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QUICK HITS

Good Day Wish To A Subscriber

A special good day to Herald subscriber Vernon Golar of Baker City.

BRIEFING

Forest Service bans all fires, chain saw use

With hot, dry weather continuing, the U.S. Forest Service has banned all campfires and chain saw use on the Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla and Malheur national forests.

Phase C of public use restrictions took effect Thursday. While those are in effect, visitors can use stoves and heaters that burn liquid or gas fuel. Electric generators are allowed in the center of an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material, or when fully contained within a pickup truck bed that is empty of all flammable material, or when factory installed in a recreational vehicle and the generator exhaust discharge is in the center of an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.

Smoking is allowed only in enclosed vehicles and buildings, developed recreation sites, or in cleared areas.

Ice cream social Tuesday at Baker United Methodist

The Baker United Methodist Church's annual Ice Cream Social is set for Tuesday, Aug. 14, at 6 p.m. at the Church, 1919 Second St. There will be a large selection of homemade pie and cobblers, as well as angel food cake topped with fresh berries and, of course, a scoop of ice cream.

Smart Driver course set for Sept. 20

The AARP has scheduled a "Smart Driver" course for Sept. 20 at the Baker City Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. The course runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a one-hour break for lunch. Drivers who complete the course could see a reduction in their auto insurance bill. To register, or for more information, call the Senior Center at 541-523-6591.

WEATHER

Today
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Very warm, hazy

Tuesday
93 / 49

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Full forecast on the back of the B section.

Two die in plane crash

■ Plane traveling from Caldwell crashes in Baker Valley hay field

Two people died when the single-engine small passenger airplane in which they were traveling crashed nose first into a Baker Valley hay field near the airport Saturday morning.

The victims have been identified as William J. Watts, 77, who was piloting the plane, and Mihoko Matsuda Nelsen, 70, both of Middleton, Idaho.

The two had been traveling from Caldwell, Idaho, and were believed to have been en route to the Baker City Airport, Sheriff Travis Ash stated in a press release.

The Baker County Sheriff's Office was notified of the crash about 10:20 a.m. Saturday.



Baker County Sheriff's Office Photo

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Father, Son Win Top Derby Prizes



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J.R. Streifel, event organizer, calls a halt to the Demolition Derby until a flipped car driven by Seth Cook is back on four wheels. Cook was not injured.

Summertime Fun

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Saturday night's Demolition Derby was a family affair with father and son duo Steve and Mike Patterson placing second and first respectively.

"I was thinking going in it would be kind of cool if it came down to him and me at the end ... and it happened," said Mike Patterson, 45.

The pair has a long history at the Baker City Demolition Derby with Steve participating in every derby in Baker, including at least three victories. However, for Mike Patterson Saturday was his first win in Baker. Mike Patterson has worked in the pits since he was a kid and competed in his first derby at 17.

"I won a heat once before but that was quite a few years ago, but this is the first final win so it feels pretty awesome," Mike Patterson said.

Neither Patterson won his first heat, but in the first heat of the night Mike Patterson accomplished another personal first with his No. 88 car, he tipped over another car.

Near the end of the

heat Seth Cook's No. 73 car was struck on the passenger side and tipped onto its side. While it was laying on its side the car was still running and could have kept going.

This was Cook's first time participating in the derby. Cook said he was infuriated that he got tipped over because his car was still running.

According to J.R. Streifel, one of the



Mike Patterson

organizers of the event, this was only the second time a car has been tipped onto its side at the Baker derby.

After a short stoppage to get Cook out of the arena, the heat resumed and soon after was won by another newcomer to demolition derbies: Justin Prevo in the No. 725 car. For his victory, Prevo received \$250.

"It feels great especially with the little car here," said Prevo a Baker City resident since the age of 14.

Prevo, an army veteran of nine years, had

just returned from Fort Lewis in Washington on June 2.

The tipped No. 73 car wasn't the only stoppage of the night. During the same heat, Seth Bayse in the No. 6 car was disqualified for hitting the driver-side door of another car.

Throughout the night multiple cars lost tires and even whole wheels. In the first heat the No. 22 car lost its right-rear wheel and broke its axel.

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Behind-the-scenes work at the Demolition Derby Saturday night resounds with the hiss and crackle of welders, sledge hammers against metal and voices of crews in controlled panic to get a car back up and running.

Friday's high ties Baker record

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Friday at 2:30 p.m. the temperature reached 108 degrees at the Baker City Airport, tying the record set Thursday.

Thursday's high temperature first reached 108 around 2 p.m. and hovered around that for the next three hours.

Prior to Thursday and Friday, the temperature in Baker City had never exceeded 106, a record set over 57 years ago, in August of 1961.

The previous high for Aug. 10 was 104 in 1996.

Just by going over 100 Friday the city had its first three-day stretch of 100-degree days since 1961.

'Yes for Kids' committee organizes

By Chris Collins
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Yes for Kids is the title of the newly formed political action committee that will advocate for passage of a \$48 million school bond in the Nov. 6 election.

Kim Mosier, the lead organizer of the Baker Valley Education Foundation who also served on the Baker School District's Long Range Facilities Planning Committee, is chairwoman of the Yes for Kids committee.

Two other Baker City women also have volunteered to serve in official positions: Debbie Penning is the treasurer and Mary Tomlinson will be the chairwoman of the fundraising committee.

The group will be seeking donations of time and money as the volunteers begin to organize and work together to gain support for the bond measure, Mosier said.

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