



Lane Gwinn

Gaudy Gals on Main is back to remind us that "Some 'junk' can be good 'Junque,' and it's sometimes fun to be 'Gaudy.'" Kim Bruzas (right) and her sister Lori Sharp Davis have brought back their unique shop to the Waitsburg Town Hall, 121 Main St. on Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## THIS WEEK



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## GSA terminates Farm Services Agency lease at port

*County concerned about potential cuts to jobs, programs, and services.*

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Port of Columbia County Executive Director Jennie Dickinson received a Government Service Agency email on February 25, terminating the building lease between the port and the Columbia County Farm Service Agency, effective August 31. The FSA houses the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The NRCS offers programs that support conservation work in agriculture, timber, and pasture lands. For example, Dickinson said her family utilized an NRCS cost-share program for pre-commercial thinning and fire prevention work on land they own.

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) offers economic safety-net programs for farmers. These include the Agriculture Risk Coverage program, which provides payments to farmers when actual revenue is less than annually guaranteed levels based on historical data and market conditions.

"Lots of contracts and paperwork must be signed each year," she said.

Dickinson is concerned about losing jobs in Columbia County due to funding cuts at the federal level, including the six people who work at the FSA service center.

Though the location will close, Dickinson did not think the federal programs at the center have been cut.

"I have no idea how it will work now. Farmers and ranchers will either have to drive to a different town for these services, or the USDA will have to provide more of the necessary interactions electronically," she said.

Columbia County Commissioner Marty Hall said he learned about the closure from a March 8 article in the Walla Walla Union-Bulletin.

"My hope is that as things shake out, the decision will be reversed," he said. "The closure is bad news not only to our local producers, but to the business community, as well. Every job we can keep in our small town is a big deal. Going to either Walla Walla or Pomeroy for our FSA and NRCS services will add a cost of both time and money to our local producers."

Dickinson listed other local organizations and services dependent on federal dollars; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Lyons Ferry Marina owned by the Army Corps, and school programs including Title I and Special Education.

Cuts have been made at the Bonneville Power Administration where Columbia REA gets its power. Dickinson said a potential proposal for natural gas transmission over BPA transmission lines could also be impacted by the cut.

The Columbia County Health System is the largest employer in the county. Dickinson said potential cuts to Medicaid could be devastating for the health system, its employees, and the people it serves. She said that thirty percent of eastern Washington residents are enrolled in Apple Health, which is the state's Medicaid insurance program.

Dickinson said funding was frozen for food banks this quarter through the Blue Mountain Action Council.

"All rural communities depend more heavily on government funding and will disproportionately feel effects of cuts," Dickinson said.

"The Times" reached out to the USDA press office and will provide an update after the USDA responds.

## Waitsburg City Hall under contract...again

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Mayor Marty Dunn called a special meeting of the Waitsburg City Council for March 6, 2025. The purpose of the meeting was to review and vote on three bids submitted for the purchase of the old city hall building at 147 Main Street.

The council accepted the bid from Delbert and Cindy Steinhorst, past Waitsburg residents who made an offer of \$150,000. The offer is for the city hall building and a second vacant lot property on 6th Street the city has for sale. The second property is an oddly shaped, 1.15-acre lot on East 6th Street. The city had the property assessed by Associated Appraisers of Walla Walla and was valued at \$25,000.

The contract put the feasibility contingency date as March 15, 2025, and a relatively quick closing date of April 1, 2025.

Steinhorst described their proposed use for the building and lot in a letter to the council, which was submitted with the bid. The upstairs of the building will be their residence as they plan on selling their Walla Walla home. They stated they had no issue with the easement to the Hubbard Law Office building.

Downstairs, they plan on creating a vendor space for local craftsmen and artists. They mentioned Tikiz Wine Designs and Langdon Farms as possible tenants.

The couple will use the second property to build a shop and for boat and RV storage.

The Steinhorst offer was one of three presented to the council at the special meeting. The first offer discussed was \$125,000 from two investors from Walla Walla.

The third offer was from a Spokane resident who offered \$105,000 but with an escalator clause that would raise the offer to \$1,000 over competing offers. The bid went up to \$126,000 but was capped below the winning bid of \$150,000.

The city put the building on the market after relocating the city hall to 106 Main Street in 2021. The council has accepted a series of offers. However, potential buyers have backed out due to concerns over the easement, the building's condition, and personal reasons.

## CC POOL DISTRICT MOVING FORWARD

THE TIMES

DAYTON — Columbia County Park and Recreation Pool District board met for their regular monthly meeting at 5 p.m. on February 27 at the Dayton Fire Station. Board members Diane McKinley, Lisa Naylor, Terri Hessler, and Katie Leid were present. Friends of the Pool Chairperson Fred Crow and Cole Massey, the district's website designer, were also in attendance. In February, the board applied for a Washington State legislative grant for \$250,000 and expect to hear if it is awarded in May. The money will come from Washington State Capital Budget funds. Cole Massey made a presentation to the board about the website's design, which will share information on the district's activities and progress.

"We had a great presentation by Cole Massey, who will be designing our website. He is knowledgeable and ready to hit the ground running. We appreciate his will-



# NEWS BRIEFS

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### AT THE LIBERTY: "CAPTAIN AMERICA: BRAVE NEW WORLD"

March 14-18

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — "Captain America: Brave New World" stars Anthony Mackie as Sam Wilson, the new Captain America. Mackie previously played The Falcon in the Marvel Cinematic Universe until his character became Captain America after Steve Rogers (Chris Evans) retired.

After meeting with the newly elected U.S. President Thaddeus Ross, played by Harrison Ford in his MCU debut, Sam finds himself in the middle of an international incident. He must foil a nefarious global plot before the true mastermind has the entire world seeing red." Captain America: Brave New World" stars Anthony Mackie, Danny Ramirez, Shira Haas, Xosha Roquemore, Carl Lumbly, with Giancarlo Esposito, Liv Tyler, Tim Blake Nelson, and Harrison Ford.

The audience rating on Rotten Tomatoes for "Captain America: Brave New World" is 79%, with one saying that it "felt like the good ol' days of Marvel movies." Rotten Tomatoes critics were less generous, agreeing that though "Anthony Mackie capably takes up Cap's mantle and shield, Brave New World is too routine." The movie is rated PG-13 for intense sequences of violence, action, and some strong language, with a runtime of 118min.

Tickets are on sale now for the theater's annual variety show, "Songs of the Elements." The fire, water, earth, and air-themed variety show will feature songs including "Dirt on my Boots," "Disco Inferno," "Landslide," and "Splish Splash." A wide range of genres, including pop, rock, country, and classical, inspired the show's music. Show dates are March 28 - 30. Tickets are available online at [libertytheater.org](http://libertytheater.org) or at the box office on Tuesday and Friday, 2-5 p.m. in person, or call (509)382-1380.

The upcoming movie lineup is "Captain America: Brave New World," on March 14-18, and "Paddington in Peru" on March 21-25, and "Last Breath" on April 4-8.

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### JEFFERSON PARK POND IS STOCKED AND READY

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Jefferson Park Pond is now stocked with rainbow trout, and the Lyons Ferry and Tucannon Fish Hatcheries will continue to stock the pond throughout the spring season.

Fishing at Jefferson Park Pond is governed by Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife rules and regulations. Jefferson Park Pond is open for juvenile anglers, senior anglers, and anglers with a disability who possess a designated harvester companion card. Adults can help bait a hook and remove fish from the hook but cannot fish, cast, or hold the pole for a child. Fishing is allowed year-round in the daytime hours. Boats or other floating devices are not allowed on the pond.

**POOL - FROM PAGE 1** ingness to go above and beyond for the pool. We also appreciate Boe Stevenson for our levy mailer and for being willing to help Cole," said board member Terri Hessler. "This will be a community pool, and the community is stepping up to help."

Local swim lessons have not been available to Columbia County youth since the Dayton municipal pool closed in 2018. The Friends of the Pool is using donations and grants to work with the Dayton School District, The Club of Dayton, and the Walla Walla Y to provide swimming lessons for young school-age students. More advanced training for older students interested in becoming lifeguards and swimming instructors will also be available.

The Friends of the Pool will pay for the busing and swim lessons at the Walla Walla Y during the school year. The same expenses will be covered for kids from The Club who want to swim and take classes at the Prescott Pool in the summer. All the program's stakeholders are excited about providing lessons and lifeguard training to Dayton youth and hope to sustain the program until the pool is built.

The March CCPRPD meeting will focus on assessing the architect and engineering companies that submitted statements of qualification request and set by the board.

"We appreciate all who have donated to help build the pool, whether individually or through the gift guide," said Hessler on behalf of the board. "Your continued support means everything as we jump through all the hoops and navigate all the paperwork involved in getting our pool built."

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### WWCC'S JOHN DEERE TECH PROGRAM EARNS PRESTIGIOUS PLATINUM STATUS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — John Deere designates platinum, gold, silver, and bronze rankings to schools participating in its TECH Program. Walla Walla Community College's John Deere program has been awarded the platinum, the highest level, for its outstanding work in 2024. The recognition is reserved for programs that go above and beyond in key areas such as instructor development, advisory board engagement, enrollment, retention, facilities, processes, scholarships, and safety.

It is a meaningful achievement for Program Director Matthew Bishop, who took the helm of the program in 2023. Bishop sees the award as a testament to the dedication and hard work of WWCC instructors and students, as well as the partnership between John Deere dealerships.

"This award reflects the commitment of the school, our instructors, and the dealerships we collaborate with. We all believe in the value of this program, which is why it has thrived for the past 30 years," said Bishop.

John Deere partners with 24 colleges in the U.S. and Canada. The WWCC launched the John Deere TECH Program in 1994. It was the second school to participate in the program after John Deere established it in 1989.

"For a long time, we were the only program west of the Mississippi, and to this day, we remain the only one west of the Rockies," Bishop explained.

While most of the John Deere TECH programs across the country hold gold status, WWCC's Platinum ranking sets it apart, providing greater access to scholarships and expanded training opportunities for students and faculty.

Interested in learning more? Visit the WWCC John Deere Tech Program website [www.wcc.edu/programs/john-deere-technology](http://www.wcc.edu/programs/john-deere-technology).

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**April 2, 2025 - 6 p.m.**  
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for Transition to Kindergarten  
in the 2025-26 School Year  
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the Starbuck School District for the 2025-2026  
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509-399-2381  
717 Tucannon St., Starbuck, WA

### BIRTHDAYS

**March 13:** Corey Puckett, Susan Watson, Kathy Logeman, Darla Fischer, Ryan Shweid, Dan Mortimore, Darin Groom, Louie Gagnon, Scott Hagerman, Mark Lanning, and Larry Branson.

**March 17:** Sarge Frohreich, Joan Ruble, John Butler, Winton Lytle, Brian Doering and Kristi Unholz.

**March 18:** Sherrie Larsen, Ben Daniel and Marisa Hoops.

**March 19:** Verna Allen, Elaine Reese, Norma Johnson, Josh Mayberry and E. Neil Stephens, and Beka Compton

**March 15:** Drew Farley, Debra Olson, Stacey Mohny, Gage Baker, Sharon Puckett, Sara Payne Dimak, and Lolita Clayton.

**March 16:** Edna Clough, Mike Estes, Edith Largent, Carol Heilbrun, Michael Kerry, Guy Keeney, Chenae Dahlstrom,



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WELCOME TO FAMILY SCIENCE NIGHT!

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Waitsburg School District will host Whitman College for a Family Science Night on Thursday, March 6, in the Preston Hall gym. Whitman brings science nights to students and families in the fall and spring at different schools throughout the valley; this was the first time it was held in Waitsburg.

The event provided an interactive evening of science geared towards K-5 students and their families. Preston Hall was filled with parents watching their children get excited about science through engaging hands-on activities.

Over an hour, there were hands-on demonstrations in chemistry, biology, physics, geology, and math made possible through funding from the National Science Foundation.

The event took over 20 volunteers to help the students navigate and get the most out of each of the 12 stations. Waitsburg volunteers assisted the Whitman College faculty members, interns, and students who brought the engaging experience to Preston Hall.

Subjects at the stations included radial chromatography, make your own ice cream, catapults, magnification, fossil-making, and the always popular slime station. The students were able to take home their creations, including bird-coated pinecones and wiggly worms.

Whitman College was joined by the members of the Audubon Society, Tri-State Steelheaders, Sustainable Living Center, and the Water & Environmental Center, who added stations for their groups at the event.

The program's National Science Foundation funding is a three-year grant requiring the college to show active research and community impact and engagement.

The next Family Science Night will be at Davis Elementary School in College Place on April 3.



Karen Huwe

(above) Flynn Richardson reluctantly pets a snake.

(below) Anne Walsh assists kids in making small catapults.



Karen Huwe

Coach Hunter Wallace, Cedar Stegall, Michelle Chavez, Alyssa Byers, Pilar Diza Easton, Fredy Chavez, Marion Duncan, Brenton Segraves, Alyssa Hollingsworth, Tucker Hamilton, Olivia Duncan, Teegan Kenney, Leif Heckman, Coach Dan Nechodom (not pictured – Addison Crenshaw)

WAITSBURG TRACK ATHLETES READY TO COMPETE

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School track season begins on Saturday, March 15, at a jamboree at Walla Walla High School. The jamboree will not include 200m, 400m, or relays. Running and field events begin at noon.

Coaches Dan Nechodom and Hunter Wallace have thirteen athletes ready to compete in their first season meet against College Place, DeSales, Kennewick, and Walla Walla athletes.

"We are trying to get them off to a good start with lots of fundamental movements and core strengthening," said Coach Nechodom. "You build a foundation before putting up the house."

Coach Wallace is in her first year of coaching track at Waitsburg. Wallace brings knowledge and experience to the program, said Nechodom.

LEGAL NOTICES

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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
In re the Estate of:  
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Deceased.  
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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 of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
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Personal Representative: KATHLEEN S. PRICE GERLING  
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
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**St. Mark Catholic Church**  
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382-2311  
Fr. Steve Werner

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504 Main  
Sunday School 8:45 a.m.  
Worship 10 a.m.  
337-6589  
Pastor Heidi Lum

**Waitsburg Chapel**  
320 W. 2nd  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6 p.m.  
Bible Study  
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.  
337-6235  
Rev. Jimmie Daves

**Waitsburg Christian Church**  
604 Main St  
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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Each Sunday  
337-8898  
Pastor Cameron Hedges

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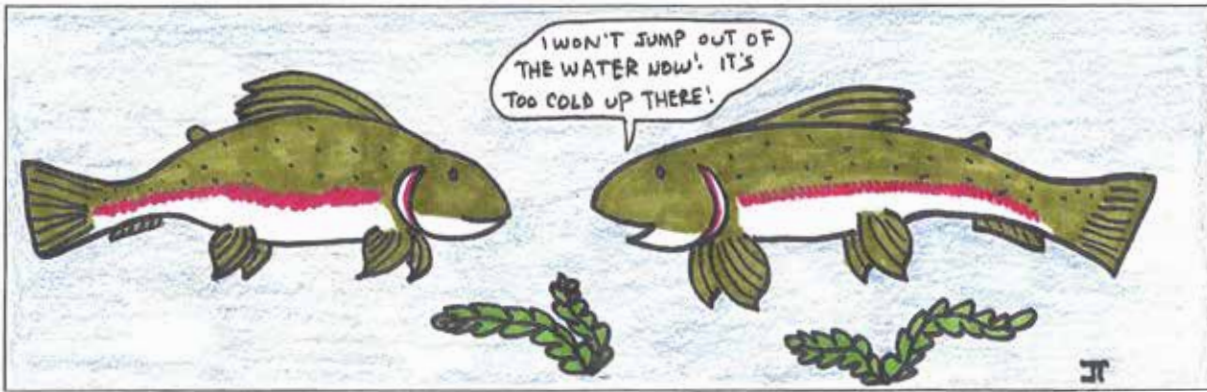
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No. 25-3-00003-7  
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DAWN M. ROBERTS,  
Deceased.

The person named below has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator, or to the Administrator'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 (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the notice to the creditor 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 RCW § 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
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GRAVIS LAW, PLLC  
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Attorney for Administrator  
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# FUN & GAMES

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT by Wagner



"Call the conference on global warming and tell them I'm running late!"

## PIONEER PORTRAITS

**Fifteen Years Ago**  
**March 11, 2010**

If Waitsburg had royalty, Bettie Lloyd Chase would be queen. A descendant of one of the original pioneer families, she is the go-to person for any questions having to do with the history of the town – much of which she herself has helped preserve.

In fine weather, she reigns from a seat on her porch, granting passersby a congenial greeting or a wave. Other times, she's bound to make an appearance at the round table of the Waitsburg Hardware & Mercantile, hands resting one atop the other on the head of her cane. Her wit is as razor-sharp as her mind; she does not tolerate fools easily. And today, Bettie turns 90.

**Twenty-Five Years Ago**  
**March 9, 2000**

Nancy Mathews has grave concerns about living on "Cemetery Street." All kidding aside, residing on Cemetery Street was never a problem for Mathews while her mailing address was a route and box. But now that address changes for E-911 meld her physical address with her mailing address, Mathews wants the street name changed.

"I just want a pleasing street name," Mathews said. She implored with the Waitsburg City Council a second time last week for a different street name. She first suggested Mathews Street in honor of her deceased husband but concedes Buttercup or Wilson (for Wilson Hollow) would be fine with her.

**Fifty Years Ago**  
**March 13, 1975**



[Photo caption] Cake decorators at the recent Blue and Gold Banquet. Left to right, Tod Larson, Tim Hulce, Matt Shea and Todd Wood.

**Seventy-Five Years Ago**  
**March 17, 1950**

Effective April 1, the Mill Stream Dairy is being sold by Kenneth Bickelhaupt to the Dayton Creamery which is operated by Gus Hansen.

Glen Smith and Son have recently purchased a 260-acre tract of land in the Columbia Basin project near Pasco.

Mr. and Mrs. bob Brown are parents of twin sons Ben and Bill, born Sunday morning at St Mary Hospital.

Lewis Patton rode to town in a helicopter last week and had to hitchhike a ride back home.

**One Hundred Years Ago**  
**March 20, 1925**

Tentative acceptance of a proposition from the Waitsburg City Council to the Board of County Commissioners for a new bridge across the Touchet River on the north end of Main Street to be built this spring and summer on a 50-50 basis, was accepted by the Board.

Sam Wills seems to be going into the chicken business "right" this season. He says he has 15 incubators going, the total of eggs running into the thousands.

George Gross was down Wednesday from Jasper Mountain and reports 4 inches of snow on the first ridge which fell Monday while it was raining in the valley.

**One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago**  
**March 23, 1900**

Seventh Street is being opened west to the county road, a street that has been long needed and which will be a great convenience to residents in that part of the city.

C. H. Kingman and family have moved into the Hicks residence on East Seventh Street. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks will leave about the first of the month for a summer visit to relatives and friends in eastern states.

The chicken law will be in force April 1st so keep your fowls up and save trouble.

## Events, Film, Performance, Music

### WAITSBURG

**ROYAL BLOCK**  
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WINTER HOURS THU+FRI 4-8PM, SAT 2-8PM

MAR 15

SPANISH TAPAS, WINES AND MUSIC

4-6PM: SPANISH TAPAS AND VALDEMAR WINES

6-8PM FLAMENCO MUSIC BY GUSTAVO ALONSO LÓPEZ



**Mythical/Movable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam**  
**Friday, March 14**  
at 7 p.m.  
at the Big Red Barn

12241 Lower Waitsburg Rd  
On the Lower Waitsburg Road, located about 11 miles north of Walla Walla/ about 6 miles south of Waitsburg! White farmhouse and red barn on the west side of the road. (There is a white farmhouse/ red barn combo on the east side.... so, don't get confused).

### DAYTON

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## Lunches

### WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, March 18**  
Stuffed Peper Casserole  
Cookie  
Bread  
Fruit



### WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Thursday, March 13**

Breakfast

Cinnamon roll & scrambled eggs

Lunch

Corndogs, Jojos

Caesar salad

Carrots, mixed fruit

**Friday, March 14**

Breakfast

Breakfast sandwiches

Lunch

Ham & Cheese Sandwiches

Ms. Brynne's house salad

Carrots, apples

Something crunchy

**Monday, March 17**

Breakfast

Donut & eggs

Lunch

Shepherd's Pie

Roasted Corn

Peaches, Warm Roll

**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

**Tuesday, March 18**

Breakfast

Biscuits & Gravy

Lunch

Beef Nachos, Fresh Toppings

Black Bean Salsa

Apples

**Wednesday, March 19**

Breakfast

French Toast & Bacon

Lunch

Cheeseburgers, French Fries

Celery & Carrots

Oranges



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# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword

INTELLECTUAL TREAT

- ACROSS**
- 1 Accord, Civic and Pilot  
7 Blue toon  
12 Hubbubs  
16 Honorary deg. for a jurist  
19 Unicellular organism  
20 Subdued, with "down"  
21 Receives a salary, say  
23 Boston baseballers  
24 Verb form in "I used to solve puzzles," e.g.  
26 Position of advantage  
28 Stuff in some viral genes  
29 How — (manuals)  
30 Detroit-to-Philly dir.  
31 Job opening  
33 Literary finale  
36 War deity  
40 Pre- — (replace)  
44 What's allotted in soccer when a player is hurt  
46 Sell in stores  
49 Thinned out  
51 Bohemian lager
- 52 "Fathers and Sons" novelist  
54 Notion, in Nice  
55 Story  
56 Lions' locale  
57 L-Q linkup  
58 "Little" co-star Rae  
62 In the best-case scenario  
65 Sibling who looks the same  
68 Japanese menu item in "I used to solve puzzles," e.g.  
69 Fall mo.  
70 Suffix of superlatives  
71 Korean, e.g.  
72 Molar requiring extraction, maybe  
76 Title for Gandhi  
78 "Good Will Hunting" director Gus Van —  
79 Virtuosos  
80 Screening airport org.  
81 Oodles  
82 Love deity  
83 Dog with a reddish, wiry coat  
88 Beirut's land  
92 Barney Fife portrayer Don
- 93 Charred  
94 Retreat in the clouds  
96 Downs food  
98 Good friends  
99 River mouth features  
100 From scratch  
102 Horse's kin  
105 San  
Francisco's — Valley  
106 Aged  
107 Invention of Rorschach  
115 Painful podiatric problem  
119 Geronimo's people  
120 2003-16 Cowboys quarterback  
121 Large spoon  
122 "Peanuts" girl  
123 Former United rival  
124 Has- —  
125 Lectern, e.g.  
126 Group of PC experts ... or what this puzzle's 10 theme answers are?
- DOWN**
- 1 Mata —  
2 Boding sign  
3 Signals "OK"  
4 Lucy's Amaz  
5 House  
6 "Wailing" instruments  
7 Rouse  
8 NYC cultural center  
9 Like many insensitive jokes  
10 Smells awful  
11 32nd prez  
12 Will Smith's role in "Men in Black"  
13 Ten: Prefix  
14 Hitter Mel  
15 Concorde, e.g., in brief  
16 Ointment base  
17 Thin, supple and graceful  
18 34th prez  
22 — fours (teacakes)  
25 Fern leaf  
27 Golf ball prop  
32 "Salt" co-star Schreiber  
33 Port city near Buffalo, NY  
34 TV's Gomer  
35 Neighbor of Belg.  
36 Grande of pop, to fans  
37 Gun, as an engine  
38 Greek vowel  
39 Christmas party headwear  
41 Fuel efficiency stat  
42 Forecasts  
43 Found on a radio dial  
45 "What's —?" (Bugs Bunny's greeting)  
47 Like tilted type  
48 Break in the action  
50 State bird of Hawaii  
53 Marina del —  
54 Beginning ltr.  
57 Volcano in Calif.  
58 "We're in danger here!"  
59 Loretta of "M\*A\*S\*H"  
60 Thailand, once  
61 Noted visitor to 60-Down  
62 Wife of Osiris  
63 Part of Russia's parliament  
64 Fox Sports competitor  
66 Webpage  
67 Pakistani city  
69 Lyric poems  
73 Occult cards  
74 Low-budget, in adpeak  
75 Other, in Oviedo  
76 Wrestling pad  
77 Stein drinks  
82 "Watermark" singer  
83 Apropos of  
84 33rd prez  
85 Radio host  
Glass  
86 Japanese menu item  
87 Tpk., e.g.  
88 Cornea cover  
89 Still, at this late date  
90 Salami alternative  
91 Vein's cousin  
92 Japanese fencing style  
95 Sam of Sam's Club  
97 Actor Mineo  
101 Be victorious in  
103 "Same goes for me"  
104 Honoree on Mar. 17  
106 "I'm buying"  
108 Zlich  
109 Potter's oven  
110 Ran, as dye  
111 Sharp-tasting  
112 Brutus' "Behold!"  
113 Actor LaBeouf  
114 Burst (with)  
115 Hairy sitcom cousin  
116 Celestial ball  
117 Suffering  
118 Golf's Ernie

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## WAITSBURG ARTIST PRESENTS DIGITAL CAMERA OBSCURA MARCH 16 AT COMBINE ART COLLECTIVE

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Carrie Hendrix, musician, luthier, inventor, photographer, and educator is one of the ten Waitsburg artists exhibiting in the "Straight Outta Waitsburg" exhibit at the collective gallery.

Hendrix will bring her inventive camera obscuras to the collective for its "Sundays at the Gallery" on March 16 between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. This is a chance for artists and photographers to learn her techniques to create pinhole camera images with a digital camera. Hendrix invites the public to bring their digital cameras to use her handmade camera obscuras.



Carrie Hendrix

(above) Waitsburg's Main Street taken by Hendrix with her digital camera through the lens of a camera obscura.



Lane Gwinn

(above) Carrie Hendrix using one of her first camera obscuras.



Lane Gwinn

(right) A split image showing the image Hendrix's camera obscura captured on top, and the way the image looks when viewed through the lens.

## Weekly SUDOKU

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
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## Weekly SUDOKU

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## Community Calendar

### WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS



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

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

#### Waitsburg School Board

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

**Waitsburg Home and School Association** – First Wednesday  
of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School  
Library. All parents, school district staff, or community mem-  
bers are welcome.

#### Waitsburg Booster Club

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

#### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

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

#### Waitsburg Historical Society

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



#### Weller Public Library Board of Trustees

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

**Friends of the Weller Public Library**  
Second Tuesday of the month, @ 7:15 p.m.

#### Waitsburg Commercial Club

Last Thursdays of the month @ Ten Ton Coffee @noon. Zoom info is available  
by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)

#### Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank

Food donations on Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.  
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Clothing donations accepted at the Waitsburg Christian Church  
604 Main Street, upstairs



### DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

#### Board of Columbia County Commissioners

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

#### Dayton City Council

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

#### Dayton School Board

First and third Wednesday of the month @ 6 p.m. @ Day-  
ton High School auditorium

#### DHS Alumni Meeting

Every Third Thursday @ 6:30 p.m.  
Dayton Eagles on Main St. Dayton.

#### The Coalition for Youth and Families

Second Tuesday of the month @ noon @ The Port of Colum-  
bia - 1 Port Way, Dayton, Wash.

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

Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for informa-  
tion.

#### Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852  
3836 3787  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

#### Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District

Regular Board Meetings are held the last Thursday of each month, 5 p.m. at the  
Columbia County Fire District Conference Room

#### Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon  
Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delany  
Library with online Zoom available.



### PRESCOTT MEETINGS

Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD) Monthly meetings for 2024 are 2nd  
Thursday of each month, @ 6pm



### STARBUCK MEETINGS

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