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A Life Flight Network medical helicopter landed at the WSD baseball field in Waitsburg as part of a special training for first responders from CWWFD #2 and CCFD#1.

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## CWWFD#2 continues emergency medical air transport training

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Columbia Walla Walla County Fire District #2, and CCFD #1 from Starbuck participated in a medical emergency transport training on Monday, June 1. Life Flight Network landed one of its transport helicopters on the Waitsburg School District's baseball field on E. 10th St.

The training provided by Life Flight began with a classroom presentation, followed by on-site training in assisting with patient loading and unloading, coordinating landing zones, and maintaining radio contact.

"Being familiar with their (Life Flight) staff and procedures helps us all work together during an emergency," said CWWFD#2 Fire Chief Matt Spring.

According to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, the average air ambulance trip is 52 miles and costs between \$12,000 and \$25,000 per flight. However, costs could be higher for patients in need of a Level I trauma center, who must be flown to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle or to Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, which is a Level II trauma center.

Many traditional health insurance plans, including Medicare and Medicaid, cover air transport if deemed necessary. However, with potentially high deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses, many residents supplement coverage with regional air ambulance memberships. Life Flight and Airlift Northwest are two services that offer helicopter and fixed-wing air transport in Washington for less than \$100 per year.

The Life Flight membership offers full coverage for unlimited, ICU-level-care, air transport in Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Hawaii, and other areas through reciprocal partners. Membership includes household coverage, unlimited transports, and annual fees of only \$85.

Life Flight is the largest not-for-profit medical air service in the country, and Airlift Northwest is a hospital-based service through UW Medicine.

For more information, visit Life Flight Network at [lifeflight.org](http://lifeflight.org) or Airlift Northwest at [www.uwmedicine.org/airliftnw](http://www.uwmedicine.org/airliftnw).



Katie Knighton

Members of CWWFD#2 and CCFD#1 practiced patient loading with the Life Flight crew.

## Waitsburg Lions Club year-end celebration

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg Lions Club held its end-of-the-year celebration on Tuesday, June 2. It was a time to thank the Lions' family members and the community volunteers who help the club successfully serve the Waitsburg community.

Following the meal, Dale Roberts, the club president, delivered his speech, and Secretary Ross Hamann made club announcements. Tail Twister John Alleman entertained the guests, drawing the winning tickets to give beautiful plants to the ladies present.

President Roberts presented John Alleman with the Lion of the Year Award. Ross Hamann presented longtime Lion member Jake Long with the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

The evening ended with the installation of the 2026-2027 officers and board members, sworn in by Hamann.

- President Tom House
- 1st VP Marty Dunn
- 2nd VP Brian Richards
- 3rd VP Seamus House
- Treasurer Kevin House
- Secretary Ross Hamann
- Tail Twister Dale Roberts

2nd year board members Drew Farley and Justin Stegall, and 1st year board members Lance Carter and Miguel Castillo.

Outgoing President Roberts handed the gavel to Tom House, who adjourned the meeting in his first act as club president.



Times Archive  
Lions Club President Tom House



Karen Huwe

The 2026-2027 Lions Club officers and board members (standing l-r): Brian Richards, Seamus House, Marty Dunn, Justin Stegall, Jake Long, Tom House, Drew Farley, Dale Roberts, John Alleman, Ross Hamann; (sitting l-r): Lance Carter, Kevin House, and Miguel Castillo.



# NEWS BRIEFS

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### AT THE LIBERTY: "Pressure"

June 12 – 16

THE TIMES

DAYTON — "Pressure" is a tense WWII drama based on true events. It portrays the critical 72 hours before D-Day as meteorologist James Stagg advises Allied commander Dwight D. Eisenhower on the forecast that decided the invasion's timing. Andrew Scott and Brendan Fraser give gripping performances for fans of historical and character-driven thrillers.

"Pressure" is rated PG-13 for war violence, bloody images, some strong language, and smoking. The runtime is 100 min.

In honor of the 82nd Anniversary of D-Day, Veterans will receive a \$1.00 off of admission for this movie.

After the weekend opening of "Pressure," Liberty Theater patrons described it as "incredible," "powerful," and "amazing."

On Rotten Tomatoes, critics' comments include: "Finding a fresh angle on one of the most dramatized days in military history" and "'Pressure' is a brainy war film that derives most of its thrills from Andrew Scott's simmering performance." The audience gave the movie a strong rating of 95%, with one patron writing, "The tension kept the movie pulsing forward. Brandon Fraser did an excellent job portraying Eisenhower with the weight of D-Day on his shoulders."

The Summer Children's Enrichment Program (SCEP) is a free series beginning on Tuesday, June 16, at 1 p.m. with the movie "Open Season." The series runs every Tuesday and Friday at 1 p.m. and is free to attend. A small soda or water and a small popcorn will be available for only \$2.00.

More information is available at [libertytheater.org](http://libertytheater.org). Additional family summer events include a performance by Alex Zerbe on July 2 at 1:30 and the Missoula Children's Theater on August 3-8.

This year on Saturday, June 20, during All Wheels Weekend, The Liberty will screen a locally produced documentary, "Roll Modelz." It is a 12.5-minute award-winning documentary that shows how the often-misunderstood culture of lowrider cars brings people together, especially during times of loss. The film tells the story of the WA State Lowriders Car Club, based in Walla Walla, and how they honor the memory of Mya Kay Avila. This documentary film will be shown free, multiple times on loop between 11 and 3 p.m. Stop in, enjoy the AC, a free film, and popcorn with real butter. Be sure to check out some of the clubs' lowriders parked in front of the theater for All Wheels.

Upcoming movies: "Pressure" June 12-16; "Star Wars: Mandalorian & Grogu" June 19-23. The schedule is always subject to change.

**THE LIBERTY THEATER - DAYTON**

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| HOOK                    | July 7 & 10             | <b>Sunday 3:00 pm</b>   |
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### Russell Dale Hays

December 9, 1937 – May 31, 2026

Russell Dale Hays died Sunday, May 31, 2026, at his home in McCleary, Washington.

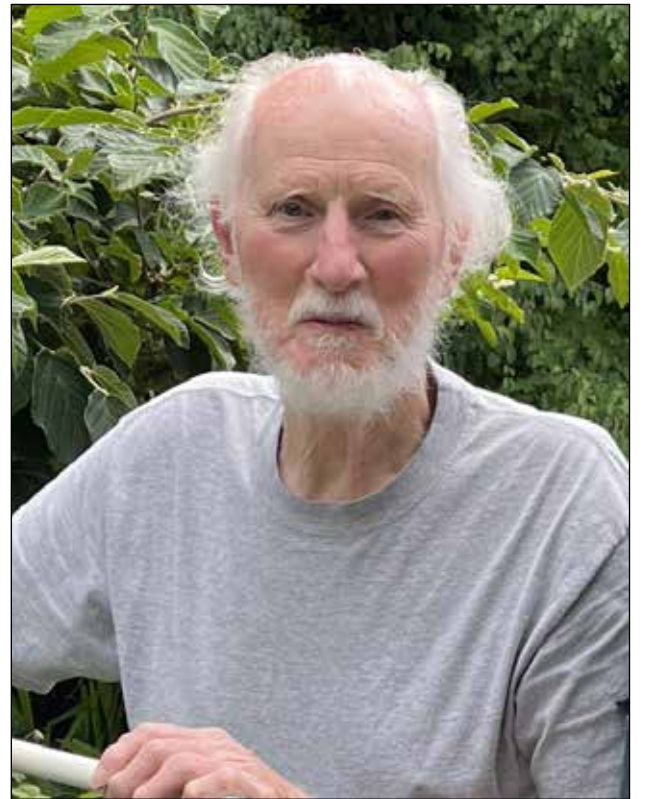
Russell was born to Robert Mancel and Elsie Marie (Sieckman) Hays on December 9, 1937, in a two-story house on the corner of 2nd and Jay Streets in Waitsburg, Washington. He attended Waitsburg Public Schools from 1944 to 1956, excelling in all things academic and athletic.

In 1956, he married Francis E. Donley and moved to Seattle, where he worked at Sears and completed his high school diploma at Edison Tech. During this time, Francis and Russ became the parents of Kelly, Dawn, and Jon. Kelly and Jon were born in Seattle, and Dawn in Dayton. Russ worked as a heating & air conditioning technician and carpenter in the Puget Sound area, eventually retiring from Pacific Northwest Bell in Olympia. In 1970, Russ married Diane Jean Winkler, and they lived in Thurston and Grays Harbor Counties until his death.

Russ is remembered for his dry humor, free spirit, and independence. His little brother's family always anxiously awaited his five-page Christmas letter, written in pencil on lined notebook paper, chronicling his activities, health and the general condition of the country and world; all written in his humorous, self-deprecating prose.

Russ fondly remembered August 15, 1945, when he was playing with his little brother and childhood friend, Randy Culley, at Mummer's house on Jay Street. When the three tykes heard the fire siren go off, they ran three blocks up 2nd Street to catch sight of the fire truck leaving Waitsburg's Main Street station. At the intersection of Main and Preston Avenue, they ran into a large crowd throwing eggs at an effigy of Tojo hanging in the middle of the intersection. The fire truck arrived, opened the valves on their water cannon, and Tojo exploded into shreds. It was VJ Day and World War II was finally over.

In recent years, Russ enjoyed the hours-long telephone conversations with his little brother, reminiscing about their youth, and the frequent calls from his daughter, who quizzed him about the family and



Submitted photo

Russell Dale Hays

their times in Waitsburg.

Russell served in the United States Army at Fort Ord, California and Fort Rucker, Alabama, from 1959 to 1961.

Russell is survived by his wife, Diane, in McCleary; his brother Bob (Red) in Bothell; his daughter Kelly (Hays) Rowan; his grandchildren Chellaigine Weins, Rebecca Donley, Kristin Rowan, and Miles Rowan; five great-grandchildren; and many nephews, nieces, and cousins. He is preceded in death by his parents, his daughter Dawn Hays, his son Jon Hays, his siblings Roberta Hays, Richard Hays, Wilbur Hays, Doris Williams, Howard Hays, Kenneth Hays, Betty Elder, and Elmer Hays.

There will be no funeral service. Russell's body has been donated to the University of Washington School of Medicine.

### READER'S PHOTO



Virginia Romine

Jim Romine and Tom Elstrom, Waitsburg Republican and Democratic Precinct Committee Officers, respectively, hold at least one belief in common: ZZ Top rocks.

### BIRTHDAYS

**June 11:** Frank Donnelly and Kathie Payne, Kate-Lyn Lambert.

**June 12:** Suzanne Moser, Chad Lambert, and Joshua Reser.

**June 13:** Anne Nelson, Michael Raven, Larry Weir, Mike Talbott, and Cecilia Acevedo.

**June 14:** Haly and Shawny Ingle, Aaron Moffitt, and Anthony Kiefel.

**June 15:** Jeff Hofer, John Segraves, Ryan Mason, Glen Smith, Nicholas

and Jonathon Danforth, Ruth Fulton, Diane Conover, Susa Roberts, Darrell Syferd, Cheyenne Gritman, and Maude Oberholtzer.

**June 16:** Catherine and her Grandpa John Melvin Reese, Jon Hays and Courtney Streeter.

**June 17:** Pat Davison and Gabriel Kiefel.



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# GRADUATION

## Waitsburg's Class of 2026 Graduation

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School's one hundred and thirtieth annual commencement took place on Friday, June 5, in the WHS gymnasium. The Class of 2026 chose "The only impossible journey is the one you never begin," by Tony Robbins, as their motto.

Class marshals Cody Coulston and Ellie Teal opened the ceremony by presenting flags. Music Director Elizabeth Jagelski led band members Rozalynn Harvey, Ellie Teal, Andrew Gillum, Cheri Mathews, Olivia Duncan, and Yaneli Flores in the processional and "The Star-Spangled Banner."

After the musical performance, Principal Mr. Joe Wirtzberger delivered the welcome message and introduced the honored speakers, Salutatorian Logan Seal and Valedictorian Tyler Coulston.

Continuing the program, Wirtzberger recognized the class honor students, the graduating FFA members, and Karissa Potts, who has enlisted in the United States Navy. Family and friends then enjoyed a slideshow of the Class of 2026.

Superintendent Monty Sabin presented the graduating class, and School Board Member Julie Karl handed out the diplomas while Class Vice President Hope Adkins read the names aloud.

Class President Isaias Reyes led the class in moving the tassels from the right to the left side of their caps before they threw their caps into the air. The graduates celebrated with family and friends, sharing well-wishes, pictures, and cake.

Class of 2026:

Hope Adkins, Blake Benevides, Mattilynn Carter, Tyler Coulston, Addison Crenshaw, Sarah Daves, Shy-lee Elmore, Koyen Fortune, Connor Goulette, Tucker Hamilton, Jarod Hankins, Emma Hays, Beatrix Karl, Teegan "Paco" Kenney, Kyle Lindsey, Karissa Potts, Isaias Reyes, Logan Seal, Brenton Segraves, Graycen Teal, Martin Vasquez, Victor Whitmore, and Sara Wilson.

Scholarships:

Beatrix Karl received a Waitsburg High School Alumni Association Scholarship of \$1,000, the AAUW Women in Trades Scholarship of \$3,000, and the Melvin & Marian Page Endowment Scholarship of \$1,000. Beatrix will attend Victoria's Academy of Cosmetology.

Hope Adkins received the Dayton Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship for \$1,200, an American Legion Post 35 Gift Scholarship for \$1,000, the Waitsburg Lions Club, Tom & Anita Baker Memorial Scholarship



Karen Huwe

Caps in the air after Waitsburg seniors graduate.

of \$1,000, a Waitsburg High School Alumni Association Scholarship of \$1,000, Keith P. & Helen C. Fenner Scholarship of \$800, and the Melvin & Marian Page Endowment Scholarship of \$1,000. Hope will attend Walla Walla Community College.

Isaias Reyes received the Wait-Hi Joe McCown Scholarship of \$1,000. Isaias will attend Walla Walla Community College.

Martin Vasquez received the Dayton Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship of \$1,200, the Rotary Club of Walla Walla Award Scholarship of \$2,000, the Hevel Waitsburg Scholarship of \$1,000, and the Roberta Bell Kraemer Scholarship of \$1,500. Martin will attend Walla Walla Community College.

Mattilynn Carter received an American Legion Post 35 Gift Scholarship of \$1,000, Waitsburg Lions Club Jack McCaw Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000, Karen Huwe Mohny Memorial Scholarship of \$750, Charlotte Mikkelsen Scholarship of \$950, Jerry Baker Memorial Scholarship of \$1,500, and American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship of \$500. Mattilynn will attend Boise State University.

Sara Wilson received a Waitsburg Lions Club, Town Hall Association Scholarship of \$1,000, Glenn & Sally Chase Baker Continuing Education Scholarship for \$2,000, a Waitsburg High School Alumni Associa-

tion Scholarship for \$650, and Frank Reser Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000. She was also awarded a Waitsburg Firemen Scholarship of \$500, the P.E.O. Citizenship Award Scholarship of \$2,000, the Danforth Farms Waitsburg FFA Scholarship of \$2,000, the Kenneth Beasley Memorial Scholarship of \$1,500, and the Pamela J. Conover Memorial Scholarship \$2,500. Sara will attend the University of Idaho.

Sarah Daves received the Dayton Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship for \$1,200, a Waitsburg Lions Club, Town Hall Association Scholarship for \$1,000, and a Waitsburg High School Alumni Association Scholarship for \$1,000, Wait-Hi Joe McCown Scholarship of \$1,000, Kenneth Beasley Memorial Scholarship for \$1,500, Washington State University Top Scholars Award of \$1,000, and Washington State University Regents Scholar Award of \$4,000 (renewable for 4 years). Sarah will attend Washington State University.

Tucker Hamilton received a DeNova Club Scholarship of \$1,000, Columbia REA Jeff Meredith Memorial Scholarship of \$3,000, Waitsburg Lions Club Jack Roberts Family Scholarship of \$1,000, a Meredith Huwe Memorial Scholarship of \$500, and a Wait-Hi Joe McCown Scholarship of \$1,000. Tucker will attend The Northwest Lineman College.

## Waitsburg Preschool graduation

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

The Waitsburg School's preschool class graduated at 2 p.m. on June 5 in the Waitsburg Elementary multi-purpose room.

Fifteen boys and girls are now kindergartners, starting in the fall of 2026. The lively students sang "It's a Happy Day," "We Are Graduating," "Follow the Rainbow," and closed with "Moving up to Kindergarten."

Their teacher, Eleanora Montgomery, asked the students to introduce themselves and share what they wanted to be when they grew up. It seems we may have a lot of policemen and firefighters in the future.



Karen Huwe

(above) The new Kindergartners, l-r: McKenna Board, Juniper Langford, Emma Zuger, Adayn Gleason, Brielle Zuger, Lowden Henze, Waylon Cole, Cian Ledford, Cash Noble, Rowen Goddard, A.J. Berg, Pierce Henze, Brentlee Rosecrans, and Antone Copple. (not pictured: Olivia James)

## RETIRING MUSIC DIRECTOR JAGELSKI DIRECTS FINAL K-6 SPRING PROGRAM

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg Elementary's K-6 Spring Program, "A Blast From The Past," opened with the "National Anthem-Star Spangled Banner," sung by Kestrel DeFord, Kaidence Wilcox, Alyssa Cole, Olivia Long, Brooklyn Board, Azaliah Flores, and Foster Richardson, with Lencio Flores and Mitchell Hays on guitar.

Music director Elizabeth Arebalos-Jagelski directed the program, held on June 3, 2026, at 1 pm in the Secondary School Gym. This event marks her last production as she begins a new chapter in her life – retirement.

After the opening, grades K-4 sang "Turn It Loose," followed by all elementary students singing "I Believe." Then kindergarten and 1st-grade students performed "Sing" from Sesame Street, "Yellow Submarine," and "The Construction Musicality Movement." Second- and third-graders continued with "Green, Green, Grass," "Hello/Goodbye," and "The Chef-Musicality Movement."

All students sang "Over the Rainbow," followed by third graders with "Help!"



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Elizabeth Arebalos-Jagelski

Walla, and Waitsburg, I love each and every one of you. I will hold you in my heart. "Go out of my door and be successful and be your very best self. You are enough, and you have something special to offer the world," musically yours, Ms. J.

Third and fourth-graders performed "Seasons of Love." Fourth grade presented "Blackbird," "Man in the Mirror," and "Third Base Coach-Musicality Movement."

As the program continued, the fifth and sixth-grade band played pieces such as "Hot Cross Buns," "Song of Fjord," "Down by the Station," "Go for Excellence," "Au Claire de La Lune," "Merrily We Roll," and "Shark Attack."

Band members Sawyer Harvey and Tucker Brown each played a solo, and then everyone sang "We Are the World."

As a heartfelt finale, the elementary students, joined by Mike Ferrians, surprised Jagelski by singing "You Raise Me Up" by Josh Groban to end the 2026 spring program.

"Thank you to my Cardinal family, and to the precious Waitsburg children whom I have had the honor to teach for a short five years. To the parents and their kids I have taught over my 41 years as an educator in Starbuck, Walla



Karen Huwe

Elementary students performed their spring music program.

# GRADUATION

## Waitsburg 8th graders promoted to HS freshmen

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

Twenty-two Waitsburg Middle School eighth graders were promoted to high school freshmen in a ceremony on Monday, June 8, in the high school auditorium.

Class President Kaitlyn Paul led the guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Waitsburg Principal Joe Wirtzberger welcomed the friends, family, and teachers gathered to celebrate the students' promotion.

Middle School Teacher Jessica Griffith gave an inspiring speech, followed by speeches from students Laila Long, Ollivyr Dahlby, and Kaitlynn Paul.

Superintendent Wirtzberger presented certificates to the students. He presented Best Attendance Awards to Tanna Ray and Audrey Kiefel. Holley Jensen received the Excellence Award, and Audrey Kiefel was named Athlete of the Year.

Math teacher Donovan Romero presented Flynn Richardson with the Math Student of the Year Award. English Language Arts teacher Jessica Griffith presented the ELA Student of the Year award to Ollivyr Dahlby. Science teacher Carrisa Hodges named Kaitlyn Paul as the Science Student of the Year, and history teacher Westin Wallace named Laila Long as the History Student of the Year.



Karen Huwe

The new high school freshmen, back row l-r: Arrow Groom, Abel Creeley, Flynn Richardson, Mitchell Hays, Carson Scott, Ollivyr Dahlby; middle row l-r: Maeci Strickland, Holley Jensen, Laila Long, Madyson Potter, Audrey Kiefel, Lillian Carpenter, Tanna Ray, Ashlyn Brooks; seated l-r: Davina Navarrette, Lencio Flores, Sidian Stegall, Hayden Gascon, Kaitlyn Paul (not pictured: Autumn Shelton, Harlee Coulston, Damian Brown)

## Tyler Coulston's 2026 Valedictorian Speech

When I think about how far we've come, it's honestly hard to believe. It feels like just yesterday we were little kids playing with toy cars, and now we're driving real cars into the high school parking lot every morning. Somewhere between those little kid days and today, we grew up.

The person I was at four years old, walking into preschool for the first time, is completely different from the person standing here now. And a huge part of that change came from the people I've spent my life with: my classmates, my teachers, and this small-town community that helped raise us.

For many of us, these faces are the only school faces we've ever really known. We didn't move through crowded hallways filled with strangers. We grew up surrounded by the same people year after year, learning each other's personalities, strengths, quirks, and habits probably a little too well.

And along the way, there were so many people who shaped who we are today. Teacher Cara, Mrs. Beasley, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Parr, Mrs. Henderson, my mom - Mrs. Coulston, Miss Carlson, Miss Ball, Mr. Elder, Mrs. Groom, Mrs. Leid, and all of our high school teachers. Not to mention our lunch ladies, coaches, bus drivers, office staff, custodians, and everyone else who poured time, patience, and care into us over the years.

I know I'm not the only one here who benefitted from the kindness and effort these people gave us every single day. And honestly, some of the memories they gave us are unforgettable.

Remember Mrs. Henderson and her one-bite cupcakes? Mr. Nechodom and Stumble Guys? Miss Ball and her constant references to "The Office?"

Or the day I walked into class missing my two front teeth after crashing my bike trying to hit a



Karen Huwe

Tyler Coulston with parents Deanna & Cullen

jump? Middle school was already awkward enough without that.

And of course, who could forget Mr. Elder and his love of coffee?

These moments may seem small someday, but they're the moments that built our story together. Because the truth is, we didn't just go to school together. We grew up together.

We learned how to read together. We learned multiplication tables together. We learned how to

survive middle school together, which honestly may be one of our greatest accomplishments. We experienced wins, losses, awkward phases, school dances, sporting events, spirit weeks, tests we forgot to study for, and all the little moments in between.

This school wasn't just a building we showed up to every day. It became part of who we are.

And now, somehow, we're here at the end of it.

That's a strange thing to think about. For most of our lives, graduation felt so far away. And now it's here, and life is about to look very different. Some of us are leaving Waitsburg. Some are staying close to home. Some already know exactly what they want to do, and others are still figuring it out.

But no matter where life takes us, this town and the people in it will always be part of us. Growing up in a small town means being surrounded by people who notice when you succeed, encourage you when you struggle, and support you, whether you realize it or not. We have been given a foundation built on hard work, community, resilience, and relationships. Those things matter, and they will continue to matter long after tonight.

And honestly, I think we're ready.

Ready to leave what's comfortable. Ready to take risks. Ready to build lives of our own.

I believe every person sitting here today is capable of doing great things. Not because life will always be easy, but because we've already learned how to work hard, adapt, and keep going when things get difficult.

We all have people in our lives who love us, support us, and helped guide us to this moment. Teachers, parents, siblings, grandparents, friends, these are the people who helped shape us into who we are today.

So, as we move forward into whatever comes next, I hope we remember where we came from. I hope we carry the lessons, memories, and relationships from this place with us. And I hope that years from now, when we look back on this chapter of our lives, we remember not just the classes or grades, but the people.

Because at the end of the day, that's what made this journey special.

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above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Melvin Marcus Johnson Jr., and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response to: Melvin Marcus Johnson Jr. at 1313 N 13th Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362. DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: May 21, 2026 Blue Mountain Action Council 8 E. Cherry Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-4980 Ext. 350 The Times May 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026 5-21-b

Neff Road, Prescott, WA 99348. The meeting is being called to discuss and act upon regular monthly school business, future planning, and budget. The meeting will follow the guidelines of a Regular Board Session. To ensure compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 42.30, RCW), the Board will treat the meeting on June 25, 2026, as a regular meeting and provides notice as required by law. Meeting schedule is as follows: Board Retreat 9am - 11am Break 11am - 12pm Budget Hearing 12pm - 1pm Regular Board Meeting 1pm If you wish to make public comment you must sign in prior to the start of the meeting. FIRST DATE OF PUBLICATION: June 4, 2026 The Times June 4, 11, 18, 2026 6-4-d

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON**  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Waitsburg School District No. 401-100 Board of Directors of Walla Walla County will review the proposed Extension of the 2025-2026 Capital Projects Fund Budget on June 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at their regular meeting. All District residents are invited to be heard for or against any part of the Budget Extension. Copies of the Budget will be available at the hearing or can be obtained at the Superintendent's Office. BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FIRST DATE OF PUBLICATION: June 4, 2026 Secretary to the Board: Monty Sabin The Times June 4, 11, 2026 6-4-c

**BOARD RETREAT**

THURSDAY JUNE 25, 2026, 9:00 A.M. NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Prescott School District No. 402-37, Walla Walla and Columbia Counties, Washington, will hold their BOARD RETREAT meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2026, at Vista Hermosa Retreat House. Retreat House Address: 1277



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# FUN & EVENTS

## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

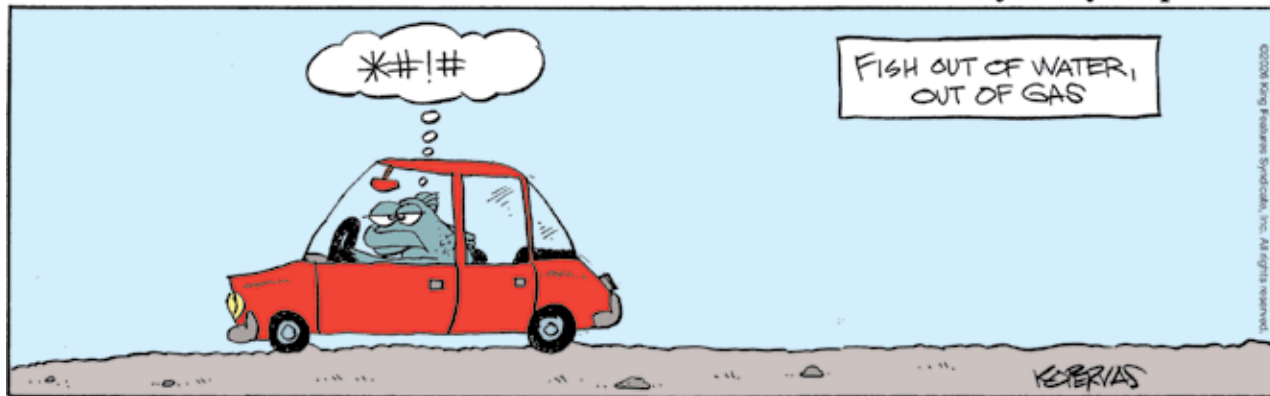


## GRIN and BEAR IT



## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



# Events, Film, Live Music

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The last of the art-centric short movie series curated and presented by Warren Etheredge, founder of the Walla Walla Movie Crush.  
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## DAYTON

**JASPER MOUNTAIN TRAIL FEST**  
at Jasper Mountain Reserve  
Saturday, June 20, 2026  
7 a.m. - 10 p.m.  
The Jasper Mountain Reserve annual trail race for recreational and elite runners to push their skills on the reserve's maintained trails while raising money for the nonprofit.  
The race is on June 20 and early arrival for camping is encouraged. Camping begins June 18 and is included in the event fee. More details about the event and signups are on the race website, by scanning the QR code on the right.



1. Classic 4-person Relay Race, 52.4 miles
2. Solo Half Marathon, 13.1 miles, 2,570 feet of elevation gain
3. Solo full marathon, 26.2 miles, 5,140 feet of elevation gain
4. Solo 7k Family Run, 4.4 miles, with minimal elevation gain

## PIONEER PORTRAITS

### Fifteen Years Ago

June 9, 2011

Seventy-one Seniors Graduate from Waitsburg and Dayton. Prescott High Graduation Friday, June 10. 7 p.m.

Lifeguards Cheyenne, Josh Baumgarner, Maya Rapp, and pool manager Sara Tomalinson prepare the apron at the Prescott swimming pool for the upcoming season starting this weekend.

Festival founder Tim Christie, flutist Sarah Brady and harpist Amy Ley performed an open rehearsal at Sky Book & Brew in Dayton. They will perform several times in Waitsburg and Dayton this week.

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 14, 2001



[Photo Caption] Alexis Nordman wraps Pat Mohny in a tight hug for the first time since he saved her from attacking dogs eight weeks ago. Mohny said seeing Alexis doing well is reward enough.

Members of the Preston Hall Eighth Grade promoted to high school in ceremonies in the multi-Purpose Room last Thursday, June 7. Jill Bickelhaupt addresses classmates and an audience of family and friends with a few words about the future. Several members of the 32-member class spoke on memories from each grade level.

### Fifty Years Ago

June 10, 1976

Kirk Huwe not only walked away with his team honors last week-outstanding hitter, pitcher and fielder-but he was named to the SEW "A" All-Star team. Kirk had an average of .375 with his bat and had only one error in 116 plays. He had 15 stolen bases this season.

Twenty-six eighth graders received certificates of completion of junior high in ceremonies held last Wednesday evening, June 2. Karen Huwe directed the class in three musical numbers.

The Blue Mountain Chapter of the Sweet Adelines, Inc. will hold a special Waitsburg night on June 14th when the group meets at 7:30 at the Pioneer Methodist Church in Walla Walla. If you like to sing; if you can carry a tune, and have the desire to learn to sing harmony, you are a prospective member of Sweet Adelines.

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

June 15, 1951

Former students of the old Waitsburg Academy will hold a reunion in Waitsburg on Saturday, June 23 when the stone marker which was placed last year at the site of the old academy will be officially dedicated.

Danny Jones was honored on his fifth birthday Thursday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Jones, when a group of little friends were entertained for lunch and birthday cake.

Miss Jacqueline Weller left Saturday for New York where she joined a W.S.C. group of students who sailed Tuesday from Boston for Southampton, England for a bicycle tour of Europe.

### One Hundred Years Ago

June 16, 1926

Two tons of salt will be distributed in the blue Mountains to the elk population by Frank Bramlet, Red Mohny, Kenny Smith and Glen Ellsworth Conover and Larry King Witt, Bill Towers, Ed Lambert and Art Breed of the Washington State Big Game Council.

Shelly Jones, Carmen Davis, Nancy and Bess Gagnon and Gwyn Ferguson are attending 4-H Camp at Camp Wooten.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 21, 1901

Col. C. W. Preston and family are moving into the Platt Preston residence on Front Street. Miss Maudie Guntle made the editor glad this week bringing to this office a large branch literally covered with fine sweet cherries. The cherries were raised on W. S. Guntle's place in the western part of town.  
A.J. Blackard has sold his street sprinkler and route to P. C. Perkins. Mr. Blackard will go into the harvest fields.

# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword

FLAVOR NOT TO SAVOR

- ACROSS**
- 1 Film blooper compilation
  - 8 Illinois and Iowa's trees
  - 12 "Bali —"
  - 15 Bushy hairdos, for short
  - 19 "Stephen," in Paris
  - 20 Cookie often twisted apart
  - 21 Boat mover
  - 22 Engrossed
  - 23 Start of a riddle
  - 26 Concerning
  - 27 Mil. title
  - 28 Lysol target
  - 29 D.C. insider
  - 30 Contribute one's share
  - 32 Kitchen pests
  - 34 Starts litigation
  - 39 Stop on —
  - 40 Riddle, part 2
  - 44 " — Misérables"
  - 45 Taking way too much, in brief
  - 46 Loud weather events, for short
  - 47 Inner city, informally
  - 50 Leopard markings
  - 53 "Eso —" (Paul Anka song)
  - 54 Riddle, part 3
  - 64 Cave effect
  - 65 Bovine beast
  - 66 Celebrity astrologer
  - 67 Omit, as a vowel
  - 68 College head
  - 69 Acrobats' springy apparatuses
  - 73 3/15, e.g.
  - 74 Map book
  - 76 Artist Dufy or film director
  - 77 Critical hosp. area
  - 78 Lock lips
  - 79 Riddle, part 4
  - 84 Tiny charged things
  - 85 "It wouldn't — first time"
  - 86 Poppa
  - 87 Intraparty rifts
  - 91 Vast South American plain
  - 95 Football coach
  - 97 End of the riddle
  - 104 Awaken
  - 105 Arizona waterway with the Roosevelt Dam
  - 106 Vikings' tale, perhaps
  - 107 Novelist Hemingway
  - 109 Original "King Kong" studio
  - 110 Cast forth
  - 113 Moose's kin
  - 114 Art gallery in London
  - 115 Riddle's answer
  - 121 Drummer
  - 122 Lutz or axel performers
  - 122 Iraq export
  - 123 Full of zeal
  - 124 Before now
  - 125 The lady's
  - 126 Norm: Abbr.
  - 127 Sort
  - 128 Lutz or axel performers
  - DOWN**
  - 1 Showy trinket
  - 2 Wisdom deity
  - 3 Behemoths
  - 4 On Soc.
  - 5 Prefix with skeleton
  - 6 Writer Blyton
  - 7 Made the first move
  - 8 "Impressive!"
  - 9 Consist of
  - 10 Pub barrel
  - 11 "The meal is ready!"
  - 12 " — at the Moon" (1951 Hank Williams song)
  - 13 Partner of 8-Down
  - 14 " — Z ('80s Camaro)"
  - 15 "Yep, alas!"
  - 16 More hoarse
  - 17 Ideal condition
  - 18 High-minded sorts?
  - 24 Duet plus one
  - 25 Juvenile
  - 31 Must exist
  - 33 Longtime NBC show inits.
  - 35 Unconfined
  - 36 "77 Sunset Strip" actor
  - 37 Biol. or anat.
  - 38 Schleppe
  - 41 Composer/pianist John
  - 42 Facet
  - 43 Actress
  - 44 Rae of "Vengeance"
  - 47 Employed for the purpose of
  - 48 Head for very quickly
  - 49 So as to be 50% less
  - 51 — about (around)
  - 52 Hinders
  - 53 Detective
  - 54 Phil Fish's wife on "Fish"
  - 55 Achieved victory in
  - 56 Sitting on — the world
  - 57 Love, in Paris
  - 58 "ER" actor
  - 59 Prefix with cycle or state
  - 60 "This pleases me!"
  - 61 Cleaned a little, with "up"
  - 62 Texas or Ukraine city
  - 63 Owned (up)
  - 70 Actress West
  - 71 Genuine, in Germany
  - 72 Of a similar kind to
  - 75 Rustling sounds
  - 80 Place to live
  - 81 Tech. schools
  - 82 Channel for hoops fans
  - 83 Zeus' wife
  - 87 Elongate
  - 88 Hymn with harmonies
  - 89 Poltergeist, e.g.
  - 90 "Evidently ..."
  - 91 Oompah band music
  - 92 Coin-op cafeteria
  - 93 Bus. bigwig
  - 94 Letter after upsilon
  - 96 Reactions to cute babies
  - 98 Maude's partner in a 1971 film
  - 99 Intrusive plant
  - 100 Military forces
  - 101 Edmund Spenser's "The — Queene"
  - 102 More hideous
  - 103 Los Angeles hoops team
  - 108 "Terrible" time for tots
  - 111 Writer Dinesen
  - 112 Reid of "Sharknado"
  - 116 #1 song, e.g.
  - 117 Climbing vine
  - 118 Pointer
  - 119 Lofty poem
  - 120 Diner sandwich, for short

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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## MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

# Moroccan Kefta Kebabs



As we move towards the summer solstice, many of our meals will be enjoyed on the back deck. From all-American cheeseburgers or Mexican carne asada to Korean bulgogi, the art of grilling is a culinary skill that brings people together all around the world. In fact, there is something quite primal in the communal experience of gathering around a meal sizzling over an open flame. A reminder of the universal commonalities of the human experience that far outweigh the differences. Here, ground beef is exuberantly flavored with North African spices and aromatic fresh herbs before being grilled to perfection on skewers.

### Ingredients:

- 1 small yellow onion
- 1 pound ground beef (15- to 20-percent fat)
- ½ cup packed flat leaf parsley, finely chopped
- ½ cup packed cilantro, finely chopped
- ½ cup fresh mint leaves, finely chopped
- 2 heaped teaspoons sweet paprika
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon ground coriander
- ½ heaped teaspoon kosher salt (or 1/4 teaspoon fine salt)
- ½ teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- Pinch of ground cayenne
- Olive oil

### Directions:

With the large hole side of a box grater, grate the onion directly into a large mixing bowl, collecting all the onion juices. To the onion add the beef, parsley, cilantro, mint, paprika, cumin, coriander, salt, black pepper and cayenne. Using your hands or a large spoon, combine the ingredients until evenly mixed together.

In a small skillet heat a little oil over medium-high heat. When hot, add about a teaspoon of the beef mixture to the pan and cook until seared on both sides and cooked through. Taste the sample for seasoning, then add more salt as needed to the meat mixture.

Take between 2 to 3 tablespoons of the mixture and use your hands to mold it onto a skewer to form a log. Be sure to press the meat firmly around the skewer. Repeat with the rest of the mixture. If using long skewers form two logs on each skewer. Place the formed kefta kebabs on a plate and cover with plastic wrap. Refrigerate for about 30 minutes to allow the kebabs to firm up.

While the kebabs are chilling, heat your grill and prepare your side dishes. Heat grill to medium-high and brush the grate with oil to prevent sticking. When ready, brush both sides of the kebabs lightly with olive oil. Cook the kebabs for about 3 to 5 minutes per side, allowing the meat to get defined grill marks. Use a meat thermometer to check for doneness. Be careful when flipping not to break the kebabs off their skewers. It is helpful to use a metal spatula to turn them. Arrange cooked kebabs on a serving platter and sprinkle with a little finishing salt. Serve immediately with your favorite sides and garnishes (see notes).

### Notes:

These kefta kebabs are fabulous with ground beef, but traditionally can also be made with ground lamb. I have seen versions made with ground turkey or chicken as well.

Instead of kebabs on skewers, you could also shape the kefta mixture into patties and grill them like a burger. If you don't have an outdoor grill, you could use a grill pan or even a regular cast-iron skillet on your indoor stove. However you cook them, you want to get a good sear or char on the outside to enhance the flavor.

Serve these kefta kebabs with your favorite mezze accompaniments, such as hummus, olives, pickled peppers, or my garlic tzatziki sauce (below). This week, I also served these with a Moroccan spiced rice pilaf, warm flatbread, and a simple salad of romaine lettuce, tomato, feta, and pickled red onion.

### My Tzatziki recipe:

Grate 1 English cucumber into a strainer and set over a sink. Sprinkle with a pinch of salt and allow the cucumber to drain for a few minutes then gently squeeze out the excess moisture. In a bowl, combine the cucumber with 1 ½ cups plain Greek-style yogurt, 2 tablespoons minced fresh dill, 1 tablespoon minced fresh mint, 1 garlic clove minced, juice of half a lemon and 2 tablespoons of extra-virgin olive oil. Season to taste with salt and pepper then allow to chill in the refrigerator for at least one hour.

Enjoy.

## Super Crossword

### Answers

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# CALENDAR

## 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 Parks and Recreation Public Meeting**  
First Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ Waitsburg City Hall  
Info email: info@waitsburgparks.org



**Waitsburg School Board**  
Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. Zoom info is available at [Waiatburgsd.org](http://Waiatburgsd.org) 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 welcome.

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

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

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



**Friends of the Weller Public Library**  
Second Tuesday of the month, @ 7:15 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

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

**Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank**  
Thursdays, 2 - 4 p.m. Food Donations @ 106 1/2 Preston Ave

**Waitsburg Christian Church**  
Drop-off and pick-up Clothing Donation Center upstairs at 604 Main Street.

### 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 info at [www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners](http://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 High School Library

**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 Dist. Board of Commissioners**  
Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 9 a.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 on the last Thursday of each month, 5 p.m. @ 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 2026 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6:30 p.m.

**Prescott School District Board of Directors Meeting**  
4th Thursday of each month, @ 6 p.m. @ Prescott School Multi-Purpose, room 401, and on Zoom, Meeting ID: 846 7687 9995

**STARBUCK MEETINGS**  
Starbuck City Council  
2nd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall.

*Church Directory*

**St. Mark Catholic Church**  
405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg Mass  
Friday, 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 5 p.m.  
382-2311  
Father O'Leary

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

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**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

## Lunches

### WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church  
504 Main St. Waitsburg  
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, June 16**  
House Chili  
Cookie, Cornbread  
MOW: Potatoes  
Vegetable  
IN House: Salad Bar

### WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### FREE SUMMER MEALS

Waitsburg Schools will provide free meals to any child 18 years and younger during the summer break at the Elementary multipurpose room starting June 24.  
The program ends on July 19, and meals will not be served on July 4.  
Breakfast will be served Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 9 a.m., and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to noon.



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