

Local

— COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

INTERPRETIVE CENTER EVENTS

Saturday and Sunday May 23rd and 24th, volunteers and staff will demonstrate pioneer skills such as quilting, crafts, and food between 10:00 and 2:00 p.m. at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center. Typical frontier crafts such as Dutch oven cooking, gold panning, or making beeswax candles and rag dolls. Presentations by roving interpreters will portray mountain men and homesteading women with authentically outfitted re-enactors. Storyteller, Karen Haas will perform three times daily in the Leo Adler Theater on May 22-24. Call (541) 523-1843 for an update on programs and events.

MEMORIAL DAY FLAGS

Saturday, May 23, 8 a.m. flags will be placed on veterans' graves at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Monday, May 24, 6 a.m. big flags go out around town. Volunteers needed. Call Doug at 541-519-7424.

HALFWAY, RICHLAND MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Monday, May 25 the Halfway Veterans of Foreign Wars will perform Memorial Day services, 11 a.m. at the Eagle Valley Cemetery in Richland, and at noon at the Pine Valley Cemetery.

MEMORIAL DAY AT THE MUSEUM

The Baker County Museum Commission and Baker Heritage Museum Staff invite you to attend a celebration to honor those who have served. Please join us on Monday May 25, 2015 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Baker Heritage Museum. Donors will share the stories behind several artifacts in our current central gallery exhibit and light snacks will be served. Free admission for everyone on Monday, May 25th in honor of those who have served.

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.

SAFE FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN MEETING

Tuesday, May 26th, 9 - 11 a.m. at the library. Priscilla Glidewell, Oregon Coordinator of Safe Families for Children, will share with interested community members at an informational session. Safe Families for Children is a national movement of compassion that is preventing child abuse by encouraging the Church to resume its historical and Biblical responsibility for vulnerable children by becoming part of the support network for these children's parents. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Meghan at 541-406-0948 by May 21.

HAGGEN COMMUNITY MEETING

5-6 p.m., Tuesday, June 30 at the Baker County Conference and Event Center to discuss the transition from Albertsons and future local nonprofit donations.

POCO-WING LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Monday, June 15, the annual livestock field judging day for the Poco-Wing 4-H club. 6 p.m. at the Thomas Ranch on Pochahontas Road.

COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS FAIR

May 30, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a Thrive Life presentation from 3 to 5 p.m. Where: National Guard Armory on Campbell Street. Theme: Make an Emergency Plan and Build a Kit. Why: Because it is FREE, you can learn how to be more prepared for disasters. Questions? Please call: Baker County Emergency Management 541.523.9669.

MASQUERADE BALL

Saturday, October 31, 7:30 - 11:30 p.m. at the Geiser Grand. Costumes and ambiance. Carriage rides, celebrity book signings, photography, music, and more! Buy tickets at www.thebakercountypress.com or at the front desk of the Geiser Grand.

JAIL ROSTER

HARP, Kyle
DAWES, James
SULT, Jeff
WEST, Allen
MAILMAN, Anthony
SANDERS, Jon
STEVENS, Melissa
ROBINSON, Damon
CULLEY, Scott
WACHACHA, Noah
BURKE, Markus
FAUGHENDER, Garret
BLOOD, Daniel
CARROLL, Richard
JOHNSON, Beth
ROMINE, David
COLE, Michael
COUNTS, Michael
ODEA, Robert
PETERSON, Linda
WHITMORE, Richard
ENTERMILLE, Forres
MCMURDO, David
DARNELL, Jason
GILDA, Jeremy
SIMONIS, Dyllan
CANADA, Rick

— NEWS OF RECORD —

HAMILTON, Theresa
CASSIDY, Marvin
CULLEY, Andrew
PREVO, Loren
GRIGGS, Corey
SCHLAHT, Nathan
MYERS, Andrew
BURNINGHAM, Tyson
GROVE, James
PREVO, Mary
PADILLA-ALBRADO, Jose
KEYES, Bryan
MUNSELL, Emily
PAULSEN, Nathan
BOWMAN, Chad
FREEMAN, David

POLICE LOG

Schomburg, Janet Marie. 5/15. Probation Violation.
Stuckert, Michelle Joy. 5/15. Failure to Appear.
Doyle, James Donald. 5/15. DUII.
Sanders, Jon Alvin. 5/15. DUII, Umatilla County warrants for Failure to Appear x2 and Probation Violation.
Mailman, Anthony Morgan. 5/17.

Possession of Meth.
Zemmer, Donnavin Levi. 5/19. Theft III.
Vansickle, Nicholas Kane. 5/19. Interfering with a Police Officer.
Weiss, Jamie Joseph. 5/19. Baker County Justice Warrant.

FUNERAL NOTICES

Cathy Louise Christensen, 54, of Baker City passed away on May 18, 2015 at her residence. Arrangements are being handled through Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel.
John Paul Atkinson, 89, of Baker City died February 2, 2015 in La-Grande, Oregon. A memorial graveside service, with military honors, will be held 1:00 p.m., Saturday May 30 at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Baker City. Pastor Jesse Whitford of the Baker City Christian Church will be officiating. A reception will follow at Community Connection of Baker County. Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements.

— OBITUARIES —

Xysis Silk Duane Lahey

Baker City, 2015-2015
Xysis Silk Duane Lahey II, two months old, died at his residence on May 11, 2015.

Xysis was born February 12, 2015 to Lonnie Opstrup Persicke and Xysis Silk Duane Lahey. Xysis had a short life but will be missed by many.

He is survived by his parents, Lonnie and Xysis, his grandmothers Gloria Edwards and Ashlee Lahey, his Great Grandmother Marianne Madsen, his Grandma bear Brenda Mitchell, his sisters Anita Williams and Angelina Persicke, and two uncles, Carl Spraw III and Destin Lahey. Xysis is preceded in death by a brother, Kyler Grant Williams and his great grandfather, Silk Duane Lahey.

Arrangements are being handled through Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave, Baker City, OR 97814.

Lois "Peggy" Margaret Pickler Brown Black

Baker City, 1936-2014

A Memorial ~ Grave-side Service will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway, Oregon.

Lois Black was born April 1, 1936 to Edgar Leroy Pickler and Lois Margaret McDowall at her Grand Uncle Greer and Grand Aunt Mae Robbins' home in Carson/Halfway, Oregon. She was the granddaughter of Claude Leroy Pickler and Elsie Elizabeth Robbins who were long time residents of Carson/Halfway.

She spent her first years in Cornucopia, Oregon where her father worked at the Cornucopia Gold Mine. In July 1941, Lois' brother, Richard Lynn Pickler was born in Cornucopia. In December 1941 when the Cornucopia Mine closed, the family moved to Cottage Grove, Oregon where her father worked in the logging industry. They moved to Linton, Oregon where Lois' mother was trained and worked as a welder in the Portland Ship Yards on the Victory Ships until the end of WWII. Lois's father started a Service Station for Richfield Oil and Gas Company.

Lois attended school in Portland, Oregon; first at St Patrick Catholic Grade School, 1st through 5th grade; then Chapman Grade School, 5th through 8th grade; and Girls Poly,

9th through 12th grade, graduating in the spring of 1954. By that time Lois had gained two sisters, Babe in 1945 and Patricia in 1947. Lois adored her brother and two sisters and was always protective of them.

On April 6, 1954, Lois married Gordon Allen Brown in Vancouver, Washington. At the time, Gordon was Sea Scout in Portland and decided to join the Coast Guard. In 1954, he went to Coast Guard Boot Camp for six weeks. While he was away, Lois prepared for their first child to be born. A son, Johnny Leroy was born on February 20, 1955 in Portland. Another son, Kim Allen was born March 19, 1956 and on May 10, 1957, a daughter, Christal Lynn was born in Astoria where the family lived. While Gordon was in the Coast Guard, the family moved to different areas of the West Coast spending time in Astoria and Portland, Oregon; La Push, Washington; Treasure Island, California.

In 1968, Lois with her three children moved to Baker City, Oregon to live close to her family while Gordon went to Vietnam for eleven months. When Gordon return from Vietnam, he commuted from California and Oregon to see his family. In 1970, Lois moved to Fort Bragg, California while Gordon was stationed at Fort Bragg Coast Guard Station. She lived at the Point Cabrillo Light Station while Gordon was stationed at San Francisco, California. In July 1974, Lois and Gordon divorced after 20 years of marriage. Both, John and Kim joined the Coast Guard shortly after they graduated from High School. Lois and Christal returned to Baker City for a short time and then to Caldwell, Idaho where Lois began working at Simplot.

On January 7, 1979, Lois and Kenneth G. Black married in Reno, Nevada after meeting through their friends at the Eagles Lodge. They resided in Caldwell until Kenneth's death May, 2014. Lois worked at various jobs in the Caldwell area during this time including the University of Idaho, and Canyon County Dispatch. In 1990, Lois began working at Hewett Packard in Boise, Idaho. Her last position was a leader on the HP Printer Pin line while also serving as a Safety Volunteer. She retired in the spring of 2007.

Lois is survived by her two sons and their wives,

Kim and Brenda Brown, Kent, Washington; John and Roxanne Brown, Wasilla, Alaska; her daughter, Christal and her husband, Thomas Dorsey, Springfield, Oregon; eight grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters and their spouses, Babe J. and Cecil R. Fain, Susanville, California and Patricia A. and Larry L. Byron, Nampa, Idaho and numerous nieces, and nephew.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth G. Black, her parents, and her brother Richard L. Pickler.

Friends are invited to join the family for a dinner/reception to be held immediately following the service at the Pine Valley L.D.S. Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Lois Townsend

Baker City, Died 2015.

Lois Townsend, 82, of Baker City, Oregon went home to be with The Lord on May 18, 2015. A visitation was held Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Gray's West & Company. The memorial service will be held Friday, May 22, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Lennie Spooner officiating. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception at the Nazarene Fellowship Hall following the services. Interment will be at Mt. Hope Cemetery on Tuesday, May 26th.

Born in Conception Junction, Missouri, to Louis Emanuel Townsend and Ellen Sally Taggart, Lois and her big sister Margaret lived a childhood reality of Dust Bowl migrants. The Townsend family headed West without even knowing how many miles they would have to traverse to reach Seattle, WA where they might find work. From a lifesaving trachea operation at age two, to being struck by lightning as a young boy, to surviving a horrific crane accident and even being shot, it seemed Lois was destined to end his time here like the famous patriarch Job "old and full of days."

Lois was a self-described "Jack-of-all-trades, master-of-none," but the

fact remains that there is not a secondary road in Oregon that can be travelled without crossing a bridge that Louis built. Besides working for Peter Keiwiit and Morrison and Knutson, Louis also owned several businesses including T&M Construction, DuraBlock, Townsend & Sons Concrete, LT Trucking, and in retirement even became Louis the "Tomato Man" Townsend.

Besides his abilities as a builder and business man, Louis was also well known for his philanthropy. He enjoyed being a bell-ringer for Salvation Army in response to a deep-seated gratitude he felt for the organization, which helped his family in a time of desperation during their westward migration one Christmas Eve in Baker City, where they had simply "ran completely out of money."

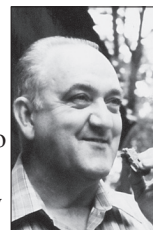
Lois' love for giving didn't only shine at Christmas, but he was known as a generous man throughout the year, and besides helping individuals in need, he often volunteered in endeavors such as building the Nazarene Church, driving bus for youth group trips, and various other building projects for family and friends.

Lois was a father of five boys: Raymond, Doug, Dean, Paul and Kenneth. He was also a proud grandpa to Paul, Jeff, Jamie, Ross and Claire who remember him as Big Lou, the constant gardener. His great-grandchildren, Samantha, Dylan Kendall and Kahlan remember their forgetful grandpa who would often declare himself as their "Uncle Louis."

His last battle with the menace Alzheimer's did not beat him in the end. He fought the good fight and finished the race strong, and he will be remembered as a strong man of ability and a man of strong faith, as he pointed often to his salvation in Jesus Christ and his great assurance of his home in heaven. When making plans, he often punctuated his schemings with a favorite platitude, "Lord willin' and the crick don't rise" and was often heard in his last years expressing his deep desire to "Go home and be with The Lord." He will be loved and missed by all of his family and friends who are all so happy for him at his long-awaited homecoming. Memorial contributions may be made to the Northeast Oregon Compassion Center through Gray's West & Company, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.



Peggy Black



Lois Townsend



Michael Rushton, DPM

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