



May Day is a celebration of spring and new beginnings that originated in ancient pagan times. It was called Beltane in Ireland, Scotland, and the Isle of Man, and Walpurgis Night in parts of central and northern Europe. The holiday marked the halfway point between the spring equinox and summer solstice, and it was a time of fertility and growth.

Many customs associated with May Day involve dancing around a Maypole, which is a tall pole decorated with ribbons and flowers. This tradition began in Germany in the 16th century and spread to other countries. Participants hold the end of a ribbon and dance around the pole, weaving the ribbons together until the pole is completely covered.

Another custom is to make May baskets, small baskets filled with flowers or sweets, and leave them on doorsteps as a gesture of goodwill. This tradition dates back to medieval times, when it was customary to leave fresh flowers at people's doors as a symbol of spring.

May Day is also celebrated with outdoor picnics, parades, and other festivities. In some parts of the world, it is a public holiday and is marked with political demonstrations and protests.

If you want to celebrate May Day, here are some ideas:

- Make a Maypole: You can create a mini version of a Maypole in your backyard by decorating a tall stick with ribbon or streamers. Have your family dance around it to celebrate spring.
- Make May baskets: Collect flowers or sweets and make small baskets to give to your friends and neighbors.
- Plant something: May Day is a great time to start your garden. Plant some seeds or flowers and watch them grow.
- Have a picnic: Pack a basket with sandwiches, fruit, and other treats and head to a local park or nature reserve. Enjoy a day in the great outdoors.

May Day is a reminder that spring is a time of renewal, growth, and new beginnings. Whether you participate in traditional customs or create your own, take the time to celebrate the beauty of the season and the promise of what is to come.



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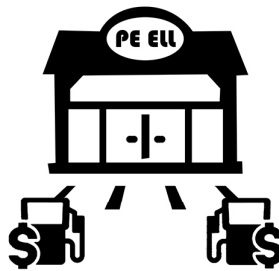
Apr 28-30
Sunny, mild
May 1-8
Sunny, then rainy
periods; cool
May 9-13
Sunny, turning warm

You can plant your seedlings outdoors for Basil, Oregano, Sage, Thyme starting the 4th of May. Bell Peppers, Celery, Jalapeno, Rosemary, & Tomatoes can go in starting the 11th of May.

Plant Potatoes directly outside starting the 27th of April. Cilantro and Dill can go in around the 4th of May, and Green Beans on the 11th.

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) confirmed coastal razor clam digging. Future tentative digs during morning (a.m.) low tides are scheduled (digging allowed 4 a.m. until 4 p.m. on May 11-14 only)

- *May 4, Thursday, 6:32 AM; -0.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis
- *May 5, Friday, 7:10 AM; -0.8 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks
- *May 6, Saturday, 7:49 AM; -1.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis
- *May 7, Sunday, 8:31 AM; -1.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks
- *May 8, Monday, 9:15 AM; -1.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis
- *May 9, Tuesday, 10:03 AM; -1.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks
- *May 10, Wed., 10:57 AM; -1.0 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis
- *May 11, Thursday, 11:56 AM; -0.6 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks (digging allowed 4AM until 4 PM only)
- *May 12, Friday, 12:59 PM; -0.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis (digging allowed 4AM until 4 PM only)
- *May 13, Saturday, 2:03 PM; 0.1 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks (digging allowed 4AM until 4 PM only)
- *May 14, Sunday, 3:03 PM; 0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis (digging allowed 4 AM until 4 PM only)



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Council Meeting

April 18th, 2023

6:00 p.m.

HYBRID MEETING-

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Willey. C.M. Milanowski, C.M. Nichols, C.M. Speer, C.M. McRoberts, C.M. Dodd, Mayor Willey, Clerk/Treasurer Oster, and Water/Sewer Superintendent Webster were present. Attorney Unzelman was absent. There were 6 citizens present as well as Eric Noah and Jon Hinton from Gray & Osborne.

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to approve the agenda with the change of Chief Morningstar to Fire Chief Burmeister. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. McRoberts to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Nichols and seconded by C.M. Dodd to approve Blanket Voucher #202308 for Claim #'s 21009-21025 in the amount of \$47238.76 and Payroll #'s 21007-21008 in the amount of \$1750.00 for a Grand Total of \$48,988.76. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Nichols and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve the purchase order in the amount of \$300.00 for a 3-day WWTP refresher class for Ryan Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Dodd to approve the utility bill adjustments for Acct# 1389 for a refund in the amount of \$273.75 for overpayment on final bill and Acct# 1064 a refund in the amount of \$4.34 for

overpayment on final bill. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING- The Public Hearing regarding the Shoreline Master Plan Periodic Review was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Jon Hinton with Gray & Osborne went through the SMP checklist and explained all changes that are proposed for the Shoreline Management Plan. Steven Ellis commented about the 200 ft. shoreline buffer is different from the 150ft stream buffer and property owners not being able to build on their properties. Jon Hinton explained the 200 ft measurement is from the high-water mark and any construction can be considered by the Town on an individual basis to protect the shoreline environment. There were no other questions or comments. The Public Hearing closed at 6:17 p.m.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Speer to accept the recommendation from Gray & Osborne to select Nova Contracting, Inc for the Mauerman Rd. Water line replacement. Motion passed unanimously.

Fire Chief Burmeister address the council regarding a request from the Lewis County Commissioners to support the new 911 center and the possibility of a 2/10 sales tax increase to fund the new center.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Speer to authorize Clerk/Treasurer Oster to void check #20385 for March 2022

Union retirement and reissue new check with the correct amount of \$239.20. Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to accept a dump truck load of compost from Lewis County from the Centralia Wastewater plant for citizen use n lawns and flower beds. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by C.M. Nichols and seconded by C.M. Speer to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Council minutes are not official until they are passed formally at the next scheduled meeting

MINUTES WITH THE MAYOR

Hello, Everyone,

Lawnmowers are buzzing all over town and I think we can all agree the sunshine and warmer temps are a welcome sight and inspiration to get outdoors and spruce up our yards. Please remember to keep your sidewalks and roadway in front of your homes clear of grass clippings that can cause a slipping hazard to motorcycles, cyclists and joggers/walkers. You may have noticed the yard waste dumpster has returned to its usual place across from Pe Ell Town Hall. Please continue to use it responsibly. Thank you!

During the last Council meeting, councilors approved unanimously to accept a dump truck load of compost from Lewis County from the Centralia Wastewater plant for citizen use in lawns and flower beds only. Please note: this is not for use in vegetable gardens. Will make further information known when available.

Police vehicles are on duty patrolling in and around the community. If you have an emergency, continue calling 911 for assistance. For non-emergency issues, call dispatch at 360-740-1105.

Bids for the CDBG are scheduled to open May 2nd. I'm pleased to announce the East side Project has been completed.

The new sidewalk project from Town Hall over to the Stowe Creek Bridge has been surveyed and is now in the engineering phase.

If you would like to receive updates now or in the future, please sign up for Lewis County Alerts on the Lewis County Department of Emergency Management site.
<https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/emergency-management/>

If you haven't already done so, check out the Town of Pe Ell web site at www.townofpeell.com.

Questions? I'm always a phone call away and my door is always open to talk. Looking forward to visiting in May.



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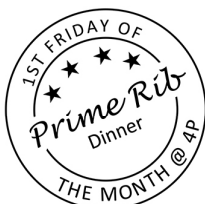


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NEXT
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING

May 2nd, 2023
6p @ City Hall



As the May Full Moon rises on May 5th, 2023, it will bring a sense of renewal and rebirth to the skies.

This lunar celebration, also known as the Flower Moon, marks the peak of the spring season and is a time for growth and blossoming.

**KRISTI'S
KORNER**

COMMUNITYchatter

by Kristi Keller Milanowski

How about this long-awaited, beautiful sunshine and warmer temps as we usher out the last week of April?! All over town lawnmowers are buzzing and BBQ smoke is wafting on the air. A positive change in the weather is so therapeutic for mind, body and soul. Enjoy!

A big thank you to The Bonnie Project and volunteers for all their hard work in beautifying our Memorial Park on Main Street! You are all rock stars!

Batter up!! This is great weather for enjoying PWV softball/baseball, Pe Ell Youth Baseball, Fast Pitch and supporting our local ball teams.

Congratulations to Brooks Meats on their new business endeavor. The family-owned store offers a variety of delicious, hand-crafted sausages, kielbasa, pepperoni and bacon, in addition to steaks, cheese and gourmet sweet mustard. For more information, check them out on Facebook, or, even better, stop by in person at 129 Front Street in Doty. Shop local!!

Mother's Day is right around the corner. Don't forget those special people in your life that are near and dear to you on May 14th.

Until the next Pe Ell Sun rises, here are a few words to ponder: "Your inner peace is more important than driving yourself crazy trying to understand why something happened the way it did. Let it go!"

We begin the second half of April Happy Birthdays with Becky Jordan, Wyatt Marrs. Kali (18) Cox, Owen Little, Alivia (23) Heartsong, Kaylene Miller, Kennedy Kephart, Sarah Schuttie, Joseph Milanowski, Steve Wooster, Tyson Drevniak, Laura Campbell, Stacy Karnas, Krista Little, Lisa Wooster Miller, Melinda Smith Brown, Madi Rose (15) Engel, Kim Fluke Toepelt, Avery Marrs, Sam Disney, Makayla Newell, Jenn Selle, Heather Cox, Tauna Garrison, Stella Helvie Mauer, Stephanie Justice, Kazin Feuchter, Mikey McCarty, Calvin Perkins, Isaac Spear, Ethen Kole Noble, Missie Holmes, Chayse Coady, Wayne Compton, Nikki Bush, Aidan Arrington, Nancy Stetson, Madison Nelson, Jordynn Tavares, Elaine Drevniak Hudson, Maria Foster, Haley Burnett Sahlin, Justin Phelps, Dustin Albright, Jeanette Schwartz Nichols, Michael Taylor, Melissa Herrera Richardson, Butch Oster, Bridget Driver Williams, Connie Blair Bush and Rocky Reeves.

Raise a Happy Anniversary toast to Ben & Barbara Potter, Bobby & Toni Taylor Blair, Bill & Sue Israelson Telecky, Tim & Terri Pilz, Keith & Janet Krafczyk Shepherd and Nathan & Angelina Holmes.

- Cheers to one and all!

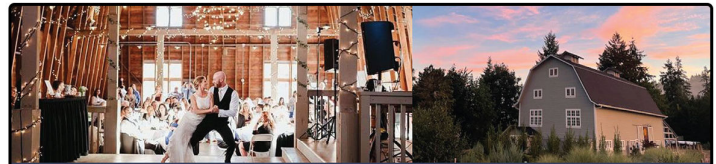
**BIRTHDAYS
&
ANNIVERSARIES**

*WITH DEEPEST
sympathy*
Heartfelt condolences to the family of John "Johnny" Good who passed on March 18th.

*Due to limited space I am unable to list all survivors in passages. May all your loved ones rest in heavenly peace.

Please keep Louise Powell, Mickey Taylor, Kelly Risley, Kim Evans, Rochelle Frailey, Alice Disney, Debbie Schang, Bud Bush, Brenda Longnecker, Crystal Urban Partee, Russell Caldwell, Ken Hurley, Larry Grove and Gabriel "Gabby" Myhre in your prayers.

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Live

Sunday Afternoon Live audiences are in for a real treat: Our very own **Norm Olsen**—singer, guitarist, and fiddler— will be onstage at the historic Raymond Theatre on Sunday, April 30, 2:00PM. He will be joined by his band **Hold Card Truth**, an ensemble of buddies and musical soul-mates: **Dave Walker** (guitar) and **Ben Rumbles** (drums), both of South Bend, and **Evan Sansom** (electric bass) of Raymond. Together they will have you wondering how so much talent can be found in our own backyard. **Norm's** wonderful vocals—true, fluid and soulful—are given excellent support by his band as they deliver audience-pleasing classic country tunes.

Norm Olsen has been a SAL favorite for years as a solo act and as a member of North Country Bluegrass. He credits his time with that highly successful band as a turning point in his musical journey. "North Country had such a profound impact on who I am as a musician today... They all really made me better every time we played together, and that has been such a significant contribution to my more recent musical ventures." (April 5, 2023)

After hearing **Dave, Ben and Evan** playing at the 2021 Lavender Festival, **Norm** was presented with a moment of "truth". They all realized that they were bonded by their love of classic country and their mission to "deliver an authentic country music experience" for their listeners. The four got together, became known as **Hold Card Truth**, and have been entertaining local audiences since at venues such as the Willapa Festival, Come & Play On Labor Day, The Elks, and the Chester Club. **Hold Card Truth** perform truly stellar interpretations of classics by Vince Gill, George Strait, Alan Jackson, and Merle Haggard, among many others. They have even been known to toss in a classic rock gem from time to time!

Norm Olsen and **Hold Card Truth** perform at the historic Raymond Theatre (323 3rd St, Raymond, WA) on **Sunday, April 30 at 2:00 PM**. Tickets are \$25 at the door (cash or check only), or may be purchased in advance for \$20 by mail. Send a SASE with check payable to Sunday Afternoon Live to SAL, PO Box 964, South Bend, WA 98586. Other methods of payment are by phone at 360-836-4419, or by credit card at www.sundayafternoonlive.org. Tickets for individual performances can be purchased at South Bend Pharmacy and at Raymond Pharmacy.



Our next two community Bonnie Projects will be on May 6 & 20. We will be cleaning up the headstones at the cemetery by the school. We need to be honoring those who have gone on before us and this is a great way to do that. We will start at 9am and work for 2 hours on each date to make it looking nice for Memorial Day.

Cinco de Mayo, meaning the fifth of May, is a holiday that celebrates the Mexican army's victory over France in the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. The battle was a significant moment in Mexican history, as it showed that the country was capable of defending its sovereignty against a powerful European nation.

In the United States, Cinco de Mayo is often celebrated as a day to honor Mexican-American culture and heritage. It has become a popular holiday for festivities that include parades, music, food, and drink. Traditional Mexican dishes like guacamole, nachos, and tacos are commonly served, and people often wear traditional Mexican attire or colors.



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May 1st
Clam Chowder
Side Salad
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May 4th
Chicken Burger w/
lettuce, onions, & tomatoes
Roasted Potatoes
Country Veggie & Pears

May 8th
Chicken Fried Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Apple Dump Cake

May 11th
Chef Choice

Sunday Afternoon Live continues in the vein of uniquely American music on May 7 with the presentation of **Special Consensus**. This bluegrass institution is more than just a band. **Special Consensus** has been a “finishing school for promising young players” for nearly 50 years (The Chicago Reader), with dozens of bluegrass players passing through its ranks since 1975 **Greg Cahill** is the founder and the center of **Special Consensus**, and it is through his efforts that this band has not only mentored future world-class musicians, but has also educated children worldwide about the art of bluegrass music. **Mr Cahill** began the Traditional American Music program in 1984 to help students pre-K through college learn about and connect with bluegrass music, and he has taken his program all over the United States and internationally

Special Consensus has been an internationally recognized and award-winning group for decades, being nominated multiple times for Grammys and winning the International Bluegrass Music Association’s highest awards and nominations for 2020’s album Chicago Barn Dance. The band’s latest album Great Blue North is a tribute to the bluegrass players of Canada, and issue out on May 12. **Special Consensus** tours continuously throughout the US and Canada, and will be making a top-billing appearance at this year’s Bluegrass in LaRoche Festival in France, Europe’s largest bluegrass venue.

The **Special Consensus** line-up includes the best of today’s bluegrass music luminaries: **Dan Eubanks** (upright bass/vocals), **Michael Prewitt** (mandolin/vocals), **Greg Cahill** (banjo/vocals) and SAL past performer **Greg Blake** (guitar/vocals). Sunday Afternoon Live audiences will be pleased to see Mr Blake return to SAL’s stage! Once again, Sunday Afternoon Live is privileged to host performers of this caliber. Get ready to be entertained, educated, and inspired by the music of America!

Special Consensus performs at the historic Raymond Theatre (323 3rd St, Raymond, WA) on Sun, May 7, 2023 at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$25 at the door (cash or check only), or may be purchased in advance for \$20 by mail. Send a SASE with check payable to Sunday Afternoon Live to SAL, PO Box 964, South Bend, WA 98586. Other methods of payment are by phone at 360-836-4419, or by credit card at www.sundayafternoonlive.org. Tickets for individual performances can be purchased at South Bend Pharmacy and at Raymond Pharmacy.



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May 6th
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May 11th
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- May 1st
FP & BB vs N. Beach (DH)
- May 6th
BB District Game
- May 9th
BB District Game
- May 11th
FP vs Elma
- May 12th
BB District Game

HS & MS Track

- May 3rd
MS Track @ Naselle
- May 4th
HS Track @ Onalaska
- May 8th
MS Track @ S. Bend
(Subs)
- May 10th
HS Track @ Naselle
- May 11th
MS Track @ N. Beach
(League)



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*Bill & Kristi
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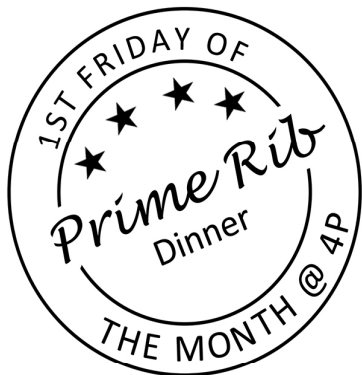
This clinic is available to all students, both boys and girls, in grades 6-12 for the low cost of \$20 per kid. A sign-up sheet is in the school office, and students can pay the day of the clinic.

This clinic is being taught by Coach Kurt Guelsdorf, current head women's basketball coach at Clackamas Community College. Learn shooting from one of the best!



It's time for Booster Board renewal. The renewal fee remains \$10. You may mail your money to the Pe Ell Trojan Booster Club, PO Box 368 Pe Ell 98572. If you would like to show your Trojan Pride a board may be purchased for \$20 with renewal \$10 annually!

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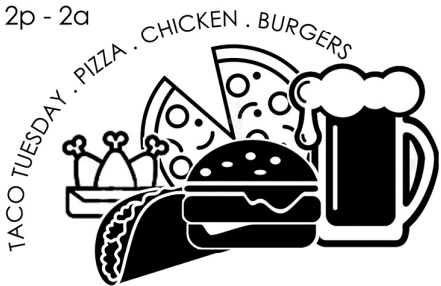
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