

# Local

## — COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

### BORN WILD, CREATED TO BE FREE

September 16, 3-4 p.m. A mix of Rodeo and the Gospel at the Baker High School Football Stadium. Riding High Ministries is a team of Christians in our 11th year of being blessed with the privilege of working through the PBR to provide ministry to the riders, families and fans throughout the U.S.A. The team travels throughout America with the riders each week providing Church services, Christian counseling and encouragement at the bull-riding events. Call Andy at 541-980-2936 for more information. <https://ridinghighministries.org>.

### FREE CLOTHING DAY

The NE Oregon Compassion Center at 1250 Hughes Lane will be having a free clothing day on Saturday, September 16, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

### GREAT SALT LICK AUCTION

September 16, 6-8 p.m. at Crossroads. Named Oregon's Best Philanthropic Event by the Oregon Festivals and Events Association, this celebration of bovine art is a one of a kind art auction. Local artists spend the weeks prior to the event licking their artistic masterpieces into shape before they're put on display for the for auction. Funds raised from the evenings art auction are donated to the Parkinson's Center of Oregon at the Oregon Health Science University. Call 541-523-5369 for more information.

### MEGAFIRES PRESENTATION

September 21 in John Day. Blue Mountain Forest Partners collaborative group, in conjunction with the Malheur National Forest, will be hosting a presentation on wildland fire called "Era of Megafires" at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at the Grant County Regional Airbase in John Day, Ore. The "Era of Megafires" is a 70-minute, multi-media, traveling presentation hosted by Dr. Paul Hessburg. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend this free presentation. Hessburg is a research ecologist with Forest Service Research and Development. He has been studying historical and modern era forests of the Inland West for the last 32 years. His work documents large changes in forest conditions and how these changes have set the stage for large and severe wildfires or megafires.

### PAT CLUBB MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 23. 10 a.m. Quail Ridge Golf Course, 2801 Indiana Ave, Baker City. \$65/person-18 Holes. \$32.50- 9 Holes.

### EAGLE VALLEY SWCD MEETING

The Eagle Valley Soil and Water Conservation District will be having their monthly meeting on September 25, 2017 at 12 noon in Halfway, OR. Please call the office for more details. The public is welcome, and meals will be available for those who RSVP for the meeting. Please contact Tara at (541) 523-7121 x 100 for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### KEATING VALLEY SWCD MEETING

The Keating Soil and Water Conservation District will be having their monthly meeting on September 26, 2017 at 12 noon at the USDA Service Center; 3990 Midway Drive in Baker City, OR. The public is welcome, and meals will be available for those who RSVP for the meeting. Please contact Tara at (541) 523-7121 x 100 for a copy of the meeting agenda.

### HUNTINGTON HAUNTED FOREST

Huntington's Haunted Forest will be open every Friday-Saturday in October from 6:30-10 p.m. Groups of 4+ email [huntingtonchamber@gmail.com](mailto:huntingtonchamber@gmail.com) or call 541-216-3465 for our group discounts! \$10 per person. All guests must sign waiver before entering the shuttle to the Haunted Forest. 13 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

### DOG JOG

October 7, 9 a.m. Starts and ends at Central Park. Route is around the Leo Adler Memorial Parkway Loop, around the Geiser Pollman Park, continuing to Resort and Washington and back. Entry fee is \$20 and includes an event T-shirt. September 22nd is the entry deadline. Proceeds go toward upkeep of the future dog park near Sam O. Registration forms can be picked up at City Hall.

### 3RD ANNUAL CAST IRON COOKOFF

October 7, 9 a.m. till noon. National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center 22267 Highway 86, Baker City, Oregon, Exit 302 from Interstate 84. Take part in our annual Dutch oven cook-off-with a twist! Learn more at <http://trailtenders.org/home>.

### TASTE OF BAKER CITY

October 7, 4-7 p.m. Celebrate the flavors of Baker City during this annual event in Downtown Baker City. Participating restaurants from throughout Baker City line the streets of downtown Baker City 4 till 7 p.m. offering sample size bites of their tastiest recipes in exchange for "Taste Tokens" for \$1 each, and will be available at several downtown locations throughout the event. Hosted by Historic Baker City Inc. The taste of Baker City is a perfect way to celebrate fall's arrival and all things culinary.

## JAIL ROSTER

BELIZ, Armandina  
CULLEY, Andrew  
WALKER, Jacob  
BOLANOS, Ann  
MILES, Dock  
POWER, Gary  
LATTYMER, Melissa  
WILLEY, Craig  
ARTHUR, Tyler  
MCMURDO, David  
SIMMS II, George  
HANNA, John  
BERNARDY, Kevin  
CULBERTSON, Brandon  
KISSINGER, James  
ADAMS, Alexander  
HENDRIKSEN, Carmon  
STEELE, Zachary  
BRESHEARS, Brent  
VANSICKLE, Kira  
REED, Nicholas  
WINSTON, Brandy  
CLAWSON, Jeremy  
HELLER, Paul  
DARNELL, Jason  
KIDD, Kevin  
WOLFE, Alan  
WILKERSON, Harold

## — NEWS OF RECORD —

TOLMAN, Douglas  
BROOKS, Matthew  
NICHOLS, Robert  
STRITMATER, Blaine  
COLE, Derek  
CLARK, Dexter  
NOBLE, Cecil  
BAKER, Joshua  
STEELE, Alan

### POLICE LOG

Walker, Jacob Daniel. 9.12. Baker County Circuit Court warrant for Contempt of Court.  
Beliz, Armandina. 9.12. Warrant for Supplying Contraband.  
Miles, Dock D. 9.11. Post-prison violation.  
Bolanos, Ann Marie. 9.11. Post-prison violation.  
Crosby, Nicholas Cole. 9.7. Harassment.  
Lattymer, Melissa Jean. 9.6. Violation of Release Agreement.

### DEATH AND FUNERAL NOTICES

Cecil "Gene" Eugene Rose, 88, of

Baker City, Oregon passed away at his residence in Meadowbrook Place Assisted Living Community on September 6, 2017. A memorial service will be held on Friday, October 13, 2017 at 1:30 PM at the First Church of the Nazarene located at 1250 Hughes Lane, Baker City, Oregon with Pastor Sally Weins of the Haines Methodist Church officiating. To light a candle for Gene or to leave a condolence for the family, please visit: [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

Jane Fields, 89, of Baker City, Oregon passed away on September 12, 2017 at Settler's Park Assisted Living. Arrangements have been entrusted to Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel. To light a candle for Jane, please visit: [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

Jimmy "Jim" Hilderbrand, 87, longtime Halfway resident, died on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 from injuries sustained from a motor vehicle accident on highway 86. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. On line condolences may be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)

## — OBITUARIES —

### Agatha Sofie Imoos

Richland, 1918-2017

Agatha Sofie Imoos, 98, of Richland, Oregon passed away August 28, 2017 in Baker City, Oregon. A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, September 15, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Richland, Oregon. Interment at Eagle Valley Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a potluck reception (side dishes and desserts) at the Eagle Valley Grange.

Agatha, Aggie to most was born November, 27, 1918 to Sverin and Anna Betschart in Baar, Switzerland. In 1931 at the age of 13 she, her mother and two older sisters, Annie and Hedy made the journey from Switzerland to the New York Harbor. From there they traveled to Galt, California to join her father who had come the year before and found work on a dairy.

At the age of 15, Aggie found work as a nanny for Anthony and Gladys Kennedy, caring for their two sons and daughter. Aggie was always proud of the fact that she helped in raising the boy that would become U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy.

On March 6, 1937 Aggie married Lawrence Imoos. While in California they welcomed three sons, Robert, William, and Lawrence. While their children were young they moved the family to Oregon, purchasing a ranch in Vale, Oregon. They spent ten years there, eventually moving to Bates, Oregon where they built the Austin House. They sold this business in 1963 and moved briefly to Joseph, Oregon and the returned to Bates. In 1970 Lawrence and Aggie retired and made their home in Richland, Oregon, spending most of their final years there. Lawrence passed away in 1982 and Aggie stayed there until last October when she moved to Meadowbrook Place Assisted Living, in Baker City, Oregon.

Aggie enjoyed traveling, returning several times to her home country of Switzerland. She saw other parts of Europe, Mexico, and much of the United States. She spent many summers camping and fishing with her family and was an accomplished

knitter. Aggie took pride in her appearance, never leaving the house without looking her best. She had a surprising sense of humor that will be missed by her friends and family.

Aggie was preceded in death by her parents, husband Lawrence, sisters Annie and Hedy, son William, and grandson Patrick Imoos. She is survived by sons Robert and Lawrence, daughter-in-law Charlene Immoos, seven grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, fourteen great-great grandchildren, and special friend Walt Saunders.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in memory of Aggie, the family suggests the Eagle Valley Ambulance through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. On line condolences may be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### Jodie Marie Averett

Baker City, 1957-2017

Jodie Marie Averett passed away suddenly after an accident on her ranch on September 4th, 2017. She was sixty years old. A celebration of her life was held on September 12th at 10 a.m. at Jepson Place, 17473 Wingville Lane in Baker City, Oregon.

Jodie was born in Seattle, Washington, on July 15th, 1957 to Janet and Vernon Gerald "Jerry" Russell. Jodie grew up in the Seattle area, with her younger brother Joel and her older brother Jeff. She went to Shorecrest High School and graduated in 1975.

As a high school student, Jodie sought to get a job at Albertsons grocery as a Courtesy Clerk to save some money for college. At that time, the position was called a "Box Boy" and so the manager at the Albertsons refused to hire Jodie since she was a girl. At the urging of her mother Janet, Jodie returned to the Albertsons every week to ask the manager for the job. The manager always said no, but eventually he was replaced by someone a bit more progressive. The new manager immediately hired Jodie since it was obvious she wanted the job badly and would work hard once she got it.

After graduating from high school, Jodie attended Washington State

University in Pullman and majored in criminal justice. Wazzu was where she met her future husband Tom, who was also a criminal justice major. She graduated from Washington State University in January of 1980 with a degree in criminal justice, and went back to her hometown to join the Seattle Police Department. At the time, it wasn't easy to be a woman in the police department – the first women officers in Seattle had only been hired in 1976, and a lot of cops still thought women had no place on the street. But Jodie wasn't deterred.

Jodie spent twelve years protecting the citizens of Seattle. She started off working a car as a patrol officer in the East Precinct, at a time when the Central District was a tough place to police. The crack epidemic and the associated violence was just starting to hit the city. In an era before the advent of portable computers, cops typically found stolen cars by checking them against a paper "hot sheet" which had the plate numbers of recent stolens. Jodie quickly gained a reputation for having a strong memory, and located a lot of stolen cars because she'd memorized the license plate numbers from the hot sheet.

Jodie eventually took several detective assignments, working both in the Robbery and Special Assault units. Her favorite assignment, however, was probably Mounted Patrol. Jodie loved riding, and after growing up riding in the hills of Mountlake Terrace, she had no trouble transitioning into SPD's mounted patrol unit.

Jodie loved Seattle, and she truly cared about the citizens she served. Although she never hesitated to use force when she had to (once smashing her portable radio over the head of a suspect who tried to take her revolver) she was always proud of and grateful for the fact that she'd never had to fire her gun at a suspect. She had compassion even for the criminals she arrested; often pointing out that many of them came from rough childhoods. Jodie said that being a police officer for so long gave her confidence in herself and helped her realize she could do almost anything she wanted. Jodie left the force in 1991 and moved to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho where she married Thomas Hamlett Averett and started their

family. There they had three children, Elliott, Samuel and Kate. Tom worked for the Bureau of Land Management and Jodie took care of the children and worked part time as an investigator for the district attorney. Tom looked for ways he could spend more time at home, so when he saw that opportunity, they picked up their roots and transplanted themselves into Baker City, Oregon in 1998.

In Baker City, Jodie found a community she loved. She did not waste a minute before getting involved in just about anything she could. As a mom, she spent countless hours involved in the local North Baker Parent-Teacher Organization and volunteering at any event where another pair of hands was needed. She briefly worked as the dog catcher and code enforcer for the Baker City Police Department, cruising the streets to corral loose canines.

Jodie was a true Seattleite and loved a good cup of coffee. This was partly why she and Tom started their own coffee shop, Tenth Street Coffee, in the early 2000's. Jodie was well-known for baking her universally loved cookies, which were typically about the size of a person's face.

Tom and Jodie maintained a small ranch up on Hunt Mountain Lane, where they spent their days working, riding horses, competing in ranch rodeo events, and playing with their dogs.

Jodie was involved with the Baker school district as a substitute teacher.

She volunteered her time coaching the middle school and high school tennis teams and stayed involved with the local non-profits including the Backpack Program, the R.E.A.L. Reading Program and Open Door.

Jodie loved any opportunity to help out, get involved or cheer people on, no matter the activity. Known far and wide to many as "Momma Jode", she became the parent, coach or snack supplier for any team that needed her.

After watching all three of her children graduate from Baker High School, she embraced her newfound free time, spending many days with her husband Tom, either on horseback or the seat of a bicycle.

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