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Michele Smith

Carissa Linder is holding a sign for the new community art center, among the musical instruments that will be available for people to try when "The Den" officially opens in the former Umpqua Bank building at 257 E. Main Street in Dayton. "The Den" will be open for a brief look inside from 2-8 p.m. on the day of the art walk.

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The Den will open for a preview during Dayton's May 30 art walk

By Michele Smith | THE TIMES

DAYTON— New to Dayton since August 2024, Carissa Linder is the proud owner of the old Umpqua bank building at 257 East Main Street. Her vision for the building is to create a community art center, which she is calling "The Den". The Den stands for dynamic education network and will serve as a framework that inspires people to create in an accessible and enjoyable way.

"We're all artists," she said. "If you think you're not, all I have to say is that you haven't found the thing that speaks to your soul, yet."

Her plans call for the bank teller stations to be turned into creation stations for trying different media, an open studio, silk screen printmaking, community-led classes, a rotating mural in the entryway, a wall to promote artists and their art, and a gallery with soft furniture inside the bank vault for people to relax, read a book, or listen to music on stage. The stage for live music, open mic nights, karaoke, poetry and book readings will be just inside the building.

In time, the lower level of the 10,000 sq. ft. building will feature a putt-putt golf course, film and recording studio, and framing services.

Space has also been set aside for an acupuncturist and for yoga classes.

Linder hails from a family of artists. Mark Linder, her father, worked as an architect, as did Jock Peter, her great-great-grandfather, who was also a set designer for Paramount Pictures. Dierk Peters, her great-grandfather, was an artist and visionary, and Jan de Swart, Linder's granduncle, was instrumental in the modernist movement on the West Coast. Linder said they all inspire her, as does her mother, Christina, the current assistant superintendent for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise.

"Needless to say, education, a love of learning, and art are deeply embedded in my soul," Linder said.

She studied at Boise State University in three areas: developmental psychology, studio, fine arts, and education.

"Living as a student and artist for the better part of two decades has not been a lucrative venture, but it sure has been a rich and beautiful one for my soul," she said.

In the art world, Linder is an art therapist and muralist who has worked at the Idaho State Psychiatric Hospital in Blackfoot, Idaho. She recently received a monetary award from the Dayton Development Task Force for a mural she will create on the east-facing exterior wall of The Den. She is also talking with administrators at the Fort Walla Walla Museum about plans for a mural, or murals, at Fort Walla Walla.

Linder moved to Dayton from Boise in August 2024 during a series of debilitating health crises and a failed relationship. She said she responded to a Facebook ad placed by a former "crush" seeking roommates.

"I knew nothing about Dayton. . . but it felt right," she said. "I came up here for a visit and fell in love in so many ways."

Linder credits the Columbia County Health System's wound care staff, physical therapy staff, and Dr. Woolever with saving her life and getting real clinical support for her lupus and edema after many years of searching for answers. She also found relief from the effects of psoriatic arthritis and has returned to good cardiac health after a pacemaker implant in August of 2024.

"I can honestly say I truly found my heart in Dayton," she quipped.

Dayton School Board approves donations, resignations

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON – The Dayton School Board met in the High School Library at 6:30 p.m. on May 20, 2026. Superintendent Jeremy Wheatley, Board Chair Jeffrey McCowen, and Board members Pat Davidson and Grant Griffin participated in person in the school library. Aneesha Dieu and Ryan Paulson joined remotely.

After routine administrative items, the Board accepted the personnel report, included in the consent agenda, which this month listed only three resignations: Tyler (Tiger) Dieu from the position of Grounds Custodian, Sarah Reser from the position of Middle School ASB Advisor, and Suzi Tasker from the position of Administrative Assistant.

The approved three donations: \$250 to the FFA to support the Butterfly Station, \$500 for musical instruments repair, and \$1,844.28 from the Community Network/Senior Parents Banner Fund toward the senior trip.

In the ASB Report, the ASB election results were announced:

- President: Lucy Trump
- Vice President: Alexa Jones
- Secretary: Cindi Howard
- Treasurer: Jordan McCowen
- Public Relations Manager: McKenna McCowen
- Public Relations Manager Assistant: Claire Garrett

Sam Korslund said he was planning summer camps and activities with his coaches, with the first day of practice scheduled for June 1, 2026.

Wheatley's Superintendent's Report discussed health and safety, including drills and health-related inspections. Columbia County Public Health has instituted a much more extensive environmental safety inspection.

Wheatley also opined that it was a tough year in the "grant world," as the district finds it tougher to win grants than last year.

Finally, the board approved the annual membership in the WIAA (Washington Interscholastic Activities Association).

There was no executive session following the meeting.

CWWFD#2 OFFERS FREE SMOKE ALARMS TO WAITSBURG HOMES

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Columbia Walla Walla Fire District #2 is partnering with the American Red Cross to offer free smoke alarm installations for Waitsburg residents.

"Basically, we partnered with the Red Cross, trying to get smoke alarms into homes that may not otherwise have them," said CWWFD#2 Chief Matt Spring. "Bottom line: Smoke alarms save lives. The program involves minimal paperwork, we schedule an appointment and install alarms in homes that have requested them. We do a small in-home fire safety inspection for informational purposes only."

Spring said he and the district are working to add value to the fire prevention side of the department, and this is step #1. More information is available on the CWWFD#2 Facebook page and its website, cwwfd2.org.

The program is intended for residents unable to physically install alarms, experiencing financial hardship, and homes without or in need of updated alarms.

The program provides free fire alarms, professional installation, and basic fire safety reviews. All installations by appointment only. Call the department's duty phone at (509) 386-0823.



CWWFD#2.org
Fire Chief Matt Spring

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NEWS BRIEFS

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LETTERS

AT THE LIBERTY: "The Sheep Detectives" May 29-June 2

THE TIMES

DAYTON – The film follows George Hardy (Hugh Jackman), a shepherd who loves his sheep and raises them only for their wool. Every night, he reads murder mysteries aloud, pretending his sheep can understand. Not only can they understand, but they also argue afterward about whodunnit. When George is found dead under mysterious circumstances, the sheep realize it was murder and think they know how to solve it. The local cop, Tim Derry, has never solved a serious crime in his life, so the sheep conclude they will have to solve it themselves. It means leaving their meadow for the first time and facing the fact that the world isn't as simple as it appears in books.

The cast includes Emma Thompson, Hugh Jackman, and Nicholas Braun. It is rated PG for thematic material, some violent content, and brief language with a runtime of 108 minutes.

"The Sheep Detectives" has critics and audiences in agreement, with ratings averaging 95%, and it is highly recommended. One critic wrote, "Funny when it needs to be, dramatic when it needs to be, and keeps you guessing about the crime at hand. Are family films supposed to be this good?"

An enthusiastic audience member said, "A sweet and clever escape of a movie. Fell in love with the sheep characters, the production design overall was charming, and the story was warm and funny."

"The Sheep Detectives" is a must-see for everyone.

Auditions for the theater's fall production, "The Wizard of Oz," are on June 1 at 6 p.m. for children ages 5 – 14, June 3 at 6 p.m. for 15-year-olds through adults. June 4 will be for those who were unable to attend the other dates. Be ready to sing and read parts. Music and monologues will be supplied.

This show will be directed by Brenda Henderson and Stephanie Snyder. There will be 14 shows from November 13 to December 5. Please send your questions to wizardofdayton@gmail.com.

This year, on Saturday, June 20, during All Wheels Weekend, the theater will show a locally produced short, "Roll Modelz." The 12.5-minute award-winning documentary shows how the lowrider car culture can bring people together, especially during times of loss. The film follows the Washington State Lowriders Car Club, based in Walla Walla, as it honors the memory of Mya Kay Avila. "Roll Modelz" will loop several times from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is free. The club will have some of its cars parked in front of the theater to enjoy.

Upcoming Movies: "The Sheep Detectives" on May 29-June 2, TBD for June 5-9, and "Star Wars: Mandalorian & Grogu" on June 12-16. Schedule subject to change.

THE LIBERTY THEATER – DAYTON

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Friday 7:00 pm
Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 3:00 pm
Tuesday 6:30 pm

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RUNTIME: 108 min

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COLUMBIA REA WELCOMES RICK LUGAR TO THE 2026 COLUMBIA REA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — Columbia REA announced the official results of its 2026 Board of Directors election at the cooperative's 88th Annual Meeting of the Members, held April 23, 2026, at Columbia REA headquarters in Walla Walla.

This election is especially significant as Walla Walla resident Rick Lugar was chosen by the members to fill the District One position vacated by Greg Knowles, who retired after 15 years on the Columbia REA Board of Directors.

Rick has spent much of his career in the public power arena, including 29 years with Columbia River PUD (Deer Island, OR).

"On behalf of the cooperative, I want to thank every member who participated in this year's election," said Scott Peters, CEO of Columbia REA. "We're pleased to welcome Rick Lugar to the Board, and we feel very fortunate to have found someone who brings a career's worth of knowledge and experience in public power to the Board of Directors. Rick will be a great addition and that is good news for the Co-op and for our members."

Incumbent Board Directors Jay DeWitt and Philip Mehlenbacher were re-elected in the other two Columbia REA voting districts. The 2026 Columbia REA Board of Directors are:

- **District 1:** Patrick Dennis, Rick Lugar, Kent Marquardt
- **District 2:** Doug Logan, Philip Mehlenbacher, Dennis Munden - Vice Pres.
- **District 3:** Neil Carpenter, Jay DeWitt - President, Katie Wooldridge - Sec./Treas.



ColumbiaREA
New REA board member, Rick Lugar

THE DEN - FROM PAGE 1

Linder plans to repay the help she has received here by renovating the former Purple Sage salon into an Airbnb for traveling nurses.

"People have asked why I'm not doing this in Walla Walla, or even Waitsburg. There's no chance!" she said. "I owe Dayton my life in so many incredible ways, and I promised the hospital and this community that I'd repay their kindness and care."

A soft opening for The Den is planned for All Wheels Weekend in June and a grand opening later in the year. She is currently seeking donations of art supplies and considering fundraising ideas, as well as payment structure for services. For more information, contact Linder at carissa@carissalinderart.com, and be sure to stop by on May 30 to say "hi" and see works by local artists.

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SUPPORT FOR SCHRAM

I am honored to announce my support for Richard Schram for the next Sheriff of Walla Walla County.

I have known Richard for over 20 years. In that time, he became one of the most respected leaders that I have ever had the pleasure of working with.

Richard stands out as a mentor to all who know and work with him. He is highly praised by other law enforcement professionals in the Walla Walla Valley and throughout the state of Washington and across this great country in which we live.

In my 43-year law enforcement career, I have literally worked with hundreds of law enforcement professionals throughout our state and country. I can honestly say that Richard Schram is one of the most qualified and respected command-level professionals that I have had the pleasure of working alongside.

Richard is trained, educated and highly motivated to guide the Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office for the next four years and beyond. The Sheriff's Office would not be where it is today without Richard Schram. I can honestly say Richard has the talents and drive to be the best Sheriff Walla Walla County has ever had!

To the wonderful citizens of Walla Walla County; please vote for Richard Schram as the next Sheriff of Walla Walla County.

Undersheriff Joe Klundt
Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office

Letter to the Editor:

I am extremely proud to endorse Richard Schram for Sheriff.

Richard has the experience, knowledge, and understanding of the issues in Walla Walla County, making him the right choice for Sheriff. I've known him since 2016 and he has shown absolute commitment to safeguarding the lives, property, and individual liberties for all people in Walla Walla.

When I first met Richard, I immediately knew he was someone I could trust. He is dedicated to serving the community in ways that are hard to fathom. When Richard does something, he does not do it halfheartedly. He is all in.

Richard is committed to developing deputies; making sure they have what they need to do their jobs well. He knows policy and holds those around him to a high professional standard that he embodies. He is approachable, trusted, and highly respected by his peers and those who know him personally.

Richard instructs boating classes, attends Sheriff's Round Tables, Superhero Runs, career fairs, and much more. He makes it a priority to be involved and deeply invests in the community. With his 23 years of experience, he knows what is demanded of this profession.

Vote Richard Schram for Sheriff of Walla Walla County.

Joseph Henderson
Patrol Corporal,
Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office

Barbara Gale Abbey
Celebration of Life Reception

Family and friends are warmly invited to gather in remembrance and celebration of Barbara Gale Abbey's life.

Saturday, May 30th
3:00 PM

Royal Block
Downtown Waitsburg

Please join us for an afternoon of shared memories, stories, laughter, and fellowship as we honor Barbara's life.

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OBITUARY

Gary Craig Lasater

August 18, 1935 – January 5, 2026

Gary Craig Lasater passed away in the early morning of January 5, 2026, at Providence Hospital in Walla Walla, Washington.

He was born August 18, 1935, in Walla Walla to Redman Lasater and Claire Lycan Lasater Groth. Gary graduated from Walla Walla High School, Walla Walla, in 1953 and served in the Air Reserve in the mid-1950s.

Flying was an important part of Gary's life from an early age. His father and mother were both pilots, and Gary earned his private pilot's license when he was young. Over the years, he owned several aircraft, including a spray plane he used for crop management.

Gary was a wheat farmer who carried on the family tradition of farming the Wellman and Lasater land in the Clyde, Washington, area of Walla Walla County. He farmed with his father, Redman, and, for a time, also worked as an alfalfa seed fieldman for W.R. Grace when the company operated in Touchet, Washington.

He enjoyed creating innovations that made farm work easier. With his friend Robert Lonneker, also from a long farming heritage in the county, Gary worked on a forerunner of a bank-out wagon, built from a Euclid earth mover modified to follow a combine and catch wheat dumps while moving with the contours of the ground.

Gary cared deeply about the ground he farmed, and nothing brought him more joy than seeing the first green growth of the wheat seeds he had planted.

Gary is survived by his wife, Donna; daughter, Kimm Krebs and her husband, Tom; granddaughters, Kelsey DeVink and her husband, Kees; and Courtney Jensen and her husband, Joey; sisters, Debra Johnson and her husband, Craig; and Janet Stelzer; and seven great-grandchildren.

He is deeply missed.

A private memorial is planned.



Gary Craig Lasater
August 18, 1935 – January 5, 2026

Submitted photos

“Kids First” summer camp at Kirkman House Museum

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA — The Kirkman House Museum is hosting a week of fun for kids from Monday, June 22, to Friday, June 26. The Kids First Summer Camp offers young campers a variety of activities in history, science, and creativity, including a Bunker Hill water-balloon battle.

Here is the line up for the week:

Monday, June 22

Learn to write and illustrate a short story, make stick puppets, and put on a puppet show.

Tuesday, June 23

Learn about plants and gardening. Make a Macrame hanger and plant a hanging basket.

Wednesday, June 24

Life lessons from sewing on a button to building a birdhouse.

Thursday, June 25

Celebrate America's 250-year Anniversary and fight the Battle of Bunker Hill using water balloons.

Friday, June 26

Pizza Party Friday!
Design and illustrate note cards and learn Diamond Painting. Play the “I've Lost My Backpack” mystery game.

The cost is \$20 per day, or \$80 per child for the week. Campers should bring a sack lunch each day, and the museum will provide snacks and water. Reservations are required, so sign up now by calling the museum at (509) 529-4373 or Pam at (509) 520-1570.



Times Graphic

A Bunker Hill water balloon fight will be fun and educational. Mostly fun.

For more information visit Kirkman-housemuseum.org.

The Kirman House Museum is located at in Walla Walla at 214 North Colville Street.



MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION AT WAITSBURG CITY CEMETERY HONORED LOCAL HEROES

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — This year, four veterans who the community lost were honored at the Memorial Day Service in Waitsburg. Members of Jack McCaw, Bill Hinchliffe, Mike Greer, and Robert Rickel's families were at the ceremony held in front of the Veterans' Memorial Wall in the city's cemetery. The four will be added to the wall, later this year.

The American Legion and Auxiliary #35, invited veterans, families, the community, and veterans from the Corps of Recovery Discovery (C.O.R.D.) Program. The C.O.R.D. veterans assisted with the program, and member Julie Keach was the event's speaker.

American Legion Frank E. Bauers Post 42 provided a gun salute, and its bugler performed “Taps” at the ceremony.



Photos Rose Engelbrite

Members of C.O.R.D. at the ceremony. Julie Keach, far right, was the event's guest speaker.



The family of Jack McCaw, who proudly enlisted in the U.S. Navy on his 18th birthday to serve in WWII. The war ended in August, and he served a year in the occupation forces in Japan.



Bill Hinchliffe served on the the Fletcher Destroyer, USS Hart, and was in the Pacific Theatre during key battles at Iwo Jima and Okinawa.



Family members of Robert Gary Rickel, who met and married Mary Simpson, far left, in July 1955 while he was in the service.



The family, including wife Katherine, of Mike Greer who proudly served in the United States Navy from 1959 to 1963.

BIRTHDAYS

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

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

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

May 31: Kathleen Smith,

Valerie Coe.

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

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

June 3: Jim Bloor, Janice Klick, Melinda Nubla, June Van Denventer, Lynne Robinson, and Sharon Sherlock.

TIME TO SEND US YOUR COMMUNITY YARD SALE INFO FOR “THE TIMES” MAP

The Waitsburg citywide yard sale is on Saturday, June 6. “The Times” will publish its annual go-to map for the event in its June 4 issue. The map includes addresses and information on participating garage and yard sales in Waitsburg and Prescott.

It is free to be included on the map, and yard sale participants should send their addresses, items for sale, or any other information to advertising@waitsburgtimes.com by Monday, June 1.

Please include your name, contact number, and email. This information will not be on the map.

Information for the map should include:

- Yard or garage sale address
- Types of items at the sale (tools, furniture, clothes, art, etc.)
- The times and days the sale will be open to the public.

Happy 103rd Birthday
Geraine Hansen



LEGALS & EVENTS

Events, Live Music, Bike Camp, Vintage Market

WAITSBURG

Greg Blake Concert



Greg Blake Concert
at the Plaza Theater
Tuesday, June 2
@ 7 - 9 p.m.
Tickets on Eventbrite

Scan for tickets



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Saturday, June 5 - 7
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WALLA WALLA

Bike Camp Walla Walla June 7 through 12, 2026

• An inaugural 5-day cycling event around the Walla Walla Valley to benefit Whitman College's Sináata Scholarship,



BIKE CAMP
— WALLA WALLA —

• Offered by Bicycle Rides Northwest, bringing fully supported bicycle tours in the Pacific Northwest.

• The Whitman College campus serves as the hub of the experience with riders able to stay on campus and dine at Cleveland Commons.

Each day riders will cycle a short or long route in the Walla Walla Valley:

- Monday, June 8: Lavender Loop
- Tuesday, June 9: Touchet/Luckenbill
- Wednesday, June 10: Waitsburg & Prescott
- Thursday, June 11: Umapine plus Kooskooskie
- Friday, June 12: Harris Park

Online Registration
Deadline: Friday, Jun 5,
2026 at 11:59 p.m.



Scan for more information and registration.

Waitsburg Farmer's Market
Hosted by Red Bird

May 30 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park	JUNE 13 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park	JUNE 27 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park
JULY 11 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park	JULY 25 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park	AUG 8 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park
AUG 22 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Preston Park	2026	Vendor Sign-Up



Waitsburg Farmers Market
Saturday, May 30
Preston Park
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA
NO: 26-4-00003-07
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of: MARY JOANNE MATHEWS, 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 above, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Clerk of the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1) (c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA
NO: 26-4-00004-7
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030
In the Matter of the Estate of: JESSIE L. SEIBERT, 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 above, a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Clerk of the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020 (1) (c); or (2) Four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE SUMMONS
NO: 25-3-000191-36
Petitioner: Melvin Marcus Johnson Jr.
THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE RESPONDENT Loretta Johnson:
You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the (Date of first publication), and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Melvin Marcus Johnson Jr., and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response to: Melvin Marcus Johnson Jr. at 1313 N 13 th Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362.
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Blue Mountain Action Council
8 E. Cherry
Walla Walla, WA 99362
(509) 529-4980 Ext. 350
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA
DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE SUMMONS
NO: 24-3-00257-36
Petitioner: Julee R. Moreno
THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO THE RESPONDENT Gabriel Balderas Moreno:
You are hereby summoned to appear within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this dissolution of marriage summons, after the (Date of first publication), and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled court, and answer the complaint of the petitioner, Julee R. Moreno, and serve a copy of your answer upon the petitioner at the address below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the dissolution petition, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date this summons was served on you, exclusive of the day of service, the court may enter an order of default against you, and the court may, without further notice to you, enter a final order and approve or provide for the relief requested in the petition. The court will not enter the final order until at least 90 days after filing and service. Serve a copy of your response to: Julee R. Moreno
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BENTON
NO: 26-4-00241-03
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.020
In the Matter of the Estate of: CRAIG EDWIN HALL, 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 creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the Notice. If the Claim is not presented within this time frame, the Claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: May 14, 2026
Personal Representative: /s/ Stacey Hall
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Attorney for Personal Representative: Albert Coke Roth, III, Esq. #22948, WSBA
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Time to train for Swim the Snake

Waitsburg Senior Portraits

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

BLAKE BENEVIDES

Blake Benevides is the son of Valerie and Shawn and has siblings Quinn and Claudia, both WHS alumni.

Benevides came to Waitsburg School as an eighth grader and attends WHS full-time. He has been a member of FFA for four years and was on the homecoming court his freshman year.

As a basketball standout in his junior and senior years, Benevides received the Most Improved Award and All-League Honorable Mention his junior year and made the All-League First Team and was voted Most Valuable Player and Mr. Hustle his senior year. Benevides played AAU basketball in the summer following his junior year, and he joined golf in his senior year and earned a spot in the State Golf Tournament.

Benevides has volunteered at school concessions, helped set up fences at the pig barn, assisted at the Lions Club rib and salmon feeds, assisted at the Karen's ATV Ride registration, and has raked leaves for the elderly.

His favorite memory was going to Ilwaco and playing basketball with the guys at summer basketball camp.

This summer, Benevides hopes to get a job with Vestas Wind Systems.



Karen Huwe

Blake Benevides would like to work for Vestas Wind Systems.

SARA WILSON

Sara Wilson is the daughter of Kenny and Cathleen. She has attended Waitsburg Schools since preschool. In her senior year, after attending classes at WHS, Wilson took general classes at Walla Walla Community College.

Wilson joined FFA as an eighth-grader and is currently the secretary. She has participated in FFA competitions during her junior year, and she shown chickens and goats at the local county fairs.

She was the FFA class treasurer her freshman, sophomore, and junior years, also serving as class vice president.

An honor student, Wilson is a member of the National Honor Society, and she was named Student of the Month in November of her senior year.

In addition, her awards include 1st place in Poultry Production-Entrepreneurship/Placement during her senior year, which she received at the State convention in May.

Wilson has volunteered at school concessions, at the NHS blood drive, as security at the Waitsburg Historical Society's Wilson House, during flood relief sandbagging, and as a Girl Scouts program aide, chaperoning at the Plaza Theater and at camps.

A favorite memory of Wilson's is the trip to Omak as an FFA Rangeland team member, where she saw sights and had a lot of fun.

After graduation, Wilson will continue with her chicken business, Bowhay's Tiny Raptors, where she raises show-quality chicks. She has been accepted to the University of Idaho in Moscow to study animal science. Her studies will aid Wilson on the production side of Bowhay's Tiny Raptors, and goat milk and meat production.



Karen Huwe

Sara Wilson will study animal science at the U of I.

Vive18 Presentation at Waitsburg Secondary

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg students enjoyed a presentation by Tomas Barraz, a Vive18 co-founder and national speaker, on Wednesday, May 13, 2026. The day began with an assembly for students in grades 9-12, followed by a second presentation for students in grades 6-8.

Barraz spent his lunch break empowering students in the Natural Helpers club to continue efforts, create sober social spaces, and shift school culture from the inside out.

Growing up in a small rural community, Tomas saw the destruction of drug use. As an advocate passionate about recovery and second chances, he helped create Vive18.

The mission of Vive18 is to provide students with healthy alternatives to substance use, foster genuine connections, and empower youth to make positive life choices. Vive18 designs programs that meet students where they are, speak their language, and create real connections.

"Tomas engaged students with high-energy

storytelling, interaction, music, and participation to create memorable and empowering experiences," said School Counselor Rosy Nechodom. "He spoke openly about his personal story of taking 'shortcuts to comfort' through vaping, marijuana/THC, alcohol, fentanyl, and prescription



Vive18.com

Tomas Barras

drugs. He challenged students to develop the necessary 'skill set' for future success instead of settling for shortcuts," continued Nechodom.

The founders of Vive18 say their work is research-grounded and presented through personal experience and understanding of the pressures students face.

"Scare tactics don't work. Shame doesn't work. And outdated 'just say no' messaging definitely doesn't work.

That's why Vive18 exists," as stated on vive18.com.

CARDINAL SPORTS with Karen Huwe

BENEVIDES AT STATE GOLF

Waitsburg High School senior Blake Benevides shot a 110 in the first round at the WIAA 1B/2B Boys High School State Golf Championships at Meadow-Wood Golf Course in Liberty Lake May 20-21.

Coach Caris Lynch said that Benevides missed the cut-off at 95 to proceed to the second round.

KENNEY TO STATE TRACK

Senior Teegan Kenney from Waitsburg High School will compete in all four of his track events at the WIAA 1b/2b/1A State Championships at Eisenhower High School, May 28-30. Kenney qualified for State at the 1B District 6 Championships at Valley Christian School, May 20-22. Athletes had to place in the top five for boys and top six for girls to advance to State.

Kenney placed 5th in the 100 meters with a time of 12.02. Next, he finished 2nd in the 300-meter hurdles with a personal best of 44.77. He was fifth in the long jump with a jump of 19' 5", and in the triple jump, his jump of 40' 1.5" earned him a fourth-place finish.

"Every athlete did a good job of being prepared. There were a few emotional moments when things didn't happen as planned, but our Cardinals represented their school and community with grace and pride," said Coach Dan Nechodom.

Following Waitsburg's achievements, Dayton athletes also had success at Districts.

Rosemary Yutzy placed 2nd in the 100-meter, 2nd in the 400-meter, 1st in the 300-meter hurdles, and ran a leg on the 4x100 relay, which placed first.

Rilee Steinhoff placed 5th in the 100-meter, 6th in the long jump, 3rd in the triple jump, and was on the 4x100 relay with Yutzy, Ellie Sabin, and McKenna McCowen.

Dayton P.E.O. Citizenship Award

THE TIMES

DAYTON — Colton Steinhoff and Kaylee Coleman were chosen as the recipients of the 2026 P.E.O. Citizenship Award. This award is given to the outstanding young man and woman in the senior class, judged on character, scholarship, and activities. Especially emphasized are honesty, courtesy, amiability, morality, and punctuality- the marks of a good citizen.

Recipients are selected by the high school faculty, the Associated Student Body officers, and the P.E.O. Awards Committee.

The award consists of a certificate that was presented on May 14th at a reception in their honor and a \$400 check. The P.E.O. Citi-

zenship Award was first presented in 1930 and has continued for 94 years.

P.E.O. is a philanthropic educational organization that supports six philanthropies. This includes ownership of Cottey College, a women's college in Nevada, Missouri, and five programs that provide higher educational assistance for women through scholarships, grants, awards and loans.

Founded in 1869 at Iowa Wesleyan University, P.E.O. is one of the oldest women's organizations in North America and has grown to almost 6,000 local chapters with more than 225,000 members in the United States and Canada.

Dayton's P.E.O. Chapter BJ was organized in 1925. In addition to supporting the international organization's projects, Chapter BJ also offers educational loans to local women through a variety of local fundraising. The organization continues to support the Dayton School District.



Submitted photo

Dayton students, Kaylee Coleman and Colton Steinhoff, are the recipients of the 2026 P.E.O. Citizenship Award.

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LEGALS & FUN

The Friendly Forest

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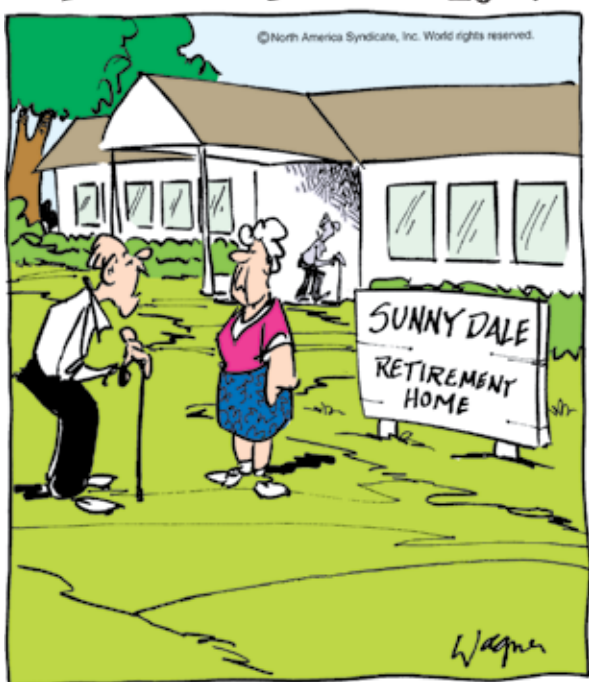


Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



GRIN and BEAR IT



"Then I apologize for hitting on you. ... I didn't know you were my wife."

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago May 26, 2011

Riding shotgun in a World War II jeep, Veteran Jim Hansen greets other Veterans before the start of the parade, which honored them and coincided with Armed Forces Day.

DHS junior Caitlin Riley takes on her padded principal, Andy Maheras, in a session designed to teach girls the basics of self-defense. Sophomore Chandra Richardson, WYCA's Ann Passmore and Deputy Columbia County Prosecutor June Riley look on.

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

Steve McMunn and Teeny McMunn have been business partners for almost two and a half decades. They recently moved their carpet store to Dayton's Main Street.

After Saturday's parade, Jim and Geraine Hansen and 101 family members and friends marked their May birthdays. Jim turned 90 on May 19 and Geraine will be 88 on May 29. Jim, a World War II Veteran, was honored along with many of his peers in the parade.

Twenty-Five Years Ago May 31, 2001

W.H.S graduation at WWCC Friday. Marshal McKinley, valedictorian, Kate Ahmann, salutatorian, Rachel Lambert, honor speaker and Scott Mason, honor speaker.

Ten names were dedicated at the second Memorial Day ceremony by the Veteran's Memorial Wall at the Waitsburg City Cemetery Monday as townspeople turned out to remember those who served in uniform for our country. Ken Smith, a long-time wheat rancher and World War II veteran, attended and received a poppy from American Legion Auxiliary member B. A. Keve.

Haly Ingle competed in the 1,600 m. run, representing the Cardinals as a freshman. She finished 12th under a blazing, hot sun. Holly Robinson brought home an 8th place medal from the State Track Meet for her efforts in the 400 m.

Fifty Years Ago May 27, 1976

Herman Gohlman was honored for his long and faithful service to the Days of Real Sport as Secretary and general ramrod. He enjoyed the ride and numerous friends and acquaintances who lined the streets Saturday morning.

Becky Zuger proudly bears the Bicentennial flag in the Days of Real Sport Parade here last Saturday. Becky was carrying this special banner with the Waitsburg High School Band.



[Photo caption] Jim Stonecipher chauffeured the First Days of Real Sport royalty, Roberta Stonecipher Broom, Virginia Rinehart Neace, Beth Lloyd Tietjen, Spokane, and Phyllis Danielson Eaton, Estacada, Ore.

Seventy-Five Years Ago June 1, 1951

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lawrence attended a horse show in Pullman Saturday where they showed their two Arabian fillies, Abla and Kahlda in the halter class. Abla won 3rd place in the show.

Graduating seniors were honored Tuesday evening at a progressive dinner party starting with a swimming party at the Glen Smith home followed by the first course at J. A. Alexander home; picnic at the Henry Zuger home and dessert at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rankin.

One-Hundred Years Ago June 4, 1926

Ground has been actually broken this week at the site of our new high school.

Master Billy Vollmer celebrated his 11th birthday anniversary last Thursday by inviting in a number of friends for the afternoon. A number of exciting games were played, and later in the day, refreshments were served.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago June 7, 1901

Mrs. J. H. Morrow and in the evening their friends, to about the number of 40 dropped in on them unexpectedly, the ladies dressed in their wedding dresses in the styles of years ago.

Jay Moe has taken the job of breaking horses. His proportions are so nearly those of a bear that a fall or a roll is of little consequence.

PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

Super Crossword

D-PARTING

- ACROSS**
- 1 PlayStation 3 competitor
 - 4 Prefix for "bird"
 - 7 Man-to-man term of endearment
 - 13 Luau skirt
 - 19 Native (to)
 - 21 Modern way to shop
 - 22 Neckwear clasp
 - 23 Noteworthy septet of piers?
 - 25 Spanish fleet
 - 26 Worship
 - 27 Publicly revealing Edison's secret?
 - 29 Bottom-row PC key
 - 30 Recipe qty.
 - 32 Overly
 - 33 Eggs' shapes
 - 34 Successfully trap a moray?
 - 41 Shrek is one of these
 - 43 "There oughta be —!"
 - 44 Dozing
 - 47 Spellbound
 - 51 "This works like a charm!"
 - 55 Up-to-the-minute
 - 57 Director Ang
 - 58 Like family-friendly films
 - 59 Pres. after FDR
 - 62 Bring a Ferris wheel to a complete stop?
 - 65 Scrape (by)
 - 66 Charlotte —, Virgin Islands
 - 69 Internet ID
 - 70 TV host Philbin
 - 71 Like a king who has wild mood swings?
 - 76 Burns a little
 - 77 Army NCO
 - 78 Teensy bit
 - 79 Noted period
 - 81 Ruling eagle sitting in her high nest?
 - 84 Org. giving towels
 - 85 Iridescent button materials
 - 88 Architect I.M. from China
 - 89 "Avengers: Age of —" (2015 Marvel film)
 - 91 Government revenue sources
 - 93 Ukraine port
 - 96 Basketry willows
 - 99 Shout
 - 100 Mask
 - 102 Wish you had never met the star of "Firestarter"?
 - 107 Curved (restaurant)
 - 110 — Fridays
 - 113 Bank acct. amount
 - 114 Uncooked
 - 115 Response to a question about "Swan Lake"?
 - 119 1996 #1 hit for Los del Rio
 - 124 Funnel-shaped bloom
 - 125 People with unorthodox opinions about a girl in Wonderland?
 - 127 Quick raids
 - 128 Cringed
 - 129 Sugar alcohol used as a sweetener
 - 130 Tiny amounts
 - 131 Goes hastily
 - 132 From — Z
 - 133 Pop/soul singer Des'—
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Floor cleaner for liquid spills, in brief
 - 2 Suffering, figuratively
 - 3 —-Kit (police face-maker)
 - 4 Part of ACLU: Abbr.
 - 5 — voce
 - 6 "High Rollers" rapper
 - 7 See
 - 109-Down
 - 8 With the wish (of)
 - 9 Actress Summer of "Serenity"
 - 10 Encircled with a band
 - 11 Not suitable
 - 12 Like many simple questions
 - 13 TDs or RBI specialists
 - 14 Loud warning device
 - 15 Eliminator
 - 16 Former first lady Michelle
 - 17 Rafael of tennis
 - 18 Lawn surface
 - 20 Suffix of nationalities
 - 24 Amsterdam is its cap.
 - 28 Sticky gunk
 - 31 Island setting
 - 35 Appellation
 - 36 Dressed
 - 37 Bible book before Zechariah
 - 38 Prefix with light
 - 39 Pipe joint
 - 40 Foliage unit
 - 42 Stan of jazz
 - 45 Region of pre-Roman Italy
 - 46 Viewed intently
 - 48 Some wheel adjusters
 - 49 Animal's "family tree"
 - 50 Golf pegs
 - 51 Deep anger
 - 52 Pay attention
 - 53 Sault —, Mich.
 - 54 Replace with
 - 56 Bud of Cooperstown
 - 60 Some roofing specialists
 - 61 Up to, in brief
 - 63 Suffix with southwest
 - 64 Outdoor gear retailer
 - 67 Large city in Iraq
 - 68 Raised RRs
 - 72 "Either he goes — go!"
 - 73 Mao —-lung
 - 74 Diva Sumac
 - 75 Boomer's kid
 - 76 Mafia chief
 - 80 Horse cousin
 - 82 Campus area
 - 83 Film genre
 - 86 Skillfully
 - 87 Tranquil
 - 90 Modern, in Munich
 - 92 Scottish port
 - 94 Varnish resin
 - 95 Judgy glance
 - 97 Make more offspring
 - 98 Govt. loan agency
 - 101 LAX guess
 - 103 — mater
 - 104 Collier's tram
 - 105 Really bug
 - 106 Discarded PCs or TVs
 - 107 At the stern
 - 108 Barber's tool
 - 109 With 7-Down, the original "It" girl
 - 111 Chews on
 - 112 Town on Long Island's South Shore
 - 116 Russian news agency
 - 117 Chablis, e.g.
 - 118 Ovid's "Lo!"
 - 120 Brand of athletic shoes
 - 121 "— la vie"
 - 122 Slangy suffix with buck
 - 123 Cup edge
 - 126 ER staffers

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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MY RECIPES

Luke Chavez

Strawberry Shortcake with Mint Whipped Cream



One of the things I most look forward to in late spring is the first bite of a plump sun ripened strawberry. This week, I noticed the first few bright red fruits ready for picking in our backyard patch. For the next couple of weeks, we will be plucking them by the bowlful. When fruit, such as strawberries, are perfectly ripe, and in-season, the general rule is the simpler the preparation the better. Which is perhaps why the combination of ripe strawberries with shortcake biscuits and whipped cream is such a cherished classic. For a twist, I infused the cream with fresh mint for a delightfully cool pairing to the lovely berries of the moment.

Ingredients:

For the whipped cream:

- ¼ cup sugar
- 1 cup packed mint leaves and stems, coarsely chopped
- 1 cup heavy cream

For the shortcake biscuits:

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon baking powder, aluminum-free preferred
- ¼ teaspoon baking soda
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 10 tablespoons cold unsalted butter
- ¾ cup buttermilk
- 2 tablespoons turbinado (raw) sugar

For the berries:

- 2 pounds strawberries, hulled and halved
- ½ cup granulated sugar
- Mint for garnish

Directions:

Start by making a simple syrup for the whipped cream. In a small saucepan, combine ¼ cup sugar and 2 tablespoons of water, set over medium-high heat. Add the mint and stir to combine as the sugar melts. Bring to a simmer, cover, and take off the heat, then steep for 15 minutes. Strain through a mesh strainer, pressing syrup out of leaves. Set aside in refrigerator.

Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Prepare a 13 x 18-inch baking sheet by lining with parchment paper.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk to combine flour, cornstarch, baking powder, baking soda, granulated sugar, and salt. Cut cold butter into ½-inch pieces and add to the dry ingredients. Use your fingertips, or a pastry cutter, to quickly rub the butter into the flour until a coarse crumb mixture is made with pea-sized clumps of butter throughout. With a rubber spatula, stir in the buttermilk until a sticky, shaggy mass just comes together. Do NOT overmix.

With lightly floured hands, divide dough and form into 8 balls of dough. They will be bigger than a golf ball and should be rough around the edges. Arrange balls of dough on the prepared baking sheet. Gently press tops down slightly, and sprinkle with turbinado sugar. Place in hot oven on middle rack, and back for 13 to 15 minutes, until golden. Cool on wire rack.

While the biscuits are in the oven prepare the strawberries. Combine strawberry halves and sugar in a bowl. Let berries macerate in the sugar at room temperature for about 10 minutes, creating a juicy sauce.

Just before serving prepare whipped cream. In a chilled metal mixing bowl, whip the heavy cream with a wire whisk or electric mixer. Whip until soft peaks begin to form, then add ¼ cup of the mint syrup. Continue to whisk until the soft peaks return. Do not overbeat. Taste for sweetness, adding more mint syrup if needed.

Assemble just before serving. Use a serrated knife to split the biscuits in half, horizontally. Place bottom halves in serving dishes, cut side up. Spoon berries on top and around the sides, making sure to get lots of the syrupy sauce. Top strawberries with a large dollop of the whipped cream and then cover with the biscuit top. More whipped cream and berries can be dolloped on top. Garnish with fresh mint and serve immediately.

Notes:

This is a classic American crowd pleaser that makes a sweet ending to a summer dinner party. You can set this up as a build-your-own buffet, with big bowls of strawberries and whipped cream arranged around a platter of the biscuits. Look for the freshest local and organic berries for this dessert. Later in the summer try using fresh raspberries or blackberries. A colorful mix of berries is always festive. To liven things up, add a little lemon zest to the berries while they macerate with the sugar. Enjoy.

Super Crossword

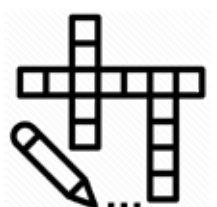
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Community Calendar

WAITSBURG MONTHLY MEETINGS

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

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

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



Waitsburg School Board
Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. Zoom info is available at Waitsburgsd.org by emailing waitsburgcc@icloud.com

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

DAYTON & COLUMBIA COUNTY MEETINGS

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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



PRESCOTT MEETINGS
Prescott Joint Park & Rec District (PJPRD) Monthly meetings for 2026 are 2nd Thursday of each month, @ 6:30 p.m.
Prescott School District Board of Directors Meeting 4th Thursday of each month, @ 6 p.m. @ Prescott School Multi-Purpose, room 401, and on Zoom, Meeting ID: 846 7687 9995

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

Church Directory

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

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

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

Lunches

WAITSBURG SENIOR CENTER

504 Main Street
11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday, June 2
Chicken Fried Beef Steak
Potato
Cookie
MOW: Vegetable, Fruit
IN HOUSE: Salad

WAITSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Thursday, May 28
Breakfast
French Toast & Sausage
Lunch
Pizza
House Salad
Carrots
Fruit Choice

Friday, May 29
Breakfast
Muffin & String Cheese
Lunch
Outdoor BBQ
Cheeseburgers
Chips
Watermelon
Corn on the Cob
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