

Issue 426

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NEW YEAR

As we welcome the new year at the Pe Ell Sun, I hope you have had a wonderful 2024 and a bright and cheerful holiday season.

I would like to start by thanking you, the reader! Whether you have just read a few pages or have read through all our published newsletters, we appreciate every interaction! Your unwavering support and engagement have been the cornerstone of everything we do. This is the end of my second year as editor of the Pe Il Sun, and Ilook forward to many more.

I couldn't be more proud of what we have accomplished as the Pe Ell Sun staff. In 2024 we published another 24 issues both in print and online. Thank you to Kristi Milanowski for your dedication to your article in every

issue and your financial donations throughout the year. To Terra Oster, our town clerk, thank you for providing us with town news and handling our printing needs. And to Trisha Newman thank you for supporting our senior community, from sending the menu plans to events.

None of this would be possible without the support of our advertisers, we deeply value their partnership and the role they play in our success. Their support not only enables us to continue publishing but also strengthens connections within our community.

Thank you to Aleta Lewton, The Doty Store, Dryad Baptist Church, Evey's, Magruder Heating & Cooling, The Pe Ell Mini Mart, The New Harvest Church, The Pe Ell Pub, Seth Sharp, Security State Bank, and Title Guaranty!

I invite other businesses to join the Pe Ell Sun Advertising team in 2025! The goal for 2025 is to have 15 advertisers. This goal will help us continue to expand the publication. I started out with just 8 pages in Jan of 2023, we have more recently published issues with up to 28 pages! With more advertising support we can continue to expand the paper with even more content. If you'd like to join our advertising team or have any questions, please feel free to email me at krista.little@peellsun.com

This year the Pe Ell Sun was able to contribute to Pe Ell School sports fundraisers, and Local Events. This year also marked the 2nd year of "Letters from Santa" program that brought joy and magical memories to children and families across our town. These projects remind me of the power of coming together to uplift and support one another.

As we prepare for the year ahead, I am filled with optimism and excitement to bring you even more local content. Thank you for being a part of this journey. With your continued support, I am excited to keep growing, sharing more stories, and serving this incredible community. Here's to an even brighter and more successful 2025!

Warm wishes, Krista Little Shellfish managers with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) announced tentative days of razor clam digs at four coastal beaches from Oct. 15 through Feb. 1. All beach openings are dependent on final approval of marine toxin testing, which usually occurs about a week or less prior to the start of each digging series. Below are the tentative dates, along with low tides and beaches.

Dec 28, Saturday, 4:58 p.m.; 0.0 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis Dec 29, Sunday, 5:36 p.m.; -0.4 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks Dec 30, Monday, 6:14 p.m.; -0.7 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks Dec 31, Tuesday, 6:51 p.m.; -1.0 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis Jan 1, Wednesday, 7:29 p.m.; -1.0 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis Jan 2, Thursday, 8:08 p.m.; -0.8 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks Jan 3, Friday, 8:48 p.m.; -0.3 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON

When you see The Brownsmead Flats performing on stage, you may well conclude that they are living the dream, and you may even wish you could be right up there, a part of the band. The Brownsmead Flats have been together for over 40 years, having begun in the late 1970s at local coastal Oregon potlucks and school functions. Their long-time camaraderie and sense of fun draw in their audiences—sometimes quite literally, with audience sing-alongs and even group dances. Sunday Afternoon Live is pleased and proud to welcome The Brownsmead Flats for a return performance to the stage of the Raymond Theatre on Sunday, December 29 at 2 PM. This will be a FREE concert, and donations will be gratefully accepted.

The Brownsmead Flats hail from the small town of Brownsmead, Oregon, a place steeped in the maritime traditions. In fact, they have dubbed themselves a "crabgrass band", creating infectious music that combines bluegrass with the flavor of sea shanties and fishing lore. They bring that unique blend to eager audiences at such venues as the Stormy Weather Arts Festival in Cannon Beach and Astoria's annual FisherPoets' Gathering. These musicians are stellar bluegrass players, delighting listeners with their mastery of mandolin, guitar, fiddle, hammered dulcimer, banjo, harmonica, and bass. The twist is that they channel that bluegrass expertise into songs about rainfall, dangerous river crossings, Lewis and Clark, and other coastal themes. A wonderfully and uniquely Pacific Northwest musical experience!

The Brownsmead Flats will perform this FREE concert at the historic Raymond Theatre, 323 3rd St, Raymond, WA on Sunday, December 29 at 2 PM.









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It's safe to say that we're all ready to celebrate the start of a new year. This time around, New Year's Eve is Tuesday, December 31, 2024, and New Year's Day is Wednesday, January 1, 2025. We look forward to watching the grand fireworks displays that will mark the start of 2025—hopefully, a better year for all!

The evening before New Year's Day—New Year's Eve—is when most people celebrate the turning of the year! People may celebrate the last hours at a party or watch a televised countdown as the clock counts down. When the clock strikes midnight, the custom is to exchange hugs and kisses and wish each other a "Happy New Year!"

In Scotland, the custom of first-footing is an important part of celebrating Hogmanay, or New Year's Eve Day. This practice holds that the first foot to cross a threshold after midnight will predict the next year's fortune. Today, there is a custom of visiting good friends and family after midnight on New Year's Eve.

A common custom on the first of the new year is to reflect and make New Year's resolutions. A fresh calendar encourages us to fill in the blanks with ambitious home and personal improvement projects.



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#### **PULL FOR THE HOUSE!**

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#### Remember

Dec 23rd-Jan 3 Winter Break

Jan 6th Back To School

Jan 10th **Enrichment Day** 

Jan 12th **Booster Club Meeting** 

Jan 13th Special School Board Meeting

> Jan 14th Lock down Green Safety Drill

Jan 16th Knowledge Bowl

Hi - 5 Assembly

Jan 20th No School MLK Day

Jan 23rd Pep Assembly

Jan 24th Weather Make-Up Day

#### **Booster Board** Renewal!

It's renewal time for Booster Boards. The renewal fee is \$20. If you would like a Booster Board the initial cost is \$30 with an annual renewal fee of \$20. This is a great way to show support for our students. Contact Suzanne Nelson if you would like to get a board 360-520-9836. Thank you for supporting our students!

#### **HS Basketball**

Jan 3 vs Naselle Jan 6



@ Ocosta

Jan 7

vs Oakville Jan 9

@ Wahkiakum



Jan 2

@ Graham

- Kapowsin Jan 4

@ North Beach Jan 9

@ Napavine <u>Jan</u> 11

@ Knappa Oregon

#### Middle School Boys



Jan 6 vs Raymond Jan 8 @ Ilwaco



Jan 8th Team **Photos** 



#### January Registrations:

Kindergarten Basketball, 4-6th Volleyball, 1st - 3rd Girls & Boys Basketball





Contact Pam Watson, Lewis County 4-H Youth Development Agent To see what groups are available near you. extension.wsu.edu/ lewis/4h/

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Local Leader Mrs. Anne McCarty facebook.com/groups 469448733949716



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#### **Public Hearing**

November 26th, 2024 6:00 p.m.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Willey. C.M. Milanowski, C.M. Nichols, C.M. Speer, Mayor Willey and Clerk/Treasurer Oster were present. C.M. Dodd, C.M. Fiedler, and Attorney Unzelman were absent. There were no citizens present.

Clerk/Treasurer Oster informed council of the few changes made to the 2025 Budget which included changes to expenditures related to dispatch service in current expense fund, salaries & benefits in all funds, and repair & maintenance for the Sewer Fund. Increases in revenue related to more accurate reporting for the Water & Sewer Funds from the Upgraded utility software. It was also noted that significant spending on a new utility vehicle and Water System plan were included in the budget.

There were no additional questions or comments

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and C.M. Milanowski to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Special Meeting

December 19th, 2024 6:00 p.m.

The Special Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Mayor Willey. C.M. Dodd, C.M. Milanowski, C.M. Speer, Mayor Willey, Water/Sewer Superintendent Webster and Clerk/Treasurer Oster were present. C.M. Nichols & C.M. Fiedler were absent.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Webster notified the council that there was a clog between the headworks and the oxidation ditch causing a back up. There is an immediate need to have Flo Hawks come and clear the clog.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to approve up to \$5000.00 for the repair at the WWTP. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Dodd to adjourn at 2:04 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Council Meeting December 17th, 2024 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Willey. C.M. Dodd, C.M. Speer, C.M. Nichols, C.M. Fiedler, C.M. Milanowski, Mayor Willey, and Clerk/Treasurer Oster were present. Attorney Unzelman was absent. There was 1 citizen present.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Fiedler to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

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

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve Blanket Voucher #202424 for Claim #'s 21937 and 21938-21952 in the amount of \$15,698.56 and Payroll #'s 21935-21937 in the amount of \$2,150.00 for a Grand Total of \$17,848.56.

There were no purchase orders

There were no utility bill adjustments

**OLD BUSINESS** 

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS** 

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Speer to authorize a credit card for Water/Sewer Superintendent Webster. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by Dodd and seconded by C.M. Fiedler to pass Ordinance #591-2024 Budget Amendment. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Speer to authorize Mayor Willey to sign the TIB Agreement for the 2025 projects. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to accept the CDBG WWTP- Lift Station project as complete. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Dodd to extend accepting letters for council vacancy until the next scheduled meeting on January 7, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by C.M. Speer and seconded by C.M. Nichols to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

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

#### **COMMUNITYchatter**

#### by Kristi Keller Milanowski

I hope everyone enjoyed a beautiful and blessed Merry Christmas filled with family, friends and much love.

Onward to 2025 and my best wishes to one all for a Happy and Healthy New Year!!

Congratulations to Brookelynn King and Karli Phelps on being named to The Chronicle's 2024 All-Area Volleyball Team!! Congratulations to Peyton Zock on earning Community First Auto Center (CFAC) Athlete of the Week honors!!

Continued thanks to Mike Jensen for his daily Hwy 6 road reports.

Until the next Pe Ell Sun rises, here are a few words to ponder:"It takes nothing away from a human to be kind to an animal."

Sagittarjus the Archer is the zodiacal sign for birthdays spanning November, 22nd ~ December 21st, Flower and gemstone for the month of December are narcissus and holy and turquoise,

Celebrating December Happy Birthdays are Cynthia Helms Graves, Barbara Justice, Maryann Wooster, Debbie Justice Bush, Nathan Holmes Sr., Debbie Perkins Justice, Joanna Aaron, Noelle Kimokeo, Taylor (21) Briggs, Richard Justice, Ed "Speedy" Merrill, Ranai (16) Belanger, Kara Pierrepont, Samantha Glenn, Dave Smith, Jackie Pace, Renee FlockToepelt, Nathan Holmes Jr., Megan Krafczyk, Amy Rasmussen Manning, Angie Denney, Kelly Justice Risley, James Frank O'Neal, Blake James Nelson, Rebecca Kimokeo, Angela Holmes, Bobby McCalden, Ken Dittus, Oaklee Lorton, Sophia Milanowski, Mike Toepelt, Gary Hanson, Wyatf Bush, Jaxson Selle, Lori Gartland, Bonnie Marquardt, Titus McKenzie, James Harris, Ricky Senn, Terri Pilz, Renee McGraw, Kiersten Smith, Shelly Haugan Smith, Preston Kimokeo, Jaelyn Rae Hoffman, Rita Kaszycki, Lorraine Flock Judson, Michael Justice, Ezra (12) Bush, Terri Mullenix Bush, Noreen Rasmussen Robbins, Andrew Wooster, Riley Brooks, Lori McLain, Leona Treznoski, Kathy Case Hoke, Elvada Driver Capps, Lorena Bensching, Mirinda Moriarty, Paul Myhre, Larry Nichols, Bill Telecky, Claire Noreen O'Neal, Lacie Overstake, Eric "Smitty" Smith, Robert McGraw, Kelly Flock, Hailey Jo Toepelt, Piper Hoffman, Jacob & Jared Lennox, Chuck Jaeson, Megan Wooster, Alyssa Hanson Lusk, MacKenzie Duncan, Tyler McCarty, Pat Hensley Taylor, Sammi Saunders, Dallas Mcgrath, Jenniter Glaze, Joyce Bryant Prior, Laura Lusk, Dave Muller, Shelli Stemkoski, Graham Johnson, Zach Aylesworth, Sheila Tyler, Jan Fuss Jr., Don Webster, Angela Daarud Holmes, Duane Bryant, Erin Muller Frasier, Brady Taylor, Sharion Sliva Coady, Veronica Kaszycki Hertwig, Joe Dunn, Amy Coleman, Wendi Lyons Tolliver, Janet Howell Grange, Steve Smaciarz, Amanda Brigas, Randy Driver, Janet Reeves Toepelt, Linda Amondson Muller, Sue Collier Davis, Jennifer Purcell Glenn, Kellie Schulz, M

Extra Special Happy Birthday wishes with much love to Devin Peterson from Joleen, Presley, Payton, Tyler and all your friends and family!!

Special Happy 50th Birthday wishes to Joleen Peterson with much love from Devin, Payton, Presley, Tyler and all your family and friends!!

Special Happy 93rd Birthday wishes to lovely lady, Thelma Fluke.

Raise a Happy Anniversary toast to Steve & Cheryl Smaciarz, George & Missie Holmes, Norm & Pattie (50 years) Belanger, Richard & Holly Woodward, Chris & Sarah Dellicker, Mike & Kelly Green, Craig & Megan Wooster, Mike & Karen Capps and Bill & Melinda Smith Brown.

heers to one and all/



Please continue keeping Louise Powell, Mickey Taylor, Kim Evans, Brenda Longnecker, Jenn Hill,

Nancy Nichols, Carole Pedersen, Phyllis Justice, Bob McGraw, Jerry Bryant, Adylynn Pilz-Harris, Mike Heartsong, Carla West, Linda Wood, Sherry McCalden, Terry & Kris Miller and Gloria Toepelt Brooks in your prayers.

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#### MINUTES WITH THE MAYOR

Hello, Everyone,

The month of December has flown, Christmas is in the rear view mirror and 2024 is quickly winding down. I'm looking forward to new projects and improvements in the Town of Pe Ell in 2025.

Winter weather has arrived and it looks like wind, rain and colder temps have settled in for a while. As always make sure your furry and feathered pets have adequate food and shelter during the inclement weather. Please continue keeping storm drains cleared of leaves and debris that have been falling during recent wind storms. Use extra caution when driving on rain and ice-slickened roads. Don't forget to check on your neighbors and senior citizens in the community who may need extra assistance with transportation, errands, food, medications and appointments during the winter months.

If you would like to receive EMS updates now or in the future, please sign up for Lewis County Alerts on the Lewis County Department of Emergency Management site at: https://lewiscountywa.gov./departments/emergency-management. This is especially helpful in keeping our citizens updated and informed on disruption in normal water service.

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 January and the New Year. From our home to yours, Cindy and I hope everyone enjoyed a very blessed and Merry Christmas. Never forget the reason of the season and our Savior Jesus Christ and his sacrifices.



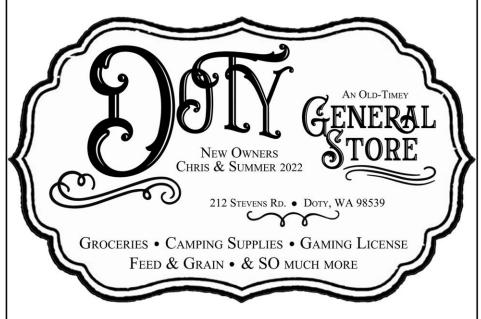
Take care and God bless,

Mayor Lonnie

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Lewis County Senior staff, serve meals, create learning and enrichment opportunities, help our seniors with issues directly impacting their health and wellness, reach out to the community with fundraisers, and other community events. Pe Ell Seniors meet at the Methodist Church for meals every Monday and Thursday. (416 1st Street S, Pe Ell) They also host a Pinochle Tournament the 3rd Thursday of the Month and would love to have you join them. Volunteers are always needed and welcome, if you would like to volunteer please visit lewiscountyseniors.org/volunteer/to sign up.

Suggested Donation \$3-5 dollars for Seniors over 60 & \$10.69 if under 60

#### Dec. 30th

Teriyaki Chicken HM/LS Fried Rice W/ Peas and Carrots Pineapple Sautéed Bok Choy

Jan 6th

15 Bean Soup HM LS

**Cornbread Muffins** 

Waldorf Salad W/

Sunflower seeds

Fresh Fruit

#### Jan 2nd

Swedish Meatballs
Over Riced Cauliflower
LS Gravy
Steamed Carrot & Fruit Crisp

#### Jan 9th

Stuffed Green Peppers
Side Salad
Texas Toast
Baked Apples HM



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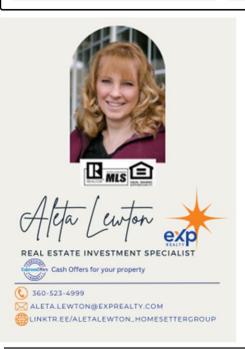


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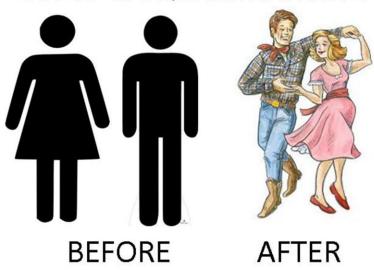
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With hearts full of gratitude, we invite the community to celebrate the incredible support, tireless dedication, and faithful prayers that have guided us through our Church building program. Let us come together in thanksgiving and joy as we honor this milestone.



# Dryod Community Baptist Charch

#### Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

#### **Thursday**

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