

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 26

■ **Baker City Farmers Market:** 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at Court Avenue Plaza between Main and Resort streets.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 27

■ **Baker School Board:** 6 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1655 First St.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28

■ **Live Music by Keith Taylor:** Ragtime piano, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Crossroads, 2020 Auburn Ave.; no charge.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 29

■ **National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Free Fee Day:** National Public Lands Day at the Center, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 5 miles east of Baker City on Highway 86.

MONDAY, OCT. 1

■ **Haines Fire Protection District Board:** 7 p.m. at the Haines Library.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3

■ **Baker County Board of Commissioners:** 9 a.m., Courthouse, 1995 Third St.

■ **Baker City Farmers Market:** 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., at Court Avenue Plaza between Main and Resort streets.

FRIDAY, OCT. 5

■ **First Friday Art Shows:** Baker City art galleries are open late to showcase the month's new artwork.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald September 24, 1968

Dick Wagner, boxer, railroad man, and now movie extra, is presently staying in Baker while working at the site of "Paint Your Wagon."

Wagner was born and raised in Toppinsh, Wash., and grew up there. He began his boxing career at 18 years of age in Portland.

"I don't remember much about my first fight but I sure remember the second. I had my nose broken," says Wagner.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 24, 1993

A 22-year-old Scappoose man has joined the Baker City Fire Department.

Clifford Hall, who has been a volunteer firefighter in his hometown for four years, was on the job for his first 24-hour shift in Baker City Thursday. He will earn \$1,990 per month during a six-month probationary period.

Hall had been employed as a sanitation worker at Scappoose for the past two years and attended Portland Community College where he studied fire science.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 22, 2008

The proposed bandstand a committee hopes to build in the heart of Geiser-Pollman Park earned the enthusiastic endorsement of Baker City councilors Tuesday night.

Councilors voted 7-0 to approve the 1,200-square-foot bandstand, which will be placed just east of the "Y" formed by sidewalks in the park. Estimated cost is \$145,800. To date, the committee has raised \$5,544.

Architect Larry Abell presented his drawing and site plan to councilors. The bandstand will be open and feature a hexagonal stage.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald September 25, 2017

A program to provide a library of books to children is in the works for Baker City.

A meeting this week will introduce the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and gauge interest in bringing the program here.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Sept. 22

2 - 9 - 20 - 21 - 33 - 35
Next jackpot: \$7.4 million

POWERBALL, Sept. 22

24 - 61 - 63 - 64 - 69 PB 19
Next jackpot: \$193 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Sept. 22

1 - 6 - 25 - 73

PICK 4, Sept. 23

• 1 p.m.: 1 - 9 - 2 - 5
• 4 p.m.: 2 - 9 - 5 - 5
• 7 p.m.: 4 - 3 - 7 - 4
• 10 p.m.: 2 - 1 - 3 - 3

LUCKY LINES, Sept. 23

3-5-10-13-17-24-27-32
Next jackpot: \$35,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY:** Chicken salad croissant sandwich, macaroni salad, potato chips, fruit cup, ice cream
- **TUESDAY:** Hot beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, broccoli-blend vegetables, green salad, apple crisp

Public luncheon at the Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St., 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; \$4.50 donation (60 and older), \$6.75 for those under 60.

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OBITUARIES

'Bill' Wendt

Baker City, 1923-2018

William J. "Bill" Wendt, 95, of Baker City, died Sept. 15, 2018, at his home.

An inurnment with military honors will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Bill was born on Sept. 5, 1923, at Baker to Margaret (Romig) and William Wendt. He graduated from Baker High School and following school he joined the United States Army.

He served on active duty for five years during World War II — from September 1940 to August 1945. He was with the Company F 186th Infantry out of Baker City and was promoted to staff sergeant in 1942.

In 1946 Bill enrolled in Oregon State University at Corvallis and attended until 1950 majoring in metallurgical engineering. After his time in college, he went on to work at the Kennecott Copper Mine for 19 years.

He was also the owner of his own mine, the Sanger gold mine, for 58 years. The Sanger Mine has been family-owned since the early 1900s.

Bill enjoyed eating lunch and playing pinochle at the Senior Center in Baker City.

"Dad lived a long life and now he has moved on to another grand adventure, may your spirit be released to the heavens. Rest in peace dad," family members said.

The family expressed a special thank you to Heart N Home Hospice for the tenderness they showed Bill.

To light a candle for Bill or to leave a condolence for the family, go to www.celebrationcenter.com.



Bill Wendt

Richard and Hazel Ragsdale. He came to Oregon in 1938 with his parents and grandfather Dinkle. They lived in the Lime and Rye Valley area as his father was an electrician at Oregon Portland Cement Co. He went to schools in Lime and Huntington before moving to Baker City his senior year. He played football in Huntington and lettered in both baseball and football. His football career ended quickly at Baker High due to an injury. He graduated from high school in 1950. Except for a few years on the Oregon Coast, he lived most of his life in Baker City.

In 1949 he met his wife to be, Adele Bacon, through her brother, Leonard. They were married on July 19, 1953, and had two children — Michael, a self-employed Baker City businessman, and Deanna, a registered dietitian of Franklin, Tennessee.

Olen received a recommendation from the shop teacher, "Boss" Wolf, to the Carpenters Apprentice program and worked at carpentry until 1952 when he had an opportunity to work for Consolidated Freightways in Baker. Thus began his career in transportation which continued until his retirement in 1984. In 1960 he was promoted to terminal manager, which continued even though the company changed to Eastern Oregon Freight and then to Garrett Freightlines. He was manager at Baker and La Grande. Eventually a terminal opened in Pendleton and he chose to drive heavy duty from Pendleton to La Grande daily.

Olen was an active member in the Baker community. He was a member of Elks Lodge No. 338 for 37 years, a volunteer firefighter for 31 years and a member of the National Guard for 8 years.

He always had a project or two going, be it automotive, plumbing, carpentry or fixing small items. The projects took a back seat after the cabin was in at the river. The family spent many summers at their cabin on Brownlee Reservoir skiing, fishing and hunting with family and friends.

Olen and Adele loved to travel in their motor home and visited many local places that they always wanted to see. Through their travels they met some great friends and continued those friendships over the years. They spent the winter months in Yuma, Arizona, visiting Mexico from there.

Olen is survived by his wife, Adele; his son, Mike (Diana Pawelek); his daughter, Deanna Ragsdale Lawlor (Steve

Lawlor); six grandchildren: Samantha and Eric, (Mike) and Erin, Scott, Jami and Kindra (Deanna and Steve).

He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Hazel; and his stepfather, Walter Robinson

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Methodist Church, Best Friends of Baker, Inc., FAFA (Forest Access For All) or Ehlers Danlos Syndrome research at Cincinnati Children's Hospital through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Mary Thompson

Baker City, 1938-2018

Mary Lucille Thompson died Sept. 10, 2018, in Baker City with her family by her side. A private family celebration will take place at a later date.

Mary was born on Aug. 23, 1938, at Cincinnati, Ohio, to Floyd and Ethel Riggs. Mary wed Fred Raymond Niehaus on Aug. 26, 1955, at Campbell County, Kentucky. They had 6 children. Mary later married Thomas Thompson on April 19, 1978, at Fremont, California. Tom and Mary were happily married for over 40 years.

She worked at St. Elizabeth Hospital as a housekeeping manager for many years. Mary loved spending time with her family, she was devoted wife, mother and grandmother.

Mary is survived by her husband, Tom, of Baker City; her daughter, Cindy Boyd of Baker City; her sons, Paul Lloyd Niehaus of Baker City and Gary Lee Niehaus of Baker City; her sister, Shirley Hampton; her beloved nephew, Gary Riggs of San Francisco; her stepchildren, Tanya Die of Livermore, California, and Justin Thompson of Tracy, California; 13 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, John Raymond Niehaus; her daughters, Nora Marie Niehaus and Mary Susan Scott; and her brother, Floyd Riggs Jr.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Mary, the family suggests Marla's Mall through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com



Mary Thompson

Olen Ragsdale

Baker City, 1931-2018

Olen Ragsdale, 86, of Baker City, died on Sept. 2, 2018, at Settler's Park Assisted Living Facility in Baker City

His memorial service will be Friday, Sept. 28 at 2 p.m. at Baker United Methodist Church, 1919 Second St. Interment will follow the service at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Friends are invited to join the family for a reception to be held immediately following at the Baker Elks Lodge, 1896 Second St.

Olen Dinkle Ragsdale was born on Nov. 8, 1931, at Elk Falls, Kansas, to



Olen Ragsdale

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Grace Hicks: 91, of Baker City, died Sunday, Sept. 23, 2018, at her home. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Bill Waldron "Wild Bill": 87, of Halfway died Sunday, Sept. 23,

2018, at his home surrounded by his family. His memorial service will take place Saturday, Nov. 10, with the place and time to be announced. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

FUNERAL PENDING

Betty Kuhl: A private graveside service took place Saturday at Mount Hope Cemetery. There will be a Celebration of Life at 11 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Nazarene Church, 1250 Hughes Lane. There will be a luncheon afterward at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Baker Heritage Museum or the Baker County Library Foundation through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A PERSON UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Cody Michael Mermond, 23, of 2560 Place St., 8:25 p.m. Wednesday, at his home; cited and released.
CRIMINAL TRESPASS II: Linda Diane Peterson, 51, transient,

12:13 p.m. Friday, in the 1200 block of Campbell Street; jailed.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT and CRIMINAL TRESPASSING: Derek Roberts Shannon, 29, of 2365 Fourth St., 12:09 a.m. Saturday, in the 2400 block of Oak Street; jailed.

VIOLATION OF RELEASE AGREEMENT: Joseph Lane Andersen, 19, of Baker City, 2:12 p.m. Sunday, in the 1700 block of Valley Avenue; jailed.

Baker County Sheriff's Office

Arrests, citations
PAROLE VIOLATION (Oregon State Parole Board Warrant): Steven Michael McBride, 36, of 485 Spring Garden Ave., 11:56 p.m. Wednesday, in the 500 block of Campbell Street; jailed.

IMPROPER USE OF 911, INITIATING A FALSE POLICE REPORT, UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF HEROIN and HINDERING PROSECUTION: Chanae Renese Hartman, 26, of 8051 Fairway Drive, 1:25 a.m. Thursday, in the 700 block of Campbell Street; jailed and later released.

CONTEMPT OF COURT (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Joseph Robin Spencer, 68, of Halfway, 6:26 p.m. Saturday, at his home; jailed.

Thank You

With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy expressed by thoughtful friends.

Thanks,
- The family of Sharry Small

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Tuesday	Lasagna.....	\$8.95
Wednesday	Liver & Onions.....	\$8.95
Thursday	Chicken Fried Steak.....	\$9.95
Friday	All You Can Eat Mini Shrimp.....	\$9.95
	Steak & Shrimp.....	\$10.95
	Pan Fried Oysters.....	\$10.50
	Prime Rib.....	\$13.95
Saturday	Porterhouse Steak.....	\$19.95
	Prime Rib.....	\$13.95
Sunday	Baked Chicken.....	\$9.50/8.95 sr

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