

Bill Rodgers

The clouds framing this farm on Ferris Road, near the intersection at Lower Waitsburg Road caught the attention of the photographer last week. "Shriner's Hospitals for Children. Serving the specialty healthcare needs of children around the world since 1992," is on a sign in front of the farm reminding us of kindness and care.

Waitsburg cowgirl to compete for state title

Makenna Barron is one of four young women vying for Miss Teen Rodeo Washington

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Fifteen-year-old Makenna Barron is a busy gal.

A sophomore at Waitsburg High School, she plays volleyball and basketball, is involved in speaking and livestock FFA projects and chapter leadership, serves as the Associated Student Body Secretary, and has been active in 4-H for nearly eight years.

If she's not doing something mentioned above, you can find her on a horse, in the rodeo arena, or on a parade route. She plans on competing in goat tying and trap shooting events at the Washington State High School Rodeo Association this upcoming spring.



Courtesy Photo

Makenna Barron

She earned her first rodeo queen crown at just seven years old, winning a Sweetheart title at the 2013 Miss Rodeo Washington pageant. In 2016, she represented Washington rodeo as the Little Rodeo Queen, and in 2018, she was Waitsburg Celebration Days Queen Makenna.

"After my first title, it really just stuck with me. I fell in love with it," Barron said about being a rodeo queen. "It really makes your whole weekend, even though you have to get up at 3 in the morning, to see the smiles on little kids' faces, the giggles, and the pointing."

She had planned to compete in the Miss Teen Rodeo Washington pageant last year, but the COVID-19 pandemic postponed her plans. Finally, after nearly two years of perfecting speaking, modeling, and horsemanship skills, Barron travels to Ellensburg, Wash., next week to vie for the prestigious state title.

The pageant starts on October 7 and spans twelve events over three days. Horsemanship, media, personal and panel interviews, various riding tasks and patterns, speeches, a fashion show, and a written knowledge test are some of the events in the competition.

"I have been working with Katherine Merck from Rodeo Advantage at least once a week," Barron said. "She texts me a range of topics, from quotes to political views, gives me about ten minutes to put a speech together, and then she calls, and I give the speech."

Merck is a Spokane native and was crowned Miss Rodeo America in 2016. She founded Rodeo Advantage, a rodeo consulting company offering services and coaching for rodeo queens, committees, and contestants.

While she is looking forward to the entire pageant, Barron shared that she is very excited about the horsemanship portion of the competition after making leaps and bounds in the practice ring.

"I have made huge strides with my horse, Duke," she shared. "He started as

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Hospital District projects progress

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON--Ron Asmus, owner of Ron Asmus Homes, Inc in the Tri-Cities, is moving ahead with construction of the new Assisted Living Facility units and he expects construction to begin within the next thirty days.

"Everything is more expensive, right now," McGuire explained.

Funds are trickling in for the Acute Care Hallway Project which will connect the hospital to a wing of the Booker Rest Home. The project will create two negative-air isolation rooms for treating patients with infectious disease, like Covid-19.

A USDA grant application has been submitted to the American Rescue Plan Act, Emergency Rural Health Care Grant Program. The process for scoring and selection of the applicants will be completed by Oct. 12 and the district looks forward to receiving an award in the amount of \$840,000, which is thirty percent of the total cost of the 2.4 million Acute Care Hallway Project.



Michele Smith

Jim Oliver of Rockin' DW Construction preparing the concrete pad for placement of the new hospital generator.

McGuire said, "If we are able to access the balance of the Provider Relief Funds and we are a recipient of the USDA grant, we would begin construction on the Acute Care project this year."

The Hospital District is anticipating an award in the amount of \$252,684 from funding distributed to the states from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services for small rural hospitals. These funds are to be used to support daily operations and cover the higher costs of care specifically associated with COVID-19.

"There continue to be new funding opportunities announced every day," he said.

The district is also waiting for portals to open so that an application can be made to receive funding focusing on rural health care providers with large Medicare and Medicaid populations.

McGuire spoke to Governor Jay Inslee's proclamation that COVID-19 vaccinations are required for health care workers with a deadline of October 18.

At the last count, ten CCHS employees are refusing the COVID-19 vaccination and the accommodation made for them which includes masking and eye protection, and weekly testing. There has been one refusal in Acute Care, one refusal in the Finance Department, one refusal in the Revenue Cycle office, one refusal in Information Technology, two refusals in the clinics and four refusals at the Booker Rest Home. Two employees are undecided. Several have turned in two-week notices and have left employment with CCHS. Several will work until the Oct. 18 deadline and McGuire said he is grateful to those particular employees.

He said the number of COVID-19 tests and the number of positive tests has declined, locally. Statewide, Covid-19 hospitalizations were at 23 percent with ICU utilization at 36-percent. Total ICU bed utilization throughout the State remains at 92 percent of staffed beds. Hospitals reported no Acute Care bed availability 89 times, and no ICU bed availability 78 times in the week ending September 20.

Gross revenue for the month of August was the single highest ever for CCHS at \$656,951 McGuire said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

AT THE LIBERTY:

Cry Macho

THE TIMES

Cry Macho (based on the book by N. Richard Nash) is directed and stars Clint Eastwood. Eastwood plays a one-time rodeo star and washed-up horse breeder, who in 1978, takes a job to bring an ex-boss's young son home and away from his alcoholic mom. Crossing rural Mexico on their back way to Texas, the unlikely pair faces an unexpectedly challenging journey, during which the world-weary horseman may find his own sense of redemption through teaching the boy what it means to be a good man.

Some critics think Clint Eastwood is not the right lead for this film and others say the film is rather slow, but has redeeming values. Rotten Tomatoes critics rate this film at 57%, and the audience score is 63% favorable.

This movie will show on Oct. 1-3 and Oct 5, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3 pm, and Tuesday at 6:30 pm. It is rated PG-13 for language and thematic events. It runs 104 minutes.

Special Events Coming Soon

The Touchet Valley Arts Council (TVAC) is bringing Master Puppeteer, musician, and interdisciplinary artist Dan Luce, to the Liberty Theater October 6-9. Dan is originally from Dayton (a DHS graduate) and is a very talented performer, as well as creator of puppets and marionettes. During his 25+ year career in puppetry he has regularly collaborated with clients including Disney Studios, Cirque du Soleil, and the Blue Man Group. TVAC hopes that Dan's presentations and workshop will motivate and inspire others interested in the arts in our community, particularly youth and children, to follow their dreams.

Dan will give a free presentation about his work and worldwide experiences at 7 pm on Wednesday, October 6, at the theater. He will also give the presentation at an assembly at Dayton Elementary School earlier that afternoon. Reserved seats are required and available at the Liberty Theater website under special events, or at the Theater Box Office on Tues. and Friday 2-5 pm. This special event will have full seating with masks required at all times, and no concessions.

On Thursday, Oct. 7, Dan and his wife Tracy McFarland will give a concert of original music. The concert performance will be kicked off by special guest Libby Miller of Walla Walla. Cost of admission is \$10. This concert will have full seating with masks required at all times, and no concessions.

On Saturday, Oct. 9, Dan will also lead a workshop to "make and take" a puppet/marionette from 10-12 am at the Liberty Theater Annex (enter from the alley behind the theater). This workshop is limited to 20 participants and has a \$5.00 materials fee. Children (Kindergarten and up) and adults are welcome.

Please visit www.libertytheater.org for ticket information and/or seat selection for these special events.

DCH ANNOUNCES NEW COVID-19 TESTING SITES

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla County Department of Community Health and Providence are partnering with the University of Washington Department of Medicine COVID Testing Program to open a new free COVID-19 testing site in a tent on the Providence Southgate Medical Park campus Sept. 28.

The testing tent will be located near Providence Urgent Care and will be open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. The University of Washington operates similar sites in Richland, Yakima and Sunnyside. Based on the experience there, it should only take around 5-10 minutes for people to park, enter the tent, get swabbed and go on their way.

People with mobility issues can park in the designated accessible parking area and call the posted phone number to receive the test without leaving their vehicles. This effort is intended to make it quick and easy to get tested with little to no waiting. Results of the test should be available in approximately 24 hours after being administered from the University of Washington.

"We are pleased to be able to partner with Providence and the University of Washington on this effort," said Dr. Daniel Kaminsky, Walla Walla County Public Health Officer. "Making testing easier and more accessible is essential to controlling COVID-19 in our community. We also hope this will free up more capacity in area clinics and Providence St. Mary Emergency Department to care for sick individuals, rather than diverting scarce health care resources to perform testing."

The testing site is intended for people with mild to moderate COVID-19 symptoms or other COVID testing needs, except for pre-procedure testing. People with more severe symptoms will be directed to Providence Urgent Care to be seen by a provider.

TOXIC ALGAE BLOOM DISCOVERED ON BENNINGTON LAKE

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla Department of Community Health (DCH) notified the Department of Ecology that cyanobacteria, otherwise known as blue-green algae, was discovered on Bennington Lake Walla Walla. Cyanobacteria can be harmful to people and fatal to animals. Due to toxicity levels, Walla Walla United States Army Corp of Engineers, in coordination with DCH, has closed the lake to the public.

The Corps of Engineers is working closely with the DCH to monitor the situation. DCH has collected water samples which are being tested at the King County Environmental Laboratory. Updates will be provided following receipt of test results.

In their toxic form, blue-green algae can kill pets, waterfowl, and other animals. They can also cause serious illnesses to humans. People or animals can be exposed to cyanotoxins by skin contact with water containing toxins while swimming or doing other activities in the water, drinking water containing toxins, breathing in tiny droplets in the air that contain toxins, or eating fish or shellfish that contain toxins. Exposure may result in stomach pain, headache, neurological symptoms (for example, muscle weakness, dizziness), vomiting, diarrhea, and liver damage.

The DCH cautions visitors to Bennington Lake to keep children and pets out of the water until further testing shows the toxins reduced to safe levels. Typically, the toxin remains in the water for about one week after the bloom disappears.

For more information, visit: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/CommunityandEnvironment/Contaminants/BlueGreenAlgae>

GREEN RIDGE FIRE MORE THAN 60% CONTAINED

THE TIMES

UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST—The Green Ridge Fire was over 60% contained, according to a September 28 update provided by Umatilla National Forest officials.

Fire behavior has been minimal, with just a few interior smokes observed near Godman Guard Station, and other areas within the Wenaha-Tucannon wilderness. Firefighters still on the fire continue to patrol containment lines on the north, west and eastern edges of the fire. Suppression repair, including constructing water bars to help reduce erosion potential and mastication to improve roadways used for containment lines, are ongoing based on identified needs.

The southern edge of the fire is burning in rugged terrain that is difficult to access, or is inaccessible. Firefighters will continue to monitor the fire activity within the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness, and will engage if the fire moves to an accessible area. Pockets of unburned fuel may create smoke as the fire continues to smolder within the footprint.

Evacuation levels have been lifted in Asotin and Garfield counties. Level-1 evacuations (be ready) remain in place in Columbia county. An interactive fire map that shows evacuations and other important information is available at <https://arcg.is/18OyuG>.

Umatilla National Forest officials reopened most National Forest lands within the Lick Creek Fire footprint on Sept. 9, 2021. Additionally, access was reopened into portions of the Tucannon River drainage. The modified closure can be found at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/umatilla/alerts-notice/?cid=stel-prdb5286768>.

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On Saturday, October 2nd, from 8 am to 3:30 pm.
At **301 N Cottonwood Street** in Dayton, WA.
3-piece cream-colored leather sectional sofa in great condition for \$575.
Cream colored cloth rocking chair for \$65.
End tables, lots of lamps, small kitchen appliances, large decorative mirror, home décor, and **much too much to list.**
Everything is clean and priced to sale.



David Donnelly

March 12, 1936 – September 22, 2021

David Lawrence Donnelly was born March 12, 1936, in Newell, South Dakota, to Richard Henry Donnelly and Lucy Brott Daonnely. He passed away on September 22 at the age of 85.

Due to dry, dusty weather conditions of the time, the family left their farm in South Dakota in 1937, when David was just a babe in arms. Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly headed west with eleven of their own children, a niece whose mother had died, and all of their belongings, their goal Dayton, Washington. A young nephew, Kenneth Donnelly, had preceded the family, found work in Art Hanger's sawmill, so the family settled in the Wolf Fork area above Dayton.

David attended elementary school in Dayton. After the death of his father in 1941, David and his family moved to Waitsburg, where he graduated from Waitsburg High School in 1954. He served in the U.S. Army as a machinist after graduation until August, 1957. After his discharge, he attended Utah State University seeking more training in the machinist field.

David worked for the Green Giant Company in Dayton and Waitsburg and then for Pillsbury until his retirement. He was a devout Catholic and attended St. Mark's Church all his adult life. He was a member of the American Legion, United States Chess Federation, Waitsburg Gun Club, and the National Rifle Association. His hobbies were playing chess, both in person and through the mail, hunting with his brothers and friends, and visiting the members of his large family. In later life he enjoyed having coffee and donuts with his good friends at the Waitsburg Hardware.

David was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers – Richard Donnelly, John Donnelly, Delbert Donnelly, Bernard Donnelly, and Patrick Donnelly, his sisters – Elma Brown, Mary Hopkins, Eleanor Supon, Lillian Pereira, and Catherine Basta, and his cousins – Alberta Morris and Kenneth Donnelly, who were like siblings.

He is survived by his brother, Frank Donnelly, Frank's wife, Alice, and many nieces and nephews.

He was a kind and generous soul, and he will be missed.

There will be a graveside service for David at the Waitsburg Cemetery on Saturday, October 9, at 10:00 a.m.



David Donnelly



Betty (Shockley-Zastrow) Schirman

August 5, 1928 - September 25, 2021

Betty (Shockley-Zastrow) Schirman was ushered into heaven on Sept 25, 2021. She was born August 5, 1928, at the home of her aunt Mary on West Main Street in Dayton, WA to Jessie and Charles Shockley. Betty attended Dayton public schools, graduating from high school with the class of 1947. In 1953 she became Mrs. Ray Zastrow. She and Ray raised three children - Elese, Deneann and Trent.

Ray and Betty were owners and operators of Zastrow Jewelry for 35 years in Dayton with Betty supervising the China and gift section as well as doing the bookkeeping, banking, and ordering. Ray managed the watch repair part of the business. They continued the business until their retirement in 1987.

During their retirement years they purchased a travel trailer and as snow birders visited many different National Parks and enjoyed meeting new friends, some of whom they stayed in contact with for many years. They visited each of their kids yearly and invited them to join in their adventures.

The year following Ray's passing in 2010, God placed her with Roland Schirman. They together had a fabulous 10 years of service to the Dayton community and enjoyed adventures together going to visit family and places in their travels.

Throughout her lifetime Betty was an active member of various women's service groups such as Hospital auxiliary, Elizabeth Forrest Day Club, Christian women's club as well as many more programs.

She was an active member of the Community Bible Church (First Baptist) for over 57 years, and many enjoyed her beautiful voice. Betty annually had entries in the Columbia County Fair with many blue ribbons to show for her fine work in baking, canning and intricate hand work. She also entered her beautiful quilts and some of her stained-glass work. She loved so many different projects and mastered many.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and younger siblings Bill, Carolyn and Kent.

She is survived by: Her husband Roland, Elese (Tony) Failla, Deneann (John) Gillette, Trent (Rita) Zastrow, 3 granddaughters and 8 great grandchildren.

The family suggest memorial contributions may be made to the Dayton-Waitsburg Community Health Foundation, Dayton Waitsburg Young Life, Radio Bible Class Ministries or a charity of their choice.

A Celebration of Life will be scheduled for a later date.

Her presence will be missed by the Columbia County community.



Betty Schirman

Community Calendar

Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

Waitsburg City Council

Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month at 6 p.m.
Zoom meeting information is available at <https://www.waitsburgsd.org/o/waitsburg-school-district/page/school-board--272>

Stoncroft Christian Women's Group Luncheon

Wednesday, September 15, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Waitsburg Town Hall, 142 Main Street. \$15 Reservations and Cancellations by September 10th. 509-399-2005

Waitsburg Gun Club

Monday May 24 – General Membership / Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Walla Walla County Commissioners

Every Monday and Tuesday of the month at

10 a.m.

Call-in information is available at https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/2020_agendas.php

Friends of the Weller Public Library

Oct. 6, 7 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St., Waitsburg

Waitsburg Celebration Days Meeting

September 21, 2021. 6:00 p.m.
Location to be announced

Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

Board of Columbia County Commissioners
First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m.

Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

Dayton City Council

Second Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m.

Call-in information available at <https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council>

Dayton School Board

Third Wednesday of every month at 6 p.m. at the Dayton High School auditorium

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

Fourth Wednesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Every month on the Third Monday at 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting - Online

Second and Fourth Thursday at Noon
Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5598153650>

Starbuck City Council

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

DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH

Dayton Senior Center
403 E. Patit St.
12 p.m.
Drive Up Only

Thursday, September 23

TBA

Tuesday, September 28

TBA

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tues., October 5

Lasagna
Vegetables
Coleslaw
Garlic bread
Fruit

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thurs., September 30

B: Breakfast sandwich
L: Cook's Choice

Fri., October 1

B: Pancake on a stick
L: Uncrustables
Chips
Baby carrots
Cucumbers
Fruit choice

Mon., October 4

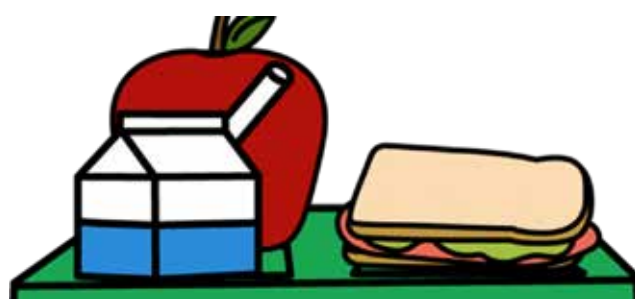
B: Omelette, hash browns, sausage
L: Chicken strips
French fries
Fresh veggies
Fruit choice

Tues., October 5

B: French toast
L: L: BBQ chicken drumstick
Whole wheat roll
Baked beans
Creamy coleslaw
Fruit choice

Weds., October 6

B: Long john
L: Pizza
Fresh sugar snap peas
Hash brown patty
Fruit choice



Church Directory

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
504 Main
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
337-6589
Pastor Stan Hughes

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
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NEWS & COMMENTARY

LETTERS

VERY DISAPPOINTED IN OUR COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

I am writing this letter out of concern for the financial health of Columbia County and the poor spending decisions that the County Commissioners have let happen. Here are a few examples of such decisions that affect our County.

Columbia County Commissioners approved a new black 2021 Dodge Ram 3500 for the County E911 Director/Emergency Manager. This department already had a Pickup to use. To try and understand the process I submitted several public record requests; the following information is what I have received so far:

A 2021 Dodge Ram 3500 was purchased for \$70,589.88. Registration: \$6,202.57 and with all the extra equipment that was purchased to date itThe total s over \$118,000.000

The vehicle was purchased using ERR funds through the County Public Works; ERR is then reimbursed monthly from E911/Emergency Management Department grant. That is a large sum to spend on a vehicle for his personal use and back and forth to work.

For comparison, I also asked for vehicle purchase information on the last Columbia County Patrol vehicle. The response; Base price \$37,434.00, extra equipment and licensing, \$21,040.55. Total of \$58,474.55. Our Sheriff could have purchased two vehicles for the price used to purchase the Dodge Ram 3500. Patrol vehicles are essential; a brand-new emergency management vehicle is not.

Another records request was to determine who permitted Mr. Strickland to drive the county-owned vehicle for personal use? The contract stated they will provide a pickup and cell phone; it does not say "to drive for personal use." I requested the meeting minutes that allowed Mr. Strickland to use the vehicle for personal use. The response stated, "They can't find any specific minutes where the decision was made".

I also requested, "How many times in 2020 and 2021 did Mr. Strickland respond to any emergencies? Mr. Strickland responded that "he does not keep those types of records". Wouldn't a record of his work-related responses help to show justification for the new pickup?

I also asked for price of gas we the taxpayers have paid for the two vehicles he used in 2020 and 2021, the amount was \$2,514.79 with total miles driven of 11,205. He lives 11 miles from work. So how many of those miles were work-related, and how many were personal? Mr. Strickland responded that "he does not keep that type of record". Why are records not kept? Using a county-owned vehicle for personal use is considered a **fringe benefit** to an employee.

The Prosecuting Attorney sent a Memorandum that was forwarded to me stating that driving a county vehicle for personal use would be a **fringe benefit**. Therefore, it was legal for them to have made that decision. Are **Fringe benefits** taxable? That is a question that would have to be answered by a state auditor or the IRS.

The purchase of this pickup, allowed by our Colum-

BIRTHDAYS

September 30: Charles Parker.

October 1: Quinton Powers, Jeff Dicus, Peggy Dicus, Christopher Goff, Jerri Ann Newbill.

October 2: Ted Collins, Quinton Pettichord, Harry Peterson, Lane Savage, Travis Larsen, Kellen Gerke, Holly Robinson.

October 3: Coe Richards, George Hodges, Dorothy Mays, Lee Nora Finch, Carolyn Thompson, Heather Jackson, Stacey Vaughn.

October 4: Jeff Nichols, Tom Collins, Sharon Speiss, Amanda Marshall.

October 5: Mary Hansen, John White, J.K. Keve, Larry Conover, Cindi Putnam, Rita Lenhart.

October 6: Maye Hofer, Shane Rasmussen, Thelma Katsel Needham, Grace Reece, Howard Carson, Andy Hermanns.



bia County Commissioners, should have never happened, we have all been told our County does not have extra money. When the public reads this, I hope more people will feel outraged over this purchase and start questioning just how your money is spent. \$118,000.00 could have gone a long way to improving the dispatcher's environment (it is a very small work area) or paying for the new radio system promised to Columbia County residents.

Grants are not free money; they are paid by each person that pays taxes. I am very concerned about this significant expense. Was the vehicle even necessary? I think not.

Please don't think that I am a disgruntled employee. I was a full and part-time 911 Dispatcher and the Dispatch Supervisor since 1993. I also filled in as Director until Mr. Strickland arrived in 2019. I retired at 70, and I loved my job.

My point is, we all need to look at Columbia County's budget each year. Attend the commissioner's meetings; voice your concerns and keep informed about what is happening in our County. We need to vote for Commissioners that have the community in their best interest and use our money to benefit the most people and not just a few. I know I am guilty of not being more involved, but I plan on being there when the budgets are made and look at them to ensure the money is spent wisely.

Thank you.
Barbara Phinney

Letter to Editor -

We have candidates running for leadership positions in Columbia County and the City of Dayton that profess to be followers of Jesus Christ yet cannot seem to perform the simplest act of loving, Christian kindness towards their fellow man: the wearing of a mask when indoors at public locations such as school board meetings.

This basic, simple act of loving kindness isn't much to ask of Christians that profess their love of a Savior that willingly died for them. So, it makes it hard to accept that this same Savior wouldn't be willing to wear a mask as a display of love and sacrifice towards others.

If the simplest gesture of thoughtfulness and kindness cannot be displayed by members of the Columbia County Conservative Candidates, then what will be their actions when bigger displays of compassion or caring may be needed from them in their leadership roles?

As a Republican in this county, I reject the mandates of this local conservative group far more than the mandate of wearing a small cloth over my face while in a meeting or in the grocery store. It is, without question, the easiest act of caring and compassion that costs me nothing but says everything.

Vicki Zoller
Dayton, Wash.

WWCSO

September 20

Damage caused to an electric home Monitoring Device by removing to escape custody. Boyer Dr., Walla Walla

September 24

Theft of hay bales. Peppers Bridge Rd., Walla Walla County

A female in Walla Walla County eluded a Deputy who attempted a traffic stop. Monument Dr., Burbank

A stolen vehicle out of Kennewick was recovered in Walla Walla County. Highway 12, Walla Walla County

September 25

Theft of a Mexico license plate. Opal Ave., Prescott
License plate stolen from a vehicle on Bryant. Bryant Ave., Walla Walla County

September 26

Malicious mischief report. Melrose St., Walla Walla County
Robbery occurred in the county. Langdon Dr., Walla Walla County

Dear Citizens of Waitsburg:

As many of you know, the voting for City Council has changed from the original charter. The original charter had the people of Waitsburg selecting candidates from a list and the candidates with the most votes received the seats on the council. Now the county monitors elections and each seat has a list of candidates voters will choose from.

When I signed up for City Council, I was unaware that this is how it would work this year. I signed up for the position that Mr. Paxton had vacated.

Unbenounced to me, Jillian Henze also signed up for this position. Jillian Henze is a brilliant woman with a young family who also values Waitsburg just like I do. She wants her children to not only be proud of the community they live in, but to have the advantages our Waitsburg Community has given to my own children over the years. Jillian is not afraid of hard work and we currently see her in our community working towards its betterment.

Jillian's demographic and voice is needed on the City Council. I am asking you to vote for Jillian Henze. I will continue my current work for the City Planning Council, the Waitsburg Historical Society, etc. and run in future races when the need arises.

Rebecca Wilson
Waitsburg, Wash.

IN SUPPORT OF STEVENSON

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.

- Henry Ford

Working together as a community seems to be much needed in our town. Boe Stevenson is the person to help accomplish this goal. Boe owns and operates two small businesses in our town, Locally Nourished, with Alicia Walker, as well as Boe Designs. You may have seen and heard Boe on Main Street playing his guitar while chatting with our local kids, and I'm sure some of you have stopped to converse with him. Boe is a relatable family man who strives to run family-oriented businesses.

While working for the library, I had the opportunity to plan an event with Boe. It was extremely rewarding to work with someone who was excited to share his passion with locals from different walks of life; people who usually won't just pop in. Isn't that what we want from a city council member? Isn't that what we need? Vote Boe Stevenson for city council member number one.

Shakira Bye
Dayton, Wash.

CCSO

September 20

Suspicious activity at Blue Mountain Motel. Main St. Wanted Person. Country Village
9-1-1 call from Dayton High School. 3rd Street

September 21

Injury accident. Hatley Gulch
Abandoned vehicle. Cottonwood Street
Attempt to locate. Lower Hogege

September 22

Civil problem. 2nd Street
Suspicious activity. Patit Street
Suspicious activity. Main Street

September 23

Theft. Kellogg Hollow
Violation of court order. Main Street
Welfare check. Spring Street

September 24

Missing person. Main Street
Suspicious activity. Dayton Cemetery
Disturbance. Country Village

September 25

Domestic problem. Highway 12
Malicious mischief. Main Street
Domestic physical. 4th Street

September 26

Welfare check. Main Street
Unwanted person. 3rd Street
Welfare check. 5th Street

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NEWS & COMMENTARY

FROM THE PUBLISHER

WHY I AM MASKED AND VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

When faced with a significant decision, I often ask myself, what is the worst that could happen. With COVID-19, I fear passing the virus to a friend, family member, loved one, or even a stranger. The worst that could happen is giving it to someone who does not survive the illness. Most people who have died or are suffering long-haul symptoms got the virus from someone they know.

I am not a scientist or medical professional. I am an artist, coffee shop owner, and publisher. I am confident in my knowledge of art, my ability to paint, and what makes a perfect latte. I depend on the medical professionals who have kept me healthy through car accidents, bouts of pneumonia, and chronic insomnia when it comes to my health care.

Born in the fifties, I saw the effects of polio and was fortunate that an effective vaccine had been developed. I was also vaccinated against smallpox, mumps, measles, and tetanus when I stepped on rusty nails. I witnessed these diseases disappear in the United States using vaccines that have fewer side effects than over-the-counter allergy medications.

The decision to be vaccinated against COVID-19 was not difficult. I listened to members of the medical and scientific community. Those who have been working for decades to understand and protect us from infectious diseases. They are Republicans and Democrats; they are the children of my neighbors, ex-students of mine, and volunteers in our community. They are just like us, except with ex-

pertise in subjects too complicated to learn from Facebook screenshots.

Again, weighing the risks to the benefits of vaccination, I chose to fight the virus. To keep from becoming a vehicle for the virus to spread.

Unfortunately, my decision has been reinforced as I see hospitals in Washington struggle to provide emergency care while the current surge in infections fills available ICU beds. The overwhelming number of emergency cases are unvaccinated COVID-19 patients. Yes, there are breakthrough cases, but they are less likely to be hospitalized and make up fewer than 10% of active cases. The numbers are clear to me, be part of the solution.

My decision to mask up has also been an easy one.

The primary way COVID-19 spreads is on droplets from an infected person who coughs, sneezes, or talks within six feet of another person. The Delta Variant causes more infections and spreads faster than earlier forms of the virus. Infectious disease specialists and research institutions continue to recommend masks as a tool to reduce the transmission of this highly contagious virus.

I chose to follow the mask recommendations to reduce the chance I could pass the virus to a loved one or a friend. If I am wrong and masks don't work, the only damage is I've committed a relatively minor fashion faux pas. This was an obvious choice; I will err on the side of the public good and learn to smile with my eyes.

Recently a mailer sent to residents in our area claims vaccine and mask compliance will lead to totalitarianism and the loss of our freedom. I couldn't disagree more. Our democracy is robust enough to withstand masks and vaccines as it has overcome the tyranny of seat belts, helmets, and child labor laws. We are best when we work together.

Touchet Valley Weather

Sept. 29, 2021

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Day	High	Low
Wednesday	67	46
Thursday	76	50
Friday	66	45
Saturday	70	46
Sunday	74	48
Monday	75	50
Tuesday	74	48

Weather Trivia

What are cirrus clouds?

?

Answer: High-level clouds on average of 16,000 feet or more.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip
Tuesday	82	45	77/53	0.00"
Wednesday	77	51	76/52	0.00"
Thursday	76	53	76/52	0.00"
Friday	82	50	75/52	0.00"
Saturday	85	54	75/51	0.00"
Sunday	81	58	74/51	0.00"
Monday	76	52	74/51	0.26"

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Wednesday	6:49 a.m.	6:36 p.m.	11:49 p.m.	3:31 p.m.
Thursday	6:50 a.m.	6:34 p.m.	Prev Day	4:14 p.m.
Friday	6:52 a.m.	6:32 p.m.	12:52 a.m.	4:50 p.m.
Saturday	6:53 a.m.	6:30 p.m.	2:02 a.m.	5:20 p.m.
Sunday	6:54 a.m.	6:28 p.m.	3:14 a.m.	5:46 p.m.
Monday	6:55 a.m.	6:26 p.m.	4:30 a.m.	6:08 p.m.
Tuesday	6:57 a.m.	6:24 p.m.	5:46 a.m.	6:30 p.m.

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MAKENNA - FROM PAGE 1

a parade horse because we never really knew what he would do in a rodeo atmosphere. He absolutely knows ten times as much as I do—it's been a wild year and a half working with him and learning."

She has been taking riding and horsemanship lessons from Corrine Wood Stevens and Chelsey Smith, who are experienced in reining and equitation work. Competitors at the upcoming pageant will be required to complete a reining pattern, determined on the day of the competition.

"I am not one to 'ride pretty,' I kinda just got what I got done," Barron said with a laugh. "Rodeoing and reining are two very different worlds! They have been a huge help, and I owe them a huge thank you. I am going into horsemanship much more confidently now."

Barron has planned out every part of the upcoming pageant, right down to what she will wear and when she will wear it. With more than a dozen outfits required, Barron said that she and her mom, Tracy, have had to get creative about piecing together one-of-a-kind western elegance outfits, custom denim jeans, fashion-forward and riding outfits.

"A lot of local people have sponsored an ad in the program- that was a big part of the scholarship program," Barron said. "Our community really backed me up on that! I'd like to say a huge thank you to all of my sponsors."

Barron's local sponsors included Walla Walla Electric, Smith Brothers Lawn-care, Blush Salon, Waitsburg Grocery, Inland Cellular, Main Street Marketplace, Seney Land & Livestock, The McGregor Company, Waitsburg Lions Club, Weinhard Hotel, and Kevin and Cindy Granger.

On top of ads, Barron had to collect silent and live auction donations, with items provided by Noble Panels, Patti Litchfield, Blush Salon, Waitsburg Grocery, Walla Walla Fair, and Frontier Days, Don Johnson Trailer Sales, and Bluewood.

If you are interested in attending the pageant, tickets may be purchased online at <http://www.missrodeowashingtoninc.com>.

"I really want to get out there and spread the message that rodeo queens can come from anywhere," Barron said. "A lot of people, in my experience, think that rodeo queens are a waste of time, or in the way. I want to get the message out that we are just as ranchy as the rest of the rodeo world."

CCHS - FROM PAGE 1

Some of the patient volumes in service lines like rehabilitation therapy, lab tests, and emergency room visits for August were at an all-time high. The Waitsburg Clinic has reversed a downward trend in patient volumes and McGuire expects the same for the Columbia Family Clinic.

A contract with the Waitsburg School District for Speech, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy services has been renewed.

"Waitsburg continues to be a great partner and provides for opportunities to meet with students and staff regarding health care, and health care careers," he said.



Luke Chavez

One of our newest residents makes the rounds of her new town with owner Bruce Himko. Timathea is an African Desert Tortoise who is not afraid to let people know her weight or age; 100 pounds, twenty-two years old.



Prescott School District

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The Prescott School District No.402-37 is now receiving applications for the position of School Board Director District 2. Only individuals who reside within the boundaries of Prescott School District may apply.

Please submit a Letter of Intent to board@prescott.k12.wa.us

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NEWS & LEGALS

Tennis, pickleball or basketball anyone?

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Since their ninth grade year, the Class of 2021 raised money for their junior prom and senior homecoming events. Due to COVID-19, they did not get a junior prom and the cost for the amended homecoming event was very minimal. Karen Huwe, the senior class advisor, suggested that they use some of their money to rejuvenate the tennis court area at the high school.

In May, the Seniors began the process of painting the tennis court lines. With the advice of Waitsburg Schools employee Brian Seagraves, the seniors began the process of taping the lines prior to painting. They only had about 20 minutes three days a week to work on the project. Taping the lines was a slow process and they were almost finished when Waitsburg received a horrific wind storm and the tape was blown off the court. The lines were retaped and the seniors painted the lines white.

A template for a basketball key was acquired and with the help of Seagraves, Eleanora Montgomery and Huwe, two basketball keys were painted red.

A pickleball template was purchased by the senior class, yet it arrived after graduation. Allen Huwe was recruited and assisted Seagraves, Montgomery and Karen Huwe to paint black pickleball lines which we finished at the end of June.

To finish the court area, Montgomery and Huwe finished painting WHS on the tennis court poles and CARDINALS on the basketball poles in mid August.

Finally, at the end of August, the new basketball backboards that the seniors purchased were mounted on the existing poles.

New LED lights were installed and the courts were painted red, white and black. The Class of 2021 hopes the updated area will be enjoyed by students and the community.



Courtesy photos

Thanks to the generosity of the class of 2021, the schools tennis court area has been revitalized for students and the community. It took a team of Cardinals to get the work done.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No. 21-4-00185-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)
ESTATE OF:
WILMA IRIS WILSON, 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: (a) 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.

Date of First Publication: 9/30/2021

Personal Representative: John Howard Wilson
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/s/ JOHN HOWARD WILSON, PR
/s/ BENJAMIN J. RILEY #34949

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The Times
September 30, October 7, 14, 2021
9-30-a

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE WALLA WALLA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION (VIRTUAL)

The Walla Walla County Planning Commission will be holding a public hearing to discuss the submitted the 2021 Preliminary Docket of Non-County Development Regulations and Comprehensive Plan Amendment Applications which includes two proposals.
ZCA21-001 – Yellowhawk Resort, LLC. Type III Winery Zoning Code Amendments:
Amend Section 17.16.014 – Permitted Uses Table to make Type III Winery permitted in the Rural Residential 5 (RR-5) district via the conditional use permit process.
CPA21-001 – Martin Airport, LLC., Airport Overlay District:
Amend the Walla Walla

County Comprehensive Plan and zoning Code to create an overlay zoning district around Martin Airfield. The proposed overlay district will restrict building height and land use intensity directly adjacent to the runway for safety. Proposal will also place new "Martin Airport Overlay (AO) District" Chapter in Title 17 – Zoning of the Walla Walla County Code. The proposal will also amend Section 17.16.014 – Permitted Uses Table to make Airport and Aircraft Landing Field – Agricultural permitted outright within the Light Industrial zoning district.

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION
Wednesday October 6, 2021, at 6:00 PM (or as close thereto as possible)
Location: This hearing will be held virtually.
Cisco Webex Meeting Link: <https://wwwco.webex.com/meet/CDD>
Call in 1-408-418-9388 | Meeting Number/Access Code: 969 633 053
The County can provide access to equipment to members of the public without access to technology to participate.
Please contact the department at least 24-hours in advance to coordinate.
An agenda, instructions on participating by phone or online, and a staff report, will be available approximately one week prior to the hearing. Contact staff directly for more information about how to participate virtually; if you provide your email address, we can add you to the email distribution list. If you want to

run a test of the Cisco Webex system, we can do that too.
The Planning Commission, following the public hearing, will make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners on whether the above application should be included on the 2021 Final Docket.
The process for establishing the Final Docket is included in Walla Walla County Code (WWCC) Chapters 14.10 and 14.15 which outlines the criteria for consideration. The Board may then adopt the Planning Commission's recommended Final Docket at a regular public meeting without a public hearing pursuant to WWCC Section 14.10.060(E) and 14.15.060(E). Alternatively, if a majority of the Board decides to add or subtract amendments from the recommended Final Docket, another public hearing will be held.

The decision of the Board of County Commissioners to place an amendment on the Final Docket does not constitute a decision that the substance of any proposed amendment should or will be adopted. If placed on the Final Docket by the BOCC, the proposed amendment will be considered at additional public meetings and hearings and reviewed under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).
Written comments regarding the above-listed applications may be submitted prior to and at the hearing on Wednesday, October 6. Send written comments to the

following address:
Walla Walla County
Community Development Department
c/o Lauren Prentice,
Director
310 W. Poplar Street, Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us

FOR MORE INFORMATION: For more information regarding this meeting, please contact the planning staff at 509-524-2610 or commdev@co.walla-walla.wa.us.
Walla Walla County complies with ADA; reasonable accommodation provided with 3 days notice.
The Times
September 30, 2021
9-30-b

Public Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Waitsburg City Council will hold a Special City Council Meeting/Workshop at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 106 Main Street, Waitsburg, WA.
All interested citizens are invited to attend the meeting and any question or comments can be passed on to the City Council via City Hall, located at 147 Main St., P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361, or (509) 337-6371. Written testimony may be forwarded to the Waitsburg City Council, P.O. Box 35, Waitsburg, WA 99361.
Dated this 27th Day of September, 2021
Waitsburg City Council
The Times
September 30, 2021
9-30-c

Superior Court of Washington
County of Columbia Juvenile Court
No: 21-7-00007-7 Notice and Summons by Publication (Dependency) (SMPB)
Dependency of:
KOLTYN JAMES DEVINE,
DOB: 01/02/2015
To: Tommy Devine, Alleged Father

To: To Whom It May Concern/Unknown Fathers
A Dependency Petition was filed on June 30, 2021. A Fact Finding hearing will be held on this matter on: December 8, 2021 at 1:15 p.m. at: Columbia County Courthouse, 341 E. Main Street, Dayton, WA 99328. You should be present at this hearing.
The hearing will determine if your child is dependent as defined in RCW 13.34.030(6). This begins a judicial process, which could result in permanent loss of your parental rights. If you do not appear at the hearing, the court may enter a dependency order in your absence.
To request a copy of the Notice, Summons, and Dependency Petition, call DCYF at (509) 524-4900. To view information about your rights, including right to a lawyer, go to www.atg.wa.gov/DPY.aspx.
DATED this 28th day of September, 2021
/s/ Susan J. Marinella
CLERK
The Times
September 30, October 7, 14, 2021
9-30-d

IMPORTANT NOTICE
FOR ALL HUNTERS
Written permission is required to hunt at Puget Sound Energy's Hopkins Ridge Wind Facility
The wind facility is located within Game Management Unit (GMU) 163 Marengo in Columbia County, WA
For easy online registration
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For more information, contact Anne Walsh at 509-382-2043
PSE PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Did You Know?
Medicare now covers Acupuncture for Chronic Low Back Pain

Decision Summary
The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will cover acupuncture for chronic low back pain under section 1862(a)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act. Up to 12 visits in 90 days are covered for Medicare beneficiaries under the following circumstances:

- For the purpose of this decision, chronic low back pain (cLBP) is defined as:
 - Lasting 12 weeks or longer;
 - nonspecific, in that it has no identifiable systemic cause (i.e., not associated with metastatic, inflammatory, infectious, etc. disease);
 - not associated with surgery; and
 - not associated with pregnancy.
- An additional eight sessions will be covered for those patients demonstrating an improvement. No more than 20 acupuncture treatments may be administered annually.
- Treatment must be discontinued if the patient is not improving or is regressing.

Physician assistants, nurse practitioners/clinical nurse specialists (as identified in 1861(aa)(5)), and auxiliary personnel may furnish acupuncture if they meet all applicable state requirements and have:

- A masters or doctoral level degree in acupuncture or Oriental Medicine from a school accredited by the Accreditation Commission on Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ACAOM); and
- current, full, active, and unrestricted license to practice acupuncture in a State, Territory, or Commonwealth (i.e. Puerto Rico) of the United States, or District of Columbia.

Did you know there is acupuncture available here in Dayton at Columbia County Health System's Rehab Department?

Call 509-382-3202
For Info on scheduling an appointment

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PSE PUGET SOUND ENERGY

Out and about: Fine Art, design, & dining in Vancouver, BC.

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

Last week, I took a trip to British Columbia to visit friends, see some art, go to the season opening of the Symphony and eat. Seems like ages since I stayed in downtown Vancouver and was curious to see how it has fared over the pandemic.

First I had to get into the country. At the time of my trip, U.S. citizens were allowed to cross the border by car or flight. I used the ArriveCAN app to make sure I had the current travel information. I chose to drive, allowing me to take too many clothes, coats, computer and work equipment, and shoes. I never know what I will need, so I've taken my mother's advice and pack everything over the years.

Canada requires a passport, vaccine card, and a negative COVID-19 test to enter the country. The test needed to be taken no more than 72 hours before crossing. Providence in Walla Walla did a great job providing the test and getting my results emailed within 24 hours.

I have crossed the border many times over the last 20 years and am proud of my skill to choose the best time to hit the border. This time there was no need for superpowers since there were no lines all day. The lonely border guard passed me through, and I made it into the city before the afternoon traffic picked up.

The hotel limited the number of guests, had all the standard COVID-19 safety protocols in place, including requiring a vaccine card at the front desk and the restaurants and bar. This turned out to be the standard at all the restaurants, museums, and venues in BC. The precautions have allowed downtown to return to near everyday bustle.

Lots of people on the street, most masked outside, all masked inside. There are excellent food trucks offering cuisine from all over the world. My favorite truck offered Katsu-sandos, a Japanese street food. Sando is Japanese slang for sandwich, katsu means cutlet. The cutlets are made from a variety of proteins. Tenderloin beef, breaded pork, chicken, and shrimp are sandwiched between two pieces of fluffy shokupan, a less processed tender version of Wonder Bread. The steak sando was rare and had the tonkatsu sauce inside the cutlet. It made the sando easy to eat and perfectly seasoned. It is all I wanted for lunch for the rest of the trip.

On Saturday night, I attended the season-opening concert for the Vancouver Symphony. This was the first time the Symphony has played to a live audience since the pandemic lockdown. The orchestra played pieces by Beethoven, Berlioz, Dvorak, and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No.5. The highlight of the evening for me was a piece by Odawa First Nation composer Barbara Assiginaak. Innenohr (Inner Ear) is a companion piece to Beethoven's 2nd Symphony, written when the composer was going deaf. Assiginaak's concept was to create music as it would sound to a fly in Beethoven's ear. It was stunning. It was restrained, unexpected, and witty. Unfortunately, I have not been able to find a recording of the piece, so it has gone from Beethoven's ear to my spotty memory.

No trip to Vancouver is complete without a stop at the Fluevog shoe store in Gas Town. John Fluevog has been designing shoes in Vancouver for fifty years. Over the years, his eclectic designs have been inspired by art deco to Seattle grunge. I found a pair of winter boots with translucent, neon orange soles. I can't wait for the rain to begin.

With new shoes, it was time to hit the Vancouver Art Gallery. Once again, Covid-19 protocols were observed by the staff and patrons, making the visit safe and comfortable.

The exhibit I came to see was Edith Heath and Emily Carr: From the Earth. Both artists made work influenced by the landscapes around them. They used similar colors and developed unique materials to create modernist images. A collection of oil paintings by West Coast artist Emily Carr (1871-1945) portray the density, colors, and textures of the forest she loved. Her brushstrokes and marks are a complete vocabulary giving depth to the work. In her drawing, she uses materials including oil and gasoline, white house paint, and charcoal. They allowed her to be spontaneous and capture images quickly while in the forest.

The current exhibit at the Vancouver Art Gallery features Emily Carr's beautiful and expressive paintings of the forest.



Lane Gwinn



Lane Gwinn

Even the ads were art, this series for the new Apple phone featured detail rich portraits of patient dogs.



Lane Gwinn

This food truck offered Tokyo street food, specializing in sandos.



Courtesy photo

One of the more ornate designs from Fluevog Shoes.



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Pioneer ceramicist, Edith Heath



Lane Gwinn

The inviting interior at Bishop's, Vancouver's vanguard for fine dining.



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Wolfpack Football falls against White Swan

THE TIMES

DAYTON/WAITSBURG—Dayton-Waitsburg Wolfpack played White Swan High school Friday night at White Swan. After another long bus ride, DW came out flat and trailed White Swan 0-14 before Monte Pettichord scrambled 35 yards for a touchdown. Pettichord was forced into scrambling a lot Friday night racking up 231 yards on 18 carries.

Coach Troy Larsen said that the Wolfpack has been struggling keeping the same student athletes on the field with injuries and colds, resulting in multiple players snapping the ball. They had a lot of errant snaps that forced Pettichord into running.

Hudson Reser played in his first game and excelled running the ball going for 126 yards on 16 carries. DW found themselves down 26-7 in the second quarter and rallied behind the arm of Pettichord throwing touchdowns of 21, 25, and 34 yards.

Daylan Marlow ended the night with three touchdown catches and 70 yards for his best night receiving of the new season. DW entered the 4-quarter trailing 41-42, but between penalties and bad snaps the Wolfpack couldn't overcome the mistakes and lost 41-48. Defensively, Kaylub Prather led the team with 12 tackles, and Theo Anderson contributed with 10 tackles (five of which were solo), and Cyson Morris had another interception along with 5 tackles.

"I am very proud of the way this team never gave up. Every time they got down the Wolfpack fought back and left everything on the field at White Swan," Larsen said. "As this young team grows up and gets more experience we will start capitalizing on opportunities and winning the fourth quarters."

DW will host Warden Thursday night, September 30, at the Waitsburg High School Field. Kick off is at 6 p.m.

Dayton-Waitsburg 41, White Swan 48.

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Final
DW	7	20	14	0	41
Mabton	14	12	16	6	48

Scoring Drives :

DW: Pettichord 35 yd run, Berg Kick.

DW: Pettichord to Marlow 21 yd TD Pass, Pettichord run.

DW: Pettichord to Berg 25 yd TD Pass, Kick failed.

DW: Pettichord to Marlow 34 yd TD Pass, Run failed.

DW: Pettichord to Marlow 15 yd TD Pass, Kick failed.

DW: Pettichord 15 yd run, Reser run.

Passing :

Pettichord: 5-10-120 yards, 4 TD's.

Receiving -

Marlow: 3-70-3 TD's, Morris: 1-25, Berg 1-25, TD.

Rushing - 34-357 yds.

Reser: 16-126, Pettichord: 18-231.



Sarinda Jane

Zachary Durham (66) brings down a White Swan player last week.

Inside the matchup Seahawks vs. 49ers

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

Seattle is once again on the road this week. This time against a San Francisco team that lost to Green Bay last week in the game's final seconds. The Seahawks (1-2) and 49ers (2-1) are looking up in the standings at the Rams and Cardinals, who are undefeated on the season but play each other next week. So, this is an excellent opportunity for one of these teams to improve in the division with a win.

At quarterback for the 49ers is Jimmy Garoppolo. Garoppolo played in only six games last season, missing several games with a high ankle sprain. He has never been a very mobile quarterback, and the recent injury history hasn't helped. With all the running back injuries, don't be surprised if backup quarterback Trey Lance gets a few snaps in critical situations next week. Lance was the third overall pick in last year's draft from North Dakota State University. For decades now, NDSU's offense has relied on developing quarterbacks that can run.

Like last year, Seattle's biggest problem is once again their defense. In three games, the Seahawks have allowed four hundred forty combined passing and rushing yards which ranks last among all teams. While the pass defense hasn't been great, the rushing defense has been worse. The Seahawks rank 30th out of thirty-two teams giving up an average of one hundred fifty-five yards per game. Last week they gave up one hundred and twelve yards to Alexander Mattison, who had only rushed for thirteen total yards on the season. He was filling in for the Vikings' primary running back Dalvin Cook, who had an injury.

The good news for Seattle is that the 49ers running back position is currently an even bigger mess. Raheem Mostert is out for the season with a knee injury. Jeff Wilson Jr., the team's leading rusher last season, is expected to be out until at least midseason also with a knee injury. JaMycal Hasty was put on the injured reserve list on September 25th with a high ankle sprain, and Elijah Mitchell's status is currently listed as questionable with a shoulder injury. Finally, Trey Sermon was also added to the injury report with a concussion. The 49ers have signed three additional running backs this week and now have ten running backs in some capacity on their roster. As for who might receive the most playing time this week, it is hard to tell. This week's possible list of running backs include Trey Sermon, Trenton Cannon, Jacques Patrick, Kerryon Johnson, Chris Thompson, and Josh Hokit. This is a mix of special teams players, a former XFL player, and players that have had injury histories with little NFL experience. If the Seahawks defense continues to have problems stopping the run against this group, it will be a very long season for Seahawks fans.

DW Volleyball improving on court

THE TIMES

DAYTON/WAITSBURG—Dayton-Waitsburg Wolfpack Volleyball played against Columbia Burbank on September 21. The team fell short in three sets, but coach Tracy Barron shared that the team is improving every time they step on the court.

Set scores were: 18-25, 25-13, 8-25, 18-25

Megan Forney ended the game with three aces, two kills, and seven digs. Makenna Barron had four aces, one assists, two kills, 15 digs, and five blocks. Claudia Benavides had two aces, one assist, 10 digs, and two kills.

"This team is improving every time they step on the court. As a coach, you can't ask for anything more," Barron said in an email.

The team played again on September 25, against McLoughlin High School in Milton-Freewater, Ore. The team lost in three sets, with scores of 2-25, 25-21, 20-25, 15-25.

"The team really struggled with passing today, but our net play was amazing," Barron said. "This team has come so far with their hitting and blocking. It is really fun to see the progress."

Emily Rodrick finished the game with six aces, 11 assists, and three kills, while Makenna Barron had one ace, three blocks, two digs and one kill. Peyton Struckmeier had three kills, one block and one dig, and Megan Forney had five kills and one ace.

DW Volleyball will play Tri Cities Prep on September 30, in Dayton. Visit www.dwsports.org for full schedules, game and practice changes, and other updates.



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Waitsburg welcomes artist Fred Betz

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Waitsburg has attracted another fine artist to town. Fred Betz was born in California and raised on the East Coast. He studied art at the University of California Santa Cruz and Columbia University in New York. Betz is an oil painter who uses his location as inspiration for much of his work. Needless to say, he loves to travel.

He recently spent five months in Cortona, Italy, living in a house that was owned by famous Renaissance artist Luca Signorelli. During his stay, Betz said that he took every chance he could to paint. Under Italy's strict laws limiting activities out of the home, Betz used the time to complete a series of COVID-19-themed postcards.

Betz is a plein-air landscape artist, meaning that most of his work is done outdoors, painting scenes as he experiences them. While some of the paintings are completed the same day, Betz said he had spent weeks returning to the same spot before the final stroke was made.

"I find a scene I want to paint, I stand in front of it, and I just go after it," Betz shared. "I am looking at the light, I am looking at the forms, thinking of the composition, but I really focus on light and colors."

His work also includes figurative or narrative paintings. These paintings tell unique stories using images of people, animals, and landscapes he creates from his imagination and memory.

"Sometimes, it is playful, like fairytales, sometimes it is political, and sometimes it is personal," Betz said.

Betz was drawn to Waitsburg after visiting his friend (and *Times* Publisher) Lane Gwinn in the spring, saying he fell in love with the landscape, the people, and the community.

"I was just knocked out by the hills, the colors, the light," Betz said. "I have met some really, really neat people since coming here."

If he doesn't have a paintbrush in hand, Betz can likely be found serving up a beautiful latte at Ten Ton Coffee. He shared that training to be a barista has been a little intense but a lot of fun.

Betz's work can be viewed online at www.fredbetzart.com, or on Instagram, @fredbetzart.



Courtesy Photo

Right: Fred Betz, Waitsburg's newest artist

Above: A plein-air landscape painting Betz finished while living in Cortona, Italy. Betz said that he focuses on the light, colors, and composition when capturing the scenery



Paco is an example of 1 Betz's creative and playful pet portrait commissions.

The show goes on at the Liberty Theater

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Musicals, movies, and puppeteer shows are just a few of the performances coming up at the Liberty Theater, nestled on Main Street in Dayton.

In June, the Touchet Valley Arts Council announced that they had selected Debbie Ayerst as the Liberty theater's manager. She had been working at the theater for roughly three years before taking the helm herself.

"I had never seen a live play until I came here, started working here, and saw one on our stage," Ayerst said. "I have never been a movie person- I prefer music."

Ayerst said she was working on an accounting degree at Walla Walla Community College, and one of her classes required an internship. The theater manager at the time, Kristen Schober, had reached out to Ayerst and told her to apply for the job.

"That turned into showing the summer film season that summer, in 2018," Ayerst said. "She (Schober) resigned, and I was promoted to assistant manager. When Mike Ferrians resigned, I became the manager."

Since then, Ayerst has developed a deep appreciation for performing arts, right down to the production end of making a film.

"I never realized how things worked on the other side; a lot of people don't realize how much goes into a movie," she shared. "A lot of people don't realize you have to build the movie, understand the cues."

Actors and actresses have been in and out of the theater lately, Ayerst shared, as they rehearse for the upcoming production of "The Sound of Music." Live showings have been postponed, with the hopes that they will be on stage by May 2022.

"There are some great actors in the musical this year," Ayerst said. "I am very excited about this. Seeing the beforehand with my own eyes is a little different than just walking in for the final show. I no longer have to wonder just how this whole thing works."

"The Sound of Music" is being directed by Brenda Henderson this year. Ayerst said that there would be a variety of performances, including weekend matinees, and she highly recommends buying tickets ahead of time.

Master puppeteer and musician Dan Luce will be performing at the Liberty October 6-9. The Dayton High School alumni will give a concert of original music with his wife Tracy McFarland and guest Libby Miller on Thursday, October 7.

On October 9, he will lead a Build Your Own Puppet workshop at the Liberty Theater Annex and is limited to 20 participants with a \$5.00 materials fee.



Courtesy Photo

Debbie Ayerst

More information about these and future events is available at www.libertytheater.org soon.

The theater will allow full capacity seating and require 100% masking from all viewers. Ayerst said that concessions would not be available.

The Liberty Theater has multiple air purifiers in the seating areas and on the stage to make the theater safe for all attendees. Ayerst said that she monitors the purifiers very closely and can adjust the fresh-air intake as needed.

The Liberty Theater will be showing *Cry Macho*, directed by and starring Clint Eastwood, on Oct. 1-3 and Oct 5, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3 pm, and Tuesday at 6:30 pm.



Meg Nanna

Puppeteer and performer Dan Luce will be at the Liberty from October 6 through 9. He will perform and hold workshops and presentations at the theater and one at Dayton Elementary School.



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Dan and his wife entered NPR's Tiny Desk Contest! this last June. This is their application video performance on YouTube. The song is "I Know", lyrics and melody by Tracy McFarland, music production by Dan Luce.

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"Anyone turned in a snapping turtle lately?"

GRIN and BEAR IT



"We always discussed things sensibly, until he started talking!"

PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

September 29, 2011

The Waitsburg City Council last Wednesday night voted 4-1 in favor of enacting a new ordinance that will give the city the ability to shut off city utilities to citizens who don't pay bills or violate the nuisance codes. This new way to handle violators should help the city enforce its rules better, said Randy Hinchliffe, the city's clerk-treasurer. In the past, the city would give citizens a ticket if they didn't follow the rules, but the Sheriff's Office and the city had trouble following through.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 3, 1996

The modest increase in salmon bake ticket price made a positive difference financially for the Waitsburg Commercial Club, and it also didn't seem to discourage any of the salmon lovers who trek to the annual event, either. A total of 1,044 people were served 1,100 pounds of salmon, according to Ivan Keve, Commercial Club secretary-treasurer pro tem at the group's first meeting of the season last Tuesday night at Ye Towne Hall. The number was nearly 100 more than 1995's 957, he said. Gross receipts were estimated near \$12,375 compared to \$9,320 in 1995. The business-boosting group also voted a pledge of \$500 to the Waitsburg Lions Club, which contributes manpower and the use of facilities for the event.

Fifty Years Ago

September 30, 1971

Spiro Agnew was a great help to Jim Hubbard of Waitsburg – and the Vice-President was not even aware of it. Jim went to Walla Walla early to get a front row seat for the President's visit. As Mr. Nixon went down the row of people, shaking hands, he pointed to Jim's Spiro Agnew T-shirt and indicated that he wanted to shake the hand of the owner. Not only did the President shake with Jim, he also poked a friendly index finger in Jim's shirt. We understand that he hasn't washed his hand or his shirt since both bear the impression of this famous person.



[Photo caption] The Walla Walla City-County Airport was amply crowded for the President's visit last Sunday. This shot shows Mr. Nixon shaking hands with some of his local fans. Above Mr. Nixon's head is Lorn Proctor, Mayor of Walla Walla. Gov. Daniel J. Evans is in the center of the picture while Rep. Stewart Bledsoe is above and to the left of the Governor. Harold Hansen of Waitsburg is above and to the right of Gov. Evans, flanked by men of the Secret Service – five of them visible in this photo.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

October 4, 1946

Two daughters and a son were born Sunday, Sept. 29 to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zuger in the Brining Hospital in Dayton. They have been named Margaret Ann, Charles Joseph, and Marie Louise.

Ten students from Waitsburg are enrolled at Eastern Washington College of Education at Cheney. They include Donald Ford, Kenneth Smith, Betty Kellogg, Jackie Alexander, Ruth Wolfe, Bob Weir, David Roberts, Phyllis Anderson, Bill and Wayne Hinchliffe.

One Hundred Years Ago

September 30, 1921

Apple harvest is under full swing in the Walla Walla and Touchet Valleys now, and the packing houses have on practically full crews. The Schiltz orchard near Huntsville has a crew of 45 or more people, including the pickers and the packers.

Mrs. Bruce Abbey visited overnight in Dayton with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Mosgrove. They went to Walla Walla to attend the funeral of little Virginia Routh who was run over by a truck. Mrs. Abbey and Ms. Routh formerly traveled together in a theatrical company.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

October 2, 1896

Complaint is made by the Milton Eagle that nails in the sidewalks are injuring the feet of the town cows.

On Monday morning our public school opened with a full corps of teachers and 175 pupils – Prof. Hultsch the new principal, seems to be the right man in the right place and is ably assisted by Miss Ollie Parker, Miss Addie Dickinson, Miss Julia Blackburn, Miss Alva Kruchek and Miss Mary Ramseur.

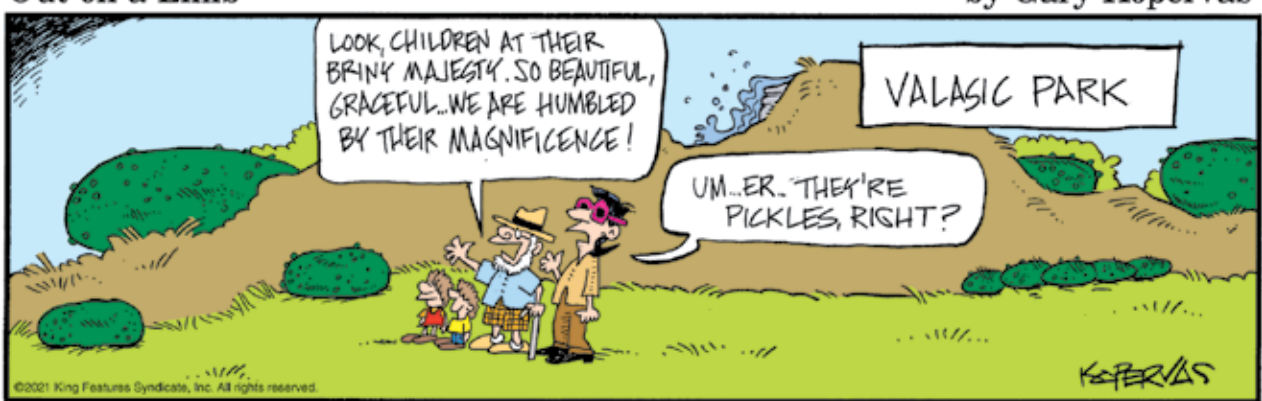
Two pumpkins were brought into town Monday from Rose Glen Farm – one weighing 162 1/2 pounds and the other weighing 155 pounds.

The 15-months old child of O. M. Conover was badly scalded about the face one day this week. At last accounts the baby was some better and it is thought that the scald will probably not leave a scar although this skin is all coming off the face.

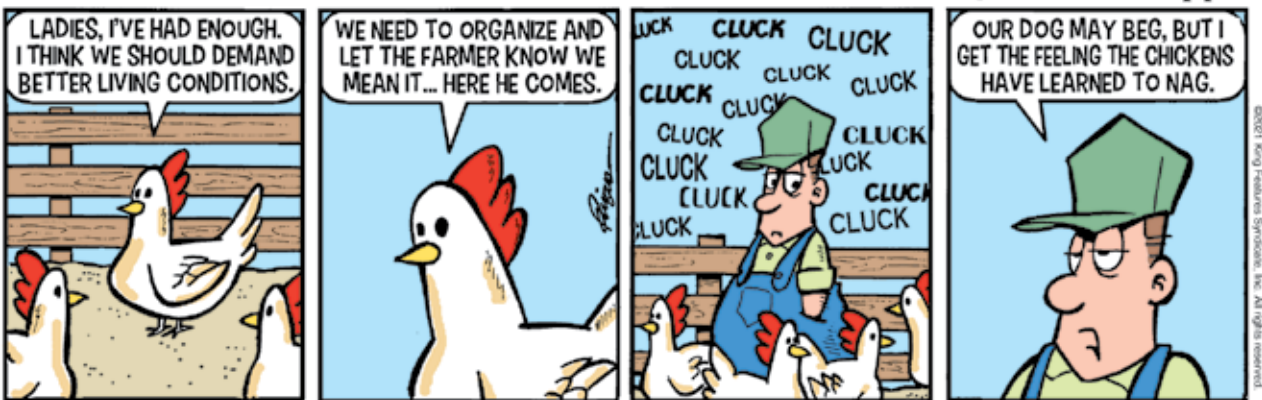
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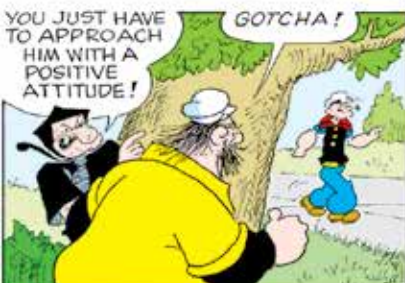
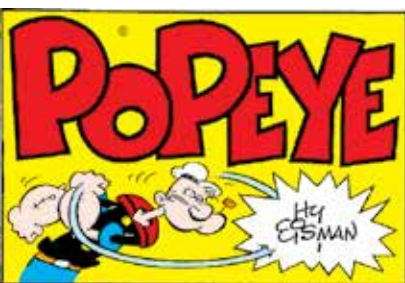
Out on a Limb



Amber Waves



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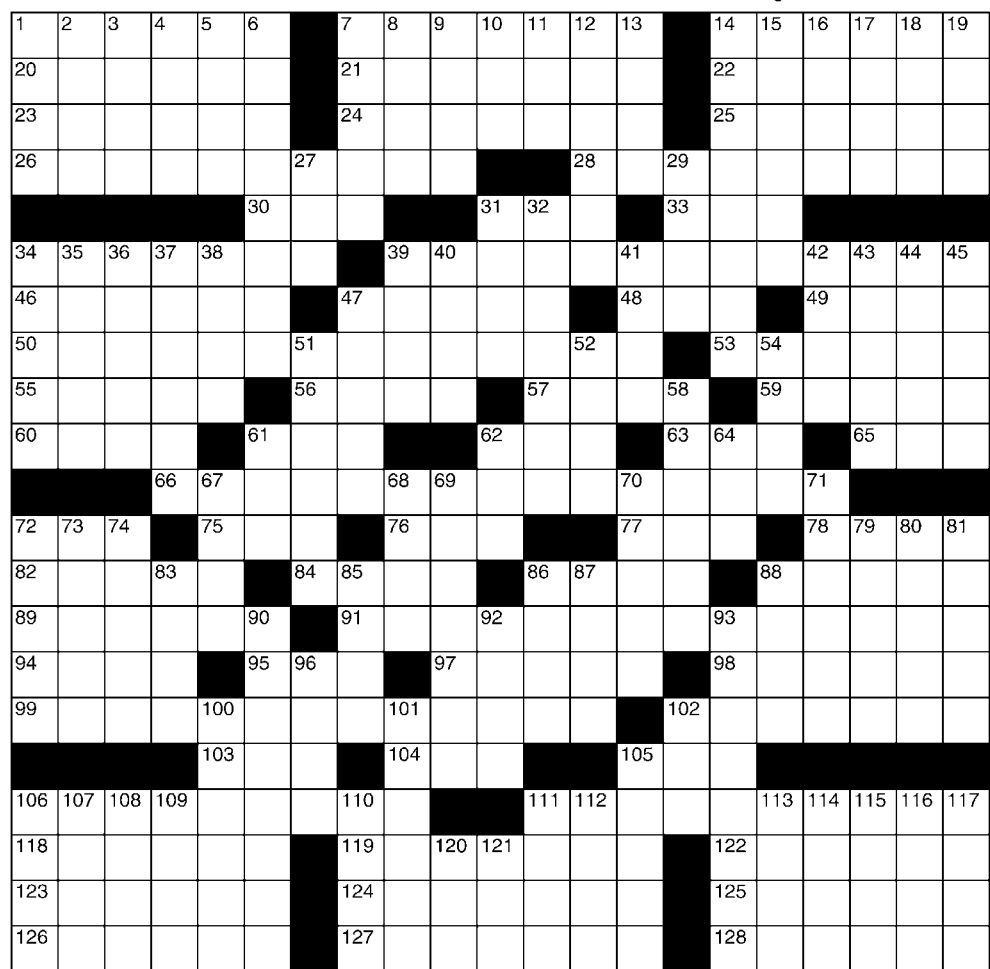


PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

OPENING FROM PAUL

- ACROSS**
- 1 Prickly plant
 - 7 Seaport in Argentina
 - 14 Aim high
 - 20 Musician using reeds
 - 21 The Who's "The Kids Are ..."
 - 22 "Frozen" studio
 - 23 Less pudgy
 - 24 Bertie created by Wodehouse
 - 25 Pidling
 - 26 Like adults
 - 28 "Oops, I'm at fault here"
 - 30 — Angeles
 - 31 — Paulo, Brazil
 - 33 Hairy "Addams Family" cousin
 - 34 Locker-room motivator
 - 39 Is distressed over
 - 46 Declare
 - 47 Opposite of 60-Across, in France
 - 48 Pantry insect
 - 49 Java holders
 - 50 Looked like
 - 53 Ontario metropolis
 - 55 Loses control
 - 56 Baba au — (alcoholic cake)
 - 57 Sportscaster Albert
 - 59 Declare
 - 60 Direction of sunrise
 - 61 Crack pitcher
 - 62 Explosive stuff
 - 63 Actor Holm
 - 65 NYT staffers
 - 66 "You think I didn't already know that?"
 - 72 Put down, to a hip-hopper
 - 75 Hoppy brew
 - 76 Ltd., in the U.S.
 - 77 U.S. spy gp.
 - 78 Gelatin in petri dishes
 - 82 Put into effect
 - 84 By — of (due to)
 - 86 Sturdy — oak
 - 88 Geography class spinner
 - 89 Like the sky's color
 - 91 A long time from now
 - 94 Sound off
 - 95 Sendai sash
 - 97 Former U.N. chief Kofi
 - 98 Last Greek letters
 - 99 Popular Christmas hymn
 - 102 Paramount
 - 103 Suffix for hexa-
 - 104 Canonized Mlle.
 - 105 Note below la
 - 106 Tille song lyric followed by the first words of seven answers in this puzzle
 - 111 Group that had a #1 hit with 106-Across
 - 118 Be a pilot
 - 119 Gory film
 - 122 Most parched
 - 123 Small finger
 - 124 Exit ramp
 - 125 Restlessness pellets
 - 126 Precipitates
 - 127 Brings in from abroad
 - 128 Human
 - 5 Exploiter
 - 6 Sauntered
 - 7 Grassy yards
 - 8 Baseball's Matty or Felipe
 - 9 Stage object
 - 10 Fleur-de- —
 - 11 T-man, e.g.
 - 12 Organized crime
 - 13 "Give it —"
 - 14 Owns, as an error
 - 15 Noon nap
 - 16 Exam for jrs.
 - 17 Actress
 - 18 Swenson
 - 19 Smell terrible
 - 20 Brontë's Jane
 - 27 Stir-fry pan
 - 29 Outward appearance
 - 31 Passable
 - 32 Fall seasons
 - 34 Out of style
 - 35 Justice Kagan
 - 36 Entreaties
 - 37 Seduces
 - 38 Gets older
 - 39 Ballet skirt
 - 40 Diane who hosted a longtime NPR show
 - 41 Actor Bert
 - 42 Ram into
 - 43 Sound off
 - 44 Not married
 - 45 Pre-Soviet rulers
 - 47 Actor Milo
 - 51 Formed an upward curve
 - 52 Airport part
 - 54 Ditty
 - 58 Brand of eye drops
 - 61 Hole tool
 - 62 Mom's forte, for short
 - 64 Alicia of "Falcon Crest"
 - 67 Stable feed
 - 68 Fey of "Date Night"
 - 69 Contest hopeful
 - 70 Investor Carl
 - 71 Journalist Cronkite
 - 72 Messing of "Will & Grace"
 - 73 Relative via marriage
 - 74 Spa hot spot
 - 79 Extort from
 - 80 The "A" of James A. Garfield
 - 81 Shortstop Pee Wee
 - 83 Large town
 - 85 "Correct me — wrong"
 - 86 Comic Meara
 - 87 Asterisk
 - 88 Forrest played by Tom Hanks
 - 90 Toasted people, e.g.
 - 92 Playwright William
 - 93 Bungled
 - 96 Nuptial ring
 - 100 "OK already!"
 - 101 Safe place
 - 102 Weep
 - 105 Feudal workers
 - 106 Flaps one's gums
 - 107 Demonic
 - 108 Trig topic
 - 109 Grab hold of
 - 110 Italian wine town
 - 111 Marvel hero
 - 112 Lift to test the weight of
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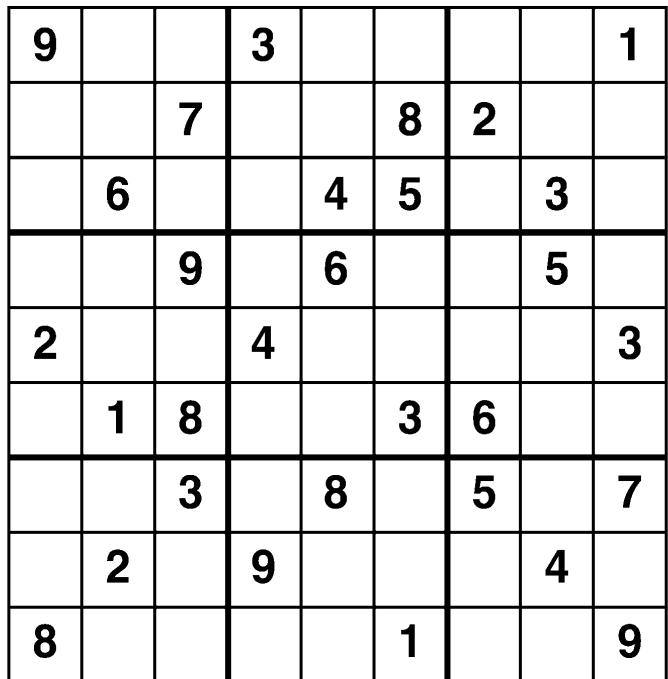


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by Linda Thistle

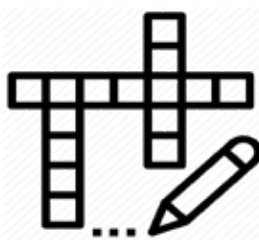


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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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

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MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

Caraway Scalloped Potatoes



The season for sweaters and comfort food has arrived, and I couldn't be happier. While autumn is my favorite season for many reasons, fall cooking is at the top of that list. Few vegetables are more comforting than the humble and versatile potato. Baked, mashed, roasted, or fried, I am always experimenting with ways to elevate the much-loved starchy tuber. One recipe that I have come back to time and time again, is Julia Child's Gratin Dauphinois. Thin sliced potatoes scalloped with milk, cheese and just a hint of garlic, makes for an elegant side dish to accompany most roasted or grilled meats. Here, I present my twist on this classic, featuring sharp aged cheddar and toasted caraway seeds for an unexpected added depth of flavor.

Ingredients:

- 2 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes (about 6 cups when sliced)
- 1 clove garlic, cut in half
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 cup grated aged white cheddar (about 4 ounces)
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 1 cup whole milk
- 1 teaspoon salt
- Fresh ground black pepper

Directions:

Preheat oven to 425 degrees.
 Peel potatoes and slice into 1/8-inch thick rounds. Place slices in a large bowl and cover with cold water.
 Place caraway seeds in a small saucepan and place over medium heat. Allow pan to heat and carefully watch as the seeds lightly toast. After 1 to 2 minutes of toasting the seeds should be aromatic. Pour in the milk and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer for 5 minutes. Keep hot, but not boiling.
 Prepare a shallow baking dish, about 10-inches in diameter and 2-inches deep, by rubbing the inside with the cut ends of garlic clove. Then smear 1 tablespoon of the butter evenly over sides and bottom.
 Drain the potatoes and lay over a clean towel to dry thoroughly. Spread half the potatoes over the bottom of prepared dish. Season with half of the salt and plenty of black pepper. Next add half the remaining butter, cut into little cubes, and half of the grated cheese. Then pour in half of the hot milk. Repeat process with the remaining potatoes arranged over the first layer, then season with rest of the salt and more black pepper. Finish by covering with the rest of the butter, cubed, and the grated cheese, followed by the rest of the hot milk.

Set baking dish in the top third of preheated oven and bake for 30 to 45 minutes. Potatoes are done when tender, all the liquid has been absorbed, and the top is beautifully browned. Use a sharp knife to check the potatoes for doneness. Cooking times will vary because of differences in ovens and the thickness of your baking dish.

Notes:

The classic version of Gratin Dauphinois is simply spiced with salt and pepper, with no caraway, and uses gruyere or Swiss cheese. An alternate version, called Gratin Savoyard, can be made using stock in place of the milk, and increasing the butter from 4 to 6 tablespoons. Once mastered, you will find this recipe to be an easy weeknight side dish sure to please anyone.

Another decadent version, called Gratin Jurassien, uses heavy cream in place of the milk. Extra care must be made to prevent the cream from curdling. The oven temperature must be reduced to 300 degrees, and thus the baking time will be doubled. Make sure the cream never comes to a boil.

Serve this as a side dish to roasted poultry, lamb or beef. I love serving this with pan seared and sauced steaks, such as Steak Au Poivre.
 Enjoy!

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

Super Crossword

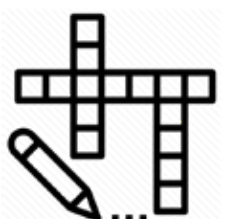
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 MONTECARLO MONA VIOLIN
 EDSEL TON CALLIN OAT
 SEER TSO TOMA TOKETCH
 WAIKIKI DRIP
 JAMAICA DYNAST SEESAW
 EMOTIONALLY STAB ETCH
 ROTOS WEE EASE IN ELY
 IRON NFL BACK IN THE US
 CABAL SOOTY NIHIL
 AIRLINETICK SGT PING
 IDO BASSET YUK SHEAR
 NESS HAVENOTIMETOSP
 TASERS RETIRE ADAPTED
 PITH NESTING
 ROOTBEER FLO ALA MOSS
 ILLCAMARO CLOD SANTA
 VISUAL COUPLES RETREAT
 AVENGE ENSUES OVULATE
 LENDER STENOS PEDALED

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

4 6 9 3 1 8 2 5 7
 1 5 7 4 6 2 3 9 8
 3 2 8 5 9 7 6 1 4
 7 4 1 6 8 3 9 2 5
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 9 3 2 7 4 5 8 6 1
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Intuitive, Counter-Intuitive and the Irony of Gardening

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

My mother drilled certain behavioral lessons into our psyche, starting when we were very young. One that has stuck with me is, “Don’t blow your own horn!” No bragging, boasting, or puffing of the chest. Not only is it bad manners, but you may be setting yourself up for embarrassment or humiliation at some future point. Sorry Mom, but a little brag, I have good intuition and instincts about people. A trait I probably inherited from my mother.

During my insurance career, I’ve hired several assistants, and they’ve all been terrific. I mentored them the way I was mentored. If you want to advance in your career, teach your subordinates everything, so no one can ever use the excuse that “you’re too valuable to promote, we need you in your current position.”

However, my mother was right about the potential for being humbled. My small currant tomatoes have been so prolific that I needed to get on my hands and knees to dig into the plants to harvest them. My intuition told me that they



would be easier to spot, as they belong on the outside of the branches looking for the sun. I am wrong! I have learned that as skillful as my intuition is about people, it has been humbled in the garden

My San Marzano and Moscovitch tomatoes have miraculously begun to ripen. Using my great intuition, I started pruning the branches so the tomatoes could have the sun beating on them to speed up the ripening. I hadn’t learned from all the digging in the current tomato bushes that there might be a reason they were hiding from the sun.

Counterintuitive for sure. After a Google search, I learned that tomatoes ripen better without direct sun. They thrive in the warm shade so they can release ethene, a gas that speeds up the ripening process. My new project is to try and move the remaining branches to cover where I pruned to protect the ripening tomatoes from the sun.

When we moved from New York to Tucson, Arizona, I was starting my second year of high school. An already tough adjustment was made worse when I discovered I didn’t like the desert. The seasons are hot, hotter, and flash floods. I also did not find beauty in the gray pebble lawns that blend into gray pebble sidewalks, that blend into the grayed down asphalt in the streets.

When it came time for me to choose a college, I immediately chose Northern Arizona University, in Flagstaff, surrounded by mountains, trees, traditional seasons, and cactus-free landscapes.

The flower boxes in front of our restaurant are home to thriving pepper plants (no peppers). I have purchased and repurchased various plants for the tables and interior decor. Ironically, the only plants I haven’t killed are a variety of prickly succulents. I have yet to develop an affinity for these tiny cacti.

Adding to the irony of my cactus success, the healthiest are the Easter cactus and the Christmas cactus. Considering that I am Jewish and celebrate neither of those holidays, I do think Mother Nature gets some true satisfaction from tormenting me, or she just has a prickly sense of humor.

Meanwhile, I have made three batches of tomato sauce, so- Take that, Mother Nature!

Seattle Rock Orchestra performing at Gesa Power House Theatre October 8 and 9

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WALLA WALLA—The Seattle Rock Orchestra will perform two different live concerts at Gesa Power House Theatre on October 8 and 9.

On Friday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m., Seattle Rock Orchestra will explore the softer side of the music of Led Zeppelin, offering an intimate evening out that draws on the classic rock band’s acoustic compositions from across their entire discography. The program will feature the songs “Going to California,” “The Battle of Evermore,” “Thank You,” “The Rain Song,” “Babe I’m Gonna Leave You,” and many more.

On Saturday, October 9 at 7:00 p.m., Seattle Rock Orchestra will pay tribute to psychedelic rock pioneers Pink Floyd with a complete performance of their landmark album *The Dark Side of the Moon*. As one of their most popular and frequently performed shows, the Seattle Rock Orchestra arrangements double as a veritable concerto for orchestra, featuring soloists from every section of the orchestra. Popular songs include “Shine On You Crazy Diamond,” “Wish You Were Here,” “Great Gig In The Sky,” “Money,” “Us and Them,” and many more.

Seattle Rock Orchestra is dedicated to creating performances that are spectacular, fun, educational, and of exceptional quality. Seattle Rock Orchestra celebrates and perpetuates the orchestral tradition while exploring the rich history of rock and pop music; presents new works by emerging artists; engages in collaborations across genres and artistic disciplines; and offers exciting educational programs for youth.

Reserved seating tickets (\$50) are available online at www.phtww.org or by calling the box office at (509) 529-6500. The Saturday, October 9 concert is already sold out.

Additional precautions, such as required mask use, will be observed based on the latest guidance from state and county health departments.



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