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# Olson making it big on world songwriting stage

by Philip A. Janquart

Who would have guessed?

A guy born and raised in Weiser, Idaho. A guy who is known as a best-selling author and who is now winning awards as a songwriter, recording demos with some of the top names in the country music industry.

Nobody believed he could do it.

But that's Tony Olson for you: a guy who believes anything is possible if you set your mind to it.

At 63, Olson has cut deeper into the business than most of the young people who show up in Nashville with a guitar and a dream. Nashville is full of them, kids really, stepping off Greyhounds, stars in their eyes, looking to make contact with someone, anyone, that can help make those dreams come true.

But Olson's dream began in Weiser where he decided to write a book about politics, which, ironically, led him to begin writing country songs.

"It became a best seller on Amazon in five categories and it kind of made me think maybe I've got some writing talent," he said, sitting back in a chair on the patio at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser. "I wrote a little bit when I was young, in my late teens and early 20s, but I didn't have money to do demos. I eventually got into a banking career and was real successful. I throw myself into whatever I'm doing and in this case, banking was my career and everything else just kind of got pushed to the side, and I always wondered if I was good enough to write with the big guys."

The answer to that question came at the age of 60 when he became acquainted with Dave Nudo, an award-winning singer/songwriter from Boise. Nudo won the 2020 Josie Award for Best Musical collaboration for his duet "Like You Were Forbidden" with artist Dusty Leigh. He also was nominated for the Josie Award Song of the Year for his tune "Ninety-Nine Halos" performed by Leigh.

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Ken Adams and Joe White, right, pose in front of the 1971 Jeep Wagoneer Ken has raced at the Weiser Mud Drags for several years. The races are scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 2. Cost is \$30 for vehicle entries and \$9 for spectators. Children six and under are free of charge. *Photo by Philip A. Janquart* 

### Weiser Mud Drags set for Oct. 2

by Philip A. Janquart

Mud will fly and engines will roar at the 2021 Weiser Mud Drags, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 2 at Mortimer's Island in Weiser.

Like regular drag races, there are two lanes where vehicles race against each other on a straight course. This race, however, involves mud, pitting drivers against each other in an effort to keep their vehicles straight while vying for the fastest time

The Weiser Mud Drags are not like mud bog competitions where vehicles are

judged on distance achieved through a muddy pit.

Participants can enter their vehicles the day of the race at a cost of \$30. Driver gates open at 6 a.m. with spectator gates open at 9 a.m. Races start at 10 a.m. Cost is \$9 for spectators. Children six and under get in free of charge.

There will be a beer garden and several vendors selling food and drinks.

Entry money goes back to the drivers, with gate and vendor fees benefitting the Weiser City Fire Department Volunteer Assoc.

"The City Fire Dept. has become very good partners and we just really appreciate them," said co-organizer Laurel Adams. "Part of the money goes back into next year's mud drag races. All of the people working the venue are volunteers."

There will be first- through third-place trophies in several categories, including Pro-Mud, Super Modified, Powder Puff, Pro-Stock, and Street Legal.

"We started the races when I was at the Chamber of Commerce and when I left the Chamber, we just kind of took the race

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### Frye named new Chamber president

 $by\ Philip\ A.\ Janquart$ 

Sally Frye, of Peoples Furniture, was recently appointed president of the Weiser Chamber of Commerce.

Frye said she is ready to take on the task of helping to revive Weiser's business community through new events and activities, while extending a helping hand to owners looking for ways to better market their businesses

One of her ideas involves a community family day that offers residents a day of funfilled activities and business owners the opportunity to display their products and services.

"I would really love to see

more community events," she said. "I live in Fruitland and they put on an awesome Fruitland Family Fun Days event that just happened a week or so ago. I would love to see something similar here.

"Local businesses sponsor their own booth or activity. The chamber has little prizes for the kids, and they have things like face painting, a magician, balloon animals, bounce houses, rock walls, and food trucks. It's a free event and it's really fun."

Frye said she accepted the appointment as president because she felt the need to get involved.

"They needed somebody

to step up and I was willing and able," said Frye. "I just wanted to be more a part of the community. I've been in the store here since I was three, so I wanted to get more involved in our town and try to bring some life to downtown.

"We have been kind of struggling to get a board together, but I think we are definitely moving in the right direction. I feel right now is my time to put in an effort and help make our community better."

Key to the chamber's success is time, according to Frye who said you get what

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# Obituaries



#### Claramae Halford

Claramae Hinton Halford, 97, of Weiser, Idaho passed away Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2021.

She was born Aug. 17, 1924 in Ogden, Utah to Noble Joshua Hinton and Clara Cottle Hinton.

She loved being the youngest of six children who all adored their baby sister.

Claramae was reared and educated in Ogden, graduating from Ogden High School in 1942. While many of her classmates were called to serve during WWII (including Don Halford), Claramae worked at the Utah General Depot in Ogden for the next 4 years and was honored to be sent to New York for further training by

When Don returned from his service their paths crossed again and they were married Aug. 31, 1946 in Ogden. Their three daughters, Susan, Donette, and Karen, were born while living there.

In 1956 Don was transferred to Buhl, Idaho where their only son, Don Jr., was born. Claramae loved her time in Buhl where she was very involved in rais-

ing her children, being a room mother, Cub Scout den mother, Campfire Girl leader, and volunteering many hours with the Buhl Jay-c-ettes, a service organization.

In 1967 they moved to Weiser, Idaho. She often said that "Weiser was a town that just wrapped its arms around you," and she loved being a Weiserite for over 50 years. She had many friends in Weiser, whom she loved and served.

Claramae volunteered for many organizations including the Red Cross Blood drawings, Fiddle Week, the Election Board, and Weiser Memorial Hospital, where she gave over 3,000 hours of service. She read with students at Pioneer Elementary, and participated in fund raisers for various charities. She was found helping anywhere she was needed. She was honored for her hours of service by being chosen as Weiser's First Lady for 2004.

She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and served in many callings. One of her favorites was being a Ward Mission-

Claramae had many hobbies including gardening, crocheting, reading, doing crossword puzzles, genealogy, making banana bread and pumpkin rolls. She enjoyed golfing and even got a hole-in-one at Rolling Hills Golf Course. But she was best at giving service and was always sharing these hobbies and talents with others.

Claramae's greatest passion was her family. She loved and is loved by her surviving four children Susan and Mike Brown -St. George, Utah, Donette and Rich Hammond -Middleton, Idaho, Karen and Randy Smith - Maricopa, Ariz., and Don and Patti Halford - Colorado Springs.

She thought her 12 grandchildren were the best! Mike and Jen Brown, Kimberli Brown-Gertz, Kristen Brown, Michelle and Dave Gooch, Greg and Kitty Hammond, Brad Hammond, Kevin and Suzi Hammond, Stephanie and David Perez, Jamie and Justin Galea, DJ Halford, Dylan Halford.

Her 22 Great-Grands will never forget her; Connor, Cameron, and Hannah Brown, Gabriel and Olivia Gertz, Braxton, Kasen, Ashlyn, and Elder Trevor Hammond, Sterling, Jackson and Claira Hammond, Cody, Trey and Saylor Hammond, Kensington, Rylee, Brody, and Lucas Perez, Ellis Gratz, Emmett and Ensley Galea. She is also remembered fondly by her surviving nieces and nephews; Brent Gibson, Edwina Stoll, Vee Gibson, Renee Mastriona, and Bertha Leandro.

Claramae was preceded in death by her husband, Donald E. Halford, her parents, siblings, and one grandson, Brian Brown.

Funeral services for Claramae will be on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2021, at 1 p.m. at the Weiser L.D.S. Church after which she will be laid to rest at Hillcrest Cemetery.



#### **Captain Ronda** Wagner

Surrounded by family and friends, Captain Ronda Wagner (U.S. Army, Retired) of Weiser, Idaho was sung home to heaven on Sept. 12, 2021.

Ronda Doreen Harrison was born in Emmett, Idaho on April 9, 1955, to Bobby and Twila (Johns) Harrison. What a lucky girl she was to have an older brother, Terry, and a younger brother, Tim.

Harrison clan This eventually moved to Cambridge, Idaho, where Ronda learned how to work and play, and about the joy those things can bring. She graduated from CHS in 1973 and started her own family, welcoming daughters Bobbi, Heather, and Michelle.

In 1981, Ronda was accepted into the nursing program at Oregon Health and Science University. She packed up her courage, strength, faith, and with her three daughters, moved to LaGrande, Ore. It was here she met her first soulmate and forever friend, Jayne Dilling.

Ronda and Jayne graduated in 1985 with nursing degrees and then began their careers in the U.S.

Army. After basic training, Ronda was stationed at Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora, Colo.

Ronda met her second soulmate, Kim Wagner, soon after. In 1986, Kim packed up his courage, strength, faith, and became her loving husband and loving father to her daughters.

After leaving Colorado, there was a short station at Fort Lewis in Tacoma, Wash., before Ronda and Kim moved home to Idaho in 1996.

In Weiser, Ronda joined the home health team at Weiser Memorial Hospital and went on to become the Director of Nursing there.

In 2010, Ronda settled into a new job at Snake River Correctional Institute. Her co-workers there have been known to ask, "WWWD?" What Would Wagner Do?

When she wasn't working, Ronda would rarely sit still. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren, sharing adventures big and small. She loved being outside in her flower beds. She loved fishing expeditions with Kim. She loved challenging herself with quilting and crochet. There are many who've been gifted the treasures she made. Among the greatest homemade treasures from her, was food. Ronda was a feeder! Cookies, cakes, casseroles, fried chicken, chile rellenos, popcorn balls, the list goes on!

This great lady was a friend and mentor to countless others. There is no end to the number of lives she touched. Her compas-

sion, quiet strength, and shining example will continue to bless and guide multitudes.

Ronda was preceded in death by her daughter, Heather Fry, her grandmother, Sabra Johns, her parents, Bob and Twila Harrison, her brothers, Terry and Tim Harrison, and her niece, Sarah Harrison-Cook.

Ronda's loved ones who live to carry on her legacy include: her husband, Kim Wagner of Weiser; daughter, Bobbi Drish and grandsons, Isaiah and Isaac Drish of Longmont, Colo.; daughter, Michelle Fry (Kenny) of Weiser and grandchildren, Lewis and Twyla Turek; son, Scott Wagner of Elko, Nev.; sisters, Jana (Ted) Iverson of Meridian; Cecilia Harrison of Boise; Missy (Jed) Lakey of Council; Jackie Wagner and Jane Carter of Las Animas, Colo.; Kay (Jerry) Lemons of Raton, New Mexico; Char Rich of Arizona; numerous beloved nieces, nephews, beloved cousins; a few very special aunts and uncles here in Idaho.

Daughter. Sister. Mom. Grandma. Wife. Friend. Aunt Ronda. Cap'n Wagner, Nurse Wagner. Foot doctor. Chicken lover. Feeder. Healer. Caregiver. Beauty personified.

A potluck dinner and celebration of Ronda's wild, wonderful life and strong, loving spirit will be held Friday, Sept. 17 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at her home in Weiser. Let's celebrate her with laughter, tears, music, memories...and food.



#### Audre' Ann Faria

Audre' Ann Faria was born in Springfield, Missouri on Sept. 20, 1929. She passed peacefully on Weiser, Idaho, nephew to the moon and back!

Sept. 13, 2021, at the age of 91. She was a spunky sassy

lady with class. She had jokes for all occasions. Audre' loved spending

time with her family and enjoyed going on short road trips with her daughter, Francine. She had a great life and lived it to the fullest.

She is survived by her only daughter Francine Elizabeth of Kuna, Idaho, formerly of Weiser, Idaho, two sons Bruce and Scott Sandelin of Washington, her sister Kay Long of Jon White of Ketchum, Idaho, grandsons Colton Charles Newsom (Callison Timm) of McCall, Idaho, Nohe Lee Newsom (Katie Creekbaum) of Caldwell, Idaho, and great-grandsons Caysen Newsom, McCall, Idaho and Lucian Newsom, Caldwell, Idaho.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ruby and Clement White, an infant daughter Lindsey Sandelin, her sisters Barbara Gehnrich and Virginia Shneider.

RIP Mom, I Love you

### Death Notices

#### Truman Barlow

Truman Barlow, 72. of Vale, Ore., passed away at home on Sept. 15, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Funeral Chapel Ontario, Oregon.

#### **Donna LaRae Straube**

Donna LaRae Straube, 82, of Weiser, Idaho, passed away Sept. 14, 2021 in Weiser. Arrangements under the direction of Thomason Funeral Home.

#### Nancy Casner

Nancy Coon Casner, 82, of Payette, Idaho passed away at her home on Sept. 16, 2021. Services are under the direction of the Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.

#### **Shannon E. Collins**

Shannon E. Collins, 67, of Ontario Ore. passed away Sept. 18, 2021 at her home in Ontario. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.

#### **Reginal Denny**

Reginal Denny, 94, of Nyssa, Ore. passed away at home on Sept. 16, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapels of Ontario.

#### **David Mori**

David Mori, 81, of Ontario, Ore. passed away at home on Sept. 17, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel of Ontario. Private family services to be held.

#### **Sonny Snow**

Sonny Snow, 52, of Fruitland, Idaho passed away Sept. 15, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.

#### Mervie Earl

Mervie Earl, 97, of Nyssa died Sept. 12, 2021 at her home. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel,

#### Jav Walgren

Jay Walgren, 58 of Weiser, Idaho, passed away Sept. 15, 2021 in Weiser. Arrangements under the direction of Thomason Funeral Home.

#### Brian Joseph Dyer

Brian Joseph Dyer, 67, of Fruitland, Idaho passed away Sept. 16, 2021 at home in Fruitland. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

#### Carl A. Ralston

Carl A. Ralston, of Payette, Idaho passed away Sept. 17, 2021 at his home in Payette. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Payette.

#### Margaret Merk

Margaret Ellen Merk, 92, of Payette, Idaho, passed away Sept. 18, 2021 at a care facility in Weiser. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

# Coming Up

**Holiday Arts and Crafts Show** 

The Holiday Arts and Crafts Show co-hosted by the Four County Art Guild and Friends of the Library will be held one month early. The event was known as the Arts and Crafts Show and was held in November. This year the event, featuring artisans, bakers and so much more will be held Friday, Oct. 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Vendome Events Center, 309 State Street in Weiser.

Angel Wings Walk/Run Around the Park

Angel Wings Network, a local cancer support organization, will have their 10th annual Walk/Run Around the Park on Saturday, Oct. 9 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The 5K/1 mile walk/run will be held at Weiser City Park. Registration is \$25 per person, kids 10 and under are free and it is pet friendly. There will also be a virtual walk/run. Those who are unable to attend can send a 2-minute video of you and your team participating in the walk/run. To register contact Angel Wings at 208-414-9464. The fundraiser lends a helping hand to folks battling cancer in our rural communities.

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**Kathyn Marie Simpson Pierce** October 1, 1947 -August 25, 2021

Kathyn Marie Simpson Pierce, 73, of Boise, died Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2021, at a Boise hospital surrounded by her chil-

A service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Friday, Oct. 1, in celebration of her life on the day of her birth. In person service attendance will be limited to family but the service will be streamed live for all who wish to ioin us.

She will be interred with her husband at Idaho Veterans Cemetery.

Kathy was born in Ephrata, Wash., on Oct. 1, 1947, to James Harold and Kathryn Rae, the oldest of three children.

She went to work for the family newspaper, the Weiser Signal-American, ran for city council, and in the year 1969 owned "the fastest car in the state of Idaho"

On June 27, 1970, she married Burt Willard Pierce in Ontario, Ore.

Burt enlisted in the Navy, and they spent the next 20 years traveling the world together and having many adventures. During this time, she discovered the home of her heart, Hawaii. She took up surfing, learned Chinese cooking from renowned chef Titus Chan, and fell in love with Island life. She also continued to pursue her passion in journalism.

When Burt retired in 1990, they settled in Boise, Idaho. Staying in one place for so long allowed her to pursue new joys. She and Burt traveled the state with their bicycle. She took to driving her track-prepared Miata around town and became involved in a life of service to her community through her church and a local interfaith council.

After the love of her life Burt passed in 2005, she continued to grow. Kathyn next shifted much of her time and energy to something that many now know her for – quilting. She made hundreds of quilts, some for comfort and relief within the community she held dear, as well as ones designed specifically for family and friends.

She never forgot Ha-

waii, visiting when she could and keeping a surfboard there that was always ready for her. She also now had grandkids and loved them all deeply.

She is survived by her daughter Kristin Noelle McNabb and her husband Christopher Cole Mc-Nabb; her son Alexander James Pierce and his partner Gloria Salazar Sisco; daughter Rebecca Kathleen Hite and her husband Jonathan Andrew Hite: her brother James Rae Simpson and his wife Betty Simpson; her sister Lesley Jeanne Cunningham and her husband Michael Edward Cunningham; her grandchildren Taylor Alexander Pierce, Marcus Cruz Dehlwes, Sophia Lenore McNabb, and Sullivan James Hite; and her bonus grandchildren Nastasia Diamond Sisco, and Jasmine Renee Holder. Kathy is also survived by many nephews, nieces, great-nephews, and great-nieces who each held a special place in her heart.

Kathy was preceded in death by her parents James Harold and Kathryn Rae Simpson; her sister-in-law Janis Cynthia Zimmerman; and her beloved husband and partner in crime Burt Willard Pierce.

Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or the Boise Pride Festival.



#### **Change the Routine**

We are all creatures of habit and we have our own particular way of doing things. I would like to suggest vou make one small change to your "getting ready routine" that could really improve your dental health.

Usually, when we are getting ready to go somewhere we wait to brush our teeth until everything else is done. With it being the last thing we do, most people brush quickly and with too much pressure. There are even those who might skip brushing because they ran out of time and they are late to wherever it is they are headed.

To avoid brushing while you are in a hurry, try switching up your routine and brush your teeth before you fix your hair. If you could look closely at your teeth and see how poorly you do when you brush really quickly I think you would spend more time and effort doing it right. Making this simple change will hopefully help you give the attention to your teeth that they need.

If you have a topic for an article send us an email at dilledental@gmail.com, or better yet, stop in at our office. We love to talk about teeth and we will be happy to answer your question(s) in future columns.



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### Weiser Valley Highway District to fog coat chip sealed roads

The Weiser Valley Highway District will be fog coating several roads on the Weiser Flat that were recently chip sealed. A coating of oil will be applied to the roads that were chip sealed to extend the life of the road.

Roads that will be affected include: County Road 70 from Haas Road to the Weiser city limits, Pringle Road, Smith Lane and Hot Springs Road.

The highway district will fog coat on Wednesday, Sept. 22 starting at 10:30 a.m.

#### **Burn bans lifted in Washington County**

In light of changing weather, which includes falling temperatures and some recent moisture, the Weiser Rural Fire District has lifted burn bans.

However, those wishing to burn within the Weiser Rural Fire District must obtain permits before doing so. To obtain a permit, call (208) 414-2379.



#### **Correction to city election story**

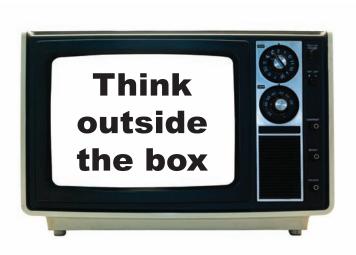
of the Weiser Signal American, it was incorrectly stated that current Weiser city councilman expiring and that he had

chosen not to run in the Nov. 2 election. Barberis' term has not expired.

In addition, current councilman Michael Cliff Barberis' term was Hopkins was appointed to fill the remaining

Hibberd after he was elected mayor. That term has now expired and Hopkins has declared his candidacy for the upcoming election.

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#### **OPINION**

From the mayor's desk

### Crisis Standards of Care have been implemented by Idaho hospitals

4. If your chances of survival are

not high enough, you

may not get the care you could normally expect if

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District Health office

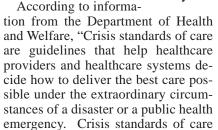
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Going strictly by in-

This last Thursday, Dave triaged to determine if it is a priority. Jeppesen, the director for the

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, activated the Crisis Standards of Care for all Idaho hospitals in order to deal with the influx of COVID-19 cases into Idaho hospitals. This decision followed the recommendation of the Crisis Standards of Care Activation Advisory Committee which had been convened the day



stances of a disaster or a public health emergency. Crisis standards of care guidelines would be used when resources are insufficient to provide the usual standard of care to people who need it. The goal... is to save as many lives as possible.

What this means in a nutshell is that:

- 1. The hospitals are overwhelmed. 2. There are not enough resources
- to go around. 3. If you need to go to any hospital for ANY reason, your situation will be



**Mayor Randy Hibberd** 

weeks ago, that there were about 3,500 new cases in our district that had not been posted yet. In other words, they are also overwhelmed.

If those new cases were spread evenly across the population in our six-county district that would mean Washington County has had around another 180 cases that have not been posted.

One of the City employees asked me recently if there was any information for a recent time period about the number of hospitalizations of those vaccinated against COVID-19 compared to the unvaccinated. Our District Health office graciously took the time to have one of their people provide information for the month of August which I would like to share

"In the month of August 2021, SWDH had 4,363 confirmed or probable cases of COVID-19. Of these cases, 151 (3.5 percent) were fully immunized. Of the 160 individuals in SWDH (our District) who were sick enough with COVID-19 to need hospitalization, eight (5 percent) were fully immunized. Of the 44 individuals in SWDH who died due to COV-ID-19, only one (2.3 percent) was fully immunized.'

The email went on to state, "Whether looking at what has happened in our six-county region over the past 8 months or just in August, there is strong evidence to support the benefits of vaccine."

Any way you look at it, the numbers support the vaccine as the best weapon in fighting this virus with study after study to support the num-

I have heard some people say they will take their chances and rely on alternative therapies if they contract the virus. My response, to quote an old saying "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Also, with the surge in cases going on now, the "alternative therapy" may not be available when you are in need. The vaccine is available now.

The county has seen a recent surge in the number of people getting vaccinated. Please make sure you are one

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### DHW extends crisis care to entire state

he Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW) has activated Crisis Standards of Care (CSC) in accordance with IDAPA 16.02.09 - Crisis Standards of Care For Healthcare Entities.

activated is statewide because the massive increase of COVID-19 patients requiring hospitalization in all areas of the state has exhausted existing resources

CSC was activated on Sept. 6 in North Idaho. This activation, declared today, expands the declaration to the rest of the state.

This action was taken after St. Luke's Health System requested that CSC be activated. DHW Director Dave Jeppesen convened the CSC Activation Advisory Committee virtually on Sept. 15. The committee recommended that CSC be activated statewide.

hospitals 'Our and healthcare systems need our help. The best way to end crisis standards of care is for more people to get vaccinated. It dramatically reduces your chances of having to go to the hospital if you do get sick from COVID-19. In addition, please wear a mask indoors in public and outdoors when it's crowded to help slow the spread," said DHW Director Jeppesen. "The situation is dire – we don't have enough resources to adequately treat the patients in our hospitals, whether you are there for COVID-19 or a heart attack or because of a car accident."

Although DHW has activated CSC, hospitals will implement as needed and according to their own CSC policies. However, not all hospitals will move to that standard of care. If they are managing under their current circumstances, they can continue to do so.

Crisis standards of care are guidelines that help healthcare providers and systems decide how to deliver the best care possible under the extraordinary circumstances of an overwhelming disaster or public health emergency. The guidelines may be used when there are not enough healthcare resources to provide the usual standard of care to people who need it. The goal of crisis standards of care is to extend care to as many patients as possible and save as many lives as possible.

When crisis standards of care are in effect, people who need medical care may get care that is different from what they expect. For example, patients admitted to the hospital may find that hospital beds are not available or are in repurposed rooms (such as a conference room) or that needed equipment is not available. They may have to wait for a bed to open, or be moved to another hospital in or out of state that has the resources they need. Or they might not be prioritized for the limited resources that are available.

In other words, someone who is otherwise healthy and would recover more rapidly may get treated or have access to a ventilator before someone who is not likely to recover.

The process to initiate crisis standards of care began when resources were limited to the point of affecting medical care. DHW Director Jeppesen convened the Crisis Standards of Care Activation Advisory Committee on Sept. 15, 2021, to review all the measures that were taken to provide care for the increased number of COVID-19 patients rehospitalization.

The committee determined that the ability of all Idaho hospitals and healthcare systems to deliver the usual standard of care has been severely affected by the extraordinary influx of patients, and all contingency measures have been exhausted. The committee recommended to the director that crisis standards of care be activated statewide. Director Jeppesen issued his decision on Sept. 16, 2021, under the authority vested in him through the temporary rule.

Efforts will continue with earnest to alleviate the resource constraints in the state caused by the massive increase in the number of COVID-19 patients needing hospitalization. The crisis standards of care will remain in effect until there are sufficient resources to provide the usual standard of care to all patients.

Learn more about crisis standards of care and see an FAQ at https://coronavirus. idaho.gov/idaho-resources/

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# Your Faith When life gives you lemons

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There is a time for everything and everything is made appropriate in its time, so Scripture tells us.

When the world comes crashing down we all have a choice to make. Our neighbor has the choice to pass by on the other side or help dig us out of the rubble we find ourselves in; we have the choice to wallow or pick up a shovel and start digging ourselves. If we're searching, we just never know when the next shovelful will uncover the immeasurable treasure worth risking everything for.

In a message to his Cleveland, Ohio's Parkside Church, Senior Pastor, Alistair Begg, retold a story given him at a conference he was speaking of an attendee's friend. This friend was undergoing final stages of treatment for brain cancer. Though terminally ill, this friend displayed joy unspeakable in his undying hope in Christ who by grace through faith promises everlasting life beyond the grave. Maybe in disdain or maybe in sincere concern for this patient's state of mind, as if to say, "Doesn't he know he's dying?", his nurse noted in his medical chart, "Patient is inappropriately joyful."

In Jesus-esque fashion I ask, of these two, who has eyes to see and ears to hear the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

When the world comes crashing down with news of tragedy, disaster or terminal diagnosis, despite the circumstances, is it ever inappropriate to be so enthralled by the love of Jesus that our life displays joy unspeakable because of an undying hope in Christ who by grace through faith promises everlasting life that starts here and carries us on into the eternal presence of our loving God?

If still searching to find the immeasurable treasure of God's grace, just take a look in the eyes of the neighbor who comes with shovel in hand to help in time of need or in that piece of dirt yet to be unearthed. If you seek, you will find, so Scripture tells us - Jody R. Goode, redeemerweiser@gmail.com.

Ecclesiastes 3:1, 11 (NASB) - There is an appointed time for everything... He has made everything appropriate in its time...

1 Peter 1:8 (NASB) - and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory

### Justification by fait

Riverside Baptist

How can a person be right with God? Some think that it is through their good works that a person is justified. A right relationship with God is something to be earned. Martin Luther would literally beat his body to drive sin away. All to no avail.

The wonderful truth of scripture is that God declares people righteous in Jesus Christ by His marvelous grace. Justification is an act of God by which He declares sinners to be righteous by grace alone through faith alone because of Christ alone.

The means of God's grace is faith. All those who have faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ

are saved from sin and death.

Some people believe that this is mere intellectual assent. They say a prayer or say the right words and they punch their ticket to heaven.

Faith has three aspects; knowledge, assent, and commitment.

Knowledge is understanding the gospel of grace. Many today will walk an aisle but don't understand what they are believing in.

Assent means that faith changes our heart. We love Jesus and His Word as our joy and delight.

Commitment means we understand that we no longer belong to ourselves but that we now belong to

May you believe in God's grace through our Savior Jesus.

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God." (Romans 5:1-2,

I invite you to join us this Sunday. All are welcome!

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

Pastor Ian Ross

### Just something to think about

September is half way over, I just passed another birth year, the leaves are beginning to turn on the trees, and it is my favorite time of year.

Sons and I have been busy winterizing my outdoor plants and my mini-garden. I am leaving my peppers and tomatoes for a while longer, but the rest of the garden is up and out. I think I can use the corn stalks as decor. The sunflower heads will be used for the birds and squirrels

Just as we know that the year is winding down, so we know that this old world is coming to its end. I am at peace with this. In fact, I am looking forward to going home.

This home is fun and keeps me busy, but my heavenly home is so much better.

Are you ready to go home? Just something to think about.

C. Shaw

### More nature - trees

St. Luke's Episcopal by Carolyn Wesner

Okay, not everyone is a tree hugger. That said, even the most efficient strip-miner (no offense intended, strip-miners) will want to rest under a tree and enjoy its leafy shadyness.

As part of God's wonderful creation, vertical element green things (trees) have been a blessing to human kind forever. The book of Genesis says that trees were given for their beauty and their fruit - who doesn't love peaches, apples, oranges, kiwis, nuts, and more?

When the ancient patriarch Abraham was on his journey to the place where God would show him, he rested in an oak tree grove, near the settlement of Mamre.

and the family were, shade from those trees in a desert land was more than welcome. Tree areas were landmarks and gathering places for nomads and caravans; Abraham entertained some very special guests under those trees. Also in those days, chopping down trees in times of war was forbidden (no scorched earth policy).

In the very first Psalm, it says a wise person is like "a tree planted by the water which yields it fruit in season, and its leaves never wither; in all that is done, he prospers."

One day, when King David of Israel was giving thanks to God for the homecoming of the golden box containing the Ten Commandments, he shouted, "Let the trees of

Living in tents, as he the forest shout for joy!" Talking trees, hmmm....

Then, at the very end of the Bible in the book of Revelation we read of a massive, unusual newearth tree, a "tree of life" with 12 kinds of fruit, one for each month. The herbal leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Make plans to be there!

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. St. Luke's continues our short series called "Unabashedly Episcopalian." These are informal study meetings based on the book by Bishop Andy Doyle. All are welcome, and books may be obtained by calling Blake Coats at 208-550-4325.

See you Sundays at St. Luke's Episcopal Church for 10 a.m. service, and please join us afterwards for coffee hour.

#### GOD BLESS AMERICA



For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. Romans 3:32-24

BE STILL, AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

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Sean and Courtney Thompson still have five kids at home with them. Due to privacy issues, the kids are shown above with their backs turned. The Thompsons have welcomed 10 kids overall into their home and have one biological son. Photo courtesy of Sean and Courtney Thompson.

### Local couple adopting 10 children

Editor's note:

This is the second in a two-part series recounting local residents, Sean and Courtney Thompson's, journey through the Foster Care program, their process of adopting 10 children and their challenges and successes along the way. The first part ended with the surprise arrival of the Thompson's biological son, Fynn.

#### by Philip A. Janquart

A year after Fynn's birth, Courtney went back to work, taking a job in the front office at Weiser Middle School. She became familiar with most of the students and their families, especially one, Jasmine, a young aide who chose to work in the office as one of her electives.

"Her class period when she came in with me was in the afternoon," Courtney said. "It just tends to be quieter that time of day and we got to be very close, and she started sharing with me what she was going through."

Jasmine related how she lived in a 16-foot camper with her father and grandfather, and the difficulties the living arrangement presented.

Her father, who was from Mexico, worked in the fields and lived on a very limited income. Courtney and Sean stepped in to provide needed medical treatment, Courtney also convinced Jasmine to take summer school classes where she would continue to have structure and something to eat.

Meanwhile, Jasmine's father was considering moving to Colorado, ultimately triggering a Thompson family meet-

"We wanted her to move in with us," Courtney said. "I started to panic a little bit. She was at an age where a mother was going to be very important. Who was going to take her to high school things, take her to dances, go with her to buy her bras? Who was going to do those things for her?'

Jasmine responded with cries of joy when Courtney asked her and wanted to go talk to her dad right away. Initially, he was opposed to it, but ultimately agreed.

"As school got closer, she wanted to do fall sports and she had to have insurance, she had to have a physical and other things, but he was in a situation where he wasn't able to obtain those things, so he finally agreed to let us have her and signed a power of attorney for us," Courtney explained. "She still visited him a lot and he came to dinner over at our house. There was no animosity. We encouraged her to have a relationship with him. He was still her

Jasmine was 13 when she moved in with the Thompsons. When she was 18, she approached them about adopting her, and they happily agreed.

Meanwhile, Jasmine's younger sister by three years, Judith, was living with her aunt and, according to Courtney, she was treated like a "second class citizen," suffering both mental and physical abuse. Her biological father had been deported and obtaining power of attorney from him proved impossible. Judith had no choice but to live with the aunt and the Thompson's worked hard to remove her from the home.

"We didn't know what was going to happen at the

The Thompson's welcomed her into their home where Jasmine and Judith formed a sisterhood bond.

Courtney's interest was piqued again when she received a call while at the middle school, from a mother in search of her son who had not come home the night before. For the sake of privacy due to the case not being completed yet, names are changed.

There is a need for foster care parents in our area and we would love to be mentors...

~Courtney Thompson

time, but we said this is Following his eighth grade God's problem," Courtney explained. We trusted that He was going to solve this problem for us."

The answer came when Jasmine and Judith's biological mother arrived in town and ultimately signed a power of attorney for Judith.

"We went to the police department and asked for a police escort in order to protect Judi as much as possible," Courtney said. "It was a little bit difficult situation. Ultimately, Judi's aunt shoved her out and shut the door. I asked several times if we could come get her things, and was told 'well, we're going to go through it', but she never got her belongings, and there were things that were important to her."

year, Child A found himself in Nampa's Juvenile Correction System.

"I asked his probation officer where he was and asked the facility if I could send him a letter," Courtney said. That led to in person visits and contacting a social worker to begin the licensing process to be his foster parent. At that time the Thompson's became aware of Child A's five other biological siblings, ranging in age from 1 to 16 years, who were needing a new foster placement as well. God intervened, Courtney said, everything falling in to place during a time when the system was moving slow due to COVID. The Thompson's decided to apply for a dual license that would allow

them to be foster parents as well as adoptive parents to allow all six siblings to remain together.

Today, the Thompson's have five kids at home, with some of the older ones having left home, and others ending up back in Juvenile Corrections.

During the process of adopting their last children, Sean was working on his computer science degree, emphasizing on Cyber Security, and Courtney finishing her degree in elementary education last January.

Through it all, they have experienced joys and some disappointments, and have learned through trial and error how to be good parents, especially with kids who have gone through trauma.

"There is a need for ter care parents in our area and we would love to be mentors for other people who are interested because there are things we never encountered before. You must have a good support group and the community in Weiser because this is a caring town, a caring environment. The reason we are successful is because we live in Weiser."

Sean said it is critical to have people who are there for support. "I think that is key to having success as a foster parent," he said. "You have to have a good support system. You can't go it alone. It's a big undertaking and there is a small group of people who know what's going on and what it takes, and the trauma behind things. It takes work to be there every day."

"People ask us how we do it; well, you just show up every day to do what you have to do. That's it. It's the simplest thing in the world, at the same time it has been the hardest" Courtney said. "I think God gave us the unique ability to love other people's children," Courtney explained. We tell our kids, we love you as much as we love all of our kids. There is no change.

Sean's mom, Sharon Thompson, has been an incredible support, Courtney added, as well as her parents, Lloyd and Nonda Marks. Both sets of grandparents have welcomed their new grandchildren with open arms. "Sharon runs kids to doctor's appointments and all sorts of things. We probably couldn't do it without her. She has been very supportive."

The Thompsons said that patience and consistency is also key.

"We all know that parenting is the toughest job you'll ever have, so it is hard, and you have to be open to different techniques and different ways and different ideas because vou can't be set in what you think you know: 'Well this was how my dad raised me, or how my mom raised me;' that doesn't work with kids who have trauma.

"A couple of our kids have a tremendous fear of abandonment, so you better be there. It's not like when the going gets tough, you head out; No, you stick



Tony Olson, left, has worked with top names in the country music industry, including Adam Cunningham, right, a singer who appeared on the television show The Voice 2017. Olson recently won Male Songwriter of the Year at the 2021 International Singer Songwriter Awards. *Photo courtesy of Tony Olson* 

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### Weiser native Tony Olson wins Male Songwriter of the Year

"Dave had just recorded some songs in Nashville and he played a song during an interview. I had been wanting to write a song for veterans, so I asked Dave if I could borrow his tune, alter it to some degree, for my veterans song, and he said sure," Olson explained.

"Well that song kind of caught on and it got on TV on the east coast. It made me think maybe I should do more of this. Dave told me I needed to go to Nashville and record."

It just so happened Olson has a friend, Jeff Parsons, that worked for country music star Blake Shelton who is also a judge on the hit television show The Voice

Parsons, who has won two CMA awards for sound, told Olson he'd have someone contact him to help with demos.

Not long after, Shelton's bandleader, Rob Byus, called.

"He told me, 'If you're a friend of Jeff's, you're a friend of ours.' He said they would do my demos and I said, 'You mean I could get some of Blake's guys on my demo?' and he said, 'No, you get all of Blake's guys on your demo.' I got the entire band," Olson said. He then found his way to a producer, Nashville icon Dave Demay, a former Star Search winner and founder of Song City, a master-level production service and class A studio.

"He's been a mentor to me, like a brother since we met. He's produced all of my stuff and he found a vocalist for me, Adam Cunningham, a finalist on The Voice in 2017," Olson said. "Dave asked if I wanted him and I said, 'Hell, yeah!'

"All of a sudden, I went from nothing to having Blake Shelton's band and a singer from The Voice. It was crazy." Olson also spent time with musician, producer, and songwriter the late Ralph Murphy who wrote a book on songwriting

Olson's efforts so far have led to two Golden Music Awards, four American Track Awards, and two World Song Writing Awards. Twice, he was a finalist in song writing contests in the

Last August, he hit it big when he won the award for Male Songwriter of the Year at the 2021 International Singer Songwriter Awards, which is usually a redcarpet event held in Atlanta, Ga. This year it was held online due to the pandemic.

More than 15,000 songwriters the world over vied for a chance at the title, about 3,500 of them male songwriters from the U.S. Only 84 were nominated and only 15 were finalists, Olson taking home the prize.

And, nobody thought he could do it.

Just like when he decided to become a boxer at 49, knocking out a 20-something kid 58 seconds into the first round. That was before he found out he had bleeding on the brain due to an accident, which required surgery.

"Initially, everyone just said, 'Well, isn't that sweet, you're following your dreams,'" Olson said of his songwriting. "I don't think there were a lot of people that gave me much of a chance, so I kind of had to prove them all wrong."

"He charged into songwriting the same way he charged into boxing, and when he charges into something, he gets dead damn serious about it." Demay said. "He's like a bull. But the guy is amazingly talented, the book he's written and his ability to craft and turn phrases and come up with clever lines is re-

ally through the roof."

Olson recently hung out with Effron White in Weiser. White is a legendary award-winning singer/songwriter.

"Tony is a great writer, he has more of a clamp on the commercial side of country music," White said. "He has a better understanding of that than I do. I write more deep stuff, introverted. The difference is that I write for myself and he doesn't, which works out well – not so selfish, I guess."

Olson, who wrote a song about Weiser entitled "Barnyard Boulevard," said he hopes artists begin picking up his music, which would mean royalties.

He is currently working on a Christmas song with Johnny Garcia, a guitar player for Trisha Yearwood.

For information about Tony Olson, visit his site at www. tonyolsonmusic.com.

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### There will be mud flying during the annual Mud Drags

with us because the Chamber had limited resources, but the committee and I wanted to keep it going and so we did," Laurel said.

"One of the cool things that we do involves Patrick Nauman at Weiser Classic Candy, who provides a one-pound, solid chocolate truck for all of the first-place winners," she added. "He's been doing that for us the last several years."

Laurel's husband, Ken, who works at Farmer's Supply Co-op, has been involved in the races for about 13 years and is instrumental in preparing the course.

"I build our lanes for speed, but by the

end of the day, they get deeper," he explained. "We build for speed because it's really boring for the crowd when they get stuck and you have to pull them out."

No vehicles got stuck in the last race, which was held in 2019.

"It takes about five days to build the course. You can't just throw it together in a day," said Ken, who is a fifth generation Weiser native. "We pump water out of the river, come in and disk everything real good, and then we land plane it, and make it as smooth and flat as possible. We build dykes around the lanes, fill it with water and let it soak in."

Ken is a racer himself, driving a 1971 Jeep Wagoneer, which has a stock 350 Buick motor and 375-horse power.

"We found it out at Hells Canyon. The Mountain Man Lodge used to operate on the Brownlee Reservoir and they used it to shuttle people around, but they went out of business and it sat out there in the sage brush for 10 years," he explained. "We got it for \$500, cleaned it up a little bit, put a little gas in it, and it started right up."

Ken has two partners who race with him, Joe White, with Royal's Truck and Diesel in Ontario and Justin Sheldon, Shelden Stacking and Eleven One Equipment.

Joe races his own rig, a 1981 Chevy truck.

"Every year we have people telling us we have the best races," Laurel said. "It's very competitive. This year is going to be interesting because we didn't have the event last year, so we don't know how many people to expect. We just want everyone to have a good race. We take a lot of pride in our event. It's the nicest venue around. It's a fun event and if you have kids, you'll want to bring them"

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### Sally Frye named the new Weiser Chamber president

you put into it

"I think you can do as little as you want and not be as successful, or you can really roll up your sleeves to try to build something and that's what we are trying to do," she said. We want people to know that we are here for the businesses and if there are other business owners that have ideas,

and that's what we are trying to do," she said. We want people call us.

"We'd love to be there for support, whether it's helping with your marketing, creating a flyer or any of the little things that a business owner downtown might need some direction with, or some help or support."

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### Weiser High School **Fall Sports**

**FOOTBALL** 



Ryndon Olsen kicks the extra point for the Wolverines after Weiser's touchdown. Olsen, a sophomore, kicked six extra points and two field goals. Pictured blocking are Tristan McMahill (68), Malachi Hoobery (62). Photo by Keith Bryant

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Date	Meet	Site	Time	Sept. 17	Baker City	A	8:0048-12W
Aug. 27	Buhl	A	7:0035-6W	Sept. 24	*Fruitland	H	7:00
Sept. 3	Emmett	H	<b>7:00</b> 34-28W	Oct. 1	*Payette	A	7:00
Sept. 10	Grangeville	H	<b>7:00</b> 40-0W	Oct. 8	*McCall	A	7:00

#### **BOYS SOCCER**

Date

Sept. 7

Sept. 9

Sept. 11

Sept. 14

Meet

Ontario

Ambrose

\*Fruitland

Sun Valley CS A



Halfback Alfonso Hernandez (11) outmaneuvered his Payette opponent to gain possession of the ball. The Wolverine boys' soccer team took a 7-1 win. *Photo by Nancy Grindstaff* 

#### **GIRLS SOCCER**

Date	Meet	Site	Time
Sept. 21	*Fruitland	$\mathbf{H}$	4:00
Sept. 23	*Payette	A	4:00
<b>Sept. 27</b>	Baker City	H	4:00
Sept. 28	Ontario	A	4:00
Sept. 30	*McCall	A	4:00
Oct. 5	*Fruitland	A	4:00
Oct. 7	*Payette	H	4:00
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Sept. 23	*Parma	Н	4:30
Sept. 28	*McCall	Α	4:30
Sept. 30	*Payette	Н	4:30
Oct. 5	*Homedale	Α	4:30
Oct. 7	*Fruitland	Н	4:30
Oct. 12	*Parma	Α	4:30
Oct. 14	*McCall	Н	4:30
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Oct. 16, 19,	21 District		TBA
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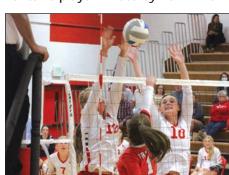
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Emily Christopherson dribbles the ball down the field and tries to get past an Ontario player. Photo by Dan Miller



Paisley Noyer (15) and Jasi Yraguen (10) go up for a block against Homedale on Thursday. Abi Wilkins (7) is ready to back them up. Photo by Zane Davis

#### CDACC CALINITAY

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Date	Location	Time
Sept. 25	Bob Firman at Eagle Island	10:00
Oct. 1	Baker City Invite	TBA
Oct. 7	Crosby Invite at Ontario	TBA
Oct. 13	Winston Tilzey Invite at Namp	a 4:00
Oct. 20	District at Fruitland	TBA
Oct. 30	State at Eagle Island	TBA
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The cross country team ran in an SRV meet in Homedale on Wednesday. Elias Anderson is pictured running the 5K course. The Bob Firman meet scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 25 has been cancelled. Photo by Marissa Rynearson

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### Weiser volleyball team sweeps Payette and Homedale

The Wolverines kicked off their SRV play last week with a trip to Payette on Sept. 14.

Weiser managed to add to their two-game win streak with a clean, 3-set sweep over the Pirates and begin their league play with a 25-10, 25-21, 25-18

With the strong serving of sophomore, Abi Wilkins, the Wolverines soon found themselves up 6-1. The Pirates inched within one-point, but when senior, Whitney Cordes, began serving, the Wolverines pulled away with a 12-7 lead. Despite a 3-point surge by the Pirates, junior, Jasi Yraguen, served out the remainder of the set with a 13-point run to take the first set 25-10.

The Pirates rallied in the beginning of the second set, taking an early 4-3 lead, but the Lady Wolverines quickly regrouped. points and side-outs until Cordes began serving and pulled the Wolverines ahead 9-7. Yraguen kept the scoring increases going, maintaining the lead

Once again, the Pirates found a surge and tied the set 12-12 and again at 15-15, but when Mattie Shirts stepped behind the service line, the Wolverines pulled ahead 20-15. The Pirates battled for the next four rotations, but the Wolverine lead was too large, and the Lady Wolverines took the second set 25-21.

The Lady Wolverines surged ahead quickly in the third set and after a mere three rotations, the Wolverines held a commanding 10-3 lead over the Pirates. Payette battled through the set, but the early 7-point lead by the Wolverines proved to be insurmountable and Weiser took the third and final set 25-18



Weiser's volleyball team had a successful week sweeping two SRV opponents on their home court. Weiser took on the Payette Pirates and won in three sets, 25-10, 25-21 and 25-18. Against Homedale the Lady Wolverines added a conference win with scores of 25-19, 25-16 and 25-18. Pictured above are the Wolverines in action against Homedale. Photo by Zane Davis

and the match 3-0.

Mattie Shirts had a big night with 8 kills, 4 service aces, and 2 blocks, fol-

lowed by Whitney Cordes with 6 kills. Setters, Danica Lockett and Ivy Morris, had 18 and 11 assists respectively for the match. Homedale

Following a big win over the Payette Pirates

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last week, the Lady Wolverines hosted the visiting Homedale Trojans in Tom Falash Gymnasium.

Weiser notched a 3-set sweep of the Trojan squad.

The evening started out with a special surprise for both the players and the Wolverine fans, as Jenaye Grant, the 8-year old daughter of varsity head coach, Lindsay Grant, performed a rendition of the Star Spangled Banner.

The Wolverines came out strong in the first set, but despite extremely aggressive play and fighting to keep every ball in play, coupled with strong serving, blocking, and hitting, Weiser trailed the Trojans throughout the majority of the first set.

The Lady Wolverines were behind 11-13 when a double contact call on the Trojans sent freshman, Paisley Noyer, back to serve. Three poor hits by the Trojans, coupled with a big kill by Whitney Cordes, gave the Wolverines their largest lead of the set at 16-13.

The surge was brief, as a bad pass and a hit into the tape on the Wolverine side enabled the Trojans to tie the set 16-16. Junior, Jasi Yraguen, halted the Trojan surge with a big kill from the middle blocker position, which was followed with a kill from Abi Wilkins, and a sneaky tip kill by Ivy Morris on the second contacts, giving the Wolverines a 4-point, 20-16 advantage.

Ace serves by both Yraguen and Danica Lockett, as well as kills from Emma Tolman, Wilkins and Morris, helped the Wolverines go on a 5-3 scoring run and take the first set from the Trojans

Weiser took the next two sets 25-16 and 25-18.

Sept. 23.

### Prescribed Fire Fall 2021: Payette National Forest

#### **The Payette National Forest will** be conducting multiple prescribed fires between late Septemberearly November to:

- Reduce surface fuels
- Increase canopy height
- Reduce small tree densities
- Improve wildlife habitat
- Promote long-term ecosystem integrity and sustainability

These benefits improve our ability to protect communities from wildfire. Prescribed fire is an important component of natural resource management and part of the comprehensive fire management program on the Payette National Forest.

#### **Council Ranger District**

- 1,500 acres in the Weasel project area (13 miles northwest of Council,
- 3,000 acres in Mill Creek-Council Mountain project area (5 miles northeast of Council).

#### New Meadows Ranger District

- 3,000 acres in Boulder Creek drainage (13 miles northwest of New Meadows)
- 150 acres of hand piles in the Weiser River canyon area. (2 miles south of Tamarack Mill),
- Up to 100 landing piles in the Rusty Goose Timber Sale (3 miles east of New Meadows)

#### McCall Ranger District

• 1,000 acres of broadcast hand piles in the Brundage-Bear Basin project area. (3 miles northwest of McCall).

#### Krassel Ranger District

- 5,500 acres within the Bald Hill project area (east of Yellow Pine)
- 3,800 acres in the Four Mile project area along the South Fork of the Salmon River near the 4 mile camp ground (Approximately 18 miles east of McCall); • 70 acres around Krassel Work Center.

#### **Weiser Ranger District**

1,200 acres in the Robinson project area (22 miles north of Weiser).

Individuals may contact Patrick Schon (208-634-0623) all with any concerns they may have about the planned prescribed fires. The public may also call the Weiser, Council, New Meadows, McCall, or Krassel Ranger Districts for more information. Council RD: 253-0100; Krassel RD: 634-0974; McCall RD: 634-0400; New Meadows RD: 347-0300; Weiser RD: 549-4200.



For the most current information about prescribed burning projects please visit the Payette Facebook page.

The win for the Lady Wolverines brought their season record to 4-1 and 2-0 in SRV Conference play. Weiser will host the Parma Panthers at Weiser High School on Thursday,



Weiser was on the road for a non-conference game against Baker City on Friday. The Wolverines came home victorious with a 48-12 win. Pictured above is Jack Burke (3) lunging over the goal line past a Baker defender for one of Weiser's goals. Extra point kicker Ryndon Olson added six extra points and two field goals to Weiser's successful night. Weiser's overall record is 4-0. They will play their first conference game of the season this Friday night at home against the Fruitland Grizzlies. Photos by Keith Bryant

### Weiser pummels Baker 48-12 in non-conference game

by Philip A. Janquart

It didn't take long for the powerful Wolverine offensive to take charge during a non-conference match-up against Oregon's 4A Div. Baker City on Friday, Sept. 17.

Weiser lost the initial coin toss, Baker deferring and the Wolverines taking the kick off. Malakye Scott brought the ball to the 35-yard line where Willy Shirts went to work pounding yardage on the ground.

A pass from Brett Spencer to brother Brock Spencer was good for a first down, but another pass on second down and eight resulted in a dropped ball. Brett Spencer found himself scrambling on third down, but was tackled one yard short of the first down marker. Shirts remedied the situation on a gain of two for the first down, keeping the Wolverine attack alive.

Another pass to Brock Spencer from the Bulldog 30-yard line brought the Wolverines to the 20. A run by Jack Burke advanced the ball to the 15-yard line. Another run brought the ball to the 5-yard line.

The Bulldogs were called for off sides, resulting in a first and goal. A quick snap brought Kaleb Grove into the end zone for the six points.

The drive went 14 plays in 3:19 with 8:41 to play in

the first quarter.

Sophomore Ryndon Olsen kicked the easy point after, ultimately making good on six extra points and two field goals on the night.

The Bulldogs took the ensuing kick off to their own 35, but could only get short yardage on first down. Weiser linebacker Michael Youngberg stuffed a Baker runner in the hole for no gain and a short screen pass led to a fourth and four punt.

Shirts went to work again on the ground for Weiser, pounding the ball for 10 yards and a first down, triggering a Baker time out.

On a third and five, deep in Bulldog territory, Brett Spencer found senior receiver Evan Haggerty, who caught the ball at the 3-yard line, turned and ran it in for the score.

The score was 14-0 with 4:06 left to play in the first quarter.

The Bulldogs started out their next drive from their own 20-yard line, but an offside penalty resulted in a first and 15 from their own 15-yard line. Bulldog quarterback Paul Hobson attempted a long pass to Malaki Meyer, but it was broken up by senior Marco Garcia. Willy Shirts followed up with a tackle for a one-yard loss.

On the next play, Hobson was forced out of the



Weiser played a solid game on Friday with the offense opening up the holes for the ball carriers to advance. Running back Willy Shirts (40) is making his way up field after a handoff from Brett Spencer (2). Blocking for him are Braden Phillips (51), Jesse Lockett (64) and Levi Estes (15). Weiser's defense limited the Baker offense to only two touchdowns in the second half.

pocket, Garcia intercepting the pass, but fumbled the ball. Shirts picked it up and ran in for the touchdown, making it 21-0 with 3:03 left to play in the quarter.

Weiser had to punt for the first time at the beginning of the second quarter, but forced Baker into a three-and-out on the next series.

Olsen proved solid on a

34-yard field goal attempt with only 19 seconds to go in the first half, bringing the score to 24-0 at intermission.

The Wolverines scored again with 9:42 left in the third quarter. An Olsen point after made it 31-0.

An interception gave the ball over to Baker, the Bulldogs finally getting on the board, but the ensuing kick was blocked and the score stood at 31-6.

The Wolverines scored on their next drive, pushing the lead to 38-6.

The Bulldogs would score on their next drive on an 80-yard pass from Hobson to John Garcia, but the extra point failed, leaving the score 38-12.

Brock Spencer answered with another touchdown through the air from Brett Spencer, push-

ing the score to 45-12 with only 19 seconds left in the third quarter.

The fourth quarter produced little for both teams, but an Olsen field goal with only 59 seconds remaining, ultimately gave Weiser the 48-12 win.

Weiser now stands at 4-0 overall, the Wolverines facing Fruitland at home on Friday, Sept. 24. Game time is 7 p.m.



The Weiser Wolverine soccer team traveled to Payette for a conference game on Thursday. Weiser took the win 7-1 adding to their season record of six wins, two losses and one tie. Payette's forward Ethan Sloggett (17) attempts to head the ball into the back of Weiser's goal but Weiser's goalie Justin Padilla made the save. Defenders from left are Bryan Juarez (6), Kasey Kautz (2) and Pablo Hernandez (14). *Photo by Nancy Grindstaff*.

## WHS rack up wins, bring record to 6-2-1

by Nancy Grindstaff

Scoring 100 percent of eight shots on goal in the second half, Weiser's Wolverine varsity boys' soccer team won the conference match 8-1 against The Ambrose School Archers in Meridian on Tuesday, Sept. 14.

The first half was a drought in netted goals for both teams, but the Wolverines put their strong passing attack to work in the second, with forward Alex Magana almost immediately scoring from an assist from halfback Edgar Torres. Two minutes later, halfback Alfonso Hernandez sent the ball to Torres for Weiser's second goal.

Hernandez scored a high chip shot for the third on a solo shot 12 minutes into the half. Four-

teen minutes later, he passed to Torres to chalk up Weiser's fourth point on the scoreboard.

At 73-minutes, a pass from forward Danny Clemmer to Magana landed the shot for the Wolverines' fifth goal. Just four minutes later, Clemmer turned an assist from Hernandez into another Wolverine score.

The Wolverines put an exclamation point on the win with Raffi Delgadillo passing to Marcos Tarelo to pummel the net for the seventh. Hernandez then teamed up with Magana for the eighth goal.

Magana led with three goals, and Hernandez with four assists in the win. Hernandez earned MaxPreps Player of the Game honors for his four assists and one goal in the half.

**Wolverines defeat Pirates 7-1** 

The Wolverines added another win on Thursday, Sept. 16, beating their SRV rival Payette Pirates 7-1 in Payette.

Pirate defenders held off Weiser's offensive attack for 21 minutes into the first half, until Wolverine forward Raffi Delgadillo took a pass and shot the ball behind Payette's goalie Oscar Hernandez. Seven minutes later, Delgadillo scored a second goal for Weiser.

With just under six minutes left in the half, a Payette foul gave Weiser's Marcos Tarelo a penalty kick from about 40 yards out. The kick sent the ball just over the goalie's fingers, sliding down the net behind him to move

the Wolverines to a 3-0 lead.

Payette took several shots in the first half, with Weiser's defenders turning the ball back and goalie Justin Padilla making two saves.

Tarelo opened Weiser's scoring 10 minutes into the second half, netting the ball from inside the goal box. Edgar Torres followed up, jumping up in front of the goal line and heading the ball behind the goalie. Torres landed Weiser's sixth goal off an assist from Padilla, who had switched from goalie to forward in the second half.

Pablo Hernandez scored the Wolverines seventh goal on a direct penalty kick with 15 minutes left in the half.

Weiser's defense pushed up

in an effort to force the Pirates into off sides during the second half. A foul on Weiser, with under four minutes left in the half, gave Payette a direct penalty kick, with Alan Cisneros scoring the Pirates goal. Attending the goal for Weiser in the second half, Diego Delgadillo made one

The Wolverines win moves their conference record to 4-0, and 6-2-1 overall.

Raffi Delgadillo was Max-Preps pick for Weiser's Player of the Game in Payette.

The Wolverines travel to Mc-Call on Tuesday, Sept. 21, and will meet Ontario for a non-conference match for both JV and varsity games at home on Thursday, Sept. 23.

### Weiser girls' beat Ontario, fall to McCall in soccer action

by Sarah Imada

3-3 record last week on their home field.

On Tuesday the girls played a non-conference game against the Ontario Tigers and on Thursday were up against SRV conference rivals McCall-Donnelly.

Weiser came out with the win against Ontario, 5-2. Ontario made the first goal on a Weiser penalty.

Not to be outdone, one minute later, Alia Oarbeascoa dribbled the ball down the field and made a pass to Elle Svedin who struck with a high kick over Ontario's goalie to tie the game.

Weiser's Beth Philips quickly dribbled the ball down field and took the shot at goal to give Weiser the lead, 2-1.

Oarbeascoa's shot hit

ahead 3-1.

Ontario came out and with less than 5 minutes off the clock scored to make it a one-point game.

Philips was tripped which resulted in a penalty kick for Weiser. Macy Rodriguez took the shot and placed it over the keeper's head, into the back of the net.

Weiser's final point of the game came from a perfect pass from Svedin to Brooklynn Warner ending the game at 5-2.

#### McCall

Weiser played very aggressively against a strong McCall team on Thursday. Goalie Kristy Bake and her defenders kept McCall's shots on goal from reaching the back of the net.

McCall struck first with

the back of the goal at 38 a goal by Payton Lathrop. The Lady Wolverine minutes from an assist They again scored with a soccer team notched one from Daniela Ixta. The shot that got away from win and one loss to their half ended with Weiser Weiser's goalie and Mc-Call followed up with a kick into the box. The half ended with McCall in the lead, 0-2.

With 13 minutes left in the game Weiser was able to work the ball downfield. Warner passed to Philips who attempted to take a shot but McCall's goalie went down with the ball, but lost control of the ball and Philips followed through with the shot and goal.

"Defensively, the girls fought hard against Mc-Call and they were playing as a team, they made two small mistakes in defense, which gave McCall their two goals which we corrected during half time, and that kept McCall from scoring during the second half. Offensively, we had several good chances, and



Weiser girls' soccer team played two home games last week against Ontario and McCall. The girls defeated Ontario 5-2 and took a conference loss against Mc-Call 2-1. Pictured above is Roma Walker (8) working her way around a McCall defender. Elle Svedin (3) and Alia Oarbeascoa (34) get in position for the pass. Photo by Sarah Imada

because the girls never gave up we were able to score during the second half," said Coach Trine Loenberg.

"The girls are playing

well and are improving and learning with each game. Of course, I feel they still have a lot to learn, and I truly enjoy the opportunity I have

to teach and instruct and watch them take that knowledge to improve in technique and skill. I'm very proud of them all," said Loenberg.



The Tri-Valley Titans hosted a volleyball tournament on Saturday. The Weiser Wolverine junior varsity team participated with three other schools, Tri-Valley varsity and JV, Notus High School, Greenleaf Friend's Academy. The Tri-Valley Titans varsity team dominated the tournament beating Notus and Greenleaf. Pictured above are Hadley Atnip hitting the ball with Morgan Gibbons, Amanda Uhlenkott and Manon Tyler covering. *Photo by Michelle Estes* 

### Tri-Valley volleyball continues on winning streak

#### Weiser's JV volleyball team hosts a 12-team tournament and comes out on top

by Michelle Estes

On Saturday, Sept. 18, the Tri-Valley Titans volleyball team hosted a varsity tournament that included Notus High School varsity, and Greenleaf Friend's Academy's varsity, and Weiser High School's JV, and the Tri-Valley JV.

Each season the Weiser JV volleyball team looks forward to playing in the Tri-Valley tournament. It is an excellent opportunity for the athletes to be matched up against tougher teams, allowing the Wolverines to work on their skills at a

higher level and faster speed of play. Coming off a tournament win the previous weekend; the Wolverines were looking for this type of opportunity.

The morning consisted of round-robin play where every team was able to play each other. This is a great format that allows the teams a chance to get multiple sets in and play against a variety of teams. After morning play, the teams were ranked based on their records in the round robin.

Tri-Valley varsity entered the bracket portion of the tourna-

ment in first place, Greenleaf second, Weiser JV third, Notus fourth, and Tri-Valley JV in fifth

Notus beat Tri-Valley JV in the first round of the tournament and then faced Tri-Valley varsity. Tri-Valley varsity bested Notus in two sets, 25-13 and 25-5, advancing to the championship.

Greenleaf and Weiser JV played on the other side of the bracket with Greenleaf earning the right to play Tri-Valley varsity. The Titans dominated Greenleaf in two sets, winning 25-19 and 25-10.

Stats from Saturday's match play for the Titans: Bailey Whitner led with 11 serving aces, Maren Hansen 18 kills, Hadley Atnip 8 kills and 3 aces, Manon Tyler 7 kills, and Amanda Uhlenkott 33 assists and 3 aces.

Heading into this week's play, Tri-Valley is holding a 7-0 season record. They are an exciting team to watch with a quick offense and dynamic plays. You can catch them this coming week at home on Thursday, Sept. 23 versus Horseshoe Bend.

JV will start at 6 p.m. with

varsity to follow. They will also play on Friday, Sept. 24 in Council. JV starts at 4:30 p.m., varsity to follow. The early start on Friday is due to football starting at 7 p.m.

Weiser JV Tourney

On Sept. 11 Weiser's JV team hosted a 12-team tournament. After a full morning of round robin play the Weiser Wolverines met up with the Homedale Trojans in the championship match. The Wolverines defeated the Trojans in three sets, 25-10, 21-25, and 15-13 to win the tournament.

### Titans football team drop Wildcats 26-20

by Roy Braun

The Tri-Valley Titans football team hosted 1A Div I Idaho City Friday, Sept. 17, pulling out a crucial 26-20 victory that puts the Titans, who play in 1A Div. II state classification, at 2-2 overall on the season.

"The boys really showed their emotion on the field," said head coach Justin Mink. "We were down by 12, but kept their heads, showed up and did their jobs. They are really playing a lot better football."

That emotion showed as the Titans began clawing back from a 12-0 deficit. They would close the gap, however, with a 40-yard touchdown pass from Zane Nichols to Charlie Gay.

Not long after, Gage Warren picked up a fumble for a 40-yard touchdown run.

Tri-Valley played tough defense, holding the Wildcats scoreless on several drives, with Clayton Harper intercepting a pass, which he returned for a 25-yard touchdown.

The Titans were able to stay

on top and take the 26-20 victory, putting the team at 2-2 overall on the season.

Mink said he was happy with his quarterback Zane Nichols.

"He had a nice touchdown pass up the middle to Clayton Harper," he said. The defense was able to get three good stops; one was really crucial that was by inches, then they ended up having to punt, but our defense really played well."

Josh Martinez had a fumble recovery of his own and Luke McHenery was a stopping force at linebacker, Mink added.

"We are really proud of the boys," he said. "That was a big victory and morale booster for us going into league play this week. We are going to have to rise to the occasion, but our young kids are developing and coming along. We need a great week of practice this week and should be ready."

Tri-Valley travels to Council Friday, Sept. 24 to face the Lumberjacks in division action.

Gabe Sutton lets the ball take a bounce before picking it up on a kick off during the Titan's 26-20 win over Idaho City. Tri-Valley, which plays in the 1A Div. II classification rose to the occasion against the 1A Div. I Wildcats. The win puts the Titans at 2-2 overall for the season. *Photo by Roy Braun* 



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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 WALTER L. GORDON, Deceased.

CASE NO. CV 44-21-0342 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (I.C. 15-3-801)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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 presented to the undersigned at the address indicated and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 30th day of August, 2021.

Jacqueline M. Farley, Personal Representative C/O Steve Stuchlik, Attorney for the Personal Representative 350 East Liberty Street PO Box 367 Weiser, Idaho 83672

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DATED this 29th day of August, 2021

Brent L. Seley, Personal Representative C/O Steve Stuchlik, Attorney for the Personal Representative 350 East Liberty Street PO Box 367 Weiser, Idaho 83672

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Request for Qualifications Advertisement:

Washington County, Idaho Courthouse Vestibule Phase II Request for Qualifications for CM/GC Services Due Date: 2:00 pm on Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the Washington County Commissioners are currently soliciting qualifications for Construction Management/General Contractor (CM/GC) services for the Courthouse Vestibule Phase II project.

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 pm on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 and shall be delivered to:

Washington County Commissioners 256 E. Court Street Weiser, Idaho 83672

The Request for Qualifications and all attachments are available to any interested party via email request to Donna Atwood, Clerk / Auditor / Recorder, datwood@co.washington. id.us. All questions regarding this solicitation shall be directed to Dion Zimmerman at dzimmerman@designwestid.com.

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

ANNUAL EAST WEISER IRRIGATION BOARD OF **EQUALIZATION MEETING** 

The Directors of the East Weiser Irrigation District will hold their annual Board of Equalization meeting on September 28, 2021 at 5:00 at the City of Weiser Water Treatment Plant, 20 E Railroad St, Weiser, Idaho 83672.

Anyone who would like to meet with the Directors is invited to attend at that time.

EAST WEISER IRRIGATION DISTRICT Board of Directors Mike Shepherd

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PATRICIA CAROLYN QUICK, Deceased.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Cherie J. Tarter has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate 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 presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

GRAVIS LAW, PLLC

Dated: Aug. 31, 2021 By Karen L. Silva

Attorneys for Personal Rep. Cherie J. Tarter 37-3S

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES PUBLICATION

August 2, 2021

Demand Warrant Floor Covering International \$19,802.45 Approved.

Demand Warrant Intermountain Gas \$12.57 - Approved. Certificate of Residency - Approved.

July 26, 2021 Minutes - Approved.

Emancipation Day June 19th Holiday - Approved.

Signing of Tax Deed - Approved.

McKee Special Use Request - Approved.

Change of Medicaid Billing Administrators - Approved.

Ambulance Claims \$25,381.33 - Approved. Ambulance Payroll \$23,180.84 - Approved

Resolution 21-10 Solid Waste Assessment Fee - Approved. Discussed: Various Correspondence, Weed and Rodent Control Matters, Elected Officials and Department Heads' Matters, Prosecuting Attorney Matters, Planning and Zoning Matters, Ambulance Matters, Road & Bridge Matters/Solid Waste Matters.

August 9, 2021

August 2, 2021 Minutes - Approved.

Claims \$142,735.58 - Approved.

Public Defender Contract Tyler Rounds - Approved.

Professional Services Agreement Keller Associates Inc. -Approved.

Ambulance Claims \$267.60 - Approved.

RFB Award Notification Letter - Approved.

Demand Warrant Peak Thermo King \$3,256.70 - Ap-

Discussed: Various Correspondence, Juvenile Probation Matters, Emergency Management, Project Lifesize, Prosecuting Attorney Matters, Planning and Zoning Matters, Ambulance Matters, Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Matters.

August 16, 2021

Duplicate Warrant \$144.00 - Approved.

Upson Company Quote Option 2 \$18,795.00 - Approved. August 9, 2021 Minutes - Approved.

July 2021 Operations in Funds/Statement of Treasurer's Cash \$15,181,552.22 - Approved.

Ambulance Claims \$11,028.77 - Approved.

Ambulance Payroll \$25,205.56 - Approved. Sawtooth Emergency Vehicles Agreement - Approved.

Discussed: Various Correspondence, Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Matters, Information Technology Matters, Prosecuting Attorney Matters, Ambulance Matters.

August 23, 2021

Donation of Sick Time for Assessor Office Employee - Approved.

Certificate of Residency - Approved.

Duplicate Warrant Shiela Kohr - Approved.

Demand Warrant Staples \$743.58 - Approved. Demand Warrant Allied Business Solution \$276.54 - Ap-

August 16, 2021 Minutes - Approved. Claims \$74,054.45 - Approved.

ITD and Union Pacific Request Temporary Closure of Riverdock Railroad Crossing - Approved. Ambulance Claims \$1,951.26 - Approved.

Part-Time As Needed EMT - Approved.

Resolution No. 21-01 Ambulance District 2021-2022 Proposed Budget \$1,700,864.00 - Approved.

Resolution No. 21-11 County 2022 Fiscal Year Budget

\$17,700,864.00 - Approved. Discussed: Various Correspondence, Extension Office Matters, Road & Bridge/Solid Waste Matters, Prosecuting Attorney Matters, Planning and Zoning Matters, Ambulance Matters, Ambulance District Budget Hearing, County Budget

Claims for the month of August, 2021 totaling \$722,481.91 - Approved

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Nate Marvin, Chairman,

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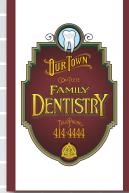
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Wanted

Washington County Sheriff's Office is currently seeking applications for the position of Detention Deputy. Experience preferred with good communication skills and the ability to deal with diverse and sometimes hostile situations.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Applicant must be twenty-one years of age by official hire date.
- \* High School diploma or GED equivalent. \* Must have a current valid driver's license.
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Sierra Wilson, shown with her 2-year-old daughter Willow, recently opened a new boutique in Weiser called Sassy Women, which she said is a one-stop shop that offers something for everyone, including home décor, candles, jewelry, hair products, clothing and more. The new shop is located at 19 E. Main St. in downtown Weiser. Photo by Nicole Miller

# New Weiser boutique offers women one-stop shopping

by Nicole Miller

Weiser has a new boutique in town and it offers a variety of inventory for everyone.

Sassy Women Boutique and Salon will offer one stop shopping for home decor, candles, jewelry, hair products, clothing, intimates and more.

From new items to hand-made and repurposed items, the variety of vendors offer something for everyone.

"My goal is for this to be a one stop shop for women in our area. I want this to be a place where any woman can walk in and feel good about themselves and find something they enjoy," said owner, Sierra

Wilson has been selling custom clothing mostly through Facebook advertising and word of mouth since the beginning of 2021. While her training was in cosmetology, Wilson never pursued being a hairstylist. She loved the creative side of it but knew she needed something a little different.

As a stay at home mom of three young children, Wilson said that she started her business to have something that was hers and to also be an example for her children.

She started out selling her custom clothing at Creative Home with Casey Girl in April 2021. When she was presented an opportunity to rent a space of her own in the same building, it felt like the perfect fit. Wilson went to work in the space, updating flooring and paint.

Sassy Women Boutique and Salon is unique because it brings several businesses in one to downtown Weiser. Women supporting women, and small businesses supporting other small businesses is really important to Wilson, so the boutique will be the home of several talented vendors, including Miss Maudie's, Alma Jewelry, Handcrafted Wino, LBH Design Co., and a new hair stylist.

The style is a rustic chic look for today's mom. Handcrafted Wino is a custom home decor vendor that will be selling items made from wine barrels and unique wood, from dog beds to large custom outdoor pieces, wine bottles to beer cap open-

LBH Design sells mugs and tumblers and does custom ordering.

Miss Maudie's signs are unique and handcrafted, and can add a perfect touch to any home.

"What makes my custom clothing unique is that every piece is different. I do bleach washing, sublimation, and heat transfer vinyl," Wilson said.

She has carefully picked items to go with any style and any size with affordable pricing for all sizes from small to 5x, so every woman can find something she loves

The store is small, but the vendors are spread throughout the store and space is utilized very well. Most vendors also have more inventory not displayed, but that's another reason the store is unique. Items will move around often, so when you find something you like, you better grab it.

Each vendor is intertwined, so there might be a table displaying three different vendors and there is a variety of items on every wall and in every space.

The new store located at 19 E. Main will open its doors Thursday, Sept. 23 and will be open Tuesday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturday 12-4 p.m.