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## Waitsburg noon siren will be tested Oct. 21

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Last spring, after a resident asked council members at a regular Waitsburg City council meeting about the possibility of bringing back the noon siren, the Waitsburg Commercial Club ran a survey. The conclusion showed most respondents supported the return of the noon siren and some emergency applications.

The noon siren was deactivated by Columbia County Dispatch when former emergency services manager Ashley Strickland was at the helm. The activation of the siren for emergencies was deemed unnecessary at the time as emergency workers no longer relied

on the technology. The noon sounding was administered manually from the emergency services office in Dayton.

However, the siren at noon is felt by many as a charming tradition. It reminded those who heard it of the need to let farmworkers in the field and the mill know it was lunchtime.

The siren, located on the roof of the Weller Public Library, is typical of world war II air raid sirens; it is loud. It is not a whistle, though some refer to it as such. It is also not connected to the pair of speaker horns on the corner of the former Waitsburg City Hall roof. That sound system is used for parades and sea-

sonal music.

To remind the public and let new residents know what the siren sounds like, a test run will occur at noon on Friday, October 21.

In a proposal to the Waitsburg City Council, resident Louie Gagnon and the city's Community Health and Protection Committee asked the city for access to the upstairs of the Weller Public Library, where the control box for the siren is located, to reprogram and revitalize the noon whistle.

In the proposal, the cost of parts and labor to reprogram and automate the siren would be covered by donations of up to \$1,500.

The new siren would sound for 10 seconds at noon, Monday through Friday. It would be programmed for a different sound to be used as a flood warning. That siren would sound for 6 seconds on and off over a period of time.

The new siren could also be sounded manually at the start or end of parades down Main Street, including the Hometown Christmas and Celebration Day parades.



Eric Umphrey

The siren can be seen on top of the Weller Public Library, small but mighty.

### THIS WEEK



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## Election integrity continued goal for Columbia County

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Columbia County's Election Supervisor, Cathy Abel, said there are many checks and balances to ensure election integrity in the county, from the time an election ballot leaves the voter to when it is certified by the state.

Ballots have prepaid postage and are returned through the mail or at ballot drop boxes. Abel hopes that if people vote by mail, it will be sooner, rather than later. Votes will be tabulated and counted if postmarked by election day or dropped off by 8 p.m. on the day of the election at the latest.

"The postmark date is important. If you vote on Election Day, go to the Post Office and get the date hand-stamped, so it counts."

There are three tamper-proof drop boxes in the county, one at the County Auditor's Office inside the county courthouse at 341 East Main Street and one in the northwest corner of the alley adjacent to the courthouse. There is another box located at city hall in the Town of Starbuck, at 200 Main Street.

Abel said the drop boxes would be checked and ballots retrieved by staff in the Auditor's Office daily and tracked from the time they are collected.

Abel is required to keep a daily record of each ballot received, showing the total number of ballots for each day, along with information about signatures; whether they can, or can't, be verified against a voter's registration record.

She said part of her training has been in how to read signatures.

"It's not necessarily what you write, but how you write it," she said.

She looks for such things as whether middle names have been added or excluded, whether t's are crossed or not, or if the slant of the writing has changed. Scribbled signatures are particularly troublesome.

If there is a problem with a signature, she will reach out to the voter, who will be asked to fill out a form, and redo it.

Abel doesn't work in a vacuum. The election canvassing board will step in and adjudicate any problem when necessary.

This year, Columbia County Commission Chair Marty Hall is serving with Abel on the canvassing board, along with County Prosecuting Attorney Dale Slack. But because Slack is on the ballot for re-election in November, it is likely that Garfield County's Prosecuting Attorney



Michele Smith

Election Supervisor Cathy Abel has worked in the County Auditor's Office for eleven and a half years. She maintains her election certification with the state of Washington through special training, meeting attendance, and testing.

## CONCERN OVER MISLEADING POLITICAL MAILER

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Last week, voters in Columbia County received a mailer produced by the Columbia County Conservatives. The local political group asked voters to vote against Proposition 1, which would create a Joint Metropolitan Park District (JMPD) to fund and operate a new pool for the county.

They also requested voters choose CCC endorsed candidates for the JMPD board of commissioners in case the proposition is approved.

Members of The Friends of the Dayton Pool, who have spent the last few years surveying residents, raising money, and developing designs for a new community pool, have voiced concern and anger about what they see are misleading statements used in the mailer.

The Friends of the Pool realized that the costs of construction and the maintenance and operation of a new pool would need a robust infrastructure in place to be successful. Following other cities that have successfully built and operated pools, the Friends decided to put forward to the voters a Joint Metropolitan Park District, which they believe gives the effort the best options for funding and guidance.

Unlike the city pools in Waitsburg and Dayton, which were funded by tax dollars and maintained by the cities, the Prescott pool is funded through an annual levy and maintained and operated by the PJPRD, a junior taxing district established in 1981. Each year, district voters must pass the M&O levy by a 60% supermajority in order to keep the pool operating.

A more comprehensive article about Proposition 1 and the misinformation presented through mailings and on social media will be available soon online at Waitsburgtimes.com.

## CITY HAS MULTIPLE OFFERS ON FORMER CITY HALL

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Waitsburg City Council met for a special session on October 13 at City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review and discuss an offer on the former city hall property.

Mayor Dunn read the following statement before going into an executive meeting with the council:

1. We have received an offer on the building. We intend to go into executive session under RCW 42.30.110(1)(c), to discuss the minimum price "at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease." Before we discuss that price in Executive session, we need to discuss certain information in open session.
2. Proposed offeror intends to use the building for a variety of purposes with upstairs being converted to residential apartments, rear of the building used as office space and front to be used as a commercial space.
3. Closing date would be October 31, 2022
4. Proposal indicates that the buyer would complete the necessary capital improvements within a year with plans to finish the remaining improvements within a year or two after that.

The open meeting was reconvened, and attendees were told that no action had been taken.

Since that meeting, The Times has learned that there is a second offer on the building. A special meeting to discuss this offer has not been announced.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

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## AT THE LIBERTY:

*See How They Run*

THE TIMES

DAYTON — “See How They Run” – In 1950’s London, a desperate Hollywood film producer sets out to turn a popular play into a film. When members of the production are murdered, world-weary Inspector Stoppard (Sam Rockwell) and rookie Constable Stalker (Saoirse Ronan) find themselves in the midst of a puzzling whodunit within the theater underground.

Rotten Tomatoes critics enjoyed this move rated it 74% favorable, and audiences weren’t far off that with a 69%. Rotten Tomatoes critics summarized their assessment as a fun whodunit. Runtime is 98 minutes and the movie is rated PG-13 (for some violence/bloody images and a sexual reference).

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## A VOTE FOR JACK MILLER

Dear Editor,  
I am writing to endorse Jack Miller for Columbia County Commissioner, Position #3. My wife, Kris, grew up in Dayton, and we moved here from the Seattle area in 1988. I have known Jack since the 1990s and had the opportunity to get to know Jack while working with him when we have volunteered for community events associated with the Dayton Chamber of Commerce.

Jack has the knowledge and experience we need! Jack was raised in eastern Washington and has farmed in the Columbia and Walla Walla Valley for over 20 years and has over 30 years of Ag Business Management experience. He’s a WSU graduate with an Ag Economics degree. His Ag experience includes working with and managing large numbers of employees, which will be very helpful in reducing turnover to our county staff.

Jack is the person we need to lead our county. He is conservative and a lifelong Republican. He’s an avid hunter and has served on state and local boards, he understands how the system works. His extensive management, supervisory experience, and education have given him the tools needed to hit the ground running when he is elected.

When you vote on or before November 8, base your vote on experience and leadership! Most importantly, vote for the person who cares the most about Columbia County and the person who will work with everyone. Please join me and support Jack Miller for Columbia County Commissioner.

Jay Takemura  
Dayton, Wash.

## IN SUPPORT OF DIVERSITY IN COMMUNITY

In response to Morgan’s unhinged rant in the Dayton chronicle.

Dear Editor,  
I am not affiliated with any political group and have served this community for the last ten years. I would like to thank Neighbors United for Progress (NUP) for understanding the concept of diversity and the definition of community and attempting to offer a safe place away from animosity, division, and hate, where concerned community members could meet their candidates and ask them questions about their concerns.

We live in a diverse community. Diversity is the range of human differences and experiences including but not limited to race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, social class, physical ability or attributes, religious or ethical values system, national origin, and political beliefs. I understand as a public servant, to build trust in the community, one must check their bias at the door understanding that we do serve a diverse community. Sowing division and casting an us vs. them perception is counterintuitive to servitude. We have an undersheriff likening community members to being evil and sick for not falling in line with his christo-fascist views. You have unanswered concerns to our elected sheriff, expressing fear and distrust of law enforcement. Why would members not feel safe amongst the fringe fascists in this community with the rampant homophobia and demonization? This private candidate forum was created for people that don’t feel safe in our community. And quite frankly, if you don’t understand why you don’t belong in community service.

Oh, and the police department showing up in full uniform when it was a private invite-only forum, really took the cake. It tells me that all those concerns to the sheriff went completely unheard.

Hope this helps.  
Theresa Eier  
Dayton, Wash.

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## SUPPORT FOR JENKINS FOR SHERIFF

Jeff Jenkins is a very dedicated, caring, and professional police officer. He has 28 years of law enforcement experience. He has been heavily involved with the youth in our community and would like to see more officer involvement with the schools. Jeff is a drug enforcement officer and has been a member of the Washington State Narcotics Investigation Association since 2004. He feels that communication and cooperation with citizens and community agencies is important and a high priority. If elected, he is committed to holding regular public forums to hear from all citizens and public entities and will use them as an opportunity to keep all of us informed of plans and progress within the agency.

Bette Lou Crothers  
Dayton, Wash.

## ELECT JENKINS FOR SHERIFF

Dear Editor and neighbors,  
Do you know the County Sheriff is the highest official of each Washington county?

Our current Sheriff Office common-sense leadership approach has value, BUT... JEFF JENKINS’ extensive training, professionalism and experience are now needed in leadership here.

He deserves our support. I urge all voters to investigate the truth. THEN, help to elect Jeff Jenkins as our next Columbia County Sheriff.

Respectfully and THANK YOU  
Johnny Johnston,  
Dayton, Wash.

## IN SUPPORT OF JARED HAWKINS FOR PT JUDGE

To the Editor:  
Jared Hawkins, candidate for District Court Judge (Part-Time), has my enthusiastic support, and I would like to encourage voters to cast their ballots for him.

I worked closely with Jared in his capacity as City Attorney during my nearly 8-year term as mayor of Prescott. He displayed several valuable traits working with the City, as well as with other agencies in which I was able to observe his work. Those traits, I believe, make him highly qualified for this position.

First, Jared approaches questions and problems in a very thoughtful manner. He searches for and considers a variety of solutions which will resolve issues fairly. He is a forward-thinker and seeks to address issues before they become problems.

Jared’s calm demeanor is also an invaluable trait for the position he seeks. His ability to defuse and mediate disagreements which arose during meetings had major impacts on Council’s ability to resolve issues and arrive at workable solutions.

Finally, Jared is a man of high personal character. His word can be counted on. He went beyond his professional association with the City by engaging on a personal level with both staff and community, including participation in volunteer activities in Prescott. He treats those with whom he interacts in a genuinely respectful and considerate manner.

For these reasons, please join with me in casting your vote for Jared Hawkins.


Steve Heimbigner  
Prescott, Wash.

## YES TO JACK, YES TO A CITY POOL

To the Editor  
Vote for what’s right in our community and country.

I’m a proud Vietnam Veteran and loyal American voting for Jack Miller.

Yes, to City Pool.  
Sincerely,  
Randy Tewalt  
Dayton, Wash.



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## LETTERS

### CCC CREATING COLLATERAL DAMAGE IN DAYTON

Letter to the Editor:  
During the Vietnam War, a quote attributed to US Army major P. Booris achieved notoriety: **"It became necessary to destroy the town in order to save it."** He was referring to the decision by allied commanders to bomb and shell the town of Ben Tre, regardless of civilian casualties, to rout any Vietcong hiding there.

These days, the Columbia County Conservative leadership expresses that same war-time attitude. In order to save Columbia County/Dayton from thriving economically in the modern world and to discourage and suppress all but the strictest spiritual and social values, the CCC leadership rejects any improvements to the community: a new swimming pool, a daycare center, tourism improvements in diverse forms, low-income housing, improvements to broadband internet access, etc...

I have yet to hear a CCC proposal that would do anything other than ensure Dayton's decline. Where are their good ideas for economic improvement, for improving our business tax base, for encouraging young families to reside here? In a CCC future, we all become collateral damage and Dayton joins a long list of failed, boarded-up, economically depressed rural communities.

Until fifteen years ago, I considered myself conservative. With ideas such as those proposed by the CCC, I've ended up distinctly in the middle of the road. I will vote for Jack Miller, who is fiscally and socially conservative, who is an astute and successful businessman, who knows how to manage budgets and staff, who can negotiate complex contracts, and who has a vision of a stronger economic future for Columbia County.

A swimming pool is a highly popular item across the county, even among many, if not most CCC followers. Nevertheless, the CCC leadership is lobbying against forming a parks & recreation district, the only mechanism to maintain and staff a pool. At the same time, the CCC is attempting to stack the parks & recreation board. It's hard to imagine a swimming pool ever being built with a CCC-majority board. I will vote for commissioners who really want a swimming pool for the entire county.

Let's save Dayton without destroying it.

Fred Crowe  
Dayton Wash.

### SHUTTING DOWN BOOKS AND YOUNG VOICES

To the editor:  
My 11-year-old daughter attended the Columbia County Library Board meeting last Monday, October 17th. She wanted to show her civic pride and support the library.

I am horrified and appalled at the behavior of certain pro-book-banning adults in the audience. My daughter stood up to speak at the meeting, only to hear an adult behind her murmuring for her to sit down and shut up.

Another woman delighted in quoting some excerpts from a book that she considered to be the most pornographic section of the book. She said she was concerned for the children but repeated what she thought were the most harmful phrases repeatedly to the face of an 11-year-old child. She obviously does not aim to protect children; she seeks to shame and control.

Shame on these adults. They need to grow up.

Roger J. Tumbocon  
Dayton, Wash.

### CHOOSE FULLY COMMITTED PARK COMMISSIONERS

Dear Editor:  
Leadership is about vision, commitment, hard work and working with others to achieve a common goal. If you're not committed, what's the point?

The Columbia County Commission and the Dayton City Council have both passed resolutions to place a proposition on the November 2022 ballot to create a Joint Metropolitan Park District (MPD) for the primary purpose of maintaining and operating a community swimming pool in Dayton.

Should the voters approve the formation of the District, five candidates (Dianne McKinley, Lisa Naylor, Carol Anderson, Marjory Lowe and Ted Lowe) have all FULLY COMMITTED to establish the District and to serve as commissioners for the MPD.

Of the five, McKinley, Naylor and Anderson have been driving forces promoting and supporting the pool effort. Without their willingness and sacrifices to promote, research, write grants to fund facility assessment, conceptual design ideas, conduct community information forums and focus groups - there'd be no park district to discuss, let alone even vote on in November.

I recently received a very glitzy, glossy, two sided, full color, laminated, heavy card stock mailer which was mailed to voters through-out Columbia County. Considering production quality and mailing costs, it was not an inexpensive communications piece.

So voters, consider the following:  
Commitment: Unfortunately, glitz doesn't get you much in the way of results. Vote for candidates who are fully committed to establishing the MPD. Vote for candidates who have put in the work and demonstrated their service to this project. Think about a breakfast of ham & eggs. Who's more committed: the pig or the chicken? The pig is all in!

Leadership: For one to say he/she wants to serve as an MPD commissioner, but doesn't make a clear unqualified commitment and statement of support for the establishment of the District is, frankly, disingenuous!

In the Book of Revelation chapter 3:15 (NIV), it is written: "I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!" In other words: Fish or cut bait! You don't get it both ways.

Columbia County Voters: If you want a pool and the kind of commitment and responsible leadership that will work for ALL OF US, vote for candidates: McKinley, Naylor, Anderson, Lowe and Lowe. They're "all in".

Jim Su'euga,  
Dayton, Wash.

### MILLER IS UPFRONT, HONEST AND NEEDED

To the editor:  
Jack Miller is what Columbia County needs. I have known Jack and his wife, Barbara, for over 30 years. They both have had long, professional careers.

Jack has always been up-front and honest. He will never use his ideology ideas to get a personal agenda accomplished.

I believe he will work with our local law enforcement, so they have what is needed to make them efficient. I believe he will work on funding and grants to build a public safety building that will house new jails.

It is admirable that he can effectively communicate with both political parties for the common ground of what is good for all, not a select few.

Vote Jack Miller—Time for a change.

Teeny McMunn  
Dayton, Wash.

## OBITUARY

### Mary Anne Maier

August 17, 1953 – October 12, 2022

Mary Anne Maier, 69, from Dayton, Washington passed away after a brief illness at OSHU Hospital in Portland, Oregon.

Mary was born on August 17, 1953, in Dayton to Kenneth and Barbara Tewalt, growing up and going to school in Dayton.

She loved the outdoors and was an accomplished hang glider, featured in several magazines.

Preceded in death by her parents and brother Ron.

She is survived by her husband Robert Clark at home, sons Eddie Tewalt and Atticus Faul (Christina), and her granddaughter Olive. She is also survived by her brothers Randy and Kenny Tewalt.

A private service will be held at a later date.

Donations can be made to Friends of the Dayton Community Pool by sending checks to

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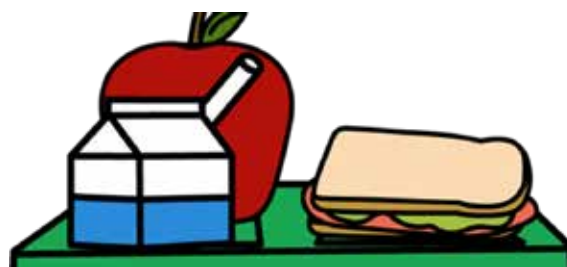
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## Columbia Port regular meeting update

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Port of Columbia Commissioners held their regular meeting on October 12, 2022, at the Port of Columbia conference room and on Zoom. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Genie Crowe, Seth Bryan, Johnny Watts, and the Executive Director, Jennie Dickinson. Members of the public attended using Zoom and in person.

The meeting focused on budget discussions, as the board must complete and approve next year's budget by the end of November.

Bryan objected to taking the legally allowed one percent increase to the Port's tax levy limit, saying the Port should do more with less money. The tax increase to the levy limit would add an estimated \$4,631 to the port budget. The one-percent property tax levy limit protects the taxpayers by limiting the increase each year and allows taxing districts to increase revenue as costs to run business increase. The description of how the tax levy limit works can be reviewed at <https://tinyurl.com/3k9jmadr>.

Crowe asked Bryan if he would be willing to forgo being paid, to which Bryan replied, "Absolutely." Bryan agreeing to forgo pay would save the Port \$1800 annually. Watts also said he would forego pay "If that's what it took." This was only a discussion and not an action on the budget.

The Port is contractually obligated to pay for work to complete the trail design, and \$20,000 from grants remain designated explicitly for that contract. Bryan said he did not want to authorize paying the remaining \$20,000 to finish the trail design.

Dickinson talked about Community Support in the budget and the Port's contract to provide workforce development funds to The Club. Bryan said he believes the money should be given to Dayton's American Legion Post rather than the Club.

Dickinson countered that the money paid to the Club was a contractual agreement for the Club to provide workforce development.

Last year, The Club used the money to train three

high school students as employees. According to Dickenson, The Club submits yearly reports on activities before they receive the money. She said this year's report was excellent.

Bryan said the "American Legion works with veterans, finding them jobs, giving them employment, and things like that as well. So, they are also a valuable asset as far as our workforce goes."

Bryan did not specify any programs American Legion Post 42 offer toward workforce development. The Commander of the local American Legion Post, Chuck Amerein, was present at the meeting but did not add a comment.

Bryan continued to articulate his opposition to The Club because it provided "daycare" and "after-school programs" for children and did not view it as valuable an asset as the Legion.

Dickinson said she would need to check the legality of redirecting the funds with the Port attorney. She said the American Legion has never requested funds from the Port to support workforce development in the county.

After the meeting, The Times asked Dickenson how the Port chose The Club as the recipient for funds. She replied via email, "Ports have specific RCWs that allow economic development, tourism and recreation spending. Workforce development is a narrower definition, but the State Auditor allows the agreement with The Club because it fits the definition. The Club was listed in our economic development plan as a community priority, and we require reports on activities from them each year. It is not handed to the Club randomly. They must perform a service first."

Bryan expressed opposition to the proposal of building a stage for performers at the Blue Mountain Station to support community events. He said he didn't want to approve the proposal, "when we don't even know what the direction of that property is going to be."

He said it would be premature to spend money on the stage or better signage for Blue Mountain Station when the commissioners were about to redo the Comprehensive Plan. This indicates Bryan's possible intention to change the current use and tenants at Blue Mountain Station.

Bryan also opposed any cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for port employees. An inflation offset of 3 to 5% has been proposed. Crowe objected to eliminating the cost-of-living adjustment, saying inflation was high. Bryan reiterated his offer to forgo his commissioner's salary, saying he'll be taking a loss.

"I think we can all make a little bit of a sacri-

ifice here." (Bryan reported to the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission his sole individual source of income is from Social Security Disability, for which he will receive an 8.7 % cost-of-living adjustment next year.)

Should the board not include a COLA for the port employees, Dickinson expressed concern about her staff and fears losing good people.

Dickinson reminded the Commissioners that the budget must be approved by November, and a public hearing on the budget is also required by state law before it can be approved by the Commissioners.

Dickinson announced a new tenant at Blue Mountain Station; North Home Bees will replace Bee Local Honey (Humble Honey). The new honey producer will occupy the same suite as Humble Honey moves out.

The Commissioners voted to accept an Request for Proposal (RFP) to contract for a consultant to assist with developing the Comprehensive Plan.

Bryan reminded Dickinson to speak to the appraiser to try and negotiate a better price for the appraisal of the Port's railroad right-of-way. The last price quoted to the Port was for a fee of \$12,000 for the appraisal, which would allow the Port to sell the right-of-way. Dickinson said she had not had time to do this yet.

Dickinson provided an update on the progress of the broadband project, and her report indicated the project is on track.

Table Rock Meats proposed buying two Port lots on Cameron Street between Columbia County Transportation and TEMA. These two lots combined total about two acres. The facility Table Rock Meats proposes to build would be a complete USDA-certified meat processing plant for local cattle farmers.

The facility may process beef, sheep, goats, and pigs. Once the facility is in operation, they plan to process game at the Main Street location since game processing cannot be mixed with farm-raised cattle. The Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the sale of the two lots, which now allows for a public hearing which will allow the sale to be finalized. The date for the public hearing has not been announced.

An executive session was scheduled on the agenda; the Commissioners decided to conduct their executive session on October 26, 2022.

The Commissioners discussed the placement of the flag. Bryan moved that the Pledge of Allegiance be recited by those present before each meeting. This resolution was seconded by Watts and approved by a vote of two to one.



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## INTEGRITY - FROM PAGE 1

Matt Newberg will serve.

Abel said she verifies every ballot, from two to three each day, up to 400 each day, as Election Day approaches.

Once a signature is verified, the ballot is marked as "Accepted" in the VoteWA system, and the voter is credited for participating. This ensures that if more than one ballot is returned, only one is counted.

An additional security measure is in the way ballots are processed. The outer envelope will be separated from the inner security envelope containing the ballot, thus separating the voter's identification information from the ballot.

Abel said the ballots are placed in a secured location until they are scanned and tabulated.

Scanning and tabulating are done in batches of 25 bundles, using an election machine provided by the state of Washington for that purpose. This scanner is not connected to any electronic network or internet and is inspected before every election to make sure it is working properly. It is kept locked and secure, when not in use, she said.

Ballots with write-in candidates, or those marked with pencil, instead of pen, or having other irregularities are bundled together for adjudication, scanning and tabulation.

Abel said ballots will continue to be scanned and tabulated until 2 p.m. on Election Day. At 8 p.m. that day, two people from the Auditor's Office will close the ballot boxes at the Auditor's Office and at the courthouse alley. Two other employees will close the drop box in Starbuck.

A preliminary tally of the votes will take place and the results shared on the Auditor's website. Any remaining ballots will continue to be counted until the election is certified.

The process doesn't end there.

For this election, the canvassing board will certify and transmit the results to the state on Nov. 29. The Washington Secretary of State has until Dec. 8 to certify the election.

After the election, the ballots will be kept in a secure location at the courthouse for 18 months for state elections, and for 22 months for federal elections, in case there is a challenge to the election.

"They can't be destroyed until then," Abel said.

Information about elections is online at <https://www.columbiaco.com/554/2022-Election>. Contact the Auditor's Office at (509) 382-4541 if you do not receive a ballot by Oct. 22 or want to watch the ballot process in action. If you are unsure if you are registered or need to verify your address, go to <https://voter.votewa.gov/WhereToVote.aspx>.

## Dayton City Council regular meeting update

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON- The Dayton City Council held its regular meeting on October 11, 2022. Mayor Zac Weatherford and council members Shannon McMillen, Teeny McMunn, James Su'euga, Kyle Anderson, Laura Aukerman, Dain Nysoe, and Tiger Dieu were present at City Hall.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, as was decided at the last meeting.

During the first public comment period, a citizen asked about the status of promised flood mitigation efforts planned by the city.

Weatherford said he has been unable to schedule a meeting with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative.

Sheriff Helm was participating in training and was not available to present the Sheriff's report. Commissioner Ryan Rundell reported that two new deputies are still waiting for an academy start date.

Rundell also reported the Sheriff's Department received a grant for active shooter equipment and a fully equipped, marked Polaris Ranger UTV valued at \$30,000.

He said deputies are still heavily involved with school activities. The Department will host a Halloween hot dog feed at the Court House and is seeking donations of candy which may be dropped off to Chief Civil Deputy Tim Quigg at the Sheriff's Office.

Nysoe noted that the Sheriff's Department's agreement with the City of Dayton requires 24/7 coverage, but the Sheriff said publicly at the recent candidate forum the Department does not provide that service. Nysoe feels this is a violation of "our contractual agreement with the County."

"Furthermore, that agreement says that the Sheriff would be here at each meeting and give us a report. There have been numerous meetings where the Sheriff has not been here in person. Again, that's contrary to what the contract says between the City and the County. So, I just want that on the record," said Nysoe.

Weatherford said the agreement states that the Sheriff or a representative would be present for meetings, which has happened for the most part. McMunn said she asked the Sheriff at the last meeting to estimate the cost of transporting prisoners to other jails. Rundell said he did not have the numbers

off the top of his head, but since he signed the vouchers for the housing at other jails, he knew it was "very expensive."

McMunn expressed concern about the Sheriff and said that illicit fentanyl use was of great concern; however, he'd admitted that the Narcan kits at the Sheriff's Department were all out of date. She thought Narcan should be a higher priority.

Su'euga mentioned a letter from a citizen concerning speeding on Fourth Street. This letter was sent to the Sheriff's Office for action, but Weatherford said he sent copies to all City Council members because it was a matter of interest.

The Council authorized Ordinance 1993 unanimously concerning franchise rights for the Port of Columbia's broadband project.

McMunn said in the committee reports that the Dayton Chamber of Commerce is doing a "Cup of Joe" on October 25 at 7:30 AM at Vikki's Sweet Shoppe." Coffee and breakfast are free and open to the public.

The Chamber of Commerce is preparing for Christmas Kickoff on 25 and 26 November.

Council discussed flood mitigation and dike maintenance at length and, by acclamation, agreed that the County and City should write to higher-level governmental representatives to seek clarification on how to proceed.

In the Mayor's report, Weatherford said the City and Anderson Perry had developed a draft agreement concerning the sewer treatment plant with the property owners. For the time being, the property owners involved remain anonymous. He said the project was still making progress.

Ryan Paulson, the Public Works Director, spoke about work on the fishpond. The pond was leaking copiously, mostly back into the river. The water pump must run full-time to keep the pond full. Some dirt was removed and used to complete the fill of the old swimming pool. The West side of the pond was lined with plastic material and covered with dirt. Nysoe expressed concern about the longevity of the pond's liner. Paulson said he hoped the sediment would help protect the liner. If the leakage problem remains next year, he plans to line the bottom of the pond and other banks to stem the leakage.

County Commissioner, Ryan Rundell, spoke at the end of the meeting to clarify things he had said during the discussion about flood mitigation efforts. "I spoke incorrectly before about the Flood Hazard Mitigation Plan. Apparently, with all the turn-over in our engineering department, we have actually turned the money back to (the Department of) Ecology because the Flood Control Zone District was the recipient of that grant, and it is unfunded and uninsured at this point. We felt that was too much on our plate to deal with. Once we get settled in the Engineering section, we'll be ready to move forward and apply for that grant again."

Weatherford asked that the city be kept in the loop so it and the citizens can keep informed on what is needed to keep flood mitigation efforts moving.



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**October 21:** Gwendolyn Dentinger, Pearl Bickelhaupt, and Steve Ahler.

**October 22:** Sofia Mercado, Gary Greenwell, Donna Hempel, Tom Archer, Holly Kinart, and Susan Duckworth.

**October 23:** Tim (TJ) Hofer, Dana Demaris, Cherie Hinchliff, and Tom Richardson.

**October 24:** Selina Mercado, Tyler Linderoth, Janet Anderson, Betty Elder, Ramona Clark, and Caitlin Durkee.

**October 25:** Judy Skillings, Jacqueline Glover, Jody Peck, Christine Penner, Debbie Moore, Alfred Ritter, Al Peters, and Lizzette Crawford.

**October 26:** Paul Wolfe, Ed Bird, Payton Ng, Dick Buerstatte, Dennis Averill, Jackie Brock, Daniel Petrichord, and Jaso

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Please join us in celebrating **B.A. Keve's 90th birthday.**

Sunday, October 30, 2022, 12-4pm, Youth Bldg, Columbia County

**Open House: Light lunch and refreshments will be served. In lieu of gifts, please bring a fond memory to write down for BA's happy memory book.**

# LEGALS & NEWS



## CELEBRATE AT FT WALLA WALLA OCT. 30

WALLA WALLA—As another year passes, our Living History Company will end the 2022 season with their annual 19th Century Party.

Several Living History performers will share the spotlight, telling guests short stories about their lives and the times in which they lived. Visitors will be able to mingle with the living history performers and enjoy refreshments as part of the program.

The festivities will commence on Oct. 30 at 2 pm in the Museum's Grand Hall and will mark the end of the 2022 Living History season. Please join in thanking them for another successful year.

## WALLA WALLA PARK RESTROOMS CLOSED FOR WINTERIZATION

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla City Parks Winter Restroom Closure Schedule

On Monday, October 31, the City of Walla Walla will begin winterization and closure of all park restrooms for the season. Heritage Square restroom will be open and available for public use during the Downtown Trick or Treat event.

All restrooms will remain locked until March when weather permits them to remain open without danger of freezing.

Port-a-potties will be placed at Pioneer Park circle and other park locations depending on use.



## GOOD NEWS FOR TOUCHET VALLEY GOLF COURSE

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Columbia County was awarded \$3,500 from the Pacific Power Foundation for the Touchet Valley Golf Course Irrigation Project.



Submitted photo

Columbia County Commissioner Marty Hall and Sean Thurston with the check.

### Touchet Valley Weather Oct. 19, 2022

#### Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Showers Likely	Few Showers	Few Showers	Cloudy
High: 76 Low: 44	High: 77 Low: 45	High: 71 Low: 43	High: 61 Low: 37	High: 59 Low: 38	High: 61 Low: 41	High: 64 Low: 42

#### Weather Trivia

What part of the country receives the most solar energy?

ANSWER: The southwestern United States gets the most sunshine, by far.

#### Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	72	55	66/46	0.00"	0.00"
Wednesday	75	49	65/45	0.00"	0.34"
Thursday	73	47	65/45	0.00"	-0.34"
Friday	74	46	64/45	0.00"	59.9°
Saturday	70	47	64/44	0.00"	54.4°
Sunday	73	44	63/44	0.00"	+5.5°
Monday	70	44	63/43	0.00"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

#### Weather History

**Oct. 19, 1844** - The famous "Lower Great Lakes Storm" occurred. Southwesterly winds were at hurricane force for five hours, driving lake waters into downtown Buffalo, N.Y. The storm drowned 200 people.

#### Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
<b>New 10/25</b>	Wednesday	7:15 a.m.	5:59 p.m.	12:34 a.m.	4:05 p.m.
	Thursday	7:17 a.m.	5:57 p.m.	1:41 a.m.	4:28 p.m.
	Friday	7:18 a.m.	5:56 p.m.	2:50 a.m.	4:47 p.m.
	Saturday	7:19 a.m.	5:54 p.m.	3:59 a.m.	5:05 p.m.
	Sunday	7:21 a.m.	5:52 p.m.	5:10 a.m.	5:23 p.m.
<b>First 11/1</b>	Monday	7:22 a.m.	5:51 p.m.	6:22 a.m.	5:41 p.m.
	Tuesday	7:24 a.m.	5:49 p.m.	7:38 a.m.	6:03 p.m.

## LEGAL NOTICES

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 22-4-00188-36

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030

In re the Estate of:  
RICHARD A. THOMAS,  
Deceased.

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

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: October 6, 2022.

BASALT LEGAL PLLC  
By: Jeremy Hyndman, Managing Member of Basalt Legal PLLC, Personal Representative

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The Times  
October 6, 13, 20, 2022  
10-6-a

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

OF THE WALLA WALLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners will hold joint in person and Webex public hearing a 1:30 PM on Monday, October 31, 2022, in Commissioners' Chambers, Walla Walla County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main, Walla Walla, Washington to receive public testimony and consider, pursuant to Walla Walla County Code Chapter 14.15, action or decision on the following proposal.

ZCA21-001 – Yellowhawk Resort WW, LLC, Type III Winery Zoning Code Amendment Amend Section 17.16.014 – Permitted Uses Table to make Type III Winery an allowed use in the Rural Residential 5 (RR-5) district via the conditional use permit process. (Final Docket Review)

On August 3, 2022, the Walla Walla County Planning Commission voted to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners deny the amendment.

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION  
Monday, October 31, at 1:30 PM (or as close thereto as possible)

Location (in person): County Public Health and Legislative Building  
2nd floor – Commissioners' Chambers  
314 West Main Street; Walla Walla, WA

You may also participate in this meeting virtually via Cisco Webex.

Cisco Webex Meeting Link:  
<https://wwco.webex.com/j.php?MTID=m6ef-6c0710e4eb57be4e10ce0c-c827a38>

Call in: 1-408-418-9388  
Meeting Number/Access Code: 146 784 0290

An agenda, instructions on participating by phone or online, and a staff report, will be available approximately one week prior to the hearing. Contact staff directly for more information about how to participate virtually; if you provide your email address, we can

add you to the email distribution list.

Written comments regarding the above-listed application may be submitted prior to and at the hearing on October 31. This is the final opportunity to comment on this application; written comments will not be accepted after the public hearing is closed by the Commissioners which is expected to occur after the public hearing.

Send written comments to the following address:  
Board of County Commissioners  
c/o Community Development Department  
310 W. Poplar Street, Suite 200  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us

FOR MORE INFORMATION: For more information regarding this meeting, please contact the planning staff at 509-524-2610 or [planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us](mailto:planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us).

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The Times  
October 20, 2022  
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**Superior Court of Washington, Walla Walla County**  
No. 22-4-00203-36  
Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)  
In re the Estate of Robert Torvel Jamison, 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

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## CITY OF WALLA WALLA SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR ADVISORY COMMISSION AND BOARD

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The city of Walla Walla is seeking applications from volunteers to fill openings on the following advisory commission and board:

Arts Commission (two vacancies; must be a city resident)

Parks, Recreation, and Urban Forestry Advisory Board (one position; must be a city resident)

Additional information and application forms are available here <https://wallawalla.gov/government/boards-commissions-committees>.

Anyone with questions may contact the City Clerk's Office at 509-527-4424 or [Ineissl@wallawalla.gov](mailto:Ineissl@wallawalla.gov).

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Columbia County Health System Business Office  
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**(509) 382 - 2531**

# Summer's dreams of pooltime next summer

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

This extended summer has been great for selected veggies in my garden. I continue to find ripe tomatoes, cucumbers, and a copious bounty of green peppers for some unknown reason. But I just received a "pool update" notice from the country club that repairs are ongoing, and there will be no pool until next year. Between no tennis (hand still in a cast) and no swimming, it's been disappointing, and more tomatoes do not compensate!



I grew up on Long Island (New York) and was fortunate to spend my summers with friends and siblings at the Levittown Community Pool. We have home movies of my sister learning to dive from the high board when she was around eight. She ran to the edge of the board, hands high, head down, then turned around and ran back. This went on for about three attempts until she finally got up the nerve to go over the edge. Somehow, all that preparation wound up with a feet-first dive into the water; still, she was proud of herself. I was humiliated by my fear of diving when my younger sister was able to conquer the high board. I did eventually learn to dive, but never off the high board.

Per pool rules, we were too young to swim without adult supervision. Fortunately, one of the neighborhood mothers was always around during the week to take us. We kids didn't realize that the mothers took turns giving the other mothers time to shop or just take a much-needed nap. The fathers managed the pool parade on weekends. It was the best!

My first summer here brought back a flood (or pool-full) of great summer memories as I watched kids riding bikes and scooters or walking with towels, goggles, and pool toys to Waitsburg's community pool. The lucky kids got to spend the day in the pool; lucky parents got a bit of a breather and ended up with kids who slept well at night.

When we moved to Tucson in the summer of 1963, the average temperature was over 100 degrees. Do not believe those who say, "it's a dry heat; you won't



Sternfeld family photo

The author's family beating the Arizona heat as they enjoy the community pool.

notice how hot is it."

It's miserably hot and noticeable. Thankfully, we lived in an apartment complex with a pool. We swam from morning until dinner time, with a few meal and bathroom breaks. When we later moved to a house, we found the community pool and continued to spend summer days waterlogged.

In 1968, our family moved to Los Angeles, where the norm is to have pools at private homes, schools, apartments, and clubs, along with large community pools at the public parks. I still look forward to my L.A. visits where the agenda always includes tennis with a cool-off swim in the pool.

As I get older, swimming has become an attractive alternative to tennis and running. Considering I seem to twist, cut, break, and sprain bones and joints far too often, a more gentle exercise is not a bad thing.

I started this summer optimistically with a nice circle of tennis friends. Unfortunately, the optimism ended with my broken wrist. Now, I really miss a pool. The Waitsburg pool closed permanently last year, and the Dayton pool closed several years ago. Both communities are working to replace them.

Swimming and sunning with a good book sure beat yanking out my fading garden, hampered by the cast on my arm.

## Just Vignettes by Popo Ott The Flag Waver

I call this series "Just Vignettes" because that's what they are, just short snapshots of things that have happened to me or have been told to me. I can vouch the stories you read here are mostly true.

Since the Kirk was homeported in Japan, she made frequent calls to the port of Sasebo on the southern island of Kyushu. Besides being a bustling port for commerce, it also contained a U.S. Navy base and a Japanese Maritime Self Defense Force base. Sasebo is considered one of the safest ports during a typhoon in Southeast Asia because high, tree-covered mountains surround the port and its approaches. The mountains plunged precipitously to the sea, leaving few level areas suitable for people to live until you arrived at the flat land where the city was.

High atop a distant mountain, usually veiled in a thin fog, were three giant high-frequency radio towers, the same towers that sent the message, "Climb Mount Niitaka," giving the distant pilots

the command to attack Pearl Harbor in 1941. They would have also received the response, "Tora! Tora! Tora!" from the pilots, which indicated the surprise attack was successful.

On a small promontory that nearly brushed the ship as she passed by, stood a traditional Japanese home surrounded by trees. A small patch of a green garden tilted towards the Kirk, with the same scene every time the Kirk entered Sasebo Harbor.

An elderly Japanese woman with her hair in a bun and sporting a tight-lipped smile stood holding a tea tray with a tea set. She was dressed in a frumpish gingham mother Hubbard dress with a long dark blue kitchen apron. Next to her was her husband, an ancient, scrawny man who wielded a long wooden flagstaff, the butt end firmly planted in the ground. He wore nothing but a white fundoshi and sandals as he waved the large flag affixed to the top of the staff in a broad figure eight above his head. The flag was an American flag.

I was surprised the first time I saw this spectacle; then, with subsequent visits to Sasebo, it became familiar.

After transferring off the Kirk, I did not visit Sasebo for about four years. Returning on another frigate, I searched anxiously for the couple as we entered port. There was no trace of them. I never saw them after that. I could only ponder what happened to them and why the old man with the supportive wife waved the American flag so heartily. I think I will never know.

### CLASSIFIEDS HELP WANTED

**WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**  
K-12 Health/Physical Education Teacher  
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Crystal and glass.  
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Furniture including a large table with leaves and China hutch.

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Miscellaneous quality items for the home.



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Gift donations are being collected for children ages 2 through 14.

Join us as we assemble boxes at the Waitsburg Presbyterian Church basement on Saturday, November 12th at 9am.

Donations of Shoebox contents can be dropped off by October 31st at the Waitsburg Christian Church, M-TH, Sat 11am - 6pm or the Waitsburg Presbyterian CE building, M, TH, Fri 12:30 - 2:30pm

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## MS Football Team Loses to Desales

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

DW COMBINE—Wolfpack Coach Lucas Collier stated his team started out slow in the first half of their game against Desales on Thursday, October 13. The Wolfpack middle school football team played tough in the 40-26 loss to the Irish.

Offensively, quarterback Cooper Hansen had a 50-plus-yard running touchdown, and Byron Collier was a key lead blocker and had a touchdown. Jordan McCowen made some nice catches, JJ Gleason had some great runs,

Collier got some much-needed tackles in the backfield for losses, and Hansen got an interception and ran for a 25-yard return.

Coach Collier and his staff know there is still work to do, and the Wolfpack is up for the challenge. They will be ready for their next game; in Dayton against Liberty Christian on October 20.



#55 Beau Hazelbaker puts pressure on Desales quarterback

Karen Huwe



Elsie Mann spikes against TCP

Karen Huwe

## HS Volleyball Drop Match to TCP

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

DW COMBINE—The high school Wolfpack volleyball team struggled with Tri-City Prep's serves and missed numerous digs in their loss on Oct. 13 in Dayton. TCP won in three sets: 25-14, 25-15, and 25-14. Elsie Mann had three kills for DW, and Peyton Struckmeier had two blocks. The Wolfpack will work to eliminate unforced errors in their last three matches of the season.



#71 Ruben Yutzy kicking a return against Columbia-Burbank.

## DW LOSES TO CB

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Dayton-Waitsburg lost a EWAC football game at Columbia-Burbank on Friday, October 14. Daylan Marlow scored the only touchdown in the 58-8 loss.

Kaylub Prachter had another great show-

ing on defense with 10 solo tackles. Spencer Hansen caught seven passes from quarterback Monte Pettichord for 92 total yards.

The Wolfpack will take a 5-2 record to Warden on Friday, October 21.

Aeryelle Gleason

## Sno-Park Permits go on sale Nov. 1

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

OLYMPIA — Washington Sno-Park permits go on sale starting November 1, 2022. The State Parks Winter Recreation Program manages over 120 recreation sites, or Sno-Parks, across the state, which recreators can enjoy during the winter season. Parking at these sites requires special permits.

Seasonal or one-day Sno-Park permits can be purchased at <https://tinyurl.com/twek7brb> or through a licensed vendors.

Snowmobilers must register their snowmobiles through the Washington Department of Licensing.

In addition to the seasonal Sno-Park permit, a special groomed permit is required to park at several high-use Sno-Parks, including Crystal Springs, Cabin Creek, Hyak, Lake Easton, Lake Wenatchee, Chiwawa, Nason Ridge, and Mount Spokane. The Special Groomed Permit helps pay for snow removal, lot clearing, sanitation and staffing at locations. The Special Groomed Permit is not required with a one-day permit.

A Discover Pass is not required at Sno-Parks, and the Sno-Park permit is still required, even on the 12 days a year when the Discover Pass is not required for parking on state lands.

Washington State Sno-Parks help provide access to a variety of winter recreation activities including cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, dog sledding, and tubing. Some parks are also designated for use of motorized vehicles including snowmobiles, tracked ATVs and snowbikes. Sno-Park permits are required from December 1 through April 30.

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## Wine of the Week

*Pike Road 2021 Pinot Gris*

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES

Pike Road is a sister label to Oregon's Elk Cove. The wines are finished with a screwcap which provides extra protection from potential cork taint and is easy to open and reclose. It's perfectly fine to drink a glass or two and put the cap back on to preserve the wine for a second or third day. This delicious Pinot Gris (the same grape as Pinot Grigio) leads with a big whiff of fresh cut pears as you explore a wine loaded with ripe fruit flavors. The natural acidity and texture keep the palate refreshed through a long ride, with touches of lime and wet stone along the way. This is a terrific value and a wonderful white wine for fall sipping. Hang onto a few bottles for that Thanksgiving turkey.

13%; \$16 (Willamette Valley)

<https://www.pikeroadwines.com/product/2021-Pinot-Gris>



**2022 NOVEMBER 8  
LUNAR ECLIPSE**

The second total lunar eclipse of 2022 will be visible during the early morning of Tuesday November 8th.

Goldendale Observatory will be open for special hours from 12 am to 6am.

Stay tuned for updates at [Goldendaleobservatory.com](http://Goldendaleobservatory.com)

## Around the Valley: With Karen Huwe

*Goldendale, Washington*

Three of my sisters and I recently traveled to Goldendale, near the Columbia Gorge, to learn about the sun and solar system, see the Stonehenge Memorial and walk the grounds at the Maryhill Museum of Art.

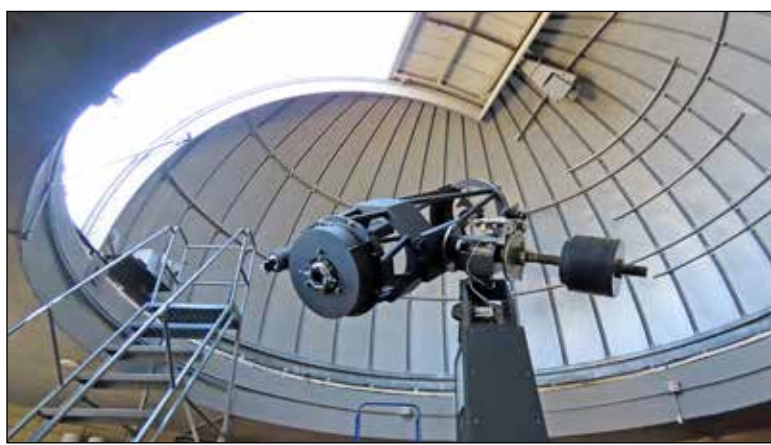
The observatory is located atop a 2,100-ft hill at Goldendale Observatory State Park. Admission is free, but a Washington State Parks Discovery Pass is required to park on-site. They are available for purchase at the facility for \$10 for a day pass and \$30 for an annual pass.

The afternoon program started in the South Dome room, where there was a giant public telescope. It is 24.5-inches in diameter and was recently upgraded with a new mirror and an attached 6-inch refractor telescope. After an informative discussion about the sun, the group of about twenty people took turns ascending the staircase to look at the sun through the telescope.

The group then went into a classroom to learn about dwarf planets, ice giants, gas giants, and more about the sun from an expert staff member's Power-Point presentation and group discussion.

About 100 people attended the evening session to learn about the solar system in a classroom session and had a chance to see Saturn through the South Dome telescope. Afterwards, they went outdoors to view constellations with the naked eye and through a 12" telescope.

The Goldendale Observatory will be open for special event to view the lunar eclipse which will be visible on Tuesday, November 8 between 12:01 am to 6 am. The Observatory will be open for viewing from 11:30 p.m. on Monday



Karen Huwe

The telescopes in the South Dome.

night to 6 a.m. on Tuesday morning. Visitors are invited to bring their own telescopes and cameras. There will be more information about the event at <https://www.goldendaleobservatory.com/special.html>.

The next stop was the Stonehenge Memorial which was completed and dedicated on May 30, 1929, by museum founder Sam Hill. It is a replica of the ancient Neolithic structure Hill saw in England in 1915. He had it built in the memory of soldiers from Klickitat County who gave their lives in defense of their country.

Maryhill Museum of Art is located on a bluff overlooking the Columbia River. Walking the trail we read numerous interpretive signs, had great views of the river and saw art sculptures displayed on the grounds. The Museum has four stories of art for people to view.

Another highlight of the trip was meeting the mother of Jessi Combs. Combs was posthumously awarded the title of the fastest woman on land after a fatal crash in the Alvord Desert in Oregon in 2019. The wheel on her jet-powered car failed at a high speed of over 500 mph. Combs' mom stated that she was traveling from Rapid City, South Dakota to Tacoma, Washington to preview a documentary about Jessi. The documentary will be on HBO Max later this month.

Small towns and great adventures. Get outdoors and enjoy life!



Karen Huwe

Janet, Karen, Sandra and Joanie at the backside of Stonehenge

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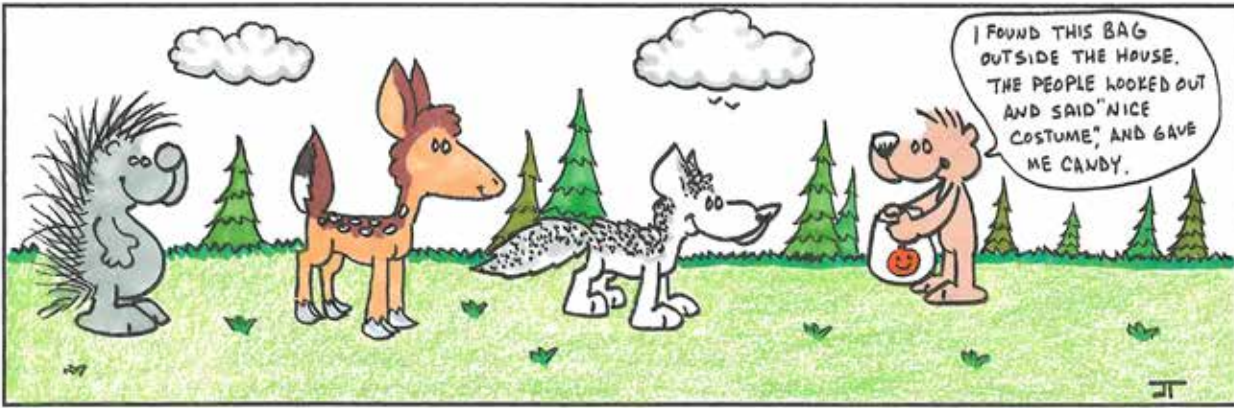
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# FUN & GAMES

## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmy L. Turner



## GRIN and BEAR IT



## LAFF-A-DAY



"You woke up Mother!"

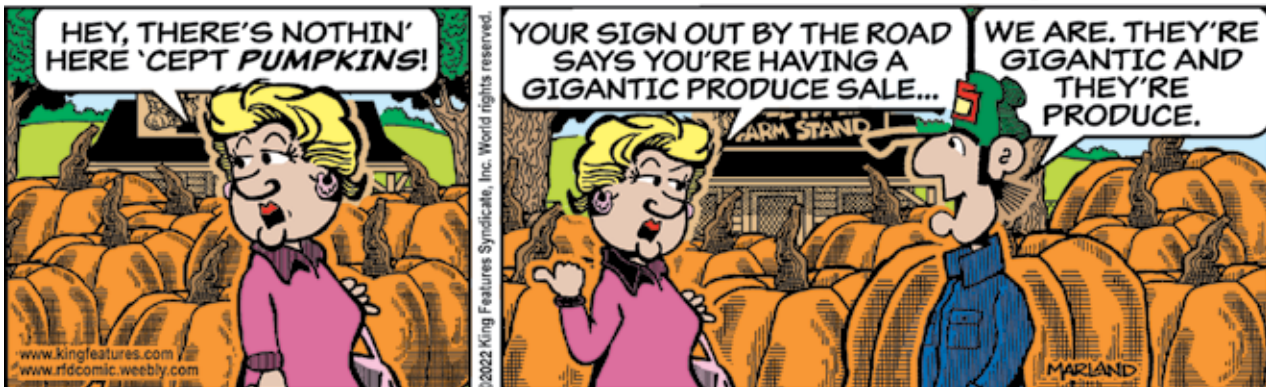
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by Gary Kopervas



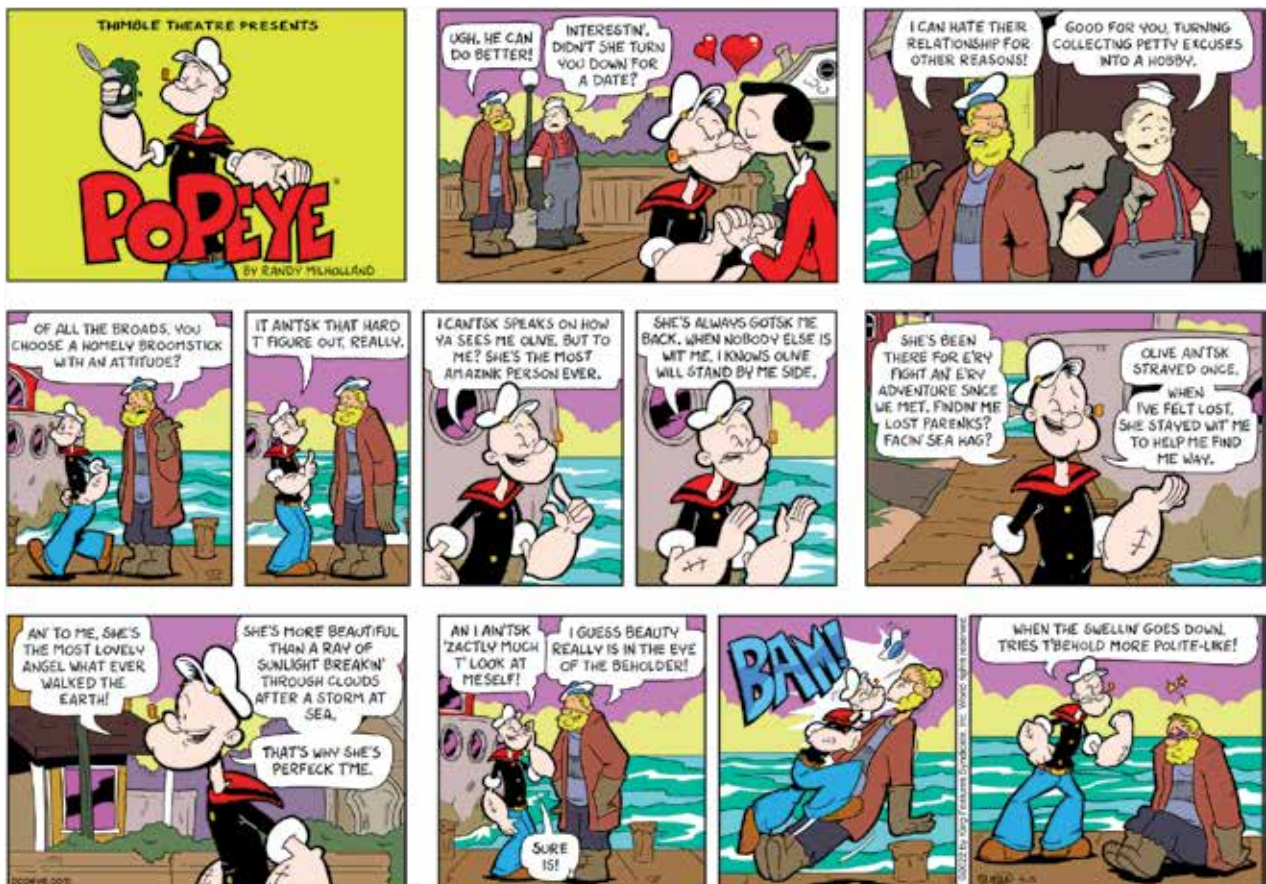
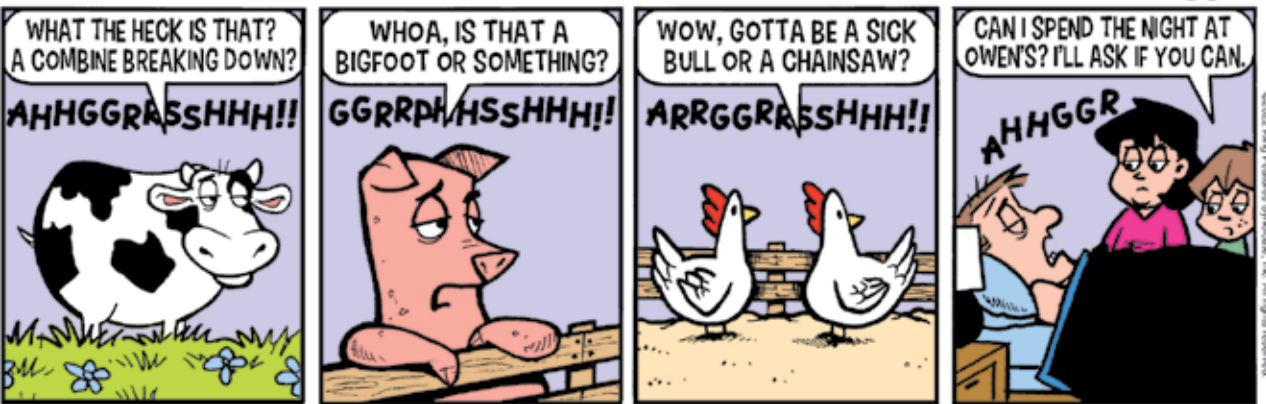
## R.F.D.



by Mike Marland

## Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



## PIONEER PORTRAITS

### Ten Years Ago

October 18, 2012

Waitsburg-Prescott's first-string defense held Mabton to minus 31 yards of rushing and minus 3 yards passing, en route to a 54-8 homecoming drubbing of the visiting Vikings here Friday. Mabton recorded no first downs versus WP's no. 1 defense, fumbled twice and ran only four plays for positive yardage. WP's starters played just half the game, and their dominant performance on both offense and defense forced the 40-point running clock rule for the entire second half. WP's initial scoring came early and often. The Cards put 26 points on the board in less than 5:30 in the first quarter.

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 23, 1997

The 1997 Cardinal volleyball season ended on a high note as the Waitsburg Cardinals defeated Liberty Christian in Richland in the last game of the regular season. Waitsburg smothered LC 15-0, 15-2. The Cards, 9-5 in league and 14-6 overall, are preparing for the Blue Mountain League tournament this Saturday in Asotin. Waitsburg will face the powerful Pomeroy Pirates at noon in Asotin. The number 3 Cardinals play No. 2 Pomeroy, which was unseated from its season-long position in first place. Liberty Christian, a program finishing its first season, was no match for the Cards. The Kennewick team faced all 11 of the Cardinal varsity, some of which played only a single game, said Coach Karen Huwe. The match was over in 30 minutes.

### Fifty Years Ago

October 19, 1972



[Photo Caption] Eight ladies from Waitsburg and two from Prescott have been attending the WWCC class for football for women conducted by the Warrior coaching staff. After several weeks of study, these gals now know the difference between a forward pass and a first down, so the men better be careful discussing football around them. In this WWCC photo are, left to right, Jan DeCoria, Patty McKinney, Betty Callahan, Betty Maib, Mary Davis, Betty Jo Donnelly, Carol Huwe and Janet Westendahl of Prescott. Coach Mike Monahan is at the left of the picture.

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

October 24, 1947

William Anderson of Waitsburg is one of a group of Whitman students to be pledged to the Whitman College Dramatic Club for evidence of ability in acting, playwriting and stage production.

A Halloween dance will be held Friday Oct. 31 at the gym. The committee includes Mrs. Bob Collins, Mrs. H. Zuger, Mrs. Jake Smith, Mrs. Delbert Castle, Lucy Donnelly, Mrs. Fred Zuger and Mrs. Chas. Laughery.

Dorward Bains killed a three-point buck last week while hunting near Skyline Drive with his father, Roy Bains.

### One Hundred Years Ago

October 27, 1922

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Kinder who have been making their home at Hanna, Alberta, have returned to Dayton and expect to settle permanently in this part of the country.

Mildred Gassaway, daughter of James Gassaway, who has been confined to her home for some time with a bad case of measles has returned to school.

Report cards came out last Wednesday with seventeen named to the honor roll. Seniors: Lois Dixon, Eva Gibson, Sereta Patton, Granville Edmonds. Juniors: Delbert Woodworth, Ralph Gohman, Martha Phillips, Dorothy Dixon. Sophomores: Ruth Eichelberger, Ward Barnes, Macy Arnold. Freshmen: John Milligan, Roy Wright, John Caley, Vernon Ogden, Edward Jordan, Dorothy Call.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 22, 1897

Mrs. S. W. Smith and Mrs. J. C. Neace entertained thirty lady friends at the home of Mrs. Smith on Wednesday afternoon at one of the most delightful "at homes" of the season in the city. Mrs. Russell and daughter of Los Angeles were the guests of honor. Dainty and toothsome refreshments were served.

Robert Loundagin is unfortunate in that he had 1400 bushels of wheat damaged to an unmarketable extent by getting wet and sprouting.

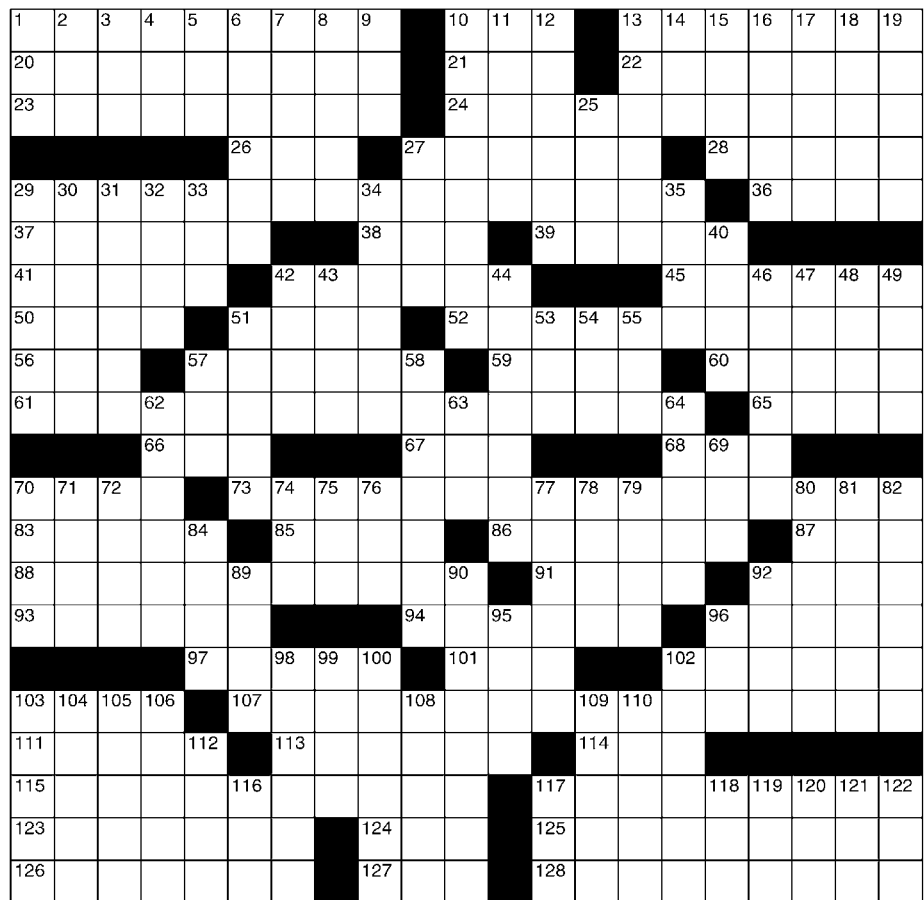
Jack Smith arrived in this city on Saturday morning from Pendleton. Jack has just completed the brick work of the Odd Fellow's Temple there, a beautiful structure of two stories, 50 x 92.

# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword

AWOL

- ACROSS**
- 1 Lag
  - 10 Hailed ride
  - 13 Nightwear
  - 20 Rust, essentially
  - 21 Corrida cheer
  - 22 Topped with ice cream
  - 23 Katie Couric or Diane Sawyer
  - 24 Spell-casting cartoon infant?
  - 26 Commotion
  - 27 Per unit
  - 28 Brewskis
  - 29 Chimed unstopably?
  - 36 Unit of force
  - 37 Turns inside out
  - 38 Outback bird
  - 39 Sarandon of "Alfie"
  - 41 Put forward
  - 42 Able to speak easily
  - 45 Cheeky kid
  - 50 Depose
  - 51 Alice, for the Bradys
  - 52 Where old Venetian magistrates dropped off their tots to be watched?
  - 56 —fi flick
  - 57 One trying for strikes
  - 59 Lawn tool
  - 60 He has a famous lap
  - 61 Stiller and Affleck co-hosting a New Year's Eve special?
  - 65 Really smell
  - 66 Chaney of horror
  - 67 Grazing field
  - 68 Oolong, e.g.
  - 70 Preminger of film
  - 73 2 and 8, in Morse code?
  - 83 Writer Kafka
  - 85 Sources of 1-Down and 84-Down
  - 86 Eye-irritating bulbs
  - 87 "Kaboom!"
  - 88 Boxer Spinks, to non-Americans?
  - 91 Slimy garden crawler
  - 92 With 94-Across, old hack
  - 93 Big name in canned heat
  - 94 See 92-Across
  - 96 Was sick
  - 97 Hot winter quaff
  - 101 Salty water
  - 102 Snub
  - 103 Move, to Realtors
  - 107 Song about a fire breather who uses Apple computers?
  - 111 Put on — (pretend)
  - 113 One or the other
  - 114 Child's amuser
  - 115 People who relax by listening to singer Johnny?
  - 117 Calculated the total of
  - 123 Honored academic retirees
  - 124 Antique car
  - 125 Medications taken by mouth
  - 126 One backing up a soloist
  - 127 Mem. of Congress
  - 128 AWOL soldier ... or a feature of eight answers in this puzzle
  - DOWN**
  - 1 Element in bronze
  - 2 Mad feeling
  - 3 Groom grass
  - 4 Nav. officer
  - 5 The "D" of DJIA
  - 6 Mass emigration
  - 7 Highest or lowest point
  - 8 "A Bell for —"
  - 9 Hankering
  - 10 Having two or more parts
  - 11 "Mr. Klein" star Delon
  - 12 Gives rise to
  - 13 Toyotas of the 1990s
  - 14 Boxing's "Greatest"
  - 15 Doorframe part
  - 16 Fired (up)
  - 17 Saunter
  - 18 Ornament
  - 19 Smell or taste
  - 25 Tan shade
  - 27 Highest point
  - 29 Put on a blog again, e.g.
  - 30 Affirm
  - 31 Loch monster moniker
  - 32 Bits of sand
  - 33 Ex-Giant Mel
  - 34 Quarreled bitterly
  - 35 Tomb-raiding
  - 40 Antis' votes
  - 42 Doe's baby
  - 43 Cheery tune
  - 44 Twister
  - 46 Jewelry beetle
  - 47 Rattan
  - 48 Comedian Johnson
  - 49 Pipe problem
  - 51 Pitcher's spot
  - 53 Chatter idly
  - 54 Squeak (out)
  - 55 Bear's retreat
  - 57 Spooky cry
  - 58 Applies, as some deodorant
  - 62 One making an exact copy
  - 63 Really small
  - 64 Smarted
  - 69 Gp. mobilized by a 911 call
  - 70 Rip — (filmflams)
  - 71 Jogging pace
  - 72 Weight deduction
  - 74 Ending for buff or bass
  - 75 Address for a techie
  - 76 Apiary buzzer
  - 77 Pant-length measurement
  - 78 Money tray
  - 79 Entre —
  - 80 Literary last words
  - 81 "Batman" actor Cesar
  - 82 Ikea's home
  - 84 Element in bronze
  - 89 Hair gel, e.g.
  - 90 Eats as a snack
  - 92 Actress Merrill or Spybey
  - 95 Swerve
  - 96 The "A" of USDA
  - 98 Brings up to speed
  - 99 "Don't believe a word —!"
  - 100 Dessert, to Brits
  - 102 Rustic poems
  - 103 Goes fast
  - 104 As a friend, in French
  - 105 Zapped with light
  - 106 Earthy tone, to Brits
  - 108 One more than a pair
  - 109 Old game console
  - 110 Soft drinks
  - 112 Light haircut
  - 116 Guess at Sea-Tac
  - 117 Male turkey
  - 118 Exiled Amin
  - 119 Suffix with northeast
  - 120 Used a spade
  - 121 Fleece-lined boot brand
  - 122 Chi follower



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## MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

# Spiced Lentil & Pumpkin Soup



The beauty of autumn is all around, and I couldn't be happier. The first flashes of changing colors have been spotted in some of the trees around town, and the star-filled nights have been the perfect backdrop for cozy bonfires. On top of pulling out all my favorite flannels, I have been searching through my recipe collections for satisfying and seasonal soups. At the same time, we harvested some gorgeous pumpkins and Hubbard squash from the back yard this week, a perfect inspiration for the soup pot. Here the earthiness of black lentils, is balanced with the sweetness of pumpkin. This gorgeous soup, which is an adaptation of a Moroccan recipe, is enlivened with golden turmeric and ground ginger. A dollop of tangy herbed yogurt adds a bright and cool flourish to the top.

### Ingredients:

- ½ pound (1 heaping cup) black or brown lentils, rinsed and picked over
- 6 cups water, vegetable stock or chicken stock
- 1 onion, cut in half lengthwise root end attached
- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and smashed
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 20 sprigs fresh cilantro, tied in a bunch
- Salt
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- 2 carrots, peeled and cut into ¼-inch dice
- ¾ pound pumpkin (or other winter squash), peeled and cut into ¼-inch dice
- 3 tablespoons tomato paste
- Fresh ground black pepper
- ½ to 1 teaspoon sweet paprika
- 3 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- ½ cup plain Greek style yogurt
- 2 tablespoons fresh cilantro, minced
- Juice of half a lemon

### Directions:

In a large heavy stock pot or Dutch oven, combine the lentils, water or stock, onion halves, garlic cloves and bay leaf. Bring to a boil over high heat. Stir in the turmeric and the cilantro sprigs. Reduce the heat, season to taste with salt, and bring to a gentle simmer. Cover and cook for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Next, carefully remove the onion halves from the pot. Then add the ginger, coriander, carrots, pumpkin, tomato paste, and a crack of black pepper to taste. Return to a simmer, stirring gently. Cover and simmer until the lentils and vegetables are tender, about 20 to 30 more minutes. When done, remove the cilantro stems, and any large garlic pieces. Stir in the paprika then taste and adjust seasoning, adding more salt as needed. Just before serving stir in the parsley and olive oil, then remove from heat.

While the soup is cooking make the yogurt sauce. In a small bowl combine the yogurt, cilantro, and lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and black pepper. Set aside. When ready to serve soup, ladle into bowls, spoon a dollop of the herbed yogurt on top of the soup and garnish with fresh ground pepper.

### Notes:

This flavorful and nourishing soup makes a complete meal. A wonderful option for a vegetarian feast when made with vegetable stock. You could omit the yogurt sauce to make it vegan, finishing with just a squeeze of lemon juice over the top. Cooking with chicken or turkey stock adds a little more richness.

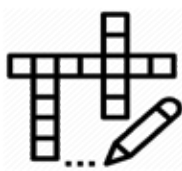
If you don't have pumpkin, you could use butternut or acorn squash. Sweet potatoes or yams would also be a delicious and colorful substitution.

To elevate the North African inspired spice notes you could crumble some saffron in with the turmeric during first step of the lentil cooking. Ground sumac would also be lovely added at the end as a bright finishing garnish.

Serve this comforting soup with plenty of warm crusty bread for dipping, and perhaps a crisp green salad on the side. Enjoy.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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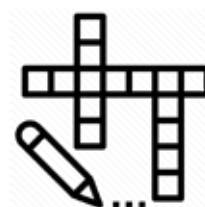
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## Weekly SUDOKU

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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

Zoom info available by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)

#### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Wednesday of the month, 9 a.m. at

Weller Public Library

For more information email: [waitsburgpr@protonmail.com](mailto:waitsburgpr@protonmail.com)

#### Community Health & Protection Committee

8:30 AM - Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Waitsburg City Hall and on Zoom

#### 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

#### Weller Library Board of Trustees Meeting

2nd Tuesday of each month



### 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-city-hall/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 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, Performance, Live Music

### WAITSBURG

Mythical / Movable

#### Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam

##### Upcoming Jams

All Jams - 7:00 p.m.

10/21 Ten Ton Coffee

216 Main St, Waitsburg

#### Blue Grass Kids

Free music program for children 7 to 18 yrs old.

Many instruments are available for loan.

For more information email Kate Hockersmith at [tvamp1@charter.net](mailto:tvamp1@charter.net)

#### At American 35

Main Street, Waitsburg

October 21, 9-11 pm

Live music by Kate Dinsmore

"Sweet sweeping melodies over clean, crisp guitar."

"Coffee shop modern vocals with hip, relevant lyrics."

"The kind of voice that makes you lean in and listen."



"Kate Dinsmore stops you dead in your tracks with her soaring vocals."

#### October 26, 6:30-7:30 pm

Trivia night

Trivia night is back! This month's topics are food, US presidents, and numbers (how long, how many, etc). A basket of prizes will be awarded to the winning team. Enjoy our brand-new fall menu while you play.

#### October 28, 4-9 pm

Halloween Axe-stravaganza - mobile axe throwing Corn mazes, haunted houses, and trick-or-treating are lots of fun, but have you tried axe throwing?!!?

This Halloween weekend, throw axes with your buddies while enjoying spirits and hauntingly good pizza at American 35. Kids welcome when accompanied by an adult!

\$10 gets you 10 throws using your choice of hatchets, tactical axes, and/or Ninja stars. Highest score of the night will win a gift card for a free pizza and an American 35 beanie!

\*Closed toe shoes required

\*Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent



### DAYTON

#### TRICK OR TREAT MAIN STREET GET YOUR BOO ON!



Monday, Oct 31st

3:00 - 5:00pm

Don't forget the pumpkin carving picture contest!



The Dayton Chamber of Commerce

Presents: Coffee Talk

October 25th, 2022

7:50 AM at VIKKI'S SWEET SHOPPE

217 East Main St, Dayton

PRESENTER: PAUL BOWEN WITH SBDC  
IDEAS AND STRATEGIES TO COMBAT  
INFLATION COFFEE AND BREAKFAST  
PROVIDED.

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.



### WALLA WALLA



**Little Watts: Circus Luminescence** (family show)  
November 20 @ 2:00 pm \$8 - \$12

Circus Luminescence features the award-winning duo Eli March and Scramble James, performing a contemporary vaudeville variety show that is appropriate for the whole family. This production includes incredible partner juggling, breathtaking acrobatics, visual displays, tricks, and comedy.

### PRESCOTT

#### Prescott Lions Breakfast is Back!

October 22

from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

All you can eat eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, pancakes, juice, coffee.

All for \$10.00.

Corner of Hwy 124 & D Street.

Hope to see you there!

