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The Cardinal's Cheerleading Squad rallied the supportive crowd on Monday at the Waitsburg Booster Club's Membership Drive and Community Kick-Off event.

## CARDINALS FEEL THE BOOST

By Aeryelle Gleason | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—School spirit was in full force Monday night at Waitsburg Booster Club's Membership Drive and Community Kick-Off event. The multipurpose room at the Elementary School was packed with students, family, staff, and community members, all in support of the fall sports season for Cardinal athletes.

David Long of Walla Walla DJ set the energy just right with his tasteful tunes and gave special introductions to the football, cheer, and volleyball students. Attendees enjoyed

a tasty BBQ dinner, thanks to dedicated the Booster Club Committee, and donations from local businesses and community members. Columbia County Health Systems, Waitsburg Grocery, The Lions Club, Franz, and Julie Karl Law Office all contributed to the success of this event. By the end of the kick-off, the booster club gained 18 new memberships and sold 12 Cardinals yard signs.

If you want to support our local Cardinal students, contact the Waitsburg Booster Club for membership information or attend an upcoming game. The Football team and Cheer squad will take home field for the first time this year on September 2 at 7 p.m. Cardinal Volleyball girls will be away for their first few games, but you can catch them September 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Waitsburg High School gym.

## NEW SUPERINTENDENT IS ALL ABOUT SHARED LEADERSHIP

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — Waitsburg's new school chief doesn't see himself as a "top-down" kind of administrator. Think of him as being more of a round-table man.

Woods came to Waitsburg from the East Wenatchee School District, where he served as the middle school Assistant Superintendent and Special Education Director for 900 students. He earned a bachelor's degree from Montana State University. His master's degree and principal and superintendent certifications came from Washington State University. He is also a certified Special Education teacher and director. In all, he brings a broad range of experience in education to his roles as Waitsburg Superintendent and Elementary Principal.

Woods said he had been busy getting to know Waitsburg and building a solid sense of the district's strengths and weaknesses. One of the challenges he sees is building stronger relationships and communication between elementary, middle, and high school staff.

"I've been bringing teachers in one at a time and asking them what they think Waitsburg schools do well and what they think could be better. I've learned a lot," he said. "We don't need a K-5 team, a middle school team, or a high school team," he said. "We need a K-12 team."

Woods is confident they will get there as he looks forward to the start of school on September 5, with an enrollment of nearly 300 students.

The new superintendent is aware of his strengths and what he considers his weaknesses.

"I'm not a social butterfly, nor a warm fuzzy type," Woods says with a grin.

He plans to bring a series of community-building sessions with all the district's staff during the school year to build relationships, strengthen ties, and foster a sense of teamwork. "I know I'm not the best person to lead those, so I've asked Joe and Dusty to do it."

Joe is Joe Wirtzberger, Waitsburg's new Secondary Principal and Athletic Director, and Dusty, his wife, is the new K-12 Special Education Teacher. She is the first in-house SPED teacher Waitsburg has had in four years. Previous teachers have been contracted from outside the district.

Woods describes himself as a team-builder. "I believe in shared leadership," he says. "I'm not 'the Boss.' I have all the responsibilities, and I end up making some decisions. As long as everyone's doing their jobs, I stay out of the way and let them do it. That doesn't mean I don't guide them, but I'm not a top-down kind of guy."

Woods has also identified school discipline as an area of needed improvement.

"I've changed discipline procedures to be much more black-and-white. I am a follow-through person, and there will be consequences for things. But that starts with building relationships with parents and students and communicating expectations ahead of time.

Woods lives in the district's "superintendent house" on the corner of Main and Seventh Streets in Waitsburg, with his dog, Higgs. He enjoys golfing, hiking, reading, and sightseeing, and is proud of his two daughters who attend Central Washington University.

"I always tell kids there are two kinds of people in the world," he says. "Stupid people and smart people. I tell them I'm one of the most intelligent people you'll ever meet, because I ask for help when I need it. Dumb people sit there and fail and never ask for help."



## DAYTON SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTS NEW MS SCIENCE CURRICULUM

By Justin Jaech | THE TIMES

DAYTON—The Dayton School Board met at 6 p.m. on August 16, 2023, in the High School library. School Board members present were Chair Jeffrey McCowen and Grant Griffen. Superintendent Rich Stewart was also present. Zac Fabian and Aneesha Dieu used Zoom to establish a quorum. One seat on the board remains vacant.

The board approved the consent agenda, which included approval of prior minutes, bills, and payroll, hiring Kerry Johnson as a Title 1 Paraprofessional, and accepting the resignation of Amber McDonald as a Title 1 Paraprofessional. Included in the consent agenda was the acceptance of two donations, \$1,000 from Portland General Electric for student programs and a '64 Case tractor to the Vocational Agriculture Department from Brian Johnson.

Action item 6.1, scheduling an early release day, was removed from the agenda and replaced with item 6.2, which was the proposal to approve a new science curriculum for the Middle School. Clint Reser, a middle school science teacher, followed up on the proposed Open SciEd curriculum he presented a few months ago. He suggested using the curriculum in sixth grade this school year, expanding it to seventh and eighth grades afterward.

The district welcomed public and parent review until August 16, providing a hardcopy and online link to the Open SciEd program. The curriculum focuses on hands-on, observational learning rather than lectures and book learning. The new curriculum could be expanded to high school later. The board approved adopting the Open SciEd curriculum for middle school by a vote of 3-0.

Dayton Schools begins on August 29, 2023.

## JIM DAVISON ACKNOWLEDGED BY WSSRA

THE TIMES

WALLA WALLA —Waitsburg resident Jim Davison received the 2023 Stan McNaughton Outreach Award from the Washington State School Retirees Association (WSSRA), Unit 31. The organization gives the annual award to members who enhance their community through volunteerism beyond the goals of WSSRA.

Announced in the WSSRA magazine "The Journal" and the Benton-Franklin School Retirees Association newsletter, the organization said, "Jim is a true leader. Jim has served as the President of the

Waitsburg Teachers' Association, a reserve police officer, a youth counselor at church, a member of the Sheriff's Civil Service Commission, and a member of the Waitsburg City Council. While on the council, Jim was elected to serve as mayor. Jim is passionate about his work, family, and fellow retirees. Through his legislative work, we have learned the importance of pension advocacy and standing up for ourselves. Jim does not seek recognition, but Unit 31 wants to take time to honor his public service."

The award will be presented at the Walla Walla/Columbia Social Retirees Association (SRA) luncheon on September 11, 2023, at SEA-Tech on the WWC campus.

Congratulations to one of Waitsburg's community treasures.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

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### AT THE LIBERTY: "Oppenheimer"

THE TIMES

DAYTON—"Oppenheimer" is an epic thriller that thrusts audiences into the pulse-pounding paradox of the enigmatic man who must risk destroying the world in order to save it. Julius Robert Oppenheimer was an American theoretical physicist and director of the Los Alamos Laboratory during World War II. He is often credited as the "father of the atomic bomb" for his role in organizing the Manhattan Project, the research and development undertaking that created the first nuclear weapons.

The film stars Cillian Murphy as J. Robert Oppenheimer and Emily Blunt as his wife, biologist and botanist Katherine "Kitty" Oppenheimer. Matt Damon portrays General Leslie Groves Jr., director of the Manhattan Project, and Robert Downey, Jr. plays Lewis Strauss, a founding commissioner of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

This movie is rated very highly by Rotten Tomatoes critics and audiences at 93% and 91% favorable, respectively. Critics from that website summarize as "Oppenheimer" marks another engrossing achievement from Christopher Nolan (director) that benefits from Murphys tour-de-force performance and stunning visuals." The IMDb website rates this movie as 8.7 out of 10. It is rated R for some sexuality, nudity and language. The IMDb parent's guide has this movie categorized as moderate for sex and nudity, and profanity, but severe for frightening and intense scenes. All other categories are rated mild. Runtime is 180 minutes.

It is National Cinema Day on Sunday, August 27, so all tickets that day will be only \$6.00 each. Come enjoy the theater!

Please note: the balcony has reopened with improved safety, more legroom (in all but row 2), and better viewing from rows 3-6. Unfortunately, the available legroom is not as much as we had originally planned for, but it is generally better than the legroom that was previously available in the balcony.

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### WAITSBURG CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERS POOL HAZARD NOTICE

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Waitsburg City Council convened at city hall for its regular meeting on August 16, 2023. Present were Mayor Marty Dunn, council members Randy Charles, Jillian Henze, Court Rupenthal, Jim Romine, City Administrator Randy Hinchliffe, and city attorney Jared Hawkins. City attorney Jared Hawkins was also present. Member Kevin House was absent.

Hinchliffe gave an update on the city's Public Hearing Capital Facilities Plan. Hinchliffe said there are minor updates from last year. The council approved the updated plan on Resolution 2023-769.

Hinchliffe presented a lease agreement with John Deere Financial for a compact excavator ("mini-excavator") for city maintenance work. He said the mini-excavator would be a helpful addition to city facilities for its work on the sewer and water system. The two-year lease agreement provided to the council shows a total cost of \$65,203.46. Council approved the lease agreement. The first payment of approximately \$11,000 is due immediately.

Hinchliffe updated the council on the written notice to the city from Walla Walla County Department of Community Health requiring the pool be filled or covered as a public safety precaution, citing WAC 246-260-141. The city pool has been closed for two years.

City attorney Hawkins confirmed the relevant codes and conceded that the open pool represented a possible liability for the city should someone become injured trespassing on the site. The pool continues to be locked behind an eight-foot fence with clear no-trespassing signage. According to Hinchliffe and Hawkins, the city has not experienced any trespassing problems.

The city would have the option to fill the pool using its choice of materials, including gravel, rip rap, and concrete. Hinchliffe did not provide a cost estimate for filling the pool.

A preliminary estimate of \$11,000-\$15,000 for a pool cover from Pool World, Inc. of Spokane was submitted to the council by Hinchliffe.

According to Hawkins, the county health department has no specific deadline attached to the request but said action should be taken soon. Hawkins proposed the city request a variance from the health department for more time to provide written details on hazard mitigation measures already taken.

"While we wait for a decision on the variance - and we don't know how long that it would take - it would give the city time to think some more about long-term solutions," Hawkins says. He told the council he would speak to the county health department and the city insurance carrier to gather more detailed information on the issue.

Council approved requesting the variance. Henze reported the Weller Library had appointed Sarah Roberts as Library Supervisor to replace Twila Tate, who held the position of Librarian. Tate stepped down to take a library board position. Amanda Withers will continue as library support, and an additional support staff position is being advertised.

### LET'S BUILD A WAITSBURG POOL!

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—Efforts by The Friends of the Pool and Waitsburg Parks and Recreation have been working to raise funds to build a swimming pool in Waitsburg. Both groups have written grants, still under consideration, and held fundraisers, including the "100 for \$100" and the "Luck of the Duck."

There will be three new opportunities to help raise funds for the pool in August and September.

First, The Friends of the Pool will hold a community meeting on Wednesday, August 23, at the Waitsburg Elementary School library to discuss its progress and continued goals. Ideas and support from the public will be greatly appreciated.

Are you a singer, dancer, comedian, juggler, or have some other talent? Come to the Plaza Theater on August 24 at 7:30 p.m. for information on the first annual Wing Ding Thing Talent Show. The show is open to all ages and all talents; family-friendly acts only, of course. Whatever your act, sign up for auditions at the meeting, and prepare to wow the audience in October.

Auditions will be held at the Plaza on September 11, 12, and 14. After plenty of practice, live performances of The Wing Ding Thing Talent Show will be presented on October 7 and October 14.

Tickets will be available — \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Get your ticket before they sell out.

The third opportunity will take place at the Fall Festival on September 27. This year, the proceeds from the Laurette McCaw pie contest will go towards building the pool. The Friends will sweeten the deal by selling ice cream at the event. Bakers are reminded to bring two fruit pies to enter the contest. Entry forms for the contest will be available at Waitsburg's Banner Bank branch, Ten Ton Coffee, Waitsburg Grocery, Gaudy Gals, and American 35.

Proceeds raised from the talent and the pies will benefit the Waitsburg Swimming Pool Fund.

### Wedding Announcement



Benjamin Jacob Eddy & Collette Camille Jones were married on August 12, 2023 in a ceremony at Lyon's Ferry Marina.

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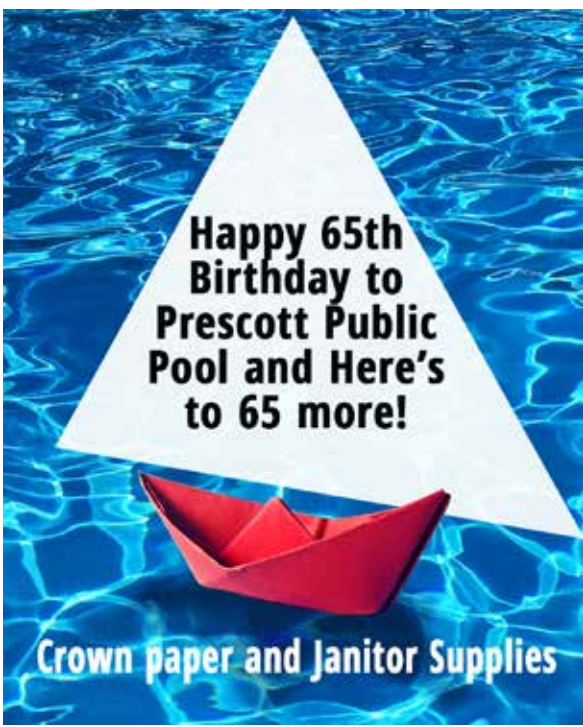
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# PRESCOTT POOL'S 65TH PARTY



## Prescott Pool Celebrates 65th Birthday

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

PRESCOTT—On Saturday, August 26, the Prescott Pool will celebrate its 65th year with an all-day public party at the Prescott Pool. Built by the Prescott School District in 1958, the district operated the pool for 23 years until it could not continue funding. In 1981, Prescott voters approved the creation of a junior taxing district for parks and recreation.

The Prescott Joint Parks and Recreation (PJPR) operates the pool and maintains park grounds with funds from an annual Maintenance and Operation levy. Voters in the portion of Walla Walla and Columbia Counties that comprise the taxing district have regularly approved the levy by at least 60 percent.

"We also get support from area businesses and grant foundations," said Doug Venn, Park and Recreation Commissioner. "The Sherwood Trust, Wildhorse Foundation, Blue Mountain Community Foundation, and Northwest Grain Growers are some of the organizations that have helped us out immensely over the years."

This broad support has made Prescott's pool an invaluable resource for healthy recreation and family fun for over six decades. According to Venn, total attendance for the Prescott Pool this year was 2,457 from June 14 to August 12. The pool and park grounds are enjoyed by folks in the Touchet River Valley and families from neighboring counties, including Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield, Benton-Franklin, and Umatilla Counties.

"We have the only heated swimming pool that exists in Walla Walla, Columbia, and Umatilla Counties," says Venn.

Remarkably, the pool has only needed major upgrades twice in 65 years. The first was in 1990, and again in 2022, to repair leakage found on inspection by the Walla Walla County Department of Community Health. After repairs, the district contracted with Walla Walla YMCA for lifeguards and services during the pool season, making water aerobics, swim lessons, and open swimming possible from June through August.

Current PJPRD commissioners Jason Kaehler, President; Carol Hartwig, Vice-Chair; Doug Venn, Serena Rubio, and Matt Hamilton have put together a day of fun activities for the August 26 celebration, including a BBQ starting at 1 p.m., a bouncy house, and a DJ. A special swim fee for the day: everyone gets in for a dime.

"We're supported by taxpayers, so the state won't allow us to let people in (the pool) for free," says Venn with a smile. "So, we had to charge something."

Partygoers are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets, especially for the outdoor showing of the movie classic, "Jumanji," at 8:00 p.m.

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# NEWS & COMMENTARY

## NEWS BRIEFS

## LETTERS

### IF YOU OWN FOREST LAND WE CAN HELP!

*Washington Farm Forestry Association offers advocacy at fall meeting September 16.*

THE TIMES

WAITSBURG—The Blue Mountain Chapter of the Washington Farm Forestry Association (WFFA) will hold its fall meeting at Stella's Homestead, 2194 S. Fork Coppei Road. The meeting begins a 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 16, 2023 in "The Barn" on the property. The topic is a woods tour focusing on improving wildlife, forest health, and fisheries management. All forestland owners and interested public are welcome to attend.

Special guest Ken Bevis, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Stewardship Wildlife Biologist, will share his professional expertise with landowners who want to improve their forest land to enhance wildlife, fisheries, and preserve habitat for woodland creatures. Bevis' vision for forest land is habitat diversity. More forest diversity means more diverse wildlife. His hopes to be a catalyst and conduit for people to do more for the habitat on their forest land. He uses the tools of education and motivation.

"I want people to maintain habitats for as many species as possible. I want them to be knowledgeable and motivated to improve and protect our rich and diverse wildlife habitats. My task is to understand where my clients are right now, and help them become better stewards of their habitats. I will constantly point out valuable habitat features to any audience, and craft my delivery to them as I see fit," said Bevis.

USDA Forest Service (USFS) Pomeroy Ranger District Fisheries Biologist Bill Dowdy will also attend and offer his professional experience managing forest lands to benefit fisheries, including endangered fish species native to the region.

Stella's Homestead is located just 15 miles northeast of Walla Walla, outside of Waitsburg, WA. A main dish will be provided. Attendees are asked to bring salads, fruit, veggies and/or a dessert.

Please contact Lisa Naylor at (509) 386-6021 if you'd like to attend this informative meeting! Text, phone or email at [lisa.naylor@rocketmail.com](mailto:lisa.naylor@rocketmail.com).



DNR stewardship wildlife biologist Ken Bevis explains how to preserve habitat for birds on forest lands during a forestry field day



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### KNOWLEDGE PROTECTS KIDS

To the editor,  
Some leaders of countries, cults, & religions know that if you keep most of your people uneducated or undereducated, they are easier to control to that leader's viewpoint. That is one of the reasons our early U.S. leaders promoted public education for all, including women. Until then, most female children did not have access to learning to read.

Ignorance increases hate!  
Those backing the proposition to dissolve our Columbia County Rural Library will cause all of us to lose our library. What will they put in its place? Ignorance and hate? How long and how much money from taxpayers would it take to restore a library? What will they tell those with less resources than them how to find compatible library services? Where will those with less financial resources go to find books and information?

Is this a Christian value reflecting how to help the poor?

When you know better – you do better. We all know better than to destroy our public library because some are unhappy with parts of it. The good they think they are doing for children is nonexistent compared to the harm their proposition will do to ALL children and community members.

Voters need to know that those wanting to dissolve our library used a lot of made-up and exaggerated situations about the library. This is an effort to weaken our community.

Yes, there are some questionable books in the library, also a lot of books & items that are valuable for all of us. A good library has something for everyone, no matter their religion or political views. Having a collection of books in a library that may be inappropriate for certain ages does not indicate anyone is a pedophile or is grooming children. That was a terrible, hurtful lie some people had spread.

If you know of and have evidence or information on any child that has been abused or sexually traumatized, you should IMMEDIATELY report it to Child Protective Services and the police. Doesn't matter if it's a parent, an older child abusing a younger one, a relative, a close neighbor, or someone in the community. Sexual abuse most commonly takes place in the home or from trusted relatives or friends. Educate your children, at their age level, how to protect themselves and let them know it's OK to tell responsible adults.

We live in the United States of America. Destroying a library is ridiculous.

Vote NO on the proposition to dissolve our Columbia County Rural Library.

Carol Anderson,  
Dayton, Wash.

### BIRTHDAYS

**August 24:** Zach Bartlow, Cathy Lambert, Audeana Ritter, Bryan Harris, Denise Reid, Matt Everett, Taelor Carter.

**August 25:** Michaela Nordheim, Marion Spear, Roland LeVasseur, Alan Stephens, Anne Hubbard, Bryan St. Clair, Melissa Lambert, and Monroe McCaw.

**August 26:** Ann Barr, Betty Mason, Beverly Harper, Jackie Savage, Darin Mayer, Jeff Katsel, Steven Lybecker.

**August 27:** Brian Richards, Bonnie Brookshire, Amy Farley, Tom Mock, Kippy Counts, Steve Gusse, Shannon Bloor, Justin Gagnon, Ashley Witt, Michelle Gouge, Eric Mahoney, Shannon Wertz, Troy Crowfoot, Shannon Wertz.

**August 28:** Michelle Donavon, Jerome Baumann, Daniel Harshman, Shelby Janovich, Robert White.

**August 29:** Debby Nordheim, Howie Smith, Rick Peck, Ryan Meier, Ivan Keve, Lori Hickman, Hanna Mock, Eddie Hernandez.

**August 30:** Lee Bergstrom, Jake Harshman, Tristan Michael Dunn, Chance McDaniel, Kendra Smith.



### NO MORE BULL

To all Columbia County Residents  
Hear ye, hear ye. 'Tis time for another ballot initiative. We must forbid ranchers from buying and raising bulls. Imagine what might happen to the pure innocent minds of our Columbia County teenagers if they witnessed a bull doing what bulls are purchased to do. It boggles the mind. All kinds of possibilities enter their imaginations. These terrible thoughts must be stopped before it's too late.

Then imagine 11 months later when the calf is born but the rancher has to help with the delivery. Oh my goodness! Such a scene would scar the mind of any teenager forever. We cannot allow this to happen again. I'm sure God is on our side.

We must act quickly because Election Day is coming soon and this is probably the most important item ever voted on in this county. Line up those signatures and get the ball rolling.

Bob Robertus  
Dayton, Wash.

### VOTERS NEED ACCURATE INFORMATION

Dear Editor,  
Regarding the movement to dissolve the library, there's a lot of information that isn't being represented accurately and in its entirety. To start, I keep hearing that "after a yearlong battle, a petition to dissolve the library was the only option left," and yet public records show the first book challenge happened in September 2022, and the first signature on the petition was in February 2023. That is not a "yearlong battle."

Furthermore, many individuals were told that this petition was to specifically address several inappropriate books, but that was apparently not an option that could be exercised before the "last resort" petition to dissolve the district. There is a narrative that the library board is unresponsive, but all the books with sex-ed-related information and diagrams now have new homes. It's being said over and over again that the library board and director will not work with the public, but yet again, public records requests show that of the (very few) books actually challenged this year in the Young Adult fiction section, many were moved. (Two books by Colleen Hoover come to mind if you'd like to request the records yourself.) Even this list of "100 explicit books for children" is primarily made up of books in the adult and young adult sections. That list also skews the age group of the "young adult" section just enough to make it seem like it's aimed at people under 18 and preteens (reporting the section as being for 11-17-year-olds) when in actuality, it's aimed at people in middle school and high school- teenagers. It's a broad category, and not everything appropriate for a 17/18-year-old is appropriate for a 12/13-year-old, but that's where parental responsibility comes in.

These are all small discrepancies that work together to paint a more nefarious image of our local library than what is reality. Lastly, I keep hearing from people who refuse to go into the library and look for themselves because "so and so said- and I trust them." When it comes to dissolving such a valuable service, we need to verify information for ourselves. Civic engagement comes hand in hand with civic duty. Dayton deserves a 21st-century library, and we have one. To let it be dissolved based on information that isn't fully accurate would be a travesty. Vote no to dissolving the library.

Darlene Ingram  
Dayton, Wash.

### PARENTAL CONTROLS AT CCRLD ARE NOT NEW

DAYTON—The Columbia County Rural Library District Board met August 21 for its regular meeting at the Delaney Room. All board members were in attendance, joined by Library Director Ellen Brigham.

"The Times" will publish an article covering the meeting in next week's issue.

During the meeting, Brigham was asked by Chair Jay Ball to let the audience know about an important service the library offers to any parent. This is not a new service, it has been available since the library's system went online.

Parents or caregivers can add notes to their minor children's accounts to create parental controls.

In the August CCRLD newsletter, the Director Brigham wrote, "You can use these notes for anything you deem necessary. Only want your child to check out books on their school reading list, let us know! Worried about the content of specific books and don't want your child reading them before you have the chance to look at them? Let us know! We are happy to work with everyone."

The library staff, directors, and board members continue to show their commitment in providing information, entertainment, and programs that support everyone in the community. The best way to understand what the library has to offer Columbia County residents is to accept Brigham's invitations to come in and see for yourself. Her email is [director@ccrld.org](mailto:director@ccrld.org), and the library phone is (509) 382-4131.

The library is located at 111 S. 3rd. St., Dayton, Wash., and the hours are:

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## CARDINAL FOOTBALL GEARS UP FOR SEASON

WAITSBURG — The Waitsburg High School Cardinals football team will play their first home game on September 2, 2023. The Saturday night game against Touchet will be the first 8-man football game for first-year head coach Gabe Kiefel.

The high school and middle school coaches and assistants have put twenty high school and ten middle school players through drills in preparation for the upcoming season.

Kiefel held the first annual presentation of jerseys on Saturday, August 19. After practice, family members gathered as each football player was presented their jersey by a chosen family member, and memorable photos were captured.

Pomeroy High School is hosting a Football Jamboree on Saturday, August 26, starting at 1 p.m. and Coach Kiefel said most of the league teams will be there. The Cardinals will be able to see the other teams in play and learn what type of offenses and defenses they will be up against this season.

Each team at the jamboree will rotate with ten plays on offense and ten on defense against five or six other teams. League teams expected to be at the event are Pomeroy, Waitsburg, Desales, Dayton, Touchet, Liberty Christian, St John/Endicott, and Tekoa-Rosalia.

Go CARDINALS!



HS football team (l-r) back row: Blake French, Jayce Gleason, Jarod Hankins, Teegan Kenney  
middle row: Victor Whitmore, Brenton Seagraves, Cyson Morris, Lucas Van Hoose, Koyen Fortune, Cougar Anderson, Isa Reyes, Jackson Karl  
front row: Isaac Mahre, JJ Gleason, Landon Henry, Akayden Mikesell, Kaden Cole  
(not pictured): Reuben Yuzy, Gary Myers, Tucker Hamilton



HS & MS players end the presentation of jerseys with a cheer

Photos by Karen Huwe



MS football team (l-r) back row: Bryer Paul, Camdyn Vories, Gage Myneer, Gavin Mikesell  
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# NEWS & LEGALS

## Barbie fashion is coming to WAG

### THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — There is more to Barbie than just the new movie, though it is a must-see. There is Fashion. Since the doll came onto the market in 1959, Barbie and her friends have gone through decades of style trends in clothing, cars, houses, and accessories.

On Saturday, August 26, local artist Gail Gwinn will participate in the Waitsburg Happening with a display of Barbie couture at The Waitsburg Art Garden (WAG.) There will be dolls wearing Mattel's original fashions and exceptionally well-made clothes created by Gwinn since moving to Waitsburg in 2012.

Her first Barbie was a gift from her mother when she was eight. They went to the local toy store, where she picked out the brunette with the black and white striped bathing suit. She chose that doll because it resembled her mother, the most beautiful woman in the world, except for Barbie.

The first outfit she chose for her Barbie was the iconic black, sparkly "Solo in the Spotlight" gown, with long black gloves and shiny open-toed high heels. When asked, Gwinn admitted that the thing she first loved about Barbie was her tiny feet and the



Courtesy photos

high heels, so many high heels. Gwinn said shoes were always the first things to be lost. She has collected a bucketful of the doll's shoes, just in case.

She received other outfits as gifts, including "Suburban Shopper," which she still has and will be at WAG.

When she was ten, Gwinn hand-sewed her first outfit for Barbie, a cocktail dress out of lace and pink fabric. She said it was easy because the doll's curves made it easy to drape fabric, unlike her tubular-shaped baby dolls.

Fast-forward and Gwinn's interest in Barbie fashion continued. She has added vintage, collectible, new, weird Barbies. Also in her collection are Ken, Midge, and Skipper to round out the entourage. Be sure to visit the WAG, meet the artist, check out the fashion, and share your Barbie stories.



(above) Preparing for the exhibit, Alan's missing shorts had to be reproduced. They completed Alan's original and only outfit. All his other clothes are Ken's hand-me-downs.

(left) Those side glances remind viewers that the fashion world can be a bit competitive. Both dresses were made by Gail Gwinn, the dress on the right is made from a beautiful Japanese cotton. Not to be outdone, the accessories on the other model are all handmade by Gwinn.



(above) The details are what make the outfits, including a tiny knitted scarf, leather clutch, and a hat made from the same fabric as the coat.



(above) The attention to detail seen in this fedora is a big part of Barbie's street cred. a

## LEGAL NOTICES

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 23-2-00375-36  
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION  
RCW 4.28.110  
BIMALPREET BATH and BIMAL 13, LLC, a Washington limited liability company, Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
BRADY STONE, BRADY'S CUSTOM CONCRETE LLC, a Washington limited liability company, and LEXON INS. CO., Bond No. 9831580, Defendants.  
The State of Washington to: Defendants Brady Stone and Brady's Custom Concrete LLC  
You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty (60) days after July 20, 2023, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiffs, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiffs, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure to do so, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the complaint in this action, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.  
The object of this action is to recover damages for Defendants' failure to construct a building as agreed after accepting payment.  
DATED this 14th day of July, 2023.  
BASALT LEGAL PLLC  
By: /s/ Jeremy Hyndman  
Jeremy Hyndman, WSBA #44320  
6½ N. Second Avenue, Suite 200  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
509-529-0630  
The Times  
July 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023  
7-20-e

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
In the Matter of the Estate of Beverly Johnson  
Deceased  
NO: 23 4 00173 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. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both decedent's probate and non-probate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 17, 2023.  
Gina Laveroni,  
Personal Representative  
Trevor V. Hanzeli, WSBA #51290  
Roach Law Firm  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
126 E Alder Street  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
509-522-6800  
The Times  
August 17, 24, 31, 2023  
8-17-b

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 23-4-00171-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: ESTHER STELLA WILSON, Deceased.  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 17, 2023.  
Mitchell Bruce Wilson,  
Personal Representative  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
Courtney Lawless, WSBA #57415  
Basalt Legal PLLC  
6½ North Second Ave., Suite 200  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
509-529-0630  
The Times  
August 17, 24, 31, 2023  
8-17-c

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 23-4-00175-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: CHRISTINA E. MIDDLETON, Deceased.  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 24, 2023.  
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The Times  
August 24, 31, September 7, 2023  
8-24-a

### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLA WALLA  
NO: 23-4-00181-36  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
In re the Estate of: SUE ANNA WILSON ELSEE-WI, Deceased.  
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2)

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DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: August 24, 2023.  
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# Waitsburg newcomer joins the Abbey harvest

By Mike Ferrians | THE TIMES

WAITSBURG — When Andrew Knee and his wife, Tricia Adams-Knee, moved from Seattle to Waitsburg earlier this year, it signaled the start of a new chapter in their lives. Little did Andrew know that it would include a summer side hustle.

Knee described that their search for a new home had not been straight-line process. Having decided to move to the Walla Walla Valley, looking online at homes for sale, Andrew would show Tricia a house in Walla Walla. “She would say, ‘Oh, that’s nice.’ Then she would show me a house in Waitsburg, and I’d say, ‘Oh, that’s nice.’ Then I’d show her another in Walla Walla,” he said. “It went back and forth three or four times. Finally, I said, ‘Looks like you want to live in Waitsburg.’”

Tricia’s preference was in no small part because she is related to one of Waitsburg’s deep-rooted farm families, the Abbeys. Bruce Abbey and Tricia are first cousins once removed.

When asked if they knew that the Knees had been looking at Waitsburg as a new home, Barb said, “We were clueless.”

“We’d met, but it had been a long time,” says Bruce. “Her mother and I are first cousins, and I knew her mother quite well. Not so much Tricia.”

Of course, when the Abbeys learned their cousins had moved to town, they were pleased, and the couples enjoyed getting to know each other better. It wasn’t long before Andrew got the call: the Abbey’s needed a second truck driver for this year’s harvest.

“She asked if I wanted to come drive a truck for harvest,” said Knee. “I’d never done anything like that. I didn’t know much about harvesting,” he continued.

Finding time from his carpentry business, Knee followed his curiosity and accepted the Abbeys’ offer. Tim Stiess introduced him to the farm by inviting Andrew to ride on the bankout wagon, Tim’s job during harvest. Andrew immediately began firing off questions about the operation and eventually apologized for his inquisitiveness. Stiess, who has worked harvest for the Abbeys since marrying Bruce and Barb’s daughter, Beth, in 2010, wasn’t bothered.

“He made the mistake of signaling interest in the job,” Tim laughs.

Unsurprisingly, Knee signed on as part of this year’s crew. A family-run operation starts at the top with Bruce and Barb unloading trucks; Bruce also wears a handyman’s hat. Family members include their son-in-law Stiess on the bankout wagon, son Jonathan Abbey, who drives the combine, and daughter-in-law Anne Abbey driving grain trucks with the newbie Knee.

Asked how it was learning to drive a grain truck, he answered, “There are eleven gears if you count reverse. They haven’t had to replace any clutches so far. I started training on the baby field, of course,” he says, referring to the small level patch across the road from the Abbey home. “The slopes were a bit more of a challenge.”

Unfortunately, due to a lack of precipitation since planting in late March, yields look poor. However, the crew was pleasantly surprised to find the size of



Submitted photo

Family harvest crew l-r: Tim Stiess, son-in-law and bankout driver, Bruce Abbey handyman & unloading trucks, Barb Abbey unloading trucks, Anne Abbey, daughter-in-law and truck driver, Jon Abbey, son and combine driver, Andrew Knee, cousin and truck driver.

the wheat berry had been favorable. “The industry looks at berry size as the most important factor,” Barb says.

Nevertheless, Andrew has been grooving with his new gig. And asked if he’d return, “Oh yeah, if they need me, I’d be glad to come back.” he says. “I’ve enjoyed working with the family.”

“Yeah, it’s a crazy bunch,” says Bruce, to general laughter.



Karen Huwe

## CRUZIN’ IN PRESCOTT

By Karen Huwe | THE TIMES

PRESCOTT — Since its first car show about ten years ago, the Cruzin’ Prescott Car Show has grown from nine to over sixty cars. The event, held on August 19 was a community affair, with over twenty volunteers.

Over the years, the car show outgrew the local park and moved to the elementary school across the street. This year, car enthusiasts had plenty of shade under the trees to eat hotdogs, listen to music and stroll the grounds looking at a variety of vehicles.

(left) Steve McCuiston and his boys from Starbuck brought their Rat Rod; a 1937 Plymouth Coupe to the event.

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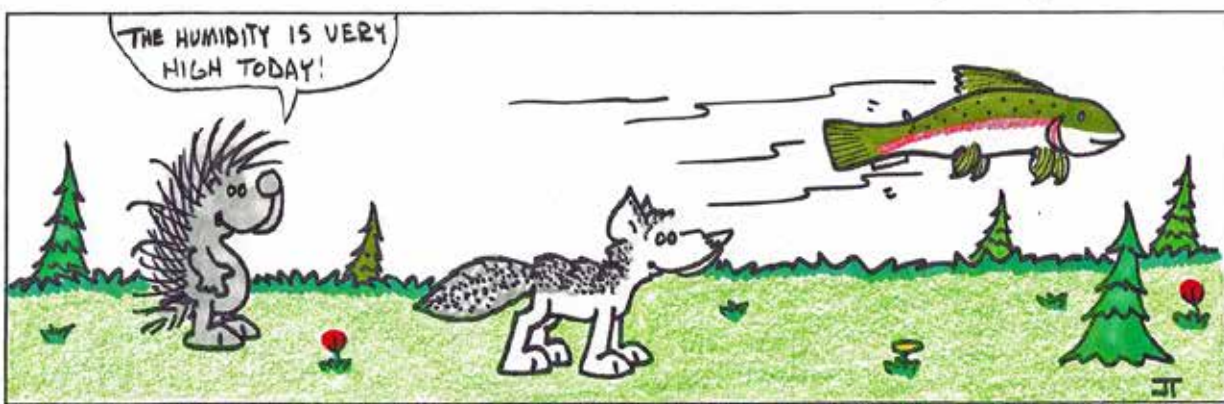
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# FUN & GAMES

## The Friendly Forest

By Jimmie L. Turner



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## GRIN and BEAR IT



"And no more 'Hi, Moms' when the TV cameras come by, Bentley!"

## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



# Times Travelers



Erin and Nathaniel Murphy of Waitsburg took their copy of the Times to Ohio for a family reunion and took the newspaper on a brief tour of Cleveland.



Paul Gregutt took time out from his busy Waitsburg schedule of writing and music to take a day at the races in Saratoga New York.



Not a coincidence, Waitsburg resident and close friend of Paul Gregutt brought his "Times" to the track. The pair traveled east to visit some longtime friends.

## PIONEER PORTRAITS

### Ten Years Ago

August 22, 2013

For those who are familiar with Markeeta Little Wolf's unique personal style, the way she views her garden should come as no surprise. "It's like the way I dress," she said during a recent interview at her home on Fourth Street. "Cowboy boots and a silk dress. Not everyone would dress like that. But I know what looks good on me." As part of their monthly meeting Saturday, 20 members of the Waitsburg Garden Club toured the former entertainer's lush landscape a few doors down from the Bruce Mansion and feasted their eyes on the hidden botanical beauty that was a mere rumor to some before. They found it exactly the extension of Little Wolf's eclectic and outgoing taste, laid out in sections before them like a never-ending string of beads, each with their own rich display of flowers and foliage. "This is fantastic," said Terry Hofer, a longtime Waitsburg resident who is an avid gardener himself. "You can't drive anywhere to find something like this."

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

August 27, 1998



[Photo Caption] The Waitsburg Grade School children who will be at the cross walks during the coming school year underwent orientation and training last week. Members of the school patrol are front row: Nichole Nelson, Jesse Meier, Laisha Archer, Emily Hogan, Marci Jo Lanning, Trey Cole. Back row: Lindsay Auchterlonie, Jill Bickelhaupt, Chris Dessert, Matt Baker, Brad Huffman, Ashley Bruner. Not pictured: Gabe Kiefel. Advisor for the group is Pam Conover.

### Fifty Years Ago

August 23, 1973

An explosion of undetermined origin destroyed a pleasure boat owned by H. V. "Bill" Zuger of Waitsburg in a Sunday evening mishap at Lake Pend Orielle in Idaho. Fortunately, no one was injured. Bill was preparing to take his son Greg water skiing. Five young people were on the boat which had not been started. David Smith, son of Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Smith, was helping to get the water ski cord in place when the explosion occurred. He was thrown by the force of the blast into the lake, but aside from some initial shock was not injured. Bill made sure that all the people were off the boat, as well as the family dog, then he pushed the burning craft into the lake so that the blaze would not start any fires on shore. Mrs. Zuger told "The Times" that the Coast Guard had checked the entire boat for safety just prior to the explosion, and how the event happened is still a mystery. She also noted that all that is left is some melted metal and fiberglass, and that the totalled hull was floating in the lake when last she saw it.

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

August 27, 1948

The word "new" in wheat delivery was the 1948 version of transferring wheat from the Paul Hofer elevator at Clyde last Friday when four new box cars, being pulled by the new diesel locomotive in this area delivered new Elgin wheat to the Preston-Shaffer Milling Co.

Miss Betty Jo Hanger of Dayton will become the bride of Bernard J. Donnelly on Sunday afternoon, August 29.

### One Hundred Years Ago

August 31, 1923

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wise of Mason, Iowa has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wise.

Wm. Wardrip, proprietor of the Wardrip truck line between this city and Walla Walla, has accepted a contract to haul lumber between Gurdane, Oregon and Pilot Rock. The job will last about two months.

Misses Gladys and Ruth Eaton, Isla Hales, and Naomi Danielson have returned from a few days camping trip.

Oscar Abbey and family and Mrs. R. O. Sanders left by auto early Thursday morning for several days outing in the Wallowa Valley.

### One Hundred Twenty-Five Years Ago

September 2, 1898

Mrs. Maude Lyons arrived in the city this week from Raymond, South Dakota. Mrs. Lyons holds a position as a teacher in our public school this year.

Parents should remember that our public school commences a week from next Monday, Sept. 12, and that the children should be ready to start on the first day.

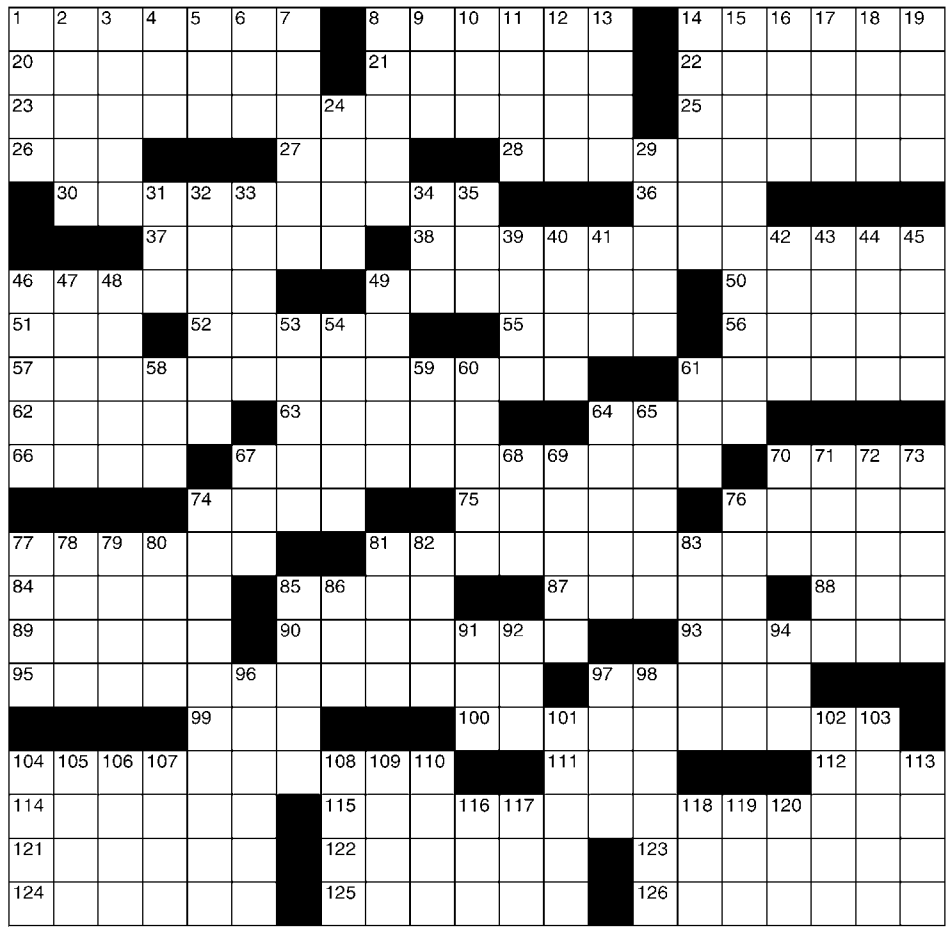
Peter Ludwig, a son of C. P. Ludwig of this city, arrived on Sunday night from Mt. Cary, Iowa, after an absence of nearly four years. Peter has concluded that there is no country quite so good as Washington.



# PUZZLES & LIFESTYLES

## Super Crossword "YOU'RE A BEAST!"

- ACROSS**
- 1 Quick heartbeat sound
  - 8 Jordanian's language
  - 14 Do over again
  - 20 Exercise caution
  - 21 Baseballer Minnie
  - 22 Come about over time
  - 23 Oscar-nominated actress for "Georgia"
  - 25 The X's of XOYO
  - 26 Even, in golf
  - 27 Was in a pew
  - 28 "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous" host
  - 30 "Morning Has Broken" singer
  - 36 Eggy holiday drink
  - 37 Building floor
  - 38 Noted Dodge City sheriff
  - 46 Watch via Hulu, e.g.
  - 49 "A Christmas Carol" miser
  - 50 Too trusting
  - 51 "Got ya!"
  - 52 Jestful sort
  - 55 Opening in a schedule
  - 56 Cove, e.g.
  - 57 2013-14 co-host of "The View"
  - 61 Foldable beds
  - 62 100-eyed mythical giant
  - 63 Boat's load
  - 64 NFL Hall of Famer Carter
  - 66 Well-honed
  - 67 "The Situation Room" host
  - 70 Middle East's — Strip
  - 74 Diving venue
  - 75 Made a typo, e.g.
  - 76 Got along
  - 77 "GLOW" star
  - 81 Longtime panelist on "To Tell the Truth"
  - 84 Funny stuff
  - 85 Hooplas
  - 87 "Hey, I was thinking ..."
  - 88 Crude liquid
  - 89 Partner of alas
  - 90 Nine-sided figure
  - 93 Sharp pang
  - 95 Defensive tackle whose #86 was retired by the Chiefs
  - 97 Best athletes
  - 99 Gray color
  - 100 1958-82 Crimson Tide football coach
  - 104 Champion of 15 golf majors
  - 111 Corp. kahuna
  - 112 Parseghian of Notre Dame
  - 114 Like a day in June, in a Lowell poem
  - 115 People ... or an alternate title for this puzzle
  - 121 Flavorings for absinthes
  - 122 Tell, as a tale
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  - 9 — Tin Tin
  - 10 "Lust, Caution" director Lee
  - 11 Atom modeler Niels
  - 12 Golfer Aoki
  - 13 Barber's tool
  - 14 Tie again, as a necktie
  - 15 Supersmart supervillain
  - 16 Emulate a supermodel
  - 17 Snow queen in "Frozen"
  - 18 With, to Fifi
  - 19 "Concetta" pianist John
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  - 39 Reggae singer Peter
  - 40 "Holy —!"
  - 41 In the past
  - 42 Throw a fit
  - 43 Fodder tower
  - 44 Cooking appliance
  - 45 Clears, as profit
  - 46 Pat of "Wheel of Fortune"
  - 47 At that place
  - 48 Cooking appliance
  - 49 Neck warmer
  - 53 Singer Marilyn
  - 54 Bluff-busting poker words
  - 58 Prioress, e.g.
  - 59 Abbr. for three primary colors
  - 60 Words on a flat rental sign
  - 61 Yule tree
  - 64 Prague native
  - 65 — a beet
  - 67 Prevalled
  - 68 NYC subway inits.
  - 69 Test in a fitting room
  - 70 Moo goo — pan
  - 71 Fire felony
  - 72 1983 Woody Allen movie
  - 73 "Hello" singer
  - 74 Political patronage, informally
  - 76 Migrating birds' regular route
  - 77 "Moby-Dick" helmsman
  - 78 Real doozie
  - 79 Apple option since 1998
  - 80 Ankle coverer
  - 81 Coffee from Hawaii
  - 82 "This — emergency!"
  - 83 Star-giving critic, e.g.
  - 85 — chili (pepper type)
  - 86 Cry of Homer Simpson
  - 91 Chin-wag
  - 92 Nearly zero
  - 94 "— Little Teapot"
  - 96 A "Baby Bell" phone co.
  - 97 Environs
  - 98 Choice loin steaks
  - 101 Tiptops
  - 102 Dubbed
  - 103 The "T" of LGBT, in brief
  - 104 Old overlord
  - 105 "XOXO" actress
  - 106 Ghastly
  - 107 Loosen up
  - 108 Other, in Oaxaca
  - 109 Batted without playing the field, for short
  - 110 "CSI: NY" actress Ward
  - 113 Choral voice
  - 116 Ugly witch
  - 117 Pickup's kin
  - 118 "I love," to Luisa
  - 119 "I Hate Valentine's Day" actress
  - 120 Quaint hotel



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## MY RECIPES Luke Chavez

# Peach Cobbler

My favorite dessert recipes are those which rely on a combination of ripe, seasonal fruits with a few simple pantry ingredients to make culinary magic. This summer, after patiently waiting for three years, our young peach tree has finally produced a bounty of perfect fruit. Looking for a way to highlight their distinctive sweetness I decided to stick with the iconic homey southern classic, peach cobbler. Tossed with just the right amount of sugar and spice, slices of fresh peaches are baked under mounds of a biscuit-like topping with a beautiful, tender crumb.



### Ingredients:

#### For the filling:

- 8 to 10 fresh peaches, peeled, pitted and sliced into wedges
- ¼ cup white sugar
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch

#### For the topping:

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup white sugar
- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, chilled, plus more for pan
- ¼ cup boiling water
- 3 tablespoons coarse, raw, or demerara sugar
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

### Directions:

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Grease a 2-quart, or 8 x 10-inch baking dish with butter.

In a large mixing bowl combine the peaches, ¼ cup white sugar, ¼ cup brown sugar, ½ teaspoon cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, lemon juice, and cornstarch. Toss to evenly mix, then spread fruit evenly over the bottom of prepared baking dish. Bake in preheated oven for 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine flour, ¼ cup white sugar, ¼ cup brown sugar, baking powder, and salt in a mixing bowl. Whisk to combine. Cut the chilled butter into small pieces and toss into the flour mixture. Use your fingertips or pastry cutter to blend the butter into the flour until it resembles a coarse meal. There should still be some large irregular chunks of butter. Pour in the hot water all at once and stir until a thick, wet dough is just formed together.

After initial baking time, remove pan from the oven. Using two spoons, drop spoonful dollops of the dough over the top of the peaches. It is okay if some of the fruit is exposed as the dough will expand while baking. In a small bowl, mix the demerara sugar and 1 teaspoon of cinnamon together. Sprinkle spiced sugar evenly over the top of the cobbler.

Bake in the oven until top is golden brown and sides are bubbling, about 30 to 35 minutes. If the top is browning too fast, loosely cover the pan with foil for the last part of baking time. Remove and allow the pan to cool slightly for a few minutes before serving.

### Notes:

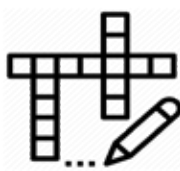
This comforting summer dessert is best made with fresh fruit. Other stone fruits such as nectarines, plums, or apricots could be substituted or used in combination with the peaches. Huckleberries or blueberries would be delightful mixed with the peaches.

Serve this cobbler warm with a scoop of vanilla ice cream or a dollop of fresh whipped cream. A chiffonade of fresh mint or basil as a garnish would be lovely over the top for color.

Enjoy!

# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦♦♦♦

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- ♦♦ Challenging
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# Last week's answers

## Super Crossword

### Answers

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## Weekly SUDOKU

### Answer

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## Community Calendar

### Waitsburg Monthly Meetings



**Waitsburg City Council**  
Third Wednesday of each month @ 7 p.m. at City Hall. Next meeting September 20

**Planning Commission**  
Second Friday of the month @ 10 a.m. @ City Hall and on Zoom. Next meeting on September 8.

### Waitsburg School Board

Third Thursday of every month @ 6 p.m.  
Zoom info available by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)

**Waitsburg Home and School Association** – First Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Waitsburg Elementary School Library. All parents, school district staff, or community members are welcome.  
Next meeting: 9/6 – No meetings July or August

### Waitsburg Historical Society

Third Tuesday of the month @ 6:00 p.m. @ Weller Public Library

### Waitsburg Booster Club

First Tues. of the month, 6:30 p.m. @ High School Home Ec. room

### Waitsburg Parks and Recreation Public Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. @ Ten Ton Coffee  
Info email: [info@waitsburgparks.org](mailto: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

Fourth Monday of the month @ 7 p.m.  
Weller Public Library, 212 Main Street, Waitsburg

### Waitsburg Commercial Club

Last Thursdays of the month @ Waitsburg Business Center@noon.  
Last Thursdays of each month, Zoom info available by emailing [waitsburgcc@icloud.com](mailto:waitsburgcc@icloud.com)



### Waitsburg Resource Center Community Food Bank

106 1/2 Preston Ave  
Thursdays, 2 – 4 pm

### Dayton & Columbia County Meetings

#### Board of Columbia County Commissioners

Regular meetings - First and second Monday of each 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 every 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 every month @ 6 p.m. @ Dayton High School auditorium

#### Columbia County Public Hospital District Board of Commissioners

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

#### Dayton Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

September 18 @ 7 p.m. Delaney room and Zoom Meeting ID: 852 3836 3787

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85238363787>

#### Dayton Kiwanis Club Meeting

Second and fourth Thursday @ Noon

Hybrid in-person meetings at the Delaney Library with online Zoom available.

Zoom Meeting ID: 559 815 3650

#### Starbuck Meetings

#### Starbuck City Council

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

*Church Directory*

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

**Waitsburg Presbyterian Church**  
504 Main  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
337-6589  
Pastor Stan Hughes

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

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

## Events Calendar

### WAITSBURG

**Waitsburg Happening on August 26: Waitsburg goes Wheat Barbie (and Backseat Ken)!**

The Waitsburg Art Garden, (WAG) will have a Barbie Couture exhibit with original, new, and unique clothes and accessories on display.  
Open from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.  
Bespoke Barbie fashions by Gail Gwinn with a possible appearance by a real Waitsburg Barbie.

**American 35** will have special Barbie and Ken cocktails on the menu and live music from 8 to 10 p.m.

**Royal Block** will be focused on 'I am Kenough' featuring Backseat Ken on tap, pink drinks (i.e. rose all day long), and rose dumplings.

**Ten Ton Coffee** will be open from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. for coffee and Wheat Barbie treats.

**The Plaza** is offering two showings of the film "Dryland" at 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. The film is about an hour long.

**Bar Bacetto** will be Barbicetto for the night with some pink pasta on the menu.

**Gaudy Gals** will have surprises that could cheer the gloomiest of weird Barbies and Ken

**Simply Sawdust** will be offering snow cones with two new pink flavors; Dragonfruit and Rose.

There will be Royal Rides from Ten Ton and Royal Block to WAG. Yes, ride in the Rolls Royce of golf carts.

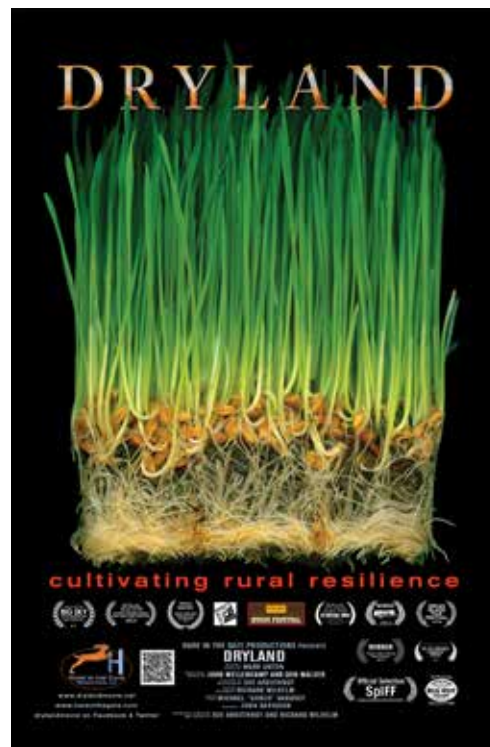
Keep your eyes open on Main Street, there will be many hidden surprises.



**Waitsburg Happening is Coming August 26**  
**Fun, food, music, and surprises**



### The Plaza



**"Dryland" playing August 26, at The Plaza on Main Street for the Waitsburg Happening.**

#### About the movie:

Over a decade, 'Dryland' traces two childhood best friends' quest for victory in a rambunctious, quirky contest, while pursuing their passion for farming. Re-purposed wheat harvesters wage steel-shearing battle in the Lind Combine Demolition Derby, bolstering the town through dry years and economic uncertainty. As Josh leads 'JAWS' into victory, he's defeated in his lifelong bid to preserve the family's legacy, and must leave home to find work. In this arid, amber land place forges identity and work fuels dreams. Can the optimism, tenacity, and ingenuity required to farm--and to derby--bring Josh home? In a visceral duet of work and play, 'Dryland' offers a coming-of-age tale with intelligence, heart, and axle grease.

### DAYTON

Mythical / Movable  
Blue Mountain Bluegrass Jam

**Weinhard Hotel - 7 p.m.**

**235 E Main St, Dayton**

This week's jam (8/25) is at The Weinhard Hotel in Dayton!

If the smoke is gone, we expect to be on the rooftop patio...if it's still an issue we will be inside!

### WALLA WALLA

**Gesa Powerhouse Theater**



"Vincent" September 29 @ 7:00 pm \$20 - \$30



"Dancing with the W2 Stars" fundraising event for Valley Residential Services. October 7 @ 7:00 pm \$50

Go to [www.phtww.org](http://www.phtww.org) for information, calendar of events, and tickets.