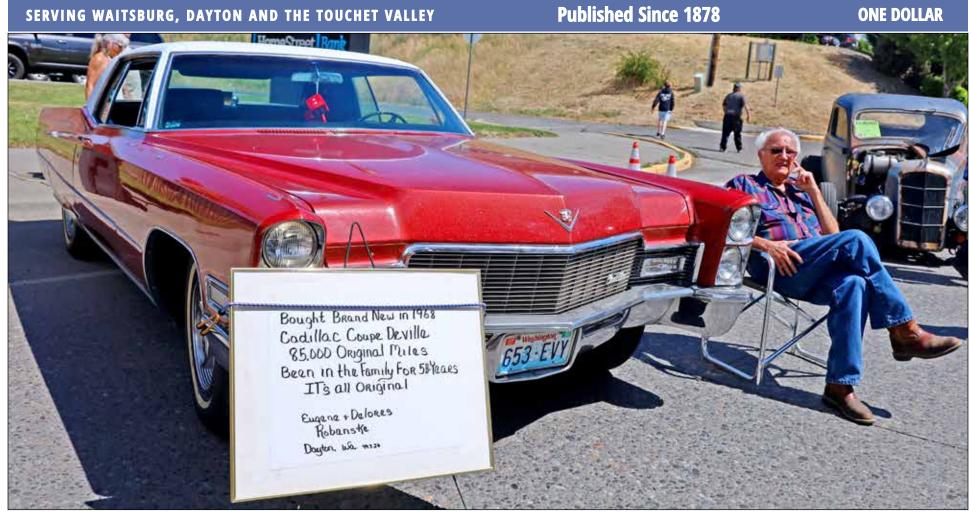




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Beka Compton

All Wheels Weekend lets beauty shine again. Not many people can say that their car has been in the family for over 50 years, but Dayton resident Gene Robanske is one of the few. "This car belonged to my uncle, who lived in Lake Havasu." His uncle gave Robanske the car in 1994. The all-original 1968 Cadillac Coupe DeVille lives a pampered life, stored in an air-conditioned garage. "One funny story about this car;

when I went down to go get it, it was sitting on carpet in the garage," Robanske shared.

Waitsburg School Board discusses code of conduct, DW **Combine updates**

Student headcount down slightly in last school year.

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

Library surplus tabled pending legal & advisory committee input

The Council voted to reopen City Hall, effective June 17

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG-The potential surplus of 212 Main Street, which houses the Weller Public Library, was tabled for an unspecified amount of time during a regular City Council meeting on June 16. Waitsburg Mayor Marty Dunn removed the action item regarding the surplus, stating that the council needed legal clarifica-

WAITSBURG-A new athletic Code of Conduct, designed to fit the student athletes of the Davton Waitsburg Athletic Combine, was the center of discussion at the Waitsburg School Board meeting on June 17.

Athletic Director Sam Korslund said the boys basketball team would finish the season in at least 4th place. The team was honored with a police send-off out of Dayton. The girls' season was unfortunately cut short by COVID-19. An awards banquet is planned for the end of the season, with the date and location to be announced.

Korslund reported that he is still looking for a vendor for letterman's jackets, sharing that there has been an increased demand by students. Future letters would include a combined DW athletic patch and individual letters for each school.

Registration for sports will now be available online, Korslund reported. Online registration will make necessary paperwork easily available and will help organize the student's athletic future within the combine. Students may sign up for sports ahead of time with the option to withdraw from the team if they change their minds. Detailed information will be sent to student-athletes and their families.

Korslund shared the first draft of the Coach's Handbook with DW coaches for feedback and said the responses have been positive.

DW Athletics is currently searching for head and assistant middle school football coaches. Korlsund said he is exploring options for a joint training program for middle and high school athletes.

Superintendent Mark Pickel reported that the high school roofing project is underway, beginning at the gym.

The Class of 2021 chose to repair the tennis courts at the high school for their class project. The work was nearly finished at the time of the meeting: Court lines were repainted, net posts and basketball posts were all painted, and the school was looking into backboards for the basketball hoops at the tennis courts and the elementary school. Pickel said that the school was trying to repair the court lights, as well.

The superintendent said four Chromebooks had not been returned, and school officials are contacting the families for their return. Nearly 150 laptops are approaching their 'end of life,' Pickel said, explaining that Google will no longer support them. Replacement Chromebooks will be ordered and set up through NexGen IT services.

Student headcount went down slightly in the 2020-21 school year. Pickel said the families who moved out of the district did so because of their economic situations.

Superintendent Pickel discussed the proposed Athletic Code of Conduct, in-

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tion regarding the library's infrastructure.

"We (the city) know that we own the building, but we do not know any of the infrastructure or what is going on in the library," Dunn said. "There was never any intention of closing the library."

Dunn said that he, and the council, appreciated all of the letters they received regarding the potential surplus but stated that further correspondence should go to the library's advisory committee. Established in Chapter 7 of the city's Municipal Code, the purpose of the Library Advisory Board is to make recommendations to the city council regarding operations of the city's public library.

According to the code, the advisory board must have seven board members approved by the council. Currently, there are only three members on the board, Eleanora Montgomery, Becky Huwe, and Jim Leid. Applications for the committee are available at City Hall, which reopened effective June 17.

"We have to know who manages what," Dunn said. "We know that they (the advisory committee) control how the library is run, we (the city) pay the wages, and we own the building."

According to section 2.07.060 of the code, "the committee is advisory only and shall not possess or exercise any power of authority on behalf of the City.'

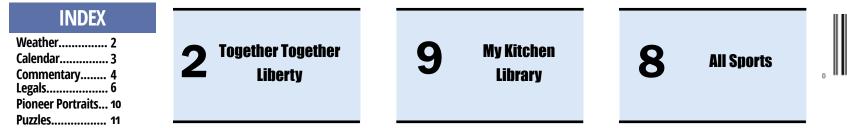
When asked how things will proceed, Dunn said the city needs to gather information from the advisory committee, which the city's legal counsel will then review. The Times reached out to the city's attorney, Jared Hawkins, who was unavailable for comment.

Any further community discussion would only happen at the library advisory board meeting, according to Dunn. The recommendations from that community meeting would go to the council for consideration. The date for the next advisory board meeting has not yet been announced. The council clarified at the meeting that the advisory board is a separate entity from the Friends of the Library committee.

The American Disability Act (ADA) accommodations and compliance are still a concern at both the City Hall and the library. Librarian Rosie Warehime said that she has been accommodating individuals that need assistance by providing a selection of books curbside for wheelchair-bound visitors, helping people up and down the steps, and offering delivery services for residents unable to leave their home. Warehime continues to provide accommodations for each visitor as needed.

Weller Public Library is open for business, Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m-6 p.m. This year's summer reading program will be run through curbside pickup due to COVID-19 restrictions. Masks and social distancing are still required in the library, regardless of vaccination status. Letters regarding the potential surplus or other library concerns may be emailed to wellerpubliclibrary@yahoo.com, or mailed to Weller Public Library, P.O Box 35, Waitsburg.

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NEWS BRIEFS

AT THE LIBERTY:

Together Together

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Young loner Anna (Patti Harrison) is hired as the gestational surrogate for Matt (Ed Helms), a single man in his 40s who wants a child. The two strangers come to realize this unexpected relationship will quickly challenge their perceptions of connection, boundaries, and the particulars of love. This is kind of a romantic comedy, but that label does not entirely fit. It is about a friendship that develops under unusual circumstances.

Rotten Tomatoes critics give this film a 91% favorable rating, and the audience score is 77%. It is rated R for some sexual references and language. It has a runtime of 101 minutes. Movie screenings are June 25-29, on Fri. & Sat. at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3:00 pm, and Tuesday at 6:30 pm (not 7:30).

Masks that cover your nose and mouth are still required in the Liberty Theater, except when guests eat or drink while in their seats. Please help us provide a relatively safe environment for all by complying with this mask requirement and maintaining social distancing for a while longer. We appreciate your assistance and support.



UTILITY RELIEF PROGRAM EXPANDED

THE TIMES

Dayton—The city of Dayton has expanded the eligibility for the utility discount program for low-income seniors & low-income disabled community members.

To qualify, applicants must:

- Reside in a residential dwelling unit serviced by the City of Dayton for water and sewer utilities; and,
- Be a person whose name appears on the utility bill; and,
- Be 62 years of age or older OR is permanently disabled and can provide proof of such disability; and,
- For 50% off utility rates have an annual household income at or below 125% of the 2021 federal poverty level indicated; or,
- For 20% off utility rates have an annual household income between 125.01% 150% of the federal poverty level guidelines.

The City of Dayton has partnered with Blue Mountain Action Council to assist in the facilitation of this program. For additional information, please contact Dayton City Hall at 509-382-2361 or at info@daytonwa.com.

AREA STUDENTS NAMED TO UW DEAN'S LIST

THE TIMES

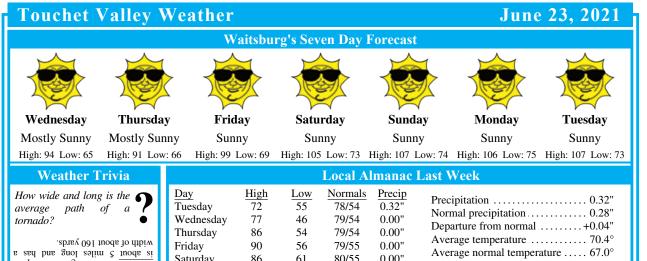
SEATTLE—Students from Dayton, Pomeroy and Prescott were named to the Dean's List at the University of Washington for Winter 2021 Quarter.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least 12 graded credits and have a grade point average of at least 3.50 (out of 4). Students are notified that they have achieved this distinction when they receive their grades for the quarter.

Congratulations to the following students:

Sophmore Briseida Yareli Ayala Rebolledo from Prescott

Senior Jenna Jeanne Phillips from Dayton Junior Sydney Laine Smith from Pomeroy Junior Vegas Jean Vecchio from Pomeroy



WWSO RECEIVES GRANTS FOR UAV/RADIO REPEATER

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The Walla Walla Sheriff's Office (WWSO) is pleased to announce the award of two grants to be used for the unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)/Radio Repeater project. The two grants come from the Wildhorse Foundation for \$10,000.00 and the Walla Walla Sheriff's Foundation for \$9,000.

This project entails the research, procurement, and operation of a drone with heavy lifting capabilities sufficient to fly to 200 feet with a powered tether while lifting a radio repeater.

Radio transmissions from remote areas in the county are problematic or, in some cases, impossible. By having an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) with a repeater that can be launched with a powered tether from the emergency vehicle, emergency responders can communicate with dispatch. This will allow crucial information to get to those who need it and allow necessary assets to be dispatched to deal with the emergency. The repeater will be 200 feet above the emergency vehicle and will take the transmission from either the portable or vehicle-based radio and repeat it to the nearest tower. This will eliminate radio "dead spots" that we have in the remote northern areas of the county and mountainous regions. In addition, this will bring needed emergency resources to people who live, work, or play in these remote areas.

"We are extremely grateful to both the Wildhorse Foundation and the Walla Walla Sheriff's Foundation for their support for the WWSO, the residents, and visitors to Walla Walla County," WWSO officials said in a release. "Their support helps in the vision to make Walla Walla County the safest county in the nation. It aids in the WWSO's mission to safeguard the lives, property, and rights of the people we serve and to enhance public safety."

CWWFD2 ANNOUNCES BURN BAN

THE TIMES

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



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cluding concerns that board members had with the code. One of the biggest concerns from both staff and board members was regarding grade status. Board member Sarah Boudrieau expressed concern about students being deemed ineligible should a teacher be unable to update grades before the weekly eligibility determination. The code does have grading allowances; however, Pickel said that he would work with staff



to enforce grading input, and establish deadlines so that students are not penalized for late grades.

Boudrieau asked about various disciplinary policies, including athlete removal from an event, with Pickel clarifying that disciplinary action would follow the chain of command that all other school activities follow. The coach would make the initial action,

Sarah Boudrieau

which would then be reported to the principal. If the principal does not resolve the issue, it would then go to the superintendent. From there, if still not resolved, the matter would go to the school board, which has the final say.

Boudrieau questioned a line in the code that explained that the code of conduct goes beyond the school year, extending into the summer. After other board members brought up summer training camps and other team functions, Boudrieau agreed that the year-round agreement was appropriate.

Pickel said he would review the suggestions and work with the administration to address all of the concerns presented. He said that the final document should be available by the start of the sports season in August. The school board will likely revisit the code of conduct in July.

The school board accepted a certificated salary schedule for Waitsburg School District staff before entering an executive session. The meeting was adjourned following the session.

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Dunn said that it was unclear when the council will take up the issue again and urged the community to attend the advisory board meeting.

Representatives from PocketiNet gave a presentation at the meeting on their plan to expand overhead fiber optic cable throughout the city. They did not say how this expansion would be funded but said they would offer improved service at competitive costs. Earlier this year, the company, which acquired Touchet Valley Communications, said they anticipated beginning fiber installation in August.

City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe provided an update on the 6 Year Transportation Plan, including the Millrace Grade Project. The grade project has been delayed slightly by funding, right of way agreements, and environmental agencies. Hinchliffe said that the project should break ground in 2022, nearly a year after he had hoped to start construction

The Millrace Grade Project will help improve safety for heavy traffic, including the increased use during harvest. It would also provide an alternative route should the Preston Avenue Bridge be out of service due to repairs or replacement. The city council approved the grade project, and work began in 2013.

Hinchliffe gave a brief report from a meeting with homeowners along Preston Avenue regarding the Touchet River Levee rehabilitation project. Homeowners were not in agreement with a proposed new levee, which would significantly alter many properties along the river. They voiced that they would rather the city, and all other involved agencies, focus on rebuilding the current levee.

The City Council voted to approve Resolution 2021-727, setting a public hearing for the surplus of a horse barn at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds. The barn has significant structural damage and is not in use. Neighboring residents and fairground users have reported illegal activity and numerous feral cats at the location over the years. The hearing will take place at the July City Council meeting.

The council discussed the potential revival of the Economic Development Committee. In recent years, the council recognized the Waitsburg Commercial Club as the entity providing the city with economic

development programs. Since the Commercial Club has not been active over the last year, the council looked at moving economic development to the Planning Commission. The city's attorney, Jared Hawkins, advised the council that this could create a conflict of interest as the committee would be responsible for attracting new business and arbitrating code compliance. The council decided to revisit the topic at the August meeting.

During public comments, Eleanora Montgomery, representing the Library Advisory Board, shared that its members were not aware that the building was being considered for surplus until reading about it in the newspaper. She presented the council with multiple pages of a petition signed by residents who wish to keep the library at 212 Main Street.

During council reports, Jim Romine urged the city to communicate with Columbia-Walla Walla Fire District 2 to establish maintenance responsibilities, schedule fire hydrant testing and flushing to avoid water line blockages in the event of a fire. He shared that the Health and Safety committee is creating a spreadsheet to help track maintenance and that the committee advised the data be held by the city.

During the administrator's report, Hinchliffe shared that the population of Waitsburg had grown by 25 people over the past two years. The number may seem small, but it broke a years-long stagnant population count.

Hinchliffe also reported that the utility moratorium, protecting residents from shutoffs and late fees, ends July 30. Starting in August, the city will begin issuing notices as necessary. Hopefully, yard debris disposal services will resume in July, and the city's cardboard recycling facilities are open. The main entrance has been locked during posted hours, and Hinchliffe said to use the gate on the left side of the treatment plant. Hinchliffe said yard debris disposal was halted due to lack of storage facilities and limited or no access to Department of Corrections inmate work crews. This has placed an increased workload on the city's public-works employees.

Hinchliffe also shared that Waitsburg's water supply does not appear to be threatened by the ongoing statewide drought.

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL

YEAR: **CERTIFICATED MIDDLE** SCHOOL TEACHER - The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for middle level teacher for the 2021-2022 school year; applicant must hold an 'Elementary Education' endorsement or 'Middle Level Primary' endorsement. The teacher will be expected

to teach primarily middle school level mathematics as well as one elective course during the 2021-2022 school year with the understanding that schedule changes may occur as the needs of our students evolve. Please direct questions and inquiries to Mark Pickel, Superintendent E-mail mpickel@waitsburgsd. org

FOOD SERVICE ASSISTANT (8 hrs./day). The Waitsburg

HELP WANTED

CLASSIFIEDS

School District is accepting applications for a food service assistant for the 2021-2022 school year. Preferred: Experience working in a school setting, experience with customer service, experience with food prep for large groups; experience with commercial food service equipment, and ability to be dependable, including good habits in attendance and punctuality. Please direct questions and inquiries to

Susan Wildey, Food Service Supervisor. E-mail swildey@ waitsburgsd.org. PARA EDUCATOR (7 hrs./day). The Waitsburg School District is accepting applications for three Para Educator positions for the 2021-2022 school year. Must hold an AA degree or equivalent. Please direct questions and inquiries to Mark Pickel, Superintendent. E-mail mpickel@waitsburgsd. org

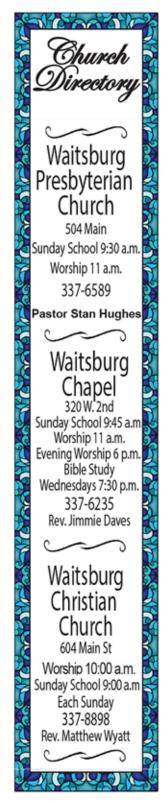
ROUTE BUS DRIVER

Minimum qualifications: Class B CDL, air brake restriction lifted, student endorsement, passenger endorsement. Training is available. For additional information please contact: Colter Mohney at (509) 337-6301 ext. 3400. Email cmohney@waitsburgsd. org.

Waitsburg School District has immediate openings for substitute teachers, 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 School District is an E.O.E.



Community Calendar Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

Waitsburg City Council

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

Waitsburg School Board

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

Waitsburg Gun Club

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

Walla Walla County Commissioners

Every Monday and Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m.

Call-in information is available at https:// www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/ commissioners/2020_agendas.php

Friends of the Weller Public Library

July 14, 7 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St., Waitsburg

Board of Columbia County Commissioners

First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m.

Call-in information available at https:// www.columbiaco.com/114/County-**Commissioners**

Dayton City Council

Second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. Call-in information available at https:// www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/ <u>city-council</u>

Dayton School Board

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

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Every month on the Third Monday at 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Special Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, June 1, 2021, starting at 7:00 pm Zoom link and information available on the library website at daytonml.org

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting - Online Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5598153650

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

DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH

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

Thursday, June 24

Goulash Green beans Salad Garlic bread Peaches & pears Milk

Tuesday, June 29

Chili dog Coleslaw Spiced apples Milk

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, June 29

Brought to you courtesy of Lloyd's Insurance, Inc

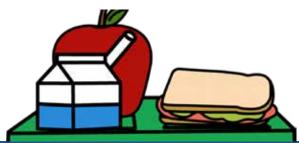
Chicken & dumplings Vegetable (chef's choice) Pea salad Fruit juice Brownie

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Waitsburg School District

Last day of School: June 15

Free Summer Meals begin June 21. Available to all children 18 and under. Served 11 a.m- noon, Monday-Friday at the Waitsburg Elementary Cafeteria



Walla Walla (509) 525-4110

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NEWS & COMMENTARY

LETTERS

TIME TO REINVEST IN LOCAL COMMENTARY

Some may have read this article in the June 13th issue of the Union Bulletin: Local newspapers can help reduce polarization with opinion pages that focus on local issues. It was written by Matthew P. Hitt of Colorado State University. He states, "We are scholars who study politics and the media. We have found that local newspapers-and local opinion journalism in particular- can bridge political divisions and attract more readers." The local paper can facilitate a vibrant community forum. "...no more national politics?" he asks. "...getting rid of national politics on the opinion page and reinvesting in local opinion content-can help newspapers attract readers and cool tensions in their community." The article goes on to give supporting evidence of this.

We can be genuinely thankful for the Times, for our publisher and editor, and all who work to keep us informed on all things local. Each week they are reminding us who we are as one community.

Waitsburg, we share so much in common. And yes, we have our differences, too. Here's the good news. We are all invited to participate in the conversation.

Stan Hughes Waitsburg, Wash.

COMMUNICATION IS KEY FOR CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE HENZE

Dear Editor:

You just couldn't make up Jillian Henze; she seems rare as an ostrich in winter wheat. Her well-earned attributes just keep building on each other and, when you hear them, building onto your enthusiasm and optimism for positive change. A three-generation local, a wife and mom, who was deeply engaged in the area's disaster recovery last year and civic issues daily. Her career has led her to a full-time position, remotely providing public affairs work helping small businesses that seems absolutely impossible for a Zoom ignorant geezer to understand. Think we have high stakes in what we must work through? Think communication skills make a difference to being heard and getting the job done? Vote for Jillian Henze for Waitsburg City Council Position 5 and feel our future get more coherent and brighter.

Sincerely, Terry Lawhead Waitsburg, Wash.

BIRTHDAYS

June 24: Kathleen Seaton, Donna Surry, Rod Bailey, Suzanne Stonecipher-Sollars and Darien Hulce.

June 25: Randy Pearson, Pat Allmon, Dan Estes, Margaret Monfort Shultz

A STRONG COMMUNITY MEMBER WILL MAKE A STRONG MAYOR

Dear Editor:

Kate for Mayor. That's the deal. Kate Hockersmith impressed me on one of the first days I landed in Waitsburg when she yelled at me across Main Street that I had to go to a live bluegrass concert she was organizing for that very night. We had never met. I went and had a fantastic time. Her love of community—kids, dogs, gardens, music, fire hydrants and steadfastness in working on behalf of all of us—glows whenever she appears and lingers after she has moved on to the next task. Kate for Mayor.

Sincerely,

Terry Lawhead Waitsburg, Wash.



Left: Jillian Henze, candidate for Waitsburg City Council Position 5.

Right: Kate Hockersmith, candidate for Mayor of the City of Waitsburg.

WWCSO

June 14

A horse died of an apparent bullet wound in the county. Frog Hollow Road, Touchet

June 19

Assault 4 DV. E Maple Street, Burbank

June 20

A male in Walla Walla County assaulted a female. E Maple Street. Burbank

Dog bite report. W Fourth Street, Waitsburg

EIGHTH ANNUAL SWIM THE SNAKE PADDLING AND OPEN WATER SWIM EVENT

THE TIMES

LYONS FERRY—The eighth annual SWIM the SNAKE event will be held at Lyons Ferry Marina and Lyons Ferry State Park on Saturday, August 14, 2021, beginning at 11a.m.

In addition to the non-competitive, open-water swim, event organizers continue to hold a two-stage, competitive (or non-competitive) relay. Paddling in a kayak or on a paddleboard from Lyons Ferry Marina to Lyons Ferry State Park, across Lake Bryan on the Snake River. Arriving at Lyons Ferry State Park, paddlers can enter the water or tag-team with their "paired swimmer" and swim back to Lyons Ferry Marina.

The non-competitive, open water swim will commence ten minutes after the last "paired swimmer" leaves the State Park. Better swimmers may return to the State Park after arriving at the Marina and transportation will be provided for those who wish only to swim the channel, 0.7 mile. All participants are expected to be out of the river channel by 1 p.m.

Event information can be found at: www. swimthesnake.org

Online pre-registration is required. The links for the event registration form and the liability waiver can be found at www.eventbrite.com/swimthesnake.

Cost for the event ia \$30 per participant and supports the Dayton and Regional Youth Summer Swim Teams programs and the Blue Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council. The fee includes a commemorative T-shirt (if ordered before July 30), bottle of water, a required numbered swim cap, chilled melon slices at the end of the event and transportation for swimmers back to the State Park following the swim.

Paddlers can check in at Lyons Ferry Marina and swimmers check in at Lyons Ferry State Park from 9:30 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. All participants MUST sign a release of liability waiver, complete an event registration form and be in good physical health. Required forms are available on the Eventbrite website.

Participants parking at Lyons Ferry State Park are required to have one-day (\$10.00/day) or annual Discover Pass (\$30.00/year) authorizing parking within the State Park. Participants may also call (509) 386-6021 for additional event information.

Coast Guard Kennewick Auxiliary, Columbia and Franklin County Sheriff's patrols will be on the river with numerous volunteers from Washington State Parks and US Army Corps of Engineers personnel to provide assistance and ensure participant safety.

CCSO

June 14 Unwanted person reported. Dayton Avenue Theft reported. Front Street Burn complaint. Texas Rapids Park **June 18** Welfare check. Washington Street Trespass reported. Front Street Fight reported at Kyle's Towing. Cottonwood Street

and Craig Adams.

June 26: Ava Jean Gagnon, Judy Mulhair, Michelle Benson Brooks, Norma Bessey, Toni Chavez and Shalyne Bentley.



June 27: Lisa Christensen, Sarah Monfort Torrens and Cameron Collins, Travis Eaton.

June 28: Kendra Roberts, Terry Dunn, Kathleen Walborn, Heather Ferguson, Jordyn Prince.

June 29: Wanda Mattice, Linda Herbert, Gia Fluharty.

June 30: Jeff Bartlow, Pete Kinder, Ralph Jones and Erin Mellish.

June 15

Welfare check. 2nd Street Theft reported at Jay's Garage. Cameron Street 9-1-1 call. 4th Street

June 16

Civil problem. Blue Mountain Motel 9-1-1 call. Port Road Malicious mischief reported. Bryant's Landing Park

June 17

Abandoned vehicle. Eager Road Abandoned vehicle. Pettyjohn Grade DUI investigation. Highway 12

Reader's Forum

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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.

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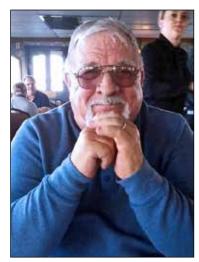
OBITUARIES

Ray Eugene Fosnot

November 23, 1948 – June 14, 2021

ay Eugene Fosnot went home to his Heavenly Father on Monday, June 14, 2021, and after battling over a year he is no longer in pain.

Ray was born in Nampa, Idaho on November 23, 1948. After graduating from Potlatch High School, he went on to proudly serve in the United States Air Force from 1968-1971, stationed in England. After the Air Force, Ray moved to Potlatch, Idaho with his wife and two girls. Although he lived in quite a few places, he spent over 35 years in the Waitsburg and Walla Walla, Washington areas. Ray was actively involved with the Waitsburg Lions, community center, among other areas. He loved working with all types of wood and enjoyed making different pieces of artwork and furniture for his family, Jubilee Christian Academy, and many others.



Ray Eugene Fosnot

September 2, 1995, Ray married his best friend and love of his life, Debra (Sands) Bly. With their combined families they had 5 children, 12 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren. Each one of them meant the absolute world to him, blood was never a factor.

Ray was preceded in death by his mother, Virginia; father, Howard; older sister, Linda; and great granddaughter, Ariana. He is survived by his wife and best friend, Debra; five children: Michelle Searls (Paul Glesener), Marla Skeen (Jeff), Kimberley Bly, Stanley Bly, and Richard Bly (Tara); seven grandsons: Anthony Zilar (Abigail), Brandon Searls (Andrea), Gareth Williams (Carli), Patrick Bly (Kasey), Steven Riggin-Bly (Diane), Jacob Bly (Rachel); and Zachary Bly; five granddaughters, Leslie Williams, Victoria Bly, Hannah Bly, Amy Bly, and Kelsey Bly; 16 great grandchildren; and younger sister, Ginger.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be made to Providence St. Mary Regional Cancer Center or any other cancer center close to your heart, though the Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W. Alder St, Walla Walla, WA 99362

Family and Friends are invited to sign the online guest book at www.herringgroseclose.com

Jean Marie Kilpatrick Hinchliffe

December 1, 1924 – June 14, 2021

ean Marie Kilpatrick Hinchliffe, 96, passed away on June 14, 2021. She was born near Weiser, ID to John Kilpatrick and Gertrude Hoover Kilpatrick on December 1, 1924. Jean was a daddy's girl who grew up on a large apple orchard and she LOVED apples. She graduated from Weiser High School in 1942 and earned a BS from the University of Idaho in 1946. Surrounded by many WSU Cougars, she was a proud Vandal.



While attending the U of I, Jean worked three summers at the Bozeman Canning Co in Waitsburg, WA. Jean Marie Kilpatrick Hinchliffe Following graduation, she began her

career teaching Home Economics at Nampa Senior High in Nampa, ID. She married Donald Hinchliffe of Waitsburg in March of 1948. After moving to Washington State, she worked as a bank teller and at Brea Ag before serving the citizens of Waitsburg for 31 years as their City Treasurer. She also transported the precious cargo of families as a Waitsburg School District bus driver for 23 years. Jean did not like to be in the spotlight, but she liked to provide service to others behind the scenes. She especially liked being a member of

DeNova Club and was a long-time member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Jean is preceded in death by her daughter Carol James, parents, ex-husband, sisters Betty Lou Vollmer and Mary Ellen Kilpatrick, and nephew George Hinchliffe. She is survived by her son-in-law Noel James of Ruston LA, son Michael (Jan) Hinchliffe of Everett, WA, daughter Mary Kay (Mark) Paul of Waitsburg, WA, Granddaughters Amanda James Breffeilh (Chicago), Elisha James (Ruston), Sarah Paul (Waitsburg), nieces, great grandchildren and friend Kelly Steinhoff (Dayton).

Starbuck School District honors local supporters with annual Community Leadership Awards

THE TIMES

Throughout its history, the Washington Association of School Administrators (WASA) has been involved in honoring and recognizing outstanding individuals in other professions who have made extraordinary contributions to K-12 education. WASA annually presents awards to recognize people and groups who have impacted education in the State of Washington.

The individuals below were recently honored at Rebecca's Lodge, Starbuck, WA., in recognition of their outstanding contributions to Starbuck School District #35.

Community Leadership Award (2019 & 2020)

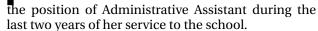
Nominated by Kevin Graffis, Retired Superintendent

first.

Cindy Harris served as Board Director for the Starbuck School District No. 35 from 2012 to 2019. Cindy provided leadership in school finance which was critical for our small, rural district to sustain the increased cost of educating our children. In addition to serving as a Board Director, she provided service for the Starbuck school as a cook, janitor, bus driver, and para educator from 1987 - 2006.

Louann Truesdale served Starbuck School District No. 35 for 12 years before retiring in December 2020. Her job titles varied from working as a janitor, providing para educator support, and directing the school's pre-school program. Pre-school enrollment

increased significantly under Louann's leadership and innovative practices. Due to increased enrollment numbers, the Starbuck School District recently adopted a Transitional Kindergarten program and additional staff. Louann was promoted to



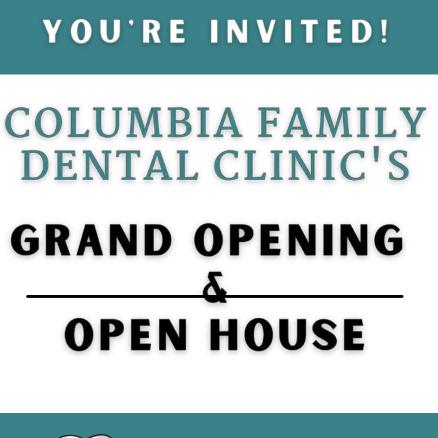
Also in attendance was the 2018 recipient of the Community Leadership Award, Mr. David McIlroy, pastor at the Starbuck Community Church.

Simply stated, students, staff, and families of the Starbuck school community were beneficiaries of each individual's commitment to excellence in educating our youth.

From left to right are Cindy Harris, Louann Truesdale, and Carol Wildman



Carol Wildman served as a Board Director for the Starbuck School District No. 35, for 20 years before retiring in 2019. Carol's leadership allowed for enhanced teamwork among members of the Board and administration. Likewise, she truly represented the needs and interests of all students, as evidenced by her 14 years of service as a school bus driver. In closing, Carol always puts the interests of the children





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NEWS & LEGALS

Funding for rent or mortgage assistance available through BMAC

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA— Two funds made available by Congresses' CARES Act can help decrease the housing cost burden for low-income renters and homeowners.

"Congress provided \$5 billion in the CARES Act for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) made available to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus (CDBG-CV funds) program to states, metropolitan cities, urban counties, and insular areas," according to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Available assistance through Walla Walla County and the City of Walla Walla can provide mortgage assistance for low-income homeowners for up to three consecutive months. The funding is specifically focused on helping those experiencing financial hardship related to Covid-19.

A second program, T-RAP (Treasury Rent Assistance Program), can help pay up to 12 months of the household's rent or utility needs going back to March 2020. Qualifying residents of Walla Walla, Columbia, and Garfield counties may be eligible for T-RAP. This program is administered through the Washington State Department of Commerce.

According to the Washington State Department of Commerce website, the Treasury Rent Assistance Program (T-RAP) Grant is part of Washington State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, intended to prevent evictions that contribute to the spread of the virus. The funds can be used to pay past due, current due, future rent, and utilities. It is intended to target those who have limited resources and have experienced financial hardship due to the COVID-19 outbreak and are at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability," says the Washington State Department of Commerce website.

Walla Walla county households earning under 80% of the Area Median Income as determined by the United States Department of Urban Development (HUD) may be eligible to receive assistance with rent, utilities, and mortgages through the program. This is approximately \$40,950 for a one-person household or \$58,500 for a four-person household.

	The 2021	specifics,	by house	hold size,	for Walla V	Nalla Cou	nty are as	follows:
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
-		46,800	52,650	58,500	63,200	67,900	72,550	77,250

BMAC has several additional programs to assist eligible households with financial hardships related to the Covid-19 virus including energy assistance and employment placement. "We are working hard to get assistance into the hands of our community, especially those who have experienced a greater financial burden because of COVID-19. Our hope is that this assistance will bring our neighbors back to a more stable place where they can stay in their homes and out of homelessness," says Elizabeth Guerra, BMAC's Community Services Director. People who are interested in this assistance are encouraged to call the BMAC Main Office at 509-529-4980. Services are provided in both English and Spanish.

Walla Walla Community College Open House on June 24

Learn more about WWCC programs, financial aid, tour the new Student Rec Center

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) is looking forward to meeting prospective students, parents, and other community members at an Open House to be held on the Walla Walla campus from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 24.

"We are excited to be back on campus and are ready to serve students in person," said Melissa Rodriguez, Director of Outreach. "Now is a great time to start – or complete – an educational program, particularly because most of our students can qualify for financial assistance to get started. We are here and ready to help with admissions, educational planning, and financial aid."

The Open House will feature information tables on the following programs:

- Nursing
 - Culinary Arts
 - Computer Science
 - Bachelor of Applied Science Degrees
 - Workforce Programs
 - TRiO support program for students who are first-generation, low income, and/or have disabilities
 - Transitional Studies (English Language Acquisition/GED) and First-Year Experience
 - Community partners Blue Mountain Action Council (BMAC), Early Childhood Education & Assistant Program (ECEAP) Preschool and WorkSource

In addition to learning information about WWCC and its programs, Open House visitors will have the opportunity to tour the new Student Rec Center, play games and win prizes. Following COVID-19 guidelines set by Gov. Jay Inslee, visitors will be required to wear facemasks and those entering interior spaces will be asked to complete a quick, online COVID Symptom Screening form.

New student registration is underway. By fall quarter, the WWCC expects to provide in-person instruction for those who want it and virtual or blended instruction for those who prefer alternatives. Those who can't make the Open House are welcome to drop by the campus Mondays through Thursdays, during normal business hours, for help with admissions, educational planning and financial aid.

Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) currently serves 7,535 full and parttime students, with approximately one-third being historically underrepresented students of color. The college offers two applied baccalaureates, 53 degrees and 52 certificate programs. It serves Asotin, Columbia, Garfield and Walla Walla counties.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 21-20021536 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION ROBERT S. WEISS and PATRICIA L. WEISS, Husband and Wife, and PAUL L. BUTLER, as Trustee of the LEGAL NOTICES

PENELOPE GAMMOND, 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 otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney stated below a copy of the claim and filing of the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of

consideration of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and development regulations. The City will be accepting dockets until August 1, 2021. The amendment process is designed to solicit suggested amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and development regulations. A Docket List of amendments IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 21-4-00126-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: JANE EILLEEN ADLINGTON, Deceased.





Paul L. Butler Family Trust, Plaintiffs,

VS FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, a dissolved nonprofit corporation, DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS, unknown persons, Defendants THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this Summons, to wit, within sixty (60) days after the 10th day of May, 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court and answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the Plaintiff, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the Complaint in this action, which has been filed with the Clerk of said court. The object of this action is to quiet title for real property. DATED this 17th day of May 2021

Minnick - Hayner, P.S. By: <u>/s/ James K. Hayner</u>, WSBA #6398 of Attorneys for Plaintiffs The Times May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021 5-20-f

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 21 4 00123 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS 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.

Personal Representative: MELVIN H. GAMMOND

Date of First Publication: June 17, 2021.

By<u>: /s/ Melvin H. Gammond</u> Personal Representative of the

Estate of PENELOPE GAMMOND

Attorney for the Personal Representative and address for mailing and service: Steven C. Frol Minnick-Hayner, P.S. P.O. Box 1757 249 West Alder Walla Walla, WA 99362 The Times June 17, 24, July 1, 2021 6-17-a

PUBLIC NOTICE City of Dayton 2021 Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations Amendment Cycle The City of Dayton hereby announces the annual combining private applications and City initiated changes will be developed.

Complete applications and applicable fees must be submitted to City Hall by 4:00 pm on August 1, 2021. Applicants are strongly encouraged to meet with planning staff prior to submitting an application.

A schedule will then be followed to comply with state mandates and the Dayton Municipal Code, while allowing opportunities for public participation. A series of public meetings and hearings, first for docketing and then for consideration of amendments on the Final Docket List, will be held by the Planning Commission and City Council (dates and locations will be finalized and announced at a later date). Information will be available and public comments on the final proposed amendments will be accepted via mail or e-mail.

Questions should be directed to the City of Dayton, Department of Planning & Community Development at 111 S. 1st St., Dayton WA 99328, or at 509-382-2361, or info@daytonwa.com The Times

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The Times LIFESTYLES Plan now for your fall garden!

By Alexandra Fitzgerald | THE TIMES

It's weird to be thinking about fall when it doesn't even feel like summer has hit its stride, but here I am, planning what seeds I need to start to ensure I have cabbages and carrots galore. Gardens in Waitsburg are typically about two weeks ahead of my garden's microclimate; however, I start planning two weeks ahead of folks in town when prepping for fall. Around my garden, there seems to be some sort of cold spot in how the air settles at night coupled with a higher elevation. As such, I need to keep a close eye on our anticipated first frost date and get to planning early to ensure I have a productive fall garden once the tomatoes and peppers have long since disappeared.

Timing your fall garden takes a little fiddling to get it right, and I'm by no means a master. The general process for starting fall seeds has a few key steps. First, determine the date for the average first frost in your area by looking up the USDA Plant Hardiness Zone Map on the USDA and using the frost dates provided for your areas zone. Waitsburg is in Zone 7A, which lists the first frost date as somewhere around October 15th. Please note this is a rough average and varies year to year and location by location. You've been duly warned.



Once you know your zones estimated first-frost, you can calculate your planting date backward from there. Let's use peas as an example. The seed packet may say, "60 days until harvest". But here's the catch; that date assumes you're planting in spring when the sun is slowly getting stronger, and the weather gets warmer. However, if you're planting for fall, the temperature slowly gets cooler as the sun angle decreases, and if you plant those peas for a 60-day harvest, you'll likely lose them to frost earlier than you'd prefer.

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Of course, this all depends on the year. If you get a late frost, you'll likely be fine. Early frost or hard freeze and hopes could be dashed for the year. The advice I've found helpful is to add two or three weeks to the "days to harvest" listed on the seed packet. So, with the peas example, I might plant them 75 days before our first anticipated frost. This helps to account for the reduced growth in response to waning sun.

What works well for a fall crop? I highly recommend almost everything in the Brassica family- broccoli, cauliflower, kale, and cabbages of all kinds (skip the Brussels Sprouts, they need a very long growing season). I have much better success growing these crops in the fall rather than the spring. Other varieties that can be planted even later in the season or in staggered plantings include radishes,

peas, carrots, and leafy greens like spinach and lettuce. Again, it will take some tweaking to get your dates right for your location, but here's the bonus: fall crops that have reached maturity by the first frost will get infinitely sweeter as the starches get converted to sugars during cold weather. If you have hopes of winning over a kale hater in your family, here's your cue! Oh, and if you want garlic next year, don't forget it's a fall-planted crop much like flower bulbs, so order your seed garlic soon.

You might be wondering why I don't just buy some starts and not worry about a fussy seed-starting schedule. Well, here's my big irk with started plants: the garden centers stop carrying them after the big spring gardening push. I can't blame them as I'm sure the sales in late summer aren't great but mark my words, you'll be hard-pressed to find any starts come July. Even more annoying, it's also nearly impossible to find any seed-starting mix. That is why I'm writing this article now. If you have plans for a fall garden, get your seeds and potting mix now before they're gone for the year. I'd recommend setting up a fall planting calendar so you can count backward from that frost date for each crop, so you know when to start each type of seed and when to transplant them into the garden (don't forget to slowly harden them off, so they don't get torched in the sun). Cheers to fall cabbages and the best carrots you'll ever eat.

Writer and art collector Gertrude Stein once said, "A vegetable garden in the beginning looks so promising, and then after all, little by little it grows nothing but vegetables, nothing, nothing but vegetables." It's almost as if that's the whole point.

Restaurant Confidential, continued

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

My mother, a very wise woman, taught my sister, brother, and I that "you don't kick a man when he's down." A lesson I remembered this week when we purchased a new ice machine for over \$3,000. Three weeks ago, after our now-defunct ice machine lumbered to its slow, laborious death, I went online to look at replacement machines. I told Daniel that I found a replacement machine for approximately \$2,500. He proceeded to lecture me on how much ice we (meaning me) could purchase daily from the store before we spent \$2,500. Therefore, we didn't need a new machine. Evidently, he noticed my frustration and went online and proudly announced he found one for only \$800 and it would be delivered in a week. Finally, a few days ago, the ice machine was delivered, so we called the company to do the installation, only to have the installers point out that we'd only bought the ice bin, not the actual machine that makes the ice.



This past Tuesday, Daniel and I flew to Seattle to meet my friend Margie (whom I've known since we were three years old) and her husband for a quick mini vacation. We went to a fish dinner Tuesday night and to Pike's Market Wednesday morning to bring home more fish. We all drove back to Waitsburg that afternoon, so they could spend this week with us. A welcome little breather before the craziness called - All Wheels Weekend. I tried to enlist our visitors to help wait tables and clean the kitchen, but somehow wine tasting and a trip to Palouse Falls had more appeal!

Remembering my mother's wise words, I didn't say a word, even though I saw that the box delivered had Ice Bin printed on the side of the box in large letters. All the while running through my head was the relief that I wasn't the one that messed up the order. We now have an \$800 ice bin in the backroom to be used with my store-bought ice. We are now waiting for the machine (another \$2,400) that actually makes the ice. Another week of the daily ice stop and I will take iced tea off the menu!



One thing we are now sure of is: Don't be sure of anything. The week before we left town, we noted that we sold only two burgers. Considering there are three restaurants selling burgers in less than a mile radius of us, we decided we should take them off our menu. Then came the All-Wheels crowd, and burgers were our biggest seller on Friday and Saturday. Anomaly? Or do our burgers stand out from the rest?

We now have a wonderful young man helping Daniel in the kitchen. And, if Daniel doesn't scare him away in less than a week, there is hope we can expand the menu and the number of people we can seat and serve.

It may also reduce my level of frustration when someone orders the gluten-free/ dairy-free pasta dish, only to later order the Tiramisu for dessert, which is loaded with dairy and gluten.

Today, I met with our CPA. I felt sorry for him because I'm sure his confusion over my accounting techniques was worse than any I have over gluten-free/dairyfree orders we have.

Now, if I can get my tomatoes to grow better than Daniel's, frustrations will be mitigated, and my good life will be even better!



Beka Compton

Maddie Miller, 4, gets ready to launch a balloon during a Scavenger Hunt at Preston Park over the weekend, while her sister Kaitlyn cheers her on. More fun and games can be found this weekend, courtesy of the Waitsburg Presbytarian Church. **YWCA FUN FACTORY** Free crafts & activities ages 5-10 • Preston Park Mondays • June 21-Aug. 13 1:30-2:30pm

SPORTS

Supreme Court decision will change college athletics forever

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

In a unanimous decision, the Supreme Court sided with the plaintiff Shawne Alston against the NCAA. It essentially ruled that the NCAA could not place limits on education-related benefits schools may make available to student-athletes. The ruling did not touch on whether student-athletes could be paid directly to play but hinted that the Court might rule in favor of the athletes if such cases were raised. College sports are about to go through significant changes.

Supreme Court Justice Kavanaugh wrote the following in his concurring opinion: "The bottom line is that the NCAA and its member colleges are suppressing the pay of student-athletes who collectively generate billions of dollars in revenues for colleges every year. Those enormous sums of money flow to seemingly everyone except the student-athletes. College presidents, athletic directors, coaches, conference commissioners, and NCAA executives take in six- and seven-figure salaries. Colleges build lavish new facilities. But the student-athletes who generate the revenues, many of whom are African American and from lower-income backgrounds, end up with little or nothing."

The NCAA also must now deal with name, image, likeness (NIL) state laws. NIL state laws go into effect July 1st in the following states; Florida, George, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, and New Mexico. It's no coincidence that, except for New Mex-





ico, these states all have top national college football programs in the South Eastern Conference (SEC). The SEC generated \$721 million in revenue for the 2019 fiscal year and is the most profitable conference in the NCAA.

The new NIL laws will allow student-athletes in these states to receive compensation from companies using their name, image, or likeness. In addition, the Supreme Court ruling likely strengthens these state laws making it more difficult for the NCAA to win lawsuits to strike down these laws.

The NCAA has known about this since the beginning of the year but has been unable to agree on what to do about the other forty-four states that don't yet have these laws. There was some hope that Congress would pass a national standard for NIL before July 1st, but that isn't going to happen. The U.S. Senate Commerce Committee had a hearing titled "NCAA Student-Athletes and NIL Rights." Senator Maria Cantwell is the committee chairwoman and told reporters, "I know that that date is imminent, so I think it's probably safe to say something isn't going to make it through the halls of Congress by that date."

Until the NCAA levels the playing field, schools in states where NIL state laws are in place will have a recruiting advantage. Many observers expect lawsuits to follow and not just the NCAA seeking to delay the NIL state laws from taking place. I'd expect lawsuits from the other states as well. Without some sort of collective bargaining between student-athletes and the NCAA, a level playing field isn't possible anymore.



Fred Schilling, Collection of the Supreme Court of the United States

The Supreme Court as composed October 27, 2020 to present. Front row, left to right: Associate Justice Samuel A. Alito, Jr., Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr., Associate Justice Stephen G. Breyer, and Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor.

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Saturday, June 26th:

8:00 a.m.	Cafe' opens, Breakfast available for purchase.
8:00 a.m 9:00 a.m.	Registration
9:00 a.m.	Shotgun start. Lunch at the turn.

ENTRY FEES: \$100.00 per 2-person team ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

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

ENTRY DEADLINE: Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021

INFORMATION CONTACT:

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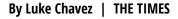






LIFESTYLES

My Kitchen Library: *Farm-to-table-to-books*



In recent years the term farm-to-table has been overused and even parodied. As a server at some high-end farm-to-table restaurants in Seattle, there were some moments I felt as though I was living in an episode of Portlandia. However, at its core, the movement to encourage the consumption of local seasonal foods is one dear to my heart. My culinary journey has led me to seek out relationships with the makers, farmers, and producers of the ingredients I use. The more I have honored the regional foods available and paid attention to the seasons, the better my cooking has become.

The Art of Simple Food, by Alice Waters

At a time when the American diet was heavily made up of processed foods and canned vegetables, Alice Waters was a trailblazer in the establishment of California cuisine and the modern farm-to-table food movement. From her kitchen garden to her groundbreaking restaurant, Chez Panisse, in Berkley, California, Waters set out to teach us the value of eating locally sourced, in-season ingredients.

In *The Art of Simple Food*, first published in 2007, Waters begins by clearly defining her principles for good cooking, which include eating locally and sustainably, shopping at farmers' markets, planting a garden, as well as the virtues of cooking and eating together. From there, she presents a series of recipes divided by techniques, such as "Slow Cooking," "Over the Coals," and "Out of the Frying Pan." Her recipes are simple, approachable, and easy to follow. In addition, she shows how a few quality ingredients can bring out the best in each other.

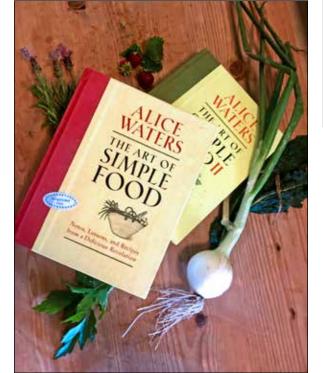
This is a book that I return to time and time again for advice on a range of techniques. She encourages her readers to develop their intuition in the kitchen by experimenting, tasting, and always being fully present in the moment of cooking. Some of my favorites in the book include her simple roast chicken, white beans with rosemary, and perfect tart crust.

In 2013 she published a sequel *The Art of Simple Food II*, in which she expands on the value of growing your own kitchen garden. Recipes in this book are divided by vegetables from her garden, with advice for growing and tips on preserving. Again her simple elevated cooking is easy to follow and gives one great confidence in the kitchen. As we have expanded our kitchen garden, I can feel the influence of this personal culinary hero as I harvest a basket of veggies and herbs for that evening's meal.

Six Seasons: A New Way with Vegetables, by Joshua McFadden

Joshua McFadden is part of a new generation of chefs building and expanding on the gastronomic values established by Alice Waters and others in the organic food movement. From an initial stint in film school, he ended up at a culinary school in Portland, Oregon. His thirst for culinary experience found him working at some of the most prominent high-end restaurants in cities across the country. Then, seeking to have more of a connection to where his ingredients came from, he landed at a farm in rural Maine, working the land with the farmers during the day and hosting special farm dinners in the evening. This was where his true calling was found.

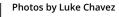
In *Six Seasons: A New Way with Vegetables*, McFadden shows his deep understanding and admiration for the process of growing food. As the name suggests, the book has recipes divided into six growing seasons: Spring, Early Summer, Midsummer, Late Summer, Fall, and Winter. There are gorgeous recipes grouped by the bounty that is ready to be harvested in each seasonal section. For example, there are seven recipes alone for celery in the early summer section, which many of my readers might recall is one of my favorite overlooked vegetables. At a family gathering recently, I made his Celery Salad with Dates, Almonds, and



Parmigiano. Bright, crisp, and lively, it was a huge hit.

Published in 2017, this well-designed book, full of beautiful photographs, showcases creative ways to prepare glorious vegetables at their peak. There are side dishes, main courses, and even desserts. While the recipes place the focus on vegetables, they are not all vegetarian. Meat is used sparingly and intentionally to enhance the flavors of the produce, not the other way around. Flipping through this book is a joy and inspires me as I anticipate all the beautiful things growing in our garden over the coming months.







Behind the recipe, behind the scene

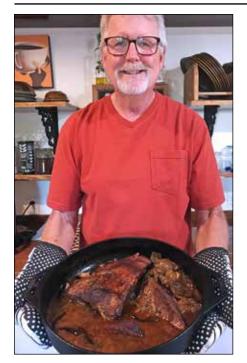
By Luke Chavez | THE TIMES





Admittedly, behind the scenes of a perfectly styled food photo can be a little chaotic. While testing my recipe for Linguine Vongole, featured in the April 29th edition of The Times, I managed to use every single dish (and then some) at the family beach cabin. Thankfully, my aunt was more than happy to wash a few dishes in exchange for taste testing the bivalve feast.

Photos by Luke Chavez



READER'S PHOTO

What's cookin'? Times reader Tom Elstrom, shows off his successful pot of Braised Brisket a la Mexicana, having carefully followed Luke's recipe from our March 18th edition. Yum! Pass the tortillas. Send us photos of the recipes that you've tried from the pages of The Times.

Summer Travels, Near and Far

THE TIMES

After a year of canceled plans, this summer has many of us looking to itch some pent-up wanderlust. Soaking up some ocean air on the coast, getting some time exploring a busy metropolis, or jetting off to an exotic locale, the options for summer travel are getting better as the world seems to be turning a corner on the pandemic.

We all need a good vacation and hope *The Times* will be part of your summer reading. Whether it's tackling the crossword puzzle while waiting for a flight, or just showing out-of-town relatives what's been happening in the 'Burg, be sure to pack a copy of the paper with your sunscreen and bathing suits.

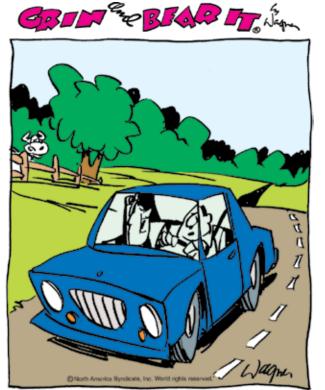
Send us a picture of you enjoying the paper at your vacation destination to be featured as a "Times Traveler." Where will The Times be seen next?



FUN & GAMES

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



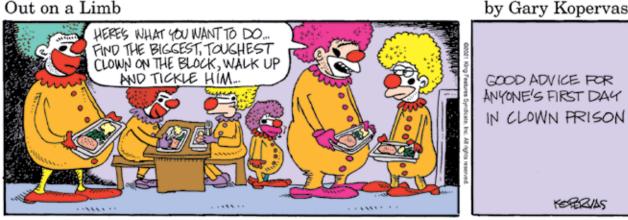


"Can't you go a little faster? We're getting bug splatters on the back windshield."

by Jeff Pickering



Out on a Limb



Amber Waves



WHY DIDJA

WANT ME TO COME OVER ?

GOOD ADVICE FOR ANYONE'S FIRST DAY IN CLOWN PRISON KERER/AS

by Dave T. Phipps



by Mike Marland

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

June 30, 2011

The Port of Columbia's Blue Mountain Station project received another boost when it was awarded a Challenge Grant of \$5,000 by Pacific Power for marketing the project. Port Commission Chairman Gene Warren accepted the check from Pacific Power Regional Community Manager Bill Clemens. "Now that the Phase 1 infrastructure is in the ground, we are ready to site our first business at Blue Mountain Station," said Jennie Dickinson, manger of the Port of Columbia.

Waitsburg-Prescott graduate Kris Cady got the opportunity of a lifetime when he played in the Washington State Football Coaches Association East-West all star game in Yakima this weekend. The West won 23-14. The Earl Barden Classic was played at Zaepfel Stadium and consisted of some of the best football players in the 1A, 1B and 2A divisions in the State of Washington. The players were selected by the coaches association.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 27, 1996

It was once Waitsburg's Second Hand Store, with plenty of what you might call "character." In fact, the building had so much "character," it took one man several weeks to sort through it all, and several large dumpsters were needed by present owners Dan and Ginny Butler, and Andy and Denise Winnett, Waitsburg, to get the place cleaned out. But now it might be called "First Rate." Some two dozen people on Sunday toured the recently completed upstairs one-bedroom apartment above Lois' Stitches and Alterations, the street-level shop occupying the main floor of the now refurbished Ritter Building. This week the glittering new 800 square foot apartment will get its first tenant.

Four local high school students recently spent a week attending the Evergreen Boys and Girls State, held at Central Washington University in Ellnsburg, thanks to the local American Legion, the Legion Auxiliary, Verterans of Foreign Wars and the Prescott Linons Club. Gabe Hoefer and Kaylyn Trent of Waitsburg and Tim Counts and Jennifer Jurun of Prescott, all juniors, were selected based on their community service, scholarship and leadership.

Fifty Years Ago

June 24, 1971

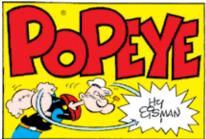
Mrs. Delbert Mock and Mrs. Lester Done honored Miss Jacklin K. Lingle at a bridal shower at Mrs. Mock's home on Friday evening. They were assisted by Mrs. Dave Roberts who made the table arrangements. The floral centerpiece of white roses in a blue bowl was of the bride's colors, as were the white candles in their blue holders. Mrs. Don Lingle, mother of the bride, poured the coffee and the cake was served by the mother of the groom, Mrs. Clinton Donnelly. Mrs. Donnie Wills won the door prize.

Roxanne Gales and Peggy Romine left on Sunday, June 13, on a chartered bus for Girls' State at Central and returned home the following Sunday. Roxanne campaigned for the offices of clerk and House of Representatives, and Peggy was elected Precinct Woman and to the House of Representatives. Jerry Baker and Pay Mohney spent the last week at Boys' State, which was held at Gonzaga University. Jerry ran for the offices of State Representative, City Council, and Chief of Police. Pay ran for Justice of the Peace and was appointed Director of the Game Department b the Boys' State governor.

The Spats

R.F.D.













NO CLUE, JUNE.

APOCALYPSE

MAYBE ...?

I WANT YOU SEE " WHAT I BOUGHT!





ALMOST MISSED OUT ON THEM!

Seventy-Five Years Ago

June 26, 1946

"Puggy" the 14-year old terrier belonging to Joe Abbey, died in his sleep last week at their farm north of Waitsburg. "Puggy" was born on their farm in January, 1929, and had been a family pet since that time.

Walt Miller, formerly of Waitsburg, has retuned here to open a pool hall in the old Morgan building. The interior is being completely remodeled with a new horseshoe counter and new equipment and this week the interior has a new coat of paint.

One Hundred Years Ago

June 24, 1921

The beautiful new country home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Woods near Bolles Junction is just about completed. Will Huntington of Walla Walla, is the contractor.

The American Legion has decided to stage a celebration on the nation's birthday and committees were appointed Wednesday to have charge of the details.

The season of the year having arrived to prepare to fight grain fires, the Commercial Club decided Tuesday night to recommend using the city fire bell to give all alarms of grain fires this summer, reserving the electric siren for town fires exclusively.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 26, 1896

Arthur Roberts has finished his ditch and has the lumber on the ground for headgate and penstock. He will have his electric plan in operation in less than a month.

Miss Olive L. Parker has been employed to teach our (Spring Valley) fall and winter terms of school.

The beautiful ladies of Wilson Hollow are busy canning gooseberries, rhubarb and strawberries this week.

Hay harvest is in full blast, and the crop is fine. Grain harvest is almost at hand and the crop bids fair to be fine. A glorious country this is.

Last Saturday night sneak thieves entered Fran Keiser's cellar and carried there from two rolls of choice butter and a large dish of luscious strawberries.

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Salmon Braised in Tomatoes with **Scallops**

Sometimes, on a rare day off, I am known to binge episodes of the Food Network classic, Chopped. As contestant chefs brainstorm dishes on the fly, using the surprise "basket ingredients," I play along imagining what I would create. I am often moved to shout at the screen when chefs make a doomed decision. NO, there is never enough time for risotto!



This past weekend, I had my own *Chopped* experience when my aunt called to invite me to a family dinner. She offered wild caught Alaskan sockeye salmon and sea scallops, as ingredients for me to experiment with. With what I had in my pantry and garden, I came up with a dish taking Southern France as inspiration. Bright tomatoes plenty of fresh herbs and briny olives, meld into a lively sauce for the rich seafood.

Ingredients:

- 1 1¹/₂ pounds wild caught salmon filet, deboned, skin on
- 1 pound diver scallops
- 1 large sweet onion, chopped
- 1 sweet red or yellow pepper, diced
- 1/2 cup chopped fennel fronds or bulb
- 1 teaspoon celery seeds
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 3 garlic cloves, sliced
- 1 tablespoon fresh rosemary, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme, chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh oregano, chopped
- ¹/₄ cup dry vermouth, or dry white wine
- 1 14.5 ounce can of tomatoes, chopped with juices
- 1 cup fish stock, shrimp stock or water
- 1/2 cup kalamata olives, pitted
- 2 tablespoons capers
- 1 tablespoon fresh chives, chopped
- Juice of one lemon
- Olive oil
- 1 tablespoon butter
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper

Directions:

Rinse and dry the salmon and scallops. Divide salmon into equal sized serving portions. Season the fish and scallops on all sides with salt and pepper. Set aside.

Heat two tablespoons of olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onions, fennel, sweet pepper, celery seeds and a pinch of salt. Sauté until onions are translucent and peppers are soft. Add paprika and stir until fragrant. Add garlic and chopped rosemary, oregano, and thyme. Sauté for another minute then pour in the vermouth. Scrape bottom of pan and cook off alcohol. When vermouth is reduced add the tomatoes with their juices, olives, capers, and stock or water. Bring to a simmer and then reduce heat, cover with lid, and let gently simmer for 10 minutes. Sauce should reduce a little but still be loose. Taste and adjust seasoning, adding more salt and pepper to taste. Turn off heat.

Place a second skillet over medium heat with the butter and one tablespoon of olive oil. When pan is hot, and butter foam has cleared, cook scallops, working in batches. Sear on first side for 2 to 3 minutes, then flip over and cook on other side for additional 30 seconds. Place on warm platter and set aside. Raise heat back to medium on pan with tomato sauce. When sauce is bubbling add salmon filets, skin side up. Cover and reduce heat to maintain a gentle simmer. Cook for 6 to 8 minutes until salmon is cooked through. Use a thermometer to check temperature, fish is done at 115 to 120 degrees. Use a pair of tongs, or a pairing knife, to gently pull the skin off the filets. Flip fish over. Arrange cooked scallops around fish in pan, adding any accumulated juices from platter. Spoon some sauce over top of fish and scallops. Finish by squeezing juice of lemon over top and garnishing with chopped chives. Serve immediately.



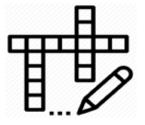
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by Linda Thistle

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Notes:

This recipe can be made with any fresh fish you might have. Try it with halibut or red snapper. This sauce would also be lovely as a steaming liquid for fresh Penn Cove mussels. Cooking times will vary.

This past weekend I served this in shallow bowls with a wild rice pilaf and seared asparagus. A loaf of John's homemade bread, for dipping in the flavorful sauce, was a welcomed addition to the table. Have plenty of lemon wedges to pass around and serve with a crisp dry rose or Pinot Blanc for an elegant seafood feast. Bon Appetit!

Super Crossword — Answers

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THE LAST PAGE All Wheels Weekend brings classic stories and classic cars...and bikes!



A trio of vintage motorcycles, owned by Rick Lentz of Dayton, weren't about to let all of the cars steal the show. "This is a 1975 Honda 754. It's got 12,000 original miles, and it's all stock," said Lentz, motioning to one of three bikes brought to the show by the collector. "This is a 1974 Harley Davidson 350, with 1,500 original miles. Both of these were bought from the original owners." The final bike, a 1979 Yamaha 650, had just 4,000 original miles.



A shining example of hydraulics in action. Every detail of this car is a work of art.



"We had a C7, which looks a lot like this car here. Corvettes are by generation, this is the 8th generation. We put a couple of new engines in our C7, when she decided that we would go ahead and order the new C8," said Mike Weddell, of Kennewick, WA, motioning to his wife's flawless, 2020 Corvette Stingray. "We ordered it in March, and received it in January- almost 10 months later. It was well worth the wait!"



This green 1970 Chevy Chevelle was a lesson in purchasing cars online for one car enthusiast at All Wheels Weekend. "I call it my eBay lesson," said Steve Bearar, of Pasco, WA, while laughing. "We had to strip it, and start from scratch. It wasn't as advertised." Bearar and his wife, Sue, have been working to restore the now glamorous American Classic since purchasing the car ten years ago.

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