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Kyle Anderson, Cougar Anderson, and Dayton Public Works Director Ryan Paulson kept the Touchet River moving by clearing debris as it swept towards the Main Street bridge before it could block the rising Touchet River.

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## Port hears interest in reviving trail project

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Columbia Port Commissioners held their regular meeting at 5:00 PM on March 11, 2026, in the Port conference room. Commissioners Mike Spring and Scott Hudson were present in the Port conference room. Johnny Watts was not present. The Executive Director, Jennie Dickinson, was also present.

In the first public comment period, Dayton Chamber Director Belinda Larsen said she was representing Friends of the Trail, a group that approached the Chamber about renewing interest in the Touchet Valley Trail. On behalf of the group, she asked the Commissioners to take a second look at the project.

Larsen said the project is important to the community, and the Friends of the Trail group is willing to do whatever it takes to get it back on track. Since Highway 12 is dangerous for pedestrians and bikes, the issue involves safety.

Interest in the trail was sparked at the recent Town Hall event. Spring said the trail would enhance local business and had written letters to that effect to the former Commissioners when it was last under review. He suggested an economical solution might be to run the trail beside Highway 12 rather than along the railroad right-of-way, though he conceded that the trail alongside the highway would not be as safe. Hudson added that studies showed the trail's economic impact would be substantial.

Dickinson said the RAD Driving School had signed a two-year lease for Suite E, which is larger than its current space. This will allow the Port to expand its conference room into the space formerly rented by RAD. The Commissioners voted to hire an architect to create plans for the conference room's expansion.

Dickinson discussed the malt facility at some length. She said the conceptual drawings have been completed, and the architects are working on the construction drawings. The building is expected to cost \$20 million.

Shane Laib, Economic Development Coordinator, said the pollinator garden was underway at Blue Mountain Station's fenced garden. The group responsible for the project was formed in response to comments during the Town Hall.

Dickinson discussed plans for the Commissioners' inspection of the railroad line. The tour will be conducted by the railroad operator. The tour will not be open to the public.

Discussion turned to the port's contract negotiations with the rail operator, which focused on liability for third-party damage to the track. The operator also said they were willing to discuss passenger traffic between Waitsburg and Dayton, provided a third party handled passenger processing and provided the passenger car. Basically, the operator expressed willingness to tow passenger cars of another entity.

Finally, Laib presented upcoming business openings and events, including a laundromat on Main Street and a pro shop at the golf course. The shop, replacing the restaurant, will offer grab-and-go food.

Laib said the 2nd Annual Touchet Valley Community Showcase will return to the Columbia County Fairgrounds on April 18, 2026. He said Dayton Days, on Memorial Day, should be expanded this year.

The meeting adjourned at about 6:30 p.m.

## Weekend flooding in WW and Columbia Counties

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Rain and warmer weather over the weekend of March 14 and 15 caused flooding in Walla Walla and Columbia counties.

In Waitsburg, city workers monitored the Touchet and Copei rivers as rain and snow melt raised water levels. Waitsburg City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe said the city reached out early Saturday morning to warn residents in the areas most likely to flood.

Overtopping from the Touchet River surged onto properties east of the Preston Bridge, on Highway 12. Many of the same structures flooded in 2020 were impacted, though damage appears not to have been as severe.

Damage from overland flow was not as extensive as in 2020, though increased groundwater did permeate some sewer lines.

Since 2020, the city has worked to repair the levee where it failed. Hinchliffe said those efforts may have reduced overtopping this year, though water still reached across the highway.

Flooding was more extensive in Columbia County and Dayton, damaging structures and pastures. Some people were stranded by washed-out bridges, and animals had to be moved to dry pastures.

Dayton residents and city staff found unique ways to offer help to neighbors. Arcadia Murphey set up a thread on All Things Dayton to connect community members in need with helpers.

Hinchliffe coordinated with Jim Lynch, Walla Walla County Emergency Management, and Waitsburg's mayor and city council members throughout the event to coordinate response efforts. Hinchliffe checked in with city staff in Dayton and property owners outside of town to keep updated on the situation upstream from town.

"It's always unfortunate when people are impacted by these types of events, but I like to think all the work we have done over the years has led to limiting the amount of damage residents experience, as it's not likely we can eliminate it completely," said Hinchliffe.

(right) Waitsburg community members came out in force to fill sand bags at the water treatment plant. Unofficial city worker Rhett Elsey, was the Official Sandbag Guy on Saturday.



Courtesy photo



# NEWS BRIEFS

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### AT THE LIBERTY:

*"EPiC: Elvis Presley in Concert"*  
March 20-24

THE TIMES

DAYTON — Elvis sings and tells his story like never before in a new cinematic experience from visionary filmmaker Baz Luhrmann. One reviewer said, "EPiC: Elvis Presley in Concert" isn't just a concert - it's an emotional experience. You can feel his energy, joy, and vulnerability. The restored footage and live sound make it feel like you're right there in the audience, cheering along with everyone. It's impossible not to get caught up in the excitement and emotion." Rated PG-13 for smoking and language, and has a runtime of 1 hour, 36 minutes.

The critics and audience reviewers agree that "EPiC: Elvis Presley in Concert" is a must-see film, rating it 96% and 98%, respectively. The critics' consensus on RottenTomatoes.com is, "Resurrecting Elvis Presley at the peak of his showmanship, Baz Luhrmann's truly epic concert documentary restores some joy into The King's legacy, thank you very much." An audience member wrote, "I hold a deep appreciation for this film because it presents him speaking about himself directly rather than through the distortions of others' narratives."

Coming on April 17-19 and April 20-22, the Liberty is proud to present the 2026 TVAC Variety Show, "Hello, My Name Is..." A vibrant show for all ages will have the audience singing and clapping along to their favorite tunes, laughing at hilarious jokes and skits, and simply enjoying a variety of acts. Featuring all fantastic local talent who bring their skills of choreography, singing, dancing, acting, and more, this name-themed variety show will include songs such as "Billie Jean," "Fate of Ophelia," "Jolene," "Good Golly Miss Molly," and many more from pop, rock, country, and classical genres. Tickets go on sale Monday, March 23, at [libertytheater.org](http://libertytheater.org) or at the theater's box office on Tuesdays and Fridays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. You won't want to miss this fun-filled show! Two weekends only.

Upcoming Movies: "EPiC: Elvis Presley in Concert" March 20-24, "Hoppers" March 27-31, and "Project Hail Mary" on April 3-7. Schedule is subject to change.

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### CHEAP TRICK TO HEADLINE WW FAIR & FRONTIER DAYS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — After 160 years, the fair is "Just Getting Started," returning on September 2 through 6, with Wednesday's opening night performance by legendary rock band, Cheap Trick.

Inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2016, Cheap Trick continues captivating fans with electrifying live performances featuring hits like "I Want You to Want Me," "Dream Police," "The Flame," and "Surrender." Cheap Trick has sold more than 20 million albums worldwide and performed live over 6,000 times.

Thursday, September 3, will feature the always sold-out Demo Derby, followed by three nights of Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association-sponsored rodeo, featuring crowd favorites that will rock the PIFCU grandstands.

Concert and event tickets will officially go on sale March 27 at 10 a.m. Fans are encouraged to purchase early, as headline entertainment and grandstand events are expected to draw strong demand. For tickets and information, visit [www.wallawalla-fairgrounds.com](http://www.wallawalla-fairgrounds.com).

## LETTERS

### JUNK FOOD

To the Editor

I was horrified to see your front page photo of junk candy sold at our New Dollar General. Our community deserves better options to healthy affordable foods not just cheap sugar. Obesity rates for children and teenagers have reached record highs. What do WA DOH and HHS have to say about the nutritional and health value of these products?

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### TOMPKINS TO RUN FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY AUDITOR

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Former Walla Walla County Commissioner and local business owner Greg Tompkins announced he is running as an Independent for the Walla Walla County Auditor position.



Courtesy photo  
Greg Tompkins

"I have chosen to run as an Independent for this position as there are no political decisions made by the County Auditor," said Tompkins.

The county auditor is an elected position and will be on the general election ballot in 2026.

Currently, the position is held by Sheryl Park, who has also registered as a candidate.

After Karen Martin, a Republican, retired at the end of 2025, Park was selected by the County Commissioners after being recommended by the Walla Walla County Republicans to complete the term.

Tompkins' campaign highlights his knowledge of county governance, having served 16 years as a county commissioner. He and the board were responsible for establishing and managing the county budget.

As the owner of Tompkins Appliance LLC, he has 40 years of experience managing the increasing challenges facing small business owners. Experience that his supporters say would position him to manage the financial and administrative responsibilities of the County Auditor's office effectively.

His professional and civic work has provided him with an in-depth understanding of how critical the Auditor's Office is to the overall operations of county government.

The County Auditor is responsible for elections and voter registration, public records, vehicle and vessel licensing, and county financial services.

In his press release, Tompkins emphasized working collaboratively with officials, modernizing office processes, increasing accessibility, and ensuring cost-effectiveness, with a strong commitment to integrity and transparency.

Tompkins and Park have registered their campaigns with the Washington State Public Disclosure Commission for the November 3, 2026, General Election.



Lane Gwinn  
Preston Street Bridge on Saturday.

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## Grow with WSU Master Gardeners

Master Gardeners Plant Clinics begin April 7

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — The Walla Walla County Master Gardener plant clinics will begin on April 7 at the Washington State University Extension Office. The clinics will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The plant clinics are run by university-trained Master Gardeners, who volunteer to help residents cultivate healthy, productive, and resilient landscapes. Master Gardeners undergo extensive training in plant science, horticulture, and integrated pest management, enabling them to assist with:

- Identifying and diagnosing plant diseases, pests, and environmental stress
- Recommending sustainable research-based solutions
- Advising on general gardening and landscaping questions
- Helping residents select appropriate plants for the region's climate

If local gardeners can't make it to the clinics, they can bring in samples or questions to the office during regular office hours. Any samples left with the extension staff between clinic hours will be reviewed at the following session.

Questions can be submitted online through the WSU Ask a Master Gardener portal at <https://tinyurl.com/2srw-2zb9>, or by email to [wallawalla.mg@wsu.edu](mailto:wallawalla.mg@wsu.edu), or by using the QR code on the right.

The WSU Master Gardener Program has been serving Washington communities since 1973, empowering volunteers to help the public make environmentally responsible gardening decisions. The Walla Walla County team continues this mission by offering accessible, trustworthy support for gardeners across the region.



## Kirkman House Museum Reopens March 21 for 2026

Special Exhibit Showcases Vintage Aprons from 1870 to 1970.

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Kirkman House Museum invites the public to step back in time as it reopens for its 2026 season on Saturday, March 21. Visitors can tour one of Walla Walla's most storied Victorian mansions and explore a curated special exhibit tracing the evolution of aprons from utility to fashion.

Located just three blocks from Main Street in downtown Walla Walla, the museum will be open weekends this spring from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Admission fees apply. Children under seven. NARM cardholders and U.S. military veterans enjoy free entry.

Built in 1880 by a British immigrant couple who made their fortune supplying meat to Idaho miners, Kirkman House is Walla Walla's most distinguished historic mansion. Furnished with original family heirlooms and period pieces, it offers visitors a vivid window into Victorian daily life.

After sheltering the Kirkman family for four decades, the home was converted first into a college dormitory and later into apartments. A fate averted when local preservationists purchased the property in 1977 and,

with broad community support, restored it to its former grandeur.

"From Utility to Fashion: Aprons, 1870 to 1970" is on display through May 10. This special exhibit focuses on the humble apron. Aprons have existed since the dawn of recorded history, yet historians have paid surprisingly little attention to this hard-working garment.

Worn until years of service have left them in tatters, few aprons have survived intact from the first century of Walla Walla's history. The few that have survived reflect the history of a city that grew from an isolated frontier outpost to a prosperous commercial center.

The aprons on display range from the oldest, made from homespun cotton, to modern examples in silk, signifying the wealth and refinement of their wearers.



Times Graphic

## Dayton City Council clears up Dog mixup

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON - Mayor Roger Trump called the Dayton City Council to order at 6 p.m., March 10, 2026. The mayor and council members James Su'euga, Michael Smith, Glenn Hagfeldt, Kyle Anderson, Joann Patras, and Dave Harvey were present. Shannon McMillen was absent.

Opening public comment, Dayton School District Superintendent Jeremy Wheatley expressed gratitude for city residents' school support, including their volunteering and attendance at sporting events. He said the district and the kids appreciate the support.

Transitioning to board appointments, Mike Smith was selected mayor pro tem for a second term.

Council members then discussed Resolution 1588, to amend the collective bargaining agreement with city workers to include tuition reimbursement for Commercial Driver's Licenses training. Most of the city's non-clerical workers are required to have a CDL. Since the city no longer has an in-house trainer, employees must use a third-party trainer. The resolution passed unanimously.

The council then considered Resolution 1589, which would authorize a consultancy agreement with Anderson Perry & Associates for the Main Street from Cottonwood Street to Patit Road. The consultants will design and prepare construction bidding documents for the road improvement project. The commissioners approved the resolution unanimously.

After addressing official business, Trump discussed a letter included with February's water bill about dog licensing compliance, which some residents misinterpreted as a notice of being charged or fined for unregistered dogs. Smith pointed out that the letter's wording, including "Please know that at this time you've been notified of these violations," led to this confusion.

The notice was sent to residents who registered their dogs last year, reminding them to register them for 2026 if they had not already done so. In the past, the city averaged 480 and 490 dog licenses each year. This year, only 180 residents have registered their dogs.

Moving to city operations, Assistant City Clerk Misty Yost said the city was in the home stretch of launching the new website. Data migration from the current website has been completed, and city staff are learning to make updates. She did not give a date when the new website would be online.

Clark Posey said the Military Vehicle Preservation Association will pass through Dayton with a convoy of historic military vehicles traveling 2,000 miles on the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery route, from North Dakota to Fort Stevens, Oregon. The convoy, which consists of up to 100 vintage military vehicles, is expected to arrive in Dayton on August 10, 2026. The convoy hopes to park around the Columbia County Courthouse. After lunch, the group will visit the Patit Campsite before departing.



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Posey said it was time to remind residents to pick up garbage and mow lawns, including in the alleys. Su'euga jokingly suggested that letters reminding people to do Spring clean-up be addressed to "Dear evildoers," no doubt referring to the dog licensing reminder letter.

A citizen during the last public comment period said he thought the dog registration reminder letter was great.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.



## BIRTHDAYS

**March 19:** Verna Allen, Elaine Reese, Norma Johnson, Josh Mayberry and E. Neil Stephens, and Beka Compton

**March 20:** Andrew Wright, Kristopher Patton, Stacey Grende, Sophie Henry, and Paul John.

**March 21:** Brad Huffman, Doris Williams, Linda Stonecipher, Margie Huwe, Lane Huffman, Rebecca Stokes, Ken Lenhart.

**March 22:** Garrett Buffington, Kenneth Lewis, Mary Hamblen, Gia Flu-

harty, Amy Morrow and Cole Janovich.

**March 23:** Jayce Bayer, Sally Baker, Mary Hunziker, Beryl Witt, Ron Bishop, Seth Straayer, Jennifer Pierson, Sandy Baker.

**March 24:** Michael Smith, Fred Hamann, Chloe Pearson, Kim Iverson, Randy Sorick, Jeff Harper, John Dodson, and Lacey Maki.

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# NEWS BRIEFS & LEGALS

## OSPI joins pilot study on graduate enlistment

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—Students in Washington have a variety of graduation pathways established by the state legislature in 2019. Among these is achieving a qualifying score on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery.

Since 2019, an increasing percentage of graduates have completed the ASVAB. The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction reported that over 5,400 graduates (7.2%) reported completing the ASVAB as a graduation pathway in 2025.

With more graduates completing the ASVAB each year, the OSPI has not had data to determine whether ASVAB completers go on to enlist in the military.

Since June 2024, the OSPI has been working with federal military leaders, the Council of Chief State School Officers, and state education leaders from Arkansas, Kansas, Ohio, and Tennessee to develop a plan for graduate and enlistment data to be shared.

For this pilot, Washington and the other states will provide the DOD with a list of graduates from the Class of 2024. The DOD will identify which of those graduates enlisted in the military and share that data with the states. States will provide limited information; Washington will share only student names and birth dates.

“For decades, high schools across the country have helped connect colleges and universities to interested students in support of their college search process,” said State Superintendent Chris Reykdal. “Despite how many of our graduates enlist in the military and the fact that many of them have successful military careers, we have historically been unable to understand exactly how many Washington students join the military. Knowing this can help state leaders understand if we are providing the full breadth of high school offerings to empower multiple post-high school pathways.”

At the end of the pilot, the project team will decide whether any adjustments are needed to the data-sharing agreement or the data components. The team aims to make the data-sharing agreement available for other states to utilize starting in the 2026–27 school year.

For more information on Washington’s graduation pathways visit <https://sbe.wa.gov/our-work/graduation-requirements>.

## VA Medical Center hosts informational meeting March 24

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—The Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center will host a Veteran Patient Orientation on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. This is a hybrid event and can be attended in person or virtually.

Attend in person at the Jonathon M. Wainwright VA’s main facility at 77 Wainwright Dr. in Walla Walla. The event will be on the second floor of building 143, in conference room 2101.

Join the presentation virtually at [tinyurl.com/IMW-VPO-032426](https://tinyurl.com/IMW-VPO-032426).

This informational session is open to all Veterans and their families who are newly or currently enrolled in the VA system. Information will cover topics including eligibility, beneficiary travel, pharmacy, Veterans Health Library, community care, and Whole Health services.

This is an opportunity for Veterans in the community to learn about the VA’s services and have their questions answered. There will be an information table with resources for Veterans. Light refreshments will be served.

Additional sessions will be offered once a recurring frequency is established. For more information about these sessions, please contact Linda Wondra, Veterans Experience Officer, at [linda.wondra@va.gov](mailto:linda.wondra@va.gov) or call 509-386-1117.



The Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center.

## LATE-SEASON RSV ACTIVITY REMAINS ELEVATED IN WASHINGTON

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—The Washington State Department of Health has extended RSV immunizations for infants through April 30. RSV immunizations are usually available from October to March. This extension gives parents more time to protect infants who have not received RSV protection.

“Extending RSV immunizations helps keep babies out of the hospital while disease activity remains high,” said Dr. Tao Sheng Kwan-Gett, State Health Officer, DOH. “If your infant is younger than 8 months or a higher-risk toddler between 8 and 19 months old is not immunized, contact your child’s health care provider soon.”

RSV is a common respiratory virus with mild, cold-like symptoms. Still, it can cause serious illness and hospitalization in infants and older adults. RSV is the leading cause of infant hospitalization in the United States.

In Washington, the 2025–26 RSV season started later than normal, with increased activity beginning in December, which is more than a month later than previous seasons. RSV hospitalization rates among infants under 1 year have been the highest of any age group this season, peaking at approximately 26 per 100,000 in January, with rates still elevated at the end of February.

The delayed start to the Washington RSV season and continued elevated activity into late winter are consistent with national patterns.

Vaccines for infants provide protection from RSV through monoclonal antibody products, including nirsevimab (Beyfortus) and clesrovimab (Enflonia). Protection lasts at least five months.

Children under 8 months should receive nirsevimab during their first RSV season. Children 8–19 months at higher risk, including those who are American Indian or Alaska Native, are recommended to get nirsevimab in their second season.

Monoclonal antibody products can be administered in birthing hospitals prior to discharge and in provider offices. Parents and caregivers should talk with their child’s health care provider about whether RSV protection is recommended for their child.

Learn more about RSV in infants and children at the DOH website, <https://tinyurl.com/3aw32juc>.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY  
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### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

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RCW 11.40.030  
In the Matter of the Estate of: JACK MELVIN MCCAW, 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 Clerk of 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 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 non-probate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: March 19, 2026  
Personal Representative: /s/ Jack E. McCaw  
Attorney for the Personal Representative: P. Ryan Ortuno, WSBA #52336  
Address for mailing or service: BOGGS ORTUNO PLLC PO Box 7 / 338 E. Main Street Dayton, WA 99328 (509) 382-2541  
The Times  
March 19, 26, April 2, 2026  
3-19-d

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 26-4-00051-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: PAMELA MARIE GISI, Deceased.  
The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Administrator, or the Administrator’s attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: 1. Thirty (30) days after the Administrator served or mailed the Notice to the Creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1)(c); or 2. Four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent’s probate and non-probate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: March 12, 2026  
Administrator: /s/ Dennis Gisi  
Attorney for the Administrator: Mona J. Geidl, Minnick-Hayner  
Address for Mailing or Service: Mona J. Geidl Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 527-3500  
The Times  
March 12, 19, 26, 2026  
3-12-a

### THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
DOCKET NUMBER: 25-5-00018-36  
AMENDED SUMMONS  
In re the Welfare of: I.L.E. dob 1/16/18  
TO ADAM WAYNE STOUT, The Respondent:  
A Petition has been filed in the Walla Walla Superior Court requesting that the Court terminate your parental rights as to the above-named child permanently. You are hereby summoned to appear and respond to this Petition within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this Summons, exclusive of the date of first publication, to appear and defend against the Petition. You must timely answer the Petition and serve a copy of your answer upon Carman Law Office, Inc. at the address listed below. Failure to timely respond to the Petition may result in the termination of your parent-child relationship with respect to the above-named child without further notice. You have the right to appear, respond, and be heard in this matter. You have the right to be represented by a lawyer in this proceeding. Counsel will be appointed for an indigent person who makes such a request and qualifies as indigent. If you wish to request a court-appointed attorney, you should contact the Clerk of the Superior Court in Walla Walla County. A copy of the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights may be obtained from the undersigned attorney.  
PLEASE TIMELY FILE YOUR RESPONSE AT THE FOLLOWING COURT:  
Walla Walla Superior Court  
Attn: Clerk of the Court  
315 West Main Street  
Walla Walla, Washington 99362  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: March 19, 2026  
PLEASE SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON PETITIONERS’ ATTORNEY:  
Janelle Carman-Wagner, WSBA #31537  
Carman Law Office, Inc.  
6 E. Alder Street, Suite 418  
Walla Walla, Washington 99362  
(509) 529-1018  
The Times  
March 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 2026  
3-19-b

### THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
DOCKET NUMBER: 25-5-00019-36  
AMENDED SUMMONS  
In re the Welfare of: E.A.N. dob 2/27/14  
TO AARON JOSEPH NELSON, the Respondent:  
A Petition has been filed in the Walla Walla Superior Court requesting that the Court terminate your parental rights as to the above-named child permanently. You are hereby summoned to appear and respond to this Petition within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this Summons, exclusive of the date of first publication, to appear and defend against the Petition. You must timely answer the Petition and serve a copy of your answer upon Carman Law Office, Inc. at the address listed below. Failure to timely respond to the Petition may result in the termination of your parent-child relationship with respect to the above-named child without further notice. You have the right to appear, respond, and be heard in this matter. You have the right to be represented by a lawyer in this proceeding. Counsel will be appointed for an indigent person who makes such a request and qualifies as indigent. If you wish to request a court-appointed attorney, you should contact the Clerk of the Superior Court in Walla Walla County. A copy of the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights may be obtained from the undersigned attorney.  
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### REGULAR BOARD SESSION – DIRECTORS OF PRESCOTT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday March 26, 2026, 6:00 p.m.  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Prescott School District No. 402-37, Walla Walla and Columbia Counties, Washington, will hold their REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD meeting on Thursday, 26 March 2026 at 207 S. A Street, Prescott, WA 99348. The meeting is being called to discuss and act upon regular monthly school business. The meeting will follow the guidelines of a Regular Board Session. To ensure compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 42.30, RCW), the Board will treat the meeting on 26 March 2026 as a regular meeting and provides notice as required by law. If you wish to make public comment you must sign in prior to the start of the meeting.  
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**The deadline to submit public and legal notices is Thursdays at noon.**

**To submit a notice or for more information email [legals@waitsburgtimes.com](mailto:legals@waitsburgtimes.com).**

## DAYTON POOL DISTRICT PLAN FUNDRAISING THROUGH GRANTS AND DUCKS

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

DAYTON—The regular meeting of the Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District was held on February 26 at 5 p.m. Topics of discussion included fundraising opportunities. The district recently learned that it did not receive the \$600,000 Capital Campaign legislative grant it applied for.

There are three other grants in process. The district will continue to pursue fundraising opportunities and grants needed to build the pool.

In May, the district will hold a yard sale to benefit the pool during Dayton Days weekend. Community support for the sale indicates it should be a big success. Please contact Terri Hessler at (509) 629-1573 if you have donations of clean useable items.

During the Alumni Weekend in July, the district will host a “Duck in a Truck” fundraiser. Pre-purchased, numbered plastic ducks floating in a McKinley belly dump truck will be let loose over a target painted on Dayton’s Main Street. There will be cash prizes. Tickets will be on sale beginning on April 1 at the Chamber Office and with Parks and Recreation Pool Commissioners. They will also be available at tables on Main Street during Dayton Days, All Wheels Weekend, and before the parade starts on Alumni Weekend. Ducks will be dumped at the end of that parade. Ducks are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. All costs associated with the Duck Derby are funded by “Friends of the Pool” More details will be available at [www.daytonpublicpool.com](http://www.daytonpublicpool.com).



## NHS Blood Drive a Success

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—On March 12, Waitsburg High School’s National Honor Society partnered with the American Red Cross to organize a blood drive at the school gym.

NHS students Sarah Daves, Sara Wilson, Hope Adkins, Karissa Potts, and Bea Karl signed in the registered donors and assisted advisor Shannon Schreindl at their second drive this school year.

Twenty-one donors contributed a total of twenty-five units of blood. Of these donors, 12 had type O blood, and four were first-time donors. One single blood donation can help save more than one life.

Some volunteers registered for Power Red donation, which uses an automated process to

separate red blood cells from other blood components, returning plasma and platelets to the donor. Though the process takes about 30 minutes longer than a whole blood donation, it allows donors to give two units of red blood cells.

Power Red is available to type O-positive, O-negative, A-negative, and B-negative donors. Male donors must be at least 17 years old, at least 5’1” tall, and weigh at least 130 pounds. Female donors must be at least 19 years old, at least 5’3” tall, and weigh at least 150 pounds.

Red cells from a Power Red donation are typically given to trauma patients, newborns, emergency transfusions during birth, people with sickle cell anemia, and anyone suffering from blood loss.

Whole-Blood donations take an hour, and the blood is frequently given to trauma patients and people undergoing surgery.

“It was a huge success to the point where we had to turn away some students, staff, and community members because it was so busy,” said NHS advisor Schreindl.



(l-r) Community members Louie Gagnon, Linda Henze and Marge Benson donating blood.

## RYLEIGH FABIAN NAMED CARDINAL OF THE YEAR

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Waitsburg Middle School’s girls’ basketball coach, Karen Huwe, held an awards assembly on Wednesday, March 11, in the high school auditorium.

Following the welcome, the assembly began with middle school ASB President Kaitlyn Paul leading the flag salute.

After the flag salute, Huwe thanked the crowd for supporting the players throughout the season and highlighted some of the drills and competitions that the girls competed in during practices.

Next, participation certificates were presented to the

three managers, Dori Adkins, Olivia Long, and Arya Hillman. Players receiving certificates were Audrey Kiefel, Kaitlyn Paul, Lillian Carpenter, Laila Long, Peyton Childers, Ava McCaw, Shylo Hedges, Jaylynn Gleason, Ryleigh Fabian, Emma Langford, Adalin Acevedo, Reagan Fabian, and Oaklee Adams.

Kiefel received the Most Inspirational award, and Adams was named Most Improved. Offensive Player of the Year went to Gleason. Ryleigh Fabian was named the Defensive Player of the Year and Cardinal of the Year.

With these recognitions, the team concluded their season with an impressive 9-1 record.



The photo shows, standing from left to right: Kaitlyn Paul, Lillian Carpenter, Ryleigh Fabian, Shylo Hedges, Oaklee Adams, Adalin Acevedo, Audrey Kiefel, Ava McCaw, Jaylynn Gleason, Reagan Fabian, and Emma Langford. Kneeling from left to right are managers Dori Adkins and Arya Hillman. Not pictured: Peyton Childers, Laila Long, and Olivia Long.

## State Parks updates roofed accommodation, other fees to support operations

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Parks system stands as a historic institution, predating the National Parks system and overseeing 122,000 acres across the state. Many of Washington’s most iconic landmarks, such as the Deception Pass bridge, Palouse Falls state waterfall, and orca sightings at Lime Kiln, are found within state parks.

Washington’s state park system attracts residents and tourists. They see the most visitors per acre of any other state-managed lands agency, with more than 40 million visitors a year. And of those, 2.3 million choose to stay the night in one of more than 100 parks.

Revenue from roofed accommodations, camping, Discover Pass sales, and other fees is a primary funding stream to keep state parks staffed, operational, and open.

To continue meeting visitor needs, several fees will rise in 2026 and early 2027, including those for the Senior Off-Season Pass, non-resident reservations, and roofed accommodations such as cabins, yurts, and vacation homes.

- **Starting April 1, 2026**, the non-resident reservation fee will increase from \$5 to \$15. Reservations before this date are not affected. For an average two-night stay, the new non-resident reservation fee adds less than \$5 per night, shifting more costs away from residents.
- **Effective Sept. 1, 2026**, the Senior Off-Season Pass increases from \$75 to \$100; the nightly utility fee rises from \$10 to \$12. Senior Limited Income Pass holders remain eligible for a 50% discount.
- **Effective Jan. 1, 2027**, roofed accommodation fees will rise. Cabin and yurt pricing will be standardized for consistency, while Adirondack, teepee, and some vacation rental fees remain unchanged.

Because visitors can book reservations up to nine months in advance, customers will begin to see updated fees on April 1, 2026, for stays beginning Jan. 1, 2027.

While fee increases are being considered, State Parks recognizes that rising costs aren’t just affecting the agency; they’re affecting visitors as well. Any fee adjustments are made under careful consideration. Since 2019, utility costs have increased by more than 37 percent, and cabin construction costs by more than 90 percent.

In 2025, in response to the state’s budget shortfall, the Legislature reduced State Parks’ general fund appropriations and added new costs to the agency. Approximately 71% of State Parks funding must come from earned revenue.

However, the agency believes it is necessary to balance rising costs with equitable access to the outdoors and continues to explore opportunities to break down barriers to recreation.

The agency currently administers five discount pass programs that offer discounted or free camping to eligible residents: Disability, Discover, Foster Family, Lifetime Disabled Veteran, and the Senior Off-Season.

Visit [discoverpass.wa.gov](http://discoverpass.wa.gov) to learn about free access to state lands, including the 12 Discover Pass Free Days.



The cabins at Camano Island State Park are located in a beautiful forest setting with peek-a-boo views of Saratoga Passage.

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# LEGALS & FUN

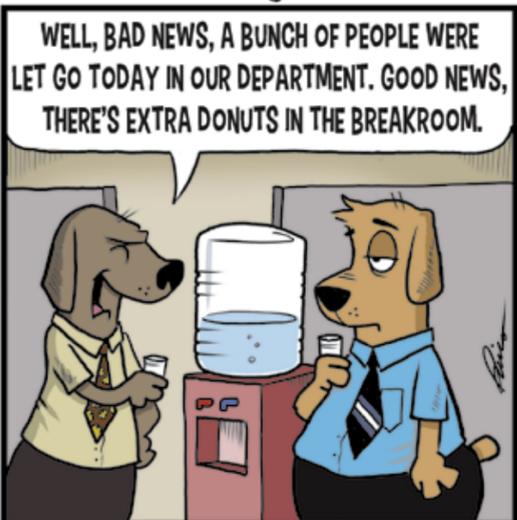
## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmye L. Turner

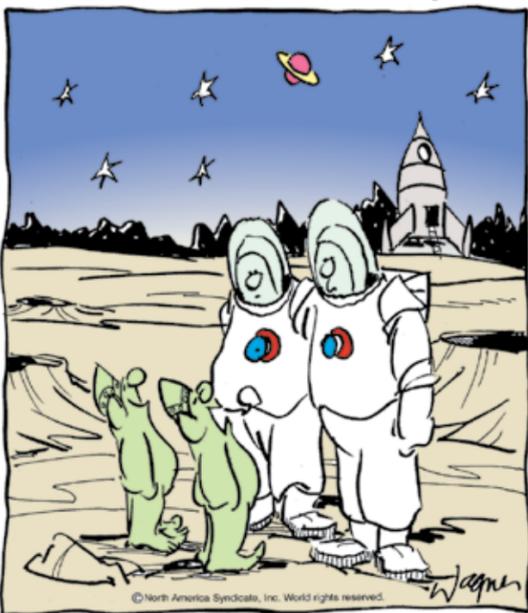


## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



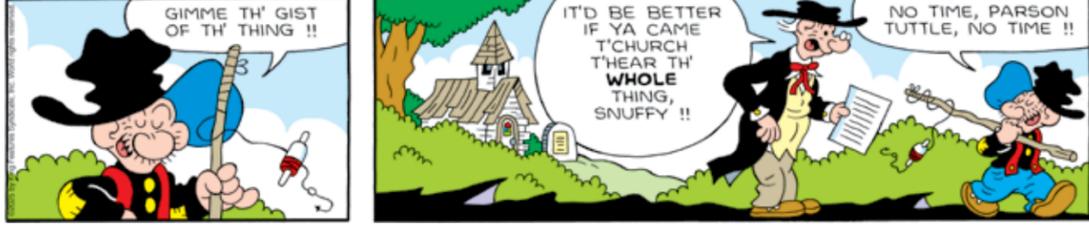
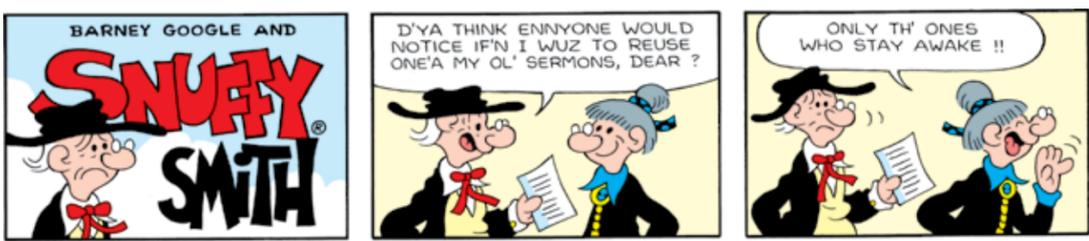
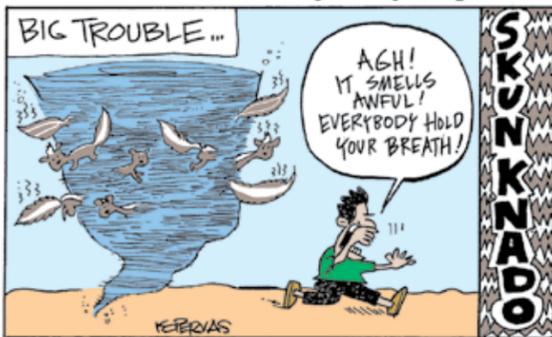
## GRIN and BEAR IT



"You guys really wear diapers?"

## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



## PIONEER PORTRAITS

### Fifteen Years Ago

March 17, 2011

Waitsburg Elementary School Students of the Month for February are 4th graders: Honesty Alexander and Kelsey Alleman with 5th graders Austin James and Tyler Wood.

Waitsburg's newest young bluegrass band, the Rezonators, includes members: Emily Adams (fiddle), Kassidy Kuykendall (mandolin), Chris Philbrook (banjo), Beka Adams (guitar), Emma Philbrook (mandolin), and Kavin Kuykendall (banjo).

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

March 15, 2001

Waitsburg's spring baseball season started with a win and is hoping for more wins this season with help from these returning lettermen: Brandon Neal-Tate, Jarod Gagnon, Ryan Meier, Miles Hubbard, Clay Lindsey, Scott Mason, Curtis Johnson, Brian Callahan and Marshal McKinley.

Top honorees for the Lady Cardinals were Holly Robinson, Callie Hulce and Casey Hazelbaker.

Waitsburg Cardinal Basketball players honored included Jarod Gagnon, Marshal McKinley, Scott Mason, Curtis Johnson, Clay Lindsey and Dustin Smith.

### Fifty Years Ago

March 18, 1976



[Photo Caption] Board Members of the Waitsburg Junior Livestock show posed for this picture after the banquet last Monday evening. Front row, left to right; David McConnell, Howard Smith, Jill Wood, Jim Hansen. Back: Lee Pennell, Ron Kenney, Turk Ely. Not pictured: Don Thomas and John Wood.

Table Talk: We have developed an aluminum beer can worth a couple of pennies that last almost forever, and a \$5,000 car that will rust out in three or four years.

Flexible: Changing your mind to include new ideas. Inconsistent: Another Person's flexibility.

Small-car salesmen to prospect: "It only seats two, but can easily accommodate 14 bumper stickers."

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

March 23, 1951

Fritz Zuger is planning to take part in the Intercollegiate rodeo at Lewiston in May as a representative of the WSC team. He plans to enter the bronc riding event.

Miss Fanny Weller was given a life membership in the Waitsburg PTA at the regular meeting night.

Members of the Waitsburg 4-H Meal Preparation breakfast club met at the home of Eden Brown on Saturday, March 17.

The picnic area of the Lewis and Clark Trail State Park has been newly equipped with five big flood lights of 500 watts each.

### One Hundred Years Ago

March 26, 1926

The Buroker Cash Grocery changed hands last Friday when Harry Buroker sold the stock of groceries and business to Roland Allen.

The Waitsburg Garage received this week a car load of nine new Ford cars in both the open and enclosed models.

An Easter Vesper Service will be given by the Local Camp Fire Girls Easter Sunday at 1:30 at the Christian Church.

Dead magpies and crows, and eggs from their nests, will be worth real money to the boys of this county during April and May, it was announced Monday by Frank Bigler, county game warden. Each Magpie and crow egg will be worth 2 1/2 cents; each hatched bird 3 cents and each old bird 5 cents.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

March 29, 1901

Miss Lulu Woodworth is to be found behind the counters at the Arcade on Saturdays.

C. W. McCoy has purchased a general store at Sprague, Wash. and has taken possession. The family will probably make that little city their home soon.

Mrs. Mollie Wisdom and J. T. Pettichord, a well-known farmer in the Alto district were married in Walla Walla on Monday of the week March 25. Rev. L. O. Herrold officiating.

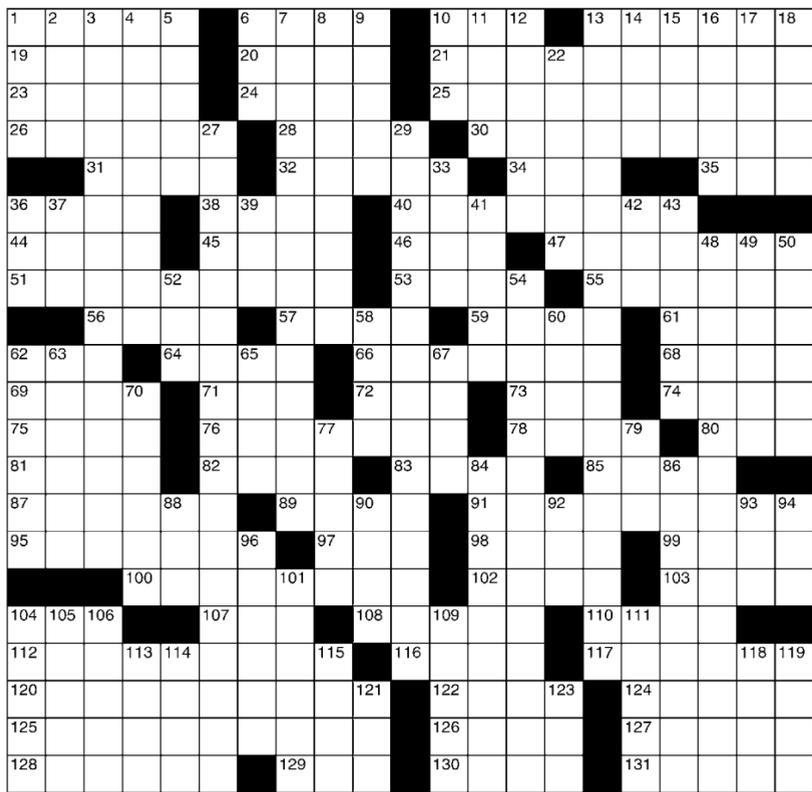
The fifteen acres just south of the city formerly known as the Driving Park, is being plowed this week. The ground will be sown to grass and several hundred shade trees will be planted. It will be but a few years now until this city may boast of a handsome park.

# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword

DOWNWARD TREND

- ACROSS**
- 1 Baldwin and Guinness
  - 6 Pines' cousins
  - 10 Google Play buy
  - 13 In recent times
  - 19 A ton of, in Tijuana
  - 20 All over
  - 21 Outstanding examples on display
  - 23 Hot and bubbling
  - 24 All over
  - 25 Adds a little dash to?
  - 26 Ballpoint topper
  - 28 Kind of tide
  - 30 Nighttime light from a clear sky
  - 31 Creole cooking pod
  - 32 Actor Flynn
  - 34 — standstill
  - 35 Writer Fleming
  - 36 Doll's call
  - 38 Bean curd
  - 40 Person with a mouth-related nervous habit
  - 44 In a crowd of
  - 45 Some breads and whiskeys
  - 46 Equine beast
  - 47 Blaze fighter's helmet
  - 51 Facilities for processing a paddy product
  - 53 Pep rally yells
  - 55 Big bay windows
  - 56 Cope (with)
  - 57 See 33-Down
  - 59 Env. directive
  - 61 Back of the neck
  - 62 Revolutionary Guevara
  - 64 Baking pans
  - 66 Tall conifer of California
  - 68 Revise copy
  - 69 — Cola
  - 71 This instant
  - 72 — Zedong
  - 73 Grand — wine
  - 74 Clamors
  - 75 Cyber-chuckles
  - 76 French painter Manet
  - 78 1996 running mate Jack
  - 80 Once named
  - 81 Rival of Hertz
  - 82 Long period
  - 83 Haiku, e.g.
  - 85 Gavel noise
  - 87 Low-status, as labor
  - 89 Treatment tablet
  - 91 Like fattening food
  - 95 Be the chairperson
  - 97 Plato's "I"
  - 98 Toward the mouth, to an anatomist
  - 99 Bungee, e.g.
  - 100 Large plant with fronds
  - 102 Hershey's toffee bar
  - 103 Long periods
  - 104 Turkey Day tuber
  - 107 — mo
  - 108 Slack-jawed
  - 110 Actress
  - 111 — ed (gym class)
  - 112 Strangely beautiful quality
  - 116 German for "genuine"
  - 117 Quick-to-build house
  - 120 Very strictly organized
  - 122 Rx orders
  - 124 World-weary
  - 125 Navy aerobic team
  - 126 A Great Lake
  - 127 Singer
  - 128 Sloping
  - 129 Decompose
  - 130 Oct. preceder
  - 131 Bob of folk
  - 22 "Suppose ..."
  - 27 Ancestry via the father's side
  - 29 Event at which people enter frigid water
  - 33 With 57-Across, singer with the 1994 #1 hit "Stay"
  - 36 Tarnish
  - 37 Pal, in Paris
  - 39 Olive of comics
  - 41 "Baloney!"
  - 42 Goof up
  - 43 Held in check
  - 48 Likely to run into adversity
  - 49 Of Swiss peaks
  - 50 African fly
  - 52 Wrestling pad
  - 54 Wall Street fluctuation
  - 58 Witty
  - 60 Lacerated
  - 62 Letter-shaped vise
  - 63 Vacuum cleaner brand
  - 65 Lymph —
  - 67 Dingbat
  - 70 Help
  - 77 Form a group
  - 79 Golf norm
  - 84 Planet's livable zone
  - 86 Overly modest type
  - 88 Smog soils it
  - 90 Actress — Flynn Boyle
  - 92 Philosopher — tzu
  - 93 Investment option, in brief
  - 94 Investment options, in brief
  - 96 Trapping morays, say
  - 101 Promote
  - 104 California's — Buena Island
  - 105 Skating leaps
  - 106 Media bigwig
  - 109 Peaks
  - 111 Formed into a ball
  - 113 "— yellow ribbon ..."
  - 114 Somali supermodel
  - 115 Prefix with drama
  - 118 Laos' home
  - 119 "It's — real!"
  - 121 June hrs.
  - 123 Stage design



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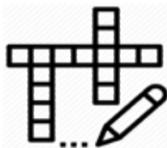
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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
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## MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

# Irish Brown Soda Bread



There are few sensory experiences more inviting than the smell of fresh baked bread filling your home. Though I was once terribly intimidated by bread making, through careful and delicious experimentation it became a satisfying addition to my kitchen repertoire. While pulling a fresh loaf from the oven is sure to impress special dinner guests, it can also be a wonderful way to elevate a middle-of-the-week meal for two. Recently, while researching recipes in preparation of our family Saint Patrick's Day feast, I was reminded of the approachable ease in making Irish soda breads. Because it is relatively quick to prepare, this richly flavored bread with a craggy texture and delightful crumb has become a fast favorite in our home.

### Ingredients:

- ½ cup wheat germ
- 1 ¾ cups unbleached all-purpose flour, plus more for dusting
- 1 ¼ cup whole-wheat flour
- ½ cup plain cake flour
- 3 tablespoons brown sugar
- 1 ½ teaspoons baking soda
- 1 ½ teaspoons cream of tartar
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, softened, plus 1 tablespoon butter melted
- 1 ½ buttermilk

### Directions:

Heat a heavy skillet over medium heat then add the wheat germ. Toast wheat germ until golden brown and fragrant, stirring with a wooden spoon and shaking the pan often. Be careful not to burn. Remove from the pan and cool on a plate. Set aside.

Adjust the rack in the oven to the upper-middle position and pre-heat the oven to 400 degrees.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the toasted wheat germ with the three flours, brown sugar, baking soda, cream of tartar, and salt. Use your fingertips or a fork to work the softened butter into the dry ingredients until the texture resembles a coarse crumble.

Next, add the buttermilk, stirring with a fork until the dough just begins to come together. Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured work surface and gently knead to form a bumpy texture, about 5 to 10 turns. Do not over knead the dough; it will not be smooth. Over mixed or kneaded dough will result in a tough bread.

Pat the dough into a round, 6 inches in diameter and 2 inches high. Place bread on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and score the loaf with a sharp knife, making a cross shape over the top.

Place pan in hot oven and bake until bread is evenly golden brown and cooked through, about 45 to 55 minutes. The loaf is done when a skewer inserted into the center comes out clean, or when a thermometer inserted reaches 190 degrees. When done, remove the bread from the oven, brush the top with the melted butter, and cool to room temperature on a wire rack about 30 minutes.

### Notes:

Pay close attention when measuring the dry ingredients for the dough as the ratios are very important to a perfect loaf. Because it is a key ingredient in the recipe, make sure that your baking soda is not too old or stale. The dough for this brown soda bread will be slightly sticky and wet compared to some white soda bread recipes being quite similar to scone dough.

This rustic soda bread, also called Wheaten Bread, is found across Ireland where it is served daily from breakfast to dinner. Serve it simply with a high quality salted butter and jam at breakfast or afternoon tea. It is also wonderful slathered in butter and served on the side of steaming bowls of soup or stew. Try it as part of an appetizer board with various cheeses and cured meats, or smoked salmon. For last week's festivities, I served this bread with scratch-made corned beef and a buttery batch of colcannon. Enjoy!

## LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

### Super Crossword

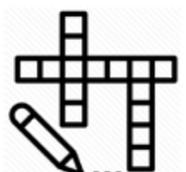
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## Community Calendar

### WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS

**Waitsburg City Council**  
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7 p.m. at City Hall.

**Planning Commission**  
Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom.

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



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

**Waitsburg Home and School Association**  
First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All welcome.

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

### DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

**Board of Columbia County Commissioners**  
Regular meetings - First and third Monday of the month @ 9 a.m. Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m. Call-in info at [www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners](http://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners)

**Dayton City Council**  
Second Tuesday of the month @ 6 p.m. Call-in information available at: <https://www.daytonwa.com/54-inside-city-hall/city-council>

**Dayton School Board**  
First and third Wednesday of the month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium



**DHS Alumni Meeting**  
Every Third Thursday @ 6:30 p.m. @ Dayton High School Library

**The Coalition for Youth and Families**  
Second Tuesday of the month @ noon @ The Port of Columbia - 1 Port Way, Dayton, Wash.

**Columbia County Public Hospital Dist. Board of Commissioners**  
Fourth Wednesday of the month @ 9 a.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

**Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
Third Monday of the month @ 7 p.m. Delany room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

**Columbia County Parks and Recreation Pool District**  
Regular Board Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month, 5 p.m. @ Columbia County Fire District Conference Room.

**Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting**  
Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delany Library with online Zoom available.



**PRESCOTT MEETINGS**  
**Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD)** Monthly meetings for 2026 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

## Lunches

### WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

504 Main Street  
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
**Tuesday, March 24**  
Roast Beef & Gravy  
Cookie  
MOW: Potatoes  
Vegetable,  
Fruit,  
Roll  
IN HOUSE: Salad Bar

### WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Thursday, March 19**  
Breakfast  
Pancake on a Stick  
Lunch  
Spaghetti w/ Choice of Meat Sauce  
House Salad  
Fruit Choice  
**Friday, March 20**  
Breakfast  
Eggs & Yogurt  
Lunch

Beef & Bean Burrito  
Bell Peppers  
Corn  
Fruit Choice

**Monday, March 23**  
Breakfast  
Breakfast Sandwich  
Lunch  
Sloppy Joes  
French Fries  
Broccoli  
Fruit Choice

**Tuesday, March 24**  
Breakfast  
Biscuits & Gravy

Lunch  
Hot Ham & Cheese  
Tomato Soup  
Green Beans  
Fruit Choice  
**Wednesday, March 25**  
Breakfast  
Muffin & Eggs  
Lunch  
Chicken Caesar Wrap  
Breadstick  
Carrots  
Fruit Choice



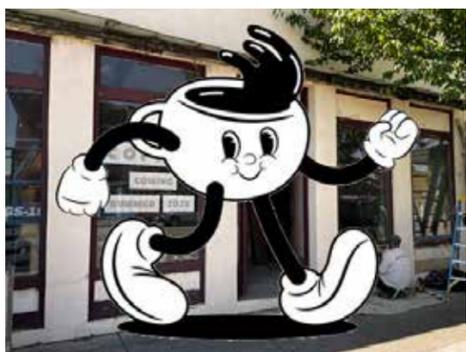
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## Events, Film, Performance, Live Music

### WAITSBURG

**ROYAL BLOCK**  
WAITSBURG

SAT 3/21 4-8pm  
TONGUE & GROOVE  
Street food specials and instrumental retro space cowboy blues  
4-7 p.m. Special Food  
6-8 p.m. Live Music: Jazzy blues grooves by the Michael Kelly Band  
222 Main Street Waitsburg



Mythical/Movable  
Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam  
at Wolfing Coffee,  
206 Main Street, Waitsburg  
Friday, February 20, at 7 p.m.



American Legion Auxiliary-Waitsburg Unit 35

### Veteran's Benefit BINGO

March 22, 2026 at Waitsburg Town Hall  
Doors open @ Noon  
Games start @ 1 p.m.

### DAYTON

HOTEL HARDWARE++  
**ART WALK & POP UP DINNER**  
You should come.  
MARCH 28  
SATURDAY  
4-7PM

### WALLA WALLA

FRIENDS OF THE DEVIL DUO @  
CAPITAL CALL VINTNERS  
MUSIC **Fridays** ON SECOND AVE  
March 20, 2026  
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Nick Bader and Paul Gregutt will be playing lots of new material, big fun for one and all.  
Capital Call Tasting Room  
11 N 2nd Ave Walla Walla

DRINK SPECIALS  
POURS & BOTTLES  
CAPITAL CALL VINTNERS  
11 N SECOND AVE

MUSIC  
**FRIDAYS**  
ON SECOND AVE

FRIENDS OF THE DEVIL  
FRI, MAR 20 5:30 - 7:30