

PJ Destiny wraps up summer concert series in style

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

You could say local artist PJ Destiny was destined to be the final act for this year's Sunset Summer Concert Series.

The well known local artist, known off the stage as Perry Loucks, will cap off what has been called the "best concert series yet" by organizers of the annual summer concert series.

"I'd say this has been our best year ever. We have had some big crowds," Chamber

of Commerce President Craig Wicks said. "We've had some big crowds for PJ before."

PJ Destiny will perform for his seventh edition of the series. He says this will be the first time performing for the finale. The local artist is known for having brought more than 50 years of musical passion and experience to the stage.

Loucks began his passion for music around the age of five when he started playing around on the piano. Some of his early influences were

acts like the Beatles and Elton John. He still covers those acts, and many more to this day.

He says this Friday will be a major highlight for him.

"2024 has been a challenging year. But with a lot of love and support from many friends and loved ones, we have survived, and even grown. This is the first year I've played the finale for the Summer Sunset Concert Series. I hope everyone comes down," he



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Local artist PJ Destiny, known off the stage as Perry Loucks, will perform at the finale of the Summer Sunset Concert Series this Friday.

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TURNING 100

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The Heyburn Elementary as it sits today still looks similar to the original architectural drawing from 1924 (below).

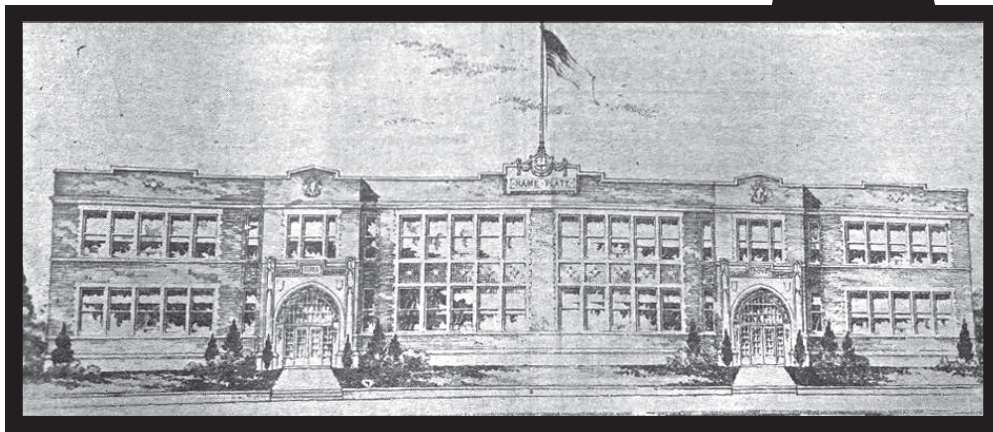
HEYBURN ELEMENTARY HITS CENTURY MARK

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A lot of history can be found here in St. Maries and one of the city's most historic and iconic buildings will be celebrated for its history next week.

The Heyburn Elementary School will turn 100 years old this year, and over the year's the building has hosted thou-

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KSD talks short week

Discussed four-day week

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Trustees of the Kootenai School District discussed what a four-day school week would look like for their district.

They discussed a hypothetical schedule that Superintendent Scott Davis had prepared and what other districts were doing and how a four-day schedule had impacted them versus how it might impact the local students, their families and staff. A four-day schedule would add approximately one extra week to the school year and an additional 40 minutes daily.

"We have no idea what our patrons think about this," Board Chair Heather Cox said. "But I believe it is advantageous to start the conversation now to see if it's even something we might want to pursue further."

She also shared that he wasn't sure if the change would make a difference either way for her family, but that she would like to hear what others thought.

Teacher Michael Stroh shared his appreciation for the hypothetical schedule that the superintendent had

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Junior Show and Sale generates more than \$212,000

BY TYSON JUAREZ
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Local youth who participated in this year's Junior Show and Sale saw another good year.

Saturday's Livestock Auction saw around \$212,948 generated for local youth. The total is on par with results from the auction seen over the past several years.

The auction saw one of its first major jumps in 2020, when auctions results jumped from \$101,000 in bids to over \$150,000.

The following year saw a jump to closer to \$200,000 in bids, which has become a norm since then.

Many local organizations and businesses came out for Saturday's auction to show their support for youth who entered their livestock into the fair.

Junior Show and Sale Chairwoman Nancy Malensky said the fair was ideal for youth and organizers.

"It was awesome," she said. "We never know until the sale comes but our buyers turned out in force."

It was reported the top buyers in the auction were Cannon Hill Industries, Archie's IGA, HMH Engineering, PotlatchDeltic, Jordan Redmond Insurance, Les Schwab Tires, Mountain Plating, Mitchell Excavation, Anderson Trucking and Josh Buell of 957 Self-Loading.

Malensky said many of those who participated were happy with the results of the sale.

"The kids were pretty happy. We couldn't ask for a better fair," she said.

Depending on the category of livestock, many buyers

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Gracie and Bryden Appel check out the horses at last week's county fair.



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LOUCKS: Plans to play a heartfelt set spanning career Friday evening

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said. "The Chamber and many sponsors have made this event a big success, and I am grateful to have been a part of it over these past years. St. Maries is my home town! People here have been an important part of my life from the beginning. Thank you to each of you."

'THE BEST PART FOR ME WILL BE SEEING EVERYONE AND DOING WHAT I DO BEST FOR THEM.'

Perry Loucks
PJ Destiny

Loucks says he plans to play a heartfelt set filled with songs from his days playing in Destiny Duo, as a solo act and some from his time JamShack. He also plans to perform a few originals as well. "The best part for me will be seeing everyone and doing what I do best for them. The

best part of my job is the happiness music brings," he added. "It is a dream come true to see people smile and relax while I sing and play."

Wicks said this year's concert series saw a growth in the amount of vendors who set up at the park weekly. Like year's past, vendors were able to set up and sell their wares without any cost.

Many favorites such as the Grapple, Two-Saints Brewing, Mason's Lemonade, Sandy's Cotton candy were regulars during the season. They will be at the park one last time for this Friday's Concert.

"There were times where we had no more space," Wicks said. "It was well received by everybody."

Organizers are already thinking towards next year and Wicks said he's had a few new organization express interest in sponsoring the concert series. He said if anyone wants to sponsor next year's event, to reach out to the Chamber at 208-245-3563.

PJ Destiny will hit the stage at 6 p.m., Friday, August 23 at the St. Maries Amphitheater.

HEYBURN: Iconic building hosted thousands of students

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sands of students.

The Gazette Record archives hold a swath of vintage articles from 1924 when discussion of the new school started to mount. In an article published January 3, 1924 titled "Asking Voters to Endorse \$100,000 School Bond Issue," it is discussed that one of the needs for the new school was to "relieve the crowded condition now existing in local schools."

Towards the end of January 1924, support for the new building increased.

An article titled "Voters Overwhelmingly Endorse New Grade School for St. Maries" was published on the front page of the January 31, 1924 edition of the Gazette Record, showing that the building was in the works towards becoming a reality.

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Jody Hendrickx
St. Maries School Board

The article states the vote to approve a \$100,000 bond for the new building was 579 for and 59 against. The approval of the new school also came after the approval of a new Benewah County Courthouse the same year. The Benewah County Courthouse will also celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2024 as well.

The bond for \$100,000 in 1924 would equate to around \$1,800,000 today.

The article states "This election, coming on the heels of the courthouse election, shows that our local citizens are on the bandwagon of progress, and that St. Maries feels that the very best facilities and highest possible standard of educational facilities are not too good for the children."

In an article published in August 1924, it is discussed that the district needed to plan to care for students at the beginning of the 1924-1925 school year while the

new building was being completed. It states in the article that the new building would be ready for use around six weeks after the start of the school year, showing the building was completed sometime in the fall of 1924.

Before the Heyburn was built, school life looked much different for children living in the St. Joe Valley.

According to research done by members of the St. Maries School District, the first school built in St. Maries was a log structure built on the west bank of the St. Maries River where it meets the St. Joe River.

It wasn't until 1894 that the school was moved to the second floor of Fisher's Store, with a one-room school being built shortly after.

In 1907, the Lincoln School was constructed and was used until 1910 when a second school was built to accommodate around 300 students. Population growth in the 1910's led to overcrowded school facilities which ultimately led to the decision to build the Heyburn.

Though not many who lived during the time of the building's construction are alive today, many citizens who live in the area have had some sort of interaction with the historic building.

For second grade teacher Marissa Hanlan, the building has a lot of meaning to her.

Hanlan was born and raised in St. Maries, and attended elementary school at Heyburn in the early 1980s. She now teaches at the school and hope's her students have similar memories.

"My 1st grade teacher was Bobbi Smith, and I remember thinking I wanted to be just like her when I grew up. What I love about teaching in the same building I went to school in is that the original brick and coat closets look exactly the same," she said. "It warms my heart knowing my students will have the same memories as I do about Heyburn."

She said the building does have some quirks.

"I love the building. Yes, it needs some updates for sure, but the personality of the building is amazing. Let me tell you about my favorite Heyburn quirk," she said.

"My classroom is where the library used to be. It sits right above the boiler which means it is the hottest room in the school. My kids will never be cold, since we usually end up having our window open, even in winter."

She said she also remembers the lunchroom being in the basement of the school.

"Another cool thing is that the basement where the lunchroom used to be still has the cartoon paintings that were there when I went to school there," Hanlan said. "It's fun to look at them and remember eating lunch with friends."

Another alumni of the school and current St. Maries School District Board of Trustees Chairman, Jody Hendrickx, said he also has fond memories going to school at the Heyburn. He said he and his wife as well as his daughter all had the same second grade teacher, Charlotte Applegate. He said he attended school at the Heyburn around the early 1980s as well.

"I remember back in the day they had a front playground and a back playground," he said. "I remember those hot metal slides in the summer time."

He said he attended school at the Heyburn well before the addition of the second wing which now hosts the lunchroom and more classrooms. He said at the time, there was a trailer up against the school which served as a resource room for some students. He said where the lunch room is now, used to be a basketball court.

He said it will be cool to have the privilege to celebrate the old building.

"It's pretty cool," he said. "It's an iconic building."

The St. Maries School District will host a celebration for the building at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 27 out front of the Heyburn. It has been confirmed that Idaho's Superintendent of Public Instruction, Debbie Critchfield, will visit for the occasion.

"I don't know if any other school building is turning 100 in Idaho this year," Hendrickx said. "It's cool the state is going to give us a shout out."

The community has also been invited to come and share stories and artifacts from their time at Heyburn Elementary.

Yates to perform Sunday at St. Paul's

BY MARY ORR
THE GAZETTE RECORD

The community is invited to enjoy gospel music Sunday. St. Paul's Lutheran Church will host Luke Yates in concert at 6 p.m. Aug. 26.

Pastor Jim Robinson said he met Luke Yates in 2019 in Waterville at the United Lutheran Church and wanted to share the blessing here in St. Maries.

At that time he was playing with a touring gospel group called New Legacy Project.

"There were five guys in this group and they were just mind-blowing, absolutely amazing to listen to," Robinson said. "Luke could play any song any way. He never had any music in front of him; great voice. And so I wanted to bring here."

The New Legacy group was disbanded last spring, but when he called the booking agent he was told that Yates

lived in Athol and was still doing some concerts. Because he lives locally, he was glad to come down to put on a concert.

There's no cover charge for the event, however, a free-will offering will be taken to help cover costs.

"It's good gospel singing from a very classy young man," Robinson said.

Yates has toured nationally all of his adult life. He was born and raised in Spokane and is the second oldest of 10 children. He grew up in a musical family, singing and playing with his siblings whenever and wherever they could.

Over the last decade he has performed over 2000 concerts throughout the US, teaming up with local artists as well as national acts.

To learn more about the artist visit his webpage at <http://www.lukeyatesmusic.com/home.html>.

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Goat showing Friday evening.

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Tellen Stevenson smiles as he walks his cow around the ring during the auction.

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Caralena Humphrey sweeps the pig barn.

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Kaycee Davidson, 11, with a goat she was showing during Round Robin Friday.

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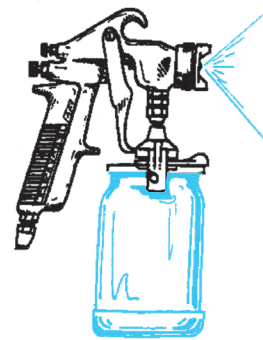
Jimmie Brewer with Elias 7, and MicKenna Brewer, 8.

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Makenna Dodson, 8, Kieran Dodson, 6

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SMILE A WHILE

A church sale gave her sister, Carole, and her husband an excuse to clean out their house. Carole realized they had two bathroom scales and planned to donate one. "Keep the black one," the husband said. "I weigh two pounds less on it."

Voicemail is her sworn enemy – she has never understood how it works. Finally, she broke down and called the office operator to walk her through it. "I can send you an instruction sheet," the office operator said. "Great, fax it over." "Sure," she said. "But fax it right back. It's my only copy."

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Timber Ridge celebrates five years

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Local coffee shop Timber Ridge is all about serving up tasty beverages and also actively supporting the community.

The local business recently celebrated five years of being open in the Plummer community. The coffee shop is owned by Ruth and Mark Hutchins.

Ruth and Mark are no stranger to the Plummer area as they both grew up and attended school there. Ruth said when Mark finished his time in the military after 10 years, they both decided to move back to their home town.

"When we moved back from the military, we knew we had to do something that was community oriented," Ruth said.

Timber Ridge opened in 2019 and has provided not just drinks but employment opportunities to community members. Ruth said right now the coffee shop employs around six people.

The owners get a unique opportunity to interact with the community through their business as they are sometimes the first stop for those commuting to work.

"A lot of the people I see in the morning are people I grew up with," Ruth said.

She said the business has been a large supporter of the Plummer-Worley School District, having made donations to athletic programs and also showing support for Carly Green's graphic design students. Ruth said many of the students have worked to provide t-shirts, designs and more for the business.

She said many youth in the area have also come to her asking about how to start a business which she says she's proud that some see her and her husband as good role models.

Ruth said as they look towards the next five years of business ownership, they hope to work on getting a larger building for their



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Timber Ridge Espresso celebrated five years in business this summer. Pictured is owner Ruth Hutchins standing in front of the coffee stand which is located on C Street in Plummer.

coffee shop. The larger business would accommodate inside seating and act as a meeting place for locals to come and do school work or catch up.

Second Harvest distribution Tuesday

BY MARY ORR
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Local residents who could use a little help with groceries next week are welcome to attend a food distribution.

The event is organized by partnership between the St. Paul Lutheran Church and Second Harvest.

The food truck will have enough food to supply at least 250 families with a box of food that generally

includes fresh produce and bread.

Volunteers, organized by the local church, will sort and hand out the food boxes in a drive-thru format from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27 in the parking lot of the St. Maries High School gymnasium.

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FRIDAY, AUG. 9
7:34 a.m.: A St. Maries woman reported looking out her kitchen window and seeing a Pitbull with a service vest on. She was concerned the owner might be down and need medical help as the dog was wearing the service vest. She said she tried to call the neighbor but he did not answer. She said he has dogs but didn't think this one looked like the ones he owns.
11:00 a.m.: There was a report of two dogs running loose along Highway 95.
12:43 p.m.: There was a report of a male that dumped mattresses and bedframes at the Santa dumpsters.
1:16 p.m.: A St. Maries man wanted a deputy to call him in regards to an incident with his ex-wife.
5:28 p.m.: A woman reported she noticed her front license plate was missing. She said it was tied on with zip ties.
6:31 p.m.: There was a report of kids jumping off the St. Maries bridge into the river.

SATURDAY, AUG. 10
9:25 a.m.: There was a report of people camping illegally at the Plummer Creek marsh. The caller said the individuals have a tent setup in a day camping area only.
1:13 p.m.: There was a report of children down at Aqua Park who were on the roof of the sheriff's boat house.
4:13 p.m.: A caller reported following another vehicle

that was all over the road.
7:07 p.m.: There was a report of a grey Kia passing three vehicles on a double yellow line.
8:04 p.m.: A St. Maries man reported a vehicle hit his and his neighbor's mailboxes. He said there was a piece of license plate cover left at the mailboxes.
11:58 p.m.: A DeSmet resident reported the neighbor's house appeared to be broken into. The door was wide open and a window was possibly broken. There were three people. One was described as wearing a white shirt and two others wore black shirts.

SUNDAY, AUG. 11
7:55 a.m.: There was a report of a male in Plummer yelling and cussing at people.
8:55 a.m.: A caller reported finding an older, white Yamaha wave runner floating in the river last night. The caller tied it to the docks.

MONDAY, AUG. 12
9:56 a.m.: There was a report of a man calling a state agency and making threats at both the local level and to offices in Boise.
11:39 a.m.: A man reported his ex-wife used his debit card to order \$240 worth of items from Amazon. He said there is an active restraining order and she now lives in Post Falls.

TUESDAY, AUG. 13
4:54 p.m.: A St. Maries woman

reported there was a black and white border collie chasing deer at her home. She said someone almost hit the dog.
7:44 p.m.: A St. Maries resident made a noise complaint in regards to the neighbors playing music really loud. She said her husband has asked them to turn it down and they turned it up louder.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14
5:12 p.m.: A woman requested a deputy come to the fairgrounds to talk to her regarding threats her friend is receiving from her significant other.
6:42 p.m.: A St. Maries woman reported she was being stalked by an ex-family member.

THURSDAY, AUG. 15
7:29 a.m.: There was a report of someone stealing huckleberry bushes off Charlie Creek.
1:17 p.m.: A Santa resident reported that a deputy told him to call again if he had more problems with animals terrorizing his rabbits.
4:18 p.m.: There was a report of four juveniles destroying property at the city park in St. Maries.
7:49 p.m.: A St. Maries woman reported her neighbor's ex-wife is outside yelling at him.
10:30 p.m.: A caller reported that a massive man came into the store asking if she knew of any place to stay.

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PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
Isiah X. Javier, b. 1991, of Plummer. Misdemeanor: driving under the influence-second offense (Aug. 9).
Devan D. Walbert, b. 1982, of Zillah, Wash. Felony: possession of meth. Misdemeanor: possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia (Aug. 12).
Victoria A. Dixon, b. 1959, of Boise. Misdemeanor: possession of drug paraphernalia (Aug. 7).
Stacie R. Smith, b. 1971, of St. Maries. Misdemeanor: reckless driving (two counts) (June 10 and Aug. 6).
Stacie R. Smith, b. 1971, of St. Maries. Misdemeanor: resisting and/or obstructing an officer (Aug. 9).
Douglas A. Balbas Jr., b. 1971, of DeSmet. Misdemeanor: failure to provide proof of

insurance (July 10).
Yuliana Orozco, b. 1982, of Coeur d'Alene. Misdemeanor: driving without privileges (Aug. 14).
Alexander J. Dillan, b. 1996, of Spokane. Misdemeanor: violation of a protection order (May 20).
Roger A. Drymon, b. 1970, of Pullman. Misdemeanor: driving under the influence, possession of drug paraphernalia (June 23).
Charles M. Dole, b. 1964, of Tensed. Misdemeanor: injury to a child (July 3).
Nikolas J. Chase, b. 1982, of St. Maries. Felony: possession of meth, possession of cocaine (on or about July 18).
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

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Schools host open houses

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

The end of August marks the beginning of school, and elementary students and their parents are invited to open houses at their respective schools.

The Heyburn Elementary will host its open house from 5 to 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 28. Parents and their children will get to meet with their teacher and drop off supplies.

The UpRiver Elementary School will have its open house the following day from 4 to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, August 29.

The Plummer-Worley School District will host an open house for its elementary and middle school

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students from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, August 29. Dinner will be provided.

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The Harrison Elementary School will have its open house from 4:30 to 6 p.m., Thursday, August 29 as well.

The Coeur d'Alene Tribal School will have its Back to School Night Open house for students and parents at 5 p.m., September 4.

] WHAT'S UP DOC? [

This is a very sensitive subject, but one that is necessary and important. I respect our elders, so this is in no way calling them out or pointing fingers at anyone. We do realize that there are certain things that come with age besides wisdom. Physical changes in older people are not limited to their outer appearance. There is a distinct body odor that is a product of aging, commonly referred to as "old people smell." We know that is not a flattering term, but science has proven that it does exist. We have all smelled it. It is sort of musty with undertones of oil or grease, and it seems to come out of the pores.

You can find it in nursing homes, a relative's house, or in the line at the grocery store, but understand it has little to do with hygiene. Scientists shared that the odor is caused by a compound called 2-nonenal. When hormones change as we age, our bodies produce more fatty acids in the skin. Nonenal odor is common in the elderly, and it can start as early as age 40.

With age, the skin's natural antioxidant defenses weaken, and the composition of sweat and skin oils change. With these changes, the presence of the natural compound, 2-nonenal increases. This compound is produced by the body when fatty acids on the surface



DR. RALPH SUTHERLIN

of the skin break down over time. It can remain on the skin even after washing, and largely exudes from the chest and back area.

There are several things that can heighten the intensity of the

smell: confined spaces, dirty laundry, and dehydration. Illness and medications may also contribute to the odor. A 2001 study published in the Journal of Investigative Dermatology found that elderly subjects had a higher concentration of nonenal clinging to their clothing. On the other hand, regular body odor is a result of sweat and bacteria on the skin. When you perspire, the sweat produced by your sweat glands is initially odorless. However, when sweat encounters bacteria on the skin, it is broken down into compounds that release a sweet, sour, or tangy scent. Factors that contribute to regular body odor include poor hygiene, diet, and stress.

There are some things we can do to fight off what originates in the skin. Exercise helps with metabolism, so engaging in physical activities can help keep the hormones balanced and stress levels down. As stated earlier, nonenal can easily build up on clothing, so it may be necessary to wash your clothes and linen more frequently.

THAT SMELL

Eating a healthy diet that includes lots of antioxidants and drinking water, especially green tea can aid the skin. Persimmon extract contains vitamins and antiseptic properties that can dissolve nonenal and eliminate its odor. Some say that persimmon extract soaps can be more effective than conventional soaps, eliminating up to 97% of nonenal, so washing daily and exfoliating is important. Dehydration not only dries the skin but can also contribute to odors that emit from the mouth and body.

Hygiene is a crucial step, but one of the simplest things you can do is to let some fresh air inside! Getting older is inevitable and it is a natural part of life for the body to change. However, showing our elders compassion, respect, and love is something that will never get old.

Be Fresh, Clean and Healthy,
Doc Ralph

DR. RALPH SUTHERLIN is a board-certified physician specializing in Family Medicine, Aerospace Medicine, and Occupational Medicine. He is a resident of St. Maries and a retired Air Force combat veteran, and is accepting new and existing patients at Syringa Health & Wellness in St. Maries, (208) 568-7800. He is offering complete Family & Preventative Medicine along with alternative medical therapies. Questions or Comments: idahoair-surgeon@aol.com.

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Dr. Ralph Sutherlin

St. Maries since 2020 and a retired 29 year Air Force combat veteran. He has been authoring his weekly "What's Up Doc?" health article in the Gazette for the last four years. He has been a popular doctor with a knack to searching outside the box for natural remedies and preventive health habits. His focus is toward Lifestyle Medicine, encouraging his patients to eat more plants, sleep well, be more active, drink more water, exercise the brain and being happy! Dr Sutherlin also has additional training in Preventive Cardiology (heart attack and stroke prevention), Hormone (Bioidentical) Replacement Therapy, PRP (Platelet-rich Plasma) injections, DOT/Commercial/Drivers License, and healthy weight loss strategies. He loves being a small town rural doc, and being a mentor to youth and an educational provider to the community for optimal health.

During his free-time, he and his wife Val are both pilots and enjoy flying, as well as SCUBA diving. They started a non-profit organization recently to introduce local kids to flying, as well as discussing opportunities in flying, medical, and architectural careers.

He is accepting new and existing patients at Syringa Health & Wellness in St Maries, (208) 568-7800, and will be offering Complete Family & Preventive Medicine (Newborn to Geriatrics) along with alternative medical therapies.

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] BOOK REVIEW [

BY TERRI SCHILCHENMEYER

Angel of Vengeance

BY PRESTON & CHILD

They say that you can never go back home again.

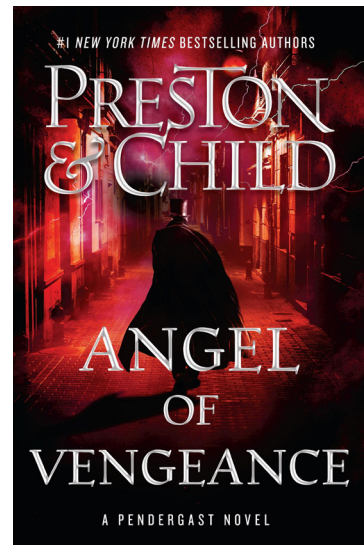
Oh, sure, you can physically be there a few times. You can stay overnight, sleep in your old bed, eat at the same table, but something will've changed. Home isn't home anymore, it's different. Whether it's a week or ten years, you can never go home again - especially, as in the new novel, "Angel of Vengeance" by Preston & Child, home is nearly 150 years away.

Diogenes Pendergast had a hunch that Gaspard Ferenc was nothing but a small-time crook.

He'd followed Ferenc through the time portal to see what the man was up to and yes, it was some "get-rich-quick scheme" to take back to the twenty-first century. Diogenes knew that it wouldn't work, though, especially since the portal had disappeared.

When he spotted his great-granduncle, Enoch Leng, with Ferenc, Diogenes knew that there'd be trouble. Leng must've known that Diogenes' brother, FBI agent Aloysius Pendergast, was there in 1880, as was Aloysius' partner, who'd come through the portal before Ferenc. Pendergast's ward, Constance Greene, had traveled back some time even before that.

They'd come to this time



and place to save a 9-year-old girl named Binky, who was actually Constance as a child. In later years, Constance had worked for Leng in his search for an extension of human life and at that time, she'd come to possess the Arcanum, a notebook with information Leng needed to "cleanse" the world. In his experiments on women he'd snatched, he'd murdered Constance's sister, Mary, and endangered her brother, Joe.

Constance planned on killing the monster who'd killed her sister.

But in addition to having a hold on most of New York's riverside area, Leng had one advantage: he knew about the

portal, and he knew his plans to create a perfect world would be accelerated in the twenty-first century.

He only had to figure out when to get there...

Though it's a fact that you could read "Angel of Vengeance" by itself - don't. The truth is that you will be much, much happier if you go back to catch a few of the other Pendergast novels. This one relies on former books to fill in the blanks that you'll undoubtedly have.

Should you decide to begin the series with this latest installment from authors Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child, though, there are things you'll need to know. The characters are crisp and perfectly wrought, placed inside a lot of cringeworthy violence, alongside a vile but brilliant madman who, in a time war-torn way, personifies every despot who comes after him since 1880. Beyond that, overall, the story is dark and dank, a little steampunkish, as if someone painted a portrait of a New York City circa 1881, and then wiped it with watery grime.

Fans of Preston & Child will rejoice that "Angel of Vengeance" is here, and that it leaves a few untied ends to tease you. Newbies to these authors will love this book - but go back a few in the series first.

KOOTENAI: Board weighed benefits, detriments of shortened, four-day week

FROM PAGE 1

designed as a concrete example of what that might look like. He said that would give teachers enough information to be able to form an opinion. He also wanted the district to be mindful of how cutting the work week by a day may impact the hourly staff.

Trustees and staff shared various concerns having to do with how such a change would impact working parents, athletics and extra-curricular activities as well as transportation and food services.

Davis shared that 96 other districts in the state have gone to the shorter week and are reporting that they are getting mostly positive feedback. Students test scores for the most part show improvement and attendance rates are higher for the four days, but there appears to be little cost savings for the district associated with the change.

It was noted that Post Falls went to a four-day week last year and the Kellogg School District is testing it out starting this fall. Several trustees said they were curious to see how it worked in Kellogg and interested in hearing feedback from their district in the future and maybe learning from their experiences. One trustee said that they believed it would really be parents that determined whether or not a 4-day school week would work.

Ultimately the board agreed to survey the patrons to see what they'd think.

"We wanted to make sure we were attending to our patrons and hearing what they want and what they think is important," Davis said. "This would not be for this coming year. That would be impossible. It's a long process to make a switch like that and we need a lot of feedback. This is all super-hypothetical but we wanted to put something together that the public could look at and think about."

Additionally, Superintendent Davis shared a draft calendar with a professional development schedule for approval to the board. He added some more depth to target certain areas and used survey data to guide his decisions. He included various safety trainings, policy trainings and made changes to the welcome back and other trainings to include the entire staff getting together more often.

Davis also shared a 10-year facilities plan that he'd created for the board's review and approval. The district is required to update the

plan each year and submit it to the state for facilities funding. The plan is an educated guess as to which facility projects will need to be addressed, how much they will cost and when they should be done over the next decade.

Superintendent Davis shared state testing scores and compared them with last years.

While it's not exactly an even comparison he said, it does give folks a good idea of where students are at overall. English and Language Arts test scores dropped by about 9 percent in the Kootenai Junior-Senior high school, while rising approximately 9.4 percent in math. The same students had a 2 percent increase in their science scores. Harrison Elementary students saw an increase in their English and Language Arts test scores by almost 2 percent, but saw a drop of approximately 18 percent in math. Their science scores showed a 13 percent gain over last year.

In other business:

- It was announced that for the second year in a row, the Kootenai district bus shop and transportation department has won first place in the Region 1 Spot Inspection.
- Trustees approved 16 new policies and/or policy updates at their regular August meeting. Policies addressed topics such as tardiness,
- Trustees discussed the maintenance supervisors request to purchase a new pump for the well and have it on hand should something happen to the current pump that is well over 14 years old and supplies the entire district's water.
- The board scheduled a special meeting to discuss the plans to run a levy bond in the November election. The meeting was held Tuesday, Aug. 20. More information will be available in next week's issue.
- The board accepted the resignation of Carl Carlson, a bus driver and lead mechanic that had worked for the district for almost 30 years. They promoted from within and Dan Wall will take over his position, with Kirk Wight moving up into Dan's place as bus driver and backup mechanic.
- Trustees accepted the resignation of Christie Pfeiffer and approved advertisement for a Title 1 paraprofessional position.

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Mary McQuade Dittman

Mary McQuade Dittman, 92, of St. Maries, Idaho, passed away at her home surrounded by family on August 10, 2024. She was born on March 8, 1932, to Terrence and Genevieve (Anderwald) McQuade of Marble Creek, Idaho. Mary grew up in the Marble Creek Store with her family. Her mother ran the store, and her dad supplied the logging camps with his pack string.

Her childhood was full of unique moments that shaped the St. Joe area. There was a CCC camp to the East and a train depot to the North. Mary was able to watch the unloading of one of the first herds of elk introduced into the St. Joe drainage as they came off the train cars at the Marble Creek Station. Mary loved riding horses and was occasionally allowed to go with her father on his packing trips.

Mary boarded at St. Mary's Academy in St. Maries from 3rd Grade through 8th Grade. In her high school years, she boarded with the Lloyd and Marie Anderson Family. She would ride the train up and down the St. Joe River to go home for holidays and summer breaks.

She married Robert (Bob) Dittman on May 20, 1950. They built their log home in the Butler Bay area overlooking the St. Joe Valley. Together, they created an incredible legacy during their 51 years of marriage. Mary and Bob enjoyed spending time up the St. Joe River and instilled that love in all fourteen of their children. Her life was deeply enriched by building traditions with her family, such as huckleberry picking, large family dinners, saying the Rosary together each night, and apple cider pressing.

Her home was full of warmth and the laughter of all the neighborhood children. Mary was extremely talented at cooking, gardening, sewing, canning, and making do with what she had. She was active in the St. Maries Community, leading Bluebird and Campfire Girls. She was also in-

involved in St. Mary's Catholic Ladies, the Grange, and volunteered at the St. Maries Senior Center and the Benewah County Fair. She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Post Falls and St. Joseph's Mission in St. Maries.



She is survived by her sister-in-law, Karen McQuade, her children: Steve (Dot) Dittman, Stan Dittman, Scott (Jean) Dittman, Shawn (Swany) Dittman, Sam (Susan) Dittman, Serena (Bryan) Reid, Sally (Andy) Porter, Sharlyn (Joe) Johnston, Sonda (Kevin) McHail, Sidnee Dittman, Shannan (Mike) Mueller, Peter (Lori) Dittman, and Paul (Cindy) Dittman, 80 grandchildren, 163 great-grandchildren, 23 great-great-grandchildren, and numerous godchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Mary is preceded in death by her husband, Robert Dittman, sister Agnes Sibert, brother Tom McQuade, daughter Shirley McGovern, grandsons Joseph Johnston Jr. and Carl Reid, and great-grandchildren Gabriel Suchoski, Magdalen Suchoski, Anthony Dittman, and Jude Keogh.

A viewing took place on Thursday, August 15, 2024, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm at Hodge Funeral Home in St. Maries. Rosary was recited that evening at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Mission - 81525 Hwy 3 S., St. Maries, ID 83861. A Requiem High Mass took place on Friday, August 16, 2024, at 10:00 am at St. Joseph Mission, with graveside services following at Woodlawn Cemetery. A gathering of family and friends to share a meal followed all services at St. Joseph Mission.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Joseph Mission, P.O. Box 534, St. Maries, Idaho 83861. You may view Mary's online tribute at hodgefuneralhome.com.

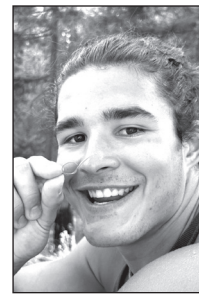
Eli David Villa

We are grieving the loss of Eli David Villa, born October 16, 2003, and leaving us in a tragic accident on August 11, 2024.

If you knew Eli you were aware of his quirky, goofy, funny, odd-ball, socially awkward, amazing self. A "big, beautiful dork" I liked to call him. Eli exemplified all that was good. His unwavering patience, his immense kindness, understanding and acceptance. His oddness. His authentic purity. His overwhelming wonder and excitement for nature and all the magic on earth—they were his gifts! He was gentle, incredibly sweet, and just filled to the brim with joy. Eli was obsessed with fishing. He and his brother, Hayden, were inextricably intertwined and shared an enormous love of fishing - spending all their free time together, having the best fishing adventures. He loved Sushi, big hugs, cool music and still loved being read to by his "mummy". As



his lifelong friend stated, "he was weird in the best of ways, and he unapologetically embraced that, and in doing so, he taught everyone that knew him to do the same thing". Eli was the brightest light and was so incredibly loved by his small circle.



His father (David) his "mummy" (Samantha) his best friend and brother (Hayden) and his "seeestairrr" (Sydney) along with his dogs (Sodie, Annemeister & Nahla BOOBEAR), his beloved Gma, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and coworkers—we will all do our best to see him in the things he loved the most (lakes, streams, the ocean, big bass, and most important, the massive amounts of love he gave us). In a world full of ordinary, be more like Eli.

The family is beyond grateful to the community for the outpouring of love. There will be a celebration of life for Eli in the near future.

Linda Elaine Simons

Former St. Maries residence, Linda Simons, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family at Olympic Memorial Hospital in Port Angeles, Washington on June 10, 2023. She was born to Robert and Iva Perin on January 2, 1947, in Vancouver, Washington. Linda grew up in Northern California until 1954. She then moved to St. Maries, Idaho after she and her siblings were orphaned. In 1965 she graduated from Enterprise, Oregon High School.

Walking home from work one day is when she met her partner and soul mate in life, Marvin Simons. They were married on October 20, 1967, in St. Maries, Idaho. A few years later, together they welcomed their first-born child, Gary Robert Simons. Two years later they welcomed their second child, Kathy LeAnn Simons. Their family was complete.

Linda's passions in life were being a wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, being outside in the sunshine with her family, animals of any kind, and running the family business. In 1985 Marvin and Linda moved to Forks, Washington. It was there that she continued to proudly raise her family and run the family business. Some years later the Spotted Owl habitat issue began to affect the livelihood of many gypso loggers. Mom applied for a scholarship so she could attend Peninsula College. It was soon afterwards that Linda and Marvin moved to Tumwater, Washington. Marvin began driving dump trucks on the I-5 corridor and Linda got a job at Briggs Nursery in Olympia in the accounting department.

Linda and Marvin lived in Tumwater for well over 20 years. She beamed with excitement and pride as she watched her family grow. She was

known as Mom, Grandma, or Grammy by us all. Her youngest grandson, Mateo lived the closet to her while she lived in Tumwater. When Mateo and his mom Kai-lani would come visit her, Linda would have the biggest smile on her face. She was very proud of her son Gary and his wife Ginger for building their new house and the four-legged grandbabies that they gave her. Linda also loved visits to Sequim to visit her daughter Kathy's house with her husband Tim, their children Brittany, Kyle, Brett, Timmy, and his wife Laura, all their four-legged fur babies, but most of all, the grandbabies Kameryn, Olivia, and Mason.

Linda was a very tough person. She lived her last few years in more pain than any of us knew. She was a stubborn person and would never let on to us that she suffered so much. In February 2023, her children finally convinced her to move closer to them in Sequim, Washington. It was such a blessing to have Mom and Dad closer to family so we could spend more time with them. Sadly, it was not enough time. She was loved very much by her family and is greatly missed. Sometimes, only one person is missing, and the whole world seems depopulated. Her absence is like the sky, spread over everything. No more pain, struggles, or sadness for our beautiful Mom, Grandma, and Grammy.

Linda was survived by her husband Marvin Simons, children: Gary (Ginger) Simons, Kathy (Tim) Wright, grandchildren: Kyle Eastman, Brittany Eastman, Timmy (Laura) Wright, and Brett Wright. Great grandchildren: Kameryn Pierce, Mateo Eastman, Olivia Wright, and Mason Wright.

Per Linda's request there will be no services.

Marvin Harry Simons

Former St. Maries resident, Marvin Simons passed away in Port Angeles, Washington on August 5 2024. He was born in St. Maries Idaho to Russell and Helen Simons on April 18, 1941. Marvin grew up in St. Maries Idaho and graduated from St. Maries High School in 1959.

Marvin married Lorinda Perin on October 20, 1967, in St. Maries Idaho. They had two children Gary and Kathy. Marvin had an incredible work ethic; he tried many different jobs until he found his true passion, truck driving. He always had work even when it led him out of town. In 1985 Marvin and his family moved to Forks, Washington. They lived in Forks for many years until work had Marvin and Linda move to Tumwater, Washington. Marvin and Linda lived there for over 20 years.

Marvin loved his family; he was an excellent father and grandpa. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren.

Marvin made friends easily, he was always visiting with someone either from school or work. He seemed to know everyone and everyone seemed to know him. He will be missed by all.

Marvin is preceded in death by his wife Linda and his brother John Simons. He is survived by children: Gary (Ginger) Simons, Kathy (Tim) Wright, grandchildren: Kyle Eastman, Brittany Eastman, Timmy (Laura) Wright, and Brett Wright. Great grandchildren: Kameryn Pierce, Mateo Eastman, Olivia Wright, and Mason Wright and his sister Myrtle Mellen.

Per Marvin's request there will be no services.

Fifth annual SPAN walk in early September

BY SUMMER WILLIAMS
THE GAZETTE RECORD

The 5th Annual Be The Light Suicide Prevention and Awareness Run/Walk is set for Sept. 7.

SPAN of Benewah County hosts the annual event. Every year, participants walk or run through downtown St. Maries in remembrance of those lost to the completion of suicide; and in an effort to raise awareness of this tragic event claiming the lives of loved ones.

SPAN is a nonprofit organization that works to raise awareness about suicides, prevent suicides and to provide resources to those who are struggling.

All ages are welcome to participate in this year's event. Registration is free unless you purchase apparel.

This year's walk will have a new start/ finish location this year. The walk begins at the Elks Lodge. The parking lot will mark the start/finish line of the 3K with the annual balloon archway.

Participants will travel down Main Street, turn right at 10th Street and left onto Idaho Avenue to go by the Cormana Building. From there, the route will travel around the baseball fields, up 15th Avenue, and along College Avenue. The turnaround point will be at the Loggers Memorial where the participants will turn around and come down through town on Main Street, returning back at the Elks Lodge. The trail will clearly be marked for the event.

Check-in will be at 8:30 a.m. with the guest speaker at 10 a.m. with the run/walk to follow shortly after.

A block party will follow the walk back at the Elks Lodge. There will be vendors, booths and raffles. Taco Bout It will serve breakfast and the Elks Lodge and Veterans Outreach Center will be doing lunch. Whistle Stop Coffee and Moore will also be on site.

This year's T-shirt was designed by local teenager, Alexis Blood. The design, which includes a ribbon as a butterfly, is printed in teal and purple (suicide awareness colors) on an aqua T-shirt or sweatshirt.

If you want apparel available for the day of the event, registrations that include the purchase of a 2024 Be The Light T-shirt or sweatshirt must be processed by September 1. However, orders can still be made after that date online or at the event. These orders won't be ready by the event, but after. This year's apparel includes a small sleeve printing that allows the walker to write the name(s) of who they are walking/ running for.

Those who are interested in participating can pre-register at <https://tinyurl.com/ytmb-tex8>. Online registration closes Sept. 6.


For more information, find SPAN of Benewah County on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100067424566017>. From there, you can message the organization as well.

"But I say unto you, That every IDLE word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgement." Matt 12:36. That means that when Jesus comes, we will have to give an excuse for every "careless, useless" word or statement made, if we have not made Him our Lord and Savior.

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In honor of Barb's vibrant spirit, we kindly request that guests wear colorful attire, reflecting the joy and positivity she brought into our lives.

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A vintage clock made by the late William Brebner has been donated to the St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church by his son David. The church will raffle off the clock in order to help fund its new Deacon Floyd Turner Narthex.

Brebner donating family heirloom for project

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

A local man is donating a family keepsake in order to benefit the construction of a new Narthex at the St. Mary's Immaculate Catholic Church.



David Brebner will donate a clock constructed by his father, the late William Brebner, to be raffled off by the church. Those who purchase raffle tickets for the clock have a chance at owning a piece of St. Maries history.

Brebner said he recently came back into contact with the clock unexpectedly. He said his dad would build the clocks for retirees at PotlatchDeltic.

He said his dad would build about 16 clocks at a time and at least built 300 of them. Most of the clocks were constructed in the 1980s.

"A fellow passed away and his family gave the clock back to me," Brebner said. "Seeing the way in which I came back to me, it seemed like a good way to support the church."

Brebner said his family has been involved with the local Catholic Church since the early days. He said he wants to support the creation of a new Narthex which would create more room in the front of the church for church goers to gather in. The addition would be named for the late Deacon Floyd Turner.

"I hope it goes to someone that knew him," W. Brebner said. "He was quite the craftsman, there's no doubt about it."

Those who want to view the clock can visit the St. Mary Catholic Church Parish Hall.

Organizers are hosting a raffle board to raffle off the clock. Squares are \$10 each.

To purchase a square, call Judy Zook at 208-659-7855.

SERVICE NOTICE

Floyd "Pee-Wee" A. Harvey, Jr.

Floyd "Pee-Wee" A. Harvey Jr. (89) Alias "Dobro Man", longtime St. Maries, ID resident passed away on August 7, 2024, with his loving wife Faith by his side. Pee-Wee was born to Floyd Sr and Rose Harvey on June 24, 1935, in St. Maries.

A graveside service will be on August 24, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery in St. Maries. Military honors will be presented. A gathering of family and friends to share a meal will follow in the fellowship hall of the St. Maries Assembly of God Church in St. Maries. You may visit Pee-Wee's online tribute at hodgefuneralhome.com.

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Put butter, potatoes and 1/3 cup water in a 10-inch skillet. Cover and cook over low heat for 25 minutes, or until potatoes are just tender. While potatoes cook mix remaining ingredients and let stand. Then pour mixture over potatoes. Cover and cook overheat until cheese melts and mixture thickens. Do not boil. Put in serving dish. Sprinkle with sesame seed and paprika. Serves 4 to 6.

Weight Club: Diane Smart was the Queen of the Week. The UpRiver Weight Club meets on Friday mornings at the Fernwood Senior Center from 8 to 9 a.m.

This week (Aug. 23), there will be no weigh in. It will be the Summertime Potluck with the White Elephant sale at 11 a.m. Members are to bring their favorite dish(es).

Birthday: Cathy Anderson of Fernwood, granddaughter, Ashley Robbins, great-granddaughter, Brenna both of Santa and daughter, Darla Wilkinson of Potlatch traveled to Orofino, Id. to visit Cathy's brother, John Pederson and family. While there, they celebrated Cathy's other brother, Bob Pederson's 69th birthday.

End of Summer: The Tri-Community Library's End of Summer "Olympic Celebration" week continues with Wednesday (today)-Craft Day, Thursday-Escape Day, Friday-Lego Day and Saturday-Barbecue with Summer Reading prize drawings. All events are from noon to 2 p.m.

UPRIVER NEWS



RHONDA WILKS

208-245-5177

Youth Group: The Emida Community Bible Church will have a "Youth Group" meeting on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 p.m. All area youths are welcome. Contact Pastor Travis Frank at 208-25-0783 for more information.

Back to Basics: There will be a "Meet and Greet" planning meeting on August 24 at the Fernwood CAF

Building at 9 a.m. sponsored by the UpRiver Community United. The UCU has applied for a local educational grant, so that they can move forward with planning and scheduling events such as learning how to can, basic vehicle maintenance, self-defense. The UCU has a vision of people of all ages coming together to learn and share their skills with their neighbors.

UpRiver Market: The UpRiver Market will be at the Fernwood CAF Building August 24th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Santa-Fernwood Sewer Project: The Santa-Fernwood Sewer Project will meet August 27th at 5 p.m.

Santa Water and Sewer District: The Santa Water and Sewer District will meet on August 27th at 5:30 p.m.

Both meetings will be at the Santa-Fernwood District Office, 65290 Highway 3 South, Fernwood. Contact the office at 208-245-3554 for further information.

Barn Cats: Free Barn Cats are available through the Feral Cat program. The cats have been spayed and/or neutered. Contact Peggy Imbrie at 208-245-8677.

Fit & Fall: Fit & Fall balance classes are open to men and women Wednesday and Friday mornings at the Fernwood Senior Center from 9 to 10 a.m. Contact Cindy Newsom at 208-245-6843 for more details.



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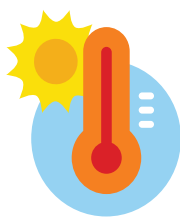
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HARRISON NEWS



SUSAN RODGERS

208-689-3987

My garden is giving me tomatoes and cucumbers so I am making my favorite salad that uses both of these along with some sweet onion.

Tomato and Cucumber Salad: Cut up 1 slicing cucumber into slices and 3 medium tomatoes into wedges. Cut a red or sweet onion into quarter rings. Put all together in a large bowl. In a small bowl, combine 1 cup vinegar, 2 Tbsp. vegetable or olive oil, 1/2 tsp. pepper, 1 tsp. salt and 1 Tbsp. sugar. Pour over the vegetables and toss lightly to coat. Let sit for about an hour in the refrigerator before serving.

School Registration: The Kootenai Jr./Sr. High and Harrison Elementary new student registration is Aug. 21-22 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Summer Concerts: The Harrison Chamber of Commerce Summer Concert Series continues Aug. 24 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Harrison City Park. Jessica Haffner will be playing Americana music. Bring your blanket or chairs and enjoy the music.

Bingo: Family Bingo at the Harrison Grange is Aug. 24 at 6 p.m. It is \$10 for 10 games open to all ages. 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Fiction Book Club: The Fiction Book Club is Aug. 28 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Harrison Library. The book is "The Last Bookshop in London" by Martin.

Teen Hangout: The Teen Hangout: Snack Attack, Homemade Pizza is Aug. 31 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Harrison Library. For ages 13 to 15.

Open House: The Kootenai School District Open House is Aug. 29 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Food Bank: The Food Bank donations can be

dropped off in the basement of the Harrison Community Baptist Church. Monetary donations are welcome. Make Checks out to the Harrison Food bank and mail to HCBC, P.O. Box 25, Harrison, Id. 83833. If your family or you know of someone who is in need of food this summer, call Char Unger, 208-689-3472.

Weight Support Club: Jean Dohrman was the Star of the Week, Best Loser and Officer of the week for Aug. 15. Gwen Wadley was the KOPS Star of the Week.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting is Thursdays at the Harrison Senior Center. Weigh-in are from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. followed by the meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. New members welcome. For more information, contact Gwen Wadley, 208-245-3019.

Exercise Class: The Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Classes are Mondays at 9:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Harrison Senior Center. The classes last between 45 and 60 minutes. It is an exercise program supported and funded by the State of Idaho. For more information, contact 208-689-3194.

Senior Meal Site: A Senior Potluck is Tuesdays at noon at the Rose Lake School in Rose Lake. Since they no longer will be supplying the meals, the group has decided to have potlucks each Tuesday. Call 208-752-1194 to find out what the next potluck theme is.

Grange Market: The Harrison Grange Market is open every weekend from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tables are \$10 with space limited and power available. If interested in a space, contact Tim Rothlisberger, 208-755-7708.



TYSON JUAREZ | GAZETTE RECORD

Sarah Schwarz' Grand Champion cow was purchased by HMH Engineering.



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Sky De Boer's Grand Champion chickens were purchased by Archie's IGA.



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Caralena Humphrey's Grand Champion Goat was purchased by Les Schwab Tires.

Benewah County Fair Junior Show & Sale

August 17, 2024



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Sadie Rose Davidson's Grand Champion Sheep was purchased by HMH Engineering.



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Juniper Stevenson's Grand Champion Rabbit was purchased by Cannon Hill Industries.



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Sadie Rose Davidson's Grand Champion pig was purchased by 10th Street Super Stop.



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Kerrick Carney's Grand Champion Turkey's were purchased by Triple X Feeds.



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Zachary Scott's Reserve Champion cow was Purchased by Nelson Brothers Trucking.



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Cole Edwards' Reserve Champion Goat was purchased by St. Maries Harvest Foods.



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Addisen Edwards' Reserve Champion chickens were purchased by HMH Engineering.



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Connor Swy's Reserve Champion pig was purchased by Les Schwab Tires.



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Zayden Tobon's Reserve Champion rabbits were purchased by 957 Self-Loading.



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Rob Stiles' Reserve Champion turkey's were purchased by Les Schwab Tires.



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Dani Davidson's Reserve Champion sheep was purchased by Les Schwab Tires.

2024 Benewah County Fair 4-H Results

Antique Collection
Grand Champion Candy Pugh
Reserve Champion

Art
Grand Champion Marva Riccittell
Reserve Champion Marva Riccittell

Baking
Grand Champion Margaret Carlson
Reserve Champion Theresa Tobon

Canning
Grand Champion Theresa Tobon
Reserve Champion Linda Smith

Flowers & Horticulture
Grand Champion Dianna Blair
Reserve Champion Debra Boller

Fruits & Vegetables
Grand Champion Mark Grant
Reserve Champion Austin Greenwood

Hobbies & Crafts
Grand Champion Aaron King
Reserve Champion Eric Carlson

Photography
Grand Champion Candy Pugh
Reserve Champion Danny Riccittelli

Sewing
Grand Champion Janice Telfer
Reserve Champion

Crochet
Grand Champion Pam Anderson
Reserve Champion

Knitting
Grand Champion Amber King
Reserve Champion

Quilting
Grand Champion Mary Spray
Reserve Champion Dottie Hodgson

Rug Making
Grand Champion
Reserve Champion Allison Huffman

Sugar Awards (donated by Harvest Foods)
1st: Margaret Carlson; 2nd: Craig Law; 3rd: Emma Dundas

Canning
1st: Lori Reynolds; 2nd: Linda Smith; 3rd: Cindy Petrie

Youth Open Class

Craft
Grand Champion Abigail Vandenberg
Reserve Champion James Camping

Crochet
Grand Champion Faye Frazier
Reserve Champion Addie Frank

Baking
Grand Champion Minnie Stiles
Reserve Champion

Photography
Grand Champion Kara Abell
Reserve Champion Emma Vandenberg

Rabbit
Grand Champion Lauren Edwards
Reserve Champion Lauren Edwards

Dairy Goat
Grand Champion Isabella Wise
Reserve Champion Isabella Wise

Meat Goat
Grand Champion Cole Edwards
Reserve Champion Caralena Humphrey

Market Swine
Grand Champion Ty Fancher
Reserve Champion

'I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT AND PARTICIPATED. EACH YEAR WE KEEP GETTING BIGGER AND BETTER.'

Nancy Malensky
Benewah County Fair

FAIR: Nearly 100 animals sold at Saturday auction; local businesses among top buyers

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purchased animals but let the participant go home with their animal and keep the money. Also announced at the auction was the Coeur d'Alene Tribe gave back to the county fair by donating around \$17,000 to the program and its youth. Malensky said with all of

the support, the event keeps growing. At the beginning of the week, Malensky said the barns at the fair were full. She wasn't kidding, as more than 90 animals were sold at Saturday's auction alone. "I want to thank everyone who came out and participated," she said. "Each year we keep getting bigger and better."



TYSON JUAREZ | GAZETTE RECORD

Candy Pugh holds up the vintage quilt she put together for the County fair. The blocks for the quilt are from 1939 and contain the names of family members who lived up the Benewah during that period in time.

Local woman sews quilt with pieces from 1939

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Local woman Candy Pugh submitted a little bit of Benewah history into the fair last week.

'I FOUND IT AGAIN A MONTH AGO AND SAID 'YOU KNOW WHAT THAT NEEDS TO BE PUT TOGETHER.'

Candy Pugh
St. Maries Resident

Pugh submitted a quilt she had sewn together made up of vintage fabric blocks from 1939. The fabric blocks contain the names of many of the older family names who lived up Benewah Road. Pugh said the quilt blocks were found when cleaning out Vera Pugh's house. She said her son John had found them and given them to her.

The blocks proceeded to sit in the envelope for another few years before Pugh decided it was time to do something with them. "I found it again a month ago and said 'you know what that needs to be put together,'" Pugh said. She said she had also heard from a friend, who had bought an older house in St. Maries, that they also found an old quilt from the same time, but their's was sewn together. Pugh said she thinks some of the families may have had a quilting club in the day and that the quilts were part of a project. Pugh said she's only sewn around four quilts and wouldn't consider herself a quilter. Despite that, she said she felt compelled to complete the quilt and plans to donate it to the Benewah Valley Association. She was encouraged to enter the quilt into the Open Class exhibit at the Benewah County Fair where she received Grand Champion for original antique.

Area group hosting special guest Thursday

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

The West Benewah County chapter of the National Ladies Homesteading group will host a special guest this Thursday. The local women's homesteading group will host the founder of the national group, Cyndi Ball, at its special gathering Thursday. Ball is known for starting the National Ladies Homesteading group in Georgia in 2011. The group will meet at 12:30 p.m., August 22 at Rocky Point. Those interested in learning more about the group are invited to attend. Denise Floch, a member

of the homesteading group, said the group's purpose is to empower women seeking to homestead, share knowledge and grow friendships. The group covers a variety of homesteading topics such as canning, fire preparedness, food prep and more. The group is open to those ages 16 and older and the West Benewah County chapter regularly meets from 6 to 8p.m., the third Tuesday of every month at the Plummer Bible Church. For more information on this Thursday's special gathering or for more information on the local homesteading group, call Floch at 208-818-1276.

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Local sports seasons begin this week

BY COLLIN SCHEEL
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Several area high school teams kick off their seasons this week, beginning with the Lakeside football team.

Led by first-year varsity coach and recent University of Montana graduate, Jerry

Louie-McGee, the Knights will be the official 'away' team at Friday's meeting with Coeur du Christ at the Coeur Center in Worley.

Both schools will play home football games at the Coeur Center. The second meeting, Oct. 11, will see Lakeside as the 'home' team.

The St. Maries football team's home, preseason jamboree Aug. 23 was canceled.

St. Maries' volleyball and girls soccer teams open their seasons Saturday.

The Lumberjacks, led by eight-year varsity coach Rachele Fischer, host Logos at noon (JV) and 1:30 p.m. (varsity).

The Lumberjack girls soccer team, coached by Amber Morris (5 seasons), hosts Coeur d'Alene Charter for a 2 p.m. kickoff.

The Lakeside volleyball team opens its season early next week, hosting Clark Fork Tuesday, Aug. 27 at 5:30 p.m. The Knights are coached by Devyn

Moore, a 2018 St. Maries High School graduate.

Kootenai's volleyball team also begins its season Aug. 27, facing Coeur du Christ on the road at 5:30 p.m. Elexus Moore-Rich returns for her second season at the helm of the Warrior volleyball program.

Keeping tradition alive

Locals unite to refurbish fishing gear

BY MARY ORR
THE GAZETTE RECORD

This is not about saving the environment, but it is about preservation; preserving the tradition of fishing.

Henry Madsen and the St. Maries Elks club have united in an effort to keep the tradition alive.

Members of the club, at the leadership of Ray Wilson, have sponsored an annual kids fishing derby for many years. Last year Wilson was ill and unable to put it on. It was missed.

This year, Madsen and a few other club members want to make sure that not only does the event continue, but that local children are equipped and encouraged to fish.

In an effort to do just that, Madsen is accepting donations of unwanted fishing gear, and he and a team of volunteers plan to refurbish it and redistribute it to area children.

He placed an ad in the newspaper earlier this month and said he's gotten a positive response and lots of equipment.

Madsen said the idea for collecting and refurbishing the equipment came to him one day when making a trash run, he noticed that someone had tossed a bunch of usable rods and it bothered him.

So he decided to give folks a better option for disposing of their unwanted gear; he'd take it.

Madsen and his wife have owned property on Shepherd for approximately nine years and has operated his satellite law office in St. Maries for the last three years.

"This was the office that I decided that I was going to slow down and close my CDA office someday and just retire, but when I opened this office I tripled my business," he said.

Madsen's love for old fishing gear is evident upon



MARY ORR | GAZETTE RECORD

Henry Madsen stands outside his local office with a handful of rods that were donated this week. Mr. Madsen is a fishing enthusiast and has agreed to help refurbish old fishing gear to donate to local children.

approaching his office as he has a display in his windows of antique fishing equipment.

"People come in here all the time looking to buy stuff because they think I am a fishing store," he said.

He first decided he'd start donating his own unwanted fishing gear. Because his hobby leads him to yard sales and auctions where he ends up with more than he can use.

"I've got stuff everywhere," he said.

Madsen said he's been

fishing northern Idaho since he was six years old. He started fishing with his dad in the Cataldo area. He used to catch huge bull frogs out of the mission slew.

"We'd take bobbers when we were little kids and throw them in front of the bullfrog and it would jump and grab the bobber and we'd reel them in," Madsen said. "And we ate them."

Madsen said fishing teaches a lot of tenants, like responsibility and patience.

"Those tenants are in-

grained in me and I think we need to do more for our young kids," he said. "Especially now since the cost of fishing equipment had quadrupled since five years ago. Everything has just gone crazy."

As the collection of equipment grows, Madsen said he will organize and equipment cleaning day and invite folks to help get the equipment ready for use. Then the group will choose a giveaway day and announce it to the community.

Men's League brackets posted

BY COLLIN SCHEEL
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Team match play begins this week in St. Maries Men's League at the golf course.

Teams have until Sunday to coordinate their four players for match play.

Rules and brackets are posted in the clubhouse, and questions can be directed to Roddy Brown or Bryan Chase.

Gross team standings going into the playoff have Country Fair in first, followed by Greg's Hydraulics in second, Joe's Bar in third and Goin' Deep in fourth.

Net team standings are led by All Balls in first, Team Toes in second, Hodge Funeral Home in third and S&S Logging in fourth.

The individual League Championship will be decided Sept. 7 and 8, with handicaps established through the 14 weeks of play being used.

Low gross in week 14 went to Josh Olson with a score of 34.

Larry Wright was KP on #13, Brayden Buell was KP on #16 and long drive went to Drake Lounsbury. John Blackburn had long putt and accuracy went to Greg Sindt.

Josh Olson and Ron Hodge took first in the two-man blind draw, followed by Mark Wagner and Seth Swallows in second. Larry Lewis and Joe Martin took third.

Skin winners were Josh Olson and Luke Rose.

Danielson, Lounsbury earn low gross

BY COLLIN SCHEEL
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Sally Danielson and Jo Lounsbury earned low gross in ladies golf action at the St. Maries Golf Course Aug. 13.

Low nets went to Sharri McNulty and Missy Ross, and long drives to Sharri McNulty and Jo Lounsbury. Jo Lounsbury was KP on #13, and Sally Danielson had long putt.

The nearby Great Outdoors: Hammond-Kyle Divide Trail #489

DISTANCE FROM ST. MARIES:

Approximately 50 miles

DIRECTIONS:

Take the St. Joe River Road east out of St. Maries to Avery. Continue through Avery, and turn left before crossing the highway bridge over the North Fork of the St. Joe River. Travel along the North Fork of the St. Joe River for approximately four and-a-half miles, where the road forks to drop left to Telichpah Campground. Turn left, and continue traveling upriver for one mile to Trail #489.

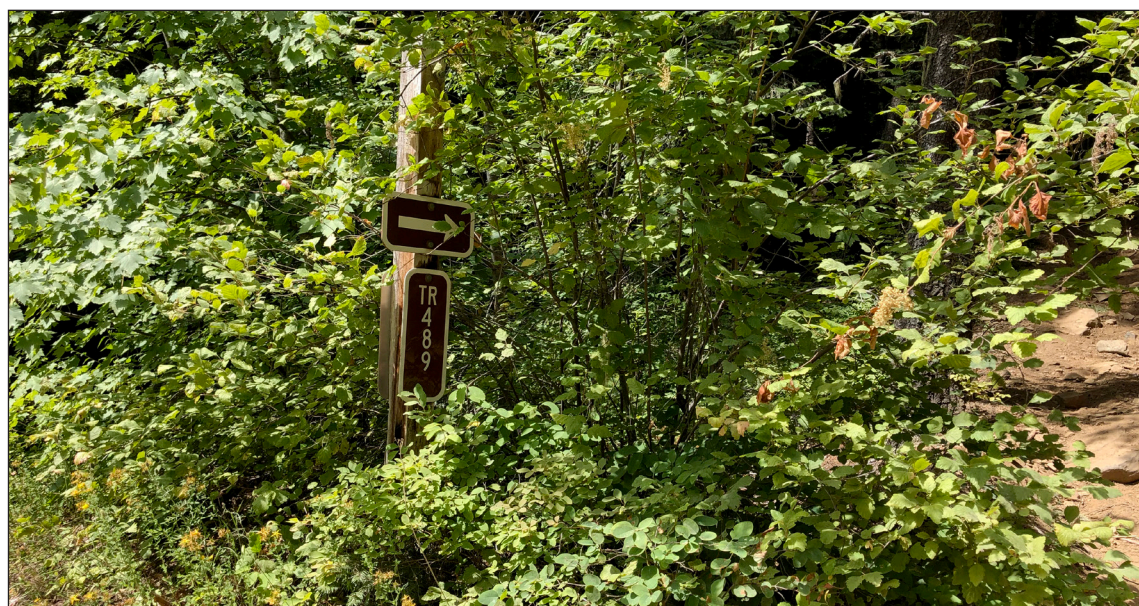
BY COLLIN SCHEEL
THE GAZETTE RECORD

For this one, help in the form of two wheels - or four legs - will be appreciated.

The Hammond-Kyle Divide trail is one of many trails offered in the Moon Pass area, coming in at a little more than five miles and climbing from 2,800 feet in elevation at the trailhead to 6,000 feet at its intersection with Cedar Mountain Trail.

From its high points, Trail #489 offers breathtaking views of jagged cliffs and the Hammond Creek (south) and Kyle Creek (north) drainages.

Once reaching its intersecting point with Cedar Moun-



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The Hammond Kyle Divide trail has been well-traveled this summer by horseback riders and motorcyclists, and offers four and-a-half miles of trail through rugged country north of Avery.

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A small creek flows under Rye Creek Road where trail #489 climbs toward Hammond Point, directly between Hammond Creek to the south and Kyle Creek to the north.

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 tain Trail, visitors can travel south for about a mile and-a-half to Storm Mountain (5,613 ft.) where Dunn Peak Road is accessed and can be used to travel to Hoyt Flats.

Heading north from the Cedar Mountain/Hammond-Kyle intersection leads into a large portion of backcountry, and can also lead to the Kyle Creek Trail, which leads back to the main road and can make for a challenging loop.

IDFG implements bear hunting rules

Idaho Fish and Game Commission recently approved temporary rules for black bear hunting in Idaho that include new requirements for bear baiting and a mandatory bear identification course for hunters.

be provided before the new rule takes effect. These are temporary rules that will still go through a formal rulemaking process and include public comment.

Starting Sept. 1: Any person placing bait to hunt black bears, hunting at a bait site, or witnessing the use of a bait site by a grizzly bear, must immediately report the presence of a grizzly bear at a bait station to a Fish and Game regional office. Hunters must stop hunting over that bait site for the remainder of that specific hunting season. The bait site may not be rebaited, and must be removed as soon as it's safe and feasible. For example, if a grizzly visits a bait site during spring season for the remainder of the spring season but could be replaced for fall season.

Idaho is seeking removal of grizzlies from federal Endangered Species Act protection, and part of the delisting process reviews state regulatory measures rules to protect grizzlies if federal protection is lifted. For decades the Commission has prohibited black bear hunters from using bait in occupied grizzly bear recovery areas in the Panhandle and Greater Yellowstone area. Idaho's case for delisting is even stronger by having these additional rules in place.

Starting Jan. 1, 2025: Anyone hunting black bears in Idaho must show proof of taking a bear identification test to help them differentiate between black bears and grizzly bears. Details on how hunters can take a test and show proof will

There is no hunting season for grizzlies in Idaho, and grizzly bear death from hunter misidentification is a rare occurrence and has not prevented the remarkable growth and expansion of Idaho's Grizzly bear population.

Idaho's grizzly population is increasing, and grizzly bears may wander long distances through areas where people don't expect to encounter them.

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Coast Guard offers boat safety inspections

BY TYSON JUAREZ
 THE GAZETTE RECORD

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary out of Coeur d'Alene will visit Harrison this Saturday to perform boat safety inspections and provide education on water recreation safety.

the water. We'll inspect canoes and paddle boards," Flotilla Commander Steve Bilte said.

The next event will be at the Harrison Docks starting at 10 a.m., Saturday, August 24.

He said the Coast Guard also wants to educate citizens on the importance of life jackets and make sure people are wearing theirs while recreating on the water.

"We'll be out there inspecting boats or anything else on

Bilte said the Coast Guard also plans to be at Aqua Park in St. Maries during the day, Monday, August 26 to conduct boat safety inspections as well.

Avery hosts first safety summit

BY SUMMER WILLIAMS
 THE GAZETTE RECORD

The Avery School District hosted its first safety summit series earlier this month and is preparing to host a second one in October.

to alert professionals of a concern.

The next event, which will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Oct. 8 at Calder Elementary School, will discuss dangers that youth face today including internet predators and human trafficking and utilizing the see-tell-now program

Dinner and childcare will be provided for free. The October event is hosted by the Avery School District in conjunction with the Idaho Office of School Safety and Security and the Shoshone County Sheriff's Office.

Register online for the event at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/safety-summit-series-tickets-949989693747> or call the Avery District Office at (208) 245-2479.

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NIC program coming to town

BY TYSON JUAREZ
THE GAZETTE RECORD

North Idaho College announced its Workforce Training Center's Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program is coming to St. Maries this fall. The first round of classes will begin September 17 and will run through December 10. Classes will be hosted from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesdays, at St.

Maries High School. NIC is accepting registrations and enrollments for the class starting now. A press release issued by the NIC Workforce Training Center states the class is a good opportunity for employees in the medical industry to further their career skills or is a good way to get enter the healthcare field. The program is eligible for

Idaho Launch, Advanced Opportunity funds, and many other payment options including scholarships, loans and payment plans. Information on funding resources can be found by visiting nic.edu/wtccparmentoptions/. More information on the program can be found by emailing nicworkforcetraining@NIC.edu or by calling 208-769-3214.

Citizens encourage prevention at board meeting

BY MARY ORR
THE GAZETTE RECORD

Three local citizens asked trustees to do more to support suicide prevention at the St. Maries School District board meeting Monday. Hank Thornton, director of the Benewah County Veterans Center, approached the board and explained a state-wide push to do something about the issue and his vision for St. Maries to lead in this area. He shared the great success that the Veterans Center has had with suicide prevention and wanted to bring that to other sectors of the community. He asked the district to partner with other community organizations and do their part in education the youth. Polly Grasham, with Benewah County Suicide Prevention Network (SPAN), shared some national statistics and her experiences with local troubled youth. She thanked the board for revisiting and updating the district's suicide prevention policy. She then asked if the district would be willing to do more such as incorporate suicide prevention education and training into the health curriculum. She offered support from the Benewah SPAN. And finally, Holly Jo Shea, a middle school teacher, shared her personal experiences with students struggling with suicidal ideation. She said that while she supports parents having control over what their child is learning, she believes that parents are not getting the job done when it comes to educating their children about this issue and suggested that the district offer some support. Next, the board heard an overview of the WISH organization's sexual education curriculum. Educator Sara Jennings went through a brief presentation of the curriculum and answered questions from the board. The district is considering contracting with the organization to provide sexual education for high school students. Then, the McKinstry engineering team shared a status report on the Renewal America Schools grant for district-wide HVAC system upgrades. The projects are expected to be completed over the next two summers. The team has gotten the federal approval to begin spending grand dollars. The team is ready to start hearing

from local contractors who may be interested in working on the project. Next, the board listened to a report on a supplemental levy phone survey, conducted by the district last month. Dr. Richard Bauscher presented results from the survey. Dr. Bauscher is a retired school board member, who now does consulting for districts wanting help running supplemental levies and has worked with area districts including Plummer-Worley and Kootenai. The district surveyed 450 local registered voters about the possibility of the approval of the levy, which is about 10 percent of the voter population. The results showed that if a levy was run this summer it would be a close election and has a 50 percent chance of failing. He said the district will need to do some work before running an election to ensure the levy's success. "There's a lot of levies that win or lose by one or two votes, Dr. Bauscher said. "I look at this and say you've got good information. I personally want my supplementals at 70 percent. It gives me leverage." He made some suggestions for work that the district could do to get more folks on board with the levy. Overall he concluded that the survey shows that the district had historically done a good job and has solid faith from the community. "People of SMSD support the schools, staffing and operations," Dr. Bauscher said. "And the majority of them are inclined to say they support the amount." Dr. Rensch said she was pleased to run the survey and also conducted an online version in which she received approximately 100 responses. Those results show support of the levy at 65 percent or higher. The district and board will formulate a strategy and begin deploying that in order to run a successful levy in November. Next the board reviewed an updated draft markup of a proposed concealed weapons policy and discussed it at length. Various ways of garnering input were discussed and a plan will be formulated and presented to the board. The board discussed removing the "gun-free zone" signs that are posted throughout the district and replacing them with signs that say something about the dis-

trict's support of the staff's right to concealed carry. The board also approved the district's application for grant funds that would provide an additional student resource officer for their campuses for the next three years. Additional safety measures were mentioned and it was agreed that it would be placed on the next agenda for further discussion. In her report, Superintendent Teresa Rensch shared that the sports complex field at the high school will be ready this fall for student use. She also shared that the Heyburn Elementary playground equipment is onsite but needs installed. The district will organize a work day and round up volunteers for that project. Additionally she announced plans for the Heyburn 100-year birthday celebration Aug. 27 at 1:30 p.m. The celebration will be held outside in front of the elementary school if weather permits. State educational leadership and board leadership will speak, history of the building will be shared, walk-throughs offered and refreshment provided. In other business trustees approved:

- A motion to authorize Business Manager Danelle Cordell to manage the credit card accounts and approve a new credit limit of \$80,000
- The disposal of obsolete IT hardware
- Meal and milk price increases as well as miscellaneous bid awards for the food service department
- Approved the transportation bus routes, safety routes, required turn-arounds and non-transportation zones for the upcoming year
- Approved an agreement to partner with North Idaho College to offer them space once a week in the high school CTE classroom for the certified nursing assistant program in exchange for Trustees tabled:
- A motion to approve a contract for services with Panhandle Health District. They asked for additional information and will re-consider the contract at their next meeting.
- The school board has a special meeting scheduled for Aug. 20 for policy review purposes. Their next regular meeting is scheduled for Sept. 9.

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PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF HARRISON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
HOUGH VARIANCE APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the City of Harrison Planning and Zoning Commission, pursuant to Idaho Code §§ 67-6516, 67-6509, and related statutes, that a public hearing will be held on August 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Harrison City Hall, 100 Frederick Avenue, Harrison, Idaho 83833. The applicants, John and Tina Hough, are requesting a variance to allow a 0' setback for their property located at 25633 S. Promontory Rd., Harrison, Idaho 83833. The application and supporting materials are available for review at Harrison City Hall.

Interested parties and members of the public will be given time to present testimony in favor of or in opposition to the development agreement at the public hearing. Written comments will also be accepted in advance of and at the public hearing and may be submitted to the City of Harrison, Attn.: City Clerk, Harrison City Hall, 100 Frederick Avenue, Harrison, Idaho 83833. The Harrison City Hall is accessible to those persons in wheelchairs. If you are hearing impaired and will require special services, please notify City Hall at (208) 689-3212 at least three (3) days in advance of the public hearing. DATED this 9 day of August, 2024.
/s/ Miriah Pfeiffer, City Clerk, City of Harrison, Idaho 1675 - Aug. 14-21

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SUSAN RODGERS | GAZETTE RECORD

The first game on the revived Harrison Ballfield was Aug. 10. Staff members of the Kootenai School District played a team from the Red Horse Ranch. They raised over \$500 for a local family in need. They are planning more games on the field for local teams to play.

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There are seven new legal notices in this week's issue.

Benewah County published a Notice of Candidate Filing Deadline.

The Idaho Department of Lands published two Timber Sales.

Clarkia Highway District published its Budget Hearing.

The City of St. Maries published a Public Hearing Notice.

US EPA Region 10 published a Request for Comments regarding an Air Quality Permit to Operate PotlatchDeltic Land and Lumber.

The City of Harrison published a Budget Hearing Notice.

PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF ST. MARIES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON FEE CHANGES
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the City of St. Maries City Council, pursuant to Idaho Code §§ 63-1311, 63-1311A, and related statutes, that a public hearing will be held on August 26, 2024, at 5:30 PM, at St. Maries City Hall, 602 W. College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho to consider changes to the Water, Sewer, and Garbage rates, Alcohol License Transfer fee, Mailing Documents fee, and the Pavement Deposit fee.

The supporting materials are available for review at St. Maries City Hall. Interested parties and members of the public will be given time to present testimony in favor of or in opposition to the vacation at the public hearing. Written comments will also be accepted in advance of and at the public hearing and may be submitted to the City of St. Maries, Attn.: City Clerk, St. Maries City Hall, 602 W. College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho 83861.

The St. Maries City Hall is accessible to those persons in wheelchairs. If you are hearing impaired and will require special services, please notify City Hall at (208) 245-2577 at least three (3) days in advance of the public hearing. DATED this 12th day of August 2024.

/s/ Jaidyn Kinzer, City Clerk, City of St. Maries, Idaho 1677 – Aug. 14-21

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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ISBA No. 7374
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF

THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BENEWAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLYDE A. LONG Decedent.

Case No. CV05-24-0236 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said Decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be submitted to the undersigned, at the following address: c/o Susan R. Wilson, Attorney at Law, PLLC, 208 S. Main Street, Ste 2, Moscow, ID 83843, AND filed with the Court. DATED this 8-1-2024.

/s/ KATHRYN QUINN, Personal Representative 1671 – Aug. 14-28

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SANTA WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING INCREASE IN CONNECTION FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES

Notice is hereby given by the Santa Water and Sewer District, pursuant Idaho Code 63-1311A, that a public hearing will be held at a regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, August 27, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as it can be heard, at the Santa Water and Sewer District office located at 65290 Highway 3 South, Benewah County, Idaho, The public hearing will include comments from the public regarding the proposed increase in water and sewer connection fees from \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00 each plus cost.

The public hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons in wheelchairs. If you are hearing impaired and will require special service, you must notify the District Board secretary at 208-245-3554 at least three days in advance of the public hearing., the public hearing will be held at 65290 Highway 3 South. SANTA WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT BY: Marzetta Reimann, Board Secretary Publish: 8/14/24 and 8/21/2024 1669 – Aug. 14-21

TIMBER SALE

STATE TIMBER SALE CR300731, LIVELY ALDER-AAN CEDAR

A public oral auction will

be conducted at the Idaho Department of Lands office, 1806 Main Avenue, St. Maries, ID 83861, at 9:00 a.m. local time, on Thursday, September 19, 2024 for an estimated 3,665 MBF of timber marked or otherwise designated for cutting. In addition, there is an unestimated volume of forest products that may be removed at the option of the purchaser. Prior to bidding, eligible bidders shall present a certified check or bank draft payable to Idaho Department of Lands, or a bid bond acceptable to the State, in the amount of \$61,391.10 which is 10% of the appraised net sale value of \$613,911.00. The successful bidder's deposit will be forfeited to the State should the bidder fail to complete the contract. The State will not accept bids from parties who are delinquent on payments on existing state contracts. The average starting minimum bid price for Cedar is \$468.50 per MBF and for Non-Cedar is \$123.73.

The sale is located within Sections 14 & 15, Township 43N, Range 03W B.M., Benewah County, State of Idaho. Sale duration is 4 years. The sale may include blow-down and/or insect and disease infected timber which may result in additional volume and recovery reductions. Interested purchasers should carefully examine the sale and make their own estimates as to volume recovery, surface conditions, and proposed construction prior to bidding on the sale. Additional information concerning the timber and conditions of sale is available to the public and interested bidders on the department's timber sale website at Timber Sale Advertisement App - Department of Lands (idaho.gov) or from the Idaho Department of Lands office, St. Maries, Idaho. Please note purchaser insurance requirements posted on the timber sale website.

The Department of Lands, as authorized by the State Board of Land Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids provided that good and sufficient grounds for rejecting the bid shall be stated in the rejection notice and shall not be in violation of applicable law. If you are disabled and need some form of accommodation, please call (208) 245-4551 five days prior to the date of sale. For text telephone services, please call 1-800-377-3529.

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NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE

For Elections to be held November 5, 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That Declarations of Candidacy for the following districts must be filed with the Clerk/Secretary of that district no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 30, 2024. Such declarations are available at the district office of the respective districts, or at the office of the County Clerk. Individuals wishing to run as write-in candidates for the following Districts must file a Declaration of Intent no later than 5:00 p.m. September 6, 2024. Individuals wishing to run as non-partisan write-in candidates for eligible Benewah County Offices must file a Declaration of Intent with the Benewah County Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. September 6, 2024.

District Name	Address	Position
Benewah Soil and Water Conservation District	900 E Street Plummer, ID	Board Member 2 Positions
Benewah County	701 W. College Ave St. Maries, ID	Non-Partisan Write-In Candidate

/s/ Deanna Bramblett
Benewah County Clerk and Chief Election Officer
1679 – Aug. 21

Clarkia Better Roads Highway District Budget Hearing

2024-2025

October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025

Pursuant to the requirements of Idaho Code and to the resolutions of the Commissioners of Clarkia Better Roads Highway District, Shoshone County, Idaho, presents the following budget for the consideration of the taxpayers of Clarkia Better Roads Highway District.

Said hearing shall be at the Clarkia Library
Thursday, August 29, 2024 at 5:00PM

Anticipated Revenues and Funds:

Forest Apportionment Replacement Fund	\$64,000
Highway Users Revenue	\$167,000
Cash Reserve	\$1,274,363
Interest	\$20,000
Anticipated Total Funds:	\$1,525,363

Anticipated Expenditures:

Office expense	\$2,000
Administrative expense	\$2,000
Clerk's salary	\$10,800
Heat & Utilities	\$10,000
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Commissioner Fees	\$3,000
Payroll	\$70,000
Payroll taxes	\$20,000
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Building repair	\$35,000
Equipment repair & parts	\$30,000
Shop supplies	\$5,000
Gas, diesel & oil	\$10,000
Capital outlay	\$820,002
New building fund	\$400,000
Road & Bridge Maintenance fund	\$75,000
Contingency fund	\$2,500
Loader Lease	\$16,061
Anticipated Total Expenditures:	\$1,525,363

Dated this 13th day of August, 2024
/s/ Margaret Steele, Clerk /s/ Randy Gallagher, Chairman
1682 – Aug. 21-28

PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF ST. MARIES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the City of St. Maries Planning and Zoning Commission, pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-6509 and related statutes, that a public hearing will be held on September 11, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at St. Maries City Hall, 602 W. College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho to consider an amendment to the St. Maries Municipal Code addressing lot mergers, boundary line adjustments and plat and street vacations.

The draft ordinance and supporting materials are available for review at St. Maries City Hall. Interested parties and members of the public will be given time to present

testimony in favor of or in opposition to the amendments. Written comments will also be accepted in advance of and at the public hearing and may be submitted to the City of St. Maries, Attn.: City Clerk, St. Maries City Hall, 602 W. College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho 83861. The St. Maries City Hall is accessible to those persons in

wheelchairs. If you are hearing impaired and will require special services, please notify City Hall at (208) 245-2577 at least three (3) days in advance of the public hearing. DATED this 15th day of August 2024. Jaidyn Kinzer, City Clerk, City of St. Maries, Idaho 1683 – Aug. 21

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - BENEWAH COUNTY

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BENEWAH COUNTY, IDAHO WILL MEET ON AUGUST 26, 2024 AT THE HOUR OF 9:00AM AT THE COURTHOUSE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING AND FIXING A FINAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO EACH OFFICE, DEPARTMENT, SERVICE AGENCY OR INSTITUTION AND FUND FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR AT WHICH TIME ANY TAXPAYER MAY APPEAR AND BE HEARD UPON ANY PART OR PARTS OF SAID BUDGET; AND THAT THE FOLLOWING TABLE SETS FORTH THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TO EACH DEPARTMENT FOR THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR, THE CURRENT YEAR, TOGETHER WITH THE AMOUNTS EXPENDED FOR "SALARIES", "BENEFITS", AND "OTHER EXPENSES" DURING THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS BY THE SAID DEPARTMENTS, TO-WIT:

	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES				BUDGETED EXPENDITURES			
	FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2022		FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2023		FISCAL YEAR ENDING 9/30/2023		CURRENT BUDGET FY ENDING 9/30/2024	
	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL	SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL
CURRENT EXPENSE								
CLERK/AUDITOR	182,896.37	115,799.83	11,660.32	310,356.52	197,022.05	124,759.55	11,840.60	333,622.20
ASSESSOR	195,243.99	159,551.23	24,847.90	379,643.12	175,348.58	124,243.88	8,949.13	308,541.59
TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR	88,000.16	71,618.04	6,271.68	165,889.88	91,111.72	76,991.16	8,889.78	176,992.66
COMMISSIONERS	56,402.64	74,098.59	6,901.56	137,402.79	59,222.88	79,763.60	20,594.24	159,580.72
CORONER	21,296.04	16,317.60	11,421.56	49,035.20	22,072.44	17,598.18	8,366.28	48,036.90
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	177,940.07	86,410.94	45,391.69	309,742.70	249,184.95	135,415.35	17,513.76	402,114.06
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	0.00	0.00	133,074.78	133,074.78	0.00	0.00	95,822.91	95,822.91
CIVIL DEFENSE	3,864.00	907.57	2,418.66	7,190.23	4,080.00	945.15	2,101.77	7,126.92
COUNTY AGENT/EXTENSION OFFICE	36,121.40	19,935.97	26,987.41	83,044.78	36,916.20	21,057.46	27,680.95	85,654.61
ELECTIONS	0.00	0.00	26,095.09	26,095.09	0.00	0.00	21,952.15	5,000.00
GENERAL	0.00	2,078.00	174,870.70	176,948.70	0.00	0.00	186,268.78	186,268.78
PLANNING AND ZONING	1,215.00	285.96	3,013.75	4,514.71	1,663.75	385.08	19,815.59	21,864.42
COVID PREMIUM PAY	251,256.50	50,233.90	169,506.20	470,996.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
VETERANS' OFFICER	0.00	0.00	449.00	449.00	0.00	0.00	449.00	449.00
CURRENT EXPENSE	1,014,236.17	597,237.63	642,910.30	2,254,384.10	836,622.57	581,159.41	430,244.94	1,848,026.92
JUVENILE/ADULT PROBATION	92,349.40	55,877.40	16,247.78	164,474.58	93,973.92	58,772.03	12,140.20	164,886.15
AIRPORT	0.00	0.00	195,183.18	195,183.18	0.00	0.00	112,843.81	112,843.81
AMBULANCE	1,263.92	144.11	29,219.91	30,627.94	0.00	0.00	33,883.27	33,883.27
DISTRICT COURT	34,973.04	30,057.88	200,642.51	265,673.43	35,562.76	31,816.89	195,125.87	262,505.52
FAIR, COUNTY	0.00	0.00	22,250.00	22,250.00	0.00	0.00	22,250.00	22,250.00
FAIR, GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS	0.00	0.00	17,250.00	17,250.00	0.00	0.00	17,250.00	17,250.00
911 EMERGENCY	52,896.25	37,632.76	98,717.70	189,246.71	48,230.54	24,827.66	46,613.24	119,671.44
HEALTH DISTRICT	0.00	0.00	54,711.00	54,711.00	0.00	0.00	81,764.00	81,764.00
BEN CO FEDERAL BUILDING	0.00	0.00	231,416.69	231,416.69	0.00	0.00	204,671.92	204,671.92
HOSPITAL, OPERATION	0.00	0.00	100,800.00	100,800.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	450.00
ARPA FUND PROJECTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	548,691.47	548,691.47
INDIGENT AND CHARITY	28,417.94	28,519.94	28,263.71	85,201.59	30,276.17	24,703.21	39,678.35	94,657.73
JUNIOR COLLEGE	0.00	0.00	25,447.00	25,447.00	0.00	0.00	18,975.00	18,975.00
PARKS & RECREATION/GOLF COURSE	57,621.56	13,566.13	81,953.67	153,141.36	56,475.65	6,634.13	75,719.13	138,828.91
PEST	0.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
REVALUATION	123,899.28	93,943.07	26,529.88	244,372.23	145,477.55	114,261.19	47,288.62	307,027.36
LEUTY BUILDING	0.00	0.00	11,698.79	11,698.79	0.00	0.00	5,933.32	5,933.32
SOLID WASTE	176,789.28	86,160.69	1,125,705.87	1,388,655.90	184,881.95	105,273.78	1,021,065.58	1,311,221.31
TORT	0.00	0.00	170,525.50	170,525.50	0.00	0.00	164,755.00	164,755.00
WEED DEPARTMENT	502.06	57.24	18,140.55	18,699.85	0.00	0.00	20,892.46	20,892.46
BUILDING INSPECTOR	62,860.47	58,667.17	9,834.92	131,362.56	65,697.06	48,221.88	13,779.43	127,698.37
PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS DEPT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	67,650.00	67,650.00	2,221.03	87,678.30
ELECTION CONSOLIDATION	6,420.00	1,507.84	14,784.48	22,712.32	6,720.00	1,556.46	14,627.96	22,904.42
COUNTY SEWER FUND	0.00	0.00	115,929.56	115,929.56	7,757.66	1,074.52	177,374.58	186,206.76
JUSTICE FUND								
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	807,722.07	467,457.60	309,089.81	1,584,269.48	825,732.00	529,826.48	218,155.25	1,573,713.73
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SHERIFF JAIL/DETENTION	376,079.07	197,334.42	106,629.37	680,042.86	367,742.84	209,744.50	131,345.63	708,832.97
JUSTICE FUND	1,183,801.14	664,792.02	415,719.18	2,264,312.34	1,193,474.84	739,570.98	2,282,546.70	1,390,900.00
GENERAL ROAD	567,147.16	292,151.52	3,105,354.30	3,964,652.98	639,055.48	356,798.67	2,380,299.71	3,376,153.86
SNOWMOBILE	0.00	0.00	8,326.73	8,326.73	0.00	0.00	14,299.71	14,299.71
WATERWAYS	5,949.90	693.11	17,985.73	24,628.74	8,600.53	1,007.29	15,837.32	25,445.14
MARINE PATROL	5,643.75	1,231.21	11,682.62	18,557.58	7,211.38	850.93	10,688.65	18,230.96
COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT	69,167.02	5,024.44	34,277.52	108,468.98	138,556.80	38,0		

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
CITY OF ST. MARIES**

A Public Hearing pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year October 01, 2024 to September 30, 2025. The hearing will be held at City Hall, 602 College Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho at 5:30PM, on August 26, 2024. All interested persons are invited to appear and show cause, if any, why such a budget should or should not be adopted. Copies of the proposed budget in detail are available at City Hall during regular office hours. (8:00AM - 5:00PM weekdays). City Hall is accessible with disabilities. The proposed FY 2024-2025 budget is shown below as FY 2025 proposed expenditures and revenues.

**CITY OF ST. MARIES
PROPOSED BUDGET INFORMATION FOR PUBLICATION
BUDGET YEAR 2024-2025 (FY2025)**

FUND NAME	FY 2023 ACTUAL	FY 2024 BUDGET	FY 2025 PROPOSED
PROPOSED EXPENDITURES:			
GENERAL FUND:			
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE	227,415.42	335,100.00	399,744.00
POLICE	379,272.89	437,000.00	393,800.00
ANIMAL CONTROL	960.00	700.00	500.00
PLANNING AND ZONING	23,090.66	15,500.00	27,750.00
STREETS	774,368.23	1,562,500.00	1,314,724.00
RECREATION	381,405.54	169,550.00	166,150.00
CEMETERY	87,837.57	88,500.00	89,500.00
LIBRARY	92,328.77	101,100.00	114,800.00
CAR POOL	34,770.93	52,500.00	45,000.00
GENERAL FUND RESERVE	0.00	38,777.00	0.00
PERPETUAL CARE (RESTRICTED)	6,160.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	2,007,610.01	2,805,227.00	2,555,968.00
UTILITY FUND	2,064,362.64	3,323,679.00	6,194,686.50
TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL FUNDS	4,071,972.65	6,128,906.00	8,750,654.50
PROPOSED REVENUES:			
PROPERTY TAX LEVY:	818,652.20	808,406.00	824,847.00
OTHER REVENUE SOURCES:			
GENERAL FUND:			
PENALTY AND INTEREST	6,137.46	4,500.00	4,500.00
LICENSE AND PERMITS	28,903.06	15,650.00	15,450.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	568,402.54	567,000.00	569,000.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	155,232.72	93,100.00	88,600.00
FINES AND FOREITS	8,972.63	7,100.00	7,100.00
OTHER INCOME	51,645.52	14,500.00	20,500.00
PROPERTY TAX REPLACEMENT	30,779.97	25,971.00	25,971.00
GRANTS - GENERAL FUND	1,205,634.90	525,000.00	885,000.00
TRANSFER IN GENERAL FUND BALANCE	344,559.00	740,000.00	105,000.00
TRANSFER IN FROM TIMBER FUNDS	0.00	18,000.00	8,000.00
TRANSFER IN FROM PERPTUAL CARE	0.00	0.00	6,000.00
TRANSFER IN FROM METER FUNDS	20,000.00	80,000.00	0.00
PERPTUAL CARE (RESTRICTED)	7,892.99	4,000.00	4,000.00
UTILITY FUND	2,666,555.43	3,225,679.00	6,186,686.50
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5,913,368.42	6,128,906.00	8,750,654.50

The proposed expenditures and revenues for fiscal year 2024/2025 have been tentatively approved by the City Council and entered into the Journal Proceedings. Publication dates for the notice of Public Hearing are August 14, 2024 and August 21, 2024 in the St. Maries Gazette Record.
Celia Sibert, Treasurer
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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF IDAHO LAND LEASE OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC AUCTION FOR MINERAL LEASE
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Article IX, § 8 of the Idaho Constitution and Idaho Code §§ 47-704, 58-307, -310 and -313, that the State of Idaho, Department of Lands (hereinafter "IDL"), will conduct a public auction of Mineral Lease E300027, as set forth below. The deadline for the auction registration is Thursday August 29, 2024, at 5:00 pm (PT). The auction will begin on Thursday, September 5, 2024, at 2:00 am (PT) at Idaho Department of Lands office located at 1806 Main Avenue, St. Maries, Idaho. The lease will be awarded to the bidder who will pay the highest Premium Bid. The Premium Bid payment is in addition to the annual rental rate and royalty rates that have been established by IDL and are set forth in the lease to be auctioned.

Detailed information regarding the lease auction terms and conditions; the lease, including a specific legal description and map of the property to be leased; rental rate; minimum annual royalty; royalty rate; and applications can be obtained by visiting IDL's website at www.idl.idaho.gov/leasing/minerals-leasing/ or by contacting Mike Murphy via e-mail at MineralsLeasing@idl.idaho.gov or 208-334-0290. Mineral Lease E300027 is for 10 years for the extraction of gemstones with a leased premises of approximately 120 acres on the following described parcels located in Township 41 North, Range 5 East, Section 6, Boise Meridian, Clearwater County, Idaho, which are more particularly described as follows:
NW1/4SE1/4, NE1/4SW1/4, and SE1/4NW1/4.
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**TIMBER SALE
STATE TIMBER SALE**

CR300703, FINNS ELK
A public oral auction will be conducted at the Idaho Department of Lands office, 1806 Main Avenue, St. Maries, ID 83861, at 11:00 a.m. local time, on Thursday, September 19, 2024 for an estimated 10,150 MBF of timber marked or otherwise designated for cutting. In addition, there is an unestimated volume of forest products that may be removed at the option of the purchaser. Prior to bidding, eligible bidders shall present a certified check or bank draft payable to Idaho Department of Lands, or a bid bond acceptable to the State, in the amount of \$134,945.20 which is 10% of the appraised net sale value of \$1,349,452.00. The successful bidder's deposit will be forfeited to the State should the bidder fail to complete the contract. The State will not accept bids from parties who are delinquent on payments on existing state contracts. The average starting minimum bid price is \$152.52 per MBF. The sale is located within Sections 20 & 32, Township 45N, Range 01E; and Section 2, Township 44N, Range 01W, B.M., Benewah County, State of Idaho. Sale duration is 4 years. The sale may include blowdown and/or insect and disease infected timber which may result in additional volume and recovery reductions. Interested purchasers should carefully examine the sale and make their own estimates as to volume recovery, surface conditions, and proposed construction prior to bidding on the sale. Additional information concerning the timber and conditions of sale is available to the public and interested bidders on the department's timber sale website at Timber Sale Advertisement App - Department of Lands (idaho.gov) or from the Idaho Department of Lands office, St. Maries, Idaho. Please note purchaser insurance requirements posted on the timber sale website. The Department of Lands, as authorized by the State Board of Land Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids provided that good and sufficient grounds for rejecting the bid shall be stated in the rejection notice and shall not be in violation of applicable law. If you are disabled and need some form of accommodation, please call (208) 245-4551 five days prior to the date of sale. For text telephone services, please call 1-800-377-3529. Publication commenced: Wednesday, August 21, 2024 Publication completed: Wednesday, September 11, 2024
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BUDGETED EXPENDITURES TENTATIVE BUDGET FY ENDING 9/30/2025			
SALARIES	BENEFITS	OTHER	TOTAL
243,432.00	148,580.00	13,000.00	405,012.00
259,420.00	202,016.00	9,500.00	470,936.00
107,540.00	90,887.00	10,300.00	208,727.00
66,200.00	93,273.00	25,800.00	185,273.00
34,855.00	21,341.00	24,050.00	80,246.00
267,670.00	156,373.00	42,700.00	466,743.00
0.00	0.00	255,500.00	255,500.00
17,500.00	2,500.00	21,250.00	41,250.00
66,582.00	25,216.00	27,087.00	118,885.00
5,000.00	0.00	40,500.00	45,500.00
0.00	15,000.00	445,600.00	460,600.00
6,000.00	1,000.00	23,600.00	30,600.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1,500.00	0.00	750.00	2,250.00
1,075,699.00	756,186.00	939,637.00	2,771,522.00
112,000.00	72,022.00	13,500.00	197,522.00
0.00	0.00	289,000.00	289,000.00
0.00	0.00	45,700.00	45,700.00
42,544.00	38,016.00	135,250.00	215,810.00
0.00	0.00	22,250.00	22,250.00
0.00	0.00	17,250.00	17,250.00
58,240.00	30,866.00	90,700.00	179,806.00
0.00	0.00	82,000.00	82,000.00
1,500.00	180.00	424,000.00	425,680.00
0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
0.00	0.00	590,000.00	590,000.00
34,950.00	24,319.00	83,250.00	142,519.00
0.00	0.00	80,000.00	80,000.00
65,000.00	7,725.00	88,800.00	161,525.00
0.00	0.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
177,760.00	146,350.00	54,400.00	378,510.00
0.00	0.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
266,300.00	153,614.00	1,204,000.00	1,623,914.00
0.00	0.00	268,100.00	268,100.00
500.00	225.00	30,000.00	30,725.00
73,950.00	56,709.00	38,000.00	168,659.00
145,000.00	44,991.00	20,300.00	210,291.00
20,000.00	1,520.00	135,000.00	156,520.00
46,617.00	38,734.00	166,500.00	251,851.00
1,117,440.00	725,600.00	303,100.00	2,146,140.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
441,650.00	289,250.00	149,400.00	880,300.00
1,559,090.00	1,014,850.00	452,500.00	3,026,440.00
688,000.00	410,600.00	3,114,000.00	4,212,600.00
0.00	0.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
9,500.00	1,235.00	23,500.00	34,235.00
10,000.00	2,130.00	16,300.00	28,430.00
167,000.00	51,366.00	131,100.00	349,466.00
0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
4,553,650.00	2,851,638.00	8,592,537.00	15,997,825.00

**Public Notice: Request For Comments
EPA proposes to issue an Air Quality Permit to Operate
for PotlatchDeltic Land and Lumber, LLC - St. Maries Complex
on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation**

The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that EPA proposes to issue an air quality permit to operate and invite the public to submit written comments on this proposed permit through the process described in this notice. Because the facility is located on the Coeur d'Alene Reservation and because the Coeur d'Alene Tribe does not have an EPA-approved permitting program, it is the EPA's responsibility as the permitting authority to take action on the facility's air permit application. **When are written comments due?** The comment period closes on September 20, 2024. **What is being proposed?** The EPA proposes to issue an initial federal Clean Air Act Title V Permit to Operate in accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 71, for: PotlatchDeltic Land and Lumber Coeur d'Alene Reservation 2200 Railroad Avenue St. Maries, Idaho The facility is a wood products facility that emits regulated air pollutants. This permitting action allows the facility to continue operating for five (5) years but does not authorize an increase in emissions. The Title V operating permit serves as a comprehensive compilation of the air quality requirements that are applicable to a source. Title V operating permits must also assure compliance with all applicable requirements. Therefore, the proposed permit includes all air quality requirements applicable to the PotlatchDeltic Land and Lumber, LLC St. Maries Complex. In addition, the proposed permit includes source-specific testing, 1684 - Aug. 21

monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting where the underlying requirement does not include such requirements or where additional source-specific testing, monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting is necessary to assure compliance with the underlying applicable requirement. **How can I review documents?** You can access, download and view an electronic copy of the draft Operating Permit, the Statement of Basis, the application and other supporting materials, including all data submitted by the applicant from the EPA's web site at <https://www.epa.gov/publicnotices/notices-search?f%5B0%5D=location%3AIdaho>. Click on the link associated with the PotlatchDeltic draft permit. The St. Maries and Plummer, Idaho libraries provide free wifi and access to a computer with internet connection. The libraries' contact information is as follows: St. Maries Public Library 822 College Avenue St. Maries, Idaho 83861 Phone: (208) 245-3732 Email: smlibrary@smgazette.com Web Site: <https://stmarieslibrary.lili.org> Hours: M: 10 am - 5 pm Tu/Th: 12 pm - 7 pm W/F: 12 pm - 5 pm Plummer Public Library 849 D Street Plummer, Idaho 83851 Phone: (208) 686-1812 Email: <https://plummer.lili.org/contact/> Web Site: <https://plummer.lili.org/> Hours: M/Tu/W: 10 am - 6 pm Th: 2 pm - 6 pm Sa: 10 am - 2 pm For TTY users: please call

the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339. **How can I make comments?** The EPA will accept written comments by e-mail to r10_air_permits@epa.gov (include "Draft Potlatch-Deltic Title V Permit" in the subject line). For other submission methods, please contact the contact for this action listed below. **How do I get additional information?** Geoffrey Glass Air Permits, Toxics, Transportation & Communities Branch U.S. EPA Region 10 Mailstop: 15-H13 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155 Seattle, Washington 98101 Phone: 206.553.1847 Email: glass.geoffrey@epa.gov Dan Meyer Air Permits, Toxics, Transportation & Communities Branch U.S. EPA Region 10 Mailstop: 15-H13 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 155 Seattle, Washington 98101 Phone: 206.553.4150 Email: meyer.dan@epa.gov **Will there be a public hearing?** No public hearing has been scheduled; however, you may request a public hearing. A request for a hearing must be submitted by September 20, 2024, and must include the nature of the issues to be raised at the hearing. EPA will base its decision on whether a hearing will be held upon the showing of a significant degree of public interest. **What happens next?** The EPA will review and consider all comments received during the comment period. Following this review, the EPA may issue the permit, issue the permit with revisions or deny the permit.

CITY OF HARRISON BUDGET HEARING 2024-2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002 for consideration of the proposed budget for the City of Harrison, Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024 and ends September 30, 2025. The hearing will be held at the Harrison Senior Center, 103 Pine Street Harrison, Idaho on August 22 at 6:00 p.m. All interested parties are invited to appear and show cause if any, why such budget should or should not be adopted. Citizens have a right to provide written or oral comment concerning the entire budget. Copies of the proposed budget are available at Harrison City Hall during normal business hours or, Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

	Revenues		
	FY 2022-2023 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY 2023-2024 CURRENT BUDGET	FY 2024-2025 PROPOSED BUDGET
General Fund Revenue			
Property Tax Revenue	138,095	139,132	139,130
Other Gov't. Revenue	70,225	71,399	64,035
Licenses and Permits	28,420	27,223	22,070
Other Revenue	70,820	301,200	305,000
R.V. Park Fund	137,400	146,600	160,200
Carry Over	42,000	58,940	58,940
Total General Fund Revenue	486,960	744,494	749,375
Enterprise Fund Revenue			
Operations	205,170	215,150	201,000
Other Revenue	80,552	88,123	96,870
Capital Imp. Inc	9,568	18,177	10,770
Carry Over; Grants	88,523	3,004,475	3,033,422
Total Enterprise Revenue	383,813	3,325,925	3,342,062
Total Revenue	870,773	4,070,419	4,091,437
	Expenditures		
	FY 2022-2023 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY 2023-2024 CURRENT BUDGET	FY 2024-2025 PROPOSED BUDGET
General Fund			
General & Admin	324,618	657,741	679,773
Operating Expense	59,788	86,753	69,600
Total General Fund	384,406	722,619	749,375
Enterprise Fund			
Operations	331,809	321,450	308,640
Capital Outlay	10,875	4,475	4,475
Carry Over; Grants	0	3,000,000	3,028,947
Total Enterprise Fund	342,684	3,325,925	3,345,062
Total Expenditures	727,090	4,070,419	4,091,437

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025
CITY OF TENSED, IDAHO**

A public hearing, pursuant to Idaho Code 50-1002, will be held for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year from October 1st, 2024, to September 30th, 2025. The hearing will be held at City Hall, Tensed, Idaho September 9th, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Copies of the proposed budget are available at City Hall during regular office hours. City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities, any desiring accommodations for disabilities related to the budget documents or the hearing please contact City Hall 208-274-3239 at least 48 hours prior to the public hearing. The proposed FY2025 budget is shown below as well as the FY2023 and FY2024 expenditures and revenues.

FUND NAME	FY2023 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	FY2024 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	FY2025 BUDGETED EXPENDITURES
GENERAL FUND - ADMINISTRATIVE	\$26,850.00	\$44,188.00	\$40,000.00
STREET	\$1,945.00	\$2,279.00	\$4,000.00
WATER	\$18,200.00	\$18,426.00	\$25,500.00
SEWER	\$4,800.00	\$28,858.00	\$46,000.00
GARBAGE	\$6,660.00	\$5,860.00	\$3,000.00
TOTAL:	\$66,875.00	\$99,611.00	\$118,500.00

FUND NAME	FY2023 ACTUAL REVENUES	FY2024 ACTUAL REVENUES	FY2025 BUDGETED REVENUES
GENERAL FUND - ADMINISTRATIVE	\$11,178.00	\$34,020.00	\$30,000.00
STREETS	\$4,380.00		
WATER FUND	\$39,880.00	\$35,557.00	\$37,000.00
SEWER FUND	\$26,420.00	\$23,388	\$44,000.00
GARBAGE FUND	\$7,753.00	\$6,816.00	\$6,820.00
TOTAL:	\$84,633.00	\$99,781.00	\$118,644.00

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The SOB is away and his column will return when he does...



The 'Good Vibes' Convention is missing one thing: Original Ideas

The Democrats are not building a campaign based on issues. Issues can be controversial and lead to strife.

This is a campaign based on how good it feels to be a Democrat and how exciting it is 1) not to have Joe Biden at the top of the ticket and 2) how wonderful it is to have Kamala Harris running for president.

The Democratic Party platform is even more irrelevant in 2024 than these exercises in public relations usually are. That's because the platform was written in July when the old man was still on the ticket. Now that Kamalamadingdong is running, Democrats have to find a way to change the narrative without being too obvious about it.

Not that it matters, but judging by the party platform, this is not Harris's party. It is still Biden's party, and Harris is going to have a hard time squaring the circle and shoehorning her policy positions into the mix.

With no ideas besides the nebulous (and widely panned) "policy proposals" she laid out in her speech last week, Harris is a cause in search of a candidate. The party is memory-holing her past radicalism in California, and any attempt to resurrect it will face cries of "old news" from her media allies. So Harris is, for all intents and purposes, a blank slate, ready for Democrats to write anything they want to describe her politics.

This was a technique the party tried with some success during Barack Obama's

GUEST OPINION

RICK MORAN

run for the White House. The radical community organizer suddenly became a mainstream Democrat spouting inane pieties that led to media worship. Oh, did I mention that he was black?

Watch as history repeats itself.

With Biden's exit from the race in July and the surprisingly seamless convergence around Harris, the storyline has shifted from a rerun to a "new way forward," to take one of the vice president's campaign taglines. And as the 2024 party platform reflects, for Dems, this way forward need not be connected to one politician or another.

Despite the newfound support for Harris - her campaign raised a reported \$200 million during her first week as the candidate - this is not yet the Harris Democratic party. Harris is a conduit for Democrats who were searching for a lifeline out of a crisis and a path to preserve their November ambitions. If the policy platform is not updated to any specific Harris policy viewpoint, that's not seen as a hindrance. If her vision of an "opportunity economy" is questioned by economists, it deserves only a bit of hand-wringing. While a Harris presidency would likely move policy in impactful ways, what is driving the moment for Democrats is unity behind defeating Trump.

Can the Democrats ride "good vibes" all the way to election day without explaining what Harris plans

to do if she's elected? Look what happened with her economic proposals. Both sides shredded them. In fact, her only chance is to keep talking about "the future" and how bright and cheery it's going to be under Democratic leadership.

Just as the race approaches the post-Labor Day home-stretch, the world is watching as Democrats inject something into the campaign that has been missing over the long election slog: energy. The party convention represents a key test of both how well Harris can hold the party together, including around fault-line issues like the Israel-Gaza conflict, and whether Democrats can sustain the good vibes over the final push of the campaign season.

No one is going to call Harris out on the paucity of her ideas or the lack of specificity. She's going to keep putting out "feel-good" proposals like her "investment" in home buying and leave the details to Congress.

If it's successful, might this be a blueprint for future elections? Harris is going to spend a billion dollars saying absolutely nothing about what her realistic plans are for a Harris administration.

That's very bad.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

You're offended because he is a name caller?

How does a 77 year old law abiding American citizen suddenly have 91 felony convictions?

If you look up Trumps campaign you will see a list of at least 20 items Trump is planning on addressing on day one once he's elected President. Then look up Harris campaign page all you see is pictures and donation requests, nothing about her policies. She says she's going to address the economy. She's had 3 1/2 yrs to address the economy. She's had 3 1/2 years to address the border. Remember the baby formula incident. She received absolutely zero votes to run for President. As Nancy Pelosi has said Biden choose Kamala out of spite when they talked him into not running for President, one week they are trying to get rid of her and now they have to support her. But you don't. Either vote Trump or don't vote at all.

How low can you go? Kamala picks someone who exaggerates his life, he said he was someone he wasn't. He committed a federal offense called Stolen Valor and should be arrested and charged. He should have been proud he served 24 years in the national guard and left it at that. He said he saw combat when he didn't. He said he was a coach, sorry he was an assistant coach. As Governor he put tampons in fourth grade boys bathrooms, why? He lost \$250 million in federal funds for Covid in a scam. He encouraged neighbor snitching. He lived in China, taught in

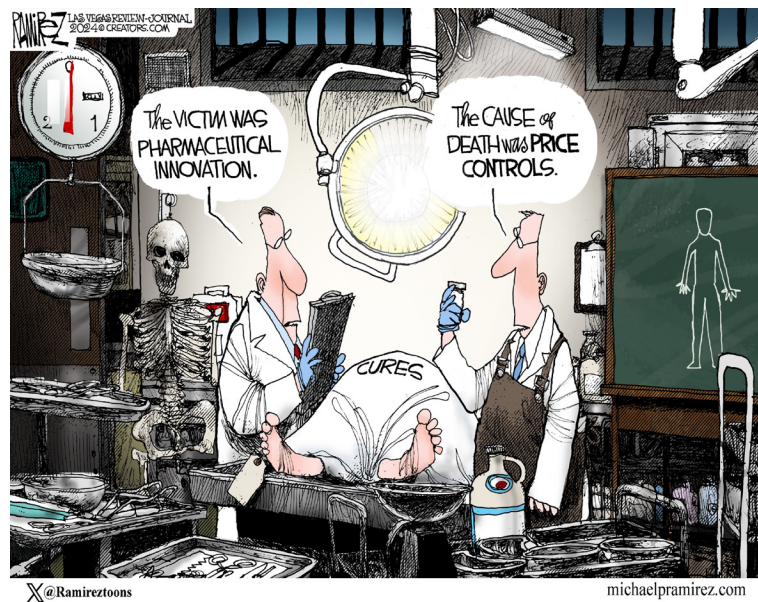
China and got married in China. He got paid by China and the Media ignores all of this. His nickname is "Coward Tampon Tim."

Do you remember the saying: "Stixs and stone may break my bones but names will never hurt me." So your offended because Trump is a name caller, he does not throw stixs and stones. Ignore all that, look at what he stands for, it Making America Great Again. He refuses to take a paycheck for helping this country be free. Trump WILL close the border, Trump WILL send all the illegals home. Trump WILL start fracking so we can be energy free. Pumping oil will put cheap gas in our cars and trucks so all produce can be harvest and shipped to us cheaper, cutting the costs in the stores bringing inflation DOWN. Trump is pushing no tax on tips, no tax on Social Security. Trump WILL make peace with Ukraine, Russia, China, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Israel. Trump wants to make it illegal to burn the American flag but someone claims it is a form of freedom of speech.

If you don't care what Kamalas policies are and what she's going to do to fix them, then your part of the problem. You can not honestly say your better off than you were 4 years ago. Your choice is keep going down this path of failure, or Make America Great Again. Remember no one needs to know how you vote.

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Democrat wishes rape on JD Vance's family

GUEST OPINION

MATT MARGOLIS

During an appearance on MSNBC on Monday, Andy Beshear, the Democratic governor of Kentucky, effectively wished that someone in JD Vance's family be raped and get pregnant.

"So Americans already, for the most part, agree that abortion should be available, but now they're seeing the ramifications of the overturning of Roe, which should be pretty inspiring come Election Day," Mika Brzezinski began. "And then on the right, governor, you have — you have Republican candidates and Republicans talking about babies being aborted at nine months."

"Can you even make sense of their argument?" Brzezinski asked Beshear. "Because half of it's not even true," she claimed without evidence.

"It's just fear tactics, and it's just lying to people," Beshear claimed. "I mean, think about what some people have had to go through because of these laws. I mean, JD Vance calls pregnancy resulting from rape inconvenient," he continued, taking three-year-old comments of Vance's grossly out of context. "Like, inconvenience is traffic. I mean, it is—make him go through this."

Vance was justifiably disgusted by the comment. "What the hell is this?" Vance asked in a post on X. "Why is [Andy Beshear] wishing that a member of my family would get raped?!? What a disgusting person."

Beshear's comments were

shocking, but unfortunately, they reflect a troubling trend within today's Democratic Party. We've watched the party evolve from weaponizing accusations of sexual harassment and rape during the #MeToo movement to now justifying and covering up these heinous acts when it serves their political agenda.

In 2020, the Democratic Party turned a blind eye to Joe Biden's well-documented history of engaging in sexual misconduct with young women and his grossly inappropriate comments and actions with young girls — some of which has video or photographic evidence. Joe Biden was even credibly accused of sexual assault by former staffer Tara Reade.

Even Kamala Harris said she believed Joe Biden's accusers.

In 2020, Reade accused the Democratic Party of enabling sexual predators, and she was right. The Democratic Party doesn't just protect powerful Democrats accused of sexual misconduct.

In 2021, a ninth-grade girl was raped in the girls' restroom in Virginia's Loudoun County, and the school board tried to cover it up because the assailant was a gender-fluid boy wearing a skirt. That same year, a Los Angeles spa made headlines when a man entered a women's changing area and exposed himself to the women and young girls there — protected by California law. Why? Because woke California equates "gender identity" with biological sex. The man was later revealed to be a serial sex offender.

In 2022, a man claiming to

be transgender was incarcerated in a women's prison in New Jersey, where he impregnated two female inmates. Predators who claim to be women have even successfully sued to be placed in women's prisons.

This is what the Democratic Party has become. On issues like abortion and transgender ideology, Democrats have shifted from condemning rape as a heinous crime to treating it as something tolerable, if not outright acceptable.

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Kodi Mitchell smiles during the auction.



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Sarah Schwartz grand champion of round robin.



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Sarah Schwarz looks on as she participates in the beef fitting and showing.

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Donny Masterson and Nancy Malensky watch as the junior showmen participate in the beef showing and fitting.



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Joy Wagner and Irene Eveland of Plummer look at exhibits.



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Abby Nelson and Raylee Nelson 1 year look at photos.



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Evan Scheinost and Heath Moore



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Many people viewed the submissions in the Open Class Exhibit hosted in the Walker Building.



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Hailey Buchanan, 12, with Lily with Harrison Explorers and in FFA for pigs.



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Clara King was the Grand Champion for Poultry Showmanship.



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Christie Pfeiffer sells vegetables from her garden.