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Stand-up at the Club (see page 4)



This property on Wilson Hollow Road is always neat as a pin. The photographer loves the well-maintained grass in the gullies behind the buildings. They stunningly define the shapes of the hills and crops under the May skies.

# City holds workshop meeting on wastewater plant plan

#### By Justin Jaesch | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Dayton City Council held a work session meeting at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, in person and on Zoom. All councilmembers were present; Laura Aukerman, Misty Yost, Teeny McMunn, Dain Nysoe, Kyle Anderson, and Tyler (Tiger) Dieu were present in-person, as was Mayor Zac Weatherford. The purpose of the meeting was for the council and City to work on a strategy to move forward on the City's sewage treatment plant.

Weatherford wanted to emphasize that the project was not dead after the council's vote not to purchase the recommended land to move forward. The mayor said he wants the Public Works Committee to make recommendations to the rest of the council. The Public Works Committee is chaired by Laura Aukerman and includes members Dain Nysoe and Misty Yost. Several property options were briefly discussed; however, the council must first decide whether it wants to proceed with the proposed low slope flood plain design. This design is favored by environmental groups and agencies and is perhaps the most economical and easiest to fund option. Past mayors and city councils for Dayton have worked with government agencies and engineers to develop the current plan, approving the money spent and funds raised. Councilmember Dieu said, "I'm not saying that this is a terrible project, but what are our other options? If we bring AHBL (a Seattle engineering firm, with offices in Spokane, Tricities, Tacoma) in, we can see how much it's going to cost for them to be involved. And how much that cost would be into it, to say, for them to take over this portion because they're not just the planning, they're pretty big. I've looked at the whole thing that we voted on, so and with the quarry, what else can they do for us with this project? Why aren't they the lead entity? Why aren't they the one going through, and we can start out with going in the right direction, of ok, the money that we've used and spent? People are curious where this \$200,000 went. Now that's a pretty big question.'

# Commissioners accept Strickland resignation

#### By Justin Jaesch | THE TIMES

The Columbia County Commissioners held a regular meeting on May 2, 2022. All commissioners were present for the meeting.

The current Public Works Director, Amber Phinney reported that the county received its first \$6,000 allotment from FEMA after waiting for more than two years. Phinney added the next allotment should be awarded next month for \$93,000.

Phinney commended Kellie Steinhoff for her work filing for the allotments and added that Steinhoff is working on paperwork for a third allotment. County Engineer Jeremy Weiland gave a brief update on ongoing projects in the county. The South Touchet Road project is in the closeout phase of right-of-way, with Anderson Perry helping move the project forward. The Vernon Smith Bridge Project, located on Rose Gulch, was started in 2021 and is currently in the right-of-way-establishment phase. The Public Works staff is renewing environmental permits, which had lapsed before construction could begin. The project will replace the bridge and the approaches on both sides of the structure. The Starbuck Bridge is waiting for permitting to be finalized. Weiland said the county is looking at purchasing a portion of the park in the affected area for right-of-way purposes. He said he expects the project will go out to bid in early 2023. A certified letter was sent out to a property owner that could be impacted by the county's removal of an animal-crossing culvert on Lower Hogeye Road. Weiland said there had been unanswered attempts to contact the owner before sending the certified letter and had two or three more attempts to contact the owner. He said the county wants to remove the culvert to cut out the maintenance. Weiland's update ended with the commissioners approving an interlocal agreement with the Nez Perce Tribe and Columbia County for the Tumalum Culvert project on Touchet Road. The Tribe will rebuild the culvert and the county will continue to maintain it. Weiland explained that the agreement allows the county to contract consultants as necessary. The county will be billed and the Tribe will reimburse costs not to exceed \$49,000. Commissioner Chair Marty Hall proclaimed the month of May as Older Americans Month, celebrating individuals 65 years and older, their contributions, and raising awareness about issues related to aging. The commissioners approved the proclamation. A representative from Dayton Days requested \$2,500 from the Hotel-Motel tax to help with the cost of advertising for the annual event. The commissioners approved the request. Dayton Days are planned for Memorial Day Weekend at the Columbia County Fairgrounds. Activities including live music, shopping, food vendors, a Saturday morning parade, and evening rodeos are on the weekend's agenda. Emergency Management Director Ashley Strickland gave the commissioners his resignation, effective May 20, 2022. No details regarding the resignation were provided at the meeting. Strickland offered a solution to keep the office running smoothly in his absence, 'My suggestion to you as a board is to allow Misty (Yost) and Desi (Lockard) to run the office for six months," Strickland said. "Then allow them to decide or ask them if they want to keep the offices combined or separated. I think they are set up to succeed."

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Weatherford answered, "It went into all the due diligence that we've been performing the last couple of years."

Dieu asked if the money went to Anderson Perry. Weatherford answered that some of the money had gone to the engineering firm.

Jake Hollopeter, an engineer, and VP at Anderson Perry explained that the money the firm received paid for on-site drilling, installation of groundwater equipment, geotechnical test kits, wetland assessments and an archaeological investigation. Funds also covered the numerous meetings with city officials, meetings with the Department of Ecology and the Blue Mountain Land Trust.

Department of Ecology (DOE) representative, Cynthia Hall, said potential treatment options had been explored since 2007. The design the city is pursuing was initially proposed by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reserve (CTUIR) at a meeting in April 2019. This plan allows water to be replaced into the Touchet River with legal discharge allowed year round.

Hall wanted to give perspective that this was a project that has taken a long time to come to fruition. She reiterated that the DOE would support this project in any way it can. Some money spent was to assure the plan was feasible and would meet ecological requirements before the City purchased property for the treatment plant.

Weatherford said much of the \$200,000 was spent identifying and confirming suitability of the

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# **NEWS BRIEFS**

### NEWS BRIEFS

### **AT THE LIBERTY:** *Father Stu* The TIMES

DAYTON—Father Stu (Mark Walberg) is based on the true-life story of a boxer-turned-priest, Father Stuart Long. He has a self-destructive lifestyle and a severe motorcycle accident that forces him to change his life to help himself and others. The real Father Stu served in Helena Montana until his death.

Rotten Tomatoes critics rate this movie as 45% favorable, but audiences give it 94% positive ratings. Fandango says this is an "unflinchingly honest, funny, and ultimately uplifting movie". The Roger Ebert website summaries this movie as a film about "how it is never too late for redemption, transformation and forgiveness". This movie is not for kids. Commonsense media states this movie has a lot of mature content and that violence includes a graphic traffic accident, a violent boxing sequence, and other bloody fight scenes. It also has extremely strong language. This movie is rated R for language. Runtime is 2 hours.

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## TUBERCULOSIS CASES ON THE RISE GLOBALLY AND IN WASHINGTON STATE

#### THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—Washington's tuberculosis (TB) cases are rising, putting state and local public health officials on heightened alert. Widespread disruptions in public health and healthcare services and missed TB diagnoses due to similarities in symptoms between COVID-19 and TB are thought to have contributed to TB cases rising both locally and globally.

TB reporting decreased in 2020 during the first year of the pandemic. Though efforts to prevent COVID-19 may also reduce the spread of TB, the decrease could also have been due to delayed or missed TB diagnoses because of strains in the health care system. Some people with TB may also have been misdiagnosed as having COVID-19.

Cases then rose notably beginning in 2021, when 199 cases of TB disease were reported, a 22% increase from 2020. So far, in 2022, 70 cases have been reported and officials continue to monitor the situation closely. Seventeen new cases of TB disease have connections to each other and several Washington State prisons, making it the state's largest outbreak in the last 20 years.

"It's been 20 years since we saw a cluster of TB cases like this," says Tao Sheng Kwan-Gett, MD, MPH, Washington State Chief Science Officer. "The pandemic has likely contributed to the rise in cases and the outbreak in at least one correctional facility," added Kwan-Gett. "Increased access to TB testing and treatment in the community is going to be key to getting TB under control."

"Washington State Department of Corrections (DOC) identified a rise in cases in one of our facilities and immediately began working closely with the Department of Health and the Centers for Disease Control on testing, as well as ways to decrease the spread in the facility and out in the community," said DOC Chief Medical Officer MaryAnn Curl, MD. "Testing of staff and our incarcerated population at Stafford Creek Correction Center continues, which is how these cases were found. We'll continue to communicate with staff, their incarcerated population, and their families as appropriate."

Knowing the facts helps to understand TB, which is preventable, treatable, and curable. Like COVID-19, TB is spread through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes, and the organism is breathed in by others. But unlike COVID-19, more prolonged exposure to someone with TB disease is typically necessary for infection to occur. Symptoms of TB disease can include coughing, with or without blood, and chest pain. General symptoms also include fever, night sweats, weight loss, and tiredness.

If an infection does occur, the person exposed will most likely develop inactive TB (also called latent TB infection), which does not have any symptoms and is not contagious. But if people with inactive TB do not receive timely diagnosis and treatment, the infection could develop into active TB disease, which

## ROAD CLOSURES LIFTED ON POMEROY RANGER DISTRICT

PENDLETON, Ore. —After assessing road conditions and removing hazard trees along Forest Service Roads 44, 41, and 4206, Forest officials have lifted all road closures in the Pomeroy Ranger District from the 2021 wildfires.

While the road closures have been lifted, portions of the roads are still not accessible due to snow. Forest conditions are dynamic this time of year, and the public is encouraged to plan and contact their local ranger district before starting their trip.

Forest visitors should also be cautious when entering any burned area and be aware of increased hazards, particularly snags (recently burned or dead trees). Dead or dying trees standing after a fire are unstable, especially in high winds. Loose rocks and logs can be present in a burned area and are unpredictable, creating a falling hazard. The ground in a burned area can also be unstable due to burnedout roots beneath the soil. After soils and vegetation have been charred, rainfall that normally would be absorbed could run off extremely quickly.

Information about the Umatilla National Forest's 2021 fire season, post-fire recovery, and long-term restoration is available on an interactive story map, which can be viewed here: https://arcg.is/0nyrWq. The story map summarizes the 2021 wildfire season, photos and maps of treatments that aided in fire-fighting efforts, and updates on restoration activities moving forward.

Additional information about the Umatilla National Forest is available at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/ umatilla.

### LETTERS

## A FAMILY THANKFUL FOR BMS AND CO-OP MARKET

#### To the editor:

Right here in our beautiful town of Dayton we have what I would consider a blessing: The Blue Mountain Station. Now you may be thinking...the building? And the answer is yes and no. Within this new and attractive building is the BMS Co-Op Market. In the market is a variety of local organic produce, specialty health foods, and locally made artisan products.

To keep a long story short, I am the mother of three beautiful little girls and the youngest was born with life threatening food allergies. All grains, nuts, and egg are a hard no to her little system so I had to teach myself a different way of cooking and baking to keep her safe. Low and behold there is now dried pasta made from red lentils, and chickpeas. There are different "flours" out there like coconut flour, chickpea flour, quinoa flour, and the list grows. Baking exists around flour and eggs and so discovering an egg substitute was essential and that happens to be ground flax for us. All of these items have been essential in our household to keep a sense of normalcy around food for our little girl.



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**The Times** 216 Main St., P.O. Box 97, Waitsburg 242 E. Main Street, Dayton (509) 337-3042 can then cause symptoms and be spread to others. An estimated 200,000 people in Washington have inactive TB.

Treatment for TB disease takes six months at a minimum. If treatment isn't diligently followed, symptoms are likely to become more severe, and patients risk continuing to be contagious, increasing the likelihood of TB further spreading within the community. Incomplete treatment can also contribute to the spread of antibiotic-resistant strains of TB.

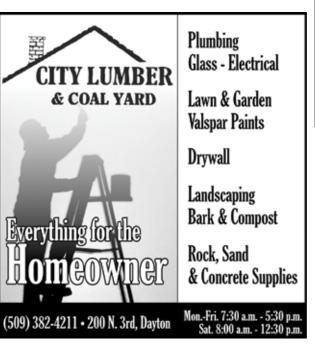
TB can infect anyone, but some people may be at increased risk for exposure, including:

Those in close contact with someone who has TB disease.

People from, or frequently travel to, areas of the world where TB is more common.

People who live or work in a setting with increased possible exposure to TB, such as homeless shelters, correctional facilities, and nursing homes.

DOH encourages people at risk for TB to get tested and, if the outcome is positive, to get treatment. More information about TB can be found at Facts About TB | Washington State Department of Health.



My family and I would like to give a huge thanks to the people who make the artisan food store a possibility. Shopping and buying local is important to us and to the town. When we buy local we of course help the business. This business is helping keep my baby safe and healthy.

Elise Severe Dayton, Wash.

## SAVE THIS ALTERNATIVE

To the editor:

It seems that the Dayton City Council may have made an error last month when it decided not to approve purchase of two properties to deal with long-standing issues regarding sewage treatment. After many years of study and consideration, no suitable alternatives were discussed or considered at the meeting, and no feasible alternatives may be available. I am aware that all the design work is not finished for these water treatment wetlands, and that this potential solution may not work out after further planning and review. However, if for some reason this potential wetland solution to the sewage treatment issues is determined later to be infeasible - these two properties could always be resold, if necessary. But there is urgency now to determine whether this option may still exist, and if so, to act immediately to preserve this option before it is too late. Otherwise, it appears the city council may have painted themselves, and Dayton residents, into a corner that we may all regret. I ask the city council to take action to keep this option open for further consideration and planning.

Glen Mendel Dayton, Wash.



# NEWS

# **Celebration Days hostesses selected**



#### By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG-Waitsburg Celebration Days, always the third weekend in May, is peaking over the horizon. After two years of event cancellations, a new Board of Directors has planned a jam-packed weekend to make up for their absence.

Representing the Waitsburg Celebration Days as hostess are two local ladies. Ashlyn Brooks, of Waitsburg, and Hope Adkins, of Dayton. The hostesses are tasked with being the face of Waitsburg Celebration Days, and traveling to local parades and other events to promote not only their weekend, but the town of Waitsburg as a whole.

Hostess Hope Adkins is the 14-year-old daughter of Steven and Alicia Adkins. She is currently in the 8th grade at Starbuck School. Hope spends most of her free time at the barns, taking care of her horses and, as an active meber of the Rocking D Riders 4-H Club, loves to expand on her horsemanship skills and knowledge.

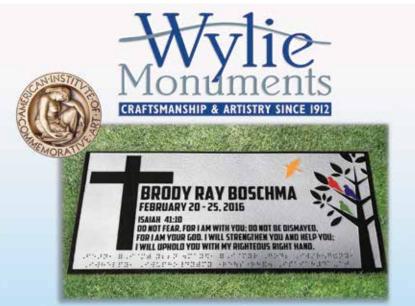
She is excited to represent the community of Waitsburg, and Waitsburg Celebration Days, and looks forward to learning how to be the best representative Waitsburg has ever seen. Hope said that she looks forward to meeting other courts on the road, and at luncheons.

Hostess Ashlyn Brooks is the 9-year-old daughter of Steven and Michelle Brooks. She is currently in 4th grade at Waitsburg Elementary, and loves all things horses. She started riding when she was just two! If she isn't on the road for rodeos, she, too is at the barns with Hope and their 4-H leader, Shelli Bryant. Ashlynn is in her second year as a member of the Rocking D Riders club.

Ashlyn said that she is excited to pair her love for horses with her love for her hometown, and represent the 2022 Waitsburg Celebration Days. She looks forward to learning and growing through her experience!

Join Hostess Ashlyn and Hostess Hope on May 20-22, for three days of fun. Friday night kicks off with the Sunset Cruise ATV Ride, where the hostesses will be offering desserts by donation.

Saturday morning starts bright and early with the Kiddie Parade, followed immediately by the Main Street Parade. A classic car show, live music, and the Burgers, Bands, and Brews will take up all of Saturday, with Sunday wrapping the weekend up with Cowboy Church and a Soapbox Derby.



### **Celebration of Life**

## Dorothy Amelia Gagnon Hall

February 26, 1932 – April 10, 2022

A rosary will be said on Thursday May 12th at 5:30 pm at St. Mark's Catholic Church. 405 W 5th St. in Waitsburg. Funeral mass will be held on Friday May 13th at 10 am at St. Mark's. Graveside services and a luncheon will follow.

Memorial donations may be made to the Frenchtown Foundation, Waitsburg Historical Society or a charity of your choice in care of the Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W Alder St., Walla Walla, WA 99362.



Dorothy Hall

# JACK MILLER ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONER

#### THE TIMES

DAYTON-Retired Columbia County farmer lack Miller announced this week that he would run for the Columbia County Board of Commissioners District 3 position in this year's election.

"I am running for County Commissioner to bring respect, truth, and honor to a position that plays a vital role in shaping the future of our county," Miller said.

Miller has been an area resident since 1975 and farmed in Columbia and Walla Walla Counties for over 20 years. He was raised on a farm near Prosser, Wash., and graduated with a degree in Agricultural Economics from Washington State University. He has over 30 years of agricultural business management experience.



Jack Miller

Miller has been married to his wife, Barbara, for 54 years. They have two children, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Miller is an avid hunter and has been on the boards of directors of the Walla Walla Gun Club, the Spokane Gun Club, and the Washington State Trapshooting Assoc. for many years.

"Working in the ag industry for so many years has taught me that nothing stays the same," Miller said. "Change is constant, and the refusal to adapt to change leads to stagnation and decline. A farm or business can't survive by doing nothing, and neither can a county. In order to keep our communities sustainable, we must find ways to move Dayton, Starbuck, and Columbia County forward."

Chuck Amerein currently holds the District 3 Commissioner position. The election filing period this year is May 16-20.

More information about Jack Miller's candidacy can be found on his campaign Facebook page, "Jack Miller for Columbia County Commissioner District 3."



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#### Tuesday, Mauy 10

Lasagna Vegetables Coleslaw Garlic bread Fruit

### WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 5 B: Breakfast pizza L: Tater tot casserole Garlic bread Veggie Fruit choice

#### Friday, May 6

**B:** French toast L: Corn dog Baked beans Chips Veggie Fruit choice Cookie

#### Monday, May9 B: Scrambled eggs, hashbrown, & sausage L: Hamburger Curly fries Veggie Fruit choice



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# <u>NEWS</u>

# Stand-Up for The Club Fundraiser a Success

#### THE TIMES

DAYTON— The Club hosted its third annual fundraiser, Stand-Up for The Club, on April 30, 2022, at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Pavilion. Over 150 area residents attended the event. Jim Pearson, Executive Director of The Club, served as master of ceremonies and auctioneer for the event. Attendees were treated to a catered dinner and dessert, live and silent auctions, and a performance from touring stand-up comedian Al Goodwin. Goodwin has been featured on the Fox television program "Laughs", and regularly opens for such comedy heavyweights as Jim Gaffigan.

The event raised a significant amount of funding to support The Club's youth programs. "The generosity of this community is a continual wonder," said Pearson. "Time and again, people have shown their support for the important work we do at The Club. They say it takes a village, and this village is clearly dedicated to the well-being of its young people."



Submitted photo

Stand up comedian Al Goodwin providing the entertainment at the event.

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proposed land parcels which the new council voted not to purchase at its last meeting. He said repeating the process to identify alternative properties would incur the same cost already spent.

Before deciding on the low slope flood plain design, Weatherford said other options including land application designs using circular irrigation systems were investigated by the city and past councils. This involves irrigating not for human consumption crops, such as alfalfa, and require the purchase of a much larger area of land.

Council member Anderson said farmers could make more money selling crops unfit for human consumption because grass crops are more valuable than wheat per acre of land. He also argued that the city did not have to own the land that would be irrigated using the wastewater and that an agreement would be all that was needed.

Department of Ecology representitive Hall offered an example of a simlar size town, Deer Park, Wash. Deer Park is using an irrigation system for its wastewater treatment, storing effluent year round in a primary storage lagoon of a couple of acres, according to Hall.

The waste is pumped a mile to three storage ponds and then used to irrigate 160 acres of afalfa. The city pays for the fertilizer and pays the farmer for the crop, so the operation and maintenance cost is high, said Hall.

She said the city of Deer Park would porobably be happy to give councilmembers a tour of their facility and discuss what is involved.

After the meeting, The Times reached out to the WSU Columbia County Extension office in Dayton and spoke with Stephen VanVleet about crop value. He said the more profitable crops are winter wheat and other human consumption crops, including legumes, compared to grass crops. Of the grass crops, alfalfa and timothy hay are the more profitable, though not compared to winter wheat and other dry crops.

Jake Hollopeter, Vice President at Anderson Perry, pointed out that to use the irrigation solution, the city would have to either build two wastewater treatment plants, one for discharging the effluent to cover crops in the summer and another to legally discharge effluent into the river during the winter or build storage lagoons capable of retaining 300,000 gallons of effluent per day, for about six months. Hollopeter also said that about 65 acres of cropland would be required for the irrigation treatment solution Cynthia Wall, who spoke for the Department of Ecology, pointed out that grants to support Dayton's treatment plant from the department's Office of Columbia River, Walla Walla 2050 Initiative, the Tribes, and the Washington Water Trust would go away if the water was for a consumptive crop. This would squarely put the burden more on the people of Dayton who pay water and sewer bills. The flood plain design allows for the water to go back into the Touchet River year-round which is of great benefit to the ecology of waterway. Councilmember McMunn said it looked like the council was "tripping over dollars to pick up dimes." She said she wants to stay with the low slope flood plain design because changing to an irrigation plan means the whole process would have to be started all over again. She said the City would lose a lot of funding and have increased costs for the project.

"I would like to see it move forward," said Mc-Munn.

Councilmember Aukerman expressed concern that using the flood plain to discharge wastewater could mean expensive flood insurance for any outbuildings built there. She did not cite data for this conclusion.

Weatherford welcomed councilmembers and the public to examine the information he had available on the project.

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Tyler (Tiger) Deiu

from all your (Weatherford) work in this, where they (AHBL) can come in and be the third party and coordinate with DOE, Cynthia, and maybe even look into other design firms and see if they have any other ideas.

"But we can still move forward and look into these other options and bring this to AHBL. And bring them into the picture and have them have a different set of eyes to show and say, hey, because they don't live here, they don't have real skin in the game. No body's scratching each other's backs, complete transparency of it all.

"Have them come to every monthly meeting and give us an update on what's going on along with the Public Works Committee, and as long as no more red flags pop up with these wetlands, I'm not opposed to it. But I also want to make sure we're not going to, cause either way, people are going to say our taxes are going up because of our decisions. It's going to happen regardless, and that's not my fault; it's not anybody else's fault here," said Dieu.

"So, Tiger, are you suggesting that we ignore all the work that Anderson Perry has done with the city

## FREE SKIN CANCER SCREENINGS MAY 24 AT PROVIDENCE

#### THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Registration is now open for a free screening for skin cancer on May 24 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Providence St. Mary Regional Cancer Center.

The screening is a cooperative event offered by the Cancer Center and the Walla Walla Clinic Dermatology Department.

If anything of concern is found in the skin cancer screening, patients will be referred back to their primary care physicians for a possible follow-up biopsy and treatment.

Patients already under the care of a dermatologist and who have pre-existing conditions are not eligible for the free screening.

According to the American Academy of Dermatology, skin cancer is the most common cancer in the United States. It is estimated that one in five Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime. It can affect anyone, regardless of skin color.

Excess exposure to UV radiation from sunlight or use of indoor tanning increases the risk for all skin cancer types. Research suggests that regular sunscreen use may reduce the risk of melanoma.

Appointments are required for the free screening. Low-income individuals will be given priority for the appointments. Call the Providence St. Mary Regional Cancer Center at (509) 897-5700 to register.

#### **STRICKLAND - FROM PAGE 1**

The commissioners accepted Strickland's resignation unanimously.

Nancy Wenzel of Walla Walla Community Health (WWCH) provided an update regarding a developmental disabilities interlocal agreement. She said under the agreement, WWCH will add a Columbia County representative to their board. However, recent updates to the board's structure mean appointees have moved from a committee level to a sub-committee appointment. The commissioners approved the agreement, which will be in effect from 2022 through 2024.

Bette Lou Crothers reported on the Touchet Val-

over the years?" Nysoe asked.

Dieu said, "I'm not saying we are ignoring any of it, but we need to make sure that we have other ideas too, that we look at other design firms to say what else other ideas have there been. It's not necessarily that we are going to completely ignore Anderson Perry because you've done great work and everything."

Weatherford said comparing Anderson Perry with AHBL was not an apples-to-apples comparison.

He later said he planned to contact Pat Barker and Bryan Martin to discuss land negotiations and some properties across the road. He also said he would set up a meeting with AHBL and have discussions with the City's insurer.

The workshop ended after about an hour and thirty-five minutes.

ley Golf Course and the Dayton Chamber of Commerce.

Crothers requested \$1,000 from Hotel-Motel tax revenue for Touchet Valley Golf Course marketing and advertising. She also asked for \$3,000 to help promote the annual All-Wheels Weekend event put on by the Chamber of Commerce. She explained promotional costs include NPR Radio advertising, publication in the AAA magazine, and other wellknown newspapers and magazines.

The commissioners went into an executive session.

Topics discussed after the session included requests from Superior Court and a public hearing regarding the speed limit change on South Touchet Road.



#### A PROUD TRADITION

The Times was founded in 1878 by C.W. Wheeler and has been produced every week since then. It is one of the oldest newspapers in the state of Washington.

The Times publishes news and information about Walla Walla and Columbia counties and their communities. We have offices located in both Waitsburg and Dayton.

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# **CALENDAR**

# **Community Calendar**



#### Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

Waitsburg City Council Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

#### Waitsburg School Board

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

#### Waitsburg Commercial Club

Last Thursday of each month May 26, noon Ten Ton Coffee, 216 Main Street, Waitsburg Zoom info availble by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

#### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First and third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. Ten Ton Coffee, 216 Main St Waitsburg For more information email: waitsburgpr@protonmail.com

#### **Community Health & Protection Committee** 8:30 AM - Tuesday, May 17, 2022

Waitsburg City Hall and on Zoom

#### Walla Walla County Commissioners

Every Monday and Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. Call-in information is available at https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/



Friends of the Weller Public Library 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

Weller Library Book Club Third Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at Weller Public Library

#### **Dayton & Columbia County Meetings**

**Board of Columbia County Commissioners** First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m. Board of Columbia County Commissioners work session meetings Second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m. Call-in information available at https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-**Commissioners** 

#### **Dayton City Council**

Second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. Call-in information available at https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-cityhall/city-council

#### **Dayton School Board**

Third Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m.at the Dayton High School auditorium

**Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners** Fourth Wednesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

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

April 25 at 7 p.m. (Changed date from April 18) Delaney room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787

#### **Dayton Memorial Library**

**Discovery Kids** Every Wednesday, 10 a.m.

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

Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delaney Library with online Zoom available. Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650

#### Starbuck City Council

Second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall



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

## WAITSBURG

Lions Club Rib Feed 6 pm, Saturday, May 7 at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds.

Tickets available on eventbrite.com Waitsburg Grocery, Banner Bank, Pioneer Bank, Walla Walla Electric, Pearson Dental, and NW Grain Growers

#### **Eagles Dinner**

No dinner May 6 Next dinner will be Prime Rib on May 13! **Public Welcome** Location TBA

Mythical / Movable **Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam Upcoming Jams** (All Jams - 7:00PM) Friday May 6 at 7:00 p.m. Walla Walla Public Library For more information email Kate Hockersmith at TVAMP1@charter.net

## DAYTON

Friends of the Fairgrounds **Fundraiser Yard Sale** May 7, 2022, 9 a.m - 4 p.m Seneca Labor Camp \*Cash only\*

**Dayton PTSO Mother/Son Dodgeball Tournament** May 15, 1 p.m. Dayton High School Gym Dayton and Waitsburg K-12 students welcome

Hidden in Plain Sight May 12, 6:00 p.m Dayton High School

**MOBILE FOOD DISTRIBUTION** 427 E Main Street, Dayton June 1 11 a.m- 1 p.m.

# WALLA WALLA

Walla Walla Food Truck Night May 2, 5 p.m 1120 E Street, Walla Walla

### **Lions Fishing Derby**

May 6, 4:00 p.m **College Place Lions Park** \*open to children 14 years of age and younger\*

#### FORT WALLA WALLA MUSEUM

Book signing with Carla Giger, author of Starbuck: The Little Town that Could May 14, 2 - 3 p.m.





#### The 25th annual Community **Bank Ducky Derby** The derby will be held on Satur-

day, May 14, at Mill Creek in Walla Walla. The duck race will begin at 2 p.m. during the Family Fun Festival that will run from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Plant a Little Hope** plant and craft sale Hope Street Fundraiser May 6 2 p.m. 303 Catherine Street



First Friday at Walla Walla Library 2nd and 3rd Fridays at Ten Ton and 4th Friday will be at the Dayton Library!

Weller Library Story Times Every Thursday at Weller Library 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Weller Library Crafts Every Thursday at Weller Library 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m

> **12th Annual Waitsburg** Lions Club

All-You-Can-Eat

**Rib Feed** 

**Columbia County Rural Library** Self-Watering Planter for Mother's

Day May 6, 3 p.m - 5 p.m. Work on them in the library, or make one at home

#### 19th Annual Community Yard Sale

May 7, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Third Street, Seneca buildings and other locations!

#### Living History: E.B. Whitman, Walla Walla's First Mayor May 8, 2 p.m.

#### **Downtown Walla Walla Farmers** Market

Saturdays, 9 a.m-1 p.m 4th and Main, Walla Walla

#### ΡΑΙΑΗΑ

#### Christian Women's Luncheon

When: May 11, 2022 - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: At the Pataha Flour Mill 50 Hutchens Hill Rd., Pataha, WA Cost: \$15.00

Speakers: Ramona Stumpf form Lynden, WA and Brittany Brannock from Waitsburg, WA

Music: Ted & Annie Form Lewiston, ID For Reservations: contact Judy Jackson, 509-629-2567 by Friday May 6, 2022

Sponsors: Christian Women's Connection and Stonecroft Ministries

### BIRTHDAYS

May 5: Jim Tuttle, Dian McQuade, Pamela Parsons, Todd Wood, Rhiannon Chapman, Kin Hofer, Kelly Thomas Ward, Jim Crawford.

May 6: Scott and Ellie Johnson, Betty Mosley, Joan Kennedy, Barbara Danforth, Annette Bergevin, Marcy Thompson, Theron Barbee, Jonathan Cosper and Kylie McConnell, Katelynn Martin.



May 7: Jake Kibler, Richard Ford, Herb Mettler, Brayden Wood, JoAn Fiala,

Rose Rinell, Fred Knudsen, Lydia Rose Roberts, Della Mae and Daisy Rae Rowson.

May 8: Kay Wright, Bonnie Tower, Dean Done, Cathy Williams, Tony Witt, Monika Page and Lindsey Roberts.

May 9: Donald Duncan, Patrick Manyak, Valerie Hamann, Dan Havens, Cody Havens.

May 10: Walter Vennum, Mary Davis, Kristin Mock, Peggy Hall, and Justin Zuger.

May 11: Evelyn Ladd, Vance Price, Donna Hempel, Lynda Patton, Liv Leid, Ronald Leinbach and Melissa Ferrians.

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# **19th Annual Dayton** COMMUNITY YARD SALE



Saturday, May 7th 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

On 3rd Street, Main Street, Seneca Storage Buildings and many other locations. Join us for Fun, Food, and Bargains.

Tickets are availble at Waitsburg Grocery Banner Bank – Waitsburg Pioneer West – Dayton **NW Grain Growers – Dayton** Pearson Dental - Walla Walla Walla Walla Electric

> And online through Eventbrite.com

### Saturday, May 7th Starting at 6 p.m. **Tickets are \$35**

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 22-4-00041-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS In re the Estate of: BERNICE MARIE WICK, Deceased

The personal representative named below have been appointed as personal representatives 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 representatives or to their attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice.

If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11 40 051 and 11 40 060 This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets. Date of filing notice to creditors with clerk of the court: 4-14-2022 Date of first publication: 4-21-2022 Personal Representative: MARY STUBER Address for Mailing or Service: 6 East Alder Street, Suite 418 Walla Walla, Washington 99362 Court of Probate Proceedings: Superior Court of Walla Walla County 315 West Main Street Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Respectfully Submitted this 14th of April, 2022 by: /s/ Janelle Carman, WSBA #31537 Attorney for Personal Representative Carman Law Office, Inc. 6 E. Alder Street. Ste 418

Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1018 The Times April 21, 28, May 5, 2022 4-21-a

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 22-4-00084-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: JAMES L. WAGNER, Deceased. SUPERIOR COURT, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON No. 22-4-00087-36 NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: JERRY D. BATES, Deceased. The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a

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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the probate and nonprobate assets of the decedent. Date of First Publication:

April 28, 2022 Personal Representative: Kari J. Bates Attorney for the Personal Representative: Bryan N. Ponti, WSBA #44155 Address for Mailing or Service: Ponti & Wernette, P.S. 103 E. Poplar

Walla Walla, WA 99362 Telephone: (509) 525-5090 Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court 315 W. Main Walla Walla, WA 99362 Telephone: (509) 524-2780 Cause No.: 22-4-00087-36 The Times April 28, May 5, 12, 2022 4-28-b

#### WALLA WALLA COUNTY F.P.D. NO. 8 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS For Engineering Services

for a Vehicle Storage Building PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2022, 4:00 p.m. (PDT)

BOARD REVIEW, AND POSSIBLE AWARD: JUNE 1, 2022. 5:00 PM. (PDT) WALLA WALLA COUNTY FPD #8 MEETING HALL 10127 E. HIGHWAY 12 **DIXIE, WA 99329** INTRODUCTION: Walla Walla County Fire Protection District No. 8 ("District") is seeking an engineer ("Engineer") for the design of a building to store fire apparatus. The District requests that firms desiring to provide these services submit a Proposal in response to this Request for Qualifications ("RFQ").

# Assistance with site planning IN THE SUP

and design Building engineering. Site engineering. Assistance with project management including scheduling and cost estimating. DUE DATE: Proposals are due no later than 4:00 p.m. (PDT), June 1, 2022. The document should be enclosed in a sealed envelope identified clearly with the words "Request for Qualifications - Engineering Design Services for Vehicle Building" addressed to the

district representative indicated below. AWARD OF CONTRACT

DATE: The Board of Commissioners will review and possibly award a contract for Services at a Special Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners at 5:00 p.m.(PDT) at the Fire District Meeting Hall located at 10127 E. Highway 12 Dixie WA 99329 District Representative

"Point of Contact" Bob Clendaniel, Fire Chief PO Box 112 Dixie, WA 99329 Phone: (509) 301-3977 E-mail: dixiefire8@gmail. com The Times April 28, May 5, 2022 4-28-c

#### LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF DAYTON, WA Advertisement for Bids Official Newspaper Services for 2022 -2023 By this notice, the City of Dayton, Columbia County, WA is soliciting qualified newspapers to serve as the City's official newspaper. Bid Requirements:

Must meet all qualifications defined by RCW 65.16.020 and provide adequate documentation as such. Must be able to provide one original affidavit of publication for each legal publication submitted by the City. Affidavit must be in accordance with provisions of Chapter 65.16 RCW. Rates for legal notices shall be in conformance with RCW 65.16.091. **Contract Period:** The bid rates may not be changed from date of bid submission deadline (May 26, 2022), and shall apply for a period of one (1) year beginning June 14, 2022 through June 13, 2023. Submittal Requirements: Submit bid with proposed cost for legal notice publication per

#### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 22-4-00078-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030) ESTATE OF: MARY-JO S. PERRY,

MARY-JO S. PERRY, A/K/A LEAH MARY-JO PERRY, 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

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: (a) 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate

#### assets. Date of First Publication: 5/5/2022 (FOR 3 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS)

Personal Representative: Charles Michael Perry Attorney for Personal Representative: Elisa Riley Address for Mailing or Service: 1112 Meade Ave, Prosser, WA 99350 /s/ CHARLES MICHAEL PERRY, PR /s/ ELISA RILEY #36142 Attorney at Law SAXTON RILEY, PLLC 1112 Meade Avenue Prosser, Washington 99350 (509)786-1817

350 (509)786-1817 The Times May 5, 12, 19, 2022 5-5-a

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

COUNTY NO. 22-4-00271-03 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate

of: LOUISE M. PARDUE, 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 his 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 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 non-probate assets. Date of Publication: May 5, 2022 Administrator: Dwight L. Pardue Attorney for Administrator

Cortney Corbet Address for Mailing or Service Gravis Law, PLLC 503 Knight St. Ste A Richland, WA 99352 Court of Probate Proceedings Benton County Superior Court

Court Case Number 22-4-00271-03 DATED this 26th day of April, 2022. DWIGHT L. PARDUE, Administrator The Times May 5, 12, 19, 2022 5-5-b IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No.: 22-4-00083-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.030) IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT I. ENGEBRETSON, 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: May 5, 2022 Personal Representative: Todd Engebretson Jared N. Hawkins, WSBA #35426 Attorney for Personal Representative Address for Mailing or Service: 2225 Isaacs, Suite A, Walla Walla, WA 99362 Court of probate proceedings and cause number: Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No. 22-4-00083-36

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The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney 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: April 28, 2022. Mona J. Seifert, Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Jeremy Hyndman, WSBA #44320 Basalt Legal PLLC 61/2 N. Second Avenue, Suite 200 Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630 The Times April 28, May 5, 12, 2022 4-28-a

#### PRÓJECT DESCRIPTON:

The District proposes to construct a building on district property at the location listed below. The proposed building dimensions are estimated at Approximately 5000 square feet. The District expects to erect a structure with slab on grade construction. The building will have sufficient space for maintaining vehicles and equipment year-round. The site location is near Isaacs Avenue and Mill Creek Rd... Walla Walla, WA and is also known as Walla Walla County Tax Parcel 360714140019 and Parcel 360713230004, having approximately 1.63 acres. The site is accessible and large enough to accommodate the building. Site improvements will be included but are not limited to: site drainage. vehicular access, water hookups and septic tank, and outdoor lighting. Perspective bidders are encouraged to contact the below listed District "Point of Contact" for the entire Proposal information.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: The successful Proposer will provide the District with a full range of professional services including: Assistance with building design. subsequent publication Include cost for providing certified affidavit of publication. Include statement of qualifying circulation, and statement of intent to comply with all bid requirements.

100 words in newspaper's

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Submit proposals by 3:00 p.m. PST, Thursday May 26, 2022 to the City of Dayton, 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA 99328 in a sealed envelope. Envelope must clearly express, "City of Dayton, WA, Advertisement for Bids, 2022 – 2023 Official Newspaper Services". Facsimile and email copies will not be accepted. Award Criteria:

#### To be eligible for award, all bidders' publications shall meet all requirements of Chapter 65.16 RCW and the bid and submittal requirements as stated in this Advertisement for Bids.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive minor irregularities in the bidding process.

The City is only authorized to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder (RCW 35.23.352). Dated this 3rd day of May, 2022. City of Dayton by:

Debra M Hays, City Clerk Treasurer Published: The Times, May 5th, 2022 The Times May 5, 2022 5-5-d **CLASSIFIEDS** 

### **HELP WANTED**

#### HELP WANTED – DEPUTY CLERK

The Columbia County Clerk's Office is seeking a full-time Deputy Clerk. This position requires the employee to perform a variety of complex and diverse clerical work including, but not limited to knowledge of office clerical procedures and practices.

The primary responsibilities will include scanning court documents. efficient maintenance of court files, data entry, assisting with and answering questions from the public, attorneys, other individuals, being able to compose clear and accurate correspondence as needed and any other duties given by the Clerk. In addition, the employee will receive training and be certified for processing passport applications. Any one position may not include all the duties listed, nor do the examples cover all duties in which may be performed.

Other duties performed as an employee in this position will be primarily performed for the Superior Court. This work is confidential in nature and performed under general and infrequent supervision. Some tasks will include maintaining court files of all criminal, civil, domestic,

probate, adoption/paternity, juvenile dependency, juvenile offender, and judgments.

Education and Experience: High school diploma or equivalent (GED) Prefer prior office experience Computer skills and proficiency of office machines.

This job will be full-time at 35 hours per week. Pay will be determined upon qualifications. Medical and dental benefits are included.

Please find and complete an application online or stop by our office to pick up an application at: Columbia County Courthouse, County Clerk's Office, 341 E. Main Street Suite 2, Dayton, WA 99328. Applications for this position will be accepted until position is filled.

Columbia County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### HELP WANTED – PROGRAM COORDINATOR

**Columbia County Public** Health is seeking a full time Program Coordinator. Work schedule is 32 hours week. Monday through Thursday, benefits included. This person will assist in coordination of programs as funded by grant dollars. Duties - work in community to fulfill requirement of minimum .5 FTE time dedicated Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI), include assessment activities, identifying community needs, community interaction, reporting as required by grant deliverables, and general office duties.

Bachelor's degree preferred, for a complete job description and job application, pick up at 112 N. 2nd St., Dayton, or apply online at the Columbia County web page by filling out the fillable application and submitting to katie\_roughton@ co.columbia.wa.us. Contact the Public Health office at (509)382-2181 for more information. Position open until filled.

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## FOR SALE

Two Big Sales in One Dayton Location Saturday, May 7 Open 9:00 a.m. - about 4:00 p.m N Guernsey & Labor Camp Rd (across from elevators) 3 Large Storage Buildings Fundraiser for Friends of the Fairgrounds & Blue Mountain Heritage Non-Profits Lots of furniture, housewares, toys, bicycles, puzzles & games, tools, fabrics, and much more

Come to support Friends of the Fairgrounds and Blue Mountain Heritage!

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# The Times

# LIFESTYLES

# Palouse Outdoors: Shed Hunting the Palouse

#### By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

Spring outdoor adventures can be hard to come by when we allow routine to take priority. I don't hunt turkeys or fish the desert lakes nearly as often as I should. Instead, I tend to the property, trying to complete my seeding and get a handle on weeds as quickly as possible. But breaking away from the homestead for a quick hike into some likely deer winter covers can be done on short time and nearby on the Palouse. And why would I want to look for deer hideouts? Shed antlers.

Running the dogs one afternoon, we approached an island of black locust and wheatgrass about 20 acres in size. A white object caught my attention. Beneath a golden fold of grass mashed flat from its former snow blanket shone a heavy chunk of what appeared to be bone. It would be so sweet if that were a giant shed, I thought as I approached. You can imagine my surprise when I unearthed the only drop-tine whitetail antler I will ever lay hands on, complete with a split brow tine and soda-can base circumference.

The antler was weathered and cracked and had clearly lain there for several years. I wondered where that buck had come from. There was no other cover for miles, and we were nearly 20 miles from a brushy river corridor in any direction. How had that buck dodged the modern firearms seasons so many years to put on such character? I may never have such fortune to stumble upon a better shed in my lifetime.

Whitetails are known for their adaptation to postage-stamp patchwork covers. True to form, this guy followed the playbook, shedding where no one would think to look in a relatively tiny and inaccessible patch of cover.

Bagging elk sheds is exciting, but in my experience, it's deer in the wheat country that offer the best shed hunting. A solid rule of thumb is to seek out bedding and feeding areas. South and west aspects are the warmest this time of year and typically offer better food sources. Deer spend the majority of their time in these areas and are more likely to shed there. While well-worn travel routes are hard to pass up, I have found so few sheds on trails that I don't bother with them aside from moving into and out of covers.

You can dodge the masses by knocking on a few doors and maybe find some ground all to yourself. Small woodlots and eyebrows with a few trees to provide a windbreak should be given fair inspection. Deer will paw at the ground around these trees to create flat beds on steep slopes.

Deer generally shed their antlers from late December through March. Mule deer tend to yard up in large, visible groups on the open, grassy slopes, while whitetails commonly feed in the unseen crevasses of wheat fields this time of year.



Brad Trumbo

A common find – a fork-horn mule deer shed below a wheat field eyebrow.

Cabin fever pushes many big game hunters to wit's end by March, and the prospects of shed hunting are too inciting to ignore. However, there is an ethical consideration to early shed hunting. March on the Palouse can be a deadly month for wildlife as they have hit rock bottom on fat reserves and food sources. A year like the present causes little winter kill as snow accumulations are minimal and generally mild temperatures. But tough years with lingering deep snow and single-digit temperature can take their toll on deer.

Waiting to hunt sheds until about mid-April is a best practice to leave critters unperturbed when they cannot afford the additional stress and energy expense. The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife does not set seasons for shed hunting, but does offer tips to keep wildlife healthy, such as not pushing a herd too hard or pursuing them over consecutive days. One advantage to shed-hunting the wheat country is being able to spot sheds in stubble or green wheat with binoculars before hiking through feeding or resting critters for no reward.

Additionally, respect for public and private land and landowners is paramount. Sheds are the property of the landowner where they fell, requiring permission to collect them on private land. If you run a shed-hunting dog, ensure that it doesn't run deer or elk as you hunt for antlers.

Bottom line: shed hunting is a lot of fun and a great way to get outdoors, kick the cabin fever, and grab some sun and exercise. Load up your pack, grab the binoculars, and enjoy the warmth of the sun on your back for a welcome change from winter. You just might find that shed of a lifetime.





Trumbo's best whitetail shed from a secluded postage-stamp cover.

A fine pair, but better sheds can be found.

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# **SPORTS**

## **EVALUATING THE MARINERS' START TO THE SEASON**

#### By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

After sixteen games, the Mariners have a 10-6 record and are a half-game ahead of the Los Angeles Angels for the lead in the American League West. It's an excellent start to the season, considering the first seven games were on the road. In the first home series, Seattle defeated the Houston Astros two games out of three, with the lone loss coming against Justin Verlander, who pitched eight shutout innings.

In the new collective bargaining agreement, playoff teams increased from ten to twelve. Had this system been in place last year, the Mariners would have qualified for the playoffs. Projections don't give the Mariners much of a chance to make the playoffs as the team is currently constructed. Most scenarios have them winning between eighty to eightyfour games. However, what most projection systems tend to miss is when young players have breakout seasons. The Mariners have six players twenty-five years old or younger that should get significant playing time this season.

On the offensive side the Mariners are hitting to a .238/.338/.401 slash line. While the team batting average is in the middle of the league, the walk rate is the best in the game. A few players have not played to their potential but could rebound as the season progresses. Jesse Winkler has been underperforming to start the season. Last season for Cincinnati, he was a .305 hitter with twenty-four home runs. He has only eight hits and one extra-base hit in sixty-eight

#### at-bats starting for Seattle.

Another player that is struggling out of the gate is top prospect Julio Rodriguez. Rodriguez is currently striking out at a forty percent rate. Under normal circumstances, that would get a player sent down to the minors. In Rodriquez's case, however, it is not all his fault. He has already been called out on strikes eight times when the pitch should have been called a ball, according to pitch data from mlb.com.

The Mariners' pitching staff has been great as well. Mariner's pitchers have given up the sixth-fewest walks per game, and the staff ERA is also sixth in the league at 2.77. The only real negative is they are giving up an average of 1.2 home runs per game which puts them toward the bottom of the league in that category. Mariners' relievers have been even better with a 2.62 ERA. And the best news is the Mariners relievers have pitched the second-lowest number of innings of any team this season. Put it all together, and this looks like a team that will finally make the playoffs.

You could put together a pretty good team of active players that were Mariners now playing on other teams. Here is a starting lineup of former Mariners and the team they are currently playing with.

First base: Austin Nola (Padres), Second base: Jean Segura (Phillies), Third base: Asdrubal Cabrera (free agent), Shortstop: Brad Miller (Rangers), Left field: Tyler O'Neill (Cardinals) Center Field: Ketel Marte (Diamondbacks), Right Field: Chris Taylor (Dodgers), Catchers: Omar Narvaez (Brewers) & Mike Zunino (Rays), DH: Nelson Cruz (Nationals) . Starting Pitchers: Freddy Peralta (Brewers), Ryan Yarbrough (Rays), Hector Cortez (Yankees), Yusei Kikuchi (Blue Jays). Relief Pitchers: Kendall Graveman(White Sox), Lucas Luetge (Yankees).

# WINE VALLEY GOLF

#### By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Two DW golf players qualified for the Wine Valley invitational held in Walla Walla on Wednesday, April 27. On the 18-hole par 72 course, Senior Theo Anderson shot a personal best score of 102. Anderson, a first-year golfer, missed some hits but he didn't let down and kept battling, stated Coach McGhan. Senior Caleb Barron also attended the invite scoring a 108. McGhan said that Barron would have broken 100 had some of his putts dropped.

The golf team play at Goldendale on Wednesday, May 4, and finish the year with the district tournament on May 9 at Suncadia in Cle Elum.



Courtesy photo Theo sinks a putt for a birdie on hole #1

## MS SOFTBALL TEAM DROP GAMES AT SAGER

#### By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Wednesday, April 27, DW middle school softball team lost two games at Sager in College Place. Peyton Benavides pitched in the 4-inning game and Alexa Jones caught. The Wolfpack had three hits in the game and scored 13 runs. Skyla Johnson led the team with two hits. She also scored seven of the runs; mainly through stolen bases. Coach Des Jones said that her team saw a pitcher that threw with more velocity than they have faced before. The defense was error free in game one. Sager scored 15 runs off of eight hits.

The Wolfpack lost the second game 12-5. Lucy Trump pitched and Karmain Pollan was the catcher. Trump had a hit and scored four runs. All the girls received a lot of playing time and every batter had at least two chances at the plate, said Coach Jones.

## BASEBALL TEAM LOSE DOUBLEHEADER AT TCP

#### By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

DW baseball struggled to get hits on Tuesday, April 26, at Tri-City Prep and lost both games of the doubleheader 15-0 and 15-1. TCP scored 11 runs in the 2nd inning to win the first game of the doubleheader. Balian Walter and Dylan Bledsoe had the only hits for the Wolfpack. Bledsoe pitched, striking out one and walking one. Klint Kuykendall pitched in relief. In game two the Wolfpack scattered two hits and four walks in the loss. TCP had another big second inning scoring 9 runs. Kuykendall had one hit and Jasper Morrow had a hit, reached base on a walk and scored the only run. Levi Boudrieau pitched, walking two and Zachary Durham pitched in relief. Saturday, April 30, the baseball game against Columbia Burbank was canceled due to rain. The game is rescheduled for Saturday, May 7, in Waitsburg.

## TRACK TEAM MEMBERS SET PERSONAL RECORDS



Trista Villaro had two personal records at the event.

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#### By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

EWAC East League Meet #2 was held at River View High School on Tuesday, April 26. A group of first year track members have worked hard to improve their times and distances at every meet. Getting a personal record is a sign that they have put in the time to improve their skills. In the women's events, Trista Villaro placed 7th in the 200 meter and had a Personal Record (PR) in the javelin. Julia Brooks placed 7th in the 100-meter hurdles and had a PR in the long jump. Chasity Paddock had a PR in the discus and Cedar Stegall had a PR in the 100 meters. Marion Duncan placed 5th in the 400 meter and had two PRs; in the 200 meters and the discus. Kaydance Tiner was 6th in the discus and her PR was in the 100 meters. The men's events saw Alex Dahlby set a PR in the 1600 meters and the javelin. Tony Halvorson placed 5th in the 1600 meter and Vaughn Walker placed 5th in the high jump. Hudson Reser placed 11th out of 27 runners in both the 100 meter and the 200 meter. Tristan Rennaker had a PR in the high

jump.

On Saturday, April 30, the track team spent the day at the Undeberg Invitational; a large meet hosted by Lind-Ritzville. Twenty-seven 1B and 2B teams from eastern Washington, and even a few from the west side, were represented. Trista Villaro had two PRs; in the 100 meter and in the triple jump. Julia Brooks had a PR in the shot put and Cedar Stegall's PR was in the discus. Addison Crenshaw had a PR in the javelin and Kaydance Tiner's PR was in the 100 meters. Marion Duncan had two PRs; in the 200 and 400 meter. Hudson Reser and Teegan Kenney both had two PRs; in the 100 and 200-meter sprints. Tony Halvorson received a PR in the long jump. It was good to see athletes applying what they know about keeping themselves warm, healthy and ready to compete for a long day in the cold and damp, stated Coach Nechodom.

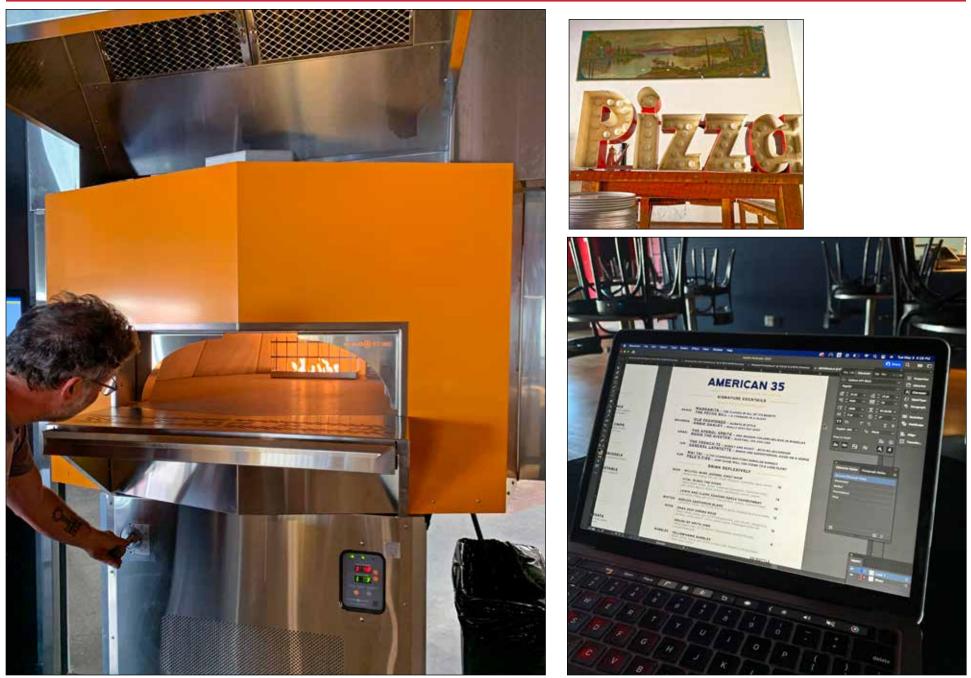


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# LIFESTYLES



Tom Bennett allowed *The Times* in to see the new pizza oven fire up for the first time. To season the oven before opening day on May 7, Bennett will stay into the morning hours tending the flame.

It has been months working on the former Anchor Bar building, developing a menu, specialty cocktails, and finding just the right items to make the space American 35.

# Rules – why?

#### By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

I have been told that the "rule of thumb" is not to plant flowers and summer vegetables until Mother's Day, or at the earliest, May 1. First, what exactly does "rule of thumb" mean? Do thumbs have rules? Are there rules about thumbs and what they can or cannot do?

In general, I am a decent citizen and rule-follower; I wear seat belts, wear masks when mandated or when I travel, pick up after my dog, don't litter, and stop for pedestrians. Some rules I have learned to

follow the hard way. The speeding ticket I got for driving 85 mph in a 65-mph zone taught me how to use cruise control on my car. I've been ticket free ever since; knock on wood!



BILL BRYSON Mother Tongue

The English

which to use, "may" or "can," "good" or "well," and "who" or "whom," they're rarely followed. It's humbling listening to people speak or write in English proficiently when it's not their first language.

Photos by Lane Gwinn

The rules of grammar have always challenged me. On the other hand, my sister was so adept at English grammar that she found an error in the textbook in fifth grade. Her teacher insisted she send a note to the publisher. They agreed with her and issued a peel-off correction page.

An article I recently read that was an author's ode to her sixth-grade English teacher reiterated one significant lesson she learned, which I keep in mind: "If a reader doesn't understand what you are trying to say, that is your fault, not the reader's." Luckily, I usually write about my garden, life in Waitsburg, Los Angeles trips, the joy of living with a chef, and eating

I recently started reading a book, The Mother Tongue English and How it Got That Way, by one of my favorite authors, Bill Bryson. It's educational but in a very entertaining way. For those whose first language is not English, consider how difficult it can be just to use the word "fly." "Let's fly to New York?" "Excuse me, sir, your fly's unzipped," and of course, "I will swat that fly!" And then there is telling a nemesis, "Go fly a kite, jerk!" Or, as Mary Poppins lyrically suggests, "Let's go fly a kite."

Born in Italy, Daniel, of course, speaks Italian. He took eight years of Latin and learned French in school. Then he traveled and lived in Australia and New Zealand, where he learned Aussie English. Eventually, moving to Sweden, where he learned Swedish.

Now and then, I need to translate his words. He calls his sweater a jumper, and sometimes the car's trunk is the "boot." At times, his accent stumps me until I realize what he is referring to.

Learning the rules to write or speak can be difficult even for those who do claim English as our primary language. Although we may know the rules about



what we grow. I hope it's easy for most people to sympathize with my garden trials and tribulations, freezing pipes, appreciate my love of tennis, and living in Waitsburg and wine country.

goodreads.com

When I started writing this column, acknowledging my lack of grammar rules knowledge, I bought at least ten books on writing and grammar. I have read none! I have learned that a good editor is worth their weight in gold. My punctuation errors get fixed, and grammatical errors that serve to clarify are left intact.

I can break some rules, even though I may not choose to do so. (Got that one right). And yes, I planted tomatoes before May 1.

# PG's Wine of the Week

Secret Squirrel 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES

Apart from the intriguing name, there is much to admire here. This is a sister brand to Walla Walla's Corliss and Tranche wines. It features estate-grown fruit from Columbia Valley vineyards and is made by the same winemaking team as its pricier siblings. One sip and you can taste the kinship. The 2017 Cab is just now being released after spending 22 months in French oak and further aging in bottle, which has done wonders for the overall melding of the components. The packaging is clever and the glass has the deep punt usually found in pricier wines. The wine is exceptional for the price, a sophisticated Bordeaux blend including smaller portions of Cabernet Franc, Merlot and Petit Verdot. It's instantly delicious – dark and fragrant with layers of coffee, black cherry, cassis, clean earth, tobacco and more. The tannins are gritty and ripe, adding length and texture.

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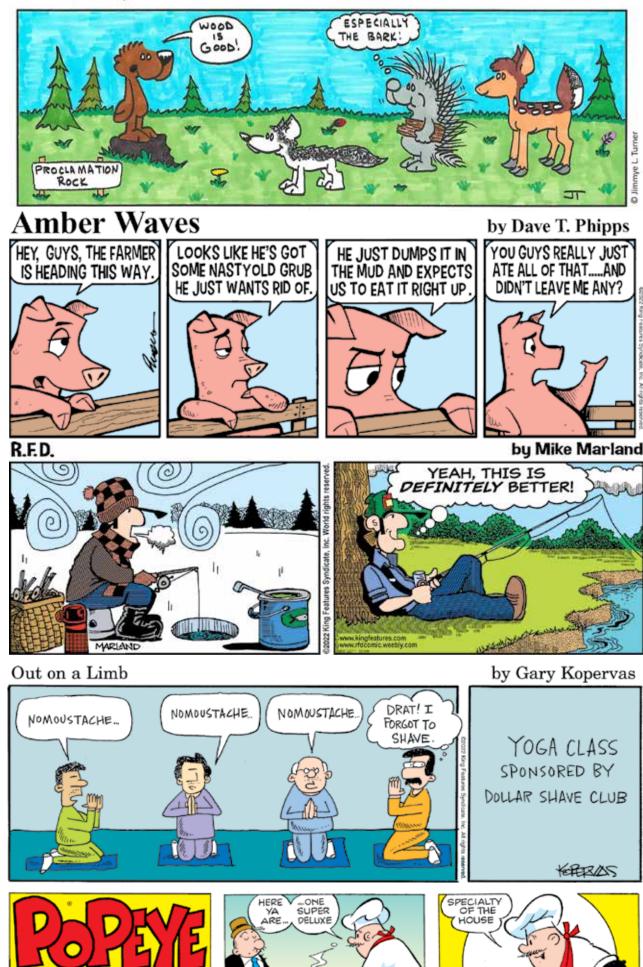


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# **FUN & GAMES**

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



### **PIONEER PORTRAITS**

#### **Ten Years Ago**

#### May 3, 2012

A youth choir that has brought many Touchet Valley teens together for a positive purpose is embarking on its last tour after 15 years. Pastor Mike and his wife Melissa Ferrians of the Waitsburg Christian Church have turned 15 groups of local teens into a singing sensation. The final tour of the Salt & Light Music Ministry embarks June 15 and ends with a home performance on June 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Christian Church. "There's something about kids and music and getting them up there having a good time singing," Melissa said. "We've been doing it for 15 years. It was not an easy decision (to end it). The kids love it and we love the kids."

Twenty-Five Years Ago



[Photo Caption] Debbie Dickerson poses with the cow and bull calf that she rescued on March 15. Dickerson is wearing a pair of barn boots given her as a gift of gratitude from the calf's owners, the McCaws and Withers, who also named the calf in honor of Dickerson: "MW Dickerson's Rescue 656."

#### Fifty Years Ago

#### May 4, 1972

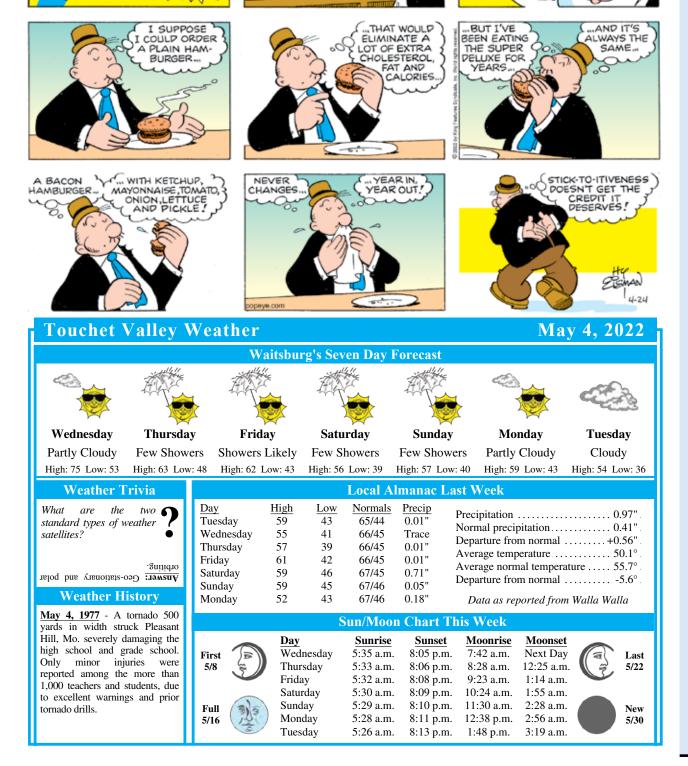
Miss Roxanne Gales, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gales, will deliver the valedictory address as highest honor speaker, for the 77th commencement of the Waitsburg High School to be held on Friday evening, May 19. Miss Karen Webber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Webber, will deliver the honor address. Miss Denise Hulce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hulce, was chosen by her classmates; and Miss Linda McKinnery, daughter of Mrs. Henry McKinney and the late Hernry McKinney, was nominated by the faculty, to give the other two speeches. The Class is composed of 40 students, 20 girls and 20 boys.

#### Seventy-Five Years Ago

#### May 9, 1947

Ralph Danielson, mounted on his horse "Smoky" will take charge of the parade activities again this year during the Days of Real Sport parade.

Howard Carson, sixth grade Waitsburg boy, won the Grand Champion and FFA Champion steer at the Walla Walla County Livestock Show held last week and also at the show in Dayton. Other winners were Leonard Clark, Grand Champion Hereford, and Neil Maxwell, grand champion shorthorn. After pitching in hard luck most of the season Norman Woods toiled his way to a 3-2 margin over Touchet in a game played here Friday. Woods had the Touchet sluggers eating out of his hand all the way, coasting along with a 2-0 margin most of the way.



#### **One Hundred Years Ago**

#### May 5, 1922

The Milton Nursery Co. of which Miller and Sons are proprietors has made a handsome present to our new Preston Park in the shape of 130 choice peony plants.

Miss Julia Ramseur, bookkeeper at the Hayes and Shuford hardware is "on the job" again since Monday after an illness of several weeks.

Miss Mary Dixons of this city, head of the business department at the local high school for several years past, was Monday named deputy county school superintendent, effective June 1st.

#### **One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago**

#### May 7, 1897

John Pettyjohn Jr. and family passed thru town Wednesday from Prescott on their way to the mountains to spend the summer. Mr. Pettyjohn will look after his cattle there.

J. D. Moore and son Howard returned from their ranch in the Paradise Valley last Friday. They report crops looking well in that country, but that grain is not nearly so far advanced as it is here.

Mrs. I. A. Wilson and children and Mrs. Sam Woods arrived in the city yesterday morning form Ontario, Canada, after nearly a year's visit to relatives. We are glad to welcome them home.

# **PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES**

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**MY RECIPES** 

Luke Chavez

# Sopa de Albondigas

Certain recipes have the power to transport. As a young boy, I would carefully watch whoever was in the kitchen, fascinated by the magic taking place as delicious meals came together on the stovetop.

One vivid memory is of my father rolling meatballs with his big hands and dropping them into a bubbling pot of soup.



Years later in Seattle, I would rediscover that soup as an adult. Stopping at one of my favorite Mexican restaurants for lunch one day, I was intrigued to read their special: Sopa de Albondigas, a homey meatball soup rarely seen on menus. As I took my fist bite of a plump meatball in a simple but flavorful broth, I instantly had a sensory flashback to my dad in the kitchen. Happy tears welled in my eyes, while the giant grin on my face seemed to get bigger with each spoonful. Recently, I have tested several recipes for this favorite soup, learning something new with each batch. Here I have a comforting and brightly flavored version, perfect for this sunny but not quite warm spring weather.

#### **Ingredients:**

- **Meatballs:**
- 1-pound lean ground beef or ground turkey
- 1 large egg <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup long grain white rice
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/3 cup mint leaves, minced
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- Soup:
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon ground chili, chipotle or California
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 cup canned chopped tomatoes
- 2 quarts chicken stock
- 2 carrots, peeled and chopped in 1-inch chunks
- 1 pound baby new potatoes, halved
- 1 large zucchini, chopped in 1-inch chunks
- Salt and fresh ground pepper
- **Fresh limes**
- Fresh cilantro, chopped for garnish

#### **Directions:**

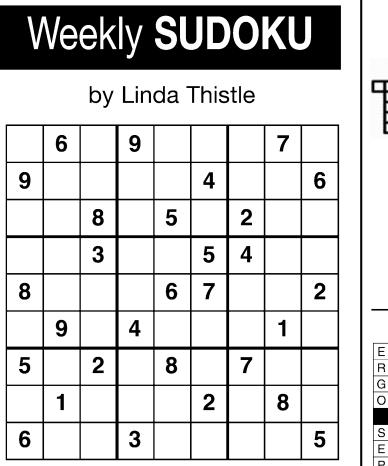
In a large bowl mix the meat, rice, mint, salt, cumin, oregano, and black pepper until just combined. Roll mixture into 1-inch meatballs and set them aside on a plate.

Heat oil in a Dutch oven or heavy bottomed soup pot, over medium heat. Add the onions and cook until tender, about 5 to 7 minutes. Add the garlic, cumin, chili, and oregano. Cook another minute until garlic is fragrant. Add the tomatoes and the chicken stock, then raise heat to bring to a boil. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Reduce heat to maintain a steady simmer.

Add carrots, and potatoes to the soup, cook for 10 minutes. Next add the meatballs, gently dropping one at a time in a circular pattern around the pot. Try not to crowd the meatballs. Partially cover pan and continue to simmer for 15 minutes. Remove lid and add zucchini, continue to cook, uncovered, for another 15 to 20 minutes, stirring occasionally. Soup is ready when vegetables are very tender, and meatballs are cooked all the way through. Test with a thermometer or cut into one meatball to check doneness. Take pot off the heat and add a generous squeeze of lime juice. Taste and adjust seasoning, adding more salt if needed. Allow soup to rest for 5 to 10 minutes before serving. Serve with fresh cilantro and lime wedges on the side. Notes: This is a wonderful soup to feature your favorite seasonal vegetables. The traditional version is with potatoes, zucchini and carrots, but you could experiment with substitutions like celery root, snap peas or parsnips. I usually use chunks of peeled russet potatoes, but for this week's version I had a bag of baby new potatoes, which were lovely. In the winter, I sometimes replace the zucchini with chunks of winter squash, such as Hubbard or delicata. For added heat, add chopped fresh poblano or jalapeño peppers with the onions when making the soup base. This is a favorite Mexican homestyle recipe in our house. Special enough to impress guests, while being easy enough for a weeknight dinner. Satisfying with out being too heavy or rich, this is a soup I often find myself craving. I like to serve a side dish of garnishes for guests to add on top of their bowls. Chopped cilantro, white onion, radish, and jalapeños are my favorite garnishes, with plenty of lime wedges as well. Oh, and a pile of fresh homemade corn tortillas for dipping are always a good idea. Buen provecho. Enjoy!

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## **Out and About:** With Karen Huwe





### THE OREGON COAST A place where doing nothing is doing something.

At the Oregon Coast it is said that doing nothing is doing something. Yet how do you find time to do nothing when there is so much to see and do? There are many miles of beach to walk, places to bicycle and places of interest such as the 164 steps up to the top of the 125 feet high Astoria Column where you get a panorama view of the valley.

For the history buffs you can visit Fort Stevens and Fort Clatsop Historical Parks or tour the Maritime Museum.

In Hammond, the ship Peter Iredale, has been beached since running aground in 1906. Haystack Rock in Cannon Beach is a favorite of beach goers especially at low tide.



Photos by Karen Huwe (left) The Astoria Columm with its observation deck. (center) Haystack Rock at Cannon Beach. (above) The wreck of the ship Peter Iredale in Hammond.

Seaside offers plenty of shops and kids of all ages love to ride the carousel. You can spend time flying a kite or building sandcastles. Some brave the cold to surf and it's a great place to dig for clams. There are great restaurants to eat fresh seafood; especially in Depoe Bay where crab melts are a favorite of a local businessman I know.

A trip to the Oregon Coast would not be complete without stopping to get ice cream at Tillamook Creamery-Cheese Factory where you can also watch the process of making and packaging cheese.

Sitting on the beach enjoying the sunset while the waves crash over the rocks might be considered doing nothing, but it fells like something.

A lot of people in our area consider the coast their "happy place". If you haven't been to the Oregon Coast, go see for yourself how much there is to do while doing nothing.

# **THEART OF** FRIENDSHIP

#### THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA, WA -- Eight Walla Walla valley artists are celebrating friendship in a gallery show at CAVU Cellars during the month of June. Featured artists include Barbara Bates, Brenda Bernards, Janaki Howard, Tiffany Jenes, Shannon Kimball, Marilee Schiff, Betty Simcock, and Bobbi Walker. An artists' reception will be held Friday, June 3 from 5-7 pm. CAVU is located at 175 E. Aeronca Avenue across from the Walla Walla Regional Airport. Light refreshments will be provided and beverages will be available for purchase.

In 2018, several members of the group were taking oil painting classes in Todd Telander's studio. Mimi Mott suggested going to coffee, Bobbi accepted, Marilee asserted she'd like to go, then all were invited and just like that, according to Bobbi, it was a group. Nearly every week, the group met for coffee and conversation, about art and other interests; the birth of grandchildren and great-grandchildren, illness and healing, happenings in the community, and maybe a little politics. The group took classes and field trips together. They visited art events in the community and supported each other through achievement and challenge. During the pandemic, coffee gatherings were at first held socially distanced outside, but when that became problematic, the group kept the conversation going virtually. The idea for an art show celebrating friendship, came out of these conversations.

For members of the group, artistic inspiration comes from sources as diverse as the individuals themselves. Brenda, for example, draws inspiration from both the photos taken on her travels and scenes from everyday life. When Shannon is creating, she is inspired by all people and their untold and unique stories. A love of hiking and exploring the Blue Mountains inspires Janaki. Bobbi enjoys the challenge of capturing a moment of nature's beauty in landscape painting or a fleeting expression or mood in portraits. A current theme in Tiffany's collage work is nature and beauty. Incorporating photos of vintage objects and flowers and layering them with acrylic paints, she creates dreamlike imagery "just imperfect enough to be interesting." 'My love of painting began as a child and has come full circle back to the intuitive nature of creating," Barb shares. For Marilee, it's about defining what you love and living the seasons of your life honoring your heart's calling,



Submitted photo

L-R Betty Simcock, Barara Bates, Marilee Schiff, Shannon Kimball, Tiffany Jenes, Janaki Howard, Bobbi Walker, and Brenda Bernards.



"It seems that creating art represents life's journey," Betty reflects. "There is always more to learn as one's story broadens, grows deeper and becomes richer."

### OSITION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE 2022-23 SCHOOL YEAR

#### PARA EDUCATOR (7 hrs./day)

The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for Para Educator position primarily for secondary age students for the 2022-2023 school year. Must hold an AA degree or equivalent.

#### K-12 HEALTH/PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for a K-12 Health/Physical Education Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants must possess and maintain required teaching certificate with appropriate endorsements.

#### PK-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for PK-12 Special Education Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants must possess and maintain required teaching certificate with appropriate endorsements.

Please direct questions and inquiries to Mark Pickel, Superintendent at 509-337-6301 or E-mail: mpickel@waitsburgsd.org.

#### SUBSTITUTES

Waitsburg School District has immediate openings for substitute teachers, substitute office staff, substitute classroom para-educators, substitute custodians, substitute school bus drivers and substitute food service assistants.

Application materials are available online @ www.waitsburgsd.org or by calling the District Office at (509) 337-6301. Positions are open until filled.

# Waitsburg Celebration Days May 20 - 22, 2022

Friday, May 20 ATV Sunset Cruise

Sunset Car Cruise 6 pm Sunday, May 22

9 am Soap Box Derby, Preston Park 9 am Vendors, Bruce Museum Cowboy Church, Preston Park 10 am Luck of the Duck, Preston Park 11 am 12:30 pm Softball game, Fairgrounds 12:30 pm Dunk Tank, Fairgrounds

#### Saturday, May 21

7 - 10 am	American Legion Breakfast, Town Hall
9 am - 3 pm	Vendors, Bruce Museum
9:30 am	Kiddie Parade
10 am	Main Street Parade
10 - 3pm	Waitsburg One of a Kind Auto Show
11 - 3 pm	Civil War Era Fireasrms. Plaza Theater
11 - 3 pm	Bruce House & Wilson Phillips
11:30 - 4 pm	Karen's ATV Poker Ride, Fairgrounds
5 pm - 8 pm	Burger's Band and Brews
8 pm - 11:30	The Shades

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