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Beka Compton

The American Legion Post 42 led the parade down Main Street Dayton on November 26. The annual Christmas Kickoff event brought crowds of people together throughout the weekend.

THIS WEEK



Trees, Trees, Trees!
The Christmas trees are up in Dayton and Waitsburg thanks to volunteers. (See page 12)



Palouse Outdoors: A Partridge Welcome to the Palous. (See page 7)



Shopping Locally:
Finding the right gifts for the men in your life. (See page 9)

Special meeting to review Dayton City 2022 Budget

Dayton City Council votes for one percent property tax increase.

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON— The Dayton City Council held a special meeting at 6 p.m., November 23, 2021. All city council members were in attendance except Byron Kaczmariski, who was excused.

The council approved the agenda unanimously. There was no public comment.

Paul Ihle presented a daycare facility update. Ihle sits on the standing committee studying childcare issues for the Columbia County Health System (CCHS). The committee is working to identify a suitable location. The architect used by the CCHS has been advising on the project and drafting drawings.

Once open, Ihle said the YWCA would run the facility, and it would be available to all families, eventually offering services for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.

Initially, it was proposed that the daycare center be located at the former migrant camp just east, across the highway, from the Seneca facility. Unfortunately, the location is unsuitable for a daycare facility as it is in an industrial zone and would require extensive renovations and improvements.

The committee is considering four alternate locations. The Port of Columbia has offered land just west of the gardens at Blue Mountain Station (BMS), with utilities readily available for use. The Port wishes to support the project for similar reasons to CCHS; making it easier for employees to find daycare encourages economic development in the county. The BMS location has the added advantage of a more accessible site to residents of Waitsburg and Dayton.

A second location being considered is the site of the former municipal pool. This location could be part of a community center project envisioned by the Friends of the Pool Committee, including the pool, daycare, and other public use areas.

The third alternative is the vacant lot between the Dayton School bus barn and the city park baseball diamond. Councilmember Yost expressed concern that this area might experience traffic congestion.

The final alternative is the former First Christian Church across the street from the elementary school playground. Though this property has an excellent location, it would require extensive and expensive improvements for daycare use.

The presentation on daycare did not require any city council action.

The city council next held the first of two public hearings to review and receive public comment on Mayor Zac Weatherford's proposed 2022 budget.

The budget rose to nearly \$7.9 million from \$6.5 million in 2021. The council discussed a proposed one-percent property tax increase for the city, which is the maximum amount allowed by law without a vote of the people. For this increase to be implemented, the council needed to approve it at this meeting. The estimated revenue to the city from the one percent tax increase would be around \$4000.

Councilmember Dain Nysoe said the city should not raise taxes for such a trivial amount. He was also concerned that the

Waitsburg residents step up for parade

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The town seemed unusually quiet this fall, and community members began to question whether or not annual holiday festivities would be happening.

Local residents began approaching *The Times* wondering about holiday favorites, including Hometown Christmas and the Lighted Parade. The events are usually hosted by the Waitsburg Commercial Club, which has been inactive since new leadership took over in April, 2020.

The Times reached out to the tried and true volunteers in the community, who have since stepped up and spearheaded holiday happenings.

Waitsburg resident, Cindy Daves has organized a community-wide Christmas Light Contest, which has brought a little extra sparkle to town. Judging will occur on December 7.

Joy Smith, former Commercial Club president, has been busy planning a small parade, happening on December 18. Parade registrations are available at *The Times* office, and by emailing Smith at waitsburgcc@icloud.com.

Dayton recognizes local plumber Dale White.

THE TIMES

DAYTON—In small communities, heroes come from all backgrounds, and they almost never wear capes. They live quiet lives, hiding in plain sight, taking their satisfaction in a job well done. They may be thanked for each job, but not for the bigger impact they have on their communities.

That's not the case for Dayton, however. At least, not if Gordon Gerlitz can help it.

"We have to recognize people while they are still going," said Gerlitz. "Oftentimes, we recognize people after the fact, but that doesn't work for me. If you're doing a great job, I want to thank you now."

A very important thank you was organized by Dayton residents Gerlitz and Vicki Zoller, for a longtime plumber who continues to help his clients-turned-friends in every way that he possibly can.

Since 1987, White Plumbing has been going above and beyond to answer every call for help, and the services have not gone unappreciated. Community members recently came together to say a very big, virtual thank you to owner Dale White.

White was presented a Certificate of Appreciation from both the City of Dayton and the Columbia County Commissioners. Long-time clients sent in letters of appreciation, as well, and the letters all had a common theme, Gerlitz shared. "Rain, snow, or shine, Dale White would do what was needed to fix your plumbing



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NEWS

NEWS BRIEFS

AT THE LIBERTY:

Eternals

Eternals is a saga about a race of immortal beings who lived on Earth and shaped its history and civilizations. This is another in the Marvel series of action-adventure movies. Angelina Jolie, Richard Madden, and Salma Hayek lead the cast.

Rotten Tomatoes gives this movie a 48% “fresh” or favorable from the critics, with an 80% favorable from the audiences. Some have said that this is a different kind of Marvel movie, but that it still has lots of what one would expect from the Marvel series. Others have said this is one of the worst in the Marvel’s franchise, while still other critics say this movie is the boldest bet in the Marvel series since *Guardians of the Galaxy*.

This movie is rated PG-13 for fantasy violence and action, some language and brief sexuality. Runtime is 2 hours 37 mins. This movie shows on Friday Dec. 3, and Saturday Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m. The movie also shows at 3 p.m on Sunday Dec. 5, and then again on Tues. Dec. 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Online advance seat purchase is preferred, but tickets will be available at the door if any remain. Masks are required.


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Angelina Jolie, Richard Madden, Salma Hayek

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HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY IN WALLA WALLA

THE TIMES

WALLAWALLA—Come and enjoy a holiday cookie to help kick off the holiday season as we light the official City of Walla Walla Holiday Tree in Heritage Square at 116 E Main Street, Saturday, December 4.

The Walla Walla Choral Society will be performing holiday carols and there will be a special guest appearance by Santa Claus. Festivities will begin at 5pm and conclude in time for everyone to find the perfect spot to enjoy the Holiday Parade of Lights.

For more information contact Andy Coleman at 527-4527 or acoleman@wallawalla.gov.



WWCC NURSING STUDENT NOMINATED FOR STATEWIDE TRANSFORMING LIVES AWARD

THE TIMES

WALLAWALLA—Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) student Kody Rooper was selected as the college’s nomination for the statewide Transforming Lives Award during the November Board of Trustees meeting.

Created in 2012, the Transforming Lives Awards program recognizes current and former students whose lives have been changed by pursuing higher education at a community or technical college. Each college board of trustees names one recipient, whose story and picture is included in a booklet shared with state legislators and the broader higher education community.

In materials considered by the Board, Rooper, of Waitsburg, said he was very unsure about whether he could succeed at college, describing a lifetime of barriers and challenges. He was born two months premature, and grew up in a house where drug use was prevalent. Both of his parents were in prison by the time he was four years old. Rooper says that he struggled with school, relationships, emotions, and cognitive function.

“I believed for a long time that my shortcomings were essentially out of my control,” Rooper said. “It was my destiny to fail.”

He says that gaining custody of his four-year-old daughter was a key turning point in his life. His significant other had two children, and he felt compelled to do more with his future—and serve as a role model for their futures. When visiting with people at WWCC, he says he encountered faculty and staff who believed in him, even when he was having trouble believing in himself.

Today, Rooper is a student in WWCC’s Nursing program.

“I love how the human body works, as well as the psychology of being human,” Rooper said. “I intend to finish my RN, get my BSN, and continue to a graduate-level program in nursing. Long-term, my goal is to become a certified nurse anesthetist.”

In discussing the nominations, WWCC Board of Trustees Vice Chair Michelle Liberty said that she believes that Rooper’s inspiring story and transformation at WWCC makes him a great candidate to win the statewide award.

The ACT Awards Committee will select six keynote speakers from the nominations submitted by Washington community and technical colleges. All nominees are invited to attend the Transforming Lives Awards Dinner on January 24, 2022, at the RL Hotel in Olympia. Each award winner receives a \$500 cash award.

“Kody is one of many examples of how WWCC transforms lives every year,” WWCC President Dr. Chad Hickox said. “We celebrate Kody’s success, and look forward every day to helping each of our students achieve their fullest potential.”

Those who are interested in learning more about WWCC are encouraged to visit www.wwcc.edu. Winter Quarter classes begin January 3.

Touchet Valley Weather

Dec. 1, 2021

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Scattered Rain	Partly Cloudy
High: 66 Low: 48	High: 56 Low: 35	High: 48 Low: 33	High: 52 Low: 35	High: 49 Low: 38	High: 50 Low: 40	High: 47 Low: 35

Weather Trivia

Which is denser, dry or humid air?

Answer: Dry air.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	46	29	46/34	0.08"	0.18"
Wednesday	47	33	46/34	0.00"	0.48"
Thursday	58	38	45/34	Trace	-0.30"
Friday	59	46	45/33	0.01"	48.4°
Saturday	65	42	45/33	Trace	39.2°
Sunday	65R	49	44/33	0.00"	+9.2°
Monday	58	42	44/33	0.09"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Weather History

Dec. 1, 1989 - Heavy snow blanketed the mountains of New Mexico, with 12 inches reported at the Angel Fire Ski Basin. Strong northerly winds, ushering cold air into the north central United States, gusted to 55 mph at Devils Lake, N.D.

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
New 12/4	Wednesday	7:15 a.m.	4:09 p.m.	3:44 a.m.	2:38 p.m.	
	Thursday	7:16 a.m.	4:08 p.m.	5:06 a.m.	3:06 p.m.	
	Friday	7:17 a.m.	4:08 p.m.	6:32 a.m.	3:41 p.m.	
	Saturday	7:18 a.m.	4:08 p.m.	7:57 a.m.	4:27 p.m.	
	Sunday	7:19 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	9:14 a.m.	5:27 p.m.	
First 12/10	Monday	7:20 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	10:18 a.m.	6:38 p.m.	
	Tuesday	7:21 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	11:07 a.m.	7:55 p.m.	

CLASSIFIEDS

JOB DESCRIPTION FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT DEPUTY CLERK

The Columbia County Clerk's Office is seeking a part-time Deputy Clerk. This position requires the employee to perform a variety of complex and diverse clerical work including, but not limited to knowledge of office clerical procedures and practices. The primary responsibilities will include scanning court documents, efficient maintenance of court files, data entry, assisting with and answering questions from the public, attorneys, other individuals, being able to compose clear and accurate correspondence as needed and any other duties given by the Clerk. In addition, the employee will receive training and be certified for processing passport applications. Any one position may not include all the duties listed, nor do the examples cover all duties in which may be performed. Other duties performed as an employee in this position will be primarily performed for the Superior Court. This work is confidential in nature and performed under general and infrequent supervision. Some tasks will include maintaining court files of all criminal, civil, domestic, probate, adoption/paternity, juvenile dependency, juvenile offender, and judgments.

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

This job will be seven (7) hours a day 25-28 hours per week to begin January 3, 2022. Pay will be determined upon qualifications. Medical and dental benefits are included. Please find and complete an application online or stop by our office to pick up an application at: Columbia

County Courthouse, County Clerk's Office, 341 E. Main Street Suite 2, Dayton, WA 99328. Applications for this position will be accepted until Friday, December 10, 2021. Columbia County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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We are currently looking for Crisis First Responders and Designated Crisis Responders (DCR) If you are looking to make extra cash or have the desire to help your community then this could be a good opportunity for you. We are open to schedule options in 15-24 hour shifts that would help us build a stronger DCR and Crisis First Responder team. Crisis workers will work closely and collaborate with our crisis team/DCR's. Will respond to psychiatric crises in the community in the most effective, efficient, and safest manner possible. Will provide crisis support and stabilization to youth and adults in Columbia County under the supervision of our Clinical Director and in accordance with agency regulations and standards. DCR's must hold a master's degree in behavioral, social sciences or related field. Crisis first responders must have high school diploma or GED and a valid driver's license. Blue Mountain Counseling provides training for Crisis First Responders and helps facilitate DCR training if needed. Evening and weekend work is included in the positions, along with flexibility. Employment is contingent upon an individual successfully passing a drug test and a criminal background check. Individuals interested can get additional information at Blue Mountain Counseling, 221 E. Washington, Dayton, WA 99328

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Waitsburg City Administrator temporarily contracting with City of Dayton

Hinchliffe has been offering budget-related help throughout November

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Over the past month, City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe has been helping the City of Dayton with budgetary tasks, filling gaps left after former Administrator Trina Cole was dismissed from her position.

Hinchliffe said that he had approached Dayton's mayor, Zac Weatherford, shortly after three employees were fired abruptly in June. He offered to help the city to bridge administrative gaps.

"I reached out to Zac (Weatherford) and said, 'hey, if you need anything, just let me know. I'm happy to help you guys out,'" Hinchliffe said. "A couple of months went by, they weren't having any luck getting anybody, and then it was budget season."

The temporary contract with Dayton is not the first time Hinchliffe had offered help to a neighboring city. In October, he spent roughly one week assisting the City of Prescott in getting their new administrator up to speed.

Throughout November, Hinchliffe said, he spent approximately 30 hours helping the City of Dayton build and layout the proposed 2022 budget, reconcile bank statements and other financial statements for the 2021 year, and help get proper budget-related software ready.

The Dayton City Council passed Resolution 1482 at their regular meeting on November 10, authorizing the temporary contract for \$40 per hour. Hinchliffe said there is no limit to the number of hours he can work for Dayton and that the bulk of his work has been done remotely. His position as City Administrator for the City of Waitsburg is based on 35 hours per week.

"I'm just trying to help them get through the year," Hinchliffe said.

Hinchliffe shared that Deb Hays, the interim-city administrator, has been great to work with.

"She didn't do that side of the job over there and



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Randy Hinchliffe

and, after the first of the year, he does not think that there will be much spare time available.

"If it came down to it and they needed someone to reconcile bank statements and what not once a month, help move things along, no big deal— a couple of hours here and there will not affect me in the long run," he said.

He said that he expects to help through the end of the year and will help out lightly into the first of the upcoming year.

didn't quite understand the budget process, the hearing process, the property taxes and all of that," he said. "I have been walking her through that, because there are a bunch of standard forms you have to fill out for the county."

He will continue to help if needed, but, looking forward, Hinchliffe said he wasn't sure how many hours he could justify working for the City of Dayton if they offer a long-term Ticontract. His priorities are still with Waitsburg, and, after the first of the year, he does not think that there will be much spare time available.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS IN PRESCOTT AND WALLA WALLA THIS WEEKEND

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA/PRESCOTT—The Walla Walla Valley doesn't miss a single opportunity to spread a little Christmas cheer. This weekend's lineup of events is sure to make Scrooge smile!

Light up the Avenue Kick Off starts the weekend in College Place on Thursday, December 2. The evening kicks off with the official holiday season with the annual Municipal Campus and light pole lighting, followed up by a parade. Stick around after the parade for a giant fireworks show at the old Rogers Lot at 4th and Davis. Events start at 5:30 p.m.

The 3rd Annual St. Nick's Christmas Bazaar, on Saturday, December 4, at Skyrocket Church in Prescott, will be hosting nearly 30 local crafters, artisans, and artists. Pasagna to Go food truck will be parked nearby, serving Italian favorites, and Santa will swing by at 10 a.m. for pictures!

Walla Walla's annual Holiday Parade of Lights will come to town on Saturday, December 4, at 6:00 p.m. Grab your family, a warm coat, and some hot cocoa to watch one of the biggest parades of the season. Watch carefully: Rumor has it that Santa will be joining the fun.

Storefronts in Downtown Walla Walla have holiday specials, and parade-specific events happening.

WALLA WALLA FAIR & FRONTIER DAYS WINS ITS OWN BLUE RIBBONS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—On Thursday, November 18th, 2021, the International Association of Fairs and Expos held their Hall of Communications awards ceremony. The Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days placed in a handful of categories.

The 2021 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days' theme was Stars, Stripes and Country Nights, and ran from September 1st through September 5th. They won the following categories:

- 1st place and 3rd place in Division 1 for Souvenir and Commemorative Items
- 1st place in Division 1 for Digital Advertising
- 2nd place in Division 1 for Single-sided Flat Print ads

Additionally, the Women's Professional Rodeo Association announced its winners for the 2021 Justin Boots Best Footing Awards, naming the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Rodeo the first-place winner in the Columbia River Circuit.

The 2022 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days will be held from August 31st through September 4th.

If you're a little early to claim your parade watching spot, do a little Christmas shopping to help pass the time.

Other happenings in the area include Happiness at the Farm, on Saturday, December 4, hosted by Frog Hollow Farm. Soi71 Noodlehouse and Stay Around Donuts will have good eats and sweet treats. Find holiday crafts, gift baskets & wrapping, wreaths and holiday greenery, local artist and vendor demonstrations from Baskets by Emily, and Chesed Farms, to name a few.

Visit the farm at 174 Frog Hollow Road, from 5 p.m.- 9 p.m.



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 Gun Club

TBA-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

TBA Weller Public Library, 212 Main St., Waitsburg

Waitsburg Celebration Days Meeting

TBA
Location to be announced

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 Wednesday 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

Every month on the Third Monday at 7:00 PM

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

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, September 23

TBA

Tuesday, September 28

TBA

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, December 7

Lasagna
Coleslaw
Garlic bread
Fruit

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, December 2

B: Breakfast pizza
L: Chili
Cornbread
Veggie
Cookie
Fruit

Friday, December 3

B: Biscuit & gravy
L: Mozzarella cheese stix
Marinara sauce
Veggie
Fruit

Monday, December 6

B: Yogurt parfait
L: Super beef nachos
Refried beans
Veggie
Fruit

Tuesday, December 7

B: Biscuit & gravy
L: Chicken nuggets
Fries
Veggie
Fruit

Wednesday, December 8

B: Cinnamon roll
L: Unrustables
Chips
Veggie
Fruit



Church Directory

St. Mark Catholic Church
405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.
382-2311
Fr. Steve Werner

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
504 Main
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
337-6589
Pastor Stan Hughes

Waitsburg Chapel
320 W. 2nd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study
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337-6235
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DAYTON LADIES NIGHT OUT DECEMBER 3, 5-8 P.M.

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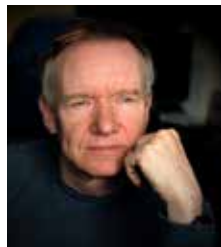
DAYTON—Several downtown Dayton businesses will celebrate Ladies Night Out Monday, December 3, from 5-8 p.m. There will be light refreshments, and a big variety of unique, hand-crafted gifts by Pacific Northwest artists, including shaped beeswax candles, birdhouses, pottery and pet collar Chakras. In addition to a grand prize drawing conducted by the Dayton Chamber, Wenaha Gallery is offering an in-gallery drawing for three gift certificates, for \$50, \$30, and \$15.

Dayton business Paige's Floral and Gifts is spearheading the Ladies Night Out celebration this year.

VICTORIAN ANIMALS AT WENAHA GALLERY

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Wenaha Gallery's newest Art Event features the vintage Victorian images of Keith Harrop, a North Idaho artist who has always been fascinated by the Edwardian and Victorian ages of England (he is originally from Stoke-on-Trent, England). From childhood, Harrop has created unique characters in a world of his imagination, and the members of what he calls his Anicurio Collection are no exception. He starts with vintage reference photos and replaces the human model with an animal. A swan, weasel, toad, alligator, cat, or dog, dressed in elegant attire, and posing as if for a formal photo. Once the original illustration is completed, he hand-ages them with various dye methods, using coffee, tea, lemon juice, or soy sauce and a heat gun, to recreate the stained chemical appearance of old photos. The gallery is featuring cards and prints of his work. Harrop's Art Event runs through January 3 at Wanaha Gallery in Dayton.



Top: Anicurio #8 (Two Swans) Pencil Illustration

Above: Artist Keith Harrop

Left: Anicurio #18 (Hare), Pencil Illustration

BEWARE OF FAKE FUNDRAISERS AND FALSE CHARITIES, "GIVE SMART" THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA— 'Tis the season for happy holidays, charitable giving...and scammers.

The Office of the Secretary of State is encouraging people to "give smart" this holiday season to help them ensure their charitable donations go to their intended causes.

GIVESMART!, a collaboration between the Office of the Secretary of State's Corporations and Charities division and the state's Attorney General's office, empowers people to make informed and educated giving decisions. GIVESMART! offers resources that can help Washingtonians, as well as senior centers, retirement communities, and civic and nonprofit organizations, protect themselves from being victimized by fake charities and fundraisers.

Resources include an Info Sheet and Trifold Brochure for quick and easy pointers; Telephone Questions Guide and Charities Contact Info magnets; a Questions for Telephone Solicitations checklist; and others.

Also available is a new Guide for Online Giving, which helps people understand how online charities and donations work, and how best to ensure their donations go directly to their designated charities or nonprofits. To request hardcopies of the guide and other GIVESMART! resources at no charge, or to request an in-person presentation for your organization, call the Charities division at 800-332-4483 or visit sos.wa.gov/charities/givesmart.

The Office of the Secretary of State offers these GIVESMART! tips for people to consider before they donate to any charity or fundraiser

- Do not give in to high-pressure solicitations demanding an immediate commitment.
- Check the Washington Corporations and Charities Filing System before donating.
- If an organization is registered, review its annual registration, including its federal tax-exempt status and financial information. If the organization is not registered, contact the Charities division at 800-332-4483.
- Check the organization's Better Business Bureau rating at Give.org.
- If a third party is raising money for a charity, call the charity directly to make sure it authorized the solicitor to collect donations on its behalf.
- Do not give any personal information over the phone to any charity, and do not give your personal or financial information in response to a request that you did not expect.

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission offers additional tips.. Visit sos.wa.gov/charities or call 800-332-4483 for more information. To file a complaint against a suspicious charity or fundraiser, go to atg.wa.gov/file-complaint.

Washington's Office of the Secretary of State oversees a number of areas within state government, including managing state elections, registering corporations and charities, and governing the use of the state flag and state seal. The office also manages the State Archives and the State Library, documents extraordinary stories in Washington's history through Legacy Washington, oversees the Combined Fund Drive for charitable giving by state employees, and administers the state's Address Confidentiality Program to help protect survivors of crime.

GIVESMART!



WWCSO

November 19

Theft of 13 bales of hay. Peppers Bridge Road, Walla Walla County

November 21

Agency assists in taking a FUI, Hit & Run suspect into custody. Farmland Road, Milton Freewater

Damaged vehicle. Farmland Road, Walla Walla County

November 22

Vehicle prowl. Peppers Bridge Road, Walla Walla County

Theft of catalytic converters. Interchange Road, Walla Walla County

Subject damaged and removed his court-ordered home monitoring bracelet. Chestnut Street, Walla Walla

November 24

Assault 4. Orchard Street, Walla Walla County

November 26

Warrant arrest. Plaza Way, Walla Walla

November 27

A man was arrested on a warrant. Meadowbrook Blvd, College Place

A man committed robbery. NW Evans Ave, Walla Walla County

A collision was reported. Mission Road, Walla Walla County

November 28

Assault on roadside. Hwy 12, Burbank

CCSO

November 22

Illegal dumping. Davis Hollow

Custodial interference. Patit Street

9-1-1 call. 2nd Street

November 23

Missing person. 2nd Street

Unwanted person. Main Street

Violation of court order. Front Street (Starbuck)

November 24

Animal call. N Touchet

Found Property. Jackson Street

Suspicious activity. Pine Street

November 25

Suspicious activity. Highway 12

Domestic problem. Country Village

Animal call. N Touchet

November 26

Theft. Main Street

Burglary. Locust Street

Wanted person. Main Street

November 27

Traffic stop. Main Street

Burglary attempted. Lower Hogeye

Accident, injury. Main Street.

November 28

Illegal dumping. Lower Hogeye

Unknown problem. 4th Street

Trespass. Dayton Cemetery

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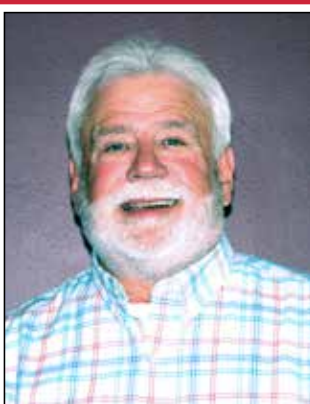
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BUDGET - FROM PAGE 1 budget process did not include city departments talking to council committees to justify their budget requests. This step was skipped this year, said the mayor, because of staffing shortages. Weatherford said he would be “absolutely willing to meet with anyone over any aspect of the budget.”

The increase was approved by a vote of 4-2, with Misty Yost and Nysoe voting against the motion. This was the only budget item that required action.

The second special meeting of the council on the 2022 budget is scheduled for December 1, at 6 p.m.



Dain Nysoe
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SAY YES! COVID TEST PROGRAM OFFERS FREE, RAPID, SELF-ADMINISTERED TESTS TO WALLA WALLA COUNTY RESIDENTS

Residents can order their free COVID-19 test kits while supplies last at SayYesCovidHomeTest.org

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA— The Say Yes! COVID Test At-Home Testing Challenge provides households with access to free, rapid COVID-19 test kits that they can self-administer and is now available in Walla Walla County. Say Yes! COVID Test encourages residents to use the tests to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and keep the community healthy. Walla Walla County residents can now order testing kits online for free home delivery.



“Children, adolescents, and adults who are not yet fully vaccinated or at high-risk need accessible tools to inform their choices. Free, rapid, self-administered testing will give community members one more way to help reduce the spread of COVID-19,” said Walla Walla County Public Health Officer Daniel Kaminsky, MD. “Anyone can just swab the front of their nose and perform this test in the privacy of their home and have results within 10 minutes.”

The Say Yes! COVID Test initiative is a cooperative effort from the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), community partners, test manufacturer Quidel, and healthcare technology company CareEvolution.

State and local health departments help connect the initiative to local community members. Researchers at NIH-supported academic health centers will work with CDC and NIH to use publicly available data to determine if the local testing efforts slowed the spread of COVID-19.

Rapid, self-administered testing has potential to disrupt the spread of COVID-19 that occurs when people are infected but don’t yet have symptoms. Testing on a routine basis offers the best chance of identifying COVID-19 infection and isolating early. The COVID-19 tests are authorized for use by the FDA, provided free of charge, and the entire testing process can be managed privately at home. Tests require a quick swab inside each nostril, and results can be read in just 10 minutes. A free, private, and easy-to-use mobile application is available to help individuals in every step of test-taking. The maker of the tests, Quidel, is the same company that made the first rapid flu tests used by doctors’ offices in the United States.

Individuals who have not yet received the COVID-19 vaccine or who have the highest risk of exposure to COVID-19, such as people working or going to school outside the home, are ideal candidates for participation, but anyone over the age of 2 is welcome to participate. The testing challenge lasts for at least a month or until all tests are used.

Walla Walla County residents can visit the website SayYesCovidHomeTest.org to order test kits for doorstep delivery.

If you have questions about the Say Yes! COVID Test project, or you want to find a pick-up location near you, use the links above (or call the DCH at 509-524-2650).

DECEMBER EVENTS AT FORT WALLA WALLA MUSEUM



THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—December 18 from 12 - 4 p.m. Get in the holiday spirit with a visit from Pioneer Santa! There will be a craft table for kids, refreshments, and complimentary gift wrapping for Museum Store purchases. Don’t forget that members get a 10% discount on store purchases!

On December 30 at 4 p.m. Carla Giger, author of “Starbuck, the Little Town that Could,” will share information about the town’s early history, including bank robberies, fires, businesses, churches, schools, and community events.

BIRTHDAYS

December 2:
James Liebermann.

December 3:
Veronica Deal, Angela Smith, Chuck Riddle, Kim Ary, Adam Rich.

December 4:
Teagen Larsen, Barbara Weaver, George Young, Robert Johnson, Sean Mathews, Corrine Miller, Jaimie Winnett.

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Anthony Henry, Des Witt, Wendy Richards.

December 6:
Janet Unholz, Judy Reser, Christine Ezell.

December 7:
John Fenton Mason, Jeff Flores, Trey Cole, Hilary Hogan, Heidi Potolicchio.

December 8:
Ruth Senter, Lisa Patton, Cliff Griffin, Abby Michels.



DALE - FROM PAGE 1

issue, 24/7. He is an angel sent from Heaven to help us here on Earth. He is kind, generous, thoughtful, and honest.” Many people mentioned what a pleasure it has been to know him.

“Dale White is a true asset to our community. Through his many years of service, he has proven to be an expert and master of the plumbing trade,” said Mayor Zac Weatherford. “The City of Dayton is fortunate and grateful to have Mr. White utilizing his skills to provide a much-needed service.”

Gerlitz and Zoller worked together to create a tribute book with photos and kind words from clients, friends, and fellow community members. The book is available for purchase at <https://tinyurl.com/mry2k2e9>

The recognition did not stop after the presentation, though. A post shared on Facebook on All Things Dayton, WA, had hundreds of likes and comments.

“I love Dale. He’s always available, and prices are reasonable,” posted Chrisann Christensen of Dayton.

“He is a godsend! He’s done so much work at my place, all I have to do is leave a message. He appears, and like Superman, is done and gone in a flash!” Michelle Stedman shared.

“In 1971 my family bought property in Dayton; my dad hired Dale to help with a well pump and other plumbing needs through the years; this past summer I had to replace a water line to my rental house, guess who I used.... Mr. White. My family has never used anyone else. He truly is the original energizer bunny...he keeps going and going,” said David DeSiga.

“Even went under the house to fix the outside faucet! What other 80’ish guy does that?! Thanks for all the times you bailed me out, Dale,” Dorothy Croft commented.

“Dale White has rescued us SEVERAL times! He does such good work, and I always feel like I am ripping him off because he doesn’t charge a ton. I hope he is currently training about 50 apprentices to take his place when he retires. Dayton will be in a world of hurt when he decides to take some time off and retire,” Susan Larson

“His skill & memory of what he did at the same location two owners ago is priceless! When the truck pulls up, it’s a good feeling to know the problem is solved,” Carla Rowe commented.

“Dale is a very kind man, and he never charges double for work that needs to be done on Sunday as most plumbers do. He is due. He is very qualified, efficient, does not charge an arm and a leg, and I enjoy when he visits our house because he has many interesting stories to tell about his life.” -Holly Kaczmarek.

White continues to respond to plumbing calls for his long-term clients, working well into the holidays and maintaining a ‘just a phone call away’ reputation. Thank you, Dale White, for all you’ve done for the community of Dayton. In the words of Candy Ward Jones, he is a Dayton Hero!



Submitted photos

Top: Certificate of Appreciation awarded to White by the Columbia County Commissioners.

Bottom: Gordon Gerlitz, left, presented Dale White with a copy of his book on November 26, in the quiet of White’s home.

ONE YEAR LATER, MILLIONS USE WASHINGTON STATE’S EXPOSURE NOTIFICATION APP

App use is helping to stop the spread of COVID-19

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA— The Washington State Department of Health is celebrating a successful year of WA Notify, the state’s exposure notification app. More than 2.62 million people have enabled it- accounting for more than 43 percent of all smartphone users in the state.

With disease transmission still high, it’s important that people continue adopting this key technology.

“WA Notify has been a very successful innovation for our state, and we’re proud of the team at the Department of Health who helped create a tech-based solution that contributed to the greater good as we fought – and continue to fight – this pandemic,” said Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH, Secretary of Health.

WA Notify protects the privacy of its users while giving them the power to protect their health and the health of their communities, without collecting data about who the users are, where they go, or who they are near. The app uses privacy-preserving technology jointly developed by Google and Apple, with technical assistance and evaluation by the University of Washington. It works in the background and uses only tiny bursts of Bluetooth to avoid impacting your battery – and it’s free.

“If another WA Notify user you’ve been near in the last two weeks later tests positive for COVID-19 and follows the steps to anonymously notify others, you’ll get a notification on your phone that you’ve had a possible exposure,” said Bryant Thomas Karras M.D, Chief Informatics Officer at the Department of Health. “You only receive a notification if there is an exposure. So, no news is good news.”

Everyone who receives an exposure notification is provided guidance about what to do next based on their vaccination status and whether or not they are experiencing symptoms. This guidance is updated to align with current DOH guidance. Notifications do not contain any information about who tested positive or where the exposure may have happened.

WA Notify can be enabled in iPhone settings (iPhone 5s or newer using iOS 12.5 or higher) or downloaded as an app from the Google Play Store for Android phones. Users can opt out at any time. WA Notify is available in more than 30 languages so as many Washington residents as possible can access this tool.

To increase the value of the app and improve the user experience, the WA Notify team continues to improve and innovate. The most recent enhancements include:

- Adjustments to improve notifications following the emergence of COVID-19 variants
- Improvements to the text messages users receive
- Adding a QR code to easily enable WA Notify and ensure it’s still working

“We are so proud of how quickly people in Washington adopted this valuable tool,” said Secretary Shah. “If you haven’t activated WA Notify yet, please consider doing so. It’s one more way to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our community from COVID-19.”

NEWS & LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla

Walla Walla
No. (18-3-00015-1)
Maritela A. Lopez,
Petitioner,
Jose L. Lopez,
Respondent.

The State of Washington to the respondent Jose J. Lopez:
You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the 11/11/2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Maritela A. Lopez, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Maritela A. Lopez at 127 W. Tietan Street, Walla Walla, WA. 99362.

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December 2, 9, 16, 2021
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CLARK COUNTY

Case No. 21-4-01336-06
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DELBERT W. KLICKER,
Deceased.

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

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PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: DANIEL KLICKER
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No. 21 2 00517 36
SUMMONS
ERIC AND MARGARET ANDERSON, as Trustees of the EMA Trust,
Plaintiffs,
V.

A 26 FOOT CIRCULAR PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY QUITCLAIMED TO GEORGE B. DAGUE AND BERTHA L. DAGUE ON JUNE 8th 1917; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO GEORGE B. DAGUE and BERTHA L. DAGUE; and ALSO ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN,
Defendants.

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE SAID DEFENDANTS, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OR SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST TO GEORGE B. DAGUE and BERTHA L. DAGUE; and ALSO ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN:

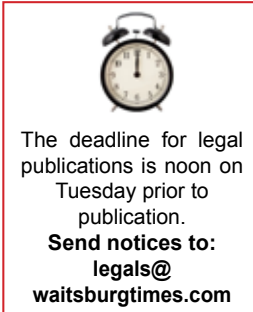
You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 18 day of November, 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. The nature of the action is as follows:

Plaintiffs seek to quiet title to a 26-foot circular parcel of real property ("the Subject Property") located in Walla Walla County in the State of Washington, which parcel of real property was quitclaimed to George B. Dague and Bertha L. Dague on June 8, 1917. Plaintiffs, together with their predecessors in possession, have been in the actual, open, adverse, notorious, and uninterrupted possession of the Subject Property for more than ten (10) years immediately prior hereto, and are entitled to a judgment of the court establishing the validity of that title and barring any further claim of any person or entity to the Subject Property.

DATED this 16th day of November, 2021.

HAWKINS LAW, PLLC
By: /s/ Brian H. Andrews,
WSBA #57791

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BENTON
IN PROBATE
NO. 21-4-00679-03
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
NORMAN LEROY WELCH,
Deceased.

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claims in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorneys of record at the address stated below and file the original of the claim with the Clerk of this Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: 1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or 2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of first publication:
November 25, 2021
/s/ Christine Herd, Personal Representative.

POWELL & GUNTER
By: /s/ Benjamin J. Volmer,
WSBA No. 48779,
Attorney for Personal Representative.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 21-4-00222-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of:
STEVEN LOUIS
GLASPEY,
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.

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Steve M. Irwin,
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 21-4-00255-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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In re the Estate of:
SHIRLEY M. BEALS,
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: December 2, 2021.

Valerie J. Neuschwander,
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Attorney for Personal Representative:
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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR FIBER-TO-THE-HOME DESIGN WORK

The Port of Columbia is seeking proposals for fiber design work from interested parties for its proposed Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) Network in Dayton, Washington and outlying areas, referred to as the Dayton Community Broadband Project.

Proposals must be in writing and address each of the elements outlined in the Request for Proposal (RFP). **Submittals should be delivered or emailed by 12:00 pm on Tuesday, December 21, 2021 to:**

Port of Columbia
1 Port Way
Dayton, WA 99328
jennie@portofcolumbia.org
Proposals received after that date shall be considered subject to the acceptance of a prior received proposal. Faxed submissions will not be accepted.

The Port reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any irregularity.

The terms of any final contract will be established by negotiation. The Port reserves the right to terminate negotiations for any reason.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate the qualifications necessary to fully, properly and timely carry out all of the obligations described in the RFP.

The Port of Columbia is an equal opportunity employer and encourages all qualified women and minority firms to submit proposals.

Questions can be directed to the Port Executive Director Jennie Dickinson by calling 509-382- 2577 or emailing jennie@portofcolumbia.org.

RFP packet can be found at <https://www.portofcolumbia.org/doing-work-for-the-port/requests-for-quotes-proposals-qualifications/>.

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Waitsburg Christmas Light Contest

Residents will be Judged under 3 Categories:
• Capturing the Christmas Spirit (45% of sponsorship pot)
• Best of Show - highlighting your yard space (30% of pot)
• Kids at Heart (25% of sponsorship pot)

Contest Rules:
• Judging will occur the evening of December 7, 2021.
• The winner will receive a cash prize (depending on sponsor pot and category).
• Entries to be judged must be within Waitsburg city limits.
• Lighting and decorations must be visible from the street and intended for outdoor use.
• Contest begins at 6:00pm on December 7th and ends at 10:00pm on December 7th.
• Entries will be judged on the evening of December 7th through December 11, 2021.
• Residents' yard (lights and trees) from the contest may be posted on the city's website.
• Residents' yard (lights and trees) used in publicity or promotional materials concerning Waitsburg events.

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Palouse Outdoors: A Partridge Welcome to the Palouse

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

When a stranger reaches out for bird hunting help, it can be a tough sell for the community resident, but that didn't stop Dennis from giving it a shot. He and his wife recently moved to Walla Walla from scenic New England and were struggling to adjust to the landscape. The difference between the Palouse grains and grasslands and the Northwoods is the difference between a tropical rainforest and the surface of the moon. Needless to say, Dennis was feeling a bit out of his element. Being an Appalachian transplant myself, recalling my strife in learning Palouse upland hunting was all I needed to encourage a phone call and welcome Dennis to the area.

A week later, we found ourselves exchanging awkward small talk in the frosty air above the Tucannon as the sun cast its warmth upon prime Hungarian partridge cover. The site was a few hundred acres with impeccable bunchgrasses, not to mention the scenery. A prime location for Dennis to experience the excitement of following an experienced dog against a grand Palouse vista.

For the opening act, Yuba blazed away as Dennis and I got to know one another. Scene one ended approximately 30 minutes later as we stepped from calf-high bunchgrass into an area of sparse smaller bunches scattered about open soil. I spied Yuba trailing birds up the slope to our left and then locking up solid. Thrusting an arm at the dog, I began coaching Dennis on how to approach.

"Birds! Right there! Circle around and come straight at the dog's nose. Her eyes will give away the bird's location," I coached.

As Dennis approached, I slipped in behind Yuba and readied the camera. While



Brad Trumbo

A covey of Hungarian partridge lifts from the hill crest in front of Llewellyn setter, Yuba.

focusing on my scrappy little tri-colored setter, the first shutter cycle captured the covey on a wild flush – the timing of which I could not have captured intentionally. Although slightly disappointed that Dennis was unable to get a shot, that image of Yuba turned out to be one of my favorites of the season.

The three of us pursued the covey, which had flushed straight away and over the hill, and within minutes, Yuba approached upwind and bumped a single. She froze as the bird launched, and I encouraged Dennis to rush in, prepared for an-



Brad Trumbo

A Palouse newcomer admires his first beautiful male Hungarian partridge.

other flush. As Dennis circled the dog, another single jumped up, sailing right to left and tumbling upon my instinctive swing of the gun.

Two flushes on a covey are enough, in my opinion, particularly when blessed with taking a bird. As Dennis and I talked over the little hen partridge, we turned to work back to the truck. We had hunted near to the end of the public access, and I had another area opposite the river canyon where Zeta would see her turn.

With Zeta on the ground, we circled a large area planted in wheat atop the canyon. The action was slow, with Zeta making one unproductive point and later busting a covey on an upwind encounter. With the noon hour upon us and the temperature rising, I leashed Zeta, and we turned for the truck.

As we crested the ridge and gazed across the grain fields at the horizon of white whirring wind turbines sprouting from the golden stubble fields, Zeta suddenly became interested in a grassy eyebrow that we had come upon. "Find 'em," I said, unclipping Zeta's leash.

The eyebrow was a narrow bunchgrass oasis stretching around the edge of the hillside and destined to hold birds. Zeta cast to the far-left edge before working the bottom edge back with a perpendicular wind coming off the eyebrow. Birds suddenly flushed—five at first, then two, then three more. In a moment of panic, I was finally able to make Zeta to "WHOA."

"Let's work to the dog and then left to the far point. With those birds coming up in multiple flushes, there might be a few more singles left," I coached as Dennis, and I stepped into the grasses.

Moments later, we walked directly through a handful of Huns – one banking hard to Dennis' left. With an adept swing of his over/under, a beautiful male dropped into the grasses. Zeta broke in to help find and retrieve the bird, which Dennis and I stood to appreciate for some time. There are few things more magnificent than a big male Hun with his modestly vibrant hues cast against the wheat farms and windmills of Eastern Washington.

"Congratulations on your first Hungarian partridge, Dennis," I offered, as he rolled the bird and stretched its wings, taking in the moment as I worked the camera – a moment likely more important to me than him. I was proud of my girls for showing a hunter new to the grasslands and pointing dogs how the game is played, but most proud of providing Dennis with the mentorship that was unavailable to me in my fledgling days on the Palouse.

A few weeks later, Dennis sent a photo of a limit of Blue Mountain ruffed grouse, stating in his career as a Northwoods grouse hunter, he had never taken or seen so many grouse in a given day. I obliged with an image of an impressive Montana sharp-tail from my previous week's hunt and an invitation for a Thanksgiving rendezvous in the Snake River breaks. With an upland attitude adjustment, Dennis may warm up to the Palouse after all.

And the Odds Are?

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES



Thanksgiving with us. They were the best! The "kids" who are seventeen and thirteen were the only "youngsters" at our Friendsgiving feast. Yet, they were poised, ate with gusto, fit in with everyone easily, and swore they enjoyed themselves. I think the saving grace for Alina (the thirteen-year-old), was what we thought were olives on the hors d'oeuvre table, were chocolate covered almonds, she was thrilled.

Again, the odds were in my favor. Maria, (Mom), worked her way through college as a waitress, then restaurant manager, while her husband Juan has worked with Daniel for over twenty years at the culinary school. Without a doubt, the private party we had at the restaurant Friday night, were treated to great food and exemplary service. The kids were enlisted to wash dishes, help clear tables, and clean the kitchen at the end of the night. Best of all, I left there sane, in a better mood, and not totally exhausted. The entire Thanksgiving weekend was perfect for me.

What are the odds that this Thanksgiving would be as good if not better than my first "Friendsgiving" in Waitsburg? My first pre-Covid-19 gathering was terrific. It was the group effort, no stress, no driving, good food, good friends' day that is, in my opinion, a perfect way to spend the holiday. In movies the sequel is usually disappointing compared to the first, but not this Thanksgiving-it was the best, even with some of my Covid trepidation.

This year some of "our gang" had out of town visitors. All were vaccinated and had their boosters (if eligible), but it was still a little concerning for me. I am hopeful that there are no incidents of anyone becoming ill. So far, so good. Did we beat the odds? The masking and vaccines appear to have been worthwhile.

What are the odds that I would be playing tennis this Sunday, two days before December, in 66-degree weather, outdoors at Waitsburg High School in a light T-shirt? I would not have taken that bet, yet there we were! We did have to take our brooms and clear the courts of the prior night's rain, but we played and enjoyed the unlikely but welcome balmy weather.

The puddles on the court were somewhat a challenge, but who cares, it's tennis and outdoors! Speaking of odds – about two percent of the court surface had puddles, yet probably seventy-five percent of my shots, landed in them.

More odds in my favor included the fun we had this weekend with our visitors. Always a little scary when the visitors staying with you are a family you haven't met. But Daniel's friend, his wife and two children, came to spend

However, as the odds have it; peace and good times didn't linger. This morning, when Daniel went into the guest house to start work on his computer; the sound of gushing water in the bathroom got his immediate attention. Behold, the pipe that broke before, broke again! This is new plumbing, and already repaired once. Good luck finding a plumber on a Monday morning, after a holiday! After a few calls, we found one. Maybe the third plumber and the third repair, will be the charm. Because repairing the repairs is getting tiresome and frustrating, besides expensive.

The timing on the burst pipe couldn't be more inconvenient. There is a stack of laundry from this weekend, dirty clothes, floors, toilets and tubs to clean. Odds are good that I will curse the last two plumbers, cross fingers that the third repair is the charm, and look back on a terrific holiday weekend.



Beka Compton

It was a shiny night in Dayton on November 26. Fifteen parade entrants made their way down a dark Main Street for the annual Christmas Kickoff Lighted Parade. The Boldman House Museum had a wonderful model of the famous home, and Inland Cellular made sure that Santa had a sweet ride in lieu of his sleigh.

SPORTS & NEWS

The 2022 Baseball Hall of Fame Class has issues (part one)

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

This year three groups are eligible to be included in the 2022 Hall of Fame class. The Era Committees, formerly known as the Veterans Committee, put up eligible players, managers, umpires, and executives from eras no longer eligible for election by the BBWAA. This year they will choose from the Golden Days and Early Baseball committee candidates. The Golden Days era focuses on players who played between 1950 and 1969. The Early Baseball will select candidates who played before 1950. The two committees work differently than the BBWAA. Instead of baseball writers a group of sixteen people usually former players and managers meet and if twelve of the sixteen members agree, a player gets inducted.



Pach Brothers studio/National Baseball Hall of Fame Library Baseball Writers at Polo Grounds 1911. (standing, left to right) John Wheeler (Herald) and John B. Foster (Evening Telegram); (seated in chairs) Sam Crane (Journal), Fred Lieb (Press), Damon Runyon (American), Bozeman Bulger (Evening World), Sid Mercer (Globe), Grantland Rice (Evening Mail) and Walter Trumbull (World). Seated on the ground is concessionaire Harry M. Stevens (right) and son Hal. -

Last year no one on the baseball Hall of Fame ballot received the mandatory seventy-five percent of the vote to get elected. Despite the addition of both committees, this could be the second year in a row that no one has been elected. Several of the eligible players have impressive resumes that would typically merit induction in the first year of eligibility if not for off-the-field issues. Other players without these issues don't have the longevity or statistics traditionally necessary to get in. For part one, we will take a look at four players in their tenth and last year of eligibility Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Sammy Sosa, and Curt Schilling.

Barry Bonds career statistics are jaw-dropping. Over a twenty-two-year playing career, his triple-slash line was .298/.444/.607. He won the MVP award seven times and has more career home runs and walks than any other player. He was still a very produc-



Barry Bonds

tive player at age forty-two, but no team offered him a contract. All baseball seemed ready for Bonds to go away; he was no longer eager to watch him get his 3,000th hit, break the runs scored record, or become the first player to reach the 800-home run mark.

Among the reasons Bonds hasn't been inducted to the Hall of Fame are his links to performance-enhancing drugs (PEDs). In 2007, he was indicted on perjury charges and obstruction of justice for lying to a grand jury. The federal government was investigating a company that was producing steroids that didn't show up during drug tests. The perjury charges were later dropped, and the obstruction of justice charge was overturned in 2015. A childhood friend and personal trainer, Greg Anderson, went to prison for refusing to testify against Bonds on three separate occasions in 2006, 2007, and 2009. Anderson was released from prison in 2011. Bonds received 61.8% of the vote last year and is unlikely to get the seventy-five percent needed to get in this year.

Roger Clemens' career as a pitcher who played twenty-four seasons was equally impressive. Clemens won the Cy Young Award seven times, the MVP award in 1986, and was an eleven-time all-star. Among all pitchers, he is third all-time in WAR and strikeouts. He was a productive pitcher at the age of forty-four when he retired in 2007.

Like Bonds, the reason he isn't already in the Hall of Fame is his links to PEDs. Clemens' personal strength coach and former Yankees trainer Brian McNamee initially denied steroid use by Clemens, then later stated he injected Clemens with an anabolic steroid in 1998, 2000, and 2001. A grand jury also indicted Clemens. He was charged with one count of obstruction of justice, three counts of making false statements, and two counts of perjury. His first trial was declared a mistrial on the second day of testimony over prosecutor misconduct. In the second trial, Clemens was found not guilty of all six counts. This was largely due to McNamee's admitted inconsistencies in his testimony against Clemens. Clemens received 61.6% of the vote last year and, like Bonds,



Sammy Sosa

probably won't get to the seventy-five percent mark needed to get in.

Sammy Sosa had a slow start to his career. It took him six seasons before he appeared in his first all-star game. Even then, his plate discipline wasn't great as he didn't take many walks and struck out a lot. It wasn't until 1998, in his tenth season at the age of twenty-nine, that his career took off. That year he and Mark McGuire surpassed the single-season home run record of sixty-one set by Roger Maris in 1961. Sosa finished with sixty-six home runs that season and would hit sixty-three the following season, fifty in 2000 and sixty-four in 2001. Sosa finished his career with 609 home runs. *The New York Times* reported in June of 2009 that Sosa was on a list of players who tested positive for PEDs in 2003. Last year he received only 17.0% of the vote as sportswriters seem to attribute more of his career success to PED use compared to Bonds or Clemens.

Curt Schilling was just sixteen votes shy of getting into the Hall of Fame last year. Generally, in a case like this, the player would be a lock to make it in the following year. However, Schilling, who was fired from ESPN for inappropriate social media posts, has continued the practice, hurting his case. After last year's vote, Schilling lashed out at the press and asked that he be removed from this year's ballot, preferring to be voted in by the Era Committee in future years. The BBWAA has not honored his request, and Schilling is on this year's ballot. Schilling will likely receive less support than he did last year.

Next week I'll cover the players in their first year of eligibility for the Hall of Fame.



Roger Clemens



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LIFESTYLES

Christmas shopping, Walla Walla style

It's beginning to look a lot like "I can't find my husband a Christmas gift" season!

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

The two guys in my life, my dad and husband, are the hardest people to shop for gifts. Like most men I have ever met, they seem to have everything they need. When asked what they'd like for Christmas, they tell me they don't want anything.

Trying to get a jump, I took a trip through Downtown Walla Walla to find something other than the usual Carhartt coat and power tool combo.

My first stop, Main Street Furniture Company, led to the discovery of some delightful candles. There were the usual sweet-scented candles, but there were also pine and leather, Moroccan Fig, and eucalyptus and sea salt candles that would be wonderful in the home office or den. Yes, men do like the occasional candle.



Main Street Furniture

Located at 128 East Main, this is more than just furniture store. They have housewares and gifts, including printed glasses for the man of the house, most of which were fish-themed or had little sayings like "I like my water with barley and hops."

If the man in your life is a foodie, Main Street Furniture has some great Italian-glass wine glasses and fun cheese boards. The spice bowls with matching spoons might just end up under my parents' tree later this month. There are pricier options in stock, but most I wanted were under \$50.

Allegro Cyclery is a wonderful spot to stop in. While the shop's focus is all things bicycle-related, they had one of the best selections of light Osprey-brand backpacks I've seen at any of the small businesses, perfect for long rides or day hikes. Allegro has a wide selection of shoes, shorts, and jackets if he is into cycling, and they can set you up with some fresh gear under \$100.

Of course, if you're looking to go big, there is a huge selection of bikes, including electric



Allegro Cyclery

ones, that can fit a variety of riding styles and goals. Oh! Don't forget to check out the rack of tires. Some look like they could go up a steep climb with ease, while others look like they would make city cruising a breeze. Their staff is super knowledgeable and always so fun to work with!



Hot Poop

Arguably one of the most eclectic stores in the area is Hot Poop at 210 E Main. Does Dad want to pick up a new hobby and learn to play guitar? Go to Hot Poop. They have drums, drum sets, basses, ukuleles, and guitars suitable for those who have never picked one up and those who are never seen without.

It doesn't end with the instruments, though. Hot Poop has the finest selection of records within a hundred miles! Right now, there is a sweet selection of limited-edition color-vinyl albums, including Nirvana's classic, Nevermind.

What is a record without a record player? Hot Poop has a hefty stock of record players, so everyone can enjoy the joys of old-school vinyl anytime they want.

If you pop across the street, you'll run into Lost Boardroom. They carry skateboard decks, wheels, as well as clothing and gear. And stickers. I've found that stickers are a hit, regardless of age.



Lost Boardroom

Lost has a great selection of Vans' classic skater clothing and shoes. They even had the Vans Shoe Care Travel Kits in stock, something I cannot find online to save my life! Vans' Drill Chore Jacket is a beautiful blend of rugged and trendy, is easy to dress up or down, and can be integrated into any male's closet.

This is also the stop for sunglasses. Oakley, Smith, and Maui Jim's are a few of the brands they carry. Pricier than drugstore shades, a quality pair of sunglasses can really be a treat.

They also carry Hydro Flasks, one of the original hardy water bottle brands. While living in Alaska, I dropped mine into a stream while hiking. I found it at the bottom of the mountain, thankfully, and still use it five years later. If it is Alaska-proof, it's farmer-proof.

After receiving many recommendations, I stopped into Studio Opal at 61 East Main. I've been there a few times to shop for myself but have never looked through the guys' section. Though the guys' section is relatively small, Studio Opal carries some of the most reliable brands around. They have a carefully curated selection of Patagonia sweaters, flannels, and shirts, and I was overjoyed when I found the rack of Filson wear. My favorite 'F' word, Filson, always lives up to its American-made standard. All their gar-



Studio Opal

ments are made in Seattle and welcome punishment and mistreatment; their jackets are quite popular with commercial fishermen in Alaska. They have created a sustainable model by using only the finest materials, including rugged waxed cotton, merino wool, and bridle-quality leather, which last for years.

And there is more than just the Filson rack. They had some great conservation books by various authors and produced through Patagonia. The books are a gorgeous addition to any book collection!



Butcher Butcher

Maybe, just maybe, Dad is in his element at the grill. Walking into Butcher Butcher, on Colville Street, is always a treat. The small bespoke butcher shop always smells clean and inviting, and you are never met with anything less than a smile. Gift certificates, or as a friend refers to them, meat coupons nestled in between some of their jars of spices are sure to make any guy happy. If we are being honest, this is a win-win option: He gets to choose a gorgeous cut of meat, and you will get to enjoy the meal to follow.

When I took my daughter into Book and Game and asked her to pick something for her dad, she immediately bolted to the board games. She picked out a classic game of LIFE but was a bit overwhelmed by the hundreds of options in front of her. I thought she'd go for the art supplies, but she understood the assignment was for dad, not herself.

When we started talking about Christmas gifts, my husband and I focused on experiences rather than toys. It never occurred to me that board games, cards, and dice could be as much of an experience for kids and adults as a trip to the museum. Unconventional, maybe, but at this point, I don't think there are any rules anymore.

If a new hobby is on the books, but music doesn't sound like the thing, I'd recommend checking out Grapeland Supply on West Rose. They are the area's go-to supplier for brewers and winemakers. They offer home brewing and wine-making kits that make great gifts. From buckets and bottle cappers to grains, malts, and yeasts, it can all be found at Grapeland.

The Walla Walla General Store, over on East Alder, was hard to walk out empty-handed. They have a first-rate collection of Northwest Skillet Company pans. Made from carbon steel; they are lightweight, naturally stick-resistant, and wonderfully heat-responsive. Like Filson, these pans come with a price tag, but the quality is second to none.

If you're on a budget, like me, the General Store does have Spanish-style cocktail glasses. They come in two sizes: 7.5 ounces and 12.5 ounces. Pop over and see the folks at The Thief Fine Wine & Beer shop on Main and pick up a little whiskey to pair with a couple of rocks glasses, and you are good to go!

Downtown Walla Walla is making it easy to shop local for guys, something that is not an easy feat! There are so many great businesses in the area that this isn't even the tip of the iceberg. Next week, I'll be on the lookout for the best gifts for women and children.

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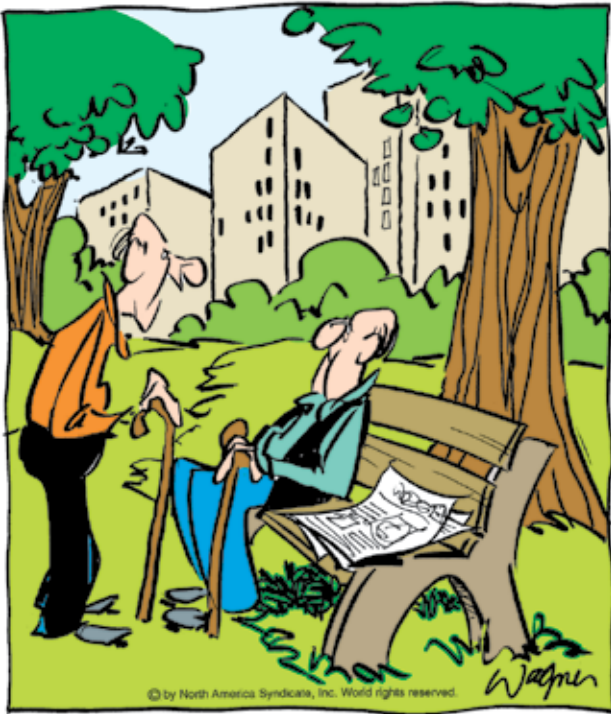
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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



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"In my case, there's a detour on Memory Lane."

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

December 1, 2011

This Saturday and Sunday Christmas comes to Waitsburg with Santa, a lighted parade and plenty of shopping and prizes during the town's annual Hometown Christmas event. "Come to the Town Hall for vendors and gifts," said Ruth Peterson, an organizer of the event. Held every first weekend in December, this annual tradition centered in Town Hall is sure to be a delight. This is the festival's 26th year in Waitsburg, Peterson said.

Cardinals head coach Jeff Bartlow just stopped having Deja vu's. His team's game against Colfax Saturday was the last echo from last year's playoffs. Now that the big red birds have kenneled the Bulldogs, he and the Cards are in uncharted territory - meeting a west side team in the Tacoma Dome for the state championship game. It's a historic time for the Cardinals. Never before has a football team from this town gone to the modern state final.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 5, 1996

A special bit of history for pre-1963 Waitsburg sports fans - a custom-built clock and scoreboard devised by the late Ernest Kison - will be refurbished and re-installed in Preston Hall's gymnasium. School officials hope to have the clock operational for an upcoming junior high basketball game. Kison, who died in 1991, and his wife Dottie, who died in 1980, were the unflappable scoreboard at Waitsburg football and basketball games for years. The Kisons operated K & K Jewelers at 231 Man (presently the Brandt Kleist home).

Fifty Years Ago

December 2, 1971



[Photo Caption]

SMILING THROUGH THE TEARS might be the title of this picture taken moments after Jenny McKinney of Waitsburg was announced as Touchet Valley's Junior Miss for 1972. Jenny, daughter of Mrs. Henry McKinney of Waitsburg, was one of eight contestants vying for the title at the Jaycee-sponsored pageant held last Saturday evening. Helping Jenny to center stage are (left) 1972 Junior Miss Kay Spoonmore, Dayton, and Mrs. Glen Hinchliffe (former Cherie Rose, of Waitsburg).

A handicapped physical therapy student will spend two years in Brazil helping other handicapped persons as a Peace Corps volunteer. Donald "Tom" Richardson, 23, who completed pre-physical therapy studies at Washington State University this year, will practice and teach therapy techniques in Barbasina, Brazil. Richardson hopes to gain practical experience before returning to graduate school for his therapy certificate.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

December 6, 1946

With the return of Ernest Kison as Scoutmaster in Waitsburg, the Scouting program has become increasingly active in this community with several high school boys attaining high rank in the organization.

Ernest Mikkelsen was named president of the Racing Association Tuesday evening.

Frances Zuger Estes became the bride of Dr. Melvin Smith in Portland Nov. 24.

Miss Lillian Johnson and Andrew Keve were married in Walla Walla on Nov. 28.

Capt. And Mrs. Chas. Wilson of Spokane visited his grandmother, Mrs. Mattie Wyatt and his aunt, Mrs. Frank Vennum, Wednesday.

One Hundred Years Ago

December 2, 1921

The Will Vollmer home on West 6th Street was the meeting place for Thanksgiving dinner of the Vollmer and C. E. Shaffer clans last Thursday. About 30 relatives gathered round the festive board.

Miss Florence Rees, principal of the Kiona-Benton City High School spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Rees.

Miss Elizabeth McCoy who is attending Whitman College, came home Wednesday evening, bringing a friend, Miss Ella Porter, of Yakima.

Mrs. A. S. Dickinson has returned home from Olympia where she has been assisting with the work in the State Superintendent's office for several weeks.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

December 4, 1896

Misses Virta Phipps, Lizzie Wisdom, and Marguerite Irons all finished successful terms of school today.

Part of the proceeds of the lecture given tonight by Prof. Penrose will go towards buying new dictionaries for the Public School. There is but one good dictionary in the building. Everybody should attend.

E. W. McCann doesn't have to go very far to hunt. Yesterday he stood in the door of Macomber and McCann's hardware store and shot a prairie chicken out of the top of one the trees near the Royal Block.

The Spats



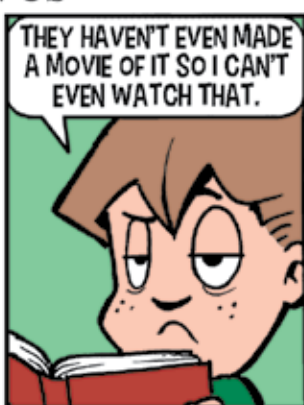
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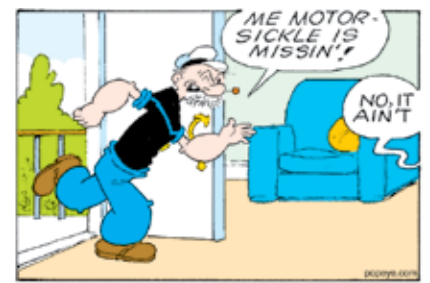
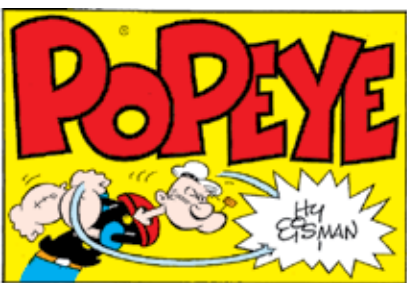


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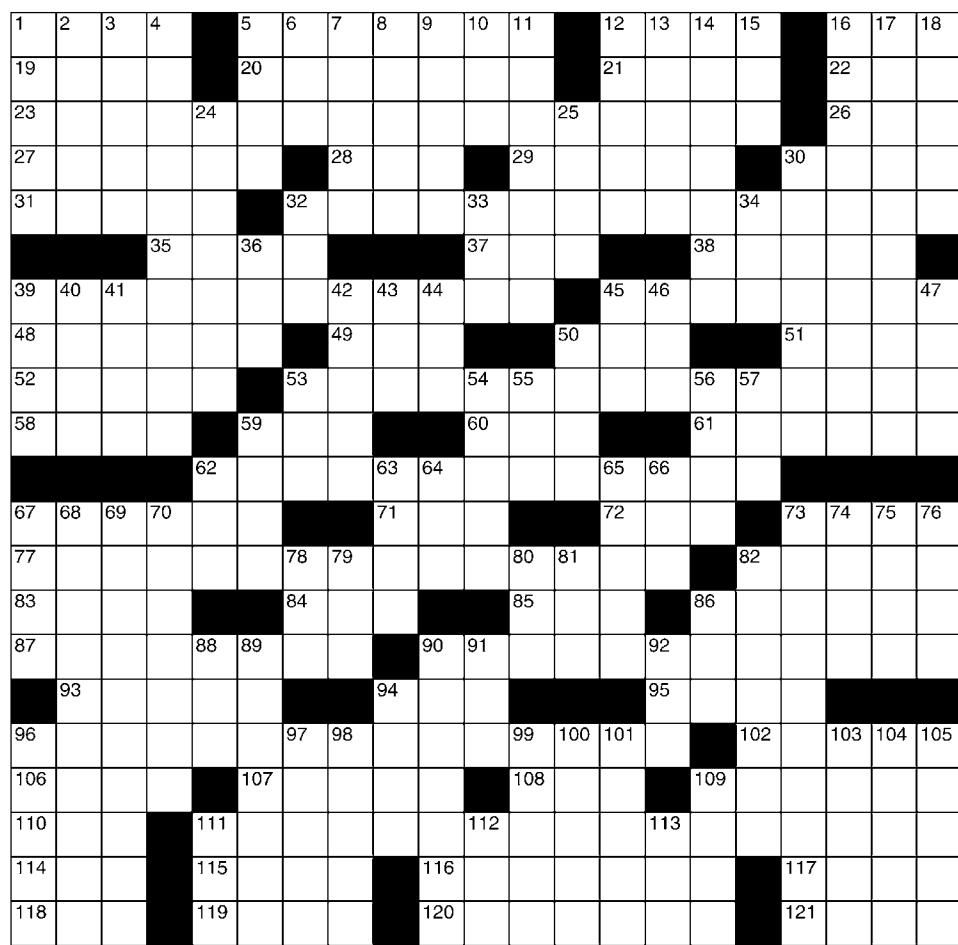


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 - 23 Limit for riding a roller coaster, often
 - 26 Oath reply
 - 27 In — by itself (unique)
 - 28 '60s muscle car
 - 29 Port-au-Prince locale
 - 30 Profound
 - 31 Spherical bacterium, for short
 - 32 Payoff of athletic training
 - 35 "Othello" foe
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 - 38 Rocker Patty of Scandal
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 - 61 Be fixated
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 - 72 Gp. backing arms
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 - 124 Like the Greek letter eta
 - 125 Type of fish that a 59-Across is
 - 5 Foldup beds
 - 6 ETA part: Abbr.
 - 7 Long attack
 - 8 Photo-sharing app, for short
 - 9 Totally unacceptable
 - 10 Bar code-scanning gizmo: Abbr. (tuba sounds)
 - 11 "That's how it was told to me"
 - 12 Artistic theme
 - 13 Supreme Court's Samuel
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 - 15 Similar-meaning wd.
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 - 30 Places to get body wraps
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 - 33 Positive aspect
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 - 62 ATM code
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 - 66 Suffix with contradict
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 - 76 Verge
 - 78 Aussie bird
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 - 86 Ancient
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 - 89 Noisy nappers
 - 90 Tropical cereal grass
 - 91 D.C.'s home
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 - 98 Social grace
 - 99 Narrates
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 - 101 Philosopher with a "razor"
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MY RECIPES
 Luke Chavez

Roasted Beet & Citrus Salad

After a decadent week of holiday cooking, made with ridiculous amounts of butter, heavy cream, and cheese, I found myself craving a salad. In times like this, I turn to nutrient packed and brightly colored vegetables, such as beetroots, as a break from the seasonal parade of casseroles. Here, tender sweet roasted beets enlivened with orange, lemon, and red onion make for a gem-toned delight. The olives and parsley add to a sunny flavor evocative of the Mediterranean, which is a lovely place to imagine being during these cold dark days.



Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 to 2 pounds small to medium beets, see notes
- Olive oil
- Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds
- 1/2 red onion, thin sliced rings
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- Juice and zest of one lemon
- 1 teaspoon dried tarragon
- 2 navel oranges
- 1/3 cup kalamata olives, pitted and halved
- 1/2 bunch flat leaf parsley, stemmed (about 1/2 cup)
- 2 cups baby arugula
- 1/2 cup hazelnuts, toasted and coarse chopped

Directions:

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Thoroughly rinse beets, then trim off stem and root ends. Arrange beets in a baking dish big enough for them to be in a single layer. Pour in enough water to cover bottom of pan, 1/8-inch deep. Sprinkle tops with fennel seeds, a pinch of salt and a quick drizzle of olive oil. Cover pan tightly with foil and roast until beets are tender, between 45 minutes and 1 hour.

While beets are roasting, prepare oranges. Slice off the top and bottom ends of orange. Place one flat side down on cutting board, then use a sharp knife to carefully cut off peel and pith. Make cuts from top to bottom, following the contour of the fruit. Then turn orange on its side and cut 1/4-inch rings, crosswise. Set orange slices aside.



When beets are tender, pull them from the oven, remove foil and allow to slightly cool. While they are cooling, place onion rings into a large mixing bowl. To this bowl add red wine vinegar, zest, lemon juice, tarragon, 2 tablespoons olive oil, as well as salt and black pepper to taste. Toss onions around in the herb and vinegar mixture with a fork, then set aside to marinate at room temperature.

When cool enough to handle, use a pairing knife and your fingers to gently peel the beets. Slice beets crosswise into 1/4-inch rounds. Add beets to the bowl with onions, tossing to coat beets in the vinaigrette. Set bowl in refrigerator and allow to marinate for at least an hour.

When ready to serve, add parsley leaves, olives, orange rings, and half the hazelnuts. Toss and check for seasoning, adding more salt and black pepper to taste. Add arugula at the last moment before serving, with another drizzle of olive oil. Toss gently, transfer to a serving dish then garnish top with the rest of hazelnuts, and a good crack of black pepper.

Notes:

This colorful salad is made more beautiful by using a mix of beets. Look for classic red, golden yellow, or bright pink beets in grocery stores with large produce departments. I used a mix of red and golden yellow beets.

Late autumn through winter is when citrus fruits are fresh and in-season. Experiment with different varieties as they make appearances in groceries. Blood oranges, tangelos, pink Cara Cara navels, or clementines would all be fabulous in this salad. Adjust the quantity used based on the size of the fruit.

If you can't find hazelnuts, walnuts would work beautifully. Pistachios would make an elegant substitution, as well. For added richness try adding crumbles of gorgonzola blue cheese, feta, or even goat cheese.

This vibrant and bright winter salad will pair nicely with hearty roasted or braised meat dishes. A lovely addition to a holiday table, offering a welcomed balance to all the rich and creamy sides. To my friends who are celebrating Hanukkah, try this along with your brisket and latkes.

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Super Crossword

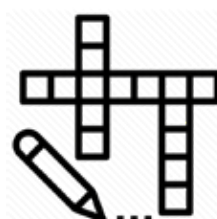
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Beka Compton

Immediately after the Lighted Parade, folks gathered around Elk Drug, in Dayton, for the best part of Christmas Kickoff; the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Makenna Barron, of Waitsburg, was joined by hundreds of people singing Christmas carols.



Beka Compton

On Saturday, November 27, members of the Columbia-Walla Walla Fire District 2 set up the town's Christmas tree, in front of the Plaza Theater. The volunteers also decorated all of the light poles along Main Street.



Members of Waitsburg FFA have been busy preparing for the annual Festival of Trees. The FFA is also selling 24" Noble Fir wreaths. To purchase a wreath, contact advisor Nicole Abel at nabel@waitsburgsd.org

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