

# Local

## — COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

### OSAA STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

March 1-4. State 1A Basketball Tournament. Top 8 Boys and top 8 Girls basketball teams in the State of Oregon. These are the small schools.

### ACADEMIC PLANNING NIGHT

Baker High School will be hosting an Academic Planning Night on Monday, March 6th at 7 p.m. The purpose of the evening is to provide guidance to parents and students prior to selecting courses for next year. We will begin with a short presentation in the auditorium where we will be covering information on scheduling and graduation requirements. Afterwards, families will have the opportunity to talk to teachers about their programs of study. Please plan on joining us next Monday night.

### EASTERN OREGON REGIONAL THEATER APPRECIATION GALA

March 10-11, The Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre will present its 3rd Annual Appreciation Gala. The shows on Friday, the 10th and Saturday, the 11th will be at 7 p.m. and the show on Sunday, the 12th will be at 3 p.m. The Gala is not just for theatre members and advertisers. Everyone is invited to attend. Also there will be complimentary refreshments and beverages. Members and advertisers will be admitted for free while tickets for the general public are \$10. Those people who wish to buy a membership at any of the three shows may attend for free. Tickets are available at Betty's Books and at the door. The shows will be presented in the Iron Gate Theatre, upstairs in the Basche Sage Mall, on the corner of Main and Broadway in Baker City. An elevator will be available for those who do not wish to climb the stairs.

### HALFWAY CRAB FEED

March 11. 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Halfway Lions Club 235 Lion Street, Halfway, OR 97834. Tickets are \$45 each.

### SPRING BAZAAR

The seniors at Community Connection will have their 22nd Annual Spring Bazaar on Saturday, April 8th, 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Community Connection, 2810 Cedar Street, Baker City. Vendor tables are now available to rent, for displaying their handcraft, gift, food, and collectible items. According to Mary Jo Carpenter, chairman of the Bazaar, there will be a luncheon served from noon to 1:00 p.m., for a minimal charge. The proceeds from the bazaar will go to the senior nutrition program, and is a part of the regular fundraising activities of the Baker Seniors, who raise an average of \$8,000 per year to support senior programs. For more information or to rent a table, contact Community Connection at 523-6591.

### EASTER EGG HUNT

April 15 in the Geiser Pollman Park. Annual Easter Egg Hunt for children age 3 through age 11. Line up at 9:45 Saturday at Geiser-Pollman Park by age group. The police siren will sound promptly at 10 a.m. to indicate beginning of hunt scramble. Filled plastic eggs, toys and candy will be in roped off areas divided by age category. Call 541-519-5653 for information.

### SHRINERS KIDS RODEO

April 15 at 2600 East St, Baker City, OR 97814 Baker County Fairgrounds Show Barn. 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. And we're off to the rodeo! Lots of fun at the Baker County Shriners' Kids Rodeo this afternoon, Stick horse races, Roping, mutton bustin' and a great time hanging out with lots of aspiring cowboys and cowgirls. For more information call 541-523-3506 or email Shasta1952@msn.com.

### FREE DAY AT THE OREGON TRAIL INTERPRETIVE CENTER

April 19, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. 22267 Highway 86, Baker City, Oregon, Exit 302 from Interstate 84. 541-523-1843 for more information or go online to <http://trailtenders.org/home>.

### JAIL ROSTER

HOWARD, Felicia  
DARNELL, Jason  
MCMURDO, David  
NEUMILLER, Michael  
HANEY JR, Larry  
MILLER, Michael  
JOHNSON, Kameron  
ADAMS, Alexander  
CUTRIGHT, Jesseca  
VANDERZANDEN, Albert  
HILBUN-TEXLEY, Andrew  
BLITCH, James  
DODGE, Derrick  
ROBINSON, Justin  
RISLEY, Joshua  
ANDERS, Tyler  
KEPNER, Joshua  
PERSICKE, Zachary  
FOERSTERLING, Wade  
BAKER, Joshua  
CHARBONNEAU, Crystal  
LOPEZ, Yesenia  
TUGMAN, Michael  
HARTMANN, Chanae  
BRADLEY, Scott  
EDISON, Marsan  
LATTYMER, Melissa  
MAY, Mitchell  
FOLLETT, Kenneth

## — NEWS OF RECORD —

COUNTS, Michael  
TAYLOR, Jason  
CUTSHALL, David  
MILES, Dock  
SPEELMAN, Beth  
URLACHER, John  
O'DONNELL, Michael  
WATSON, Nickolas  
GAGNON, Roderick  
BAXTER, Benjamin  
BROWN, Geoffrey  
CULBERTSON, Brandon  
LANNING, James  
STEELE, Alan

Jones, Nathan Lee. 2.26. Citation in Lieu of Custody for Unlawful Possession of Hydrocodone and Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.  
Haney Jr., Larry William. 2.25. Circuit Court for Probation Violation.  
Edison, Jason Lee. 2.25. Theft.  
Miller, Michael James. 2.25. Out of County Warrant.  
Johnson, Kameron. 2.24. Assault 4 and Violation of Release Agreement.  
Cutright, Jessica Mae. 2.23. Warrant Arrest.

### POLICE LOG

Howard, Felicia Rose Kay. 2.28. Probation Violation.  
David Michael McMurdo. 2.27. Robbery III, Criminal Mischief II, Harassment, Interference with Making a Report, Theft II, and Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle.  
Darnell, Jason Lee. 2.27. Parole and Probation Detainer.  
Whitlow, Joshua Kenneth. 2.26. Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct.  
Neumiller, Michael Allen. 2.26. Out of County Warrant.

### DEATH AND FUNERAL NOTICES

Alvin Ward, 93, of Baker City, Oregon passed away at his residence on February 25, 2017. Arrangements have been entrusted to Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel. To light a candle for Alvin, please visit: [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).  
Christopher Dodson, 57, of Baker City, Oregon passed away at his residence on February 25, 2017. Arrangements have been entrusted to Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel. To light a candle for Christopher, please visit: [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

## — OBITUARIES —

### Betty

**Barnett**  
Baker City,  
1936-2017

Betty Jean Barnett, 80 years old, died February 15, 2017 at her residence in Huntington, Oregon. A celebration of her life washeld Sunday, February 26th at the Huntington Christian Center ~ 11:00 a.m. with a potluck following. There will be a graveside service at the Del Norte County Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Crescent City, California on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Betty was born to parents Doris and W.C. Wigley in Fountain Hill, Arkansas on August 27, 1936. She moved from Arkansas to Crescent City, California in 1954 where she lived until 2004 when she moved to Huntington, Oregon.

In 1954 she married her childhood sweetheart, Haskell Barnett. They were married 46 years until his death in 2000. She worked as an account clerk for Westbrooks for 23 years. Her hobbies included fishing, hunting, canning and baking. She was a member of the Huntington Christian Center and a volunteer at the Huntington Food Bank.

Betty is survived by her daughters Doris and her husband Ken Gaines, Nancy Brouillard; son Larry and his wife Kim Barnett; brothers, Bill, Ben and Bob Wigley; 11 grandchildren and 30 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Haskell Barnett; both parents; brother Bruce Wigley, and son-in-law Louie Brouillard.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Betty, the family suggests the American Heart Association through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences may be shared at [www.tamis-pinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamis-pinevalleyfuneralhome.com).



**Betty Barnett**

### Gwendolyn J. "Gwen" Partridge Ghrist Ellison

Baker City, 1922-2017  
Gwendolyn J. "Gwen" Partridge Ghrist Ellison entered into rest February 16, 2017 at St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Baker City, Oregon at the age of 94 with her family by her side. Services will be announced at a later date.

On November 13, 1922 Gwendolyn Janette Partridge was born to James G. Partridge and Lillian F. (Binns) Partridge in Black Diamond, Washington. With her parents, a sister and a brother Gwen moved from Yakima, Washington to Redondo Beach, California in 1927. She attended schools in Redondo Beach and graduated from RUHS in 1940.

During the summer of 1940 she visited her sister and family in Eastern Oregon, where she met and later married her future husband Samuel Ghrist. To honor this union, three children were born; Richard Samuel, Larry Donald, and Linda Darlene (Mrs. John Chandler). The next 25 years were spent in Eastern Oregon where farming, sawmilling and logging were their business.

Gwen lost her husband Samuel in a tragic logging accident in 1965, and after selling her farm in Richland, Oregon she moved to Baker City, Oregon which became her home for the next seven years. During this time, she met Dale Ellison and they were married in 1972.

She was an avid grange member at the Eagle Valley Grange in Richland, Oregon and maintained her membership for 25 years. Gwen served as the secretary for five years as well as holding several other offices during her time as a member.

After her marriage to Dale they moved to follow his construction job to Southern, California, Wyoming, and Medford, Oregon among other places, finally settling in Redding, California where Dale died in 1998. Gwen moved to Baker City, Oregon in 2007.

Gwen was active in bowling, a member of the WIBC and Shasta Lanes Senior Leagues; she was also a member of the Redding International Y's Men's Association.

In her spare time, Gwen enjoyed knitting, crocheting, reading and playing cards. Gwen also loved yard work and tending to her flowers. Our mom and grandmother was truly loved and will be terribly missed by her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Samuel Ghrist, husband Dale Ellison, a sister, a brother, two grandchildren, and a daughter in law Karen Ghrist, a niece, a nephew and one stepson.

Gwen leaves behind her two sons Richard Ghrist of Baker City, Oregon and Larry Ghrist (Bonnie) of Medford, Oregon; daughter Linda Chandler (John) of Baker City, Oregon; seven grandchildren Brenda (Ghrist) Kuwahara, Walt Ghrist, Doug Ghrist, Sam Ghrist, Susan (Ghrist) Allen, Lloyd Chandler and Phil Chandler. She is also survived by five stepchildren Jacquelyn DeSoto, Lila Garrett and Sherrie Marshall all of Medford, Oregon, Doug Ellison of Alaska, and Jeff Ellison of Washington; nine step grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces and nephews along with many friends.

Should friends and family desire, memorial contributions in honor of Gwen may be made to the Eagle Valley Ambulance through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel at 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, Oregon 97814.

To light a candle for Gwen or leave a condolence for the family, please visit: [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

**Christopher Lynn Dodson**  
Baker City, 1959-2017



**Gwen Ellison**

Christopher Lynn Dodson, 57, of Baker City, OR passed away at his home on February 25, 2017 after a 13 year fight with cancer. A memorial service is scheduled for Friday, March 10, 2017 at 2:00 PM at the Ontario Elks Lodge, 20 SW 3rd St., Ontario, OR.

Chris was born in Prairie City, OR on September 29, 1959 to Glen and Carita (Madsen) Dodson. The family moved to Ontario, OR where he graduated from Ontario High School in 1977.

On July 3, 1982, Chris married Pam Norton in Reno, Nevada and together they had two children, Dustin and Jennifer. Chris worked in tire sales and service as a retreader for Roy & Owens Tire Service for 32 years.

He was a member of Ontario Elk Lodge #1690 for 35 years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gun smithing and quilting. Hunting and reloading his own bullets were things he loved to do. Thanks to his friend Rich Rowe, Chris was able to go on his final elk hunting trip last year. He leaves behind his wife, Pam Dodson of Baker City, son Dustin Dodson of Baker City, parents, Glen and Carita Dodson of Ontario, brother, Ray Dodson and his wife, Jan of Ontario and a niece, Rebecca Dodson of Battle Creek, MI.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jennifer Dodson, grandparents, Lelia & Rayden Dodson and Betty & Carroll Madsen. Should friends and family desire memorial contributions may be made to Mountain States Tumor Institute through Gray's West & Company, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

Those wishing to leave a condolence for the family or to light a candle in memory of Christopher may do so at [www.gray-swestco.com](http://www.gray-swestco.com).



**Chris Dodson**



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## NW Farm Credit reports earnings

Northwest Farm Credit Services, the Northwest's leading financial cooperative supporting agriculture, forestry, fisheries and rural communities, announced 2016 earnings of \$247.2 million, compared

to \$255.6 million in 2015. The higher earnings in 2015 was the result of larger credit loss reversals in that year. Total capital increased 7.2 percent during the year to \$2.2 billion.

"Despite the downturn in price and demand for some agricultural commodities, 2016 turned out to be another year of solid financial performance for our collective customer base," said President and

CEO Phil DiPofi. As a cooperative, Northwest FCS returns a share of its net earnings to customer-members in the form of patronage dividends.