

Haines News

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Haines was Hoppin'

Congratulations to the Friends of Haines for a very successful fundraising night. About \$10,000 was raised for the Fourth of July Fireworks. (See Page 1 story). It's always a treat to have the Elks Drum and Bugle Corps perform...thanks for coming out to Haines!

Fish 'Tales'

Mike Morrow, Terry Blaske and Babe Deardorff caught some pretty dandy fish on April 30 during a fishing trip to Rupert. Mike's sturgeon was 53 1/2" inches and Terry and Babe each caught a 31" Chinook according to coffee clatch rumors.

Fourth of July Parade

Applications will be available for the parade soon. The theme remains "An Old Fashioned Fourth of July."

Apple Wood Needed

The Pit BBQ on July 4 is a tradition and it's always a challenge to come up with enough apple wood. If you have a source or if you can cut and deliver...even better! Contact Sandy Wood at 541-856-3284 for more information.

Haines Museum Open Memorial Day

The museum will be open on Memorial Day from 9-4. What a great way to spend part of the day!

Pre-School or Kindergarten Student?

If you have a child or know of someone who has a child who will be starting kindergarten or pre-kindergarten next school year, could you please contact the Haines School? Kindergarten children must be 5 years of age by Sept. 1, 2015 to be eligible. Pre-kindergarten children must be 4 years of age by Sep. 1, 2015. We are asking parents at this time to assist Haines School in planning for the next school year. We will need the child's name, birth date, parent name and address. Thank you for your cooperation.

Community Survey

Thank you to all of the volunteers who spent their Saturday

gathering important and confidential data from Haines residents in hopes the City will qualify for a Community Block Grant to help pay for mandated upgrades to the water system. Having adequate fire hydrants, water pressure, and clean and safe water to drink (and flush) is a necessity. Thank you to all of the residents who were cooperative in providing the needed data.

Improvements to Haines Stampede Grounds

Thanks to Britt Sand And Gravel, Sam Haines Enterprises, Ken and Justin Bain, JR Streifel, Don O'Grady, Bill Taylor, John Slaght, and Kirk Scilacci for helping setup the new cooler for the Haines Stampede Rodeo Beer Garden. Thanks also to Dirk Lien, Farwest Concrete, Bain's Ag & Auto, Bill & Casey Taylor, Justin Bain and Jake Lager who helped with the cement pad.

Fourth of July Queen and Grand Marshal Dinner

Mark your calendars for June 27 at 6 p.m. for the annual July 4 Grand Marshal and Queen dinner. Tim and Jan Kerns were chosen by the Friends of Haines to be honored this year. The dinner will be held at the Haines United Methodist Church.

Big Blessings

Sunday was Pet Blessing Day at the Methodist Church. Several pooches were blessed and two big Belgian horses, owned by Duane Boyer. Following the service, Duane weighed the horses. "Janey" weighed in at 1680 pounds and Dutchess weighed 1720.

Library

The Summer Reading Program will be June 19-July 31, all Fridays at 12:30.

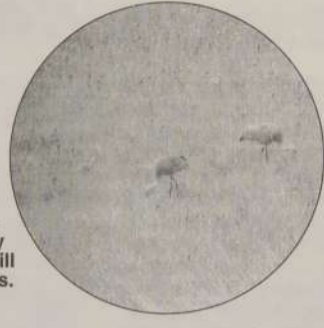
Also - Baker County Library District will be presenting the "Parents Are Our Heroes" event on May 28 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at the Haines library. The program features tips on how to be an effective reading partner with kids, building other early learning skills, and a preview of the library's summer reading program. Participants will be able to sign up for Summer Reading Program and will receive free books, refreshments, and "literacy bags".

Submitted photos

At left, Mike Morrow caught a sturgeon that measured 53.5". Below, Terry Blaske and Babe Deardorff with their salmon.

Ladd Marsh Festival Celebrates 10 Years

The 10th Annual Ladd Marsh Bird Festival was held May 16-17. They offered 10 field trips and workshops. The trips were sponsored by Friends of Ladd Marsh.



Submitted photos
Some festival attendees were lucky enough to see Sandhill cranes with their colts.

At far right, Gary Miller, from USFWS, help kids view birds at the marsh through a spotting scope.

Below, people gather in the covered area to learn more about Ladd Marsh, the birds, and the festival.



BHS Grad Receives B.A. from U of U



Photo by Eden Taylor

Taralynn Taylor Cutler, a 2010 graduate of Baker High School, graduated from the University of Utah on May 8, 2015, with a B.A. Degree in English. Her husband, Bryson Cutler, also graduated that day with a B.S. in Communications.

Cute Smiles



Photo by Gina Perkins
Claire Bachman and A.J. at the Methodist Church Pet Blessing

OTEC Mailing Capital Credit Allocation

This week, OTEC will be mailing all members their annual notification of capital credit allocation. OTEC, as a not-for-profit electric cooperative, delivers electric service to our members at cost. In the event that revenues exceed the operational expenses of providing electricity, OTEC allocates these operating margins back to its members.

OTEC Board of Directors President, Greg Howard said, "Allocating and retiring excess revenue to members helps distinguish the cooperative business model. This is an underlying principle of the cooperative model and is one more way we keep your electric rates as low as possible. We're proud to support our communities by putting money back into the local economy—and into the pockets of those we serve."

The amounts shown on the notice represents each members' share of the operating margins realized by OTEC in the previous year, as well as, the cumulative unpaid capital credit balances. These funds are returned to the members as the Cooperative is deemed financially able by the Board of Directors.

These notifications are a record of each OTEC members' ownership in the Cooperative and should be preserved. The announcements are for informational purposes only, are not negotiable and cannot be applied to a member's electric bill.

Please join us for fellowship & worship Sunday mornings at 10:45.



Thanks for joining us at Pet Blessing Service last Sunday!

Haines United Methodist Church

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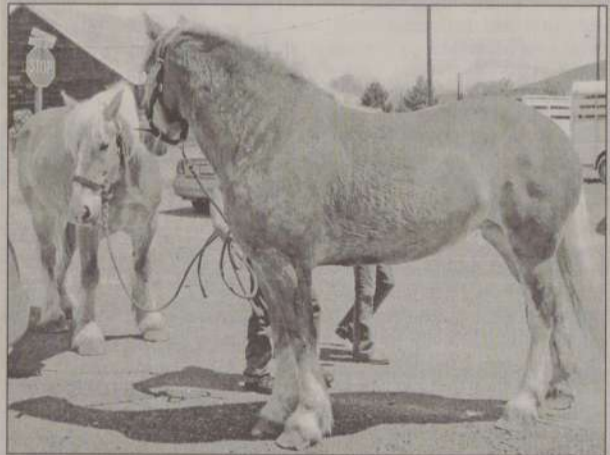


Photo by Gina Perkins
Janey and Dutchess wait patiently for the pet blessing at the Methodist Church.

Sumpter News

Sumpter Valley Railroad

Over the weekend of April 25 and 26, the Sumpter Valley Railroad Roadmaster, Eric Wunz, put on a track work weekend. Volunteers Tom Young, Jim Ross, Carl Metler, and Jerry Holmes helped with lining, leveling, and ballast work, despite the temperamental weather.

The Sumpter Valley Railroad's McEwen depot received a fresh coat of paint in preparation for the upcoming season thanks to Jim Ross, Carol Ross, and Dale Olsen.

Safety Weekend for the Sumpter Valley Railroad was held over the weekend of May 16 and 17 at the yards and shops of the Sumpter Valley Railroad in McEwen, Oregon. This is a training program for all active volunteers and acts as a refresher for the upcoming season. There was a class, work events, and hands on

training, including hands-on coupling and signal practice using locomotive number 720.

Upcoming Events

Memorial Day Weekend is coming up, and in Sumpter that means the start of the new season for the railroad. Excursion trains will be using the Major Holiday Weekend schedule on Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Round trips will depart from the Sumpter Station at 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., with a one-way trip from Sumpter to McEwen at 4:30 p.m.. Memorial Day Weekend also marks the first of three large Flea Markets held every summer in Sumpter.

The Sumpter City Council will meet on Tuesday, May 26 at 7 p.m. in the City Hall.

2015/16 Season Passes on Sale Now!

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