

Haines News

Teddy Roosevelt Returning to Baker County

The Oregon Historical Society and Mutual Improvement Club are hosting a special visit from Teddy Roosevelt at the Eastern Oregon Museum in Haines on May 9 from 2-3 p.m. Following this very special visitor and his presentation will be tea and cookies. Admission is FREE. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Roosevelt visited Baker City in 1912 when he was campaigning. Famous quotes by Roosevelt include, "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are." Roosevelt was our 26th President from 1901-1909.

Pinochle

A potluck was held at the Wolf Creek Grange in North Powder for Pinochle Club on March 31. High went to Bonita Hebert, second High to Ilene Davis, and low to Judy Moe.

Haines Community Yard Sale

Remember to sign up for the Haines Community Yard sale at City Hall. It will take place on May 7 and is always lots of fun. It will also be the opening day for the Museum.

Steak Feed Fundraiser

The annual Steak Feed and Auction has been set for May 14

at the Frontier Restaurant. There will be a silent and live auction and donations are being sought. This a major fundraiser for the fireworks display on July 4. Cash donations are also greatly appreciated. Talk with Garla at the store to find out how you can help. The Elk's Drum and Bugle Corps will be performing that evening! Yet another great reason to attend!

Our Thoughts and Prayers

We wish a speedy and full recovery for Dirk Lien who reportedly suffered a serious brain bleed and is recovering in Boise. Memories of Baker Mill and Grain

When I was a little girl, I remember going to Baker Mill and Grain with my Dad. I was absolutely fascinated by Vicky (Calhoun then) and would intently watch and listen to her. I remember she had a little stenographer note pad and would write down people's purchases. My Dad had purchased a red doll house for me and I would play for hours in it when we lived on the upper end of Pine Creek (when I wasn't riding my pony).

I played "Baker Mill and Grain," had an orange plastic phone (rotary of course) and I would

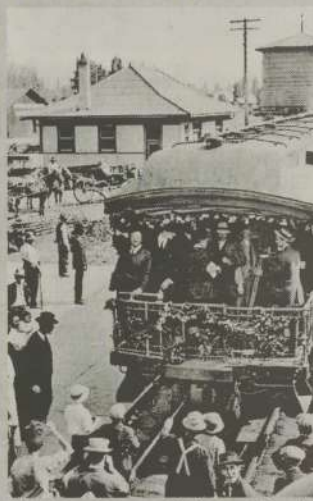


Photo courtesy of Baker County Library. **Teddy Roosevelt at the Baker Train Depot in 1912.**

answer pretend calls from pretend customers. I also had a note pad and would write down "their" orders...like 5 pounds / rabbit feed. Isn't it funny the impression that made on me? We never know what kids will pick up on....so we have to be careful! Ha!

We're sorry for Vicky's and her family's loss of her father, Sylvan. He was a big part of Haines for a long time.

decision.

"The fish?" he answered. "He was once a fingerling and grew up to become the trophy he is now. I respected his tenacity and his fight, his fervor for life, and for two hours he fought to stay in this river until I hooked him and tired him out. I couldn't deny that fish another chance to swim again, after all that he had been through... he never gave up, neither."

I thought about what the old man said, and pulled my raingear over my head. I never knew what he was talking about at the time, but somehow I do now..."

Fire

This last week, Friday, a fire which is under investigation happened at the end of Church Street. The property next to Lynn and Tami Carpenter's as well as the Carpenters caught on fire Friday, April 1. (Seriously) The fire came up through the back, onto a dry shrub which went up into the attic of the old trailer (no one has lived in for years). It also took out storage in the back, traveling to the next door neighbor's, the Carpenters. Lynn, thankfully was home and manned a hose. He was unable to save his shop, which was totaled.



Photo by Tami Waldron

Ending

Thanks for reading, have a fabulous day. Baseball practices have started in our valleys, and I loved this thought to end with "A baseball game is simply a nervous breakdown divided into nine innings." ~Earl Wilson

Pine & Eagle Valley News

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Oh we are enjoying some warm weather. With our wind these last few weeks, I'm here to tell you, the ground is dry. But we're all out, burning, cleaning, seeing everything we should of put away last fall, and yes, all the things I ran over with the 4 wheeler pushing snow!

Easter

Doug and Beth Payton enjoyed an Easter visit and fun with daughter Billee, husband Philip and son Kellen Mekosky.

New Bridge Bingo

This last Saturday, April 2, Bingo in New Bridge was fun. Although no big money winner, Joy Cole won the consolation prize of \$23. Next New Bridge Bingo will be Saturday, April 16.

Community Yard Sale

Mark your calendar for Saturday, May 14, from 9-2 p.m. Reserve your table now to sell your items for \$5 per table. Contact Sharon Speelman 541-893-6783. Lunch and baked goods will be sold by the Grange Women's Association.

Pine Eagle Charter School

Thursday April 7 will be Kinder Readiness Night, for students who will be entering Kindergarten next year at the Primary Building from 5-6 p.m.

Also that evening will be the FFA Movie Night, beginning at 6:15 p.m. playing the Good Dinosaur. \$1 admission includes pizza, popcorn, candy available for purchase. Grades 7-12 at 8:15 p.m., playing Creed. \$1 admission April 8 **Baker Relays for Track (don't have a time)**

April 9 Pine Valley Grange, roof benefit dinner which will include macaroni and cheese, peas and coleslaw, and for dessert, Wyona's famous cinnamon rolls. Beverages provided. It will be held at the PECS Cafeteria. Dinner will be from 5:50 pm to 7:30 pm. Cost is \$6 for adults, and children under the age of 10 are \$4. People are asked to call for tickets now by getting in touch with Colleen Gilmore at 541-742-5287 or Dorothy Brower at 541-742-2329.

April 11 there will be a Pre-School Board Meeting at 4 p.m. followed by a School Board Meeting at PECS library at 7 p.m.

April 13 will be the District Ag Mechanics competition CDE @ TVCC and Band Festival in Joseph for high school band.

Story

An ol' friend Bill who lived in Pine Valley years ago, shared this story with many of us, and with his

permission, I'm sharing it with you.

"Well, I made my bed and I am sleeping in it. Mistakes made, lessons learned, the price you pay when you mess up.. costs you twice. There are many ups and downs in this life, and sometimes the "downs" hold you hostage. However, whenever I get to thinking this way, I always think back to another time..."

I remember an old fishing friend who spent most of his life living in a one room cabin in the woods of Northern Oregon. He lived as a hermit, but welcomed a good conversation when any one ventured by.

Senile? Possibly. Lonely? Probably. Smart? Definitely.

His favorite pass time was hiking down to the Snake River to fish for steelhead salmon. One day while I was fishing I saw him sitting on the river bank just as it started to rain. I wandered over by him, sat down and joined him.

We sat there getting soaked, and he told me a story about how on one fishing trip he caught a HUGE steelhead. A trophy sized fighter that took him what seemed like a lifetime to bring in. A real monster! After finally landing the now tired fish, he unhooked it and let it go.

I questioned his reasoning. "Why would you ever leave such a trophy go?" I asked.

He smiled at me and said, "Bill, you're still young. Me? I am old and so was that fish. Most of my life I hoped that I might catch a trophy like him one day. I fished through rainstorms and sunny weather, cold nights and warm days. Sometimes I thought I had him on and one time I did, or so I thought...but let me tell you something.

"I have weathered many storms and cold days while fishing here because even when I felt miserable and wanting to just give up, I always remembered the warmth of the summer sun, and the hope of catching a really BIG fish kept me going. I learned that even after all the times I was sitting here on this river bank getting drenched, I knew it would eventually end and the sun would return. And you know, it always does..."

I nodded my head in an understanding gesture, somewhat confused by his story, and asked him again, "But what about the fish? Why did you leave him go?"

He rolled his eyes impatiently as if I didn't quite understand his

Holy Humor Sunday at the Haines United Methodist Church



From left: Linda Unroe, Chris Wood, Sally Wiens, Duane Boyer, Carly Kritchen, Marjory Peck and Alice Trindle

The Haines UMC will participate in the community wide yard sale at the Fellowship Hall beginning at 8 am.

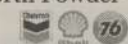
The Annual Music Night fundraiser will be Thursday, May 12 at the Church with a dessert auction to follow. Gather at 6:30 p.m. and the concert begins at 7 p.m.



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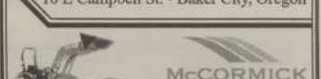
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