

# Waldo Connection

"A little bit of summer is what the whole year is all about." ~ John Mayer

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## What's New with Waldo?

**HOT! HOT! HOT!** While the weather is cookin', the team at Waldo is keeping their cool!

One cool thing we've been actively doing this summer is participating in advanced agency training, which is helping us explore ways to take better care of our clients and how to approach new clients in the Treasure Valley and beyond!

We're also sharpening our skills and redefining our roles within the Agency. **Same goal, different roles** and everybody is rockin' their roles!

Speaking of rockin', many of us have attended some of the local summer concerts.

- Kimber & Tyrell, saw the rock group, **Train**, at the Korn Ferry Boise Open.
- Dellas and Lori, along with their spouses, saw **The Mavericks** at Expo Idaho. Lee & Lisa saw the same band in western OR.
- Lori & Alfredo also attended Darrell Scott with some friends at the VAC (Visual Arts Collective) in Garden City.

## WELLNESS CHALLENGE 2022



### WE'RE STILL WALKING!

All summer long our focus remained in the **PHYSICAL** domain of the Wellness Wheel. In June, we mapped out a "virtual trail" of where everyone lives in relation to the office. A total of 157 miles roundtrip! Then, each of us set out on a personal journey to accomplish goal stops along the way to one another's homes. (see picture on the left)

Total points earned for the June challenge was 2,835 points! We are THAT much closer to our goal of earning 10,000 points for the entire year! Check out the "Waldometer!"

If we reach our goal by Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, the Wellness Committee will purchase a massage chair for the office.

Woohoo!



### It's that time of year!

Kids everywhere are heading back to school and college.



With that in mind, here are some helpful back-to-school reminders:

- Avoid texting and using your phone altogether. Cell phone usage reduces a driver's attention by as much as 37%.
- Be mindful of those school zone signs. You don't want to get a speeding ticket!
- Be careful driving near bus stops and at intersections with crossing guards.
- Stay a safe distance behind school buses; they make frequent stops.
- NEVER pass a school bus with the STOP sign extended and red lights flashing!
- Allow more time to get around town if driving during school drop off and pick up times.

### WALDO AGENCIES CELEBRATES 60!

Join us for food, drinks and live music!

Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

11 AM to 1:30 PM  
in our parking lot

Our hope is that if you're in the area that you'll swing by for a bite, a bit of fun and help us celebrate this **MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY!**



## Sizzling Summer Insurance Tips To Keep Your Cool

[Credited to Jessica Starr June 2019 Blog Post](#)

It's time to enjoy the weather and spend time with family and friends but with the dog days of summer come many seasonal risks.

As the weather heats up, our guard goes down. Pools are open, grills are fired up, kids are home - if you're not careful, accidents can occur. Keep these summer insurance tips in mind as you're soaking up the sun.

**Pools:** Did you know that in order to be compliant with insurance requirements, you must have a fence around your in-ground or above-ground swimming pool? Not having a fence is considered negligence, and in the event of an accident, it's likely that your claim will not be paid if you don't have this safety feature.

**ATVs:** If you own or are going to purchase a new ATV or similar equipment, don't forget to notify your Waldo insurance agent and make sure everything is properly covered. Be sure that you are properly licensed, avoid reckless driving and stay safe by wearing a helmet, long sleeves and pants. Most importantly, make sure that your children only ride age-appropriate ATVs. There are different sizes and categories of vehicles with varying speeds and capabilities. The safety label affixed to the ATV will clearly state the age restrictions.

### Barbeques & Grills:

Your homeowner's policy will usually cover damage to your covered structures if you do experience a grill fire. You'll be required to pay up to your deductible, so small fires that cause only minor damage might not warrant submitting a claim. If you are a renter, check your lease. Many apartments/rental properties prohibit the use of grills or hibachis. A grill fire that damages your apartment won't be covered by your renter's policy if it was used in violation of your lease.

<https://www.psafinancial.com/2019/06/six-sizzling-summer-insurance-tips-to-help-you-keep-your-cool/>



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## THE TRUTH ABOUT CATFISH

August is Catfish Month, but did you know that there are many more kinds of catfish than those that you and your grandfather used to catch and fry up on lazy summer afternoons? From 2003 to 2005 alone, more than 100 new species of catfish have been identified and named.

**FUN FACT!** The largest catfish ever caught was a Mekong catfish, a 650-pound giant caught in Thailand in 2005.

## WATERMELON AQUA FRESCA

Stay cool on a hot summer day with Watermelon Aqua Fresca! Fresh HarvesTime watermelon blended with a little water, fresh lime juice, and a touch of sea salt for a drink that is hydrating, nutritious, and delicious!

Prep Time: 10 minutes

### Ingredients

- 6 cups cubed HarvesTime Seedless Watermelon
- 2 cups cold water
- 6 tbsp granulated sugar
- 3 tbsp fresh lime juice
- 1/8 tsp sea salt
- Ice cubes, for serving

### Directions

1. Add all ingredients to a blender and process until smooth
2. Strain through a fine mesh sieve into a pitcher
3. Serve over ice, if desired, garnish with lime wheels or mint leaves

You can store this in the fridge for up to 3 days, but we like the flavor best when served immediately.

<https://www.eagleeyeproduce.com/watermelon-aqua-fresca>



## Back to School Expenses!

In the United States, most back-to-school shopping typically takes place around the end of July and the beginning of August.

How much do YOU expect to spend on back-to-school shopping? [This site](#) shows the average dollar amount U.S. parents expected to spend on back-to-school items, broken down by category. Not too bad?



In 2022, parents expected to spend on average . . .

**\$140** – school supplies

**\$169** – shoes

**\$264** – clothing and accessories

**\$300** – electronics/computer equipment

The average planned back-to-school spending per household in the United States has gradually increased year-on-year to reach about \$865 in 2022. This is an increase of over 360 dollars since the beginning of the survey period in 2004.

<https://www.statista.com/statistics/319215/expected-spending-by-us-parents-on-back-to-school-items-by-category>



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## College Students & Insurance

What do I need to know as a parent?

**Is your student living in the dorms this year?** Check with Waldo Agencies to see if your homeowners policy extends coverage to the dorm room. Many homeowners' policies *exclude* liability coverage in dorms.

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**Is your student living off campus in a shared apartment, condo or home?** Consider renters insurance as a parent's homeowners' policy may not provide coverage of the student's property.

**Does your student have a vehicle for college?** Contact Waldo Agencies to make sure your coverage is up to date and includes your student on the policy as well as their age as that makes a difference in coverage. Also, talk to your student about lending their car while at school. There may be special coverage considerations to think about as sometimes other drivers not on the policy are not covered.

### Conversely . . .

If your college student does not have a vehicle at college, you will still want to make sure they are covered while driving a friend's automobile while at school.

**Hint:** Your student needs to be listed on your auto policy.

It's so hot that chickens are laying hard-boiled eggs.



## IT'S THE NEW JAM!

**Pickleball, the fastest growing sport since 2020**



Do you remember this lovable face from the popular TV show during the 90s called, "The Wonder Years?"

Well, this is Fred Savage and he picked up the pickleball paddle during the pandemic, along with more than a half-million other people who claim that pickleball is easy to learn . . . and addictive.

A combination of badminton, pingpong and tennis, pickleball has been growing in popularity for years, but participation in the sport has nearly doubled since 2014.

According to the Sports & Fitness Industry Association's 2022 Pickleball Report, about 17 % of players are 65 and older, while a third are under 25.

Well? What are you waiting for? Pick up and paddle and see what the rage is all about!

**Resource:** <https://www.pickleballuniversity.com>

For more information, check out this helpful article from NBC News:

<https://www.nbcnews.com/data-graphics/pickleball-fastest-growing-sport-pandemic-rcna24620>

## Origins of America's Favorite Treat

Americans love hot dogs . . . about 7 billion of them between Memorial Day and Labor Day alone. The typical American eats about 60 a year.

**Where do hot dogs come from (aside from ballpark vendors, of course)?**

Their origins are shrouded in mystery. Some sources say hot dogs date back to the 1<sup>st</sup> century, when the Roman emperor Nero's cook first experimented with stuffing the intestines of pigs with spiced meats.

**I know, gross right?**



### GERMANY?

The word "frankfurter" comes from Frankfurt, Germany, where pork sausages in buns are said to have been served in the 15<sup>th</sup> century.

### AUSTRIA?

"Wiener" is from Vienna (Wien), home to pork sausages originally called "wienerwurst" (Vienna sausage) in the 1800s.

### UNITED STATES?

In the United States, a German immigrant named Charles Feltman is credited with selling sausages in rolls around 1870 in Coney Island, N.Y.



Another German native, Antonine Feuchtwanger, is said to have sold sausages in St. Louis at around the same time, offering a split bun to hold them at the suggestion of his wife.



**What about the term "hot dog" itself?**

That's similarly shrouded in mystery. According to one of the more popular tales, a newspaper cartoonist in 1900 drew a picture of a frankfurter with legs, a tail, and a head, but unable to spell "Dachshund," dubbed it a "hot dog."



The story is disputed, however. What's beyond doubt is that hot dogs are the meal of choice for lots of hungry people around the world - whatever condiments (**or Molly's Mills**) they load them up with.

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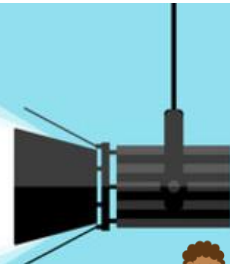


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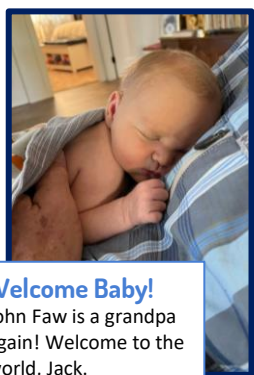
# IN THE SPOTLIGHT



## Where in the World is Kristie?

Forget "Where's Waldo?"! Where's Kristie and kids? Dollywood in Pigeon Forge (left) and the Gatlinburg Sky Bridge in Tennessee (right).

The Gatlinburg Sky Bridge is the longest pedestrian cable bridge in North America. 1800 feet above sea level, approximately 700 feet across, 30 feet of glass bottom in the middle. You take a ski lift to the top of the mountain to get to the sky bridge. The middle picture is of Kristie, Britt and Dietrich crossing the glass bottom part. Britt wasn't having it, so Dietrich had to help her! ☺

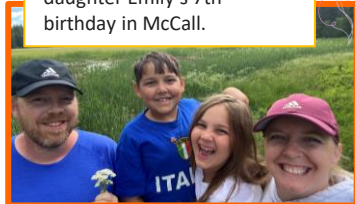


## Welcome Baby!

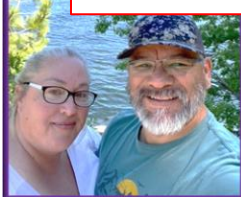
John Faw is a grandpa again! Welcome to the world, Jack.

## Idaho Fun

Kimberly & fam celebrating daughter Emily's 7th birthday in McCall.



♥ McCall is a special place for Lori & Alfredo too!



## Sawtooth Catch

Lori's boys, Chase & Diego, with their dad at a Father's Day Baseball tourney.

## Santa Barbara

Dellas & Patty kicked off the summer by attending Liberty Mutual's Presidents Award Celebration in June.



## Chow Time!

Barbara leads the charge as her family prepares dinner for 80+ family members.

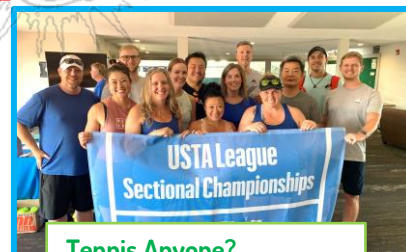


## The Mavericks

Dellas, Lori & Alfredo enjoying one of their favorite bands at Expo Idaho in 107° heat!

## Road Trip to Salt Lake City!

Amy & Kristie had tons of fun at the Jason Aldean, Gabby Barrett and John Morgan concert.

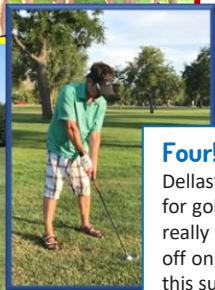


## Tennis Anyone?

Kimberly & Ryan's tennis team placed 3rd at sectionals, representing the state of Idaho

## Networking

Dellas at golf tourney with other agents at the Big I Conference at Warm Springs Golf Course.

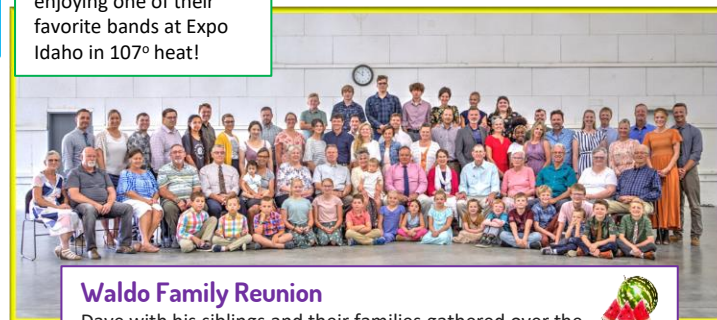


## Four!

Dellas' love for golf has really rubbed off on Patty this summer.

## Waldo Family Reunion

Dave with his siblings and their families gathered over the weekend of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July for some fun-filled, quality family time.



## Cool Dude

Brad's son, Slade, turns 21!! He's not quite ready to join the family business though.



## Staying Cool

Dee Anne's sons, Dawson and Gage along with Lee's nephew, Mason, zip down Uncle Ray's water slide. Dave's in on the action too! (pictured above)

