

Local

Poaching

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The officers contacted Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish and Wildlife Division, who joined the BCPD,

officers Weaver and Wood, on site.

The doe was injured too badly for veterinary intervention, and was euthanized, according to Chief Wyn Lohner.

Both Baker City Police and OSP officers began searching for the reported blue van, eventually find-

ing it nearby.

The two individuals in the van, Branden Baltzell and Holly Holler, were questioned, and officers found blood on Baltzell's hands.

Officers also found a concealed weapon on Baltzell.

Upon further investiga-

tion it was discovered that Baltzell did not have a concealed weapons permit.

Baltzell was charged with unlawful taking of game and carrying a concealed weapon without permit, and arrested.

Holler was charged and released on site.

Powder River Rural Fire Protection District awarded grant

Northwest Farm Credit Services is proud to award the Powder River Rural Fire Protection District in Baker City, Oregon, a \$3,000 Northwest FCS Rural Community Grant.

"I would like to accept this award on behalf of the hard-working and dedicated volunteers and patrons of the Sumpter Valley, Powder River Rural FPD, and the surrounding area," said Wes Morgan, Chief. "We are all going to benefit in so many ways from the improved equipment for our Rural Fire Department. The new Tactical Tender Project has been a long process and could not have been made possible if it were not for the generous support of Northwest Farm Credit Services and others."

Northwest FCS is committed to helping rural communities succeed. In



Submitted Photo.

Northwest FCS Relationship Manager Mark Coomer, Powder River RFPD Chief Wes Morgan.

2016, Northwest Farm Credit Services awarded more than \$265,000 to 170 projects in rural communities across Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

The next rural grant deadline is Feb. 1, 2017. If you think your rural project may be eligible for a grant, visit northwestfcs.com/Stewardship/Rural-Communities for more information and an application.

Violin classes available

Baker School District in partnership with Crossroads is offering an introduction to Violin for students in kindergarten to fifth grade. The program will include three groups outlined as K-1, 2-3, and

4-5, with 7 students per group. This Friday Academy opportunity consists of multiple dates starting February 10, 17, March 3, 10, 17, April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, 12, 19, 26. Visit bakerfridayacademy.com.

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Associates degree, applicable certification, or high school diploma (or equivalent) with four years of progressively responsible administrative support experience is required. A bachelor's degree in a related field is preferred and utility experience is a plus.

Applicants must demonstrate proficiency with all Microsoft Office products and skills in operating general office equipment, file management and have skills in the areas of motivation, dependability, evaluation, accuracy, timeliness and planning.

Applicants must:

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- Be able to multi-task and interact courteously, effectively and professionally with coworkers, management and the public.
- Possess strong communication skills with demonstrated ability to compose correct, clear and concise written communication utilizing up-to-date procedures and formats.
- Be proficient in organizing, planning, scheduling and coordinating events and activities with little or no supervision.
- Possess the ability to take appropriate action on one's own initiative.
- Show loyalty to the Cooperative and maintain confidentiality of information.
- Possess and maintain a valid Oregon driver license, and have flexibility in regards to hours of work and travel.

The OTEC employment application is available at or by request at any local WorkSource Oregon office. You may mail your completed application with resume to the attention of Human Resources, PO Box 226, Baker City, OR 97814 or email to: humanresources@otecc.com. This position will be open until filled.

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