



From left, William Suderth, Rylee Willet, and Carlos Arana celebrate their 34-33 Championship win over Sugar-Salem Nov. 19. Photo by Keith Bryant

Banner Ceremony scheduled for Friday, Dec. 3

by Philip A. Janquart
Weiser High School is holding a Banner Ceremony in the school’s gym on Friday Dec. 3 at 3 p.m. to commemorate the football team’s 2021 3A Idaho State Championship victory.

The Wolverines beat Sugar-Salem 34-33 in double overtime on Friday, Nov. 19 in Pocatello.

The banner will be placed on the wall of the school’s gym during a pep assembly, according to WHS head football coach Tom Harrison who said the public is invited to attend the event.

The ceremony will be followed by a professional team photo.

Players will be available to greet the public following the photo session and will be handing out flyers for people interested in purchasing championship t-shirts and hoodies. The flyer will have a link where the merchandise can be purchased online and subsequently delivered.

Part of the proceeds from those purchases will go toward the team’s Championship Ring Fund. Those wishing to directly contribute to the fund can visit Columbia Bank, located at 440 E. Main St. in Weiser. Just ask to make a donation to the Weiser High School football account.

Steve Dominguez, owner of Steve’s Hometown Motors, generously committed to paying for half of the total cost to buy the rings. The anticipated cost is between \$10,000 and \$12,000.

“We’ve offered to pay half of the cost of the rings for the kids,” Dominguez said. “It’s awesome. I don’t believe Weiser has won a championship since 1997. My oldest boy graduated from Weiser High and, of course, we have a business in Weiser and we love Weiser. We thought that this is one way we can help

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Tree customers Kaylee McCune, far left, and father, Jimmy, watch as Seth Matthews cuts off the end of their Christmas tree. The practice opens up the tree’s trunk and allows it to better take up water when it is put in its stand. Photo Philip A. Janquart

Christmas tree stands pop up in Weiser

You better hurry before they are gone

by Philip A. Janquart
It was a special day. Jimmy McCune and his family struck out into the Payette National Forest, their saw and \$10 permit in hand, to find that perfect Christmas tree. They found it, cut it down, secured it in their truck, and cheerfully drove home with their treasure. Like a scene out of the 1989 movie classic “Christmas Vacation,” however, when the rope holding the tree together was cut, its branches sprang out across the living room, taking up more space than they had anticipated – a lot more. “It was 10-feet tall, and my wife said, ‘It looked great out there,’ but out there you are looking at trees that are 75-feet tall,” McCune laughed as he and daughter, Kaylee, scoped the lot at Seth and Patti Matthews’

Christmas tree lot the following Monday. “I decided to take the kid out of school and go to Matthews’. It doesn’t look like any of these have a 12-foot bottom, so I think we’re good.” Matthews Family Farms, located at 426 Krause Road south of Weiser, has been selling Christmas trees for about 18 years, according to Seth who said there is a shortage of trees this year. “A few years ago, there was an oversupply of trees, so a lot of the guys (growers) didn’t plant trees back,” he told the *Weiser Signal American*. “There was a glut; they couldn’t get rid of them and then they didn’t cut them for a year or two, and then the trees got too big. There were several things that happened there, and now there is a bit of a shortage, and trees got more expensive, too.” Seth, who gets his trees from a grower south of Portland, said he has enough, for now. “The area where our trees come from are really nice; it hasn’t affected them,” he said.

“We’ve had people from Boise coming up to get trees already. We have people who come from Fruitland, Payette, Ontario, and farther.” The Matthews have also been busy making Christmas wreaths. Christmas trees at Matthews Family Farm are priced as follows: Douglas Fir: 5’-6’ (red) \$40; 6’-7’ (yellow) \$50. Noble/Nordman: 3’-4’ (orange) \$30; 4’-5’ (blue) \$39; 5’-6’ (red) \$54; 6’-7’ (yellow) \$67; 7’-8’ (green) \$78; 8’-9’ (white) \$95; 9’-10’ (pink) \$120. Tree stand hours are Wednesday, Dec. 1 and Thursday, Dec. 2 from 12 p.m. to dark; Friday, Dec. 3 from 12 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. After Dec. 3, hours will be Monday-Friday from 12 p.m. to dark, Saturdays, 9 a.m. to dark, and Sundays 11 a.m. to dark. For more information, call (208) 549-2901 or visit www.matthewfamilyfarms@yahoo.com.

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Weiser commission to formulate historical preservation plan

by Philip A. Janquart
Weiser is filled with history and most people want to preserve it. The Weiser Historical Preservation Commission, in conjunction with the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and other entities, recently agreed to use mitigation money from the eventual removal of the historic Cove Road Bridge, east of Weiser, to develop a historic preservation plan that will map out the county and affiliated cities’ historic buildings and sites, helping to preserve them for generations to come. The Preservation Commission has been involved in a number of historical projects over the years,

including saving the train depot, which was once earmarked for demolition but now stands as one of Weiser’s foremost historical jewels. Cove Road Bridge, which is in need of extensive repairs and would be too costly to update, is on ITD’s long list of bridges that will eventually be removed and replaced. According to BridgeReports.com, the corrugated steel truss bridge was built in 1917 and was reconstructed in 1992. It is roughly 249-feet long and 21-feet wide. The last inspection was in 2018, the report citing several deficiencies, stating needed “replacement of bridge or other

structure because of substandard load carrying capacity and substantial bridge roadway geometry.” The report states that it would cost an estimated \$2.4 million to repair the bridge, which is still in use. Removal won’t take place for at least another three years. “It is open and it’s restricted for weight,” said Washington County Road and Bridge Supervisor Jerod Odoms. “It can’t handle the heavy weights anymore. To my knowledge, the cost to repair versus the cost to replace ... the benefit wasn’t there. That’s typically what they like to do, ITD and the historical societies, they would prefer to have it repaired, but the cost to repair this

one, it’s almost cheaper to put in a new bridge.” Under the 1906 Antiquities Act, the federal government provides mitigation dollars to counties and cities that must, to their detriment, remove historical structures. In the case of the Cove Road Bridge, \$40,000 of the overall cost to replace it, which was not identified at the time of this story’s publication, has been earmarked as mitigation funds that all involved entities, including ITD and the Preservation Commission, agreed should be spent on a Historic Preservation Plan aimed at identifying the area’s

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Obituaries



Mary Louise Chrestesen Purcell
Mary Louise Chrestesen Purcell, 90, of Weiser, Idaho passed away Nov. 18, 2021 at Indianhead Estates.
Mary was born Jan. 9, 1931, to Frank and Martha Dormaier Chrestesen in Weiser, Idaho.
Mary spent most of her childhood on her parents’ ranch on Bear Creek Road and Lower Weiser River Road at the mouth of Crane Creek.

Her father worked on the Grand Coulee Dam, so a few years were spent there.
On Dec. 3, 1949, at the age of 18, she married her neighbor Earnest Clark Purcell. The two ranches were only a mile apart. Clark and his brother Orval raised wheat, hay, and cattle.
After the Purcell Bros. sold the ranch, Clark and Mary moved to their home on Smith Lane out on the Weiser Flat in August of 1970.
Clark went to work for the County Road Dept. and Mary got a job at Weiser Memorial Hospital in the kitchen. She later moved to housekeeping and worked there for 15 years.
After Clark and Mary retired, they enjoyed their time gardening, camping, and visiting family.
When Clark passed away Mary moved into town. She enjoyed playing bingo, going for walks and visiting family and friends.
Mary is survived by

her brother Frank “Bud” Chrestesen of Weiser Idaho, daughters JoAnn Craig of Payette Idaho, Maggie (Deri) Rollins of Ontario Ore., Patty (Jeff) Young of Jackpot, Nev., and son Vernon (Susan) Purcell of Athena, Ore. Nephew Mike (Dawnie) Carpenter of Meridian, Idaho, niece Gina Gregerson of Boise Idaho, 10 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren, and several cousins.
Mary was preceded in death by her husband Clark, parents Frank and Martha Chrestesen, sister Jean Gregerson, Uncle Clarence Chrestesen, grandson Shad Purcell, and great-granddaughter Willow Rollins.
Thanks to Indianhead Estates for their excellent care of our mom for the past few years.
The funeral service is scheduled for Dec. 4, 2021, at 11 a.m. under the direction of Thomason Funeral Home.



The Weiser Public Library will host a Holiday Open House from Dec. 2-4. Come enjoy cookies and a hot beverage. The open house will also feature craft vendors. A raffle drawing for many grab bags of toys, candy, books, DVDs is currently being held as a fundraiser for Friends of the Library. Pictured above is just a small sampling of the prizes to be raffled. Tickets are only \$1 each.

Weiser Public Library to host Holiday Open House

by Timbra Long Library Director
New and fun activities are happening at the Weiser Public Library. One big change is the hours the library is open and there is also a new librarian, Timbra Long, who started on June 1.
In response to popular demand, the library hours have been extended to 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. The library is now open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The longer extended hours give patrons, especially those who work out of town, more opportunity to check out books.
A library card will give you access to LIBBY: an app that allows you access to the library 24/7, with 26,000 books to choose from. Phone, iPad or computer – drop by and we’ll help you get it set up.
Four public computers are free to use, and black and white prints are only .10 each.
Visit our Facebook page at Weiser Public Library or our website at weiser.bibliionix.com for details on these monthly events:
• Four book clubs: third through fifth grades, middle school, high school, adult. Meeting dates and times are on our Facebook page or drop by the library for dates and times.
The Library Holiday Open House will be held Dec. 2-4 with cookies and hot drinks, and will also feature craft vendors.
A raffle is currently being held with many grab bag prizes. Cost for tickets are \$1 each. Prizes include toys, candy, books, DVDs (each one worth way more than \$1). The drawing for the winners will be held on Dec. 6. Ticket sales benefit Friends of the Library.
The library started a free lecture series Real People, Real Stories that will conclude on Dec. 9 at 6:30 p.m. Jacky O’Connor who collects photos of vintage signs throughout the west will be the guest speaker. Come join us for a slide show and stories of the signs history and impact.
Remember, your library card is free to those who live within the Weiser city limits, and only \$36 for addresses outside the city (half-price for seniors). Included with a library card patrons get unlimited access to the entire library collection (which includes not only 1,256 new books since June but 327 new DVDs).
The staff is looking forward to seeing you. Come by and visit!

Death Notices

<p>Sean Ray Franklin Sean Ray Franklin, 34 of Boise, Idaho formerly of Payette, Idaho died peacefully Nov. 16, 2021, at home in Boise. Funeral services are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel, Payette.</p>	<p>Craig McDonald Craig McDonald, 78, of Vale, Ore., passed away at Saint Alphonsus in Boise, Idaho on Nov. 27, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel Ontario, Oregon.</p>	<p>Oris Rudd Oris Rudd, 95, of Parma, Idaho passed away Nov. 28, 2021 at his daughter’s home in Parma. Services are pending under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.</p>
<p>Ronald Leroy Hall Ronald Leroy Hall, 84, of Payette, Idaho passed away Nov. 27, 2021 at his home in Payette. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.</p>	<p>Lucia Reynosa Lucia Reynosa, 80, of Fruitland, Idaho passed away at her home on Nov. 26, 2021. Services are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.</p>	<p>Mary Ann Vaughn Mary Ann Vaughn, 82, of Fruitland, Idaho passed away Nov. 26, 2021. Services are pending under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.</p>
<p>Judy E. Goff Judy E. Goff, 80, of Ontario, Ore., passed away Nov. 24, 2021 at Saint Alphonsus in Ontario. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.</p>	<p>Judy L. Stearns Judy L. Stearns, 71, of Ontario, Ore., passed away Nov. 29, 2021, at her home. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.</p>	<p>Raul M. Chavez Raul M. Chavez, 62, of Ontario, Ore., passed away on Nov. 23, 2021. Services are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.</p>



Red Cross blood drive to be held Dec. 8

Weiser’s quarterly blood drive will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Vendome Events Center.
Please call Alex Chavarria at 208-602-7138 or Dorothy Evans at 208-549-5589 for an appointment.
Appointments are preferred but every attempt will be made to accommodate drop-ins as well.
Rapid Pass is strongly encouraged. Visit Redcrossblood.org, enter your zip code and schedule an appointment. Remember, your blood could save a life. Give the best holiday gift ever.

Coming Up

Youth Symphony to perform Christmas Concert
The Weiser Youth Symphony will be performing their Christmas Concert on Friday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Snake River Heritage Center, Weiser. Doors open at 7 p.m. Admission is \$20/family and \$5/individual. Come celebrate the Christmas season with great music! Fun for the whole family!

Weiser Elks Lodge hoop shoot
The Weiser Elks Lodge will hold their annual hoop shoot on Saturday, Jan. 29 at the Weiser Middle School. This year will mark the 50th year the Elks has sponsored the hoop shoot. All boys and girls between the ages of 8 to 13 are invited to participate. Registration will begin at noon with the competition to start at 1 p.m. Those 8-9 years of age will shoot at 1 p.m., followed by 10-11 year olds, then 12-13 year olds. The winner of each age group will qualify to compete at the district tournament to be held in Nampa on Feb. 5. There is no charge to participate. For more information contact Darrel Krause at 208-550-2365.

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Sept. 8 - Paul M. Loomis and Judy P. Loomis to Penny L. Burris. Bryan Syme and Tabitha Syme to Richard Craig Calahan.
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Sept. 7 - David Wedekind and Kristan Wedekind to David Wedekind and Kristan Wedekind. Matthew D. Lutje to Alisa Poynor fka Alisa McCallum fka Alisa Lutje.
Sept. 10 - James Wesley Steele to James Wesley Steele, Rachael A. Steele and David Hillberg.
Sept. 13 - Stuart A. Barden to Kaytlynn Barden.



Quarterback Brett Spencer, left, runs behind Rylee Willet, right, on a play during the Wolverines' championship game in Pocatello. Several members were named to the SRV 3A All-Conference football team. Spencer was named SRV Player of the Year and Willet was SRV Defensive Player of the Year. *Photo by Keith Bryant*

Weiser athletes selected to All-Conference football team

by Philip A. Janquart

Several members of Weiser High School's championship football team have been selected to the 2021 SRV 3A All-Conference football team.

The athletes were voted solely by coaches within the conference, the results published by the *Idaho Statesman* on Nov. 22.

Of particular note is Wolverine quarterback Brett Spencer who was named SRV Player of the Year and linebacker Rylee Willet who was honored with SRV Defensive Player of the Year. Willet, who pulled double duty at left guard, was also named to the SRV First Team offense as a lineman.

Sophomore Ryndon Olsen was selected to the Second Team as a kicker.

Joining Willet on the First Team offense are running backs Willy Shirts and Jack Burke, along with sophomore receiver Brock Spencer and senior offensive lineman Jesse Lockett.

Shirts, Zander McElroy, Brock Spencer, and Michael Youngberg were all named as First Team defenders.

Second Team Offensive players include Olsen, Malakye Scott, and Malaki Hoobery.

Maddox Stevens, Payton Albertson, and Jack Burke all made Second Team defense.

Offensive Honorable Mention honors went to Scott, senior tight end Evan Haggerty, and Tristan McMahon.

Defensive Honorable Mention honors went to Trenton Hawker and Marco Garcia.

The All-Conference picks came only days after the Wolverines beat Sugar-Salem 34-33 in double overtime to take the 2021 3A Idaho State Championship played out at Holt Arena on the campus of Idaho State University in Pocatello.

The following is a complete list of this year's picks. 3A All-Conference:

Player of the Year: Brett Spencer, senior, QB/S, Weiser.

Offensive Player of the Year: Hayden Kincheloe, senior, RB, Homedale.

Defensive Player of the Year: Rylee Willet, senior, LB, Weiser.

Coach of the Year: Matt

Holtry, Homedale.

First Team Offense: QB: Jaxon Dines, junior, Homedale; RB: David Juarez, senior, Fruitland; Willy Shirts, senior, Weiser; Jack Burke, senior, Weiser; WR: Mason Strong, junior, Homedale; Eli Heck, senior, Homedale; Brock Spencer, sophomore, Weiser; Zander Allen, senior, Payette; TE: Chris Mott, senior, Payette; OL: Mark Church, senior, Fruitland; Obed Palacios, senior, Homedale; Willy Haun, senior, Homedale; OL: Jesse Lockett, senior, Weiser; Rylee Willet, senior, Weiser; K: Diego Cortez, freshman, Homedale; RET: Mason Strong, junior, Homedale;

Defense: DL: Skyler Young, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Mark Church, senior, Fruitland; Willy Haun, senior, Homedale; Obed Palacios, senior, Homedale; Willy Shirts, senior, Weiser; Zander McElroy, senior, Weiser; LB: David Juarez, senior, Fruitland; Willie White, senior, Homedale; Trenton Fisher, junior, Homedale; D'Orr Packer, junior, Homedale; Michael Youngberg, junior, Weiser; DB: Cole Burtenshaw, sophomore, McCall-Donnelly; Carter Johnson, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Eli Heck, senior, Homedale; Mason Strong, senior, Homedale; Brock Spencer, sophomore, Weiser; P: Willy Shirts, senior, Weiser.

Second Team offense: QB: Luke Barinaga, junior, Fruitland; Abe Rodriguez, junior, Payette; RB: Willie White, senior, Homedale; Rylan Binford, junior, Homedale; Colt Murdock, senior, Parma; Charlie Camacho, junior, Parma; WR: Theo Jackson, junior, Fruitland; Josh Brown, senior, Homedale; Malakye Scott, junior, Weiser; TE: Chase Cooper, junior, Homedale; OL: Kyler Kunde, junior, McCall-Donnelly; Omar Rios, junior, Homedale; Rhyalee Nix, senior, Homedale; Tate Oberg, senior, Parma; Malachi Hooberry, senior, Weiser; K: Ryndon Olsen, sophomore, Weiser; RET: Cole Burtenshaw, sophomore, McCall-Donnelly

Defense: DL: Omar Rios, junior, Homedale; Jordan Stroughter, senior, Parma; Gabe Ramos, junior, Pay-

ette; LB: Adam Rushton, sophomore, McCall-Donnelly; Maddox Stevens, junior, Weiser; Chris Mott, senior, Payette; DB: Theo Jackson, junior, Fruitland; Payton Albertson, senior, Weiser; Jack Burke, senior, Weiser; P: Andrew Lee, sophomore, Payette.

Honorable mention offense: QB: Stetson Pinz, senior, Parma; RB: Trenton Fisher, junior, Homedale; Gabe Ramos, junior, Payette; Carter Johnson, senior, McCall-Donnelly; WR: Ryan Doramus, senior, Parma; TE: D'Orr Packer, junior, Homedale; Jordan Stroughter, senior, Parma; Evan Haggerty, senior, Weiser; OL: Sawyer Kovis, junior, McCall-Donnelly; Glen Richardson, sophomore, McCall-Donnelly; Andrew Alvarez, junior, McCall-Donnelly; Marcus Jones, junior, Fruitland; Easton Lighten, senior, Fruitland; Owen Bridgewater, senior, Fruitland; Brody Holaday, junior, Fruitland; Brodie White, sophomore, Homedale; Emario Cuelar, sophomore, Homedale; Michael Rose, sophomore, Homedale; Sean Wilhite, senior, Parma; Tristan McMahon, junior, Weiser; Austin Kauffman, junior, Payette; Braxton Ruth, junior, Payette; RET: Malakye Scott, junior, Weiser.

Defense: DL: Challis Stenger, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Sam Weller, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Easton Lighten, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Brodie White, sophomore, Homedale; Sean Wilhite, senior, Parma; Trenton Hawker, junior, Weiser; Cameron Strong, junior, Payette; Colby DeCaney, senior, Payette; LB: Lane Roberts, junior, Fruitland; Marcus Jones, jr., Fruitland; Jack Duncan, sophomore, McCall-Donnelly; Marcus Wyman, senior, McCall-Donnelly; Rylan Binford, junior, Homedale; Tate Oberg, senior, Parma; Ryan Simar, senior, Parma; DB: Luke Barinaga, junior, Fruitland; Josh Brown, senior, Homedale; Luke Henry, freshman, Homedale; Ryan Doramus, senior, Parma; Colt Murdock, senior, Parma; Marco Garcia, senior, Weiser; Tyler Feeley, sophomore, Payette; P: Sigmund Goode, junior, Homedale.

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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Leaf pickup delayed due to broken vacuum but should resume soon

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! This time, Cathy and I found ourselves in an unusual situation. Our usual Thanksgiving plans for a family gathering fell through due to an illness (not COVID) in the host family. Rather than imposing ourselves on other friends or family without much notice, Cathy and I decided to do something different. We went online to find a place on the coast available for rent.

We took off last Tuesday after all of my duties were completed and spent the night on the road. On the way over we talked about how we would spend the holiday. We had decided that we would not eat out on Thursday because we didn't want others to have to work to serve us when they could be home with family.

On Wednesday, the first thing we did when we arrived was go to a grocery store to get the items for our impromptu Thanksgiving dinner. Since our lodging only had a microwave and refrigerator, we bought the makings for turkey sandwiches with cranberry spread among other items that did not require us to cook.

Thursday turned out to be a beautiful bright day, an anomaly for late November at the coast. We decided to make it a day of visiting different beaches and viewpoints and to make our Thanksgiving dinner into a picnic. We ended up having our "dinner" sitting at the base of a lighthouse and looking out at the ocean.



Mayor Randy Hibberd

If we couldn't be with family, it was a great way to spend Thanksgiving. The setting was inspiring and helped us to realize just how much we had to be thankful for.

I do not recommend this as a regular substitute for a traditional family and friends gathering at Thanksgiving. But it was a nice once-in-a-lifetime way to make the most of a time when plans fell through.

Tomorrow, (Monday), Councilpersons Larry Hogg and Alicia Cavazos, as well as Councilperson-elect Sterling Blackwell and I will be attending semi-annual training for city elected officials and employees sponsored by the Association of Idaho Cities also known as AIC.

For those of you who don't know, the AIC is an organization supported by most, if not all of the towns and

cities in Idaho. The AIC has many functions to help support Idaho municipalities in their quest to provide good governance at the local level.

In addition to the one-day semi-annual training with a set agenda of topics, the AIC also sponsors an annual 3-day conference with a multitude of meetings and topics to attend which allows attendees the opportunity to pick and choose topics that are most important to that elected official or city employee.

So, it is very gratifying for me as mayor that half of the city council is able to take time out from their demanding schedules and other obligations to further their knowledge and understanding of city government and how that applies to Weiser.

There is very little to report in City news this week. The remaining three parts for the broken leaf vacuum have come in. It is now a matter of assembling and getting the vacuum going again. You "should" be seeing the leaves disappearing and the street curbs reappearing soon. Remember to please be sure there are only leaves in your leaf piles. Anything else can lead to further breakdowns of your expensive machine.

Well, that's it for this week. May this Christmas Season be filled with hope and joy for you, your family, and friends!

GUEST OPINION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE IDAHO FREEDOM FOUNDATION

Show me the money

Idaho Gov. Brad Little and the Legislature have an incredible – and maybe once-in-a-generation opportunity – to use the budget gargantuan surplus to rid the state of one or more albatrosses around residents' necks. These albatrosses are, in no particular order:

- The state's progressive income tax.
- Property taxes.
- The grocery tax.
- Federal control of public schools.

Questions persist about how much of the state's \$1.4 billion surplus is temporary and how much of it is a reflection of the ongoing health of the state's economy.

The state has a healthy enough budget reserve fund that's separate from the surplus and makes getting rid of the income tax a reasonable proposition.



Wayne Hoffman

The state collects \$2.2 billion from individual and corporate income taxes. Bringing the income tax to or near zero is well within reach. That would not only enhance Idaho's attractiveness as a place to live, work, and retire, but also would stop the state from stealing money from the people who earned it.

Similarly, property taxes collected by cities, counties, school districts, and other small tax districts in Idaho total more than \$2.5 billion.

Dramatically reducing or eliminating this burden is doable now, and it would enhance the state's livability, reduce the cost of housing, and stop property owners from feeling as if they don't truly own their land.

Prior to the surplus be-

coming so large, several of the Republican candidates for governor – Ammon Bundy, Ed Humpreys, and Janice McGeachin – were already talking about these kinds of dramatic changes to the state's tax laws. Little hasn't said what he plans to offer this coming legislative session, but hopefully he won't shy away from good public policies just because his opponents are talking about it.

The easiest tax policy reform to accomplish with the surplus is the promise Little made before he became governor: the elimination of the tax on groceries. The cost for doing so is less than \$80 million, which could be covered by just 6 percent of the surplus.

Now there's even more reason for state elected officials to act: federal monetary policies are driving food prices higher, meaning the tax burden on Idahoans is growing. Getting rid of the tax on groceries is not only a form of tax relief, but also a form of inflationary relief.

Finally, the feds give about \$300 million for the state's government school system. Using a portion of the surplus to eliminate federal intervention in the education system would free school districts and teachers to teach as they see fit, not as seen fit by the Biden administration or the next president. It would mean an end to federal intervention in our classrooms, and that would benefit all Idaho schoolchildren, parents, and teachers.

This is the year for Idaho's elected officials to be bold, to use the state's budget surplus to end confiscatory taxes and free the state from Washington, D.C.'s bureaucracy.

The legislative session is just around the corner. Let your lawmakers and Gov. Little know this is not the time to make timid incremental changes. Tell them to do the things that will dramatically improve our reasons for wanting to continue to call Idaho home.

Wayne Hoffman is the president for the Idaho Freedom Foundation.



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"The transition from life into life is going to be sweet." How fitting it was to hear such words spoken so clearly to my heart by the gentle voice of my Lord as I was steering the car off the interstate onto an exit ramp.

Will departure from this life truly be as seamless as the maneuver of exiting the interstate?

That same voice continued, "I died that you might be rescued from imminent death. Your life has been secured in Mine whether on earth or in Heaven. If you follow Me, I will be your front and rear guard and constant companion as I lead you on the path of righteousness until that moment when I call you home."

Is there anything but freedom in those words of promise? Freedom to live life here with abandon, safe under the shadow of the Savior's wing. Freedom from fears that can steal precious moments from life.

With or without Christ as our companion, as He foretold, this life will lead us through all the joys and trials this world has to offer. But with Christ, we can take

courage to step out with bold and confident access to the very gates of Heaven because, for us, He has overcome the world.

Because Christ has overcome every possible obstacle for us, we are left utterly free to fearlessly love and live for Him all the days that have been ordained for us. If we faithfully abide in Him for as long as we take breath this side of Heaven, He, too, will faithfully lead us where, when and how He has for us to go and do. Empowered and protected by His sovereign authority, we are enabled to go forth in His name at His bidding all to His high glory until He sees us safely home.

I don't know about you, but as far as I'm concerned, a life with Christ is the only life worth pursuing. I have no idea and no need to know when my exit will come up. That moment is solely in God's keeping. Though knowing the sweetness of what is yet to come, you can be sure I have proclaimed for Him to hear, "I am ready when You are!" – Jody R. Goode, redemerweiser@gmail.com

Philippians 1:21 (NASB) - For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

The meaning of Christmas

Riverside Baptist

The Christmas season is filled with lights, food, friendship, and family. It is easy to miss the meaning.

The problem is that many people do not understand how a child born in a manger 2000 years ago has anything to do with them today.

At Christmas, we celebrate the incarnation. The incarnation means that the divine Son of God took on flesh so that He might be a mediator between God and man. The Bible has much to say about the blessings of the incarnation.

We are united with Christ through faith into a mystery by the Holy Spir-

it. In union with Christ, Jesus is in us and we are in Jesus. The implication of this is that through Christ we have entered into the love and fellowship of the Trinity. In Christ, we are sons and daughters of God. The love that God has for His Son is the same love that He has for us. So when you are sitting down with family, remember that in union with Christ you are part of God's family.

"For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ...But when the fullness of time had come, God

sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" (Galatians 3:26-27, 4:4-6, ESV)

I invite you to join us this Sunday at 10:45 a.m. for worship and Scripture teaching. All are welcome!

If you have any questions about this article, the Bible, or our church please feel free to email us at rb-cweiser@gmail.com. Our church website is riversidechurchweiser.com.

Pastor Ian Ross

Just something to think about

Some folks are on the countdown to Christmas. I am counting the days until 2022.

Most of us were touched by the three "C's" this year. That is COVID, Cancer and Crashes. Crashes can include most anything, from cars to computers, to just brief emotional crashes from the things going on around us.

We are blessed, because we know the One who is greater than all of these! He is in charge of the three "H's". Health, Healing and Hot-digity-dog's. Health and Healing are

self-explanatory, but the last is all those little Praise the Lord moments that come to us every day.

I guess I could have said Hallelujah's, but the other word sounds more explosive.

So, I am looking forward to 2022 to see what the Lord has in store for us.

In the meantime, let us be watching for the little blessings we see each day. And the ones we don't see, like air. Can't live without it!

Just something to think about.

C. Shaw

Holiday hospitality

St. Luke's Episcopal by Carolyn Wesner

Here we are in the midst of the Festive Season: national holidays, religious holy-days, birthdays for the unfortunate kiddoes born in December (will one present do for both?), plus all the shopping, travel, cooking and social skills needed to navigate a hopefully happy holiday.

Just think of the fun! Crazy Uncle wants to remind us of the good ole days when Grandma stayed in the kitchen before and after the meal cleaning up! The children are having a food fight at the kid's table! Auntie dropped the turkey on the kitchen floor but scooped it up before anyone noticed! Brother and his five (additional) friends need a place to stay! So stressful, all of it.

Hospitality is important and we take it seriously. But think about the more important aspects of sharing a meal and our homes with others. Think about how Bible people like Abraham reacted when strangers showed up unannounced. Abraham, his wife Sarah, the kids, the household helpers, and their large agricultural staff lived in a desert climate in very rural areas (they moved often for the animal grazing).


Anybody who showed up was invited to stay, rest their feet, water the camels, and tell the news from afar. Quick! Bake some flatbread, butcher a sheep or goat, fetch some water so they can wash. Bring some cushions to sit on! Very simple preparations on a moment's notice, making the priority the

comfort of the guest.

Maybe those should be our priorities too. Don't worry too much about the house, the decorations, the table settings, the days of preparations to make an instagram-worthy picture. What matters most? A welcoming smile, simple home-cooked food, quiet conversation, and interest in the guest's well-being – just like Abraham.

You are welcome to visit St. Luke's Episcopal Church Sunday service at 10 a.m. and now without masking.

Please join us afterwards for coffee hour, and note that our weekly 2022 Read Through The Bible group starts Wednesdays, Jan. 5 at 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. You can attend in person or via Zoom, if we have your email.



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Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits. Psalm 103:2

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The windows at Weiser Classic Candy received some holiday cheer with the help of local artist Annabelle Mattson. Her hope in each painting is to depict the holiday season with the spirit of giving and sharing the joy of the season in her heart. Mattson has been painting windows since the winter of 2018. She is a junior at Weiser High School and paints windows for all occasions. *Photo by Nicole Miller*

Bringing holiday cheer through window art

by Nicole Miller

Windows of several businesses around Weiser are going to be showing a little extra holiday cheer this season thanks to the talents of Weiser High School junior, Annabelle Mattson, and her custom window art.

Although she is only a teenager, Mattson has been painting windows since the winter of 2018. She first got the idea while visiting with her cousin Addison Gomez.

Gomez suggested that with Mattson’s talents, she could make some money painting cute decorations on windows for the holidays.

What originally seemed like a very random suggestion, Mattson actually found herself super excited about the idea. She sat down with her step-mom Brenda Mattson and together they made a Facebook account to get the business started.

As soon as her page was shared, a couple of big restaurants reached out right away, and she was able to get started. Now Mattson books her own appointments, gives quotes, and gets her ideas all on her own.

Mattson shared that she gets most of her inspiration from other window paintings she sees around the local communities or online through Pinterest. She always makes sure to add her own touch on every painting she does to make them all a unique work of art.

Mattson also enjoys drawing and pottery and is currently loving her two art classes at Weiser High School: drawing and painting.

Mattson hopes that through her win-

dow painting she will inspire others to not let age be a deciding factor in whether they do what they love.

When she first started, she was only 13 and many businesses were skeptical of her abilities and many of them turned her down because of it.

Mattson is grateful that she did not give up. She knew what she could do and she kept practicing on all the windows she could get her hands on until she had the hang of it. The more she painted, the more opportunity she had to show her abilities.

While she is not sure exactly what she wants to study yet, Mattson hopes to go to college after high school. Other than art, she loves science and biology.

This is her first year at Weiser High School and she said she is absolutely loving it here. She was familiar with the town with her cousins living here and says she had been begging her parents to move here ever since they got married in 2014. After they bought JEBS, it only made her want to move here even more.

“I love how involved everyone is with sports and the school. The community here is unmatched by anywhere I’ve ever been,” Mattson said.

Although Mattson can paint fun designs for many occasions, she is busiest during the Christmas season. Her schedule through November can fill up quickly but she shared that she creates each Christmas decoration with the spirit of giving and joy of the season in her heart.

“I enjoy painting windows at Christmas time because I get to spread the Christmas spirit and hopefully brighten someone’s day,” Mattson said.



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Weiser Recreation Department Fall Soccer



The Weiser Recreation Department's fall soccer league had five teams of first and second graders compete in Division 1. The team coached by Lyndon Haines is pictured above, not in pictured order, Josilyn Schreiner, Andrew Freeland, Nathan Tracy, Elyas Terry, Conner Williamson, Isabella Yocum Jayger Edwards, Olivia Haines, Nikell Walker and Alison Regan.



Coach David Spillet's team consisted of Areil Liera, Arianna Zanabriga, Julian Zanabriga, Saxton Spillet, Jackson Spillet, Tao Turner, Lillian Souza, Matthew Hernandez, Dominik Juarez and Adalynn Lo. Photo by Jamie Brown



Team members on Karen Bair's team are Lily Bair, Isaiah Velasco, Alejandro 'Hano' Mayorquin, Adahlei McFetridge, Camie Blair, Ashlyn Lawrence, Tyke Chandler and Malaki Bowles. Photo by Jamie Brown



The team coached by Crystal and Joe Garcia consisted of James Horton, Adrian Garcia, Sol Higgins, Marilyn Looney, Adrian Cortes, Owen Neill, Megan Avery and Mateo Celedonio. Photo by Jamie Brown



The team coached by Cassidy Rose included Brayden Galloway, Kinsley Cone, Kathryn Alder, Lacy Gustin-Heller, Mckenna Carbajal, Cooper Carbajal, Waylon Rose, Kevin Cone and Ashton Mills. Photo by Jamie Brown

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Christmas trees have arrived and are expected to sell out fast

Rustic Ranch

The Rustic Ranch Nursery is also operating a tree stand this year, which is set up in the parking lot in front of Carlena’s Eyeable Ink, located at 1300 State St., next to Bo’s Barn. Rustic Ranch owners Bo and Gayla Stearns have traditionally sold trees in the spring but decided to branch out – if you don’t mind the slight pun – selling Christmas trees this year for the first time. For the couple, getting trees was a little bit more difficult, but not an unsurmountable task. Nonetheless, if you want one, you had better hurry.

“We got our trees out of Escatada, Ore. and some from Mollala, Ore.,” Bo said. “It’s true, we’ve had a hard time and I expect we will be sold out of what we have by the end of the weekend.”

Bo said the drought that hit the Oregon coast last summer has affected Nobles in particular.

“The Nobles got burned this year,” he said. “Douglas Firs can handle the heat.”

So far, the Rustic Ranch Christmas tree stand is doing well, the couple also offers handmade decorative wreaths, garland, potted trees, and more. Every purchase offers customers a chance to win a load of red fir firewood.

Christmas trees at Rustic Ranch are priced as follows:

Douglas fir: 6’-7’ \$40, 7’-8’ \$50. Any size natural noble fir is \$60. Wreaths start at \$15. Garland, 15-feet long, is \$30 each. Potted trees start at \$25, and swag and centerpieces start at

\$20 each.

The Rustic Ranch tree stand is open Monday-Friday from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, call (208) 549-2901, or visit them on Facebook.

The Market

Kilee and Martin Saldivar, owners of The Market, located at 1595 E. 6th St. in Weiser, are in their second year selling a variety of Christmas trees of varying heights. Their prices range from \$50 to \$95.

Their trees come from a grower in Oregon and they order a set number of trees every year. They make their order a few days ahead of time, arrange a pickup date, and bring them here to Weiser, but as of Monday, Nov. 29, they had about 30 trees left.

They are open this Friday, between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

“We work with a guy out of Corbet, Ore., just outside of Portland. He cuts them about two days before we come, so we just put in an order and schedule them for when we come, so we go to his farm and pick them up there,” Kilee said.

Kilee said that although she didn’t have a problem getting her trees, she has heard other sellers haven’t had it as easy.

“We go to the same grower that does our Oregon berries that we have on our produce stands in the summer,” explained Kilee who also offers fresh wreaths and garland. “He doesn’t sell the



Bo Stearns, above, and wife Gayla own Rustic Ranch Nursery. This is the first year they have sold Christmas trees. Their stand is located at 1300 State St. in Weiser, in front of Carlena’s Eyeable Ink and next to Bo’s Barn. The couple said they are having a great time. Photo Philip A. Janquart

trees to other farm stands, I just got in with him because of the berries, so we haven’t had any problems, but I hear they (the trees) are difficult to get.

“We do get a limited supply and we try to keep our prices fair for everyone, but we run out fairly quickly. We have received a lot of compliments on our trees with how long they last, how they look, and the price, so people are eager to get them.”

For more information, call (208) 550-5712 or visit them on Facebook.

Ridley’s Family Market

Assistant Store Director Isaac Applegarth told the *Weiser Sig-*

nal American they are not selling trees this year.

“The last couple of years, they have been so expensive that it wasn’t practical for us to bring them in,” he said, adding that the drought and subsequent availability played a part in the decision.

Tree Tips and Tricks from Matthews Family Farm

Obviously, finding the freshest cut tree is the No. 1 way to make your tree last but there are other things you can do to keep it looking good through the holiday season.

Keep your tree as far away from heat registers and fire-

places as possible. Heat dries your tree out very quickly, and the further away it is, the more it will retain moisture.

If the yard where you purchase your tree offers to slice off the end of your tree, say, “Yes, please!” When trees are first cut, they send sap to the cut to seal in moisture. Making a fresh cut to the trunk immediately before putting it in water encourages your tree to take water in better, keeping your tree fresher, longer. If you’re not going directly home to put your tree in water, wait until you’re ready and take a thin slice off.

Happy decorating everyone!

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Congratulate WHS’s championship team at banner ceremony and Night Light parade

out the kids because they are very deserving, and we know that spending \$200 on something like that ... not every family has the ability to do so and we don’t feel like we want any of the kids to be left out.”

Players will also take part in the Weiser Night Light Parade set to take place at 6 p.m. on Dec. 3, floats and decorated ve-

hicles leaving Weiser Middle School at about 6 p.m. The parade will wind its way to E. Park St. to State St. and end at the Weiser Train Depot where there will be a lighting ceremony at the flagpole followed by fireworks.

“We will have a float and kids will be dressed in their game jerseys. We want to be in the parade to express our thanks to

the community for the outstanding support they provided us through the season, everything from attendance at games to our fundraising programs,” Harrison said. “We just had outstanding attendance at our games, including our playoff game in Gooding and our state championship game at Holt Arena in Pocatello. We were able to set a 3A attendance record and that

was pretty cool.”

The official count at the Dec. 19 championship was approximately 11,300, according to Harrison, but there were few seats left by the start of the game at the 12,000-seat arena.

The Wolverines’ were also the only team from the Treasure Valley to a win a 2021 state championship.

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Cove Road bridge mitigation money to be used to map out historical landmarks

historical landmarks.

Use of the monies, whether for repair of other historical structures or, in this case, an historical plan, must be agreed upon by all stakeholders.

The plan is something Preservation Commission Chair Tony Edmondson said will go a long way in helping to preserve history. He provided Washington County Commissioners at a regular Nov. 22 meeting with an update on the project.

“The Historic Preservation Plan is basically a vision; The closest thing I can liken it to is the city’s comprehensive plan,” Edmondson told commissioners during the meeting. “It states that this is who we are, and we’ve identified all these historic resources that we know about in our community, we’ve mapped them out and listed what they are, so the public, or anybody, has at a quick glance an understanding of what’s out there.”

Edmondson said some people might not even be aware that their property has any historical value.

Commissioner Lyndon Haines said that historical landmarks are of great interest to visitors.

“We had people visit from northern California ... and took them up by the museum, and they asked, ‘Where did these buildings come from?’” Haines related. “When you grow up here, maybe, sometimes we lack the appreciation just from a sense of what those buildings mean to our community and how those are not normal. You don’t just come across buildings like that ... so we do have some pretty cool historical things in this area.”

Edmondson and Commissioner Nate Marvin spoke about large concrete arrows that are still present along the state’s first airmail route, which came right through Washington County in the 1920s. Two of the arrows and at least one beacon used for navigation are still in the area, according to Edmondson.

“There was a show on PBS that said Idaho’s first airmail route came right through this area, from Pasco through Boise and to



The historic Cove Road Bridge, east of Weiser, is living on borrowed time. The Idaho Transportation Department will remove it in the next two to three years. Mitigation funds from the project will go toward developing a Historical Preservation Plan for the area’s historical landmarks. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

Salt Lake City,” he said. “They were showing these concrete arrows that are still in the ground. These arrows, I’d say, are maybe 20-feet long and were painted yellow at one time so they could be seen.”

They are historical details that will be included in the upcoming Historical Preservation Plan, which is expected to be complet-

ed in April or May 2022.

Developing the plan, which is, in large part, in the hands of TAG Historical Research and Consulting in Boise, will involve conducting a survey to identify and determine the properties and other items that have historic value.

“We already know a number of them, so it’s just a matter of gathering that information, but there

is work to be done to see what else is out there,” Edmondson told the *Weiser Signal American*. “TAG is charged with the responsibility of the survey. They have worked in our community before on other projects, so they are familiar with Washington County.”

Edmondson added that the public is an important factor in these determinations and is being asked to contribute by contacting him if they feel they own or know of any historical structures or other items that should be considered for review.

“We just want people to be part of the survey; if they have an historic farm or ranch, or they have an historical archeological site they think people might want to know about,” Edmondson said, adding that there will soon be regional representatives the public can contact with information, but that the Preservation Commission is currently working on putting it all in place.

For now, Edmondson said people can contact him via phone at (208) 549-3134.

Washington County Court Report

Aug. 3 - Braiden James Sutton, Nampa, failure to stop at checking station or submit to inspection, grading or weighting, fined \$118.50 plus \$160.50 court costs.

Aug. 4 - Brooke E. Bell, Seattle, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Scott Thomas Bennett, Ontario, reckless driving, fined \$342.50, sentenced 90 days in jail (88 days suspended), drivers license suspended 30 days, placed on 12 months probation, plus \$157.50 court costs. Santiago Montes Vargas, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Lorenzo E. Nye Jr., driving under the influence, fined \$797.50 (\$400 suspended), sentenced 180 days in jail (165 days suspended), drivers license suspended 180 days, placed on 24 months probation, plus \$267.50 court costs; possession of marijuana, fined \$102.50, sentenced 180 days in jail (176 days suspended), placed on 24 months probation, plus \$257.50 court costs. Mikhail A. Pasechnikov, Portland, alcoholic beverage - consume or possess open container by driver, fined \$162.50 plus \$190.50 court costs. Heather A. Thomas, disturbing the peace, fined \$92.50 plus \$357.50 court costs. Austin L. Ward, Weiser, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Nicholas A. Watkins, Weiser, accident - driver fails to give immedi-

ate notice, fined \$42.50 plus \$157.50 court costs.

Aug. 5 - Whitney Lisa Bettencourt, Parma, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Juan M. Hurtado Garcia, operate vehicle without a current or valid class D/operators license, fined \$150 plus \$157.50 court costs. Colby Ryan Shippy, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs.

Aug. 6 - Edwin Julian Archiga, Ontario, failure to carry vehicle registration in vehicle, fined \$10.50 plus \$56.50 court costs; failure to display vehicle license plates or stickers, fined \$10.50 plus \$56.50 court costs; vehicle equipment - modify exhaust system to increase noise, fined \$10.50 plus \$56.50 court costs; vehicle - windshield and/or window tinting film violation, fined \$10.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Shane E. Blanch, San Antonio, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. John M. Bunten, Meridian, driving - turning movements and required signals, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Kelly C. Coriell, Tooele, failure to display two license plates, fined \$10.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Sandra Lynn Gibbons, Nampa, operation of motor vehicle while operating mobile device, fined \$75 plus \$56.50 court costs. David T. Lavy Jr., Weiser, operate vehicle without a current or valid class D/operators license,

fined \$150 plus \$157.50 court costs; speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Paul David Maine, New Meadows, failure to obey traffic control devices, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Katelyn Leigh Ann Neal, Weiser, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs. Sean M. Whitney, West Linn, failure to stop and/or yield from stop sign, fined \$33.50 plus

\$59.50 court costs. Carter L. Shepard, Jerome, operation of motor vehicle while operating mobile device, fined \$75 plus \$56.50 court costs.

Aug. 9 - Vanessa G. Bravo, Weiser, operate vehicle without a current or valid class D/operators license, fined \$150 plus \$160.50 court costs. Edwin D. Clement, Gold River, speeding, fined \$33.50 plus \$56.50 court costs.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

IN RE: Jazlyn Marie Envee Lavy)

Case No. CV 44-21-0464
NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE (Minor)

A Petition to change the name of Jazlyn Marie Envee Lavy, a minor, now residing in the City of Weiser, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Washington County, Idaho. The name will change to Jazlyn Marie Envee Myers. The reason for the change in name is: The name "Lavy" has a horrible rep and is starting to affect her in school.

A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11:00 o'clock, A.M. on 1-5-2022 at the Washington County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.

Date: 11-12-2021
Donna Atwood
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By: Ellie Ibarra
Deputy Clerk 47-4S

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LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV44-21-0458

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Jeanette Reiners has been appointed personal representative of the Estates of Ellen Overlin and Marty R. Overlin, Third Judicial District, Washington County, ID. All persons having claims against the decedents or their estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims shall be forever barred.

Claims must be provided to attorney Robert Montgomery at 2160 S. Twin Rapid, Boise, ID 83709 and filed with the Clerk of the Court in Washington County. Dated November 16, 2021. 47-3S

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

MAGISTRATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF)

CHARLES H. DANIELS JR. and,
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Deceased.)

CASE NO. CV44-21-0459
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DATED this 10th day of November, 2021.

Carey L.D. Hopkins, Personal Representative
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON

MAGISTRATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF)

LUCILLE E. FRANKLIN,

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CASE NO. CV 44-21-0470
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Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 29th day of November 2021.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHINGTON
MAGISTRATE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:)

MOLLIE T. MORGAN,)

Deceased.)

Case No.: CV44-21-0456
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Regarding: Estate of Mollie T. Morgan, Deceased
Probate No. CV44-21-0456

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the person described in subsection 1 below has been appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of the above-named Decedent. Pursuant to Idaho Code §15-3-801(a), all persons having claims against the Decedent or her estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated hereinafter, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

1. The address of the Personal Representative, for purposes of presentation of a Creditor's Claim, is as follows:

Zane Morgan
c/o Masingill Law, P.A.
P.O. Box 467
Weiser, Idaho 83672

Dated this November 16, 2021.

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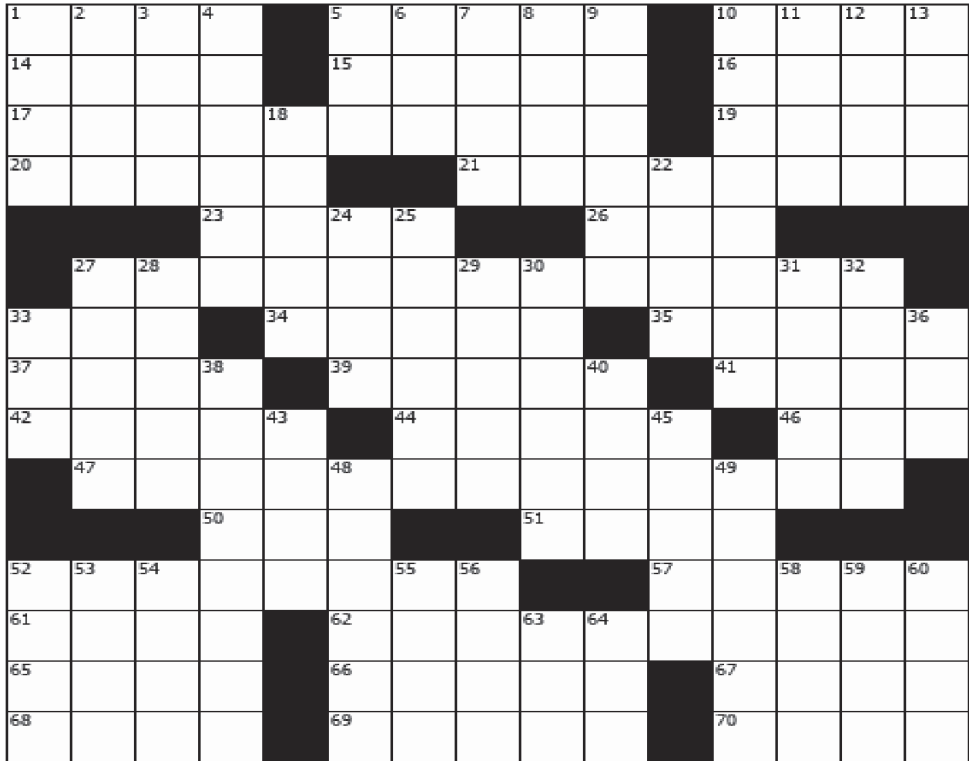
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14. To be, to Nero
15. Ali's faith
16. Stylish magazine
17. Request from Ms. Hudson's mate?
19. Reached terra firma
20. Narrow groove
21. Give credence
23. Bearded antelopes
26. "___ pig's eye!"
27. Certain Spanish gent?
33. End of a retaliatory phrase
34. Expansive
35. Oil-bearing rock
37. Winglike
39. Falconry, for one
41. Preceding periods
42. Fixed the pilot?
44. Previous arrest
46. "X" a box, say
47. Septennial affliction?
50. Samuel's mentor
51. Where heroes come into existence?
52. Some people fall back on them
57. They're virtually pointless
61. Jai ___
62. Salutation for Barbie?
65. "___ Yankees"
66. A judge, e.g.
67. Custard tart
68. Words with shake or break
69. Exodus commemoration
70. Temple, poetically



Down

1. Albanian "dollars"
2. ". . . ___ is in heaven"
3. Cold War participant
4. Sketch a plan
5. Horner's dessert
6. What it doesn't hurt to do
7. Montenegro native
8. "Toodle-oo!"
9. First name in noted aviators
10. Cephalalgia
11. Clay water crock
12. Lacerate
13. Head of France
18. Lord's domain
22. Weekend getaway destinations, perhaps
24. Unexplained sightings
25. Slipshod
27. Virile types
28. Dickens title start
29. Martin's "That's ___"
30. Large indefinite number
31. Widespread chaos
32. First Hebrew letter
33. Smoke residue
36. Plus-or-minus fig.
38. Attention-grabbing
40. Came apart at the seams
43. Start for type or vision
45. Rubbed the wrong way
48. Dark times in one's life
49. When Shaq begins to play
52. Nothing, somewhere
53. Israeli airline
54. Word with time or here
55. "Sommersby" actor
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