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Columbia County Undersheriff Robbie Patterson shakes Karl Burnstad's hand as he thanks Karl for his quick thinking that saved Tracy Burnstad's life.

Columbia County boy earns Life Saver Award

Karl Burnstad noticed his mother had been sleeping longer than normal and was unable to wake her up. He quickly called 9-1-1, and got his mother the medical attention she needed, saving her life.

DAYTON—It's not every day that the Columbia County Sheriff's Office gives a Lifesaver Award. Last Friday, in a full courtroom, Columbia County Undersheriff Robbie Patterson presented 7 year old Karl Burnstad with a Life saving Award. This November, Karl was able to recognize a medical emergency and dial 9-1-1, ultimately saving his mother's life.

On November 12, 2019, Karl Burnstad, then only 6 years old, noticed that his mom, Tracy Burnstad, had been sleeping longer than normal and wouldn't wake up. Karl was able to locate a cell phone, call 9-1-1, and answer the dispatcher's questions, all while keeping his younger siblings calm. Tracy was experiencing a diabetic emergency.

"Karl's response to this emergency and the information he provided resulted in his mother getting the medical help in a timely matter, and directly saved her life," Officer Patterson told more than 30 of Karl's friends and family.

Officer Patterson presented Karl with the Columbia County Sheriff's Department's Life Saving Award as well as a challenge coin. Challenge coins have a long history of being awarded in recognition of special achievements. The Life Saving award is the department's highest civilian award and has only been awarded twice in the last 39 years.

Keith Viverios, representing RapidSOS, attended

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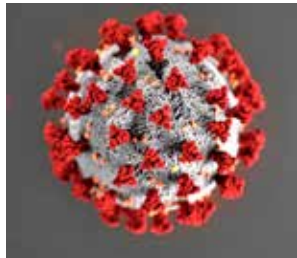
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Coronavirus preparations happening locally

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, which made national headlines in late January, has made its way into Washington State, and local health entities are working diligently to update medical staff and create a plan of action.

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WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg City Council's Flood and Emergency Preparedness Committee has been meeting weekly, or as needed, in response to the novel coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak. The committee, which has representatives from the Waitsburg City Council, Columbia Walla Walla County Fire District 2 and various community members, is focusing on a community plan of action in the event that COVID-19 reaches Waitsburg. The members have been reviewing information from a daily webinar through the Washington State Department of Health (WSDOH).



COVID-19

The Columbia County Hospital has also been preparing for the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, over the past few weeks. Hospital staff have attended infectious disease training and are continuing to update their training and protocols as new information is released. Select staff members have been attending training in Seattle and are sharing their knowledge with the hospital.

The hospital is currently working closely with the WSDOH and local emergency services to stay updated on how to interact with potentially-infected patients and has been using information received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) to keep staff up to date as new information surfaces. Hospital safety committee members have been working to review and update protocols as needed.

The hospital does have negative pressure isolation rooms set up to handle COVID-19 patients. Negative pressure rooms have a unique ventilation system that keeps air moving into the room, but does not allow air to escape, keeping contaminated air contained within the room.

Monte Fulbright, Columbia County Hospital's Infection Preventionist, said that it is important to practice proper handwashing techniques. Use clean, run-

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DW athletic combine meeting focuses on new mascot

By Dave Schreindl | THE TIMES



While there were a number of items on the docket for the monthly Dayton-Waitsburg Athletic Combine Committee (DWACC) meeting on Feb. 24, over an hour was spent discussing the recent procedure used in choosing a new team mascot, concluding with the choice of the DW Wolfpack by Dayton and Waitsburg high school student bodies at the Feb. 14 election.

The committee chose to put the adoption of the mascot on hold. This came after the high schools had voted for DW Wolfpack and both the Dayton and Waitsburg school boards voted to ratify the student's choice. It was never clarified how, when and who will ultimately approve a new mascot during the combine meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting the athletic combine of Dayton-Waitsburg still did not have an official mascot.

Without a formal vote, the committee chose not to set aside the student vote entirely and start over. The group didn't want to appear to be undermining the student's effort in this whole process but rather agreed to send it back to the four Associated Student Body groups and their advisors. The committee has asked that each of the advisors and members of the ASBs write at least four sentences about their thoughts on how they felt the process went regarding the choosing of the DW Wolfpack.

The deadline for this process is Mar. 4 and only the principals will know the names of the respondents before it is shared with the members of the committee. If the process is viewed to have proceeded acceptably by the ASB then the logo stage of the mascot approval for DW Wolfpack will proceed and the issue of the new mascot will be closed. However, if the students felt there was any sort of impropriety in the process, the committee will meet and decide what to do next, including the possibility of a new vote.

Multiple members agreed to this process as they felt certain the ASB had not been comfortable with the original procedure, putting the issue of the new combine mascot up for debate once again.


Several members stated that while they might not love the choice of DW Wolfpack as the new mascot, it was not their place to go against the choice of the ASBs, it was their responsibility to make sure all suggestions had been presented and done so in a fair manner. At this meeting and at the Dayton School Board meeting the week prior, community and alumni members expressed frustration that they hadn't been able to participate in the decision. This is despite both school boards and the DWACC's outreach through the news media, Facebook, school websites

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NEWS BRIEFS

BRIX AND BREW AUCTION TO BENEFIT DAYTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Brix and Brew Benefit Auction takes place on Friday, March 13 at the Columbia County Fairgrounds Pavilion, located at 5 N. Pine Street, Dayton, WA.

This event is a fundraiser that supports the operating costs of the Dayton Chamber of Commerce. The beer, wine and silent auction starts at 5:30 p.m., and the live auction starts at 7 p.m.

Food, wine and beer are included in the ticket price, and there will be a "Spin the Bottle" game to win a bottle of wine of varying value. Enter the raffle for a Lil' Tex 22 Elite Treager Grill, or throw your hat into the 50/50 auction, all in support of this pillar of the community.

Top auction items include: a six-day all-inclusive stay in Costa Rica; a five day all-inclusive stay in Mexico (Cancun, Cabo, or Puerto Vallarta) and two tickets to the Doobie Brothers, plus accommodations. Tickets cost \$35 and are available at: <https://tinyurl.com/txweqnz>

SIGN UP FOR YOUR COUNTY'S EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

Both Walla Walla and Columbia County have Emergency Alert Systems that will provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of emergency situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

Sign up for Walla Walla County's Emergency Alert Program, at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/suk8ul5>

Citizens will receive time-sensitive messages wherever they specify, such as their home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more.

This geographic based system requires a valid street address (no post office boxes) to receive notifications.

Please contact Walla Walla County Emergency Management at (509) 524-2900 for assistance.

To sign up for Columbia County's Emergency Alert system, visit: <https://www.columbiaco.com/list.aspx?ListID=169>. This system also includes a green/yellow/red emergency alert button system visible on the website, for rapid alert notification.

BOLDMAN HOUSE HIRES NEW MUSEUM MANAGER

DAYTON—The Boldman House Museum is making changes! The Museum is saying goodbye to manager Sylvia Beuhler who is retiring after guiding visitors through the Boldman House and guiding the Boldman committee for the last seven years. The museum is grateful to Beuhler for the transformations she has made during her tenure. Under her guidance, the Boldman House has become a thriving museum. Beuhler expanded the tours to include the basement of the home, she also created Dayton Days in the Boldman Garden, a favorite of local children. Under her guidance, Art in the Garden and Quilts in the Garden have become popular events. But most importantly, Beuhler was a steady, calm hand, providing the Depot Society with whatever was needed at the moment.



Sylvia Beuhler is retiring.

Beuhler's replacement will be Amy Rosenberg as the new Boldman House Museum Manager. Rosenberg comes to the position with many years of experience in collections and collections development. As a volunteer, she has developed the Story Train for preschoolers at the Depot on the first and third Thursdays of the month, and she has worked at the Boldman accessioning artifacts so the large collection is more accessible to employees and researchers. Rosenberg has management experience in both libraries and museums and has plans to expand the Boldman House's exposure to visitors to the community.

CATHY MCMORRIS RODGERS VISITS WAITSBURG



Kate Hockersmith

Cathy McMorris Rodgers visited Waitsburg on Saturday evening, Feb. 22 to tour the effects of the Feb. 7 flood event. (l-r) Columbia County Commissioner Chuck Amerein, Dayton Mayor Zach Weatherford, Walla Walla County Commissioner Greg Tompkins, Walla Walla Commissioner Todd Kimball, and Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers. Waitsburg Citycouncilwoman Kate Hockersmith was present, but not pictured.

SHAMROCK BINGO FUNDRAISER



WAITSBURG—Don't miss the Shamrock Bingo Relay for Life event at the Waitsburg Elementary Multi-purpose Room on Friday, March 20. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and up to 20 bingo games can be played from 6 to 8 p.m. Games cost \$1 each, and players get three cards per game. The event is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

A soup dinner with soup, roll, a drink and dessert will be available for \$4. There will be gift basket prizes, cash prizes and gift certificates for winners. Questions? Call Karen Huwe at (509) 386-6960.

SHEEHAN GALLERY HOSTS A PRESENTATION ABOUT NORTHWEST PHOTOGRAPHER MARY RANDLETT

WALLA WALLA—On March 6th at 5:30 p.m. in Whitman College's Olin Hall, room 138, Sheehan Art Gallery Director Daniel Forbes will speak about the work of photographer Mary Randlett.



Mary Randlett

The gallery was recently gifted the archives of this Northwest photographer and Whitman alum. Randlett was a recipient of several prestigious honors, including an Anne Gould Hauberg Artist Image Award. Among her many photographic genres, Randlett is known as perhaps the most significant visual documentarian of Seattle's creative community. A master of portraiture, her photographs immortalized significant Northwest artists and poets like Mark Tobey, George Tsutakawa, Viola Patterson, Jacob Lawrence, and Theodore Roethke.

Sheehan Gallery is located in Olin Hall on Whitman College campus. The gallery is free and open to the public. The gallery is open: Tuesday-Friday, 12-5 p.m., Saturday/Sunday, 12-4 p.m. or by appointment. Visit www.whitman.edu/sheehan for more information.

4-H HANGING BASKET FUNDRAISER

This annual sales event offers a 12" hanging flower basket for \$30, and an 18" hanging flower basket for \$65. Order baskets by calling: (509) 520-9952, emailing Cindy Daves at cldtig@yahoo.com or via postal mail to PO Box 825, Waitsburg, WA, 99361. Baskets can be picked up on Friday, April 24 at 124 Jay Street in Waitsburg.

A portion of the sales this year will go to support three senior 4-H members as they represent the Walla Walla Valley at the 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship this June in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Touchet Valley Weather

March 4, 2020

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Day	Forecast	High	Low
Wednesday	Mostly Cloudy	55	37
Thursday	Mostly Cloudy	61	41
Friday	Scattered Rain	56	37
Saturday	Scattered Rain	49	30
Sunday	Partly Cloudy	50	31
Monday	Partly Cloudy	53	34
Tuesday	Sunny	50	31

Weather Trivia

What U.S. city holds the record for the lowest high temperature?

Answer: Eureka, Calif., with a record high of only 87 degrees.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	51	28	49/33	0.00"	0.01"
Wednesday	56	36	49/33	0.00"	0.42"
Thursday	60	34	49/34	0.00"	-0.41"
Friday	64R	36	50/34	0.00"	44.1°
Saturday	51	36	50/34	0.01"	Average normal temperature
Sunday	48	30	50/34	0.00"	41.7°
Monday	52	36	51/34	Trace	Departure from normal

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Weather History

March 4, 1909 - Though fair weather was forecast, President Taft was inaugurated amidst a furious storm. About 10 inches of wet snow disrupted travel and communications. The storm drew much criticism against the U.S. Weather Bureau.

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
Wednesday	6:25 a.m.	5:44 p.m.	11:52 a.m.	3:03 a.m.	New 3/24
Thursday	6:23 a.m.	5:46 p.m.	12:52 p.m.	4:00 a.m.	
Friday	6:21 a.m.	5:47 p.m.	2:02 p.m.	4:51 a.m.	
Saturday	6:19 a.m.	5:48 p.m.	3:19 p.m.	5:34 a.m.	
Sunday	7:17 a.m.	6:50 p.m.	5:40 p.m.	7:10 a.m.	First 4/1
Monday	7:16 a.m.	6:51 p.m.	7:02 p.m.	7:42 a.m.	
Tuesday	7:14 a.m.	6:53 p.m.	8:24 p.m.	8:10 a.m.	

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Events Calendar

THURSDAY
MARCH 5

Story Train
Dayton Historic Depot
222 E Commercial Ave
Dayton, WA
10 – 11 a.m.



Mythical/Moveable Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam
Free bluegrass jam for all ages.
Walla Walla location TBD
6:30 – 9 p.m.

SATURDAY
MARCH 7



Explore: Snowshoe Exploration
Join in for a winter snowshoe exploration at Andies Prairie.
1117 S. College Ave
College Place, WA
10 – 4 p.m.

SUNDAY
MARCH 8



Time to
Spring Ahead

Spring forward!
Daylight savings time begins.

MONDAY
MARCH 9

Prescott City Council
Prescott City Hall
108 S. D St.
7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY
MARCH 10

Dayton Parent-Teacher Student Organization
Dayton Elementary Multipurpose Room
614 S. 3rd St
Dayton, WA

WEDNESDAY
MARCH 11

Discovery Kids
Interactive storytime
Dayton Memorial Library
111 S. 3rd St
Dayton, WA
10 – 11 a.m.

Port of Columbia Meeting
1 Port Way
Dayton, WA
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
MARCH 12

Blue Mountain Heritage Society
Dayton Memorial Library & Delaney Bldg
111 S. 3rd St
Dayton, WA
9 – 10 a.m.

DAYTON'S
LIBERTY THEATER
344 E Main St., Dayton, WA

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ROBERT DOWNEY JR.

Fri., Mar. 6	7:30
Sat., Mar. 7	3, 7:30
Sun., Mar. 8	12:30, 3, 6:30
Tues., Mar. 10	6:30

(509)382-1380 or libertytheater.org



Stories of our Watersheds: River Restoration Northwest Film Festival
A selection of 2019 films about rivers and watersheds from across the forests of the Pacific Northwest. Tickets (\$10 in advance, \$12 at the door) at www.phtww.com. Gesa Power House Theatre
111 N 6th Ave
Walla Walla, WA
5 – 7 p.m.



Blue Mountain Land Trust's Speaker Series
Kimball Theatre in Hunter Conservatory
The series covers issues of climate change, land preservation, and sustainability. Speaker Richenda Fairhurst is a minister and serves as a Climate Reality Leader and is the co-founder for the Climate Reality Project: Southwestern Oregon Chapter. Whitman College 324 Boyer Ave.
Walla Walla, WA
6 – 8 p.m.

FRIDAY
MARCH 6

Popcorn Fridays
Fresh popcorn at the library with lots of toppings.
Dayton Memorial Library & Delaney Bldg.
111 S 3rd St
Dayton, WA
3 – 4 p.m.

Meetings & Gatherings

Alcoholics Anonymous - Dayton:
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 p.m., Dayton First Congregational Church-UCC dining room, 214 S. 3rd St.

Alcoholics Anonymous - Waitsburg:
Saturday, Monday and Friday, 8 p.m., Presbyterian Church basement, 504 Main St.

American Legion Post #35: First Monday, 6 p.m., Waitsburg Town Hall, 121 Main Street.

American Legion Post #42:
Second and fourth Wednesdays, 7 p.m., American Legion Building, 211 E. Clay St., Dayton.

Bingo: Every Friday, doors open at 4 p.m. Bingo at 6 p.m. Dayton Eagles, 222 E. Main

Blue Mountain Heritage Society:
Second Thursday, 9 a.m. Delany Building, 111 S. 3rd St., Dayton.

Blue Mountain Station: Tues – Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., 700 Artisan Way, Dayton.

Book Chat: Third Saturday, 6ish-8ish, Delany Room, 111 S. 3rd St., Dayton.

Celebrate Recovery-Dayton:
Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m., Catalyst Church, 311 S. 4th, Dayton.

Celebrate Recovery-Waitsburg:
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., Waitsburg Christian Church, 604 Main St.

Columbia County Commissioners:
First and third Mondays, 9 a.m., Commissioner's Chambers, 311 E. Main, Dayton. (Work sessions are the first and third Wednesday of each month.)

Columbia County Commissioners:
Third Mondays, 6-7 p.m. public listening sessions. Commissioner's Chambers, 311 E. Main, Dayton.

Columbia County Health System:
Fourth Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., Dayton General Hospital board room, 1012 S. 3rd St., Dayton. (May and Sept. meetings will be held at Waitsburg Town Hall.)

Columbia County Planning Commission: Second Monday, 5:30 p.m., 114 S. 2nd St., Dayton.

Columbia-Walla Walla No. 2 Fire Commissioners' Meeting:
Second Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Waitsburg Fire Department, 234 Main Street.

Columbia County Rural Library Board: Third Monday, 7 p.m., Delany Building, 111 S. 3rd St., Dayton.

Dayton City Council: Second Wednesday, 7 p.m., Dayton City Hall, 111 S. 1st St.

Dayton Friends of the Fairgrounds:
Second and fourth Thursdays, 7 p.m., American Legion Building, 211 E. Clay St., Dayton.

Dayton Friends of the Library:
Second Friday, 10 a.m. Dayton Memorial Library, 111 S. 3rd St.

Dayton Kiwanis: Second and fourth Thursdays, Noon, Delany Building, 111 S. 3rd St.

Dayton Parent-Teacher School Association: Second Tuesdays, 7 p.m. Dayton Elementary Multipurpose Room, 614 S. 3rd St.

Dayton Planning Commission: Third Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Dayton City Hall, 111 S. 1st St.

Dayton Senior Round Table:
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 12 p.m., Dayton Senior Center, 403 E. Patit St.

Dayton School Board: Third Wednesday, 6 p.m., School Administration Building, 609 S. 2nd St.

Discovery Kids: Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Dayton Memorial Library, 111 S. 3rd St.

Friends of the Dayton Community Center: Last Tuesday, 5:30, Delany Building, 111 S. 3rd St., Dayton.

Friends of the Dayton Dog Park:
First Monday, 6 p.m., Chief Springs, 148 E. Main, Dayton.

Memory Cafe: Second Wednesday, 10 a.m.–Noon, Moose Creek Cafe, 330 E. Main St., Dayton.

Prescott City Council: Second Monday, 7:30 p.m., Prescott City Hall, 108 S. "D" St.

Port of Columbia meetings second Wednesday at 3:30 p.m., Port Main Office 1 Port Way, Dayton.

Prescott School Board: Fourth Thursday, 6 p.m., District Boardroom, 207 S. "A" St.

Soup for the Soul: Last Friday, 5:30 p.m., Dayton First Christian Church, 410 S. 3rd. St., Dayton.

Waitsburg Christian Church Youth Group: First and third Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Waitsburg Christian Church, 604 Main Street.

Waitsburg City Council: Third Wednesday, 7 p.m., Don Thomas Building, Fairgrounds.

Waitsburg Commercial Club: Last Thursday, Waitsburg Town Hall, Noon RSVP for lunch waitsburgcc@icloud.com or (509)316-1488

Waitsburg Parks & Rec. District Board: First and Third Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., WHS band room, 421 Coppei Ave.

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church Youth Group: Every Wednesday, Middle school 5-7:15 p.m., Dinner 6:45-7:15 p.m., High School 6:45-9 p.m.

Waitsburg Resource Center:
Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., 106 Preston Ave. (side of Banner Bank).

Waitsburg School Board: Third Thursday, 6 p.m., Preston Hall Board Room, 605 Main.

Waitsburg Story Time: Mondays, 10:30 a.m., Weller Public Library, 212 Main St.

Waitsburg Senior Round Table:
Tuesday, 11:30 a.m., Waitsburg Presbyterian Church, 504 Main St.

Weller Public Library Board Meeting:
First Tuesday, 7 p.m. Weller Public Library, 212 Main St., Waitsburg.

Waitsburg School Menus

Fruits & vegetables, nonfat chocolate and 1% white milk are offered with every meal.

Thurs. Mar. 5: B: Breakfast pizza. L: Mozzarella cheese sticks, marinara sauce, steamed broccoli and oranges.

Fri. Mar. 6: SNOW DAY!

Mon. Mar. 9: B: Scrambled eggs & sausage. L: Sloppy Joes, pasta salad, baby carrots, and grapes.

Tue. Mar. 10: B: Biscuits & gravy. L: Chicken Cordon Bleu, garlic bread, brussels sprouts, and apples.

Wed. Mar. 11: B: Yogurt parfait. L: Taco salad, black beans, pepper strips, and oranges.

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DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH MENU

Dayton Senior Center
403 E. Patit St.
12 p.m.

Thurs., Mar. 5

Alice Springs
chicken
Mashed potatoes
Stewed tomatoes

Tues., Mar. 10

Meatloaf & Gravy
Au gratin potatoes
Baby carrots
Salad / roll
Banana / Milk

WAITSBURG SENIOR LUNCH MENU

Waitsburg Senior Center
504 Main Street

Tues., Mar. 10

Salisbury steak
Mashed potatoes
Salad bar
Banana bars
MOW: Spinach salad

Church Directory

St. Mark Catholic Church

405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.
382-2311

Fr. Steve Werner

Waitsburg Presbyterian Church

504 Main
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
337-6589

Pastor Stan Hughes

Waitsburg Chapel

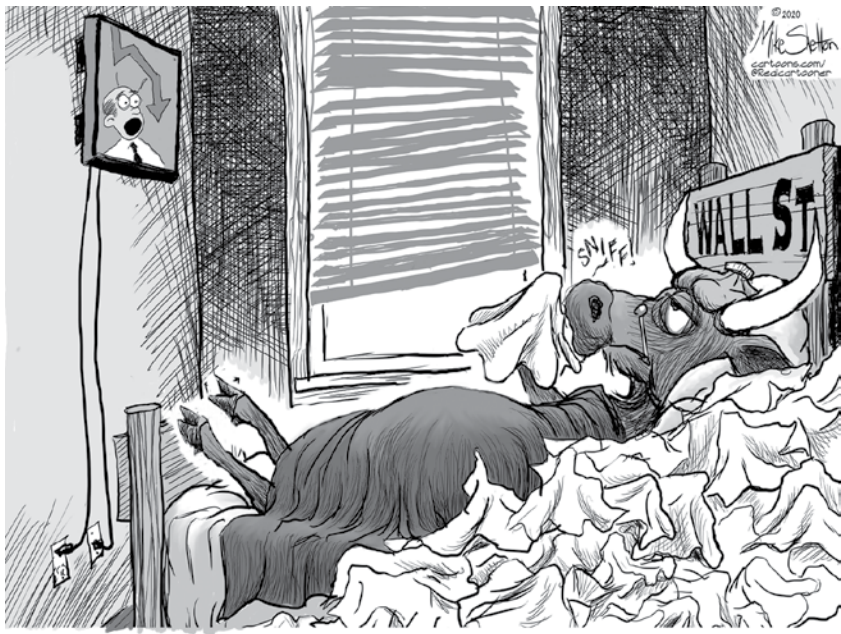
320 W. 2nd
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Bible Study
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
337-6235
Rev. Jimmie Daves

Waitsburg Christian Church

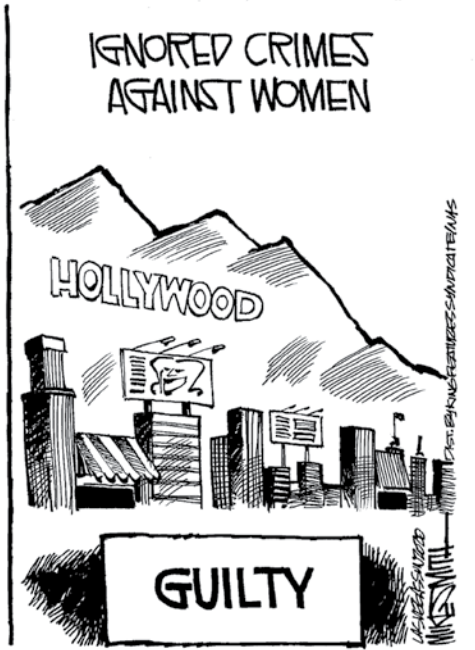
604 Main St
Worship 10:00 a.m.

Each Sunday
337-8898
Rev. Matthew Wyatt

COMMENTARY & NEWS



The Coronavirus spreads...



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Thank you to our volunteer groups, generous businesses and countless individuals for supporting our Waitsburg flood relief efforts – you made a difference!

Sincerely,
the Waitsburg Flood Relief Committee

Banner Bank
Big Cheese Pizza
Blue Mountain Community Church
Blue Mountain Community Foundation
Blue Mountain Humane Society
Catalyst Church, Dayton
Chicken Bill's Cafe & BBQ
Chief Spring's Fire & Irons Brew Pub
Christian Aid Ministries
Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Effort
City of Waitsburg
Clean Home Restoration of Walla Walla
College Place Home Depot
College Place WalMart
Columbia-Walla Walla Co. Fire District #2

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Port of Walla Walla
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Team Rubicon

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Waitsburg Presbyterian Church
Waitsburg School District
Walla Walla County
Walla Walla County Jail Trustees
Walla Walla Electric
Walla Walla State Penitentiary
Walla Walla Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

WALLA WALLA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT FLOOD RECOVERY UPDATE

WALLA WALLA—Walla Walla County Emergency Management has completed the collection of initial Walla Walla County damage reports for three federal disaster assistance programs:



- Individual Assistance (IA) Program (residences and personal belongings)
- Small Business Association (low-interest loans)
- Public Assistance (PA) Program (roads, bridges and other infrastructure)

The information has been forwarded to Washington State Military Department Emergency Management Division (WAEMD) who will, in conjunction with FEMA, review the data for Washington State Governor Jay Inslee so that he may request a major disaster declaration from the President of the United States for the three federal assistance programs. In addition to the data submitted, the Walla Walla County Board of Commissioners sent a formal letter to the

Governor requesting he petition FEMA for a major disaster declaration.

The President will then decide, based on the data we've provided and the information on our letter of request, which programs will be activated. This decision could take days, or weeks. If an Individual Assistance declaration is made, FEMA will announce methods for registering damages. FEMA will not be taking calls until a declaration has been made.

Meanwhile, the Washington Conservation Corps is continuing its partnership with various volunteer organizations to provide cleanup services to residents impacted by the flood. Residents should call (844) 965-1386 for help with home cleanup. As they are able, reputable and vetted relief agencies may assist them in cutting fallen trees, removing drywall, insulation, flooring, furniture, appliances, tarp roofs, etc. All services are free but service is not guaranteed due to the overwhelming need.

This hotline cannot assist with social services such as food, clothing, shelter, insurance, or questions about FEMA registration. Volunteers work free of charge and provide the tools and equipment necessary to complete the work.

To request help call: (844) 965-1386.

The Times

A PROUD TRADITION

The Times was founded in 1878 by C.W. Wheeler and has been produced every week since then. It is one of the oldest newspapers in the state of Washington.

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WWCSO

February 24

A victim reported falling for a phone scam. Touchet, WA.

A lost property report was taken at an address on Ridge Crest Court. Walla Walla County, WA.

A vehicle was reported stolen at an address on Cemetery Road. Dixie, WA.

A hit and run was reported. Walla Walla County, WA.

Agency assist for Umatilla County Officer-Involved Shooting in Milton Freewater, Ore.

An abandoned vehicle was tagged on the 24th, and removed on the 28th in Walla Walla County.

February 25

A man was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant and cited for driving with a suspended license. Walla Walla, WA.

February 26

A man was arrested for driving on a suspended license and use of drug paraphernalia. Burbank, WA.

February 28

A witness reported a reckless driver on Hwy 12. Touchet, WA.

February 29

Deputies responded to a domestic disturbance in the 100 block of W. 3rd Street in Waitsburg. One of the parties involved had a warrant out of Columbia County and was arrested on that warrant. Waitsburg, WA.

March 1

A weapon was brandished during a road rage incident on Taumarson Road. College Place, WA.

Items were stolen from a storage unit after the lock was cut. Burbank, WA.

March 2

Theft of mail reported. Walla Walla County, WA.

BIRTHDAYS

March 5: Dick Baker, Jean Miller, Larry Wayne Bunton, Paul Fischer and Kristen Danielson.

March 6: Marianne Newell, John P. Janovich, Shane Johnson, Trulie Griffin, Michael Jantz, Ryan and Scott Downing, Del Benson, Larry Olson and Kevin Jones.

March 7: Renee Adams, Jayce Dunleavy.

March 8: Donovan Smith, Tanaa Maib and Scott Mason.

March 9: Larry Johnson, Robert Langdon, Steve Pierson, Jennifer Bennett, Kay Baker.

March 10: Bill Gluck, Win Deanna Anderson, Frank Reser and Casey Worth.

March 11: Jacqueline Klaas, Catherine Donnelly, Kelly Lodato, Aaron DeFord, James Kenworthy, Dan David Oliver and Adraine Michels.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

NEWS BRIEFS

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ning water and lather your hands by rubbing them together with soap. Be sure to wash the front and back of your hands, and to get in between your fingers and under your fingernails as best as you can. Proper hand washing should take at least 20 seconds.

The disease can spread quickly via droplets from both sneezing and coughing, so cover sneezes and coughs with the corner of your elbow.

Fulbright also recommends that people avoid sharing cups, water bottles, and eating utensils, as well as pens, pencils, and other commonly-shared items. Avoid crowded areas, especially if you are feeling ill or are immunocompromised.

Due to COVID-19's highly contagious nature, people are being asked to avoid emergency rooms and self-quarantine if they can. If you are having upper respiratory problems, call your hospital and explain your symptoms instead of going directly to the emergency room. Let them know if you could have any connection to the COVID-19 outbreaks: If you have been traveling or have been around someone who has travelled recently any area the disease has been confirmed. Hospitals will work with patients to ensure the proper care is given.

If you suspect you may have been exposed to COVID-19, be prepared to self-quarantine. Self-quarantine is a form of voluntary isolation that has been effective in slowing the spread of infectious diseases in the past. Remain home and try to stay in one room as much as possible. Arrange help if you are a caregiver for other family members or children.

If you haven't already, it is recommended that you check your emergency supplies. Keep a small stock of applicable basic items like toilet paper, pet food, diapers and wipes, and cleaning supplies. It has also been recommended to have a two-week stock of non-perishable food items on hand. Be sure to check medications and have necessary prescriptions filled.

Fulbright said that while the disease is mild for most patients, it does pose a risk for the elderly and immunocompromised individuals.

Please call your healthcare provider before going to the hospital if you are symptomatic or think you may have had contact with an infected person. If you are having severe symptoms of the virus or difficulty breathing, call 911.

If you have questions or concerns for the Flood and Emergency Preparedness Committee, Councilwoman Kate Hockersmith can be reached at tvamp1@charter.net, or you can message the Waitsburg Emergency Updates Facebook page.

For the most up to date information on the current outbreak of COVID-19, please visit the following websites:

Washington State Department of Health - www.doh.wa.gov

Center for Disease Control and Prevention CDC - www.CDC.gov

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN CENTER LUNCHEON MARCH 11

DAYTON—On March 11, from noon to 2 p.m., Speaker Jutta Thorsness will share "The Mustard Seed" as guests enjoy a pulled pork lunch catered by Gary Schroeder.

As a special feature, Lois Hemphill will host a make-your-own card station. There will be music presented by Jim and Pennie Edwards.

Contact Judy Jackson (509) 399-2005 to reserve a seat by Friday, March 6. Cancel by Monday, March 9. Tickets are \$12. The luncheon will take place in the Delaney Bldg at 111 S. 3rd St, Dayton, WA.

DEATH NOTICE

Andy Anderson passed away on February 28, 2020 at his home in Dayton. He was born on May 23, 1928 in Dayton. A full obituary will be posted next week.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT TALKS

DAYTON—During the season of Lent members of Dayton's First Congregational Church-UCC are considering the ideas and experiences of wilderness. Sometimes growing older can feel like being led into or through the wilderness, so in response they are hosting three occasions for learning about the resources available on the journey.

On March 11, Katherine Besst-Smith, Information Specialist at Aging & Long-term Care (ALTC) Services for Southeast Washington, will present information on resources available locally. Besst-Smith's office is on Main Street in Dayton and works in collaboration with ALTC in Walla Walla to serve the region.

On March 25, Terry Rice, Chaplain for Hospice of Walla Walla, will guide a conversation using a tool called "Five Wishes." This is a brief booklet that shapes conversations about healthcare directives a person wants in place when they're unable to make those decisions.

On April 8, Marj Johnston, pastor of Dayton First Congregational Church-United Church of Christ, will present "Remember Me: A guide to planning your funeral." With experience from employment in funeral homes, social services, and as a pastor, Johnston has developed a layout useful as a guide for what your family and the service officiant would find helpful.

Food For Thought will include these three free sessions. Bring your own lunch and join us at noon in the Fireside Room (garden level) at First Congregational Church, 214 South 3rd Street, Dayton. Coffee and hot water with an assortment of teas will be provided. Email daytonfirstcong@gmail.com or call (509) 382-2471 with questions. All are welcome to attend—this is an open invitation!

WALLA WALLA HOME & OUTDOOR SHOW MARCH 13-15

WALLA WALLA—The 6th Annual Walla Walla Home and Outdoor Show will feature vendors and products for home, outdoor, and lifestyle. The three-day event takes place at the Walla Walla Fairgrounds Pavilion on Friday, March 13 from noon - 6 p.m., on Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and on Sunday, March 15 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The event will also have delicious food truck vendors and the Walla Walla Community College Rodeo will be happening next door. Admission is free to the home and outdoor show. Vendors, get your booth now before all spaces sell out. Please contact your Elkhorn Media Group Marketing Consultant in Pendleton at (541) 276-1511 for more information.

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PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE

The City of Waitsburg, an equal opportunity employer, is currently taking applications for a **full-time public works employee**.

Nature of Work

Under the guidance from the Public Works Director, this is a non-skilled, primarily out-of-doors position in the maintenance of City-owned utilities, streets, facilities and vehicles, and mowing grass or doing grounds maintenance if needed. Applicant should be knowledgeable of material and equipment commonly used in construction, maintenance and repair activities as related to assigned areas. Work requires some physical exertion such as long periods of standing; walking over rough, uneven surfaces; recurring bending, crouching, stooping and reaching; and occasional lifting of moderately heavy items. Work requires average physical agility and dexterity.

Qualifications Required

Minimum of 18 years of age with a valid state issued driver's license and a High school diploma or equivalent. Position closes at 4 pm on Friday, March 6, 2020. Depending on availability, anticipated starting date is Monday March 16, 2020. Applications are available M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Waitsburg City Hall, 147 Main Street, Waitsburg, Washington or on the City's website www.cityofwaitsburg.com.

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CORONAVIRUS GLOSSARY

A partial glossary of terms related to the Coronavirus Disease Outbreak.

SARS-CoV-2 - The novel coronavirus causing the current outbreak of respiratory disease.

COVID-19 - The disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus has been named CORonaVirus Disease 2019

Person-to-Person spread - The virus is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person.

- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet)
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

Spread from contact with infected surface or objects—It may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

Community Spread -The virus is spread easily and sustainably in a community, in some affected geographic areas. People have been infected with the virus in an area, including some who are not sure how or where they became infected.

PUI - Presumptive or Person under investigation - A person with COVID-19 symptoms but not necessarily the virus, who may have been exposed through close contact with a confirmed case, traveled to an affected region, or who have severe respiratory illness requiring hospitalization with no identified cause for symptoms. PUI who test positive or negative are tracked on state websites.

PUM - Person under monitoring - A person who does not have the COVID-19 symptoms but who may have been exposed through close contact with a confirmed case or from travel to mainland China.

Nonpharmaceutical interventions - Actions, apart from getting vaccinated and taking medicine, that people and communities can take to help slow down the spread of illnesses like COVID-19. NPI'S include closing schools, restrict public meetings, voluntary home quarantine of ill persons, respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene. Social distancing and postponing of large gatherings.

COLUMBIA COUNTY FLOOD DAMAGE TAX BREAK

COLUMBIA COUNTY—If your home or business was damaged during the flood or a significant amount of your land washed away, you may be eligible for a reduction of value for the 2020 tax year.

Any real property or business personal property that has been placed upon the assessment roll as of January 1, 2019 in which the property was destroyed by a natural disaster in 2020, in whole or in part, is eligible for a reduction of the value for the 2020 tax year.

Please contact Christine Mills at the Columbia County Assessor's Office at (509) 382-2131 for a destroyed property form.

AFTER 35 YEARS AT DAYTON TITLE
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We are celebrating her years of commitment, dedication and service to Dayton Title and her community.
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WALLA WALLA WOMEN'S MARCH THIS WEEKEND

WALLA WALLA—The fourth annual Women's March on Walla Walla will begin at 10 a.m. this Saturday, March 7. The route begins at 108 W. Main St near the Market Station Transit Center and will continue down Main Street.



WALLA WALLA BUSINESS SUMMIT FOCUSES ON FRAUD PREVENTION AND MORE

WALLA WALLA—Get the latest in business insights, trends, strategies and leadership skills at the 8th annual Walla Walla Business Summit presented by the Walla Walla Valley Chamber of Commerce and Pacific Power. The event takes place at the Walla Walla Courtyard Marriott, located at 550 W. Rose Street in Walla Walla.

The Summit takes place on Wednesday, April 1 from noon to 6 p.m. The event is an educational investment that connects individuals and businesses of different industries. This year's topics will focus on delivering excellent customer service, fraud prevention for your business and leadership development. Tickets can be purchased for \$100 or \$75 for Chamber Members. Visit www.wvchamber.com to view the full schedule of events.



Focus on Kiwanis Club of Dayton

Building community, one child at a time

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Judi Pilcher is a Kiwanis Club of Dayton Director and she would like people to know the organization is more than just a hamburger cooking organization.

They do, however, sell hamburgers and hotdogs, at community events, and they sponsor the annual Turkey Bingo fundraiser, all to help pay for programs for local youth.

Pilcher said, with the exception of Club dues, all the money made through fundraising efforts goes to programs for youth.

About \$18,000 is generated each year through fundraising and helps support the following programs; The Club for Boys & Girls, Girl Scouts, Camp Nancy Lee, Liberty Theater Children's Programs, Future Business Leaders of America, Youth & Government, Golf Education, Touchet Valley Little League, 4-H & FFA Livestock, DW Cheerleaders, Knowledge Bowl, Blue Mountain Girls Softball, B.A.D. Basketball, Senior Scholarships, and Road to Leadership.

Club Secretary, Joe Huether, said a new opportunity for Kiwanis was recently presented for their consideration. This is for reading with elementary students through the Opening Books Opening Doors program.

Kiwanis Club of Dayton also supports Project Timothy, Christmas Kickoff, Dayton on Tour, All Wheels Weekend, Turkey Bingo, the Columbia County Fair, the Touchet Valley Little League, 4-H and FFA Livestock, and the Kiwanis Easter egg hunt in the city park.

Club President Chuck Reeves said, "The Easter Egg hunt is one of the more 'visible' things we do."

Pun intended.

"We appreciate our partnerships with other clubs and organizations such as the Dayton Lions Club and American Legion, who make it possible to put on major events such as Turkey Bingo. In turn we help with the Lions Club Crab Dinner and American Legion Spring Bingo," Huether said.

The Club also enjoys the many informal members who help them with community events and activities, when help is needed.

The broader purpose of Kiwanis International, is to serve the children of the world, Huether said.

Since its inception in 1915 Kiwanis International has grown to more than 8,000 clubs in seventy nations and each year raises more than \$100 million for projects and community service.

"In our Pacific Northwest District, one that we support is the SIGN project," Huether said. "It provides surgical implants to hospitals in undeveloped countries."

He said Kiwanis Club member Gary Schroeder, Treasurer, recently went to Cambodia and visited hospitals that do more than 1,000 SIGN fracture treatment surgeries, annually. On his way Schroeder delivered surgical equipment and supplies for the program.

During the past decades membership in local service clubs has declined, with



Michele Smith

Dayton High School seniors Roselin Burris, Sadie Seney, Mackena Culley, Adam Puckett (not shown) and their advisor Shayna Hutchens went to Washington, D. C. in Nov. 2019 as part of the Road to Leadership program, which was paid for by the Kiwanis Club of Dayton. Dayton Kiwanis has contracted with the Close-Up Organization to provide students with the opportunity to experience travel, and provide a living classroom for them to explore U.S. Government, history, and culture. The students thanked the Kiwanians during a Kiwanis Club of Dayton meeting, last week. Last year's trip cost about \$10,000.00.

Club President Chuck Reeves said there was a very sizeable donation from one committed individual, for that trip. The rest of the money came from donations, through the Community Network, and from Kiwanians who raised funds by flipping hamburgers and hot dogs, at community events, to help pay for the trip. The students, themselves, raised around \$850 to pay for their personal expenses.

Dayton Kiwanis currently at eighteen registered members, and they are seeking additional members.

"If we had more, we could do more," said Reeves.

Membership has its benefits. The Dayton General Hospital dietary staff caters a very tasty lunch for the bimonthly Kiwanis Club meetings.

Club meetings are held at noon on the second and fourth Thursdays, of each month, in the Delany Room, at the Dayton Memorial Library.

For more information about Kiwanis Club of Dayton contact Kiwanis Club of Dayton by mail at: P.O. Box 208, Dayton, Wash. 99328, or by phone at: 382-7295, or by email at: kiwanis@daytonwa.net.

FOCUS ON VOLUNTEERISM

Communicating during a disaster

Return Waitsburg resident Jillian Henze didn't think twice when she volunteered to manage communication efforts following the February 7 flooding.

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES



Jillian Henze

WAITSBURG—The immediate volunteer response to the recent February 7 flood has been inspiring. People from different backgrounds and with a variety of skills came together to move sandbags, cook for victims and volunteers, gather donations, run heavy equipment, remove debris and mud.

Jillian Henze volunteered her years of communications experience to coordinate and provide the community with updated information.

Jillian fell in love with Waitsburg when she first visited on Memorial Day Weekend in 2011 with her husband, Dane Henze.

"The minute I turned onto Main Street in Dane's truck, I was like 'where are we? This is adorable,'" Jillian recalled. "We were talking that night about moving here and ended up living here a couple of months later."

Jillian Henze (Beaudry), worked as a reporter and editor for the Waitsburg Times. from July 2011 to December 2012 where she spent her time getting to know the town through the job before taking a job in Walla Walla.

After three and a half years in the Walla Walla Valley, she and her husband moved to Olympia, Washington. With an interest in communications and public relations, she took advantage of the city's job opportunities in those fields. In Olympia, Henze accepted the role of communications manager for Hands On Children Museum, building her skills in communications and public relations.

"We had people from the Pacific Northwest and all over the country visit," Jillian said.

Though she enjoyed her position at the museum she knew she eventually wanted to get back to Waits-



Times photo

Look what we found in the archives! An engagement announcement in the September 15, 2011 edition of the Times.

burg.

She decided to get additional experience in the food and hospitality industry, something she felt she could put to use in the Waitsburg area and took a job with the Washington Restaurant Association which merged with the Washington Lodging Association to become the Washington Hospitality Association in 2016. Currently she works in a remote position with the hospitality association, allowing her to move back to the City of Waitsburg.

"It is so much fun. The role and the industry are a wonderful fit for my family, and they have really supported every career goal I have had in communications," she said.

Jillian said that she loves coming back to Waitsburg and embracing the Henze family legacy of community and family.

When asked how she got involved with the flood relief efforts, Jillian responded, simply, "I raised my hand." While living in Olympia, Jillian volunteered

with the Junior League of Olympia, a women's service organization. The Junior League trains women for leadership roles within non-profit entities and she was hoping she would have an opportunity to share her knowledge and skills in Waitsburg.

The Sunday following the flood, during a community meeting at the First Christian Church she heard her calling. As Pastor Matthew Wyatt started listing off different needs, Jillian didn't hesitate to volunteer as the communications coordinator.

"I just knew it was coming, and I raised my hand so fast," Jillian said, while laughing. "I walked away thinking 'oh my gosh, what have I gotten into,' because when I do something, I go 150 percent. It was perfect!" She knew it was the perfect role for her.

For two weeks, Jillian and her daughter, Kennedy, essentially lived at the First Christian Church. The email recipient list started growing immediately, and within a couple of days, she was emailing more than 350 people, informing them of upcoming projects, donation requests, and where to find things like cleaning supplies and food.

"I was constantly asking myself 'what is the news today, and who needs to know.'" Jillian said that she quickly established two primary audiences: Who needed help, and who wanted to help. She knew she had to give people direction, because well-directed volunteers are so powerful. "That's something I learned through the Junior League!"

She recalled a moment where a handful of popular local Facebook pages including My Columbia Basin and My Town Walla Walla had shared her email to their followers, and she saw an outreach of over 50,000 people.

Now that the river is back within its banks, the volunteer team has disbanded. They recognize that the help that is still needed is out of the volunteer scope of activity.

Jillian noted that some financial institutions, like Banner Bank, are offering special loans to help flood victims rebuild, and she encourages residents to start considering which contractor they would like to hire to rebuild.

Keeping people informed during a disaster is not an easy task, and it requires the right person. Jillian brought a unique set of skills to the volunteer team and worked diligently to share accurate information with the community that she has fallen in love with.

If you are needing help figuring out the next step to flood repair, Jillian can be reached at jillianhenze@gmail.com.

Dayton City Council report for February

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Dayton City Administrator Trina Cole had a number of items to share at the Dayton City Council last week.

Cole said her office has been proactively working with Jim Nelson at D. A. Davison regarding pool financing, to see whether the Dayton Swimming Pool can be repaired and how financing can work.

Cole said tree excavation will take place on the morning of Feb. 24 for some sections of the sidewalk including trees located at Banner Bank and at Home Street Bank.

She said a public meeting to discuss the findings will take place at 6 p. m. St. Joseph's Parish Hall, located at 112 S. First St.

Cole said a meeting took place between city staff, Washington Water Trust, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and Anderson and Perry & Associates to discuss a technical memorandum regarding whether constructing wetlands is an option for treating the city's wastewater.

Cole said the news was good and bad. A wetland can be constructed, however, the city will never meet the required Total Maximum Daily Load as required by the Department of Ecology.

She said the memorandum has been sent to the DOE, for review, to see if there is any leeway to allow for the construction of wetlands, or flood plain by design, for treating effluent.

A South Third Street Sidewalk Project open house was held on Feb. 11 and the design for that project is currently in process.

She said the City is moving forward with a proposal for having an energy audit of all city facilities and vehicles. Doing so will provide for grant opportunities to improve some of the city's physical properties.

Cole also talked about the flood recovery effort conducted by staff at City Hall. Staff distributed flyers about flood recovery resources to between thirty and forty households last week, she said.

She said the Basin Disposal containers for people to use during clean-up are being moved to behind Dingle's Hardware.

Dayton Chamber Manager Molly Weatherill-Tate provided the City Council with an update.

She said Lauren Parsons has been hired as the new Chamber assistant. Parsons has experience with website design, and she will be working on updates to the Chamber website and helping to promote Facebook and Instagram.

There have been inquiries about relocating to Dayton, from people living in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California Oklahoma, Arizona, Texas, and Ohio, she said.

The Chamber continues general marketing through radio, television and print as well as ads at the Liberty Theater and the Dayton Visitors Guide.

She said the Chamber will be working in conjunction with the Port's Executive Director for monthly 'Cup of Joe' meetings.

The next Chamber event is Brix and Brew, which is on March 13 at the County Fairgrounds.

The City Council approved the mayor's authorization of the contract for Bartlett Tree Services not to exceed \$4,862.

The Council approved the mayor's reappointment of Virginia Butler to serve as a Commissioner on the Dayton Historic Preservation Commission, through Feb. 28, 2023, and Russell Levens to serve as Commissioner on the Dayton Planning Commission through Mar. 1, 2021.

They also confirmed the Mayor's acceptance of resignation from JJ Dippel, vacating Seat 2 on the Dayton Historic Commission.

Scott Hudson, Shawn Brown, Vicki Zoller, and Garrett Warren have been approved to serve on the Dayton Affordable Housing Commission.

A public hearing about proposed legislation to authorize the collection of existing sales and use tax revenues for affordable and supportive housing per HB 1406 was held. There were no comments from the public.

A public hearing for City of Dayton surplus property was also held. There were no comments from the public.

At last week's meeting the Dayton City Council approved the following resolutions:

No. 1405, declaring three dump trucks surplus and authorizing the disposal of that surplus property.

No. 1406, authorizing GIS services with Anderson Perry & Associates, and authorizing the mayor to execute the agreement.

No. 1407, repealing resolutions, and adopting the City of Dayton Council Rules of Procedures and Ethics Handbook, adding a section regarding Code of Ethics. The Handbook will be provided to all city employees staff, and council members.

No. 1408, repealing resolutions and adopting the City of Dayton Petty Cash Policies and Procedures.

No. 1410 authorizing an agreement for Public Works Contract Services with Blue Mountain Environmental to perform city hall basement and mold remediation services, and authorizing the mayor to execute the agreement.

City Administrator Trina Cole said mold is impacting some sixty-year old documents, which are stored in a room located outside the building footprint, in an area that used to be a coal chute. The HVAC system is also located there.

The City has been advised by Labor and Industries about mold remediation and are recommending the HVAC system be cleaned, as mold has been distributed throughout the entire city hall. L&I also said the HVAC system should be relocated upstairs.

There is significant water seeping into the basement, as well, and that will have to be addressed.

Cole said that project will be expensive. It will be done in three phases.

The City Council also approved resolution No. 1411, temporarily waiving fees associated with building permits due to the flood until April 1.

Mayor Zac Weatherford said the city wants to help members of the community who were impacted by the flood.

"It's bad enough they have to throw away a lot of their personal belongings and do a lot of repairs. I feel it is in our best interest to temporarily waive our building permit fees for those people," he said.

"They do still have to get a permit," he said.

The City Council also approved the following ordinances:

Ordinance No. 1960, amending ordinances Section 06 of Title 1 Chapter 2 of the Dayton Municipal Code, Open to the Public Meeting Location and Time. City Council meetings will be held at 112 S. 1st St., indefinitely, due to crowded meetings at the City Hall.

Ordinance No. 1961, adopting legislation to authorize the maximum capacity of the sales and use tax authorized by RWC, for Affordable and Supportive Housing and creating Chapter 2-30 of the Dayton Municipal Code.

Planning Director Meagan Bailey said HB 1406 is not a new tax. The tax will be collected from sales tax the state currently collects from sales tax revenue the City generates.

The maximum amount the City can collect is \$50,000 over the next twenty years. Monies collected may only be used for affordable and supportive housing purposes and will be administered by the City Council.



Main Street trees and roots inspected

DAYTON—On Feb. 24 Jim Flott, President of Community Forestry Consultants, Inc., and a crew from Bartlett Tree Service prepared to excavate the sidewalk around this tree located near Banner Bank. Flott was tasked by the City of Dayton with looking to see whether the London Plane trees along Main Street were compromising sidewalks and buildings. Flott discussed his findings at an open public meeting later that evening. He said the trees are healthy and the roots are not the cause.

His recommendation is to remove the grates around the trees along with concrete four feet on either side of the trees, and replace it with terra pavers, permeable flexible paving, or with landscape plants.

According to Flott the sidewalks don't meet the specifications for sidewalk installation, because there is no underlayment beneath them. Ideally, five inches of concrete would be placed over a clean washed gravel layer to help with drainage and to provide a firm base.

He said the most economic solution for the City of Dayton is to remediate a couple of trees each year with the above recommended solution.

She said funds can be pooled with other government entities.

"If we don't take it nobody gets it. It just keeps going to the state," Bailey said.

Ordinance No. 1962, amending sections with Title 1-13 and repealing Chapter 1-6 of the Dayton Municipal Code. The amendment pertains to how the Planning Commission operates. This ordinance would allow for seven members, living within the city limits, as well as living within the urban growth areas to serve on the Commission.

This ordinance also repeals the Board of Parks Commissioners, and some of those duties are now under the Planning Commission, Rules and Responsibilities.

Ordinance No. 1963 declares a local emergency related to extensive damage caused by the 2020 flood and it was approved, as well.

Mayor Zac Weatherford thanked the city staff, administrators, the city council members, county officials and their public works department, Columbia County Public Transportation, and the many volunteers who worked long hours during the recent flood event.

"It was absolutely amazing to see everybody come together...I appreciate everybody's hard work on that," he said.

Waitsburg School Board Update

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

The Waitsburg School Board met February 21 at 6 p.m. for a regularly scheduled meeting. Board members present were Ross Hamann, Christy House, Lisa Morrow, and Superintendent Mark Pickel.

Secondary principal Stephanie Wooderchak reported that Mr. Kiefel has been planning an enrichment day for high school and middle school students. They will be taking a ski trip to Ski Bluewood. Middle school students will ski on Feb. 28, and high school students will ski on March 13.

The high school will have a Running Start informational meeting on March 23, at 6 p.m. Running Start is a program through Walla Walla Community College that allows students to take college courses while in high school.

Mrs. Wooderchak, Ms. Ball, and Mr. Starring will travel to a job fair in Spokane on March 18 to advertise the K-12 Music Specialist position.

There was no report from the Athletic Director. Superintendent Pickel reported that a group of staff from both Waitsburg and Dayton School Districts had been meeting every Monday to discuss sports schedules, transportation, and other sports combine-related matters. They planned to meet Feb. 24 to discuss spring sports.

There was no report from the transportation and maintenance department. Mr. Pickel reported that one employee will be taking a leave of absence, and the district will begin looking for a temporary maintenance employee to help with summer tasks.

Mr. Pickel reported that the elementary classes recently finished their Jump for Heart and Hoops for Heart fundraiser. He reported that the students raised \$2,000. He said that the high school students that helped with the program presented him with some ideas for next year, and he relayed them to Kathy Schirm, who puts the program on.

As of last Tuesday, there were 15 girls signed up for the Girls on the Run after school program. Christy House, who is a Girls on the Run coach, said that they are looking for volunteer running buddies. The goal is to have a running buddy for

each participant.

Kindergarten registration will be April 1st and 2nd. Information will be going home this week. Parent teacher conferences will be April 2nd.

Superintendent Pickel reported that the school is collecting files for the upcoming Consolidated Program review, which will audit all spending of federal dollars.

During the second half of January, Superintendent Pickel met with various community groups, like the Prayer Shawl Knitting Group and the Waitsburg Grocery morning coffee drinkers, before school, to answer any questions about the proposed levy. He said he would like to continue the community outreach and connection The levy passed with 49.8 percent of certified voters. Certified voters are voters who have voted on levies in the past. A levy requires 40 percent of voters to be certified in order to be passed.

The calendar committee and budget committees have been busy as they prepare to plan for the 2020-21 school year. Superintendent Pickel informed the board that the IT contract they currently have will end this year, and the school is looking at a new contract with NextGen Services. NextGen currently serves Dayton and Prescott school districts, and Superintendent Pickel has been talking to both districts about their experiences.

On March 5, the school board will hold a special meeting to interview applicants for the school board vacancy. The meeting will be at 6 p.m.

There will be a public hearing on March 19, at 6 p.m. in the Preston Hall Science Room to discuss how the community would like to see the leftover bond money spent. The school board will meet following the public hearing. Superintendent Pickel encourages the community to attend to give their input.

The school board voted to approve the Dayton Waitsburg Wolf Pack mascot. The sports combine will stay with the Cardinal Red and Bulldog Gold color scheme. There was some discussion about rebranding the gyms, and school spirit items, but it was determined that it would be best to see how the combine evolved. Ross Hamann mentioned the Garfield Palouse Combine, and how, over time, both schools have embraced the Vikings mascot and changed their gyms a little bit at a time.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

NO. 20-2-00067-36
SUMMONS [PUBLICATION]

DAVID V. BAKER, a single individual, Plaintiff,

vs.
THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF JOSEPH DANIEL KIRKMAN, deceased; JOHN DOE I through JOHN DOE X, who are all persons known and unknown who claim an interest in the real property that is the subject of this action; and DELIGHT DEE LACEY, an individual who might have an interest in the real property that is the subject of this action,

Defendants.
The State of Washington to the said heirs and devisees of JOSEPH DANIEL KIRKMAN, deceased; JOHN DOE I through JOHN DOE X, who are all persons known and unknown who claim an interest in the real property that is the subject of this action, and DELIGHT DEE LACEY:

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 30th day of January, 2020, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff David V. Baker and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned plaintiff's counsel Michael E. de Grasse at his office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court.

The above entitled action is to quiet title to certain real property situate in the City and County of Walla Walla, State of Washington, commonly known as 547 Washington Street, Walla Walla, Washington 99362, and more particularly described in the complaint.

If the defendant Delight Dee Lacey is served personally with a summons that requires a 20-day response, that summons supersedes the instant summons.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2020.
Michael E. de Grasse,
WSBA #5593
Counsel for Plaintiff
The Times
January 30, February 6, 13, 20, 27, March 5, 2020
1-30-c

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

NO: 20-4-00031-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

In re the Estate of: MARSHA J. NELSON, Deceased.

The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator or the Administrator's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty 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 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

No.: 20-4-00030-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(RCW 11.40.030)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NORMA A. SANDOVAL, Deceased.

The Personal Representative/Administrator 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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Columbia County Fire District # 1

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

NO: 20-4-00036-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

In re the Estate of: ALMA J. STONE, 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 RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401-100 WALLA WALLA AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES, WASHINGTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Resolution No. 0222020A, that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Waitsburg School District No. 401-100, Walla Walla and Columbia Counties, Washington (the "District") will hold a public hearing during the regular Board meeting on March 19, 2020, starting at 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Science Room at Preston Hall Middle School, located at 605 Main Street, Waitsburg, Washington 99361. The purpose of the public hearing is to: (a) consider whether certain state and local circumstances should cause alterations to the specific

expenditures from the District's general obligation bond proceeds originally authorized in Resolution No. 072716B to permit the District to pay costs of re-roofing Waitsburg High School buildings (the "Alterations"); and (b) receive public testimony. If the Board determines that the Alterations are in the best interests of the District, the Board may, at a future public meeting, adopt a new resolution or amend Resolution No. 072716B approving the Alterations.

All residents of the District wishing to be heard should appear at the public hearing and present their views. Such interested residents also may submit their views in writing and deliver them to: Mark Pickel, Superintendent, 184 Academy Street, Waitsburg, Washington 99361, on or before the date of the public hearing. Copies of Resolution No. 0222020A, which set the time and place for the public hearing will be posted or linked on the District's website at <https://www.waitsburgsd.org/> or may be obtained by contacting Becky Dunn at (509) 337-6301.

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401-100
WALLA WALLA AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES, WASHINGTON
/s/ Mark Pickel
Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Directors
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

NO: 20-4-00043-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030

In re the Estate of: ROBERT E. STROZINSKY, JR.,

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 RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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4th Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Auction

Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Waitsburg Town Hall
Donation: \$15 per person

Tickets available until one week prior from any Town Hall board member: (Jim Davison, Louie Gagnon, Marie Gagnon, Ron Griffen, Allen Huwe, Jim Romine, Ron Standing)

All proceeds benefit Waitsburg Town Hall's operation and maintenance.

Egg & I

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

Thank you for letting me whine about my cold. Monday I woke up feeling much better, my energy is back, along with my appetite! So after my workout at the Y, I treated myself to breakfast at Bacon & Eggs in Walla Walla.

I am convinced that spring is on the way, I see daffodils blooming, shades of green driving through the wheat fields and the sun is shining. Phooey on you Mr. Shakespeare, bring on the Ides of March.

There are two big spring holidays (although not until April), that celebrate one of my favorite foods—the egg, (hence my choice of breakfast restaurants). Easter is a big egg holiday. Dying, hiding, hunting and eating the eggs, deviled, and of course, the chocolate ones.

The other holiday is Passover. Like most Jewish holidays, food is an important part of the celebration, and Passover is very much about the food we eat or don't eat. During the eight days of Passover, we do not eat any leavened food. In place of bread we eat matzoh. Unleavened flour & water, which is akin to eating cardboard. But, spread with peanut butter, immediate improvement.

The egg has great meaning in the Passover Seder (meal). It signifies the beginning of life, the round/oval shape has no beginning and no end, also symbolizing the continuation of life.

So let's welcome spring and celebrate the egg. In my opinion, the egg is one of the most perfect foods. They are an inexpensive, compact bundle of nutrition and provide infinite possibilities for meals any time of day. Lucky for me, Daniel will be here next week, and I have filled the refrigerator with two dozen eggs. He is the best omelet maker I know.



Eggs for breakfast are an obvious choice. But, egg dishes make great dinners, too. Besides being delicious, they can be prepared quickly. A frittata is so versatile, you can go vegetarian by sautéing any vegetables you like (onions, peppers, mushrooms, scallions), then add the beaten, seasoned eggs, cook until it starts to set, top with the grated cheese of

your choice, pop in the oven and voila' dinner! Or, for more substance, add meat like sausage or bacon.

In Spain, the same basic dish is called a Tortilla, which is similar to a frittata, but usually with the addition of either sliced or cubed potatoes. Frequently served at tapas bars, good for alcohol absorption.

Shakshuka, a typical middle eastern dish, has a special place in my heart. It's the first dish Daniel made for me on his initial trip to Waitsburg. It was in July, so we made great use of the peppers, onions and tomatoes I had in the garden. Easy to make, just cook the vegetables in a deep sauté pan, when soft, make dents in the mixture, break eggs into the dents, and put in the oven to finish.

When we were kids, my mom used to make us a jelly roll omelet to cheer us up. I'm pretty sure it was her own invention, or possibly a recipe she found in *Good Housekeeping Magazine*. But, simple and sweet, a flat omelet that she spread jam on, rolled up; comforting and delicious.

Eggs are also the base for custards, used in quiches, savory or sweet bread puddings, and of course hard boil them to make egg salad or curried deviled eggs.

As often as I eat eggs, I can't eat hard-boiled yolks, I'm sure it's the texture; and probably too many overcooked green rimmed yolks. I'm not a fan of single use kitchen equipment, but I do have the rapid egg cooker (Marshall's \$10), it makes perfect hard-boiled eggs, not a green rim, ever! They look great, but looks aren't everything, I still can't eat the dry powdery yolk of a hard boiled egg.

Dreams, misery and steelhead

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

The unusually warm 34 degrees greeted us under bluebird skies as we turned up Highway 153 toward Twisp. My last trip up this highway was five years prior in 2015; the last steelhead season open to the public on the Methow River as fish returns to the Columbia Basin continued to drop precipitously.

Memories of that last trip flooded my mind as I rode shotgun with my buddy Chas Kyger, a fish biologist with Douglas County Public Utility District in Wenatchee. If ever a man was anointed with supernatural powers through a fly rod, it was him. He taught me the ways of swinging flies for steelhead, the Methow River my training grounds.



Brad Trumbo

Trumbo's wild Methow steelhead.

Swinging flies is one of fly-fishing's most artistic acts employing "spey" casting techniques and heavy sinking lines. A streamer is cast on across currents where steelhead hold during the long winter days. Placing a mend in the line to encourage the fly and line to sink, the angler then holds the line tight and lets the river push through it, creating an arching belly in the line. The fly swings across the river, following the arched path as the current pushes the line downstream, traversing steelhead holding waters at their eye level. At the end of the swing, the fly swiftly rises directly downstream of the angler. If a fish doesn't take the fly mid-swing, the rising fly almost always entices the strike from a fish willing to play ball.

A particular day of my February 2015 trip dawned just as serene, identically emerging from weeks of single-digit temperatures and chill-to-the-bone wind shear. Our first stop of the day, I found myself casting across conflicted currents, the sun glinting at retina-burning intensity from the river surface. Chas offered a bit of guidance. "Send the fly across that run and swing through the downstream trough. At the belly of the swing, hang on."

Chas's words echoed in the back of my mind as I set up a swing on our first run of the day, five years hence. I have never been great at the technique. But swinging flies is like riding a bike in the sense that you never forget how it feels to do it properly. Pulling tight on the line as it bowed, sending the streamer into the



Brad Trumbo

Chas Kyger mid-cast, boasting his "spey" skills.

heart of the run, the feeling of perfection flushed over me. My body erupted in goose bumps. "This is the cast." I said to myself, as if somehow mentally or spiritually connected to the fish that lay 60 feet off shore. The swing was perfect.

My feet were nearly numb in the 33-degree water, but I scarcely noticed at that moment. Entranced in the artform as if painted on a winter canvas amid a naked granite-strewn canyon, the world faded into the background. I had nearly forgotten that I was fishing roadside among a few of Chas's colleagues. I could have been deep in the heart of Kamchatka sharing a river bank with brown bears and felt no further separated from the world around me. It was just the river and I, and a few weary steelhead, soaking in the warmth of the golden sun to the soothing roar of the crystal-clear lifeblood of our planet and all that inhabit it. Precisely the moment when fate and timing collide with luck and instinct.

Serenity shattered among the riverside boulders as my 11-foot fly rod nearly left my hands at Mach speed. A sizeable fish swiped the fly and turned downstream, hooking itself deeply in the corner of the jaw. Frantically, I grappled the reel to retrieve the slack line and put the fish on the drag. With the butt of the rod buried into my hip, I read the fish's movements, giving line when pressured, and taking quickly when relieved.

The hum of the drag and the feel of line gliding through the guides sends a chill down my spine simply recalling it, much less living it real-time. Witnessing the elegance of such a stunning critter utilizing its power and heft to stymie an opponent is an intense experience. Each terrifying downstream charge could be the last, leaving the steelhead triumphant. Yet, my handcrafted rod has landed dozens of salmon, steelhead and big Lahontan cutthroat over the years. Barring a faulty hookset, my connection with the rod leads me stealthily between aggression and compromise.

Suddenly entering the scene, stage left, Chas extended a large landing net onto the submerged rocks before me. I carefully guided the fish toward shore, wincing with every barrel-roll as the fish fought feverishly to shake the fly. But alas, Chas lifted the net up around the fish, and I marveled at the 28-inch beauty that lay before me.

A wild hen, no doubt, brilliant with an olive dorsal, stark white underbelly, pepper-black speckles, and a rosy-pink lateral line. She was magnificent. A true phenomenon of nature's grandeur.

The Methow fishery remains closed to the public; our opportunity to fish it being tied to our professions as biologists cooperating on a broodstock collection program with the Winthrop National Fish Hatchery. Assisting the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, we quickly tagged the fish and moved her to a transport truck. She was destined to be spawned at the Winthrop hatchery and later released back into the river.

Landing a steelhead on the fly is a life-changing experience. It makes idiots and addicts of grounded folks, cultivating a sudden willingness to brave the most frigid, icy conditions and swollen rivers. The act itself, while an artform, is born of strict insanity. Cast, swing, move, repeat. No steelhead. Sometimes for days. Even weeks. No inkling of fish presence. No amount of technical savvy can change the outcome at times. Conducted in utter glacial misery. All while anticipating the unlikely bone-jarring grab of a weighty ocean-run missile that continually haunts our dreams, yet rarely our (my) flies. A single grab can carry an angler through a full season.

The sun glistened from the flanks of the hen as we lowered her into the hatchery truck. The high of having landed a steelhead on the swing was quickly replaced with despair. When would this happen again? It had already been five years since my last steelhead encounter. The Wallowa River in March lies ahead. The prospects are maddening.



Courtesy photo

Mike Super, magician.

GESA POWER HOUSE PRESENTS MAGICIAN MIKE SUPER

WALLA WALLA—Gesa Power House Theatre presents Mike Super - Magic & Illusion on Friday, April 10 at 7 p.m.

As the winner of NBC's hit TV show *Phenomenon*, Mike Super is the only magician in history to win a live magic competition on prime-time US network television and was voted America's Favorite Mystifier! Through spectacular illusions and his own inimitable down-to-earth style and personality, Mike Super has pioneered a new form of magic that transcends the "trick."

Super's ever-growing popularity has garnered him many prestigious awards and honors. Most recently he was the recipient of the Merlin Award being named Entertainer of the Year for two consecutive years.

Super's many television appearances include more than six weeks as a top finalist on *America's Got Talent*, appearing in the season premiere episode of *Penn & Teller's Fool Us*, and helping to launch the first Magic Week on *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*. Mike Super has emerged as magic's newest celebrity, with a legion of fans numbering in the millions.

Reserved seating tickets (\$45) are available online at www.phtww.com or by calling the box office at (509) 529-6500.

SPORTS

Baseball-Reference.com has play by play info of your first game

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

Baseball-Reference.com has been a favorite web site of mine to look up all things baseball. It went online in April of 2000 and has information on professional baseball players and teams going back to 1888. Several years ago it added box scores and complete play by play information for all MLB games dating back to 1956. Recently the site updated its data and now has this information going all the way back to 1918 so I'm betting it has your first major league baseball game as well. Years ago I used this site to look up the first game my father took me to. It was the New York Yankees against the Minnesota Twins in Minneapolis, Minnesota. I remember several things about the game that were useful in locating it on the website. The year was 1979, I was on summer break from school, the pitcher who got the save for Minnesota was Mike Marshall and that my favorite player, Reggie Jackson, had struck out four times. It turned out that the only thing I remembered incorrectly was Reggie striking out four times. He actually went 1-3 with a walk in the game. I was so hoping he would hit a home run, anything less seemed like a let down. When you couple that with the Yankees losing the game it caused me to alter the memory.

So how do you use the site to find your first major league game? A few months ago Vicki Sternfeld-Ros-

si took out two scorecards that she kept from games she went to with her father. Looking through the scorecard yielded some useful pieces of information to help with the search. First, Vicki had recorded the final scores of both games. She also wrote down the complete lineups and kept score for both games. Looking through the scoring I noticed that Elston Howard of the Yankees had hit a home run in each of the two games. Using the site I looked up the starting pitcher from her score card that I didn't recognize, Ted Bowsfield.

Ted Bowsfield played from 1958-1964 according to the site and scrolling down there was a "pitching home run log". Clicking on the link brought up a sum-

mary of all 63 home runs that Bowsfield had allowed during his career. Looking through the list I found the only home run he had allowed against Elston Howard and there was Vicki's game, a September 3rd 1962 game two of a double header against New York. The score of the first game matched her other scorecard so it confirmed that these were the two games she had attended. Like me Vicki had misremembered how players she liked had performed during the games. Vicki mentioned to me that Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris hadn't done anything in either of the games. Before going to the games she had watched both of them in a home run derby on television so when neither homered in the games she attended it changed the memory. Roger Maris went 2-4 with a double and 2 RBI in the first game and Mantle went 3-5 with a double and 2 RBI in the second game.

If you scroll all the way to the bottom of a game log on Baseball-Reference you will see a link called BackToBaseball.com Game Playback. Since Baseball-reference.com provides such a complete game log they have partnered with another site called BackToBaseball.com that does a complete visual or audio playback of any game. The audio playback is very simplistic and computer generated but there are no commercials and an entire game takes about twenty minutes to listen to. So again if you are a baseball fan this is a great site with a ton of information.



DW COMBINE - FROM PAGE 1

and multiple meetings to notify the Touchet Valley community of the process before it began. Overall participation in the process was questioned. Wendy Richards, a fifth-grade teacher, stated her class had spent a lot of time researching the mascot issue and she was disappointed that their 10-page presentation appeared not to have been given enough consideration as her class' goal was just to help see the combine succeed.

Other concerns over participation included the fear that several mascot suggestions, emailed before the February 12 deadline, were either lost or ignored altogether. It was also felt the student body vote in Dayton should have been delayed due to low student attendance on February 14 and that a proper presentation of potential mascots had not been adequately prepared.

Since a powerpoint presentation had been created and the Dayton ASB felt ready to present the mascot options the vote went forward. Waitsburg's ASB chose to wait until the following week to conduct its vote.

One of two arguments for letting the vote stand was that the combine would end up with a black eye should they ask the students to vote all over again. The other argument came up in the form of the question, "who's paying the bills," and that the students will be gone next year while the community will be left behind to deal with things.

At the end of the discussion it was agreed that since there were some failings in the mascot approval process and the committee would follow Superintendent Doug Johnson's advice and ask the students how they felt about the process, whether they were satisfied with the votes outcome.

Initially the agenda for the athletic combine meeting had been to decide the process of creating the logo using the new mascot. An original deadline of March 31 had been set for the acceptance of logo designs from the community with a

vote for the winning design in April.

With the results of the meeting the issue of a new logo has been tabled until the mascot issue is resolved. The hope is that everything will be ironed out in time to start the fall athletic season.

The other items on the agenda received just a brief review:

- Josh Wilson hired as assistant softball coach
- Still looking for MS/HS assistant track and field coaches
- Middle school head baseball coach needed
- Have applicants for coaches, interviews to take place soon
- Pre-season sports meeting announced
- Brief discussion of bussing and importance of being on time at both ends by students and parents
- March 12, 6 p.m. Winter sports banquet
- Suggestion for a combined athletic booster club
- The need for site supervisors to help at games
- Update on uniform needs – Golf is getting new shirts and jackets, Cheer got new uniforms this year, new uniforms for baseball purchased with room to add logo design next year, and new pants for softball
- Football will need new uniforms for the fall
- Not enough middle school teams to play against
- Needing more bus drivers

Items suggested for the next Combine meeting on Monday Mar. 16 at the Dayton School Board meeting room:

- Support for summer athletic programs
- Support for spring football
- Budget needs to be discussed
- Renewed effort for combining the athletic code of conduct into one for the newly combined athletic body to be ready by the start of fall

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SPORTS

DW Spring sports gear up for March start



Courtesy photo

Above: Kristin Miller running in 2019 events. Miller beat both Waitsburg and Dayton school records, as well as her own personal best, to place fifth in state in the 300m hurdles with a time of 48.55.

By Dave Schreindl | THE TIMES

On Feb. 25 coaches, parents, athletes and administrators gathered in the Waitsburg high school auditorium to discuss procedures on how athletes can join teams and what paperwork the parents would need to sign to make that official.

Participation packets were handed out and explained by Athletic Director Nicki Luper to a full crowd of high school and middle school athletes and their parents looking to get involved in baseball, softball, golf and track and field.

Baseball will have two co-head coaches this year. They are Johnny Watts and Blaine Bell. Games and practices will take place in Waitsburg. Dayton-Waitsburg's first games of the year will be Saturday Mar. 14 on the road at St. John-Endicott with the first game starting at 11 a.m. and the second game starting at 1 p.m.

Softball will be guided by a new coach this year, Carly Benavides. Games and practices for DW will be in Dayton. The teams first foray into the season will be at a softball jamboree on Tuesday Mar. 17 at Colfax

starting at 2 p.m.

Golf will once again be led by coach Mike McGhan with practices held at the Touchet Valley golf course in Dayton. The golf team is the first to get started as their first match is Wednesday Mar. 11 at Veterans golf course in Walla Walla at 3 p.m.

The Dayton-Waitsburg Track teams have two coaches, Dan Nechodom and Kelley Wolther. Practices will take place in Dayton. The first meet will be the Friday Mar. 20 Windbreaker Invite starting at 3:30 p.m. in Wahluke, Wash.

Practices for all high school sports got underway on Monday March 2, while middle school sports practices will start March 9. Students who weren't at the initial meeting but still want to participate may still do so by contacting the various coaches or administrative offices, where they can also pick up participation packets.

The tentative schedule for the softball and track and field bus will depart Waitsburg at 3:15 p.m. and departs Dayton to return at 6 p.m. the baseball bus will leave Dayton at 3:35 p.m. and departs Waitsburg at 6:20 p.m. The travel time is approximately 15 minutes.



Eric Umphrey

Lexi Draper tees off in Milton-Freewater during the 2019 season.

SPRING SCHEDULE

High School Golf

March 11 at 3 p.m.
Veteran's Memorial Golf Course,
201 E Rees Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362

High School Baseball

March 14 at 11 a.m.
D-W (DH) at St. John Endicott
Saint John, St John, WA 99171

High School Softball

March 17 at 4 p.m.
D-W (Jamboree) at Colfax
Colfax High School,
1110 N Morton St, Colfax, WA 99111

Ready, set, wrestle!



Beka Compton

Jake Winona walks a group of young wrestlers through a wrestling move, step by step. The group of wrestlers are getting ready for their home tournament on March 14.

The Mat Birds wrestling season is here, with inclusive changes and big goals.

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

Waitsburg—The Waitsburg Mat Birds Wrestling Team is back on the mat for another season, and all the athletes are working to secure a spot at the Jason Crawford Memorial Tournament. The Little Guy's wrestling team has a full schedule ahead, including hosting a tournament in Waitsburg again.

The wrestling team has a full roster this year, with 37 athletes from Prescott, Dayton, Waitsburg and College Place turning out. The team practices on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at Preston Hall Middle School in Waitsburg. Carlos Norris, a senior at Dayton High School and a Mat Bird alum, has begun hosting an advanced wrestling practice on Monday nights for the older wrestlers. Carlos is currently the only DW Combine wrestler and brings a fresh coaching technique to an already-strong program. The team will travel to tournaments weekends starting in March.

The wrestling season wraps up in April, at the Jason Crawford Memorial Tournament in Spokane, Wash. The tournament serves as the Washington Little Guy's Wrestling Association's State tournament and is held at the Spokane Arena. Last year, 3,500 kids aged 6-14 years old wrestled at the event.

Kristy Taylor, who oversees all Mat Bird's operations, said the team was able to purchase singlets (the one-piece suits that wrestlers wear), protective headgear, and shoes, as well as matching warm up outfits, for athletes to use on a checkout system. Taylor has been working to reduce the costs for wrestlers and

their parents and having the gear available is one way for parents to save some money.

The Lion's Club donated last year's concession profits from the Mat Bird's home tournament which funded a lot of the team's new gear. This year, the Mat Bird's tournament will be March 14, at Waitsburg High School. The wrestling team is hoping that a combination of proceeds from the tournament and sponsor money will help them purchase a new wrestling mat to meet the needs of the growing team. A new wrestling mat will cost the team a minimum of \$7,000.



Courtesy photo

The Mat Birds will host a home tournament on March 14, at Waitsburg High School. The tournament will feature an all-girls mat in the elementary school's multipurpose room the same day.

An exciting new change for the Mat Birds is the addition of a girl's only tournament in partnership with their regular tournament. Many parents are uncomfortable with girls wrestling co-ed after a certain age, because of the close contact of the sport. Taylor said that the Washington Little Guy's Wrestling organiza-

tion, as a whole, has seen an increase in female wrestlers with girl's-only being offered. The Mat Birds will host a girl's tournament at the March 14 tournament, with girl-only mats set up in the Waitsburg Elementary multipurpose room.

The team is looking for volunteers to help the day of the tournament. The wrestling team is currently seeking experienced referees and people to help in the bracketing and pairing rooms.

Taylor is hopeful that the growth of the Mat Birds will encourage kids to participate in middle and high school programs throughout the Walla Walla Valley. DW currently has one high school wrestler, Carlos, who drives to Pomeroy 5 days a week to get the proper coaching and training needed. Taylor said she would love to see Waitsburg schools revive their high school program, and she would love to see a middle school program added to the DW Combine.



Beka Compton

Mat Birds coach Jake Winona explains proper hand placement during practice. The wrestlers were practicing escape maneuvers.

Sewing room

Small steps bring me back into the sewing room

By Tracy Thompson | THE TIMES

I had lost my sew-jo. That's the urge to get in there, pick a quilt pattern, sort through your fabric stash, start ironing and cutting, get ready to piece it all together, all the steps to start a new quilt.

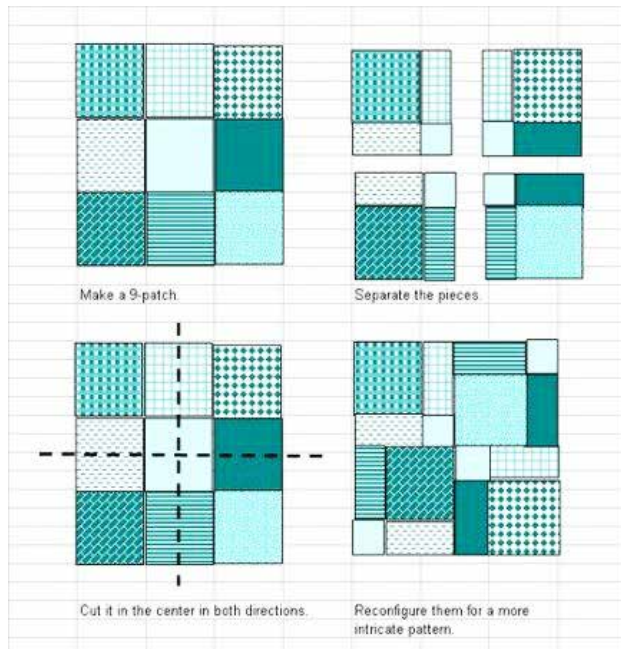
Life stresses, motherhood, a couple of bouts of illness, and the weeks turned into months where I hadn't started a quilt project. I'd maybe take a spin or two through Pinterest, to see what quilt ideas I had liked in the past, admired them, remembered why I liked them, and then turn off the iPad and go and do something else.

Finally, the holidays were over, and my last knitting project was complete, so I decided to work on a VERY simple quilt - a basic nine patch (that's equal sized patches arranged by three, in three rows) made from two packages of charm squares I had on hand. Charm squares are complete sets of a designer's "line" packaged together in 5" squares. I'd never sewn with them before, always preferring a more independent path, but here I was!

At the last minute, I decided to make it a little less simple and cut my big old nine patches into four, to turn the design into a 'disappearing nine patch.' Which adds a little bit of random to the quilt's look, but still leaves some big patches of the fabric design shine through.

I remembered why I loved quilting. Calm, repetitive, with the tasks being just varied enough to keep my interest. Put on some good music, have a cup of tea handy, and it's a nice, productive way to while away a cloudy afternoon.

The fabric line is called 'Hometown' by Moda, and is somewhat demure, with muted reds and blues, some beiges and greys, using simple patterns - dots, stripes, and checks. The 'hometown' part is the text-based fabric that names just about any American town you could think of, including Walla Walla, Bainbridge Island and Paducah.



A diagram of the "disappearing nine patch." Courtesy photo



Tracy Thompson

Above: A quick project can get you back in the sewing room. Below: Detail of the quilting shows Thompson's swoopy hearts.

And my efforts had an intender. A dear friend whose husband was battling a serious illness. I'd seen the way Walla Walla had rallied around this man, and his family, with fundraisers, and meal trains and updates, and I thought these gentle colors and hometown names represented the hometown love that was wrapping around my friend during this awful time.

So when it came time to quilt it, I did a nice loopy design of mostly hearts for all the love, with a block chain border representing this community's solid framework.

I hand sewed on the striped bias border and gave it a good wash and a tumble and soon I'll bring it to my friend. Maybe she'll appreciate the message, or maybe it will be a nice thing to throw on someone's lap from time to time. Either way, it's been a gift to me to get back in the sewing room and to get back to making again.



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The Speed of Sound

Walla Walla Music Organization offers audio engineering for all

By Brianna Wray | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The speed of sound for Walla Walla Music Organization (WWMO) is about three years, give or take a few months. Three years is about how long it took founder Rodney Outlaw to build a substantial course load of audio production education and to find the students passionate about learning to populate it.

Outlaw teaches students how to produce, record and manage music and sound. Audio engineering is a broad term for managing signal flow through channels. There is a science to it.

The goal behind teaching students the math and science of the audio world is so that they can take those skills into any facet they choose while offering opportunities for creative expression. It doesn't matter what type of music students like, or if they're into music at all.

Audio is consumed by everyone all day long albeit through verbal conversation, video chat, social media stories, or podcasts. More and more colleges are adding degree programs for audio engineering such as Spokane CC, Shoreline CC, and Portland State University.

Outlaw, a graduate of the Conservatory of Recording Arts and Science, got into making beats in middle school.

Outlaw has created a program that began in service of the youth, but through time has developed into a community of 14 to 40-year olds. The original kids from the program are now adults equipped with the invaluable knowledge that would make one indispensable at a venue, or with a touring musician. Students walk away with marketable skills in an industry thought to be impossible to break into if you weren't "connected."

While WWMO is relatively new, the idea has always been on Outlaw's mind. Born and raised in North Carolina, Outlaw graduated, left and never looked back.

"I followed the music," Outlaw continues, "to Maryland, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, San Diego, Seattle. Wherever the music took me, I was there."

Outlaw's first distribution deal, a major breakthrough in the industry, was through Houston Records. Eventually he ended up with Universal Records.

There's always something new to learn in the industry, and there's always more to do; traveling, performing, promoting, all the while creating new content. "What kept me grounded was I always worked with kids. Growing up in the south with a big family, it's always the older kids' responsibility to take care of the younger cousins," recalls Outlaw, "I always had a knack for it. I kept that piece to remind me of where I came from, and who I was, as a person, not as an artist."

Outlaw spent years doing music production for

television, film and some independent artists.

"My wife is from Walla Walla. When we decided to raise our family here I thought it was the perfect time to put [WWMO] on the front burner."

Upon arrival in 2015, Outlaw applied for a para educator position at Lincoln High School. "It was the best way to get to know the community to determine if my program was something they would even want," says Outlaw, "I needed to work with the students. When I did, I started seeing very talented kids. These kids had chops to be their age!"



Brianna Wray

Rodney Outlaw, founder of Walla Walla Music Organization.

Though they had written and even mastered performing their own music, Outlaw's students said they had no recording skills. So he designed a low-to-no budget after school program for interested parties.

"Eventually the principal noticed that 15 students were willingly attending classes over the summer so funds were found in the budget for two digital audio workstations."

Outlaw's lessons began with basic signal flow, then introduced students to industry standard audio interfaces like Logic Pro, Pro Tools, etc. At first it was about getting them comfortable with the technology. Getting used to hearing your recorded voice versus what you sound like in your head is a challenge in and of itself.

Throughout that year more students piled in, some showing up from Wa-Hi. Since the program only had two workstations, learning was limited. Students were split into groups of three or four, some practicing what they're learning while the other half would be at the whiteboard doing theory exercises

and practical work.

"I thought their work was amazing," says Outlaw, "but the program also needed to be community based. It shouldn't just be for school kids. There are a lot of people who want access to this information."

The Walla Walla Public Library was equipped with an unused digital media lab. Outlaw met with the director and toured the facility to find 10 computers with software installed and MIDI controllers. Since Outlaw already had interested students, he was not swayed when he was informed that a previous program didn't take off. "The director said, you think you're going to get high school kids in here on a Saturday for three hours? I don't think it's going to happen, but if you can make it work, we would let you use the space." Outlaw let the students decide. They loved the room, and depending on who showed up that day, each student was able to have their own setup. "We then transitioned to the library to what became known as Open Labs," Outlaw recalls.

Open Labs hosted a concert at the end of the summer of 2017. The students had learned enough to produce, record, mix, their own music and write their own lyrics to songs. "We put on a concert and about 230 people showed up inside the library to watch these kids perform. After that point we were approached by Walla Walla Community College."

Outlaw now teaches Music Production I, II, and III, Mixing I, II and III, Music Business and, just added, a Live Sound class at WWCC.

Outlaw is teaching a skill set that students can use whether it's in our community or wherever the music might take them. His work demonstrates that there are attainable and fulfilling jobs in the music industry. "The City [of Walla Walla] contracts with us. My students record the Big Idea Talks that the City brings in. [Students] run sound and record it so it can be uploaded to their website." Though the talks tend to require only one or two microphones, the students get comfortable at a console, loading in equipment, laying cable, etc.

The group is fundraising to complete their resources. They could use a few more workstations and scholarship funds for students who can't afford the \$110 fee. When a student can't afford to pay, "I come out of pocket for them just because they belong in the class," says Outlaw. "There's got to be a better way for this information to be available for people who want to learn without them having to pay a gazillion dollars to have access to it."

"Every penny we make goes back into the program," says Outlaw, "I don't get paid from it yet, but for me it's not necessarily about a paycheck, it's about building something that's going to be sustainable within its own right, and everything else will take care of itself in due time."

Outlaw is currently working on a website and a marketing campaign with the help of interns from Walla Walla College. The best way to make contact is through the WWMO Facebook page. For information on the audio engineering classes available at WWCC this fall, reach out to Danielle at (509) 527-4331.



LIVE CINEMA SERIES CONTINUES WITH LA BOHÈME

WALLA WALLA—The Gesa Power House Live Cinema Series continues with an April 1 screening of The Royal Opera's current production of *La bohème* at 6 p.m.

La bohème explores the love affair between the penniless poet Rodolfo and the seamstress Mimì, contrasting it with a more lighthearted affair between the painter Marcello and the singer Musetta. Mimì is gravely ill with tuberculosis and she and Rodolfo decide to separate so that Mimì can find a wealthier lover to provide her with the care she needs. They are reunited in Mimì's final hours when she returns to the only man she ever loved.

Director Richard Jones' wonderful production of *La bohème*, revived by Julia Burbach, captures both the opera's humor and its tragedy, while Stewart Laing's eye-catching designs bring 19th-century Paris to life, particularly in Act II with its dazzling shopping arcades and café. The score is one of Puccini's finest, with highlights including Rodolfo and Mimì's Act I arias and love duet, Act II's Christmas choruses and the heartbreaking final scene in which Mimì and Rodolfo are reunited.

The fantastic cast of this production includes American tenor Charles Castronovo (Rodolfo) and Bulgarian soprano Sonya Yoncheva (Mimì), along with Polish baritone Andrzej Filończyk as Marcello, Russian soprano Aida Garifullina in her Royal Opera debut as Musetta, Hungarian baritone. French conductor Emmanuel Villaume conducts.

Filmed during a live event, the Live Cinema Series broadcasts offer audiences an equivalent to the best seat in the house, and is sponsored in part by Shakespeare Walla Walla.

Reserved seating tickets (\$15 Adults, \$10 Students) are available online at www.phtww.com or by calling the box office at (509) 529-6500.

NEW EXHIBIT EXPLORES MUSIC IN THE WALLA WALLA VALLEY



Courtesy photos

Left: Sheet music for the viola. Right: 1886 Kimball parlor organ.

WALLA WALLA—Fort Walla Walla Museum's upcoming special exhibit, *Rhythm in the Blues: Music in the Walla Walla Valley*, will explore some of the ways in which music has embedded itself into the culture of Walla Walla. Aside to being home to the longest operating symphony west of the Mississippi River, this city has seen musicians who made their way across the Oregon Trail, military bands stationed at Fort Walla Walla, several music schools teaching everything from voice to piano—even the Gentlemen of the Road Stopover that took over the city in 2015 adds to the rich musical traditions of this area.

Because Walla Walla was fertile ground for early settlers seeing opportunities, music wove itself into local culture in a variety of ways. From famous music critics like Emilie Francis Bauer, to musical educators like Edgar and Alice Fischer of symphony fame, to venues like the Keylor Grand that provided opportunities for both local and world-famous artists to perform, music became an integral part of Walla Walla social life.

Visitors will be able to explore how music was used in the military, both as part of the soldiers' work and as a source of entertainment, discover some pieces of music that were inspired by our town, hear about the careers of some famous Walla Walla musicians, and learn about some of the many music schools that existed here over the years.

The museum, located at 755 Myra Road, is open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Admission is free to members and children under 6, \$4 for children ages 6-12, \$8 for seniors 62 and older and students, and \$9 general admission. For more details, call (509) 525-7703 or see fwwm.org.

LIFESTYLES

LITTLE THEATRE TO PRESENT THE MUSICAL GODSPELL

WALLA WALLA—The Little Theatre of Walla Walla is in rehearsals for the musical celebration *Godspell* with performances March 27 through April 12.

In this modern musical retelling of the Gospel of Matthew, a group of ordinary people are called by John the Baptist to give up their normal lives to follow Jesus Christ. Through parables, songs, and dance, the group spreads Christ's message of kindness, tolerance, and love, even as the story moves inevitably forward to The Last Supper and Crucifixion.

Tickets (\$20 Adults, \$15 Students/Youth) will be available online at www.ltw.org beginning on Tuesday, March 24. Season pass holders may call the box office at (509)529-3683 on Monday, March 23 to reserve their seats in advance.

The Little Theatre of Walla Walla is located at 1130 E Sumach in Walla Walla.



FREE WORKSHOP ON SUSTAINABLE GARDENING

WALLA WALLA—The Sustainable Living Center's Farm to School Program Manager Beth Thiel will be taking the lead on a sustainable gardening practices workshop on Tuesday, April 7 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. This popular workshop explores the world of growing your own delicious and healthy produce. If you've always wanted your own garden but never knew where to start, then this is the workshop for you. Learn the basics of garden site selection, when to plant, considerations for what to plant and tips and resources to help you along the way. The workshop is free and open to the public and takes place at the Walla Walla Community College's Water & Environmental Center located at 640 Water Center Drive, in Walla Walla. No registration required. Call (509) 524-5218 with any questions.



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago
Mar 10, 2011

[Headline] Baxter to challenge Gobel for Mayor

[Photo caption] Members, parents, siblings, and coaches from 17 eastern Washington youth wrestling teams gathered in Waitsburg for the first tournament of the five-week Little Guys wrestling season. The 10 a.m. flag salute at Kison Court included an Honor Guard. Nearly 500 competitors participated in this first big tournament hosted by Waitsburg.

Senior Bulldog Dain Henderson stood before a crowd of teammates, schoolmates, coaches, and family to read from the page, "I am a Bulldog. I've played for Bulldogs of the past and Bulldogs of the future. I have known success, and I have known defeat. I have known sorrow, and I have known joy. I am a Bulldog."

Twenty-Five Years Ago
March 2, 1995

Waitsburg sixth graders care about the homeless. The class, along with the help of their teacher, Pam Conover, and their parents, are making 75 hygiene packets to be given to the the Waitsburg Ministerial Society, Waitsburg City Hall, and Project Timothy in Dayton.

[Photo caption] Mike Sutterfield of state fisheries stocks Rainbow lake with trout recently to get ready for opening day of fishing on the Tucannon lakes, northeast of Dayton, on March 1. The season ends on July 31.

Rachel Lambert was left off the principal's list published in the newspaper last week. She earned at least a 3.7 grade point average to make the list in the second quarter of 1995 at Waitsburg Elementary School.

Public school in Touchet, Dixie, Milton-Free-water, Waitsburg and Prescott received computer, printers and miscellaneous supplies from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who are recycling used equipment that has been stockpiled at the Walla Walla Regional Airport.

Fifty Years Ago
March 5, 1970

[Photo caption] Whing-Dingers balladize: "My ol' egg-suckin' dawg..." Singing the theme song of the Waitsburg Whing-Ding Thing is this academic duet of Wayne Henderson and Jim Wood, accompanied by Ed Sickles on bass guitar and Jeff Harper on drums. In addition to the theme song and some accompaniment for other numbers, Jim Wood sang that touching romantic ballad "My Old Egg-Sucking Dog." There was not a dry eye in the place.

Glen Hofer, former Waitsburg resident who has served as executive vice president of the National Association of Wheat Growers since 1967, has taken a new position as lobbyist for the National Grain Cooperatives in Washington, D.C.

The youngest member of the Prescott Lions Club when it was formed in 1960 was Bob Muzzy. The oldest member was Ernest McCaw, who was 68 when the group was organized. Muzzy was 22. Muzzy is now the President of the Club.

Seventy-Five Years Ago
March 9, 1945

Men at McCaw hospital need scrap pieces of hard or soft wood or old pieces of furniture to use in their rehabilitation program.

At the regular meeting of the city council Wed. evening the councilmen considered the purchase of property for an airplane landing field in Waitsburg since the group feels this will be a necessity in post-war activities.

Mrs. Jack Clodius and Mrs. Gail Talbott were honored at a stork shower and dessert at the home of Mrs. Richard Gosney who was assisted by Mrs. Jack Penner and Mrs. Albert Land Tuesday afternoon.

One Hundred Years Ago
March 12, 1920

Warden Hendry Drum announced Monday that the state had fixed a price of 16 1/2 cents each for wheat sacks manufactured at the penitentiary for the 1920 market.

Cleo Denney of Huntsville, who has been visiting in Ray, Idaho, arrived home Tuesday.

The Waitsburg High School basketball girls went to Richland Saturday to play the high school there.

A surprise party was given for Floyd Taylor Friday evening by a number of his friends at his home on Main Street. Those present were Nellie Herrington, Marjorie Spoffard, Margaret Zuger, Nadine Goldson, Ruth Eichelberger, Lawrence Van Slyke, Floyd Taylor, Fred Carver, Vance Brotherton, Delbert Woodworth, and Robert McCord.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago
March 15, 1895

Last Sunday afternoon, Mrs. T. P. Hazleton got a thorough ducking in the mill race. She was crossing on a footbridge when she tripped on a wire which has been put across the bridge to secure it in case of high water, and losing her balance, she went overboard into the water which at that particular spot is quite deep.

L. T. Parker has purchased Lou Otten's truck and team. William Mullinix will take charge of the same as drayman.

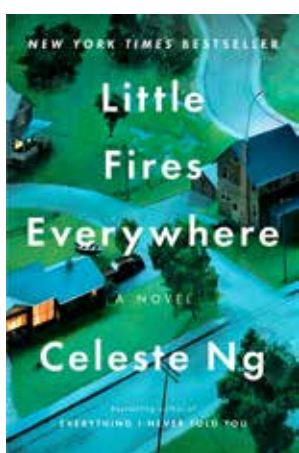
Mrs. A. L. Matheny is agent in this city for the celebrated medicated vapor baths—especially good for rheumatism, breaking up colds, etc.

Book & Game Book Reviews

Little Fires Everywhere

by Celeste Ng

This poignant and dramatic masterpiece shows what happens when the well-to-do Richardson family starts getting involved in the matters of the unconventional Warren family. Secrets get dug up when both families get tangled up in a moral dilemma turned huge political debate that shakes up the otherwise peaceful and rule-abiding town of Shaker Heights, Ohio. This novel is a masterclass in empathy, and one that I will joyfully return to time and time again. Review by: Devon



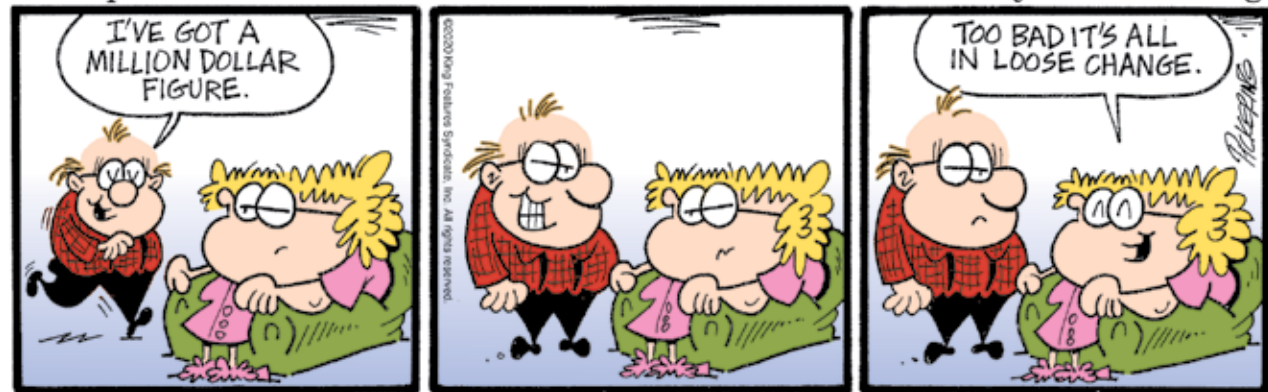
The Beast's Heart

by Leife Shallcross

This story is a wondrous tale of beauty and the beast. This time it's told by the beast. Through his eyes the story unfolds. It has new plots and twists but it holds the original flavor of the classic. A wonderful sweet retelling of a classic I will be sure to re-read it over and over again. Review by: Julie

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



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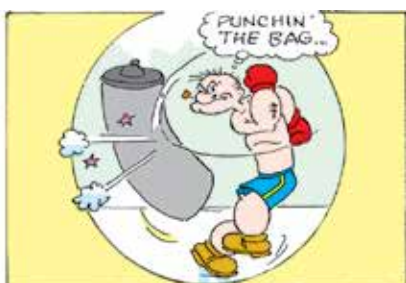
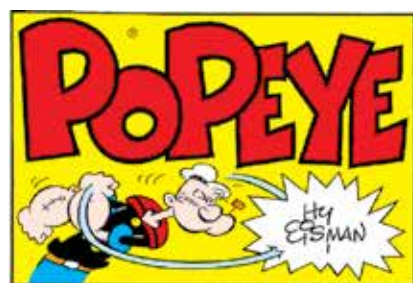
by Dave T. Phipps



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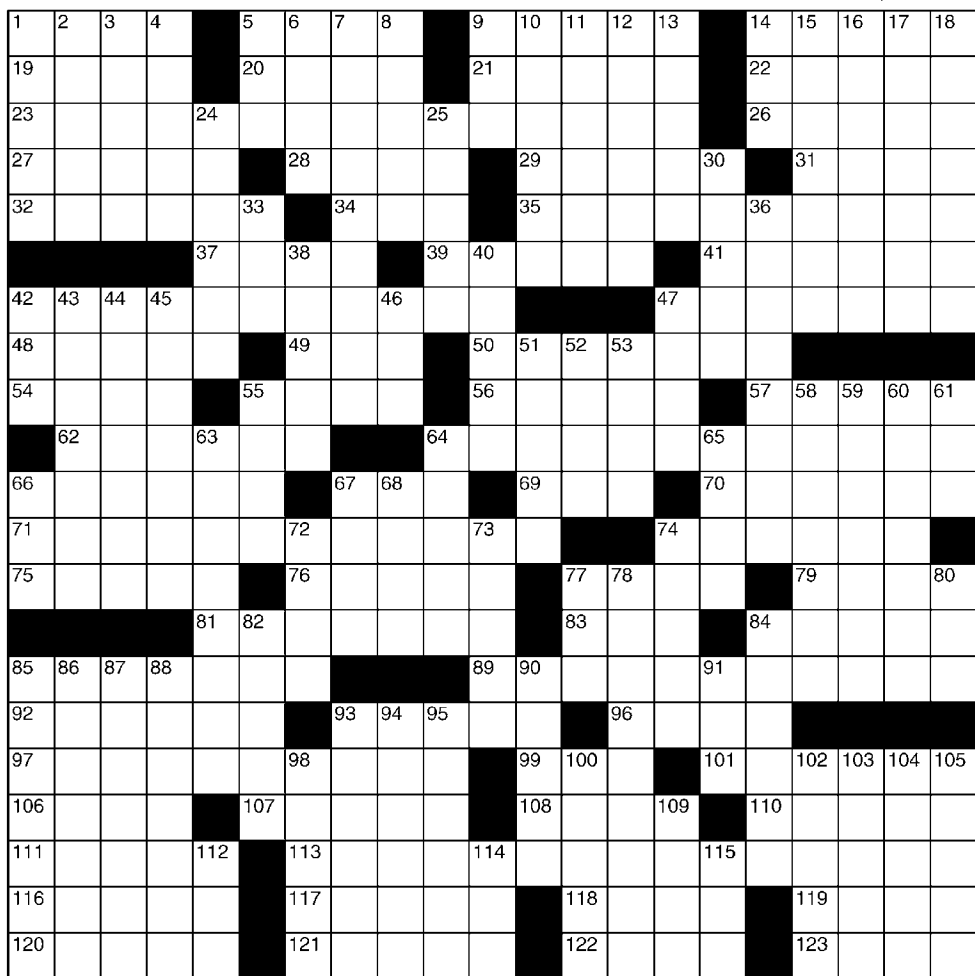


FUN & GAMES

Super Crossword

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64 Camera-to-computer upload
66 Like some sci-fi aliens, location-wise
67 Caterer's receptacle
69 Got the gold
70 Fruity frozen dessert
71 Jackson or Lincoln, e.g.
74 Lay to final rest
75 Actress Daly and novelist O'Connell
76 Largest frat in the U.S.
77 Pooch name
79 Lowly worker
81 —la (utopia)
83 College e-mail ender
- 84 Supreme Court's Sotomayor
85 With 33-Down, arm of the Indian Ocean
89 Voyager Golden Record, e.g.
92 Roving sorts
93 Is sickeningly sweet
96 Old fruity soda
97 Sailor's reply
99 In shape
101 Should it happen that
106 Skinny
107 Epsom —
108 Redding with a Grammy
110 Flynn of early films
111 Classic tune
113 Snapshot go-withs
116 Edmund of "Miracle on 34th Street"
117 Apple messaging software
118 Like men
119 Ovid's 2,002
120 Swamp plant
121 Bête —
122 Multitude
- 123 Word hidden backwards in this puzzle's eight longest answers
- DOWN**
- 1 Vocally twangy
2 Expenditure
3 Three, in Lille
4 Deserves
5 Bit of luggage
6 Chevrolet hatchback
7 Collection for a wrench
8 Hive cluster
9 Actress Hagen
10 Maneuver
11 Each
12 Strong dislike
13 "It's Gonna Be Me" band
14 Mil. hangout
15 Sierra Nevada brew
16 New York tribe members
17 Least distant
18 Cuba's Guevara
24 Part of CIA
25 Cook Deen
30 Continuing dramas
33 See 85-Across
36 Kitty
38 Snowball impact sound
40 Extend — welcome
42 Beer cask
43 Galore
44 Moniker for TV's Tim Taylor
45 Make amends for
46 Sod-busting tool
47 — II (Gillette razor)
51 Stole's kin
52 — stick (jumping toy)
53 Utopia
55 The "D" of CD
58 Fate who cut the thread of life
59 Secondary option list
60 Heat to 212 degrees in advance
61 As of now
63 Old Toyota
64 Prefix with 39-Across
65 "It will come — surprise ..."
66 East, in Bonn
67 Go — smoke
68 Bond girl player Diana
72 Hot — oven
73 "Tis —" ("So sad")
74 Draw out
77 Like women: Abbr.
78 Same
80 No, in Selkirk
82 Lock holders
84 Kind of piano
85 Comparable things
86 Sovereign's "I," often
87 Revised
88 Supporting
90 "C — Cookie"
91 Food tuna
93 Tricolor cat
94 Chinese fruit
95 Car security system
98 Easy putt
100 Gossip tidbits
102 Pinch into small folds
103 Good smell
104 Kind of boom
105 — the Cow (milk mascot)
109 Markdown
112 Shanghai-to-Tokyo dir.
114 Adaptable truck, briefly
115 Church perch



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TEENY MCMUNN: MY RECIPE BOX

Green Goddess Chicken Salad



First, a report on the Banana Breakfast Cookies. They are a winner. I used quick oats, instead of rolled oats, which I chose over old fashioned oats, but next time, I will buy the rolled oats. I added a tablespoon of peanut butter, (I could have added more!), and chopped almonds. My first batch I didn't use parchment paper. They stuck a little bit as there is no oil in the batter. So use the parchment paper. I also added a half teaspoon of baking powder and a little bit of sugar (perhaps a few teaspoons). The cinnamon comes through nicely. I could taste the yogurt, but slightly ☺ Let me know what you did differently.

My son Brian sent this to me. He has been forwarding recipes. I decided to share this one. It had good reviews, with one small error. It says there is sour cream, but it isn't listed. Another recipe used half mayonnaise and half sour cream so I'll make a note of that.

I'm trying not to do only recipes that I like, but consider some others may like it. Some like to make homemade dressings, me—I'll buy a bottle of Caesars Dressing. I know I won't make this, though it sounds yummy.

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 oil packed anchovies, drained
- 1 small garlic clove
- ½ c. packed flat-leaf parsley leaves
- ¼ c. packed basil leaves
- ¼ c. coarsely chopped dill
- 1 Tbsp oregano leaves
- ¾ c. mayonnaise****
- 2 ½ Tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 2 Tbsp. snipped chives
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- One 1 pound loaf of ciabatta (bottom crust reserved for another use)
- One 2 pound rotisserie chicken, skin and bones discarded, meat cut into bite size pieces
- 8 piquillo peppers (from a 9.8 oz jar, drained and quartered)**- See substitution
- 3 inner celery ribs with leaves, thinly sliced.
- ½ c. pitted Kalamata olives, halved

DIRECTIONS:

In a food processor, pulse the anchovies, garlic, parsley, basil, dill and oregano until coarsely chopped. Add the mayonnaise ** (or half mayonnaise and half sour cream) and lemon juice and process until smooth. Fold in chives, season with salt and pepper.

In a large bowl, toss the ciabatta with the chicken, piquillo peppers** (or roasted red peppers) celery and olives. Add the dressing to coat. Season with salt and pepper and serve.

Dressing can be made ahead for up to 2 days.

MY NOTES:

There is a history behind the Green Goddess dressing. I read two different stories. And I've ran out of room to share them!! I like the idea of cut up bread in the salad. I've have to remember that one. It did not say what they intended to do with the bottom crust?? So perhaps use your imagination—garlic bread??

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

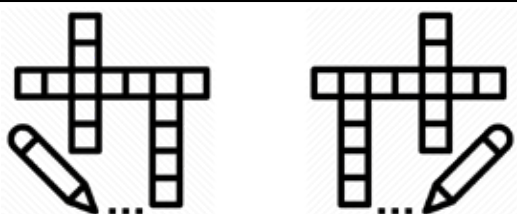
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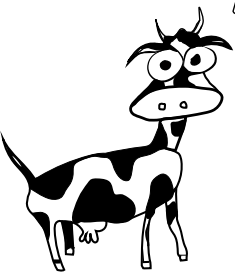
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GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS:

Super Crossword

Answers

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Go Figure!

answers

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THE LAST PAGE



Beka Compton

Left: Front to back: Karl Burnstad stands with Garfield County Deputy Nelson, Columbia County Undersheriff Robbie Patterson, RapidSOS representative Keith Viverios, Dispatcher Nylah Holt, Officer Ehr, and Desirae Lockard following his Life Saver Award presentation.

Right: RapidSOS Liaison Keith Viverios presents Karl Burnstad with a custom challenge coin on behalf of the RapidSOS team. The coin read 'Karl Burnstad, Life Saver.'

LIFE SAVER - FROM PAGE 1

the ceremony and was 'proud and honored' to present Karl with his company's national Life Saving Award and a challenge coin. He thanked Karl for taking control of the situation and getting his mother help she needed.

Viverios also presented an award to Nylah Holt who along with Cindy House (who was not able to attend) handled Karl's emergency call.

Columbia County Dispatch utilizes RapidSOS technology, a platform for smartphones, connected cars and wearable devices, to provide first responders with essential emergency information. This technology was essential in providing dispatchers a more accurate location for the Burnstad home which is located in a remote area.

"Our technology is just a tool, and the tool is useless unless the dispatchers use it properly," said Viverios. "Everyone knows that the dispatchers are the 'first' first responders. They are the ones on the front line."

Karl was also recognized by Garfield County Deputy Jim Nelson. Officer Nelson is Pomeroy School District's resource officer and said he received a personal invi-

tation from Karl, who attends first grade there. Officer Nelson explained that he sees Karl every day at school and Karl always asks for a badge sticker. The resource officer said he had been out of stickers for a while and asked if a real police officer's badge would do while he waited for more stickers. The awe-struck look on Karl's face answered the question clearly.

It is estimated that there are 240 million 9-1-1 calls made in the United States each year. In 2019 Washington State alone reported 6.8 million calls. These statistics highlight how susceptible we are to an emergency, and why it is so important to teach children about 9-1-1 and how to use it. Karl Burnstad first learned about 9-1-1 at a summer reading program in Garfield County, after reading 'Impatient Pamela Calls 9-1-1.'

It is widely recommended that kids start learning about 9-1-1 around the age of 4. Establish what an emergency is, like a fire in the house or someone having trouble breathing. Practice answering dispatcher's questions: 'Where do you live,' 'who needs help,' and 'what is your emergency.' Kids who are comfortable talking to first responders can save lives, as Karl Burnstad proved last November.

Poison hemlock

THE TIMES

Poison hemlock can be deadly toxic to both people and animals. This deadly noxious weed is thick around Columbia County and is still young, the leaves are at a basal rosette stage, which is the best time to treat poison hemlock.

Poison hemlock is an invasive species that rapidly colonizes streambanks, vacant lots, roadsides, pastures and meadows, especially where the soil is moist,

outcompeting native plants and desirable species. It is a biennial plant, which means that it typically lives for two years. The first year it forms a basal rosette of leaves. The second year, it develops flowering stems and produces about a thousand seeds per plant.

Small patches of poison hemlock can be carefully dug up, making sure to remove the taproot. Do not cut or mow the plants as they will only resprout. Always wear protective clothing and gloves to prevent accidental exposure to the plant's toxins. Dispose of plants in the trash. Toxins remains potent in dried plant material. Never put pulled plants in the compost or leave them where livestock might eat them. There are a number of herbicides available for con-

trolling poison hemlock in larger infestations. Always read and follow the label instructions before applying any herbicide product.

Plant grasses and other desirable vegetation to provide competition and help prevent further weed establishment at the site.

For additional information, contact the Columbia County Noxious Weed Board at:

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(509) 382-9760

Information and photo provided taken from the WA State Noxious Weed Control Board. <http://www.nwcb.wa.gov>



Poison hemlock, a Class B noxious weed, is a widespread toxic biennial plant in the Carrot Family often found in open sunny areas, fields, vacant lots, and on roadsides. Eating even a small amount of any part of this plant can kill people, livestock, and wildlife.



Poison hemlock in the first year where the leaves are in the basal rosette stage.



Second-year plants reach 6-10 feet tall and produce numerous umbrella-shaped clusters of tiny, white, 5-petaled flowers. Flowering poison hemlock may be confused with wild carrot (*Daucus carota*, or Queen Anne's Lace).

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