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Karen Huwe

A large crowd enjoying the the glow from the burner flames of eight hot air balloons on Friday night at the Walla Walla Balloon Stampede Nite Glow Spectacular. The balloons gave a show as they synced their burners with music by AC/DC at the event in Howard-Tietan Park.

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Patient financing program introduced at CCHS

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Columbia County Health System is introducing PayZen, a new program to make healthcare more affordable and accessible for patients.

PayZen is an innovative patient financing solution that uses AI-powered solutions to tackle healthcare affordability. The program simplifies medical bills by offering interest-free payment plans tailored to individual patients' needs. CCHS patients can access zero-interest, no-fee payment plans with a quick and automated enrollment process without impacting their credit scores through the new program.

Signing up is easy online or with the assistance of PayZen staff. After patients receive care at CCHS, the hospital will offer them the option to enroll in PayZen. The program will create a customized interest-free payment plan based on patient financial information.

CCHS believes healthcare should be accessible to everyone in its community. The PayZen program is an extension of its commitment to providing services that make a real difference in your life.

To learn more about PayZen or get started with an affordable payment plan, visit the hospital's front desk or <https://payzen.com>.

Student leader is honored as she retires from FFA State Officer team

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

PULLMAN, Wash. — The retiring 2024-2025 Washington FFA State Officer team was recognized at the 95th Convention and Expo in Pullman, Wash., on May 10.

State FFA Treasurer Makenna Barron has been an FFA member in Waitsburg for the last five years, competing in career and leadership development events, including the Livestock Evaluation, Vet Science, and speaking. She showed market swine in the Walla Walla and Columbia County fairs and shows.

When she was 12, Barron was the 2018 Celebration Days Queen.

Barron is a natural leader and an example to younger FFA members and students who may be interested in joining the organization. Before serving as an FFA State Officer, she was a Waitsburg FFA Chapter Officer, District VI Officer, and attended National FFA's Washington Leadership Conference.

Barron will bring her FFA experience to Oklahoma State University, where she will study agricultural education, agricultural communications, and broadcasting.



(top right) Barron built leadership skills as an FFA member.

Green Thumb Club allotments available in Dayton

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Port of Columbia offers a redesigned commercial garden at Blue Mountain Station with two allotment sizes. The port is looking for individuals, families, and commercial entities interested in having an allotment to raise fruit, vegetables, herbs, and flowers.

The Blue Mountain Station's community garden features fifteen garden spaces. Seven are large plots at 30 ft x 72 ft, and eight are smaller

raised beds. The allotments will be leased on a first-come, first-served basis. The raised beds are \$27.57, and the larger plots are \$38.21 monthly. The monthly lease fees include water usage and leasehold taxes.

Those interested in participating in the 2025 growing season are encouraged to call or visit the Port of Columbia office to reserve a spot or email shane@portofcolumbia.org. The Port is located at 1 Port Way in Dayton, or by calling 509-382-2577

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- K. Todd Carman-Wagner, Ph.D., DSW
Columbia Health System
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AT THE LIBERTY: “Peril on the High Seas” – Live Production MAY 16-18

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DAYTON — All aboard the H.M.S. Majestic for a riotous adventure in this full-length melodrama in the roaring twenties. Little does our heroine, the heiress Merry Ann Sweet, know she is the intended victim of the villainous Snively Swine's kidnapping plot. With his partner, the slinky and exotic Aracnia Webb, Swine disguises himself as Sir Reginald Rottentot, a British nobleman, to gain the confidence of Merry and her flapper friends, Mitzi, Ritzy, and Ditzzy. But Merry falls for the handsome waiter, Cary De Mille. Poor Cary loves her too, but ship policy says he can't get involved with a passenger. Must these two ships pass in the night? Not if Merry's flapper friends can help. They transform Merry from a shy young lady into a red-hot jazz baby.

Meanwhile, Swine launches his kidnap scheme. It's sink or swim for Cary. Can he save Merry and stay out of Aracnia's clutches?

Tickets are on sale at libertytheater.org or the box office on Tuesday and Friday between 2-5 p.m., or call (509) 382-1380.

“The Last Rodeo” will run for Dayton Days Weekend, May 23 – 27

A retired rodeo legend risks all to save his grandson. Facing his painful past, he enters a high-stakes bull-riding competition as the oldest contestant. Along the way, he reconciles with his estranged daughter and finds that true courage is found in the fight for family.

The movie lineup includes “The Last Rodeo,” “Mission Impossible: The Final Reckoning,” and “Lilo & Stitch.”

The theater announced its Fall Production of “A Christmas Carol” directed by Mike Ferrians and Berenda Henderson. Information night for the show is May 28 at 6 p.m. Auditions will be June 2 & 4 at between 4 and 7:30 p.m., and June 5 at 4 to 6 p.m. There will be 14 performances November 13 through December 6. Info at libertychristmascarol@gmail.com.

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CANDIDATE FILINGS FOR WW AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES

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WAITSBURG — The filing week for Washington State candidates closed on Friday, May 9. Incumbent Marty Dunn will face two challengers in the August primary election. Jim Strawn and Brad Sandau will go up against Dunn to see which two candidates will move on to the November general election.

The following is a partial list of candidates who filed in Dayton, Prescott, and Waitsburg:

COLUMBIA COUNTY

Port of Columbia County Commissioner District 1 – Scott Hudson

Public Hospital District Commissioner No. 1 – Ken Graham

Columbia County Pool District Commissioner 2 –Lisa Naylor (I)
Commissioner 5 – Terri Hessler (I)

CITY OF DAYTON

Dayton City Council
Position 1 – Laura Aukerman(I), Dave Harvey
Position 3 – Glenn Hagfeldt(I)
Position 5 – Shannon McMillen(I)
Position 7 – Mike Smith(I)

Dayton School District Director
Position 1 – Ryan Paulson(I)
Position 2 – Patrick Davidson(I), Carly Benavides
Position 5 – Jeff McCowen

PRESCOTT

Prescott Mayor – Brent Potts (I)

Prescott City Council
Position 1 – Tiffany Struthers
Position 4 – Kristen Du Bruille Early (I)
Position 5 – Nathan Stueckle (I)

Prescott City School Director
Position 1 – Jacob Stueckle

Prescott Park and Recreation District
Subdivision 2 – Chuck Carruthers (I)
Subdivision 4 – Julene Hiebert (I)

CITY OF WAITSBURG

Waitsburg Mayor
Marty Dunn (I), Brad Sandau, Jim Strawn

Waitsburg City Council
Position 1 – Keven House (I), Cindy Daves
Position 2 – Jim Romine (I)
Position 3 – Bart Baxter, Brian Richards

Waitsburg School District
Position 1 – Charlie Barron(I)
Position 3 – Stephanie Cole (I)
Position 4 – Abby Grende (I)
Position 5 – Julie Karl (I)

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WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg citywide yard sale is coming up on Saturday, June 7. “The Times” will publish the go-to map for the event in its June 5 issue. It includes addresses and information on participating garage and yard sales in Waitsburg and Prescott.

It is free to be included on the map, and yard sale participants should send their addresses, items for sale, or any other information to “The Times” by May 30, 2025.

Information must be sent to advertising@waitsburgtimes.com by 3 p.m. Friday, May 30.

Please include your name, contact number, and email. This information will not be on the map.

Information for the map should include:

- Yard or garage sale address
- Types of items at the sale (tools, furniture, clothes, art, etc.)
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- Names of organizations or groups that will benefit from the sale or a portion of the sale.

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May 17: William Keith, Sally Geiger, Kurt Witman, Elizabeth Mech, Eric Keith, Drew Bennett, Janelle Meier, and Jimmy Dunleavy.

May 18: Becky Hodges, Dinah Lindsey, Virginia Reece, Vicki Ruley, Tessa Dutton, Tyler Knox, and Sean Stonecipher-Sol-lars.

May 19: Gerald Hawks, Tom Western, Gerald Collingwood, Terry John, Everett White, Walter Richard White, Joan Summers, and Jimmy Crawford.

May 20: Nektarios Reese, Wanda E. Johnson, Brandee Wheeler, Don Glover, Greg Reser, Judy Largent, Lyndsey Huwe, and Vickie Hamann.

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OBITUARY

Mary Ellen Juris

September 18, 1927 – May 8, 2025

Mary Ellen Juris passed away at Rivers Walk-Assisted Living in Dayton, Washington, on May 8, 2025. She was born on September 18, 1927, at the ranch house on Lewis Gulch, Dayton, to Leo and Ethel Rose Henry. The family later moved to First Street in Dayton, where Mary Ellen spent her childhood years.

An accomplished musician at an early age, Mary Ellen played the piano, organ, and marimba. She participated in many competitions and traveled to play the marimba at many events in the area. Mary Ellen continued to share her talents, serving as church organist/pianist and accompanist for many weddings and memorials throughout her adult life.

During her high school years, she worked at the Broughton National Bank as a teller and also worked at the Liberty Theater, taking tickets and selling concessions. She was a member of Rainbow and served as a state officer.

After graduating from high school in 1945, Mary Ellen attended Washington State College, graduating in 1949 with a BA in Sociology. She was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma and kept in touch with several of her sorority sisters over the decades. WSC is also where she met her future husband, Dick Juris.

Dick and Mary Ellen married on August 27, 1950, in Dayton. The first year of their marriage, they lived in Dick's hometown, Cle Elum. The following year, they moved to Dayton to work with Leo on the family farm, returning Mary Ellen to the home where she was born. Dick and Mary Ellen started their family soon after and welcomed daughters Kathee, Kris, and Janie. She spent much of her time supporting them and driving them to town so they could participate in many activities.

Mary Ellen was actively involved in farming in her role as bookkeeper. She prepared meals for the family harvest crew, ran to town for parts, and babysat her granddaughter, Makaela.

Mary Ellen was very involved in the community. She was a lifelong member of the Congregational Church, joining at age eight. Mary Ellen worked



Mary Ellen Juris
September 18, 1927 – May 8, 2025

at Dayton Elementary as the school secretary for many years and was also a longtime member of AAUW, P.E.O., Cowbells, Touchet Valley Ladies' Golf Club, and the Dayton Historic Depot Society. And at age 97, Mary Ellen was the last surviving member of her beloved bridge club.

In their later years, Mary Ellen and Dick traveled extensively and spent winters at Apache Wells in Mesa, Arizona where they enjoyed golfing and participating in the community and local church.

Mary Ellen was preceded in death by daughter Jane Marie Juris, sister Betty Lindley, parents Ethel and Leo Henry, and husband, Dick Juris. She is survived by daughters Kathee Juris (Rick Nettleton) and Kris Takemura (Jay), grandchildren Makaela Corey Boulet (Warren), Marco Martinez (Aimee), and Great-grandchildren, Abby and Graham Corey-Boulet and Ella and Caroline Martinez.

The family gives special thanks to her home caretakers, Kathy Berg, Marion Mattern, hairdresser throughout the years, Lee Ann Literal, and the kind and caring staff at Rivers Walk and Dayton General and Kadlec hospitals.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, May 17, at 1 p.m. at the Dayton First Congregational Church, 214 S Third Street.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Dayton Congregational Church, Touchet Valley Golf & Rec, Liberty Theater, Dayton Depot Historical Society, or a charity of choice. Corbeill Funeral Home in Dayton is caring for the family. An online guest book is available at www.corbeillfuneralhomes.com.

Waitsburg Prom

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School students enjoyed dress-up days the week before the 2025 Prom on May 3.

The Prom Court, which their fellow students voted on, included freshmen Aubrey King and Bryer Paul, sophomores Pilar Diaz-Easton and Rollin Carpenter, juniors Matti Carter and Victor Whitmore, and seniors Mylie Jones, Cedar Stegall, Cougar Anderson, and Lucas VanHoose.

Lucas VanHoose and Cedar Stegall were crowned King and Queen.

This year's prom theme was Vegas Nights. The school held the event at the high school, with music by Moments Remembered DJ Events/Service from Walla Walla.

The dance was well attended, and everyone had a great time," said Junior Class Advisor Deanna Coulston. "There was great music and lots of food."

"The DJ, Ron Blush, commented that he wants to attend every Waitsburg event because of how amazing our students are," said Coulston.

Ron Blush from Moments Remembered DJ Events/Service said on their Facebook page, "I was deeply grateful to provide the soundtrack for Waitsburg's High School Prom Dance, where the atmosphere was vibrant and the joy was infectious."



Prom King Lucas VanHoose and Queen Cedar Stegall.

CARTER TO LEAD WAITSBURG HS ASB

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School held its annual election of Associated Student Body (ASB) officers for the 2025-2026 school year.

Matti Carter was elected the school's president, and Junior Freddy Chavez will serve as Vice-President. Students chose Junior Pilar Easton to be the ASB secretary, Sophomore Chloe McCaw as treasurer, and Sophomore Cheri Mathews as the public relations officer.



Waitsburg students in Olympia

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Five Waitsburg High School students and two advisors attended the annual Youth and Government session from May 7 through May 10 at the Washington State Capitol in Olympia. Around seventeen delegations with 350 students from across the state participated in the YMCA program.

The Youth and Government is a national YMCA program that allows U.S. students to learn about government policymaking firsthand. This unique program allows thousands of teens nationwide in state-organized, model-government programs. Participants are immersed in experiential civic engagement and learn to debate issues that affect citizens in their state and propose legislation. The program culminates with teens serving as delegates at their state conference, debating bills on the floor of the legislature.



(l-r): Lucas VanHoose, Isaac Mahre, Graycen Teal, Will Ahler, Chloe McCaw

During the mock legislature in Olympia, students fill leadership roles. Sophomore Isaac Mahre was a lobbyist and did a lot of research on different bills. Freshman Chloe McCaw was in the 8th and 9th grade house and helped at the rostrum. Program advisor Heather Baker said McCaw was awesome, keeping time and notes, and tracking bills.

Lucas VanHoose debated a bill regulating the access to internet porn by minors. Will Ahler and Graycen Teal co-authored a bill to ban recreational use of Nitrous Oxide due to abuse.

"Both bills did not pass, which we were surprised about," said Baker. "There were lively debates on each bill."

Baker said there may have been a technicality that caused the bills to fail. "Youth and Government was a fun and insightful experience," said Ahler. "I got the opportunity to debate bills on the Representative House's floor at the Capitol, and we got to eat at our favorite restaurant, Old School Pizza, again."

"The Youth and Government trip was a lot of fun. Everyone in our group was super into it, and we all had bills we were excited to pass. The days were pretty long but they flew by because we were always doing something interesting. I would definitely recommend Youth and Government if you are into history, politics, or just want to learn how the government works in a fun way, said VanHoose."

Ahler and VanHoose were presented with senior cords for graduation at the end of the session.

"Youth and Government is such an awesome experience for all students who go, and I am very thankful this is available for our kids. Big shout out to Walla Walla YMCA for their generous support," said Baker. "I would love to see this program grow across our state and the country. YAG is a great way to bring up our next generation of civic-minded citizens. It's worth the time and energy. The students learn more than they know and gain many life experiences," she said.

"It was great. The kids had a great time. They really got to see how our government runs. They ran some great bills and learned a lot. They made some great memories with each other and with other delegations and groups, and I could not be prouder," said advisor and Waitsburg High School teacher, Westin Wallace.

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Cardinal H.S. baseball season ends postseason

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School’s baseball season ended on Tuesday, May 6, in Sunnyside, Washington.

The Cardinals varsity baseball team set off from the school bright and early at 7 a.m. to participate in something that had not happened in 25 years.

“Through blood, sweat, and sheer grit, the team earned their spot in the postseason,” said Coach Joe Greer. “We knew from the get-go it might be a long day.”

The first game started at 10 a.m. If the Cardinals won, they would go to districts. If they lost, the team would have to play again at 4 p.m. to try and earn a district spot.

The first opponent, Sunnyside Christian, was a team the Cardinals had not played this season. Greer said his team displayed impressive, reliable defensive skills and had quick innings throughout the game. Sunnyside Christian won the game 9-1

The coach said heat and stress built quickly over the two hours the team had to wait between games.

The second game against Riverside Christian started at a fast pace. After one inning, the teams were tied one to one. But in the third inning, Riverside Christian exploded for seven runs and won the game 10-3, knocking the Cardinals out of

the playoffs.

“We struggled a little to connect with the ball effectively, and it cost us our second win. Through pure willpower, we finished the entire game, fighting every step of the way. This season has been a roller coaster of emotions. Nevertheless, I could not be prouder of the boys in their accomplishments. I truly believe that next year no one will underestimate Waitsburg Cardinals,” said Greer.

Game One against Sunnyside, 10 a.m. Box scores:

Waitsburg	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Sunnyside	4	1	0	0	1	3	0	9

Battery: Mahre, Reyes, and Nesje
 Hits: Gleason, Reyes, Anderson, Whitmore

Game Two against Riverside Christian, 4 p.m. Box scores:

Waitsburg	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
Riverside	1	0	7	0	2	0	0	10

Battery: Reyes, Hankins, and Mahre
 Hits: Gleason, Henry, Hankins, Reyes 2, Carpenter



Cardinal MS track set personal records in Dayton

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg Middle School track team’s work ethic has earned the athletes many personal records. Members have been successful in setting and meeting their individual goals.

The Cardinals were at Dayton on Thursday, May 8, competing against Dayton, Rogers, and DeSales middle school athletes.



Karen Huwe

Mitchell Hay (far right) sprints the 100m at the Dayton meet.

Boys setting personal records at the meet were:

100m – Sidian Stegall, Liam Vasquez, Mitchell Hays, Emerson Kiefel

200m – Wyatt Vasquez
400m – Ollivyr Dahlby
Shot put – Carson Scott, Kiefel
Discus –Hays
Javelin –Dahlby, Kacen Hubbard, Stegall, L. Vasquez, W. Vasquez, M. Hays, E. Kiefel, C. Scott
 The 4x100m relay team placed first. (Stegall, Dahlby, L. Vasquez, Hubbard)



Jaylynn Gleason (left) competing in the 100m.

Girls setting personal records at Dayton were:

100m – Jaylynn Gleason, Audrey Kiefel, Ava McCaw, Tanna Ray, Peyton Childers
200m – Gleason, McCaw
400m – McCaw
Javelin – Gleason, Ray, Olivia Kiefel, Childers
 The 4x100m relay team placed second. (A. Kiefel, O. Kiefel, McCaw, Gleason)

The middle school team has two meets left this season. Both meets will be at Pomeroy, May 12 and May 19.

Segraves and Mathews Set Multiple Personal Records in High School Track

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — There were two track meet opportunities for Cardinal athletes last week. On Tuesday, May 6, the high school team traveled to Pomeroy for the District 6 1B League meet against ten other teams.

On Friday, May 9, a group of Cardinals participated with five different teams in the Cinco de Mayo Twilight meet at Pomeroy. The Twilight meet started at 5:30 p.m. rather than the normal 3:30 p.m. start time.

Top Cardinal athletes in May 6 events:

100m – Teegan Kenney - 6th
300m Hurdles – T. Kenney- 4th
Shot put – Brenton Segraves - 3rd
Discus – B. Segraves PR 97’2” - 7th
Javelin – B. Segraves PR 123’1” – 4th
Long jump – T. Kenney - 2nd
100m – Alyssa Hollingsworth – 8th
400m – Marion Duncan - 7th
800m – A. Hollingsworth - 6th
Shot put – Olivia Duncan - 6th
Discus – M. Duncan PR 74’4” – 6th
Javelin – A. Hollingsworth - 6th

Top Cardinal athletes in the Cinco de Mayo Twilight events:

100m – Teegan Kenney - 3rd
200m – Tucker Hamilton - 8th, Leif Heckman - 9th
300m hurdles – T. Kenney PR 48.21 - 2nd
Javelin – T. Hamilton PR 76’0” - 11th, L. Heckman PR 66’8” PR - 13th
Long jump – T. Kenney 18’10.5” - 3rd, L. Heckman PR 14’10.5” - 8th, T. Hamilton - 9th
100m – Cheri Mathews PR 16.23 – 10th
200m – C. Mathews PR 37.04 – 4th, Alyssa Byers 5th
Shot put – C. Mathews PR 26’1.5” 5th, Addison Crenshaw - 7th
Discus – A. Crenshaw - 8th
Javelin – C. Mathews -14th, A. Crenshaw -17th

On Friday, May 16, at Pomeroy, the Cardinals will compete in the SE 1B Sub-District Qualifier; start time 2:30 p.m.

CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Dayton School District is seeking the following coach positions for the 2025-2026 school year: MS Head Girls Basketball, MS Asst. Girls Basketball, MS Head Volleyball, MS Asst. Football, HS Asst. Volleyball, and HS Asst. Football. Salary range, dependent upon qualifications is \$1461 - \$5113/seasonal contract. Coaching Application and additional information can be found on the website at <https://www.daytonsd.org/>

page/employment or the District office at 609 S. 2nd Street.

For more information contact the District office at 382-2543. Position open until filled. EOE



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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
 NO: 25-4-00089-36
 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 RCW 11.40.030
 In re the Estate of: Kenneth Haggerty, Deceased.
 The co-personal representatives named below have been appointed as co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives or the co-personal representatives’ 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

co-personal representatives served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent’s probate and nonprobate assets.
 DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: May 1, 2025.
 Cynthia Jean Anderson and Michael Lee Haggerty Co-Personal Representatives Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives:
 Courtney Lawless, WSBA #57415
 Basalt Legal PLLC
 6½ North Second Ave., Suite 200
 Walla Walla, WA 99362
 509-529-0630
 The Times
 May 1, 8, 15, 2025
 5-1-a

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
 IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY
 CAUSE NO. 24 4 00212 36
 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 RCW 11.40.030
 In re the Estate of: BARBARA E. LAWRENCE-KLEMPNOW Deceased.
 The Administrator 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 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 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 assets.
 Date of First Publication: May 1, 2025
 Administrator: Katrina Morales Attorney for the Administrator: Mona J. Geidl of Minnick-Hayner, PS
 Address for Mailing or Service: Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 527-3500
 The Times
 May 1, 8, 15, 2025
 5-1-b

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON, WALLA WALLA COUNTY
 No. 25-4-00101-36
 Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)
 In re the Estate of Donna Jane Fisher, 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: May 15, 2025
 Allan D. Fisher, Personal Representative Attorney for the 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
 Walla Walla, WA 99362
 The Times
 May 15, 22, 29, 2025
 5-15-a

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Sandra Torres to sign new book on Huntsville

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg author Sandra Torres will sign her new book, “Pioneer Families of Huntsville, Washington,” during Waitsburg Celebration Days.

Blush Salon will host the event on Sunday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to noon.

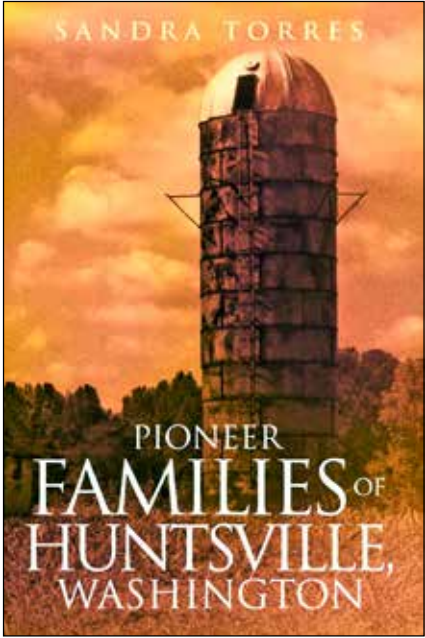
The event will be held at 214 Main Street in Waitsburg, once owned by Torres and her husband Lupé, where they ran Nothing New Antiques and Lodging before retiring and selling the building to Blush Salon.

The couple fell in love with Waitsburg after they retired and moved to town in 2003. They bought and remodeled a historic commercial building and opened Nothing New Antiques and Lodging.

She published “The Waitsburg Family: 1858 – 1900, The Beginning” in 2013. In the book, Torres used stories of families and their connections to the city and each other to present the history of Waitsburg.

Since publishing her first book, Torres has researched and documented the history of a small nearby town that no longer exists as a town. The result is her book on Huntsville, Washington, focusing on its pioneer families through brief biographies of the early beginnings of Huntsville.

As in her first book, Torres’ curiosity led her to research the residents and their connections to write a history of this lost town. Her book is an important document, preserving Huntsville’s history.



WOLFLING COFFEE POP-UP AT TEN TON ON SATURDAY

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Wolfling Coffee is coming to Main Street soon. Owners Caitlin Potts and Trevor Corbin have wasted no time getting to work on their building at 206 Main Street. They have uncovered a brick wall, removed the dividing wall, and designed the barista bar.

The couple is taking time out from construction to introduce themselves to the community at a special pop-up at Ten Ton Studio, 216 Main, for Waitsburg Celebration Days, on Saturday, May 17, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

“We’ll be serving a preview of our summer menu—featuring specialty drinks and delicious pastries,” said Caitlin.



Courtesy photo

Caitlin and Trevor’s dog Ripley (above) is the inspiration for the shop which is named Wolfling after her alter ego.



Saturday, May 17
Noon to 2

Kids will love Things that Go! event

WAITSBURG—A new Celebration Days event will surely be a hit with kids. The Friends of the Weller Public Library are bringing all kinds of vehicles to the north end of Main Street. Waitsburg has many unique vehicles used for fun, work, travel, and hauling, and this is a chance for kids to get up close and personal with them.

There will also be activities for the whole family, including story time, giveaways, and prize drawings. The event is from noon to 2 p.m.

HAPPENINGS AT SIMPLY SAWDUST

WAITSBURG — Gloria Wilson, owner of Simply Sawdust, is engineering some Celebration Day fun. Kids of all ages will enjoy free pinwheels, face painting, and free Kids Wood Craft to make Washington State ornaments. She is hosting local vendors from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and the R & B Barbecue food truck on The Slab next to her shop.



Submitted photo

Paint an ornament or spin a wheel at Simply Sawdust.

LEGAL NOTICES (Cont.)

LEGAL NOTICE
CITY OF DAYTON
REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL ON-CALL ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING AND GENERAL LAND SURVEYING SERVICES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Dayton has issued a Request for Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) for professional architectural, engineering and general land surveying services.
SOQ Title: City of Dayton Request for Statement of Qualifications for Professional Architectural, Engineering, and General Land Surveying Services.
SOQ Due Date and Time: Thursday May 29th, not later than 3:30 p.m., PST
Brief Scope of Services: The City is soliciting the interest of

qualified professional consulting firms to provide a full range of on-call municipal architectural, engineering and general land surveying services for a contract period of June 10, 2025 – December 31, 2028
The complete SOQ, including all submittal requirements, can be viewed on the City’s website at www.daytonwa.com. A paper copy may be obtained by contacting the City of Dayton, 111 S. 1st Street, Dayton, WA 99328, (509) 382-2361, or requesting a copy by email at dhays@daytonwa.com.
The City of Dayton in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of

the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex in consideration for an award.
The City of Dayton encourages women, disadvantaged, minority, and veteran-owned consultant firms to apply.
Published: 5/08/2025, Waitsburg Times
May 8, 15
5-8-a

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Corben Ketelson

Thanks to Fire District #2 for prepping Waitsburg’s Main Street for celebration days with a street wash.

Karen’s Memorial Poker Ride & Burgers, Bands, and Brews for fairground fun

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — One of Celebration Days’ biggest and muddiest events is Karen’s Memorial ATV Poker Ride. On Saturday, May 17, riders start at the Waitsburg Fairgrounds and travel the 35-mile marked course to draw playing cards at seven checkpoints to build their best five-card hands.

Back at the fairgrounds, riders have the opportunity to end the day with a ride through the mud pit. Poker hands are \$15 each before online registration closes on May 14. After that, the price increases to \$20. All poker players must be 18+, and all riders and partic-

ipants must register. Awards will be presented at 5 p.m.

The Waitsburg football team will wash the mud away for donations.

Keep the celebration going at the Burgers, Bands, and Brews event starting at 5. Burgers will be served from 5 to 8 p.m. with family-friendly performances by Skyline Strings and Sumpthin’ Epic.

The show becomes a 21+ event after 8 p.m., featuring the Whiskey Creek Band from Walla Walla. The band’s set list includes 40 years of country, party, and dance music perfect for a celebration. Burgers, Bands, and Brews sponsored by the Waitsburg Lions Club and P.E.O Waitsburg Chapter BE., who are raising funds for their scholarship programs.



Beka Compton/Times Archive

All types of off-road vehicles cooled off in the mud pits at the fairgrounds, after the 30 plus mile Poker Run ride at the 2022 Celebration Days.

Waitsburg Celebration Days May 16 – 18, 2025

Friday - May 16

ATV Sunset Historical Cruise
Friday, 5 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Waitsburg Fairgrounds

Sunset Car Cruise
Friday, 6 p.m.
Preston Park

Cornhole Tournament
Friday, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Waitsburg City Park

Family Movie Night
Friday, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Plaza Theater, Downtown Waitsburg

Sunday - May 18

Fun Run in Memory of Dr. Roger and Mrs. Laura Jean Hevel,
Waitsburg Athletic Field, 7 a.m.

Cowboy Church,
Preston Park, 10 a.m.

Luck of the Duck Fundraiser
Preston Park, 11 a.m.

Softball Game
Waitsburg Fairgrounds, 12:30-3 p.m.

Inflatable Games & Obstacle Course
Waitsburg Fairgrounds, 12-4 p.m.

Face Painting, 12-4 p.m.
Waitsburg Fairgrounds, 12-4 p.m.

Saturday - May 17

Breakfast by Young and Wyld Life
Saturday, 7 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Waitsburg Town Hall

Vendors
Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Next to Simply Sawdust on Main St.

Face Painting
Saturday, 8 a.m. – noon.
Next to Simply Sawdust on Main St.

Kiddie Parade & Main Street Parade
9:30 a.m. & 10 a.m.

Wood Craft for Kids
Simply Sawdust, 11 a.m. to noon

Ice Cream Social
Bruce Museum, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“Things That Go”
City Hall, noon to 2 p.m.

Car Show
Preston Park 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Karen’s Memorial ATV Poker Ride
Waitsburg Fairgrounds,
11:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Burgers, Bands and Brews
Scholarship Fundraiser, 5–11 p.m.,
Waitsburg Fairgrounds



FUN & GAMES

The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN AND BEAR IT



"The magic is gone? Well, let's see if we can pull something out of the hat."

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

504 Main Street
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 20
Salisbury Steak
Potatoes
Bread, Cookie
Fruit

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 15
Breakfast
Muffin & Yogurt
Lunch

Orange Chicken & rice
Edamame
Mandarin oranges

Friday, May 16
Breakfast

Scrambled eggs & sausage
Lunch
Turkey Sandwich
Caesar Salad
Carrots, Apples
Something crunchy

Monday, May 19
Breakfast

Bagel & Yogurt
Lunch
Chicken Alfredo
Green Beans
Mixed Fruit
Breadstick

Tuesday, May 20
Breakfast

Biscuits & Gravy
Lunch
Bean & Cheese burrito
Spanish Rice
Roasted Corn
Frozen fruit cups

Wednesday, May 21
Breakfast

Cereal & Combo Bar
Lunch
Corn dogs
Caesar salad
Carrots, Kiwi
Something crunchy



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PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago

May 13, 2010



[Photo caption] In The Footsteps of a Giant.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

May 18, 2000

Mendoza and Romero Prom Royalty. The junior class held their prom Saturday evening beginning with dinner, and then the live music began the evening of dancing. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the Queen Isela Mendoza and King Eric Romero. The theme for the evening was Truly, Madly, Deeply. It was a memorable evening.

Washington winter wheat crop is good, but in need of moisture. The winter wheat crop prospects in Washington are good to excellent. Production forecast is 117.3 million bushels, up 21 percent from last year. Production at this level would place Washington third nationally behind Oklahoma at 155.8 million bushels and Kansas at 404.8 million bushels. Harvested acreage is estimated at 1.75 million acres, an increase of 5% from last year. Yield is estimated at 67 bushels per acre, 9 bushels more than last year's yield of 58 bushels per acre. Record yield for winter wheat was 70 bushels per acre in 1996. "Recent rains have helped the crop, but additional precipitation will be needed. Heading has begun, which is ahead of both last year and the 5-year average. About 90 percent of the crop is rated as being good or excellent condition," said Doug Hasslen, State Statistician.

Fifty Years Ago

May 15, 1975

Grain Sale Cancellations. The USSR has cancelled an order for 200,000 tons of U.S. corn because of quality problems on shipments already received, and exporters will reportedly supply about 3 million bushels of U.S. wheat after July 1 and quantities of corn from other export markets by September 30 in place of the cancelled business. So far, there has been little progress on the settlement of the 12 million bushel US-Turkey wheat agreement which the Turks want to cancel to avoid paying higher prices under their contract than currently exist in the export market.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

May 12, 1950

Flower Exchange And Sale Listed By Garden Club. A flower exchange and sale will be held Monday, May 15, at 10:00 to 12:00 a.m. in the Morgan lot on Main Street. The Garden Club is sponsoring the exchange and sale and will have many plants and bulbs to offer garden lovers of the city. The Dayton florist will be on hand with a truckload of plants such as delphiniums, columbine, daisies, asters salvias, geraniums, and gladiolus bulbs. Officers of women's organizations are requested to notify membership of this exchange and sale which is being stressed with the hope of holding such an event in the spring and fall.

One Hundred Years Ago

May 29, 1925

Harlan Mills has replaced his old car with a brand new Rickenbacker brougham coach and received delivery this week.

W. J. Duncan who has a fine garden this year, delivered his first gallon of peas to Bradley's Inn Saturday. This was the first local peas on the market, and W. J. received \$1 for the lot.

The City Council received Tuesday from the manufacturers at Portland 12 8-foot iron frame benches for Presto nPark.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

May 11, 1900

John and Paul Moore, Miss Sadie Mason and Miss Cora Babcock, left for the Paradise country on a month's visit to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore.

A.W. Phillips of Coppei, with a force of men, this week are erecting a large fruit-dryer in order to care for the large crop of prunes which he expects this season. Mr. Phillips says the dryer will accommodate about eight tons of fruit at one time.

Super Crossword

ROUGH JOURNEY AHEAD

- ACROSS
- 1 Neighbor of Croatia
- 7 Pakistan's largest city
- 14 Rajiv or Indira
- 20 For only the price of production
- 21 Rarely used golf club
- 22 Alev rival
- 23 Spectators' loud cheers
- 25 Sizable sofas
- 26 Angled
- 27 Southeast Kansas city
- 28 River islet
- 30 Beginner's painting class
- 31 Sousaphone, e.g.
- 33 Loaf flavored with a certain fragrant herb
- 39 Incorporates gradually
- 43 Hitter Griffey
- 44 Having a basic knowledge of arithmetic
- 45 "The Wild Wild West" actor
- 47 São — (largest of the Cape Verdes)
- 48 Actress Jessica
- 49 — parmigiana
- 50 Hi- — image
- 51 Golfer's peg
- 54 Vote in favor
- 55 Clarinetist Shaw
- 58 Wander
- 62 Temporary, as a committee
- 63 Creator of Oz
- 65 Neighbor of Croatia
- 66 Acquiesce, figuratively
- 71 Virgil epic
- 72 Noted Deco master
- 73 Paper opinion pieces
- 74 Many a song by Journey or Chicago
- 77 Eight x five
- 78 Knight's title
- 81 Suffix with journal
- 82 Alley- —
- 83 Flatware item
- 85 Ho-hum thing
- 86 Hurl
- 89 Site-to-site transfer of data
- 93 "Glass half full" attitude
- 96 JFK posting
- 97 Deprived of parental care
- 98 It's east of Croatan Sound
- 101 "The devil — the details"
- 102 Cure- — (panaceas)
- 103 Alabama-to-Illinois dir.
- 104 Per unit
- 106 Pound pen
- 110 Popular video-sharing service
- 113 Apt thing to drive on while pondering this puzzle's theme?
- 118 Villa
- 119 Fine-food fan (John Travolta film)
- 120 Turn to ice
- 121 "Get —"
- DOWN
- 1 Fishhook part
- 2 Siouan tribe member
- 3 Read hastily
- 4 The Rhine flows into it
- 5 Thermal or lateral lead-in
- 6 Initially
- 7 Germany's Helmut
- 8 Lend — (pay attention)
- 9 — center (community facility)
- 10 Make public
- 11 — -Magnon
- 12 "— I supposed to know?"
- 13 Darjeeling or pekoe
- 14 Gallivant
- 15 Darth Vader, in boyhood
- 16 CNN political commentator
- 17 U.S. capital's vicinity
- 18 Allude to
- 19 Not al fresco
- 24 Drink mixer
- 29 Fact
- 32 Atop, to poets
- 34 Gumbo vegetable
- 35 Fasten shut
- 36 Terminus
- 37 Vocalist Sumac
- 38 Ask earnestly
- 39 Ask earnestly
- 40 Golf target
- 41 "SOS" band
- 42 Tyro
- 46 Born, on a society page
- 50 Lively frolic
- 51 Sousaphone, e.g.
- 52 Oklahoma city
- 53 Self-help writer LeShan
- 55 Go off script
- 56 Old Valerie Harper role
- 57 "Mazel —!"
- 58 Ill-mannered
- 59 Up until now
- 60 "I Am Woman" singer Helen
- 61 Mined metals
- 62 Supermodel
- 63 Minstrel poet
- 64 Social insect
- 66 Some antique autos
- 67 In time past
- 68 Gather in
- 69 Depend on
- 70 Mo. in spring
- 71 Exist
- 75 Unlace, e.g.
- 76 Having vulgar interests
- 77 To and —
- 78 Imminently
- 79 "Dies —" (hymn)
- 80 Comic Foxx
- 83 Salty Greek cheese
- 84 Neighbor of Yemen
- 85 Boils a little
- 86 Wild West sheriff's badge
- 87 Med. plan
- 88 Comic actor Mayall
- 89 Minister's study: Abbr.
- 90 "Love Story" novelist
- 91 Segal
- 91 Switch to second gear, maybe
- 92 Chi preceeder
- 93 Speechifies
- 94 Buff up
- 95 Chat with
- 99 Steal
- 100 John of lawn tractors
- 105 Fruit drinks
- 107 Wows
- 108 Stare
- 109 Stared at
- 111 Ex-Giant Mel
- 112 Lock go-with
- 114 Crooner
- 115 Here, in Arles
- 116 Fizzling thing
- 117 Miracle- —

Waitsburg Senior Portraits

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Annabel "Karma" Mitchell

Annabel "Karma" Mitchell has been a student at Waitsburg Schools since the sixth grade. She was involved in the Sources of Strength program her junior year and volunteered at school concessions.

In middle school, Mitchell assisted at a nursery potting plants and doing yard work. She enjoyed working at R & B Barbeque in Dayton in her senior year.

After graduation, she plans to travel with her boyfriend, explore places to live, and consider careers to pursue. Mitchell is interested in dog grooming and sewing.

Her favorite memories from high school include her classes and friends.



Annabel "Karma" Mitchell plans to travel after graduation.

Lucas VanHoose

Lucas VanHoose will attend Arizona State University in the fall to earn a civil engineering degree. Last summer, VanHoose worked for a Phoenix pulp & polymer company in Dayton.

Attending Waitsburg Schools since kindergarten, VanHoose has enjoyed playing football and basketball. He played golf as a freshman in high school and joined FFA in his senior year. He participated in the Youth & Government program for two years.

VanHoose volunteered at the Amazing Shake haunted house during his junior year and at the science fair hosted by Whitman College in Preston Hall his senior year.

Going to state basketball during his sophomore year is his favorite memory.



Lucas VanHoose will study civil engineering.

Will Ahler

Will Ahler said he became more outgoing in his senior year at Waitsburg High School. He joined the football team, did well in wrestling, and was on the high school baseball team. He participated in the YMCA Youth and Government program for two years.

When Ahler is not at sports practice, he likes to spend time with his friends. He works harvest, volunteers at Lions Club events, and helps in the concession stand.

After graduation, Ahler will stay in Waitsburg to work this year's harvest before attending Washington State University to get a degree in business.

Ahler's favorite high school memories are the sports that helped him come out of his shell.



Will Ahler played three sports his senior year.

Michelle "Quin" Chavez

While attending Waitsburg High School, Michelle "Quin" Chavez worked at Bluewood during the ski season, walked dogs, volunteered at the concession stand, and ran the score clock during volleyball games.

Chavez competed for three seasons on the Waitsburg High School track team, where she enjoyed throwing the javelin. She is a three-year member of the Sources of Strength program.

After graduation, she plans to spend a gap year on her favorite pastimes, digital drawing and reading. In the future, she plans to study to become a dental hygienist.

Chavez came to the Waitsburg School District as a freshman in high school. She said her favorite memories were hanging with friends in Gabe Kiefel's class and playing Pictionary in Matt Elders's class.

Photos by Karen Huwe



Michelle Chavez competed as a three-year track athlete.

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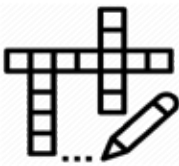
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦

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Super Crossword

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.

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

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 members are welcome.

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

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. @ Waitsburg City Hall
Info email: info@waitsburgparks.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, @ 7:15 p.m.

Waitsburg Commercial Club
Last Thursdays of the month @ Ten Ton Studio @noon. Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank
Food donations on Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.
106 ½ Preston Ave
Clothing donations 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. @ Dayton 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 Columbia - 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 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 (PIPRD) 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

Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

WAITSBURG

2025 Waitsburg Celebration Days Fun Run
In Memory of Dr. Roger & Mrs. Laura Jean Hevel
Sunday, May 18
7 a.m. Check-in
8:00 a.m. 10K Start
8:05 a.m. 5K Start
8:10 a.m. 1K Start
Adults – \$15
12 and under – Free
Registration at Evenbrite.com through Saturday, May 17
All ages
All levels
All welcome
Music, Beverages, Snacks, and Fun
Meet at the Waitsburg Athletic Field Concession Stand.

TVAMP Touchet Valley Acoustic Music Project

Mythical Movable Bluegrass Jam
Friday, May 16
7 p.m.
Ten Ton Studio
216 Main Street, Waitsburg



CARS, CARS, CARS, AT PRESTON PARK



Saturday, May 17 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m at Preston Park.



Dona Stella Release
The Royal Block
222 main Street
Saturday, May 17
3 to 6 p.m.

Times Travelers



Mary Fagan and Greg Mostovoy in front of Sensoji Temple, which was built in honor of Kannon, the goddess of mercy. Completed in 645, it is Tokyo's oldest temple.

WALLA WALLA

walla walla DANCE company
SPRING FINALE 2025
7pm
Saturday May 17th at Cordiner Hall
tickets available via www.wallawalladancecompany.com
sponsored by Walla Walla Summer Theater

FOREIGNER HEADLINING AT WALLA WALLA FAIR & FRONTIER DAYS

THE TIMES
WALLA WALLA—The Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days announced that Foreigner will perform on the opening night of this year's fair on August 27. The announcement follows the cancellation of 3 Doors Down due to an unexpected medical emergency. Known for timeless hits like "I Want to Know What Love Is", "Cold as Ice", and "Hot Blooded", Foreigner has rocked stages worldwide for nearly five decades. Inducted in the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in 2024, Foreigner remains one of the most popular classic rock acts on tour. Foreigner concert tickets go on sale Wednesday, May 14, at 10 a.m. Tickets previously purchased for the 3 Doors Down concert can be used for the Foreigner show or returned for a refund. Information on refunds is available online at wallawallafair-grounds.com. This year's Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days runs August 27-31.

Church Directory
St. Mark Catholic Church
405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.
382-2311
Fr. Steve Werner
Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
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
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Each Sunday
337-8898
Pastor Cameron Hedges