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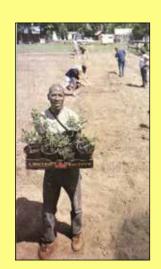
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WCC HOSTS TWO ESSENTIAL CIVIC **MEETINGS IN WAITSBURG**

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg Commercial Club is hosting two meetings on Thursday, June 26. At noon, the club will hold its monthly meeting at Ten Ton Studios, 216 Main St. in Waitsburg. The meeting will include a public information presentation regarding the August 5, 2025, ballot measure proposing a two-tenths of 1% sales tax to support critical public safety services in the county.

The open session will offer the public an opportunity to learn about how the tax revenue would fund the modernization and sustainability of WW County's emergency services.

Later that evening at 6 p.m., the commercial club will host the three Port of Walla Walla Commissioners and port staff for their monthly commissioners meeting at Waitsburg City Hall. The club invites the public to attend the meeting to learn about port projects, ask questions, and offer public comment.

The Waitsburg Commercial Club hosts informational meetings on various topics to encourage residents to make their voices heard through informed voting. Both meetings on Thursday are open to the public at no cost.

Patriot Parade & Flag Dedication at Bruce Museum

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — On July 4th, the Waitsburg Historical Society will dedicate a new flag at the Bruce Museum and invites the public to join the celebration. The free event will follow Waitsburg's Patriots Parade starting in front of Banner Bank and ending at the museum's lawn.

The Patriots Parade started in 2011, when Laurette McCaw challenged her husband Jack McCaw and the late Tom Baker to carry a United States flag down Main Street on the 4th of July, wearing shorts. John and Marilyn Stellwagen sweetened the deal by providing free hotdogs for a potluck after the parade. The original "parade committee" was surprised by how many locals turned out to see Tom and Jack in their shorts. People came out on scooters, carts and bikes to join the "parade," while bystanders lined the sidewalks. It was, after all, a proper parade.



Jack McCaw, in shorts, at the first parade.

This year, the Historical Society and the American Legion Auxillary encourage residents to decorate their bikes, carts, wear red, white, and blue, shorts, or their uniforms and join the Patriots Parade. No registration is required, just line up in the Banner Bank parking lot at 11:45 am on Friday, the 4th.

The parade will travel down Main Street to the front lawn at the Bruce Museum. The American Legion Auxiliary will present and dedicate a new American flag, flagpole, and plaque to the Waitsburg Historical Society at the corner of Main and 4th Street. This will be followed by a free community lunch of hot dogs, salads, watermelon, with iced tea and water, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Tables and chairs will be pro-

For dessert, the historical society will offer novelty ice creams for \$2, with proceeds supporting the museum. Bring a patriotic spirit and enjoy this fun event with your family and friends in downtown Waitsburg on Friday, July 4th, starting at noon.

DSD Board discussed student cell phone policy

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON - The Dayton School Board held its June 18, 2025, meeting at the high school library at 6:30 p.m.

Superintendent Jeremy Wheatley, Board Chair Jeffrey Mc-Cowen, directors Grant Griffin and Ryan Paulson were present in the library. Aneesha Dieu joined the meeting on Zoom, and Pat Davidson did not attend.

The board approved the consent agenda, which included hiring Jamie Trump as the high school assistant volleyball coach, Cody Chapman as the high school head football coach, Joe Howard as the middle school girls' basketball head coach, and Ajay McNarland as the high school head golf coach. Additionally, Athletic Director Sam Korslund will volunteer as the high school football assistant coach.

Staff members departing include HS Cheer Coach Brian Collier, HS Head Football Coach Lucas Collier, and Mike Mc-Ghan as the HS golf coach. Elementary Teacher Angela Kenney and school bus driver Jason Griffin are also leaving their posi-

Principal Amy Cox presented highlights of the school year and ideas for the upcoming year. Cox said she will focus on the Bulldog BRAVE program in the secondary school after seeing its effectiveness at the elementary school.

Superintendent Wheatley presented a survey from students who left the Dayton School District. Twenty-three students transitioned to online learning, twenty-two enrolled in the Waitsburg School District, and eighteen moved to the Walla Walla district. Most students transferred to take advantage of educational programs not available in Dayton, although many reasons for transferring were cited in the survey.

"We did not renew the contract with our current counselor. We anticipate support of some kind, but want to evaluate our needs and provide support as needed, which could be full-time, part-time, or contracted support via an outside agency. We will evaluate counseling support in August," said Wheatley.

Only one teacher was let go due to budget-driven staff reductions. Retirements and transfers have kept reductions to a minimum.

The board conducted a first reading of Policy 3245 concerning students use of telecommunication devices. In a significant departure from past policy, the district aims to essentially ban the use of cellular phones and Bluetooth-connected devices on campus during the regular school day. Students would not be allowed to use their phones or have them visible during the school day, except in the event of an emergency or with the prior approval of a school administrator. This rule would include lunchtime and breaks during school hours. A medical exemption would be available.

The district found that phones and connected devices are a distraction to learning. In Washington State, the Department of Education encourages districts to develop policies to limit cell phone use, stating, "Reducing the use of cellphones in class improves concentration and learning, improves mental and physical health, and reduces pressures caused by social media.'

Student cellphone use in the district was implicated as a factor in a majority of disciplinary problems. Wheatley said it was a matter of keeping kids safe.

The board ruminated on the issue, including a suggestion for more parental input before finalizing the policy. Ultimately, the board passed the policy unanimously on its first reading.

Also approved by unanimous vote was the irrigation bid awarded to Palmer Land Works, a budget extension, the following year's fee schedule, and the new employment contract for the K-12 Principal.

There was no executive session, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

NEWS BRIEFS

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AT THE LIBERTY:

"The Phoenician Scheme" THE TIMES

DAYTON — From Director Wes Anderson, "The Phoenician Scheme" tells the story of a family and their business. Wealthy businessman Zsa-zsa Korda names his only daughter, a nun, as the sole heir to his fortune. As Korda starts a new venture, they quickly become targets of scheming tycoons, foreign terrorists, and relentless assassins. The cast features Michael Cera, Benicio Del Toro, Tom Hanks, Hope Davis, Bryan Cranston, Mathieu Amalric, Scarlett Johansson, Jeffrey Wright, Rupert Friend, Benedict Cumberbatch, Riz Ahmed, Richard Ayoade, and Mia Threapleton.

"The Phoenician Scheme" has been well received by critics on RottenTomatoes.com, who gave it a rating of 79%. One said, "A caper made with all the intricacy of a Rube Goldberg machine, "The Phoenician Scheme" doesn't deviate from Wes Anderson's increasingly ornate style but delivers the formula with mannered delicacy.'

The audience rated the film slightly lower, at 70%. One reviewer said, "I love Wes Anderson movies so much because of the quirkiness of his stories. They are genuinely so unique and different, but it is so hard not to get caught up in the stories and become invested in the story." Rated: PG-13 for violent content, bloody images, some sexual material, nude images, and smoking throughout. Runtime is 101 minutes.

The Liberty's Summer Kid's Movie Series will show "Tom & Jerry" on Friday, June 27 at 1 p.m. and the "Lego Movie" on Tuesday, July 1 and Friday, July 4. The series runs for six weeks on Tuesdays and Fridays at 1 p.m. and admission is free. Also, enjoy a special low price of \$2.00 for a small soda (or water) with a small popcorn – served with real butter.

The Missoula Children's Theater is quickly approaching with "Snow White" as this year's show. Preregistration is required and can be completed online at libertytheater.com, starting July 14, or in person at the theater on July 22 and 25 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the lobby. Participation is free for all students entering 1st grade through 12th grade. Auditions are scheduled for Monday, July 28, at 10:00 a.m., with rehearsals taking place throughout the week. The performances will take place on Friday, August 1, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, August 2, at 3 p.m.

Upcoming Movies: "Phoenician Scheme" June 27 to July 1, "How to Train Your Dragon" July 4 to 8, "F1" and "Jurassic World Rebirth."

THE LIBERTY THEATER - DAYTON

July 22 & 25

KIDS SUMMER MOVIES

1:00pm - FREE ADMISSION

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STORKS

WAITSBURG CITY COUNCIL

By Lane Gwinn | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg City Council met on Wednesday, June 18, 2025, at City Hall. Mayor Marty Dunn, council members Jillian Henze, Jim Romine, Kevin House, Court Ruppenthal, Jennifer Bishop, and City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe were pres-

In public comment, the board heard from Joy Smith, who shared news that Sherwood Trust had provided \$173,000 for Common Roots Housing to purchase two Waitsburg parcels.

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Commissioner Wendy Carter informed the board that the district is putting a levy on the November General Election Ballot. The proposed rate is \$0.89 per \$1,000 in assessed property value and expected to raise an estimated \$200,000 annually. The district would use the funds to operate and maintain the facility. However, if passed, it will allow the district to potentially receive state capital budget funds for the construction of the pool.

Richards presented the schedule for Parks and Recreation summer sports camps. The active skill-building programs include skateboarding, pickleball, cheer, soccer, and fly fishing. Richards said the district plans to increase the age limits and make the activ-



Lane Gwinn

AWC Vice President Fred Blink presented Jillian Henze with an Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership.

ities year-round.

Abby Grende provided a Celebration Days Committee update, including the receipt of a Warren Grant to install a gravel lot at the fairgrounds.

Hinchliffe asked Walla Walla Sheriff Mark Crider to provide information on law enforcement options to handle a squatter. Crider suggested the city work with its attorney.

After the meeting, Hinchliffe told "The Times" that, "The house is now owned by the originating bank, which is responsible for seeing the squatter is removed."

Before the sheriff left, he spoke about the upcoming ballot measure to increase the county's sales tax to fund emergency services, specifically to improve the dispatch system. The county's 911 call service, WESTCOM, was

relocated to a temporary facility in 1997 when the county and the cities of Walla Walla and College Place consolidated services. The equipment and facility are in critical need of being updated and secured.

Louie Gagnon asked that the city consider repairing or replacing the water fountain at Preston Park. The mayor asked Randy to work with Jim Lynch on the issue.

In new business, Councilmember Jillian Henze was presented with an Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership by Association of Washington Cities Vice President Fred Blink. The certificate recognizes elected officials who continue to strive for excellence by attending conferences and training, serving their community, and developing leadership skills. Henze is the first Waitsburg council member to earn the distinction.

The council held a public hearing before unanimously approving Resolution 2025-791 to accept revisions and updates to the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program.

The final payment for the Harmon Street Sidewalk Project was approved.

In old business, the council unanimously approved Ordinance 2025-1095 to update the Waitsburg municipal code to add lifetime dog licenses to the annual permit.

The next meeting will be July 16, 2025, at 7 p.m. at the Waitsburg City Hall.

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On June 10, 2025, we lost a dear friend, Bill Rodgers, who passed away at his home in Waitsburg. Bill was a photographic artist, scientist, brother, and an active community member who will be missed

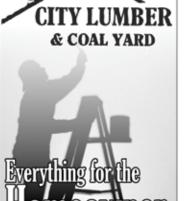
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Courtesy photo

Coaches and players leave for football camp at Elgin, Oregon.

Cardinals at 8-man summer football camp

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg High School football coaches, Gabe and Dane Kiefel, took seventeen players to an 8-man football camp in Elgin, Oregon. The Eastern Oregon University camp took place from June 15 to June 18.

The Cardinals had both a varsity and a junior varsity squad competing in 5-on-5 scrimmages, a passing league where players wear helmets but no pads. They also had 8-on-8 scrimmages with full pads.

Coach Gabe Kiefel said the teams did well throwing and catching the ball, running routes, and covering the routes on defense in the 5-man passing league. By the end of camp, the 8-man scrimmages were going smoothly.

There were eighteen teams from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and one from California at the camp. Athletes from Dayton High School joined with four players from Union to form a team for the competition.

Kiefel said spending evenings sharing meals and playing games helped bond the Cardinal team. Teams camped in tents on the grassy area around the university's track.

Kiefel told the boys that the football camp was where they could practice new things and find effective combinations to help the team hit the ground running in the fall. He said the players were committed to improving, and their commitment is starting to show. Kiefel said he cannot wait for this team to take-off.

Attending camp were seniors: Jared Hankins, Tucker Hamilton, Victor Whitmore, Isa Reyes, Martin Vasquez, and Kyle Lindsey. Juniors JJ Gleason, Landen Henry, and Isaac Mahre. Sophomores Bryer Paul and Camdyn Vories. Freshmen Jake Lynch, Uriah York, and Liam Kiefel. Eighth graders Mitchell Hays, Abel Creely, and Arrow Groom.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Theodore Edward Shafer

Parents Ben and Samantha Shafer (WHS graduates) of Walla Walla, announce the birth of their son, Theodore Edward Shafer. "Theo" was born at Kadlec Regional Medical Center on Saturday, May 31, weighing 7lbs 5oz.

He has been welcomed by his big brother Thomas, grandparents Neil and Linda Henze of Waitsburg, and Ed and Stasia Shafer of Walla Walla. Great-grandparents are Donnarae Smith of Waitsburg, Susan and Monte Price of Walla Walla, and Steve Shafer of College Place.

Theodore Edward Shafer May 31, 2025



BIRTHDAYS

June 26: Judy Mulhair, Michelle Benson Brooks, Norma Bessey, Toni Chavez, and Shalyne Bentley.

June 27: Lisa Christensen, Sarah Monfort Torrens and Cameron Collins, Travis Eaton.

June 28: Kendra Roberts, Terry Dunn, Kathleen Walborn, Heather Ferguson, Jordyn Prince.

June 29: Wanda Mattice, Linda Herbert, Gia Flu-

June 30: Jeff Bartlow, Ralph Jones, and Erin Mellish.

July 1: Gary Hofer, Ellen Atteberry, and Scott Clayton.

July 2: Marc Zuger, Jeannie Hurd, Corlene Scoggin, Patrick McConnell, and Christianna Scudder.



OBITUARY

Bill Hinchliffe

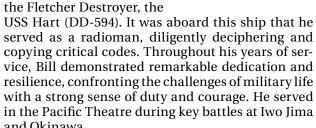
May 25, 1926 – June 19, 2025

Bill Hinchliffe was born on May 25, 1926, to William and Olive Hinchliffe on the family ranch in Kahlotus, Washington. He grew up helping his family farm 1,800 acres of dry wheat land alongside his parents and his five older sisters. Bill attended elementary school in Kahlotus in the close-knit community that molded his early years.

During his 7th-grade year, Bill's family faced a significant change when his mother passed away, and they sold their cherished farm. He then moved with his father to the small town of Waitsburg, Washington.

In 1943, as he approached his senior year of high school at the age of 17, he felt the call to serve his country and registered for the Navy. He found himself at the US Naval Training Station in Farragut, Idaho, embarking on a journey that would shape his future.

After completing basic training, Bill was assigned to Bremerton and then to



When the war ended, Bill married his sweetheart, Frances Mae Foster, sealing their bond on December 18, 1948, in Dayton. The couple moved to Cheney, WA, where Bill studied education, and Frances pursued music, playing for dances to support the family. After graduating in 1950, Bill took his first teaching job in Washtucna, where he taught for two years before taking a year off to run the Grain Growers of Washtucna. During the summers, Bill continued to pursue his education earning his master's degree and principal's credentials from Eastern Washington University (EWU).

They started their family in 1954 with the birth



Bill Hinchliffe May 25, 1926 – June 19, 2025

of their son, Raymond Dean Hinchliffe. After moving to Othello, the family expanded with the arrival of their daughter, Cheryl Lynn Hinchliffe (Steberl), seven years later.

Bill was hired as the principal of Hiawatha Elementary School and lived in Othello for 11 years, where he also coached basketball and baseball. Afterward, he was elected as the principal of Jason Lee Elementary School in Richland. In 1978, he was chosen to help design and became the

first principal of Tapteal Elementary School in West Richland. He retired in 1981, having spent a total of 31 years in education.

After retirement, Bill embraced a new chapter as a crop adjuster for a few years. Bill and Frances returned to Waitsburg in 1990. One of their most cherished passions was growing asparagus that he delighted in sharing with friends and neighbors. Bill and Frances's love story unfolded over an incredible 68 years together until Frances sadly passed away in 2016.

Family was the heartbeat of Bill's life; he cherished every moment spent in the mountains with his friends and family at the cabin he lovingly built on the South Touchet. Bill found beauty in nature, joy in bird hunting, fishing, and gathering with friends and family. His enthusiasm for storytelling around the campfire was infectious.

Bill enjoyed community service and was an outstanding educator, earning numerous honors and awards for his contributions throughout his lifetime. He served as Vice President of the Eastern Washington University (EWU) Alumni Association in 1966 and 1967 and as President in 1968 and 1969. He was also the past President of the Washington Education Association (WEA). Additionally, Bill dedicated his time to his community as a volunteer firefighter, a member of the Waitsburg City Council, and an Elder at the Waitsburg Presbyterian Church. He held the position of President of the Ambulance Board and was involved with the Lions Club, Elks Club, VFW, and the Commercial Club of Waitsburg. In his lat-

er years, Bill served as a Docent Guide at the Wilson Phillips House, where he led tours and educated visitors about the history of the Spanish-American War. In recognition of his exceptional service to children and the community, May 25, 1982, was proclaimed Bill Hinchliffe Day by Dan Rosier, Mayor of West Richland. Bill is also listed in the book "Who's Who in American Education."

Although Bill achieved many remarkable milestones, his family's love always remained his top priority. He shared an extraordinary bond with his sisters and their families.

Bill took immense pride in his son, Dean, and his athletic abilities. He attended every game, always in the stands to cheer him on during baseball games. They enjoyed playing catch, hunting, fishing, and discussing sports.

Bill also had a deep connection with his daughter, Cheryl, and held her husband, Mike, in high regard. His heart overflowed with joy for his grand-daughters, Sarah and Mikayla. He eagerly took them to the cabin and attended all their basketball games, swim meets, and school events, truly relishing each celebration of their accomplishments.

In 2020, Bill returned to the Tri-Cities, where he was welcomed by his daughter, Cheryl, and son-in-law, Mike Steberl, of Kennewick. Bill lived a fulfilling life and passed away peacefully on June 19, 2025, at the remarkable age of 99, surrounded by family and friends.

Graveside services will be held on Friday, June 27th at 2 p.m. at the Waitsburg Cemetery on 8th Street. Celebration of Life will take place immediately following at the Waitsburg Town Hall. Corbeill Funeral Home of Dayton, WA has been entrusted with arrangements.

Bill leaves behind a legacy of love, generosity, and kindness, along with many special memories to cherish. He is survived by his son, Raymond Dean Hinchliffe of Richland; his daughter, Cheryl, and son-in-law, Mike Steberl of Kennewick; grand-daughters Sarah Steberl (Rory Eskeli) of West Richland and Mikayla Steberl (Izzy Aleman) of Las Vegas; great-granddaughter Ava Eskeli; great-grandson Owen Eskeli; and many beloved nieces and nephews

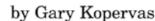
The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the Walla Walla VA, Elizabeth Eaton-Gamsby, Samantha Hayes, Special friends Debbie Duran, Terra Newbrough, Tri Cities Chaplaincy and the many Home Instead caregivers, friends and family who supported us all through this journey. Online condolences may be sent to www.corbeillfuneralhomes.com

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Date of First Publication: June 26, 2025 Brandon DeWayne, Personal Representative Attorney for the Personal Representative: Lenard L. Wittlake, PLLC, WSBA #15451 P.O. Box 1233 Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-1529 Court of Probate Proceedings: Walla Walla Superior Court 315 W. Main Walla Walla, WA 99362 The Times June 26, July 3, July 10, 2025 6-26-b

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

In re the Estate of CAROL ANN BERGEVIN, Deceased. No. 25 4 00133 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person

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Date of first publication: 26 JUNE, 2025 (anticipated) Personal Representative: Ronald Swanby c/o Michael E. de Grasse Counsel for Personal Representative 59 S. Palouse St. P. O. Box 494 Walla Walla, WA 99362 Walla Walla County Superior

Court Cause No.: 25-4-00133-36 Ronald Swanby /s/ Personal Representative The Times June 26, July 3, 10, 2025 6-26-d

IN THE SUPERIOR **COURT OF THE STATE OF** WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR WALLA WALLA COUNTY In re the Estate of: ARLISS A. YEEND, Deceased CAUSE NO. 25 4 00127 36 PROBATE NOTICE TO **CREDITORS** RCW 11.40.030

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

(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 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. Personal Representative: Daniel Klassen Attorney for the Personal Representative: Mona J. Geidl of Minnick-Hayner, PS Address for Mailing or Service: Minnick-Hayner P.O. Box 1757 Walla Walla, WA 99362 Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Walla Walla County Superior Court Cause No. 25 4 00127 36 Date of First Publication: June 26, 2025 /s/ Daniel Klassen Personal Representative The Times June 26, July 3, July 10, 2025

NOTICE OF STATE'S INTENT TO NEGOTIATE LEASE

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) intends to negotiate a 10-year communication lease for a tract of land containing +/- .3 shared acres (Thorn Point), that includes portion of the NE1/4 SW1/4, of Section 36, Township 10 North, Range 39 East, W.M., Benton County, Washington. Annual Rents will be negotiated. For details contact the Southeast Region office at (509)925-8510. Dave Upthegrove, Commissioner of Public Lands The Times June 26, 2025 6-26-a

COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 1

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE

Pursuant to RCW 42.30, the Columbia County Public Hospital District No. 1 Board of Commissioners provides public notice of a change to the date of its regularly scheduled June 2025 Board meeting. The meeting originally scheduled for Wednesday, June 25, 2025, has been rescheduled to Wednesday, July 2, 2025. The meeting will be held at its usual time and location: 1:30 p.m. in the Touchet River Conference Room at 1012 S. 3rd Street, Dayton, WA 99328. For additional information, please contact Columbia County Health System Administration at (509) 382-2531. The Times June 26, 2025

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PIONEER PORTRAITS

Fifteen Years Ago June 15, 2010



[Photo caption] Whoop Em Up co-owner Leroy Cunningham with the tomato plants he and members of the nonprofit Rural Green Youth Enterprises planted on land owned by Maria and Roger Garcia for a natural vegetable garden recently.

Fifty Years Ago June 26, 1975

Jimmy Young, Donny Abbey, Steve Sickles, Timmy Hulce, Brad Patton, and Lenny Lytle travelled to Cheney for the Inland Empire AAU track and field meet. The following week, Joanie Neal, Karen Huwe, Mary Hansen, and Cheryl Hansen, by virtue of placing first or second at the Walla Walla preliminary meet, joined with 580 athletes at Spokane Community College for the girls Junior Olympic Championship meet.

Green Giant Company said today it expects significant net sales for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1976, but that earnings will be substantially down in the first quarter ending June

A reminder to Waitsburg Lions Club members that the annual picnic will be held on Sunday, June 29 at Lyons Ferry. It is a potluck affair, and soda pop will be furnished. If it follows the pattern of previous picnics, there should be an ample number of competitions from horse shoeing to frizbee throwing and water skiing. There might also be a sunburn or two.

Seventy-Five Years Ago

June 30, 1950

A pod picker has been designed by Thomas E. Kirk of Waitsburg, which is a moving type of comb seed gatherer which picks the pods off the pea vines, leaving the vines in the field. Mr. Kirk has been working on the machine for 6 ½ years, having started a model in 1943, and building a small model later. The inventor believes that the machine shows definite possibilities and performed better than he anticipated for the first run.

Fireworks are prohibited in the City of Waitsburg except on July 3, 4, and 5. The ordinance states that fireworks can neither be sold or used within the city limits except during these three days, and that skyrockets, Roman candles and Dago bombs are prohibited because of danger and fire hazards.

One Hundred Years Ago June 22, 1925

Mr. E. H. Leonard of this city was elected president of the Preston-Shaffer Milling Company at a meeting of the stockholders here Tuesday to succeed the late W. B. Shaffer.

Earl Freeman who has been conducting a confectionary in Pomeroy for the past two or three years, recently sold his business.

Marvin Lloyd, manager of Lloyd's Market, returned home Monday from Seattle where he took a load of hogs last week.

Fred Romine and wife together with Ed Buroker and family spent the Fourth at Godman Springs above Dayton.

One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

June 22,1900

Next Sunday, July 1, the Northern Pacific and the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. will put into effect a passenger rate of 3 cents per mile. Attorney T. M. Mckinney and Capt. J. B. Caldwell were in Walla Walla Wednesday. There must have been a democratic love fest from the number of democrats who visited that city from this place on that day. This office is indebted to Uncle George Savage for several boxes of delicious strawberries which were grown on his mountain farm about 12 miles from this city.

Mrs. Olive Parker returned home from Seattle Sunday where she has been engaged in teaching the public school of that city. Hiram Wickersham, of the I. X. L. Grocery, is under the weather and has gone to the mountains for a few days rest.

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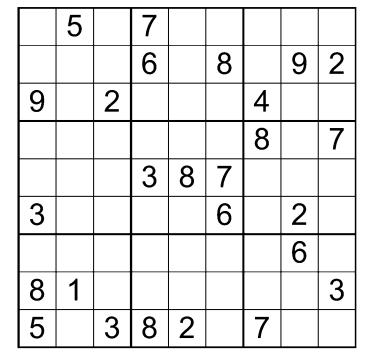
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Around the Valley: With Karen Huwe

Summer fitness for mature excercisers

There are many fitness opportunities for mature exercisers in the Touchet Valley.

A low-impact exercise class for seniors is going strong at Waitsburg Town Hall. The classes on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday include aerobic, weightlifting, and core workouts. Come join the group from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

If the Town Hall is unavailable, the group enjoys exercising by playing pickleball at Preston Park or riding bicycles from Waitsburg to Huntsville.

The Prescott pool opened its summer operations on June 17. Water aerobics classes are held on Tuesday through Friday mornings from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Come join the fun, meet new friends, and feel better as you improve your endurance, balance, and strength.

Prescott Pool Summer 2025 Schedule

The pool opened on June 17 and will close for the season on August 23. The pool is closed on July 4.

Tuesday - Friday 6/17 to 7/7

- Aerobics/lap swim 10 a.m. to noon - Open swim noon to 7 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday 7/8 to 8/1

- Aerobics/lap swim 10 a.m. to noon - Swim lessons noon to 12:40 p.m. 12:45 to 1:30 p.m.

- Open swim 1:30 to 7 p.m. Saturday - All Season

-Open Swim 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

303 W 2nd St, Prescott, Wash. 99348

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

Para más información en cómo este cambio impactará su factura, llame al 888-225-2611. Pacific Power remains dedicated to delivering safe, reliable, affordable power now and for years to come

We recognize the impact that price increases have on our customers. As we make needed investments in our system and navigate economic trends, we will continue to take measures to keep our rates low and to capture savings for our customers

On May 30, 2025, Pacific Power submitted an advice filing with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) to increase Schedule 191, System Benefits Charge (SBC), to recover the increasing costs associated with providing energy efficiency services and programs to customers. If approved, this proposed change will result in an overall net increase to Washington customers $of \ approximately \ 1.3\%, \ effective \ August \ 1, \ 2025. \ A \ typical \ residential \ customer \ using \ approximately \ 1,200 \ kWh \ per \ month \ would$

see a bill impact of \$1.79 per month. On June 13, 2025, Pacific Power submitted its annual Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism (PCAM) filing, which reconciles the actual costs of power and the production tax credits of renewable energy with the baseline estimated costs and tax credits included in rates. Under the mechanism, if the power cost difference adds up to over \$17 million, a surcharge or sur-credit is put in place to collect or refund the difference. Pacific Power exceeded this \$17m threshold for costs in 2024, due to coal fuel supply constraints, high energy and fuel prices, the conversion of two units at Jim Bridger from coal to natural gas, decommissioning of hydro facilities on the Klamath River, and an extreme

weather event. If approved, this year's PCAM filing will result in an overall net increase of approximately 10.0%, effective October 1, 2025. A typical residential customer using 1,200 kilowatt-hours per month would see a bill increase of \$15.77 per month. On June 16, 2025, Pacific Power submitted its annual decoupling filing, which accounts for differences between allowed and actual revenue. If approved, the proposed changes will result in an overall net rate increase of approximately 2.6%, effective September 1, 2025. Residential Service (Schedule 16/17/19) would see an increase of 4.6%. Small General Service (Schedule 24) customers would see an increase of 4.7%. and Agricultural Pumping Service (Schedule 40) would see a decrease of 1.4%. A typical residential customer using 1,200 kilowatt-hours

per month would see a bill increase of \$6.31 per month SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGES

If approved, these three filings will result in a net increase of \$72.4 million, or 13.9%, and the following percentage price

Schedules	SBC Rates Effective 8/1/25	Decoupling Effective 9/1/25	PCAM Effective 10/1/25	Total of All Proposed Changes	
Residential (Sch.16-19)	1.3%	4.6%	9.1%	15.0%	
General – Small (Sch.24)	1.3%	4.7%	9.3%	15.3%	
General – Medium (Sch.36,29)	1.3%	(0.0%)	10.5%	11.8%	
General – Large (Sch.47T,48T)	1.2%	-	11.1%	12.3%	
Ag. Pumping (Sch.40)	1.3%	(1.4%)	10.1%	10.0%	
Lighting (Sch.15,51-54)	1.3%	-	7.9%	9.2%	
Total (All Schs.)	1.3%	2.6%	10.0%	13.9%	

EFFECT ON RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

ers with the following usage levels will see the following net billings*

kWh per Month	Monthly \$ per	Present	SBC Effective 8/1	Decoupling Effective 9/1	PCAM Effective 10/1
1,000	kWh	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.15	\$0.16
1,000	Bill	\$142.08	\$143.57	\$148.83	\$161.97
1,200	kWh	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.15	\$0.16
1,200	Bill	\$168.04	\$169.83	\$176.14	\$191.91
1,500	kWh	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.16
1 500	Bill	\$206.98	\$209.21	\$217.10	\$236.81

*Per Base Schedule 16 Rates and Rider Schedules 91, 92, 93, 97, 98, 99, 191 and 197

HELPING CUSTOMERS MANAGE HIGHER ENERGY COSTS

If you need assistance managing your energy costs, contact us toll-free at 888-221-7070 and we can set up an equal pay plan or put you in touch with local resources to help you:

• The federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps low income households with energy costs

· Project HELP is a nonprofit program providing energy assistance with donated funds.

• Pacific Power's bill assistance program provides a bill discount to income-eligible households year-round. The program is administered through local community action agencies.

· Local agencies provide free weatherization services to income-qualifying homeowners and renters living in single-family homes,

PUBLIC COMMENT

You are invited to comment to the Commission. The Commission has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than Pacific Power's request, depending on the outcome of its investigation. You can comment by using the "Submit a public comment" feature at the Commission's website, at utc.wa.gov, or by using the contact information below

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

Online comment form: https://www.utc.wa.gov/consumers/submit-comment/public-comment-form

Email: comments@utc.wa.gov Telephone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882)

Mail: P.O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504

Commission staff will make a recommendation to the commissioners at an open meeting. These meetings are regularly scheduled every other Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Please contact the Commission to request to be notified of the scheduled open meeting at which the proposal will be considered by the Commission. You can provide comment during this meeting.

The UTC is committed to providing reasonable accommodation to participants with disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the Commission at: (888) 333-9882 or email at consumer@utc.wa.gov. For more information or to contact Pacific Power, please call us toll free at 1-888-221-7070 or write to:

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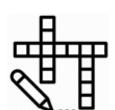


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Community Calendar

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 School Board

Third Thursday of each 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, and community members are 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.

Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Waitsburg City Hall 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, @ 7:15 p.m.

Waitsburg Commercial Club

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

$\frac{\textbf{Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank}}{\text{Thursdays, } 2-4 \text{ p.m.}}$

Food donations at the Resource Center

106 ½ Preston Ave.

Clothing donations at the Waitsburg Christian Church 604 Main Street, upstairs

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

DHS Alumni Meeting

Every Third Thursday @ 6:30 p.m. Dayton Eagles on Main St. Dayton.

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 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.



405 W. Fifth, Waitsburg

Mass Sunday 5 p.m.

382-2311

Fr. Steve Werner

Waitsburg

Presbyterian

Church

504 Main

Worship 10 a.m.

337-6589

Pastor Heidi Lum

Waitsburg

320 W. 2nd

Sunday School 9:45 a.m

Worship 11 a.m.

Evening Worship 6 p.m.

Bible Study

Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.

337-6235

Rev. Jimmie Daves

Waitsburg

Church 604 Main St

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Each Sunday

337-8898 Pastor Cameron Hedges

Sunday School 9:00 a.m 🧲

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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 Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at Starbuck City Hall

Events Calendar



Mythical Movable Bluegrass Jam 6/27 - Marriott Hotel - 7p.m.

550 W. Rose St., Walla Walla

We will be canceling the first jam in July, as it falls on the 4th! Have a fun and safe 4th of July!



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