidden Figures" with follow up lessons in ELA class to discuss treatment of others and overcoming prejudice.
- Invited Brad Henning to a student assembly about differences between the sexes and how all actions count.
- Held separate assemblies for boys and girls addressing difficulties students have getting along with each other, and how to make positive changes.
- Sent middle school students to workshops to learn about goal setting, avoiding harassment, being nice to each other and learning to work as teams.
- Participated in hiring a K-12 school counselor to better address social and emotional issues for students.
- Invited Hoan Do to discuss how to overcome personal challenges and be a better version of oneself.
- Implemented a plan to recognize positive student behavior through "Positive Action Cards."
- Used "Bulldog Tuesday" in conjunction with English class to teach what respect is and what it looks like in action, and instituted the Respectful Initiative to track, recognize, and reward respectful behavior.

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TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

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Real Estate

Realtors paint a rosy picture for home sales and rentals in 2017. They say there has been a slight uptick in home sales since Columbia Pulp broke ground and there is a lot of demand for rentals. Houses in the \$150,000-250,000 price range are selling well and rentals are rented before they are even vacant.



Times File Photo

An unusual amount of ice and snow wreaked havoc to Dayton city streets in 2017. Above: Street repairs, sidewalks and driveways on S. First Street were completed in October.

Winter Woes

The "Winter of 2017" caused headaches for city and county officials as they began addressing damage to infrastructure from an unusual amount of ice and snow. FEMA has kicked in with 75% of the necessary funding for city street repairs which will take place in 2018. Port officials have been busy all year assessing and repairing damage at Lyons Ferry Marina caused by the inclement weather.



Times File Photo

Left: (l to r) Samantha Edwards, Ginny Butler, Jillian Butler, Dan Butler, Bette Lou Crothers and Diana Ashley happily accept a \$25,000 State Farm Neighborhood Assist grant for the new Boys & Girls Club.

Boys & Girls Club

The Dayton Boys & Girls Club received a \$25,000 grant from the State Farm Neighborhood Assist national grant competition to help get the program up and running, as well as grant from the Wildhorse Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, in the amount of \$18,346, to upgrade the heating system in



Photo by Meagan Bailey

The county celebrated Roger Trump's retirement at the courthouse on Monday. Trump was presented with a plaque for 30 years of service. (l to r): Commissioner Mike Talbott, Commissioner Norm Passmore, Roger Trump, and Commissioner Merle Jackson.

Roger Trump retires after 45 years of service in Col. County

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—It is official. Roger Trump is retiring and the county celebrated his long career last week at the courthouse with cake and a plaque honoring his service.

What hasn't Trump accomplished in the last forty five years, since beginning work with the County Survey and Bridge Crew, in 1972?

He said from 1972 until 1982, he worked on the county road crew, advancing from laborer to road grader, as well as operating Trump's Custom Cut farm slaughter business.

Trump said he quit, for a time, to help run the Dayton Cut & Wrap business with his family.

But his love of survey and bridge building prompted him to pursue a two-year degree in civil engineering at WWCC.

Trump said he went to work for the City of Dayton, creating CAD mapping of the sewer and waterlines.

His next job was in the County Planning and Building Department.

"County Commissioner Jon McFarland gave me a copy of the Civil Defense Plan from the 1950s, and a box of requirements to produce an up-to-date Comprehensive Plan for the county, City of Dayton and Town of Starbuck,"

he said.

Trump's next job was County Emergency Management Director.

After that, Trump said he was the Solid Waste/Recycling Coordinator under County Engineer Gary Gasaway.

"Commissioner McFarland came to me with another box of materials and asked me to set up a plan for 9-1-1. We hired a consulting team to produce the plan under state-mandated timelines," said Trump, who served as the County's 9-1-1 Director.

Trump said because of the Touchet River and Patit Creek flooding in 1996 and 1997, the sheriff felt he needed emergency management under him.

"I declined, and the position went to one of his officers," Trump said.

Trump then served as the Right-of-Way Agent and the County Road Superintendent where he enjoyed working with the public and the county road crew.

During his last two years as the County Parks and Recreation Manager Trump said he has enjoyed the contact he had with golfers and fairgrounds users, so much so, that he is looking forward to helping out with facilities improvements, writing grants, and volunteering "where possible" in his retirement.

Trump's last official day with the county is December 31.

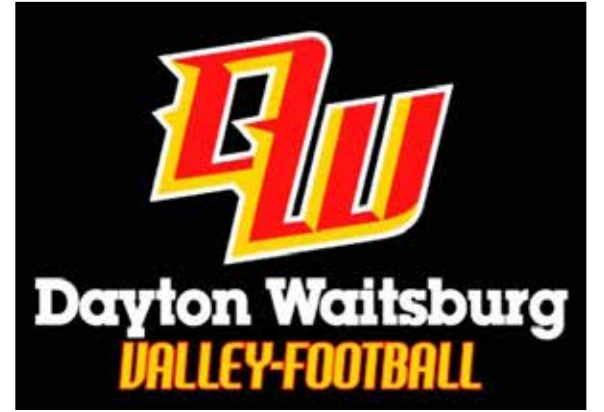
the building. Local citizens, Dan and Ginny Butler, purchased the old bowling alley in Dayton to be given to the Boys & Girls Club for student use.

Dayton-Waitsburg Athletic Combine

The Southeast IB League and WIAA District 9 approved a request from the Waitsburg School District and the Dayton School District to allow the process of creating a full combine for athletic programs in 2018-19. A lack of numbers of athlete participants at each individual school is driving the process.

Communications Updates

In November, voters approved a one-tenth of one percent county-wide sales tax to improve outdated telecommunications equipment which will allow the sheriff's office, the emergency management services department, Fire Districts No. 1, 2, and 3 and ambulance crews to provide for enhanced public safety. There are dead zones in communication throughout the county because of faulty equipment.



Times File Photo

Dayton's long-anticipated dog park opened in Sept. thanks to the efforts of many volunteers and fundraisers.

Dog Park

Canines have been enthusiastic since the off-leash Dayton Dog Park opened this year. The city donated a .6-acre parcel of land south of the fishpond, installed an irrigation system and planted the grass for the park. The Friends of the Dayton Dog Park conducted numerous fundraisers to support the project and the grand opening celebration took place on Sept. 26.

Recreational Trails

In May, the long hoped for trail, going from Dayton to Waitsburg, was placed on an official map. A committee of local citizens and stakeholders has been working to create a map of non-motorized trail connections going from Dayton to Burbank. The Blue Mountain Region Trails, Bridges, Town, and Rivers consortium will reveal the final map in January, after which the search for funding can begin.

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Photo Courtesy of Bradley Sandau

Cardinal senior Cade Branson was literally "caught up in the game" as he readied for a rebound at the Fri., Dec. 22 match against the Weston-McEwen TigerScots in Athena. The Times considered running a caption contest with this photo, but it's likely that most of the responses would be similar to that of photographer Bradley Sandau, "Wedgie!!"

TIGER-SCOTS TAKE CARDS, 69-19

ATHENA – The Athena-Weston TigerScots boys' basketball team took a first quarter 25-3 lead against the Waitsburg Cardinals and never looked back, winning the Dec. 22 game here with a score of 69-19.

Freshman Shawn Evans and senior Cade Branson were top scorers for the Cardinals, bringing in five points each. Freshman Zac Bly followed with three points, and sophomores Seamus House and Johnny Wyatt and freshman Alvin Knowles adding two apiece.

TigerScots 69, Cardinals 19
 WAITSBURG (19) — Evans 5, Branson 5, Bly 3, House 2, Knowles 2, Wyatt 2.
 WESTON-MCEWEN (69) — B. Speed 26, Rudolph 11, Munck 7, Gambill 5, Rodriguez 5, Smith 4, McGill 4, Ezell 3, Ball 2, J. Speed 2, Cain.

Waitsburg 3 11 0 5 - 19
Weston-McEwen 25 12 2 39 - 69
 3-pointers - Waitsburg 2, W-M 5. Free throws - Waitsburg 1-4, W-M 8-17. Total Fouls - Waitsburg 12, W-M 10.

WESTON-MCEWEN BEATS LADY CARDINALS, 57-12

ATHENA – The Lady Cardinals fell 57-12 in a non-league road match against the TigerScots here on Dec. 22.

Junior Devon Harshman led the Cardinals scoring with six points followed by seniors Ariel Sandau with four points and Tayler Jones with two.

TigerScots 57, Cardinals 12
 WAITSBURG (12) — Ahler, White, Jones 2, Sandau 4, Williams, Larson, Harshman 6, Pearson. Totals 5 2-5 12.
 WESTON-MCEWEN (57) — Scheibner 5, Hearn 5, Coffman 6, Vescio 17, Finifrock 4, Moses, Davis, Quaempts 18, Lambert 2, Burke, McIntyre. Totals 21 13-22 57.
Waitsburg 4 2 6 0 - 12
Weston-McEwen 16 14 17 10 - 57
 3-point goals - Waitsburg (none), W-M (Quaempts 2). Total fouls - Waitsburg 15, W-M 10. Fouled out - Waitsburg (Jones, Sandau). Technical fouls -none. Rebounds - W-M 35, Waitsburg 32. Turnovers - Waitsburg 38, W-M 11.



Photo Courtesy of Bradley Sandau

Cardinal junior Devon Harshman says "not a chance!" as a Weston-McEwen player attempts to score during the Fri., Dec. 22 game against the TigerScots in Athena.



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Foot thick "icebergs" blocked Coppei Creek and flooded the pasture of Kyle and Margaret Terry on the south end of Waitsburg. Once the water receded, the "bergs" looked even more out of place sitting in the pasture. Above: Kyle and Margaret Terry's grandsons Andrew Rosenberger (blue), Mason Rosenberger (orange) and son Cameron Terry, posed for a photo while exploring the icebergs on Jan. 19.

February

Tiernan Pearson and Sarah Heze shared their experience of attending the inauguration of President Donald Trump.

The FrogHollow Band and Framing Fables donated their time to play a fundraising concert for Nathan Stueckle who underwent emergency open heart surgery. Nathan is the son of Tuxedo Bar & Grill owner Pam Stueckle.

The Waitsburg National Honor Society donated \$500, raised from holding potato bars during high school games, to the Waitsburg Resource Center. Members also serve at the center.



Times File Photo

Above: Ross Hamann (l) was named Booster Club Booster of the Year for 2016.

Booster Club President Ross Hamann was named 2016 Booster of the Year for his many hours of volunteer service.

Wrestler Joe Adams took fifth place at the Sate Mat Classic in Tacoma. Adams and Aaron Hoffman both made it to the state competition.

Kendra Smith is named the new Rainbow Worthy Advisor.

The city began accepting applications for citizens to sit on the City of Waitsburg Tree Committee. The advisory committee was reinstated after citizens questioned how the removal of trees was handled, in several incidents in 2016.

Prescott's previously struggling sports program sees success following the demise of the Prescott-Waitsburg athletic combine.

Waitsburg fifth graders created a cookbook to raise funds for the fifth grade ski program.

Waitsburg's city council approved a 5% utility rate increase in order to leverage funds to obtain a loan for imminent infrastructure repairs. Rates will continue to increase 2.5% in 2019 and beyond.

Brooke Mikesell opened Blush Salon & Spa on Waitsburg's Main Street.

March

New Prescott music teacher Jeremy Irland brings his opera experience to the classroom.



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Cheyenne Shoun (l) was crowned 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen as Emily Adams ended her reign.

Cheyenne Shoun is crowned 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen. Shoun replaced outgoing queen Emily Adams.

Waitsburg Elementary School students raise \$1,200 for the American Heart Association through their annual Jump/Hoops for Heart event.

The Waitsburg City Council waived the \$50 new business registration fee, through Feb. 6, 2018, in order to encourage new businesses to the City.

The Waitsburg Celebration Days Committee purchases patriotic boulevard banners to line Main Street, promoting the annual May event.

Senior Emily Adams is honored as a 2016 Evergreen Girls State delegate.

Replacement of the Main Street Bridge hit a glitch when bids come in nearly \$100,000 over the engineer's estimate. In June, 2015 the Washington State Legislature appropriated \$1.7 million to replace the 90-year-old bridge. It was anticipated that the appropriation would be enough to cover the project. The Port of Walla Walla awarded the city a nine-tenths of one percent sales tax grant of \$100,000 to bring the project back under budget.

Tom House, Brandon Boudrieau, Jared Farley and Devin Newman received State FFA Degrees.

Waitsburg's annual city elections were delayed two weeks when city council candidate filings fell one short of a full slate of five members. Council member Karl Newell opted not to file, current councilwoman Debra Callahan filed for mayor, and there were no new council candidates. The filing period was extended and David Paxton, Matt Spring and Jim Romine filed to run for council.

Ethan Carpenter and Paul Gregutt are appointed as the two citizen representatives to the city's newly formed tree committee. Citizen Allison Bond had also applied for the position. Other committee members include Public Works Director Jim Lynch and city council members Kevin House and Kate Hockersmith.

Bill Rodgers was approved to sit on the city's planning commission which still has one empty seat. Current members are Larry Johnson (chair), Karen Gregutt, KC Kuykendall, Brian Callahan, Stan Bly, and Rodgers.

The Waitsburg Knowledge Bowl team placed third at the state competition in Arlington, Wash. Team members Gillian Pope, Leena Baker, Kevin Murphy, Cade Branson, Robert Walsh and Scott Leamy are coached by Brad Green.

Members of youth bluegrass Switchgrass Delta hosted Japanese exchange students in preparation for a planned trip to Japan as part of the Sasayama-Walla Walla Sister City Exchange Program's 45th anniversary cultural exchange.

Over 100 people filled Town Hall to help Roger and Laura Jean Hevel celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary.

After holding preliminary interviews with five candidates, the Waitsburg School Board invited lone candidate, Dr. Jon Mishra, back for a final interview for the position of District Superintendent.

April

Dr. Jon Mishra was selected at the new Waitsburg schools superintendent. Mishra spent the last eight years working in the Hermiston, Ore. school district and said he is looking forward to returning to a smaller district.



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The Waitsburg School Board selected Jon Mishra as the new school district superintendent, to replace retiring Dr. Carol Clarke. Mishra would assume duties in July. Clarke leaves Waitsburg after 13 years to move on to a new job in Panama City, Panama.

Jacob Elder organized the painting of the athletic field bleachers as part of his Eagle Scout project.

Waitsburg junior Chris Philbrook was part of the SEATech construction technology class that won the creativity award for their tiny home at the statewide Showcase of Skills Homeless Shelter Project. The team designed their home with an arched roof painted with a mural.

An energy incentive kick-back from Pacific Power & Light will allow the Waitsburg School District to upgrade lighting and save thousands in energy costs each year.

Incumbent mayor Marty Dunn is easily re-elected, receiving 239 votes to challenger Debra Callahan's 66 votes. Incumbents Kevin House, Kate Hockersmith and KC Kuykendall were re-elected to the council and first-time filer Jim Romine nudged out current council member Karen Gregutt.

Christine Richards opens Essential Therapeutic Massage on Main Street in Waitsburg.

The city council approved an easement with Mary Phillips and John Lieberman which will allow for the placement of a road and waterline when Taggart Rd. is straightened, sometime in the future.

New playground equipment is installed in Prescott's Field View Park. The equipment was purchased with grant funds and private donations.

Taylor Jones and Cade Brason are crowned Queen and King at Waitsburg's junior prom. Court members include: Kelsey Alleman, Braden Miller, Timber Frohreich, Kirsten Miller, Braden Kitselman and Joe Adams.



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(l to r) Superintendent Carol Clarke, and teachers Mel McWhorter and Dinah Lindsey retired from the Waitsburg School District with the close of the 2016-17 school year.

May

John and Dinah Lindsey will retire after nearly 75 years of coaching and teaching between them. John will retire from the Dayton School District and Dinah from Waitsburg.

Members of the Waitsburg Grange #1 are looking to revive the family-and community-centered organization with a community potluck on May 7. Members have been allowed use of the old Grange Hall which is being remodeled by Eric Turbe of Seattle and Travis Richardson of Waitsburg.

Trevor Johnson starts Johnson Family Towing in Waitsburg.

The Waitsburg Odako Club, organized in 1949, awarded its last \$500 scholarship. The club will be long-remembered for its annual Spring Luncheon and Style Show that brought in scholarship award funds.



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Dona Jean (l) and Howard Smith were selected parade marshals over a well-attended Waitsburg Celebration Days (formerly Days of Real Sport) parade.

Howard and Dona Jean Smith are selected at 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days parade marshals.

Waitsburg Celebration Days weekend will include a parade, car show, brewfest, bonfire, ATV events, food, dancing, vendors, live music, and fun and games.

The Waitsburg Lions Club annual rib feed raises approximately \$15,000 that is used to meet local needs.

Waitsburg science teacher Mel McWhorter plans to retire after 30 years of teaching and coaching at WHS.

Jim Davison receives the 2017 Commercial Club's Community Service Award. Marci Perkins, owner of the Waitsburg Business Center, Hiromi's House vacation rental and Omni Guardianship, is awarded Business of the Year.

June

Emily Adams took first place in the 800-, 1600-, and 3200-meter races and took third place in the triple jump at the state 1B track and field tournament in Cheney. Landon Callas took first place in the 300-meter hurdles and set a new state meet record with a time of 39.85. Callas took fifth in the 110 hurdles and seventh place in the 100-meter dash.



Times File Photo

Kevin House is named Lion of the Year and Dan Cole (above right) is presented with the prestigious Melvin Jones Award.

Jacob Dunn was named 2016-17 Walla Walla Exchange Club Youth of the Year male recipient, receiving a \$1,000 scholarship.

More than 130 alumni, friends, and family mem-

LEGALS

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TO: Philip T. Serjeant
339 SE Highland Park Drive
College Place, WA 99324

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Trustee will on the 26th day of January, 2018, at the hour of 10 o'clock, AM, at the main entrance to the Walla Walla County Courthouse, 315 W. Main St., in the City of Walla Walla, State of Washington, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Walla Walla, State of Washington, APN: 35-07-36-63-0108, commonly known as 339 SE Highland Park Drive, College Place, Washington, to-wit:

Lot 8 in Block 1 of Highland Park Addition No. 3, to the Town of College Place, Washington, according to the official plat thereof recorded in Volume 1 of Roll Files at page D-3, records of Walla Walla County, Washington.

Subject to easements and reservations of record.

which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated April 15, 2010, recorded April 21, 2010, under Auditor's File No. 2010-03131, records of Walla Walla County, Washington, from Philip T. Serjeant, collectively as "Grantor" or "Grantors," to Pioneer Title Company of Walla Walla, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of Community Bank, as Beneficiary. A Modification of Deed of Trust was recorded February 20, 2015, under Auditor's File No. 2015-01541, records of Walla Walla County, Washington, modifying the extension of Maturity date to May 1, 2020.

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

The defaults for which this foreclosure is made are as follows:

Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears:

Monthly payments totaling: \$ 9,934.91
Accrued late fees: \$ 357.72
Total: \$10,292.63

The sums owing on the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust are: Principal \$193,196.71, together with interest as provided in the note or other instrument secured from the 15th day of April, 2010, and such other costs and fees as are due under the note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligations 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 the 26th day of January, 2018. The default(s) referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by the 15th day of January, 2018 (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 the 15th day of January, 2018, (11 days before the sale date), the default(s) as set forth in Paragraph III are cured and the Trustee's/attorney's fees and costs are paid. The sale may be terminated any time after the 15th day of January, 2018 (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 obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults.

A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the

Borrower and Grantor at the following addresses:

Philip T. Serjeant, 339 SE Highland Park Drive, College Place, WA 99342,

by both first class and certified mailed on the 5th day of September, 2017, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served on the 6th day of September, 2017, 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.

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

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.

Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such 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 and tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants and tenants by summary proceedings under the unlawful detainer act, chapter 59.12 RCW.

THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE

SALE OF YOUR HOME

You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date on this notice to pursue mediation.

DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help.

SEEKING ASSISTANCE

Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following:

The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission:

Phone: 877-894-4663; Website: dfi.wa.gov/homeownership/foreclosure

The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development:

Phone: 877-741-3281; Website: HUD.gov (click "state info"; select Washington)

The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys:

Phone: 800-606-4819; Website: nwjustice.org/get-legal-help

DATED this 23rd day of October, 2017.

Jeremy Hyndman, WSBA #44320
Basalt Legal, PLLC
6 1/2 N. 2nd Avenue, Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
509-529-0630

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
County of Walla Walla)

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Jeremy Hyndman is the person

who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument, on oath stated that he was authorized to execute the instrument and acknowledged it as the member of Basalt Legal, PLLC, to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

DATED: October 23, 2017.

Donelda Todorovich,
Notary Public in and for the State of Washington, residing at Walla Walla.

My commission expires: 6-18-18

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NO. 17-4-00028-7 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
In the Matter of the Estate
of
CORLEEN E. PITTMAN,
Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Persons having claims against the decedent must, prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claims on the Personal Representative or the attorneys of record at the address stated below and file an executed copy of the claim with the Clerk of this Court within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or within four months after the date of the filing of the copy of this Notice with the Clerk of the Court, whichever is later, or except under those provisions included in R.C.W. 11.40.011 or 11.40.013 of this act, the claim will be forever barred. This bar is effective as to claims against both the probate assets and non-probate assets of the decedent.

DATE OF FILING OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS: December 6, 2017.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: December 14, 2017.

/s/Donald W. Pittman
DONALD W. PITTMAN
Personal Representative

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No. 17 4 00212 5 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: BRIAN D CHANDLER, Deceased.

The Administrator named below 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
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.

Administrator: Dana M. Chandler
Attorney for the Administrator: Mona J. Geidl, Minnick-Hayner
Address for Mailing or Service: Mona J. Geidl Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362

Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 17-4-00212-5

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By: /s/ Dana M. Chandler
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No. 17-4-00224-9 Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)

Superior Court of Washington
County of Walla Walla

In the Matter of the Estate of
Jubilee Ulu,
Deceased.

The Designated Administrator named below has been appointed as Designated 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 Designated Administrator or the Designated 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 days after the Designated Administrator 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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Case No. 17-4-00096-3 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 DOLORES IRENE DODD Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred

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

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/s/ Bryan J. Ponti
BAKER-BOYER BANK
By: Bryan N. Ponti
Personal Representative

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Public Notice

Pursuant to the requirements of 36.77.070 Revised Code of Washington (RCW), notice is hereby given of Columbia County's intent to use county forces for the following highway construction project:

Project No. 15-60
Countywide Sign Upgrade
Whiskey Creek Road MP 0.64 to 0.74

Work to Be Performed: Replace deficient signs on various roads throughout the county. The estimated cost of the county forces work is \$61,115. Funding for the project is from a safety grant through the Washington State Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration.

William Andrew Woods, P.E.
Columbia County Engineer/
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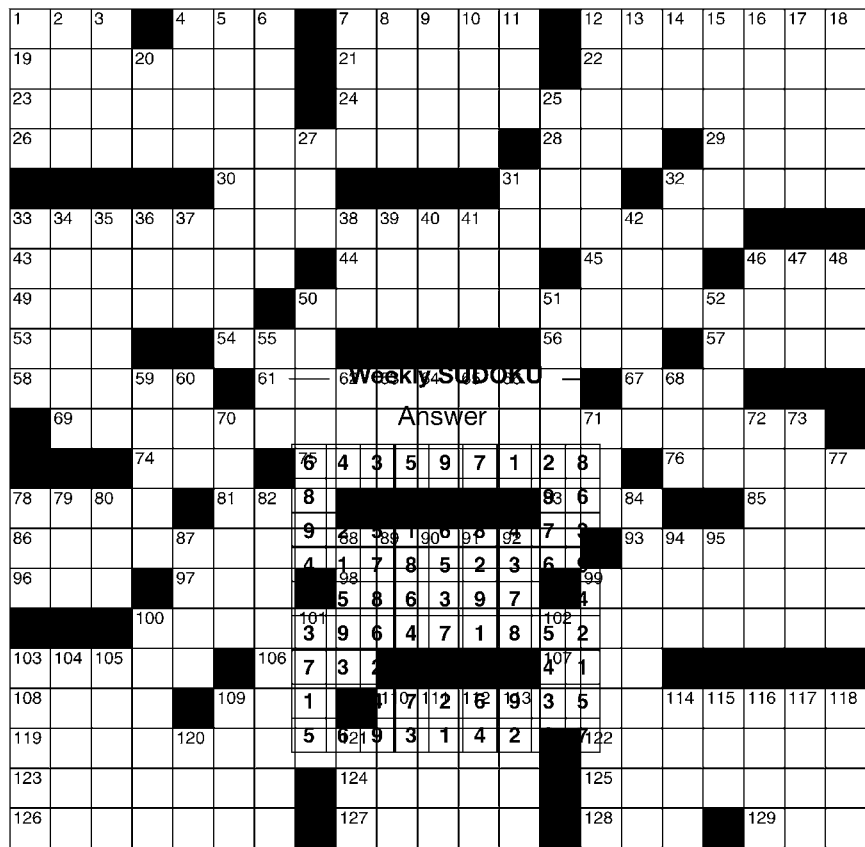
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Super Crossword

ONE-OFF SONGS OF THE SEASON

- ACROSS**
- 1 Wall St. whiz
 - 4 Capote, informally
 - 7 Milky gemstones
 - 12 "Avatar" actress Zoe
 - 19 1,760-yard footrace
 - 21 Juliet's lover
 - 22 Big name in hair care
 - 23 Puzzled
 - 24 Shy around all of humanity?
 - 26 Adorn big shopping centers?
 - 28 Letters on an ambulance
 - 29 Lavish attention (on)
 - 30 "Bali —"
 - 31 Prefix like "equi-"
 - 32 More recent
 - 33 Transport
 - 34 Reason
 - 35 You might give for not buying a china plate?
 - 43 Middle name of Mozart
 - 44 Yeats' "The Wild Swans at —"
 - 45 Teen's skin woe
 - 46 Brazil's — Paulo
 - 49 Bulletproof vest material
 - 50 Fastener holding a sleigh linker in place?
 - 53 Foreman foe
 - 54 Moo —
 - 56 Address with dots in it
 - 57 Tomahawks
 - 58 Takes five
 - 61 Rides that aren't new
 - 67 Debt note
 - 69 Rogers or Acuff playing percussion as a child?
 - 74 Droid
 - 75 Fail accomplish
 - 76 Blights
 - 78 Kin of karate
 - 81 Poker player
 - 85 See
 - 86 10-Down
 - 87 Reason you might give for not buying a china plate?
 - 93 Mother of Rajiv Gandhi
 - 96 Chatter
 - 97 Hurry
 - 98 False front
 - 99 With dignity
 - 100 Vacation in Italy's capital?
 - 103 In accordance with
 - 106 Profs' aides in place?
 - 107 Gigi's "yes"
 - 108 Voting place
 - 109 Fancy carp
 - 110 Earliest tune that singer Billy ever wrote?
 - 119 Far off driving one's Ford pickup?
 - 122 Japanese massage
 - 123 Divided into new districts
 - 124 Hindu maxim collection
 - 125 "Bama rival"
 - 126 Hypnotic states
 - 127 "Let's roll!"
 - 128 Purview of Gov. Cuomo
 - 129 Dipso
- DOWN**
- 1 In — rush
 - 2 Religious act
 - 3 Urban model — Chyna
 - 4 Horse gait
 - 5 Likely traffic snarl times
 - 6 Opens, as a tomb
 - 7 Sea predator
 - 8 Billiards
 - 9 — nitrate (fuel additive)
 - 10 With
 - 85-Across, "Dig in!"
 - 11 — Canals
 - 12 Gossipy chatterer
 - 13 Hopy brews
 - 14 Decree
 - 15 Cellphone components
 - 16 Cursor, often
 - 17 "Affliction" star
 - 18 Birch cousin
 - 20 Deer cousin
 - 25 Pianist John
 - 27 Prefix with life or land
 - 31 Big name in frozen drinks
 - 32 Part of NBA: Abbr.
 - 33 Capital of Senegal
 - 34 Brunch dish
 - 35 Luxuriant
 - 36 "Bad" cholesterol, for short
 - 37 Vocal vote
 - 38 Chem., e.g.
 - 39 Multitude
 - 40 Yule drink
 - 41 Not sound
 - 42 Actress Langry
 - 46 Baseball's Red —
 - 47 Pro
 - 48 Go-aheads
 - 50 Rightful deserts
 - 51 They show certain transit routes
 - 52 Actress Dem
 - 55 Shanty
 - 59 Tim of football
 - 60 — Poke (candy)
 - 62 "Do Ya" gp.
 - 63 Lion lair
 - 64 B-to-F run
 - 65 Suffix with drunk
 - 66 Wish undone
 - 68 Sun or moon holder
 - 70 "Yes, that guy!"
 - 71 1,051, to Nero
 - 72 Iroquois tribe
 - 73 Per annum
 - 77 Doesn't exit
 - 78 Irish dance (up)
 - 79 Yankee land
 - 80 Small dollop
 - 82 Arboreal frogs
 - 84 In the way a lass would
 - 87 2011 Marvel Comics film
 - 88 Problems for vain sorts
 - 89 Snarling mutt
 - 90 Chart buster
 - 91 "Sorta" suffix
 - 92 — -wee
 - 94 "— will not!"
 - 95 Clunker
 - 99 Adds abundantly
 - 100 Swear by
 - 101 C-worthy
 - 102 Polloi
 - 103 In two, say
 - 104 Scatterer of seeds
 - 105 City square
 - 109 Patella locale
 - 110 Certain bolt holder
 - 111 Allitudes: Abbr.
 - 112 Architect
 - 113 Drescher of "The Nanny"
 - 114 Lashes (up)
 - 115 Traffic clog
 - 116 Redding of soul
 - 117 Canadian fuel brand
 - 118 Deep desire
 - 120 Company abbr.
 - 121 "— was saying ..."

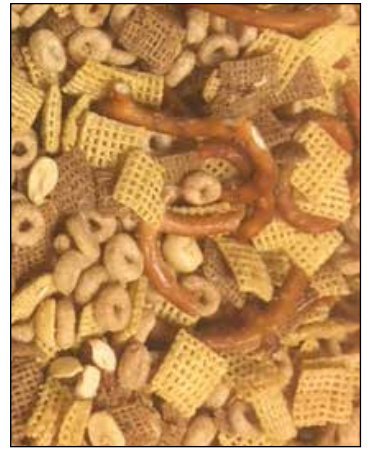


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TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Party Mix

This is a favorite with my kids and requested every year, along with my dinner rolls, and this year, the sweet potato dish with marshmallows. I have made my dinner rolls for a long time, but this time, it seemed all the stars were not aligned as the bottoms burnt and they didn't rise as much. Sigh! All the time, ingredients, and cost that goes into them and they were a failure. I'm not sure if I will have time to redo or not. I posted my tragic day on Facebook and by the response, I had good company.



This recipe has several names and Chex mix comes with many recipes. I've always known it as Party Mix, because of my ex-mother in law, who made it a lot for their family tavern parties. And thankfully, it's almost fail proof. I'm thinking one could add Cheez-its or a variety of foods, but we never have.

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 pkg Wheat Chex
- 1 pkg Rice Chex
- 1 pkg Cheerios
- 1 pkg pretzel sticks
- Approximately 2 c. mixed nuts

- 2 cubes melted butter
- 1 c. Wesson oil
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ tsp garlic salt
- 1 tsp tabasco sauce
- 1 tsp celery salt
- 1 tsp barbeque salt*
- 2 tsp worcestershire sauce
- ½ c. parmesan cheese

DIRECTIONS:

I use two disposable roasting pans or one very large, deep pan to put the dry mixture in. Add all seasonings to the melted butter and oil. Continue stirring to keep the seasonings and parmesan cheese from settling to the bottom. Using large spoonfuls, cover the dry mixture with the liquid mixture, stirring cereals and nuts in between to make sure all is coated.

Roast for two hours at 200 degrees, stirring at ½ hour intervals

MY NOTES: It seems everything has gone up in price. Watch for the cereals to go on sale. I coarsely chopped the nuts so they would go further.

*Since this is an old recipe, I can no longer find barbeque salt, so settled for barbeque seasoning, which I found at the dollar store. I have also used Johnny's seasoning.

Also, it seems pretzel sticks were out everywhere so I settled on the thin regular ones and broke them up.

I added a bit more tabasco sauce and a little bit more parmesan cheese—the kind in a jar.

It's also great for gift giving. Your friends will be wanting more next year. ENJOY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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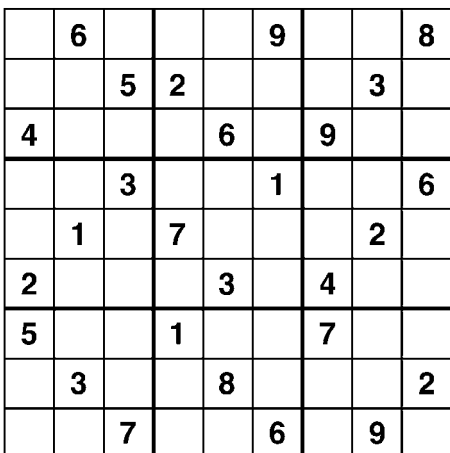
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by Linda Thistle



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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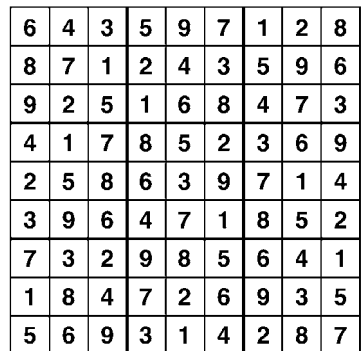
LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

Super Crossword



Weekly SUDOKU

Answer



PUZZLE IN RIGHT COLUMN

CRISIS

Today's Word
3. Right; 4. Score
1. Snide; 2. Stable;
solution

SCRAMBLERS

Americanisms



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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

- Unkind
- DINES
- Level
- BLEATS
- Correct
- GIRTH
- Tally
- OSKER

TODAY'S WORD



ANSWER IN LEFT COLUMN

THE LAST PAGE

WAITSBURG - FROM PAGE 7

bers attended the 113th annual Waitsburg Alumni Reunion and Banquet held at the Waitsburg Elementary School multipurpose room.

Jacob Dunn is 2017 WHS valedictorian, Taylor Hays is salutatorian and Skylar Wood and Selina Marcado are honor speakers.

Eddie Perez and Tiffany Robinson are Prescott High School valedictorian and salutatorian.

Timothy Daves placed 4th in the senior division State 4-H Shotgun Shoot.

The 63rd annual Waitsburg Livestock Show and Fair takes place at the Waitsburg fairgrounds.

Dayton and Waitsburg school boards approve moving forward with a full athletic combine between the schools for the coming year. However, because schedules had already been set, WIAA District 9 and SE1B League refused to approve the full combine for Waitsburg until the 2018-19 school year.

Kevin House is named Waitsburg Lion of the Year and Dan Cole received the Melvin Jones Award.



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Demolition began on Waitsburg's Main Street Bridge in July. Portions of the bridge will be retained to honor the bridge's history. Above: The city crew carefully salvages a light post from the bridge.

July

Demolition began on Waitsburg's Main Street Bridge.

The Rural Youth Enrichment Services nonprofit organization has added the Urban Forestry Project to their umbrella of enriching youth activities. The project will be an offshoot of the Tree Committee, but will have a different focus and be geared to kids.

The Waitsburg School Board hears from architects regarding the placement and design for the new field house to be built at the athletic field.

Jason Kaehler opens his Mobile Oil Change business.

After investing more than a year and spending thousands of dollars on reports and assessments, City Manager Randy Hinchliffe reported to the city council that two engineers and a risk-control representative agree that the Waitsburg Fairgrounds grandstands are unsafe and demolition may be the best option.

August

"Huge sections of concrete" from prior bridges were discovered during the demolition of the Main Street Bridge, resulting in a \$40,000 change order in the contract to replace the bridge. The Port of Walla Walla modified a previous grant amount from \$100,000 to \$150,000 to cover the change.

Kindergarten teacher Pam Nolan-Beasley spent a week at the Pacific Northwest National Lab in Rich-

land as part of a STEM-IT Now Project.

WHS graduate Analisea Araya shares about spending her summer serving children in Uganda, Africa.

Eighteen agencies joined forces to fight a wheat fire northwest of Waitsburg. About 12 Weller Canyon homes were evacuated but no structures were lost. The blaze, which consumed 1280 acres of conservation reserve program (CRP) land, was quickly contained.

WHS graduate, Zach Bartlow, spent his summer playing quarterback for the Turku Trojans in Finland.

Waitsburg Elementary School welcomed two new teachers. Bailey Carson will teach fifth grade and Stephanie Hinchliffe will teach first grade. Carlson replaces Gabe Keifel who moved to the high school to teach science and Hinchliffe replaces Dinah Lindsey, who retired.

In spite of a miniscule turnout of three athletes, the Waitsburg School Board voted to retain the district's cross-country program in the hopes that numbers will increase in 2018-19 when Waitsburg will participate in a full athletic combine agreement with Dayton High School.

Kimmie Hamann is one of six WHS graduates to earn the American FFA Degree – the highest degree in the organization.

Nearly a dozen residents attended the August city council meeting to share opinions on the reconstruction vs. demolition of the fairgrounds grandstands. The council lacked a quorum and agreed to continue discussions at the next meeting.

It was a long day for Columbia-Walla Walla Fire No. 2 on Aug. 29 when the department responded to a railroad fire that sent smoldering ties into the Touchet River and then to a fuel tanker that caught fire in Highway 12.



Times File Photo

Dorne (r) and Dorothy Hall are selected as the 2017 Pioneers of the Year, and honored at Waitsburg's 45th Annual Pioneer Fall Festival.

September

Dorne and Dorothy Hall are named 2017 Pioneers of the Year.

WHS freshman Amy Farley was named champion for her 4-H Equine Individual Presentation at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup on Sunday. She will represent Washington in the Eastern Equine 4-H Roundup in Kentucky in November.

Waitsburg's 45th annual Pioneer Fall Festival took place under sunny skies on Sun., Sept. 17.

With nine children on a wait list, the Waitsburg School Board unanimously approved the addition of an afternoon preschool session to the WWCC preschool program held at the Waitsburg Elementary School.

'Apple Detective' David Benscoter visited Waitsburg on Sept. 30 to give a lecture on his lost apple discoveries and visit heritage apple trees in the area.

The city council agrees to organize a grandstands

task for and allow three months to report on a repair/demolition plan for the building and another three months to return with a financing plan.

Melissa Lambert opened PEAK Northwest, offering health and wellness services in Waitsburg and Dayton.

More than 700 people filled the Don Thomas Community Building for the annual Lions Club salmon barbecue which should net about \$10,000 in funds to support the community.



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The annual Lions Club Salmon Barbeque was a huge success, bringing in nearly \$10,000 for the club.

October

Barely a week before youth bluegrass band Switchgrass Delta was scheduled to fly to Japan as part of the Walla Walla-Sasayama Sister City Cultural Exchange, band member Chris Philbrook was injured during a football game and needed surgery. Fellow band members Emma Philbrook, Kaleb Kuykendall and Robert Walsh opted not to make the trip without him.

The city council bans unauthorized ATVs from the fairgrounds area and sets the fine for Main Street U-Turns at \$100 per offense.

Terry Hofer and Karl Newell enjoy making unique creations and selling "junk" from Hofer's farm just south of Waitsburg.

November

Waitsburg High School classes brought in 829 pounds of food during a competition food drive sponsored by the LEOs and Lions clubs.

Makenna Barron is named 2018 Celebration Days Queen.

A leaking sewer siphon near the Touchet River Bridge was replaced without incident, through pipe bursting, on Nov. 14. The city secured a \$750,000 line of credit in case the burst failed and expensive digging in the river was required.

Waitsburg and Dayton were recognized as 2017 Schools of Distinction for making improvements in reading and math for the past five years.

Leena Baker is the new city council student representative, the third in her family to hold the position.

The Prescott Tigers soccer team takes third place at State.

Lisa Naylor receives the Presidential Field Foresters Award for her long career in forest management.

December

Beautiful weather helped make for a fantastic turn-out at this year's Waitsburg Hometown Christmas which featured visits from Santa, Disney princesses and Spiderman, food, shopping, entertainment, a lighted parade and more.

Waitsburg's Main Street Bridge is substantially completed and opened to traffic on Dec. 12. The project will resume, to be fully completed in the spring.

The Waitsburg School District approves a replacement two-year enrichment levy of \$2.71 per \$1,000 of assessed value for 2019 and 2020.

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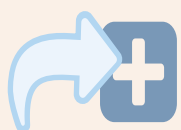
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