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## HELP WANTED

**BAKER SCHOOL DISTRICT 5J** is currently accepting applications for a **BMS science teacher and a PE/Health teacher**. For a complete description of the positions go to [www.baker.k12.or.us](http://www.baker.k12.or.us) or contact the employment division. You may also call 541-524-2261 or email [norma.nemec@bakersd.org](mailto:norma.nemec@bakersd.org).

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**Human Resource Manager/City Recorder** – City of Baker City is accepting applications for the position of HR Manager/City Recorder. Salary range: \$3,420-\$3,846/month plus benefits. To apply go to WorkSource Oregon, 1575 Dewey Avenue, Baker City, OR 97814. Position closes May 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Baker City is an EEO employer.

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**BAKER SCHOOL DISTRICT 5J BAKER SCHOOL DISTRICT 5J** is currently accepting applications for a **BHS Assistant Football Coach and a Fall and Winter Cheer Coach**. For a complete description of the positions go to [www.baker.k12.or.us](http://www.baker.k12.or.us) or contact the employment division. You may also call 541-524-2261 or email [norma.nemec@bakersd.org](mailto:norma.nemec@bakersd.org).

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## PUBLIC NOTICE: WEED SPRAY GIVEAWAY!

For 2016, Baker County Weed District will again be giving out herbicide on the following locations, dates, and times. This fully mixed, ready-to-go herbicide will be targeting whitetop and scotch thistle. Folks need to bring chemical-resistant containers, preferably gas or oil cans, and a pair of chemical-resistant gloves. Please, no food containers. There will be a five gallon limit imposed for each residence.

### Note!!! New location for Baker City Giveaways!

Where	Date	Time
Huntington Service Station	April 22	8:00 - 11 AM
Richland/Halfway - Wildflower Corner	May 6	7 - 12 Noon
Baker City - Old ODOT Building	May 21	7 - 12 Noon
1050 S. Bridge		
Baker City - Old ODOT Building	May 28	7 -12 Noon
1050 S. Bridge Street		
Hereford Hall /Unity Hall	June 3	9 AM - 10:30 AM
Hereford - Unity		

## County, Sunridge

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She said that the next TLTC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2016 (though a decision from the TLTC would be possibly provided before that, for the next, regular Commission session).

Two draft sections of Baker County's Natural Resource Plan (NRP), Forest Resources, and Water and Water Rights, previously approved by the Baker County Natural Resource Advisory Committee (NRAC), were considered by the Board for approval, and inclusion in the NRP.

Harvey read the highlighted clause, recommended for inclusion in the Forestry section:

"It is the policy of Baker County that during fire season, wildfires shall not be left unattended, that all wildfires be contained and attended until the threat of fire is reasonably diminished, and that a local, adequately trained, firefighting association member shall be notified to represent the county's best interest."

There was some discussion about the language, ideas, and issues represented in the clause, with Timm. After this discussion, the decision was made to refer the sections back to the NRAC, for further work and revision, with a motion from Harvey, and a second from Bennett.

The Board discussed the proposed sale of the County's 1/2 mineral interest, in property located at Township 13 South, Range 42 East, W.M. Section 23, Oregon Chief, Oregon Chief No. 2, and Oregon Chief No. 3, mineral surveys 736, and 837 (Tax Lot 2100 U1, Reference No. 9923 13S42). How the County had acquired the interest was unclear to the Board, and to local miner, Hardt, who discussed the topic. Hardt said he saw no problem with the County selling the interest, however, he saw an issue with a statement in a letter from the property's co-owner (Reference No. 9924), Whitney Ellison.

HardT said, in the letter, Ellison desires to change the zoning, from mineral extraction, to recreational use (Hardt said that, appar-

ently, the mine was productive), but Bennett said that most likely would not happen, and that it would be a major task, and an expensive change, which would have to be heard before the Planning Commission. The Board proposed to sell the 1/2 mineral interest, at around \$6,000 (the value suggested by Kerry Savage), plus back taxes owed in the amount of \$181, while the County will still retain 1/2 interest in timber sales, with a motion from Bennett, and a second from Kerns.

Order No. 2016-129, Appointing A Member To The Baker County Compensation Board, was approved, with a motion from Bennett, and a second from Kerns. Mitchell Southwick was appointed, his term set to expire on January 1, 2020.

Order No. 2016-130, Re-Appointing Members To The Baker County Fair Board, was approved, with a motion from Bennett, and a second from Kerns. Dean Defrees, Michelle Kaseberg, and Mark Johnson were re-appointed, their terms set to expire on May 1, 2019.

A Baker County Wildfire Awareness Week Proclamation was approved, with a motion from Bennett, and a second from Kerns. This motion included Bennett's commendation of local firefighters' efforts. Prior to approval, the Board discussed its purpose and overview, with Timm, who said that Saturday, May 7, 2016 is National Wildfire Awareness Day. Timm said the week will include various exhibits, training, meetings, and activities. The proclamation reads as follows:

"WHEREAS, Baker County wildfires continue to threaten life, structures, natural resources; and

"WHEREAS, the number, size, and intensity of wildfires continually challenges the state's efforts to protect life, property, and natural resources; and

"WHEREAS, with an increasing number of Baker County homeowners living in, or bordering areas vulnerable to wildfire; and

"WHEREAS, Baker County residents understand the importance of creating a defensible space around their homes by reducing hazardous fuel loads; and



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Lisa Wilson of the Sunridge Inn (at window).

"WHEREAS, Baker County encourages fire-safe behavior by all who live, work, and recreate throughout the county; and

"WHEREAS, the Baker County Interagency Fire Prevention Team promotes the Living With Fire and Firewise campaigns during WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK, to encourage residents to actively participate in fire prevention efforts around the home, and property; and

"WHEREAS, all Baker County homeowners share in the responsibility to lessen the impact of damage to life, property, and our natural resources by catastrophic wildfires.

"NOW, THEREFORE, the Baker County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim, May 7-14, 2016 as BAKER COUNTY WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK."

A Memorandum Of Contract Of Sale, and Land Sale Contract, between the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT, seller), and Baker County (purchaser), for rock quarries, located at Poleline Road, and along I-84, were approved, with a motion from Bennett, and a second from Kerns. The total purchase price is listed as \$167,500, according to the documents.

Amendment No. 6, and Amendment No. 7, to the 2015-2017 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) For The Financing Of Community Addictions And Mental Health Services Agreement No. 147781, were approved, with a motion from Kerns, and a second from Bennett.

asked, "Is there any chance of getting a budget line, for the coordination receipts, so that it can be transparent to the public, how much money is really being spent?" She stated that a lot of private funds have been utilized in support of the effort, and Harvey responded that they hadn't, for that specifically (Bennett explained that the County hadn't utilized its own funding for this purpose, and it's impossible to know what all private funding, including donations, would total).

Valenzuela had repeated, more than once, the need to have transparency with the public, regarding expenditure of funds, and accounting of what the sources of funding are, and where they're utilized, and Bennett said that the County certainly has the responsibility to provide an accounting, if the source is County funding. Valenzuela said she understood, but that there should be an accounting of outside funding also. Harvey responded that, for example, funds, privately raised, were used to seek guidance from the American Stewards for Liberty, for a specific purpose, to gather information, which saved the County potentially much more, since County funds were not utilized in that case.

In response to this discussion, Ramona Creighton, facing Valenzuela, voiced her high praise for the Board's collective efforts (the Creightons regularly attend a large number of meetings throughout the region, involving the Commissioners, and the issues they address), and she said that, while the Board would be thrilled not to have to use outside sources for ideas, that's all they're using them for—ideas.

## LEGAL NOTICES

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Medical Springs Rural Fire, Baker/Union Counties, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 will be held at Pondosa Station, 50393 Hwy 203 Baker City, OR. The meeting will take place on May 09, 2016, at 6:30 PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 5, 2016, at 50378 Hwy 203, Baker City, OR, between the hours of 9 AM and 6 PM. 150-504-073-1 (Rev 12/10)

## Ladies golf scores

The April 27 the Quail Ridge Ladies Day showed no golf scores. Bridge Winners were: 1st Joan Colton, 2nd Janice Smull, 3rd Margo Kenworthy.

For April 20th, Golf Winners were: Mixed Flight- Low Gross— 1st Lavelle Woodcock, 2nd Margo Kenworthy, 3rd LaDonna Uttenreuther. Birdie: Kathy Corn. Bridge Winners: 1st Della Steele, 2nd Judy Karstens, 3rd Betty Combs.

For April 3rd, Bridge Winners: 1st Martha Cassidy, 2nd Joan Colton, 3rd Sandy Grover.

## Haines to hold Music Gathering

The people of Haines are looking forward to spring and have developed an opportunity for everyone to celebrate with a music gathering at the Haines United Methodist Church on Thursday, May 12, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Organizers have gathered together musicians from Baker City and Haines to present an eclectic mix of musical styles, voices, and instruments.

The evening begins with the acclaimed Bel Canto Choir from Baker High School presenting selections from their Cabaret Show. Listen to these creative vocalist as they perform Pop, Broadway and Movie songs in solos, duets, and small ensembles. The audience will be receiving a sneak peak to the Cabaret and Desserts show to be presented on May 18th at the BHS Auditorium.

Other performers include the some traditional favorites from Alice Trindle on violin and Nancy Macke on the piano, plus bluegrass music rendered by Duane Boyer on the banjo and Carly Kritchen on the piano. The evening musical attributes will be topped-off with rousing bandstand pieces performed by Baker City's own Adhoc Brass Ensemble.

Organizer Susan Triplett commented, "This music gathering is a great opportunity to spend an enjoyable evening listening to the musical talent of our area, partaking in the dessert social, all in support of the historic Haines United Methodist Church." Auctioneer, Ed Trindle will be on hand to liven-up the bidding for the famous desserts which are handmade by talented bakers from the area. There is no admission fee, but donations will be appreciated. The Haines United Methodist Church is located at 721 Roberts Street. Doors open at 6:30pm with music starting at 7:00pm, and a dessert social and auction will follow the performance. Date: Thursday, May 12, 2016.

## Hwy. construction

ODOT's scheduled Baker County construction projects are: I-84 Old Oregon Trail Highway – Bridge deck repairs at Union interchange, Exit 265, MP 265.9.

Lane closures, reduced speeds, minor delays. Work expected to start late May/early June. Completion: 8/2016

I-84 Old Oregon Trail Highway – Bridge rail upgrades on three structures near North Powder, MP 285.6–289.2 Eastbound and westbound lane closures, reduced speeds, minor delays. Work is ongoing. Completion: 9/2016

I-84 Old Oregon Trail Highway – Variable Speed Limit Sign installation between Baker City and La Grande, various sites adjacent to freeway shoulders, MP 277.1–307.1. Shoulder and lane closures, minor delays. Work is ongoing. Completion: 10/2016

I-84 Old Oregon Trail Highway – Add rumble strips at several locations along freeway between North Powder and Pleasant Valley, MP 298.51–317.36. Lane and shoulder closures, flaggers, minor delays. Majority of work scheduled for April/May. Completion: 7/2016

U.S. 26 John Day Highway – Pavement chip seal between Austin Junction and Grant Co. line, MP 190.4–199.4. Lane closures, reduced speeds, day/night-time flaggers, pilot cars, loose rock on the roadway, delays up to 20 minutes. Work expected to start July 25 and take about 3 days. Completion: 8/2016

U.S. 26 John Day Highway – Rock fall correction work near Camp Creek, MP 220–220.5. Lane closures, flaggers, temporary traffic signals, up to 20 minute delays. Work is ongoing. Completion: 9/2016

U.S. 30 La Grande - Baker Highway. Intersection improvements and signal installation at U.S. 30 and McAlister Road (RR xing) in La Grande area, MP 4.95. Lane closures, flaggers, delays up to 20 minutes. Work expected to start mid-May. Completion: 10/2016

Deer Cr. Rd. (Wallowa Co.) - Replace Deer Creek Road Bridge across Wallowa River near Minam and relocate old structure to Wallowa. Start early May. Completion: 9/2016