

Local

— COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

FARM AND RANCH SUCCESSION WORKSHOP

Thursday, April 27, from 6 until 9 p.m. Best Western Sunridge, 1 Sunridge Lane, Baker City. Two-thirds of Oregon's agricultural land will be changing hands in the next 20 years, but the vast majority of Oregon's farmers and ranchers don't have succession plans. Want to hear about the trends in farm/ranch succession, access to land, and land use in Oregon? Want to learn the steps for preparing a succession plan for your ranch or farm? Learn about recent research by OSU, PSU and Rogue Farm Corps on agricultural land transition (see Capital Press here). Hear from La Grande attorney DeLon Lee about the steps to passing your legacy to the next generation. RSVP to nellie@roguefarmcorps.org, 971.409.6806.

ALPINE BUSINESS RETREAT

April 27-29, NEOEDD is bringing Annie Milroy Price of Birds Eye Business Planning and Consulting to NE Oregon for a three-day intensive workshop retreat for business owners called "Alpine." The retreat will take place on Wallowa Lake. To register, call NEOEDD 541-426-3598 or 800-645-9454, or email kristyathens@neoedd.org. Preference is made to people with low-to-moderate incomes; income verification will be required. Thanks to a Community Development Block Grant through Wallowa County, the workshop portion of the retreat is offered free of charge! There is a required catering fee of \$55 to cover cost of meals.

ELKHORN SWINGERS SPRING FLING

Since 1979, Baker City's local square dance club has hosted a three-day dance-filled week-end each spring. Although the Club has essentially gone dormant, they are striving to maintain this tradition and have partnered with Caller, Darin Keith from Nampa, Idaho, and Cued Couple, Debbie & Paul Taylor of Cle Elum, Washington to make it happen. The event welcomes square and round dancers from throughout Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, as well as other points farther, who may be traveling through the area. Typically held on the last full week-end of April each year, this year's event will run from April 28 through 30 and be held at Community Connections. The week-end kicks off on Friday evening with Phase 4-5 pre-Rounds at 6:00 p.m., then Phase 2-3 pre-Rounds at 6:30 p.m., followed by a mainstream square dance from 7:00 until 10:00 p.m. On Saturday there will be a Phase 3-4 Round dance workshop at 10:00 a.m., a Square dance workshop at 1:00 p.m., and a Phase 2-3 Round dance workshop at 2:30 p.m. The week-end's featured dance will be held on Saturday evening, beginning with Phase 3-4-5 pre-Rounds at 6:30 p.m., then PLUS Squares at 7:00 p.m., followed by alternating Square dancing tips and Round dancing until 10:00 p.m. The week-end will close out with a Phase V Round dance workshop on Sunday morning.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

May 6, Visit Baker County Public Library on Saturday, May 6 to pick up your official Free Comic Book Day comics and meet Cosplay Guest of Honor Alkali Layke of Boise! Library doors open at 10:00 am. Comics will be available while supplies last. At 10:30 am, Alkali Layke will be providing a Cosplay Workshop - Armor with Ally. Registration for the workshop is required. Lootcrate prizes may be won by those dressed in a costume or who check out a graphic novel from the library's growing collection. Workshop participants will learn how to build cosplay armor step-by-step using Worbla and other materials. Workshop attendance is free. Materials will be provided. This workshop involves hazardous materials such as sharp blades and objects at high temperature. Parent supervision is required for children under age 14. Advance registration for the workshop is required. To sign up, go to <https://goo.gl/forms/Ip8dhpBbeeOrakhp1> or contact Baker County Public Library at 541-523-6419.

POWDER RIVER SPORTSMEN FRIENDS OF THE NRA BANQUET

May 13th at 4:00 p.m. at the Baker Event Center. Great food and fun for the whole family! State-wide, these banquets provide over \$350,000 of grant money each year to Oregon Ranges and Shooting-related Programs. Call David Spaugh 541-519-8298 for more information.

FOREST ACCESS FOR ALL BANQUET

May 20, Social Hour at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. at the Sunridge Inn, Baker City, Oregon. Tickets are now available by calling Tork and Wanda Ballard at 541 523 4209 or Bobbie Danser at 541.403.1770. Tickets are \$30 a piece choice of Prime Rib or Halibut. Door prizes, raffle items and auction items. Come help support open access to multiple use of public lands.

ANNUAL QUILT SHOW

The dates for the Baker City Quilt Show are July 14th and 15th. It will again be held at 2020 Church St. with an admission of \$3. Two of the vendors this year are members of the Baker City Quilt Club. Returning is Rocky Morris with the Outlaw Creations group. New to this year's show will be Karen Hutchinson's booth. The raffle quilt this year is being made to fit a queen sized bed, with piecing and an applique border.

JAIL ROSTER

PETERSON, Linda
MCQUISTON, Shaun
BROWN, Steven
RICHARDSON, Sherrie
WEISS, Jamie
HATFIELD, Amy
ECKSTEIN, Joseph
CLARK, Dexter
LOGSDON, James
LUSTER, Candi
HENDRIKSEN, Carmon
NICHOLS, Robert
NIXON, Angela
CULLEY, Andrew
HELLER, Paul
STRITMATER, Blaine
SMITH, Brendon
NOBLE, Cecil
BLOOD, Daniel
STEELE, Tiffany

— NEWS OF RECORD —

PATTON, Jamie
WHITNEY, Steven
HANEY JR, Larry
HILBUN-TEXLEY, Andrew
DODGE, Derrick
ROBINSON, Justin
KEPNER, Joshua
TUGMAN, Michael
EDISON, Marsan
SPEELMAN, Beth
O'DONNELL, Michael
BAXTER, Benjamin
BROWN, Geoffrey
STEELE, Alan

while Suspended.
Sabine, Michael James. 4.16.
DUII, Resisting Arrest, and Hit and Run.
Blood, Daniel Jason. 4.13. Oregon State Parole Board warrant for Violation of Parole.
Reese, Jeffrey Jay. 4.12. Assault IV Domestic.
Barnett, Desiree Marie. 4.11. Probation Violation.

DEATH AND FUNERAL NOTICES

Ralph Smead, 92, of Halfway, Oregon died at his home on Tuesday April 18, 2017. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. On line condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

POLICE LOG

McQuiston, Shaun Raye. 4.18. PCS.
Kozachenko, Kenneth Michael. 4.16. PCS Meth.
Noble, Jon Kevin. 4.16. Driving

— OBITUARIES —

Arthur Averill Conklin

Baker City, 1933-2017

Our beloved father Arthur Averill Conklin passed away in peace at his home in Baker City on April 10, 2017 at the age of 84.



Arthur Conklin

Arthur was born and raised on the family ranch and dairy. He and his father managed the family dairy way back when milk was hauled to Baker Valley Dairy. He hauled them in metal cans to be processed. He was the son of Arthur Earl Conklin and Helen Mildred Berg Conklin. Art was born and raised in Baker City. He graduated from Baker High School in 1950 at which time he began purchasing and operating the family dairy.

Arthur married the love of his life Georgia Rose Blank from Richland OR, in July 1952. They raised six children together, five daughters and one son. Art and Georgia loved to bowl together, dance together, and always enjoyed their social life.

Georgia Rose passed away on January 1, 1999. He is survived by a son Darrell Conklin (Cherrie), daughters Joyce Osborn (John), Janice Wirth (John), Jeannie Kringlen (Ron), Amy Gaarsland (John), Anna Bassman. He leaves behind is most loved 17 grandchildren and 36 great grandchildren.

His siblings are Clyde and Dorothy Conklin, Patricia and Joe Miller [both deceased], Barbara and Mark Sackos, Mildred and Gary Hester, and many nieces and nephews. Arthur was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Georgia and son in law John Osborn and grandson Michael Osborn, and sister in law Celia Joy Blank.

Arthur and his family requested to not have a formal service, but if you wish to place a donation in his name, we suggest to the Special Olympics for children or to any of the local children's programs through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. On line condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Ona Mae Smith

Sumpter, 1932-2017

Beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Ona Mae Smith born on July 9, 1932, passed away unexpectedly on April 2, 2017. A memorial service has been planned for Ona for May 28 at Jack and Ona's home in Sumpter, Oregon,

where her family loves to gather. More information with service details will follow.

Ona Mae was very involved in activities both social and political in the Sumpter community. She served on the City Council, fundraised for the fire department, snowmobile club, and many other organizations. She was always willing to help by baking, serving, organizing, etc. She had a keen mind and a strong voice.

She made sure she attended every graduation and wedding if possible and rarely forgot a birthday for her 31 grandchildren, great-grandchildren and many other friends and family.

She was a homemaker her entire adult life, but also loved baking, canning, gardening, quilting, crafting, and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her family and friends. She was an accomplished letter writer until the time of her death.

Ona leaves behind her husband of almost 67 years Jack Smith, her daughters Jeri Barker (Tim) and Jackie Wall (Craig), 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents Lester Verne Clark and Leona Mae Clark, four brothers, two sisters and one grandchild Jacob Wetzel.

Ona Mae, Mom, Grandma, and Friend: you are gone but never forgotten. A void has been left in your place that will never be filled. Our memories of you are many and wonderful. Rest in peace and know you are loved forever.

To light a candle for Ona, or leave a condolence for the family, please visit: www.grayswestco.com.

Wilma May Francis Wickam Bishop

Baker City, 1936-2017

On December 19, 2016 the Lord decided it was time to call one of His angel's home. Her beautiful mother Verna and her hero, her father Roy, welcomed her home to heaven.

"Willie," as she was known to her family and friends, was born in Baker Oregon to Roy R. and Verna E. Francis on April 28, 1936. She was raised at the family ranch outside of Baker. Her brother Dell Francis joined the family two years later. She attended Baker High School and graduated in 1954.

Living with a high sense

of adventure Wilma resided in many places including Baker, Beaverton, Milwaukie and La Grande Oregon then to Litchfield Illinois and back to Oregon living in Silverton, Salem and settling in Baker City. She traveled to Mississippi, Georgia, Florida, Idaho, Washington and California; then as a long-haul truck driver, with her husband Bill, she set foot in 48 of the 50 states. She also worked as an EMT and a police dispatcher in LaGrande in the 1970s and when living in Illinois ran her own laundromat business.

One of Wilma's great passions was her love of God and serving alongside her husband Reverend William Bishop. She served at the Silverton Church of God as his partner in the ministry; young women took to her almost as a mother figure. The love Bill and Wilma had for each other was witnessed by everyone they met. She was a member of the Methodist church the last 11 years.

Of all Wilma's life achievements and adventures, none was she more proud of than the love she had for her four beautiful daughters, Lawanna, Lalonna, Lalessa and Laletta. When she spoke of them, love flowed from every word. She taught them to live with faith, passion, forgiveness, and unbridled love. She mixed in some grit, toughness and self-sufficient independence that only a child of an Oregon Trail pioneer could give.

Though the loss she leaves behind cannot be measured, the love she gave as a daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend will live on for generations.

She is survived by her husband of 36 years William "Bill" Bishop of Baker City, Oregon; brother Dell Francis, of Baker City, Oregon; daughter Lawanna L. Wickam of La Grande, Oregon; daughter Lalonna L. Haggerty and husband Kelly of La Grande, Oregon; daughter Lalessa L. Wyatt and husband Jim of Acworth, Georgia; daughter Laletta L. Benner and husband Archie of Pocatello, Idaho. Along with 22 grandchildren and their spouses, 13 great-grandchildren, many step-children and their families, two nieces and their families, and numerous people throughout the years she considered

"family."

Wilma will be celebrated with a graveside service at 1 p.m. on April 29, 2017 at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City. Following at 2 PM family and friends will have fellowship and food at the Baker City Methodist Church.

Should friends and family desire, contributions may be made in honor of Wilma to the Parkinson's Foundation through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel at 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle for Wilma or leave a condolence for the family, please visit: www.grayswestco.com.

Archie LeRoy Titus

Baker City, 1929-2017

Archie LeRoy Titus, 87, died at his home on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 in Baker City. A Graveside Service with Military Honors was held on Saturday, April 15, 2017.

Archie LeRoy was born on July 25, 1929 in Eugene, Oregon to Earl and Rosa (McCracken) Titus. Archie attended school in Marcola through the 8th grade, it was then that the family moved to Prairie City. He didn't go to school there, as he was not required to attend, this was due to the fact that the bus did not go to their house.

Archie and Nadine Horrell met through Nadine's brother Jack. The two were married on March 29, 1953. They filled their home with seven children, six sons and one daughter.

Archie was drafted during the Korean Conflict and served in the Army, later receiving an honorable discharge.

During his life he worked for Boeing-Davidson Brothers Road Construction, Hines Lumber mill and Ellingson Lumber Company. He also worked for a time sheep shearing, logging, truck driving and working for the Forest Service. He was a heavy machinery mechanic and he enjoyed picking up an old motor at an auction and reworking it.

While working for Boeing Archie lived in Seattle. He also lived in Cornucopia, Prairie City, Portland and last in Baker City. A favorite verse of Archie's was John 3:17. He enjoyed mild weather and will be remembered as the guy that could "fix anything."

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Nadine in 2013, and his siblings Andrew Ray (stillborn), Bob, Donald, Stanley, Ruth and Hazel.

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Wilma Bishop



Ona Mae Smith