

Wagons move west into Baker City

MEMORIAL DAY WAGON ENCAMPMENT RELOCATES TO GEISER-POLLMAN PARK

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BAKER CITY — This summer the Oregon Trail is coming west right into town.

The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, (NHOTIC) located five miles outside of Baker City, remains closed to visitors. (The trails around Flagstaff Hill are open, however.)

The first wagon encampment is traditionally held over Memorial Day weekend. This year will be no different, but the wagons will be relocated to Geiser-Pollman Park and the Baker Heritage Museum.

The “Oregon or Bust” encampment will be active from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30.

Hank Cramer, known as The Wandering Minstrel who has performed for years at the center, will play throughout both days.

Cramer will also kick off the center’s summer concert series with a performance on Saturday, May 29, at 5 p.m. in the park.

Saturday evening concerts are planned for nearly every weekend this summer.

Summer schedule

- June 5-6: Carter Junction, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at NHOTIC
- June 5: Carter Junction, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- June 12: Wild Horse Day, times TBD, NHOTIC
- June 12: Lonnie Shurtleff, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- June 12: Lonnie Shurtleff, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park

Weekend events

“Oregon or Bust” wagon encampment: May 29-30, noon to 4 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park

Concert in the Park featuring Hank Cramer: May 29, 5 p.m.

- June 19: TBD, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- July 3 and 4: Great Bear Folk Theater, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- July 3: Great Bear Folk Theater, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- July 9-11: Susan Matley, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- July 10: Susan Matley, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- July 17 and 18: Frontier’s Day at Miners Jubilee, times TBD, Geiser-Pollman Park
- July 23-25: Linda Russell, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- July 24: Linda Russell, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- Aug. 6-8: William Rossiter, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- Aug. 7: William Rossiter, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
- Aug. 12-15: Mike Follin (performing as Dr. Balthazar), 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., NHOTIC
- Aug. 14: Mike Follin, 5 p.m.,



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National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center staff are packing up their wagons and heading west to Baker City, just like pioneers would have done from Missouri in the spring of 1843.

Geiser-Pollman Park
• Aug. 28: TBD, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park
Sept. 4-5: Labor Day Wagon En-

campment, times TBD, NHOTIC
• Sept. 4-5: Carter Junction, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., at NHOTIC
• Sept. 3-5: Karen Haas, 10:30

a.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., at NHOTIC
• Sept. 4: Karen Haas, 5 p.m., Geiser-Pollman Park

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FRIDAY
High 59 Low 36
Cooler



SATURDAY
High 71 Low 41
Some sun; warmer



SUNDAY
High 81 Low 46
Warmer