



Beka Compton

The Town Hall Board of Directors dedicated the new kitchen to Sharon and Larry Clinton, coining the shiny new space the 'Clinton Kitchen.' Through generous donations and nearly an entire year's worth of hard work, an iconic, historic Main Street space has been modernized and made more accommodating for all. It can be done.

City Council sees large turnout for public hearing

The Council tabled action on the future of 212 Main and the Weller Public Library until the June meeting

By Beka Compton & Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The May 19 City Council meeting was scheduled to include a public hearing concerning the possible sale of 212 Main St, which houses the Weller Public Library. A much larger than usual crowd attended the Waitsburg City Council meeting. Over 40 people were there specifically to attend the public hearing. Many people were concerned that the proposal was about closing the library altogether. Comments supported the library, and many wanted to keep the library in the historic building on Main Street.

Mayor Marty Dunn opened the regular council meeting by reassuring those in attendance that no one in city government wants to close the library. He said they are trying to find a place for it that is better than the place it is in now.

Council Member Karen Gregutt said the library was the heart and soul of the city and everyone wanted to continue to embrace it.

The room was opened to public comments, not related to the library. Randy Charles asked when the limb debris facility would be reopened. Lisa Norris from the city crew said it is closed because the prison crew is busy with the pre-Memorial Day clean-up at the cemeteries and other areas. No time has been set to reopen the facility.

Terry Jacoy commented that city council meetings should be posted on the city hall door again. Dunn said the information is posted on the City's website. Jacoy responded that there are people who don't have access to the internet to check the website for meetings.

After the public comment period, the Council discussed City Hall access. Hinchliffe said the city had spent many years trying to find a way to rehab the building, and the last significant upgrade was opening the keystone windows on Preston Avenue. The building has fundamentally remained unchanged since the city took ownership from the First National Bank.

In 2018, the City completed a conceptual plan available on the City's website under the Government tab, under City Hall Renovation Project. In 2020, Waitsburg City Hall was included on the Washington State Heritage Capital Projects Ranked Projects list using the plan in the application. The City has a pending award of \$66,000 towards the \$234,000 estimate for the design and engineering phase cost. This leaves \$168,000 for the City to cover should the legislature fund the grant and the city council approves the project.

The biggest issue the city must address is the need to make the building compliant under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Blair Kok, Risk Manager at Clear Risk Solutions, the City's insurance carrier, joined the meeting via phone to discuss changes he identified in an ADA assessment he completed for the city last year. The report is available on the City's website at the bottom of the government tab.

Booker residents, staff test positive for COVID-19

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Columbia County Health System officials announced on Thursday, May 20, that two residents at the Booker Rest Home had tested positive for COVID-19. One resident was vaccinated against the virus and was asymptomatic. The other resident was not vaccinated and was stable at the time of the release.

"Between March 2020 and March 2021, all visitation at Booker Rest Home was suspended to protect residents from COVID-19. The sacrifices made by our residents, staff, their friends, and families during the year of lockdown, were without question, stressful. Yet, during this time, not a single resident contracted COVID-19" said CCHS officials.

"Booker Rest Home is one of only three nursing homes in the Pacific Northwest to remain COVID-free throughout the first year and the only one to have zero staff turnover. This remarkable feat is a testament to their extraordinary level of care and commitment and would not have been possible without the never-ending support of our community. We could not be more proud of this team of individuals."

Additionally, three staff members have tested positive, all with mild to no symptoms, and are self-isolating at home. The remaining residents and staff tested negative at the time of this writing. Due to patient privacy, no further information is available at this time.

"The team at Booker Rest Home, its residents, and Columbia County Health System cannot thank you enough for all your support. We ask that you continue to take every precaution, even though you may be vaccinated," officials said in a statement.

All visitation at Booker Rest Home is temporarily suspended for the next 28 days while health system officials conduct rigorous COVID-19 testing of residents and staff per DOH guidance.

Waitsburg School District has staff, student test positive

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—On May 25, the Waitsburg School District announced that an elementary student and an elementary staff member tested positive for COVID-19. Due to the positive cases and the resulting close contacts, all second-grade students must quarantine for ten days.

The school has contacted all parents and guardians of students who were in contact with the positive staff member and is working closely with the Walla Walla County Health Department to determine any additional close contacts. If any close contacts are discovered, affected individuals will be contacted by the health department for further instructions.

Families may reduce the required 10-day quarantine to seven days if they are tested for COVID-19 and receive a negative result.

The school asks that families remain vigilant and adhere to all health and safety precautions, including staying home when feeling ill. If there are any questions, please contact the school district at (509) 337-6301.

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

AT THE LIBERTY:

Cruella

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Cruella (played by Academy Award winner Emma Stone), set in 1970s London amidst the punk rock revolution, follows a young grifter named Estella, a clever and creative girl determined to make a name for herself with her designs. She befriends a pair of young thieves who appreciate her appetite for mischief, and together they can build a life for themselves on the London streets.

One day, Estella's flair for fashion catches the eye of Baroness von Hellman (played by two-time academy award winner Emma Thompson), a fashion legend who is devastatingly chic and terrifyingly haute. But their relationship sets in motion a course of events and revelations that will cause Estella to embrace her wicked side and become the raucous, fashionable, and revenge-bent Cruella.

This new Disney Studios live-action film will be released on May 28 and will run for two weeks at the Liberty Theater (May 28-June 8). It is rated PG-13 for some violence and thematic elements, and it has a runtime of 134 minutes (2 hrs 14 minutes).

Movie screenings are on Fri. & Sat. at 7:30 pm, Sunday at 3:00 pm, and Tuesday at 6:30 pm (not 7:30).

We wish to clarify that masks are still required in the Liberty Theater, except when guests are eating or drinking while in their seats. This requirement remains, even though we have substantially improved ventilation and operate two air purifiers during movies, because the CDC considers theaters high-risk indoor venues for those not vaccinated.

Please help us provide a relatively safe environment for all by complying with this mask requirement for a while longer. We appreciate your assistance and support.



CANDIDATES HAVE FILED FOR 2021 ELECTIONS

THE TIMES

WALLAWALLA COUNTY—The Walla Walla County Elections Filing Week closed May 21. Candidates filing for positions within the City of Waitsburg filed through the County for the first time, after council members voted to move away from a city-ran election system in 2020.

The vote to move away from the city-ran election sets the city up to have all future elections run by the State of Washington, in accordance with RCW 35.30.080. After this year, city elections will be run like all other cities in the state.

Unlike city-ran elections in the past, candidates now have to file for specific positions. Any position that has three or more candidates will appear in the Primary Election and the top two will advance to the General. If two or less candidates file for a position, it will skip the Primary and go straight to the General.

In years past, City Council candidates were determined in a sweeping race, with all council members running against each other for a position. Current election format has candidates running against each other for specific seats.

The Mayor position will be a four-year term while the Council Position terms will be determined by the election results. Two candidates filed for Mayor of Waitsburg this year. The top three candidates in the General Election will serve four-year terms and the other two positions will serve two-year terms, after which they will go on the four-year cycle.

A complete list for Waitsburg City Council, Mayor, Park and Recreation District, Waitsburg School Board, and Fire Protection District, as well as Prescott School District, Park and Recreation, and all Columbia County, City of Dayton, and Dayton School Board candidates and the position the filed for can be found below. For complete Walla Walla County Elections information, visit <https://tinyurl.com/592bnpat>

To view the complete candidate list for all Washington counties, visit <https://tinyurl.com/pmp4r63n>

CITY OF WAITSBURG CANDIDATES

Mayor:
Incumbent Marty Dunn
Kate Hockersmith

City Council:
Position 1:
Incumbent Kevin House

Position 2:
Incumbent Jim Romine

Position 3:
Randy Charles

Position 4:
Incumbent Karen Stanton-Gregutt
Court Ruppenthal

Position 5:
Rebecca Wilson
Jillian Henze

Waitsburg School Board Candidates

District 1:
Sarah Boudrieau

District 3:
Stephanie Cole
Ann Miller

District 4:
Lisa Morrow

Fire Protection District 2
Commissioner Position 2:
Jake Long

Commissioner Position 3:
Ashley Strickland

Park and Recreation District
Commissioner Subdivision 3:
Leroy Cunningham

Commissioner Subdivision 5:
Bart Baxter

Commissioner Subdivision 1:
Beth Daves

COLUMBIA COUNTY, CITY OF DAYTON CANDIDATES

City of Dayton
Council Member 1:
Laura Aukerman
Boe Stevenson

Council Member 3:
Cindi John
Teeny McMunn

Council Member 5:
Marchand Hovrud

Council Member 7:
Fred Crowe
Tyler Dieu

Columbia County Fire District 1
Commissioner 2:
Richard Rubenser

Columbia County Fire District 2
Commissioner 2:
Brooke Mikesell

Columbia County Fire District 3
Commissioner 1:
Mike Spring

Port of Columbia
Commissioner 3:
Johnny Watts

Jack Miller
Sean C. Milligan

Public Hospital District
Commissioner 3:
Jim D. Kime

Commissioner 4:
Barbara J. Miller

Dayton School Board

Director 3:
Grant Griffen

Director 4:
Aneasha Dieu
Anna J. Berg

Director 1:
David D. Bailey
Korinda Wallace

Director 5:
Jeff McCowen

PRESCOTT CANDIDATES

Fire Protection District 1
Commissioner 3
Preston W. Brock

Prescott Joint Park and Recreation District
Commissioner Subdivision 5
Carol Hartwig

Prescott School District:

School Director District 1
Audrey Osborn
Susan Deruwe

School Director 5
Jacob J. Stueckle

Walla Walla County:

Port of Walla Walla
Port Commissioner District 3
Ronald W. Dunning

Touchet Valley Weather

May 26, 2021

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly Sunny	Few Showers	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy
High: 75 Low: 54	High: 70 Low: 48	High: 69 Low: 44	High: 76 Low: 47	High: 84 Low: 53	High: 90 Low: 60	High: 92 Low: 61

Weather Trivia

On which side of a mountain range does all rain fall?

Answer: Windward

Weather History

May 26, 1917 - A tornado touched down near Louisiana, Mo. about noon and remained on the ground for a distance of 293 miles, finally lifting seven hours and 20 minutes later in eastern Jennings County, Ind. The twister cut a path of destruction two and a half miles wide.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	64	49	71/49	0.00"	0.18"
Wednesday	62	45	71/49	Trace	Normal precipitation 0.48"
Thursday	61	45	72/49	0.01"	Departure from normal -0.30"
Friday	64	43	72/50	0.00"	Average temperature 55.6°
Saturday	61	43	72/50	0.12"	Average normal temperature 60.7°
Sunday	72	45	72/50	0.02"	Departure from normal -5.1°
Monday	72	52	73/50	0.03"	Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
Full 5/26	5:09 a.m.	8:31 p.m.	9:20 p.m.	5:18 a.m.
Wednesday	5:08 a.m.	8:32 p.m.	10:37 p.m.	6:03 a.m.
Thursday	5:07 a.m.	8:33 p.m.	11:41 p.m.	6:58 a.m.
Friday	5:07 a.m.	8:34 p.m.	Prev Day	8:05 a.m.
Saturday	5:06 a.m.	8:35 p.m.	12:31 a.m.	9:18 a.m.
Sunday	5:05 a.m.	8:36 p.m.	1:10 a.m.	10:32 a.m.
Monday	5:05 a.m.	8:37 p.m.	1:40 a.m.	11:44 a.m.
Tuesday				

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Kok gave three of the issues that would need to be addressed for ADA compliance. First was the access into the building, which is not at ground level. The only location for a ramp would be the Preston Avenue side of the building. However, the sidewalk is not wide enough to accommodate pedestrians and the ramp. Second, all the interior doors would have to be replaced as they are not wide enough to accommodate wheelchair traffic. Third, an ADA bathroom is needed in all public accessed spaces.

Mayor Dunn asked if the city needs to make the ADA changes since it is a historic building and had never been ADA compliant. Since the city offers alternative services for those who cannot access the building, including a drop-box and sidewalk service, would the city be ok?

Kok said, "Sometimes it is ok and sometimes not. You should be able to allow everyone to come inside. The city must offer equal accessibility."

Councilmember Gregutt asked if posting signage saying the building is historical and the city is working on changes for accessibility would help protect the city?

Kok said that payment signage and a doorbell would be a smart thing to do.

A comment was made from the audience that signage could also point out a problem where none has existed before.

An attendee asked Kok why the City Hall needs an ADA bathroom, is it for the public or employees?

Kok said, "All public facilities should have one available if it is open to the public."

Councilmember Jim Romine asked, "Why does City Hall need one (ADA restroom) but not the grocery or bank or other buildings?"

"Grocery stores have ADA public bathrooms," said Kok.

In a moment of unexpected unity, the room said, "Noooo, we don't."

The crowd went on to say that the grocery and other public buildings in town do not have bathrooms open to the public. Ten Ton Coffee does have an ADA public restroom. Kok noted that buildings that are open to the public and don't have ADA bathrooms are in violation of the code.

Mayor Dunn said that since the city has a dropbox, online services, and staff

available to come out of the office, City Hall could remain closed to the public to avoid potential issues.

The Council decided to continue to keep City Hall closed, as it has been under COVID-19 restrictions.

The Council moved on to the Public Hearing regarding the potential surplus of 212 Main Street, which houses the Weller Public Library. Hinchliffe said that he has had multiple parties have expressed interest in the building, understanding the structure will require extensive repairs to the upper floor and repairs to the main level.

There was a recent appraisal done on the property, which is available on the City's website. The appraised value was estimated at \$140,000.

The city also had a conceptual plan that offers three options starting at \$180,000 for minimal improvements to a complete update and redesign of the building and library for an estimated \$1,400,000.

Hinchliffe clarified that the City is not looking to stop providing library services: If 212 Main were to sell, the City would find a more accessible space to house the library.

Many in attendance said this felt like the cart before the horse.

One person shared that she had seen no problems with library access or crowding, asking why the Friends of the Library could not be involved with fundraising for building updates and maintenance.

The Friends of the Library purchases books and materials for the library, but the City of Waitsburg owns the building, pays the librarian's salary and is responsible for the building's utilities and maintenance costs.

Lisa Winnett from The Friends of the Library asked anyone interested to help support the library to contact her.

Multiple speakers spoke of their experiences at the library and their desire to keep the library in the historic space. Some were concerned that the city was losing its history.

"It feels like we are going in the wrong direction," one speaker said.

One commenter criticized newer residents who have bought buildings on Main Street and were causing Waitsburg's history to be lost.

Councilmember Jim Romine said that the town's limited budget makes major repairs to two city buildings very difficult, and the City must consider what is the most financially sound option while still offering the same ser-

vices. Romine commented that it did not make sense to put \$500,000 into a building valued at only \$140,000 to end up with a property worth \$400,000. He said we can buy another building and move and set up shop for much less.

Romine said that with a city budget of \$2,000,000, there is no money available to remodel City Hall and 202 Main. "We are trying to do what is financially sound for the city and still provide the services."

Romine said the city was looking at a building to house both City Hall and the library.

Jillian Henze said, "I hear you don't want to close it (the library), but we need a safety net and a plan." She said she knew it has been hard on the Council and Mayor, and staff and was glad for the opportunity to be heard.

"I feel the energy in the room, and I think it is time to think critically for the library and the building and the program. It should be a win/win for town and kids." She said, "Let's use the opportunity to make it better."

Henze's comment elicited applause from the audience.

Bringing comments to an end, Gregutt spoke about the charm of the city. She stressed the importance of saving the city's historic buildings for our children and grandchildren. She said owners of the buildings on Main street have invested in the buildings, making sure they will be there in the future.

"Nobody wants this beautiful treasure in the center of our town, with that lovely, dedicated piece of art, to go anywhere except to be there for the next 200 years for your great-grand-children and your great-grand-children," she said.

This is just an examination of the issue Gregutt said. "We are dedicated. We are just starting the process."

She expressed her wish to see the library open every day, computers available, reading and kids' programs expanded, and a quiet place for kids to do their homework.

Members of the audience later expressed concern that this was not just the start of the project, but may be farther along than stated by the City Council or the City Administrator. One participant noted that the public hearing may have just been the City doing the necessary step needed to legally sell the building without further input from citizens. "Checking the box."

The City Council voted to table any decisions regarding the surplussing of

212 Main Street until more information could be gathered and presented. They will discuss and possibly vote on the matter at the June meeting.

The Council approved Resolution 2021-723: Authorizing Tour of Walla Walla to conduct a bike race through the City of Waitsburg on June 4-6.

The Council approved Resolution 2021-724: Entering into an interlocal agreement with Walla Walla County, City of Walla Walla, City of College Place, and the City of Prescott related to an update of the coordinated solid waste management program. The interlocal agreement is available to view on the City's website, www.cityofwaitsburg.com

At the April meeting, the Council voted not to open the pool for a second summer due to COVID-19, staffing concerns, and structural concerns.

Hinchliffe introduced a plan for a splash pad, which would be installed at Preston Park, as a way to provide local kids a place to play and cool off during the summer. Splash pads have gained popularity at parks in recent years.

Hinchliffe said that the splash pad would not require a lifeguard, no need for additional water treatment and a much longer season than the pool can offer with current resources. Hinchliffe presented a sample plan for a pad to be installed in Spokane, which would cost roughly \$70,000. He did not think it would cost that much in this area. The plans are available to view on the website.

Community members at the meeting showed support for a splash pad, and the Council voted to move forward with the planning process and send the plans to bid. The Council will be able to approve or deny any future bids.

Because the City will not be opening the pool this summer, the Council passed Resolution 2021-725, allowing a 50% reimbursement for pool passes to the Walla Walla Memorial and Prescott pools. Families who wish to be reimbursed must provide a receipt.

The Council appointed Jillian Henze and Twila Johnson-Tate to the Planning Commission.

The Council awarded the Wellfield Backup Generator project to Dayton Electric. The project will begin the installation process for a backup propane generator that would provide water in the event of power failure from a disaster, like a fire.

Community Calendar

Waitsburg Monthly Meetings

Waitsburg City Council:
Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.
Call-in information available at www.cityofwaitsburg.com/government-1

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

Waitsburg Gun Club:
Monday May 24 - General Membership / Board Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.

Walla Walla County Commissioners
Every Monday and Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m.
Call-in information is available at https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/2020_agendas.php

Dayton & Columbia County Meetings Board of Columbia County Commissioners
First and second Monday of each month at 9 a.m.
Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

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

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

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners
Fourth Wednesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. Call (509) 382-2531 for information.

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Every month on the Third Monday at 7:00 PM
Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Special Meeting via Zoom
Tuesday, June 1, 2021, starting at 7:00 pm
Zoom link and information available on the library website at daytonml.org

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

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

DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH

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

Thursday, May 27
Pork chops & gravy
Roasted red potatoes
Green beans
Broccoli salad
Roll
Pies
Milk

Tuesday, June 1
Stew
Biscuit
Caesar salad
Cookie
Apple juice
Milk

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, June 1
Tues., June 1
Lasagna
Vegetable (chef's choice)
Coleslaw
Garlic bread
Fruit

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 27

Thurs., May 27
B: Breakfast sandwich
L: Cook's choice

Friday, May 28

B: Waffle
L: Turkey Bacon Ranch wraps
California blend veggies
Watermelon

Monday, May 31

Memorial Day

Tuesday, June 1

B: Biscuit & gravy
L: Baked potato bar

Wed., June 2

B: Longjohn
L: Pork chop
Mashed potatoes
Gravy
Apples



Church Directory

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

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

Waitsburg Christian Church
604 Main St
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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Each Sunday
337-8898
Rev. Matthew Wyatt



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NEWS & COMMENTARY

LETTERS

IN SUPPORT OF JILLIAN HENZE CANDIDACY

Dear Editor,
My oldest daughter, Alyssa, loves being at Weller Public Library. As her mom, I love that she loves it! What better way to foster a passion for reading and learning than to place her in such an environment at an early age?! Also, it has been a wonderful way for her to be introduced to other adults and children outside of our family. She's learned how to share, practice her manners, and has learned how to be respectful of others (adults and children alike).

On a few different occasions, I have taken Alyssa to the library to spend one-on-one time with her. Being at the library would keep everyday life distractions away and allow for us to have quality time together. Even more so than myself, due to being a working mom, my mother would take Alyssa to Ms. Rosie's Story Time on Mondays. It's incredible having a place right here in town that can help foster valuable relationships.

Lillian, my youngest daughter, hasn't even been to the library yet due to the pandemic. She was born in October 2019. Now that she is a toddler, it saddens me that she hasn't been able to experience or learn the same things her sister Alyssa has. With the potential sale of the library building, she may not ever be able to. The pandemic has been hard on families. Seeing the library building sold before coming up with a solid plan for continuing services would be heartbreaking for our town and our children.

Jillian Henze spoke up for our children and for our library at the city's public hearing on May 19. Jillian's points were solid. She urged the city to come up with a solution for the library building that is a win for the city and a win for our children. This is why I'm supporting Jillian for Waitsburg City Council Position 5. She has energy. She wants to bring neighbors together to solve problems like this. Having Jillian on the council would give moms of Waitsburg, and their families, a voice. A voice that has not been heard at the forefront for quite some time. As you consider the future of our "one-of-a-kind" Waitsburg and Weller Public Library, please keep Jillian's name in mind at General Election time.

Thank you,
Stephanie Cole
Waitsburg

BIRTHDAYS

May 27: Betty Maxwell, Sherrie Erikson, Michelle Anderson, Floyd Strohmaier, Mathew Conrath, Allen Robertson and Laisha Archer.

May 28: Roy Phillips, Mike Snyder, Jo Wolfe, James Wright, Andrea Miller and Jessie Duckworth.

May 29: David Moser, Geraine Hansen, Harry Seaton, Randall Johnson, Betty Wood, James Angell, Andrea Estes, Cody Nordheim and Nick Stroobants. Enzo Harri.

May 30: Preston Hinchliffe, Melissa Huwe and Amy Thomas.

May 31: Kathleen Smith, Valerie Coe.

June 1: Sean Baker, Virginia Beckel, Gary Peters, Jimmy Fisher and Jon Bickelhaupt.

June 2: Jared Farley, Mitch Adams, Matthew Leid, Jerri Lambert, Becki Maki, Dallas Uthe, Shannon Mock, Cathy Eastwood, Angela DeLong, Amber Mellish, Jillian Henze.

Happy Birthday

NEWS BRIEFS

STATE PARKS, RECREATION LAND MANAGERS DESIGNATE JUNETEENTH A FREE DAY

Designation means four free days in June

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission announces Juneteenth will now be a Discover Pass free day.

In addition to this new free day, June also has three established free days:

Saturday, June 5, in recognition of National Trails Day.

Saturday, June 12, in honor of National Get Outdoors Day.

Sunday, June 13, for Free Fishing Weekend. (WDFW has designated both June 12 and 13 as Free Fishing Weekend.)

June 19 honors one of the most important days in Black American history. On Juneteenth, 1865, the Emancipation Proclamation was read to the enslaved people of Texas. This was the last state to have the proclamation read aloud. Though President Abraham Lincoln signed the proclamation Jan. 1, 1863, slavery continued in Texas for two and a half years.

Two years ago, Gov. Jay Inslee recognized Juneteenth in a proclamation statewide. In April, the Washington Legislature passed a bill making Juneteenth a paid state holiday for state workers beginning in 2022.

On Saturday, June 19, visitors will not need to display a Discover Pass for day-use parking at Washington state parks and on recreation lands managed by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW).

The new designation reflects a commitment

WWCSO

May 17

Female assaulted another, 45 Terminal Loop Walla Walla County

Burglary 469 Electric Avenue Walla Walla County

May 22

Female was arrested for possession of a stolen motor vehicle, On Ramp/Ice Harbor Drive Burbank

May 23

Malicious-Criminal Mischief Lake Rd/Valley Dr. Burbank

CCSO

May 17

Assault reported at Dayton Fish Pond. 2nd Street

Trespass reported. 3rd Street

Disturbance reported. Touchet Street

May 18

Abandoned vehicle. 5th Street

Paper service. Washington Street

Citizen contact. Main

May 19

Welfare check. HWY 12

Disturbance reported at Knoblock Apartments. 5th Street

Civil problem. Front Street

May 20

Accident- hit and run. Main Street

Theft, motor vehicle. 3rd Street

Welfare check. HWY 12

among state lands agencies to promote diversity, equity and inclusion as core values.

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On days that are not free, visitors must have a Discover Pass to park on WDFW and DNR lands.

The remaining 2021 Discover Pass free days are:

Wednesday, Aug. 25 — National Park Service Birthday

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Thursday, Nov. 11 — Veterans Day

Friday, Nov. 26 — Autumn Day

For information about the Discover Pass, visit www.DiscoverPass.wa.gov.



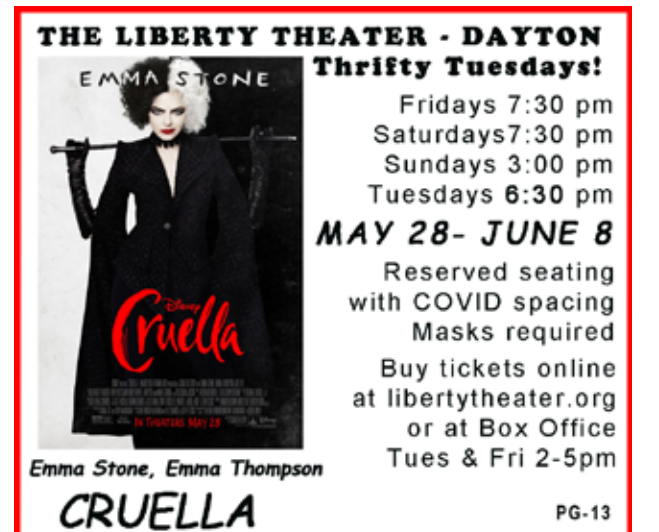
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Waitsburg School Board monthly meeting

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Waitsburg School Board met on May 20 for a regularly scheduled meeting. The board now meets in person at the elementary library but will continue to offer Zoom access.

Secondary principal Stephanie Wooderchak shared that the 2021-22 ASB Student Officers had been elected. The new officers are President Brayden Mohny, Vice-President Monte Pettichord, Secretary Chloe Gleason, and Treasurer Makena Barron.

Letters have been sent home to parents regarding multiple year-end activities, ranging from the 8th Grade Promotion to summer-learning opportunities.

DW Athletic Director Sam Korslund gave a quick recap of the softball and baseball seasons and provided a brief update on the basketball season. Four spectators per athlete will be allowed for the basketball season at-home games. The allowance will vary for away games. He said that there had been no issues with spectators not wearing masks or adhering to guidelines.

He said that he is working closely with the school's IT department to correct live streaming issues, and he recently created a DW Athletics YouTube channel that should be running soon. Korslund said the YouTube channel allows Smart TV owners to stream the game directly on their TV, while controlling comments and chat features. He said they did have some issues with negative comments on Facebook live streams.

Korslund said that the Wolfpack Team Store is open for anyone who would like any DW apparel or gear. Flyers are available in the high school, and the links are available on social media. The new website, DWSports.org, is currently being built, and it will provide all schedules and other sports information. Korslund did not have a date on which the website will go live.

The current AD is working on a DW Code of Conduct and Coach's Handbook

that he hopes will be ready to go before the start of fall sports. Korslund said he would be submitting the books for review to both schools in June.

The school board heard presentations from three Fifth Grade students as part of a public speaking and presentation project that the class has been working on for roughly six weeks. Fifth-grade teacher Tracy Barron said they would have a Family Night on May 26 for all of the students to share their presentations.

During the Elementary Principal's report, Superintendent Mark Pickel shared that repairs are still ongoing at the baseball fields.

Pickel provided a copy of the Academic and Student Wellbeing Recovery Plan, seeking approval from the board so he could submit the plan to the state. He said that the deadline for the submission is June 1. The board later approved the plan during the business portion of the meeting.

The Washington State Fall Testing guidance was discussed. The state had applied for a waiver for spring 2021 assessments, but the request was denied. All spring testing will happen in the fall and will be based on the previous year. Fall 2021 fifth-graders will take the fourth-grade assessment, fourth-graders will take the third-grade assessment. The end of October is being considered for the testing week. Pickel said there might be some changes.

Pickel quickly reviewed the vaccination clinic held on May 19, where 11 community members received the Pfizer vaccine first dose, and one person received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

The board approved Resolution 052021A: WIAA Membership renewal. Pickel said this was an annual renewal, keeping the school's athletics with the Washington Interscholastic Athletics Association league.

The school is moving forward with the high school reroofing project. The project was awarded to SQI Commercial Roofing, based out of Mukilteo, WA, for an approximate cost of \$296,000. The work is set to begin on June 9.

The board voted to move the June meeting to the 22nd, at 6:00 p.m.

Sara J. Wilson

February 10, 1939 – April 19, 2021

Celebration of Life for Sara Wilson will be held on Saturday, May 29, 2021. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. at the Waitsburg City Cemetery. Reception will be at the Waitsburg Town Hall at 11 a.m. All are welcome.



MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM RETURNS AT WAITSBURG CITY CEMETERY

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Lifeguards Needed at The Prescott Pool

Part-time job for any level of experience with a lifeguard certification. We are looking to fill some leadership positions as well as entry level guard spots. If you are interested in teaching swim lessons as well this is the spot for you! Contact Aquatic Director, Kyra Hartley @khartley.pjpr@gmail.com or call (509)849-2314.

Fun opportunity to join a motivated team of library professionals providing excellent service to the community.

The Columbia County Rural Library District is seeking a flexible, reliable, and organized individual for the position of Library Assistant I. Position is full-time (38-40 hours/week) at the Dayton Memorial Library. Looking for a highly motivated candidate with friendly customer service skills, attention to detail, strong communication skills, computer skills, and a passion for reading. Library Assistants provided great customer service, handle circulation/financial transactions, communicate policies, resolve account issues in a positive manner, answer general questions, troubleshoot equipment, and assist in flow of library materials. **Minimum Qualifications:** High school diploma or GED. Minimum 6 months customer service experience. Familiarity with Microsoft Windows/Office, internet skills (email, database/web searches). English communication skills. Current driver's license and reliable transportation. **Preferred Qualifications:** Previous library experience. Experience with Koha ILS. Familiarity with website design/maintenance. Social media savvy. Comfort working with all age groups. Minimum one year office experience. Full job description available at daytonml.org. Starting pay is \$15/hour. Includes generous health/dental/vision benefits. Contact Todd Vandenberg, director@daytonml.org or 509-382-3169.

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The City of Waitsburg, and 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. High school diploma or equivalent. **Position closes at 4 pm on Friday, May 28, 2021.** Depending on availability, anticipated starting date is Wednesday June 16, 2021. Applications are available M-F 8 am – 4 pm at Waitsburg City Hall, 147 Main Street, Waitsburg Washington or on the City's website www.cityofwaitburg.com.

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NEWS BRIEFS

TVTV SERVICES INTERRUPTED, CUSTOMERS UNABLE TO REACH OWNER

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Touchet Valley Television customers were surprised last week when their internet services quit working.

Complaints and questions have begun to pop up more frequently on community social media platforms since the beginning of the year, including All Things Dayton, WA Facebook page, as customers try to figure out the next steps with their internet provider. Customers have been unable to reach TVTV owner David Klingenstein, with many people reporting that a “growing pile of mail and bills” can be found at the company’s office, 107 S 1st Street, Dayton.

Some customers have decided to switch providers, while others have decided to wait just a bit longer before cancelling their service. It is unclear if or when TVTV service will be restored.

DAYTON SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCES COMMUNITY FORUM TO DISCUSS AREAS OF NEED

THE TIMES

DAYTON—Dayton School District Superintendent Guy Strot said that a reporter inquired about some parent concerns expressed at a recent school board meeting, and he sent them the following statement regarding parental concerns.

“I am aware of the issues presented by the parents. On discipline, we added some procedures for discipline at the elementary 3 weeks ago and at the middle school this week. Within the next few weeks, parents will see some additions and changes starting with the new school year that will address these concerns. I will be hosting a series of parent and community get-togethers this summer. I am always available to talk with anyone. This can be during the school day, in the evening, or over the weekend. I would encourage anyone to call the district office, email me at guy@daytonsd.org or call/text me at 509-530-9373 with any comments, concerns, issues, or questions.”



Superintendent Guy Strot

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 21-4-00102-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: DENNIS L. SANTO, 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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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA No. 21 4 00101 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In Re the Estate of CHESTER K. HANSEN, 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 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.

Personal Representative: ANNABELLE L. HANSEN
Date of First Publication: May 13, 2021

/s/ ANNABELLE L. HANSEN

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SUPERIOR COURT, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

No. 21-4-00055-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(RCW 11.40.030) In re the Estate of: PAMELA ROSE BATTERSHELL, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as administrator and 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 probate and nonprobate assets of the decedent.

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Walla Walla Superior Court

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Walla Walla, WA 99362
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Cause No. 21-4-00055-36
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several forums the district are available at no charge by contacting the Architect: John McLean, Blue Room Architecture & Design, PS, (john@brdstudio.com).

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA

No. 21-20021536 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION ROBERT S. WEISS and PATRICIA L. WEISS, Husband and Wife, and PAUL L. BUTLER, as Trustee of the Paul L. Butler Family Trust, Plaintiffs,

vs. FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, OF WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON, a dissolved nonprofit corporation, DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS, unknown persons, Defendants.

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO DORIS C. COLLINS, and the HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF DORIS C. COLLINS:

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this Summons, to wit, within sixty (60) days after the 10th day of May, 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court and answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the Plaintiff, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the Complaint in this action, which has been filed with the Clerk of said court. The object of this action is to quiet title for real property.

DATED this 17th day of May 2021
Minnick - Hayner, P.S.
By: /s/ James K. Hayner,
WSBA #6398 of Attorneys for Plaintiffs
The Times
May 20, 27, June 3, 10, 17, 24, 2021
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NOTICE OF INVITATION TO BID: In accordance with RCW 70.44.140, Columbia County Healthcare District, is soliciting sealed proposals for electrical upgrades associated with generator replacement (owner-provided generator by others). Bids are to be sealed and filed with the District on or before 10:00AM Thursday, June 3 at CCHD Administrative Offices, c/o Jorie Freeman, 1012 S 3rd St, Dayton, WA 99328 at which time they will be opened and publicly read aloud. Each bid shall be accompanied by bid proposal security in the form of a certified check, cashier’s check, postal money order, or surety bond made payable to the order of the District, for a sum not less than five percent of the amount of the bid, and no bid shall be considered unless accompanied by such bid proposal security. The bid is inclusive of all applicable state-mandated terms and conditions for such work including prevailing wage requirements. The District reserves the right to reject

any and all bids in the best interest of the District. Contact Columbia County District Administration Department, jorie.freeman@cchd-wa.org or call (509) 382-8431. Complete bid documents

are available at no charge by contacting the Architect: John McLean, Blue Room Architecture & Design, PS, (john@brdstudio.com).

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 21-4-00116-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: JAMES WILLIAM BROWER, 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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ORDINANCE SUMMARY BY TITLE ONLY FOR PUBLICATION PURPOSES

ORDINANCE NO. 1981 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DAYTON, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO TAXATION OF UTILITY PROVIDERS; REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY CHAPTER 3.3 OF THE DAYTON MUNICIPAL CODE (“DMC”); ENACTING NEW CHAPTER 2-34 OF THE DAYTON MUNICIPAL CODE, RE-ESTABLISHING A SIX PERCENT (6.0%) UTILITY TAX ON THE GROSS RECEIPTS OF

THOSE ENGAGED IN THE TELEPHONE BUSINESS, THE TELEGRAPH BUSINESS, THE DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS, THE LIGHT OR POWER BUSINESS, THE SALE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONE SERVICE, AND CABLE TV SERVICE; ESTABLISHING A TWELVE PERCENT (12%) UTILITY TAX ON THE GROSS INCOME OF THOSE ENGAGED IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF WATER AND WASTEWATER OPERATIONS; ESTABLISHING STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTION OF THE SAME; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO TIMELY PAY THE UTILITY TAX; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; FIXING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR SUMMARY PUBLICATION BY ORDINANCE TITLE ONLY.

The full text of the Ordinance No. 1981, adopted the 19TH day of May 2021, is available for examination at the Dayton City Hall, 111 South 1st Street, Dayton, WA during normal business hours, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday – Friday.

By: /s/ Zac Weatherford, Mayor

Attest: /s/ Trina Cole, City Administrator

Approved as to from: /s/ Quinn Plant, City Attorney
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May 27, 2021
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA NO: 21-4-00118-36 PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

RCW 11.40.030 In re the Estate of: MARY J. FENNO, 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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Notice of Public Meeting

The Walla Walla Symphony will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, June 1, 2021. As in the past, the public is invited to attend. However, unlike in the past, we will not be able to meet in person because of the COVID-19 pandemic. We value your health and safety as well as your participation. So that you can attend safely, we will hold this public meeting via Zoom. If you wish to attend, please contact Leah Wilson-Velasco at leah@wvsymphony.org for the Zoom link.

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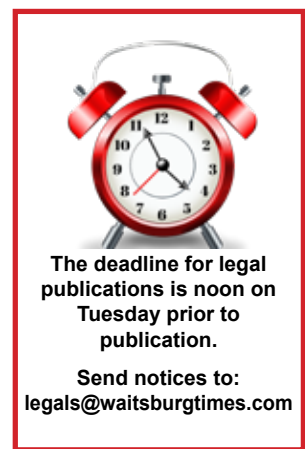
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – INTENT TO ADOPT MULTI-FAMILY TAX EXEMPTION POLICY & DESIGNATE A RESIDENTIAL TARGET AREA

The City of Dayton hereby gives notice that a public hearing has been scheduled by the City Council to take testimony for or against the establishment of the proposed multi-family tax exemption (MFTE) policy and the designation of the “Rock Hill Residential Target Area”. The intent of the MFTE policy is to further stimulate and incentivize the development of multi-family residential units within the proposed target area. The “Rock Hill Residential Target Area” includes properties zoned as urban residential and fringe commercial and is bound by West Commercial Street, West Cameron Street, and South Cottonwood Street.

Public Hearing: The public hearing has been scheduled for June 9, 2021 at 6:00 pm or shortly thereafter. The public hearing will be accessible via Zoom. Participants may visit www.daytonwa.com to locate a direct link to the meeting and for more information on how to attend the public hearing.

Applicable materials may be reviewed at Dayton City Hall between the hours of 7:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday – Friday.
Phone – (509) 283-2361
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Photos by Beka Compton

Town Hall renters will now enjoy a high-end commercial kitchen, complete with a high-speed dishwasher, a flat top griddle, and custom cabinets.

Town Hall debuts new kitchen

The new and improved kitchen was made possible by generous donations from local supporters

The new kitchen is available to rent for events. To inquire, call (509) 540-2495, or send an email to waitsburgth@gmail.com.

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Clinton Kitchen made its grand debut on Friday, May 21, at the Waitsburg Town Hall, during one of the first public events in over a year.

The open house event drew consistent crowds over its two-hour span, as community members popped in to check out the highly anticipated commercial kitchen remodel. What was once a poorly lit, hard-to-use space has been transformed into a high-quality, highly functional space available to the community.

Kitchen updates included new, custom cabinetry built by Brian Seagraves and an extended counter around the front of the kitchen. The heavy pocket door, which separated the kitchen from the gathering hall, has been replaced with folding doors, removing a safety hazard and creating a more accessible space.

The back wall of the kitchen has been updated with state-of-the-art flat top griddles, a brand-new stove and oven, and a commercial dishwasher, as well as commercial ventilation systems and improved lighting.

A dedicated washing station can be found near the former washing area and feeds right into the new dishwasher for ease of use. Across the room, a separate hand-washing sink, a new fridge, and labeled cabinets are sure to make events a breeze!

The Town Hall board put a separate, wide entryway leading into the large storage closet. The closet now features additional refrigeration and counter space and will help prevent traffic issues for visitors wishing to access the restrooms.

Town Hall board members dedicated the kitchen to Sharon and Larry Clinton during the open house, whose generous donations made the project possible. Board member Jim Romine said that the Clintons had a long history of being very supportive of Town Hall, its events, and all of the recent improvements.

The dedication has been marked with a beautiful, custom plaque made from a large portion of butcher block recovered during the remodel.



Larry Clinton, standing, and his wife, Sharon, have been longtime supporters of the Waitsburg Town Hall. Their generous donations helped make the kitchen overhaul possible.

Book Briefs: Beka's Picks

Not Your Typical Dragon, by Dan Bar-el

Crispin is not your typical dragon. On his seventh birthday, Crispin tries to breathe fire for the first time. His family is surprised when, instead of fire, Crispin breathes out whipped cream!

Throughout the story, Crispin's inability to breathe fire is treated as a problem by all of the adults in his life. His idea of a "real dragon" is deeply ingrained in his mind, and Crispin begins to believe that he will never be a real dragon himself. He leaves home, where he meets a quirky knight, Sir George, who struggles with relatable

problems. Together, the duo tries and try to help Crispin learn how to breathe fire.



Crispin is worried he will never find his fire and

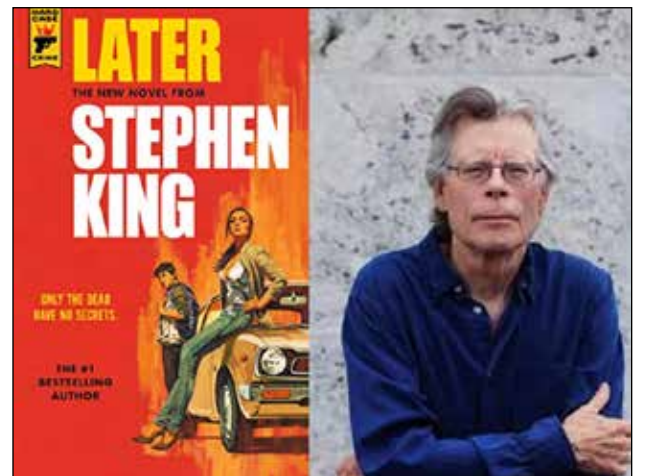
nearly gives up, but when he returns home, and a family emergency breaks out, he saves the day with his not-so-typical abilities.

Not Your Typical Dragon was a fun read with my three-year-old, who loved the quirky dragon illustrations. The book offers a young-age-appropriate lesson in acceptance and friendship. It was also a great reminder, as an adult, that we can always grow, learn and do better. *Not Your Typical Dragon* is geared towards preschool-aged through first grade-aged children, and is available on all major book platforms.

LATER, by Stephen King

The son of single, struggling publisher Tia Conklin, Jamie Conklin is an unusually perceptive eight-year-old. He can see dead people, but not like Haley Joel Osment in "that Bruce Willis movie." Furthermore, he can communicate with the dead, and the dead can't lie.

Once the adults in his life recognize his gift, it is exploited and used against his wishes. Jamie understands the "rules" of communicating with the dead (not to be confused with ghosts), and he follows those closely. Things are okay until crooked cop Liz Dutton uses it to her advantage and exposes Jamie to a long list of dangers with serious consequences for both of them.



The New York Times described *Later* as "something of a genre hybrid: part detective tale, part thriller, with a horror story filling in the seams," which drew me in. King crafted a creepy yet painfully believable story with paranormal and otherworldly terrors, and plenty of familiar horrors, like losing loved ones. He buckled the book together with plenty of dark humor.

Later was published in March of 2021 and is available on Audible, the Kindle store, and Google Play Store. Copies of the book are available through most major platforms.

SPORTS

DW Girls Basketball Team start season 1-2

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

DAYTON—The DW girls basketball team opened their season with a 50-46 overtime win against Walla Walla Valley Academy. Since then, they have dropped consecutive games against Mabton 67-38 and Riverview 56-45. They are better against the press this year, and the combination of sophomore Claudia Benavides and Senior Sadie Seney look to lead the team in scoring; if you watched them in their last season, that probably comes as no surprise. What came as a surprise was seeing 8th grader, Adisyn Andrews, bringing the ball up the floor for the varsity against Mabton. It's rare to see someone in junior high with a between-the-legs crossover.

3's: Sanchez, Roettger, Moreno 3, Garson 3, Torres
 "Mabton was very effective with their pressure defense and press and was able to force a lot of turnovers. Both teams had a tremendous amount of hustle on the floor, but Mabton shot the ball very well, and we had a hard time getting the shots to fall." - Desirae Jones

DW @ RV 5/22/2021

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
DW	16	10	12	7	45
RV	10	17	16	12	56

DW: Forney 2, Andrews 10, Tupling 2, Davis 2, Benavides 15, Seney 14.
 FT: Andrews, Tupling 2, Davis 2, Benavides 4, Seney 3.
 3's: Andrews, Seney 3.
 RV: Gonzalez 21, Contreras 8, Huston 2, Munson 11, Hayes 8, Clayton 6.
 FT: Gonzalez 6, Munson 7, Clayton.
 3's: Gonzalez, Hayes 2.

"We competed very well tonight against a physical team. We were able to break the press easily, and it was removed after the first quarter. We are happy with the effort and intensity of this young team. Their team chemistry is developing as they have more game minutes together. We are 1-2, and we host TCP on Tuesday." - Tamara Culley

DW @ WWVA 5/18/2021

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
DW	2	10	12	12	14	50
WWVA	8	4	12	12	10	46

DW: Forney 1, Gomez 3, Benavides 16, Kilts 2, Seney 28.

FT: Forney, Gomez, Benavides 4, Seney 8.

3's: Seney 2.

WWVA: Willard 6, Stepper 8, Santellano 6, Browning 21, Smith 6.

FT: Stepper 2, Browning, Smith.

3's: Santellano, Smith.

"It was an exciting first game with an overtime win. We have a very young team, and it was nice to get them on the floor and see what they could do. It was a strong showing from Benavides and Seney." - Desirae Jones

Mabton @ DW 5/20/2021

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mabton	18	8	23	18	67
Dayton	4	13	11	10	38

DW: Forney 3, Andrews 2, Benavides 18, Seney 15.

FT: Forney, Andrews 2, Benavides 2.

3's: Seney.

Mabton: Sanchez 10, Chavez 4, Galatea 1, Bonewell 10, Roettger 11, Moreno 11, Garson 15, Torres 5.

FT: Sanchez 3, Galatea, Roettger 2.



#25 Claudia Benevides splits two defenders in the lane.



#35 Sadie Seney breaks away to score.



Claudia Benavides scores on the inbound from #13 Makenna Barron

Photos by Eric Umphrey

DW Boys Basketball Team starts season 2-1

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

DAYTON—With the first week of play complete, the DW boys basketball team started with a 2-1 record on the season with wins on the road over Walla Walla Valley Academy 42-27 and Riverview 54-44. The only loss of the season so far came at home in Dayton against Mabton 33-29.

DW: Shawn Evans 9, Mason Finney 5, Wyatt Costello 9, Dylan Bledsoe 6

If you see your neighbors wearing Wolfpack gear and wonder where you can get yours wonder no longer. Just go to www.bsnteamssports.com/shop/TJCYWQkqZt but don't wait store closes June 1st.

The boys took an early lead in the Mabton game thanks to Mason Finney, who hit a three-pointer to open the scoring. They would lead in this one until the fourth quarter, still stuck at twenty-two points until five minutes to go into the fourth quarter. Five for nineteen shooting in the second half and making just two of eleven free throws in the game proved too much to overcome in this one. Mabton scored twelve of their points on free throws as DW was in foul trouble most of the game. Two of DW's starters ended the game with four fouls, and another starter fouled out with five. Up next for DW are games against Columbia in Burbank on Thursday the 27th and at home Friday the 28th against WWVA.

Mabton @ DW 5/20/2021

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Mabton	7	6	7	13	33
DW	11	7	4	7	29



#22 Wyatt Costello drives and scores against Mabton

Eric Umphrey



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Prescott School District

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

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

APPLICATION DEADLINE - JULY 22, 2021

Need to confirm whether or not you reside within the boundaries of the school district? Please call one of the following for assistance:

Walla Walla County Auditor's Office (509) 524-5249
 Prescott School District Business Office (509) 849-2217

It's Age That Matters – (not size)

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

We did it! We opened the café! I'm so glad we started with our "friends soft opening" last Saturday; it was a smart move. We found the kinks, what works and what doesn't (the meat slicer). Also, since it was a private party, guests could bring wine which helped soothe and stall as we worked out various kinks in real-time. Daniel, Jaime, and I each ran a marathon as we filled glasses, turned in orders, and delivered food. We also used the experience to do a test run of our payment system with the help of our friend Suze who helped us add sales tax. It was the easiest part of the day.

The day was a success. Everyone seemed to like their food, although the service was a bit slower than we would have liked. Our friends were very understanding and patient, and I'm sure the wine and camaraderie helped. I assigned Jaime (considerably younger than me) the phone and iPad to ring up the checks. I realized that people in their early 20's have no idea what life was like before smartphones! Speed counts: age is a detriment.

The Friday before our Saturday opening, Daniel worked 22 hours, prepping, cooking, making garnishes for the various dishes, and slept for 2 hours on the floor at the restaurant. After everyone left, and the doors were closed, we were doing dishes and clean-up when he walked over and hugged me and said, "we're



too old for this." I bit my tongue, but I had several responses careening through my brain, which were better left unsaid.

I have fought not to have Facebook or Instagram accounts for years, but I finally had to succumb. Ugh! I immediately knew I needed assistance. I set up a lunch date with my friend and Whitman College tennis instructor to teach me how to set up the restaurant's Facebook page help with simple updating on the café's website. Lisa taught me the "joys" of Instagram! I now have people following me.

The official Café opening was Wednesday, and I couldn't believe it when people said they read on Facebook that we were open for business. My words and information spread across the local universe – it worked! Social media, watch out, I'm figuring you out, and I'm weaponized!

Daniel is already reconfiguring the reconfigured kitchen to make it even more efficient since, for now, he is the prep cook, chef, dishwasher (with my and Jamie's help), and expediter.

Jamie and I are trying to be respectful of his time, so rather than ask him to cook us lunch during the afternoon lull, we bring in food from the pizza shop down the street. We're now tired of pizza, and it's embarrassing to walk down the street with a Pizza box when everyone knows we work at the café. Are they questioning our food if we're not eating it?

In our first four days, the good news is that we've had a tremendous welcoming from the community and numerous repeat customers, who've returned bringing in their friends and family of all ages. We are prepared! We have decaf, coloring books, and soon we will have wine and beer. All generations are welcome.

Seven once lost apple varieties re-discovered in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

THE TIMES

Seven apple varieties, previously believed lost or extinct, have been found in old orchards in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, according to a joint press release by The Temperate Orchard Conservancy (TOC) and The Lost Apple Project (LAP). The re-discovered apples include the Almota, Carlough, Eper, Iowa Flat, Ivanhoe, Kay, and Steptoe. A team of volunteers from the LAP collected the apples in the fall of 2020 and passed them to the TOC, who identified them. The two cooperating projects have now identified a total of 29 apples once thought to be extinct.

Two frontier nurserymen, George Ruedy and Benjamin Buckman are connected to this group of once lost apples. At least five apples, known to have started as seedling trees in Whitman County, WA (where Ruedy lived), appeared in the 1901 printed inventory of Benjamin Buckman's experimental orchard in Farmdale, Illinois.

Three of the apples were Ruedy's introductions, including the Palouse, Whitman, and Colfax. The other two Whitman County introductions are the Almota and Steptoe varieties. The Kay is another locally introduced apple Ruedy likely carried in his inventory. It probably originated in Oregon but was also grown in Lewiston, Idaho, about 40 miles from Ruedy's Colfax Nursery. Ruedy was known to send new apple varieties from Whitman County to colleges and experimental stations around the country. It is believed that Buckman reciprocated Ruedy's gift of at least five trees by sending Ruedy varieties not yet tested in Whitman County. These trees likely included the Iowa Flat and Ivanhoe, varieties in Buckman's 1901 inventory and were not known to have been grown in the areas near Ruedy's nursery.

Almota



Almota was a seedling apple discovered by Charles Moys near Pullman, Washington. The tree was six to eight years old in 1894. USDA artist William Henry Prestele painted a watercolor of the apple in 1894 that incorrectly states Moys' surname as "Maye" and gives the apple the name "Maye Seedling." The painting also listed the name Almota as an alternative name.

The apple is described as very large with pale yellowish skin, washed and striped with red. Charles Moys won first place for the best seedling apple at the annual Whitman County Fruit and Agriculture Fair in 1895. Georgie Leinweber, a great-great-granddaughter of Charles Moys, and her family still farm the homestead fields and land added to the farm during the past 125 years. The family still has the award her great-great-grandfather won in 1895.

The Almota apple tree was located southeast of

Pullman on land farmed by the Roy Druffle family. The Almota was believed to have been sent by frontier nurseryman George Ruedy of Colfax, WA, to Illinois in the late 1800s along with several other apples that originated in the county. The Almota appeared in the experimental orchard of Benjamin Buckman of Farmdale, Illinois, in 1901.

Carlough

This apple probably originated in New Jersey or possibly New York. It was first recorded in 1891 growing in the trial orchard of Benjamin Buckman in Farmingdale, Illinois. It is described as medium to very large in size with pale greenish-yellow skin, often with a brownish pink blush. The apple is considered good to very good in quality for dessert or kitchen use and can remain in cellar storage until April. Carlough was found west of Salem, Oregon.

Eper



The Eper is believed to be one of thirty-four varieties of apples, plums, and prunes imported from Hungary in the 1890s by the US government and obtained and tested by George Ruedy. The apple is small with greenish-yellow skin with red stripes. It has a pleasant, mild flavor and ripens in September in eastern Washington. The apple tree was rediscovered 20 miles north of Colfax,

Washington.

Iowa Flat

The Iowa Flat most likely originated in Iowa and was sold by a nursery in Nebraska not far from the Iowa border. Specimens were sent to the USDA in 1896. The apple is described as large but very oblate in shape. The skin is yellow or greenish-yellow covered with a red blush and red streaks on the sun side of the apple. The Iowa Flat was found near Orchard Avenue in Moscow, ID. The Iowa Flat appeared in the experimental orchard of Benjamin Buckman of Farmdale, Illinois, in 1901.



old apple trees. Several old varieties were identified, including the once lost Ivanhoe. Ivanhoe originated in Virginia and is described as medium to large with green or slightly yellow with bronze to reddish blush.

Ivanhoe

About one mile west of Pullman, WA, is what was once the Pullman Country Club. The club no longer exists, but on the property are many

The flesh is described as rich and spicy and keeps well. Specimens were sent to the USDA, and a watercolor was painted. The Ivanhoe also appeared in the experimental orchard of Benjamin Buckman of Farmdale, Illinois, in 1901.

Kay

The first known mention of the Kay variety was in a nursery catalog for the Milwaukie Nursery (early spelling) in Milwaukie, Oregon, in 1890. The apple is described as "of good size" with "yellow skin covered with deep red and distinct stripes of darker red." In 1898, a person in Lewiston, ID, sent the apple to the US Department of Agriculture, where it was used for a watercolor painting. In the fall of 2020, a Kay apple tree was located approximately 60 miles south of Lewiston near Flora, Oregon. The Kay appeared in the experimental orchard of Benjamin Buckman of Farmdale, Illinois, in 1901.

Steptoe

The Steptoe was raised from seed by John Thomson, Whitman County, Washington. The Thomson homestead was just 2 miles north of Pullman. Specimens were sent by John R. Reavis, Spokane, Washington, and received by the USDA on November 3, 1894. The apple has one painting in the USDA pomological watercolor collection. Described as large, round, with slight ribbing, the skin is pale yellow and considered very good quality. It is an early winter variety.

The re-discovered Steptoe apple was found approximately one hundred miles southwest of the original apple near Waitsburg, Washington, on the property of Waitsburg residents Kate and Eric Hockersmith. The Steptoe apple was listed in the records from 1901 of the experimental orchard of Benjamin Buckman in Illinois.

Once a previously "lost apple" is identified, two apple trees are immediately grafted and planted at the Temperate Orchard Conservancy so they will not be lost again. Scion (grafting) wood and trees are later made available to the public by the TOC at <http://www.temperateorchardconservancy.org/> and The Lost Apple Project at <https://www.facebook.com/lostappleproject/>.

The LAP now has over 20 dedicated members in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho searching for homestead-era apple trees. In 2020 they donated over 1,000 hours to the search for lost apple varieties.

THE ILLUSTRATED HISTORY OF APPLES IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA BY DANIEL J. BUSSEY

THE TIMES

The Illustrated History of Apples in the United States and Canada, by Daniel J. Bussey, is available at Jak Kaw Press. The seven volume set is currently on sale, priced at \$150.00, originally \$320.

The series covers more than 16,000 varieties of apples found in the United States and Canada, and features nearly 10,000 synonyms and 1,400 life sized watercolor paintings, a few of which can be seen above.

The author, Daniel J. Bussey, spent the last 30 years searching through countless libraries, searching for everything published about apples in the last two centuries. Working alongside editor Kent Whealy, who has been editing Bussey's extensive research for seven years, the two created the most complete pomological literature on apples ever compiled.

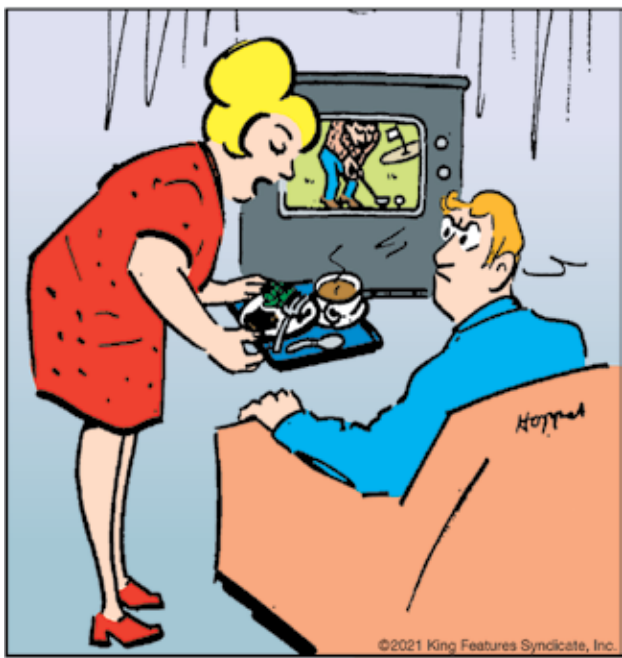
Between 1886 and 1942, the USDA employed 21 artists to paint 7,584 watercolors of fruit families. More than 1,400 of those watercolor apples have been included in Bussey's works for an easy-to-use reference for apple sleuths searching for lost varieties.

Apple sleuth or not, the series makes a gorgeous addition to any library! Visit www.jakkawpress.com to purchase your own set.



FUN & GAMES

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"Don't think of it as leftovers.
Think of it as a replay."

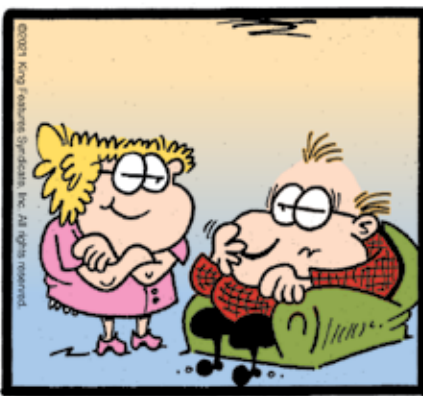
GRIN and BEAR IT



"With a little luck, I could have been fired
by Donald Trump!"

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



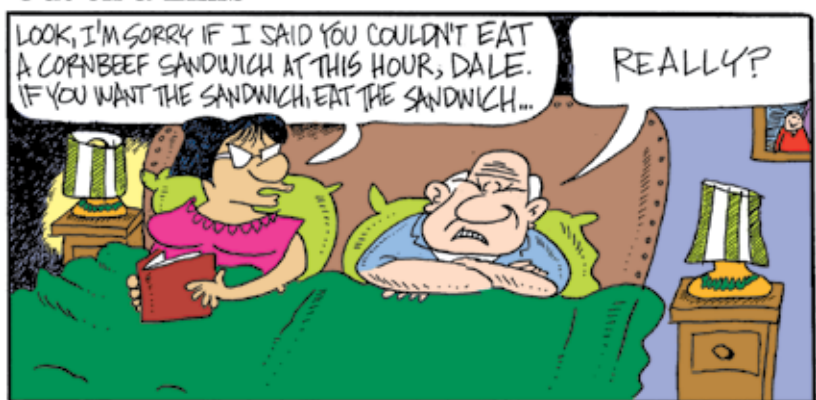
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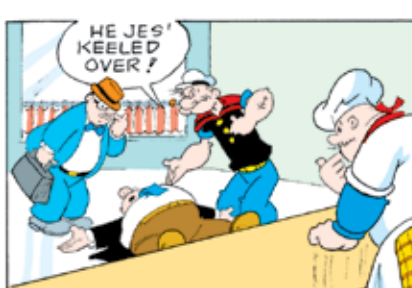
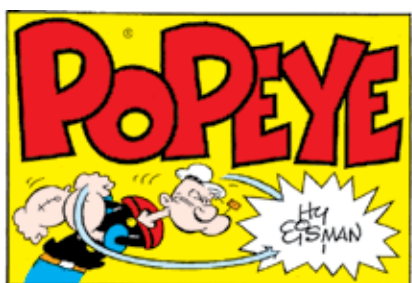
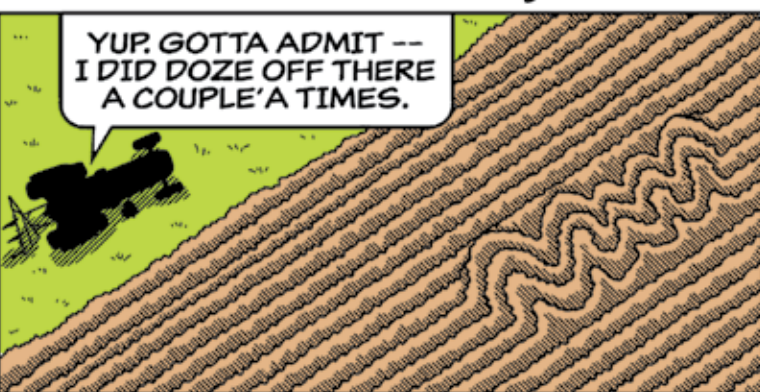
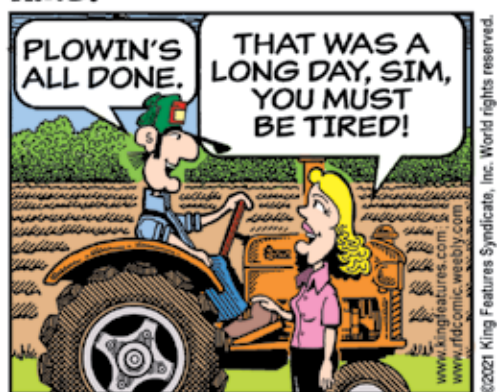
Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

May 26, 2011

[Headline] Dayton Parade a Go, Rodeo a "No": Fear of equine virus prompts cancellation, parade to be horseless.

"Thank you to all our Veterans who keep us safe and free." Those were the words of parade co-announcer Fred Hamann Saturday morning moments after Perry Dozier flew his twin-engine Cessna Golden Eagle low over Main Street in a salute to Waitsburg and those who served their country in conflicts since World War II.

April Students of the Month for Waitsburg Elementary are Sierra Vezina (4th Grade), Taylor Jones (5th Grade) and Anna Nerf (5th Grade).

Josh and Vanessa Heim have opened the Heim Print & Design Company in Dayton. "They seem really committed to helping local businesses become more attractive to local customers and visitors," said Reggie Mace, owner of Mace Mead Works in Dayton.

Steve McMunn and Teeny McMunn have been business partners for almost two and a half decades. They recently moved their carpet store to Dayton's Main Street. This is not a new venture for McMunn, who runs the store with her ex-husband and longtime business partner Steve McMunn. "Just yesterday, I had five or six walk ins—people are finding us."

Twenty-Five Years Ago

May 30, 1996

Sarah Wilson has seen everything at the post office in Waitsburg over the last 23 years. Like the time somebody mailed some chickens. "The rooster's crowing was awful," Wilson, 57, of Waitsburg recalled. "Finally after three hours of crowing my husband Jim stopped by and thumped on the cage and the rooster quieted down." Then there was the time there was a snake in the post office...After 23 years, Wilson is retiring.

Main Street Pizza in Waitsburg has requested a renewal of its liquor license and the City of Waitsburg has no objections.

Sarah Harding of Walla Walla has been elected student body executive vice president of Walla Walla Community College. Sonja Baer of Walla Walla will serve as business vice president.

Ms. Yvonne Saranovich of Waitsburg announces the marriage of her daughter, Michele Yvonne Saranovich to Jean-Francois Ricci de Conté on Sunday, Feb. 18, 1996 in the Georgetown Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C.

Fifty Years Ago

June 10, 1971

Memorial services for Dale M. Miller, 18, who lost his life in a jetliner crash last Sunday, will be held at 10 a.m. Friday morning, June 11 at the First Christian Church in Waitsburg.

Tom Keeney, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Keeney, has passed his examination and received his license as an amateur radio operator. He and his dad have an amateur station set up at their home in Wilson Hollow.

Mayor Roy Leid commented to *The Times* on the problems created by some unseasonable weather conditions before and after the recent Memorial Day weekend. Because of the rain and cool weather, those who would retrieve their plants from gravesites didn't so the flowers were still there on Friday, June 4 when the City crew had to mow the lawn. The plants, planters and flowers were taken to the City Dump, from which they disappeared a short time later.

My son and I used to make model planes together. Now all he wants to do is sniff the glue.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

June 7, 1946

Miss Alta Hixon became the bride of Clark Daniel June 4 at the Christian Church parsonage with Rev. Hany Anderson performing the ceremony.

Glen Hofer and Raymond Jeremiah returned home this week after getting their discharge from the U.S. Navy after two years in the service.

One Hundred Years Ago

May 27, 1921

Seventy-two members of the Waitsburg High School Alumni Association met at their annual reunion and banquet at Preston Hall last Friday evening. The banquet was handled by the young ladies of the high school student body and it was a very successful affair. Frank Kinder was elected president for the ensuing year.

Mrs. Ad Clark proved herself a royal entertainer Wednesday afternoon when five cars filled with the ladies of the Priscilla Club drove out to her beautiful farm home. The afternoon was spent in social conversation and needlework. Refreshments were served. Guests were Mrs. Evans, Seattle, Mrs. Aubert Wisdom and Mrs. Jennie Hillis.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 2, 1896

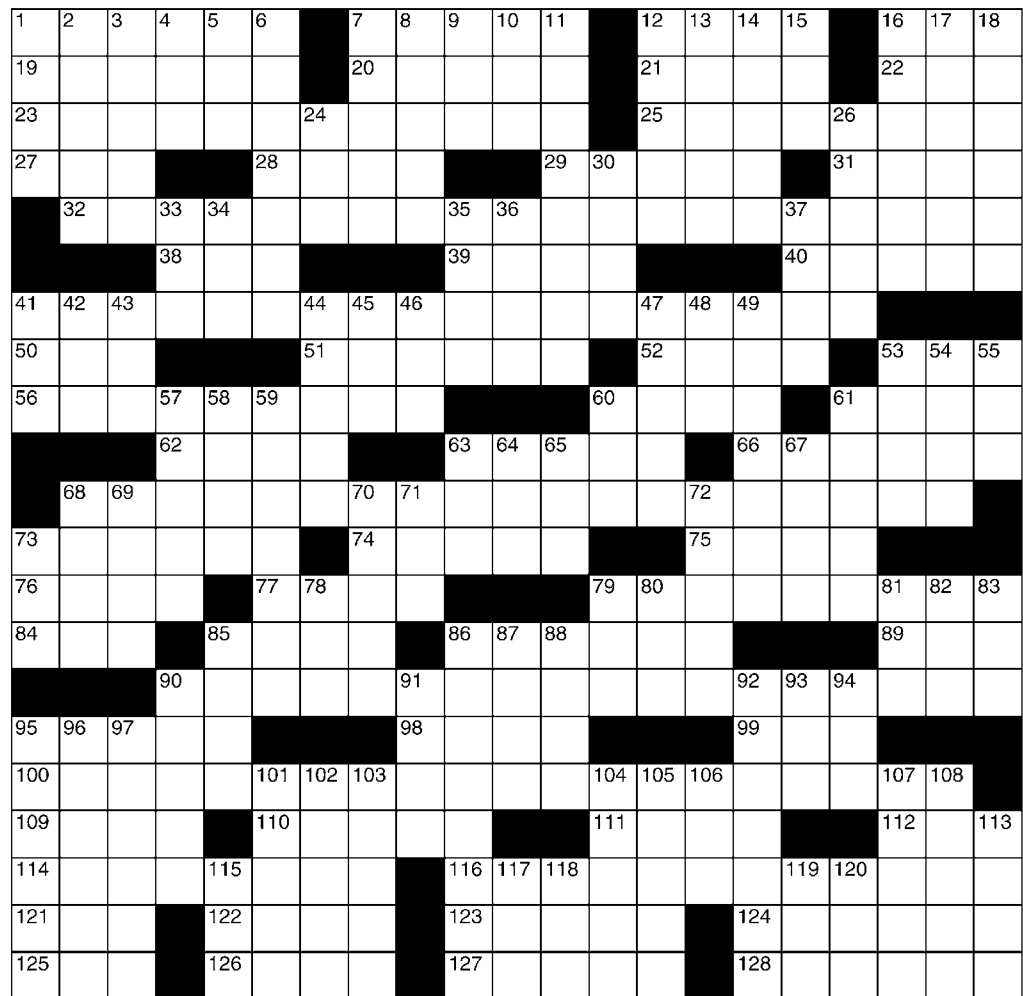
Just as we finished writing the notice of the birth of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keiser's twins, in stepped a reporter to say there was a new baby at Millard Keiser's, a girl, born on Thursday May 28. The Keisers are all right and don't need any fixing. ...Read the accounts of cyclones in this issue; drop a tear of sympathy for the unfortunates, then humbly thank God that you live in the favored climate of the Pacific Coast.

PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

SCHOOLHOUSE
DARK ROCK

- ACROSS**
- 1 Beethoven's Third, popularly
 - 7 Biblical twin
 - 12 "— -Ca-Dabra" (1974 song)
 - 16 Math calculation
 - 19 Fred Astaire, e.g.
 - 20 Piano challenge
 - 21 Get out of the field
 - 22 Year, in Portugal
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 25 Security datum
 - 27 Cockpit guess, briefly
 - 28 Math calculation
 - 29 Woolen cloth
 - 31 Many a roof edge
 - 32 Riddle, part 2
 - 38 Costume part, perhaps
 - 39 Future jr.
 - 40 Maine college town
 - 41 Riddle, part 3
 - 50 Debt slip
 - 51 "Annie" star Quinn
 - 52 Home of the Bay of Pigs
 - 53 Mr. America's pride
 - 56 Sensed
 - 60 Great serves
 - 61 It has limbs
 - 62 Bit of a lot
 - 63 Cow catcher
 - 66 Diner dish
 - 68 Riddle, part 4
 - 73 Home of Ike
 - 74 Virtual bread?
 - 75 Elliptical
 - 76 Like saints
 - 77 Not had by
 - 79 Turns away
 - 84 With 55-Down, totally ready
 - 85 Mrs., in Berlin
 - 86 SOS signals
 - 89 "So cool!"
 - 90 Riddle, part 5
 - 95 "Heidi" author
 - 98 A juror takes one
 - 99 Corn-on-the-cob unit
 - 100 End of the riddle
 - 109 Intro studio class
 - 110 "— Gold" (Fonda film)
 - 111 Author Sarah — Jewett
 - 112 Gun rights org.
 - 114 Stunning with a gun
 - 116 Riddle's answer
 - 121 Suffix with polymer
 - 122 Town near Santa Barbara
 - 123 Everything, in Latin
 - 124 Ill-advised
 - 125 Decimal base
 - 126 New York City river
 - 127 "Zounds!"
 - 128 Notes with hashtags
- DOWN**
- 1 Falco of "The Sopranos"
 - 2 Balsa transports
 - 3 Tavern sign
 - 4 Freud's "I"
 - 5 So-so mark
 - 6 Call into court
 - 7 Tiara shiner
 - 8 Best players
 - 9 Bad dog
 - 10 Exalting poem
 - 11 Really criticize
 - 12 The Little Mermaid
 - 13 Moist, as grass
 - 14 GI's time off
 - 15 Clerk at TV's Kwik-E-Mart
 - 16 Actor Antonio — Jr.
 - 17 Asymmetric
 - 18 Oscar winner Rita
 - 24 Laundry room brand
 - 26 London length unit
 - 30 Actor Ken
 - 33 "Oh, gross!"
 - 34 LI doubled
 - 35 Even — speak
 - 36 Score unit
 - 37 Itty-bitty bit
 - 41 Little drink
 - 42 Bladed tool
 - 43 "They're playing — song"
 - 44 Courtroom mallet
 - 45 Go hastily
 - 46 Dated
 - 47 Razor-inventing philosopher
 - 48 Chalked stick
 - 49 Remit, as sins
 - 53 Musician Guthrie
 - 54 Bone to pick
 - 55 See 84-Across
 - 57 Tea box
 - 58 Latin "Lo!"
 - 59 Mined find
 - 60 Year- — glance
 - 61 Green car?
 - 63 Zenith rival
 - 64 "TGIF" part
 - 65 Hearth residue
 - 67 Spiteful
 - 68 Like a missing GI
 - 69 Tony winner Carter
 - 70 Subside
 - 71 Start for friendly
 - 72 Aplomb
 - 73 "Na Na" lead-in
 - 78 Scot's refusal
 - 79 Bible boat
 - 80 Tripod part
 - 81 As well
 - 82 Really long time
 - 83 Hen or nanny
 - 85 Govt. money guarantor
 - 86 It lacks a heel
 - 87 Wood strip
 - 88 Throb
 - 90 Shaw of jazz
 - 91 Presage
 - 92 Ration
 - 93 Mineo of films
 - 94 Three, in Rome
 - 95 Try to hit, as a gnat
 - 96 Coined thing
 - 97 China's Sun —
 - 101 Mystical board
 - 102 Lower arm bones
 - 103 Kosher
 - 104 Like plow-pulling oxen
 - 105 Lock of hair
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MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

Magic Tomato Sauce

In our garden, the nightshades have gone into the ground, and the countdown to tomato season has officially begun. There are few things about summer that I look forward to more than the first backyard tomato harvest. In the meantime, I will continue to make great use out of a much-loved pantry staple, canned tomatoes.



From slow cooked Bolognese to zesty puttanesca, there are countless sauces that start by opening a can of perfectly ripe tomatoes. One such recipe that has garnered a cult following, is for a simple tomato sauce by the late Marcella Hazan, which makes magic out of just four ingredients. Hazan, who is credited with introducing traditional techniques of Italian cookery to the United States, is among my pantheon of personal culinary heroes. Here I offer my own tried and true spin on this effortless recipe. Once mastered, this is sure to become an essential addition to your repertoire.

Ingredients:

- 1 28-ounce can tomatoes, San Marzano preferred (see notes)
- 5 tablespoons butter
- 1 yellow onion
- ¼ to ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1 bay leaf
- Kosher salt

Directions:

If using whole peeled tomatoes coarsely chop them. Pour tomatoes with all their juices, butter, spices, and a pinch of salt into medium saucepan. Add a splash of water to the can and swirl around to get all the bits of tomato and pour into pan. Peel onion and cut in half lengthwise, keeping root ends connected. Add onion halves to tomatoes, cut side down.



Place pan over medium heat and bring to a simmer. Cook, uncovered, at a steady simmer for 45 minutes to an hour. Lower heat to maintain a steady but gentle simmer. Stir occasionally. Sauce is done when the butter separates from the tomatoes and there is no remaining liquid. Discard onion and bay leaf. Check seasoning, adding more salt to taste.

Notes:

Use the best canned tomatoes you can find. Organic, imported San Marzanos live up to the hype, and are well worth the money. The original Hazan recipe calls for canned whole peeled tomatoes, and has you chop them before adding to pan. Alternatively, I have used cans of crushed or chopped tomatoes, with great results from both.

The classic use of this sauce is to toss it with spaghetti, topped with plenty of grated parmesan and fresh ground black pepper. A simple pleasure, it is also wonderful as a sauce for homemade pizza, layered in a lasagna or as a sauce for simmering meatballs. This sauce is delicious as-is, however, it can be accented with a flourish of fresh basil or chopped parsley to finish. Use it as the base for a shakshuka or try it as a dipping sauce for homemade focaccia.

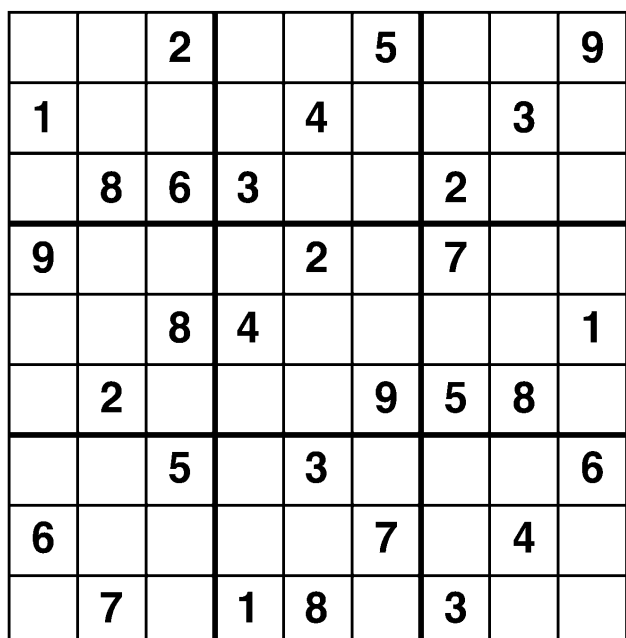
A variation that I love is to use a fennel bulb in place of the onion. Use only the white part of a large fennel bulb, save the green stalks and fronds for something else. Cut the bulb in half lengthwise like the onion and follow recipe as above.

Don't be afraid of the butter. It is an essential component to the final velvety flavor. If your tomatoes are too acidic you can add a pinch of sugar while the sauce simmers.

Enjoy!

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by Linda Thistle

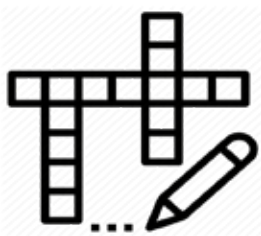


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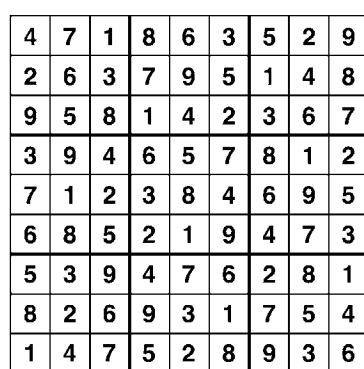
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THE LAST PAGE

Dayton Elementary students trade snow for the green

The COVID-19 pandemic canceled the annual ski program, but students were able to play a few rounds of golf in the meantime

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

DAYTON—Dayton Elementary fourth and fifth graders were bummed when they found out that COVID-19 had squashed plans for a winter skiing program, but their teachers weren't about to let a pandemic slow down hopes for outdoor fun.

"Bluewood just wasn't comfortable with taking the risk," said Dayton Elementary teacher Wendy Davis-Richards. "Which was understandable. They wanted to keep their staff safe."

Richards has helped facilitate the annual ski program and said that they immediately started brainstorming ideas that could take the place of the ski program while remaining safe amid the pandemic. When golfing was suggested by a fellow teacher, Richards thought it was perfect.

"It was perfect because it is an outdoor activity that you can continue doing in your elder years; it's expensive, so you may not get exposed to it if your family is not involved," Richards said. "Those are all things that are similar to skiing. Plus, we still got to support a local business."

She began formulating a plan, working closely with the school, Columbia County Public Health, the Touchet Valley Golf Course in Dayton, and golf club members, saying that everyone was supportive of the idea.

The program was four days long, spanning over a month. The first two days, Richard said, she split the students up into groups, and they rotated between two holes on the course, learning how



Mike Talbot gives Julianne Bowen some tips on her swing, and explains how she positions her body affects the direction her ball will go.

to putt or chip and focusing on basic skills. The students used cones and hula hoops to teach about aim, all while having fun.

The third week was spent learning how to follow the ball, count your hits, and understand pars and other golf rules. The final day, Richards said, was almost like a game, with the kids playing a scramble round.

The program would not have been possible if it weren't for the long list of volunteers, many of whom were former teachers,

coaches, or instructors who enjoyed golfing in their pastime.

"When I work with Bluewood, they have instructors," Richards said. "We group our kids, and I certainly have a list of chaperones for when they aren't at a lesson, but I don't have to worry about finding people who know how to teach."

Richards said she worked closely with Denise Hoon, a member of the TVGC board, to find people who fit the volunteer needs to teach young students and reach out to friends and other golf club members.

"I really want to convey how much I appreciate these people here because we couldn't have done it without them," Richards said of the volunteers. "They have given up four Fridays to do this. Denise Hoon has put in a few extra hours at the club. Inventorying clubs, sorting them, and getting them into groups so the kids could use them. I also really appreciate the clubhouse, the members, the volunteers, the county, and the school district for allowing them to do this."

One of the most touching parts of the program, Richards said, has been watching students that wouldn't otherwise participate in sports blossom. She recalled a moment when she watched a group of students listening to her dad, one of the volunteers, and using his advice out on the green.

"I can't get that type of focus in the classroom," Richards shared while laughing. "They are doing it here because they are feeling successful. It's been really neat to watch. Hopefully, we will get some lifelong golfers out of this!"



Adan Ortiz lets out his last few giggles before getting serious and making it onto the green.

Gracie Turner watches as her ball heads up to the green last Friday, with a candy bar incentive at stake. Classmates Karmain Pollan, Rosemary Yutzky, and Ashton Cook cheer her on, at a golf-club acceptable noise level.

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