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THIS WEEK

DAYTON



MELODRAMA

"A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath" opens its two-weekend run at the Liberty Theater Thursday evening.

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RIB FEED PARKING CREW



Photo by Dena Martin The trusty parking crew are the first smiling faces rib feed attendees see when they arrive for the annual Waitsburg Lions Club Rib Feed. Left: BethAn Wood, Samantha Henze and Todd Wood give The Times a warm welcome. (Neil Henze opted to hide from the camera but is a familiar face, parking cars and taking tickets each year.)

WAITSBURG

GARDEN CLUB

Members of Waitsburg Garden Club were out on Main Street last week planting flowers.

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Woods are 2018 Parade Marshals

JOHN AND JILL WOOD WILL FOLLOW A FAMILY TRADITION LEADING THE WAITSBURG PARADE

By Dena Martin | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG – Jill Wood couldn't hold back the tears when she learned that she and her husband John had been selected the 2018 Waitsburg Celebration Days parade marshals.

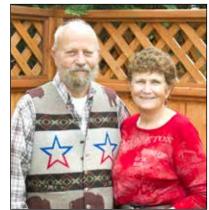
"It means a lot because of the history. We lived Days of Real Sport from the time the girls were selected to court in the spring until the end of September. Days of Real Sport was a huge part of our lives," said Jill, who spent 20 years chaperoning DRS courts with John by her side.

John and Jill have strong community roots. They were both born and raised on wheat and livestock ranches near Waitsburg, and community involvement runs five generations deep.

Jill's great-grandparents migrated from Missouri to settle in Milton-Freewater. In 1919, Jill's grandfather, Howard Preston Smith and his wife, Lillian, leased a homestead just outside of Waitsburg.

Jill's parents, Jake Lee Smith and Frances

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John and Jill Wood

WAITSBURG



RIB FEED

See more photos from Saturday night's Lions Club Rib Feed at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds. (See Page 7)

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CCHS Seeks Long-Term Care Funding

CEO SHANE MCGUIRE ALSO REPORTS ON TELE-PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES, PALLIATIVE CARE

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON--Speaking at the Hospital District board meeting for April, CEO Shane McGuire talked about the outreach and business enhancement initiatives that he and other CCHS staff have been working on.

Contracts with the University of Washington to provide psy-

chiatric support for CCHS patients are being finalized. Plans also include provision of tele-psychiatric services, so that patients can have face-to-face time with psychiatrists, he said.

"We are particularly excited that one of the psychiatrists is also an addiction specialist," said McGuire.

McGuire said he attended the Washington State Hospital Association CEO retreat, on April 10, in Port Ludlow, Wash. At that meeting, Health Care Authority Director Susan Birch said she will focus efforts on payment reform and reallocation of resources for rural health systems, according to McGuire.

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Candidate Filing Next Week

WALLA WALLA AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES BOTH HAVE SEVERAL OPEN POSITIONS THIS YEAR

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA – Candidate filing for 2018 local and state elections opens Monday and runs through Friday.

In Walla Walla County, Candidates may electronically submit declarations of candidacy through our website at: https://weiapplets.sos.wa.gov/online-candidatefiling?countycode=wl.

Walla Walla County candidates may also file in-person at the elections of-fice at 310 W. Poplar St. or by mail. Office hours are Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Walla Walla County positions that are open this year include Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Commissioner for District 3, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer, and two District Court judge positions – one full time and one part time.

In Columbia County, candidates may file in person in the County Auditor's office in the courthouse between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Offices open in Columbia County include Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Commissioner for District 3, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer and District Court Judge.

In both counties, all positions are for four year.

In addition, both state representative positions in Legislative District 16 are up for election this year. Filing dates and times are the same as for county positions. Both state representative positions are for two-year terms.

ANDREW WOODS TO LEAVE COUNTY ENGINEER POSITION

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Columbia County Public Works Director Andrew Woods has accepted a job in Olympia, where he will be the compliance and data manager at the state's County Road Administration Board.

"What I will miss most are my co-workers and the community," said Woods.

Woods is also proud of the grant funds the county has received for road and bridge projects and for fleet and facility modernization during his time with Columbia County, he said.

Woods has served as Columbia County Engineer since January 2006. He said his last day on the job will be June 13.

TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago - May 15, 2008

On this 95th year of the Days of Real Sport, the Parade Marshals are Erma Lee Smith, her son Glen and Erma Lee;s grandson and Glen's son, Greg, all in the honor of the Smith family's long history of involvement and support of the annual race weekend.

The annual community celebration plans to entertain its friends and neighbors from near and far with a parade and two days of Quarter horse and thoroughbred horse racing and plenty of after-hours fun.

Photo caption: A Walla Walla couple believes they had a close encounter with a family of Bigfoot while driving on Jasper Mountain last October, (2001). Would you follow this path with a flashlight?

Twenty Five Years Ago - May 6, 1993

You have heard of an apple for the teacher. Waitsburg grade school has just gotten "Apples" for its students. Last month 13 Macintosh LCIII computers, made by Apple Computers, arrived at the school and students wasted no time in getting acquainted with the sophisticated machines. The Macintoshes replaced outdated Commodore 64 computers that were about a dozen years old.

Aggressive forerunners in the recycling effort, on Thursday, April 29, the McGregor Company turned 1200 plastic pesticide containers into 550 pounds of plastic chips at its Waitsburg plant. "The chemical industry is looking at recycling options of the plastic pesticide containers that are used in the field," said Gordon Cockrum, agriculture chemical division manager for McGregor Co. from Colfax.

Waitsburg's Susan Roberts won a first in the 7th grade category 1 competition of the Blue Mountain Speech Competition at Dayton High School on April 30. Eddie Bustamante of Waitsburg won a red award in the 7th grade category III

Fifty Years Ago - May 7, 1968

Five delegates who were elected at Saturday's Columbia County GOP Convention and will be attending the June 21-22 state convention in Seattle are: Arden Archer, Jr., Richard Harper, Dr. and Mrs E. J. Harri, and Mrs George Reinland

Spec 4 Tim DeRuwe, U. S. Army, whose wife is Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mitchell, Waitsburg, arrived in Vietnam, April 1where he is scheduled to serve nine months. He is with the 516th Personnel Service Co at DaNang, Vietnam. Mrs. DeRuwe is with her parents until his return to the U.S.

Jet's Pokey, a talented jumping quarter horse owned by Merly and Evelyn Brown of Prescott, has gained some other laurels. The capable gelding received the title "Champion Jumper of the Show" at the open horse show held on April 19-21 at Trails End Stables in Olympia. Max von Zimmermann of Yakima is the rider and trainer.

Seventy Five Years Ago - May 14, 1943

Miss Joan Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamilton, announced the date of her wedding, May 30, to Jim Stonecipher, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Stoneciper in Pullman last Sunday.

Miss Barbara Cockburn was complimented on her 13th birthday by her mother, Mrs. Jack Cockburn at their country home on Saturday, May 8th, with an afternoon party.

Mrs. Gene Harsh and Mrs. Orville Fullerton attended a meeting of the Daughters of Pioneers at the home of Mrs. Vernon Smith in Dayton, on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Conover have as their guest this week, their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Humphrey of Yakima and their granddaughter, Mrs. E. D. Norcott and great granddaughter, Miss Mary Norcott of Nyassa, Or.

One Hundred Years Ago - May 17, 1918

The 1918 Class of the High School is composed of 22 members, the largest class yet to complete the 4 year course in this city.

Floyd Arnold is studying dairy farming at the State College of Washington.

Private Dwight Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Howell, arrived home Tuesday from Camp Kearney on furlough for May 7 to July 1st.

Miss Ursula Flo Eaton is the name of the young lady who arrived at the farm house of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eaton Saturday morning, May 11th. They are receiving congratulation of their friends on the safe arrival of the little Miss.

Word has just received from Charles Singer, of the Aviation Sesction in France that he has received a promotion to corporal.

One Hundred Twenty Five Years Ago May 19, 1893

Last Monday was the 61st birthday of our townsman, A. C. Dickinson, and the event was celebrated by a kind of reunion. All of their children except Mrs. C. C. Cram were present, and about forty grand children were also present. The evening was spent merrily.

J. E. Maxwell and wife arrived home from the Sound on Tuesday. John says he is now ready to take his turn at sawing wood, having had his ride on the band wagon.

A. W. Philips left on Thursday morning for an extended visit to friends in the east. He will bse gone about two month and of course, will visit the World's Fair before returning.

Touchet Valley Weather





Mostly Cloudy

High: 65 Low: 44













May 9, 2018

Saturday Friday Sunday Monday Tuesday Chance Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny Mostly Sunny Sunny Showers High: 81 Low: 56 High: 69 Low: 48 High: 76 Low: 51 High: 81 Low: 56 High: 86 Low: 61

Weather Trivia

What U.S. city holds the record for the highest temperature?

Wednesday

Few Showers

High: 69 Low: 47

Answer: Yuma, Ariz., with a high of 124 degrees.

Weather History

May 9, 1985 - Lightning struck some trees about 150 yards away from a home in Alabama and followed the driveway to the home. The charge went through the house and burned all the outlets, appliances and blasted a hole in concrete floor the basement.

			Local Al	manac	Last Week
Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation 0.07" Normal precipitation 0.44" Departure from normal0.37" Average temperature 63.4° Average normal temperature 56.1° Departure from normal +7.3° Data as reported from Walla Walla
Tuesday	66	47	66/45	0.00"	
Wednesday	72	47	67/45	0.00"	
Thursday	80	49	67/45	0.00"	
Friday	77	59	67/45	0.00"	
Saturday	74	54	67/46	Trace	
Sunday	71	56	68/46	Trace	
Monday	76	59	68/43	0.07"	

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

New 5/15

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonse
Wednesday	5:28 a.m.	8:11 p.m.	3:01 a.m.	1:43 p.m
Thursday	5:26 a.m.	8:13 p.m.	3:29 a.m.	2:47 p.m
Friday	5:25 a.m.	8:14 p.m.	3:56 a.m.	3:54 p.m
Saturday	5:24 a.m.	8:15 p.m.	4:22 a.m.	5:02 p.m
Sunday	5:23 a.m.	8:16 p.m.	4:50 a.m.	6:13 p.m
Monday	5:21 a.m.	8:17 p.m.	5:21 a.m.	7:26 p.m
Tuesday	5:20 a.m.	8:19 p.m.	5:55 a.m.	8:41 p.m



WEEKLY CALENDAR

10

Adult STEAM* Noon to 4 p.m.

*The May adult STEAM program is a drop-in program for the mothers of Columbia County.

Dayton Senior Round

Table Senior Center (403 E.

Patit St.) 12 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

Waitsburg Resource Center

106 Preston Avenue (side of Banner Bank) 2-4 p.m.

Waitsburg Town Hall Board

Town Hall

7 p.m.

Prescott Parks & Rec Board Meeting District Office (101 S. D St., Ste. A)

7 p.m.

10-13

May Melodrama: "A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath"

Liberty Theater, Day-

See story on Page 4 for info and times

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Nursery Grand Open-Dixie Grocery 10 a.m.

11-12

Free Flower Pots for Mom Blue Mountain Station

10 a.m.

12-13

Rev. John Weatherly Waitsburg Chapel 7 p.m. Sat./11 a.m.

(See Brief on Page 3)

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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

14

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

Celebrate Recovery, Dayton

Catalyst Church (311 Dinner 6 p.m.; Meet-

ing 7 p.m. Prescott City Council

Meeting City Hall 7:30 p.m. 14-18

Candidate filing for Walla Walla and Columbia Counties

County Auditor's Offices (See story on Page 1

for details)

Tech Tuesday Dayton Memorial Library 6 p.m.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church 11:30 a.m.

Join local seniors every Tuesday for lunch.

\$4 suggested donation for those over 60. \$7 charge for guests under 60. Meals on Wheels are available. Call 337-8541 for more info.

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Patit St.) 12 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call 382-2836 to RSVP by the day prior.

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Toddler Story Time Dayton Memorial Library

10 a.m.

Celebrate Waitsburg Waitsburg

6:30 p.m.

Church

Christian

Recovery,

Women's Christian Connection

Pataha Flour Mill 50 Hutchens Hill Road, Pomeroy

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (See news brief on Page 3)

Dayton School Board School Admin. Building 6 p.m.

Waitsburg City Coun-

Don Thomas Build-Waitsburg Fairing, grounds 7 p.m.

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Waitsburg School Board

Elementary School Library 7 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

COLUMBIA COUNTY PUB-LIC WORKS **Temporary Job Openings**

Columbia County Public Works is accepting applications for temporary summer employment. Job activities include work with the road crew, public works facilities and department of ecology activities.

Employment will commence in April and may last to mid-September 2018. Preference will be given to applicants with a valid flagging certification.

Applicants must be 18 years or older at the time of hire, have a valid driver's license, and a clean driving record.

The wage for these positions is \$13.20 per hour. Applications may be obtained from the Columbia County website at www.columbiaco.com or from the office at -

Columbia County Public Works 415 N. Guernsey Avenue Dayton, WA 99328

Jobs will be open until filled. Columbia County is an equal opportunity employer.

Club Director Seeking Club Director for Day-

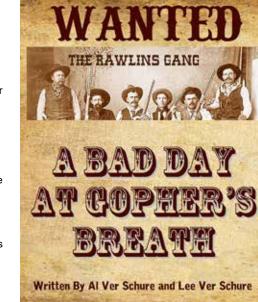
ton Boys & Girls Club opening fall 2018. Prior experience in youth development field required. Position starts as soon as June. Application and

full job description available at www.bgcspokanecounty. org/about/employment/. Submit letter, resume and application by May 18 to dpo@ bgcspokanecounty.org.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

NEWS BRIEFS

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

ASH LYNAE EATON

Evan and Kayla Eaton, of Dayton, welcome their beautiful new daughter, Ash Lynae Eaton.

She was born April 24, 2018 at 1:08 a.m.

She weighed 7.2 lbs., and was 19.5 inches long. Ash is the 7th gener-

Columbia County. Proud Great Grandparents are Wilbur and Audrey Eaton.

Sublime Great Great Grandmother is Verla "Grams" Rouse.



MAY CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S

LUNCHEON IN POMEROY

POMEROY - The May Christian Women's Connection Luncheon will be held at the Pataha Flour Mill (50 Hutchens Hill Rd.) in Pomeroy on May 16 at 11:30 a.m. The meal will be catered by Louise Von Vogt and Crew and is \$10. Reservations are requested by May 11 to Judy at 509-399-2005.

Karon Heineman from Sherwood, Ore., will share the truths she learned when "I Remember Grandma" triggered a new thought process. Holley Wood from Starbuck will play the Dulcimer and share her history playing the instrument. Jon Von Vogt will also provide special entertainment.

Please cancel by May 14 if you are unable to attend.

LOCAL STUDENTS RECEIVE ELKS CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS

The Walla Walla Elks Lodge awarded \$500 Nicholas Memorial Grant scholarships to Waitsburg High School students Brandon Boudrieau, Cade Branson and Thomas House.

Dayton High School senior Cole John was awarded the \$500 Walla Walla Elks Lodge Vocational Grant as well as a \$1,000 scholarship from the Washington State Elks Association.

WAITSBURG CHAPEL HOSTS REV. JOHN WEATHERLY

WAITSBURG - Waitsburg Chapel will host evangelist/prophet Rev. John Weatherly on Mother's Day weekend. Meetings are Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.

Rev. Weatherly has ministered in Walla Walla, Olympia, Yakima and Hermiston. He has also ministered on Native American reservations across the U.S. and Canada.

The Waitsburg Chapel is located at 320 W. Second St. For more information, contact Pastor Jim Daves at (509) 337-6235 or (509) 386-7785.

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INFO MEETING FOR FALL MUSICAL "WILLY WONKA"

DAYTON - TVAC Productions and the Liberty Theater will hold an open meeting on May 23 at 6:30 pm in the theater to share information about this year's fall musical production of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory." This year's director is Brenda

Details about the show, production dates and rehearsals will be shared, as well as all the information performers need to prepare for auditions June 4, 6 and 7. There are a variety of roles for all ages in this production, and opportunities for assisting with set construction, stage crews and strike crews. Members of the community are encouraged to consider being a part of the theater family.

Auditions will be held from 4:30-7:30 p.m. on June 4 and 6, and 4:30-6:00 p.m. June 7. Callback auditions will be held Saturday morning June 9, if needed. Performers may sign up for auditions at the informational meeting, or may register for an audition slot by contacting Mike Ferrians at mike@libertytheater.org. For more information, contact Brenda Henderson at 509-520-3034.

RESOURCE WORKSHOP FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

DAYTON - Dayton's First Congregation Church is hosting a resource workshop for youth mental health first aid on May 21, from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. A trainer from Quality Behavioral Health in Clarkston will lead the program.

This workshop will introduce unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health challenges in adolescents. It is geared to teach people how to support youth, who are showing signs of mental stress.

"In one week's time we had three young people threaten to harm themselves," said Congregational Church Pastor Marj Johnston. "We need resources and tools to get people to a safe place while the experts on are the way."

Workshop co-sponsors are; Dayton Kiwanis, Skyline Juniors, Dayton Lions Club and Grace Episcopal Church, along with a private donor.

The cost of the program is \$25 per person. The resource book, lunch and snacks will be provided.

To register, call Pastor Marj Johnston by phone at: (509) 730-9969, or by email at: DaytonFirstCong@ gmail.com.







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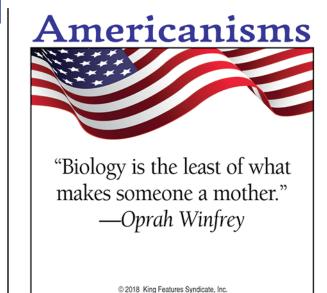
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BIRTHDAYS

May 10: Walter Vennum, Mary Davis, Kristin Mock, Peggy Hall, and Justin Zuger.

May 11: Evelyn Ladd, Vance Price, Donna Hempel, Lynda Patton, Liv Leid, Ronald Leinbach and Melissa

May 12: Katy Leid, Erin Dutton, Kazmira Grende, Jonathan Abbey.

May 13: Lola Spirotas, Terry Bloor, Kevin Moormann, Jack Gawith and Lavina Mever.

May 14: Daniel Thomas Reese, Marge Tabor, Maggie Pietila, Lynna Larsen, Lee Fisk, Marilyn Robert, Barbara Wood, Suzie Payne, Debbie Fisher, Brian McKenzie and Alison Huwe.

May 15: Pete Rohde, Charlie McCown, Tiffney Hawks, Bryce Scott and Ron Standring.

May 16: Gladys Cadruvi, Helen Hall, Bobbie Jean Thomas, Sherrie Land, Genny Menino.

HM (Jack) Edmenson, 99, of Dayton

A casual memorial gathering of family and friends will be held Saturday May 12th from 2 to 4 pm. in the Youth **Building at the Dayton Fairgrounds.**







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

11: French Toast; Spanish Crispitos,

14: Muffin & Yogurt; Hamburger, Tomato-Onion-Pickle, Chips

15: Biscuit & Gravy; Chicken Quesadilla 16: Longjohn;

Cheese OR Pepp. Pizza, Baby Carrots, Pineapple 17: Breakfast Sand-

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ARTS / COMMENT







Michael Luce Clockwise from above left: Pandora Crutchwaffle (Mary Hansen, with hammer) and Belle Durham (Angi Crow) discuss the situation in Gopher's Breath. Rawlins gang members Doc (Melissa Gemmell, left) and Bad Bruce (Roz Edwards). Amos Cruchwaffle (Jim Edwards) confronts Fat Jack Caldwell (Kyle Terry).

"A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath"

THIS YEAR'S MAY MELODRAMA AT THE LIBERTY THEATER FEATURES THE CLICHÉS OF THE CLASSIC WESTERN

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

DAYTON – Beginning Thursday night and running for two weekends, the Liberty Theater lifts the curtain on this year's May Melodrama, "A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath."

The setting is the Old West. The notorious Rawlins gang is getting ready to ride into Gopher's Breath to rob the bank. Never particularly adept in their careers as outlaws, the gang is finding success particularly difficult this time around, with the town's corrupt sheriff also in pursuit of the loot. Thrown into the mix are a bounty hunter after Sheriff Crutchwaffle, Temperance Union workers striving to bring prohibition to the town, and perhaps most troublesome...Rawhide Rawlins's growing affection for the banker's niece.

The fun never ends in this melodrama with over the top characters and plot twists. Riddled with all the traditional clichés of the classic western, Gopher's Breath becomes the setting for hilarious happenings you won't want to miss.

"A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath" was written by Al Ver Schure and Lee Ver Schure, and was published in 1975. The Liberty Theater production is directed by Bret and Bethany Moser. It features a cast of more than 20 local actors, led by Jim Edwards as Sheriff Amos Crutchwaffle, Angi Crow as Belle Durham, Kavin Kuykendall as Ralph "Rawhde" Rawlins, Meghan Bromley as Bambi Sweetwater and Kyle Terry as Fat Jack Caldwell.

"A Bad Day at Gopher's Breath" kicks off with a Family Night Premiere on Thursday. All seats to this show are \$10. Seat prices for all other shows in the run range from \$10-\$15. Performances are at 7 p.m. on May 10, 11, 12, 18 and 19, and at 3 p.m. on May 13 and 20.

For more information on the May melodrama, or to purchase tickets, visit libertytheater.org, call 509-382-1380, or email info@libertytheater.org.

LETTERS

PLACE TIME LIMIT ON GRANDSTANDS FUNDRAISING

Dear Editor,

I believe most would agree the discussion of the fate of the Waitsburg Fairgrounds Grandstands has been going on for too many years. Differing views by members of the latest Grandstand Committee regarding public support for the grandstands resulted in the recent Advisory Vote. The results of that vote left little doubt as to the "will of the people" but now even that is being questioned by some.

If the Waitsburg City Council is still not willing to accept and act on the outcome of the advisory vote may I offer one final suggestion: Determine what would be a reasonable time, not to exceed one year, to obtain funding to repair/restore and maintain the grandstands and set a definite non-negotiable deadline for doing so. Either funding is positively confirmed by that date or it isn't. That means the total amount required to complete the repair/restoration project and ongoing maintenance has been deposited in a dedicated account and available, not merely promised. The amount must be sufficient to make the grandstands absolutely usable and handicap accessible by standards in effect at the time plus maintenance and potential cost overages.

If, by the deadline set, the amount actually in the dedicated account is not sufficient to restore the grandstands to usability and accessibility up to standards/codes in effect at that time plus maintenance and potential cost overages the grandstands should be removed to eliminate any potential liability and put an end to any further discussion.

Maintenance must be included because lack of proper inspection and maintenance in the past resulted in the current state of disrepair.

Jim Davison Waitsburg

DO YOU HAVE STIGMA?

Dear Editor,

There is a virus spreading across America. It harms the 1 in 5 Americans affected by mental health conditions. It shames them into silence. It prevents them from seeking help. In some cases, it takes lives. What virus are we talking about? It's stigma. Stigma against people with mental health conditions. But there's good news. Stigma is 100% curable. Compassion, empathy and understanding are the antidote. Your voice can spread the cure.

May is Mental Health Month and Blue Mountain Counseling is raising awareness in the role mental health plays in our lives. We are here to remind you that people who have a mental illness...

Can and do live productive lives.

Recovery is different for everyone.

Have the same hopes, goals, and dreams as everyone else.

The consequences of stigma can be worse than the illness itself: it prevents people from seeking treatment, can lead to social isolation, lack of housing, inability to work, strained relationships, lack of health coverage, and lost educational opportunities.

Join Blue Mountain Counseling and NAMI, the National Alliance on Mental Illness-together we can #CureStigma. Get tested at CureStigma.org.

For more information on Mental Health Awareness check us out on Facebook Blue Mountain Counseling; website BlueMtnCounseling.org or call us at 509-382-1164.

Melinda Guthrie Blue Mountain Counseling Dayton

Letters Welcome

The Times invites readers to share their thoughts on our Opinion Page. Letters to the Editor can be emailed to us at editor@ waitsburgtimes.com, or mailed to The Times at P.O. Box 97, Waitsburg, WA 99361. Letters can also be hand-delivered to our office. Deadline for letters is Tuesday at noon.

Letters should be no more than 400 words

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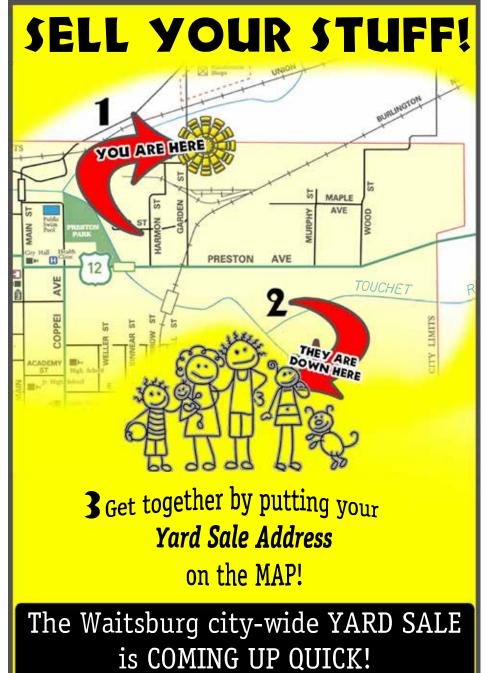


Photo by Teeny McMunn

We caught some suspicious characters messing around with the planter in front of The Times' office in downtown Waitsburg and quickly rushed out and snapped their picture. It turned out to be Waitsburg Garden Club members Karen Gregutt, Susan Donegan and Kate Hockersmith, putting in some hard work brightening up Main Street.

Good job ladies! Sorry to interrupt.





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NEWS / SPORTS

DW Girls Split First Two Playoff Games

AFTER THUMPING LWK 15-0 IN THREE INNINGS, DW FALLS TO LIBERTY CHRISTIAN IN EXTRAS, 11-9

By Ken Graham | THE TIMES

RICHLAND - The ton-Waitsburg softball team began their first round of EWAC District playoffs at Columbia Field here on a high note, winning in a rout over Lyle-Wishram-Klickitat, 15-0, in a mercy-rule-shortened three-inning game.

However, DW lost a heartbreaker in their second game, falling to Liberty Christian 11-9 in eight innings.

In the first game, DW took a 4-0 lead into the bottom of the third inning before exploding for 11 runs to end the game on the 15-run rule. DW had 10 hits, and pitcher Megan Robins gave up no hits against LWK.

Elise Steinhoff and Sadie Seney each had two hits for DW.

"DW played a very clean and fundamental game against LWK in Dobbs. their first game of the EWAC District Tournament," said DW assistant Troy Larsen.

In their game against LC, DW built a 6-1 lead after two innings, but couldn't hold it. LC came back to go ahead 9-6 after the top of the seventh. DW rallied for three runs in the bottom of the seventh to send the game into extra innings, but LC scored two in the top of the eighth, which DW couldn't match, ending the game.

Pitcher Robins struggled in the second game, giving up 15 hits. Steinhoff had three hits in the game, and Tatumn Laughery, Hanna Becker, Senev and Neylan Bryan each had two.

"Once LC took the lead DW got a little tight and made some mental mistakes in the field and on the base paths," said Larsen. "I was very proud of the way the girls focused at the plate and fought back to send the game into extra innings."

DW is set to face White Swan in their third playoff game, Saturday at noon at Chiawana HS.

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HR - none.

Hits - LWK: None; DW: T. Laugherv. Becker, Castorena, Robins, Sandau, H. Dobbs, Steinhoff 2, Seney 2.

Second Game of District Tour-

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Reed and Horne: Robins and H.

HR - none.

Hits - LC Pichards 2, Godwin 3, Steele 5, Calhoon 2, Horne 2, Loera, Reed, Torres; DW: T. Laughery 2, Becker 2, Castorena, Robins, Sandau, H. Dobbs, Seney 2, Steinhoff 3, Bryan 2.

CCHS - FROM PAGE 1

The Health Care Authority is the umbrella organization for Medicaid, Medicare and aging and long-term care.

On April 16, McGuire attended a Washington State Rural Access Preservation meeting, focusing on the topic of community-based long-term care.

Discussion of a new payment methodology for rural hospitals that will help preserve and expand long-term care services was the topic. The goal is to identify funding sources for some type of capitated or hybrid capitated model for aging and long-term care.

"This group is eagerly waiting to hear if we've been awarded a grant to support our pilot project over the next three years," McGuire said. Virtually all the growth in the Community-Based Long-Term Network communities, such as ours, has occurred in the elderly population, he said.

Proposed services include work-level RN care coordination and tele-monitoring for elderly patients with chronic diseases in their homes, along with providing supportive housing for people who are not able to live safely at

The \$600,000 grant would be split four ways, between Dayton, Ephrata, Odessa and Forks, McGuire said.

Dayton General Hospital is one of five rural hospitals in the state with a long-term nursing care facility. This number will shrink to four, because Newport is shuttering their long-term care in favor of an assisting living facility.

On April 18, the CCHS team participated in a Kadlec Medical Center vendor fair, to promote the enhanced swing bed services, palliative care and wound care services at DGH, McGuire reported.

The KMC discharge team expressed concerns about travel distance for their patients, he said. He offered that loved ones could be accommodated overnight, though this would be on a case-by-case basis.

"Health support by family is a function of healing, and isolation from loved ones could actually create (health) complications," said McGuire.

McGuire said the Washington Rural Palliative Care Initiative workshop that was held April 22, at the Best Western yielded three objectives. There will be a standard screening tool in place to identify which patients are candidates for palliative care, all residents in the District will be made aware of palliative care services by July 1, and gaps in the ability to deliver care in the community will be identified and addressed.

McGuire said CCHS is still looking into tele-hospitalist services for the emergency department, and to provide for back up during nights and weekends when staffing is limited.

The District's accounting firm DZA will complete the 2017 cost report for the hospital. DZA representative Tom Dingus will present the 2017 financial report to the Hospital District Commissioners at their meeting in May.

That meeting has been moved from Thursday, May 24 to Tuesday, May 22, at 6 pm, in the District Boardroom.





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A big crowd had a great time once again at the annual Lions Club rib feed at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds Saturday evening. Clockwise from top left: Trey Cole flips a rack of ribs. Hungry customers wait patiently in the serving lines. Randy Farley heads to the serving tables with a roaster of ribs while (back to front) Tyson Cole, Jesse Smitt, John Kenney, Curtis Neal. Christy House and Tracy Barron leave their station at the beer garden to fix some to-go plates. Margie Benson shows off her impressive plate of ribs and fixin's.

Getting the Word Out **About Noxious Weeds**

DAYTON EXTENSION OFFICE ALSO ANNOUNCES NEW 4-H LEADER, CROP **TOURS**

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON--There are some timely reminders coming from the WSU Dayton Extension Office regarding noxious weed control, 4-H and local crop

The county's Noxious Weed Control Coordinator, Rachel Hutchens, said the Weed Control Board is funded by county assessment, and there is some cost sharing available, for chemical costs, application costs, or both, to control of some of the county's worst noxious weeds. They include yellow star thistle, Japanese and Bohemian knotweed, leafy spurge and Mediterranean sage.

Hutchens said yellow star thistle is a widespread hazard. "It is toxic to horses, causing a chewing disease which is fatal," She said

"Knotweed looks like bamboo. It is usually found at the river's edge," Hutchens said. "It has an invasive root system which crowds out native plants, and it is easily propagated by beavers."

Leafy Spurge is a creeping perennial which is also difficult to control, and it is toxic to livestock. Mediterranean Sage crowds out rangeland and is hard

'Those are the ones the weed board has decided to focus on as priority needs," she said.

Hutchens said controlling annual and biennial weeds is more easily done in the spring, and most perennial weeds are better controlled in the fall.

While there are several education and outreach efforts made the by weed control board throughout the year, a landowner doesn't need to wait for those. They can bring a plant to the Extension Office at 137 E Main St. for positive identification.

The Weed Control Regulatory Board, which manages five geographic areas in the county, meets on the last Wednesday of each month at the Extension Office, at 7 p. m., and the meetings are open to the public, said Hutchens.

Since she was hired in February, Lorna Barth has been getting organized as the new 4-H Program Coordinator in Columbia County, replacing Donna Hangar who has retired.



New Dayton 4-H leader Lorna Barth

Barth comes to the Extension Office from a teaching background. She is a retired science and language arts teacher, from Duvall, Wash., who said she believes in the 4-H philosophy. "It's a great program for kids," said Barth.

Barth said 4-H is in the process of developing online registration for its programs. The 2018 Bi-County 4-H Camp, sponsored by Columbia County and Garfield County, already has its registration online, she added.

Other programs, such as Quilt Camp, still require registration by mail or in person at the extension office. The Quilt Camp Orientation meeting is on Monday at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Youth Building at 6:30 p.m.

Quilt Camp is for youth from 4th to 12th grades and runs from July 9 to 13 in the Youth Building.

County Extension Agent Paul Carter will lead a cereal/legumes tour on June 22, at 8 a.m. The 2018 crop tours will provide opportunities to see field trials and interact with cereal breeders, plant pathologists, extension agronomists, and other scientists about cereal varieties and crop management prac-

For more information about the local crop tour contact Carter by phone at: (509) 382-4741.

The complete 2018 Pacific Northwest Crop Tour Schedule, with maps, is online at: www.smallgrains. wsu.edu/variety.

AUDREY BENSEL IS NEW DAYTON CHAMBER ASSISTANT

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Audrey Bensel joined the Dayton Chamber of Commerce staff last month as assistant manager. She will share duties running the office in Downtown Dayton with newly hired director Melissa Bryan.

Bensel was circulations manager at the Dayton Chronicle for about a year, before accepting the Chamber position.

"This is right up my alley," she said. "I like to host parties."

Bensel grew up in Dayton and graduated from Dayton High. She went on to WSU and graduated with a BA in Theater Arts in 2006.

Since then she has lived in a number of places, and has worked in a variety of jobs, she said.

"I've worked as a driver's ed teacher, as a janitor at the WSU Veterinary Hospital, as a nanny and at a Halloween store," said Bensel. "Anything to keep from starving," she laughed.

Bensel recently played the role of Edwina Dunbar in the Liberty Theater production of Murder on the Rerun, and she would like to devote more time to theater, as time allows, she said.

"I feel like I'm adapting, so far," Bensel said about her job at the chamber. "We have a good team. There are a lot of good things happening this year."

Bensel shares her home with three dogs: Mona, Boris and Katie. Her parents are Tom and Lorrie Bensel, of Dayton.



Audrey Bensel

LEGAL NOTICES

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

Sherry Lynn Shirley, Petitioner,

No. (Daris Shirley,

Respondent. The State of Washington to

Daris Shirley: You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the (enter starting date), 2018, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Sherry Lynn Shirley, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address stated below; and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Sherry Lynn Shirley at 1520 Kelly Place Suite 140, Walla

The Times April 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10. 2018 4-5-h

Walla, WA. 99362

In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Walla Walla Saul Alexander Bennett,

Petitioner. No. (17-3-00263-6)

Teresa Anne Garcia, Respondent.

The State of Washington to the respondent Teresa Anne

You are hereby summoned to appear within 90 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after April 12, 2018, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Saul Alexander Bennett, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated: and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not

serve your written response within 90 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response on Saul Alexander Bennett 202 W Birch St, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

The Times April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17. 2018 4-12-d

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASH-INGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

In re the Estate of: LINDA HARDY. Deceased. No. 18 4 00074 1

PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS**

RCW 11.40.030

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later

1. Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or

2. Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice.

If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate

Personal Representative: Larry Bishop

Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J.

Geidl, Minnick-Hayner Address for Mailing or Service:

Mona J. Geidl Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362

Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court, Cause No. 18 4

Date of First Publication: May 3, 2018

> LARRY BISHOP Personal Representative

By: /s/ Larry Bishop

Larry Bishop, Personal Representative

Dates of Publication: May 3, 2018 May 10, 2018 May 17, 2018

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Columbia County Public Notice of Application(s) and SEPA Threshold

Determination Cobalt Cannabis Co. CUP #2018—002

Columbia County hereby gives notice that an application has been received and found complete for the above project. Comments relative to the approval and conditioning of this application and the environmental threshold determination noted below are requested. Approval of this application is pending a scheduled hearing with the Columbia County Hearing Examiner, to be scheduled and duly advertised at a later date. This Notice will be published in the newspaper of record and distributed to surrounding property owners.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Being a request to operate under an I-502 Marijuana License to grow, dry, cure, trim, and package cannabis flower for transportation off site for retail sale. The application illustrates using the existing structures for the operation, as well as fencing a 150' X 100' outdoor grow field. The applicant has noted the installation of cameras, security lights, and other applicable requirements per WAC 314-55-083. The application notes hours of operation from 5AM - 7PM

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS): Columbia County is lead agency for this project. The lead agency for this proposal

has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW Chapter 43.21C. This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public for review. Public comment period is open for 14 days, and will

APPLICANT: Meri C. Bush, 320 East Chestnut Street, Walla Walla, Washington 99362

close on May 31st, 2018.

PROJECT LOCATION: 402 Poulson Road, Dayton, Washington 99328 (AP#267745)

DATE COMPLETE APPLI-

CATION SUBMITTED: May 2nd, 2018

COUNTY RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Meagan Bailey-Planning Director

SEPA APPEALS: Appeals of the SEPA DNS must be made within 21 days of the date of this notice to the Hearing Examiner. Applicable costs are born by the appellant.

COMMENTS: Comments shall be directed to the County Responsible Official no later than May 31st, 2018. The application, plans, and file for this project may be viewed during normal business hours at the County Planning and Building Department located at 114 South 2nd Street, Dayton Washington, 99328.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEAR-ING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Waitsburg City Council will hold a Public Hearing Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter to collect public testimony and discuss a submitted Petition for Annexation.

Applicant: Stacey and Erica Grende

Location of Property: 5 acres located west of end of W 4th Street Assessor's Parcel No's:

370910430037

Purpose: Annexation of roughly 5 acres of land located within the City's Urban Growth

Current Zone: Residential

All interested citizens are invited to attend the hearing and present evidence in favor or opposition of the Petition of Annexation. A copy of the petition can be obtained by contacting the City of Waitsburg, 147 Main Street, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361.

City Council will take action related to approval or denial of the Annexation Petition.

Dated this 8th day of May,

Waitsburg City Council

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Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY

GIVEN that the Waitsburg City Council will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. or soon there after in Lions Club Memorial Building at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds in order to hear public comment on the proposed alley vacation petition submitted to the City on behalf of James and Rebecca Lynch and Kimberly Bruzas City Council action may or may not include approval of the alley vacation petition.

All interest citizens are invited to attend the hearing and present evidence in favor or opposition of the vacation. Complete copies of the petition are available at City Hall 147 Main Street, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361 or (509) 337-6371. Written testimony may be forwarded to the Waitsburg City Council, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361.

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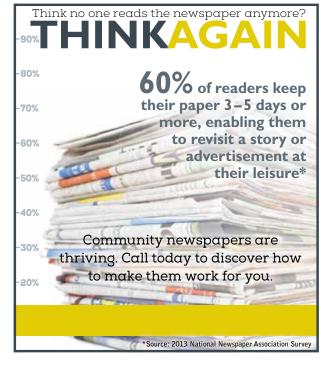
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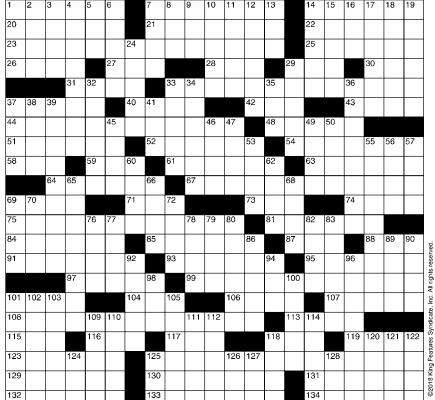
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TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Old-Fashioned Rhubarb Crisp

really like that time of year when I can start making desserts with fresh fruit, and rhubarb is usually the first to be used. One either loves rhubarb, or like my son, never acquired a taste for it. My mom would often make a rhubarb sauce, to be eaten with fresh cream, or plain in my case.

I like to add strawberries and/or blueberries occasionally. We have a huge rhubarb plant, so we can have it as often as we like, or share it.

While looking up the nutritional value of rhubarb, I found it is a vegetable, not a fruit, so I stand corrected. I also thought it was high in iron, which I have repeated, but it says it has Vitamin K, Vitamin C, and is high in fiber (eye roll). No iron, unless you find otherwise.

This recipe was shared with me by our Pastor Marj. She made it for coffee hour and it hit the spot.



INGREDIENTS/DIRECTIONS;

8 c rhubarb, washed and into ½ inch or ¾ inch pieces

Toss rhubarb in 34 c. sugar and 14 c. flour

Spread evenly in a buttered 8" x 8" x 2" square or round pan. Best to use glass pan as metal tends to turn the rhubarb brown.

Mix together well: 1 c. flour, 1 c. brown sugar (light or dark, doesn't matter), ½ c. rolled oats, (not instant), ½ tsp ground cinnamon, and ½ cup softened butter.

Sprinkle crumble over the rhubarb. Do not pat down. Bake at 375 for 30-35 minutes. Best served warm with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.

This can be doubled (and usually is) for a 9" x 13" x 2" pan, same bake temp and time.

MY NOTES:

Marj said she added a teaspoon of orange zest to give it a little extra flavor. When I make it, I will add blueberries, as I have some in the freezer, and may add strawberries. I read on another recipe that they added walnuts to the topping, so I might try that.

One of many reviews on rhubarb crisp mentions cutting back on the brown sugar in the topping. Of course, that is an option if you think it may be too sweet for your taste.

I found several suggestions to use glass pans for a rhubarb crisp. That's a first with me. I did not know that. Next time I will for sure.

ENJOY! If you have any favorite rhubarb recipes, please send them.

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TRIVIA TEST

By Fifi Rodriguez

1. AD SLOGANS: Which company's ads advised consumers to "put a tiger in

2. U.S. STATES: Which state designated the American seagull as its official state bird?

3. HISTORY: When was the potato introduced to Europe?

4. OLYMPICS: How long is the balance beam used in women's gymnas-

tics? 5. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Australia?

6. PROVERBS: What is the end to this common proverb: "The early bird ... "?

7. MEASUREMENTS: What does a Geiger counter measure? FAMOUS QUOTES: Which

18th-century statesman and military leader observed, "Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever"? 9. ASTRONOMY: Which planet is the

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closest to Earth?

10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the name of the first manufactured breakfast cereal?

> 9. Venus 8. Napoleon Bonapar-7. Radiation 6. ... gets the worm" 5. Canberra 4. 16 feet, 5 inches 3. 16th century 2. Utah I. Esso

10. Granula (1863)

Answers

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Courtesy photos Far left: Jill Smith, age 9, shows off her family's 24-year-old horse Tony in front of the Waitsburg Grandstands, as she prepares for her first parade. Center and right: John and Jill wood were active barrel racers in the 1960s during Days of Real Sport activities.

PARADE MARSHALS - FROM PAGE 1

(Burroughs) Smith married in 1932 and raised three children, Howard, Iill and Lassie, on the homestead. Howard and his wife, Dona Jean, who were 2017 parade marshals, still live on the property.

John's grandfather, George Edwin Wood, was born in Michigan, came west in 1883, and began homesteading near Lyon's Ferry in 1888. His first wife passed away in 1900, leaving him with five children. He then married Annie Maude Thompson and moved to a farm 10 miles northwest of Waitsburg.

John's father, Francis Wood, was the fourth of six children born to George and Annie. He married Mabel Horney, a teacher from Moscow, Ida., in 1933, and they spent a year on the family farm where their oldest son, Dan, was born. They then moved to Prescott where Frank, George, John and Kaye were born. In 1944, the family moved to a ranch nine miles north of Waitsburg, where the births of Jim and Jerry completed the family.

Francis was Days of Real Sport parade marshal in 1973 and he and Mabel were named Pioneers of the Year in 1992 for their many contributions to the com-

John and Jill began their successful partnership at an early age. John attended school in Waitsburg just one year ahead of Jill, and the two began dating in high school. They will celebrate their 60th anniversary in December.

John enjoyed playing football, basketball and baseball in high school and was active in FFA. He recalls that, at one time, his family held the state record for having the most FFA State Farmers in one family.

One of John's most memorable, if not favorite, high school memories, is of breaking two football helmets in one game against St. Pat's (now DeSales).

"I played tackle and started as a freshman. (We didn't have a gob of kids.) I ended up with a concussion. They were out to put me out of the game!" he

Jill was a high school cheerleader, student body secretary, attended Girl's State and was Rainbow Worthy Advisor. She was very active in the Walla Walla Wagonettes where she served as president and drill

Both John and Jill were active in the 4-H livestock club, led by Carl and Ivadell Nordehim, and partici pated in the Junior Livestock Show.

The couple married after Jill graduated and moved to a home on the family farm where John farmed with his father.

"Out of six boys I was the only one that wanted to farm," he said.

They spent 50 years on the family farm, where their children, John Jr., Elizabeth (Cole) and Corinne (Stevens) were born. In 1993 the couple moved to Starbuck where they worked side-by-side riding, branding and calving as managers of the Tucannon Ranch.

The Woods were active in the Waitsburg community throughout their adult lives. John was a fire commissioner and Lions Club president while Jill was involved in Sonoita Club, PEO and had the distinction of being honored as the first lady to be awarded Honorary Chapter Farmer of the Waitsburg FFA. Both were very active members of the Junior Livestock Show Board for many years.

The couple was highly involved in the Days of Real Sport. John and his father were field judges for the races and John helped pony horses. Both served on the Days of Real Sport committee "forever."

Jill began chaperoning the Days of Real Sport court in 1960, when she was pregnant with her second child.

"Erma Lee Smith was my mentor, and we worked with the girls teaching them horsemanship and safety working with horses. We would start when the court was selected in the spring and run through September, attending about 15 shows a season. We also carried the Days of Real Sport banners in parades in front of the court. It was a huge responsibility," Jill said.

Jill said her favorite parade was the Pendleton Round-Up Parade, which was the last parade she attended as a chaperone.

"Every parade had its own uniqueness and challenges," she said. "John traveled along if he wasn't farming, and was diligent to make sure the pickup and trailer were in good working order. He was behind us one hundred percent, making sure whatever we needed was supplied."

The couple also reminisced about belonging to the Waitsburg Saddleers riding club.

"Back in those days each little town - Pomeroy, Walla Walla, Pendleton, Milton-Freewater - had their own riding club. And in between the Days of Real Sport races, the clubs would engage in competitions and activities like barrel racing, a musical rope race, bareback and baton relays. There was a huge amount of activities and it really brought the towns together. That friendly competition added a great deal of excitement," Iill said.

"I remember the relay races as being pretty excit-

ing. It was kind of a favorite event, almost more so than the race itself," John said.

Even after their involvement with the Days of Real Sport ended, John and Jill continued to ride in parades carrying a flag for someone or riding as a family. Daughters Elizabeth (1976) and Corinne (1979) and granddaughter Chelsey (Murdock) Smith (2002) were all Days of Real Sport royalty.

During Chelsey's reign, John and Jill rode matching mules as they carried the Days of Real Sport flag ahead of the court all season.

"They provided a safe horse for whoever needed to borrow in Waitsburg, Dayton or Walla Walla for run-ins, parades and Wagonette drills. People knew to check with them when they needed something," Elizabeth said.

Now in their seventies, both continue to ride. Jill carried the 100-year celebration American flag for the Pendleton Round-Up parade and the 150-year celebration American flag last fall in the Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days Parade.

They also continue to be active in their community of Starbuck. John serves on the city council and Jill served many years on the school board. She is currently on the Christian Women's Connection committee, and both are active members of the Starbuck Community Church.

Jill said she was shocked and honored to learn they had been selected as parade marshals. "This is so special. Crossing the Main Street Bridge into Waitsburg always feels like coming home, and the Days of Real Sport was such a huge part of our lives for so many years," Jill said. "It was a very, very positive experi-

The Woods won't be taking a seat to ride in a convertible in this year's Celebration Days parade, either. John will ride The Duke, a buckskin Quarter Horse, and Jill will ride Whetstone Quincy, a bay roan Quar-

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