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Bill Rodgers

Winter wheat starts its spring growth spurt along Middle Waitsburg Road. As is usual this time of year, the Black Locust have yet to leaf out.

Waitsburg and Prescott businesses open, reopen under Phase 2

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Spring is here, and Waitsburg businesses are welcoming the season with new products, and a few lifted restrictions under Phase 2 of the Roadmap to Recovery reopening plan. As the weather warms up, enjoy the sunshine, grab a cup of coffee and visit the many Main Street businesses!

Laht Neppur: Burgers and microbrews are going strong at Laht Neppur Brewing Company. Indoor seating is limited to 15 customers, and bar seating is still unavailable. Glen's grill fires up again this Thursday, March 11, and will be available Thursday through Sunday, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The taproom is open Wednesday-Sunday, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Masks are required while moving about the establishment. Located at 444 Preston Ave. in Waitsburg. Join the Cheers!

Blush Salon: Blush Salon and Spa at 214 Main Street in Waitsburg has exciting new changes for this Spring! Owner Brooke Mikesell and stylist Kelsey Hamilton are ready to meet your hair and skincare needs. The stylists have been joined at the shop by nail artist Cecilia Torrez who offers a wide array of nail services. The basement is undergoing the biggest changes to accommodate spa treatments with tanning beds, spray tanning booths, waxing rooms, and relaxing spaces for facials and pampering. Masks are required for appointments. Book online at https://www.vagaro.com/blushsalonandspa?ig_fbb=true, or call (509) 337-3100.

Waitsburg Grocery: Waitsburg Grocery at 200 Main Street is taking on Phase 2 of the Roadmap to Recovery with new products and new hours. If you need a quick, healthy snack, a prepackaged sandwich, or take-and-bake mac and cheese, check out the front cooler. Located in the back of the store is a wide selection of Northwest Premium Meats buffalo cuts and small-farm produce, including alfalfa sprouts from Evergreen Farm in Idaho. Summer hours begin March 15, open from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Masks are required while shopping.

Ten Ton Coffee: Lisa, Cheyenne, and Lisa are back inside to make your favorite coffee drink, house-made baked goods, or a bagel sammie. To-go orders are still being encouraged; however, there is limited seating available in two comfy-chair seating areas. Masks are required while ordering and moving about the shop. While you wait for your order, be sure to check out the t-shirts, locally roasted coffee, and other retail items. Fresh-baked bagels are available daily, with exciting new menu changes coming up! Ten Ton is open from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily at 216 Main Street. Don't forget to say "Hi!" to *The Times* team, in their new office located at the back of the shop.

Gaudy Gals: Warmer days have inspired the Gaudy Gals on Main in more ways than one, starting with a complete rearranging of the Town Hall store. The Gals have been busy preparing a new line of reclaimed furniture, offering a new line of kitchen aprons, and dreaming up a Gaudy Gals Gadgets kitchen section. The Farm Fresh candle line has been restocked, bringing in the fresh scents of Spring. Gaudy Gals is open Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Waitsburg's Town Hall.

Nancy's Dream Garden Center: Nancy's Dream Garden Center at 124 Warren Street will soon be announcing their summer hours. Select flowers, vegetables, and houseplants will be available starting April 15, with a large order of new inventory scheduled for Mother's Day Weekend. Tropicals, succulents, and cacti will be added to the nursery this Spring! Up to 80% of the nursery's veggie plants will be grown by Verdurous Gardens of Dayton, as Nancy's Dream Garden Center shifts towards a "Support Local" model. Masks are required while shopping indoors at the nursery.

Alleviate Massage: Book online with Andrea Villa, LMT, to relieve stress, address chronic pain, and help with prior injuries. Deep tissue, Myofascial Release, and pregnancy massage are

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Dayton businesses are ready to welcome you back

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

Visit **Fiesta en Jalisco** at 400 West Main Street for the best Mexican food in town. Manager Oscar Guitron and his crew have spent time during the downturn to refresh the inside of the restaurant with new paint, brickwork, and tile. Guitron will display replicas of historic livestock brands in the restaurant bar in the next couple of weeks.

Fiesta en Jalisco is open from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. every day, with daily lunch, dinner, and drink specials. Call for carryout orders at (509) 382-0606.

Do you need your lawnmower blade or chain saw chains sharpened? Or do you need the help of a small engine mechanic? Look no further than **Pioneer West Tractor and Farm Equipment**, located at 206 West Main Street.

Pioneer West Tractor and Farm Equipment carries many of the products found at larger farm and garden stores, including a full line of Carhart clothing for men and women, Muck boots, all Banjo sprayer parts, livestock feed, cat and dog food, hand tools, toys, and Cub Cadet lawn equipment, including mowers, both riding and walk behind, along with string trimmers and edgers.

Store manager John Alleman said lawn care equipment is currently hard to get because of manufacturing delays. He said if customers find them, they should probably buy them.

Hours of operation are from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. on weekdays and from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

Dingles of Dayton – True Value Hardware at 179 E. Main Street hasn't seen any business downturn during the pandemic. Mindy Beltzer said because people are staying home, they are more inclined to shop locally, which has had a positive effect on her business.

Garden soil, garden seed, and pots are just arriving, and Beltzer is looking forward to strong spring sales.

Look for five cheese stuffed manicotti on the menu at **My Dad's Place** restaurant at 127 East Main Street. This is a recommendation from owner Terry Bartlett.

Pizza has been flying out the door, and home deliveries and carryout sales have been brisk. Right now, eleven people can be seated inside the restaurant. Tables outside will be available during the spring and summer months and into fall.

My Dad's Place is open every day at 11 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m., except for Saturday and Sunday when the restaurant closes at 10 p.m.

Since September of last year, mother and daughter duo Laura and Paige Auckerman have been in business at **Paige's Floral and Gifts**. Paige said the community has been kind and supportive of them, and they are looking forward to spring sales and continued floral sales.

Easter décor, wind chimes, candles, and lighted art décor are just a few of the fun things carried at Paige's Floral and Gifts located at 207 East Main Street. Hours of operation are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Locally Nourished, at 217 E. Main Street, has inside dining and outdoor dining at tables in front of the café and on the patio in the back of the café. An expanded menu is in process, said proprietor Alicia Walker. For now, the café is open seven days a week, from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. during the weekdays, and from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on weekends.

Locally Nourished opened its doors in May when Columbia County was in Phase 2, so being in Phase 2 is nothing different, she said. Growth was slow and steady until the café had to close its doors from mid-November until mid-January.

"We feel pretty hopeful," she said. "We are really happy for the community support that we have had and look forward to seeing more people as they feel like coming out."

At the **Wenaha Gallery**, 219 East Main Street, the focus is on art, goodness, and truth of art, said Carolyn Henderson, who is the advertising manager.

The gallery currently features soaps, shaving kits, candles, pet soap, and other items from artist Meredith Bretz of Biker B's Bathworks, along with beautiful hardwood boxes made by

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TOUCHET VALLEY LIFE

NEWS BRIEFS

DAYTON HISTORICAL DEPOT SOCIETY DIRECTOR LEAVING POST.

THE TIMES

DAYTON—After six and a half years of employment, Tamara Fritze has left the Dayton Historical Depot Society to pursue other interests. During her time as the Depot Museum Director, Fritze created many interesting exhibits and newsletters sharing her wealth of knowledge about local history. The society is grateful for her years of dedicated service and wishes her well in her future endeavors. Shellie McLeod will take over the responsibilities of this role.



Shellie McLeod

Courtesy Photo

McLeod was hired as Events Manager for the Depot in March of 2020. Before a successful year of coordinating (mostly virtual) events, she was the co-owner and operator of The Weinhard Hotel in Dayton for 12 years with her husband, Gary McLeod. McLeod has deep roots in the community. She grew up on a farm on the North Touchet, then raised her two children in Dayton. Over the years, McLeod has served on the board of directors for Touchet Valley Arts Council, Blue Mountain Heritage Society, and Dayton Chamber of Commerce. Her community involvement and experience in hospitality management make her an excellent fit for this position.

DINNER AND A SHOW

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—Register now for the Seventh Annual Wild and Scenic Film Festival on Thursday, April 1 at 6:30 pm. This year, the Blue Mountain Land Trust is partnering with three fantastic restaurants across the region to provide special dining packages for attendees!

In Walla Walla, AK's Mercado will provide an excellent meal at their gorgeous new location on Main Street. Enjoy savory classics from Sundown Grill & Bar-B-Q in Pendleton. In John Day, Little Canyon Food Cart will be serving up tasty Thai dishes. Each restaurant will have a vegetarian option.

Registrants will be able to purchase meals for two with their ticket and pick up their meals before the show.

To register or find complete menus visit the Wild and Scenic page, www.bmlt.org/wild2021



APPLICANTS SOUGHT TO FILL VACANCIES ON WAITSBURG-COPPEI FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA—There are currently three open positions on the Waitsburg-Coppei Flood Control District Board of Directors.

The district has been inactive for some years. There is an interest in reactivating the district to assist with certain flood control activities in the City of Waitsburg. By state law (RCW 85.38), such vacancies are filled through appointment by the Walla Walla County Commissioners in which the largest part of the district property is located. Appointees shall hold office until the next district election.

Applicants must be qualified voters of the district and own property within the district. The boundaries of the district run along the Touchet River from the Lewis and Clark State Park to Bolles and along Coppei Creek from Coppei to its confluence with the Touchet River. It is situated primarily in Walla Walla County, with a smaller portion located in Columbia County, Washington.

Board members engage in flood control activities and plan, construct, maintain and operate improvements to prevent inundation or flooding, including dikes, levees, dams, etc., and also engage in drainage control and stormwater and surface water control, and many other powers as defined in RCW 85.38.180, by generally performing all such acts necessary to carry out the operation of the district.

Application forms for the board may be obtained on the County website (www.co.walla-walla.wa.us), or the Walla Walla County Commissioners' Office, County Public Health and Legislative Building, 314 W. Main/P.O. Box 1506, Walla Walla, or by calling the Commissioners' Office at (509) 524-2505. Interested persons are encouraged to call or email (wwcocommissioners@co.walla-walla.wa.us) with questions. Completed applications must be returned to the county commissioners' office by Friday, March 19, 2021.

Applications may be mailed or emailed to wwcocommissioners@co.walla-walla.wa.us. As a part of the selection process, applicants may be interviewed. The Board of County Commissioners will make final decisions regarding appointments to fill the vacancies.

UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST SEEKS VOLUNTEER CAMPGROUND HOSTS FOR THE SUMMER

THE TIMES

PENDLETON—The Umatilla National Forest is looking for volunteers to spend the summer as campground hosts at the Jubilee Lake and Woodward campgrounds.

Campground hosts greet campers, provide information on the surrounding area, and generally make campers feel at home. Hosts visit with campers and day-use visitors, clean and maintain restrooms, restock supplies, occasionally clean up after camp, and carry out minor maintenance as needed. They keep an eye on things and set an excellent example for others at the campground.

Individuals or couples can apply to be hosts. Retirees often apply to the campground host program, finding it the ideal way to spend the summer in a beautiful setting. Hosts need to be friendly, flexible, and responsible. Host applicants may be subject to a criminal background check.

Those who apply will need to supply their own trailer, camper, or motor home. Campground hosts will be provided a campsite, usually near the main entryway to the campground. Though the host program is a volunteer program, a food allowance and propane are offered, and personal vehicle mileage associated with hosting duties is reimbursed.

Jubilee Lake Campground is located 12 miles NE of Tollgate. It is the largest developed campground on the Umatilla National Forest, offering 53 campsites, four picnic areas, and a 2.8-mile accessible hiking trail around the 92-acre lake. This campground is very popular for overnight camping as well as day-use activities. Campground hosts are typically on-site from early-July through mid-September. For more information on becoming a Forest Service Volunteer Campground Host at Jubilee Lake Campground, please contact Kiyoshi Fujishin at the Walla Walla Ranger District (509) 522-6277 or Kiyoshi.fujishin@usda.gov.

Woodward Campground is located right off Highway 204 at Tollgate and offers 14 tent/trailer sites, four picnic areas, four accessible toilet facilities, and views of Langdon Lake (however, Langdon Lake is a private lake, and access to the lake is not allowed). Hosts are typically on-site from early July through the end of September. The hosts at this campground are also responsible for taking care of Target Meadows and Woodland Campgrounds, both located nearby. For more information on becoming a Forest Service Volunteer Campground Host at Woodward Campground, please contact Kiyoshi Fujishin at the Walla Walla Ranger District (509) 522-6277 or Kiyoshi.fujishin@usda.gov.

Additional information about the Umatilla National Forest is available at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla>.

Touchet Valley Weather

March 10, 2021

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday Partly Cloudy High: 52 Low: 31	Thursday Mostly Sunny High: 51 Low: 32	Friday Sunny High: 55 Low: 33	Saturday Mostly Sunny High: 59 Low: 36	Sunday Mostly Cloudy High: 58 Low: 37	Monday Rain & Snow Possible High: 56 Low: 32	Tuesday Sunny High: 54 Low: 33

Weather Trivia

What world city is the easiest to forecast weather for?
Answer: Quito, Ecuador, with a year-round mean temperature of 55 degrees.

Weather History

March 10, 1989 - Thirty-four cities in the central and southwestern United States reported new record high temperatures for the date. The high of 85 degrees at Hanksville, Utah was a record for March, and Pueblo, Colo., equaled their March record of 86 degrees.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	Precipitation
Tuesday	61	41	51/34	0.00"	0.10"
Wednesday	65	35	51/35	0.00"	0.49"
Thursday	64	34	51/35	0.00"	-0.39"
Friday	70	42	52/35	0.00"	47.4°
Saturday	51	37	52/35	0.10"	43.4°
Sunday	50	35	52/35	Trace	+4.0°
Monday	45	33	53/36	0.00"	

Data as reported from Walla Walla

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	Phase
New 3/13	6:14 a.m.	5:52 p.m.	5:30 a.m.	2:56 p.m.	Full 3/28
Wednesday	6:12 a.m.	5:54 p.m.	5:59 a.m.	4:06 p.m.	
Thursday	6:10 a.m.	5:55 p.m.	6:24 a.m.	5:14 p.m.	
Friday	6:08 a.m.	5:56 p.m.	6:45 a.m.	6:21 p.m.	
First 3/21	7:07 a.m.	6:58 p.m.	8:04 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	Last 4/4
Saturday	7:05 a.m.	6:59 p.m.	8:23 a.m.	9:30 p.m.	
Sunday	7:03 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	8:42 a.m.	10:34 p.m.	

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Chamber announces Community Choice Awards

THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Dayton Chamber of Commerce announced the selection of the 2020 Community Choice Awards on March 3rd. Each year, nominations are taken for exceptional citizen, employee, business and youth, and a committee made up of a cross-section of the community makes the selections. Although the awards couldn't be presented at the annual banquet, the Chamber felt it was especially important to pay tribute to these outstanding individuals.

Citizen of the Year: Denise Hoon

Denise is a dedicated community volunteer who gives of her time to many local organizations including Skyline Juniors, Lions Club, Touchet Valley Golf Course, Dayton Historical Depot Society and the First Congregational Church. Denise is constantly and tirelessly volunteering her time cleaning and sprucing up the grounds at the church, depot and golf course. Her efforts help keep Dayton looking its best. She does all this while frequently traveling out of town to help with family. And although she's retired from the Dayton School District, she spent 2020 working as a substitute teacher.

Employee of the Year: Martha Lanman

As Administrator of Columbia County Public Health and Garfield County Health District, Lanman has been instrumental in protecting our communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. She has worked to provide information, education and other needed materials to help keep citizens informed and safe.

"Martha is without question, an incredibly bright, savvy, multi-tasker who willingly set aside her own down time and free time to focus on creating a positive outcome for our county and for our neighbors in Garfield County," wrote one nominator.

Martha is also a powerful advocate for community health, not just with COVID-19 but with ongoing education for youth and teens for prevention of smoking and drug use. In addition to her role as administrator for public health, she serves on multiple boards, including the Blue Mountain Station Coop Market, the Columbia County Community Network and the Friends of the Dayton Community Center/Pool.

Business of the Year: Chief Springs Fire and Irons Brew Pub and Pizzeria

Ann and Mike Spring, owners of Chief Springs Fire and Irons Brew Pub and Pizzeria went above and beyond this year to serve the public. With all the COVID-19 regulations and a fire that destroyed their pizza ovens, they remained open and employed many people. They expanded their patio with a vintage fire truck and propane heaters, provided masks for customers who didn't have them and supported the few local events that could be held in 2020. Both Mike and Ann give back to the community. Mike serves as a fire commissioner for Columbia County Fire District #3 and Ann is a member of the Dayton Development Task Force.

Youth Citizen of the Year: Makenna Culley

Makenna has been a leader in the Dayton High School Associated Student Body for the last two years. In serving as vice president last year and president this year, Makenna has planned many activities for her fellow students. "She has brought enthusiasm, commitment, her love of Dayton and her vision to reenergize the student body at DHS," it was noted in her nomination form. "It's during the unusual circumstances of 2020 where her leadership and character has really shown

through." Examples of her leadership include sending postcard hellos to every student during the shutdown last spring, reinvigorating morning announcements with humor to build school community, creating video announcements during distance learning for teachers to share during first period and virtually hosting student council meetings.



Photos courtesy of Dayton Chamber of Commerce

Clockwise from top left: Citizen of the Year: Denise Hoon, Business of the Year: Chief Springs Fire and Irons Brew Pub & Pizzeria, Youth Citizen of the Year: Makenna Culley, Employee of the Year: Martha Lanman, Columbia County Public Health Administrator

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 Celebration Days:

March 15 at 7 p.m.
tinyurl.com/5e8fdhpq

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.
Zoom call information can be found at <https://www.daytonsd.org/page/school-board>

Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

Coalition for Youth & Families

Fourth Wednesday monthly at 3 p.m.
<https://coalitionforyouthandfamilies.org/get-involved>

Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

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

Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting - Online

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

Starbuck City Council:

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

DAYTON SENIOR ROUND TABLE LUNCH MENU

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

Thursday, March 11

Meatloaf & gravy
Au Gratin Potatoes
Baby carrots
Salad
Roll
Banana
Milk

Tuesday, March 16

Roast beef
Mashed potatoes & gravy
Corn
Broccoli salad

Fruit
Jell-O
Milk

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, March 16

Spaghetti & meat sauce
Vegetable (chef's choice)
Coleslaw
Garlic bread
Fruit



WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Beginning February 25th, Waitsburg School District will no longer be providing home meal deliveries. Families wishing to continue receiving meals at home must pre order online and pick up the meals from school. Orders must be received by Wednesdays at 5:00 PM for pick up the following week and may be picked up Monday or Thursday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

For more information, call Susan Wildey at (509) 337-6461, or visit www.waitsburgsd.org.

Thursday, March 11

B: Breakfast sandwich
L: Pulled pork sandwich
Potato salad
Chips
Grapes
Peanut butter cookie

Friday, March 12

B: Waffles
L: Crisпитos
Spanish rice
Bell pepper strips
Kiwi

Monday, March 15

B: Scram. eggs & bacon
L: Teriyaki chicken
Rice
Snap peas
Mandarins
Fortune cookies

Tuesday, March 16

B: Irish pancakes
L: Shepherd's pie
Roll
Steamed broccoli
Grapes

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

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
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NEWS & COMMENTARY

Columbia County Commissioners join opposition to U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson's plan for salmon recovery

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—In February, U.S. Congressman Mike Simpson, representing Idaho, District 2, unveiled a \$33.5 billion proposal for breaching the four lower hydroelectric dams on the Snake River to address the problem of how to save salmon populations in Idaho, without disrupting the system that provides millions of people with electrical power. His proposal "The Northwest in Transition" calls for removing Lower Granite Dam, Little Goose Dam, Lower Monumental Dam, and Ice Harbor Dam, located in Washington State Congressional Districts 4 and 5.

According to the Idaho Conservation League, studies by fisheries scientists and others have shown that removing the four lower Snake River dams could significantly improve salmon and steelhead populations. A 2020 Columbia River Systems Operations Environmental Impact Statement showed that removing the dams would more than double the number of fish immediately returning to Idaho. Simpson's plan calls for an aggressive spill program at the lower Columbia River dams, which will improve those results even more.

There is \$14 billion in the concept plan to determine the optimal package of clean, reliable energy sources to replace electricity from the dams and lost generation from spilling larger amounts of water at the lower Columbia River dams.

Rep. Simpson's proposal is supported by conservation groups, including the Idaho Conservation League and various Indian Tribes. There is strong opposition from various Washington and Idaho state community leaders, including Idaho Governor Brad Little. None of Simpson's fellow members of the Pacific Northwest Congressional Delegation enthusiastically embraced Simpson's idea. And some members, including U.S. Congressional Representatives Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Dan Newhouse and Jaime Herrera Beutler and Idaho U.S. Congressional Representative Russ Fulcher dismissed it outright.

The Pacific Northwest Waterways Association and the Washington Public Ports Association are also opposed. The four dams in question provide needed barge traffic that gives a low-carbon, cost-effective alternative to transportation. Transitioning barge traffic to roads and rail would have a detrimental effect on the region, particularly on farmers who would see prices for their product affected.

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers have long been outspoken opponents of dam removal. They note that significant changes to existing infrastructure could lead to increased costs for public utility customers

Simpson states on his webpage that he and his staff have held over 300 meetings with stakeholders, tribe, elected representatives, and other interests to understand the issues. In a press release dated February 16, 2021, the Columbia County Commissioners said they had never been contacted by the Congressman or his office regarding this matter, nor had they heard of any other elected body in our region being contacted.

In the release, the Commissioners stated, "This plan will only impoverish and harm our country while doing nothing certain to address the issue of Salmon recovery."

Commissioner Marty Hall said the proposal would harm the local region by negatively impacting wheat prices and the availability and cost of power.

The commissioners call on Simpson to abandon the plan and work instead to help "strengthen and rebuild those things that make the United States great."

Rep. Simpson's proposal is online at simpson.house.gov/salmon

Detailed discussion from stakeholders for and against Simpson's proposal can be found at <http://simpson.house.gov/issues/>

Progress on Dayton General Hospital's campus projects

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON—CCHS CEO Shane McGuire provided the Hospital District board with a project update at their February meeting.

The floor in the Dayton General Hospital Emergency Department was replaced in February. The old flooring was roughly nine years old and was showing significant wear. It was also becoming a risk for infection due to large gaps and cracks in the seams.

The hospital's new generator will be delivered in the middle of March, and Nelson Construction of Walla Walla, will pour a pad for it.

Nelson Construction is the contractor for the new dental clinic at the Columbia Family Clinic in Dayton. Construction on the clinic began in January. The clinic should be ready in June to treat Medicaid patients.

McGuire said job descriptions for a Dentist, Dental Hygienist, and Dental Assistant had been completed.

Attorneys are currently reviewing the details of the Assisted Living Facility lease agreement with Ron Asmus, REA. Asmus is the building contractor for the units to be constructed adjacent to Dayton General Hospital to the north.

McGuire said Asmus had cleared most of the hurdles with the City of Dayton. On Mar. 16, a hearing examiner will review the file and the application and consider the staff recommendation. Afterward, a determination with conditions of approval can be made. Assuming there are no appeals to the decision, applications for a construction permit can be filed.

John McLean, Principal Architect at Blue Room Architecture & Design, is working on a hallway design connecting the hospital with the Booker Rest Home. Two rooms will be created off the hallway to isolate and treat patients with COVID-19 or other infectious diseases.

McGuire said a kickoff meeting was held for the implementation schedule and the procedure for handling the med air/med gas and suction projects without negatively affecting patient care. Patients will benefit from the planned upgrade to the oxygen plant at the hospital. The plant supplies oxygen to all patient rooms. Adding medical air systems will improve patient breathing treatments and outcomes for patients in cardiopulmonary distress and those on ventilators. The suction upgrade is a required element for the care of patients with respiratory illness, he said.



WWCSO

March 2

Adult male reported someone stole his real-estate sign. Waitsburg

March 3

Witness tampering at County Jail. Walla Walla

March 4

A female in Walla Walla County had her debit card stolen, and transactions charged on it. Waitsburg

March 5

A man was arrested on a misdemeanor warrant. Walla Walla County

March 8

Two vehicles were damaged and catalytic converters were taken. Walla Walla County

Recovered a stolen vehicle. Burbank

CCSO

March 3

Paper service, Shangri La RV Park
Warrant Confirmation, Lower Hogeeye Road

Animal Call, Valley View Trailer Park

March 4

Citizen contact, Willow Street
Lost Property, American West Bank, Homestreet Bank

Civil Problem, Dayton Mercantile/Subway

March 5

Animal call, Lewis and Clark State Park
Lost property, PFI Mart
Suspicious activity, 1st Street

March 6

Suspicious activity, 5th Street
9-1-1 call, Hatley Gulch
Missing person, 2nd Street

March 7

Traffic stop, Long Elevator
Civil Problem, Blue Home Patit Creek ARC
9-1-1 call, Bluewood

The Times

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Shelly Snyder

September 12, 1957— September 21, 2020

Shelly Georgette Snyder Coufal, a long-time resident of the Walla Walla area, passed Monday the 21st of September, 2020, with her family by her side.

Shelly was born on September 12, 1957 in Dayton, Washington, and she attended Waitsburg High School. During the pack season, she worked at the Green Giant. Additional employment included the Bulls Eye Tavern in Waitsburg, and she also managed the newly built Dairy Queen when she moved to Milton-Freewater in 1988. Shelly also lived in Eureka, California, where she built a house and owned and operated Humboldt Landscaping. To be closer to her family and aging mother, Sergie Coufal, she relocated back to Walla Walla, Washington in 2009.



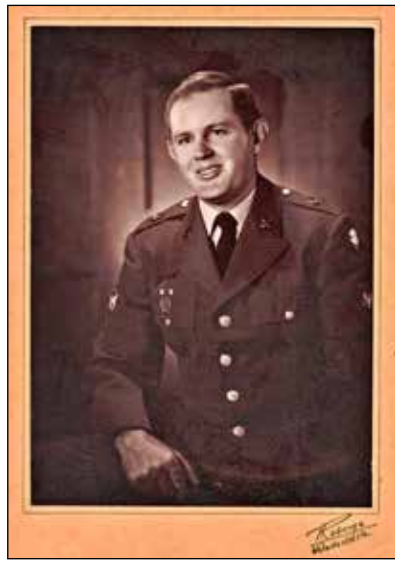
Shelly is survived by her two children, Forrest Lee Waltermire and Collette Camille Jones Waltermire, nine grandchildren, one great-grandchild, seven sisters, and two brothers, all of who she cherished very much.

We commemorate Shelly as a dear mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and friend. Shelly possessed many talents. She was the best cookie-baker and prime rib cook. Shelly's radiant and lovely smile lit up every room. She had a passion for fishing, always having three poles ready and available.

My father once told me a lovely story about my dear mother. He said that my mom was so beautiful and that when she walked into the tavern, the band would notice her and stop playing. I can only hope that when our Heavenly Father called Shelly home, the band stopped playing, and He wrapped her up in His arms.

Peter "Dean" Hermanns

November 2, 1939—March 15, 2020



Born November 2, 1939, and died March 15, 2020 at home from heart issues. His parents were Pete Hermanns and Metha Witt Hermanns. Dean was an avid hunter and fisherman. He worked a lot of cattle in his life. He is survived by wife Linda of 38 years, and son Andy, daughter-in-law Pam, and grandson Adam.

There will be a celebration of life for Dean this Sunday, March 14th, 1:30pm at Faith Chapel on 653 Wagon Rd on the west side of Dayton, Washington.

Times Traveler



Photo credit: Dan Regan (Brian's son)

Brian Jones of Walla Walla enjoying Spring Training with the Mariners and The Times. 1st batter got a home run for the M's.

Honoring the Hinchliff Conservation Legacy

By Brad Trumbo | THE TIMES

In 1992, ten years after Pheasants Forever came to fruition in Saint Paul, MN, Walla Walla's Blue Mountain chapter (BMPF) held its first fundraising banquet. Among those responsible for its success were John and Bertha Hinchliff of Dayton, WA.

Upon moving to the Dayton area from Lewiston, ID, the Hinchliffs purchased property near Turner and later a farm near Dayton. Fitting with their commitment to conservation, the Hinchliffs assisted the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) by raising and releasing ringneck pheasant, bobwhite quail, chukar, and wild turkeys.

John Hinchliff served BMPF as President, while Bertha, the only woman involved in BMPF at the time, served as Vice President, Secretary, and Banquet Committee volunteer over the years.

Following John Hinchliff's passing in 1999, Bertha established the memorial John Hinchliff scholarship fund, administered through BMPF for local high school students. Bertha's generosity awarded as many as four schol-

arships per year to applicants interested in natural resources, among other fields.

"Bertha was a kind woman. She liked to help kids." Said long-time BMPF member John Houston as he recalled his relationship with the Hinchliffs. Bertha's compassion and judgment of character were but two of her many superior qualities.

Bertha's passing on February 23rd completed the Hinchliff's active commitment to conservation. Still, their legacy continues through the John Hinchliff scholarship and their various acreage offering public hunting access through WDFW's "Hunt by Written Permission" program and the Hopkins Ridge Wind Facility. Additionally, John Houston manages permission for youth upland hunting on Hinchliff lands on Territorial Road near Starbuck.

BMPF owes its presence and success, in part to Bertha Hinchliff and her dedication for conservation and the local community. She rarely missed a BMPF fundraiser banquet and her attendance at future banquets will be dearly missed.

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Blue Mountain Counseling has an opening for a full-time position as a Receptionist, will also be required to be part of the Crisis First Responder team. This position is at least 37 hours per week. Salary: DOE/DOQ. Application and job description may be picked up at Blue Mountain Counseling, 221 E. Washington Ave., Dayton, WA 99328. Applications may be faxed to: 509.382.1166 For questions and/or information call 509.382.1164. E.O.E.

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Columbia County Public Works is seeking Summer Help for 2021. The department is seeking individuals meeting the minimum qualifications of Temporary Laborer or Flagger to apply for the position within the Public Works department. These positions will assist the County Road department road maintenance functions. Preference will be given to applicants with a valid flagging certification. On the job training is available. Wages begin at \$14.37 per hour for Temporary Laborers and \$15.09 for Temporary flaggers. To apply, obtain an application packet at www.columbiaco.com or the Columbia County Public Works Department, P.O. Box 5, 415 N Guernsey Ave., Dayton, WA 99328 or call (509) 382-2534. Apply by March 19, 2021 for priority review (First Review, Open until Filled). Columbia County is an equal opportunity employer.

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The City of Dayton is taking applications for two Temporary/ Seasonal employees to work in the park, cemetery and where needed. Duties will include mowing, weed-eating, trimming, restroom maintenance, general grounds keeping. The wage is \$13.69 per hour, no benefits included. The job will be for 90 working days. Must have a valid Washington State drivers license and be at least 18 years of age. Jobs are open until filled. Get an application and job description at Dayton City Hall in Dayton, 111 South 1st Street, or call 509-382-2361. You can apply online at www.datonwa.com. Any questions call 509-382-4571 or 509-382-2361, ask for Jim or Rob.

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Waitsburg Elementary students raise more than \$5,000 for Jump for Heart

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Waitsburg Elementary students spent the first couple weeks of the year raising funds for the American Heart Association. The students raised a grand total of \$5,185.96, breaking the school's record with ease.

Established in 1983, Jump for Heart is an AHA program that raises vital money for research, while simultaneously encouraging exercise and healthy diets, while teaching about heart health. The Jump for Heart program ends with a Jump Off Day, where kids get to play jump rope games. Last year, Jump Off Day was cut short by the COVID-19 pandemic that shut schools down completely.

This year, Kathy Schirm and Shelby Gould, both Waitsburg School District employees, carefully planned a two-day event, to accommodate both Group A and

Group B students based on the school's schedule. 3-5 grade students played in the morning, while K-2 students got to play jump rope games in the afternoons.

Students who raised more than \$60 were asked to help Silly String Mr. Pickel after class on March 1 and 4, depending on which class group the student was in. Fourth grader Colt Boudrieau raised the most money as a single student, raising \$540.

"He gets to be the PE teacher for a day soon," said Schirm. Boudrieau was unavailable for comment, likely because he is busy making his PE lesson plans.

The fourth grade class raised the most money, by class, during the fundraiser, earning them a pizza and popcorn party with Mr. Pickel. The top four individual fundraisers were all fourth grade students.

Schirm said she wanted to give a special thank you to everyone who donated to the fundraiser, and to Rosie

Nechodom, Shelby Gould, and the freshman students who helped make the Jump Off Days successful.



Beka Compton

Waitsburg School Superintendent Mark Pickel during the second round of Silly String.

Department of Health adopting CDC guidance on safe behaviors post-vaccine

THE TIMES

OLYMPIA—The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) is adopting the guidance released by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) regarding post-vaccine behavior.

If someone has been fully vaccinated, they can:

- Gather indoors with fully vaccinated people in private residences without wearing a mask and,
- Gather indoors with unvaccinated people from one other household in private residences (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks, unless any of those people

or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

The CDC is quite clear that vaccinated people should continue to wear masks when they're in public, avoid crowds and take other precautions when gathering with unvaccinated people who are at high risk of serious illness from COVID-19.

If a vaccinated person has been around someone with COVID-19, they do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless they have symptoms. However, if a vaccinated person lives in a group setting (like a correctional or detention facility or group home)

and is around someone who has COVID-19, they should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested, even if without symptoms.

Regardless of vaccination status, people should still take steps to protect themselves and others while in public settings. This includes wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces. In addition, people should still avoid medium or large-sized gatherings and continue to watch for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if they've been around someone who is sick.

BIRTHDAYS

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

March 12: Cherie Kurth, David Donnelly, Ben and Bill Brown, Susan Webber, Jimmie Young, Walt Warehime, Elizabeth Abbey, Teresa Johnson and Lory Duckworth.

March 13: Corey Puckett, Susan Watson, Kathy Logeman, Darla Fischer, Ryan Shweid, Dan Mortimore, Darin Groom, Louie Gagnon, Scott Hagerman, Mark Lanning and Larry Branson.

March 14: Jim Wilson, Rhonda Perry, Kathy Rose, Luanna Kalahale, and William Adams.

March 15: Drew Farley, Arvilla Cyr, Debra Olson, Stacey Mohney, Gage Baker, Sharon Puckett, Sara Payne Dimak, and Lolita Clayton.

March 16: Edna Clough, Mike Estes, Edith Largent, Carol Heilbrun, Michael Kerry, Guy Keeney, Chenae Dahlstrom, Megan Payne, and Carley Horlacher.

March 17: Joan Ruble, John Butler, Winton Lytle, Brian Doering and Kristi Unholz.



LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
No.: 21-4-00034-36
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

(RCW 11.40.030)
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: WADE CURTIS ROBBINS, Deceased.

The Co-Personal Representatives named below have been appointed as co-personal representatives 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 co-personal representatives or the co-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 co-personal representatives served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: February 25, 2021

Co-Personal Representatives: James G. Robbins and Maryann E. Robbins
Jared N. Hawkins, WSBA #35426

Of Attorneys for Co-Personal Representatives
Address for Mailing or Service:
2225 Isaacs, Suite A, Walla Walla, WA 99362
Court of probate proceedings and cause number:
Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No. 21-4-00034-36
The Times
February 25, March 4, 11, 2021
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WAITSBURG JOINT SCHOOL DIST. 401 & 100 WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON
NOTICE OF HEARING - PROPOSED SALE OF REAL PROPERTY (VACANT PROPERTIES)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Waitsburg School District, Walla Walla County, Washington (the "District") proposes to sell two adjacent parcels of certain vacant real property located off of E Third Street and Coppei Ave., in the City of Waitsburg, WA 99361 (the "Vacant Properties") which are no longer required for school district purposes. The Vacant Properties have the following legal descriptions: (a) abbreviated legal description 11-9-37 TAX 40, Tax Parcel No. 37-09-11-34-0012; and (b) abbreviated legal description 11-9-37 TAX 145, Tax Parcel No. 37-09-11-34-0025, both in Walla Walla County, Washington. The Board shall hold a public meeting on the proposal to sell the Property at the District Administration offices at the location of Waitsburg Elementary School Library on March 18, 2021 at 6 p.m. At the meeting, the Board shall receive evidence and comments for and against the propriety of the proposed sale. For further information,

please contact Mark Pickel, Superintendent, at Tel. 509-337-6301.

WAITSBURG JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 401 & 100, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON
/s/ Mark Pickel
Superintendent and Secretary of the Board
The Times
March 4, 11, 2021
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FRONT STREET BRIDGE RAILING

City of Dayton
111 South 1st Street
Dayton, Washington 99328
City of Dayton, Washington (herein called the "Owner"), invites bids for the construction of the Front Street Bridge Railing project. The work includes the replacement of the traffic barrier and pedestrian bridge on the east side of the Front Street Bridge, as well as a bid alternate to replace the traffic barrier on the west side of the Front Street Bridge.

Sealed bids for the described project will be received by the office of the City Clerk at City Hall, 111 South 1st Street, Dayton, Washington, 99328 until 2:30 p.m., local time, March 25, 2021, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

The Contractor is subject to all requirements related to Prevailing Wage Rates, EEO, and Washington State Contracting Laws, etc.

The contract time for all work shall be 40 working days. The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., 214 East Birch Street, Walla Walla, Washington 99362, (509) 529-9260, Adam Schmidtgall, P.E., aschmidtgall@andersonperry.com. Prospective Bidders

may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Mondays through Fridays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or at the other locations listed below.

City of Dayton, 111 South 1st Street, Dayton, Washington
Anderson Perry & Associates, Inc., 1901 North Fir Street, La Grande, Oregon
Bidding Documents are available at <http://www.andersonperry.com> under the Bid Docs link. The digital Bidding Documents may be downloaded for a non-refundable payment of \$25.00 by inputting QuestCDN eBidDoc Number 7629239 on the website. Assistance with free QuestCDN membership registration, document downloading, and working with the digital Project information may be obtained at www.QuestCDN.com, at (952) 233-1632, or via e-mail at info@questcdn.com. No paper sets will be provided for bidding purposes.

Each bid on the project must be submitted on the prescribed form and accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to the Owner in an amount not less than 5 percent of the amount bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish the necessary additional bonds for the faithful performance of the contract as prescribed in the contract documents.

The Owner may reject any bid not in compliance with all prescribed requirements and may reject for good cause any and all bids upon finding that it is in the public interest to do so.

The Owner is an equal opportunity employer. Minority and women-owned businesses are encouraged to bid. Each minority and womenowned business requesting plans

should indicate that they are a minority firm at the time they request plans so they may be listed on the Planholders List as a minority.

Owner: City of Dayton, Washington
By: Zac Weatherford
Title: Mayor
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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
NO. 21 4 00045 36
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of

VELMAA. SICKLES, Deceased.

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal 16 | 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. 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

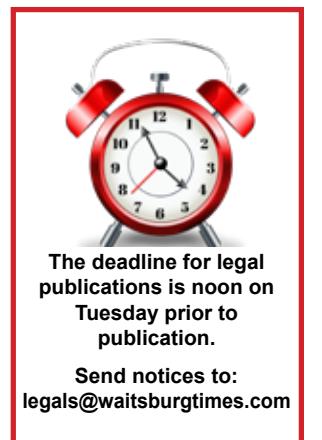
provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as

otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

Date of Filing Notice to Creditors with Clerk of the Court:

March 4, 2021
Date of First Publication:
March 11, 2021
Personal Representative:
Dawn A. Nichols
Attorney for the Personal Representative:

/s/ Michael V. Hubbard.
WSBA #8823
Address for Mailing or Service:
Hubbard Law Office,
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Waitsburg, WA 99361
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March in the Garden

By Alexandra Fitzgerald | THE TIMES

Homegrown produce is on the horizon, but don't wait too long to start your seed!

Every year, spring sneaks up on me. February plunks along at a snail's pace, we get a few feet of snow, and I think there is plenty of time yet before spring. Then the snow melts off, and the yellow crocus are in full bloom less than a week later, and I realize I'm already behind. Every year never fails.

Word to the wise; if you're planning on growing some of your veggies from seed this year, you better purchase those seeds quickly. A somewhat positive trend from the pandemic is a huge surge in home gardening. The drawback is that many of the most popular varieties sell out quickly (my grand plans for several unique onion varieties have been dashed for 2021). If you're hoping to grow tomatoes or peppers from seed, you're very nearly late.

For those of you who are new to gardening or growing veggies from seed, it's pretty easy. I have a few recommendations to help navigate common mistakes. A few items that I strongly recommend for successful starts are a seed germination mat, and a basic plant grow light. Both are relatively affordable and greatly improve seed germination. Seed-starting soil mix is also key. Do not confuse it with regular potting soil or soil from your yard: It's much lighter and is sterile to ensure soil-borne diseases won't dash your seed-starting dreams too early.

A final trick is to use some sort of humidity dome to ensure the germinating seeds stay nice and humid. Seedlings are very fragile and keeping humidity high has improved my seed germination rates a lot. Once your seeds have sprouted, be sure to take the humidity dome off to allow good airflow.

My next tip is to read up on the veggies you plan to grow and understand the recommended methods for growing them from seed. This includes knowing which plants do better starting indoors versus being direct-sown into the garden. Like tomatoes and peppers, heat-loving plants need to be started indoors, but fast-growers like squash, melons, and corn should all be direct-sown in the garden once it's consistently warm. Root crops (carrots, radishes, parsnips, etc.), leafy greens, beans, and peas also do best being direct-sown.

Each year I print out a blank calendar and fill out the dates I should be starting each vegetable type to help keep everything straight. You can also list anticipated transplant dates and average last and first frost dates to frame out your growing season.

A final tip: Always, always, always harden off your seedlings before transplanting them into the garden. If you don't heed this advice, the first sunny day could end with your fresh seedlings getting a potentially lethal case of sunscald. Kind of like if your pale winter self, took off to Hawaii and hung out on the beach all day, sans sunscreen. Major regrets that all the aloe vera in the world couldn't cure.

Hardening off seedlings is a slow process. Start by setting your seedlings outside in a sheltered place for no more than 15-20 minutes the first day. Increase the time a little bit each day until it's been at least a week, and the plants are able to handle full sun for about 6 hours a day. After that, it should be safe to plant outside as long as there is no frost in the forecast. If you can, plant on a cloudy day or in the evening, so the plants have an easier transition.

If you don't want to deep dive into the world of seed-starting yet, that's totally fine. You can pick up some high-quality starts at any of our local garden centers;



Alexandra Fitzgerald

Buff the cat is very proud of his chard and brussel sprout starts.

Nancy's Dream and Blue Mountain Station are where I get most of mine. While I'm certainly not the one to talk about impulse control when buying plants, it's best to plan your garden out BEFORE you shop. That way, you know how much space you have and how many plants you need.

The one seemingly obvious tip is only to grow what you and your family LIKE to eat. Again, something I'm terrible at. Every year for the past four years, I've planted cucumbers, even though I, personally, hate them, and I've never gotten around to turning them into the infinitely more desirable pickle. My other tip for choosing starts is to focus on growing the "expensive" veggies. Vine-ripened tomatoes and peppers are rather pricey in the store and have dramatically less flavor than the home-grown version.

Whether you're starting your vegetables from seed or letting the garden centers do that work for you, the results are more than worth it. John Denver summed it up best: "There are only two things money can't buy, and that's true love and homegrown tomatoes."

Alaskan Nets documents High School basketball team in SE Alaska

The documentary follows the Metlakatla Chiefs basketball team, coached by TJ Scott, formerly of Waitsburg.

By Beka Compton | THE TIMES

METLAKATLA, Alaska—A documentary set to premier at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival in April follows a familiar face throughout Southeast Alaska, documenting a glowing basketball team and the ups and downs of rural island life.

Alaskan Nets focuses on former Waitsburg-Prescott basketball coach TJ Scott and the Metlakatla Chiefs basketball team.

Metlakatla, located on Annette Island, is the only Native Reserve in the State of Alaska. Located 20 miles south of Ketchikan, the community has a population of roughly 1,500 people. A truly unique community, new residents require 'approval' from the tribal leaders in order to move there. Like many communities in Southeast Alaska, Metlakatla relies on the fishing and tourism industries to thrive.

Scott first moved to Metlakatla in 2012 after the school superintendent reached out to him about a coaching position.

"I was teaching part-time in Prescott, and coaching for Waitsburg-Prescott when I got a call from the superintendent here," Scott said. "They were looking for a head basketball coach, and he pretty much said he would find a full-time teaching job for me, but they didn't know in what department yet. Basically, they wanted me for a coach, and they'd find a place for me to teach."

It took a moment for Scott to decide if he wanted to move to a remote community, accessible only by plane or boat, but he ultimately decided to take the leap. He said he fell in love with the area, and he's been there ever since. He was joined in 2016 by his wife, Ashley Coila Scott (also from Waitsburg).

Sports are a completely different situation for remote island communities. In Waitsburg, athletes load up on a bus, drive a couple of hours to their game destination, play, and come home. Regional and state-level games may take athletes away for a weekend, but never much longer than two or three days.

In Metlakatla, however, league games are a four to five day ordeal.

"When we go play Haines, for example, we leave on Thursday morning. We ferry to Ketchikan, stay in Ketchikan for the day, and then fly to Juneau, and stay the night in Juneau. Then, we get up at 5 in the morn-

ing and then take a ferry to Haines, which is a six hour ferry," Scott said. "We play Friday and Saturday, and we ferry back Sunday, and fly back to Ketchikan, and we are home by Monday night. And that's only a league game. It's a five day trip for two games, and that's pretty common."

The extra travel time has given Scott a chance to develop a positive relationship with his athletes. He said that he has become a father figure to many, because he spends so much time with the athletes. Metlakatla's basketball season runs roughly four months, compared to Washington's three month season, to help accommodate travel time.

"It's a whole different dynamic up here. I spend a lot of time with my team, but I'm also away from my family that much more," he said.

A couple of years into his coaching career, Scott said that an independent journalist asked if he could follow the team for a month, photographing games and practices. The final essay, which was reported on and photographed by Samuel Wilson, was featured online by ESPN, and was later discovered by producer Jeff Harasimowicz (*Ultimate Rush, Way of Life*).

Experienced film producer and sports enthusiast Harasimowicz said that he had always been interested in doing a "Friday Night Lights" type story, and was intrigued by Wilson's essay.

"Seeing those images, and hearing a little bit about the community. The only Native reserve in Alaska, where high schoolers are doing this very lucrative, yet dangerous, job to support their families, and the fact that basketball is the kind of the center of this community's passion, and tradition, and pride," Harasimowicz said. The lucrative industry he refers to is commercial fishing, which many youth in Southeast Alaska partake in. "It was this unbelievable intersection for a super-compelling story."

Harasimowicz approached Scott, asking if anyone had documented his story, or if he would be interested in having the story told. A couple of trips to the community, some introductions, and a Tribal Council approval later, *Alaskan Nets* kicked off filming, getting a true, behind-the-scenes glimpse at Alaska Native culture and community, Southeast Alaska lifestyle, and basketball.

"I don't know if fate is the right word, but everything that could have happened in this film, from a storytelling perspective, happened," Harasimowicz said. "Not to spoil anything, but this community relies heavily on the fishing industry, which is a very dangerous industry, and we saw that first hand with the film."

The crew got very close with the athletes and the community, forming what Harasimowicz described as a family-like bond, and the dangerous reality of the fishing industry was even harder for the crew to come to terms with.

On that note, however, Harasimowicz said that it was an incredible experience, watching the Metlakatla Chiefs, who have been gunning for a State basketball championship for more than 30 years, navigate the ups and downs that they did.

Alaskan Nets was directed by Harasimowicz, and produced by Harasimowicz and Ryan Welch.

The Santa Barbara International Film Festival kicks off on March 31, but the program for the 2021 festival was not available at the time the newspaper went to print. The Festival is offering a virtual experience this year, just visit their website to purchase tickets, www.sbiff.org. A complete film line up will be available later this month.



Alaskan Nets/ Jeff Harasimowicz

Metlakatla Chiefs coach TJ Scott and his team celebrate a moment of victory. Scott has been coaching basketball in Alaska since 2012, and said he has fallen in love with the small Alaska Native community, and the Alaskan Island lifestyle. The movie captures plenty of ups and downs according to director Jeff Harasimowicz, premiers at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival later this month.

Seahawks have no reason to trade Russell Wilson yet

By Eric Umphrey | THE TIMES

Rumors have continued to swirl around whether or not Russell Wilson will be traded this offseason. One of the teams on Wilson's trade list, the Dallas Cowboys, has just signed Dak Prescott to a four-year \$160 million extension with a full no-trade clause. Unless both Wilson and Prescott agree to switch teams, the number of trade partners is down to the New Orleans Saints, Chicago Bears, and the Las Vegas Raiders.

Let's start with the Saints. From Russell Wilson's standpoint, it's easy to see the attraction here. The Saints are a great team, and reloading with Wilson extends their Super Bowl window. Drew Brees hasn't officially retired yet, but he likely will. He recently agreed to reduce his salary from \$25 million to the veteran's minimum of \$1.075 million. This reduces the Saints' salary cap hit by \$24 million, but the Saints are still \$48 million over the salary cap. They still have some work getting under that amount. Adding Wilson would only further complicate that process.

The Saints wouldn't be a great trading partner for the Seahawks since the pieces they would be looking to trade would be veteran players counting too much against their salary cap, and any draft picks wouldn't be early picks since the Saints are a playoff team.

On to the Chicago Bears. Not sure why Wilson would want to play for the

Bears other than the fact they need to improve at quarterback. Granted, they are a storied franchise, and if Wilson did get traded to Chicago and managed to win a Super Bowl in Chicago, his time with the Seahawks would quickly be forgotten across the NFL. Last year the Bears offensive line ranked in the bottom third of the NFL according to the PFF play-by-play grading system. From the Seahawks' standpoint, they could target some of the Bears' younger defensive players that are under contract to rebuild their defense. But since the Bears finished last year with an 8-8 record, their first-round pick is the 20th overall, and the Seahawks would need a lot more than that to deal Wilson.

Lastly, let's take a look at the Las Vegas Raiders. Like the Bears, the Raiders' offensive line was rated in the bottom third of the NFL measured by the PFF play-by-play grading system. The franchise hasn't been to the Super Bowl since their 2002 loss to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Since then, the Raiders had only made the playoffs once in 2016. The Raiders GM Mike Mayock and head coach Jon Gruden have publicly stated their support for Raiders current quarterback Derek Carr. This also looks like it would be a one-sided trade favoring the Raiders.

It's very unlikely any trade happens. For starters, \$39 million of Russell Wilson's salary would count against the Seahawks' salary cap if he was traded now. If they waited until next year, that cap hit would still be \$26 million. Unless Wilson takes this to the next level by holding out next season, there is no reason to trade Wilson to any of the teams on his list.

Tigers Volleyball wins two straight set matches against Sunnyside, Yakama Nation

THE TIMES

PRESCOTT—Prescott Tigers Volleyball defeated Sunnyside Christian during a home match on March 4. Set scores were 25-13, 25-14, and 25-18.

Coach Bob Young shared that the Tigers bettered their season record as they started their second trip around the league. Prescott avenged its loss to the Knights in the opening match of the season by controlling the match from start to finish. The Tigers won the service, serve receive, net play, and hustle balls.

The Tigers served at 86% with 17 aces. The team's Seniors were on fire against Sunnyside Christian, with Senior Frida Gonzalez serving seven aces, Senior Jena Rowlette with two aces, six kills, and two blocks, and Senior Karina Quiroz tallied three aces.

"That was fun. The girls are really executing well. Tonight, they did a great job of limiting their unforced errors and limiting the runs of Sunnyside," said Young. "I'm really happy to see them exuding confidence. We've shown that from the service line the last two matches as we're putting great pressure on our opponent's serve receive. Our seniors Frida, Jena, and Karina were outstanding."

The Tigers next game, against Yakama Nation Tribal Schools (YNTS), ended with yet another victory for Prescott, bringing the season record to 5-2. Set scores against YNTS were 25-

19, 25-11, 25-20.

Tigers served up 21 aces against YNTS, led by Gonzalez's six and Quiroz's four. Junior Angeles Ayala tallied four kills, three aces, and two blocks.

"The girls took care of business today. We started off with seven service errors in the first set, but settled down in the second, and finished strong in the third. It was a team effort," Young said. "No one player stood out, but everyone contributed across the board. We've now won three straight in straight sets. We're really playing together. It's a coach's dream."

Prescott Volleyball plays against Liberty Christian on March 9, in Prescott. Games are being live-streamed via the Prescott School District Facebook page.

Above: Senior Jena Rowlette jumping to taking the shot.

Below: The Prescott Tigers celebrating team work as they defeated Sunnyside Christian in straight sets during the March 4 match.



Courtesy of Bob Young

DW Volleyball claims victory against River View Panthers

THE TIMES

Dayton-Waitsburg Volleyball played against the Walla Walla Valley Academy Knights on March 2, falling short of victory with set scores of 9-25, 11-24, 14-25. Head coach Tracy Barron shared that she was proud of the leadership she saw from the senior players.

Sadie Seney led the scorebooks for the WWVA match, with five kills, two blocks, and five digs. Katherine Houchin finished the match with three kills, three digs, and one ace, while Teagan Larsen ended her game with six assists, four digs, and one ace.

"The girls really struggled with passing tonight, but had a lot of really great plays at the net," Barron shared. "The seniors on the team really stepped up to-

night and helped our younger players."

On March 6, DW Volleyball came together to defeat the River View Panthers, with set scores of 25-9, 25-19, 25-17.

Larsen led the team with 14 assists, one dig, and one ace. Houchin stepped up with six kills, two assists, and one dig, with Seney bringing in 14 kills, one dig, and two blocks. Claudia Benavides had a noteworthy game, finishing with four kills, eight digs, and two aces.

"The girls worked really well together today. As a whole team they worked the net well and covered our hitters and blockers more consistently," Barron said.

DW Volleyball plays Columbia-Burbank on March 9, and Tri Cities Prep at home on March 11. Home games are live streamed on the Waitsburg Athletics Facebook page.

DW Football falls 41-16 against TCP Jaguar

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Dayton-Waitsburg Football played Tri-Cities Prep Jaguars in an Eastern Washington Athletics Conference (EWAC) football game Friday night.

Coach Troy Larsen said that Tri Cities Prep (TCP) is a very fast and physical team that likes to attack from their 3-4 defense.

"DW, (we) had a hard time picking up the blitzing linebackers and that gave Monte Pettichord some challenges with who to read," said Larsen.

With DW guards not getting to the linebackers, the running game was a tough go and the team turned to the passing game. Pettichord threw the ball to four different receivers for 272 yards and two touchdowns.

Mason Finney led the team with seven catches for 124 yards and a touchdown (TD), while Shawn Evans was right behind him with six catches for 112 yards and a TD.

"I was really impressed with how Monte settled down after a couple interceptions and started to throw the ball away instead of trying to make the big play," said Larsen, in an email. "The second half looked a lot better as the team adapted to the speed of Prep and our lineman started to make more blocks which allowed Hudson Reser to run for 46 second half yards. With the Prep focus turning to Reser, it allowed the DW play action and Run-Pass-Option (RPO) to start working and DW had two really good looking drives in the fourth quarter against the starters from TCP"

Larsen shared that if the team can eliminate mistakes, like a bad offensive call to run a speed option on the goal line, which ultimately resulted in a safety, and mishandling a punt for a TD, the team would have been "right in the game" against TCP. He did note that weather conditions wreaked havoc on the team's kicking game, ending with turning the ball over to TCP multiple times in DW territory and providing easy scoring drives for the Jaguars.

On the Defensive side of the ball, Adam Puckett and Theo Anderson had great games. Puckett led the team with 12 tackles and Anderson followed close behind with 11 tackles, a blocked PAT (single point conversion), and a sack.

"Theo is starting to really grow as a player and is showing glimpses of a next level type of lineman," Larsen noted.

The third defensive stand out was Colton VanBlaricom tallying 10 tackles with 4 of them being solo tackles. Van Blaricom, from his outside Linebacker/Strong Safety position, can really cover the field.

"You will see number 19 everywhere during a game," Larsen shared. "It's really fun to watch Colton compete on the field."

Dayton-Waitsburg will travel to Mabton High School on Saturday for a 1:00 p.m. kick-off. Everyone can watch the game on the Mabton School District Facebook page live stream. Mabton has the same type of depth that DW has, and Larsen expects it to be a competitive game.

"It will be a big test for our DW defense as we go up against the number one QB in the league."

Chat with Danielle Barnes: Decadent in Dayton

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

If you've had the pleasure to walk into Locally Nourished, the coffee shop and eatery at 217 East Main Street in Dayton, you've had the opportunity to enjoy some of Danielle Barnes' kitchen expertise. She's the owner of Decadent in Dayton, one of our up-and-coming businesses.

Danielle moved to Dayton in June last year, but she has known Alicia Walker, owner of Locally Nourished, for many years. The decision to make the Touchet Valley move was based on the new partnership she forged with Alicia, and we're all the better for it - everything from soups and quiche to mouth-watering pastry. But her baking skills are her forte.

"I'm the youngest of nine kids, and I'm a twin," Barnes said during a recent chat. "It was farm life - everyone learned the chores, and I learned how to cook."

At 15, she got a job handing out grocery store samples. Someone saw her potential, and she got pulled in to assist in the bakery. Later she began working at Costco and eventually found herself featured in the company magazine. Altogether, she put in 18 years as one of Costco's top bakers and cake decorators. She's self-taught, which is impressive if you've seen the things she does. Eight years ago, she made the final casting call on the TLC Network's "Next Great Baker." At that time, she was considered one of the top 100 best bakers in America.

"They start looking for personality first and baking talent later," she said, which made me laugh. Television!

She used to call her special-order business "Danielle's Decadent Desserts," but moving to Dayton means a new start for her and the business. Thus, the name change.

"When I first visited Dayton, I fell in love," Barnes said. "People here have been so great. They've welcomed me, and I'm extremely grateful for the reception," Barnes said. "I plan to make my life here. Your community becomes your family."

There are two ways to look at small business these days - as a tough row to hoe or as a timely opportunity. Danielle sees it as the latter.

As owner of "Decadent in Dayton," Danielle operates under the umbrella of Locally Nourished with a goal to set up her own storefront on Main Street in Dayton. Besides selling her baked goods, she envisions selling top-shelf baking and pastry art supplies



and offering classes for folks interested in learning baking skills. Right now, she and Alicia are working on setting up a refrigerated display of baked goods for take-out at Locally Nourished.

Meanwhile, she takes orders for special event cakes and pastries. She's a bonafide sugar worker, cake sculptress, and supreme gluten-free baker. She can also do sugar-free products with advanced notice.

Her signature product is Decadent Chocolate-Orange Cake. It sounds simple, and I won't try to describe how she makes it. Suffice it to say, not only does it sound heavenly and look extravagantly fetching in photos, but I also found myself drooling just thinking about it. I plan to bury myself in some before long. She's taking orders now for St. Patrick's Day bakes, truffle pops, cupcake bouquets, and more.

For your drooling pleasure, you can find photos of Danielle's work on her "Decadent in Dayton" Facebook page. Orders for her delectable deliciousness can be made by Facebook messenger, sending an email to dbcakes4u@gmail.com, or calling 425-395-9324.

Danielle Barnes is looking forward to the future of life and community business in the Touchet Valley.

"I hope I can complain about being tired," she said.

I know it sounds weird, but I think she will.

Decadent in Dayton

Top: Yes, that is a cake. a log cake!
Above: Danielle Barnes, ready to take your order.
Left: An elegant baby shower cake.

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also available. Hot stones and hot towels are complimentary for 60 minute and more extended services. Visit <https://www.massagebook.com/biz/AlleviateMassageTherapyByAndreaVilla>, or call (509) 676-9049 to book. The massage studio is located at 131 Main Street in Waitsburg. Masks are required while entering the massage space.

Mae B's Customs: Nestled at the north end of Waitsburg at 101 Main Street, Mae B's is open for all your custom printed tumblers, apparel, and more. Mae B's is open Thursday through Sunday, 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. Check out their Facebook page, or visit them online at www.maebcustoms.com. Masks are required while shopping.

Prescott Businesses

The Tuxedo Bar & Grill: The Tux is back open after three months! Swing by Tuesday through Saturday, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. Taco Wednesdays are on hold for now, however, Karaoke Night and Seafood Fridays are available. Whether you need a hot burger, cold drink, or a combo of the two, the Tuxedo Bar & Grill is the place to be! They are located at 105 S. D Street in Prescott.

Country Chic Boutique: Available by appointment only, Country Chic Boutique just launched a brand-new spring line with cute from head to toe, with sizes Small- 3XL. To book an appointment, call owner Jessica Ruffcorn (509) 629-2357, or visit them on Facebook. Country Chic is online, offering Sezzle payments for guilt-free shopping, at <http://www.countrychic-boutique509.com/>.



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Please Welcome Columbia Family Clinic's New Primary Care Provider, Lindsay McLaughlin! Lindsay is a Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner with a passion for providing health care to rural communities. Lindsay will start taking on new patients mid-March.

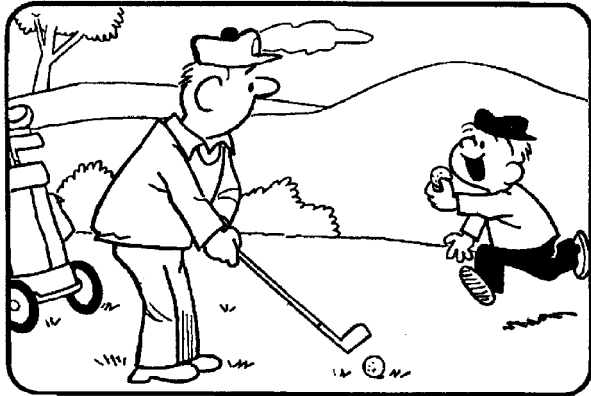
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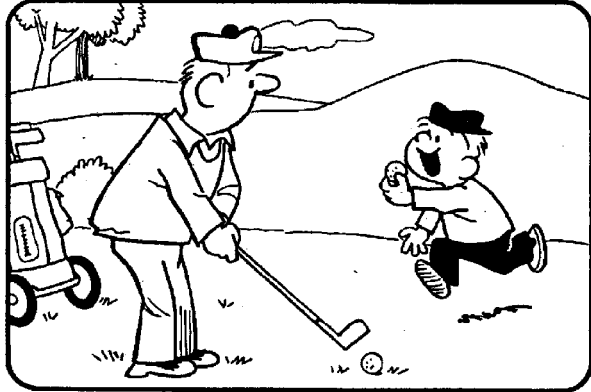
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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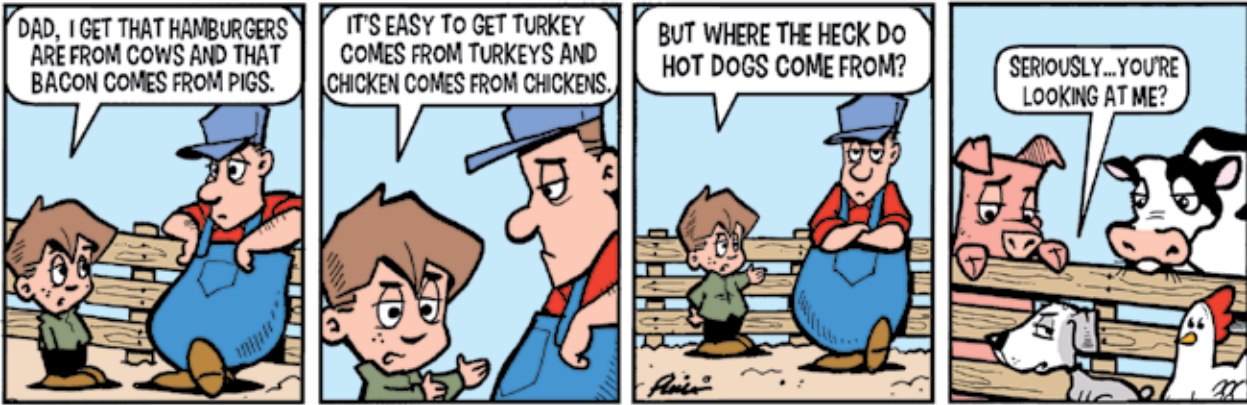


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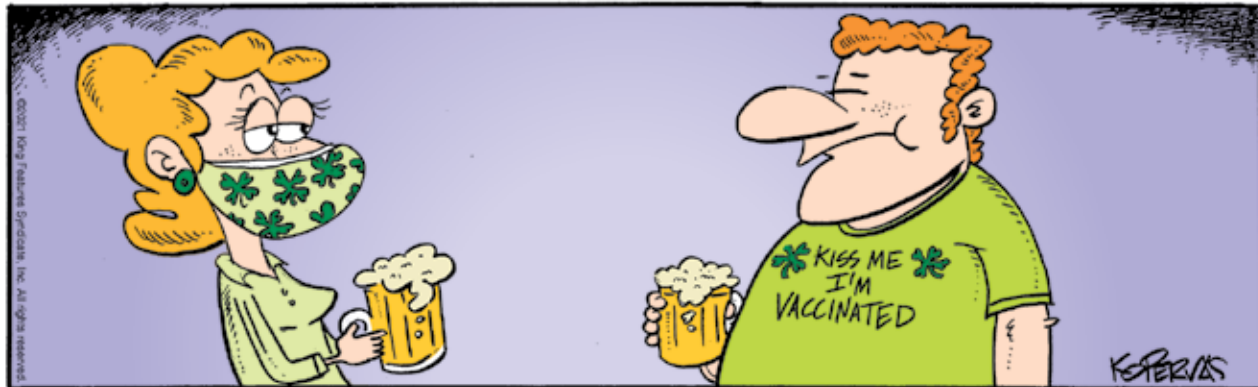
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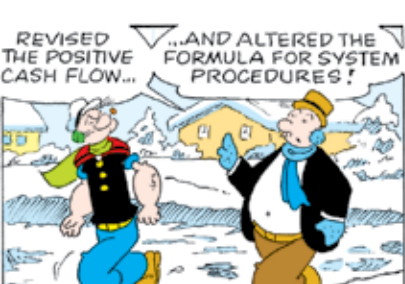
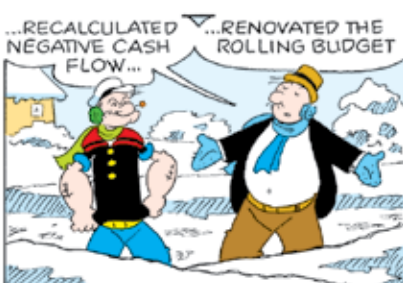
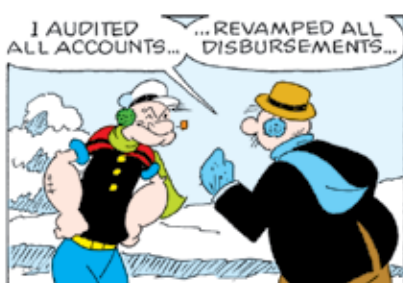
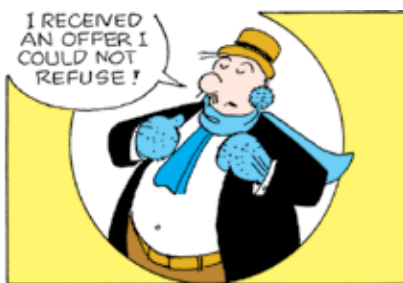
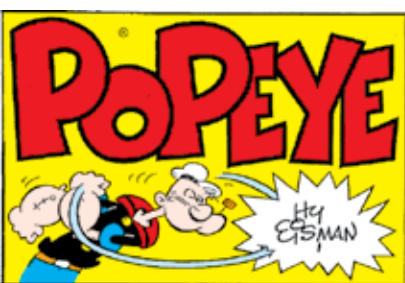
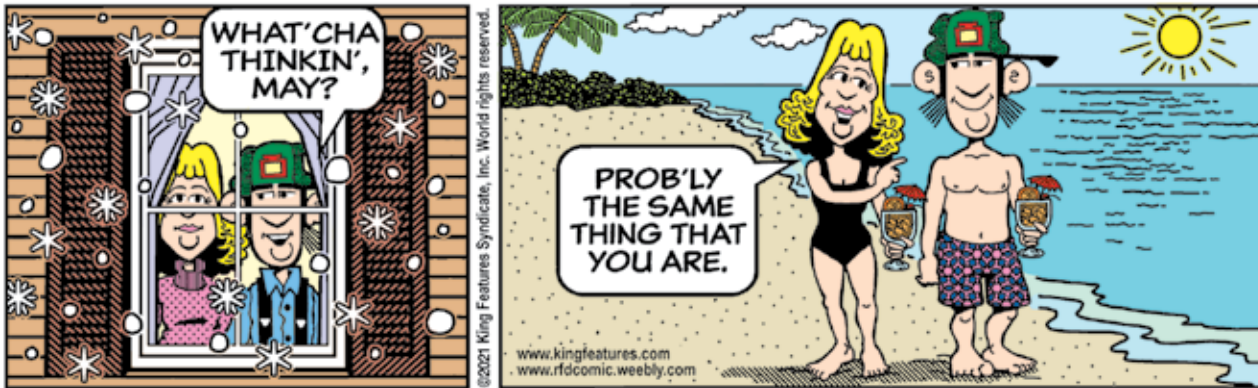
Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago

March 10, 2011

[Headline] All current council members renominated for the 2011 race

It may not have brought quite as many people to town as Cycle Oregon did last year, but in the world of youth wrestling, Waitsburg hit the big time this weekend as host of a 17-team tournament that attracted close to 2,000 visitors on Saturday.

Commerce along one of the state's arteries will soon kick back into gear as major repairs to key locks on the Columbia and Snake rivers draws to completion this month.

Ski Bluewood invites all guests on Saturday, March 12, to "dress to impress" in their favorite throw-back gear. Wear clothes from your favorite era—the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s or whenever. Old hats, sweaters, or ski pants count.

Married in Walla Walla County March 7, at the residence of the bride's parents on Dry Creek by Rev. H.W. Eagan, C.S. Robinson to Miss Laura F Cornwall.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

March 14, 1996

Waitsburg school children recently raised \$2,675 for the local heart association by jumping rope.

The cost of repair of Waitsburg's 1st Street, which was washed away in the recent flooding is at least \$147,500, city officials say.

By the numbers it is officially called "disaster 1,100." That's the file number given to the flooding in Waitsburg, Dayton, Touchet, Prescott and the Mill Creek area by federal disaster officials. There is an estimated 20,000 to 25,000 cubic yards of mud covering sections of Waitsburg.

They call it a "100-year flood" but what does that mean? "It's a myth that a '100-year flood' occurs only once every 100 years," Robert Freitag, federal coordinating officer for the disaster recovery effort. "It is a flood that has one chance in 100 of occurring each year," he said. "In fact, it's possible for two 100-year floods to occur in the same week."

Fifty Years Ago

March 25, 1971

Jack McCaw was named as Lions Club Presidential candidate for the 1971-72 year by the nominating committee. Dave McConnell submitted the report at the meeting held last Tuesday. Nominated to service the McCaw were the following officers: Tom Baker, first vice president; Jim Dunn, second vice-president; Stan Pierson, third vice-president; Lee Mantz, Jr., secretary; Sid Conner, treasurer; Joe McCown, Jr. and Carl Smith, Lion Tamer; Gene Davis and Glyn Davis, Tail Twister; Wally Winnett and Ted Penner, director position one; Jim Wood and Elmer Hays, director position two.

The Times failed to mention that Carl Dilts, former publisher of The Times, was present at the Eagle Court of Honor on March 16. He was accompanied by his two sons, Dr. David Dilts of Walla Walla and Rodney Dilts of Milton-Freewater, Ore. who were also Eagles from Troop 336.

Miss Frances Williams of Waitsburg, and Mr. Don DeLorne of Spokane were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony performed by the Rev. Gary Yeager in the Christian Church in Caldwell, Id. on Saturday, March 20.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

March 29, 1946

A son was born Thursday morning March 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Broom. His name is Jeffrey Lawrence.

Colleen Collins and Helen Lloyd are on the all-college high scholarship roll for the first semester of 1945-46 at Washington State College.

Gilbert Bergund who served nine months on the Island of Samoa as a baker in the officers galley is now busy feeding people of this vicinity with delicious baked goods from the Quality Bakery which has been closed for the past two and one half years during his absence.

One Hundred Years Ago

April 1, 1921

Mrs. Homer Michelsen entertained with an Easter party in honor of her son Carroll, Saturday afternoon, with the pupils of the first grade as guests. Games were played and ice cream and wafers were served at the close of the afternoon. Thirty-two children were present.

E. W. Truitt, manager of the Lyons Ferry was in town on day this week and when asked about the roads to Snake River, stated that either by Starbuck or direct to the ferry via Fields' Gulch were both in very passable condition now.

Owing to an accident some of our purebred Poland China are going to farrow early in April. Being overstocked we will sell them while they last at 12 cents a pound. Here is a chance for your next winter' meat. Dice and Clague, Prescott.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

March 31, 1896

There is to be a ball game in this city tomorrow (Saturday) between a team of professionals and the mill team. Put boards up over your windows.

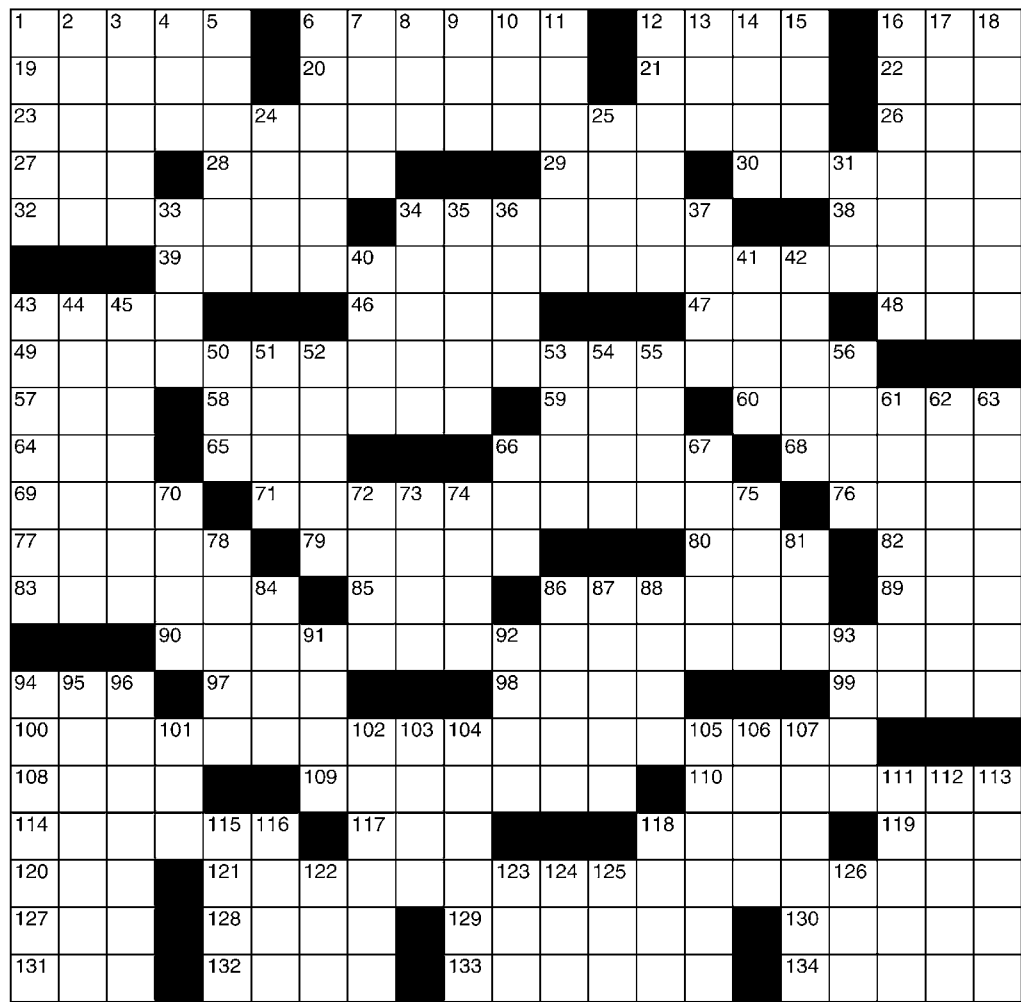
Our esteemed friend Joel Woods had a rather exciting time a few days ago. In attempting to ford the Touchet which has been high of late, one of the horses balked in the middle of the stream, and Mr. Woods' two little boys got scared and jumped out of the wagon and came near drowning to death before they could be looked after. All hands, man, horses and boys came out alright, but excitement ran high and the water ran deep.

PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

RIDING ON EMPTY

- ACROSS**
- 1 Veg-o- (Ronco product)
 6 Cesar who played the Joker
 12 Stocking material
 16 Counterpart of a column
 19 Neighbor of Minneapolis
 20 Hybrid ride
 21 Falco of "Outside In"
 22 Dramatist Levin
 23 Start of a riddle
 26 Engage in, as a trade
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 48 Tijuana "two"
 49 Riddle, part 3
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 68 Like snakes
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 83 Calm
 85 Backwoods denial
 86 Inventive Edison
 89 Male sheep
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 97 Memento of Molokai
 98 Haughtiness
 99 Spots
 100 End of the riddle
 108 Roll-call call
 109 "30 Rock" star
- 110 Seasons of falling leaves
 114 Sneakers brand
 117 Hwy. offense
 118 Part of SWAK
 119 Roll-call call
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 121 Riddle's answer
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 25 Mongolian tent
 31 Shriver of tennis
 33 Final
 34 Actor Buchholz
 35 Overlooks
 36 Humorist Ogden
 37 Cato's 750
 40 Small brook
 41 Actors' aids
 42 Melancholy instruments
- 43 Certifies (to)
 44 Actor Sheen
 45 Did a slowish ballroom dance
 50 — chi ch'uan
 51 Novelist O'Brien
 52 Emmy winner Susan
 53 Internet auction site
 54 StarKist fish
 55 In a little bit
 56 Confront
 61 Shirley's TV roommate
 62 Give a lift to
 63 Balls of fire
 66 Hoodwink
 67 Pathological plant swelling
 70 Bric-a- —
 72 Prefix with potent
 73 Tire (out)
 74 Cry buckets
 75 "Pronto"
 78 Swiped
 81 Special ability, for short
 84 Fancy pourer
 86 Yours, in the King James Bible
 87 Equine, in tot-speak
 88 Really, really
- 91 Special ability
 92 Street stray
 93 Biblical brother of Jacob
 94 Humiliated
 95 When delivery is expected
 96 Nigerian, e.g.
 101 Nurtured
 102 Bill lack-ons
 103 "Movin' —" ("The Jeffersons" theme song)
 104 Shipping container
 105 Chiefly
 106 Cashews and pecans
 107 Cornell's city
 111 Mother, in Spain
 112 Stocking material
 113 Appears
 115 Tennis star
 116 Whole bunch
 118 Actor Ferrell
 122 Sooner than, to bards
 123 Ending for butyl!
 124 — Lanka
 125 Fa-la linkup
 126 Water flow stopper



MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

Boxty – Irish Potato Pancakes

Kiss me, I'm Irish...no really



My love for sampling the diversity of foods from around the globe is likely rooted in my multi-cultural background. As my last name implies, the ancestry from my father's family is Mexican, while on my mother's side it's mostly all Irish and English. Wherein the food culture of Mexico is most strongly symbolized by corn, Ireland has the potato, ironically also a New World crop. There is much debate about who brought the first potatoes to Ireland and when, however, no one can deny the impact they have had on the Irish. In the late 17th century, potatoes were quickly embraced for being a high-yielding staple crop, even in the rocky and mostly poor soil of Ireland. Over a hundred and fifty years later, potatoes had become the single monoculture crop across the island, which unknowingly paved the way for disaster when a parasitic blight crossed the Atlantic. The resulting Great Potato Famine killed a million people between 1845 and 1852 and led to millions more fleeing Ireland and settling elsewhere, many in North America.

Today, the potato is again an item of culinary pride to the Irish, with countless regional dishes showcasing the versatility of the humble tuber. Boxty, made from both mashed and grated potatoes, are savory pancakes with a soft chew and crisp exterior. Popular on pub menus across Ireland, particularly in the north, they are also an easy recipe for home cooks everywhere. These little delights will make a welcomed addition to your Saint Patrick's Day feast.

Ingredients:

- Fine sea salt and black pepper
- 2 pounds Yukon gold potatoes
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 3 green onions chopped
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 3-5 tablespoons unsalted butter, as needed

Directions:

Peel half the potatoes and cut into a 1-inch dice. Add diced potatoes to a medium saucepan of salted water and bring to a boil over high heat. Cook until tender for about 15 minutes.

While the potatoes boil, peel the remaining potatoes and coarsely grate with a box grater. Place the grated potatoes in a clean kitchen towel, or layers of cheesecloth, and season with 2 teaspoons of salt and a teaspoon of black pepper. Twist towel closed and squeeze out excess moisture over a sink. Set aside.

When boiled potatoes are soft, drain and transfer to a large bowl. Using a masher or ricer, mash the potatoes until creamy. Add the grated potatoes and the buttermilk and stir until just combined. Next, add the flour, baking soda and green onions. Mix together, making a thick smooth batter. Check seasoning, add more salt and pepper to taste.

Heat the oil and 2 tablespoons of the butter in a cast iron, or heavy bottomed non-stick skillet, over medium heat. Working in batches of 3 to 4, scoop ½ cup of batter into pan, making 3-inch-wide pancakes. Cook until golden brown on both sides, about 4 to 5 minutes per side. Lower temperature if pan gets too hot and pancakes brown too fast. Don't let them burn. Continue with rest of batter, adding more butter to skillet as you go, as needed. Keep cooked boxty warm on a baking sheet in a 200-degree oven as you work.

Notes:

Boxty make a great side dish for hearty meat dishes, such as beef barley stew and braised lamb, or skip the mash and serve them with bangers (sausages). I served them beside pan seared sausages, and horseradish cream, with a simple cabbage salad.

They are wonderful as a breakfast treat with bacon, eggs, and grilled tomato. Or whip up some hollandaise and use boxty in lieu of English muffins for an Irish take on eggs benedict.

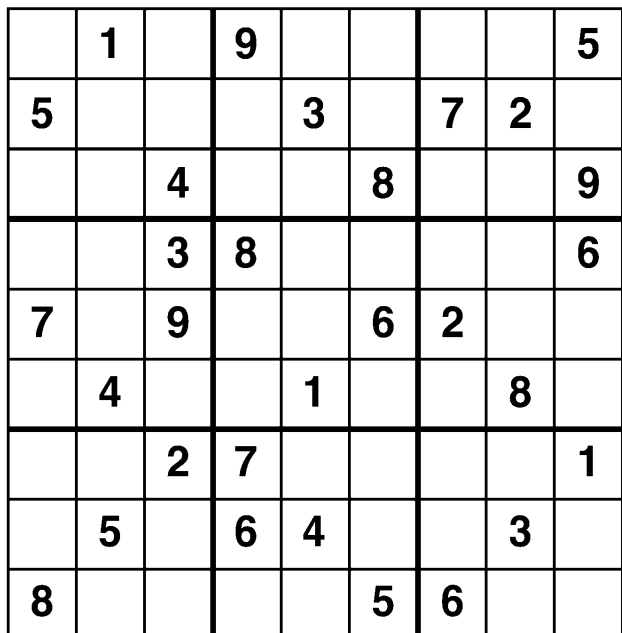
As they are surrounded by ocean, the Irish consume a lot of seafood. Try boxty alongside grilled fish, or a hearty seafood chowder. Also, a dollop of sour cream with some smoked salmon or caviar could turn mini (half dollar-sized) boxty into an elegant hors d'oeuvre.

Enjoy!

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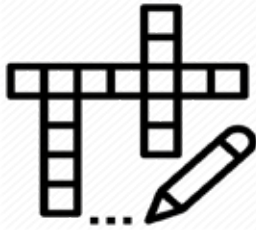


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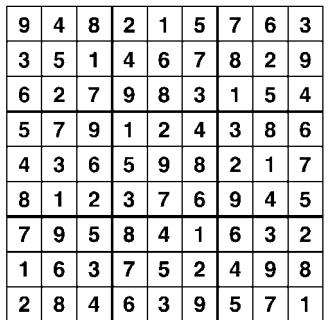
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Ron Jackson in Walla Walla.

This week Henderson is hanging Kennewick artist Steph Bucci's stylized watercolor paintings of cats.

The Wenaha Gallery is open on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Sev Jones and Christina Dingman acquired the Weinhard Hotel and opened **Jacob's Public House** at 235 East Main Street just before the pandemic struck. Dingman said sales have been somewhat lower, but she feels lucky that people around the region are comfortable enough to stay in the hotel and eat in the restaurant. She is following a strict regimen for social distancing, masking, and sanitizing.

The restaurant has both inside and outdoor seating and is open for breakfast and lunch, closing at 1:30 p.m. on weekdays and closing at 8 p.m. on weekends.

Dingman and Jones have been offering 20% off on Ski (at Bluewood Ski Resort) and Stay packages.

Lorraine Ortega, owner of the **Purple Sage Salon and Spa** at 109 North Second Street, said the Port of Columbia and the county health department had been lifesavers for her, keeping her in good stead with masks and hand sanitizer during the pandemic. She wants to thank them for their support in keeping the community safe.

Services offered are haircuts, highlights, waterless pedicures, waxing, facials, manicures, and skincare treatments.

She is currently offering perms at 1970s prices. Clients can get a haircut, perm, and finish for only \$60. She is also offering 25% off on all waxing services.

Purple Sage Salon and Spa is open by appointment for one-on-one service by phone at (928) 451-5858.

Brenda and Art Hall are the owners of **Azure Mountain Botanicals** at 309 East Main Street, selling over 65 varieties of artisan soap, bath bombs, body butter, massage oils, candles, handcrafted jewelry, and gifts.

"Soap is essential, and throughout the pandemic, production has continued. While in-person visits have been less, customers have taken advantage of curbside pickup and online ordering," said Brenda Hall.

Bath bombs usually are priced at \$4.50 each are now 3 for \$12.

Hours of operation are Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. and by appointment by phone at (425) 478-3902.

Brad Hatfield at **City Lumber and Coal Yard** would like to thank everybody for their business, especially during the pandemic year. He said it had been a fairly busy year with people staying at home and working on home projects.

Right now, the push is on for spring, so stocking

the yard with landscape material and everything the homeowner needs for spring beautification projects is a priority.

City Lumber and Coal Yard is located at 200 North Third Street.

Business at the **Best Western Plus Dayton Hotel and Suites** at 507 East Main Street has been up and down during the pandemic year. Jeannie Smith said workers on various local projects had been the hotel's mainstays.

The hotel has been offering Stay and Play packages, which include 15% off at the hotel bar and a 20% discount off the lift ticket at Bluewood Ski Resort.

Smith said that there were many wedding cancellations because of the pandemic, but this year promises to be a "big" wedding year, as weddings are on again.

Creative Designs Salon and Boutique is a full-service salon at 408 East Main Street, owned by Vicki Lewis.

"I do everything. The list goes on and on," Lewis said.

Lewis is offering an Easter special on jewelry, buy one get one for half price, as well as tanning specials. Get \$5 off any unlimited package deal or when you buy a package of five or ten sessions.

Hours of operation are Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., and Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. Appointments can be made by calling (509) 382-4182.

Christine Delp wants people to know Jen is back at work after an eight-year absence at the **Main Street Salon and Spa** at 440 East Main Street.

There are three hairstylists and one massage therapist working in the salon. The shop sells retail hair and nail products. Delp said with spring coming, she is offering 20% off on OBI nail polish.

The salon is open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., Monday-Friday, with Saturday hours available. Make an appointment by phone at (509) 382-2060.

Carolyn Suffield is working up to reopening **Carolyn's Café** at 362 East Main Street. Work is the key word. Suffield makes and freezes batches of cookie dough, breakfast mainstays, and other items to be used as needed. After reopening in October, the Café was closed when the county was moved back to Phase 1.

During that time, many items in the freezers became freezer burned and unusable. Carolyn is in the process of sorting and discarding items and cleaning the café so she can reopen, perhaps in a month.

In the meantime, she is taking carry-out orders for her delicious peach pie, cinnamon rolls and other delights. Phone Carolyn at (509) 520-0614.

By the way, **Suffield Furniture** has a freezer for sale,

along with several other appliances. Freezers were a scarce commodity during the past year.

Moose Creek Café and Bakery at 330 East Main Street is a local business serving baked goods and breakfast and lunch with a changing daily menu posted on Facebook. A fun selection of kitchen décor, toys and gifts for sale are a highlight at the café.

"Business has been slow, but we are optimistic. We're super grateful for the local support," said Manager Aimee McGuire.

Watch for information about an upcoming Spring open house. Hours of operation are Wednesday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Shane Laib, owner of the **Mainstreet Marketplace** located at 262 East Main Street, could be a poster boy for Dayton boosterism.

"Dayton is a fantastic community, in which to do business and has many avenues for locals and visitors to eat, play, shop, and stay," he said.

He said December sales at the marketplace were "fantastic."

The shop is currently closed for renovations, and when it opens in mid-March, shoppers will find antiques and vintage items, house and garden plants, handmade items, artwork, and many other eclectic items.

Hours will be Thursday through Saturday from 11 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Sunday appointments are available. Laib also offers consignment and estate sale and downsizing services. He can be reached at (509) 629-8888.

For information and appointments, **Embee Hair Space** at 242 East Main Street (509) 386-0937.

Ann and Mike Spring, owners of **Chief Spring's Fire and Irons Brew Pub** located at 134 East Main Street, have been named the 2020 Business of the Year by the Dayton Chamber.

They have remained open for business despite all the pandemic restrictions and a fire before Labor Day, which destroyed the pizza ovens, shorted two ovens and ruined the grill.

The restaurant is now open to 25% capacity for indoor dining. The pellet stove in the brewpub is on "all the time." The Springs have expanded their heated patio. In honor of St. Patrick's Day, Reuban pizzas, calzones, and sandwiches are 10% off the normal price.

"Thank you so much for the support over the past year," Ann Spring said. "It has been challenging for everyone," she said about staying in business during the pandemic year.

Dayton hasn't stopped supporting local business, and it will now be easier as pandemic restrictions are being lifted.

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