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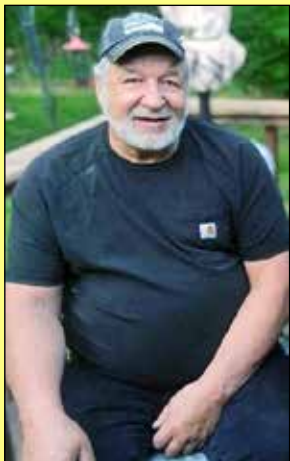
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Waitsburg High School Cheerleaders, Waitsburg Parks and Rec, and facilitator Jillian Henze hosted a youth cheer camp at Preston Park. Kids ages 4 to 17 learned cheers, a dance, and basic-level stunting from August 19 to 21. Above, Henze and the cheerleaders taught the campers cheer moves under the shade of park trees.

Lane Gwinn

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## Port updates grain cluster progress, holds RR appraisal

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Columbia Port Commissioners held their regular meeting at 5 p.m. on August 14, 2024, at the port's conference room. Commissioners present were Seth Bryan, Johnny Watts, Mike Spring, and the Executive Director, Jennie Dickinson.

There was no public comment during the first opportunity to do so.

The commissioners handled the usual administrative items, including approval of past minutes and the monthly budget. The commissioners briefly discussed next year's budget, due this November.

This fall, a federal financial audit of the port will be conducted due to the use of federal grants this year. It will be the first financial audit since 2003.

Dickinson presented port asset updates. D & C Detailing, operating in the industrial park building five, has renewed its lease for two years.

The director said she and Mainstem Malt are interviewing architects for the Grain Cluster project and sent proposal requests to two architectural firms.

Dickinson said she is considering moving Food Stock up one week after the last two events were held on excessively hot days. On the original date, Food Stock had to wait to open until after the Dayton Alumni Parade finished. By moving the date up a week, the event can take advantage of the cooler temperatures earlier in the day. Dickinson said participants at Alumni Weekend are too busy with their events to attend Food Stock, so there is no advantage in holding it the same weekend.

Following up on the concerns about graffiti on parked railroad cars, Dickinson said the sheriff's department could not act unless they catch a perpetrator in the act. Some citizens had previously told the port they feared the graffiti was gang-related.

According to Dickinson, the CWW Railroad appraisal will cost about \$56,000 and is over her signature approval limit. Since the rail operator must pay half the cost, the commissioners will wait for CWW's approval before signing a contract with the appraisal firm.

Spring said he would like to see the CWW Railroad handle passenger cars. The commissioners voted to allow Dickinson to sign the appraisal agreement pending approval of the rail operator.

The Rural Broadband project is waiting for funding from BEAD (Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment), which will not be enough to provide fiber lines for every rural household required by the BEAD funding. An alternative solution will have to be found to provide affordable internet service to everyone in the county.

Spring's Dayton Development Task Force update included efforts to install more benches and bike racks on Main Street. There was a discussion about moving the Sacajawea statue to a location where more people can enjoy it. The task force is also considering installing a splash pad if funding can be found.

In the final public comment period, Dave Harvey said the employee raises in next year's proposed budget were "ridiculously low." He hoped the commissioners would consider better compensation for the port employees.

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## Deputy Quigg recognized at Dayton City Council meeting

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON- Mayor Roger Trump called the Dayton City Council to order at 6:00 p.m., August 13, 2024. Mayor Roger Trump and all council members were at City Hall, including Teeny McMunn, Michael Smith, Laura Aukerman, Joann Patras, Kyle Anderson, James Su'euga, and Shannon McMillen.

Ryan Rundell, speaking for Columbia County, reported July dispatch numbers. The city had 433 law enforcement calls and 172 for the county. There were five city fire calls and eleven for the county. EMS calls were 26 for the city and 17 for the county. Rundell said the commissioners were still looking for volunteers from the public to serve on the Columbia County Board of Health.

Sheriff Helm said Chief Civil Deputy Tim Quigg's retirement party, celebrating 43 years of service, would be held at the Best Western Hotel from 1 to 4 p.m. on August 31. Deputy Quigg's wife will host the party.



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Congratulations to Chief Civil Deputy Tim Quigg on his retirement from the Columbia County Sheriff's Department after 43 years of exemplary service..

Helm said the department would increase traffic enforcement during the start of school later this month.

The Chamber of Commerce Director, Belinda Larsen, said the chamber awarded grants for storefront improvements to Main Street businesses, including Locally Nourished, Hotel Hardware, and Main Street Salon. She said the chamber was working on installing locally made bike racks downtown. Larsen also reminded everyone to check out the new Vicky's Sweet Shop, describing it as "really cool."

The council handled several administrative items before considering Resolution 1548 to adopt a policy covering Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT). Auditors had recommended a policy since there was no EFT policy. The resolution passed without debate.

The council discussed Resolution 1549 which would adopt a policy on utility shutoffs for nonpayment during extreme heat events. State law prohibits a city from terminating water service for nonpayment during

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NEWS BRIEFS

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LETTERS

AT THE LIBERTY:  
"Twisters"

THE TIMES

DAYTON — "Twisters" is a stand-alone chapter of the 1996 blockbuster "Twister." The new movie stars Daisy Edgar-Jones ("Where the Crawdads Sing," "Normal People") and Glen Powell ("Anyone but You," "Top Gun: Maverick") as opposing forces who try to predict and possibly tame the immense power of tornadoes.

Edgar-Jones stars as Kate Cooper, a former storm chaser haunted by a devastating encounter with a tornado during her college years who now studies storm patterns on screens safely in New York City. She is lured back to the open plains by her friend, Javi (Anthony Ramos), to test a groundbreaking new tracking system.

There, she crosses paths with Tyler Owens (Powell), a charming and reckless social-media superstar who thrives on posting his storm-chasing adventures with his raucous crew; the more dangerous, the better. As storm season intensifies, terrifying phenomena never seen before are unleashed. Kate, Tyler, and their competing teams find themselves squarely in the paths of multiple storm systems converging over central Oklahoma in the fight of their lives.

RATED: PG-13 for intense action and peril, some language and injury images. Runtime is 122 minutes. Rotten Tomatoes rates this movie as 75% and 91% favorable by critics and audiences.

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THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The 2024 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Rodeo promises to feature the best cowboys in the business. The show's organizers say it will be an unforgettable showcase of top-tier talent, heart-pounding action, and thrilling competition that will leave you on the edge of your seat.

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- Rodeo Dates: August 30th - September 1st
- Location: Walla Walla Fairgrounds

Don't miss the chance to see the finest cowboys and cowgirls in the world as they gather at the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Rodeo. This event promises to captivate audiences of all ages and create lasting memories!

For ticket details, the event schedule, and more information about the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days Rodeo, visit [www.wallawallafairgrounds.com](http://www.wallawallafairgrounds.com).



BIRTHDAYS

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

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

**August 24:** Zach Bartlow, Cathy Lambert, Audeana Ritter, Bryan Harris, Denise Reid, Matt Everett, Taelor Carter.

**August 25:** Michaela Nordheim, Marion Spear, Roland LeVasseur, Alan Stephens, Anne Hubbard, Bryan St. Clair, Melissa Lambert, and Monroe McCaw.

**August 26:** Gail Gwinn,


Ann Barr, Betty Mason, Beverly Harper, Darin Mayer, Jeff Katsel, Steven Lybecker.

**August 27:** Brian Richards, Bonnie Brookshire, Amy Farley, Tom Mock, Kippy Counts, Steve Gusse, Shannon Bloor, Justin Gagnon, Ashley Witt, Michelle Gouge, Eric Mahoney, Shannon Wertz, Troy Crowfoot, Shannon Wertz.

**August 28:** Michelle Donavon, Jerome Baumann, Daniel Harshman, Shelby Janovich, Robert White.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR ON BEHALF OF BERTHA CLAYTON

Bertha Clayton and those of us on her campaign committee are encouraged by the primary election results for Walla Walla County Commissioner, District 1. We hope voters will continue their engagement through the General Election on November 5th.

Bertha is working hard to meet prospective constituents. I find her eager to educate, engage meaningfully, and respond to inquiries in person via Facebook and on her webpage.

Only District 1 voters had an opportunity to vote in the primary but voters in all three districts are eligible to vote for position 1 in November.

The work of our commissioners is important to all of us and depends on well-informed voters. Registration online and by mail ends October 28th, and in-person registration is open until 8:00 pm on election day. Ballots will be mailed October 18th.

I am impressed with Bertha Clayton, she will act with transparency, is dedicated to public service, and proactively reaching out to constituents. I admire her work ethic and championship of good ideas. Please consider joining me in supporting Bertha for County Commissioner.

Jill Zagelow  
Walla Walla, Wash.

WAITSBURG FFA AWARDED 2-STAR RATING

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg FFA Chapter was recognized as a Superior Chapter and a State Gold National Chapter after meeting goals set forth by the National Chapter Award Program. The chapter qualified in the top ten percent in the State of Washington as a Gold Chapter and competed for National FFA 3-star, 2-star, or 1-star rating.

Waitsburg's chapter was highlighted for its activities in its best nine categories, including growing leaders, building communities, and strengthening agriculture. The Waitsburg FFA Chapter exceeded expectations over the years in student involvement, and its well-rounded program is a testament to the leaders and members.

The chapter earned a 2-star rating and will be recognized at the next National Convention.

"Recognition like this comes from the members, parents, and community," said FFA advisor Nicole Abel.

FFA President for the '24-'25 school year, Alyssa Hollingsworth, said, "I think it is such an amazing achievement for our small chapter. Both the members and officer teams have dedicated time and resources, as well as sacrificing much family time, to better our Chapter these past few years. Not only does being a 2-Star Chapter mean we are becoming more well known and getting our name out, but it also means we will have the opportunity to be recognized on stage at the National FFA Convention."

Congratulations to the Waitsburg FFA.



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Chapter President Alyssa Hollingsworth at the Washington Leadership Conference D.C last month.

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William “Bill” Carter

May 4, 1949 – August 12, 2024

William “Bill” Carter, 75, of Dayton, passed away on August 12th, 2024, at his mountain home. Bill was born in Walla Walla on May 4th, 1949. He was raised in Walla Walla and Grandview and graduated from Grandview High School in 1967. Following graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served two tours in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged in 1972 and was awarded a National Defense Medal, a Good Conduct Medal, and Vietnam Service and Campaign Medals with two bronze stars.

He returned to Walla Walla and worked at the V.A. Hospital as a Boiler Plant Operator, where he met his wife, Linda (Romine) Carter. He later accepted a position at the Corps of Engineers as a Mechanical Foreman and managed many dams throughout Washington. He then retired and started B.C. Plumbing and worked as a plumbing contractor for many years in the Walla Walla Valley. He and Linda moved to Dayton in 2004 and built their home on the mountain.

Bill was a member of the Walla Walla 59ers, the Walla Walla Wagon Wheelers, and served as Wagonmaster and volunteer rodeo staff for the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days for many years. He was also a member of the Columbia County Planning and Building Commission. He was a true craftsman and could build anything from the ground up whether it was a home, a Harley, or a hot rod, he had a gift.

He is survived by his son, Michael Carter of Kooskia, ID; his daughter, Christina Atteberry of Dayton; his granddaughter, Jessie Atteberry of Spokane; his sister, Wilma Heaton of Springfield, OR; the Juergens family of Patterson, WA; Gordon Farley of Dayton; and his former mother-in-law, Rosalie Kilmer of Walla Walla. He is preceded in death by his parents, Clinton



William “Bill” Carter  
May 4, 1949 — August 12, 2024

and Katherine Carter; his uncle and aunt, Alvin and Donnabelle Fry; his son-in-law, Clint Atteberry; his former wife, Linda Carter; and his former father-in-law, Fritz Voros.

A Celebration of Life will be held on September 21st, 2024, at 1:00 at the Wagon Wheelers Clubhouse located at 378 S. Hussey St. in Walla Walla. Special thanks to Tom & Elizabeth Jagelski and Juan Arebalos, all the family and friends who visited Bill in his final days, and to Columbia County Transportation, Sheriff’s Office and Fire District, Kyle’s Towing, and the many Walla Walla and Columbia County citizens who participated in his procession home for the last time. Corbeill Funeral Home of Dayton, Washington, has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to [www.corbeillfuneralhomes.com](http://www.corbeillfuneralhomes.com).

Clarke named interim WSD Superintendent

Clarke stepped in to serve following Woods’ resignation.

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Following a special school board meeting on Aug. 16, the Waitsburg School Board voted to select Dr. Carol Clarke as interim superintendent for the 2024-25 school year. This decision comes a little more than two weeks after the board accepted the resignation of former superintendent David Woods, who told staff he was leaving the position due to health issues.

Clarke is a retired Waitsburg School District Superintendent who retired in June 2017. She has more than 40 years of experience in education, teaching everything from early childhood education to graduate-level classes. She has also been a member of the Waitsburg School Board since Dec. 15, 2021.

As a board member, Clarke recused herself from all discussions regarding the interim superintendent search.

Clarke was offered the position and entered contract negotiations with the district. Once Clarke officially accepts the superintendent position, she will need to resign from the school board before a contract can be signed. The board hopes to approve the contract during its next meeting.

The next step for the board will be to begin its search for a permanent superintendent. They want to have someone selected and in place for the 2025-26 school year. “The Times” will have more information on the superintendent search process soon.



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Interim Superintendent Carol Clarke

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LEGAL NOTICES

**SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON, WALLA WALLA COUNTY**  
No. 24-4-00196-36  
Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)  
In re the Estate of Daniel R. Mellish, Deceased  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (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 timeframe, 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 assets.  
Date of First Publication: August 15, 2024  
Barbara A. Mellish, Personal Representative  
Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC, WSBA #15451  
P.O. Box 1233  
Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1529  
Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court  
315 W. Main  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR PIERCE COUNTY**  
No. 24-4-01805-3  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In the Matter of the Estate of: TIMOTHY WILLIAM HEMPHILL, Deceased.  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE  
The above Court has appointed me as Personal Representative of Decedent's estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must present the claim: (a) Before the time when the claim would be barred by any applicable statute of limitations, and (b) In the manner 14 provided in RCW 11.40.070: (i) By filing the original of the claim with the foregoing Court, and (ii) By serving on or mailing to me at the address below a copy of the claim. The claim 15 must be presented by the later of: (a) Thirty (30) days after I served or mailed this Notice as provided in RCW 11.40.020(1)(c), or (b) Four (4) months after the date of first publication of 16 this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time period, the claim will be forever barred except as provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective for claims 17 against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
Date of First Publication of this Notice: August 22, 2024  
Decedent's SSN (for WDSHS only):  
/s/ Sadie Childs, Personal Representative  
By Attorney for Personal Representative: Marta L. O'Brien, WSBA No. 46416 Address for Mailing and Service: 2301 North 30th Street, Tacoma, WA 98403  
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**SUPERIOR COURT, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**  
No. 24-4-0020036  
NON-PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.42.030)  
In re the Estate of: DONALD EDWARD CASE-BOLT, Deceased.  
The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of the filing of a copy of this notice with the court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in the state of Washington. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed. 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 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent'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 notice agent's declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the notice agent served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.42.020(2)(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 11.42.050 and 11.42.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
Date of First Publication: 8-22-2024  
The notice agent declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Wash-

ington on August 12, 2024, at College Place, Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.  
/s/ ROBERT W. VAN DORN  
Notice Agent c/o Upper Columbia Corp. of SDA's 505 S. College Ave.  
College Place, WA 99324 (509) 242-0481  
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA IN PROBATE**  
No. 24-4-00187-36  
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS  
In the Matter of the Estate of DOROTHY A. POLK, Deceased,  
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as the 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 addresses stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This is against both decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 8, 2024.  
Personal Representative: Is/ Christine M. Wallace, WSB # 20134  
Attorney at Law  
801 S. Main Street  
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SWIM THE SNAKE DELIGHTED WATER ENTHUSIASTS

THE TIMES

LYONS FERRY — The eleventh annual Swim the Snake, an open-water swim and paddling event, was held on Saturday, August 10, at Lyons Ferry State Park and Lyons Ferry Marina. This event is a fundraiser for the Blue Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council, a regional non-profit that supports local competitive youth summer swim programs in Southeast Wash. The popular event was first held in 2013.

Twenty open-water swimmers and seven paddlers enjoyed the warm summer day, refreshing river temperature, and negligible winds.

The paddlers started the event at Lyons Ferry Marina and paddled to Lyons Ferry State Park. Once they reached the marina, the open-water swimmers entered the water.

River patrols from Columbia and Franklin Counties, managed traffic in the channel to protect participants. Kennewick's U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary was on course for an added safety measure. The event organizers coordinated with local barge companies and monitored grain growers' river traffic closely before and during the event.

Many volunteers helped guide the swimmers and paddlers across the river, register for the event, check out, and pass out fresh, chilled melon slices and water afterward.

According to participants and event organizers, local volunteers are the backbone of this event.

Swim the Snake depends on sponsorships and donations from local businesses, including Puget Sound Energy, Blue Mountain Community Foundation, Banner Bank, and Dayton Chamber of Commerce. Washington State Parks, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Port of Columbia also support this event.

The next opportunity to Swim the Snake will be on August 9, 2025. Organizers will make registration details available by Thanksgiving at www.swimthesnake.org. See you in the river.



Submitted photo

(l to r) Swimmers Mary Adams and Jill Essency enjoyed sunny weather and low winds for their time in the Snake.

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Spring said the new owners would sign the sale agreement for Chief Springs Fire and Irons Brew Pub and pizzeria on Friday, August 16. Kurt and Sheila Berry, from the Tri-Cities, will take possession after Labor Day.

The next regular meeting of the Port Commissioners is scheduled for 5 p.m. on September 11, 2024, at the port and on Zoom.

(right) Commissioner Mike Spring announced the sale of his and wife Anne's successful business of 11 years.



Courtesy photo

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heat-related alerts, including an excessive heat warning, a heat advisory, or an excessive heat advisory.

Under state law, customers whose service was terminated for nonpayment may request reconnection during a heat event. Cities may establish repayment plans for customers whose service was reconnected under these circumstances, not exceeding six percent of the customer's income.

The city staff said repayment plans would be an administrative burden and may not cover the costs of setting them up.

Su'euga and Aukerman questioned the new policy, and Mayor Trump offered to table the measure to give the council more time to research the issue. Ultimately, Su'euga moved to approve the policy which passed, with Aukerman casting the only dissenting vote.

The council meeting adjourned before 7 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 6 p.m.

Touchet Valley Weather

Aug. 21, 2024

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Chance Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Few Showers	Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Mostly Cloudy
High: 81 Low: 55	High: 83 Low: 56	High: 78 Low: 53	High: 72 Low: 52	High: 77 Low: 54	High: 84 Low: 62	High: 86 Low: 63

Weather Trivia

What is a significant contributor to greenhouse gases?  
Answer: Charcoal fires.

Weather History

**Aug. 21, 1987** - Early morning thunderstorms produced severe weather in eastern Iowa and west central Illinois. Thunderstorms produced wind gusts to 82 mph at Moline, Ill. and tennis ball size hail at Independence, Iowa.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	
Tuesday	80	60	90/63	Trace	Precipitation ..... 0.04"
Wednesday	84	54	89/62	0.00"	Normal precipitation ..... 0.08"
Thursday	80	61	89/62	0.04"	Departure from normal ..... -0.04"
Friday	84	61	89/62	0.00"	Average temperature ..... 73.2°
Saturday	102	60	89/62	Trace	Average normal temperature ..... 75.4°
Sunday	87	65	88/61	0.00"	Departure from normal ..... -2.2°
Monday	85	62	88/61	0.00"	Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Last 8/26	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	First 9/11
	Wednesday	6:00 a.m.	7:50 p.m.	8:58 p.m.	8:22 a.m.	
	Thursday	6:02 a.m.	7:48 p.m.	9:17 p.m.	9:45 a.m.	
	Friday	6:03 a.m.	7:46 p.m.	9:38 p.m.	11:07 a.m.	
	Saturday	6:04 a.m.	7:45 p.m.	10:03 p.m.	12:30 p.m.	
	Sunday	6:05 a.m.	7:43 p.m.	10:34 p.m.	1:52 p.m.	
	Monday	6:07 a.m.	7:41 p.m.	11:13 p.m.	3:09 p.m.	
	Tuesday	6:08 a.m.	7:39 p.m.	Prev Day	4:18 p.m.	

RODEO

GARFIELD COUNTY FAIR & RODEO

Sunday, September 15th, 2024 at 1 pm  
Garfield County Fairgrounds Rodeo Arena  
**Sign-ups Tuesday, September 3rd, 6-9 pm**  
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NO LATE ENTRIES  
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# I went to a Garden Party

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

I went to a garden party, and to my surprise, I saw a face that was familiar but out of context. Then it hit me, “I know you from tennis.”

First, I thought, “What are you doing here,” but asked more politely, “How do you know this group?” It turns out that her husband is a guitarist in the host’s band, and they are long-time friends.

It was another connection in this cool web of the Waitsburg, Walla Walla, Dayton small-town labyrinth of friends. And, not that I would have anything bad to say, but it’s a good reminder of my mother’s words of wisdom.

First, if you have nothing nice to say, don’t say anything.

Second, don’t ever make a derogatory comment about someone; it will come back to haunt you.

The party was a welcome break with perfect temperatures, great wines, snacks, and a beautiful garden in which to enjoy them. I chatted with friends, met new people, and avoided some of the realities of life.



Back home was an unmitigated disaster site waiting for me to clean. I had enjoyed the breezy Saturday evening, so when I went to bed, I left the back door and windows open. Sunday morning, I woke up to a houseful of sand, dust, and grit in every room; the countertops were covered, the floors were like sandboxes, and the windowsills were brown and gritty. Basically, the evening’s wind storm covered all the surfaces and crevices with dust and dirt.

Daniel slept in Sunday morning, so there was no chance I could vacuum. I had to get ready to play tennis, so I attempted to start cleaning with a bit of silent sweeping. Then, stupidly, I got out the Swiffer Wet Jet. My floors went from grit to mud.

Giving up on the floors, I cleaned a few countertops and the stovetop, which had been buried under an avalanche. Moving to the bathroom, I cleaned the counter but decided the bathtub could wait until I showered—a twofer.

Arriving home after tennis, Daniel was awake, so I went on a vacuuming mission. Then I pulled out the mop, filled the sink with Murphy’s Oil and water, and began mopping. The Murphy’s left things a little sticky, so I had more muddy floors. And now they were covered in paw prints because Mugsy was

running around the house trying to get me to play with him.

For a break, I went outside to see how the garden was progressing. Cucumbers seem to be slowing down; I think I’ve had about five total, and I’m not confident I’ll see any more. Cherry tomatoes continue to take over the world, with the zucchini a close second. I am happy to say that my acorn squash is doing well.

The star of the garden continues to be spaghetti squash. I’ve picked four or five with an average weight of over five pounds. I have tons more growing and ready to be harvested. I found homes for some and brought one to the garden party. I hate to come to a party empty-handed, and it was a way to get rid of another squash. Yay, another twofer.

Tuesdays are not a tennis day, so I know I will spend more time digging out of dirt, getting Mugsy bathed (always an experience,) and some much-needed weeding.

Most importantly, I will always remember, “Shut the door and windows if it’s windy or even a little breezy.”



# Cars and Cheers as summer ends

THE TIMES

The Cruizin Prescott Car Show was held Saturday, August 17. The well attended show brings out car and truck lovers and thier rides. Waitsburg resident, Karl Newell, took home the Best Old Truck award for his 1951 Chevy Panel truck. He appreciated the Walla Walla Electric sponsored award.

At Cheer Camp this week, Waitsburg City Council member Jillian Henze offered kids 4 to 17 the chance to jump, climb, dance, cheer, and make new friends. Waitsburg Cheerleader Cedar Stegall helped these young campers successfully do a basic stunt called the thigh stand.



Submitted photo



Lane Gwinn

## Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

**WAITSBURG**  
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**Wednesday, August 21 @ 4 -7 p.m.**  
Rieslings WineTasting  
Llve music with **Michael Kelly Band @ 7 - 9**

**Wednesday, August 28 @ 4 -7 p.m.**  
White Blends WineTasting  
Llve music with **Front Stoop Players @ 7 - 9**



**AMERICAN 35**

**Sunday, August 25 —** National Whiskey Sour Day - a new price on an old classic; \$10 all day

**Friday, August 30 —** National Mai Tai Day - enjoy tiki-themed cocktails that put the “wow” in “luau!” And maybe take home a tiki cocktail glass



**WAITSBURG FOOD TRUCK NIGHTS**  
Wednesdays on the Slab  
Main Street by Simply Sawdust  
Wednesdays through August 28  
4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**RYES Rhythm & Fun Festival**  
**Waitsburg Fairgrounds**

**Games, Food, Youth Fiddle and Banjo Contest and Band Scramble**  
**Bluegrass Jam @ 6**  
**Jasper Mountain Opry Bluegrass @ 7**

**Saturday, August 24 at 4 to 9 p.m.**

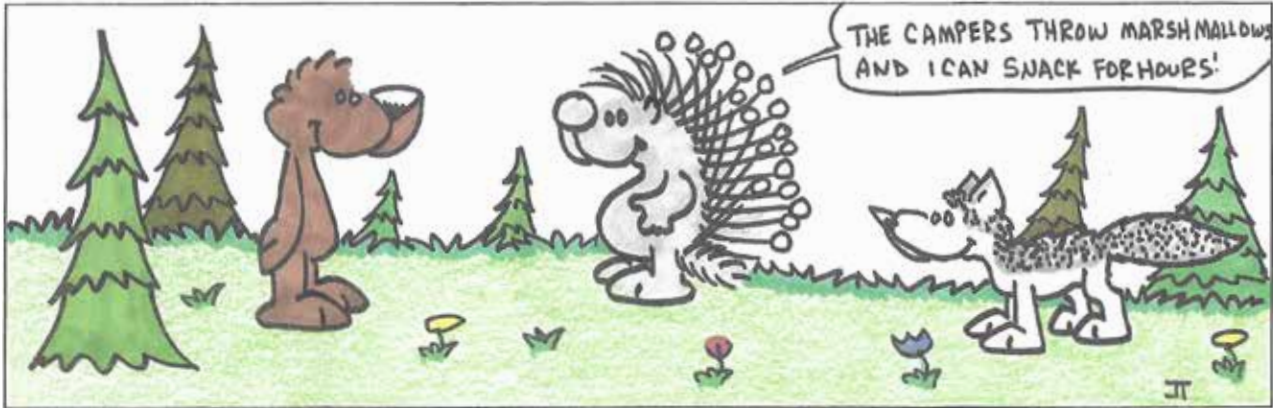




FUN & GAMES

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas





PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

CALLING FOR SILENCE

- ACROSS
- 1 Human rights org.  
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9 Scored two under par  
15 Apparel  
19 Stars and Stripes, e.g.  
20 Big whoops  
21 Louisiana cuisine style  
22 French girlfriend  
23 Places to buy salmon fillets and such  
25 Everyday routine  
26 Metal beam with two flanges  
27 Brainpower stats  
28 Actor Bana  
29 Overnight delivery, say  
31 Regret deeply  
32 Nothin' at all  
33 Lauder of perfumery  
34 Shutter strip  
35 Breathable gym bottoms  
38 Actor Alan  
40 Vaping devices  
43 Some tech. inst. grads  
44 Trio after G
- 46 They're like lay-ups, but farther from the basket  
48 Father, to a tiny tot  
51 Like some artificial body parts  
54 A snake injecting venom, e.g.  
55 Become too warm  
58 Like a bass voice  
60 Napoleonic marshal  
61 Coin that was worth 12 pence  
65 Purvey  
69 Often-flexed arm muscles  
70 Paint coat applied to rough plaster  
71 Brand of snowmobiles  
73 Snow glider  
74 Informal name for a herding breed  
76 Congregated  
78 Concealed  
79 City development area  
80 Dangler on a garment in a store  
85 Most modern
- 88 Harper of "Far North"  
89 Top worn on a safari  
91 Snooze  
92 Epoch  
94 Opera solos  
95 Tomb-raiding  
97 Resembling a plate  
103 Turner of the Washington Nationals  
105 Check recipient  
107 Tubular snack cake  
108 Flat-fixing org.  
109 Guard to keep something dry  
112 Novelist  
115 Tiki bar drink  
116 What nine answers in this puzzle suggest that you do twice?  
118 Donate  
119 Peeves  
120 Les — (French for "some")  
121 Emend
- 122 Tomahawks  
123 Level  
124 Indiana-to-Ohio direction  
125 Witty types
- DOWN
- 1 Validate  
2 In-group  
3 Maidens  
4 "Yuck!"  
5 Pep rally cheers  
6 Excited  
7 Police ride  
8 Horse cousin  
9 Beige shades  
10 Sony record label  
11 Be assisted  
12 Bungled  
13 "In the Valley of —" (2007 drama film)  
14 Slaw sources  
15 Cold Spanish soup  
16 Eager desire  
17 "Knives Out" director  
18 Arctic hazard  
24 Gut feeling  
29 Pine product  
30 — v. Ferguson (landmark court case)
- 36 Word after big, cold or soft  
37 Albeit, in brief  
39 For — (very cheaply)  
41 Former rival of AT&T  
42 Former Russ. state  
45 First lady after Melania Trump  
47 Move hastily  
48 Lou formerly of CNN  
49 Pop rocker  
50 Rid of frost  
51 Crank's cry  
52 "Challenge accepted!"  
53 Rum mixers  
56 Clued in  
57 Lion chaser?  
59 Hope (for)  
62 Opposite of 58-Across  
63 "You Be —" (1986 Run-D.M.C. hit)  
64 Avian abodes  
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66 Funny  
67 Sacks in war  
68 Balcony sections  
71 Use stitches  
72 Mattel man  
74 Online biz
- 75 Torrid  
76 Untidy states  
77 Afr. country  
80 Keglers' org.  
81 Karel Capek sci-fi play  
82 Question starter in old Memorex ads  
83 Total shams  
84 Plotting in math class  
86 Walked in water  
87 Dermis or Pen lead-in  
90 Turncoat  
92 Most pasty  
93 Phantom  
96 "Yes, cap'n!"  
98 Reporter on "Parks and Recreation"  
99 Buds from the hood  
100 Multi-roof temple  
101 Winged bug with pincers  
102 Intimidates  
104 Sportscaster  
106 "Für —" (piano piece)  
109 Chronicle  
110 Grand — (annual race)  
111 Clearheaded  
116 "— pasa?"  
117 Dawn drops

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

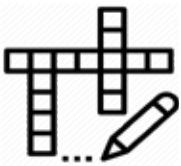
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Crispy Parmesan Chicken

The last sweet weeks of summer are always my favorite time of the season. The days are still long, yet thankfully, the scorching triple-digit temperatures are mostly behind us. It is also when our homegrown tomatoes are ripe and bursting with sun-kissed flavor. When tomatoes are as good as they are right now, I mostly enjoy eating them as unadulterated as possible – just a drizzle of olive oil and a pinch of flakey sea salt is all that is needed. As a result, I am always in search of recipes for main-course dishes that are perfect to serve alongside my beloved crimson delights. With a crispy crust of salty parmesan and herbs, this flavorful chicken recipe fits the bill. With just a few pantry ingredients, it is also a dish perfect for breezy, no-fuss summer entertaining.



Ingredients:

- 2 (10-ounce each) boneless skinless chicken breasts  
Salt and fresh ground black pepper  
½ cup all-purpose flour  
2 teaspoons Italian seasoning  
1 ½ teaspoons garlic powder  
2 large eggs  
1 cup panko breadcrumbs  
½ cup finely shredded parmesan cheese  
6 tablespoons olive oil  
Lemon wedges  
Fresh parsley and basil, coarsely chopped for garnish

Directions:

With a sharp knife, butterfly slice each breast horizontally into two portions, making four portions total. Cover chicken with plastic wrap and use the flat side of a meat mallet to pound each piece to an even ¼-inch thickness. Generously season each chicken cutlet with salt and pepper on both sides.

Set up your breading station using three shallow dishes. In one dish add the flour, Italian seasoning and garlic powder, whisking to combine. In the second dish whisk the eggs until blended smooth. Then, in the third dish toss together the panko and parmesan until evenly mixed.

Working one at a time, dredge both sides of each seasoned chicken cutlet in the flour mixture first, then dredge in the eggs on both sides, lift and let the excess run off. Last, dredge the cutlets through the panko mixture, being sure to evenly coat both sides while gently pressing the cutlet into the coating.

Heat four tablespoons of the olive oil in a heavy non-stick or cast-iron skillet over medium heat. When the oil is shimmering hot, add two of the cutlets to the pan and let cook until golden brown on first side, about 4 minutes. Flip and continue to cook until golden brown on other side, about 4 more minutes. Use a thermometer to make sure the chicken reaches an internal temperature of 165 degrees. When done, transfer the cutlets to a plate lined with paper towels to drain. Add the remaining oil to the skillet and repeat the process with the remaining two chicken cutlets.

Serve warm with lemon wedges and a garnish of chopped herbs.

Notes:

This memorable chicken recipe is special enough for company while being easy enough for a quick weeknight meal. Try serving it with a simple pasta or roasted potatoes on the side. This week, I served it with creamy polenta and a side of perfectly ripe tomatoes from our backyard. A bottle of chilled, crisp rose made a perfect pairing for a marvelous late-summer dinner.

Enjoy.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Super Crossword

Weekly SUDOKU

Answers

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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS



**Waitzburg 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.

**Waitzburg School Board**  
Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.  
Zoom info is available by emailing waitzburgcc@icloud.com

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

**Waitzburg Historical Society**  
Third Thursday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

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

**Waitzburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting**  
First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee  
Info email: info@waitzburgparks.org



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

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

**Time Change – The August 13 meeting will be held at 1 p.m.**  
Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitzburg

**Waitzburg Commercial Club**  
Last Thursdays of the month @ Ten Ton Coffee @noon. Zoom info is available by emailing waitzburgcc@icloud.com

**Waitzburg Resource Center Community Food Bank**  
106 ½ Preston Ave  
Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.

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. @ Dayton High School auditorium

**Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners**  
Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.



**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 City Hall

*Church Directory*

**St. Mark Catholic Church**  
405 W. Fifth, Waitzburg  
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.  
382-2311  
Fr. Steve Werner

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504 Main  
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Worship 10 a.m.  
337-6589  
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