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Bill Rodgers

A landscape fitting for a heat wave by Waitsburg photographer Bill Rodgers.

## COLUMBIA COUNTY'S LIBRARY FIGHT CONTINUES TO GET STATE AND NATIONAL MEDIA ATTENTION

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The group, represented by Dayton resident Jessica Ruffcorn, continues to garner attention from national print and televised media over efforts to dissolve the Columbia County Rural Library.

The Seattle Times is the most recent newspaper outside of Columbia or Walla Walla Counties to publish an article about the potential of Dayton's public library becoming the first in the country to be closed due to collection content.

The article is available at <https://tinyurl.com/5nscwbck>.

Allen Leister, a reporter from CBS affiliate station KEPR in Pasco Wash., came to the library and interviewed Director Ellen Brigham and petition sponsor Jessica Ruffcorn.

Leister quoted Brigham, who said, "So we can't just sit back and say, 'Well, everybody

understands what the library does, everybody will obviously vote for the library,' we need to be proactive. We need to work with organizations to get the message out and let people understand how much they will be losing if they get rid of the library because this community deserves a library and all the services that we provide."

The video and print versions of the story are available on the KEPR website at <https://tinyurl.com/3jxbym3d>.

(Below) A screenshot from the KEPR interview with Ruffcorn in front of the library. The reporter described "Jessica Ruffcorn, a self-proclaimed spokesperson of the Dayton community, who is spearheading the campaign to see the library shut down and dissolved."



## CITY COUNCIL COVER UTILITIES, GRAFFITI, AND KIDS FISH POND

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON- The Dayton City Council held its regular meeting on August 8, 2023. Mayor Zac Weatherford and council members Teeny McMunn, James Su'euga, Michael Smith, Kyle Anderson, Dain Nysoe, and Shannon McMillen were in City Hall. Laura Aukerman was absent.

Sheriff Helm gave a report during which he discussed the increasing graffiti problem in the City of Dayton but did not discuss a solution.

In his report for the county, Commissioner Ryan Rundell said the county hired Jan Strohbahn as the Public Health Director. Strohbahn had most recently been acting as Interim Public Health Director.

The council approved four resolutions authorizing employment agreements with four current salaried city employees.

Weatherford reported the city's sewer project was moving forward on schedule.

Reporting for the finance committee, Nysoe said a potential two percent rate increase on city utility bills would help cover increasing costs. However, he said it wasn't "necessarily a recommendation at this point."

Public Works Director, Ryan Paulson, said Charter Communications would begin a project laying fiber optic cable from Walla Walla to Dayton on August 1, 2023. The company estimates work inside Dayton to begin after September 1, 2023.

Paulson said the Department of Ecology directed the city to shut down the pump for the kids' fishing pond at Pietrzycki City Park. The state recently included Columbia County in a drought emergency. The pond is typically shut off around this time of the year anyway and refilled in the Spring.

Public Works is repairing portions of the sidewalk on Main Street and will remove four trees during the project.

City staff will host a Customer Appreciation Day on August 24, serving hot dogs and refreshments from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. City Hall will be closed on August 17, 2023, for training.

The meeting adjourned after 45 minutes; the next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2023.

## WW opens cooling station through Excessive Heat Warning

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA – The National Weather Service has issued an Excessive Heat Warning for portions of central, north-central, northeast Oregon, and central, south-central, and south-east Washington through 11:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 17, 2023. Dangerously hot conditions are expected, with temperatures between 103° to 110°, and residents should take precautions.

To assist Walla Walla and area residents who do not have access to air conditioning during the hottest part of the day, an emergency cooling station will be open at the Christian Aid Center at 202 W Birch St, in Walla Walla. The cooling station will be available from 12:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., providing water and an air-conditioned environment for those seeking relief from the heat. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., with an option for individuals to check into the shelter after dinner, if they choose.

Additional areas where residents can seek respite from the heat include the Walla Walla Public Library, which will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Washington Park Splash Pad will be open daily from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

The following is a list of locations, not designated as cooling centers, that can offer some relief from the heat:

**In Walla Walla:**

- Veterans Memorial Pool
- Washington Park Splash Pad
- Walla Walla City Library
- Fort Walla Walla
- 15+ Walla Walla City Parks

**In Waitsburg/Dixie:**

- Waitsburg Library
- Preston Park Splash Pad
- Ten Ton Coffee

**In Dayton:**

- Columbia County Rural Library

**In Prescott:**

- Prescott Swimming Pool
- WWC Rural Library, Prescott Branch

**In Milton-Freewater:**

- Joe Humbert Family Aquatic Center
- Freewater Park Splash Pad

**In College Place:**

- WWC Rural Library, College Place Branch
- College Place Lions Park
- Kiwanis Park
- SonBridge

**In Burbank and Wallula:**

- Hood Park
- WWC Rural Library, Burbank Branch

**In Touchet:**

- Touchet Park
- WWC Rural Library, Touchet Branch

**Hydration Stations:**

- Mill Creek Sports Complex, Walla Walla
- Public and city park water fountains

The following are precautionary and preparedness actions recommended by the National Weather Service:

1. Drink plenty of fluids, stay in an air-conditioned room, stay out of the sun, and check up on relatives and neighbors.
2. Never leave young children and pets unattended in vehicles under any circumstances.
3. Take extra precautions if you work or need to spend time outside. Reschedule strenuous activities to early morning or evening if possible.
4. Know the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Wear lightweight and loose-fitting clothing when possible.
5. To reduce risk during outdoor work, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration recommends scheduling frequent rest breaks in shaded or air-conditioned environments.

Anyone overcome by heat should be moved to a cool and shaded location.

Heat stroke is an emergency! Call 9 1 1.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## NEWS BRIEFS

### AT THE LIBERTY: "Barbie"

THE TIMES

DAYTON—To live in Barbie Land is to be a perfect being in a perfect place. Unless you have a full-on existential crisis. Or you're a Ken (Ryan Gosling). Margot Robbie is Barbie (plus others), and the cast of this comedy includes many well-known actors.

The Rotten Tomatoes "tomatometer" has this movie at 88% favorable from the critics, and the audience agrees with an 84%. That website's summary from critics is that "Barbie" is a visually dazzling comedy whose meta humor is smartly complemented by subversive storytelling". The audience summary is "Clever, funny, and poignant, "Barbie" is an entertaining movie with a great overall message." The IMDb website gives this movie a 7.4 out of 10. This movie is rated PG-13 for suggestive references and mild/moderate language. Runtime is 114 minutes.

Please note: the balcony has reopened with improved safety, more legroom (in all but row 2), and better viewing from rows 3-6. Unfortunately, the available legroom is not as much as we had originally planned for, but it is generally better than the legroom that was previously available in the balcony.

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### THE DAYTON HISTORIC DEPOT HAS A NEW MANAGER

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

DAYTON—I recently knocked on the door of Dayton's Historic Depot at 222. E. Commercial Street. Kristina Blake, the new Manager of the Depot as of June 13, greeted me in period costume clothing. She's fully into her latest post.

She wasn't dressed up for just our interview, however.

"I'm going to be in period clothing all the time at work. I want visitors to feel they've walked into another time." Blake said. Talk about getting your history on.

"Actually, it's a whole package deal," she says. "I get to live in a small town, work with nice people, and do what I really love. It's such a peaceful environment compared to what I've done before."

Blake has always been a historian at heart, a voracious reader and visitor of ghost towns and restored barns. In addition to a lifetime of work in the criminal justice system, historic preservation has always been more than a hobby.

"I've always been fascinated with what came before us, what's left, what's still standing," she said.

In her new position, Blake hired Helen Peoples as the manager of Dayton's Boldman House Museum. The museum, together with the Newland/Pioneer Cemetery and the Depot, comprise the three histor-

ic properties under the stewardship of the Dayton Historical Depot Society.

Blake is busy brainstorming ideas for new programs and experiences at the Depot. At the forefront is her concern for generating interest in history among young people. She envisions class tours during the school year when students will walk into a tableau of local volunteers in costume, chatting and waiting to buy tickets for the train. And she wants to encourage all visitors to be thoroughly tactile.

"I don't like the don't-touch rule," she says. "If you let people touch things, it makes it so much more real to them," she explained, pointing to a collection of shaped sticks used to pass messages through the window to arriving trains and the period typewriter, which still works. She looks forward to watching visitors thumb through the registration book for guests of the old Columbia Hotel, which burned down in the late 1890s.

"I don't like everything to be behind glass where people can't touch and experience history because it makes it off-limits."

Blake emphasizes that the Depot wasn't just a train station in the late 19th century; it was also a place for folks to gather. The new manager wants to continue that tradition. The tree-covered grounds are perfect for tea parties, art displays, and even murder mystery events. As always, the Depot stands ready to host unique special events, including weddings, birthdays, and retirement parties, for a fee that helps keep the Depot running.

Check out [www.daytonhistoricdepot.org](http://www.daytonhistoricdepot.org), or the "Dayton Historic Depot" Facebook page for more information on upcoming events and opportunities to volunteer.



Mike Ferrians  
Depot Manager Kristina Blake

### PORT BOARD BEGINS BUDGET WORK

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Columbia Port Commissioners held their regular meeting in the port conference room on August 9, 2023. Commissioners present in person were Genie Crowe, Seth Bryan, joined by the Executive Director, Jennie Dickinson. Johnny Watts participated over Zoom.

Dickinson began preliminary budget discussions by saying she anticipates an insurance rate increase of about \$1,500 for additional coverage for the broadband project. An offset could come from revenue generated from broadband after it becomes oper-

ational.

Dickinson said she would have a preliminary budget for the commissioners in next month's meeting packet.

In the director's update on assets, she said D & C Detailing had purchased Columbia River Detailing and signed a new lease with the Port of Columbia.

Dickinson said she has a candidate for the Economic Development Coordinator and hopes to have a good report next month on a hire. She said the craft malting study continues, discussing the cost and effectiveness of electrical versus propane power to dry and roast the malt.

The Weinhard Hotel is in the process of being sold. The new owner plans to close the hotel in October through the winter for renovations.

Dickinson announced that the

three ISPs participating in the broadband project had been given the go-ahead to install equipment in the co-location center starting August 14, 2023. She said broadband was very close to being finished.

The commissioners approved a Fiber Management Agreement with Petrichor to manage the broadband installation. The Commissioners also approved a construction contract with Blue Mountain Telecommunications for work on the Touchet Valley Broadband project, an expansion of the project into more areas of Columbia County.

A fiber lighting ceremony will be held at Blue Mountain Station on September 20, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

The chair adjourned the hour long meeting, the next meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2023.

### BIRTHDAYS

**August 17:** Addisen Ford, Pauline Stanton, Kenneth Leaverton, Casey Davison, Lance Munden, Larry Williams, Ken Graham.

**August 18:** Kay Pettichord, Wiley Miller, Angela Hopkins, Clark Hulce, Nicole Page, Levi Fluharty, Paula Cooper, Jeanie White, Keith Williams, Alex Dill, Janell Groom, Chris Wood, Vincent Wright, Madison McCaw.

**August 19:** Nicki Johnson, Steve Barr, Lucas Mohny, Georgia Rose Leisure, Brandon Crawford, Christopher Rohlfing.

**August 20:** Deric Davidson.

**August 21:** John Largent, Jennifer Clifton, Rick Reedy, Adelaide Johnson.

**August 22:** Randy Farley, Peggy Stedman, Lynn Baker, Mindy Nordheim, Raylene Scott, Richard Beckel, Luke Alexenko.

**August 23:** Babs Cerna, Coleen Langlo, Dan Donovan, Brian Hopkins.



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## LETTERS

### LIBRARIES ARE PLACES FOR SELF EXPLORATION

One does not admire the person who attends the Community Picnic and spits in the spaghetti sauce. It reminds us of the pesky kid we all knew who would play Monopoly until it was clear that winning was not a possibility for him, and who would violently upend the board sending the game pieces tumbling to the ground and run home, crying.

The Dayton Library opened in October of 1937, the same year as San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge and Mount Hood's Timberline Lodge. For 86 years, thousands of Columbia County men, women, boys, and girls have made active use of the information stored within, objective information offered freely. Citizens discovered needed information, found new worlds to explore, and had a safe place where each could pursue the right every American citizen is guaranteed by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution: the right to choose what one reads in a non-judgmental space, a special place unlike any other. A public library is not a place for covert agendas, personal or political: it is a place for personal exploration.

There was a reason millionaire Andrew Carnegie spent millions of his fortunes on 2,500 public libraries, believing that working people could acquire knowledge to improve themselves. To this day, many of his libraries exist across the country, places individuals can seek essential infor-

mation about the people they want to be, the careers they want to pursue, the authors they want to experience. No one tells them what they can or cannot read.

What arrogance, what unmitigated nerve to think that one person, particularly someone lacking educational or literary credentials, has the right to shut down our beloved library, to set the rules by which we must abide, to seed discord by using the shabby, bug-aboo phrase "protect the children" in an attempt to tear down a community resource that for decades has actually served children, freely offering more local resources of all kinds than any agency in Dayton. Shame!

In all my years as an educator, I suspect most children want to read about elephants or pink ponies, about steamboats or Disney heroines and I laugh at the vision of a kid dashing into the library looking for a sex book! How silly an image that is! And any teenager who wants graphic knowledge about the way the body works, has such information resting in hand, a device that for good or bad controls so much of our lives.

To cut to the chase: please take your tawdry and trivial political complaints elsewhere (perhaps the moon!) and leave our library to function as it has for 86 years. We have more important issues which deserve our focus: a community pool, for instance--and what a waste of our community resources having to spend time, money and energy dealing with the division sewn for your cheap and personal agenda.

Dave Campbell  
Dayton, Wash.

### DAYTON'S LIBRARY IS A MUCH NEEDED FAMILY RESOURCE

Dear Editor,

Our library is a very important resource for us. Personally, the library is our only computer and our only copy machine. My daughter walks to our library at least twice per week. She checks out DVDs and books very often. Her favorite books are ones about knitting and crochet because she makes gifts for people.

We don't have a car. So, we do everything locally. Every week my daughter uses the computer at the library to check e-mail and print off the songs we sing for church. I help lead the worship at our church and need the computer every week.

When we moved to Dayton 16 years ago, there were more activities and businesses here. The library is one of the only places of activity left in our town. It is the best resource for our people here. We both took computer classes when they offered them at our library. My adult daughter has a disability and would be very bored here without our library being open. It would be awful to ride thirty miles on the bus to check out a book. We need the convenience of our local library.

Sincerely,  
Dawn S. Spittler  
Dayton, Wash.

### FRANCES RANDOLF CELEBRATES 104 YEARS

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Friends and family celebrated the birthday of lifelong Dayton resident, Frances Randolph, who turned 104 years old on August 9th, 2023. She was showered with love and affection by generations of loved ones including new friends and caregivers at the Rivers Walk Assisted Living facility. "The Columbia County Health System is truly honored to have this beautiful and amazing lady as a member of our Rivers Walk community right here in her hometown," stated CCHS on its website.



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337-6589  
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We will have Booster Club membership forms on hand and yard signs for sale (\$25 each). Yearly family membership is \$50.



# NEWS & LEGALS

## Retired Physician sees healing in Circles

All are encouraged to experience the connectons made through traditional round dances.

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Dr. Paula Strait wants folks of all ages, to come out for a Round Traditional Folk Dance at Waitsburg's Preston Park on Sunday evening, August 20. You could be one of those dancing in that circle. That is, if you accept Dr. Paula Strait's invitation to participate in this fun, healthy, and social event.

After practicing medicine for nearly 40 years, Dr. Strait, DO, retired to the Touchet Valley in April of this year. She brings a lifetime of concern about what really ails us.

"The Surgeon General has it right," Strait said, referring to Dr. Vivek Murthy's 2023 advisory, "Our Epidemic of Loneliness and Isolation."

Strait accepts this social diagnosis as confirmation of what she has had "eyes to see" her entire career.

Growing up in rural Iowa, Strait trained as a rural physician. She traveled exten-

sively during her career, working in Alaska, Alabama, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Texas. She has also worked with Native American tribal nations. In all of this experience she speaks philosophically about health and wellness.

"The county you're born into determines your foundational health," she says. "You can make certain choices as you get older, but attitudes and behavior are first driven by that original cultural context you grew up in."

Higher levels of health risk are often connected to poor education, disconnection, and a sense of withdrawal.

The solution is social engagement and connection, according to Strait.

"All traditional family groups around the world do a friendship dance, a dance in the round. In America, Appalachian music is very firmly rooted in the circle dance. Remember as a child singing "Ring around the Rosie?" It's like that," she said.

Dancing in a circle allows participants to see each other and be seen. It can help teach children to see themselves and their relationship to their families and community.

"On a deep level it's social learning, and we're social beings," she said.

The Family Circle Dance party will include other activities, including a piñata full of sugar-free surprises. The fun will start at 5 p.m through 7 p.m. at Preston Park in Waitsburg.

Strait says she is not an extrovert, and has never "called" a dance (think square dancing) before. She said she will definitely be out of her comfort zone.

"But I won't be alone. Musicians from Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project (TVAMP) will be there. The party is for



(Above) This Sunday will be a chance to dance with your friends and family at Preston Park. Music by Kate Hocker-smith and her band of merry musicians from TVAMP.

(left) Dr. Paula Strait has an infectious sense of community and health. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy dancing outside with your friends and family.

The U.S. Surgeon General's advisory is available at <https://tinyurl.com/ut54ff6j>

families and anyone of any age. Bring the toddlers. There's no charge, it's free. The price you pay is getting to be seen and heard by others. You don't get to hide. And we'll have fun!"

## LEGAL NOTICES

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

for the County of Walla Walla No. 23-3-00078-36 William D. Black Petitioner, Jessica Rae Black, Respondent.

The State of Washington to the respondent Jessica Rae Black: You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the 13<sup>th</sup> of July, 2023, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, William D. Black, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure, to do so, 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 60 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 William D. Black at 209 N. 4th Ave #6, Walla Walla, WA. 99362. The Times July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 2023 7-13-f

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO. 23-2-00375-36 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION RCW 4.28.110 BIMALPREET BATH and BIMAL 13, LLC, a Washington limited liability company, Plaintiffs, vs. BRADY STONE, BRADY'S CUSTOM CONCRETE LLC, a Washington limited liability company, and LEXON INS. CO., Bond No. 9831580, Defendants. The State of Washington to: Defendants Brady Stone and Brady's Custom Concrete LLC You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty (60) days after July 20, 2023, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiffs, at their office below stated;

and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the complaint in this action, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court. The object of this action is to recover damages for Defendants' failure to construct a building as agreed after accepting payment. DATED this 14th day of July, 2023. BASALT LEGAL PLLC By: /s/ Jeremy Hyndman Jeremy Hyndman, WSBA #44320 6½ N. Second Avenue, Suite 200 Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630 The Times July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 7-20-e

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA In the Matter of the Estate of Jose Antonio Castilleja Deceased NO. 23 4 00161 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 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. 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 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 decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: July 27, 2023. Adrian Reyes, Personal Representative Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290 Roach Law Firm Attorney for Personal Representative 126 E Alder Street Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-522-6800 The Times July 27, August 3, 10, 2023 7-27-d

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 23-4-00166-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: DEAN W. BLIZE, 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: August 3, 2023. Peggy D. Needham Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Courtney Lawless, WSBA #57415 Basalt Legal PLLC 6 ½ North Second Ave., Suite 200 Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630 The Times August 3, 10, 17, 2023 8-3-a

### NOTICE OF CHANGE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING TIME

PRESCOTT SCHOOL DISTRICT 402-37 PRESCOTT -- Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Prescott School District No. 402-37 will hold their regularly scheduled school board meeting as planned beginning at 7 a.m. on August 24th, 2023, at the school located at 207 A St, Prescott, WA 99348. To ensure compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and provide notice of this meeting as required by law, we would like to give notice that there will be

a grounds walk-through from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m., and plan to begin the regular August board meeting at 8 a.m. The regular meeting will be available remotely via Zoom video conferencing at Meeting ID: 794 0897 2274 Passcode: 2023. Click this link to access board meeting on Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/79408972274?pwd=L3xVm-RRxUdBI8aRWQOVb4ftXOY-DRU.1> Please call or email Justin Bradford, Superintendent at (509) 849-2217 or by email at [jbradford@prescottsd.org](mailto:jbradford@prescottsd.org) if you have any questions regarding this meeting time change. The Times August 17, 2023 8-17-a

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA In the Matter of the Estate of Beverly Johnson Deceased NO. 23 4 00173 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 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. 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 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 decedent's probate and non-probate assets. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 17, 2023. Gina Laveroni, Personal Representative Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290 Roach Law Firm Attorney for Personal Representative 126 E Alder Street Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-522-6800 The Times August 17, 24, 31, 2023 8-17-b

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

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 23-4-00171-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: ESTHER STELLA WILSON, 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: August 17, 2023. Mitchell Bruce Wilson, Personal Representative Attorney for Personal Representative: Courtney Lawless, WSBA #57415 Basalt Legal PLLC 6½ North Second Ave., Suite 200 Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630 The Times August 17, 24, 31, 2023 8-17-c

### ORDINANCE SUMMARY

Pursuant to RCW 35A.12.160, the Council of the City of Prescott hereby approves for publication the following Ordinance Summary: The Ordinance summarized is Ordinance No. 2023-02, adopted by the Council of the City of Prescott on July 10, 2023. The Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 459, adopted on October 8, 2007, which amended Ordinance No. 156 regarding adoption of the Washington State Motor Vehicle laws. The Ordinance adopts clearer language to allow for improved compli-

ance and enforcement. The Ordinance is divided into three (3) sections. Section 1 amends Section 1 of Ordinance No. 459. Section 2 states that all other sections, paragraphs, and provisions of Ordinance No. 459 not expressly amended are unchanged, current, and in full force and effect. Section 3 states that the Ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication. A copy of the entire Ordinance will be mailed upon request or may be examined at City Hall. This Ordinance was APPROVED by the Council of the City of Prescott on the 10th day of July, 2023. Jay Potts, Mayor The Times August 17, 2023 8-17-e

### ORDINANCE SUMMARY

Pursuant to RCW 35A.12.160, the Council of the City of Prescott hereby approves for publication the following Ordinance Summary: The Ordinance summarized is Ordinance No. 2023-01, adopted by the Council of the City of Prescott on July 10, 2023. The Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 450, adopted on July 10, 2006, which repealed and replaced Ordinance No. 310 and established nuisance controls within the City. The Ordinance adopts additional language from Title 46 RCW to allow for improved compliance and enforcement. The Ordinance is divided into three (3) sections. Section 1 amends certain provisions of Ordinance No. 450 (Section 1, Section 3, and Section 4). Section 2 states that all other sections, paragraphs, and provisions of Ordinance No. 450 not expressly amended are unchanged, current, and in full force and effect. Section 3 states that the Ordinance shall take effect five days after its publication. A copy of the entire Ordinance will be mailed upon request or may be examined at City Hall. This Ordinance was APPROVED by the Council of the City of Prescott on the 10th day of July, 2023. Jay Potts, Mayor The Times August 17, 2023 8-17-d



# Around the Valley: with Karen Huwe

## Leavenworth Adventure Park

Leavenworth is famous for its Bavarian-style village. Strolling along Front Street, with its restaurants and shops, is a day well spent for visitors; we have been there several times. A new attraction, the Leavenworth Adventure Park, opened on June 1, 2023.

Park developers Dave Moffett and John Sutherland chose Leavenworth as the site for Washington State's first alpine coaster. Alpine or mountain coasters are found in mountainous areas and at ski resorts. No motors are on the track, and the bobsled-like cars travel down the rail propelled by gravity.

My sisters and I reserved tickets to ride the Tumwater Twister Alpine Coaster. Ticket buyers can choose a single ride or a three-ride ticket. We decided to ride three times. The coaster ride is 2,700 feet long with a vertical drop of 234 feet and three 360-degree spiral helix turns. The anti-derailment track is up to 35 feet off the ground.

My husband and brother-in-law chose to sit in the waiting room and watch from the window.

According to the website, riders will get views of Tumwater Canyon, Icicle Ridge, the Wenatchee River Rapids, and the town of Leavenworth. That is if you dare to look around. I mostly kept my eye on the track, ready to brake.

The park says the ride can be scenic or fast. Scenic if you use the brake as I did or fast at 27 miles per hour like my speed demon sister Janet. Sisters Sandra and Joanie did a mixture of scenic and fast.

The wait in line was like being at Disneyland, long even with timed tickets. After fastening your seat belt and giving a thumbs up, you are off for the ride of a lifetime.

The Adventure Park also features a climbing wall, bungee trampoline, and a mining sluice ride. It is open seven days a week until Labor Day.

For more information or to reserve tickets, go to [www.leavenworthadventurepark.com](http://www.leavenworthadventurepark.com).



Karen Huwe

Janet riding the alpine coaster. At the bottom lower right side, you can see traffic backed up on Hwy 2.

# Wine of the Week

## Métier 2021 Red Blend

By Paul Gregutt | THE TIMES



Longtime Washington wine drinkers surely know DeLille Cellars, one of the first and still one of the foremost small brands to make Woodinville its home. Now entering its fourth decade, DeLille has grown and those in charge have changed, but the quality remains. Métier began as a single wine under the DeLille label but has transformed into a sister label all its own. There are three wines currently on offer. This red is my favorite – a classic Washington blend of 55% Syrah, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon and 13% Merlot. Black fruits, toast and espresso flavors jump out, backed with impressively ripe and soft tannins. Broad across the palate, its blackberry fruit is highlighted with accents of tanned leather, sandalwood and white pepper. It falls away gently with a savory trail of herbs. 14.4%; \$25; (Columbia Valley) 91/100

<https://www.delillecellars.com/wine/2021-metier-red-blend/>



# Lunches

## WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

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Vegetable (Chef's Choice)  
Sweet Potatoes  
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Cookie

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The Prescott School District No. 402-37 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, marital status or the presence of a disability (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and RCW 49.60) The Prescott School District No. 402-37 is an equal opportunity employer and the district encourages applications from minority and disabled groups.

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**Weller Public Library is accepting applications for library support staff.**  
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Starting at \$20.00 per hour. Applications are available at Waitsburg City Hall.

**Weller Public Library is accepting applications for a Library Board of Trustees member.** Applications are available at Waitsburg City Hall. Please Attach a letter of interest.

**HELP WANTED CITY OF PRESCOTT – PUBLIC WORKS**  
Public works position open 8-10 hours per week through 2023. Please send letter of interest to [cityofprescottclerk@columbiainet.com](mailto:cityofprescottclerk@columbiainet.com) or City of Prescott, PO Box 27, Prescott WA 99348.

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# FUN & GAMES

## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## GRIN and BEAR IT



## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



## Touchet Valley Weather

Aug. 16, 2023

### Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

<b>Wednesday</b> Sunny	<b>Thursday</b> Partly Cloudy	<b>Friday</b> Partly Cloudy	<b>Saturday</b> Partly Cloudy	<b>Sunday</b> Few Showers	<b>Monday</b> Partly Cloudy	<b>Tuesday</b> Sunny
High: 105 Low: 70	High: 103 Low: 71	High: 94 Low: 59	High: 87 Low: 57	High: 83 Low: 54	High: 79 Low: 51	High: 81 Low: 52

### Weather Trivia

What caused the worst weather-related aircraft accident?  
**Answer:** In 1977, two planes collided on a runway killing 582 people in thick fog.

### Weather History

**Aug. 16, 1777** - The Battle of Bennington, delayed a day by rain, was fought. The rain delayed British reinforcement and allowed the Vermont Militia to arrive in time, enabling the Americans to win by defeating two enemy forces, one at a time.

### Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	86	61	91/64	0.00"	0.00"
Wednesday	87	64	91/64	Trace	0.08"
Thursday	84	64	91/63	0.00"	-0.08"
Friday	88	58	90/63	0.00"	76.6°
Saturday	89	65	90/63	0.00"	76.7°
Sunday	97	64	90/63	0.00"	-0.1°
Monday	100	65	89/62	0.00"	

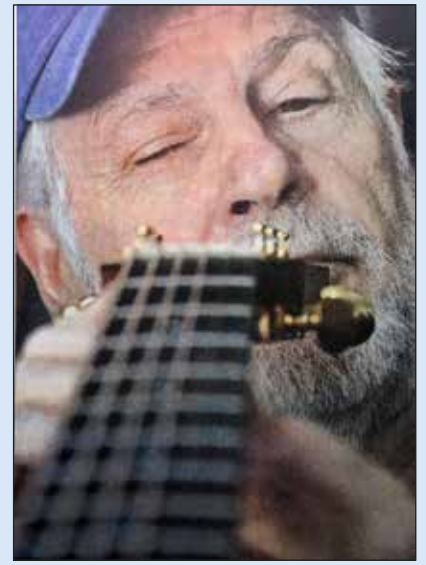
*Data as reported from Walla Walla*

### Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	5:53 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	5:53 a.m.	8:36 p.m.
Thursday	5:54 a.m.	7:58 p.m.	6:59 a.m.	8:54 p.m.
Friday	5:56 a.m.	7:56 p.m.	8:04 a.m.	9:09 p.m.
Saturday	5:57 a.m.	7:55 p.m.	9:09 a.m.	9:24 p.m.
Sunday	5:58 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	10:14 a.m.	9:40 p.m.
Monday	5:59 a.m.	7:51 p.m.	11:21 a.m.	9:57 p.m.
Tuesday	6:01 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	10:18 p.m.

## PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago  
August 15, 2013



[Photo Caption] Joe Patrick sights a guitar neck. Resurrecting that old guitar is what Joe does, and like a phoenix from the ashes it can go from a dusty relic to a star performer.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

August 20, 1998

A recent addition to Weller Public Library will now allow the general public to browse the Internet without forking out thousands of dollars for a computer. Thanks to a grant from the Washington State Library and support from the Friends of the Library and local memorial donations, Weller Public Library has a computer with Internet access and it's available now. "Getting on the Internet is now possible for anyone in town," said Jan Cronkhite, librarian at Weller Public Library. "Everyone's welcome to come in and use it. We'll show you how to use it the best we can, although I think most people probably already know how to do it. This is a great opportunity for the citizens of Waitsburg to be a part of the World Wide Web and use their little local library for that," Cronkhite said.

Fifty Years Ago

August 16, 1936

Bob Gilmore, former resident of Waitsburg who now teaches school in Seattle was in The Times office this past weekend. Bob's dad Charles was a telegrapher for the Union Pacific railroad in town during the early 30's. Bob noted that the old "burg" hadn't changed a whole lot since he remembers it as an 11-year-old.

Mrs. Velma Baim discovered a sales slip dated Nov. 7 1936, in an old cook book. It was interesting to note that the whole list totaled \$5.48 and included 3 pounds of butter, \$1.26; toothpicks, 10c; Oxydol, 38c; Fels chips, 25c; 2 bread, 28c; Miracle Whip, 42c; 4 cans sliced pineapple, 40c; 1/2 side bacon, \$1.45; gelatin, 20c; 2 cans corn, 35c; and coke, 39c. Sounds great until you consider that wheat was selling for 32 cents a bushel and hogs were \$5 a head.

Mrs. C. N. Eaton was surprised Thursday on her 85th birthday by neighbors and her daughter Mrs. Dave Willoughby. Mr. Eaton was 86 the day before, so it was a dual celebration.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

August 20, 1948

Electric power will serve 215 additional farms in this area as soon as the contract is approved by the Rural Electrification Administration according to the Columbia County REA office.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen returned home today from Mt. Adams where they have been camping and picking huckleberries.

Miss Colleen Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Collins, left Tuesday morning for Hawaii where she has accepted a position as county extension agent directing girls' 4-H Clubs in West Oahu County.

One Hundred Years Ago

August 24, 1923

Miss Marion Bailey of Waitsburg has been visiting her friend Miss Pauline Fullerton of Huntsville for a few days.

The grain harvest is progressing rapidly in this locality and is nearing completion for the majority of the farmers. Wheat is more or less deceiving this season, the unusual amount of smut in the grain cutting the yield as much as 10 bushels per acre.

Miss Gladys Wise left for Portland Monday where she will visit relatives for a few weeks.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

August 26, 1898

A. L. Storie who had quite a large field of corn on the hill north of town, finished hauling it under shelter this week.

S. A. Ferguson having sold his Preston Ave. home to J. H. Benn, on last Friday bought a residence on Sixth Street.

Wagons loaded with wheat make a never-ending procession through town to the warehouses at present. This sight is a very pleasing one.

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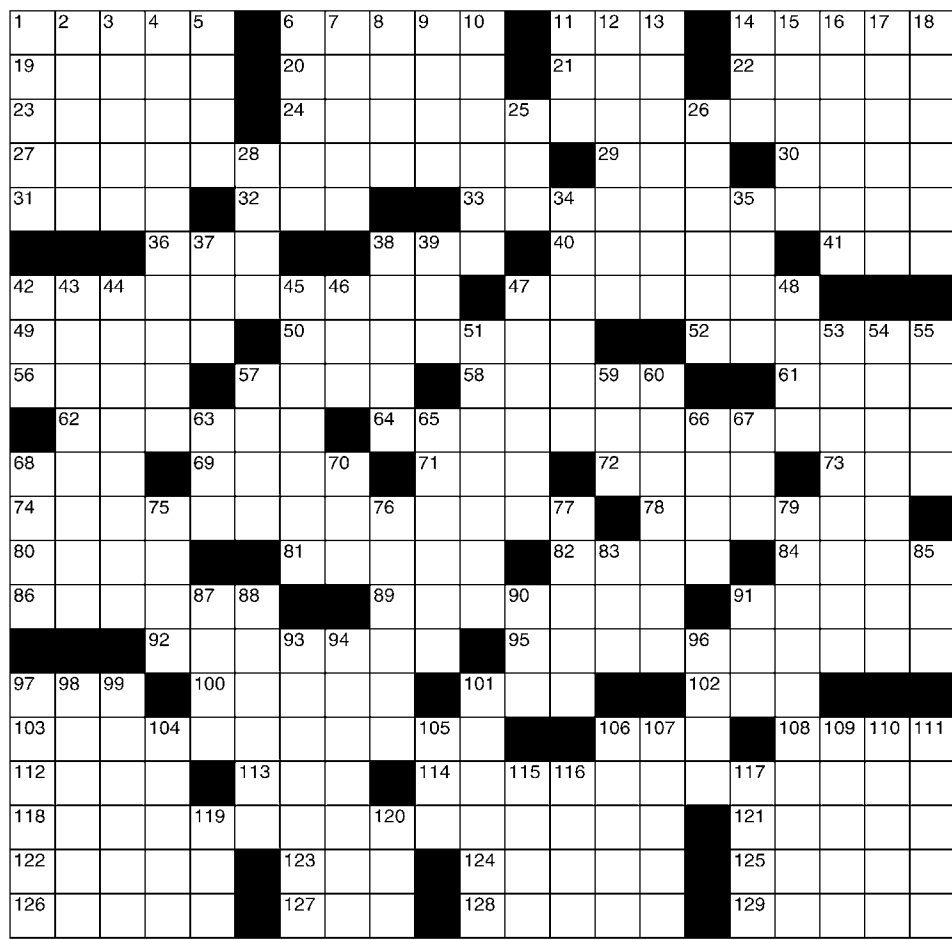


# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword

TAKEN IN

- ACROSS**
- 1 Alabama city
  - 6 Change to fit
  - 11 Kind of port on a PC
  - 14 Seizes the attention of
  - 19 Follow behind
  - 20 First half of an album
  - 21 Salada drink
  - 22 Roll back to 0
  - 23 "Hitchin' —" (1970 hit)
  - 24 U.S. version of a cue sport
  - 27 Argonauts' quest
  - 29 Screening airport gp.
  - 30 Lead-in for Rooter or tiller
  - 31 Israel's main airline
  - 32 Motorist's 180, slangily
  - 33 Common seabird with black wingtips
  - 36 Doc wielding a penlight
  - 38 Chou En- —
  - 40 "— la vista!"
  - 42 Chess piece four squares from the king at the start of the game
  - 47 Alternatives to inns
  - 49 Wife's father, e.g.
  - 50 Left on the dinner table
  - 52 Arid African expanse
  - 56 Small drinks
  - 57 Keep — profile
  - 58 Egypt's Anwar
  - 61 Experts
  - 62 Mooing herd
  - 64 Cars move up and down in it
  - 68 Fleur-de- —
  - 69 "Yes, yes!" in Spain
  - 71 Land in the ocean, to Yvette
  - 72 Iraq's locale
  - 73 Group of two
  - 74 Certain injury from an arachnid
  - 78 Gives 10% to the church
  - 80 See 96-Down
  - 81 Dragster fuel
  - 82 Guesses at JFK or SFO
  - 84 Iowa city
  - 86 Printed notice with no pictures
  - 89 Newly capped tire
  - 91 Makes a sock, say
  - 92 Old buddies
  - 95 Inmate who's broken out
  - 97 African cobra
  - 100 Staples Center, e.g.
  - 101 "Aw, shucks!"
  - 102 Pantry pest
  - 103 Baby who doesn't need a pacifier, perhaps
  - 106 Actor Mineo
  - 108 Spoken
  - 112 Sorvino of "Mimic"
  - 113 I love, to Livia
  - 114 It connects to a car engine's water pump
  - 118 People who do what's at the ends of nine answers in this puzzle
  - 121 Barbera's collaborator in cartoons
  - 122 Borden's "spokescow"
  - 123 Actor Romero
  - 124 Common bellybutton
  - 125 Rear- — (car accident)
  - 126 Banana oil or benzoate
  - 127 Secret U.S. gov't. group
  - 128 Big name in insurance
  - 129 Deck out
  - 38 Lerner's collaborator in musicals
  - 39 Wanted-poster abbr.
  - 42 Grafton's "— for Quarry"
  - 43 Single-wheeled circus prop
  - 44 U.S.-Mex. border city
  - 45 Gives a judgment about
  - 46 "Dogtown" singer Yoko
  - 47 Paradise
  - 48 Persian king
  - 51 "The Hollow Men" poet
  - 53 Scholastic
  - 54 Simply won't
  - 55 Apropos of
  - 57 Et — (and others)
  - 59 Week- — -glance
  - 60 Mexican dish
  - 63 Baking qty.
  - 65 Petrol quantities
  - 66 Jacob of social reform
  - 67 Roasted
  - 68 Exam for future attys.
  - 70 "Here Comes the Holstepper" singer — Kamoze
  - 75 Campus mil. group
  - 76 Hair highlight
  - 77 Gaggle birds
  - 79 Like direct combat
  - 83 Sea- — Airport
  - 85 IRS form info
  - 87 Iraqi, for one
  - 88 Back fish fin
  - 90 Singer Des'—
  - 91 Jeong of "The Hangover"
  - 93 Liselotte of the LPGA
  - 94 Revenues
  - 96 With 80-Across, Silicon Valley city
  - 97 PIN money?
  - 98 Hucksters' helpers
  - 99 Stickler
  - 101 The "g" of e.g.
  - 104 Ike's wife
  - 105 Screw up
  - 106 Glossy fabric
  - 107 Bewildered
  - 109 Concerto part
  - 110 Actor Ed
  - 111 Get versed in
  - 115 Sup stylishly
  - 116 Lacks being
  - 117 Emu relative
  - 119 Slangy suffix with "two"
  - 120 Gp. for tooth drillers



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## MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

# Zucchini Gratin



Each summer-growing season in the garden is a little different from the last. Things that thrive one year can struggle to flourish the next. Despite all the surprises and unpredictability, the one thing that there is never a shortage of is zucchini. This most prolific of summer squash needs to be harvested daily, and even after giving away boxes to friends and family we seem to always have a fresh pile on the kitchen counter. As a result, I have researched and tested countless recipes that use this versatile vegetable in imaginative ways. Here, tender zucchini is gratineed with a crispy breadcrumb and cheese topping for summer entertaining.

### Ingredients:

- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, plus more
- 1 pound yellow onions, cut in half lengthwise and sliced
- 2 pounds zucchini, sliced ¼-inch rounds or half moons
- 1 tablespoon fresh thyme (or 1 teaspoon dried)
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt (or 1 teaspoon fine salt)
- 1 teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- ¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 cup whole milk
- ¾ cup plain panko breadcrumbs
- ¾ cup grated parmesan or Gruyere
- Pinch sweet paprika

### Directions:

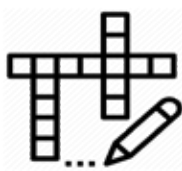
Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Melt the butter in a large 12-inch skillet or Dutch-oven over low heat. Add the onions and cook until tender but not browned, about 15 to 20 minutes. Add the zucchini and cook, covered for 10 minutes, until tender. Meanwhile, pour the milk into a small saucepan and bring to just below a simmer then take off the heat and set aside. Uncover the zucchini and raise the heat to medium, then add the thyme, salt, pepper, and nutmeg, sautéing for another 5 minutes. Sprinkle the flour over the top of the zucchini then stir to evenly combine. Next, add the hot milk to the skillet and continue to cook over medium to medium-low heat for a few minutes to thicken the sauce. Taste and adjust the seasoning, adding more salt if needed. Pour the mixture into an 8 by 10-inch baking dish, spreading across the bottom. In a small bowl, combine the breadcrumbs and grated cheese. Spread breadcrumb mixture over the top of zucchini and dot the top with another tablespoon of butter cut into small pieces. Sprinkle a little paprika over the top for color. Place on middle rack of hot oven and bake until bubbly and golden brown, about 20 minutes.

### Notes:

You could make this gratin with a mixture of summer squash such as crook necks along with the zucchini. Other fresh herbs, such as basil, rosemary, or parsley, could be mixed into the zucchini before topping with the breadcrumbs. You could also add a little chopped garlic at the same time as the herbs. Creamy without being heavy, this is an easy summer side dish that comes together quickly. Lovely served with grilled meats or roasted chicken. Enjoy!

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
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## Last week's answers

### Super Crossword

#### Answers

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### Weekly SUDOKU

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## Community Calendar

### Waitsburg Monthly Meetings



**Waitsburg City Council**  
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7 p.m. at City Hall.  
Next meeting August 16.

**Planning Commission**  
Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom. Next meeting on August 11.

### Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.  
Zoom info available by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)

**Waitsburg Home and School Association** – First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All parents, school district staff, or community members are welcome.  
Next meeting: 9/6 – No meetings July or August

### Waitsburg Historical Society

Third Tuesday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

### Waitsburg Booster Club

First Tues. of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ High School Home Ec. room

### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee  
Info email: [info@waitsburgparks.org](mailto:info@waitsburgparks.org)

### Weller Public Library

**Board of Trustees**  
Second Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. at the Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

### Friends of the Weller Public Library

Fourth Monday of the month @ 7 p.m.  
Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

### Waitsburg Commercial Club

Last Thursdays of the month @ Waitsburg Business Center@noon. Last Thursdays of each month, Zoom info available by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)

### Waitsburg Resource Center

**Community Food Bank**  
106 ½ Preston Ave  
Thursdays, 2 – 4 pm

### Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

#### Board of Columbia County Commissioners

Regular meetings - First and second Monday of each month @ 9 a.m.  
Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m.  
Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

#### Dayton City Council

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

#### Dayton School Board

First and third Wednesday of every month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

#### Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

#### Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

August 21 @ 7 p.m. Delaney room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

#### Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

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

#### Starbuck Meetings

#### Starbuck City Council

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



## Events Calendar

### WAITSBURG

#### Royal Block

Baseball Historian Rob Garratt To Read At Royal Block



The Royal Block Reading Series welcomes baseball historian Robert Garratt, who will read from his latest book, *Jazz Age Giant*, at the Royal Block in Waitsburg at 6 p.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2023. The event is free, and the venue is open to 21+ public.

Garratt's book portrays New York Giants owner Charles Stoneham, a Gatsby-like character who lived large during the roaring 1920s. He was known to host grand parties and associate with politicians, gamblers, entertainers, and showgirls. The book also portrays a moment in US history when despite Prohibition, many Americans lived for the moment and pursued pleasure wherever they could find it.

"A wonderful, interesting, and informative book, even if you are not a baseball fan. By placing Charles Stoneham within New York's Jazz Age, Robert Garratt offers a unique perspective on the history of Giants baseball ownership." --Bob Lurie, SF Giants Owner, 1976-1992.

The Art Bar is open Thursdays and Fridays 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays 2-8 p.m. @ theRoyalBlock

**Waitsburg Happening is Coming August 26**  
Fun, food, music, and surprises



### American 35

#### AUGUST 19

Swing dance lessons 7:30-8:30 pm, stay and practice til 10 pm



### Mythical / Movable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam

#### Ten Ton Coffee Jam - 7p.m.

216 Main Street, Waitsburg  
This week's jam (8/18) is at Ten Ton Coffee!  
We love Ten Ton! If it's nice we can sit out on the sidewalk.



### WALLA WALLA

#### Gesa Powerhouse Theater



"Vincent" September 29 @ 7:00 pm \$20 - \$30



"Dancing with the W2 Stars" fundraising event for Valley Residential Services. October 7 @ 7:00 pm \$50

Go to [www.phtww.org](http://www.phtww.org) for information, calendar of events, and tickets.

Come celebrate the Prescott Public Swimming Pool 65th Birthday!  
**Saturday, August 26**

BBQ from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Bouncy House  
Music with a DJ  
Dime Day at the pool  
Pool games and prizes  
Movie Nite showing Jumanji at 8:00 p.m.



Special thanks to the following suppliers and service providers who helped the Prescott Public Swimming Pool open for its 2023 season:

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