

**GARDENING**

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wood or corrugated metal, are certainly beautiful and easy to work with, many of us still garden in just plain old dirt. We do here in Baker. And once again we have our raised beds, with dikes, about 3 feet across, not 4! It makes it easier for these old bones to not have to reach so far! But the benefits are still there.

We have had several intense downpours recently and once again, the raised beds fared well with the excess water pooling in the pathways between the beds. None of the water ran into the street or washed away dikes or even the beds

themselves.

This is the type of weather event that could easily be called “flash flooding” but not on the scale of damage we see occurring other places. While these raised beds do an excellent job of containing water meant for irrigation and keeping plants from being washed away, these aren't meant for every situation. And if you want to plan for raised beds next year, it's great to look at the aspect (which way it lays) of your proposed site.

Those of us “down in the valley” are pretty flat, whether Baker, Union or Wallowa counties. Sometimes the water only goes one way, our yards. But enter any slope at all, and

you have new dimensions of water runoff. A great way to deal with anticipated excessive water is to terrace your beds. Making furrows between the beds can also redirect extra water, but the terracing can also trap water for irrigation. Once again, you only water where you want irrigation without wasting excess water running off for no purpose.

My romaine lettuce is bolting, the tomatoes are being picked daily, I forgot to harvest my

Greek oregano before it set to seed, and I have misplaced another set of snips for early morning dead-heading. I guess that's what you get when you garden with Grandma!

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## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tabby sound
  - 4 Motown's Diana —
  - 8 Masculine
  - 12 Ms. Hagen
  - 13 Assert
  - 14 Check manuscripts
  - 15 Double agent
  - 17 Menu term (2 wds.)
  - 18 Went in headfirst
  - 19 Creep about
  - 21 Creole veggie
  - 23 Hotfoot it
  - 25 Of yore
  - 29 Dazzle
  - 32 Staff
  - 33 Loan-sharking
  - 34 Jacques' pal
  - 35 “—, shucks!”
  - 36 2.2 lbs.
  - 37 Truth's opposite
  - 38 John, Paul, George and —
- DOWN**
- 1 Shaggy flowers
  - 2 Collar or jacket
  - 3 Hull plank
  - 4 Bleachers cry
  - 41 Tolerated
  - 42 Potatoes go-with
  - 43 Pro votes
  - 45 Droplet
  - 47 Machine part
  - 51 Ketch cousin
  - 54 Shark's giveaway
  - 56 Two nickels
  - 57 Fencer's blade
  - 58 Speakeasy risk
  - 60 Molecular biology topic
  - 61 Takes home
  - 62 Earthen pot
  - 63 Pet shop sound

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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- 5 Biologist's eggs
- 6 Flew alone
- 7 Envelope acronym
- 8 Rewards for bravery
- 9 Bother
- 10 Ullmann of cinema
- 11 Summer, to Pierre
- 16 Auricle
- 20 Bar sing-along
- 22 Bumpier
- 24 Dairy animal
- 26 Boring
- 27 Ontario neighbor
- 28 Nikita's no
- 29 Hostilities
- 30 Skip past
- 31 Pasta go-with
- 36 Jay successor
- 39 Roof parts
- 40 Type of tire
- 44 Put down grass
- 46 Natural hairdo
- 48 Shipshape
- 49 Old Dodge model
- 50 Harvest
- 51 Craving
- 52 Chest-beater
- 53 Moist
- 55 None at all
- 59 Trial VIP

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**103 Announcements**

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**PULL TABS ACCEPTED**  
AT THE FOLLOWING BAKER CITY LOCATIONS

- Baker City Herald
- Dollar Tree
- Black's Distributing
- Ryder Bros
- VFW
- Baker Elk's Lodge
- Main Event
- Baker City Fire Dept.
- Haines Sell-Rite
- Idle Hour
- Salvation Army

**104 Community Calendar**

**VFW POST 460**  
Every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7pm.  
Corner of Main at Birch in Union

**LA GRANDE LIONS CLUB**  
Meets 2nd & 4th Monday of each month @ 12 PM  
Union County Senior Center  
1504 N. Albany St., La Grande

**PINOCHLE**  
Fridays at 6:30 p.m.  
Senior Center  
2810 Cedar St., Baker City  
Public is welcome

**Baker County United "freedom rallies"**  
3rd Thursday each month  
6 p.m. at the Sunridge  
1 Sunridge Lane.  
The public is invited

**ROTARY CLUB of Baker City**  
Meets every Monday  
Noon - 1 PM  
Baker Towers Meeting Room

Too many puppies, not enough room? Classified can help.

**104 Community Calendar**

**POWDER RIVER SPORTSMAN'S CLUB**  
Meets 1st Tuesday of every month  
8th & Broadway, Baker City  
6 PM - Pistolettes  
7 PM - Regular Membership

**114 Group Meetings**

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**  
541-805-2229  
neo-na.org

**AA MEETINGS - La Grande**  
Wednesday Nights, 7-8:15pm.  
Fort Union Grange Hall, corner of McAlister & Gekeler Lanes. For more info, call 541-786-1222

**AL-ANON**  
Keep Coming Back Family Group  
Mondays, 7 pm  
at NKWest, 1208 Adams, La Grande, OR

**CELEBRATE RECOVERY**  
Calvary Baptist Church  
Third & Broadway  
Baker City, OR  
**EVERY THURSDAY**  
6:15 - 8:00 PM

**DO YOU HAVE...HURTS, HABITS and/or HANG UPS?**  
12 Step Biblical Support  
Harvest Church  
3720 Birch St. Baker City  
Thurs., 6:30 - 8:30 PM

**LA GRANDE GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS**  
Every Friday Night @ 5pm, 2107 Gekeler Ln, LG, Church of Christ basement. For more info please call 971-219-8411

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**  
Goin' Straight Group  
Meetings:  
Mon., Tues. Thurs. & Fri.  
Start at 8 PM  
Episcopal Church Basement  
2177 1st Street, Baker City

**PEOPLE with PARKINSON'S**  
Caregivers, Family, Friends  
**SUPPORT GROUP**  
Contact: 541-963-1486  
Now meeting at GR Hospital first Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.  
[education@grh.org](http://education@grh.org)

**114 Group Meetings**

**Someone's drinking a problem?**  
**AL-ANON** Meetings are available by phone Info for Baker City Meetings Call: 541-239-7323

**AL-ANON**  
Attitude of Gratitude  
Wednesdays; 12:15-1:30pm  
Faith Lutheran Church.  
12th & Gekeler, La Grande  
Please wear a mask & practice social distancing  
541-786-2051

**AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP**  
Support for family & friends of Alcoholics  
**Tuesday evenings; 6-7pm**  
Joseph Methodist Church (basement on northside)  
Joseph, OR  
Contact 541-398-1398

**BAKER COUNTY AA MEETINGS BAKER CITY**

**MONDAYS**  
**Survivor's Group**  
12 - 1:00 pm  
Baker Presbyterian Church  
1995 4th St.  
(4th & Court, Side Door)

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**Survivor's Group**  
12:05 pm  
Baker Presbyterian Church  
1995 4th St.  
(4th & Court, Side Door)

**THURSDAYS**  
**Survivor's Group**  
12:00 pm  
Baker Presbyterian Church  
1995 4th St.  
(4th & Court, Side Door)

**SATURDAYS**  
**As Bill Sees It Group**  
10:00 am 2970 Walnut (Corner of "D" & Grove St.)  
Grove Apts. Community Rm

**SUNDAYS**  
**Been There Done That**  
5:30 pm  
Grove Apartments  
Community Room  
2970 Walnut Street

**Questions call AA Hotline: 541-624-5117**  
[www.oregonaadistrict29.org](http://www.oregonaadistrict29.org)

**HOROSCOPES** by Stella Wilder

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2022  
YOUR BIRTHDAY by Stella Wilder  
Born today, you have such a big personality and you are likely to be so active and involved in so many things throughout your lifetime that you are almost certain to be seen by others as larger than life -- and it's a badge you wear with pride and distinction. Indeed, the decisions you make are likely to be more dramatic and memorable.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31  
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- You'll find hidden meaning in much that you study today, while others are far more literal. Does this mean you have an advantage?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Disappointment results from your inability to see things the way they are today, as you will likely make one or two erroneous decisions.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Trust your instincts today and do what you know to be best for you in this moment. It doesn't have to make sense tomorrow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- The goals you have set for yourself make perfect sense right now, but will they make sense later? Think ahead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- You needn't be so stubborn that you prevent yourself from taking someone up on an offer that makes a great deal of sense today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Are you giving yourself more freedom to do what you want today than those around you enjoy? Now is a good time to promote greater equity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) -- You may have trouble asking for what you need today, but it's the only way you're going to finish the day ahead of where you started.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Things may seem to go against you at some point today, but it's likely just an inevitable slowdown. Only overreaction is hazardous.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- The faster you shift gears today, the farther ahead of a rival you'll be when you finish doing what must be done. Pace is the key.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- The goal you've set for yourself today will require a great deal of hard work -- but before you get your hands dirty, you must make a plan.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- You may have to withstand more criticism than expected today, especially if you unveil something that is in any way ahead of its time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Looking back at what you've done in the past isn't likely to have any real value today unless your attitude is just right and your vision clear.

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