

Local

— COMMUNITY CALENDAR —

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 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.

SUMPTER VALLEY FALL COLOR TRAINS

October 13. These trains are run as a bonus the day before the Photographer's Weekend for those that want a steam-powered trip through beautiful Autumn foliage without making it an all-day event. The Fall Colors Train will be offered on Friday, and will be regular fare and run on the regular weekend schedule with two round trips out of the McEwen depot at 10:00 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., and a round trip from Sumpter at 12:00 noon. For more information including tickets and reservations visit Sumpter Valley Railroad or call 866-894-2268.

LAST HOORAH RANCH RODEO

October 15, noon till 7 p.m. Ranch Bronc Riding \$100 Pre-enter with Mandy Clark (541)519-4109 Slick Horn Team Roping \$25/man. Enter up to three times each end...2 steer, progressive after 1. Team Doctoring \$25/ 3 man team. Load-N-Tie \$25/4 man team. 4 man team Team Branding \$25/ 4 man team Mixed Team Branding \$25/m4 man team, 2 people must be female, under 15, or over 60. Baker County Fairgrounds, Baker City.

EAGLE VALLEY SWCD MEETING

The Eagle Valley Soil and Water Conservation District will be having their monthly meeting on October 16, 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 October 17, 2017 at 12 noon at the USDA Service Center; 3990 Midway Drive in Baker City, OR. The public is welcome.

SENIOR CITIZENS ANNUAL MEETING

October 17, 2:30 p.m. at Community Connection on Cedar Street in Baker City. All Baker County Seniors are invited and encouraged to attend. Agenda will include: Annual Financial Report, Election of Officers.

REP. CLIFF BENTZ TOWNHALL

Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m. (PST) at Haines School (400 School Street, Haines). Come meet Rep. Cliff Bentz and ask questions on topics that concern you. Review House Bill 2017 and preview such issues as water measurements and fees, carbon cap and trade, wildlife management, DEQ regulations regarding cleaner air and storm water discharge, tax reform, PERS and other issues that are likely to be on the table in 2018 and 2019.

WICKED WAYS MASQUERADE BALL

Saturday, Oct. 28 at the Geiser Grand Hotel, 7:30 till midnight or so. Carriage rides, music by Jason Drew of Boise's 100.3 The X Rocks. Buy tickets today at www.TheBakerCountyPress.com or at the front counter of the hotel.

TRICK OR TREAT DOWNTOWN

October 31, 4-6 p.m. Downtown historic Baker City is the place to be on Halloween. Hosted by Historic Baker City Inc. this safe and family friendly Halloween celebration fills the streets of downtown as thousands of ghouls goblins, princesses and super heroes, roam downtown sidewalks in search of Halloween treats.

HUNTINGTON HIGHLAND GAMES

November 4. Always the first Saturday in November the Huntington Weather Festival and Highland Games brings together some of the top Celtic athletes in the Inland Northwest to compete in traditional Celtic games in some of the most unpredictable and sometimes brutal weather conditions.

FALL BAZAAR

November 4, 8 a.m. till 2 p.m. Community Connection annual Fall Bazaar. Funds raised go towards the senior meal program.

LOCAL IS THE NEW BLACK CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

November 18-19. 9 a.m. till 3 p.m. Local is the New Black is a yearly Christmas Bazaar located in 2 buildings at the Baker County Fairgrounds. Over 70 vendors fill the buildings with everything from handmade soap to baked goods!

FAMILY FUN DAY

November 24, 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center. A post-Thanksgiving activity day with crafts and programs for family and friends of all ages. Visit <http://trailtenders.org/home> for more information or call 541-523-1843.

JAIL ROSTER

BLOOD, Daniel
GRAY, Robert
GREGG, John
KASINGER, Brandi
HENSEN, James
WESTMORELAND, Taylor
GRUDIN, Kevin
FLINT, Caleb
HANNA, John
BLITCH, James
BRASWELL, Edward
GUILLIAMS, Timothy
HOLLINGSHEAD, Kathleen
LUSTER, Candi
MONTIEL, Kim
PROWELL, Jace
PURKEY, Danielle
STRITMATER, Blaine
NICHOLS, Earnest
NIXON, Angela
WHITTING-GOOD, Travis
ROTHENBERGER, Daniel
WATKINS, Aleasha
LOPEZ, Cassandra
WALKER, Jacob
BOLANOS, Ann
LATTYMER, Melissa
WILLEY, Craig
ARTHUR, Tyler
SIMMS II, George

— NEWS OF RECORD —

BERNARDY, Kevin
HENDRIKSEN, Carmon
STEELE, Zachary
BRESHEARS, Brent
VANSICKLE, Kira
REED, Nicholas
WINSTON, Brandy
KIDD, Kevin
WOLFE, Alan
WILKERSON, Harold
TOLMAN, Douglas
BROOKS, Matthew
COLE, Derek
CLARK, Dexter
NOBLE, Cecil
BAKER, Joshua
STEELE, Alan

POLICE LOG

Schomberg, Austin. 10.9. DUII.
Gray, Robert James. 10.9. Parole & Probation; Criminal Trespass II x 2; Escape III; Offensive Littering and Placing Offensive Substance in Waterway.
Hohman, Ashley K. 10.8. Violation of Release Agreement.
Gray, Edward James. 10.7. Criminal Trespass I and Criminal Trespass II.
Kasinger, Brandi Marie. 10.7. Mul-

multiple Warrants.
Gregg, John Thomas. 10.7. Assault II.
Hensen, James Robert. 10.6. Felon in Possession of Firearm; Theft I; Burglary II; PCS Meth; Unlawful possession of firearm.
Westmorland, Taylor. 10.5. Possession of Meth, Menacing, and Pointing a firearm.
Buehler, John Brogan. 10.5. UUMV.

DEATH AND FUNERAL NOTICES

Harvey L. Halverson, age 100, of Sumpter died Saturday, October 7th, 2017 at his residence. No services are planned at this time. To light a candle in memory of Harvey or to offer condolences to his family, please visit www.grayswestco.com.

Lloyd R. Cook, 93, a resident of Baker City, OR died Monday at his home. Services are under the direction of Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St. Baker city, OR. If one wishes to light a candle in memory of Mr. Cook, please visit www.colestributecenter@eoni.com.

— OBITUARIES —

Gail Sanders Kepler

Baker City, 1942-2017
Gail Sanders Kepler was the second child born to Harold Sanders and Lois (Honeycutt) Sanders. Gail was born on September 29, 1942



Gail Kepler

in Everett, Washington. Her family moved to Pine Valley in 1943, where they resided with Mom Lois' parents, Gwendolyn and W.D. Honeycutt, while Harold went to serve in World War II.

Upon Gail's dad's return, Harold and Lois purchased land in upper Carson on Pine Creek. There they began building their home. The terrible misfortune of a hunting accident took the life of Gail's dad. Gail, her brother, Stephen, and mother, Lois, continued on in Pine Valley.

After a time, Lois met Jarold Bowerman, a Pine Valley native, and they were married. In 1955, Jarold accepted a job offer in Lakewood, Washington. Gail's family packed and moved to Lakewood, a suburb of Tacoma, Washington. There, Gail and her siblings grew and continued in school.

Gail married John Ross in 1960 and lived in Tacoma, Washington until they divorced. She then returned to the local area and moved to Baker to work. Gail then met Robert Kepler of Halfway. They fell in love and were married. Bob and Gail moved to Orofino, Idaho, where they worked and raised a family.

After a while, work took them to Reno, Nevada. Unfortunately, in Reno they separated and divorced.

Gail returned to Tacoma to live and work. Eventually, like a dove, Gail came back to Pine Valley and worked at Stockmen's for a while, then moved to Baker City, where she finally retired.

Gail liked the bright lights and busy pace of city living, but she always called Pine Valley home. We will always remember her for her generous and compassionate nature. She always had a smile and hug ready.

On September 15, 2017, Gail passed away after a lengthy battle with colon cancer. She went peacefully in a hospice care center in Baker City.

Gail is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Kimberly and Jack John-

son of Aspen, Colorado; her son and daughter-in-law, Dale and Ada Kepler of Pocatello, Idaho; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; her siblings, Stephen and Terry Rae Bowerman of San Angelo, Texas, Michael and Angelika Bowerman of Mount Lake Terrace, Washington, Linnelle and David Osman of Pine Valley, Oregon and close cousins, John Wright of Halfway and Lynda Masterson of Baker City, Oregon.

Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispi-nevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Neola Maxine Stockhoff

Formerly of La Grande, 1924-2017

Neola Maxine Stockhoff, 93, died October 2, 2017 at her home.

Maxine was born April 7, 1924, the only child of George D. and Olive A. (Bockes) Wood in Amity, Oregon. She attended Amity Grade School and graduated in 1942 from McMinnville High School.

On November 1, 1945, she married high school sweetheart Gene Gaylord Stockhoff in Amity. The next day he was honorably discharged from the United States Army and they traveled to their home in Ladd Canyon, where they ranched for 30 years. They retired to Igo Lane on Mt. Emily, then to Island City in 1993.

In 2014, Maxine joined Hank and Val in a new home in Union. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, La Grande, a charter member of Union County CowBelles and a member of the Order of Eastern Star. Maxine and Gene were involved in many local organizations over the years creating life-long friendships. Their friendships also embraced an extended family of 611th Army Engineer Corp families and their class of 1942.

Survivors include children and spouses, Henry and Valerie Stockhoff, Union, Nancy and Fred Calhoun, Alicel, John and Carol Stockhoff, La-Grande; grand children and spouses Kevin and Shawna Calhoun, Travis and Tisha Calhoun, Chet and Stacey Stockhoff, Dana Stockhoff all of LaGrande, Lindsey and Jeremy Fullenwider, Estacada, OR, Audrey and Jim Cant, Imbler, Jake Stockhoff, Union, Emma and Kyle Combe, Summer-

ville; 12 great-grandchild-

dren, family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gene in 2009 and son Fredrick Carl in 2011.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Shriner's Hospital for Children in Portland or the Union County Museum through Daniels Knopp Funeral Chapel.

Gene Roark

Baker City, 1930-2017

Gene Roark, known by his CB handle as Casey Jones, passed away at the age of 87 in Baker City, Oregon, on September 22, 2017. He was surrounded by his loved ones. He was the son of Houston and Ola Roark, and grew up in Eastern Oregon.

Gene drove a truck for over 40 years without a single ticket or accident. He once even backed a triple load trailer six miles to get to the highway when the road was closed due to flooding!

Upon retirement, Gene could be spotted many mornings drinking coffee and giving the waitresses a 'bad' time. He was known for his sense of humor and making everyone feel like they were important.

Gene was an avid sports fan. He enjoyed playing and watching football, basketball, and baseball. His all-time favorite teams were the Portland Trailblazers and the Seattle Mariners. He gave up the opportunity for a career in major league baseball to marry his high school sweetheart, Florence.

Together they had three children and adopted one. He shared his love of sports with his family. He did his best to attend every ball game, school recital and county fair his children and grandchildren were in.

During his free time, Gene liked to play cribbage and solitaire. He also enjoyed taking care of the animals and irrigating his pastures. Everyone who has been around him knows his love for taking rides and getting stuck. According to his son when riding with 'Grumpy', "You don't need four-wheel drive. You only need a shovel and a chain."

Gene had a life that would make many envious. Gene is survived by his wife of 68 years, Florence; his four children, Harold

Roark and his wife Barbara; Helen Roark-Pass and her husband Tom; Arinda Roark-Hall; Tami Roark-Anderson and her husband Ben; and nephew Bill Berry and his wife Sue.

He is also survived by his eight grandchildren Mindy Pass-Edison, Christina Pass-Harmon, Toby Hall, Ty Hall, Sean Roark, Kelly Roark, Elizabeth Roark, and Talan Anderson, sixteen great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, October 7th, 2:00 PM at the home of the Roarks & Passes followed by a BBQ. 39319 Pochontas Road, Baker City, OR 97814.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Esther Chapter #11 for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Endowment Fund, where daughter Arinda resides, or the United Methodist Church in Baker City, Oregon.

Ted Orr

Haines, 1932-2017

William Ted Orr, 85, died surrounded by his family on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at his home

in Haines. A viewing from 4 to 7 p.m. was held prior to the Rosary which was at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Baker City. A Catholic Mass was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 - 11:00 a.m. at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral in Baker City.

Friends were invited to join the family at the church following the Mass for a reception with Interment at 2 p.m. at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Ted is survived by his wife Virginia of 67 years, sons Sam and Syd, daughters Gena, Jan, Toni, and Lisa; 12 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren. Ted was born in Kremling, Colorado on March 20, 1932. He was raised in Colorado and met Virginia in September of 1948. They were married July 15 1950. Later he moved his family to Wyoming in 1968 and lived in Haines in 1975. Ted loved his family first, business, cattle ranching, and was a avid sportsman.

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