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(and don't forget to turn your clocks back)

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# THIS WEEK

**DAYTON** 



**ROBOTICS** 

The Dayton Memorial Library will soon recieve Mindstorm robotics kits and will start a Robotics Mentorship Program.

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## **WAITSBURG**



**SCIENCE** 

Waitsburg middle school students enjoyed a trip to the Pasco waste water treatment plant and The REACH museum.

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# A BIG, BIG BAND



Photo by Dena Wood

Director Kevin Swisher, from Hanford High School, leads hundreds of musicians as they rehearsed in the Waitsburg High School auditorium last Wednesday, in preparation for a mass band and choir concert later that night. Nearly 250 musicians from eleven different schools participated in the event. See story on Page 11.

# **Rural Youth Gains Ground**

Non-profit organization continues to welcome youth-oriented project leaders

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – From pumpkin producers to pool plungers, Rural Youth Enrichment Services (RYES) is intent on giving local kids a helping hand.

RYES is a nonprofit organization, founded in 2009, with the goal of providing a wide variety of activities to youth of all ages, with a primary emphasis on entrepreneurial activities, self-sustaining gardening, green technologies, and bringing arts and music into the community.

"The original view was that we would provide the programs ourselves, but that has morphed as we realized that you burn people out. Now we're letting people come to us," said RYES board member Kathy Carpenter.

Since its inception, RYES has grown to

serve as an umbrella organization to four independent groups focusing on music, gardening, art and recreation.

Kate Hockersmith leads the Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project (TVAMP) which provides kids with bluegrass lessons and performance opportunities. Kids use acoustic instruments to participate in music lessons, play together in bluegrass jams, perform at community events, and travel to bluegrass music festivals.

Gayle Broom teaches kids about gardening through one of the most dramatic gardening projects possible – growing giant pumpkins. Through the Giant Pumpkin Project, kids participate in every aspect of farming involved in growing a tiny seed into a gigantic gourd to compete in the fair. Over time, the program could expand to include organic and container gardening.

Larry Johnson is leading community members in raising funds for the Waitsburg City Pool through the Friends of the Pool (FOP) program. The group recently raised over \$1,200 through a pie baking contest held during the Pioneer Fall Festival. The FOP works towards pool improvements, enrichment activities, scholarships for life-

guard certifications, summer pass scholarships, and more.

Suze Wood's Open Studio Art for Kids will provide an opportunity for kids to explore a variety of art mediums and learn art fundamentals through fun, relaxed classes, community events, and open houses.

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Times File Photo

One of Gayle Broom's Giant Pumpkin Project members digs a trench around a pumpkin to be transported to the 2014 Walla Walla Fair

## **SPORTS**



## X-C

Waitsburg's Emily Adams won the District 9 Cross Country girls championship last weekend.

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# County Ponders Pot Zones

GROWING, PROCESSING AND SELLING MARIJUANA WILL LIKELY BE ALLOWED IN SEPARATE ZONES

By Ken Graham  $\,\mid\,\,$  THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Columbia County Board of Commissioners on Monday met with County Planning Director Kim Lyonnais to discuss potential changes to the county's zoning ordinance to identify where marijuana businesses can be located.

The Commissioners gave direction to Lyonnais to establish the following zoning designations for marijuana businesses:

Marijuana growing operations will be allowed in all "A" (agricultural) zones, but not in "AR" (ag/residential) zones.

Marijuana processing businesses will be allowed in both light and heavy industrial zones.

Retail marijuana businesses will be allowed in commercial zones only.

No vote was taken at the Monday meeting, but Lyonnais said he will

work with the county planning commission to created an updated zoning ordinance that will be presented to the commissioners before the end of this year, and include the above zoning restrictions.

Lyonnais also said that the zoning map for Columbia County will likely be revised, with one of the changes being expansion of the commercial zones.

"Our commercial zones outside the city are very limited," he said. The only commercial zones currently located in the unincorporated county are at Blue Mountain Station and at the former "Mom's Café" site on Highway 12, several miles north of Dayton.

Lyonnais said that the planning commission will look at a number of areas around Dayton where additional commercial zoning could be designat-

Because the City of Dayton has banned marijuana businesses for now, these would be the only places where new marijuana retailers could locate in Columbia County.

Lyonnais and the commissioners all made clear that there are other significant restrictions that will limit establishment of marijuana businesses

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# HAVE A SCAAAARY HALLOWEEN!

## **Main Street Trick-or-Treat**

Dayton Main Street Oct. 30, 3-5 p.m.

Bring your ghosts and goblins out for a safe and festive downtown trick-or-treating experience. Participating businesses will have a bright orange pumpkin sign on their door or window.

## **Pumpkin Carving**

Prescott Lions Hall (Corner of D St. and Hwy 124) Oct. 30, 5-6 p.m.

Kids ages 2-15 are invited to carve pumpkins and enjoy hotdogs with mac & cheese, hot apple cider, and fun!

## Boldman House Museum Trick-or-Treat

Boldman House, Dayton (410 N. First) Oct. 31, 4-6 p.m.

Spooky characters will be on the porch giving out treats from 4-6 p.m. Stop by if you dare!

## **Fire Station Trick-or-Treat**

**Waitsburg Main Street** 

Oct. 31, 5-7 p.m.

Stop in at the Waitsburg Fire Station for special Halloween treats.

# TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

# PLAYING FOR A CAUSE



Rivalry temporarily set aside, the Waitsburg Cardinals and DeSales Irish were pretty in pink as they joined forces to raise money for Assumption 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Jill Montgomery (center), who is battling breast cancer. The teams raised about \$1,200 through T-shirt sales and a "pink" bake sale. "We don't have a final total because we still have shirts available for purchase for \$10 if anyone would like one. We would love to get them sold as soon as possible so that we can wrap up our breast cancer fundraiser," said Cardinal Coach Angie Potts. To purchase a shirt, contact Angie at 629-1060.

# Touchet Valley Weather

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast





Oct. 28, 2015

Thursday Mostly Cloudy Mostly Cloudy High: 59 Low: 43 High: 60 Low: 43

Partly Cloudy High: 62 Low: 46

Friday

Mostly Cloudy High: 63 Low: 46

Mostly Cloudy High: 61 Low: 41 Local Almanac Last Weel

Partly Cloudy Partly Cloudy High: 64 Low: 40 High: 58 Low: 39

Moonset

8:45 a.m.

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and Washington, D.C. Answer: In Melbourne, Moscow

#### Weather History

Oct. 28, 1987 - Thunderstorms over the San Joaquin Valley of California produced threequarters of an inch of rain in 30 minutes at Placerville and caused numerous power outages due to lightning. Rain diminished in the northeastern United States but flooding continued.

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation 0.00"		
Monday	67	55	64/43	0.00"	Normal precipitation 0.46"		
Tuesday	67	49	64/42	0.00"	Departure from normal0.46"		
Wednesday	67	43	63/42	0.00"	Average temperature		
Thursday	65	49	63/42	0.00"	Average normal temperature 52.3°		
Friday	64	43	62/42	0.00"	Departure from normal +2.6°		
Saturday	57	42	62/41	0.00"			
Sunday	60	40	61/41	0.00"	Data as reported from Walla Walla		
Sun/Moon Chart This Week							

Sunset

5:43 p.m.

5:42 p.m.

5:40 p.m.

5:39 p.m.

4:37 p.m.

4:36 p.m.

4:34 p.m.

Moonrise

7:03 p.m.

7:51 p.m.

8:43 p.m.

9:39 p.m.

10:38 p.m.

10:38 p.m.

11:38 p.m.

#### 6:34 a.m. Sunday New 6:36 a.m. 11/11 Monday 6:37 a.m. Tuesday

<u>Day</u>

Wednesday

Thursday

Saturday

Friday

## **HELP WANTED**

**CLASSIFIEDS** 

<u>Sunrise</u>

7:28 a.m.

7:30 a.m.

7:31 a.m.

7:33 a.m.

#### Warehouse - Dayton, WA **Accounting/Shipping Clerk Assistant**

Seneca Foods Corporation, an established vegetable processing company with a growing vegetable seed business currently has an opening for an Office Assistant in its Dayton, WA seed facility. This is a part time seasonal position lasting approximately five to six months - December through

The selected candidate's duties will include tasks in several areas of assisting with office management including payables, receivables, reconciliations, record retention, purchasing, inventory, shipping and others as needed

Requirements include a high school diploma or equivalent. excellent communication skills, some computer systems knowledge, time management, and strong organizational skills. If interested, applications are available at the shipping office, Building 9, 799 E. Washington Ave, Dayton, WA or via email at dayton-ap@senecafoods.com.

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#### Warehouse - Dayton, WA Mill/Treater Operator

Seneca Foods Corporation, an established vegetable processing company with a growing vegetable seed business currently has an opening for a Mill Operator in its Dayton, WA seed facility. This is a seasonal position lasting approximately five to seven months - November through May.

The selected candidate's duties will include tasks in several areas within the warehouse operations in regard to seed milling, packaging, shipping and other as needed. This position may be required to have or obtain forklift certification, and may be second shift.

Requirements include a high school diploma or equivalent, excellent communication skills, time management, strong organizational skills, and the ability to lift 50 lbs. If interested, applications are available at the shipping office, Building 9, 799 E. Washington Ave, Dayton, WA or via email at dayton-ap@ senecafoods.com.

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#### Warehouse - Dayton, WA In-line Quality Control Seed

Seneca Foods Corporation, an established vegetable processing company with a growing vegetable seed business currently has an opening for an In-line Quality Control position in its Dayton, WA seed facility. This is a seasonal position lasting approximately five to seven months - November through May

The selected candidate's duties will include tasks within the seed mill operations in regard to seed milling quality control. This will include line frequency sampling quality checks and reporting, reconciling milling and treating reports and other as needed. This position may be required to have or obtain forklift certification.

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## **2015 ANNUAL MEETING** WAITSBURG TOWN HALL ASSOCIATION Thursday, November 12 at 6pm

**Waitsburg Town Hall** 

The Annual Meeting is held to nominate and vote on 2016 Board of Directors. Free dinner will be served to all attendees.

Open to all Waitsburg community citizens and family.

### PIONEER PORTRAITS

#### **Ten Years Ago** Nov. 3, 2005

Nineteen members and a guest turned out for 55 Plus potluck dinner Friday, October 28 at Ye Towne Hall. Hostesses Lillian Judd and Kay Pettichord decorated tables with autumn and Halloween themes. Sarah Wilson treated the group with molded candies and brought Corey Norton

Photo caption: Decisions, decisions. Sometimes it's hard to decide if you want vanilla or chocolate. Recently Jerry Baker avoided the conundrum by getting both when he picked up a pair of Labrador puppies from Bill and Sharon Carter of Waitsburg. According to Carter, Bake was ready to go with the Golden puppy when he commented that he had never had a Chocolate Lab, so he got one of those, too.

#### **Twenty-Five Years Ago** Nov. 1, 1990

A hobby he discovered while serving with the Navy has become for Bernard Donnelly one he finds has become most rewarding. It was while he was in Japan as a seaman in World War II (and just out of high school) that Donnelly got his first cartridge from a Japanese submarine tender. He was in Okinawa at the time. Later on, he got his second brass shell, this one from an underground installation. These finds sparked the hobby into being and by the time he was homeward-bound Donnelly had about a dozen cartridges in his duf-

This is to put farmers on notice, in particular one who is spending time in Hawaii, that the seeds he placed so carefully in the ground here may be getting wet. Indications that we had about an inch of rain on Tuesday could mean some drastic changes in those underground pods. Just thought we'd point that out, not that there's anything that anyone will be able to do about it.

fel bag and the hobby was well under way!

#### **Fifty Years Ago** Nov. 4, 1965

Miss Joan Land, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Land has been chosen by the Saddles and Spurs Livestock Club to represent Columbia County on the "Rural Youth on Parade" which is seen every Saturday night at 4:30 over Channel 6, KHQ-TV.

Photo caption: You won't find a bigger smile anywhere in the world than the one on Frank Zuger of Waitsburg after he found this giant mushroom in the Blue Mountains on a fishing trip last weekend. By actual count, this splendid specimen had 83 stems on it. How'd you like to have a steak big enough to go with it?

#### **Seventy-Five Years Ago** Nov. 8, 1940

Over 200 members of Rebekah Lodge No. 4 and Touchet Lodge No. 5, I.O.O.F. including their families, enjoyed the annual roll call and supper at Odd Fellows Hall Saturday night.

Snow depths in the Blue Mountains are gradually piling up, the levels having been reported as 18 inches deep at Table Rock Saturday.

The American Legion Post is sponsoring their annual Thanksgiving Special on Saturday night, Nov. 16 at the Legion Hall.

The Rainbow Girls enjoyed a progressive dinner Saturday, Oct. 30. The tomato cocktail was served at the home of Helen Rector in Prescott; salad was at the home of Betty Goon; the main course was served by Mrs. McCaw and Kathleen; and the dessert at the home of Mrs. Eva Trichler.

#### One Hundred Years Ago Nov. 12, 1915

The people of this city were accorded an agreeable surprise last Friday when the speedy local team defeated the much-touted Pendleton aggregation by the decisive score of 33-0.

Valley View Farm, near Huntsville, farmed by Chester Keiser, is undergoing a number of improvement in the vicinity of the house. A new cement cellar and a woodshed are being constructed and a new dairy barn 22X24 feet is also being

Marie Hermanns returned from Walla Walla Thursday, having spent a few days there.

Dr. J. V. Steele, John Brunson, Emory McCown and Jack Johnson left Tuesday for the headwaters of the Tucannon on a hunting trip.

#### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago Oct. 31, 1890

On Wed. night about 10 o'clock soon after the family of Hon. A. G. Lloyd had retired, Mr. Lloyd was awakened by a crackling noise to find his house on fire. None of the family had time to dress, and almost the entire contents of the house were destroyed, including the wearing apparel of the family. The house was built two years ago and was a model country dwelling.

Work on the Weinhard-Miller brick block at Dayton began this week. The patterns for the iron columns were finished at the Waitburg Foundry on Monday, and the castings will be made this

# TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

Time

**Table** 

Church

11:30 a.m.

for more info.

the day prior.

**Table** 

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Dayton

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**Table** 

tit St.)

12 p.m.

Center

2-4 p.m.

the day prior.

106 Preston Avenue

6:30 p.m.

12 - 6 p.m.

**Prescott Library** 

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**Dayton Senior Round** 

Senior Center (403 E. Pa-

Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Call 382-2836 to RSVP by

Waitsburg Resource

10:30 a.m.

## **BRIEFS**

# **CITY COUNCIL MEETING CHANGE**

WAITSBURG – Due to a lack of quorum at the scheduled Oct. Waitsburg City Council meeting, the meeting date has been rescheduled to Thurs., Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. Meetings are held in the Lions Building at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds.

The meeting agenda remains the same and may be found under "Agendas" at www. waitsburgtimes.com.



Worship 11 a.m.

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Evening Worship 6 p.m. 📓

Dayton Hospital Auxiliary Luncheon Fundraiser First Congretational Church (214 S. 3rd St. Dayton)

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lunch is \$8. Gifts and bake sale items available.

scholarship program. Main Street Trick-or-

Funds go to support the

**Dayton Main Street** 3-5 p.m.

Soup for the Soul First Christian Church (410 S. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Dayton)

5:30 p.m. All are welcome at this free, monthly dinner.

The FrogHollow Band & **Adult Costume Party** The Tux, Prescott 7 - 11 p.m.

**Pumpkin Carving** 

Prescott Lions Hall 5 - 6 p.m.

Kids age 2-15 can carve pumpkins and stay for hotdogs with mac and cheese, and hot cider.

#### Halloween!

Waitsburg Resource Center 106 Preston Avenue

9-11 a.m.



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

30: Pancakes; Sack Lunch Day (Early Re-

2: Biscuit & Gravy; Turkey Sub, Lettuce/Tomato/Onion, Cucumbers, Avocado

3: Continental Breakfast; Grilled Chicken Nuggets, Sweet Potato tots

4: Longjohn; Baked Potato Bar, Broccoli 5: Continental Break-

fast; Beef Tacos, Black Beans

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# WEEKLY CALENDAR **Prescott Library Story**

The Center provides food and resources to families in the Waitsburg and Prescott School Districts.

Saturday Market

Blue Mountain Station, Dayton 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Crochet Class** 

Prescott Library 1 p.m.

Boldman Museum Trick-or-Treat

Boldman House Museum (410 N. First) 4-6 p.m.

Spooky characters will be on the porch giving out treats from 4-6 p.m.

# **NOVEMBER**

#### **Daylight Saving Time Ends!**

**Square Dance** Waitsburg Town Hall

1:30 p.m.

A free square dance will be sponsored by the Muddy Frogwater Square Dance Club. There is no charge and lessons are available.

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

**Winter Sports Clearance** Night

High School Auditorium 6 p.m. Clearance night for

all high school winter sports.

**Dayton Library Story Time** 

**Dayton Memorial Library** 

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### **COURT NEWS**

Columbia County Superior Court October 21, 2015

First Appearance/Arraignment:

Richard D Streck III, 40, transient; failed to appear at first appearance. Charged with one count of identity theft in the second degree, a class C felony, and one count of obstructing a law enforcement officer, a gross misdemeanor. He was allegedly found by a Columbia County deputy, hiding behind the HVAC unit in the crawl space of a house, with two other individuals. When questioned, Streck allegedly gave a false name. He is also charged for having a hatchet handle in his backpack, which could be capable of producing

Austin Kimmons, 19, Dayton; entered a not guilty plea to two counts of possession of a stolen firearm, a Class B felony, and one count of violation of uniform controlled substance act - possession of over 1 ounce of usable marijuana. Kimmons was pulled over during a traffic stop and a deputy allegedly discovered two firearms in the backseat as well as a garbage bag "about half full" of marijuana on the front floorboard. Both firearms were reported as stolen and the bag of marijuana weighed in at over 610 grams and "maxed out the scale." Kimmons was released on a \$50,000 personal recognizance bond.

Durant A. Brown, 22, Dayton; entered a not guilty plea to the same charges as Kimmons (above). Both were arrested at the same time, for the same incident. Brown was also released on a \$50,000 personal recognizance bond.

Lonnie Marrick, 39, Waitsburg, entered a not guilty plea to one count of violation of the uniform controlled substance act - possession of methamphetamine, a Class C felony, and one count of criminal trespassing second degree, a misdemeanor. Marick was allegedly discovered with a vehicle and boat in a field across from Wing-Air. A wallet containing \$2883 in cash, tools, and a methamphetamine pipe were allegedly found at the scene.

**Trials Set/Reset:** 

Ronald Ray White, 54, Kennewick; charged in October with two counts of violation of a no-contact order - third or subsequent violation. Trial re-set to Jan 7-8, 2016.

Dante A. Brown, 20, Dayton; charged with two charges of delivery of a controlled substance (meth), within 1,000 feet of the perimeter of school grounds or in a public park. Trial reset to Nov. 23-24.

Brandon W. John, 32, Dayton; suspected of two charges of first-degree escape. Trial reset to Jan 7-8, 2016.

Steven Ray Long, 28; charged with 17 counts including theft, drug charges, malicious mischief and burglary stemming from incidents in Feb., 2013. Previous orders for suppression of evidence and orders for dismissal were vacated by State of Washington Court of Appeals on Oct. 13. Trial date: Nov. 18.

Casey J. Lynn Dunn, will be tried with Steven Ray Long. Trial date: Nov. 18.

Marshall Hernandez, 54; trial reset. He is charged with arson, reckless burning, and possession of stolen property. Trial reset to Feb., 2-5, 2016

Jared J. Mings, 31, Starbuck; charged with traffickg in stolen property and second-degree theft. Trial reset to Nov. 18.

Joshua J. Berdar, 24, Spokane Valley; charged with obtaining a legend (prescription) drug (oxycodone) by fraud. Trial reset to Nov. 23-24.

Other Legal Action:

Curtis A. Jones, 31, Hermiston; charged with illegal possession of a firearm and criminal trespass. Bench

Richard Lee Lyman, 64, Columbia, Mo.; Trial date was struck with prosecution continuing to resolution. He is charged with theft, malicious mischief, and making false or misleading statements to a public servant for allegedly collecting archeological materials illegally.

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## **BIRTHDAYS**

October 30: Judy Bradley, Barbie Thompson, Ken Colby, Cindy Hofer, Robert Peddinani, Meghan Conrath, Aryn Davis.

October 31: Virginia Nichol, Ben Lincoln, Pami Wallis, Sarah Henze, B.A. Keve. November 1: Connor Talbott, Phyllis Eaton, Court-

ney Mock, Curtis Johnson, Jack Osburn. November 2: Dean Hermanns, Richard Webber,

Shane DuPree, Sondra Keith. November 3: Lori Bartlow, Barbara Erwin, Marga-

ret Rohde, Geoff Baker, Don Abbey.

November 4: Jim Nelson, Rick Davis, Taryn Street-

er, Allyson Hurd, Victoria Brewer. November 5: Dwight Thomas.

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# **COMMENTARY / NEWS**

KEN GRAHAM: FROM THE PUBLISHER

# It's Time to Vote

The presidential election campaign is topping the national news all the time these days, with Hillary Clinton gaining and Donald Trump slipping in the polls.



But that election is still more than a year away. You'll probably be reading about it in this space next October.

Right now, it's time to pull our heads out of our TVs for a few minutes and take a look at the election that's directly in front of us.

Touchet Valley voters have a number of important choices to make in the next week. In Waitsburg, residents in the city will be deciding whether to annex the city fire department into Walla Walla County Fire District 2. Fire District 2 residents outside the city are voting on annexation as well, and the measure must pass in both areas.

But for Waitsburg residents, annexation comes with a cost: an increase in property taxes, beginning in 2017. County residents in the district are already being taxed at a similar rate for fire services.

We've covered this issue at length in the past few issues, and Waitsburg City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe gives a detailed explanation of how those taxes work on this page.

Voters in the Columbia County portion of Fire District 2 will also be voting for an EMS levy, that will put them on par with the rest of District, as it prepares to launch a new ambulance service.

Voters in both the Waitsburg and Dayton School Districts are choosing school board members for the coming six years. There is one contested race in each district.

There is also a contested race for the Columbia County Hospital District board of directors. The district includes all of Columbia County, as well as the portion of Walla Walla County in the Waitsburg School District.

The Mayor of Dayton and several city council positions are up for election this year, but all of those positions are uncontested, as is one of the Port of Columbia commissioner positions.

## Initiative 1366

There is an interesting initiative up for vote at the state level which you all should pay attention to. It involves the

## **CONTINUED IN RIGHT COLUMN**



## A PROUD TRADITION

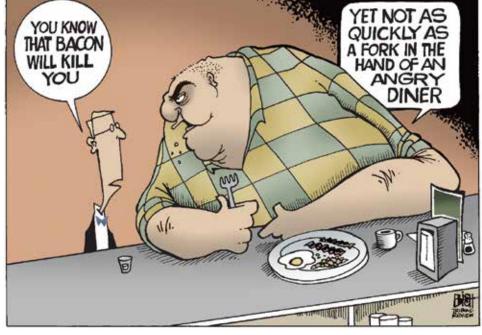
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# **Budget Issues Regarding Fire District Annexation Are Complex**

By Randy Hinchliffe, Waitsburg City Administrator

Thile I don't usually comment on items in the local paper, I felt that the this issue was important enough to warrant a response from the City as it is clear to me that the majority of people still don't understand the issue at hand.

First, a new tax will not show up on tax statements next year, as property taxing is always a year behind. Taxes collected in the current year are for the prior year, so money collected in 2015 is actually for 2014s taxes.

Therefore, the citizens of Waitsburg will not be taxed for the Fire District, should the annexation be approved, until 2017 for the 2016 tax year, which is the annexation's effective date.

The City, through a pre-annexation agreement, agreed to provide the district with \$25,000 next year from its current expense budget to make up the shortfall in taxes due to the tax collection timing issue. This is roughly \$10,000 more than the average City Fire Department budget amount and the City will not be asking its local taxpayers to make up in their taxes for next year.

Second, when and if the tax does go into effect, the 51 cents will on be for the first year, as the annexation is taxed at the prior year levy rate, which in this case would be 51 cents per thousand or \$51 a year on a \$100,000 dollar home.

Then starting in 2018 for the 2017 tax year, the value of the City (approximately \$60 million) gets added back into the total assessed value of the Fire District; which too happens to be about \$60 million, bringing their total assessed district value to approximately \$120 million.

From there the Fire District tax levy works exactly the same way as any other taxing entity does in that they ask for a certain amount of money to fund its operations and the County Assessor determines the rate per thousand taxpayers will pay based on the district's value. The district's base amount of property tax collection will be somewhere around \$60,000 a year, but can be lower or higher depending on the needs of the district, which is limited to one dollar per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Third, should the City reduce its taxes by the equivalent amount of the district tax levy, based on its currently levy amount and City budget, the City would no longer be able to fund the pool and library. A 51 cent reduction in taxes means a loss of service to the citizens where the City only provides \$15,000, plus or minus, in a given year to support the fire department under the current mutual aid agreement where both entities essentially split costs in half.

While the City in theory would save the amount of the fire department's annual budget, any potential savings would be used to help offset increases in other costs to the City while hopefully being able expand the other taxpayer supported services like the pool, park, fairgrounds or more sidewalk installation around the City.

By law, the City is allowed to tax property at \$3.375 per \$1,000 of assessed value. However, the City currently only taxes at a rate of about \$2.39 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation: well below our legal limit.

Included in the City's general property tax levy, the City is also responsible for flood control and park and recre-

ation activities which, if those two districts were still active, would probably cost the tax payers another 75 cents to one dollar per \$1,000 of assessed value in property taxes.

Because the City is taxing well below our lawful limit, the annexation will have no effect on the amount the City will end up asking to run its operations, partly because what we ask for is not what we end up collecting. With over \$10,000 of property tax arrears still owed to the City for tax years 2010 to 2014 the City is lucky to get 90% of what it asks for in a given year.

Washington has one of the most complicated tax structures in the nation and it can be hard to explain it to citizens who don't fully understand the process. The process becomes even more confusing when proration comes into effect due to the fact that there is a \$5.80 per thousand levy limit on property in the state of Washington. This amount can and will tend to be higher based on voter approved taxes like school bonds, EMS levies and other various exemptions available to tax pavers

While it is probably not clear on your tax statement, only about 12% of your property taxes actually come to the City of Waitsburg to fund our operations, of which there are many. The rest is spread out among the County, the Port, Hospital District, EMS, the School and, if approved, the Fire District.

So while I understand the confusion on the tax issue, it probably is too late at this point to change the minds of people who have already voted no one this ballot measure.

But in the end it makes no sense to have three different entities providing the same service across the same boundaries when one entity with one tax rate could easily provide the service at a cost savings for all property owners.

Because your taxes dollars are spread out across so many different departments, an annexation into the Fire District will ensure that fire protection services will be able to be maintained at adequate levels that the City simply cannot afford to provide.

In closing, Mr. Johnson's letter to the editor is incorrect in stating that the City does what it wants with tax payer dollars without taxpayer input. The City typically discusses the next year's budget over about five months, including taxes, no less than four or five times during the budget development process, including a formal public hearing on property taxes in November of every year where anyone is welcome to come to the hearing and voice their opinion regarding how taxes payer dollars are spent.

In addition, citizens are also able to submit their opinions in writing that would be included in the minutes from the hearing.

Separate from property taxes, there is also two formal public hearings on the budget in November and December before the City Council formally approves it prior to the upcoming year, giving citizens who are interested more than ample opportunities to participate in the City's budget discussion process.

I hope this information has been helpful. For anyone with any additional questions, my office is open at any time during regular business hours to discuss this issue and any other issue related to the City of Waitsburg. I can also be reached at rjhinch@gotvc.net.

### LETTER

# Don't Give Up on Waitsburg Ambulance

Dear Editor,

With continued developments, I would like to ask you, the privately ran and operated Waitsburg Ambulance Board why you are giving a vote of no confidence to the staff after the passing of Richard Nauman?

It pains me to hear that you have voted to end the career of multiple staff because of your own agenda and age, not adding younger board members. Letting your own age control the lives of others as elders of our community, what lesson are you teaching the younger generation? Are you really trying to tell them it is better to give up and not follow dreams like the passion you once had? You started the service for a reason, do you even remember why? What legacy are you leaving behind?

Companies such as General Motors, 3M, Pepsi-Co, all have had a change of board members over the years. If it is a need for new board members, why not look into our community? You are willing to lose fire personal to create an EMT crew with an already established crew serving our community? The service has been built by many; I recall Patty Horny & Stephanie Wyatt being members of the crew; they left but the service did not stop.

People give up so easily on each other these days, but we can teach our kids to be the kind of people who value others over their own comfort. We can teach them to make personal sacrifices in order to keep their commitments to people.

One way to begin teaching our kids loyalty is to insist that they keep their promises. If they commit to being somewhere or to helping someone, they have to keep that commitment regardless of the personal cost to themselves. If a more enjoyable activity presents itself, we want our kids to say, "Sorry, I promised this other person I would be there for them."

Waitsburg Ambulance Chief, Sharon Brooks has taken classes and has done the billing for years. What happens to the funds that are brought in to the end of the service? Are they going to land in your wallets as board members instead of upgrades to keep the service going?

Can we please get back to the roots this service?

Cindy Daves Waitsburg

## **GRAHAM - CONTINUED FROM LEFT**

continuing effort by initiative guru Tim Eyman and his associates to require a two-thirds approval by legislators, or voter majority approval, for any tax increase.

Voters in Washington have repeatedly approved measures to require such approvals for tax increases, but those measures have been struck down by the courts as unconstitutional.

So the new approach is to implement a cut in the state sales tax rate until the legislature passes a constitutional amendment to override the courts and re-implement the requirement that was struck down.

So fill out your ballot and mail it in. Then you can go back to enjoying the presidential election. There's another in an unending string of Republican debates on Wednesday this week.

# **Letters Welcome**

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# TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

# **CCHS BOARD REPORT**

NEW CHAIRWOMAN/NEW BOARD MEMBER FOR CCHS, CEO SEARCH **NARROWS** 

#### By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON - The Columbia County Public Hospital District now has a new president of the commission, and a new board member.

At their regular meeting last week, Commission Vice-President Jim Kime turned the gavel over to the board's newly selected chairwoman Lisa Naylor, who will serve until January, 2016.

The commissioners then selected long-time farmer and local resident Bob Hutchens to fill the seat recently vacated by Ted Paterson, who has retired.

Hutchens spoke before the commissioners about his vision to keep CCHS healthy. He also touched on the many bumps, challenges and complications from regulations that health care providers need to navi-

"You just can't fix things with baling wire," he said. Hutchens said he wants to help make sure that people will consider CCHS first when utilizing health services, and that patients will receive the quality of health care they expect to receive from CCHS.

Hutchens will serve on the board of commissioners until 2017 and then, he, or another person, can choose to run for a two-year unexpired term. In 2019 the election cycle returns to a six-year term.

The commissioners are also providing Hutchens with an opportunity to help in the search for a new CEO. They agreed to invite CEO candidate Tom Tomasino back to the table to be interviewed by Hutchens.

Tomasino, a former CEO of Whidby General Hospital in Coupeville, Wash., is one of three candidates for CEO. The others are Lee Holter, chief financial officer for CCHS, and Shane McGuire, chief operating officer

The commissioners plan to hold a special meeting in about two weeks to make their decision on choice of candidate for CEO.

#### Hospital remodel

The hospital officials have narrowed their search for a general contractor/general manager for the hospital remodel to three companies: Leonie and Keeble, Inc., of Spokane; T.W. Clark Construction, LLC, of Spokane; and Chervenell Construction Co. of Kennewick.

"They represent a good cross section of contrac-

tors," said COO McGuire. McGuire expects to have interviews with them in

November.

## Other hospital board news

The hospital board of commissioners also heard from CEO Lee Holter about plans for a budget increase in 2016. There will be a ten percent rate hike on items up to \$500.00, a five percent rate hike on items up to \$2,000.00 and the nursing home daily rate will go up five dollars, generating some additional reve-

McGuire told the commissioners about the need to purchase a timekeeping system called Kronos that is compatible with the new Meditech computer system.

The commissioners approved a request that \$62,000 be made available for the purchase of the Kronos system. Funds will come out of the operating budget according to CFO Holter.

McGuire also told the commissioners about a leaking hot water tank in the Booker Nursing Home.

The leaking tank services 36 to 40 residents at Booker and there are 67 devices pulling water out of it, making rapid recovery essential, he explained.

McGuire has received two estimates so far, and Holter said that the Blue Mountain Foundation, the hospital district and the Booker construction account could be used to pay for a new tank.

# **BONUS SHOT of** DAYTON, WA STARBUCK, WA FLOUR MILL PARK **STARBUCK** October 20, 2015 **COMMUNITY CHURCH** 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m November 1, 2015 November 7, 2015 October 28, 2015 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Columbia

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# **ESD Cancels Prescott Preschool**

Program is cancelled due to lack of qualified applicants

#### THE TIMES

PRESCOTT - Due to a lack of qualified applicants Prescott will not be able to offer a preschool program after all. Prescott schools superintendent Brett Cox reported at the district's Oct. 22 school board meeting, that the anticipated ECEAP program had been cut.

"Unfortunately, the ESD was unable to follow through with the preschool program due to a lack of qualified applicants. They had four who qualified and they needed 20 to run the program," Cox

He explained that the initial predictions indicated 39 students in the district qualified, but those predictions were based on a formula using free and reduced lunch numbers. That formula failed, and didn't take into consideration that most of the families work and weren't low enough on the poverty scale to qualify. "That's the lynchpin that came undone,"

Cox said that the situation created confusion and frustration for families who were anticipating the preschool.

"It leaves an indelible mark on us because our families don't know what the ESD is, they just know there is no preschool at Prescott," he

Cox said the ESD understood the situation and was willing to both call and send letters to families who were affected by the program being cancelled.

"I wanted to create some separation there so families realize that it wasn't our program and we're sorry that it happened. I think they (the ESD) did a very good job in following up. It was an unfortunate situation, but we'll move on," Cox said.

# PRESCOTT SCHOOL **BOARD UPDATE** OCT. 22, 2015

- Tabled a decision on Policy #2255 Alternative Experience Courses until better information on cost is available to help determine a compensation package and make sure the program can be funded properly.
- Approved supplemental contract for hire of Denice Garrow at .2 FTE.
- · Approved contract for flooring to finish remodel of district cottage capital improvement project which will then be completed under budget.
- · Approved collective bargaining agreement for 2015-2018.
- Approved Eureka Match Curriculum for Vista Hermosa.
- Preliminary discussion of 2016 levy.
- Approved letter to City of Prescott notifying the city that the curb outside the front of the high school is 10-12" above the street and creates a tripping hazard and requested the height be corrected.
- · Approved an additional leave day for classified staff, which previously had one leave day per year. The extra day will cost the district \$1,521.05, annually.

# **NEWS BRIEFS**

# **COMPOST SITE DAYTON TOURS**

Columbia Compost owner Steve Martin will conduct a tour of his compost site on Eager Road, north of Dayton on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Martin will present the method he uses to make the compost that he produces from residential, municipal and commercial green waste (yard trimmings).

The Columbia Compost site is open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. for drop off of green waste for a fee of \$10 or less. Columbia Compost is available to purchase in bulk at City Lumber.

Martin can be contacted by calling 509-386-4748 or by email at stevemartin23@msn.

# **CHAMBER AWARDS BANQUET**

DAYTON - The Dayton Chamber of Commerce Annual Awards Banquet will take place Thurs., Nov. 12 at Running T Ranch. This year's theme is, "Education - Our Door to the Future."

The evening will include socializing, a catered dinner, and wine and beer. The Dayton School District will provide a special presentation focusing on edand Community Awards will be presented. Table centerpieces will be raffled

Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m., special presentation at 6:35 p.m. and the awards presentation at 7

Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at the Dayton Chamber (166 E. Main) office or from any board member. Call (509) 382-4825 for more information.

# **COMMERCIAL**

WAITSBURG - The Waitsburg Commerical Club will meet Tues., Nov. 3 at 6:30 at The Q Wood Fired Grill, on Waitsburg's Main Street for a no-host

dinner and meeting. There is no charge to attend the meeting only. Please RSVP to ikbakeve@ charter.net or call 337-

# **FROGHOLLOW BAND AND COSTUMES AT THE TUX**

PRESCOTT - The Frog-Hollow Band will be playing live at The Tuxedo Bar & Grill in Prescott from 7-11 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30. Come in costume!

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# **DAYTON**

# Dayton Man Finishes the Ride

MIKE ELLSWORTH IS RECOVERING FROM SEVERE INJURIES AFTER BEING STRUCK WHILE RIDING HIS BIKE

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON – On the morning of Wed., June 25, Dayton resident and volunteer fireman Mike Ellsworth set out on a fairly routine 24-mile bicycle ride from Dayton to just west of Waitsburg.

On the return trip, Ellsworth was clipped by a vehicle, also heading east, knocked off his bike, and slammed into the borrow ditch in front of Bill and Joanne Poolman's home on Highway 12.

"The last thing I remember is those two pink flamingoes on their porch," he said.

In the meantime, Ellsworth's wife Kathy heard about a bike accident and an unconscious biker on Ellsworth's fire scanner at home.

"I knew that was him," she said.

She rushed to the scene of the accident where emergency personnel were working to stabilize her husband.

Ellsworth was then transported to Dayton General Hospital and the medical personnel who were waiting for him.

The list of injuries Ellsworth sustained in the accident were numerous and included a broken pelvis, a broken scapula, a sacral fracture, a liver laceration, cardiac contusion, several broken ribs and subarachnoid hemorrhage with mild traumatic brain injury.

Ellsworth was airlifted by helicopter to Sacred Heart Hospital in Spokane for treatment of his injuries. He was then discharged to St. Luke's Hospital in Spokane, for rehabilitation.

But that was interrupted when Ellsworth was found to have gallbladder disease, necessitating surgery at Sacred Heart Hospital.

Three days after the surgery Ellsworth returned to St. Luke's Hospital to finish his rehabilitation. And in the middle of July he came home.

At home, Ellsworth underwent physical therapy, provided by St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla.

Ellsworth then received out-patient physical therapy three days a week at Dayton General Hospital. He is currently receiving physical therapy in Dayton two days a week.

"I had good care from triage to physical therapy at Dayton General Hospital," Ellsworth said.

Ellsworth had been looking forward to attending his 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunion in Michigan on July 25, and his daughter, Shauna, made refundable airline reservations as an incentive for him to get well.

But when it became apparent to him that he wasn't well enough to go to Michigan Ellsworth began to think about making a new goal.

"I wanted to get back and ride. You need to finish what you started," he thought.

Ellsworth decided to finish the ride on the fourth month anniversary of the accident.

With that in mind Ellsworth began to ride his bike again, shying away from Hwy. 12, and sticking to other less-travelled roads.

Finally, on Sunday, October 25, Ellsworth pedaled away from the Poolmans' driveway on Hwy. 12 and completed the last four miles of his original twenty-four mile bike ride.



Photo by Michele Smith

Mike Ellsworth is welcomed by friends at Country Cupboard in Dayton for a celebration of the completion of his bike ride.

# "GOOD STUFF" AT THE DAYTON LIBRARY

# GRANT BRINGS NEW ROBOTICS PROGRAM

#### By Dena Wood THE TIMES

DAYTON - Dayton Memorial Library children's librarian Carolyn Laib doesn't need a watch to know what time school lets out. The library's newly remodeled basement quickly filling with children is clue enough. The new kid-friendly space is now filled with fun activities and will soon see the addition of a LEGO robotics program, courtesy of a Washington State Library/Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation grant.

The library's newly reconfigured space makes the downstairs more kid-friendly while keeping the upstairs adult-friendly, Laib said. The downstairs is now sectioned into specific areas for Pre-K through early elementary, elementary school, and teens. Each area is filled books and fun resting places such as a giant "Tall Tale Chair" for the little kids, a cool bistro-style table for elementary aged visitors, and a funky couch for the

Laib has also filled each space with fun activities. When The Times visited last week, the library filled as several children headed off to play with blocks and LEGOS, a group of boys played interactive games at the computer table, and two teen girls began making duck tape wallets at the craft table. Others browsed books or sat around visiting.

The library also coordinates with teachers when possible. Elementary teacher Wendy Richards has students complete a "pizza wheel" reading books from 20 different genres over the course of six weeks. Laib has a table with books sorted from each genre so that it's easy for students to find what they need to complete the project.

Laib says she generally sees 15-20 children in



Photo By Dena Wood

Children's librarian Carolyn Laib enjoys a read in the "Tall Tale" chair made years ago by David Sweetwood. The new children's area is filled with fun activites for little ones.

the library once school lets out. "I think of it as an after-school place to be, and I'd like to get more organized activities as time goes on. With so many kids coming here we might as well have

some good stuff going

on," she said.

Included in that "good stuff" will soon be a LEGO Mindstorm Robotics Kit, which includes five laptops, a projector, six LEGO Mindstorm core sets, and six expansion sets. Dayton was selected as one of four libraries in Washington State to receive the sets through a Washington State Library (WSL) Exploring Tech-

nology grant.

WSL created the grant to empower libraries as exploration centers for youth and to help youth increase their science, technology, engineering, and math skills through interaction with the kits. They believe that access is the best starting point for technology education.

"Everyone at the library worked really hard

LIBRARY - PAGE 11

# School Board Ponders Levies, Math Needs

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—At their regular meeting last week, Dayton School District Superintendent Doug Johnson gave the directors some preliminary background information regarding the two levies that are set to expire in February. Johnson also stressed the importance of passing a resolution to place a levy proposal on the election ballot no later than December 4, in order to be received by the County auditor on December 11, as required.

Johnson said the M&O levy, which funds between 20-25% of the District's budget, is coming to the end of a four-year run that began in February 2012. He also said the technology levy is also set to expire in February.

An \$800,000 Capital Improvements Projects Levy failed in April, 2015, but Johnson said a communications upgrade still needs to be done, roofs need replacing, and the irrigation system in the athletic complex needs an upgrade, as do campus-wide exterior doors. There are still asphalt safety concerns and the high school lobby entry doors need new frames and door panels.

Johnson pointed out some new items for consideration, as well. These include installing security cameras in the elementary school, replacing some grounds equipment, and resolving some bus loading zone issues. He talked about some bleacher safety issues at the athletic complex and he said there is inefficient lighting on the field. Also, some floors and backsplashes in the bathrooms need to be replaced, he said.

"We need a facility to help our children continue with their goals," said Johnson

Johnson said community input will be sought at a forum on Nov. 16. The location is yet to be determined.

## Math requirements discussed

Superintendent Johnson told the directors that in 2014 the State Board of Education began allowing eighth-grade algebra students to include that course on their high school transcript. He said that there is some concern that those students might meet the three-year math requirement for high school graduation before their junior or senior year. He said that places them at a disadvantage in college where they are required to take remedial math courses, at a huge financial cost to them.

Several ideas such as dropping eighth-grade algebra or requiring math to be taken only in grades 9-12, were proposed, and it was agreed that further discussion needs to take place. According to Johnson any action taken by the board of directors in 2015 would create a policy for the 2016 incoming freshman class.



Photo By Dena Wood

As soon as school lets out, the library basement fills with students. Above, students work on crafts, play on computers and enjoy socializing on cushy couches.

# WHAT'S ALL THE STINK ABOUT?

# PRESTON HALL STUDENTS VISIT WASTE WATER PLANT AND THE REACH

#### By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - Preston Hall students in Lynn Martin's seventh and eighth-grade science classes have been studying the impact of humans on ecosystems. Those studies have focused largely on negative impacts, but last Tuesday the students visited the Pasco wastewater treatment plant and The REACH natural history museum in Richland, and learned that humans can have a positive impact as well.

Martin said that former middle school teacher Russ Knopp arranged, and helped chaperone, the field trip, which fit perfectly with their studies. Waitsburg teacher Brad Green had also visited Martin's classrooms to share about his son, Tyler Green's, training and experience working at the Walla Walla wastewater treatment plant.

"In our studies, we have focused much of our attention on water, and the model we used was Mono Lake in California, which is one of several places the curriculum series focuses on. Unlike the negative human impacts that are seen at Mono Lake, we were able to see some positive human impacts right here in our own area," Martin said.

Martin said the students received a tour of the entire treatment plan. They saw (smelled first!) where the raw sewage enters the plant and how the large debris is filtered out. They visited the tech lab where incoming and outgoing water levels are monitored with technology that is very similar or a seismograph or a lie detector. Students visited the lab where water quality is tested for fecal content and saw water samples.

"With the aid of an electron microscope, students were able to see active protozoan which the eighth grade studied last year. We visited all the ponds and tanks required to clean the water before it is returned to the Columbia River safely. We were all surprised to see that the sludge, once it is processed and dried, is available for free to local farmers," Martin said.

From there, the group traveled to The REACH, a natural history museum that focuses on the natural, scientific and cultural history of the Tri-Cities area. The primary mission of the museum is to be a storyteller, through the use of interactive and inquiry-based programs and exhibits, looking through the lens of the Hanford Reach National Monument and the Columbia River.

Martin said The REACH employees were extremely kind and wrote a grant to allow Preston Hall students open access for free for the afternoon. The students participated in scavenger hunts in order to learn about each of the current exhibits - one on Hanford and one on the natural history of the Columbia

"The REACH is a beautiful facility and the students enjoyed the freedom of learning through discovery. The only 'disappointment' I heard all day was, of course, the smell (at the treatment plan), but everyone wanted to see the stinky stuff!" Martin said.





**Photos Courtesy of Russ Knopp** 

Students enjoyed an up close view of the pumps at the Pasco wastewater treatment plant. (L to r): Logan Baker, Maryah Keown, Kailyn Lewis, Cason Nichols, Colton VanBlaricom, Caidon Leamy, Wyatt Bohlman, Grace Coulston, Haylee Crow. Students complete a scavenger hunt using information from a display at The REACH, the Hanford Reach Interpretive Center: (I to r): Koby Harris, Raven Beckman, Hannah Sullivan, Wyatt Mathews.

# **DUKE IS ON THE MEND**

# Injured horse received treatment and is recovering

## THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - In our Oct. 1 issue, The Times reported that Waitsburg artist Suze

**Courtesy Photo** 

Duke rehabbing at Paxhia Farm.

Wood had created a GoFundMe account to raise funds for surgery for her horse, Duke. Since then, Duke has been able to receive necessary medical care and is recovering nicely.

Wood and Duke were struck from behind by a speeding pickup truck, while taking a leisurely ride down Gallaher Road in late August. Duke's only long-term physical injury was some bone chips that required surgical removal. However, Duke's treatment was put on hold while Wood's insurance company established his property value before processing her claim.

Unwilling to sit back and wait, Wood set up the GoFundMe account to raise funds to get the ball rolling on Duke's treatment. Unsure of the cost of treatment, Wood set up the fundraising account to raise \$15,000, offering to repay donors once the insurance reimbursement came through.

While that account is currently sitting at just over \$5,700, Wood announced on Oct. 1 that generous offline donors had filled the funding gap with CareCredit and a zero interest loan.

Duke traveled to WSU on Oct. 5 and underwent surgery on Oct. 8. Dr. Farnsworth removed four bone chips, rather than the anticipated two, and Duke came through the surgery with no complications. Following a short stay at WSU, Duke was moved to a recovery facility on Vashon Island, where Wood visits him regularly.

"His bandages are off, and his stitches were removed a couple of days ago. The vet says he's looking great! He can now have 15 minute walks, which he's been finding pretty thrilling, given the lush pastures here on the farm," said Wood in a GoFundMe update.

"A heartfelt thank you to every single one of you who have been so generous with good wishes and funding. We wouldn't be here without you, and I'm eternally grateful," Wood said.

# **Leave Your Mark**

# PERSONALIZED BRICK PROJECT MAKES ANOTHER PUSH

WAITSBURG - Fifteen years ago, Waitsburg teacher Sandy McCaw initiated the 'Leave Your Mark' fundraiser to raise money for the Waitsburg High School Alumni Association. Today, the alumni association is once again selling personalized brick plaques and making a push to send in a large order that will complete the project.

For \$50, graduates can have a bronze plaque placed on a brick, alongside origi nal bricks, outside the east entry to the high school, in the area known as the link. There are currently 292 bricks still awaiting personalized names and/or messages.

"The project was very successful fifteen years ago, but a lot of students have graduated and not had the opportunity to leave their mark on a brick," said Alumni Association member Margie Benson.

Benson said bricks may be personalized with names, dates, "In Memory Of," or sayings (if appropriate and non-offensive). The wording must fit in three lines of 18 charac-

Flyers and order forms will be sent home with Waitsburg students. Interested parties may also contact Margie Benson at (509) 629-2988 for an order form or for more informa-





Photos by Dena Wood

Personalized bricks line the sidewalk in front of the east entrance to Waitsburg High School.

## **RYES - FROM PAGE 1**

"From pencils to printmaking, art can help kids develop creative problem-solving skills, improve fine motor skills, and give them another method of communicating with their world," Wood said.

"We're really excited that Rural Youth is growing," Carpenter said. "More people are coming to understand that if you have a kid focus, that's what we're all about. We're trying to bring a wide variety of activities to kids with all kinds of different interests.

"We live in an arty community. We want kids who really enjoy art to be able to get out there and improve. It's not really a part of the schools - the focus has not been on that – and we'd like to see kids get introduced to that.

"We're also looking at recreational-type activities, which would include the pool," she added. "Things that keep kids busy, for the kids that are looking for something different. The school is good with sports, and they have knowledge bowl and youth & government, but there is still a need that we would like to fill."

RYES provides insurance and covers administrative expenses like copying and printing to groups organized

under its umbrella. Those groups may then apply for grants, though RYES, thereby avoiding the cost and redtape involved in obtaining 501(c)3 non-profit status on their own.

Carpenter said RYES is happy to provide direction and assistance in seeking out and applying for grant funds. The board encourages anyone interested in working with and providing opportunities for kids to get involved. RYES board members are: Ann Walsh, Kate Hockersmith, Deb Callahan, and Carpenter.

'We're encouraging people who enjoy working with kids and that have a particular skill they'd like to share to contact us," Carpenter said.

RYES has a new website at www.ruralyes.org where readers can learn more about each project, buy tickets to fundraisers (such as the upcoming bluegrass concert), and contact program providers or RYES board members. Individuals may also make donations to RYES or directly to a specific program through the website.

To learn more about RYES, to donate or volunteer, or to buy event tickets, visit the RYES website or contact any one of the RYES board members or project leaders. Kathy Carpenter can be reached at 337-6131.

# RED, WHITE, & **BLUEGRASS CONCERT**

WAITSBURG - The Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Program will hold a Red, White, & Bluegrass fundraising concert at 3:30 p.m. on Sun. Nov. 8 at the Plaza Theater in downtown Waitsburg. The concert will celebrate Veterans Day while raising funds for Rural Youth Enrichment Services (RYES).

Switchgrass, Makenna Barron, and other area performers will keep the crowd entertained at the patriotic-themed concert. Ticket sales will be used to support RYES, which provides educational and enriching activities for local youth.

Tickets are available online at www. ruralyes.org or at the Waitsburg Hardware Store, and are \$10.50 each.

# **SPORTS**



Waitsburg's Emily Adams stands atop the podium after winning the girls' District 9 cross-country championship race in Clarkston Saturday.

# Adams is District 9 League Champion

CALLAS PLACES SIXTH IN DISTRICT AT **CLARKSTON MEET** 

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

CLARKSTON – Emily Adams took first place at the D9 Championship in Clarkston on Oct. 24 and the boys team all set personal records.

Emily ran a smart, strong race, passing the lead runner on the hill and sprinting to the finish for a huge personal record of 18:55.77 and the league title.

This is the first league title for Waitsburg girls in several years," Coach Ann Adams said. Adams placed first out of 28 runners.

On the boys varsity side, Landon Callas placed in the top of the pack, finishing with a personal record of 17:23.55 and taking 6th place, out of 38 runners, on the hilly, three-mile course. Skylar Wood met his goal of "beating Emily" and ran the course with a huge personal record time of 18:48.26 for 19th place. Joe Leamy ran a season best of 20:36.65 and Tom House passed three runners in the final mile of the race, sprinting across the finish line with a PR of 21:06.35.

The Cardinals will compete next at the District 7/9 Championship at Medical Lake on Oct. 31.

# LADY 'DOGS BEAT MAC-HI, LOSE TO WWWA.

# Dayton girls fall in three sets to powerful WWVA team

THE TIMES

DAYTON - The Lady Bulldogs volleyball team fell in three sets to WWVA in away match on Thurs., Oct. 22. Dayton lost: 16-25, 18-25, 14-25.

"We struggled with our passing every set so we did not run our offense very well or very consistent. We played scrappy and hustled, but fought to stay alive on defense all night because we didn't hit the ball. WWVA played exceptionally well," Bulldog Coach Shannon Turner said. "They lose six seniors this season and we have everyone back next season," she added.

Josilyn Fullerton led the team with six kills, seven assists, three blocks and eight digs. Jenna Phillips was right behind with six kills, three blocks and eight digs. Hanna Becker and Kaleigh White served a perfect 7/7 and Heidi Dobbs went 6/6 at the serving line. Becker also dished out three kills and 12 digs.

On Tues., Oct. 20 the Lady Dogs scored a win against Mac-Hi on the Pioneer court: 25-19, 25-17, 25-19. Fullerton dished out perfect 12/12 service, and scored three kills, 19 assists, two blocks, and seven digs. Phillips served 10/11 with 12 kills, one assist, two blocks and 11 digs. Mia Becker (8/8), Megan Robins (8/8), and Dobbs (6/6) all had perfect service. White went 18/19 on the serving line and made four kills and five digs.

# Lady Cards Lose to TCP, Beat DeSales

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - On Oct. 20, the Lady Cardinals volleyball team fell to Tri-Cities prep in three sets on the TCP court. Waitsburg lost 9-25, 10-25, 7-25.

'We started out really well, and then fell flat. We passed their serves much better than we did the first time we played, but didn't play as aggressive on defense as we needed to. We were back on our heels too much," Cardinal Coach Angie Potts said.

On Oct. 22, the Cardinals scored a win against the visiting DeSales Irish: 25-20, 25-22, 25-22. State leaders were Ariel Sandau with 12 assists, Bailey Adams with six kills and nine digs, Caitlin Mohney with six digs, Caitlyn Jones with nine digs, Devon Harshman with seven kills, two blocks, and Tayler Jones with four aces and two blocks.

"The girls played outstanding against DeSales. They put everything into this match and had a great night on offense and defense. We knew we had to wint this match to create a tie for fourth place in order to have a chance at being able to qualify for the District 7/9 tournament. We don't know the details for the tie-breaker yet, because we still have league matches to complete," Potts said.

The Cardinals last home game of the season will take place on Thurs., Oct. 29 against Dayton. "It is also senior night. I know the football team will be gone to TCP for their last regular game so we'll need parent and community support to cheer the girls on," Potts



Photo by Dena Wood

Waitsburg's Devon Harshman sends a volley to the DeSales side, while teammate Tayler Jones (I) looks on, during last week's match in Waitsburg.

# **Novice Tigers No** Match for WWVA, **TCP**

THE TIMES

PRESCOTT - The Prescott Tigers volleyball team fell to WWVA in an away match on Oct. 20. The Tigers lost in three sets 5-25, 13-25, and 6-25. Coach BobYoung recognized top players as Yoali Ortega and Athziry Amezcua.

"It's very difficult for our girls. WWVA is very experienced and highly skilled. The gap is very wide from where they are and where we are in our first year. We hope to finish the season feeling good about our effort," Coach Young said.

The Lady Tigers lost at home against Tri-Cities Prep in three straight sets: 12-25, 13-25, and 16-25. Prescott was led by their defense in the losing cause and their digging kept them in the game. Maribel Mendoza, Jocelyn Granados, Yoali Ortega, Michelle Cardenas, Perla Xolio, and Athziry Amezcua had at least three digs each.

"Tonight we doubled the amount of points we scored against the Jaguars last time. We played with energy and confidence. We're looking forward to carrying this effort into next week versus Waitsburg and Asotin," Coach Young said.

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# **SPORTS**

# Cardinals Can't Keep Up with Asotin

**PUNISHING PANTHER RUNNING GAME** IS TOO MUCH FOR WAITSBURG DEFENSE IN 42-14 LOSS

#### By Ken Graham THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - On Senior Night in Waitsburg, the Cardinal football team came up short against a much-improved Asotin team, losing 42-14.

The Panthers rushed for 243 yards and scored five touchdowns on the ground.

Trailing 14-0 in the second quarter, the Cardinals scored on an impressive 19-yard pass from Quarterback Jacob Dunn to Brandon Penner.

But on the ensuing kickoff, Asotin got those points back with an 82yard kickoff return. The Cardinals trailed 22-6 at the half.

Waitsburg's second touchdown came on a Jacob Dunn one-yard run in the fourth quarter but it was too little, too

"Asotin has a very good football team that



Waitsburg defenders wrap upa runner during a game at home earlier this year.

we have seen developing for the last couple of years," said Waitsburg Coach Troy Larsen. "Waitsburg has had trouble with smaller athletic offensive and defensive lines that are quicker off the ball and are able to tie up our bigger line and control the running game."

Larsen said that he had put in multiple audibles for Dunn to use against Asotin, and they were a success. "He did a fantastic job, changing the play at the line of scrimmage and getting positive yards through the air and on

the ground with (Travis) Crockett," Larsen said.

For the game, Dunn was 12 for 22 passing for 140 yards and a touchdown. He threw one interception. Penner had three receptions for 49 yards and one TD. Jordan Garrity had four catches for 33 yards, and Crockett had three catches for 22 yards.

On the ground, Crockett rushed for 118 yards on 17 carries.

On defense, Garrity, Crockett and Dunn each had eight tackles, while Mark Montgomery had

The Cardinals travel

to Pasco Thursday night to take on Tri-Cities Prep.

"With

win Thursday night against TCP, Waitsburg would host a crossover game with District 7 number 4," Larsen said. "Everything that we want to accomplish can still happen and we are determined to keep this season going deep into the state playoffs."

Waitsburg 14 - Asotin 42 Waitsburg 0 6 0 8 - 14 Asotin 7 15 6 14 - 42

Aso - Magnuson 4 yd run (Storey Kick).

Aso - Magnuson 3 yd run (Storey Kick). Waits - Penner 19 yd pass from Dunn (kick

failed). Aso - Storey 82 yd Kick off return (Earl run 2). Aso - Ball 3 yd run (kick

failed). Waits - Dunn 1 yd run (Dunn run 2).

Aso - Magnuson 4 yd run (Storey kick). Aso - Drilling 24 yd run (Storey kick).

Aso - Waits

First Downs 17 - 11 Rushes/yards 44-243 -31-98

Passing Yards 85-140 Passes (att-comp-int) 14-6-1 22-12-1 Punts 2-25.0 - 6-37.5 Fumbles lost 1-1 1-1 Penalties-yards 8-65 10-

RUSHING - Aso: Magnuson 10-45-3, Drilling 11-74-1, Earl 6-38, Ball 14-81-1, Team 2-(-3); Waitsburg: Crockett 17-118, Dunn 7-10-1, Garrity 2-(-2), Penner 1-1, Jarvis 1-(-10), French 1-(-1), Team 2-(-18).

PASSING - Aso: Magnuson 6-14-1, 85 yards, o TD's; Waitsburg: Dunn 12-22-1 40 yards, 1 TD.

RECEIVING - Aso: Storey 2-34, Jurris 1-17, Jagannath 3-34: Waitsburg: Garrity 4-33, rocket 3-22, Kitselman 1-24, Penner 3-49-1, Jarvis 1-12.

# Bulldogs Run Over SJ-E, 68-6

**BATTLE OF WINLESS TEAMS** GOES DAYTON'S WAY, AS **BULLDOGS BREAK** OFF BIG TD RUNS

#### THE TIMES

DAYTON - The Dayton Bulldogs traveled to St. John on October 16 and came away with their first win of the season, beating the Eagles, 68-6, in a battle of winless teams.

Eli Williams started off the scoring with a 54-yard touchdown run on the Bulldogs' first play from scrimmage. The teams then traded kickoff return touchdowns, as the Bulldogs bolted to an early 14-6 lead, after Tanner Bren's 95-yarder return.

Dayton held the Eagles scoreless the rest of the way, as they built up leads of 36-6 after one quarter, and 62-6 at the half.

Jeffrey Tate led Bulldog scoring with four touchdowns, including runs of 32, 50 and three yards, along with a 36-yard pass interception return for a

Besides his kickoff return, Bren also scored on runs of 63 and 35 yards. Tristan Willis scored on a 75-yard run, and Hayden Wooldridge scored on a 72-yard pass reception from Kobie Sunderland-Herrin.

# DAYTON FALLS TO SUNNYSIDE CHRISTIAN, 72-18

# **Dramatic Bulldogs' special** teams play is not enough to catch up to explosive **Knights**

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON - The Dayton Bulldogs football team struggled Friday night against an offensive onslaught by Sunnyside Christian. The Knights scored four touchdowns in each of the first two quarters, as they led 58-12 at halftime, on the way to a 72-18

victory.

The only bright spots for the bulldogs were a pair of kickoff returns for TDs in the first half.

The first came after Sunnyside Christian's first score, as Tanner Bren took the kickoff and dashed for 80 yards to tie the score 6-all in the first quarter. The Bulldogs' Jeffrey Tate scored on a 60-yard kickoff return in the second quarter.

The Bulldogs' final score came in the third quarter on a Tate five-yard run.

For the game, quarterback Bren was 4-8 passing, for 35 yards.

Dayton travels to Touchet Friday afternoon to take on the Indians.

Sunnyside Christian 72, Dayton 18

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RUSHING — SC: J. Faber 7-26, C. Marsh 7-18, Liefke 4-73, Dykstra 6-80, K. Marsh 6-85, Heffron 4-7, R. Faber 1-0, Van Belle 1-(minus 4). Day: Tate 13-8, Williams 2-(minus 10), Bren 9-(minus 4), Willis 1-(minus 2), Sunderland 2-16

PASSING — SC: J. Faber 6-6-0-145, C. Marsh 2-2-0-23. Day: Bren 4-8-0-35, Willis 0-1-0-0, Sunderland 0-2-0-0

RECEIVING — SC: C. Marsh 1-35, Heffron 1-21, L. Marsh 2-40, Wagenaar 2-49, Duim 1-21, R. Faber 1-2. Day: Tate 1-3, Bren 3-32



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# LEGAL NOTICES

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 15 4 00199 8 (RCW 11.40.030) IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In the Matter of the Estate

Of

THELMA J. BAIM,

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. 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 the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in Section 11 of this act and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION: October 15, 2015

MICHAEL A. BAIM
Personal Representative
LARRY SIEGEL LAW
PFICE
129 W. Main

Walla Walla, WA 99362

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### **Public Notice**

The Walla Walla County Water Conservancy Board will hold its regular meeting November 4, 2015 at 2:00 PM at the Walla Walla County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main, Room 213, Walla Walla.

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#### CITY OF DAYTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEAR-

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that a public hearing will
be held on Monday, November
9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., or soon
thereafter at a regular meeting
of the City Council of the City
of Dayton to review proposed
revenue sources including potential ad valorem tax increases
and proposed appropriations as
presented in the City of Dayton
2016 Preliminary Budget.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Dayton to review the 2016 Preliminary Budget and/ or parts thereof as submitted by the Mayor to the City Council of the City of Dayton.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Dayton on the City of Dayton 2016 Final Budget.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FUR-THER GIVEN that a final public hearing will be held on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Dayton on the City of Dayton 2016 Final Budget.

All of the above stated public hearings shall be held at Dayton City Hall, 111 S. 1st St, Dayton, WA, 99328.

Copies of the 2016 Preliminary Budget will be available on October 26, 2015 and can be

obtained by contacting Dayton City Hall, 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA, (509) 382-2361, or at www.daytonwa.com.

Written testimony/comments to be considered at the public hearings by the City Council must be submitted to the City Clerk by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, November 9, 2015; Monday, November 23, 2015; and, Monday, December 7, 2015, respectively. All testimony/comments shall be submitted to the City of Dayton, City Clerk-Treasurer at 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA 99328 or by email to tcole@daytonwa.com

Dayton City Council By: Trina Cole, City Clerk/ Treasurer

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#### PROBATE NOTICE TO CRED-ITORS RCW 11.40.030 NO: 15-4-00208-1

In re the Estate of:

RICHARD NAUMANN,

Deceased.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-INGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

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 PUBLICA-TION: October 22, 2015.

> Margaret Rachel Naumann Personal Representative

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Jeff Burkhart, WSBA

#39454 Burkhart & Burkhart, PLLC

6½ N. Second Avenue, Suite 200

Walla Walla, WA 99362 509-529-0630

The Times Oct. 22, 29, Nov. 5, 2015

## RESOLUTION NO.1275

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON, SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CITY'S INTENDED ASSUMPTION OF THE DAYTON TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF SECOND ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5987 (2ESSB 5987)

WHEREAS, Chapter 36.73 RCW provides for the establishment of Transportation Benefit Districts (TBD) and the levying of additional revenue sources for transportation improvements within the district;

WHEREAS, the State adopted 2ESSB 5987 that, effective July 15, 2015, authorizes a city or county that has established a TBD with the same boundaries as the city or county to absorb the TBD and assume all of the TBD's "rights, powers, functions and obliga-

tions" with the result that the TBD would cease to exist as a separate municipal entity; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dayton adopted Ordinance No. 1867 on October 27, 2014, creating Dayton Municipal Code Chapter 8-11 entitled "TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT DISTRICT"; forming the Dayton Transportation Benefit District entirely within the geographical boundaries comprised of the corporate city limits of the City of Dayton Washington; and

WHEREAS, the City
Council intends to consider
the assumption of the Dayton
Transportation Benefit District
coexistent with its boundaries
and to exercise all rights, powers, functions and obligations
of the Dayton Transportation
Benefit District pursuant to
2ESSB 5987.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Intent. Pursuant to 2ESSB 5987
Section 302, it is the intention of the City of Dayton to hold a public hearing concerning the assumption of the Dayton Transportation Benefit District and to exercise all rights, powers, functions and obligations of the Dayton Transportation Benefit District pursuant to 2ESSB 5987.

Section 2. Hearing. Pursuant to 2ESSB 5987 Section 302, a public hearing is hereby set for November 9, 2015 to consider the assumption of the Dayton Transportation Benefit District coexistent with its boundaries and to exercise all rights, powers, functions and obligations of the Dayton Transportation Benefit District pursuant to 2ESSB 5987 Sections 301-307.

Said public hearing shall be held in the Dayton City Council Chambers, located at 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA, at 7:00 P.M. or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard. All persons interested may appear and be heard.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON, AT A REGU-LAR MEETING THIS 12TH day of OCTOBER, 2015.

City of Dayton, Washington /s/ Craig George, Mayor

Attest:

Trina Cole, City Clerk-Treasurer

Approved as to form:
/s/
Quinn N. Plant, City Attor-

Publication Dates: 10/22/2015 10/29/2015

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#### NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR A FRANCHISE

In the Matter of The Application of: Clifford and Ellen Heath

15 Scott Road
Waitsburg, Washington,

FOR PERMISSION AND AUTHORITY TO CON-STRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A UTILITY SYSTEM WITHIN THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

WHEREAS, Clifford and Ellen Heath have heretofore filed with the Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners, under the provisions of Chapter 36.55, RCW, an application for a franchise to construct, operate, and maintain a utility system within the public right of way in Walla Walla County.

All that part of County Road Log Number 976800 presently known as Scott Road, a drain field line, at or near mile post 0.008, situate in Section 8, Township 7 North, Range 38 East W.M., Walla Walla County, Washington.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that a hearing will be held on said application, by the Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners in their office in the Commissioner Chambers, County Public Health and Legislative Building, located at 314 West Main Street, Walla Walla, Washington, on Monday the 9th day of November 2015, at the hour of 10:30 a.m. or as soon thereafter as such hearing may be held.

DATED at Walla Walla, Washington this 19th day of October, 2015.

By: Connie Vinti Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Advertised: The Times October 22nd & 29th 2015

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NOTICE OF HEARING RE CLARIFICATION ON COURT'S RULING RE TER-MINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AS TO THE MOTHER

> No: 13-7-00165-8 No: 13-7-00166-6 No: 13-7-00167-4

Superior Court of Washngton
County of Walla Walla

County of Walla Walla Juvenile Court

In Re the Termination of:

LEWIS, Aleczandra D.O.B.: 11/14/2005

THRALL, Hope DOB: 05/06/2012

THRALL, Kaleb DOB: 01/27/2011

TO: Janelle Carman, Attorney for the Child

TO: Sandy Flores, Attorney for the Mother

TO: Jessica Nicole Lewis, Mother

TO: CASA, Guardian Ad Litem for the Child

TO: Clerk of the Court PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that before the above-entitled Court, in the City and County of Walla Walla, Washington, on FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015, at 2:30 p.m. in Department II, the above-entitled cause will be brought on for hearing Re Clarification of the Court's Ruling Re Termination of Parental Rights as to the Mother.

The hearing will also determine if:

your parental rights to your child will be terminated. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter an order resulting in permanent loss of your parental rights in your absence.

DATED this 20th day of October, 2015. /s/Michelle M. Mulhern

Michelle M. Mulhern, WSBA# 23185 Deputy Prosecuting Attor-

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#### STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOL-OGY

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS

TAKE NOTICE:

That Brent & Victoria Knowles LLC of Walla Walla, WA on Feb. 23, 2015 under Application No. G3-30737 filed for permit to appropriate public waters, subject to existing rights, from one well in the amount of 1000 gallons per minute, each year, for the seasonal irrigation of 172 acres. The source of the proposed appropriation is to be located within the SW1/4SW1/4 of Section 9, Township 6 N., Range 35 E.W.M., in Walla Walla County.

Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below, within thirty (30) days from

Nov. 5, 2015

State of Washington Department of Ecology WATER RESOURCES PROGRAM - ERO PO BOX 47611 OLYMPIA, WA 98504-7611

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#### NOTICE OF FINAL BUDGET HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Walla Walla County Fire District #1

will be holding a final budget hearing for the year of 2016 On November 9th, 2015 @ 7:00 PM

The location for the hearing will be at:
Western Farm Service

Office/Clyde 9108 Lyons Ferry Road Prescott, WA 99348 The public is invited to attend.

> The Times Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 2015 10-29-c

#### NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR A FRANCHISE

In the Matter of The Application of: Brian Maiden 796 Valley Chapel Road Walla Walla, WA 99362

FOR PERMISSION AND AUTHORITY TO CON-STRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A UTILITY SYSTEM WITHIN THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA, STATE OF WASHINGTON.

WHEREAS, Brian Maiden has heretofore filed with the Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners, under the provisions of Chapter 36.55, RCW, an application for a franchise to construct, operate, and maintain a utility system within the public right of way in Walla Walla County.

All that part of County Road Log Number 92200, presently known as Valley Chapel Road, two pressurized 5" pvc irrigation lines inside 6 inch encasement pipe, at or near mile posts 0.4 and 0.6, situate in Section 9, Township 6 North, Range 35 East W.M., Walla Walla County, Washington.

NOTICE IS HEREBY
GIVEN that a hearing will be
held on said application, by the
Board of Walla Walla County
Commissioners in their office in
the Commissioner Chambers,
County Public Health and Legislative Building, located at 314
West Main Street, Walla Walla,
Washington, on Monday the
16th day of November, 2015,
at the hour of 10:30 a.m. or as
soon thereafter as such hearing
may be held.

DATED at Walla Walla, Washington this 26th day of October, 2015

By: Connie Vinti Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

> The Times Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 2015 10-29-d

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 26, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington adopted the following:

Ordinance No. 436, as follows: AN ORDINANCE EXEMPTING CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED VEHICLES FROM STATUTORY MARKING REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO RCW 46.08.065

Each ordinance in its entirety is available from the Walla Walla County Commissioners' Office, County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main (Room 203)/P. O. Box 1506, Walla Walla, WA 99362, or call 509/524-2505 to make a public records request.

Dated this 26th day of October, 2015

Board of County Commissioners

Walla Walla County, Washington

By: Connie R. Vinti, Clerk

of the Board

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#### NOTICE OF HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington, will hold a public hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, November 9, 2015 in Commissioners' Chambers, County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 West Main, Walla Walla, Washington to consider amending the 2015 budget as follows:

FUND 010 - CURRENT EXPENSE Revenue \$10,114.00 Expenditures

FUND 11200 – PUBLIC HEALTH Revenue \$237,104.00 Expenditures

\$10,114.00

\$237,104.00

\$110,000.00

FUND 11900 – HUMAN SERVICES (Net change - \$0)

FUND 11200 – COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH Revenue \$110,000.00 Expenditures

Any citizen may appear at said hearing and testify for or against said budget amendments, or written testimony, which will be made a part of the record, may be sent to: Walla Walla County Commissioners, P. O. Box 1506, Walla Walla, WA 99362. A complete summary of the proposed amendment is available from the County Commissioners' office.

Dated this 26th day of October, 2015

Board of County Commis-

Walla Walla County, Washington

By: Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

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#### The Walla Walla County Conservation District Board of Supervisors

will be meeting at 4:00 p.m. on November 9th, 2015, at the District office at 325 N. 13th Ave in Walla Walla. The board will adopt a resolution setting the date, time, place, and manner of an election to fill a Conservation District Supervisor's expiring term. All further election information will be posted ONLY on the district's web site, www.wwccd.net. As per Jim Kent, Chairman of the Walla Walla County Conservation District Board of

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Supervisors.

File No. SUB15-013

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION / ODNS

Notice is hereby given on this date, 10/27/2015, that the application/proposal described in this notice has been filed with the Walla Walla County Community Development Department (CDD). The application/proposal may be reviewed at the CDD office at 310 W Poplar St., Suite 200, Walla Walla, WA 99362. All interested persons and parties may comment on the application, appeal rights are outlined in Walla Walla County Code Chapter 14.11

The Department is using the optional threshold determination process under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) authorized by WAC 197-11-355. The application comment period may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposal. A copy of the SEPA determination on the proposal may be obtained upon request. The proposal may include mitigation measures under applicable codes, and the project review process may incorporate or require mitigation measures regardless

# TOUCHET VALLEY NEWS

# Mass(ive) Band and Choir Perform

Students from across the region come together in Waitsburg

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG - Nearly 250 student musicians, from eleven area schools, joined together to perform at a mass band and choir concert held at the Waitsburg High School gymnasium on Wed., Oct. 21.

The mass choir was directed by Kraig Scott, who teaches organ and directs the choral studies program at Walla Walla University. Scott has played organist recitals throughout North America, Europe, and the Far East. His most recent travels as a choral conductor took him to a choir festival in Kiev, Ukraine, where he presented seminars, workshops, and led a 400-voice

The mass choir opened with "Flip, Flop, Fly," by Calhoune and Turner, from the movie Chicken Run. The piece included a coronet solo by Waitsburg Band Director Brad Green. Next up was "Kyrie Eleison," composed by former Wal-



Photo by Dena Wood

Kevin Swisher directs band students during Wednesday's rehearsal.

la Walla teacher Adnrea Klouse. The choir's finale was a stirring rendition of "Medly from Phanton of the Opera," by Weber.

Green, assisted by his five-yearold granddaughter, Ella Noack, introduced the mass band. Noack was dressed as Iron Man in honor of the band's finale piece, "The Avengers."

The mass band was directed by Kevin Swisher who is a music education teacher at Hanford High School. Swisher is an active clinician and adjudicator for marching band, jazz band and wind band festivals. His wind ensemble performed at the 2014 Music for All National Concert Band Festival.

The band opened with "Encanto" by Smith, followed by "The Red Covered Bridge" by Sheldon and closed the concert with "The Avengers" by Silvestri.

Midway through the band performance, Director Nick Wright, of Oaksdale, addressed the audience, asking, "Are you ready for some fun?" He then pulled the percussionists to the front of the band. Using only drumsticks, hands, and chairs, the percussionists played a rousing group solo.

Participating schools and directors were: Asotin, Shawn Bowman; Clarkston, Greg Kolar; Colfax, Cary Cammack; Dayton, Scott Sumner; Garfield/Palouse, Matt Zook; La-Crosse, Mary Chastain; Kahlotus/ Washtucna, Lora Hille; Oakesdale, Nick Wright; St. John-Endicott, Billy Ray, Jr.; Touchet, Sonny Elsasser; Waitsburg, Brad Green.

## LEGALS (cont.)

of whether an environmental impact statement is prepared. The SEPA Responsible Official has preliminarily determined that the proposal is:

[ ] categorically exempt under SEPA

subject to SEPA threshold determination requirements and the responsible official expects to issue the following determination: Determination of Non Significance (DNS).

The following identified existing environmental documents are hereby incorporated by reference, and all or part of the documents may be used to evaluate the application/ proposal:

SEPA Checklist dated September 21, 2015

Short Plat application dated September 4, 2015

Short Plat preliminary map dated September 21, 2015 Short Plat Certificate dated July 28, 2015

Critical areas permit application dated September 4, 2015

These documents are located at the office of the CDD at 310 W Poplar St., Suite 200, Walla Walla, WA, and shall be made available for public review during all applicable comment periods on the application/proposal. Preliminary determinations and information contained herein shall not bind the County and are subject to continuing review and modifi-

1. Applicant/Property Owners: Richard and Toni Narum; 654 College Street; Milton-Freewater OR, 97862

2. Property Owners: HDJ Design Group PLLC; 5 N. Colville Street; Walla Walla, WA 99362

3. Application filing date:

4. Date that application was determined to be substantially complete: 10/20/2015

5. Location and description of proposed action: 2-lot short plat of a 2.76-acre lot; the smallest proposed area is 0.74-acres. The properties would have individual septic systems and be served with water by Prospect Heights Community Water Association. Yellowhawk Creek runs along the south

property line. The following critical areas are located on or adjacent to the site: fish and wildlife habitat areas, geologically hazardous areas, and critical aquifer recharge areas. The site is located generally at 539 Yellowhawk Street (APN 360732513101).

6. Comprehensive plan map designation for the location: Low Density Residential

7. Zoning map designation for the location: R-96

8. Shoreline Environment: NA 9. Comments on this application must be submitted in writing to the CDD at 310 W Poplar St., Suite 200, Walla Walla, WA 99362. Any person desiring to submit written comments concerning an application, or desiring to receive notification of the final decision concerning the proposal as expeditiously as possible after the issuance of decision, may submit the comments or requests for decisions to the department within fourteen days following the date of final publication of the notice of application. Comments must be received by the CDD before 5:00 PM on the following date: 11/12/2015.

A public hearing will not be held on the proposal. The decision on this application will be made by the CDD Director.

The Director's decision may be appealed by the applicant(s) or parties of record to the Walla Walla County Hearing Examiner pursuant to WWCC 14.11.010 and 14.11.030

For additional information please contact the CDD at 310 W Poplar St., Suite 200, Walla Walla, WA 99362; 509-524-2610; commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us.

Staff Contact: Lauren Prentice, Principal Planner, 509-524-2620.

This Notice of Application is required by RCW 36.70B.110 and Walla Walla County Code 14.07.080.

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# **Knowledge Bowl Kicks Off**

DAYTON TAKES SECOND, WAITSBURG THIRD

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA - Fourteen teams from six schools faced off their first Knowledge Bowl meet of the year at St. Patrick's Church in Walla Walla on Tues., Oct. 20. Dayton placed second, just two points behind DeSales, who won the match.

Waitsburg, Dayton, and Prescott KB teams were joined by DeSales, Clarkston, and Pomeroy at Tuesday's match. DeSales 1 placed first with 80 points. Dayton1 and Waitsburg 1 were right behind with 78 and 76 points, respec-

The remaining teams placed as follows: Dayton 2, fifth; Waitsburg 3, sixth; Waitsburg 2, eighth; Dayton 4, tenth; Dayton 3, twelfth; Prescott 2, thirteenth; Prescott 2, fourteenth.

"I was pleased with our teams in the first meet. It looks to be a very balanced region this year and it will be fun to see how our teams develop throughout the year," said Dayton KB Coach Doug

Dayton Team 1 includes: Zech Bryan, Cal Martin, Jennifer Warren, and Joseph Helm. Other team members

are: Colton Johnson, Reed Rickords, Andrew Price, Tristan Streby, Sheana Brincken, Neylan Bryan, Gavin Waggoner, Tatul Laughery, Chris Andrews, Jacob Breaux, Cristoval Garcia, Ashton Loper, and Mason D'Norfio.

"WHS teams started slow on the written round, then kicked into gear and advanced several places. Their coach is proud as punch!" said Waitsburg KB Coach Brad Green.

Waitsburg team members are:

Team 1: Stuart Walsh, Robert Walsh, Gilie Pope, Cade Branson. Team 2: Kyle Martin, Riley Witt, Scott Leamy, Sam McGowen, Chris

Team 3: Leena Baker, Korben Duffy, Tom House, Aisy Pope, Julia Taylor.

Philbrook.

In attendance from Prescott were: Eddie Perez, Kalijha Bicknell, Chris Gutierrez, Jocelyn Granados, Jackie Velazco, Maribel Mendoza, Katia Sanchez, Chris Caro, Anna Flores, and Ivan Figuroa

"We look forward to the next competition. We had only two returning KBowl members so during this first meet we did not have the ability group our teams," said Prescott KB Coach Jeff Foertsch. "We used the competition to learn the ins and outs of how knowledge bowl works and we plan to continue to practice and increase our overall scores in the future."

## **LIBRARY - FROM PAGE 1**

on writing this grant," Laib said. Library Director Dusty Waltner said

they plan to use the Mindstorm LEGO kits to implement a Robotics Mentor Program. The library will collaborate with Principal Shaber and Kristina Knebel, who teaches high school robotics, to implement the long-term program.

"Our plan is to recuit high school students and train and guide them to act as mentors for middle school students. The high school students will

gain skills in developing the library robotics program and reinforce STEM content through their experience of mentoring younger kids. As an added bonus, the program will foster community involvement for our youth," Waltner said.

Waltner anticipates that the library will receive the kits sometime in November and will begin the high school guidance and training phase of the program in December. Middle school students should be able to sign up for the program in January.

## **COURT NEWS - FROM PAGE 3**

Hector Vela, 53, Dayton; appeared on three drug-related charges. State will amend count information and continue to arraignment. The charges resulted from an Oct. 12 incident where Vela allegedly gave marijuana as payment to individuals who helped trim his medical marijuana plants. A search warrant allegedly revealed that Vela was growing a quantity of marijuana in excess of his medical permit. He was released on a \$50,000 personal recognizance bond.

Jazzmen Latay Slack, 23, Richland;

bench warrant issued. She is charged with five counts of possession of stolen property in the second degree, a Class C felony, five counts of possession of another person's identity, a gross misdemeanor, and one count of use of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor. While executing a search warrant, a deputy allegedly found a wallet containing identification and credit cards belonging to several individuals as well as a notebook containing credit information for other individuals. Drug paraphernalia was also allegedly found during the search.

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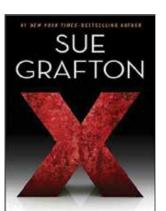
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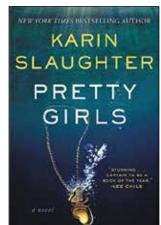
# **NEW AT THE LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW:**

**Weller Public Library** 212 Main Street, Waitsburg Hours: Mon. and Thurs. 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Storytime: Mon., 10:30 a.m.



X by Sue Grafton (Adult Mystery): Grafton's dark and chilling novel features a remorseless serial killer who leaves no trace of his crimes. Once again, Grafton

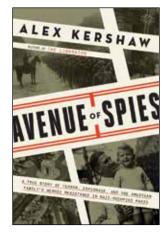
wastes little time in identifying the sociopath. The true test is whether detective Kinsey Millhone can prove her case against him before she becomes his next victim.



Pretty Girls by Karin Slaughter (Adult Thriller): Claire and Lydia are sisters who have refused to talk to one another since their teenaged sister's disappearance twenty years ago. They are brought together, forming a wary truce,

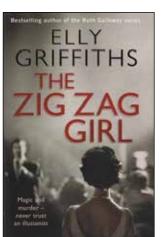
when Claire's husband is

killed. Together, they unearth family secrets as well as the possibility of redemption and revenge.



Avenue of Spies by Alex Kershaw (Biography): The best-selling of "The Liberator" brings to life the incredible true story of an American doctor in Paris, and his heroic espionage efforts during World War II. "Avenue of Spies" introduces readers to the brave doctor who risked everything to defy Hitler.

**Dayton Memorial Library** 111 S. 3rd Street, Dayton Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Tues. & Thurs., 12-8 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Storytime: Tues., 10 a.m.



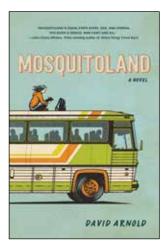
The Zig Zag Girl, by Elly Griffiths (Adult Fiction): This first installment of a compelling new series features Detective Inspector Edgar Stephens and the magnificent Max Mephisto, a band of magicians who served together in World War II, track a killer who's performing their deadly tricks. When Edgar received

a letter warning of another "trick" on the way he knows they're all in the killer's sights.

Big Magic: Creative Living Beyond Fear, by Elizabeth Gilbert (Adult Nonfiction): Gilbert digs deep into her own gen-

erative process to share her wisdom and unique perspective about creativity. Balancing between soulful spirituality and cheerful pragmatism, Gilbert encourages readers to uncover the "strange jewels" that are hidden within each of us.





Mosquitoland, by David Arnold (Young Adult Fiction): Mary Iris Malone, or more commonly known by her "acroname" Mim, travels from Mississippi to Ohio to rescue her mother but changes her outlook on life in the miles she journeys.

Fish in a Tree, by Linda Mullaly Hunt (Junior Fiction): Ally hides her inability to read by creating clever distractions and is afraid to ask for help because she doesn't want to be seen as dumb. Her new teacher Mr. Daniels helps her learn not to be so hard on herself and that dyslexia is nothing to be ashamed of. Ally discovers that there is more to her than a label and that great minds don't always think alike.

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# ORPHAN TRAIN, BY CHRISTINA BAKER **KLINE**

By Dena Wood | THE TIMES

Tor me, the best part of being a reporter is that I get to hear people's stories. Almost every time I interview someone, I'm amazed by what I learn. In fact, that's somewhat of a job detriment because I often want to learn more about something that has nothing to do with what I'm supposed to be reporting on.

Reporting is a good excuse to get to know people, and getting to know people is often full of surprises. Everyone has a story, and they're often not what one would expect. I think that's a big part of what I liked about the book I'm reviewing this month.

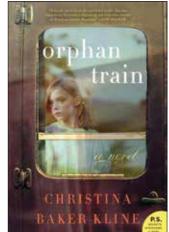
Waitsburg librarian, Rosie Warehime, (who is an excellent resource for book suggestions) highly recommended Orphan Train and I'm so glad she did. "Orphan Train" is an inspirational novel about perseverance, life stories, and new beginnings.

The story begins through the eyes of Molly, a seventeen-year-old foster child, who is about to be booted from her latest "family." With a dead father, a mother who's gone off the deep end, and a stream of foster families in her wake, Molly has learned to keep to herself and hides behind her Goth appear-

After getting caught attempting to steal the library's most worn copy of Jane Eyre – a book she received a week later at school for free and that she could have purchased for a quarter at the library's used book sale - Molly is sentenced to 50 hours of community service. She does her penance helping to clean the attic of, Vivian Daly, a "rich old lady in a shorefront mansion."

Over the course of the 50 hours in Vivian's attic, Molly and Vivian share their stories. As they sort through boxes of Vivian's memorabilia, Molly realizes she and Vivian have more in common that she would ever have thought.

Vivian's story begins during the



Great Depression as her Irish immigrant family struggled to eke out a living in America. When her entire family is killed in a tenement fire, Niamh (Vivian's birth name) is shipped to the Midwest on an Orphan Train filled with dozens of other orphaned children, all hoping to find families to care for them.

Young Niamh moves from place to place, suffering physical and emotional abuse and neglect all along the way. She lands in New York where she is renamed Dorothy and then Vivian, treated like a slave, and never knows what a home feels like until she finally finds care in the home of a kindly shopkeeper and his wife.

Vivan eventually marries, returns to Maine and is living a quiet, comfortable life as a widow when she and Molly meet. As the two sift through Vivian's attic, they share their stories and reconcile their pasts.

In the end, Molly is able to bring peace to Vivian, first by discovering that the sister Vivian thought had died in the fire, had actually lived and led a fulfilled life. And second, by bringing joy and fresh beginnings from the most devastating secret of Vivian's life.

Orphan Train is a lesson in endurance, courage, and love. Through Vivian and Molly readers learn that we all have stories, are more alike than we know, and that it's never too late for a fresh start.

## **ZONING - FROM PAGE 1**

in the county. First, all marijuana businesses must be licensed to operate in the county by the Washington Liquor and Cannabis Board.

Also, a conditional use permit from Columbia County will be required prior to establishing a business here. The CUP process will allow local residents to have input prior to any business being approved, and it will allow the county to put specific conditions on the operations of those businesses, so that impact on neighbors is minimized.

The County began the process of laying out marijuana zoning restrictions

last month after the commissioners voted not to ban marijuana businesses. The vote was taken as the moratorium on those businesses, which had been in place since September 2013 and extended multiple times, was expiring once again.

Though new zoning restrictions have not yet been adopted, no moratorium on pot businesses in place in the county. Lyonnais said that, while he has received some preliminary inquiries from potential business owners, he is not aware of anyone beginning the licensing process with the state to establish a marijuana business in Columbia County.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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- The General Store, 426 W. Main St., Dayton To verify store hours, call 509-382-1042

For more information, contact Anne Walsh at 509-382-2043