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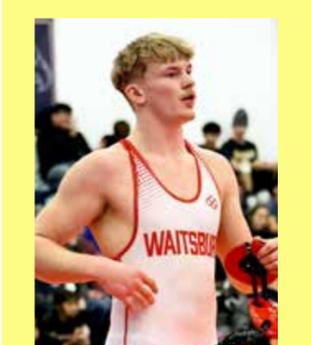
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Karen Huwe

Royalty Courts (l-r): Walla Walla - Princess Taylee Smith, Pioneer Posse Queen Mikayla Closejohn, Princesses Brenna Sinkbeil, Kellie Jo Prince, and Temprance Cate. Waitsburg Royalty Princess Kinsley Tinnons, Queen Alexis Jones, and Princesses Keely Harshfield and Kayla Kuykendall. Mission Hills Queen Kylee Yerbich, Princess Allyson Wells, and Walla Walla Queen Ellie Ford.

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Korslund named Athletic Director of the Year, Dist. 6

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Dayton School Board convened at the high school’s library at 6:30 p.m. on February 18, 2026. Superintendent Jeremy Wheatley, Board Chair Jeffrey McCowen, and Board members Pat Davidson, Grant Griffin, and Ryan Paulson were present, with Aneesha Dieu joining remotely.

The Board passed the consent agenda, which included approval of past meeting minutes, accounts payable and payroll, a donation of \$3,157 from the FFA Alumni for the FFA State Convention, and an overnight school trip for nine students to attend the FFA trapshooting competition in Wenatchee.

Associated Student Body Secretary Cindi Howard gave the ASB report of recent activities. There have been supervised hangouts for students in the HS Commons after basketball games. She spoke about Ski Day at Bluewood, the upcoming Sophomore Sadie Hawkins Dance, the Junior Prom, and the Touchet River 5K Run, open to the entire community on Memorial Day Weekend.

The District’s athletic director, Sam Korslund, said a basketball tournament was being hosted in Dayton, and concession proceeds will go to Dayton schools, mostly for football uniforms in the fall.

Korslund said he and the Prescott School District, which canceled Spring sports due to possible dissolution, have discussed co-op and combine options for middle school baseball and softball. He said the options would not affect Dayton’s classification numbers or incur any cost to Dayton. Board members expressed concern that adding Prescott’s students could infringe on some Dayton athletes’ playing time. Korslund said he could arrange things to avoid the impact on playtime. He said Prescott athletes would have the same academic requirements as Dayton’s.

Griffin congratulated Korslund for being awarded the WIAA Athletic Director of the Year for District 6, Southwest 1B.

John Delp, the District’s head custodian, reported on the status of the HVAC system, which is still under warranty. Generally, things are going well, he said.

Martin Surridge and Jeff McCann, the High School and Middle School English Language Arts (ELA) teachers, respectively, submitted written reports on the classes they teach and the measurement of progress of their students. Wheatley graphed the students’ ELA progress in quadrants on a scatter plot, showing growth vs. achievement. The visual data showed steady progress in the ELA students.

The meeting adjourned for an executive session at 7:26 p.m. to review the performance of a public employee, with no action taken upon its conclusion at 8:26 p.m.



(l-r) High School English teacher Martin Surridge and Middle School English teacher Jeff McCann.

Alexis Jones crowned Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The 2026 Waitsburg Celebration Days Royalty Coronation was held in Waitsburg Town Hall on Saturday, February 21. The new royalty court, Kayla Kuykendall, Alexis Jones, Keely Harshfield, and Kinsley Tinnons, greeted guests as they arrived at the hall.

The members of the court began their journey at try-outs in October 2025. The girls rode their horses, gave speeches, and were interviewed by the judges who scored their performances. Alexis Jones earned the highest score and the honor to serve as the Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen.

Dana Grieb is the royalty advisor for this year’s Celebration Days Court. She brings her experience as a 2007 Pendleton Round-Up Princess and as the 2023 and 2024 royalty advisor for the Milton-Freewater Pioneer Posse. Grieb’s daughter, Kira Filbrandt, was a Pioneer Posse Princess in 2024 and the Pioneer Posse Queen in 2025.

Filbrandt served as the emcee for the fundraiser, which opened with each girl on Waitsburg’s royalty court introducing themselves to the audience. After an invocation by K.C. Kuykendall, the guests enjoyed a delicious tri-tip dinner catered by Bow Sewell.

During the evening, there was active bidding for the many silent auction items, including donations from Waitsburg businesses Gaudy Gals and Nancy’s Dream Garden Center. The Waitsburg Royalty members modeled outfits and helped with the dessert live auction, which Larry Hagen conducted.

The coronation began with the announcement of the Waitsburg Celebration Days Princesses Keely Harshfield, Kayla Kuykendall, and Kinsley Tinnons, and Queen Alexis Jones. The girls were escorted to the stage by their parents. Jemma Anderson, a 2025 Waitsburg Celebration Days Princess, placed the sashes on the three princesses and crowned Alexis Jones the 2026 Queen.

With the help of donors, parents, and the evening’s 120 to 150 guests, around \$6,000 was raised for the 2026 Waitsburg Celebrations Day Royalty Court.

“This year’s WCD royalty is really motivated to go to as many parades and rodeos as possible in the area. Just a few places they will go: Asotin County Fair, Dayton Days, Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days, Pendleton Round-Up, and Pomeroy Fair & Rodeo,” said advisor Dana Grieb.



Courtesy photo

Queen Alexis Jones, and Princesses Keely Harshfield, Kayla Kuykendall, and Kinsley Tinnons are ready for a busy year.



NEWS BRIEFS

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AT THE LIBERTY: "GOAT"

February 27, March 1 & 3

THE TIMES

DAYTON — From Sony Pictures Animation comes "GOAT," an original action-comedy set in an all-animal world. The story follows Will, a small goat with big dreams, who gets a once-in-a-lifetime shot to play with the pros in roarball. The game is dominated by the fastest, fiercest animals in the world. Will's new teammates aren't thrilled to have a little goat on their roster. Will is determined to revolutionize the sport and prove "small can ball!"

The critics on RottenTomatoes.com said that "Goat" sports a terrific voice cast, nifty animation, and a solid moral for youngsters. The RT audience rated "Goat" with a 93% approval. One moviegoer wrote, "Genuinely such a great movie. Sony Animation never disappoints. Great variety of characters and personalities, a beautiful world, entertaining, funny, I can't wait to watch it again." Rated PG for some rude humor and brief mild language, and has a runtime of 93 minutes.

This Saturday, February 28, the Liberty Theater will present the ski movie "Pressure Drop" from Teton Gravity Research. The doors will open at 5:15 p.m., and the movie will start at 6 p.m. The event is a fundraiser for the non-profit youth program, Bluewood Ski and Snowboard Team.

Before the screening of "Pressure Drop," the theater will show "Lunch," a short film by Jared Farley, who grew up in Waitsburg. Enjoy a beer from Buckwheat Brewing Co. and door prizes from Dayton businesses.

"Pressure Drop" is the latest chapter in a 30-year journey—forged from a dream, fueled with cash from commercial fishing in Alaska, and driven by an obsession with life on the edge. This film follows the world's best skiers and snowboarders, alongside the next generation, through Alaskan spines, stacked pillow lines, massive cliffs, giant couloirs, deep powder, and insane jumps. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at libertytheater.org or at the Box Office on Tuesdays and Fridays from 2 to 5 p.m. There will be a limited number of tickets at the door.

"Train Dreams" is coming from March 6 to 10. The fictional story of a logger and railroad worker from Bonner's Ferry, Idaho, who is part of the workforce that built the great railroads of early 20th-century America. "Train Dreams" is nominated for four Academy Awards, shot in Washington. Many of the movie's extras were from the Spokane and Tekoa area.

Upcoming Movies: "Goat" on February 27, March 1 & 3, "Pressure Drop" on Saturday, February 28 at 6 p.m., "Train Dreams" on March 6-10, and "I Can Only Imagine 2" on March 13-17. Schedule subject to change.

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DAYTON LIBRARY HOSTS TALK ON TÁTWIN WILDLIFE AREA ON THURSDAY FEB. 26

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DAYTON — The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation will host a public event at the Dayton Public Library, Delaney Building. The informational event will be held on Thursday, February 26, at 7 p.m. The focus will be on the management of and policy changes to the Tátwin Wildlife Area (formerly the Rainwater Wildlife Area). There will be a short presentation and a question-and-answer period. The public is invited to attend.



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A GROUP FOR CIVIL ENGAGEMENT IN WAITSBURG

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — A group of Waitsburg citizens has been meeting to foster community connections and strengthen civic engagement and political change.

The group, known as The Circle, was formed by Tom Elstrom, the Walla Walla Democratic Precinct Officer. And though many attendees identify as Democrats, Elstrom said people of all political stripes who are unwilling to give up on the Republic are welcome.

The meetings are held on the first Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m. at Ten Ton Art, 216 Main Street, Waitsburg. Elstrom reminds attendees to come hungry, as there will be pizza and beverages at this informal, congenial gathering.

The group has invited 5th District Democratic Congressional Candidates to upcoming meetings to provide information and open dialogue with attendees.

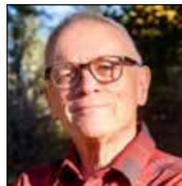
Bajun Mavalwalla on Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

RSVP to tomelstrom@hotmail.com by Tuesday, February 27.



Carmela Convo on Tuesday, April 7, 2026.

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David Womack
Date to be determined.

Please contact Tom Elstrom at tomelstrom@hotmail.com for more information about the candidate events or The Circle.

BIRTHDAYS

February 26: Jayton "JJ" Gleason, Dena Martin-Kennison, Alisha Marshall, Wayne Emerson, Walter White, Emilie Baker, Jeff Jameson, Sally Harmon and John Garrett.

March 2: Alina Reese, Dean Atkinson, Kyla Winger, Rich Fry, Sandy Startin, Peter Mercer, Bill Callahan, Mike A. Mayberry, and Jessica DeCoria.

February 27: Rylan Lybecker, Jerry Baker, Larry Land, Bill Broadhead, Jane Schulke, Katy Pearson Zemke.

March 3: Sarah Moser, Mike Vennum, Michelle Miller, Cameron Pearson and Kristy and Kelly Hays.

February 28: Jill McConnell, Brock Winegar, Cindy Hiatt, Sharon McDaniel, Jean Coe, Tressa Johnson, Merry Nelson, David Marr, Todd Dimak, and Jeremy Nichols.

March 4: Bill Poirier, Marilyn White, Kathy Jensen, Ryan Jacoy, and Nicholas Newbury.

March 1: Jacob Dunn, Norma Chapman, Joan Bottles and Bill Keith.



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CARDINAL SPORTS with Karen Huwe

Hankins at State Wrestling

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg senior Jarod Hankins finished his high school wrestling career at the W.I.A.A. State Wrestling Tournament at the Tacoma Dome on February 21.

Hankins started wrestling in high school, his sophomore year, and has made the trip to the State Tournament twice, his junior and senior years. Hankins qualified for the State Tournament when he finished in sixth place at the 1B/2B State Qualifying Wrestling Tournament at Freeman High School on February 13 and 14.

Thirty athletes from 1B/2B schools competed in Hankin's weight bracket. Eight wrestlers stood on the podium, with the top three receiving medals. Hankins finished in the top third.

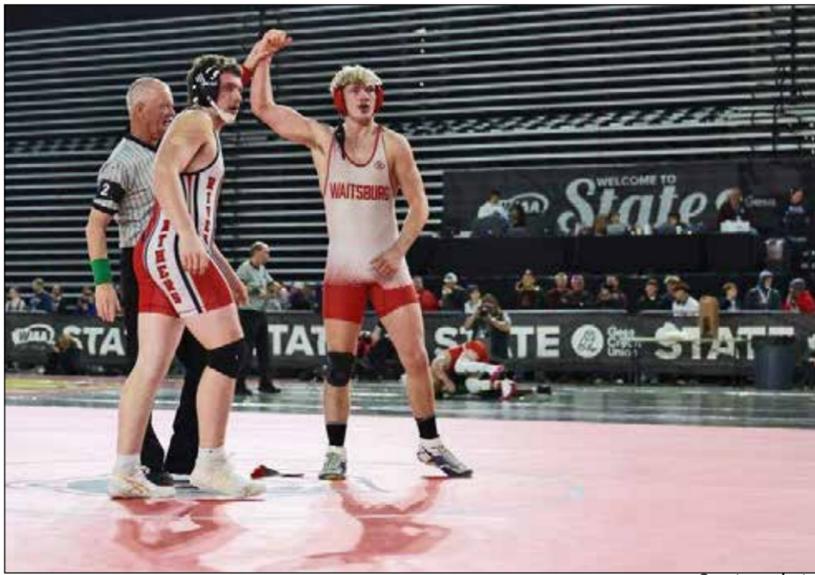
On Friday, Hankins won his first match by pin in the second round and lost his second match by pin to the first seed by pin in the second round.

In Saturday's matches, Jarod won two by pin in the second and third rounds. He lost one by pin to the fourth-place seed. Hankins ended the tournament with a 3-2 record.

"Watching him grow and become the person he is today was amazing. It was an honor to be his coach. Jarod showed what it meant to be a Cardinal. His drive for excellence and determination to be the best in everything showed," said Coach Lash LaRue.

"Early morning lifts and staying late after practice are why he ended a three-year wrestling career as a two-time State qualifier. Waitsburg should be very proud of him. I hope some look up to him and find this obsession of simply not wanting to lose," said LaRue

All heart. All fight. All Cardinal.



Courtesy photo

Jarod Hankins at the State Wrestling Tournament in Tacoma.

Small Schools Little League Basketball

A Waitsburg second- and third-grade boys basketball team has been competing in the Small Schools Little League since January 10. The league includes 119 boys and girls teams this year.

The Waitsburg team plays on Saturdays in Dayton, Asotin, Pomeroy, or Lewiston. The games have twenty-minute halves, and teams play in two or three games each Saturday.

Waitsburg's boys team is coached by Abby Grende and sponsored by Rural Youth Enrichment Services (RYES), McGregor's, and Grende's Occupational Therapy, who provided jerseys, and Whiskey C provided the basketballs.

On Saturday, February 21, the boys played in Dayton. The first game was fast and furious. The boys sprinted down the floor, put up shots, jumped for rebounds, and were not afraid to dive for loose balls.

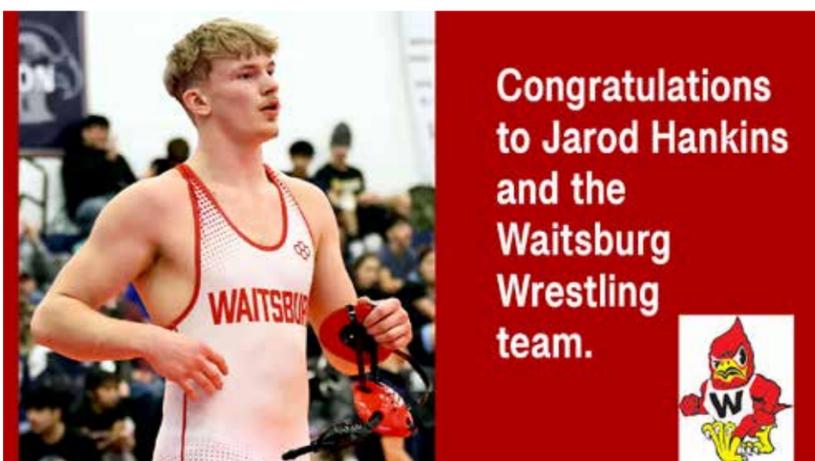
Team members are Myles Grende, Ryker Frasco, Phoenix Stahl, Israel Stahl, Asher Hilton, Jimmy Watson, Oliver Castillo, and Finn Huxoll.

The boys will wrap up their season in Lewiston on February 28.



Karen Huwe

Ryker Frasco steals the ball and leads the fastbreak. (l-r): Finn Huxoll, Jimmy Watson, Israel Stahl, Ryker Frasco, Phoenix Stahl.



LADY CARDINALS BEAT REDHAWKS

The Waitsburg Lady Cardinal middle school basketball team beat the Touchet Redhawks in two games at Touchet on Wednesday, February 18.

In the first game, the Cardinals saw sixth-grader Oaklee Adams have an outstanding performance, leading the team with 11 rebounds, 4 steals, and 8 points. Lillian Carpenter scored nine points, and Jaylynn Gleason scored four points. Emma Langford scored six, rebounded three, and had two steals. Shylo Hedges and Peyton Childers scored two points each, and Adalin Acevedo scored two points and rebounded seven in the 33-6 win.

Waitsburg let an early lead slip in

the second game of the evening and were behind 16-14 at halftime. In the third quarter, Waitsburg exploded for 14 points, six points by Gleason, and held Touchet to four points. The Cardinals won 38-26 and now have a 6-1 record.

Ryleigh Fabian and Gleason scored nine points each. Fabian added five steals and three assists. Birthday girl, Kaitlyn Paul, scored eight points and rebounded six. Audrey Kiefel scored four and rebounded five. Carpenter, Reagan Fabian, Childers, and Laila Long scored two points each.

"Playing two games gave all members of the team playing time. Our point guards saw the court and distributed the ball so every player scored at least two points tonight," said Coach Karen Huwe.



Karen Huwe

Kaitlyn Paul shoots for two.



Oaklee Adams gets the steal and passes to Adalin Acevedo in the first game against Touchet.

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Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago

February 24, 2011

Both the girls and boys Cardinals basketball teams celebrated district tournament victories at Whitman College in Walla Walla this past Friday. They made history by becoming the first teams to win the title at the same time.

Cole and Brittany Lindsey, married just last year in Puerto Rico, left for a missionary adventure to Kenya last week.

Young wrestlers and their support staff roll up the mats that are too old and worn out for the growing wrestling program. Co-founders Kari and Travis Newman are raising funds for new ones.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

February 22, 2001



[Photo Caption] We couldn't let February pass without recalling the flood of '96 when Coppei Creek took a shortcut down Coppei Avenue on its way to the Touchet. Depth of the water is indicated by the 3'-high sandbags.

Fifty Years Ago

February 26, 1976

The Wait-Hi Student Body Officers made a visit to Olympia recently and had their picture taken with two area legislators. Senator Dan Jolly, Loyal Baker, Walt Warehime, David Smith, Rod Estes, Representative Jeannette Hayner and Rob McKinney. The student body officers make the trip during each legislative session to gain a better understanding of how State government works.

Cub Scout, Forrest Jonson, won the ribbon at the Blue and Gold banquet for the Most Unique cake. Dean Perry won the prize for the Funniest Cub Scout cake. Todd Wood got first prize for the Prettiest Cub cake.



[Photo Caption] The Waitsburg Cardinal Basketball Team 1975-1976: Second place winners in the Southeastern Washington "A" League: Left to right: Kirk Huwe, John Lybeck, Mark Lambert, Loyal Baker, B.J. Hill, Tony Henderson, Mark Leid, Greg Zuger, Tim Pettichord, Steve Pierson, David Smith and Ken Cole. Kneeling: Coach Bob Mathews and manager Chris Stromstead.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

March 2, 1951

Janet Collins spent last weekend in Sunnyside with her sister, Roselle Collins who is doing her practice teaching there.

Lynn Pearson of Waitsburg is one of 55 junior and senior pharmacy students from W.S.C. to leave Feb. 23 for an 11-day educational trip to the mid-west.

Myron Colburn, superintendent of schools at Colville and formerly principal here, was in Waitsburg Wednesday with two school directors to inspect the new grade school here.

One Hundred Years Ago

March 5, 1926

Groom Bickelhaupt is seeding about 40 acres to sweet clover this Spring.

Chas. Sharp and James O'Neil, editor of the Spectator, were in the city Friday from Prescott for a few hours.

Frank Callahan, Orville Fullerton and John White are in Spokane this week attending the M.E. Sunday school convention which covers this district.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

March 8, 1901

Mrs. J. W. Morgan and Mrs. J. E. Houtchens gave an afternoon coffee on Friday. The following were the invited guests: Mesdames Davies, Powell, Abbey, Bruce, Fletcher, Morrow, Vincent, Maxwell, S.W. Smith, Ormsbee, Caldwell, Butler, Chas Taylor, Fred Cox and Lynch.

Robert Loundagin was married on Feb. 27, 1901, to Miss Albertena Smith. The wedding took place at the home of the bride in Lindsay, California.

Home seekers are arriving in this city nearly every day from different eastern points. Thirty or forty persons have arrived during the past week and are looking at the surrounding country with a view to locating.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 25-4-00289-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In re the Estate of: MADELINE ZIMMERMAN, 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 days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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February 19, 26, March 5, 2026
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IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO: 26-4-00031-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In Re the Estate of: CHRISTINA L. WATTS, 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 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 Administrator 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

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR CITY OF PRESCOTT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a public hearing will be held by the Prescott City Council, at Prescott City Hall, located at 108 S. D St, Prescott, WA, on Monday, March 9th 2026, at 6:30 p.m. We will be discussing the consideration of the proposed 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), Resolution No.2026-01R. The proposal is to adopt a priority list of expected transportation capital projects for the 6-year period representing 2027-2032. Any person may appear at the hearing and may be heard in support of, or in opposition, to this proposal. If you are unable to attend the public hearing either in person or remotely, you may submit your written comments by 4pm on Monday, March 9th, 2026, to the attention of the city Clerk/Treasurer at Prescott City Hall, 108 S. D St, Prescott, WA, in order

for your comments to be considered as part of the formal record. Additional information may be obtained at City Hall during regular business hours. For REMOTE ACCESS to this Public Hearing on March 9th 2026, please use the link on the City of Prescott's website www.cityofprescottwa.com
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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION AND CLAIM DEADLINE

Notice is hereby given that Power House Theatre LLC (the "Corporation"), a Washington Limited Liability Company, filed Articles of Dissolution with the Secretary of State of Washington on February 12, 2026.

Pursuant to RCW 24.03A.918, the public is hereby notified that the Corporation is in the process of dissolving. Any claims against the Corporation must be received in writing at the address below no later than June 30, 2026.

Your claim must include:
1. The amount of the claim.
2. A description of the basis for the claim.

3. Supporting documentation (invoices, contracts, etc.).
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Please send all claims to:
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PUZZLES

Super Crossword

PEOPLE WITH CONNECTIONS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Stew morsels
 - 5 G-man, e.g.
 - 8 Bun-topping seeds
 - 15 Razor brand
 - 19 "That's —!" ("Untrue!")
 - 20 God, in Turin
 - 21 Perk up
 - 22 Picnic pests
 - 23 "Secret Love" singer having two opposing personalities?
 - 26 Performs like LL Cool J
 - 27 2007 documentary about the U.S. health care system
 - 28 Pick-up-sticks math game
 - 29 Suffix with 110-Across
 - 30 "Aquaman" star Jason
 - 31 "Seven Year Ache" singer buying goods at wholesale?
 - 37 — kwon do
 - 39 Change habits
 - 40 Brigitte of "Contempt"
 - 41 Not smart
 - 44 Height: Abbr.
 - 45 Ghana's capital
 - 47 Biol. or geol.
- DOWN**
- 1 Paw bottoms
 - 2 "The Time Machine" race
 - 3 Guys staffing military flights
 - 4 Watch brand
 - 5 Count up
 - 6 Designer Versace
 - 7 Playing (with)
 - 8 — Diego
 - 9 Conclusion
 - 10 "Ransom" actor Gary
 - 11 Mennonite sect
 - 12 Soft rock?
 - 13 Archaic verb suffix
 - 14 In position
 - 15 Overseas
 - 16 List of players, in sports
 - 17 It shows a pupil's grades
 - 18 Analyze
 - 24 "Rescue us!"
 - 25 — Hess (former oil giant)
 - 30 Jazz singer Carmen
 - 32 Visa rival, for short
 - 33 Soothes
 - 34 "— boy!"
 - 35 "La Brea" network
- ACROSS**
- 49 Star of many silent Westerns creating an ensemble?
 - 53 Butterfly food
 - 55 Cineplex — (old theater)
 - 56 Alternatives to coffees
 - 57 Distinctive times
 - 59 Wife of Zeus
 - 60 Stimpy's pal
 - 61 Go — ride
 - 63 Luau gift
 - 64 "ER" co-star Anthony
 - 67 "Sleuth" co-star portraying a policeman?
 - 71 Boot parts
 - 74 Silent "yes"
 - 75 Network on the telly, with "the"
 - 76 Wall Street deg., often
 - 79 Head, in Pau
 - 80 Pare down
 - 82 Speller's clarification
 - 84 Cute, cutesily
 - 86 Scottish language
 - 89 Frequent USO show performer wishing earnestly?
- DOWN**
- 36 "Nuts!"
 - 37 One-on-one instructor
 - 38 Positive pole
 - 42 "I believe," to texters
 - 43 Iniquitous
 - 45 Pungent
 - 46 "— ching!"
 - 48 Tax-deferred svgs. plans
 - 50 Motionless
 - 51 "Hud" actress Patricia
 - 52 Huck Finn, for one
 - 54 Burn a bit
 - 58 Williams of tennis
 - 62 Lyric poem
 - 63 Huck Finn, for one
 - 65 Prez called "Ike"
 - 66 Net pop-ups, e.g.
 - 67 "Uptown Girl" singer Billy
 - 68 Oxide, e.g.
 - 69 Fetus' home
 - 70 Play award
 - 71 "Let —" ("Frozen" song)
 - 72 Time soon to come
 - 73 Suspension bridge part
 - 76 Popular food seasoning brand
 - 77 Corrow, e.g.
- DOWN**
- 78 Vast chasm
 - 81 Slugging stat
 - 82 Crucial artery
 - 83 Went across
 - 85 Print quality stat
 - 87 In a very cold manner
 - 88 Pick out
 - 90 Welcome
 - 91 Poet Ogden
 - 94 China's Mao — tung
 - 98 Actress Quinn
 - 99 Blossom
 - 100 Mystery awards
 - 101 English biscuits
 - 103 Some Miller beers
 - 104 Arm muscle, informally
 - 105 Words on a help desk
 - 106 NYC rep starting in '19
 - 107 Rock — (Brazilian music festival)
 - 112 Weizman of Israel
 - 113 Novice
 - 115 Fast plane
 - 116 In the style of
 - 117 Suffix with alp
 - 118 "Inc." relative
 - 119 Female deer



NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

Para más información en cómo este cambio impactará su factura, llame al 888-225-2611.

Pacific Power remains dedicated to delivering safe, reliable, affordable power now and for years to come.

We recognize the impact that price increases have on our customers. As we make needed investments in our system and navigate economic trends, we will continue to take measures to keep our rates low and to capture savings for our customers.

On February 5, 2026, Pacific Power submitted a compliance filing with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) to increase Schedule 92, Temporary Coal Cost Adjustment, effective April 3, 2026. Schedule 92 previously reflected a credit to customers over a two-year period to pass through the excess actual revenues from the Jim Bridger fly ash sales. In the 2023 general rate case, parties agreed to credit these revenues, of approximately \$3.4 million, back to customers over a two-year period, from April 3, 2024, through April 2, 2026.

Because the revenues have been fully returned to customers, the change to Schedule 92 will result in a rate increase of approximately 0.4% overall. A residential customer using 1,200 kWh per month will see a monthly bill increase of \$0.56.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

Schedules	Schedule 92 Cancellation Effective 4/3/26
Residential (Sch.16-19)	0.4%
General – Small (Sch.24)	0.3%
General – Medium (Sch.36,29)	0.4%
General – Large (Sch.47T,48T)	0.4%
Ag. Pumping (Sch.40)	0.4%
Lighting (Sch.15,51-54)	0.2%
Total (All Schs.)	0.4%

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

kWh per Month	Monthly \$ per	Present	Schedule 92 Effective 4/3/26
1,000	kWh	14.1¢	14.2¢
1,000	Bill	\$141.45	\$141.92
1,200	kWh	13.9¢	14.0¢
1,200	Bill	\$167.28	\$167.85
1,500	kWh	13.7¢	13.8¢
1,500	Bill	\$206.03	\$206.74

*Per Base Schedule 16 Rates and Rider Schedules 91, 92, 93, 94, 97, 98, 99 and 191

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- The federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps low-income households with energy costs. It is administered by the Washington Department of Commerce through local agencies.
- Project HELP is a nonprofit program providing energy assistance with donated funds.
- Pacific Power's bill assistance program provides a bill discount to income-eligible households year-round. The program is administered through local community action agencies.
- Local agencies provide free weatherization services to income-qualifying homeowners and renters living in single-family homes, mobile homes or apartments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

You are invited to comment to the Commission. The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than Pacific Power's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can comment by using the "Submit a public comment" feature at the Commission's website, at www.utc.wa.gov, or by using the contact information below:

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Online comment form: <https://www.utc.wa.gov/consumers/submit-comment>

Email: comments@utc.wa.gov

Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Mail: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504

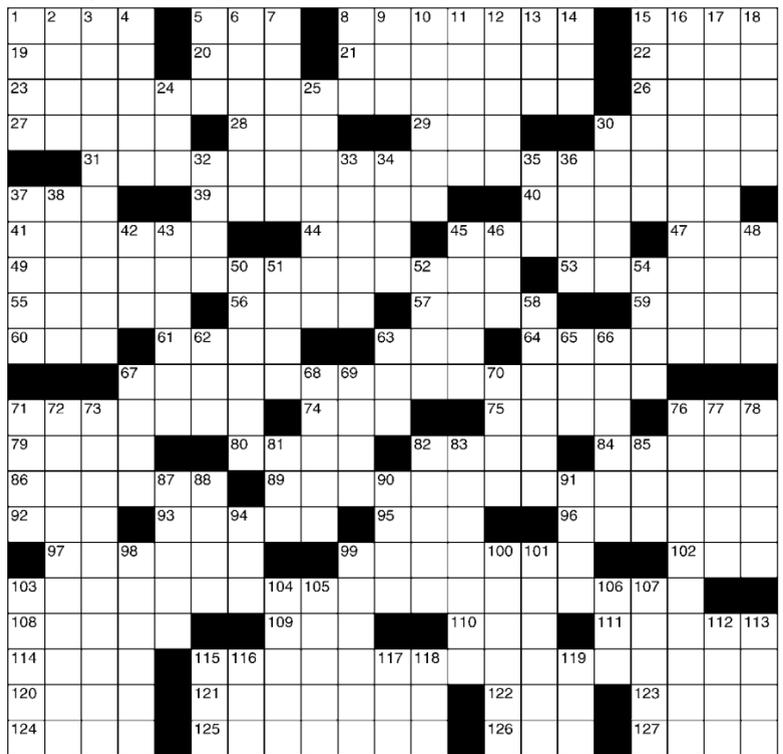
Please include your name, the name of the company (PacifiCorp), the docket number (UE-230172), and a contact method if you would like to receive more information about this filing.

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting. These meetings are regularly scheduled every other Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Please contact the Commission to request to be notified of the scheduled open meeting at which the proposal will be considered by the Commission. You can provide comment during this meeting.

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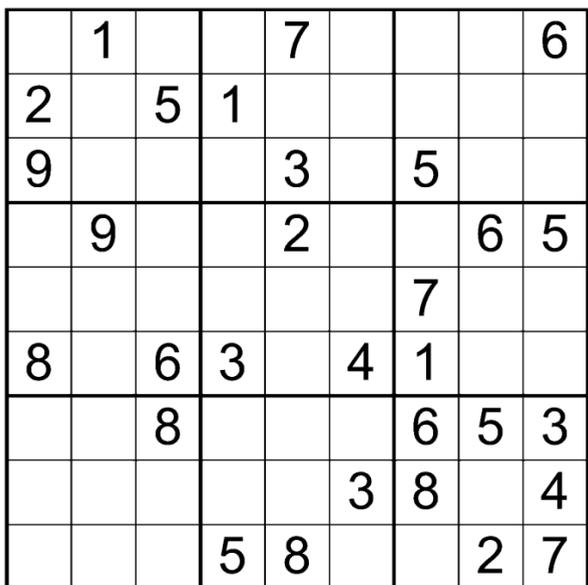
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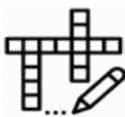


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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Super Crossword

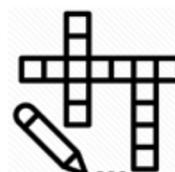
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Community Calendar

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 Parks and Recreation Public Meeting
First Thursday of the month, 6 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 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

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.

Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, March 2
TBA on wallawallaseniorcenter.org

Meals on Wheels Program
Meals on Wheels delivers around 200 meals each day, Monday-Thursday, to homebound older adults in Walla Walla and surrounding counties.

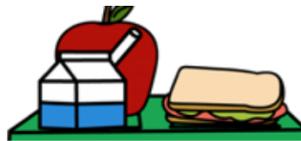
These meals provide 1/3 of the nutritional daily requirements for older adults.

Qualifications:
Homebound (can't leave home without assistance), 60+ years of age

Some exceptions include: recovering from a hospital stay, the spouse of an eligible client, a disabled dependent, etc.

The Walla Walla Senior Center is a Meals on Wheels America Member. For questions or to sign up, please call (509) 527-3775

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT



Thursday, Feb. 26
Breakfast
French Toast & Sausage
Lunch
Chicken Burrito Bowl
Fruit & Vegetable

Friday, Feb. 27
Breakfast
Scrambled Eggs & Yogurt
Lunch
Haystack w/ Choice of Taco Meat, and/or Fresh Toppings
Fruit & Vegetable



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