

Local

— COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

WATERSHED COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 6th 2016, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. at the 5J School District Building on 4th and Broadway in Baker City. Over coffee, tea and cookies we will enjoy a presentation by Jamie Ratliff, Forest Service District Wildlife Biologist of the WWNF.

12TH ANNUAL CATTLEMEN'S WORKSHOP

Saturday, January 9, at the Blue Mountain Conference Center, 404 12th Street in La Grande. Contact Kim DelCurto at 541-562-5129 for more information.

LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, January 11, 2016 at 6 p.m. at the Baker County Public Library. Major agenda topics for this meeting include: 014-2015 District audit report, Revision of Governance Policy (Board Bylaws) The complete agenda of this meeting will be posted online at least 24 hours prior to the meeting at www.bakerlib.org/about.

CHAMBER AWARDS BANQUET

Saturday, January 16, 2016, 5:00 p.m. at the Sunridge Inn in Baker City. The Annual Chamber Awards Banquet is an opportunity for the Community to say thank you to all of the volunteers in our community and to name the outstanding people the gave of themselves in 2015.

SWCD ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Friday, January 22. The Baker Valley, Eagle Valley, Keating and Burnt River Soil and Water Conservation Districts will be holding their Annual Dinner Meeting on January 22, 2016 at the Sunridge Inn. There will be a "no-host" social hour beginning at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. We will proudly recognize local landowners and partners and showcase their outstanding contributions to the natural resource conservation effort in Baker County. The cost for the dinner is \$15, payable at the SWCD office prior to the event. Please join us for a wonderful evening. Must RSVP by January 15th, 2016 to the District's office at: 523-7121, ext. 100 or ext. 109.

BROOKLYN BOOK FAIR AND TACO FEED

Thursday, February 4, 4:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m. Baker County Event Center. Raffle tickets are on sale for a variety of prizes that will be awarded in drawings during the evening. Tickets are available from students or at the school. For more information, or tickets, call the school at 54-523-2450.

BURNT RIVER POKER RUN

Saturday, February 6. Run approx. 50 Miles- Unity to Austin Jct. and back. \$1,200 pot total plus great raffle prizes. Fuel and food available in Unity and Austin. For information or to get raffle tickets, contact: Dan (541) 446-3655 snowridingfool@yahoo.com, Casey (541) 473-2073, Joe (541) 523-5223, or Jeff (208) 739-0733. E-mail: evansn@ortelco.net. Proceeds will help support food banks in Baker, Grant, and Malheur Counties.

SUMPTER BLUE MOUNTAIN POKER RUN

Saturday, February 13, 7 a.m. till 2:30 p.m. \$3,000 in Prizes. Snowmobiles, cars or walker all welcome Ticket Sales are Friday at the schoolhouse from 6-8 p.m. - \$10, and from 7 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets must be turned in by no later than 3:30 p.m. Payout and prizes at 6 p.m. Call Neil for more info: 541-894-2217.

HALFWAY PANHANDLE SNOWMOBILE POKER RUN

Sunday, February 14, Sign up at 9 a.m. at the Lions Club in Halfway to buy your poker hands. The poker run is 40 miles round trip. Leave your hands at the last station or turn your hands in at the lions hall. Raffle items will be awarded and winner will be announced at 6 p.m. Total of \$4,000 in payouts!! For more information call the Blooms at (541)-742-7277.

— NEWS OF RECORD —

JAIL ROSTER

FURTNEY, Jeffery
GWIN, Lucas
MYERS, Rodger
BRINEY, Justin
WOLFE, Alan
YATTAW, Anthony
LATTYMER, Melissa
GLASSCOCK, Franklyn
GRISEL, Krystal
MERRITT, Robert
CAMPBELL, Casey
DOYLE, James
VANDERPOOL, Joshua
HARSHMAN, Matthew
TREATOR, Kevin
ROMINE, David
BOLANOS, Ann
ROMINE, Jonathon
HANSON, Coty
KEEFE, Timothy
WINTERS, Lucinda
WEISS, Jamie
LANDRETH, Sean
MADER, Casey
WITTER, Robert
BORK, Julia

FISCHER, Jacob
POST, Todd
HODEL, Cody
MCBRIDE, Steven
CULLEY, Andrew
MYERS, Anthony
SHELTON, Adam
SCHLAHT, Nathan
ELKSHOULDER, Ida
GRAMMON, Jacob

POLICE LOG

Reynaga, Mary Elizabeth. 12/25. DUII and Supplying Contraband.
Culp, James Dale. 12/26 Driving while suspended.
Vanderpoel, Joshua Gerald. 12/29. Theft III.
Gwin, Lucas Buddy. 12/29. Contempt of Court.

FUNERAL NOTICES

Robert "Bobby" Chastain, 82, passed away on Monday, December 28, 2015 at Meadow View Assisted Living in Emmett, Idaho. A Funeral

will be held on Monday, January 4, 2016 - 11:00 am. at Pine Valley Presbyterian Church in Halfway, Oregon. Interment at Pine Haven Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception to be held immediately following at the Presbyterian Fellowship Hall. Donations in memory of Bobby, may be made to the Halfway Little League through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. On line condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Drexel "Rex" Lewis Calhoun, 89, of Baker City died Monday, December 28, 2015 at Beehive Homes Residential Care Facility in Baker City. No services are currently planned. Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel is assisting his family with arrangements. Please join us at www.grayswest.com to light a candle for Rex or leave a remembrance for his family.

— OBITUARIES —

Joanne B. Brown

Baker City, 1928 - 2015
Joanne Beverly Brown, 87, of Baker City was found deceased outside her home on Saturday, December 26, 2015. A celebration of her life will be announced at a later date.
Joanne was born in Lincoln, Nebraska on August 21, 1928 to Leslie and Evelyn (Borrow) Perigo. She attended high school in Fruitland, Idaho and worked as a florist for fifteen years at Chaves Food Land and then later at the Flower Box. Joanne also was the Baker County Librarian; retiring after twenty years of service.

In her free time Joanne liked oil painting, bird watching, horseback riding, hiking, and exploring places off the beaten track.

Survivors include her son and daughter-in-law Robert and Marci Brown of John Day, OR, daughter and son-in-law Janine and Bob Lick of La Grande, OR, and her sister Shirley Schrank of Twin Falls, ID. Joanne also leaves behind seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister Eileen Naher. Memorial contributions may be made to the Baker County Library through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle for Joanne visit us at www.grayswest.com.

James Griffin

Baker City, 1929 - 2015
James "Jim" Griffin,

86, of Baker City, Oregon passed away December 25, 2015.

Jim was born February 28, 1929 to Frank and Mary Griffin in Flint, Michigan. Jim graduated from Pendleton High School in Pendleton, Oregon. After graduation, he joined the United States Navy/Air Force, serving for 4 years during the Korean conflict and was stationed in North Africa for most of his military career.

He was employed by Cal-Wood Doors in Santa Rosa, California for 22 years then "retired" to Baker City, Oregon. Jim always said, "I moved to



Jim Griffin

Baker City because the hunting and fishing was better up here."

Jim is survived by his daughter Mary Tarkowski of Baker City, Oregon; sons James D. Griffin, of Stevensville, Montana; J.F. Griffin of Baker City, Oregon and seven grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

For those who wish to make a donation in memory of Jim, the family suggests either the Wounded Warrior Project or the Baker City Veterans of Foreign Wars through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Animal shelter's capital plan completed

Another phase of planning was recently completed regarding an animal shelter for the Baker County area.

Done under contract with PARC Resources, of Bend, OR, the Capital Campaign Plan was completed in August, announced Jeanie Dexter, Board Chair for New Hope for Eastern Oregon Animals (New Hope).

The capital plan focuses on a financial strategy for raising the necessary funding for construction of the shelter.

Dexter said this is an important and necessary planning step for a facility of this size.

New Hope is a 501(c)3 that was established in 2010. In 2011, New Hope acquired the land for the shelter with a generous donation from Best Friends of Baker, Inc. and the Leo Brookshier Trust.

The site, which is 2.2 acres, is located at 3210 K Street in Baker City. The shelter will be located near the Leo Brookshier Center, at 3325 K Street, which is the office and training center for New Hope.

Other shelter accomplishments include the completion of New Hope's five year strategic plan in 2013 and the development of a fundraising package in 2014.

The fundraising package includes a detailed floor plan, site plan and color rendering of the building. Dick Haines, New Hope Founder said calculations for the Baker County area show a projected intake of approximately 765 animals a year—largely dogs at 43%, and cats at 54%.

Based on projected animal numbers the shelter would be approximately 6,163 sq ft.

Dexter said the shelter design focuses on a healthy, animal friendly, low-stress environment, assisting in longer term stays for animals awaiting adoption.

The shelter is intended

to be a centralized location for homeless pets currently being met by multiple animal nonprofits. Cost of the shelter is projected to be approximately \$1,600,000. Steps ahead for New Hope include the appointment of a Campaign Director (to lead the fundraising effort) and the development of a business plan.

The focus of the business plan is to establish the means for funding future shelter operations. The current projection within the capital plan estimates shelter construction to begin in 2019.

For further information contact Dick Haines at 541-523-3554.

Ontario police investigate stabbing, robbery of Hickory Farms store

On Sunday, December 27, 2015 at approximately 2:47 a.m., Ontario City Police Officers were sent to Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Ontario in regards to a stabbing victim.

A 46 year-old Ontario resident told officers he had been stabbed while walking down the street in the Northwest part of Ontario.

Officers determined that the incident had actually taken place at a residence in the 700 block of NW 3rd street and are attempt-

ing to determine exact details of the encounter and circumstances between the suspect and victim.

The victim sustained a stab wound to his abdomen and arm.

A search warrant was obtained for the residence and the Oregon State Police Crime Lab responded to process the scene for evidence.

The investigation is continuing.
Earlier, on December 17th at approximately 7:05 p.m., a robbery occurred at

the Hickory Farms store in Ontario, Oregon.

A male subject entered the store and demanded cash.

No weapon was displayed.

No one was injured during the robbery.

The suspect fled the store on foot and is believed to have left the area in a vehicle.


The suspect is described as a white male, believed to be approximately 30 years of age, approximately 5'10" to 6'00" and

weighing approximately 160 pounds.

The suspect was wearing black gloves, tan work boots, and a stocking cap with a small bill on it. Suspect is believed to have been wearing a black wig.

Officers are continuing to investigate this case and check surveillance video of businesses in the area.

Anyone with information should contact the Ontario Police Department through dispatch at 541-473-5125.



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