

# QUICK TAKES:

## A LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NE OREGON

### Music and movies in the park — free this summer

LA GRANDE — The Riverside Concert Series returns this summer beginning July 1 with free live music in the park every Thursday from 6-8 p.m., rain or shine (if the weather is bad, the concert will move to inside the pavilion).

The series is organized by La Grande Parks and Recreation and sponsored by the La Grande Arts Commission. The summer's lineup will be announced soon.

At Pioneer Park this summer watch free movies outside. Bring lawn chairs, blankets and snacks.

The Friday night movies begin July 9 with "Robin Hood," and "Onward" will be shown July 30. "Doolittle" winds up the trio of free movies in the park on Aug. 20.

To learn more, visit [www.lagrandeparks.org](http://www.lagrandeparks.org) or the La Grande Parks and Rec Facebook page.

### Kids watercolor art class: Fun with Shapes

BAKER CITY — Becky Litke will lead a one-day watercolor class on Monday, June 14, from 10 a.m. to noon at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave. This is for ages 7 to 12. Cost is \$16 for Crossroads members, or \$24 for nonmembers. To register, go online to [www.crossroads-arts.org](http://www.crossroads-arts.org) or call 541-523-5369.

### Brown Bag lunch is June 15 at Josephy Center

JOSEPH — This month's Brown Bag talk with the Josephy Center is at noon on Tuesday, June 15. The theme is "Wallowa Resources: 25 years of Work and

Future Priorities."

This will be presented in a hybrid format — people can either attend in-person at the center (403 N. Main St.) or online ([josephy.org](http://josephy.org)).

For information, check the website or call 541-432-0505.

### 'Oregon Fever' program at Interpretive Center

BAKER CITY — Although the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center remains closed, "Oregon Fever!" ranger programs are planned for 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

Programs are free and will be held outdoors, weather permitting.

In the mid-1800s, Oregon fever referred to the draw of endless opportunity in the west, inspiring thousands of people to hit the trail in pursuit of their dreams.

### Summer dance classes start June 15

BAKER CITY — Debbie Friedman will start session one of a summer dance camp on June 15.

Sessions for ages 6-8 meet from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and ages 9 and older dance from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Class is held at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave.

Classes meet Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays — June 15-17, June 22-24, and June 29 - July 1.

This is a workshop, not a drop-in class. Cost for the three-week class is \$72 for Crossroads members or \$108 for nonmembers.

To register, go online to [www.crossroads-arts.org](http://www.crossroads-arts.org) or call 541-523-5369.

# Powder River Music Review starts Saturday in Baker City

By Lisa Britton  
GO! Magazine

BAKER CITY — Sunday concerts in the park return on June 13 with music by Frank Carlson.

The Powder River Music Review is coordinated by Baker City Events.

The concert starts at 4 p.m. at the Powder River Pavilion in the park.

Attendance is free, although donations are accepted to support the concert series, which costs an estimated \$25,000 each year.

Raffle tickets are sold at each concert — \$5 each or 15 for \$20 — for a chance to win the weekly raffle gift basket.

Annual memberships are available for \$80.



Frank Carlson

### The musician

Frank Carlson moved to Baker City in 2003, and began playing for the Powder River Music Review when it was still raising money to build a bandstand.

He started playing music when he was 12 or 13 years old.

"I've played most of my life," he said. "I used to mimic The Beatles because they were my favorite band."

Although The Beatles influ-

enced his music preference, he also leaned toward Elvis and Roy Orbison tunes.

His style has evolved over the years.

"Now I'm more old country — Alan Jackson, George Strait," he said.

He describes his style as "versatile," and still plays Elvis and Orbison tunes.

### Support

The music series also relies on

sponsorships from local businesses or individuals. Those interested in being a sponsor can call 541-519-5653 or send an email to [baker-cityevents1@gmail.com](mailto:baker-cityevents1@gmail.com).

Concerts are scheduled for every Sunday this summer, plus several Saturday performances and extra music during Miners Jubilee in July.

Powder River Music Review wraps up Sept. 5 with Ghost Wind.

To stay updated, check the event's Facebook page.

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