

Weiser sign contest nets finalists

by Philip A. Janquart

In early August, the Greater Weiser Economic Development Task Force initiated a contest aimed at finding a new design for the city’s aging welcome signs.

The contest was open to anyone, Task Force members collecting entries from a range of individuals, including kids in high school and adult business owners. Entrants had until Sept. 8 to submit their designs.

“The Task Force has been working on driving tourism to the area and we thought one of the things we’d like to do is re-design those signs, so we want to run a contest to see if people can come up with some good ideas,” Task Force Co-Chair Patrick Nauman, of Weiser Classic Candy, said in August.

The plan worked better than expected.

Consisting of 10 members, the Task Force collected about 30 entries, spending the last six weeks reviewing submissions in an attempt to select a winner.

It turned out to be a more difficult task than anticipated, members ultimately choosing two finalists, each receiving a check for \$300 dollars for their efforts.

Nauman and Co-Chair, Layna Hafer, who is the marketing director for Weiser Memorial Hospital, presented local residents Heather Thomas and Josh Foster with the checks on Monday, Oct. 25.

Thomas is the director of human resources for a home health and hospice company. She said the design was the result of a few minutes of creative inspiration.

“I saw the article in the newspaper and was reading it on my lunch hour one day,” said Thomas, whose husband is Washington County Sheriff Matt Thomas. “I don’t have any artistic skills, but I got out a piece of paper and pencil, and while I ate my lunch, I kind of mocked something up and then cleaned it up a little bit. I put a lot of little notes on it to explain to Patrick everything on there. I was pretty proud of it. I just hoped it wasn’t going to be me against a bunch of elementary school kids, so I was happy to see the other finalist was an adult because I was going to feel bad if I was beat out by some grade school kids.”

Thomas was in good company, however, unknowingly chosen alongside a guy who designs things for a living.

Foster owns Big Creek Metal Works, a metal fabrication business in Weiser.

“I figured I had a better chance than some because that’s what I do; I design all day, every day for customers,” he said. “My wife and I talked about it, what’s around here in this area and what we should put in it. I drew it up on the computer and threw it in there to see what would happen,

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SRV District 3 Champions



Pictured from left are Keke Hoobery, Naomie Chandler, Libbie Ryneearson, Kylee Quinton, Coach Scott Hale, Kendall Ryneearson, Kailee Lerew, Sarah Henderson, Ashlyn Walker and Ellie Eames with their team medals and trophy. Quinton, Lerew and Kendall Ryneearson received individual medals for placing second, third and fourth respectively. The girls’ cross country team which claimed the 3A District III championship, will compete at the state level at Eagle Island State Park in Eagle on Saturday. Photo by Marissa Ryneearson

Parents outraged over kids’ exposure to ‘pornographic’ material in school

by Philip A. Janquart

A Weiser High School teacher exposed children to sexually graphic and obscene material in class, according to parents who want the teacher to resign.

Parents, family, and community members gathered outside Weiser High School on Monday for a press conference called by the local Power2Parent Union chapter to inform parents and the community at large of the incident.

Power2Parent is a grassroots organization aimed at empowering parents in advocating for their children in America’s classrooms.

Chapter President Narie Young and others say a Weiser High School creative writing teacher “aggressively” read the 1955 poem “Howl,” by poet and Beat Movement writer Allen Ginsberg, to his students without parents’ notification or permission.

Ginsburg, who passed away in 1997, was a champion of gay rights and the counterculture movement, coining the phrase “Flower Power,” which became an overarching motto for anti-war groups in the 1960s during the Vietnam War.

Among other things, the 3,000-word

poem contains lewd language, graphic sexual references, drug references and references to “pederasty,” a term used to describe a sexual relationship between an adult male and an adolescent boy.

The Incident

Parents say they were informed by Weiser High School Principal Dave Davies in a letter that a creative writing teacher at the high school presented the poem “Howl” to students during class from Sept. 21 to Sept. 24.

“The distribution of this pornographic

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Weiser Elks presents check to After School Program

by Philip A. Janquart

The Weiser Elks Lodge on Thursday presented Weiser Police Chief Carl Smith and Weiser After School Program Director Ange Goodwin with a check for \$3,500 that will go for supplies and other program needs

“This grant from the Elks is something that Ange and I worked on and got approved,” said Weiser Elks Lodge representative Cale Harvey. “It was a long process, but the grant was finally approved by our national lodge. The After School Program is one of those we thought was worthy of a grant.”

The Weiser City Police Department started the After School Program in 2001, the intent to provide kids with a

safe place to do homework and hang out.

“It’s for kids that get out after school and don’t usually have parents at home – they are still working – so it’s a place where they can be with other kids,” Smith said.

Goodwin said the check comes at a good time when things like furniture are beginning to show age.

“We operate off donations and grants,” she said. “We do get a little bit of money from the City, but not much. We’ve been trying to replace things like tables and chairs. Some of that stuff is very dated and broken down, and we are always in need of arts and crafts supplies.”

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The Weiser Elks Lodge recently presented representatives of the After School School Program a check for \$3,500 that will go a long way in helping to replace aging items and make needed repairs to the building. From left, Cale Harvey, Weiser Elks Lodge; Program Director Ange Goodwin; and Weiser City Police Chief, Carl Smith. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

Obituaries



Elizabeth ‘Betty’ Marbell
Elizabeth “Betty” Mar-

tell, age 92, of Weiser passed away Saturday, Oct. 9, 2021 at the Whatcom Hospice House in Bellingham, Wash. She was born Feb 15, 1929 in Elizaville, New York to parents Ernest Burton and Jesse Mae (Seifert) Bathrick. Betty was preceded in death by her husband Frank M. Martell, Sr., one sister and four brothers. She is survived by her sons, Frank M. Martell, Jr. of Weiser, Idaho, Lawrence A. Martell of Ontario, Ore., and Ernest B. Martell of Bellingham, Wash.; daughters, Linda Mae Schneider of Pompton Plains, New Jersey, Joyce M. Alexander of Boise, Idaho and Nora E. Martell of Galena, Illinois; 14 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. Her final resting place will be in Columbia County, New York. Please share your thoughts and memories of Betty online at www.sigsfuneralservices.com.

Death Notices

Allyson Chavez
Allyson Chavez, 64, of Ontario, Ore., passed away Oct. 22, 2021 at her home in Ontario. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario.

Pamela Creech
Pamela Creech, 69, of Nyssa, Ore., passed away at Saint Alphon-sus in Nampa on Oct. 20, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel in Ontario.

William Burt
William Anthony Burt, 89, of New Plymouth, Idaho passed away Oct. 25, 2021 at a care facility in Emmett. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Wayne Netcher
Wayne A. Netcher, 77, of Vale, Ore., died Oct. 20, 2021 at his home. Arrange-ments by Lienkaemper Chapel, Vale.

Barbara Fitch
Barbara Louise Fitch, 89, of Fruitland, Idaho passed away Oct. 18, 2021 at a care facility in Fruitland. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Nicholas D’Alessandro
Nicholas D’Alessandro, 78, of Ontario, Ore., passed away at Saint Al-phonsus in Boise on Oct. 20, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel of Ontario.

Nova ‘Denny’ Fowler
Nova Dennis “Denny” Fowler, 89, of Parma, Idaho died Oct. 23, 2021 at home surrounded by his family. Arrangements by Lienkaemper Chapel, Nyssa.

Stanley Bybee
Stanley W. Bybee, 85, of Nyssa, Ore., died Oct. 25, 2021 at his home. Arrange-ments by Lienkaemper Chapel, Nyssa.

Sherri Stelljes
Sherri Lynn Stelljes, 66, of Parma, Idaho, passed away Oct. 23, 2021 at her home in Parma. Arrange-ments are under the di-rection of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Dena E. Hale
Dena E. Hale, 91, of New Plymouth, Idaho passed away Oct. 23, 2021 at an assisted living facility in Fruitland. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Rolando DelaPeña
Rolando DelaPeña, 61, of Payette, Idaho passed away Oct. 18, 2021 at home in Payette. Arrange-ments are under the di-rection of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Enedina Perez
Enedina Elias Perez, 69, of Weiser, Idaho passed away Nov. 20, 2021 in Meridian. Arrangements under the direction of Tho-mason Funeral Home.

Leslie Nash
Leslie William Nash, 82, of Weiser, Idaho passed away Oct. 20, 2021 in Caldwell. Arrangements under the direction of Tho-mason Funeral Home.

Bennie Langley
Bennie M. Langley, 91, of New Plymouth, Idaho, passed away Oct. 22, 2021 at a care facility in Emmett. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Virginia ‘Cissy’ Smith
Virginia Vee “Cissy” Smith, 82, of Payette, Idaho passed away Oct. 23, 2021 at a care facility in Payette. Arrangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Ronnie Keatley
Ronnie Jerrell Keat-ley, 83, of Payette, Idaho passed away Oct. 20, 2021 at home in Payette. Ar-rangements are under the direction of Shaffer-Jensen Memory Chapel.

Maria Duran
Maria Duran, 68 of On-tario, Ore., passed away on Oct. 17, 2021, at Saint Al-phonsus in Boise. Arrange-ments by Lienkaemper Chapels of Ontario.

Nathaniel Stringer
Nathaniel Stringer, 35, of Nampa, Idaho passed away in Nampa on Oct. 17, 2021. Arrangements by Lienkemper Chapel in Ontario.



A mobile home at Clifford’s Trailer Park, located at 1190 N. 9th St. in Weiser, caught fire and was destroyed. The cause of the fire was determined to be a cigarette the homeowner dropped while he was sleeping in his chair. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

Fire at Clifford’s Trailer Park

by Philip A. Janquart
A mobile home in Weiser caught fire and was completely destroyed Thursday, Oct. 21. Weiser Rural and Weiser City Fire De-partments responded to a call at Clifford’s Trailer Park, at 1190 W. 9th St., shortly before 9 a.m. The single-wide, which occupied a space adjacent to Pioneer Road, was completely engulfed in flames, sending a thick, dark column of smoke into the air as emergency crews arrived on scene. Firefighters worked quickly, successfully containing the fire before it could ignite the home next door. Access to Pioneer Road was blocked for approximately two hours. Weiser City Fire Department Chief Kerry Nyce reported that the owner of the home admitted to smoking in his chair where he fell asleep and later woke to heat and smoke. “He tried to stomp it out, melting his pajama pants,” Nyce said. “He left the house and went to a neighbor’s house. Fire investigation confirmed the same findings, found the cigarette under debris with burn patterns leading to the carpet, extending to his chair, which extended to the rest of the structure, with a complete loss.”

Coming Up

Liberty Quartet to perform in Cambridge

The First Baptist Church of Cambridge is holding a Liberty Quartet concert on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. at the church, located at W. Hopper Ave. and 2nd St. in Cambridge. The church is accepting Love offerings. For more information call (208) 257-3335.

Community Coat Drive

Free giveaway of winter coats. Many new or like-new. Children’s and adult sizes. Saturday, Oct. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Agnes Catholic Church hall. A Love INC/St. Agnes Catholic Church fellowship. For more information contact Dorothy Evans at 208-549-5589.

Weekly Constitutional Discussions

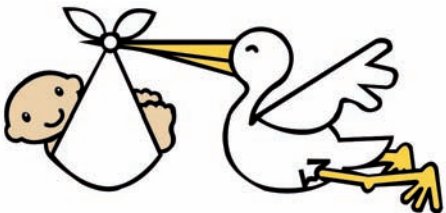
Beginning Nov. 4, 2021 there will be a Constitutional discussion every Thursday in the month of November at the Weiser Senior Center at 10 a.m. Anyone 12 and up is invited to attend and participate. Free pocket-size Constitutions will be furnished. For more information, contact Ralph Wilson at (208) 741-1115.

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.

Deadline for submitting obituaries and death notices is noon on Monday email: news@signalamerican.com

New Arrivals



Anaya Rose Ann Amos
A girl, Anaya Rose Ann Amos, was born Oct. 10, 2021 to Breanna Elizabeth Sue Hansen of Weiser, Idaho at Weiser Memorial Hospital. At birth Anaya weighed in at six pounds one ounce and measured 19½ in length. Her grandmother is Nicole Amos.



Kristen Clay, center, stands inside her new business, the Midvale Thrift Store, with her two kids, Davy, 4, left; and Elizabeth, 2, right. Not pictured is Kristen's husband, Dustin. The family moved to Idaho from Pennsylvania about seven years ago and has been in Midvale about a year. She opened the thrift store about a month ago after remodeling what used to be an auto repair shop. The store is located at 15 N. Railroad St. on Highway 95. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

Thrift store opens in Midvale

by Philip A. Janquart

It seems fitting that an old auto repair shop is now home to the Midvale Thrift Store, where items are donated, bought, and repurposed.

After moving with her family to Midvale a year ago, Kristen Clay decided to make her vision a reality.

With the help of family and friends, she transformed the repair shop into a place where people can buy pre-owned items while giving back to the community.

"We really like thrifting and there is nothing in this area. Our favorite thrift store is in Council, which is 40 minutes away, so we thought that a thrift store would do well here," explained Kristen as she corralled her four-year-old son, Davy, and two-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, who goes by "Betsy."

"Also, we wanted to help the community by taking their stuff and selling it at low prices, then at the end of the year, we'll give the profits back to the local area. The future is uncertain, thinking about everything that is happening in the world the last couple years. Our thought is, what does the local community need?"

Kristen, 30, opened the shop about a month ago and doesn't quite know who she will donate the money to, but hinted that the fire department or local EMT's could be on the short list.

"We could split the money up and help local families or other local needs," she said. "We've also talked about scholarships. We will keep working capital, of course, and we have to pay our expenses and sales taxes, that sort of thing, but the idea is to give the profits above that. Since we opened in late August, I don't know how much that will be, but we'll see."

Kristen and her family moved to Idaho from Pennsylvania years ago when she was still living at home. She eventually

met her husband, Dustin, who comes from New Meadows and owns Clay Handyman Services, LLC.

"My mom and several of my sisters needed a drier climate," she said. "It was either this or Phoenix, so it was a very easy choice."

So far, the donations are rolling in and space is already becoming an issue, which might be a good problem to have.

"We are running out of room. We have a little bit of storage, but we are talking about making an addition to the back of the building, but we'll see," Kristen said.

Located at 15 N. Railroad St. on Highway 95, the new store has everything you might expect, from apparel to antiques, and tools to knick-knacks. There are also books and a wide variety of other items.

One thing the shop doesn't carry is large furniture and appliances.

"We just don't have space for it; those items are too big," Kristen explained. "We do have small furniture, like small tables and chairs, and that has done pretty well for us."

Business, she said, is good, some items have been donated and sold the same day.

"We have pretty low prices, and we have a lot of turn over," said Kristen who is running her first brick-and-mortar business. She previously sold hand-made items online.

The store is closed on Wednesdays and Sundays but is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, and Thursday through Saturday.

Kristen asks that donations be made during those hours as opposed to dropping them off in front of the store.

"If there is bad weather or something and no one is here, it just sits out there," she said.

For more information, call (208) 991-7162.



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Toothfully Speaking

by Dr. Bryan Dille



Trick or Treat!

For kids, Halloween is probably their second favorite holiday of the year (of course Christmas being number one)! As a dentist, Halloween is probably the scariest holiday of the year! I don't like the idea of kids having a big bag of candy that they can pick out whatever they want whenever they want. Constantly bathing teeth in sugar will ultimately lead to tooth decay.

I have kids that will be trick or treating and yes, I will let them eat some of their candy. I would like to make a few suggestions to parents to help them regulate when and how much sugar their children consume

though. My first suggestion to parents is to control the candy bag and only occasionally give something out. It is best to hand it out after a meal because candy is not a healthy snack. My second suggestion is, the day after Halloween, let them eat everything they want. When that day is done, throw away anything that is left. One day full of sugar will not ruin their teeth, but it might make them sick and not want candy for a while! I hope all the kids and grown up kids have a fun and safe Halloween!

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OPINION

GUEST COLUMN BY U.S. SENATOR MIKE CRAPO

Protecting Idahoans’ second amendment rights

The Second Amendment of our Constitution reads: “A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” I firmly believe this provision prohibits the federal government from denying citizens this right. Burdening law-abiding citizens of this country with additional gun restrictions is not the answer to safeguarding the public.

As gun control advocates continue to seek creative methods of advancing their agenda, both through legislation and litigation, and the Administration has taken steps to target law-abiding gun owners instead of cracking down on perpetrators of rising crime across the country, I continue to oppose all efforts to weaken Second Amendment rights. I am taking a number of actions in this Congress to protect the Second Amendment:

I reintroduced the Hearing Protection Act, which

would reclassify suppressors to regulate them like a regular firearm. The measure would benefit Idaho’s recreational gun users by providing better access to hearing protection equipment.

Along with fellow U.S. Senator for Idaho Jim Risch and 46 colleagues, I urged the Biden Administration to rescind its notice of proposed rulemaking targeting pistol braces.

In June 2020, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) published a proposed rule that would make nearly all configurations of firearms with stabilizing braces subject to the taxation and registration requirements that would turn millions of law-abiding Americans into criminals overnight, and constitute the largest executive branch-imposed gun registration and confiscation scheme in American history.

I joined Senate colleagues in reintroducing the Federal Firearms License (FFL) Protection Act

of 2021 to address the increasing number of “smash-and-grab” thefts targeted at federally licensed gun dealers. In 2020, approximately 6,000 firearms were taken in nationwide FFL burglaries and robberies. This commonsense legislation is meant to deter thefts of firearms from licensed firearms dealers, importers and manufacturers by enhancing the criminal penalties for such offenses.

Along with Senator Risch, I co-sponsored the Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act. This legislation would allow any person legally authorized to carry a concealed firearm in their home state to exercise that right in any other state that allows the practice.

Senator Risch and I co-sponsored the ATF Accountability Act, which would create an appeals process for the firearms industry to ensure manufacturers are not subject to unchecked bureaucratic rulings and lawful gun owners are not left in the dark regarding the legal status of their firearms.

We also co-sponsored the Protecting the Right to Keep and Bear Arms Act. This legislation would prevent the President from declaring

gun violence an emergency to impose gun control.

We recently urged President Biden to reject the United Nations Arms Trade Treaty, which has garnered strong opposition in the U.S. Senate.

I co-sponsored the Lawful Interstate Transportation of Firearms Act that would allow a person to transport a firearm or ammunition from any place where the person may lawfully possess or transport the firearm or ammunition to any other such place if, during the transportation, the firearm is unloaded and secured.

Over the years, the Second Amendment has brought much discussion, but it has remained part of our Constitution since it was ratified along with the first ten Amendments (the Bill of Rights) effective December 15, 1791.

In June 2008, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled there is an individual right to keep and bear arms, as outlined in the Second Amendment. We as Americans must protect and preserve our constitutional right to bear arms. I will continue to oppose all efforts to weaken Second Amendment rights and work to protect them in the U.S. Senate.



From AAA Idaho

Scary gas prices will haunt drivers this Halloween

Rising fuel demand, tightening supplies, and high cost of crude oil bring fill-up frights

Halloween is a time of thrills and chills, but this year, drivers across the country are in for a fright when they stop to fill-up. According to AAA, the national average price for regular gas hit \$3.39 per gallon this week, the highest it’s been since September 2014. Rising fuel demand, tightening supplies, and the high price of crude oil are all playing a part in higher prices at the pump.

Meanwhile, at \$3.72 per gallon, Idaho drivers are paying much more than the U.S. average, but prices here have been slowly falling since Labor Day.

This week, Idaho traded places with Alaska, dropping to seventh in the country for most expensive fuel.

“The rising price of crude oil, now climbing toward \$84 per barrel, is a bad omen, but it doesn’t appear to be changing anyone’s driving behavior

just yet,” says AAA Idaho spokesman Matthew Conde. “Fuel demand jumped by nearly 400,000 barrels per day this week, which suggests that people are determined to push through the pain at the pump to continue their normal activities.”

Domestic crude oil stocks currently sit at 426 million barrels, which is 13 percent below last year.

At \$3.39, the U.S. average is six cents higher than a week ago and 20 cents higher than a month ago. Idaho’s current average of \$3.72 is the same as a week ago and three cents less than a month ago.

This week, eight states saw prices jump ten cents or more. The most expensive fuel in the country is in California at \$4.54 per gallon, while the cheapest gas can be found in Oklahoma at \$3.01 per gallon. No state average is below the \$3 mark this week.

“The cost of crude oil accounts for half of the price of finished gasoline, so as long as crude remains expensive, pump prices will follow. But tight supplies are making the problem worse,” Conde said. “The best thing drivers can do is bundle their errands and avoid rush-hour travel if possible. That could help drive down demand and relieve a little bit of pressure in the market.”

Here’s a look at Idaho gas prices as of Oct. 25:

Boise - \$3.82
Coeur d’Alene - \$3.41
Franklin - \$3.68
Idaho Falls - \$3.65
Lewiston - \$3.37
Pocatello - \$3.76
Twin Falls - \$3.81

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I was weeks at a job with the quick in and out of a hectic daily mail delivery route before I and the regular mail-lady finally exchanged names. “Yours is easy to remember,” I told her, “because you have my sister’s name.” So I tucked her name away for future reference.

Quite a few days passed before I saw my new acquaintance again. On that day I almost missed her again but yelled out, “Thank you, Jean!”, to her rapidly departing back. At the sound of her name she stopped and turned around to acknowledge my greeting, ask me to remind her of my name and say “you’re welcome” in return.

Had I not called her by name, I would have received a polite over-the-shoulder, “you’re welcome,” without missing a step in her stride out the door as she continued on with the business of delivering mail to her next customer. Just by hearing her own name drew her into a level of relationship with the one who called her.

I imagine I’m not alone in feeling a bit special when someone remembers and calls me by name. That small gesture

tells you someone values you enough to remember who you are, and, so, they just might be worth a second look and a little effort to get to know, too. Thus, the journey of relationship begins.

As Father and creator of the ends of the earth, God is intimately acquainted with each of us, having woven us in the secret place of our mother’s womb. If we listen, we will hear Him calling each of us by name inviting us into relationship with Him so we might also become intimately acquainted with Him in return as we abide one with another.

This is our faithful, gracious God, loving His people so much He has gone to the greatest lengths, by the ultimate sacrifice of His only Son, to show us how valued we are in His sight – to call us by name and invite us into eternal relationship with Him.

Do you hear Him calling? Answer the call and enter in – Jody R. Goode, redemerweiser@gmail.com.

Isaiah 43:1 (NASB) - But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel, “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!

Happy Reformation Day

Riverside Baptist

This Sunday is Reformation Day. On Oct. 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his ninety-five theses to the Wittenberg church door. This act sparked the beginning of the Protestant Reformation in Europe.

Martin believed passionately in the penal substitutionary atonement of Christ. One could not pay-off forgiveness of sins. No amount of money or good works could buy redemption. Luther believed the atonement of Christ took the penalty for sins. Christ bore the churches sins on the cross. Christ died in our place. His blood was applied to our life as He

washed away our sins. The atonement is also a proclamation of victory and an example for the church. These, do not contradict substitutionary atonement, but are established by it.

The fact that Christ died for His sheep should inspire us to humility, service, and unity. We should be humbled that we did not endure the punishment for sin we deserve. We should have the same love for our brothers and sisters as Christ did for the church. We should welcome all who have faith in Christ and seek to preserve the unity of the body of Christ to the glory of God.

“(Jesus speaking) I am the good shepherd. I know

my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.” (John 10:14-16, 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 rbcweiser@gmail.com. Our church website is riversidechurchweiser.com.

Pastor Ian Ross

Just something to think about

When our children are young...up to about 2 years of age, we say they are months old. So, I was thinking that I might seem younger if I went by months instead of years. That would make me 961 months old. Maybe that isn’t so wise.

How about using kilos instead of pounds. I think that would work much better. I would be just a touch over 100 kilos. Now that is better!

Do you ever think we can outwit our heavenly Father by using glitzy terms. How about, thanketh,

you blessedeth heavenly Father, for givething us our daily breadeth... you get the idea.

Nope, I think speaking the truth in love is the best way to go!

That is not always easy, especially if we are angry!

So, I am just going to try to be my age, weigh myself accurately and speak to the Lord from my heart in language we both can understand.

Just something to think about.
C. Shaw

Backing up

St. Luke’s Episcopal by Carolyn Wesner

It’s hard to admit wrong, it’s hard to say “sorry” and mean it even though that might be the grown-up thing to do in many situations. While “defend/deny/dismiss” might work out in the world for a while, over the long term it isn’t the way of godliness. There are stories in the Bible about people who had to “back-up” after meeting Jesus, and one story is about a man named Zacchaeus.

The tax system in Palestine 2000 years ago under the Roman Empire was different than today. Back then, a person could choose to be hired by the Romans, collecting whatever taxes were due then remitting to the Roman

governor those monies.

There was no regulation of this, so tax collectors could demand higher amounts (sometimes MUCH higher amounts – this is called extortion), and keep the difference. Zacchaeus had been doing this and became a very rich man, but friendless and despised.

Jesus, the new teacher, was rumored to be coming to town and Zach was curious. Money can’t buy everything, and Zach was lonely. There were huge crowds surrounding Jesus as he came into town, so in order to catch a glimpse, Zacchaeus climbed up a tree.

Funny thing, Jesus stopped walking exactly under that tree, and looked up. Things got pretty quiet, because for a

holy man to even speak to a sinner, an extortionist, a greedy robber baron was unheard of.

Jesus was kind, friendly even: “Zacchaeus” he said, “come on down! We are having lunch at your house today!” This so affected Zach that he grandly announced that he was: A. giving half his possessions to charity and B. the people who he cheated would get FOUR TIMES the amount he stole. Wow, and double wow. See what a short encounter with the Son of God can achieve? Jesus said “Salvation has come to this house today!” And that’s what backing-up can do.

You are welcome to visit St. Luke’s Episcopal Church Sundays, 10 a.m. service. Please join us afterwards for coffee hour.



GOD BLESS AMERICA

And truly Jesus did many other signs... but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that believing you may have life in His name. John 20:30-31

BE STILL, AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD

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Meet the Candidates for... Weiser School Board

Residents will vote for candidates seeking seats on the Weiser School District Board of Trustees Nov. 2. Voters are reminded to cast their ballots at their designated polling places.

The candidates include Marg Chipman and Jim Brush for Weiser School District Zone 2. Melanie Price is running unopposed for Zone 3.

The candidate who receives the most votes in Zone 2 and Price will be sworn in at the January meeting of the Weiser School Board.

The school board meets the second Wednesday of the month.

The *Weiser Signal American* recently provided the candidates with questions concerning topics including educational priorities, vision for the future, ways to improve public communications and others.

Here are the questions:

1. What are the educational strengths and weaknesses within the district?
2. What are some educational priorities you would address during your term?
3. How would you describe

as an effective school board member?

4. What is your vision for education within the district?

5. What can be done to improve communication between the school board and the community?

Candidate responses:

Melanie Price Trustee Zone 3 (Running unopposed)

1. We have some great teachers and administrators that really care about our kids. We also have a supportive community that wants to be involved in the education of their kids. We need more transparency and accountability in our education system. We also need to listen to community input and support parental rights.
2. My main priority is the kids and making sure we put them first in every decision. I would like to address the issue of our declining test scores across the state and explore ways we can improve. A key way to do this is to hire and keep good teachers.
3. An effective school board member is: educated on the is-

sues, can manage a budget, isn't a green light to everything that comes up, is open minded and doesn't run from conflict, provides checks and balances within the district, has a willingness to provide awareness to the community about the vision and goals of the district, and remembers that they represent both the community members and the school district.

4. My vision for education within the district is to continue to find ways to best serve our students and to create an environment that encourages critical thinking, and teaches to the individual needs of the students for them to find success, both in education and in life.

5. Right now we have a lot of community interest in what goes on in the school system as a whole. We can take advantage of this opportunity to have more involvement and input from them. I'd love to create awareness of what the vision and goals of the school board are.

Jim Brush Trustee Zone 2

1. Weiser has great teachers, many learning options outside

of the essential core classes, and good extracurricular activities. Weiser has good hands-on learning opportunities for those students that may not attend college and good opportunities for those college bound kids to earn college credits while in the Weiser school system.

2. While we have good elective classes for our students, I think that we could expand upon some of those classes. For example, we have a good agricultural program. I think that it could be better, bigger, and more class opportunities.

3. An effective school board member is transparent in all aspects of their duties except those that must be talked about in closed sessions due to the nature of private discussion. A good school board member will take the time to learn the policies, laws, and regulations that impact the school district.

4. Not all our kids will choose to further their educations through college. We need to continue to prepare our kids for their future whether it is furthering their education at college or moving into the work force of society. Vo tech opportunities

need to be explored.

5. I do not have all the answers of how to improve communication, but I think that it starts with getting the parents and our community involved in choosing a curriculum that would benefit our kids and support our community values.

Marg Chipman Trustee Zone 2

1. One of the biggest strengths of our Weiser School District is the quality of our staff. The tone of the district is set by the superintendent and is reflected in the professional demeanor and caring attitude of the employees. They have weathered an unprecedented, at least in our lifetimes, year and a half and worked so hard to deliver the best possible education to our students. We asked them to teach both on line and in the classroom, to cover for other absent staff members, to deliver meals to students all around the district, to learn new instructional delivery methods and find new curriculum in response to the need for home-based learning opportunities for students, to adapt and change and dig deep. Like the rest of



Melanie Price is running unopposed for the Weiser School District Trustee Zone 3 position.



Jim Brush, left, and Marg Chipman, right, are running for the Trustee Zone 2 position. Residents living in Zone 2 will vote for this position.





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us, they are tired but they continue to come through in great style. Our schools were in session when a lot of others were not and our kids were in the classroom as much as humanly possible during this pandemic. Another strength would be the support we receive from our community as we strive to give our taxpayers the best value for their hard-earned dollars. The Weiser community is involved and committed to our schools – we have been fortunate to have had our voters approve levies and bonds passed, and we sincerely appreciate this support. We have a very low tax levy compared to other schools in our area and those of similar size in the state. It’s not just financial support that is evident. Parents and community members show up all the time, whether to root for an athletic team, to contribute to a math-a-thon, make cookies for parent-teacher conferences, enthusiastically applaud our latest musical production, try their best to help their children with their homework, and in countless other ways. The sign at the entrance to Weiser, “We Love

Our Kids,” speaks volumes. A weakness of our, and every other, district might be that we may lose many of these dedicated professionals for the very reason we have done as well as we have in the past 18 months – they are overworked and tired. Many of us predict that quite a number of teachers will leave the profession due to fatigue and burnout, and that will be a tragedy. Another weak spot is that we have aging and in some cases, inadequate facilities that do not serve the needs of our students today and in the future. 2. One of our biggest priorities is to cover the learning loss suffered by so many during this past year. I fear that, despite our best efforts, some students lost ground academically and we must help them regain that ground. Another priority is staff retention – we must work as a state to retain our valued employees and incentivize students to enter the teaching profession. Besides retaining tiring staff, we must also attract members of our community who have a desire to serve the district in various roles (bus drivers, food services, maintenance, and student sup-

port, such as paraprofessionals). This is a challenge on a tight budget. Another priority of ours has to be maintaining the full-time kindergarten option for the parents in our district. 3. An effective school board member is constantly studying and learning, attending professional development opportunities such as in-district trainings, convention workshops, law institutes, and regional and state meetings. It takes a long time to get up to speed on the many intricacies of being an effective board member – after 29 years, I am still learning. Since being retired from ranching, I have had more time to attend legislative sessions, conventions, and seminars and then share what I’ve experienced with my fellow board members. I have also given training workshops at the annual ISBA convention and to the Caldwell board. I was fortunate to be able to serve as president of the Idaho School Boards Association, an organization made up of trustees and board members of Idaho’s 115 school districts and a majority of its public charter schools. The experience of networking and

relationship building throughout the state and nation has enabled me to be an informed, educated, and affective board member. It is also critical for a board member to be active in their community and listening to parents about their concerns. When going into a board meeting, it’s not about the member’s values and opinions – it’s about what they are hearing from their community, their education and research into the topics being presented, the feedback from administration – many factors go into the decisions made at the board level. Duties of the board include choosing a superintendent, establishing policy and curriculum, and setting and overseeing the budget – I take these responsibilities very seriously and must always be aware of our legal obligations pertaining to creating policy or responding to circumstances. 4. The vision of the Weiser School District is to be the “highest achieving rural school district in Idaho.” Each year we compare our district with select schools with a similar demographic to see how we are stacking up. We consistently

place in the top tier and continually strive to fulfill this vision. In addition, we strive to see that our students are safe, value life-long learning, and are prepared for life after high school, be it in the workforce, the military, learning a trade, or attending a college or university. 5. Having a constructive and respectful dialogue between the school board and the community is imperative to an effective school board. Our superintendent writes letters to parents and patrons. These letters appear in our local media and are posted on our website. He conducts polls to determine the opinions of parents, students, and staff. Parent-teacher conferences are held regularly and the board welcomes input by having a regular place on our board agenda for submission of comments. We continuously strive for improvement – especially in working with our community. A strong partnership between the parents and the board is critical to the successful education of Weiser students. We are, indeed, a community organization that reflects Weiser’s uniqueness and values.

Residents reminded to vote at their designated polling location

Washington County Consolidated Elections for Weiser School District No. 431, Trustee Zone 2, and City of Weiser Council members is scheduled for Nov. 2, 2021. All polling places in Weiser will open for voting at 8 a.m. and will close at 8 p.m. Voting places include:

Weiser School District (Armory)
925 Pioneer Road
Weiser, Idaho

Weiser Vendome
309 State St.
Weiser, Idaho

Weiser Christian Church
1299 E. Second St.
Weiser, Idaho

Riverside Baptist Church
598 Highway 95
Weiser, Idaho

Once again, residents are reminded to vote at their designated polling places. To receive a city ballot, one must live within the city limit boundaries. To receive a Weiser School Trustee “Zone 2” ballot, one must live within trustee Zone 2 boundaries. Early absentee voting is open until 5 p.m., Oct. 29, 2021, at the Washington County Clerk’s Office. Please contact the Washington County Clerk’s Office at (208) 414-2092 if you have questions about where your designated polling place is and what ballot you qualify for.



Vote Nov. 2 at the your respective polling place from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.



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Parents would like the teacher to resign his teaching position

material was brought to the attention of Mr. Davies on Oct. 1, 2021,” explained Young. “An internal investigation was concluded by the Weiser School District on Oct. 15. During this time, the teacher was neither removed from the classroom nor placed on administrative leave. Instead, he was allowed to continue teaching, and per recent communication from Principal Davies, this teacher will continue teaching in the future.”

Young added that the small group of parents was informed that the poem was utilized as supplemental material and as such was not required under policy to be submitted to the Weiser School District Board of Trustees for approval.

Weiser School District Superintendent Wade Wilson, in an Oct. 25 press release, stated that the District would never have approved the poem for presentation to students.

“The poem was not, and would not have been, approved for use in the Weiser School District,” he stated.

Parents are not only outraged that their children were exposed to the poem’s content but also by what they say is the school district’s failure to act, citing Idaho State Statute Title 18, Chapter 15 that prohibits dissemination of material harmful to minors.

See the statute and applicable definitions here: <https://legislature.idaho.gov/statutesrules/id-stat/Title18/T18CH15/SECT18-1515/>

“I’m here today because ... my 14-year-old daughter was purposely exposed to pornographic language,” said Jon Lerew, ad-



Weiser Power2Parent Chapter President Narie Young speaks during a press conference addressing a recent incident involving a Weiser High School teacher who read the controversial 1955 poem ‘Howl,’ by Allen Ginsberg, to his creative writing class. The poem contains graphic material parents say is not suitable for their children. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

ressing the group. “That teacher had each student pull the poem up on their Chromebook devices to follow along as he read aloud a poem full of expletives, references to prostitution, drugs, body parts, and extremely descriptive sexual acts. A month after this event, on Oct. 20, I received a letter from the principal of Weiser High School, Mr. Davies, advising me that my child had been exposed to inappropriate content ... He also advised that not one single member of administration had contacted law enforcement.”

Young cited Idaho law that holds certain professionals responsible for reporting violations of Idaho law concerning minors.

“Of note, in February 2020, Idaho legislation made it the requirement of teachers, doctors, police officers, and social workers to be mandatory reporters,” she said. “Reporting is required

within 48 hours. Administration was made aware of this [incident] on Oct. 1. A notification letter mailed to parents was dated Oct. 18.”

“The Weiser School District has failed in its duty to uphold state law, has failed in its duty to uphold its own school policy, and has failed in its duty to protect my child while in their care. This is unacceptable,” Lerew said.

Another parent said he understands the value of making students uncomfortable, citing the Holocaust and the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Towers in New York City, but that reading Ginsberg’s poem has no educational value.

“The point of reading this was to shock and offend, not to educate,” said Aaron Johnson, during Monday’s press conference. “The creative writing teacher, under the guise of education,

broke Idaho law when he read his material to our children that had been placed under his care to receive an education. We are aware of multiple students who have varieties of adverse responses to the reading of this poem and the way in which the teacher read it.”

In a statement to Weiser Power2Parent, District 9 Representative Judy Boyle expressed dismay over the situation.

“I am shocked at the lack of action by the Weiser School Board and Administration to follow the law and protect students from pornography in the classroom,” she stated. “They are sidestepping their legal responsibility to students and ignoring parental rights.”

Superintendent Wade Wilson

Wilson provided the following comments in his Oct. 25 press release.

“It was brought to the attention of administration at WHS on October 1, 2021, that a portion of a poem, Howl, by Allen Ginsberg was presented to students in a Creative Writing class at WHS.

“The poem contains language and content that is inconsistent with the materials approved for use in District curriculum. The poem was not, and would not have been, approved for use in the Weiser School District.

“As is the case with all concerns, the District uses a process in order to investigate and address concerns. The issue regarding a teacher’s use of unapproved curriculum has been investigated and addressed, and appropriate steps have been taken to ensure future compliance with the District’s policies. In this case, the parents of the students in the class were notified of the incident.

“While we always seek to do our due diligence when addressing any issue of concern, the District is not able to comment on personnel matters.”

What Now?

“I think that it is the general consensus of our group that something needs to happen to this teacher. Nothing has been done. We would like to see him resign,” Young said.

“We would also like to see a parent oversight committee created so that something like this doesn’t happen in the future. We also want to have transparency by the administration because parents have the right to know what’s going on in their child’s education. We have choices and we are the ones who care most about our kids.”

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Weiser Elks Lodge donates to the After School Program

Smith added that the building where the program is headquartered is in need of some minor repairs.

Currently, the program serves between 25 and 30 kids between the ages of 7 and 14. Once the kids “age out,” they are given the opportunity to come back as mentors.

After School hours are Monday through Friday, just after school lets out, lasting to about 5:45 p.m. The program follows school schedules, so if there is

no school on a given day, the program building would be closed, as well.

“On a normal day, we’ll do homework, then have snacks, and then they can play games,” Goodwin explained.

The facility, located across the street from the city swimming pool, offers kids a variety of after school stress relievers such as air hockey, board games, Xbox and PlayStation video games, and a foosball table, as well as basketball during

the warmer months. In addition, Memorial Park is right across the street from the swimming pool.

Goodwin said she is holding a Halloween party to take place Thursday, Oct. 28.

“They are picking what they are going to be doing for games,” she said. “They all put down their choices for snacks and we vote on that, too. They are all so cute!”

The kids have already voted for a coloring contest, which

Weiser Police officers will vote on the day of the party.

“The whole purpose is to let kids have a safe place to be so they can get their homework done, and get that extra one-on-one if they need it,” Goodwin said. “They have a safe place to play, nurture relationships and learn to socialize.”

She added that a crucial aspect of the program lies within visits from police officers who spend time with the kids.

“They are a positive role

model,” Goodwin said. “The police department is key. The Chief is awesome. They’ll stop by and play pool or basketball with the kids, so they can experience a positive role model.”

Goodwin applied for the job in March 2019. She’s a good fit for the program considering her K-6 teaching degree and experience as a mother.

“It’s really hard not to get attached to all of these kids,” she said. “They are all really good kids.”

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Unveiling of new welcome signs for Weiser expected in 2022

but really didn’t plan on being a finalist.”

Hafer said there were many great submissions.

“It was hard making the decision,” she said. “There were a lot of really great designs. We had a lot of discussion, looked at the components and the ideas built into the designs. We considered longevity, messaging and everyone took it very serious.”

Nauman said he was pleased with the response.

“Instead of 15 minutes at one meeting, it took us two meetings, an hour at each meeting, to come up with a decision,” he said. “We had everything from high school students on up.”

The process now involves deciding where the signs will be located followed by permitting.

“First we have to make the decision for sure about where the sign is going to go because there is some discussion about making some changes on a couple of them. We’ve talked about having them in multiple places,” Nauman said. “And then once that happens, we have to go to the state to get permits to put them there, and then there is a meeting for the landscaping, what that will look like and how it’s going to work.”

When asked when the final decision between the two finalists would be made, Nauman said, “It may or may not have already been done, but nobody will be able to see the winning design until it is unveiled on the side of the road, after it’s been installed.”

There is still work to be done, the sign unveiling tentatively scheduled for spring of 2022.



From left, Layna Hafer, Heather Thomas, Josh Foster, and Patrick Nauman. Thomas and Foster are the finalists in the Greater Weiser Economic Development Task Force’s sign contest. The contest was intended to inspire design ideas for replacement of Weiser’s welcome signs at the south, north, and west city boundaries. The Task Force received about 30 design entries. Photo by Philip A. Janquart

Kids show off four-legged friends at Paws and Pals contest

by Nicole Miller

The 4-H Paws and Pals club held a dog costume contest and agility showcase fundraiser Saturday, Oct. 23.

The goal of the fundraiser was to help raise money for new agility equipment, as well as the repair of some existing equipment.

The event was held in conjunction with 4-H month, with enrollment for many of the Washington County groups open throughout October as they begin their 2021-2022 season.

4-H provides opportunities for youth ages 5- to 18-years-old to participate in innovative and fun programs that help

them develop valuable, lifelong skills and leadership abilities to make a difference in their community.

From livestock to cooking and cake decorating, the Washington County 4H organization has helped area youth accomplish their goals and showcase their talents at fair and beyond.

One local club, Paws and Pals 4-H club, helps youth learn to train and show their favorite four-legged best friends.

Leader Janet Sorensen said that not everyone has an opportunity to raise livestock, but more kids are able to have dogs and this club can give those children a chance to participate at the fair.

The club is in its third year in Washington County and currently has 15 members, which focuses on dog training and dog agility training.

Co-leader, Megan Reynolds, has a lot of experience with dog agility training, and Sorensen has been working with a trainer for the last three years, so the group has had fun learning and growing together.

The group is welcoming new membership and will start meeting in January. Anyone interested in learning more about the club can contact the University of Idaho Extension office at (208) 414-0415.



The Paws and Pals 4-H club held a Halloween costume contest and ran their dogs through the agility course as a fundraiser to help raise money for new agility equipment and repair old ones. Pictured above is Natalie Reynolds and her dog Beckett all dressed up running the agility course. Pictured to the right is Alyvia Goff and her Schnauzer Rowdy and top right is a border collie wearing a ty label. The 4-H club is welcoming new members and meetings will begin in January. Photos by Nicole Miller and Sheri Smit



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Receiver Jack Burke, right, looks for running room during Weiser’s 44-6 victory over Parma on Friday, Oct. 22. The Wolverines finished the regular season 8-1 overall and 4-1 in conference. They will host Buhl in the first round of state playoffs this Friday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. *Photo by Philip A. Janquart*

Weiser clips Parma 44-6, readies for State play-in game

by Philip A. Janquart

The Weiser High School varsity football team walked away with a 44-6 victory in its final regular season game Friday at Roy Dickerson Field in Weiser.

The win was important in terms of seeding going into state play. Information was scant at the time of publication, the Idaho High School Activities Association not yet posting its online brackets for the 3A competition.

Weiser High School Athletic Director Tyler Grant, however, affirmed Weiser will face Buhl Friday at home. Game time is 7 p.m.

In a game where backup players were utilized in the fourth quarter, the Wolverines held the Panthers scoreless until late in the fourth quarter with only 33 seconds left to play.

Weiser scored 20 in the first quarter, followed by 14 in the second, and 10 in the third.

Weiser 44, Parma 6

Weiser kicked off to start the game, with Panther running back Colt Murdock gaining four yards from Parma’s own 26-yard line. That would be the only significant gain of the drive, Parma choosing not to punt on fourth down, which ended with quarterback Stetson Pinz tackled for a short gain.

The Wolverines took over on downs from Parma’s 32-yard line, quarterback Brett Spencer completing a swing pass to receiver Jack Burke for a 21-yard gain. Senior Willy Shirts then scored on an 11-yard touchdown run.

Ryndon Olsen’s kick was blocked, leaving the score 6-0 just over three minutes

into the first quarter.

Parma was able to advance downfield on its next drive, facing a fourth down and six from Weiser’s 45-yard line, but pressure by defensive lineman Zander McElroy forced a bad pass on the screen, ending the Panthers’ drive.

A pass to Burke took the ball into Parma territory on the ensuing series. Spencer then connected with receiver Brayden Walker who managed to get separation from a Panther defender. Walker was tackled at the three-yard line for about a 37-yard gain. Shirts powered in for the touchdown and Olsen made good on the point after, giving Weiser the 13-0 lead with 2:13 left in the quarter.

Parma’s next series ended with another three-and-out, Shirts scoring again on the next drive and Olsen once again making good on the point after to give the Wolverines the 20-0 advantage with only 20 seconds left in the first.

Burke scored early in the second quarter and Spencer found the end zone on a keeper up the middle with only 1:44 remaining in the half, the Wolverines taking the 34-0 lead going into intermission.

Weiser received the kickoff to open the second half, the offense advancing to Parma’s one-yard line where senior lineman Jesse Lockett took the handoff and ploughed forward for the touchdown.

Olsen’s point after made it 41-0 Weiser with 9:56 left in the fourth quarter.

The Wolverines found themselves in a fourth-down situation with only 2:16 remaining in the game, Olsen connecting on a roughly 31-yard field goal to end the game 44-6.



Weiser quarterback Brett Spencer, No. 2, connects with brother Brock Spencer on a short pass during the Wolverines’ 44-6 victory over Parma. Blocking up front is No. 64, Jesse Lockett, who scored a touchdown in the game, and No. 51, Braden Phillips. Weiser hosts Buhl this Friday, Oct. 29 in the first round of state playoffs. *Photo by Philip A. Janquart*

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November is National Diabetes Awareness month

Learn how to understand diabetes and how to manage it

by Michelle Merrick,
RN, BSN

Did you know that more than one in five people in the United States who has diabetes doesn't even know they have it? According to the American Diabetes Association (ADA), that's 7.3 million people – out of a total 34.2 million – who aren't aware they're living with the disease and all the health risks that poorly managed blood sugar can pose. No wonder an awareness month is needed for diabetes. November is National Diabetes Awareness Month.

This health condition affects everyone, but it disproportionately affects Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that prevalence of diabetes diagnoses is 14.7 percent among American Indians/Alaska Natives, nearly double that of white people (7.5 percent) in the United States. Diabetes has also been diagnosed in 12.5 percent of Hispanic people, 11.7 percent of non-Hispanic Black people, and 9.2 percent of non-Hispanic Asian people.

Diabetes puts people at risk for nerve damage, cardiovascular disease, foot and limb injuries, vision problems, and other complications that arise from having uncontrolled blood sugar, as the U.S. National Library of Medi-



November is National Diabetes Awareness month. According to an estimate from the Centers for Disease Control 88 million people in the United States have prediabetes and 84 percent do not know they have it. Diet and exercise can help to keep your A1C down. Courtesy photo

cine's MedlinePlus guide cautions. Not to mention, diabetes raises a person's risk of developing serious COVID-19, per the CDC.

Understanding diabetes and how to manage it is more important than ever. Also known as diabetes mellitus, it's actually a group of metabolic disorders that cause your blood glucose (sugar) level to be higher than it should be and therefore prevent your body from properly using energy that comes from food and beverages.

The major types of diabetes are:

Type 1 Diabetes – An autoimmune disorder that typically be-

gins before adulthood, in which the immune system destroys cells within the body that make insulin, a hormone that regulates blood sugar.

Type 2 Diabetes – A disease that usually begins in middle age, which results when the body isn't able to use insulin properly to regulate blood sugar.

Gestational Diabetes – A condition during pregnancy in which the body doesn't use insulin properly, similar to type 2 diabetes.

Up to 95 percent of cases are type 2 diabetes, and most of the rest are type 1 diabetes.

Even more important than knowing the statistics about dia-

betes is understanding the numbers used in its diagnosis and how they apply to you.

According to the Cleveland Clinic, you could be diagnosed with a version of the disease if your blood glucose after fasting (and before a meal) tests at 126 milligrams per deciliter (mg/dL) or higher. Your random blood glucose is 200 mg/dl or higher.

You receive a result of 6.5 or higher on the hemoglobin A1C test, which shows how much glucose has attached to the hemoglobin in your red blood cells, on average, over the past three months.

Or you may have prediabetes if your fasting blood glucose is

100 to 125 mg/dL; your random glucose is 140 to 199 mg/dL; or your A1C is in the range of 5.7 to 6.4, notes the Cleveland Clinic.

The CDC estimates that in the United States 88 million people have prediabetes, and 84 percent don't know they have it.

Getting a diagnosis of diabetes is not the end of the world. Management through diet, medication, and exercise can ensure a long and healthy life. Working with a dietitian and medical doctor will ensure complication from diabetes can be avoided. Getting support from family and others who are living with diabetes can make this journey much less daunting. You are not alone.

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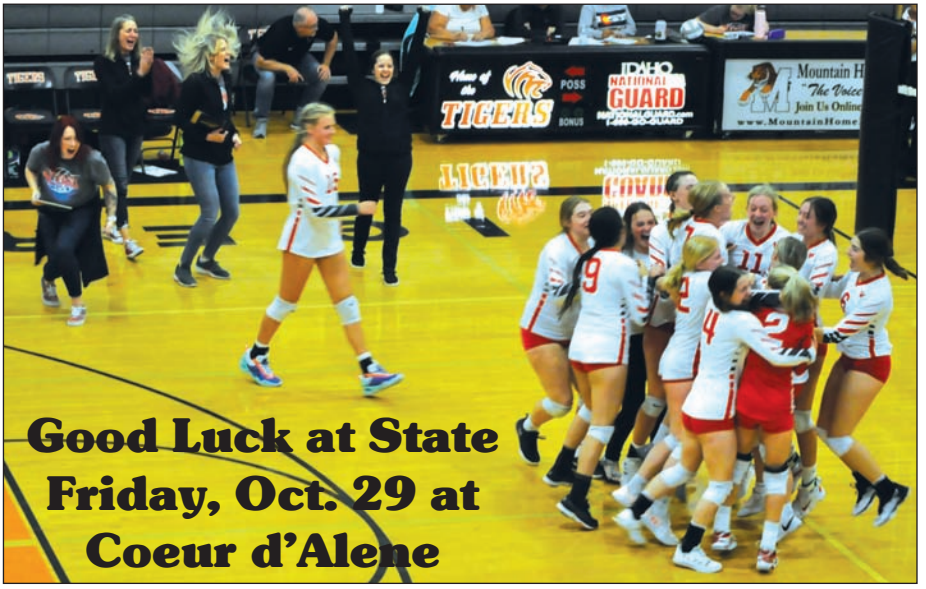
FOOTBALL



Weiser played their last SRV Conference game of the season against Parma on Friday night. The Wolverines will play in the first round of the state tournament against Buhl at home on Friday, Oct. 29. Pictured above is Payton Albertson, defensive back, getting in position to tackle Homedale's ball carrier. Photo by Keith Bryant

Date	Meet	Site	Time		Oct. 8	*McCall	A	7:00	52-0W
Aug. 27	Buhl	A	7:00	35-6W	Oct. 15	*Homedale	A	7:00	6-14L
Sept. 3	Emmett	H	7:00	34-28W	Oct. 22	*Parma	H	7:00	44-6W
Sept. 10	Grangeville	H	7:00	40-0W	Oct. 28-30	First Round		TBA	
Sept. 17	Baker City	A	8:00	48-12W	Nov. 4-6	State Quarterfinals		TBA	
Sept. 24	*Fruitland	H	7:00	40-18W	Nov. 11-13	State Semifinals		TBA	
Oct. 1	*Payette	A	7:00	67-0W	Nov. 18-20	State Championship		TBA	

VOLLEYBALL



The Wolverine volleyball team celebrate after their win against Filer for a berth at the state tournament. The girls' first game will be against Kimberly.

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The Lady Wolverine cross country team worked hard all season and brought home the District 3 trophy. Pictured from left are Ashlyn Walker, Keke Hoobery, Kylee Quinton, Libbie Ryneerson, Sarah Henderson, Kailee Lerew, Kendall Ryneerson, Naomie Chandler and Ellie Eames. Photo by Marissa Ryneerson

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The Weiser Wolverine volleyball team worked hard to get a ticket to the State Tournament. Their journey started with a loss to Parma in the first round of District Tournament play. The girls fought back and beat McCall-Donnelly and Homedale and they finished in third place in the SRV conference. Their next step was a play-in game against Filer on Saturday. The Lady Wolverines took the match in three sets. They will go into the state tourney as the sixth seed. Their first match will be Friday at 9 a.m. against Kimberly. Pictured above, from left, Taylor Bushong, Bailey Coleman, Danica Lockett, Whitney Cordes, Mattie Shirts and Emma Tolman celebrate after winning the third set 25-20 and the match 3-0. Pictured below Filer blocks Emma Tolman's (6) return. Whitney Cordes (11), Mattie Shirts, Jasi Yraguen and Danica Lockett (13) are in position for the return.

Lady Wolverines are heading to state

Weiser beats Filer in play-in game and will face Kimberly on Friday

by Zane Davis

The Wolverines suffered an early and disappointing loss to the Parma Panthers early in the Snake River Valley District Tournament, forcing them into a more strenuous route to secure a berth in the 3A Idaho State Volleyball Tournament in Coeur d'Alene.

Their trek through the loser's bracket had to be pristine because with one loss against them, another loss meant elimination from the tournament and an abrupt end to their season.

They began their quest against McCall-Donnelly and took the win in four sets. As the high seed in the bracket, they hosted the match, and the Lady Wolverine fan base was a big help in their victory.

Their next opponent was the Homedale Trojans. Once again, the Lady Wolverines were the hosts of the match and had the Trojans on their heels for the majority of the match, taking the game in straight sets 3-0.

The win secured the Wolverines a third-place finish in the SRV Conference, but to secure a place in the State Tournament, as the SRV Conference allows only two and half teams to qualify, the Wolverines had to travel to Mountain Home on Saturday and face the Filer Wildcats.

The first set began a bit bumpy for the Lady Wolverines, as they were plagued with several errors. However, trailing 2-6, junior Mattie Shirts had a big stuff block for the Lady Wolverines and they began to find some energy. Senior outside hitter Whitney Cordes had a kill, followed by a short floater serve for an ace from senior setter Ivy Morris, which pulled the Lady Wolverines within 1-point (6-7) of the Wildcats.

The Wildcats and the Wolver-

ines traded points and side-outs for the next six points, but the Lady Wolverines tied the set off a Wildcat hitting error and took their first lead of the set with a kill by sophomore outside hitter Abi Wilkins.

Shirts added to the slim 12-10 lead with a kill, but the Wildcats rallied back to pull ahead 13-12. A perfectly executed dump set on the second contact by sophomore setter Danica Lockett tied the set again at 13-13, and the battle commenced.

For the balance of the set, both teams played outstanding volleyball with neither squad taking more than a 2-point lead. With the requisite 25 points to win nearing, neither team was willing to relinquish and the points, kills, saves, and blocks continued back-and-forth until the Lady Wolverines finished the set with a 2-point advantage 31-29.

The second set began a little rocky for the Lady Wolverines again, with the Wildcats amassing an 8-5 lead over the Wolverines, but a kill by junior middle blocker Jasi Yraguen briefly halted the Wildcat surge.

However, a questionable touch call and some Wolverine errors enabled the Wildcats to pull ahead 7-12. The Wildcats squandered a chance to expand on their lead with a service error, which enabled Lockett to minimize the scoring deficit to a mere two points at 10-12. A hard kill by the Wildcats gave them the side-out and the point, but the Wolverines were not finished and with a Wildcat error, Wilkins began serving, beginning with a service ace and ending with a deep set kill from senior outside hitter Emma Tolman.

By the end of Wilkins' turn at serving, the Lady Wolverines



had taken a 14-13 lead and the energy was evident on their side of the court. Sophomore libero Bailey Coleman brought her shovel to Mountain Home because she was a digging specialist in the back row.

Meanwhile, what Coleman couldn't pick-up, Lockett and defensive specialist Rylee Roberts recovered and kept in play. Kills by Shirts and Yraguen and a service ace by Morris gave the Lady Wolverines an 18-15 lead. The Lady Wolverines kept chipping away at the Wildcats, never relinquishing their lead, albeit small, throughout the remainder of the set. They were aided by a deep set kill from Morris, a perfectly executed angle shot kill by Yraguen, a service ace from Lockett, a kill from Shirts, and a solo stuff block from Yraguen to take the second set 25-22.

Weiser did not allow the Wildcats an opportunity to jump ahead in the beginning of the third set, as they had previously stayed point-for-point until the

4-4 mark, but the Lady Wolverines allowed the Wildcats a 3-0 scoring run before they rallied back, beginning with an angled tip kill from Yraguen.

Freshman, outside hitter Paisley Noyer and Yraguen collaborated on a big stuff block and Yraguen followed it up with a solo stuff of her very own to begin chipping away at the Wildcat lead.

Shirts blocked a Wildcat hit, and the Lady Wolverines tied the set 10-10. Filer pulled ahead again, but their previously steady play had begun to crack, and the Wolverines capitalized on every bobble on the other side of the net.

Working their way back and tying the set again at 13-13, the Lady Wolverines worked for every ball and maintained their lead throughout the remainder of the set to take the third set 25-20 and the match in straight sets, 3-0.

From the 14-14 point of the set, the Lady Wolverines had

the Wildcats rattled and although they didn't roll over, the Lady Wolverines continued to play at their best with Yraguen recording two kills and a service ace, while Morris, Cordes and Wilkins all added an ace a piece.

Jasi Yraguen led the Lady Wolverines with 11 kills, 3 blocks and 1 ace, followed by Abi Wilkins with 5 kills, 10 digs and 2 services aces. Bailey Coleman was big defensively with 20 digs, while Mattie Shirts had 5 kills and 3 blocks. Danica Lockett recorded 14 assists.

The Lady Wolverines secured their spot in the 3A Idaho State Volleyball Tournament in Coeur d'Alene with the win as the sixth seed in the field of eight teams, and they will kick off their tournament play on Friday, Oct. 29, 2021, at 9 a.m. against the third seed Kimberly Bulldogs.

The live stream of the tournament can be viewed at nfhsnetwork.com.

Lady Wolverines place third in District

Weiser worked their way through the loser’s bracket beating three teams to earn a spot at state

by Zane Davis

Weiser vs. McCall-Donnelly
The Lady Wolverines had to begin their trek through the loser’s bracket of the Snake River Valley (SRV) District Tournament bracket, following a loss to the Parma Panthers in the first round of tournament play, which pitted them against the McCall-Donnelly Vandals.

Weiser split the regular season matches against the Vandals 1-1, but as the tournament high seed, the Wolverines were the hosts of the match at Weiser High School, and faced a must-win scenario, as a loss would eliminate them from the tournament and with it their chances of qualifying for the 3A Idaho State Volleyball Tournament.

Varsity Head Coach, Lindsay Grant’s daughter, Jenaye Grant, began the evening for the Wolverines with a lovely rendition of the Star Spangled Banner, and then the Wolverines went to work.

They struggled in the first half of the set with bad passes and missed dig opportunities. The Lady Wolverines kept the set close with kills from Jasi Yraguen, Mattie Shirts, and Whitney Cordes to the 13-13 mark, but were not making much forward movement on the score until Coach Grant called a much-needed time-out.

Her disgust with the lack of communication between her players was visible, but sadly, the discussion had little impact on their play and their passing and digging difficulties persisted until they found themselves trailing 14-18.

Danica Lockett executed a sneaky dump set on the second contact, which caught the Vandals off guard. The Lady Wolverines added another point to the credit with a service ace from Ivy Morris, but soon after, their troubles began again.

Shirts and Abi Wilkins both found a hole in the Vandal de-

fense with tip kills, but it was too late in the set to mount a successful comeback and the Lady Wolverines dropped the first set to the Vandals 21-25.

Coach Grant spent the gap between sets trying to energize her team, and whatever she said had a positive impact because the Lady Wolverines began the second set a different team.

Although they fell behind 0-3 early on, a Wilkins kill rotated the Wolverines to put Wilkins in serving position. She remained serving for 4-points, aided by a service ace and two kills from Cordes.

Leading 5-4, the Wolverine hitters and servers began to punish the Vandals with two kills, one service ace and a pair of stuff blocks. Despite a comfortable 11-5 lead, Weiser continued to work hard. Yraguen, Paisley Noyer, Shirts and Wilkins all added kills to their credit, while Shirts also had a big stuff block, which energized not only the team, but got the Weiser fans fired up, too. The Lady Wolverines led the set 17-9, and even though the Vandals managed to score on a few Wolverine errors, they never let down their guard and took the second set 25-17.

The third set was all Weiser from the very beginning, and by the time the first Wolverine server, Lockett, was done, the Lady Wolverines led 6-0.

Wilkins was the second Wolverine to serve in the rotation and managed to score 10-points during her tenure behind the line, which included a service ace and two kills from Shirts. Leading 16-1, the Lady Wolverines had the Vandals rattled and confusion in their rotation resulted in a five-second service violation, putting the ball back on the Wolverine side. Whatever issues that had afflicted the Lady Wolverines had definitely migrated to the other side of the court, and the Vandals were

plagued with serve receive and hitting errors.

The Wolverines remained focused and easily breezed past the Vandals to handily win the third set 25-10.

McCall-Donnelly regrouped between sets and didn’t allow the Wolverines to take such an insurmountable lead in the fourth set, keeping the score close to the 13-13 mark. Cordes slammed down a kill, which set the Lady Wolverines on a 6-1 scoring run over the Vandals. Leading 19-15, setter, Ivy Morris had a beautiful kill from the back row that made the bench and the crowd go wild.

The energy in Tom Falash Gymnasium was palpable and the Lady Wolverines used all of that energy to finish out the set with back-to-back row kills from libero, Bailey Coleman, and a stuff block from Wilkins to win the set 25-18 and the match 3-1.

Weiser vs. Homedale

The win over McCall-Donnelly moved the Lady Wolverines one step closer to their goal of making it to the State Tournament.

Only one Snake River Valley Conference competitor remained in the SRV District Tournament bracket, and that was the Homedale Trojans. As the high seed, the Lady Wolverines hosted the Homedale Trojans and they hoped to capitalize on their fan-based energy to help them through this final match before a potential state play-in game.

The energy was high at Weiser High School and from the very beginning it was evident that the Lady Wolverines had the Trojans’ number.

Strong serving, hard hitting and aggressive play to keep all balls alive and in play by the Wolverines had the Trojans rattled and on their heels, which allowed the Lady Wolverines to easily capture a 3-set sweep 25-



Abi Wilkins was hot behind the service line for Weiser during the final two games of district tournament action. The team played hard and with a lot of determination to get past their last two conference games at district. The wins advanced them to a play-in game against Filer.

16, 25-12, and 25-15.

Mattie Shirts led the Lady Wolverines with 10 kills and 5 blocks, while Whitney Cordes

and Abi Wilkins had 6 kills apiece. Danica Lockett recorded 15 assists, while Ivy Morris had 10 assists and 3 aces.

Weiser girls claim District cross country crown

by Nicole Miller

The Wolverines cross country team competed in Fruitland at the 2021 3A Dist. III Championship on Tuesday, Oct. 19. The Wolverines came out on top with Parma placing second.

Coach Scott Hale said his team had been looking forward to the race all season.

The prediction going into the race was that while Weiser would take the second, third, and fourth place spots individually, Parma would edge out Weiser for the first-place spot as a team, so everyone knew that it would be up to Weiser’s fourth, fifth, and sixth runners to run their best race for the Wolverines to win.

“Kendall, Kylee, and Kailee have been taking care of business all year, but I knew going into the meet that the entire team would have to step up,” Hale said. “Sarah and Libbie getting the best times of their lives at this particular meet really sealed the deal for our team.”

Senior Emma Hillam of Fruitland took the top individual spot with a time of 18:28.90.

Junior Kylee Quinton finished in second place with a time of 19:54.50, followed by Wolverine

freshman Kailee Lerew who recorded a time of 20:20.59. Sophomore Kendall Ryneearson finished fourth in 20:28.29. Freshman Sarah Henderson set a personal record by almost a full minute to finish in 11th place with a time of 22:11.92. Senior Libby Ryneearson also set a personal record coming in 15th place with a time of 22:47.8. Also in the top 25 from Weiser, senior Kiearra Hoobery finished with a time of 24:04.14.

In the boys’ side of the race, the Wolverines came in fourth as a team, with Fruitland taking the top honors. Weiser’s fastest runner, Charlie Woods, placed 20th with a PR of 19:34.7. Senior Colton Foster finished with a season’s best time of 19:45.1. Junior Aaron Despain finished with a time of 20:44.54. Eli Woods also finished with a PR of 20:54.4. Mason Davis finished in 22:50.9.

The Weiser Wolverine girls’ team is now looking forward to the Idaho State Cross Country championship at Eagle Island State Park on Saturday, Oct. 30 at 9 a.m.

“The girls are excited, especially to run against the best in the state,” Hale said.



The Lady Wolverines are headed to the State tournament at Eagle Island State Park this Saturday. Weiser took the District championship at Fruitland on Tuesday earning the team a spot at state. Pictured above are junior Kylee Quinton who finished in second with a time of 19:54.50 followed by freshman Kailee Lerew. Other members of the team are Kendall Ryneearson, Sarah Henderson, Libby Ryneearson and Kiearra Hoobery. Photos by Marissa Ryneearson

PUBLIC NOTICE

WASHINGTON COUNTY
Board of Commissioners
Washington County Courthouse
256 East Court Street
Weiser, Idaho 83672

LEGAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to established procedure, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Washington County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing in the County Courthouse on November 8, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. The purpose of the hearing is to consider 2021 Fiscal Year Budget adjustments for needed changes and to increase spending authority to the Building and Grounds Fund for the purpose of balancing the contract line at fiscal year-end. The adjustment or adjustments to the 2021 Fiscal Year Budget to be considered will not affect levied property taxes.

The hearing officer shall be authorized to impose a five-minute limitation on any oral testimony. If testimony is anticipated to exceed that five-minute limit, it may be submitted in writing in advance to the Clerk’s office to be part of the record.

Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact the Clerk’s office at the County Courthouse seven days prior to the meeting.

Donna Atwood
Washington County Clerk
Publish: October 20, 2021
November 3, 2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF PROPOSED ROAD ABANDONMENT
and PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Weiser Valley Highway District will hold a hearing to discuss and receive public Input on roads that the District is considering for abandonment. The locations will be as follows, corner of County Road 70 and Eaton Road (gravel road west of the corner), and North end of Eaton Road (north of last cattle guard).

The public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, November 8 at the Weiser Valley Highway District shop located at 998 Olds Ferry Road, Weiser, ID 83672. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting to provide public input is strongly encouraged to attend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: On November 15, 2021 in the City Council Chambers at 55 West Idaho Street, Weiser, Idaho 83672 at 7:00 p.m., the Weiser Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive comment on a request by property owner Bob Barrow / BDC Development LLC. A thirty nine (39) Lot Preliminary Plat Subdivision, 8.6 acres called Old’s Ferry Subdivision.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: East side of West 9th Street, South of Galloway Canal.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

All that part of Block “P” and “Q” of Butterfield Tract, as shown on the official plat of said Tract on file in the Office of the County Recorder of Washington County, Idaho described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point on the West line and 385 feet North of the Southwest corner of said Block “P”; Thence East parallel to the South line of said Block “P” 456.8 feet; Thence North parallel to the West line of said Block “P” to the right-of-way of the Weiser Irrigation District Canal; Thence Northwesterly along said right-of-way to the West line of said Block”Q”; Thence South along the West line of said Block “Q” and “P” 934.6 feet, more or less, to the place of beginning. All of the above described real estate being situated in Section 30, Township 11 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Washington County, Idaho.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: are invited to attend the hearing, or submit written comments seven (7) days before public hearing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please Contact Weiser City Clerk, at Weiser City Hall, 55 West Idaho Street, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., at (208) 414-1965.

Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting contact the Weiser City Clerk four (4) days prior to the meeting at Wesier City Hall, 55 West Idaho, Weiser, Idaho 83672.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: On November 15, 2021 in the City Council Chambers at 55 West Idaho Street, Weiser, Idaho 83672 at 7:00 p.m., the Weiser Planing and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive comment on a request by property owner Irv Leen. A one (1) Lot Preliminary Plat Subdivision, 1.27 acres called Leen Family Subdivision.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: East side of East 6th Street, South of 1440 East 6th and Williams Storage.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

A portion of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter and a portion of the West-half of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 29, Township 11 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Washington County, Idaho and being more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an Aluminum cap marking the Southeast corner of said Section 29 from which the Southwest corner of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 bears North 89°13’40” West, 2644.62 feet;

Thence North 89°13’40” West along the South line of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 for a distance of 1652.86 feet to the Southwest corner of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29;

Thence leaving the South line of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29, North 01°01’25” East along the West line of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 for a distance of 1014.83 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel to be described, said point being on the Easterly right-of-way line of East Sixth Street at a point 18.42 feet Easterly of the centerline thereof, when measured at right angles;

Thence continuing North 01°01’25” East along the West line of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 and the Easterly right-of-way line of said East Sixth Street for a distance of 7.80 feet to a point 18.50 feet Easterly of the centerline thereof, when measured at right angles;

Thence leaving the West line of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 and the Easterly right-of-way line of said East Sixth Street, North 89°56’55” East, 322.81 feet to the Westerly right-of-way line of US Highway 95, said point being 35.00 feet Westerly of the centerline thereof, when measured radially;

Thence along the Westerly right-of-way line of said US Highway 95 the following two courses:

Thence Southeasterly along the arc of a 5799.58-foot-radius, non-tangent curve to the left (the radius of which bears North 87°52’17” East) through a central angle of 01°35’28” for an arc length of 161.04 feet, the long chord of which bears South 02°55’27” East, 161.04 feet;

Thence South 03°42’32” East, 15.95 feet;

Thence leaving the Westerly right-of-way line of said US Highway 95, South 89°56’55” West, 319.21 feet;

Thence North 01°01’25” East, parallel to the West line of the East-half of the East-half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 29 for a distance of 168.75 feet;

Thence North 89°11’29” West, 16.00 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING and the end of this legal description.

Containing 1.27 acres, more or less.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: are invited to attend the hearing, or submit written comments seven (7) days before public hearing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please Contact Weiser City Clerk, at Weiser City Hall, 55 West Idaho Street, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., at (208) 414-1965.

Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting contact the Weiser City Clerk four (4) days prior to the meeting at Wesier City Hall, 55 West Idaho, Weiser, Idaho 83672.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: On November 15, 2021 in the City Council Chambers at 55 West Idaho Street, Weiser ID 83672, at 7:00 p.m., the Weiser City Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive comment on a request for B-1 Residential Zoning designation on a 36.72 acre parcel requested to be annexed into Weiser City Limits by Apex Land Group LLC.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: West side of West 9th Street, South of Galloway Canal.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Land in Washington County, Idaho. In Township 11 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, In Section 30: That portion of the SW1/4 being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said SW1/4 (S1/4 corner), being monumented by an aluminum cap; thence along the east line of said SW1/4, N. 00° 08’ 32” W. 666.05 feet, to the southeast corner of the NE1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4 of said Section 30, being monumented with a 5/8” rebar with yellow plastic cap, said point being the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along the south line of said NE1/4 SE1/4 SW1/4. S 89° 45’ 42” W. 705.78 feet; thence N. 00° 29’ 35” E. 62.05 feet; thence northwesterly 31.38 feet, along the arc of a 20.00 foot radius curve, concave southwesterly, through a central angle of 89° 53’ 38”, and whose long chord bears N. 44° 27’ 14” W. 28.26 feet; thence N. 89° 24’ 03” W. 100.88 feet; thence N. 00° 30’ 12” E. 519.91 feet; thence N. 89° 32’ 12” W. 491.64 feet; thence N 00° 27’ 48” E. 180.06 feet; thence N. 84° 57’ 38” E. 18.50 feet; thence N. 08° 33’ 11” W. 179.03 feet; thence N. 81° 26’ 49” E. 30.24 feet; thence N 08° 33’ 11” W. 120.00 feet; thence N. 03° 34’06” W. 120.46 feet; thence N. 08° 33’ 11” W. 50.00 feet; thence N. 81° 26’ 49” E. 41.99 feet; thence N. 08° 33’ 11” W. 142.79 feet, to the center line of the Weiser Irrigation District Galloway Canal; thence the following eleven (11) courses along said canal center line;

- 1) N. 89° 12’ 38” E. 65.64 feet;
- 2) Easterly 240.35 feet, along the arc of a 700.00 radius curve, concave northerly, through a central angle of 19° 40’ 21”, and whose long chord bears N. 79° 22’ 27” E. 239.17 feet;
- 3) Easterly 116.74 feet, along the arc of a 1300.00 foot radius reverse curve, concave southerly, through a central angle of 05° 08’ 43”, and whose long chord bears N. 72° 06’ 38” E. 116.71 feet;
- 4) Northeasterly 214.39 feet, along the arc of a 300.00 foot radius reverse curve, concave northwesterly, through a central angle of 40° 56’ 41”, and whose long chord bears N. 54° 12’ 39” E. 209.85 feet;
- 5) N. 33° 44’ 19” E. 97.05 feet;
- 6) Northeasterly 98.95 feet, along the arc of a 100.00 foot radius curve, concave southeasterly, through a central angle of 56° 41’ 30”, and whose long chord bears N. 62° 05’ 04” E. 94.96 feet;
- 7) Easterly 121.68 feet, along the arc of a 200.00 foot radius compound curve, concave southerly, through a central angle of 34° 51’ 36”, and whose long chord bears S. 72° 08’ 23” E. 119.82 feet;
- 8) S. 54° 42’ 35” E. 148.30 feet;
- 9) Southeasterly 181.28 feet, along the arc of a 400.00 foot radius curve, concave southwesterly, through a central angle of 25° 58’ 01”, and whose long chord bears S. 67° 41’ 36” E. 179.74 feet;
- 10) S. 80° 40’ 36” E. 75.21 feet;
- 11) Easterly 110.36 feet, along the arc of a 300.00 foot radius curve, concave southerly, through a central angle of 21° 04’ 38”, and whose long chord bears S. 70° 08’ 17” E. 109.74 feet, to the east line of said SW1/4; thence along said west line S. 00° 08’ 32” E. 1491.84 feet; to the POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPTING THEREFROM, to the following described property, in the NE1/4 of said section 30

Beginning at Station point 308+64.12 as noted in that record of Survey recorded as instrument number 238986 with the Records of Washington County, lying on the center line of the Galloway Canal; Thence south 25.62 feet to a Witness corner pin 308+38.50 as noted in that record of Survey recorded as Instrument number 238986 with the Records of Washington County; Thence East 14.01 feet to a pin 308+38.50 on the West Right of way of West 9th Street as noted in that record of Survey recorded as Instrument number 238986 with the Records of Washington County; Thence South 42 feet along the West boundary of Survey recorded as Instrument number 238986 with the Records of Washington County, to a point on the Southerly bank of the Galloway canal BEING THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; Thence South 227 feet along the West boundary of Survey recorded as Instrument number 238986 with the Records of Washington County; Thence West parallel with the South section line of the NE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 30, Township 11 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, 393 feet; Thence North parallel with the West section line of the NE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 30, Township 11 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, to the South bank of said Galloway Canal; Thence Southeasterly along the Southerly bank of the said Galloway Canal to the point of beginning. Containing 36.72 acres, more or less.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: are invited to attend the hearing, or submit written comment seven (7) days prior to the hearing.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Please contact David A. Tate, City Clerk/Coordinator, at Weiser City Hall, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at (208)414-1965.

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