

Translator District has Exciting News

Blue Mountain Translator District has completed their fiber optic connection and is now broadcasting additional channels for viewers in Baker Valley and Union County.

"We are very excited to be able to offer these additional viewing options and still at the low cost of a \$100 annual membership fee," said Beverly Beach.

Some viewers may have to re-scan their television sets or converter boxes, but some will see the new stations populate on their sets automatically. Dependent upon the mountain you receive your signal from, you may receive between six and eight new viewing options.

If you have questions or are in need of more information, please contact the District or visit the website www.bmtd.org.

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"Welcome to Reser Stadium. Where players make plays...but construction workers make history..." was the title Borgen used to accompany her history making photographs.

Photos by Hallie Borgen



NICHOLS *continued from page 1*

Nichols, a veteran, was born and raised in Baker and has spent most of his life here. He is a graduate of Baker High School and worked in the hay fields in Baker and in Salem part of several summers up until he was 15, then worked a summer on the Paint Your Wagon movie. At 16, he worked for Safeway in Baker and then in Portland while attending a business college.

After moving back to Baker, he joined the US Air Force serving in Texas, Montana, Turkey and Colorado as an electro/mechanical communications equipment repairman.

"While in Turkey I attended the University of Maryland college classes offered at that time. After my discharge from the military I again worked for Safeway in Baker and La Grande for the next four years while attending Eastern Oregon State College. I graduated from Eastern with a BS degree in Business and Economics with emphasis in accounting and also agri-business," Nichols stated.

Prior to graduating Eastern in 1979, he became employed with the Accounting Firm of O'Brien, Simmons & Co. (formerly Kolb & Oster) here in Baker. Within a year, he moved to Ontario and worked for accounting firms as a tax preparer and municipal auditor. In 1984, Nichols moved back to Baker as an accounting partner with the firm Oster, Hotchkiss & Nichols.

"In 1991, I incorporated as Bruce A Nichols, CPA PC until 2004 when Stan Mitchell joined my firm and I changed the name to Nichols and Mitchell, CPAs," said Nichols. Presently the firm has some excess capacity and Nichols states he will continue to run his accounting practice if elected and will hire someone at his firm if necessary.

Nichols is married to his wife, Kelly, who is a second grade teacher at Brooklyn and has three grown children.

"Anyone who would like to visit with me is welcome to call my office at 541-523-6471," said Nichols.

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FRI & SAT (4:00) 7:00 9:40
SUNDAY (4:00) 7:00
MON-THURS 7:00

KUNG FU PANDA 3 PG
Continuing his "legendary adventures of awesomeness", Po must face two hugely epic threats.
FRI & SAT 4:10 7:10 9:45
SUNDAY (4:10) 7:10
MON-THURS 7:10

13 HOURS: THE SECRET SOLDIERS OF BENGHAZI R
Six members of the Annex Security Team defend the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, from an attack by Islamic militants.
FRI & SAT (3:45) 6:45 9:35
SUNDAY (3:45) 6:45
MON-THURS 6:45

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JUSTUS *continued from page 1*

Western Oregon University at Monmouth, American Lands Council Seminar with Utah State Representative Ken Ivory on the transfer of public lands and attended the Coordination seminar 101 with Fred Kelly Grant." From 1989-1992 Justus served in the US Army.

Justus delivered unspecified donations to the Ammond Bundy armed group occupying the federal wildlife refuge in Harney County, responding to a widely circulated plea on the internet by militarist Jon Ritzheimer for snacks, energy drinks and winter gear. While there, Justus participated in a video taken by Jason Blomgren who goes by "Joker J.". Blomgren is closely connected with Ritzheimer, an anti-government, anti-Islamist militarist who belongs to the "Three Percenter Club." The link to the video fea-

turing Justus states the "content is no longer available," but interested individuals can see other videos of Blomgren and others by doing an internet search. It's not known why the video of Justus was taken down or where the request originated.

Justus also garnered attention recently in the New York Times. The article stated, "Deep inside the federal wildlife compound, where armed citizens have been garrisoned for more than a week, nine-year-old Zoey Justus was preparing a snack platter for the occupiers - fruit, cheese, Ritz crackers - and her parents were explaining why they had brought her to an armed insurrection."

The Times article continued, "Something I want to teach her is to not make decisions based on what's easy or what's comfortable, but to decide for herself what's right," said her father, Kody Justus, 44, a rancher in a cowboy hat and a paisley kerchief who had driven from three hours away. "And that's what these guys are doing."

It caught the eye of Bill Bonner, an American author of books and articles on financial and economic subjects, who responded to the New York Times article mentioning Justus and the other cowboys at the refuge in a Jan. 13 piece entitled "The Oregon Protesters: Diehards or Cowboy Clowns?"

Bonner wrote, "But who asks a nine-year-old to decide for herself what is right?"

Bonner continued writing, "On the other side, the townspeople believe their safety, and their municipal budgets, have been put at risk by these gun-toting invaders. They depend on Sheriff Dave to deliver them from this evil. And with good reason."

Bonner concludes, "Every day, before dawn, a militia man named Duane Ehmer - armed

with an 1860 cavalry pistol - rides a horse named Hellboy to patrol the insurgents' compound. 'I'm looking for anybody that ain't supposed to be there,' he told reporters. But wait. He's the one who's not supposed to be there!"

Justus has a Facebook page and website JustusforBakerCounty.com. He says that he wants all federal land to be under local control. He strongly supports the Constitutional Sheriff movement and states he will push to pass a Baker County ordinance to protect gun rights in Baker County.

"By challenging big government, I'm committed to bringing back an economy that will allow our people to run businesses in agriculture, mining, timber, ranching, and tourism," Justus says.

Justus has very close ties with County Commission Chairman, Bill Harvey, who is also a proponent of Baker County Oath Keepers and a member of the Baker County Republican Central Committee.

Those wanting to learn more about Justus's campaign can visit his Facebook page, website, or call him at 541-519-4061. Suzan Ellis Jones's cell phone number is also listed on the website which invites people to contact her to schedule an Open House or invite Kody to an event. Jones can be reached at 541-519-5035.

March 8, 2016 is the deadline to file to run for office. Ballots will be mailed to the military on April 2 and to local voters on April 27. Out of state ballots will be mailed in mid-April. The primary election will be on May 17, 2016 with ballots due at 8 p.m.

The two candidates receiving the most votes will advance to the general election unless one candidate receives more than 50 percent of the vote.

Upcoming Events

Brooklyn Book Fair and Taco Feed Feb. 4

This annual fundraising event will be held at the Baker County Event Center on Thursday, Feb. 4 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. Raffle tickets are on sale for a variety of prizes that will be awarded in drawings during the evening. Tickets are available from students or at the school. For more information, or tickets, call the school at 54-523-2450.

Haines Chili Feed, Friday Feb. 5, 2016 from 4:30-7 p.m.

in the Haines Elementary School Gym. It is all you can eat chili and baked potatoes. Desserts will also be sold. Tickets for the feed and raffle are sold ahead by students or at the door. Tickets for the chili feed are \$5 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

National Wild Turkey Federation / Baker County Longbeards

will hold their annual Banquet and Fundraiser on Feb. 6, 2016 at the Baker Elks Lodge. Doors open at 5 p.m. For more information contact Bob Reedy at 541-403-1352.

Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Poker Run Feb. 13

It's not too early to start making plans for the President Day weekend for Sumpter Valley Blue Mountain Snowmobile Club Annual Poker Run. There is a \$3,000 purse guaranteed. Snowmobiles, Cars or Walk - All are welcome. Ticket Sales - Friday at Schoolhouse, from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. - \$10 and from 7 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. on Sat. Tickets must be turned in by no later than 3:30 p.m. Event starts at 7 a.m. and closes at 2:30 p.m. Pay-out and door prizes at 6 p.m. Call 541-894-2217 for more information.

Halfway Panhandle Snowmobile Poker Run Feb. 14

Sign up at 9 a.m. at the Lions Club in Halfway to buy your poker hands. The poker run is 40 miles round trip. Leave your hands at the last station or turn your hands in at the Lions Hall. Raffle items will be awarded and winner will be announced at 6 p.m. Total of \$4,000 in payouts. For more information call the Blooms at (541)-742-7277.

1A District Basketball Tournament Feb. 18-20

Held at Baker High School each day. If you need more information call 541-403-0769.

Casino Night at Baker Heritage Museum Feb. 27

"A Night at Old Auburn" Casino Style Fundraiser to benefit Baker Heritage Museum is scheduled for Feb. 27 from 6-10 p.m. The event starts with live entertainment by Bruno Dunes Trio, a no host bar and dinner buffet featuring Premium Angus Roast Beef and Asian chicken skewers catered by Kurt Miller Catering follows. The casino is professionally coordinated by Team Casino and is open from 7-10 p.m. Baker Heritage Museum is located on the corner of Grove and Campbell Streets in Baker City.

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