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Karen Huwe

With the recent heat-wave temperatures and wildfire smoke filled skies, Times contributor Karen Huwe and family took a road trip to the Oregon coast. The beach offered crabbing and wind for kite flying. Allen showed his skills handling a two-handed kite in less than blustery winds. **Story on page 3.**

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McCleary is new BMAC Columbia, Garfield County Service Coordinator

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA – Blue Mountain Action Council (BMAC) hired Michelle McCleary as BMAC Services Coordinator for Columbia and Garfield Counties. McCleary will serve the region out of BMAC's office in Dayton, primarily providing housing support and connecting Columbia and Garfield County residents to other BMAC services.

"We are delighted to have Michelle join our Dayton office so we can improve our outreach and services in Columbia and Garfield Counties. With her knowledge of the region and BMAC, we look forward to being a great community partner and helping even more neighbors in need," said BMAC CEO Danielle Garbe Reser.

McCleary previously worked in BMAC's Walla Walla Office, providing emergency rental and utility assistance. She has been the Interim Services Coordinator in Dayton since May 18, following Karen Gleason's departure. As a long-time Columbia County resident, McCleary brings years of knowledge and experience to this position.

"I'm excited to have this opportunity to help my community, and I encourage people who might need assistance to contact me," said McCleary.

BMAC is a private non-profit and community action agency providing food, housing, jobs, and other assistance programs to residents of Walla Walla, Columbia, and Garfield Counties. It collaborates with partners to equitably deliver services and support to community members experiencing poverty. BMAC's Dayton office is at 115 South 2nd Street and is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. The office is open by appointment on Wednesdays and Fridays: call 509-382-7690 to schedule.

Learn more about BMAC's services at www.bmacww.org.



Courtesy photo
BMAC Services Coordinator
Michelle McCleary

Dayton Library hosted BMAC youth workshop in July

BMAC was at the Dayton Public Library for their first summer workshop on Pre-Employment Transition Services (PreETS) for area youth. On July 8-12, workshop participants enjoyed five days of employment instructional activities, games, art projects, and food in the cool and comfortable Dayton Library. BMAC thanked the library for hosting the event and looks forward to continued collaboration with the library for future PreETS events.

CCHS dietary services is a vital community lifeline.

THE TIMES

DAYTON — The Touchet Valley Café at Dayton General Hospital once served staff, visitors, local students, and the public. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the café has been closed to the public.

In a recent letter to the editor in The Dayton Chronicle, a community member questioned why the beloved café remains closed. The writer reminisced about meals at the café, and particularly the clam chowder on Fridays. They wrote that reopening the café could benefit the hospital district financially and socially.

The letter mentioned services the café had provided, including catering community events that facilitated community engagement. The letter urged the Columbia County Health System Board of Commissioners, CEO, and staff to consider reopening the café to the public, highlighting how it once served as an affordable lunch option for Dayton High School students.

In a press release, officials from CCHS acknowledged the café's value to the community and expressed their desire to reopen it. However, they cited significant challenges that have prevented this from happening.

"We appreciate the value the café presents for the community and reopening remains one of our goals as a community hub," said the official response. "The challenges continue to be space and staffing."

CCHS detailed the current strain on hospital resources, with increases in meal production.

The dietary services department now provides:

- 250 meals per week to the Senior Center, twice the pre-COVID number
- 280 meals per week for 22 children at RoseMary's Place childcare
- 210-280 meals per week for 30-40 children through a library-based summer meal program
- 735 meals per week to Rivers Walk residents, twice the number of meals since moving to the Assisted Living model of long-term care
- Increased meal services due to a higher hospital census
- Meals for 276 employees, an increase from 188 in 2019.

Given these demands, the hospital has prioritized resources to ensure meals are provided to those with the highest need and vulnerability, including patients, Rivers Walk residents, children in childcare, community programs, the Senior Center, and employees.

"We are focusing our available resources on the areas with the highest impact for the community," the response stated.

The closure of the Touchet Valley Café to the public reflects the broader staffing and resource



CCHS

Fresh salads ready for a healthy lunch.



NEWS BRIEFS

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AT THE LIBERTY:

“Despicable Me 4”

THE TIMES

DAYTON — In “Depicable Me 4” Gru (Steve Carrell), the world’s favorite supervillain-turned-Anti-Villain League-agent, returns for an exciting, bold new era of Minions mayhem. The biggest global animated franchise in history now begins a new chapter as Gru and Lucy (Kristen Wiig) and their girls--Margo (Miranda Cosgrove), Edith (Dana Gaier) and Agnes (Madison Polan) --welcome a new member to the Gru family, Gru Jr., who is intent on tormenting his dad. Gru faces a new nemesis in Maxime Le Mal (Emmy winner Will Ferrell) and his femme fatale girlfriend Valentina (Emmy nominee Sofia Vergara), and the family is forced to go on the run.

The Rotten Tomatoes critics’ consensus for this movie is: “Teeming with slapstick gags, ‘Despicable Me 4’ is as overstuffed as a piñata but full of enough candy to give audiences an enjoyable sugar rush.” It is considered 56% and 88% favorable by the website’s critics and audiences. It is rated PG for action and rude humor. Runtime is 95 minutes.

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BMAC OFFERS FINANCIAL SKILLS CLASS IN WALLA WALLA

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — BMAC is hosting a free seven-week class in Financial Foundations starting on September 10. The class is an entry-level financial course for individuals who want to learn the basics of personal finances. BMAC has offered the class since 2021 to help students build financial literacy, personal economic health, and stability. Topics include banking, savings, budgeting, debt, and credit use.

The class is open to:
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Email Barbara Maxwell at barbaram@bmacww.org or call 509-529-4980 to register for an upcoming financial class.

CAFE’ - FROM PAGE 1 challenges faced by many local businesses and institutions. Despite these difficulties, Dayton General Hospital continues to serve as a vital lifeline for the community, ensuring that those in need receive nutritious meals.

While the future reopening of the café remains uncertain, the hospital’s commitment to supporting the community through its dietary services underscores the enduring spirit of generosity and care that defines Dayton.



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THE 2024 WALLA WALLA FAIR & FRONTIER DAYS DEMOLITION DERBY

The Ultimate Smash and Crash Event

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — The 2024 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days will present the Demolition Derby on Thursday, August 29, at the P1FCU Arena in the Walla Walla Fairgrounds. The event sponsored by Underriner Honda of Walla Walla is a fair favorite and a typically sold-out event.

The fair organizers ask you to imagine the heart-pounding excitement as cars clash, smash, and crash in an epic battle for survival. The Demolition Derby is a fan-favorite that guarantees an evening of thrilling entertainment for the whole family. Feel the roar of the engines, the crunch of metal, and the crowd’s cheers as drivers go head-to-head in this ultimate test of skill and courage.

Tickets for the Demolition Derby start at \$28 and are available for advance purchase at www.walla-wallafairgrounds.com/p/tickets or by calling the ticket office at 509-527-3250.

Don’t miss the chance to be part of the action. Gather friends and family and head to the Walla Walla Fairgrounds P1FCU Arena for a night of unforgettable demolition derby thrills. Feel the excitement, witness the destruction, and create memories that will last a lifetime.

The 2024 Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days theme is “The G.O.A.T.,” and it runs from August 28 through September 1. There will be five days of fun-filled activities, fair food, entertainment, and unforgettable rodeo experiences. For more information, tickets, and the full event schedule, visit the website at www.wallawallafairgrounds.com.



Courtesy photo
The demolition derby is a favorite event at the Walla Walla Fair & Frontier Days annually.

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Around the Valley: with Karen Huwe

Go fly a kite

There are lots of things to do on the Washington and Oregon Coasts. My favorite activities are biking, crabbing, searching the beach for treasures, flying kites, and building sandcastles.

Recently, I had the opportunity to try crabbing for the first time. Walking the swells during low tide while trying not to fill your boots with water is not an easy task; hip waders would have been a smart idea. Netting crab on the Washington coast can be hit or miss. One weekend, you can net your limit in thirty minutes; the next, you only get females, which are illegal to keep. We did net a few flounders.

You can get 20,000 steps in one day crabbing and searching for treasures like unbroken sand dollars while enjoying the coastal experience.

Flying kites at the beach can be enjoyable, especially If you have one that can fly in high or low wind. Mastering tricks with a two-handed kite is also pretty entertaining. Having spare parts is a must for those of us who crash the kite before perfecting trick techniques.

Another new experience for us was seeing elk in various places on the Oregon Coast. While biking around a state park, elk crossed our paths or made us wait as they grazed on the trail. Elk crossed in front of us while driving to the beach, and the sight of a big elk knocking down apples with his antlers was entertaining.

The coastal weather was pleasant, with temperatures in the mid-60s to mid-70s, compared to the 90s and 100s at home.

When the tide is too high to crab, or the elk won't get off the path, go fly a kite!



Karen Huwe
One of the elks seen knocking down apples to eat.



Eli with female crabs that he caught and will throw back in the ocean.

CCHS recognized for quality heart and stroke care

THE TIMES

DAYTON — Columbia County Health System has received two 2024 American Heart achievement awards for its commitment to following AHA guidelines for treating heart disease and stroke. The guidelines were developed to help hospitals save more lives, shorten recovery times, and have fewer readmissions to the hospital.

The CCHS received the American Heart Association's "Get with the Guidelines" Rural Coronary Artery Disease Silver award. The silver award is presented to a rural hospital in recognition of its work with varied patient care dynamics for one calendar year.

The hospital also received a bronze award for achievement under the AHA's "Mission: Lifeline" program.

National statistics show someone in the U.S. has a stroke or heart attack every 40 seconds. Heart disease and stroke are the first and fifth causes of death in the U.S., respectively. Studies show adherence to the AHA guidelines improves patient recovery.

Participating hospitals receive access to American Heart and Stroke Associations' expertise through the "Get with the Guidelines" and "Mission: Lifeline" programs. These programs help to ensure patient care is aligned with the latest evidence and research-based guidelines. As a participant in these programs, Columbia County Health System qualified for the awards by demonstrating their organization's commitment to improving quality care.

"Columbia County Health System is committed to improving care by adhering to the latest treatment guidelines and streamlining processes to ensure timely and proper care for heart attacks and strokes," said Gretchen Eslick, RN, DNS. "'The Mission: Lifeline' and 'Get with The Guidelines' programs make it easier for our teams to put proven knowledge and guidelines to work on a daily basis, which helps us ensure more people in our hospital district experience longer, healthier lives."

This year, Columbia County Health System received these achievement awards:

- Silver – Rural Coronary Artery Disease, NSTE-ACS
 - Bronze – Rural Coronary Artery Disease, STEMI Referring
- "These awards show Columbia County Health System's commitment to caring for those in their community who need cardiovascular care," said Donald Lloyd-Jones, chair of the American Heart Association Quality Oversight Committee and chair of the Department of Preventive Medicine at Northwestern Medicine. "By following the American Heart Association's quality improvement protocols, Columbia County Health System can help realize our shared vision of improved patient outcomes, fewer readmissions, and lower mortality rates – a win for health care systems, families, and communities."

TEMPORARY WATER MANAGEMENT FOR WALLA WALLA RIVER AND MILL CREEK

Temporary reduced flow in Yellowhawk Creek

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA – This week, community members in Walla Walla noticed lower-than-normal flows in Yellowhawk Creek. The reduced flows are part of a larger effort to protect water supplies in the greater Walla Walla River Basin and allow fish to migrate to Mill Creek's upper reaches safely.

As the demand for water increases and supplies dwindle in the Walla Walla River Basin, the Washington Department of Ecology is working with the State of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and stakeholders on both sides of the state border to find solutions. One of those projects involves temporarily using water rights from Oregon in a new program to protect fish.

According to the agreement, water rights from Oregon have been put into a temporary trust, protecting the water from being diverted for other uses as it flows through Mill Creek and to the Walla Walla River. The temporary trust began Aug. 1 and will continue through Sept. 30.

The goal is to maintain a minimum of eight cubic feet per second of water in Mill Creek before it enters the Walla Walla River. To achieve this, Ecology uses control points to manage water resulting in some tributaries having less water than typical this time of year.

The temporary changes in water management mean less water is being diverted into Yellowhawk Creek. Ecology is committed to maintaining streamflow in the creek, and fisheries managers are available to respond if conditions change. Ecology's watermaster for the basin closely monitors water levels and will move as much water as possible down Yellowhawk

Creek once the increased flow in Mill Creek is satisfied.

"Fisheries managers from Oregon, Washington, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation determined that running protected water down the mainstem Mill Creek would be preferable to running it down Yellowhawk, which was the historic practice," said Jaime Short, water resources section manager for Ecology's Eastern Region. "Increased flows in Mill Creek will allow fish to migrate to the upper portions of the basin and provide better habitat."

This temporary water trust is only one of the many efforts underway to increase water supplies and improve habitat in Mill Creek. For example, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is working on a weir notching project to make it easier for fish to get upstream. By increasing the summer flows in Mill Creek, Ecology can help this effort.

Ecology was given authority in 2023 to enroll water rights, including rights from Oregon, into Washington's Water Right Trust program. This effort is part of the overall Walla Walla Watershed Strategy, an effort to improve streamflow and water supplies in the Walla Walla River basin over the next 30 years.

Together with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the state of Oregon, and stakeholders on both sides of the state border, the initiative answers the decades-long challenge of meeting the basin's growing water needs.

As the strategy evolves, the goal remains to improve streamflow and water supplies in the Walla Walla watershed. It will do this by focusing on:

- Floodplains, critical species, habitat, and water quality
- Water supply, streamflows, and groundwater
- Land use and flood control
- Quality of life
- Monitoring and metering

For questions about the temporary water trust and changes in water management in the Walla Walla basin, contact Ecology Water Resources section manager Jaime Short at 509-990-7636 or Ecology Watermaster Eric Hartwig, at 509-540-7680.

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 RCW 11.40.030
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 ROLAND C. FRANK, Deceased.
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 /s/ Laura Coffland
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 /s/ Tanya Groom
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SUPERIOR COURT, WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

No. 24-4-00188-36
 NON-PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 (RCW 11.42.030)
 In re the Estate of:
 ALBERT EARNEST GRABLE, Deceased.
 The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of the filing of a copy of this notice with the court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in the state of Washington. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed. 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 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent'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 notice agent's declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of:
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 Date of First Publication: 8-1-2024
 Decedent's Soc. Sec. No. (for DSHS copy only):
 The notice agent declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington on July 30, 2024, at College Place, Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.
 /S/ ROBERT W. VAN DORN
 Notice Agent
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 College Place, WA 99324
 (509) 242-0481
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA IN PROBATE

No. 24-4-00187-36
 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
 In the Matter of the Estate of DOROTHY A. POLK, Deceased,
 The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as the Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the addresses 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 this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11 .40.05 1 and 11.40.060. This is against both decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
 DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 8, 2024.
 Personal Representative: Is/ Christine M. Wallace, WSB # 20134
 Attorney at Law
 801 S. Main Street
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NOTICE SEEKING APPOINTMENT TO "AGAINST" COMMITTEE

Columbia County Auditor is seeking to appoint up to three individuals to write, "Against" statements for the voters' pamphlet regarding the Columbia County Park and Recreation Pool District Proposition which will be on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot. The proposition will ask voters to approve a one-year operations excess levy of 20 cents/\$1,000 assessed value to be levied in the year 2024 for collection in 2025 in order to provide for operation of the District. Interested individuals should contact the Columbia County Auditor's Office at 509-382-4541 no later than 4:00 pm on Wednesday, August 21, 2024. Appointments will be announced on Thursday, August 22, 2024. Dated at Dayton, Washington, this 13th day of August, 2024. William J. Hutchens, Columbia County Auditor
 Ex-Officio Supervisor of Elections
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Superior Court of Washington, Walla Walla County

No. 24-4-00196-36
 Probate Notice to Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)
 In re the Estate of Daniel R. Mellish, Deceased
 The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty (30) days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditors as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this timeframe, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
 Date of First Publication: August 15, 2024
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NOTICE

Budget Extension Notice of Meeting. Notice is hereby given that the Dayton School District #2 budget extension for the General Fund for the 2023-2024 school year is on file in the Dayton School District office. A copy of this budget will be available to any person who calls for it. The 2023-2024 General Fund budget extension will be fixed and adopted by the Board of Directors at their regular meeting held in the Dayton High School Media Center, and via Zoom, at 609 South Second Street in Dayton, on August 21, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at which time any person may appear and be heard for or against any part of such budget. The Dayton School District #2 is an equal opportunity employer.
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USDA crop weekly update, August 11

THE TIMES

WASHINGTON, DC— Hot and dry harvest weather continued in Washington state. There were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington, down from 6.9 the previous week. In eastern Washington, there was a lack of precipitation, and pastures suffered. Winter wheat harvest was well underway. Spring wheat and barley harvest was ramping up in some areas. The onion and potato harvest were off to a good start and the dry pea and alfalfa hay harvest continued.

In Idaho, grain harvest ramped up in warmer than average temperatures. There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Idaho, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Most of Idaho continued to experience warmer-than-average temperatures. Isolated thunderstorms were reported in some parts of the state, and the fire danger level remained high. Smoke from ongoing wildfires was quite heavy on some days. In northern Idaho, hot and dry conditions persisted. In southwest Idaho, thunderstorms produced lightning, concentrated areas of hail, and locally heavy areas of precipitation. These thunderstorms started three fires, all of which were contained by the end of the week. In south-central Idaho, a few thundershowers were reported early in the week. For the most part, it remained warm and dry. Alfalfa and cereal grain harvests continued. More potatoes matured with vines dying and a few acres of potatoes had been harvested. Sugarbeets looked good. Corn was well tasseled. Beans were flowering. Smoky conditions continued for some days. In eastern Idaho, hot and dry conditions were reported. Grain and alfalfa fields were harvested.

Hot temperatures and dry conditions continued in Oregon, where there were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, down from 7.0 days the previous week. Clackamas County reported very dry conditions on land with no irrigation, and there were fires in the region. Clatsop and Tillamook Counties received very little precipitation, although some fog events occurred. Corn was in the tassel stage. Field activities continued with irrigation, mowing, manure applications, and hay baling. Sherman and Wasco Counties had a thunderstorm with rain and lightning strikes. Some areas received enough rain to delay harvest. One small fire resulted from the storm. Harvest was still going strong. In Gilliam, Hood River, and Wasco Counties, pastures were dry, and conditions were hot. In Umatilla County, conditions were hot and dry. Winter wheat harvest was close to completion.



CLASSIFIEDS

HELP WANTED

Boldman House Museum
 hiring a permanent part-time manager, \$16-18/hr. Wed thru Sat, 10-5. Call 509-382-2026. Email resumes to info@daytonhistoricedepot.org.

Dayton Bulldog's Athletic Program is seeking MS HEAD BASKETBALL COACH.



Applications are being accepted for the 2024 season. Salary range for seasonal contract, dependent upon qualifications is \$1826-\$3652. Dayton Coaching Application can be found on the website at www.daytonsd.org/page/employment or the District office at 609 S. 2nd Street. For more information contact the District office at 382-2543. Position open until filled. EOE

HELP WANTED FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR – STARBUCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Para Educator – (6 hrs./day)
 We are accepting applications for a para educator. Required: AA degree or equivalent, and completion of required hours of online training. No experience is necessary. Needed: someone who enjoys working closely with students, is dependable, punctual and has good attendance. The salary range is \$18.69-\$21.10 per hour, depending on level of experience. Application materials are available from the District Office at 509-399-2381, or you may email Connie Fox Boyer at cfoxboyer@starbuck.k12.wa.us. Position is open until filled. Starbuck School District is an equal opportunity employer.

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INVITATION TO SUBMIT QUALIFICATIONS








Blue Mountain Action Council Knoblock Apartments Renovation
 Proposal Due Date: August 30, 2024 at 5 PM
 Proposals will be received from qualified general contractors by Blue Mountain Action County to provide preconstruction services and negotiate a construction contract for the substantial renovation of the Knoblock Apartments located at 700 S. 5th Street, Dayton WA. Knoblock Apartments includes three, three story wood frame buildings totaling 26 units.
 This project will be funded in part by State and County funds and will be subject to State residential prevailing wage rates, as well as other public funding requirements. The Request for Proposals and project information may be obtained by contacting: Philippa Nye at philippa@allycommunitydevelopment.com.

BMAC:

Touchet Valley Weather

Aug. 14, 2024

Waitsburg's Seven Day Forecast

						
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Sunny	Sunny	Sunny
High: 85 Low: 57	High: 84 Low: 59	High: 85 Low: 57	High: 87 Low: 58	High: 86 Low: 57	High: 85 Low: 58	High: 86 Low: 56

Weather Trivia

When did the National Weather Service begin?





Weather History

Aug. 14, 1987 - Slow-moving thunderstorms deluged northern and western suburbs of Chicago with torrential rains. O'Hare Airport reported 9.35 inches in 18 hours, easily exceeding the previous 24-hour record of 6.24 inches. Flooding resulted in 221 million dollars damage.

Local Almanac Last Week

Day	High	Low	Normals	Precip	
Tuesday	92	70	91/64	0.00"	Precipitation 0.00"
Wednesday	92	65	91/64	0.00"	Normal precipitation..... 0.08"
Thursday	96	62	91/64	0.00"	Departure from normal -0.08"
Friday	90	64	91/64	0.00"	Average temperature 78.6°
Saturday	93	66	91/63	0.00"	Average normal temperature 77.1°
Sunday	92	67	90/63	0.00"	Departure from normal +1.5°
Monday	88	64	90/63	0.00"	<i>Data as reported from Walla Walla</i>

Sun/Moon Chart This Week

	Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset	
Full 8/19	Wednesday	5:52 a.m.	8:02 p.m.	Next Day	Next Day	 New 9/2
	Thursday	5:53 a.m.	8:00 p.m.	5:49 p.m.	12:33 a.m.	
	Friday	5:54 a.m.	7:59 p.m.	6:41 p.m.	1:32 a.m.	
	Saturday	5:55 a.m.	7:57 p.m.	7:21 p.m.	2:45 a.m.	
	Sunday	5:57 a.m.	7:55 p.m.	7:53 p.m.	4:07 a.m.	
Last 8/26	Monday	5:58 a.m.	7:53 p.m.	8:18 p.m.	5:33 a.m.	 First 9/11
	Tuesday	5:59 a.m.	7:52 p.m.	8:39 p.m.	6:58 a.m.	

Struck by Lightning

By Paul Ocker | THE TIMES

I have been thinking about getting an electric vehicle for quite a while, and the Ford F-150 4x4 Lightning was at the top of my list. I was unsure whether the yea-sayers and the nay-sayers were giving me the correct information to inform me in making the purchase.

I liked the idea of no longer burning dinosaur juice to get back and forth to work, but the tried and true system of filling up at the pump made me hesitant to change my ways. On a recent trip to San Jose, California, I discovered that renting a Ford Mach-E, the all-electric Mustang, was substantially cheaper than renting a Hyundai Sonata. I decided to give it a try and really enjoyed the experience.

Back home, my gas-powered F-150 began to show signs of getting tired. While I firmly believe in keeping things running as long as possible, if I put the \$6,000 in for needed repairs, I would still have a truck with 100,000 miles on it. So, with a deep breath and utterance to the heavens, I drove to the Tri-cities to try out the F-150 Lightning pick-up.

It turned out the Lightning was a great ride. I swallowed my fears and traded in my old truck for the new. Here are a few things I have learned that you might want to consider if you are considering a similar change.

Though we kept the family's hybrid and gas-powered cars, we must think ahead when using the fully electric Lightning F-150. With a shorter range, we will need to look for suitable charging stations as not all are the same, available, or can be used by all vehicles. When traveling off-road, I will need to make sure there is enough range to make it back to a charger, and on cross-country trips, there may be few opportunities for charging in small towns.

It may not sound different from planning trips with gas-powered vehicles but remember that AAA does not carry a can full of battery juice if you run out.

Some may think this article is a "plug" for buying an Electric Vehicle (EV). On the contrary, the intent is to offer my experiences purchasing our Lightning F-150 to people considering if an EV is right for them. Up front, I will say an EV is not for everyone. In considering the purchase and ownership of a fully electric vehicle, you may want to consider the following:

Purchase Price – A new F-150 Lightning will cost about \$45,000 to \$75,000 before the \$7,500 EV rebate. A new gas-powered F-150 will be about \$45,000 to \$85,000. Roughly Even - (Score: Lightning 1, Gas 1)

Fuel Cost – Using a standard distance of 100 miles, if a gasoline F150 gets 25 miles per gallon, it will burn 4 gallons at about \$4.50 per gallon for about \$18. Charging for 100 miles at Dayton's fast-charging station costs me about \$21. Surprised? I was, however, home charging reduced my cost to \$6 for 100 miles. Fast-charging stations cost about 45 cents per kilowatt hour, whereas my level 2 home charger is closer to 14 cents.

Maintenance Cost – The Lightning's routine maintenance basically involves just tires and car washes. Our gasoline-powered F150 required oil, transmission, radiator, and emissions system service. Over five years, the cost of routine maintenance for our Lightning should be substantially less than the gas model.

Fueling Time – The Lightning can be charged at home with one of two chargers. Level 1 is 12 amps and charges at a rate of one mile per hour. Yes, that means it takes about four days for a 100-mile charge.

The 30-amp charger I chose for our home cost \$1,000. It takes an hour to charge 15 miles. Charging seven hours or overnight, and I have 100 miles for an easy commute to the Tri-cities.

Pay charging stations offer level two charging up to 48 amps. The public charger in Waitsburg takes about the same time as my home setup, and the ultra-charger in Dayton can provide 100 miles in an hour. I hear some stations are getting up to 200 miles per hour, though these are not yet in our area.

While gasoline vehicles can fill up at a gas station in less than 10 minutes, EV home charging is more convenient and eliminates the time to drive to a gas station.

When traveling long distances, EV drivers will have to allow extra time to charge, which can complicate trips taken as a group that includes gas-powered vehicles.

Range/Mileage — Ford reports that a gasoline F150 can range between 350 and 900 miles, depending on the engine and gas tank sizes. The Lightning has a standard range of 240 miles to 310 for the extended-range option. It must be noted that the range is often less than advertised due to various driving conditions, including hot and cold weather.



Paul Ocker

Our new Ford Lightning F-150 is a leap into the EV world.

We maxed our extended-range model at about 285 miles in the current 90-degree heat, but as temperatures cool, I expect our range to increase. Until it gets too cold and we start using the heater.

Acceleration – According to 0-60Specs.com, the average 0-60 acceleration of a gasoline F-150 is 6.3 seconds, except for the Raptor, which drops to 3.6 seconds. The Lightning has 0-60 acceleration of 3.8 seconds, and yes, I have tried it out.

Towing – Depending on the model, a gasoline F150 can tow between 7,700 to 13,200 pounds, and the Lightning EV can tow between 7,500 and 10,000 pounds. Towing heavy loads can decrease gas mileage or electric range. Contributors on Ford forums estimate that every 100 pounds of extra weight in a truck decreases its fuel economy by 2%.

According to AAA, the drop for the Lightning when towing near its maximum weight can be between 25 and 30%. So, towing locally with the Lightning is fine, but towing to your favorite camping spot or long distance is probably a no-go due to long recovery times to charge.

Cool Things – While I loved my gas-powered F150, the list of cool things about the Lightning goes on and on. There is a truck bed scale that tells you how much you are carrying. The truck can power your house during a power outage, provide extra storage in the "frunk" (yes, the front trunk has a name), and charge another EV. There are power outlets throughout the truck, including a 240V outlet in the truck bed for welders, air compressors, and other power tools. In the cab, the office setup offers plugs galore. You can almost drive the car with your phone.

The bottom line is that while this vehicle might be good for some, it may not be for others. Our primary uses for the new vehicle will include my wife's commute to the Tri-Cities for work during the week, going to 36 hockey games a year in the Tri-Cities, towing our boat to the Snake River, and camping locally on the weekends. This can easily be accomplished by plugging the truck in every night when we get home.

This truck may not be the best choice for someone who travels long distances, operates a farm, hauls heavy trailers, or regularly travels back country roads. However, for our family's use, it was a good purchase and we are happy to save money and burn less carbon-based fuel. Our gas-operated cars provide us with peace of mind.



The truck is full of cool things, including 360° camera, multiple power outlets, cab office connections, and seamless device integration.

Visitor Bait & Switch

By Vicki Sternfeld-Rossi | THE TIMES

Yes, we had visitors, just not the visitors we expected. At the last minute, a friend in the group that was going to visit last week came down with COVID-19, and their trip had to be rescheduled. The Zoom meeting to coordinate a new time also had to be delayed. Evidently, he had a Paxlovid rebound and was still not feeling great.

That's when we had a fortuitous switcheroo. Daniel got a call from friends from Los Angeles who were heading to Walla Walla with their friends from Vancouver, Washington. They remembered Daniel had moved to Waitsburg and arranged to stay at an Airbnb on Middle Waitsburg Road.

On Friday night, Daniel invited them to dinner at our place on Saturday night. As Daniel walked out the door, heading to work on Saturday morning, he shouted upstairs to me, "Guess who's coming to dinner?"



of the dinner came from our garden. Vegetables for the pasta, Greek salad, the tarragon base, and all the herbs for the chicken were grown in our yard.

The couple, Paul and Wendy, are also in the food/restaurant/culinary school business. Paul is a sommelier and wine instructor, so we decided to serve our favorite Washington wines. Serving local wines that he was not familiar with was a good conversation starter and an opportunity to show off some great wines.

In preparation for a "drinking" evening, I chugged at least twenty glasses of water throughout the day. The good news is that there was no hangover, but there were numerous trips up and down stairs

through the night. It made me rethink the need to add an upstairs bathroom for nights like these. Dehydration vs. the cost of an additional bathroom, hmm.

Their Airbnb host left them notes on "things to do in Waitsburg." Before our dinner, they stopped in for a cocktail at American 35 and then headed to the Royal Block for wine, a tour of the hotel, and Joe's book and art collection.

Of course, this being a small town, conversation at the wine bar went to the usual, "Why are you here, who are you visiting, etc." Explaining they were visiting us, people at the bar who knew us joined the conversation. Yes, it's a small town.

They called and let us know they were delayed and asked how long a drive was to our house from the Royal Block. We laughed when we told them, "Seconds, we're three blocks away." Punctuating the point that, yes, it's a small town!

It was fun to host friends from Los Angeles, even if they weren't the friends we expected. The weather cooled off, and the food and wine were terrific. Our solar lights were fully lit and eating under the pergola provided a peaceful ambiance, or was it the wine? Atmosphere, wine, or both, a perfect night, a worthy switch.

BIRTHDAYS

August 15: Kathy Patton, Courtney Durkee, Erica Grende, Jean Hofer, Nicholas Lloyd, JoAnn Gagnon, and Jennifer Lambert.

August 16: Gracie Compton, Roberta Long, Jerry Hall, Tammy Pauley, Patty Froke, Maita Hagedorn.

August 17: Addisen Ford, Pauline Stanton, Kenneth Leaverton, Casey Davison, Lance Munden, Larry Williams, Ken Graham.

August 18: Nicole Gagnon, Kay Pettichord, Wiley Miller, Angela Hopkins, Clark Hulce, Nicole Page, Levi Flu-

harty, Paula Cooper, Jeanie White, Keith Williams, Alex Dill, Chris Wood, Vincent Wright, Madison McCaw.

August 19: Nicki Johnson, Steve Barr, Lucas Mohny, Georgia Rose Leisure, Brandon Crawford, Christopher Rohlfing.

August 20: Deric Davidson.

August 21: John Largent, Jennifer Clifton, Rick Reedy, Adelaide Johnson.



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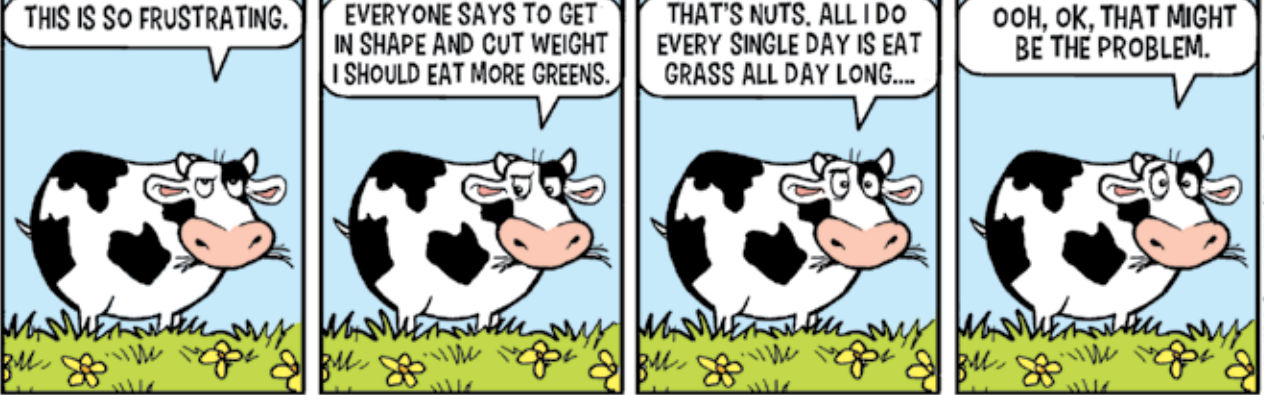
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

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

Tuesday, August 20
Lasagna
Garlic Bread
Fruit
Vegetable
Green Salad

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

*First Day of School
September 3, 2024*



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Ten Years Ago
August 14, 2014



[Photo Caption] Ed and Cathy Lambert are outstanding in their field (literally and figuratively). The pair have kept Waitsburg residents supplied with their "top secret" sweet corn and fresh produce for a quarter century.

Twenty-Five Years Ago
August 12, 1999

Area farmers were back working in the fields late Monday or Tuesday following weekend rains which stopped operations for a few days, then were halted again by showers early Wednesday morning. Despite the stops and starts, farmers are around 50-60% through Harvest 1999, according to J. E. McCaw of Northwest Grain Growers. "Yields in our area - Prescott and Waitsburg - are really quite good compared to south of here," commented McCaw. He has heard of yields from 80 to 100 plus in our area while in other areas yields have been as low as 15 bushels per acre. Reports of high yields, however, are spotty, McCaw said. "I've heard of yields in the sixties for fall wheat, too." Disease and moisture problems have combined to produce the low yields, he said.

Fifty Years Ago
August 15, 1974

Last week was one to remember. It was the first time in history that a U.S. President has voluntarily stepped down from the most powerful political position in the world. After two-plus years of plumbing the depths of the Watergate, most people I talk to seem to be sort of numb about the whole thing. We predicted that Nixon, being a lawyer, would exhaust every legal avenue before making such a decision. And we have felt that the only motivation for his resigning would be lack of a sufficient minority in the Senate to overturn a 2/3's impeachment vote. Apparently the news that the hoped-for minority had evaporated came to the President in numerous meetings last week, and he wisely decided to resign for his own good as well as for the good of our country.

Seventy-Five years ago
August 11, 1949

The gasoline motor car which makes the round trip through this city between Dayton and Walla Walla on the O-W R & N, is still on the run despite the rather definite rumor last week that it was to be discontinued the first of the week.

A heavily-loaded truck of wheat on the way to the warehouse Tuesday morning came mighty near to meeting with serious mishap while crossing the Main Street bridge across the Touchet River. The bridge collapsed a little north of the center of the bridge when a heavy steel "stirrup" broke allowing one of the cross sills to drop. The momentum of the car carried it on out to the approach, but it was a close call for the driver.

One Hundred years ago
August 11, 1924

A couple of fellows took a team from the livery stable (Prescott) to go to Waitsburg, and on returning they met the train near Bolles when the horses became frightened and ran away tearing the buggy all to pieces. They said if they had not been drunk, the accident would not have happened. It cost them \$35 - a pretty dear drunk.

Mrs. J.C. Neace and two children, Mildred and Donald arrived in the city from Great Falls, Montana last Friday. They will visit here for several weeks. Their many friends are more than pleased to see them again.

You are taking no chances when you buy the old reliable Studebaker wagons and buggies. Sold by John Smith.



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Super Crossword

ENDING IN FIVE DIGITS

- ACROSS**

1 Big name in health insurance

6 2010 Apple debut

10 Love to excess, with "on"

14 "Get lost!"

19 Park for mobile campers

20 Reuben offerer

21 "Bejabbers!"

22 Sycophant

23 Welcome words to a job applicant

25 House badly in need of repairs

27 Bake-off dish

28 Yoko of art

29 Floor layers

30 Active Sicilian volcano

31 Tampa Bay Rays' stadium

36 Org. for some ex-GIs

38 Tijuana Mr.

39 Makeup of Hawaii

40 Yellow-orange fruit

44 Bed for sushi
- 47 —'wester

48 Fish feature

50 Prefix with botany

51 Dean of Truman's Cabinet

54 Agreed-upon time

57 Hitler Gehrig

58 African land

60 Phonies

61 Pre-U queue

62 Liberalism

67 Low-key "Hey!"

70 Ram hard

71 Winter hrs. in D.C.

72 Haifa citizens

76 "Doggone it!"

77 Additional plateluf

79 Lupino of "High Sierra"

81 Trifled (with)

84 Purposes

85 D.C. ballplayer

86 Certain role-playing game organizer

91 Gives, as duties

94 Spanish national hero

95 Part of ENT

96 Ar-tee linkup

97 Dandy dudes
- DOWN**

1 Underground vaults

2 Afrique's Côte d'—

3 Attach using paste

4 Fish-fowl link

5 Devoured

6 "Let It Go" singer

7 Italian beer brand

8 British beer

9 Pulled off

10 Disobeys

11 "Darby — and the Little People"

12 Levied

13 Broadway singer Linda

14 "Disco" cartoon guy

15 Manage, as a problem

16 Engrossed

17 City in Yemen

18 Gore Vidal's Breckinridge

24 Ad —

26 Reply to an invite

29 Traffic snarl

32 Skin opening

33 Pupil locale

34 Really rail at

35 Dud
- 37 Mr. Flintstone

40 Feed the kitty

41 Chuckling with glee

42 Big burden

43 Civil wrong

45 Attending

46 Ratify

48 Royal decree

49 Writing fluid

51 Swiss peaks

52 "Neat!"

53 Luau entertainment

55 Departing for

56 Potent coffee

59 Language akin to Thai

63 "— bad boy!"

64 Bronze metal

65 West Yorkshire city

66 Key near F1

68 Mineo of film

69 Month no. 9

72 SSNs, e.g.

73 Paper bundle

74 — instant (very quickly)

75 Some NCOs

77 Scorch

78 Baby's bottle

79 Notion, to Luc

80 "— noted"

82 "The — lama, he's a priest"

83 Sumac of song

87 World's tallest creatures
- 88 Ancient Dead Sea region

89 Takes care of

90 Punta del —

92 San Antonio hoopster

93 "Insecure" co-star Rae

99 Dog pests

100 Part of the conspiracy

101 Diet-friendly, maybe

103 Turkey's capital

104 Like sacred images

105 — Scholar

107 French for "fathers"

108 Bad smells

109 Uppity types

110 — Lingus

111 Having length and width but not depth, for short

112 See 125-Across

113 "In case it's true ..."

115 Poet Dove

119 Part of UNLV

120 Watering hole

121 Notable period of time

122 Former big record co.

123 Easter entree

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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Eggplant Bolognese



As summer begins to wind down, our edible garden is often at its peak. With an abundance of vibrant basil, and my favorite night-shades, like tomatoes, peppers, and eggplant ready to harvest, my attention often turns towards Mediterranean recipes. Here, lovely eggplant and earthy mushrooms provide marvelous flavor and texture to this vegetarian version of a hearty Bolognese sauce. Satisfying without being too heavy, this comforting dish beautifully captures the delicious and sunny joys of late summer.

Ingredients:

- Salt and fresh ground black pepper
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 pound eggplant, peeled and chopped into ¼-inch cubes, about 4 packed cups
- 6 ounces cremini mushrooms, finely chopped, about 2 cups
- 3 sprigs fresh thyme
- 1 cup finely chopped white onion
- ½ cup finely chopped carrot
- ½ cup finely chopped celery
- 3 to 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 2 ½ cups mushroom broth (or vegetable stock)
- 1 ½ cups canned crushed tomatoes
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 whole sprig basil, plus more leaves chopped for garnishing
- Pinch crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 pound rigatoni, or other short tube pasta
- 2 tablespoons butter
- ¼ cup fresh parsley, minced
- Freshly grated Parmesan, for serving

Directions:

Prepare a large pot of salted water and set on a back burner on high. In a Dutch-oven, heat 2 tablespoons of the olive oil over medium-high heat. Add half the eggplant, season with salt and pepper, and sauté, stirring occasionally, until softened and lightly golden, about 5 minutes. Transfer the eggplant to a plate. Add another 2 tablespoons of oil and reduce the heat to medium. Add the rest of the eggplant, season with salt and pepper, and repeat the process. Set cooked eggplant aside. Add the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil and the mushrooms to the pot. Season with a pinch of salt and the whole thyme sprigs. Cook the mushrooms, stirring occasionally, until golden, 5 minutes. As the mushrooms release liquid, use a wooden spoon to scrape up the browned bits on the bottom of the pot. When golden, add the onions, carrots, and celery to the mushrooms. Continue to cook until the onions are soft, about 3 to 5 minutes more. Reduce the heat to low, add the garlic and tomato paste, stirring constantly until lightly golden and fragrant, about 2 minutes. Next, stir in the broth, tomatoes, oregano, basil sprig and the browned eggplant. Bring mixture to a boil over medium-high heat. Cover, adjust heat to medium and cook, stirring occasionally, until eggplant is very tender, 15 to 20 minutes. Uncover, add the pinch of red pepper flakes and continue to cook, stirring and mashing half the eggplant with a wooden spoon, until sauce is thickened, about another 5 to 10 minutes. While the sauce is simmering and thickening, bring the pot of water to boil. Cook pasta according to package directions until al dente. Reserve 1 cup of the pasta water before draining. Add the cooked pasta, butter, parsley, and a splash of the reserved pasta water, to the sauce and continue to cook, stirring vigorously, until pasta is nicely coated and saucy, about 2 minutes. If the sauce is too thick add another splash of the reserved water. Taste and adjust seasoning, adding more salt or pepper as needed. Serve in warm pasta bowls with a garnish of the chopped basil and a generous sprinkle of Parmesan.

Notes:

This is the type of sauce that tastes better the next day. If you have the time, make the sauce the day before, then reheat and toss with freshly cooked pasta.

The fresh basil is a key component to the flavor of this dish. You could add other fresh herbs while sauteing the mushrooms, such as rosemary or marjoram.

Serve this with a big, crisp salad on the side. Crusty bread for dipping in the sauce is always a good idea. A dry and fruity red such as a Chianti, Barbera d'Asti, or a domestic Syrah would make a lovely pairing. Enjoy.

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

Super Crossword

Answers

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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS



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

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

Waitsburg School Board
Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.
Zoom info is available by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

Waitsburg Home and School Association – First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All parents, school district staff, or community members are welcome.

Waitsburg Historical Society
Third Thursday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

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

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting
First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee
Info email: info@waitsburgparks.org



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

Friends of the Weller Public Library
Second Tuesday of the month, @ 7 p.m.

Time Change – The August 13 meeting will be held at 1 p.m.
Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

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

Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank
106 ½ Preston Ave
Thursdays, 2 – 4 p.m.

DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

Board of Columbia County Commissioners
Regular meetings - First and third Monday of the month @ 9 a.m.
Work sessions - Second and fourth Monday of each month @ 9 a.m.
Call-in information available at <https://www.columbiaco.com/114/County-Commissioners>

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

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

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



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

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

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



PRESCOTT MEETINGS
Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD) Monthly meetings for 2024 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6pm

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



Church Directory

St. Mark Catholic Church
405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg
Mass Sunday 5 p.m.
382-2311
Fr. Steve Werner

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

Waitsburg Christian Church
604 Main St
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Each Sunday
337-8898
Pastor Cameron Hedges

Events, Film, Performace, Live Music

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ROYAL BLOCK
WAITSBURG

Wednesday, August 14 @ 4 –7 p.m.
Devium Wine Tasting
Live music with Paul G at 7 – 9



MYTHICAL / MOVABLE BLUE MOUNTAIN BLUEGRASS JAM
Friday, August 16 @ 7 p.m.
Ten Ton Coffee
216 Main Street, Waitsburg

AMERICAN 35

Saturday, August 15 — American 35 and Simply Sawdust will collaborate to bring a very special pizza-making experience. Learn more at www.eventbrite.com/e/951699317277?aff=oddtcreator

Sunday, August 18 — National Pinot Noir Day
Enjoy the beloved Willamette Valley pinot by Brave Cellars, just \$18 for a bottle.

Sunday, August 25 — National Whiskey Sour Day - a new price on an old classic; \$10 all day

Friday, August 30 — National Mai Tai Day - enjoy tiki-themed cocktails that put the “wow” in “luau!” And maybe take home a tiki cocktail glass



WAITSBURG FOOD TRUCK NIGHTS
Wednesdays on the Slab
Main Street by Simply Sawdust
Wednesdays through August 28
4 p.m. to 8 p.m.



Waitsburg Farmer's Market
Saturday, August 17
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
at Preston Park in Waitsburg



VISIT THE BRUCE MUSEUM
@ 4th St. and Main, Waitsburg, Wash.
Open for docent tours
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays
August 17 and September 17
Pioneer Fall Festival on September 22, 2024

WALLA WALLA



Summer Concert Series
Calico Bones
Saturday, August 17
5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Heritage Square
116 East Main Street, Walla Walla

ENORMOUS
THE GORGE STORY

Enormous: The Gorge Story
August 14 @ 7:00 pm

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PRESENTED BY WALLA WALLA MOVIE CRUSH AND GESA POWER HOUSE THEATRE