

# Local

## — COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

### OSU GARDEN SYMPOSIUM

Saturday, May 2, Tools to Grow By. Starting at 8 a.m., ending at 4 p.m. Registration before April 22 is \$50, after that date is \$60. Call 541-523-6418 for information.

### LEGISLATIVE HOTLINE

Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 a.m. Rep. Cliff Bentz and Sen. Ted Ferrioli will hold a "Legislative Hotline" (video conference) call once per month at the OSU Extension Office in Baker City.

### POWDER BASIN WATERSHED COUNCIL

Wednesday, May 6th is the monthly meeting and a guest speaker on Wednesday, May 6th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at the 5J School District Building on 4th and Broadway in Baker City. Jon Unger, the Water Supply Development Coordinator for the Oregon Water Resources Department, will be giving a presentation on Senate Bill 839. For more information, contact the Council Office at (541) 523-7288.

### TIP A COP!

Thursday, May 7th. Officers from the Baker City Police Department will wait tables for tips at Barley Brown's, 5-8 p.m. Proceeds go to fund local Special Olympics. Come Support our Local athletes. Any questions email isodo@q.com, Stephanie Tweit, treasurer/ fundraiser.

### FRIENDS OF NRA BANQUET

Saturday, May 9, 4:00 p.m. at the Baker Events Center. Have a great time while supporting the 2nd Amendment and promoting shooting sports in Oregon. We provide fantastic food, family atmosphere, and more than 50 raffles and auctions where you can win terrific prizes while supporting a great cause! Learn more at [www.pfnra.org](http://www.pfnra.org). Buy tickets at Grumpy's Auto, Tom van Diepen's Farmers Insurance, or Powder River Precision. Proceeds go to local scholarships.

### BRIAN SORENSON CAR RALLY

Wednesday, May 13 with registration is at 7:15 a.m. at the BHS student parking lot. \$5 for students and \$10 for community members. To enter please pick up an application in the office at BHS.

### BAKER VALLEY SWCD MEETING

Thursday, May 14, noon at the USDA Service Center at 3990 Midway Drive in Baker City. The public is welcome, and meals will be available for those who RSVP for the meeting. Please contact Tara at (541) 523-7121 x 100 for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### FOREST ACCESS FOR ALL BANQUET

Saturday, May 16, 5 p.m. at the Sunridge Inn. Tickets are \$25 each for either a tri-tip or chicken cordon bleu meal. Call Ramona Creighton at 541.523.1160 for tickets.

### FRIENDS OF HAINES FIREWORKS FUNDRAISER

Saturday, May 16, at the Frontier Saloon in Haines, 5 p.m. Call Alita at 541.403.2142 or Garla at 541.403.0969. See the ad with full information on the back page.

### EAGLE VALLEY SWCD MEETING

Monday, May 18th, noon at the Shorthorn Café in Richland. The public is welcome, and meals will be available for those who RSVP for the meeting. Please contact Tara at (541) 523-7121 x 100 for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### KEATING SWCD MEETING

Tuesday, May 26th, noon at the USDA Service Center; 3990 Midway Drive in Baker City, OR. The public is welcome, and meals will be available for those who RSVP for the meeting. Please contact Tara at (541) 523-7121 x 100 for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### JAIL ROSTER

FOX, Kelly  
DARNELL, Jason  
LOGSDON, James  
VOGEL, Daniel  
O'QUINN, Jessey  
PETERSON, Linda  
DWYER, Brenden  
LOTT, Aaron  
GILDA, Jeremy  
SIMONIS, Dyllan  
LARKIN JR, Robert  
CANADA, Rick  
OSTERKAMP, Laura  
HAMILTON, Theresa  
CASSIDY, Marvin  
CULLEY, Andrew  
EDISON, Marsan  
KOLACZ, James  
PREVO, Loren  
STEVENS, Cynthia  
CROGHAN, Clint  
GRIGGS, Corey  
SCHLAHT, Nathan  
HUNTER, Jeffery  
MYERS, Andrew  
NEWMAN, Richard  
BURNINGHAM, Tyson  
GROVE, James  
PREVO, Mary  
PADILLA-ALBRADO, Jose  
KEYES, Bryan  
MYERS-GABIOLA, Michael

## — NEWS OF RECORD —

MUNSELL, Emily  
HELLMAN, Kenny  
COMBS, Brian  
PAULSEN, Nathan  
BOWMAN, Chad  
FREEMAN, David

### POLICE LOG

Bicknell, Christopher Allen. 4.24. Failure to Pay Fines.  
Wehl, Michelle Lynn. 4.24. Assault IV Domestic and Menacing.  
Gagnon, Roderick Joseph. 4.25. Contempt of Court.  
Weiss, Jamie Joseph. 4.25. Criminal Trespass 1st Degree.  
O'Quinn, Jessey James Thomas. 4.25. Contempt of Court.  
Edison, Marsan Kay. 4.27. Failure to Appear.  
Logsdon, James Dean. 4.27. Fail to Appear, DUII, Open Container, and Refuse Breath Test.  
Culley, Andrew Jay. 4.27. Failure to Pay Fines.  
Vogel, Daniel Ryan. 4.27. Criminal Trespass 1st Degree.

### FUNERAL NOTICES

**Brigita "Brixie" Huey**, 66, of Richland, Oregon died on Sunday, April 26, 2015 at St. Alphonsus Hospital in

Baker City. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services.

**Bruce Valentine** died on November 23, 2014. Interment and Graveside Service with Military Honors will be held on Friday, May 1, 2015 ~ 4:00 p.m. at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Family members suggest memorial donations to the OHSU Cardiac Transplant Unit, where Bruce experienced many miracles through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834.

**Velma K. Semingson**, 91, formerly of Haines died at St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Boise, Idaho April 27, 2015. Her memorial service will be held at Haines Methodist Church Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. with Sally Wiens officiating. Interment of cremated remains will follow at Haines Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception at the Haines Methodist Church following the interment. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

## — OBITUARIES —

### Felix "Val" Valenzuela

Baker City, 1930-2015

Felix "Val" Valenzuela died in Baker City on April 21st surrounded in love.

Born in 1930 and the youngest of three siblings, Val was born in Los Angeles back when Los Angeles was surrounded by orange groves.

Raised in Southern California, he entered the Navy in 1950. Val was in the Navy for more than 20 years, serving on many different ships including the USS Columbus (CA-74), USS Somers (DD-947), USS Coucal (ASR-8) and the USS Prairie (AD-15). Val served in the Korean and Vietnam Wars and during that time, while stationed in London, he served on the Board of Translators and Interpreters for his Command and the US Embassy.

Val met Victoria (Vickie) Barnes of Haines, Oregon in 1965, and three days later they married.

While in the Navy, they adopted their son John and daughter Suzan. After retiring from the Navy in 1975, Val and Vickie moved back to Baker City to raise their family. They added to the family with the birth of their youngest son, David.

Val built their home together on Madison Street, turning a two-bedroom home into a five-bedroom home. Working together, Val and Vickie rocked, sided and wired the home, an experience Val enjoyed and treasured.

Val retired after 17 years from the Oregon Transportation Department in 1993. Val was an excellent cook and known for making the hottest salsa around; if you gave him a jar of preserves he returned that jar filled with his "famous" salsa.

He enjoyed vintage cars and owned several throughout his adult life. Val was a member of the St. Francis DeSales Cathedral, the Fleet Reserve Association and the Elks. Though Val had traveled and lived around the world, he felt most at home in the Baker Valley and in the community of Baker City. Val believed that all people deserved to be safe, cared for and heard.

For years, Val volunteered his time to translate at different agencies and locations in Baker City and LaGrande. Countless

times, Val brought family's home that were stranded on the road to ensure they were safe and had a good meal. And when he would learn that a family was in need of food or shelter he would take food or volunteer to fix their homes to make them more comfortable.

Val was a generous and loving soul. He was very sensitive and kind. He could tell a good joke and laugh deeply. He ended every conversation with "God Bless You" and meant it. He would help a stranger, give a hand to someone others might pass by and talk with everyone, whether at the bank, the grocery, the post office, Val was a friendly and genuine guy. Val is survived by his wife Vickie and his three children and their spouses, John and Kimberly Valenzuela of McFarland, Wisconsin, Suzan and Brian Huntington of Portland, Oregon, David and Gokce Valenzuela of Augusta, Georgia and two grandchildren, Addyson and Riven Valenzuela.

The family would like to share their deepest and most sincere appreciation of the nursing staff at St. Alphonsus in Baker City. The nurses and CNAs were kind, caring and compassionate, giving special attention to Val's needs and providing the best comfort care possible while reassuring and supporting the family. We will be forever grateful.

A celebration of life for Val will be held this summer. In Val's memory donations may be made to St. Francis DeSales or the Wounded Warrior Project at [woundedwarriorproject.org](http://woundedwarriorproject.org).

### Stan Brooks

Baker City, 1928-2015

Stan Brooks, 86, longtime Richland, Oregon resident, died on April 20, 2015 at Meadowbrook in Baker City. At his request there will be no services.

Stanley Wayne was born at his Grandparents home, on December 11, 1928 in Halfway, Oregon to Paul and Olga LaRue (Miller) Brooks. The oldest of three boys; brothers Dwight and Charles. He was raised in Richland, Oregon attending Richland Elementary, then graduating from Eagle

Valley High School in 1947.

After high school graduation he went to work for his dad on the ranch and for a short time worked on the Brownlee dam.

Stan married LaRue Colton on June 1, 1952 at her Aunts home, Wallace and Bess Richardson (The old Fort Moody Place) in Richland. They had three children; Gail, Steve and Rod. He started milking cows in 1962 and later joined his brother Charles and sister-in-law, Mary Lee in the dairy business. He worked at the Pine Eagle Coop; First making butter before going into the dairy business and later as the accountant before retiring.

He loved fly fishing, hunting, camping, playing cards and hunting for mushrooms in the spring. Stan used his carpentry skills for home remodeling projects and building picnic tables. Hobbies were leather work, making billfolds, purses and belts for family members and after retiring he tied flies for fishing. He enjoyed family gatherings and playing pinochle.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Charles, grandsons Matt Halley and Rory Huff.

Stan is survived by his wife LaRue; children Gail and her husband Mark Halley of Sisters, Oregon; Steve and his wife Gerri of Richland, Oregon; Rod and his wife Kelli Brooks of Addison, Texas; grandchildren Paul, Ace, Miranda, David, Christopher and Carla and 8 great grandchildren.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in memory of Stan, the family suggests the Eagle Valley Ambulance/EMT's through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. On line condolences may be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### Beverly Gail Reitz

Cove, 1928-2015

Beverly "Gail" Reitz, died peacefully at home in Hayward at the beginning of the Sabbath on April 10, 2015. A Graveside Service was held on Monday, April 27, 2015 - 10 a.m. at the Cove, Cemetery in Cove, Oregon.

Beverly grew up in the town of Cove, Oregon, in the foothills of the Wallowa Mountains in Eastern Oregon. She loved the out-

doors, the Wallowa's, and Baker County areas. Her active life covered student days at Gem State Academy in Caldwell, Idaho; an X-ray technician's career in Portland, Oregon; office manager of her husband's law office in Hayward; active membership in the Hayward Seventh-day Adventist Church; and many overseas mission trips to conduct health training and Christian Evangelism. She traveled for Christian service to Poland, Armenia, India, Kenya, the Philippines and China and many other countries.

Her bright smile could lighten up any room she entered. She was kind to all and loved by all. Children waited for her hugs. Adults will miss her welcoming presence.

Beverly is survived by her husband Norman, to whom she was married for 32 years, her stepson Daniel Reitz of Centennial, Colorado, grandchildren Avery and Connor, and stepdaughter Kristina Reitz. She also leaves her sisters Gay Wilson of Northern California and Gina Lasher of Hawaii.

For those who wish to make a memorial donation in memory of Gail, the family suggests the Bayside Adventist Christian School through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & CS PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences may be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### Patricia Lynn Cartmell

Baker City, 1954-2015

Patricia Lynn Cartmell, 60, of Baker City, died on April 21, 2015 at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center. A family gathering will be held at a later date.

Patricia Lynn was born on April 25, 1954 in Mapleton, Iowa to John and Bernice (Bollig) Virtue. Pat was the 8th of 12 children. She was raised in Iowa where she attended school in Castana through the 8th grade before moving to California with her family. While living in Washington, Pat met Bill Cartmell, they were married from 1984 - 2006. After suffering a stroke in 2005, Pat moved to Baker City to be closer to her family.

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Val Valenzuela



Patricia Cartmell



### Michael Rushton, DPM

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