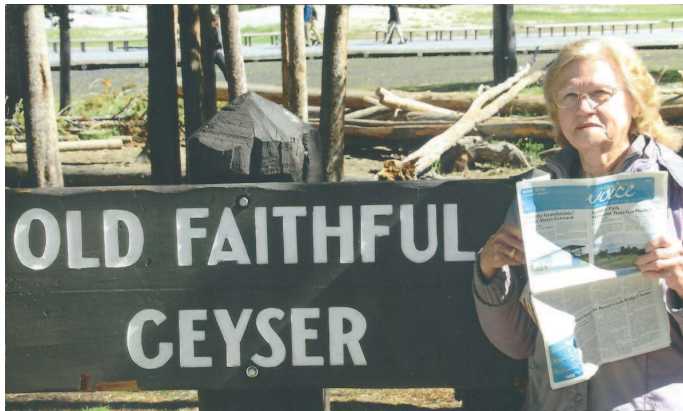


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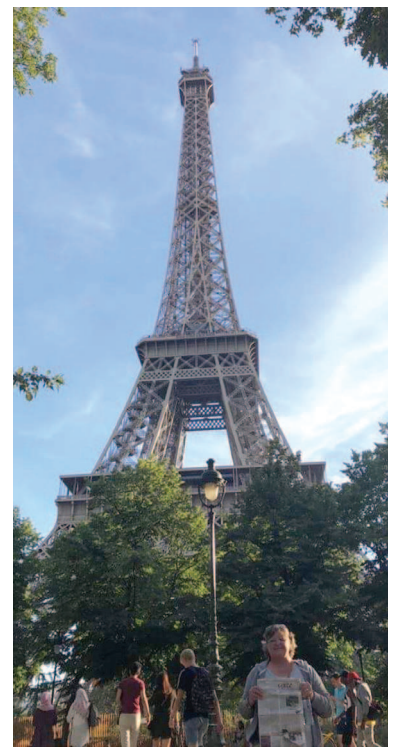


Barney Hayes read the Voice while visiting family on Prince of Wales Island, Alaska.

During her summer trip to Yellowstone National Park Barbara Smith had her copy of the Voice to read while waiting for Old Faithful to perform.



Margy Prout took along a copy of the Voice while she traveled around Europe this summer, with stops in France, Germany, the Netherlands, and Belgium. Here's Margy at the Eiffel Tower in Paris.



Spike Table Serves Tasty Food *continued from front page*

this town didn't have, and we were looking for a niche we could fill," says Lindsay about her menu. "People love different flavors of wings, and we saw a hot dog stand in Levenworth, Washington, where people are always standing in line. We're smoking up our food in the mornings and then it's quick and fast for our customers."

The property where Spike Table is located was purchased by Mike Pihl in November, owner of Mike Pihl Logging, who has named the corner lot "Pihl's Landing." The siding for the food hut is pine that was planted by Pihl's grandfather in 1923 and harvested 10 years ago. The Spike Table name was suggested by Pihl, who told Lindsay it's

an old term used by loggers to describe where they would sit to eat their lunch – on a log with their caulk boots or climbing spikes dug into the wood to hold them in place. "Mike is just a wealth of knowledge and information about old time logging and about the industry," says Lindsay.

All the food is smoked by Rudick on a Green Mountain Grill. Lindsay says she gets her wings from a special vendor and they are always fresh, not frozen. They're also huge and are served with either blu cheese or ranch dressing. A fixings bar for the sausage dogs includes sauerkraut, chopped onions and relish, and several mustards and other sauces. Every order comes with a bag of chips

and drinks are available for purchase.

"Don and his wife Holly, and I came up with this idea to open something like this and to make it all about loggers," says Lindsay. "That obviously appealed to Mike and it helps bring local history back to Vernonia. Mike will be bringing in more memorabilia and we plan to tag things so people can read and learn about them. We also want the food to be tasty with big servings – in other words, logger food."

Lindsay says she sees her food operation as a way to help build, and add to, the local economy. "We're not Levenworth or Sisters, but we can strive to be like them," she says. "Having a place people want to visit starts with good food options and I feel like we've added to that. We already get bicyclists and motorcyclists coming here. This is another place with outdoor seating where you can walk up and get your food quickly."

Lindsay moved to Vernonia in 2005. She previously worked at R&S Market where she was known for her friendly personality and her ability to



sell you more produce than you intended to buy when you walked in. She currently works at True Value Hardware while running Spike Table on the weekends. She says she and the Rudicks are planning a trip to Tennessee this fall to look for more ideas for smoked foods and sauces to add to their repertoire.

Lindsay says she plans to add beer and wine in the spring and maybe a covered seating area. T-shirts will also be available. She says she will have a CB radio on site so truck drivers can radio in their order ahead and pick it up on their way through town. She says she hopes to expand to more days of the week next spring and summer, especially when she has beer and wine and can encourage people to hang around the fire pit.



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