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THIS WEEK

WAITSBURG



ROYALTY

Cheyenne Shoun will be the 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days queen. (See Page 7)

DAYTON



RETAIL

Joanne Marble opens Quilts & More on Dayton's Main Street. (See Page 6)

SPORTS



BASKETBALL

The Dayton girls' basketball team is loaded with experience and aims to finish high in the state playoffs this year. (See Page 8)

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SMILIN' WITH SANTA



Photo by Michele Smith
Ren Allen poses with Santa at Santa's House during Dayton's Christmas Kick-off celebration on Saturday. Ren is the son of Tiffani Allen of Dayton. See more photos of Dayton's Christmas Kick-off on the Last Page.

Dayton Moves to Settle Claims Against County and Prosecutor

PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE WILL DISCONTINUE PROVIDING PROSECUTION SERVICES TO THE CITY ON DEC. 1

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Dayton City Council met Monday night to pass a resolution authorizing Mayor Craig George to settle all claims in the matter of a legal dispute between the City of Dayton, Columbia County, and Prosecuting Attorney, Rea Culwell.

The council also approved a resolution allowing the mayor to sign an agreement with Bell, Brown, & Rio PLLC, to provide municipal prosecution services to the city, beginning on Dec. 1, for a period of two months.

The county prosecutor's office will discontinue providing prosecution services on behalf of the city on Dec. 1, according to Mayor Craig George.

An agreement drawn up by the city at-

orney Quinn Plant outlines the terms of the settlement:

The county will pay the costs incurred by the city for prosecutorial services, not to exceed \$2,000 per month, until an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the two entities is negotiated and executed.

Until that time, the city will continue to pay to the county each month the amount it currently pays for county court services, including prosecution services, under the Interlocal Agreement.

Upon the final execution of an amended Interlocal Agreement by the city and the county, the county will no longer be responsible for the costs of municipal prosecution services for the city.

The agreement also requires the county to pay to the city an amount equal to the attorney's fees and costs incurred by the city in the lawsuit. This amount is not to exceed \$15,000.

In January 2007, the city and the county entered into an Interlocal Agreement regarding court services. The county agreed to provide court services to the city for prosecution, defense and adjudication of non-juvenile infractions, misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor offenses committed within the city's jurisdictional boundaries.

On Aug. 31, Culwell notified the city that as of Sept. 6, her office would no longer prosecute non-domestic violence, and non-DUI/physical control matters on behalf of the City of Dayton.

The city initiated a lawsuit in Columbia County Superior Court on Sept. 13, naming the county, and Culwell as defendants, and requested a declaratory ruling and injunctive relief.

The Court issued a temporary restraining order the following day, requiring the county to provide municipal prosecution services to the city, as required in the Interlocal Agreement.

On Sept. 28, Culwell, in her capacity as the County Prosecuting Attorney, agreed to resume providing prosecution service as required by the Interlocal Agreement, for a period of 90 days.

The settlement agreement between the city and the county states that Culwell is not a party to the agreement, and that the agreement does not cover, or prejudice, claims of the county against Culwell, arising out of her refusal to provide municipal prosecution services, as required by the Interlocal Agreement.

Waitsburg Hometown Christmas Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

Waitsburg Town Hall

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Shop with local vendors
9 - 11:30 a.m.	Breakfast by Chef Jeff
11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Lunch by Chef Jeff, Hot Cocoa, Coffee, Cookies
11 a.m. – Noon	Cookie exchange
1-2 p.m.	Children's Cookie Decorating
1-2 p.m.	Children's Ornament Decorating
2-4 p.m.	Framing Fables Acoustic Concert

Waitsburg Elementary School

4 p.m. Turkey Bingo (Doors open at 3 p.m.)

Main Street

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Vance Price Art Show - 10 Ton Press, 216 Main

SUNDAY, DEC. 4

Waitsburg Town Hall

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Shop with local vendors
9 - 11:30 a.m.	Breakfast with Chef Jeff
Noon – 3:30 p.m.	Lunch with Chef Jeff
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Cookies, cocoa, coffee
Noon – 4 p.m.	Music with Kate Hockersmith, Bluegrass bands, Waitsburgschools
3:30 p.m.	FFA Festival of Trees winners announced
4 p.m.	Hometown Christmas Drawings
6 p.m.	(Following parade) Bill Thompson Memorial Chili Feed

Main Street

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Vance Price Art Show - 10 Ton Press, 216 Main Street
1-3 p.m.	Pictures and Goodie Bags with Santa - The Q, 137 Main
2-3 p.m.	Hayride – Load outside Fancy Treasures
5 p.m.	Main Street Parade



TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

TOASTY TOOTSIES



Courtesy Photo

The WHS Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) wrapped up a sock drive last month and delivered 249 pairs of new socks to the Waitsburg Resource Center to be distributed locally. The students decided to become sole warmers when they learned that socks are one of the least donated items to shelters said advisor, Nancy Bickelhaupt. The next project on the FCCLA agenda is selling Waitsburg Cardinal Christmas ornaments.

NEWS BRIEFS

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

DAYTON – Not all is “merry and bright” for everyone during the holidays. The Dayton First Congregational Church will hold a special service for those struggling during the holidays, offering a space of peace and grace.

A soup and bread supper will be provided at 6 p.m. on Dec. 21, followed by a brief service of music, silence, readings, and activity for hands and hearts. Everyone is invited.

PRESCOTT AUTHOR BOOK SIGNING

WALLA WALLA - Prescott author S. D. (Susan) Matley will be signing books at Book & Game in Walla Walla, Fri., Dec. 2, from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.. New this year is Big-G City, the continuing tale of Greek immortals in the behind-the-scenes City of Mount Olympus. Matley's 2015 novella Small-g City, set in Seattle, Wash., will also be available for purchase. Book & Game is located on the corner of 1st and Main, Downtown Walla Walla.

Touchet Valley Weather

Nov. 30, 2016

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday Few Showers High: 43 Low: 32	Thursday Partly Cloudy High: 41 Low: 29	Friday Partly Cloudy High: 40 Low: 35	Saturday Mostly Cloudy High: 41 Low: 31	Sunday Cloudy High: 48 Low: 34	Monday Cloudy High: 44 Low: 35	Tuesday Partly Cloudy High: 45 Low: 31

Weather Trivia

In what month is an avalanche most likely to occur in the United States?

Answer: February.

Weather History

Nov. 30, 1989 - Squalls produced heavy snow in the Lower Great Lakes region, with 15 inches reported at Chaffee, N.Y. and at Barnes Corners, N.Y. Tropical Storm Karen drenched parts of Cuba with heavy rain. Punta Del Este reported 14 inches of rain in 24 hours.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Monday	54	38	47/35	0.00"	0.24"
Tuesday	48	32	47/34	0.00"	0.70"
Wednesday	50	36	47/34	0.17"	-0.46"
Thursday	57	45	46/34	0.00"	47.7°
Friday	58	50	46/34	0.00"	40.1°
Saturday	62	47	46/33	0.00"	+7.6°
Sunday	49	42	45/33	0.07"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
First 12/7	7:15 a.m.	4:08 p.m.	7:58 a.m.	5:33 p.m.
Wednesday	7:16 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	8:50 a.m.	6:20 p.m.
Thursday	7:17 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	9:37 a.m.	7:13 p.m.
Friday	7:18 a.m.	4:07 p.m.	10:20 a.m.	8:11 p.m.
Saturday	7:19 a.m.	4:06 p.m.	10:58 a.m.	9:12 p.m.
Full 12/13	7:20 a.m.	4:06 p.m.	11:33 a.m.	10:16 p.m.
Monday	7:22 a.m.	4:06 p.m.	12:06 p.m.	11:23 p.m.
Tuesday				

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The Dayton School District is currently looking for qualified adults to serve as substitute classified employee. Contact Jana Eaton at the District office (509-382-2543) or learn more from the District website (<http://www.daytonsd.org/index.php/districtinfo/employment>) and find out how you can share your skills with our students. EOE

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PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago December 7, 2006

A Christmas potluck at Ye Towne Hall will be held Friday, December 8, 2006 by 55 Plus. Jeanetta Monfort and Iris Stearns will hostess. Baked ham, sweet potatoes, scalloped potatoes, and three pumpkin pies will be supplied by various volunteers. Other members are to bring a vegetable, salad, or other dessert.

Patricia Wilson, a Walla Walla resident who grew up in Waitsburg, recently returned from a Christian Children's Fund-led Study Tour to Mexico. During the trip she not only had the opportunity to meet Marisol, the child whom she had been sponsoring, but she witnessed first hand the work CCF is doing in Mexico.

Twenty-Five Years Ago December 5, 1991

Michael Kiefel of Waitsburg, a Walla Walla Community College English instructor, will perform a selection of original poetry, "Coloring Outside the Lines," on Friday, Dec. 6, in the China Pavilion from 7-8 p.m. Kiefel has published and performed many of his pieces throughout the West.

Bob Patton, fourth-generation rancher, will be honored as Columbia County Conservation District Farmer today at a noon meeting of the Kiwanis Club in Dayton.

Winners in the first Hometown Christmas drawing during merchants' night, Dec. 3, were Ruth Williams, Thelma Webber, Ray Brown and Mike Hubbard. They won poinsettias donated by Bonnie Olson, Bill Bloor, Waitsburg Apparel and the Post Office in Waitsburg.

Marshal's memo: Dog is running about downtown. Dog has collar but no tag. A note is taped to collar. Note says dog is homeless but will befriend anyone who feeds it. Note says dog will perform tricks for candy. Dog was fed by marshal and taken to Humane Society in Walla Walla. Society shelters animals for about three months. Marshal said the dog was "extremely friendly" and would make a great pet.

Fifty Years Ago December 1, 1966

The home-town debut of a rock-'n roll group "LSD and the Addicts" was a resounding success last Friday night. Making the place shake with teenage crescendos were Robert Maib, Mike Hubbard, Randy Pearson, Fritz Anderson and Clint Donley.

Cub Scouts Den 2: We started the meeting with the flag salute. Mike Hinchliffe brought treats. Everyone finished drilling the holes in their game boards. We then played games on our new Tic-tac-toe boards. Andy Winnett, Reporter

Sixty Years Ago December, 1956

The hot lunch project recently started in the public schools in this city is getting off to a nice start. Located in the high school building, it is under the direction of school authorities, with Mrs. Frank Mills head cook and Mrs. Vivian Fouts assistant. One hundred children are being served.

Mrs. Cora Davis, Mrs. Pearl King, Mrs. John Segraves, Mrs. E. O. Ham, and Mrs. Paul Bergund were badly bruised and shaken up when the car in which they were riding was crashed into by a mail truck on the highway in Dixie last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Collingwood are the parents of a daughter born Sunday at Walla Walla General Hospital.

Seventy-Five Years Ago December, 1941

Temperatures dipped to 11 degrees Thursday morning following a light snowfall Wednesday.

Jon Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wood, was presented the inspirational player award and sportsman trophy at the annual athletic banquet Wednesday night.

Joy Broom, sixth grade, won first prize; and Dick Baker, second grade, won second prize in the Waitsburg Art Contest. Their work will be entered in the Walla Walla County Contest sponsored by the Walla Walla Farmers Co-op.

One Hundred Years Ago December 8, 1916

Joe Miller attended the Northwest Livestock Show in Lewiston last week and while there purchased a number of thorobred Poland China hogs for stock purposes.

The Times received word this week of the marriage of Mr. Charles Kotteman of this city and Miss Edith Schulz, St. Louis, Mo. The wedding took place Thanksgiving day at St. Louis at the home of the bride.

Beginning about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the first real snow storm of the season occurred. However it warmed up Wednesday and most of the snow melted. The ground is not frozen and the moisture will be saved.

All the bachelors on Jasper Mountain were the recipients of very delicious pumpkin pies baked by Mrs. Summers on Thanksgiving Day, and they surely enjoyed them to the utmost.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago December, 1891

The bulk of the wheat crop having been moved out, the freight train has been taken off the Hunt line. The passenger train does freight service as well.

We noticed our old friend, G. W. Loundagin driving a spanking team to a bran new carriage one day last week. The carriage was a beauty, and was purchased from A. L. Story. He has lots of them.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

NEWS BRIEFS

1

Dayton Senior Round Table
Senior Center (403 E. Patit St.)
12 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
2-4 p.m.

Family Story Time & Dinner
Dayton Memorial Library
6 p.m.
Families with kids of all ages welcome.

3-4

Hometown Christmas
See schedule of events on Page 1.

3

Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
9-11 a.m.
The Center provides food and resources to families in the Waitsburg and Prescott School Districts.

Home Lighting Contest and Bus Tour



Breakfast listed first.
Fruits & vegetables, non-fat chocolate milk and 1% white milk are offered with every meal.

2: HOT COCOA WITH SANTA 7:45 - 8:25; Crispito, Spanish Rice

5: Breakfast Sandwich; Turkey Sub, Lettuce/Tomato/Onion, Cucumbers

6: Biscuit & Gravy; Grilled Chicken Nuggets, Fries

7: Cinnamon Roll; Baked Potato Bar

8: Breakfast Pizza; Teriyaki Chicken, Rice

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The FrogHollow Band
Dayton Eagles
9 p.m.
\$5 cover

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Christmas Bazaar Luncheon
First Congregational Church
Noon

Home Lighting Contest and Bus Tour
Depart from Elk Drug, Dayton
7 p.m.
Bus departs on Sat. and Sun. nights through Dec. 24. \$1.50/person; \$1 for over 60

5

Waitsburg Story Time
Weller Public Library
10:30 a.m.

American Legion Meeting
Waitsburg Town Hall
4 p.m.
Please note the time change.

Ladies Night Out
Dayton Main Street
5-8 p.m.

Dayton City Council
City Hall
6 p.m.

Waitsburg Planning Commission
Waitsburg City Hall
7 p.m.

6

Prescott Library Story Time
Prescott Library
11 a.m.
Crafts and stories geared to preschool children, but all ages are welcome.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table
Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
11:30 a.m.
Join local seniors every Tuesday for lunch. \$4 suggested donation for those over 60. \$7

charge for guests under 60. Meals on Wheels are available. Call 337-8541 for more info.

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12 p.m.
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Dayton School Board
District Board Room
6 p.m.

Waitsburg Home and School Assoc.
Elementary School Library
6:30 p.m.

Waitsburg Commercial Club
7 Porches
6:30 p.m.
Holiday open house

7

Dayton Library Story Time
Dayton Memorial Library
10 a.m.
Storytime is free to the public and no library card is needed.

Christian Women's Connection
Waitsburg Town Hall
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 a.m.
Call 509-399-2005 for reservations.

Pearl Harbor Day Potluck Dinner
Waitsburg Town Hall
6 p.m.
All veterans are welcome. Bring a dish to share!

Blue Mountain Station Annual Meeting/Membership Drive
BMS Co-Op Market, Dayton
6 p.m.

Kid's Night to Shop
Elementary School multipurpose room 6-8 p.m.

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Waitsburg Resource Center
106 Preston Avenue
2-4 p.m.

Waitsburg Town Hall Annual Meeting
Waitsburg Town Hall
7 p.m.

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KID'S NIGHT TO SHOP

WAITSBURG – Waitsburg's annual Kids Night to Shop will take place on Wed., Dec. 7 from 6-8 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School multipurpose room. Vendors will be on hand with affordable gifts for kids and helpers will be available to assist with shopping and to wrap the gifts.
Kid's Night to Shop is sponsored by Waitsburg's American Legion Auxiliary.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

DAYTON – The First Congregational Church of Dayton invites Dayton children to come and enjoy breakfast with Santa on Sat., Dec. 10 at 8 a.m. Children will enjoy a full breakfast and a visit with Santa. There is no charge to attend.

TOWN HALL MEETING

WAITSBURG – The Waitsburg Town Hall Association will hold its annual meeting for election of officers on Thurs., Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. at Waitsburg Town Hall. Anyone over the age of 18 and residing in the 99361 zip code may be elected to the board and is eligible to vote in the election.

Bylaws state that four of the seven directors will be elected in even years to a two-year term. Directors are elected by a majority of eligible Waitsburg citizens present.

A free dinner will be served to all attendees.

TOURISM SURVEY PUBLIC MEETING

DAYTON – The Dayton Chamber of Commerce and A.L. Baker Consulting will host a formal presentation on Tourism Survey results on Tues., Dec. 13 at 5:30 p.m. The event is open to the entire public.

After two months of collecting data and receiving over 1,000 responses, a comprehensive report is now complete. Attendees will learn who is coming to our area, why they are coming, and what opportunities exist. There will be a question and answer period and heavy appetizers and beverages will be provided.

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, Corine Miller, Jaimie Winnett.

December 5: Anthony Henry, Des Witt, Laura Jean Hevel, 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.

Waitsburg Town Hall Association...

...will hold its annual election of officers

Thursday, December 8 at 7 p.m.

Anyone interested in serving is invited.
Must be 18 or over and live in 99361 zip code.
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FROM THE PUBLISHER

Christmas in Your Home Town

In October, malls and department stores throughout the country get the season started with a flourish. The halls (I mean aisles) are decked with boughs of holly, and the campaigns to lure holiday gift shoppers are in full swing. Retailers have big sales and advertising is dominated by red and green.

I grew up in suburbia, and even all those years ago, it seemed obvious to me that the Christmas season was designed primarily as a commercial campaign to get people to buy more stuff.

But out here in the wilderness we call the Touchet Valley, Christmas has always seemed different. To me it's more like what Christmas is supposed to be.

In Waitsburg and Dayton, we have parades put on by our friends and neighbors. We have live nativity and live Christmas music. All of that is done in the spirit of celebration. Not for profit.

Even the Christmas shopping seems more real here in our home towns. The stores were open during Dayton's Christmas Kickoff, of course. And they will be during Waitsburg's Hometown Christmas celebration this weekend.

But walking into a local Main Street shop run by your neighbors makes you feel like part of a community, not part of a commercial sales campaign.

If you haven't experienced Waitsburg's annual Christmas celebration, I highly recommend you make your way there Saturday, and especially Sunday.

In Dayton on Monday night, Ladies Night Out will be bigger and better than ever, with more than a dozen shops and businesses taking part. It's like a big party, or so I've heard.

(And if your boyfriend is feeling left out, bring him along and drop him off at a local pub. The Colts are playing the Jets on Monday Night Football.)

Yes, we're all going to do some of our shopping out of town or (gasp!) online. But if you live here in our little valley you must take advantage of your good fortune and celebrate Christmas in your home town, the way it was meant to be.



Fake News? That's a Very Old Story

By Robert G. Parkinson, *Special to The Washington Post*

Last week, The Post reported that Paul Horner, "the 38-year-old impresario of a Facebook fake-news empire," believes he turned the election in favor of Donald Trump. For many, the claim signals an alarming turn into uncharted political territory. But fake news is part of American history. In fact, it goes back to the founding of the republic.

In 1769, John Adams gleefully wrote in his diary about spending the evening occupied with "a curious employment. Cooking up Paragraphs, Articles, Occurrences etc. - working the political Engine!" Adams, along with his cousin Sam and a handful of other Boston patriots, were planting false and exaggerated stories meant to undermine royal authority in Massachusetts.

Several other leaders of the American Revolution likewise attempted to manage public opinion by fabricating stories that looked like the real thing. William Livingston, then governor of New Jersey, secretly crafted lengthy pieces that newspaper publishers featured. One, titled "The Impartial Chronicle," was anything but, claiming that the king was sending tens of thousands of foreign soldiers to kill Americans.

But the most important was crafted in 1782 at a makeshift printing press in a Paris suburb. Benjamin Franklin, taking time out from his duties as American ambassador to France, concocted an entirely fake issue of a real Boston newspaper, the Independent Chronicle. In it, Franklin fabricated a story allegedly from the New York frontier.

The story was gruesome: American forces had discovered bags containing more than 700 "SCALPS from our unhappy Country-folks." There were bags of boys', girls', soldiers and even infants' scalps, all allegedly taken by Indians in league with King George. There was also a note written to the tyrant king hoping he would receive these presents and "be refreshed."

None of this was true, of course, but it struck a frightful chord. To drive the point home, Franklin composed a fake letter from a real person, naval hero John Paul Jones, that ventriloquized almost verbatim the Declaration of Independence, including the accusation toward the end of that document suggesting the colonies must declare independence because the king has "engage[d] savages to murder . . . defenseless farmers, women, and children."

Franklin sent copies of his fake newspaper to colleagues insisting, "the substance is truth." Sure enough, the story appeared in real papers in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New York and Rhode Island. What did those readers believe? Did they know they were being manipulated?

Franklin wrote a friend about the power of what he had just done. "By

the press we can speak to nations," he wrote with pride. With the power of the newspaper, politicians could not only "strike while the iron is hot," but also stoke those fires by "continual striking," Franklin wrote with a wink.

Franklin's concoction didn't swing the Revolution. By this time, the Americans had defeated the British at Yorktown, and independence was all but secured. But the topic of Franklin's gory hoax was significant: What an independent United States would do about the people Franklin spread this untruth about was entirely up in the air.

To be sure, many Native Americans had allied with the British and inflicted deep wounds to families across the frontier. But not all of them had. Franklin's lies added to the notion that all Indians were "merciless," as the Declaration referred to them. None of them, by that reasoning, could be Americans, even the thousands who served alongside George Washington. By the "continual striking" of that idea, Franklin's bags of scalps obliterated such nuance. They were all enemies to the republic.

Flash forward 30 years. It is 1813, and America is again at war with Britain. The king's men are again making alliances with native people. At the Raisin River in Michigan, a combined force of British soldiers and natives routed the Americans, killing hundreds of Kentucky militiamen. An outraged public then adopted the rallying cry "Remember the Raisin!" for the remainder of the War of 1812.

How did newspaper publishers remember the Raisin River massacre? By resurrecting Franklin's hoax. That spring, to illustrate the long roots of this terrible bloodshed, U.S. newspapers introduced a new generation to Franklin's fake bags of scalps, heating up the iron once again. And, once again, reinforcing the idea that Indians - supposedly bloodthirsty, dangerous and in league with the British - were America's enemy.

Our own fake news purveyor, Paul Horner, suggests that Americans today are "definitely dumber" than they used to be. Perhaps. But we are not the only ones who fell for hoaxes, and American leaders - even ones we revere as Founding Fathers - were not above embracing such fabrications to shape opinion.

These stories from America's past, however, are not dissimilar to ones in our own time. Then, as now, they were about who belongs to the republic and who does not. Then, as now, they were about stirring up fear and passions. We need to proceed cautiously. Stories that we think may vanish as a blip in our social media news feeds may end up having a longer life than we expect, causing more damage than we can anticipate.

Robert G. Parkinson is an assistant professor at Binghamton University and the author of "The Common Cause: Creating Race and Nation in the American Revolution."

Want healthy kids? Let them play in the mud

By Nancy Szokan, *The Washington Post*

Book Review: "Let Them Eat Dirt" By B. Brett Finlay and Marie-Claire Arrieta

If you read about children's health, you've heard a lot of this before: Microbes, vilified because they cause infectious diseases, can be beneficial to a child's well-being. Our society's penchant for hyper-cleanliness is actually making our children less healthy and more prone to allergies.

But microbiologists B. Brett Finlay and Marie-Claire Arrieta make that case with an unusually convincing display of evidence - as well as historical anecdotes and a parent-friendly sense of humor - in their new book, "Let Them Eat Dirt: Saving Your Child from an Oversanitized World." They lay out the 19th-century discoveries that identified microbes - germs! - as dangerous carriers of diseases, and the discoveries of the past two decades that have shown us how vital microbes are to our very existence. Then they translate that evidence into accessible, understandable advice.

They explain about avoiding the unnecessary use of antibiotics, and they advocate exposing your children to the great, messy outdoors. Their guide to transitioning babies to solid foods warns: "Don't delay the introduction of allergenic foods. Offer peanuts, soy, shellfish, etc. . . . between four and seven months of age." This is followed by an entertaining recitation of what babies eat in other countries, concluding, "The next time your child refuses to eat something you offer, remind her that she should be thankful she's not in Tibet, where babies eat barley flour mixed with yak butter tea!"

Get a pet, they say, if you can take care of one. Specifically, get a dog instead of a cat, because a cat will probably spend more time indoors and not be very effusive, while a dog has to be taken out for walks a couple of times a day and will come inside and jump on you and lick your face. ("Bring on the slobberfest!" cries one section's title.) Yes, the authors acknowledge that people can develop allergies to dogs. But "dogs keep us dirtier," they say, "and as we have come to learn, kids benefit from this kind of exposure early on."

Probably the fastest-reading and most fun chapter is the Q&A, for which Finlay and Arrieta polled parents to come up with a list of cleanliness-related questions: When should children wash their hands? What kind of soap? Should I let people hold my baby? Are sandboxes unsanitary? Is antibiotic ointment necessary when treating scratches and cuts? Is it safe for a child to put something in his mouth after it's been dropped on the ground? And so on. (From the answer to the last question: A recent Swedish study found that babies whose parents clean the pacifier by sucking on it get fewer allergies than those whose parents rinse the pacifier in tap water. On the other hand, the pacifier-sucking parent may pass on cavity-inducing microbes. The takeaway: Life is complicated.)

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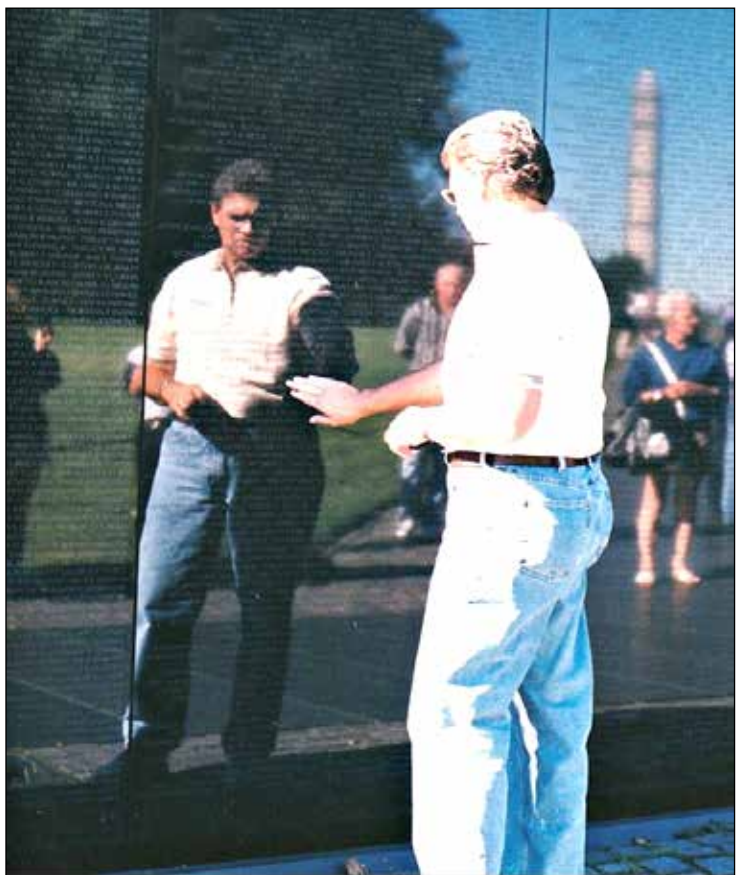
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Courtesy of the McGough Family

Jim McGough at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial when he was in his 40s. He died in 2014; his name was added to the Wall in 2016.

Felled by Hepatitis C, a Vietnam Vet Joins Comrades on the Wall

By Michelle Andrews, Special to The Washington Post

The Vietnam War ended more than 40 years ago, but it continues to claim soldiers' lives. Nearly every spring, new names are etched into the black granite walls of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, which pays tribute to the more than 58,000 U.S. service members who lost their lives in the conflict.

Jim McGough is one of them. As a 19-year-old infantryman, McGough was with his unit near the Laotian border in 1971 when they came under fire. A grenade exploded nearby, tearing up his feet and lower legs.

McGough was evacuated to Okinawa, where he underwent surgery, including a blood transfusion. He was discharged because of his injuries and shipped back to the States, where he married his high school sweetheart, Sheryl Isaacson, and they settled down near their home town of Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Twenty years passed before McGough, who worked in magazine advertising sales, learned that he had hepatitis C, a blood-borne viral infection that attacks the liver. The virus was discovered only in 1989, and routine testing of the blood supply began shortly afterward. It was at about that time that McGough, a regular Red Cross blood donor, learned he had been infected. He had never been an intravenous drug user or gotten tattoos, two common routes of infection, so the McGoughs figured he must have contracted the virus when he had the blood transfusion in Japan.

Veterans are more than twice as likely to have hepatitis C as members of the general population, studies have found. The virus is significantly more common among Vietnam-era veterans than among other service members.

McGough went to a liver specialist, who found no damage. The standard treatment at the time, a combination of the drugs interferon and ribavirin, had debilitating side effects, so the McGoughs, who had two daughters, decided not to do anything.

"We were having a great time," said Sheryl, now 62. "We're going, 'No big deal.' When you're young, you're invincible."

In his late 40s, Jim started to show signs of liver damage. About that time, he and Sheryl took a trip to Washington and visited the veterans memorial. He thought it was magnificent, Sheryl remembers, and told her, "If this thing kills me, I want to get my name added."

In January 2014, shortly before his 63rd birthday, the virus did kill him. Jim had gone through the interferon treatment but couldn't shake the disease and finally succumbed to liver cancer.

To have their names added to the Wall, Vietnam veterans must meet criteria established by the Department of Defense. Many of the 376 names that have been added since the memorial was completed in 1982 are people who died during the war or shortly afterward but whose records were misplaced or who were overlooked for other reasons. Their deaths generally must be the result of injuries sustained during the war in Vietnam or a related combat zone. A number of causes of death don't qualify, including exposure to the defoliant Agent Orange or similar chemicals, illness or suicide related to post-traumatic stress disorder, diabetes, cancer and heart attack.

"They reject far more than they accept," said Tim Tetz, director of outreach for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, which created the memorial and is responsible for adding names to it.

But in McGough's case, he and Sheryl had found a handwritten note from a nurse in Okinawa ordering a blood transfusion for him on the day after he was wounded. That documentation proved that his disease was service-related and qualified him for veteran's disability benefits. After his death, the note - found at the bottom of a box in the couple's basement - helped realize his goal of having his name added to the memorial.

In addition to McGough's, seven names were inscribed in 2016. There's not much room left to add more, Tetz said. There's space for one more long name, he said, fewer than 20 medium-length names and a basically unlimited number of short ones. It's an issue that the National Park Service is wrestling with, he said.

In 2013, the Food and Drug Administration approved the first of a number of new drugs that cure hepatitis C quickly and with few side effects.

It was too late for McGough, though, who died just weeks before the drug came on the market.

"I can hardly bear to watch those commercials," Sheryl said. "It's just heartbreaking."

This column is produced through a collaboration between The Post and Kaiser Health News.

Greg Blake Trio to Perform at Dynamite Coffee

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - The Greg Blake Trio, featuring Blake, Isaac Callender and Ellie Hakanson, will perform at Dynamite Coffee + Art (119 Main Street) on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. The concert is sponsored by the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project and Rural Youth Enrichment Services.

Blake has been nominated twice for traditional vocalist of the year by the SPBGMA (Society for the Preservation of Bluegrass Music of America), and is a five-time winner of the SPBGMA's guitarist

of the year. He is known as one of the true Appalachian stars of modern bluegrass. His debut solo album, Songs of Heart and Home, features music that appeals to bluegrass, folk, country and gospel fans alike.

Blake is joined by multi-instrumentalist Isaac Callender, who began his career as a contest fiddler, winning titles all over North America. Callender performs music throughout the world, and has produced three albums and multiple tune books for guitar and fiddle.

The trio is rounded out by Ellie Hakanson, whose fiddling

background is a unique blend of classical training blended with years of traditional bluegrass fiddling. She is currently the fiddler and vocalist for Jeff Scroggins and Colorado, but performs with other groups as time allows. She recently won the 2016 Rockygrass Fiddle contest.

Together, they make the Greg Blake trio. Their music ranges from traditional bluegrass favorites to vintage country and old-time music along with a sampling of original material.

Tickets are \$10. Call (509) 629-0017 for reserved tickets or purchase at the door.



Living Nativity, Dec. 11

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - The Waitsburg Christian Church will once again host a living nativity on the grounds of the Bruce Museum on Sunday, Dec. 11, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. The nativity is an opportunity for the community to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.

Participants will provide a "living portrait" of the first Christmas. They will not act out the parts but will remain in a posture of reverence while clothed as those present at Christ's birth. There

will be a few animals on the set to give an even greater sense of the reality of the night of Christ's birth.

During the hour-long vignette, instrumental music will be played. About a third of the way through the hour, the biblical story of Christ's birth will be read. Following that reading, there will be a solo song and more music.

Community members are invited to walk by, stop, and enjoy the offering. Nearby, observers and participants will have the opportunity to enjoy a complimentary cup of hot chocolate and cookies.

WAITSBURG CITY COUNCIL UPDATE

NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Council members KC Kuykendall, Kevin House, Karen Gregutt, Karl Newell, Kate Hockersmith and Mayor Marty Dunn were all present.

-Unanimously opted to forego the one-percent property tax increase allowed by law. The increase would have added approximately \$1,500 to the city's coffers.

-Unanimously approved a preliminary 2017 budget in the amount of \$3,311,150. There are no major projects planned aside from the Main Street Bridge replacement and sidewalk repairs and additions.

-Terry Hofer presented an update on the Fairgrounds RV park operations. The council approved a request by Hofer to leave the park open through the year end, dependent upon the weather.

-Unanimously approved a resolution to suspend the city's Economic Development Committee. The committee currently has no members and duties related to strengthening the economic development of the city are being handled effectively by the Waitsburg Commercial Club. The committee can be re-activated by a vote of the city council.

-Unanimously approved a resolution to set a public hearing on a proposal to assume the city's Transportation Benefit District. The district was established in 2012. A hearing on the assumption of rights, powers, functions and obligations is tentatively scheduled for Dec. 21 at 7 p.m. A legal notice of the hearing will be provided.

-Senior Timber Frohreich was sworn in as the new student representative.

-The next Waitsburg City Council meeting will take place Dec. 21 at 7 p.m.

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QUILTS & MORE OPEN ON MAIN STREET

WORLD TRAVELERS ENJOY CALLING DAYTON HOME

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON - There is a new quilt shop at 218 West Main Street in Dayton, called Quilts & More.

Owner Joanne Marble is placing the emphasis on “more,” because along with quilting material and supplies, she is offering for sale antiques, pottery, China, a line of dips from Carmie’s Kitchen in Texas, “and much more,” she said.

Marble and her husband Richard have recently chosen Dayton to call

home. They have lived mainly in eastern Montana and, more recently, in Hawaii, with several moves abroad over the past few years.

The Marbles became familiar with Dayton in the mid-90s when Richard did some construction work for the owner of the Purple House B&B. They purchased a home in Dayton two-and-a-half years ago, she said.

“We’ve really enjoyed it here. Everyone is friendly, and it’s not as cold as Montana,” Marble said.

The Marbles bought the 6,000 square foot building at 218 West Main Street in October.

Marble said that Quilts & More will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesdays and Thursdays, and will stay open longer for special events.



Photo by Michele Smith

Joanne Marble opened her new shop “Quilts & More” in time for Christmas Kick-off on November 25.

‘On the Dark Side of Heaven, Eternally at War’

AUTHOR DISCUSSES BOOK ABOUT DAYTON NATIVE CAPTAIN ROBERT “GENE” LATHROP

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON--For Captain Robert “Gene” Lathrop, USMC, who suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder, the written word was his choice of therapy, according to author Jeanette Vaughn.

Vaughn was in Dayton last month with Lathrop’s sister, Susan Hirst, for a presentation and book signing at the Delany Room. The event was hosted by the Dayton Memorial Library in honor of Veteran’s Day.

Vaughn’s book, “Eternally at War,” chronicles Lathrop’s years growing up in Dayton, his time as a fighter pilot in Vietnam, and the long post-war battle he had with the effects of PTSD. It is one of two books Vaughn has written after researching Lathrop’s journals, manuscript, and oral interviews, which are archived at the Texas Tech Vietnam Center and Archive in Lubbock, Tex. Vaughn also collaborated with Lathrop on “The Dark Side of Heaven,” which is a book of poetry about his experiences in Vietnam.

Lathrop, a 1960 graduate of Dayton High School and a 1965 University of Idaho School of Forestry graduate, served as an A-4 Skyhawk pilot for VMA 311 during the Vietnam War. Flying the scouter as part of VMA 311, he completed over 275 missions. His squadron completed 54,625 sorties, dropping more than nine million bombs one year after the Tet Offensive.

Lathrop believed he was complicit in the cover-up of the March 16, 1968 My Lai Massacre, an event he never came to terms with.

“It was one of my napalm missions,” he wrote. “I was one of the two pilots involved in napalming the villages of My Lai.”

“I could see this guy was really bothered by the incident and what he was asked to do,” Vaughn said.

A year after Lathrop’s death in 2012, his wife, Joy, who lives in Sutherlin, Ore., agreed to let Vaughn use material from her husband’s journals, and from his interviews with a PTSD researcher at Texas Tech University, for her book, if she devoted one third of it to the effects of PTSD on his family



Photo courtesy of Susan Hirst.

Artist Susan Hirst’s pastel portrait of her brother Cpt. Robert “Gene” Lathrop, USMC, in later years.

and friends, Vaughn said.

“She believes this story resonates just as much today with our younger vets as it did with him,” Vaughn said.

Claustrophobia, anxiety, depression, excessive rumination, distorted thinking, the inability to relate to loved ones, and the desire to always be on the move, were characteristic of Lathrop’s odyssey with PTSD.

Speaking to Dr. Verrone at Texas Tech in 2004, Lathrop said, “So you can see the worst things. You got to put it out of your mind and go fly another mission . . . Battle fatigue and PTSD cause a change in personality. Your adrenaline goes sky high, and so your tendency is to run away or if you’re the type of person that charges and attacks, you’ll probably destroy the enemy.

“You don’t get afraid anymore. You get mad, and if you stay that way long enough, it’s irreversible. You get mad and you stay mad and you stay aggressive, so when you come back to society, you don’t get afraid anymore, when somebody confronts you, you’re going to turn on them and attack them. . . A lot of people came back and fought that with drugs. A lot of people ended up in the pen, and a lot of people ended up like myself, holding it in, and ended up with PTSD,” Lathrop told Dr. Verrone.

Hirst, Lathrop’s sister, told the

audience that as a little boy, Lathrop had tons of energy. He was a reader, he was self-directed, and he spent all of his time outdoors. Lathrop was also fascinated with history. He was a thespian, and he was involved in track and field, she said.

She said that he was gifted both mentally and physically, and he was a little bit mischievous.

“Early on, he established a self-imposed pathway through his interest in the military and track and field, and he was a fine story teller,” she said.

Lathrop built a barn, with living quarters, on six acres at Dumas Station. He would travel to Dayton from his home in Sutherlin, Ore., twice a year, to write, Hirst said. She said that he was often seen riding his horse, Solomon, around town, and visiting with old friends.

DHS Classmates Becky Smith Leventis, Judy Beatty, Lorealee Startin, and Garie Moton, who were at the presentation, all agreed that Lathrop was “quite a character.”

To obtain copies of “The Dark Side of Heaven” or “Eternally at War,” visit Amazon books. Or for signed copies, contact ageviewpress at: Info@ageviewpress.com, or by phone at: (972)734-3901 or online at: www.ageviewpress.com.

Proceeds from the sales of the books go to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Vaughn said.

2017 Budget Approved by CCHS Board of Commissioners

2017 budget is \$150,000 above 2016 budget to cover expansion of services

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON— During a special meeting on Nov. 15, the Columbia County Hospital District Board of Commissioners approved its 2017 budget, as well as levy certifications for one regular levy and two debt service bonds.

The budget that was approved reflects \$14,288,748 in total net operating revenue. Total operating expenses are \$15,842,969. Total non-operating income is \$1,704,360. The bottom line for net income is \$150,139.

The 2017 budget reflects a \$150,000 increase over what was budgeted for in 2015, according to CEO Shane McGuire.

McGuire pointed to the unpredictability of the impact that expansion of therapy services will have on future revenue generation. “There are unpredictable volumes for the therapy pool,” he explained.

The budget for 2017 also reflects the need for hiring additional staff for expanded therapies, particularly in the aquatic program, which requires a therapy director, McGuire said.

Money for additional nursing staff is reflected in the 2017 budget, particularly because of the expanding swing bed program, McGuire added.

McGuire said that pay incentives, which are also included in the budget, will aid in staff retention and recruitment.

The addition of psychiatry services and associated revenues and expenses is also reflected in the 2017 budget, McGuire said.

McGuire told the commissioners that planning phase initiatives have been excluded from the budget. He told them that any major operational or facilities changes, beyond the scope of the adopted budget, would need to be made with the Board’s approval.



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Cheyenne Shoun is 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen

Shoun and Adams will lead Sunday's Christmas parade

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – The 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen has been selected and will make her official debut at the Hometown Christmas Parade on Sunday. Incoming queen Cheyenne Shoun will lead off the parade, riding alongside reigning WCD queen Emily Adams.

Earlier this year, the WCD committee decided to move from an entire court to just a queen, due to cost, flexibility and lack of applicants. Cheyenne applied for the position, was recommended by WCD court advisor Ann Adams, and made a presentation at the November Waitsburg Celebration Days meeting.

Cheyenne is the 16-year-old daughter of Steve and Michelle Shoun, and was raised three miles outside of Waitsburg on the Hogeeye. Her dad is a farmer and her mom serves as his right hand (wo)man and bookkeeper, she said.

The family grows peas, wheat, barley and hay on Shoun Farm. Cheyenne personally raises FFA steer which she markets at the Walla Walla fair.

"I have always loved being around tractors and horses and being part of a small town community where everyone knows everyone," Cheyenne said.

Cheyenne is a junior at Walla Walla High School and takes part-time classes through Running Start at Walla Walla Community College.

Cheyenne grew up with horses and says she could ride almost before she could walk. She enjoys traveling to jackpot rodeos and participating in barrel races. She and her 12-year-old paint, Forest Gump, have only been together for two years and have already been through a lot.

She was a 2016 princess of the Milton-Freewater court and packed sponsor flags at Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days for the last two years. Cheyenne and Forest Gump had the honor of leading the 2015 Pendleton Round-Up parade, carrying the American flag.

"That was a big opportunity and honor, and was very exciting," Cheyenne said.

She served as drill captain for the Washington High School Equestrian Team (WAHSET) last year and has participated in the Milton Freewater Pioneer Possee "forever."

Cheyenne said she applied for WCD queen because she wanted to represent a small town in a positive way.

"Waitsburg is such a cute town and the people work so hard and go out of their way to make events like Celebration Days happen. My goal is to be easy to work with and to make things as easy as possible for everyone involved," Cheyenne said.

She's also looking forward to being a role model for future princesses.

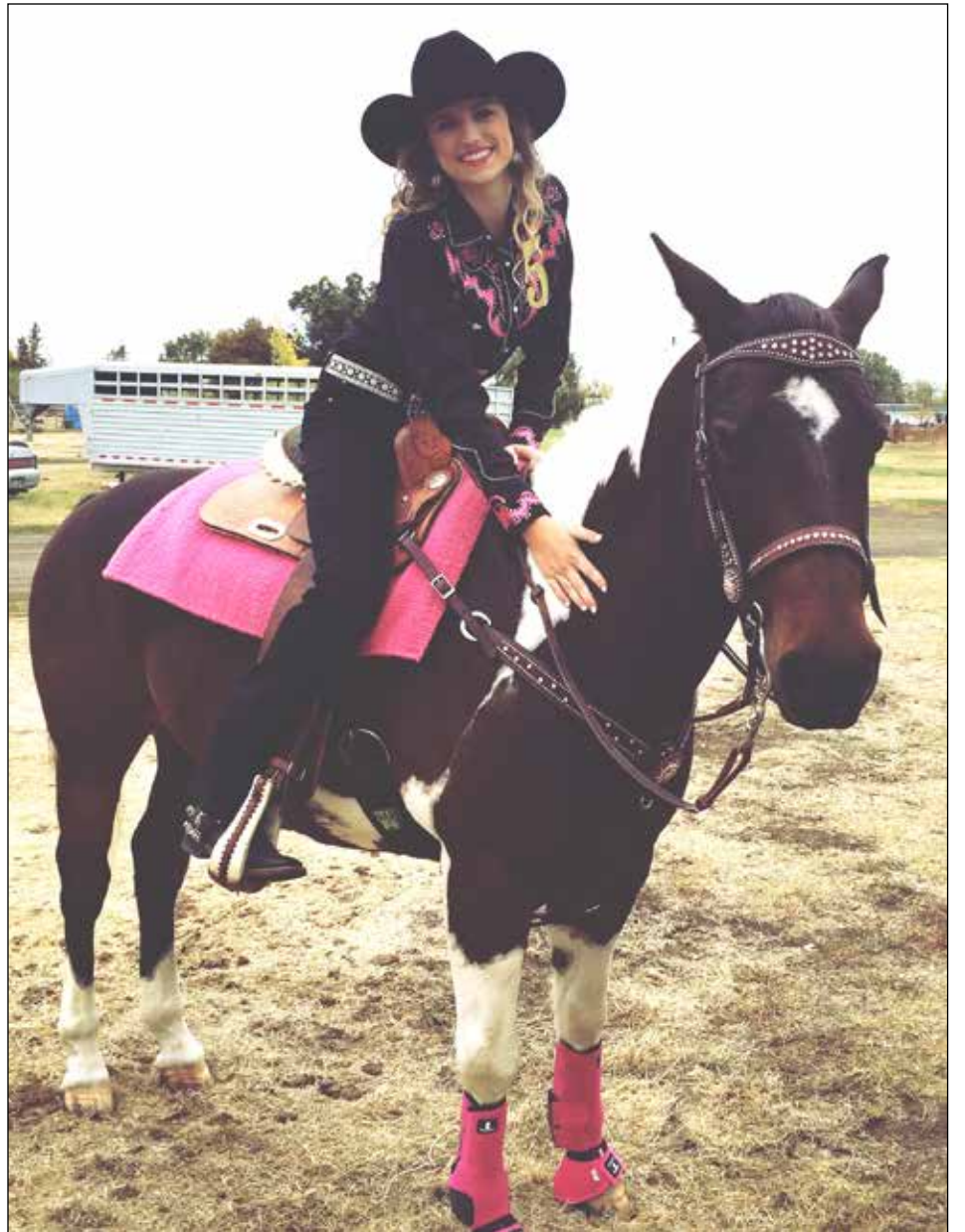
"I love being around little kids. It melts my heart when kids tell me that I'm pretty and ask for a picture," she said.

Cheyenne said she is looking forward to every aspect of being WCD queen, but that she loves doing run-ins, which will make visiting Joseph, Ore. especially fun.

Cheyenne's cousins, 10-year-old Elsie Mann and 7-year-old Monte Richie, traveled with her last year, and will ride with her as flag bearers this year as well.

"I'm really looking forward to the Hometown Christmas parade. I was a little nervous since I was just selected and we're kind of winging it and putting everything together quickly, but I think it will be really fun," she said.

"Cheyenne is going to do a great job. I've known her since she was born. She's a fun girl, very professional, and a great ambassador for our community," said advisor Adams.



Courtesy Photo

Sixteen-year-old Cheyenne Shoun will be the 2017 Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen. Shoun just finished her season as princess for the Milton-Freewater Pioneer Possee and is looking forward to representing Waitsburg in 2017. Above: Shoun and her horse, Forest Gump, take a break to smile for the camera during Pioneer Possee tryouts.

WHS Musicians Perform with Walla Walla Youth Symphony Orchestra

WALLA WALLA YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA WILL PRESENT ITS FIRST CONCERT DEC. 14

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Three Waitsburg High School musicians will play with the Walla Walla Youth Symphony Orchestra at their Winter Concert on Dec. 14. Tuba players Jacob Elder and Scott Leamy, and clarinetist Leena Baker, are looking forward to their first symphony performance.

"I am delighted! What a special bunch of students," said WHS band director Brad Green, who plans to show support by taking a van-load of WHS band students to attend the concert.

Seventeen-year-old Jacob Elder was the first to join the symphony. He moved to Waitsburg from Hermiston, Ore. last summer and quickly began looking for musical opportunities.

"In Hermiston I was able to play in marching band, wind ensembles, and jazz band. When I realized there was only one program in Waitsburg, I began looking to see where I could branch out," Elder said.

Elder found the WWYSO website and was immediately interested. There was only one problem – and it was a big one. He didn't have an instrument.

Elder began playing the trumpet in sixth grade, moved to the euphonium, and finally fell in love with the deep, rich sound of the tuba. Elder said tubas range in price from \$3,000 - \$15,000 and he was fortunate that his old school district had one. Waitsburg does not.

Not one to give up easily, Elder called Whitman College, where the WWYSO rehearses and asked if they had an instrument he could borrow for an audition. After auditioning, and being accepted by the orchestra, the college was generous enough to let him borrow the instrument he currently plays.

Elder then convinced fellow tuba player and WHS



Photos by Dena Wood

Top (l to r): Scott Leamy, Leena Baker, and Jacob Elder pose with their instruments in the WHS band room. Left: WHS band teacher Brad Green directs the band at a recent rehearsal. The symphony students said Waitsburg's band program had prepared them well for playing with the symphony.

Experienced Lady Bulldogs Begin Quest for State Playoffs

THE DAYTON GIRLS HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT OF THE ROUND OF 16 TWO YEARS IN A ROW

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – Dayton girls' basketball coach Clayton Strong says his team knows exactly what it needs to do this year to make it to at least the quarterfinal round of the state playoffs.

Led by four seniors who were starters all last year, the Lady Bulldogs have all the experience they need to reach their goal, he says. The job now is execution.

Sydney Andrews, Jenna Phillips, and Shayla Currin were first-team all-league last year, as the team won the Southeast 2B conference championship. Teammate Josilyn Fullerton was honorable mention.

Dayton enters a new league this year: The Eastern Washington Athletic Conference. They will play familiar foes, including DeSales, Walla Walla Valley Academy, and Tri-Cities Prep.

But league play will take them farther afield, including trips to Mabton, White Swan, and Kittitas.

"We know these are some good teams," Strong said. "Mabton knocked us out (of the playoffs) last year, and White Swan knocked us out two years ago."

Strong said that his starting lineup will likely be filled out by senior Alexis Wanlarbkam, who will share point guard duties with Phillips. He said that Andrews, Currin, and Fullerton can all play both forward and post.

Other players that are likely to see considerable action this year include sophomores Tatumn Laughery and Neylan Bryan.

"These girls have lots of post-season experience, and they know what they need to do," Strong said. He said that one of the things that really hurt the team the last two years, particularly in the playoffs, was fouls.

"We're going to really work on trying to stay out of foul trouble," he said.

Strong is joined again this year by assistant coach Jason Mings, who will also coach the JV team.

The Lady Bulldogs travel to Oakesdale on Friday and will host Pomeroy Saturday night.



Times file photo
During a game last year, Dayton's Sydney Andrews goes up for a layin as teammate Josilyn Fullerton trails the play.

Senior-Heavy Dayton Boys' Team Looks Toward Playoff Berth



Times file photo
Dayton's Ben Kleck and a fellow teammate played tight defense against Prescott's Reshaun Crockett during a game between the two teams last year.

SECOND-YEAR COACH WILL HUTCHENS IS JOINED BY NEW ASSISTANT, TAMIRA CULLEY

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Dayton boys' basketball team will field four returning senior starters this year: Tanner Bren, Zech Bryan, Ben Kleck, and Cal Martin. Second-year coach Will Hutchens says that those players' experience will bring the Bulldogs their first playoff appearance in many years.

Martin will be the primary point guard,

and Kleck will join him in the backcourt, Hutchens said. Senior Lane Wilkening will likely join Bren and Bryan in the wing and post positions.

Hutchens says that senior Tristan Willis and juniors Jeff Dieu and Junior Helm will see considerable action off the bench.

The Bulldogs will play in the newly-created Eastern Washington Athletic Conference this year. They are joined in the conference by previous Southeast 2B teams DeSales, Walla Walla Valley Academy, and Tri-Cities Prep. The conference also includes Liberty Christian, Mabton, White Swan, and Kittitas.

"I don't know too much about those teams," Hutchens said. "I'm hoping to talk to the coaches soon and learn more."

Last year, the Bulldogs were 5-14 in Hutchens' first year. They were winless in 2014-2015.

Hutchens is joined this year by new assistant Coach Tamira Culley. Culley is a 1994 Dayton High graduate and played basketball and volleyball at Walla Walla Community College. She will also coach the Dayton boys' JV team.

The Bulldogs travel to Oakesdale on Friday and then host Pomeroy Saturday night.

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SPORTS



Photo by Nick Page

Dayton photographer Nick Page traveled with the Eastern Oregon team to Indianapolis last week to photograph their quarterfinal game against Marian U. Here, Quarterback Zach Bartlow outruns the pass rush as he looks for a receiver.

Bartlow-Led EOU Upsets Defending NAIA Champs

AFTER BEATING NO. 1 MARIAN U.,
MOUNTAINEERS MOVE ON TO NAIA
SEMIFINALS

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – The Eastern Oregon University football team, led by quarterback and Waitsburg native Zach Bartlow, won the biggest game in school history Saturday, beating defending NAIA national champions and number-one ranked Marian University, 17-0.

With the win, the Mountaineers advanced to the NAIA semifinals, and are set to play Baker University Saturday, in Baldwin City, Kansas, for a shot at the national championship game.

The game against Marian was a defensive battle in which neither offense scored a touchdown. EOU intercepted Marian's quarterback six times in the game, including a 35-yard pick-six in the second quarter for the game's first touchdown. The Mountaineers also got a field goal in the second quarter.

In the third quarter, EOU punt returner Isaiah Ritchie scored on a 64-yard punt return to build the score to 17-0.

Bartlow completed 21 passes for 131 yards, and was named offensive player of the game. He was intercepted once.

The Mountaineers ended Marian's 20-game unbeaten streak, that included a victory in last year's national championship game. In the 10-year history of the Marian football program, the team has appeared in three NAIA national championship games and won two championships. Before Saturday, the Marian had never been shut out.

As The Times reported last week, Bartlow, who led Waitsburg to the 2011 state 2B championship, has started at quarterback for EOU for three years. This year he led them to a 10-2 record and second-place finish in the Frontier conference.

Dayton High School Boys and Girls Basketball Schedule – 2016/17

Date	Opponent	Location	Girls JV	Boys JV	Girls V	Boys V
Fri. Dec. 2nd	Oaksdale	Oaksdale	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Dec. 3rd	Pomeroy	Dayton	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues. Dec. 6th	Riverview	Riverview	4:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Tues. Dec. 13th	WWVA	Dayton	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Dec. 17th	Kittitas	Kittitas	3:30	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues. Dec. 20th	DeSales	DeSales	3:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Tues. Dec. 27th	Oaksdale	Dayton	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Tues. Jan. 3rd	Ritzville	Ritzville	3:00	4:30	7:30	6:00
Fri. Jan. 6th	TC Prep	TC Prep	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Jan. 7th	White Swan	Dayton	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues. Jan. 10th	Pomeroy	Pomeroy	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Fri. Jan. 13th	Liberty Christian	Richland	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Jan. 14th	Mabton	Dayton	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues. Jan. 17th	WWVA	WWVA	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Jan. 21st	Kittitas	Dayton	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Fri. Jan. 27th	TC Prep	Dayton	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Jan. 28th	White Swan	White Swan	3:30	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues. Jan. 31st	DeSales	Dayton	3:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Fri. Feb. 3rd	Liberty Christian	Dayton	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat. Feb. 4th	Mabton	Mabton	3:30	3:30	5:00	6:30

Girls' Program

Head Coach - Clayton Strong
Assistant Coach - Jason Mings
Volunteer Coach - Andee Thurston, Jeff McCowen, Michael Field
Managers - Mackena Culley, Samantha Davis, Sadie Seney & Cassidy Laughery

Boys' Program

Head Coach - Will Hutchens
Assistant Coach - Tamira Culley
Volunteer Coach - John Donnelly
Managers - Hayden Wooldridge, Mason Finney

Waitsburg High School Boys and Girls Basketball Schedule – 2016/17

Date	Opponent	Location	Girls JV	Boys JV	Girls V	Boys V
Saturday, 3-Dec	CleElum/Roslyn	Granger, WA	2:00	12:30	12:30	2:00
Tuesday, 6-Dec	Mac-Hi	MacHi	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Friday, 9-Dec	Touchet	Waitsburg	NA	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 10-Dec	GarPal	Garfield	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Friday, 16-Dec	Pomeroy	Pomeroy	3:00	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 17-Dec	Oaksdale	Waitsburg	2:30	3:30	5:00	6:30
Thursday, 29-Dec	Irrigon Tourney	Irrigon	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Friday, 30-Dec	Irrigon Tourney	Irrigon	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Friday, 6-Jan	Prescott	Waitsburg	NA	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 7-Jan	Colton	Colton	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Friday, 13-Jan	SJE	Waitsburg	3:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 14-Jan	Oaksdale	Oaksdale	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tuesday, 17-Jan	Naches	Naches HS	4:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Friday, 20-Jan	Touchet	Touchet	NA	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 21-Jan	GarPal	Waitsburg	2:00	3:30	5:00	6:30
Friday, 27-Jan	Prescott	Prescott	NA	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 28-Jan	Colton	Waitsburg	2:30	3:30	5:00	6:30
Friday, 3-Feb	Pomeroy	Waitsburg	3:30	4:30	6:00	7:30
Saturday, 4-Feb	SJE	St. John	2:30	3:30	5:00	6:30

Girls Program

Head Coach: Bill Ayotte
Asst. Coach:

Boys Program

Head Coach: Tavis Crittenden
Asst. Coach: Roy Ramirez

Prescott High School Boys and Girls Basketball Schedule - 2016/17*

Date	Opponent	Location	Boys JV	Girls V	Boys V
Sat., Dec. 3	Yakima Tribal	Toppenish	4:00	5:30	7:00
Mon., Dec. 5	Wa-Hi Freshmen	Prescott	NA	5:00	6:30
Fri., Dec. 9	SJE	Saint John	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Dec. 10	Oakesdale	Prescott	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues., Dec. 13	Liberty Christian	Prescott	4:30	6:00	7:30
Fri., Dec. 16	Touchet	Prescott	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Dec. 17	Colton	Colton	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues., Dec. 20	Bickleton	Bickleton	2:00	3:30	5:00V
Fri., Jan. 6	Waitsburg	Waitsburg	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Jan. 7	Gar/Pal	Prescott	3:30	5:00	6:30
Fri., Jan. 13	Pomeroy	Pomeroy	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Jan. 14	Colton	Prescott	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues., Jan. 17	Stanfield	Stanfield	NA	4:30	6:00
Fri., Jan. 20	SJE	Prescott	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Jan. 21	Oakesdale	Oakesdale	3:30	5:00	6:30
Tues., Jan. 24	Kennewick C/JV	Prescott	4:30	6:00	7:30
Fri., Jan. 27	Waitsburg	Prescott	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Jan. 28	Gar/Pal	Garfield	3:30	5:00	6:30
Fri., Feb. 3	Touchet	Touchet	4:30	6:00	7:30
Sat., Feb. 4	Pomeroy	Prescott	3:30	5:00	6:30

*Note: Prescott will not field a girls' JV team this year

Girls' Program

Head Coach: Mark Grimm
Asst. Coach: Mike Giusti

Boys' Program

Head Coach: Allyn Griffin
Asst. Coach: Joshua Wisner

Waitsburg High School Wrestling Schedule – 2016/17

Date	Host	Venue	Weigh	Match	Date	Host	Venue	Weigh	Match
Tues. Nov. 29	Burbank	Jamboree	5:00p	6:00p	Tue. Jan. 24	Ritzville	Mix and Match	5:00p	6:00p
Sat. Dec. 10	Liberty Invite	Tournament	8:00a	10:00a	Sat. Jan. 28	Pomeroy	League	9:00a	10:00a
Thur. Dec. 15	Reardan	League	5:00p	6:00p	Sat. Feb. 4	Colfax	Sub-District	8:00a	10:00a
Sat. Dec. 17	Mac-Hi	Tournament	9:00a	11:00a	Sat. Feb. 11	NWC (Colbert)	Regionals	8:00a	10:00a
Tue. Dec. 29	Pomeroy	Tournament	8:00a	10:00a	Thur. Feb. 16	Tacoma	State	3:00p	4:00p
Thur. Jan. 5	Liberty	League	5:00p	6:00p	Fri. Feb. 17	Tacoma	State	8:00a	10:00a
Sat. Jan. 7	Chiawana	Tournament	8:00a	10:00a	Sat. Feb. 18	Tacoma	State	8:00a	10:00a
Sat. Jan. 14	NWC (Colbert)	Tournament	8:00a	10:00a					
Sat. Jan. 21	Kittitas	Tournament	8:00a	10:00a					

Head Coach: Lanny Adams
Asst. Coach:

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NEWS BRIEFS

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CONNECTION

WAITSBURG – The December Christian Women's Connection luncheon will take place Dec. 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Waitsburg Town Hall. Melissa Weatherford of Grass Root Gourmet Catering Company will cater and tickets are \$10.

The featured speaker is Shirley Meoma, from Vancouver, Wash., who will share secrets of love lost and love found. Mike and Monica Dinkel will provide musical entertainment. Reservations are requested by Dec. 2. Call July at (509) 399-2005. Childcare is available by reservation.

LADIES NIGHT OUT, DEC. 5

DAYTON – Local ladies will want to take advantage of Ladies Night Out and stop by participating businesses for special holiday shopping, snacks, and drinks on Mon., Dec. 5 from 5-8 p.m.

Participating businesses include: Dingles, Wenaha Gallery, Snapdragon Floral & Gifts, Village Shoppes, Dayton Historic Depot, Weinhard Hotel Espresso Bar & Gift Shop, Chief Springs Brew Pub, Columbia County Health System, Elk Drug, Best Western Plus, Noble Hunt, Weinhard Café & Bakery, Quilts & More, Manila Bay Café, Azure Mountain Botanicals, Rey's Roast, Cottage Path Antiques, and the Bluewood Retail Store.

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junior Scott Leamy to audition. Leamy, who borrows an instrument from the Prescott School District, was also accepted. Elder said this is the first time the WWYSO has had tuba players in many years.

Fellow band member, sophomore clarinetist Leena Baker, said she watched the boys and thought, "I think I could do this!" By the end of September, all three were part of the orchestra.

All three agree that the sound of the orchestra is "amazingly beautiful."

"It's great to play with people that care about the music and are willing to put the time in to make it really good. We're playing with musicians that really care about their musical education and want to be better," Elder said.

"I really like playing with people who are willing to put in the time to be skilled at what they do," Leamy said in agreement.

Baker said she enjoys the complexity of the pieces the orchestra tackles. Band pieces are rated in difficulty from one to five, with the typical high school piece receiving a two to three rating.

The orchestra pieces range from three to five in level of difficulty, she said.

"That's where the tuba goes from playing 'boom, boom, boom' to playing beautiful whole notes that sing and can create beautiful chords," Elder said.

Elder says he hopes to make a future in music. He has applied to Brigham Young University and plans to major in music. Leamy said he would welcome the opportunity to play in a college or a military band.

"For me, music is more of a hobby. But if the opportunity for something professional presents itself, I'm all over it!" Baker said.

The WWYSO is open to students in grades 8 through 12 and is directed by Dr. Paul Luongo, who is also the director of the Whitman College Orchestra. Winter Concert performance pieces include: Wizards in Winter, Christmas Eve/Sarajevo, In the Steppes of Central Asia, and Sleigh Ride.

The concert will be Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Walla Walla High School Auditorium. Admission is free with a suggested donation of \$2 per person or \$5 per family.

TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Praline Apple Bread

Packed with apple flavor and topped with gooey caramel and crunchy pecans.



This is an all-time favorite that I bake and share at this time of year. It makes one large loaf or two small loaves (I think), maybe three.

- 1 c. white sugar
 - 1 8 oz. dairy sour cream
 - 2 eggs
 - 2 tsp vanilla
 - 1 ¼ c. chopped peeled, tart apple
 - 2 c. all-purpose flour
 - 2 tsp baking flour
 - ½ tsp baking soda
 - ½ tsp salt
 - 1 c. chopped pecans
- Topping: ¼ c. butter and ¼ c. brown sugar

In a large mixing bowl, beat together granulated sugar, sour cream, eggs and vanilla on low speed until combined, then beat on medium speed for two minutes.

Stir together flour, baking powder, soda and salt; add sour cream mixture, beating on low speed until combined. Stir in apple and ½ c. pecans. Turn into a greased 9 x 5 loaf pan (or two small ones). Sprinkle with remaining chopped pecans, pressing lightly into batter.

Bake in a 350-degree oven for 55-60 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean—less if you use small pans. If necessary, cover loosely with foil to prevent over browning. Cool in pan on a wire rack for 10 minutes.

Topping: Meanwhile, in a small saucepan, combine butter and brown sugar, cook and stir till mixture comes to a boil. Reduce heat and boil gently for one minute. Remove bread from pan and drizzle top with the brown sugar mixture. Cool.

MY NOTES: I've always received compliments on this bread. And I realized it has no oils or butter in the batter, but it is a moist bread. After completely cooled, wrap in wax paper or parchment paper, then in some festive wrap, freeze, and voila, it is ready to gift. Or keep. Enjoy!

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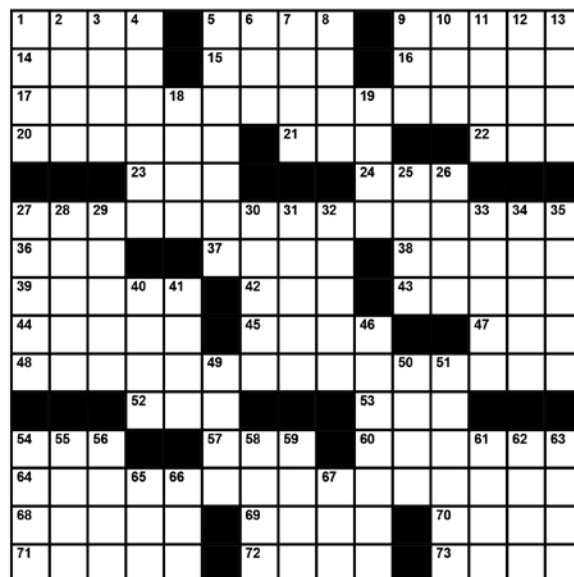
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14. Cry softly
15. Mixed bag
16. Bridal path
17. Contrary to what is expected
20. Like some yogurt
21. Kind of beetle
22. Sing
23. Social or Hindu ending
24. ____ be nice if ...
27. Salinger title
36. Reproductive cells
37. All's opposite
38. Freeze
39. Blair or McCartney
42. Chinese dynasty
43. Column base
44. Senegal's capital
45. Work units
47. Summer wear
48. Dangerous one
52. Down
53. Boot part
54. Kind of truck
57. Fleur-de-____
60. Walkie follower
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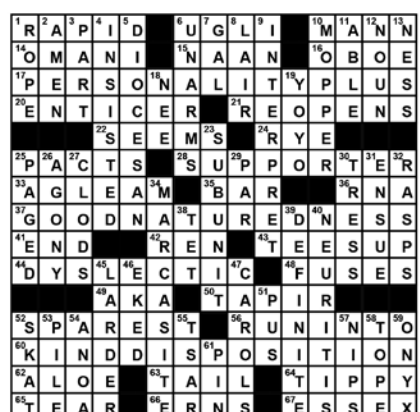
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13. Clark of the Daily Planet
18. Car until 1957
19. Give off
25. Michael Moore's "Downsize ____!"
26. Houston ____
27. Winter ailments
28. Birdy
29. Japanese verse form
30. Second crop
31. Like helium
32. Whinny
33. Intestine parts
34. Holidays
35. Foils
40. East Indian trees
41. Geometric figure
46. Compromises
49. Loafing
50. Egg on
51. Put in more bullets
54. No longer mint
55. Game you can't

65. " ____ to Joy"
66. Aussie outlaw Kelly
67. Elvis Presley's " ____ Lost You"
- play left-handed
56. Disappointment, in London
58. Cruise stopover
59. Influence
61. Send to the canvas
62. Gossip tidbit
63. In ____ (existing)

Last Week's Solution



THE LAST PAGE

DAYTON'S CHRISTMAS KICK-OFF



Photos by Ken Graham

Fun was had by all during Dayton's Christmas Kickoff celebration on Friday and Saturday. Clockwise from above left: The live nativity behind Dingles on Friday featured local players, including Izzy the Camel. Members of the Waitsburg bluegrass band, Switchgrass, performed on the First Street Stage on Saturday. The Lighted Christmas Parade stretched the length of Dayton's Main Street on Friday night. Dayton elementary students created some amazing gingerbread houses that were shown at Santa's House, on Friday and Saturday.

THIRD AT STATE




Courtesy photo

The Prescott Tigers placed third at the WIAA State Soccer Tournament last month. The team finished with a record of 15-2-4.

The Tigers headed into the semi-final game against arch rivals, St. George's with a seven-game winning streak. The Dragons prevailed 2-1.

The Tigers faced Tacoma Baptist in the consolation match and came away with a 1-0 win.

Thank You



The Family of Tom Baker would like to thank our friends and neighbors in our community for the cards, flowers, food and kind expressions of sympathy. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our family doctor, Kyle Terry, M.D., and the doctors and staff at Dayton General Hospital and Booker Rest Home for their compassionate and professional care, as well as those at Providence St. Mary Medical Center, Kadlec Medical Center and Hospice of Walla Walla.

Your love, prayers and support were very much appreciated and of great comfort to all of the family.

Anita Baker


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- Noble Hunt
- Weinhard Café & Bakery
- Wenaha Gallery
- Quilts & More
- Manila Bay Café
- Rey's Roast
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