

Business & Ag

5J does peanut butter food drive

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During the week of November 14 through the 18, the Baker School District participated in a "Peanut Butter Food Drive." The district-wide fund raiser included South Baker, Brooklyn, Baker High School, Baker Middle School, and Haines Elementary School.

Heading the drive was Baker High School senior Kourtney Lehman, a member of the National Honor Society (NHS). She was inducted the end of her sophomore year and became active her junior and now her senior year. The first meeting for NHS was in September and science teacher Sharon Defrees appointed Lehman to be in charge of the drive and she had been planning it for two months.

"The Backpack Program likes peanut butter because it can be used for a lot of different things," explained Lehman. "Kids can have it for a snack; they can eat just the peanut butter. They can make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. They can have it with vegetables or whatever they send home that week and then also, for a lot of the kids who get the backpacks, their parents aren't around to help them make food so peanut butter is something they can do themselves and they don't necessarily have to cook."

Lehman explained the Backpack Program inspired the Peanut Butter Food Drive. The Backpack Program is run through



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Senior Kourtney Lehman is in charge of the peanut butter drive.

the Presbyterian Church and they send a backpack every week with food for the week home with the students who have signed up for the program and try to have enough for the children on the weekends.

Lehman explained they asked the NHS and asked them to help them do the drive so the NHS can give them the peanut butter for the backpacks.

There is not a set goal for the amount of peanut butter jars altogether, but Lehman has set a goal for each school equaling half the number of students at that school.

"The only reason they have goals is so that, if

they reach that amount, then we're going to give them a prize, which is high schoolers going to have lunch with them for a day, which they always enjoy," said Lehman. "But as far as an overall goal; we're just trying to get as much as we can and then, also, by us doing the drive, it's not just about us getting the peanut butter, when the

backpack program goes to sign up for grants or apply for grants it looks a lot better that they're trying to do these kinds of drives and recourses to help themselves too."

Lehman is not currently signed up for any other events, but she is sure she will be involved with others over the course of the rest of the school year.



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U.S. Trustee Trial Attorney Carla M. McClurg, pushing for the appointment of a U.S. Trustee by Bankruptcy Court Judge Trish M. Brown, raised issues of mismanagement and bookkeeping, among other concerns, citing some claimed actions by shareholder Carl Town, including the withdrawal of unauthorized funds, and expressing confusion about who exactly was authorized to act on behalf of Townridge, Inc., in the event of a sale (Brown and Clark said they understood Wilson to be authorized). Brown said that she didn't see the urgent need for a U.S. Trustee to be appointed, but that the funds needed to be returned by Town.

Brown also chastised Clark for filing a Motion just prior to an August hearing, and she expressed frustration with the delays in the case, wanting it to be resolved before the end of the year. The approval of the sale indicates that all parties have resolved the associated issues.

According to the Order Authorizing Sale Of Property Free And Clear Of Liens, secured creditors would be paid at closing. The total payoffs are listed in the amount of \$5,412,479.14, broken down as follows, in order of priority: \$4,807,896.93 to Bayview Loan Servicing (claims totals could change); \$2,897.44 to

Great America Financial; \$471,598.66 to Baker County; \$17,289.72 to Baker County Administrative Services; \$100,644.39 to Best Western (not a "secured" claim, but required to assume the contract); and \$12,161 in closing costs.

— WEEKLY HAY REPORT —

Friday, November 11, 2016 — Eastern Oregon

Prices trended generally steady compared to week ago prices. Most demand lays with the retail/stable hay. According to some producers, horse owners are starting to prefer lower sugar, higher protein hay. Recent sunny dry weather throughout the state has increased movement.

Tons	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Alfalfa — Large Square Good/Premium	50 140.00-140.00	140.00
Alfalfa/Orchard Mix — Small Square Premium	10 185.00-185.00	185.00
Orchard Grass— Small Square Premium	20 165.00-165.00	165.00

USDA Market News Service—AMS.USDA.gov

— CATTLE MARKET REPORT —

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Vale, Oregon

Cattle sold through the auction: 946

Steer Calves

300-400#	Bulk 140.00 - 158.00	Top 161.00
400-500#	Bulk 123.00 - 142.00	Top 144.00
500-600#	Bulk 116.00 - 127.00	Top 127.50

Heifer Calves

300-400#	Bulk 125.00 - 142.00	Top 143.00
400-500#	Bulk 107.00 - 129.00	Top 130.00
500-600#	Bulk 104.00 - 115.00	Top 117.50

Yearling Steers

600-700#	Bulk 104.00 - 117.00	Top 117.50
700-800#	Bulk 102.00 - 114.00	Top 115.00
800-900#	Bulk 96.00 - 106.00	Top 107.00
900-1,000#	Bulk 91.00 - 102.00	Top 104.50

Yearling Heifers

600-700#	Bulk 97.00 - 109.00	Top 110.00
700-800#	Bulk 94.00 - 108.00	Top 109.00
800-900#	Bulk 92.00 - 100.00	Top 102.00
900-1,000#	Bulk 87.00 - 96.00	Top 98.00

Thin Shelly Cows	37.00 - 48.00
Butcher Cows	49.00 - 58.00
Butcher Bulls	52.00 - 60.00
Pairs Young	1125.00 - 1590.00
Hfretts.	62.00 - 77.00
Stock Cows Young	860.00 - 985.00

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— LOG PRICE REPORT —

Price per 1,000 board feet: Northeast Oregon

Currently the local log market is flooded with fire salvage logs. The log buyer for Malheur Lumber Co. stated they have all the logs they need under contract and are not accepting any new purchases. BCC/LLC of La Grande has receive so many burned fire salvage logs they are no longer accepting logs at the La Grande log yard. Any additional pine logs have to be delivered to the Elgin Log yard cut in plywood lengths and to a 8 inch top. For these pine logs cut in plywood lengths, BCC is offering \$280.00/mbf. They are also paying \$420.00/mbf for Doug Fir & Western Larch. For White Fir they are offering \$325.00/mbf. At the Pilot Rock Saw Mill BCC is offering \$360.00/mbf for a 12 to 15 inch top, for 16 to 19 inch top \$400.00/mbf & offering \$425.00/mbf for 20 inch plus top

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— PRECIOUS METALS REPORT —

Price per ounce, USD

Gold:	\$1,225.00
Silver:	\$16.93
Platinum:	\$944.57
Palladium:	\$717.35

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Corn:	\$346.50/bu/USD
Wheat:	\$397.25/bu/USD
Soybeans:	\$985.25/bu/USD
Oats:	\$233.50 bu/USD
Rough Rice:	\$9.70/cwt/USD
Canola:	\$512.70 CAD/mwt
Live Cattle:	\$108.50/lb./USD
Feeder Cattle:	\$125.33/lb./USD
Lean Hogs:	\$54.53/lb./USD

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Festival of Trees 2016

Preview Among The Trees

Thursday, December 1, 2016
6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$15 per person
Hors d'oeuvres
No-host Bar
Silent Auction

Gala

Friday, December 2, 2016

5:30 p.m.—11:00 p.m.

Cocktails 5:30 p.m. ~ Dinner 6:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$55 per person
Buffet Sit Down Dinner
No-host Bar
Silent & Live Auction

Following the auction, dance to the live music of "Wasteland Kings"

Events are held at the Baker County Event Center—2600 East Street Baker City, Oregon

🎟 Tickets Available at Betty's Books, The Sycamore Tree and Saint Alphonus Medical Center—Baker City

Family Day—Saturday, December 3, 2016

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