

LOCAL: Man arrested in gun theft after foot chase with police. PAGE 5



LOCAL: Japanese traditional drumming comes to the park. PAGE 8



The Baker County Press

75¢

TheBakerCountyPress.com

All local. All relevant. Every Friday.

Friday, August 11, 2017 • Volume 4, Issue 32

City Council: B2H and eclipse readiness discussed

• COUNCIL MEMBER'S LEGAL WOES NOT MENTIONED

BY GINA K. SWARTZ
Gina@TheBakerCountyPress.com

City Council convened for the first time since early July Tuesday night. Mayor Downing called the meeting to order promptly at 7 p.m. and began by

leading the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

City Recorder Julie Smith called role.

Councilors Nilsson, Joseph, Andersen, Thomas and Mayor Downing were present while Councilors Abell and McQuisten were not.

The consent agenda was then approved unanimously upon a motion by Councilor Joseph that was seconded by Councilor Thomas.

Mayor Downing called next for Citizen Participation.

First to speak was JoAnn Marlette. She addressed council regarding her concern over Idaho Power's application to build a transmission line, called the Boardman to Hemingway Transmission line.

She told councilors that the line would enter our valley from Ladd Canyon by I-84 travel along agricultural fields and pass

in front of the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center before continuing south to Durkee and Huntington.

Marlette noted the concerns of the transmission lines. She said, "There are impacts to views from the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, impacts to wildlife, and potential concerns with traffic related to the upkeep of the lines..."

SEE CITY COUNCIL PAGE 3



Gina K. Swartz / The Baker County Press

Council member Adam Nilsson leaves the meeting.

Televising the big game



Samantha O'Conner / The Baker County Press

Cameras rolled in, along with several Shriners, to the Baker High School football field as they set up to television last weekend's East West All Star game.

BY SAMANTHA O'CONNER
Samantha@TheBakerCountyPress.com

Saturday, August 5th was the 65th annual East West All-Star Football Game that benefits Portland Shriners Hospital for Children. The event was filmed by and aired on ROOT Sports Network.

According to Bryan Braun, first vice-chairman of the East West Game, they have been recording and airing the game longer than the eleven years he has been participating.

The process of recording and airing the game begins with ROOT setting up in a 48-foot tractor trailer rig with all of their equipment. This year there was a crew of 15 to 20 people who set up for the event.

Among the crew are the four camera operators, the director, a producer, a technical director, a graphics operator, two replay operators, a video shader who shades the cameras to make sure they look good, one engineer in charge and an engineer assistant.

They have four cameras set up for the event, two behind the bleachers on lifts, one on the end zone, and another handheld camera.

They then set up microphones so audiences can hear what was happening on the field. Chuck Cathcart, the Replay Operator for televising the game, explained that all

sound and footage goes into the trailer where they have their main control room.

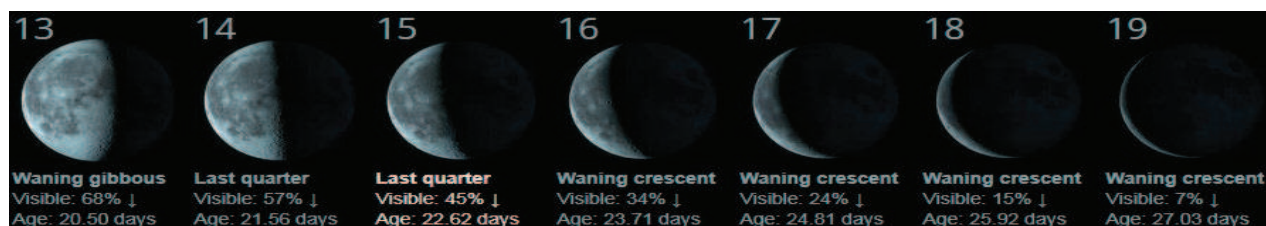
From there, a crew member sits with a row of monitors and calls on whichever camera they are going to next for a viewing.

The technical director works the switcher, a board that all the cameras, video tape machines, and everything that is a video source goes through.

Cathcart sits in his area of the trailer and records every play that happens and, when the play is over and they want to show a highlight of a touchdown, the director will tell him to roll it and it will go through the switcher. Cathcart explained the footage goes through a camera, to the replay machine, to the cameras again in a cycle.

"The whole game we're doing that sort of stuff," explained Cathcart. "We're rolling replays. We've got scenic pictures that we've taken from around the Baker City Area. I went up to Sumpter last week and rode the trains and took pictures of the Dredge. So, it's from the time the game starts, that's what we're doing and we do four quarters of football. Then when it's done, everybody gets all their stuff and brings it back to the truck, packs it up, hook it up to a tractor and take off."

The footage for this game went to Seattle and then was aired Monday and Wednesday on ROOT Northwest.



City Council member Nilsson cited for trespass

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF CHARGES ALSO MAY BE ADDRESSED IN CIRCUIT COURT, NILSSON COMPLAINS ABOUT DEPUTY

BY KERRY McQUISTEN
News@TheBakerCountyPress.com

At around 8:40 p.m. last Tuesday, August 1, Baker City Council member, Adam Nilsson (46) of Hillcrest Drive in Baker City, was cited for criminal trespass while in possession of a firearm, and second degree criminal mischief at the old Lime plant near Huntington.

Nilsson's companion, Ashley Schroder (30) of Portland, was also cited with trespass.

Both charges are misdemeanors, said District Attorney Matt Shirtcliff. If convicted of the trespass charge, Nilsson could face up to 180 days in jail with a maximum fine of \$6,250. According to Shirtcliff, conviction of that crime would mean revocation of the concealed carry permit, which Nilsson does possess.

Nilsson's court date does not yet appear on the docket with the Baker County Circuit Court.

Sheriff Travis Ash said the citation happened while Deputy Gabe Maldonado was on patrol through the area, which lies just off I-84. The property is a mix of private- and County-owned lands, visibly marked with "No Trespassing" signs.

Following ongoing trespassing concerns and the high danger level of the deteriorating structures at Lime, the Sheriff's Office had been keeping an eye on the area—particularly in light of the number of visitors expected during the upcoming total solar eclipse.

"Maldonado was on routine patrol in the area. The lime plant is in the patrol area for our contract with the City of Huntington," Ash said.

Said Ash, not specific to this case, "Choosing to trespass at the lime plant is not only illegal it is very dangerous. There are unmarked holes in the ground that drop approximately 15 to 20 feet with boards sticking up that could impale someone, likely causing severe injury or death. Cement roofs that cover large caverns are crumbling and highly unstable. Numerous rusty nails and rebar can be found protruding from cement walls and boards."

During that patrol, Maldonado caught view of Nilsson's motorcycle parked in the area.

According to Nilsson's comments, he had a can of spray paint, which he used in some capacity on the property—thus, the criminal mischief charge.

SEE NILSSON PAGE 5

Friday Sunny and hot. Highs in the lower 90s. Friday Night: Mostly clear and seasonable. Lows in the mid 50s.

Saturday Sunny and hot. Highs in the lower 90s. Saturday Night: Mostly clear and seasonable. Lows in the mid 50s.

Sunday Sunny and hot. Highs in the lower 90s. Sunday Night: Mostly clear and seasonable. Lows in the mid 50s.

The Fire, Weather & Avalanche Center forecast:

Our forecast made possible by this generous sponsor:

Official weather provider for The Baker County Press.

ALSO IN THIS ISSUE

Banking tips for the eclipse	Page 3
Opinions	Page 4
Classifieds	Page 6
Lethal wolf management approved	Page 7
Bear Butte fire update	Page 7
County: weeds and dredge tailings	Page 8

