

# Local

## BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

### 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

■ **Live Music by Keith Taylor:** Ragtime piano, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave.; no charge.  
 ■ **First Friday Art Shows:** Baker City art galleries are open late to showcase the month's new artwork; opening times vary between 5:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center and others.

### MONDAY, OCT. 8

■ **Medical Springs Rural Fire Protection District Board:** 7 p.m. at the Pondosa Station.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 9

■ **Baker City Council:** 7 p.m., City Hall, 1655 First St.

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10

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

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

### 50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald Oct. 1, 1968

A new eye clinic, which has been described as the best equipped in the state, opened today in Baker.

Dr. Charles A. House and Dr. Eugene Cummins have moved their optometrist offices from 1915 Washington Ave., to the new professional building at the southeast corner of Church and Third streets.

### 25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald Oct. 1, 1993

Step Forward Inc. has received a \$20,000 grant that will allow the agency to find jobs for disabled workers in five Eastern Oregon counties.

With the grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust in Portland, a vocational assessment and evaluation center may be open by Dec. 1, said Gene Button, Step Forward director.

### 10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald Oct. 1, 2008

Residents will have another chance for an update on Idaho Power Company's proposed 500 kilovolt transmission line that would pass through Baker County.

A public information and scoping meeting is set for the Baker County Fairgrounds from 4 p.m. through 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23.

Formal presentations are scheduled during the meeting at 4:30 p.m. and again at 5:30 p.m.

### ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald Oct. 2, 2017

Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative residential customers will pay \$4 more per month starting Nov. 1.

The increase affects the monthly delivery charge, which will increase from \$25.50 to \$29.50 for all meters.

The rate for electricity, per kilowatt hour, will not change, however.

The price hike was prompted by the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) decision to boost its wholesale electricity rate — what it charges to customers including OTEC — by 5.4 percent starting Oct. 1. OTEC buys almost all of its electricity from BPA, the federal agency that sells power produced at several dams on the Columbia River.

## OREGON LOTTERY

### MEGABUCKS, Sept. 29

7 - 9 - 18 - 41 - 43 - 45  
Next jackpot: \$77 million

### POWERBALL, Sept. 29

9 - 17 - 34 - 59 - 64 PB 22  
Next jackpot: \$229 million

### WIN FOR LIFE, Sept. 29

13 - 19 - 45 - 77

### PICK 4, Sept. 30

• 1 p.m.: 2 - 4 - 7 - 2  
 • 4 p.m.: 3 - 8 - 1 - 8  
 • 7 p.m.: 0 - 7 - 1 - 6  
 • 10 p.m.: 7 - 5 - 0 - 0

### LUCKY LINES, Sept. 30

16-10-14-17-24-26-29  
Next jackpot: \$42,000

## SENIOR MENUS

■ **TUESDAY:** Breaded pork loin, baked potato, baby carrots, roll, pasta salad, lemon bar  
 ■ **WEDNESDAY:** Meat lasagna, peas and carrots, garlic bread sticks, green salad, brownie

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

### Grace Hicks

Baker City, 1926-2018

Ida Grace Hicks, 91, of Baker City, died Sept. 23, 2018, at her home.

A memorial service will take place Saturday, Oct. 6, at 2 p.m. at the Missouri Flat Grange, with Pastor John Goodyear officiating. The family asks that those attending contribute desserts and side dishes to a potluck celebration in Grace's honor.

Grace was born on Dec. 14, 1926, at Denlow, Missouri, to Adolphus and Luella Smith and was one of 10 children. She married Raymond Hicks on June 22, 1946. They were married for 64 years until his death in 2010.

The two started their marriage in Missouri, eventually heading west to John Day, Unity and then settling in Baker City. The couple had four children — Lynn, Patricia, David and Douglas, which brought four grandchildren, including Gene, Annelie, William and Amanda, followed by three great-grandchildren, Tyler, Austin and Stella Grace.

Grace was truly a unique woman, well known for her spunk and sass. Also, Grace was a well-respected quilter with a keen eye for color and design. She enjoyed shopping for fabric at Quilts Plus in Halfway. She played a major role in the Baker City Quilt Club, winning many awards and volunteering her time at the annual Miners Jubilee Quilt Show. Grace was key in coordinating the making and distribution of quilts for service members overseas. She worked at Cut Rate Market and The Merc for numerous years, always making customers feel welcome.

Grace is survived by her children, Patricia, David and Douglas; her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and her closest friend, Joanne Thomson.

Grace was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; and her son, Lynn.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Missouri Flat Grange 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](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)

### Roy Hearne

Halfway, 1935-2018

Roy Charles Hearne, 83, died Sept. 27, 2018, in the comfort of his home with his wife of 65 years, Elaine, and his children by his side.

A family service will take place in the spring when the grass is green.

Roy was born on May 25, 1935, at Mesa, Arizona, to Roy Charles Hearne and Ella Aristo Ehle Hearne. His family moved from Arizona to Halfway in 1951. Roy worked for different ranches in the valley, Stillwell Lumber and on the Brownlee and Oxbow dams until he purchased his ranch on Boulder Flat Lane in 1960. The ranch was a dairy farm for 15 years. It was also a cattle and sheep ranch, having 700 head of sheep at one time.

For more than two decades Roy was a livestock broker. He bought and sold livestock all over the Northwest, dealing in horses, cows and sheep. He said he did his best thinking driving his truck and trailer down the road.

Roy enjoyed playing his harmonica, hunting and horseback riding. His favorite place to ride was Bear Creek in the Wallowa Mountains.

He is survived by his wife, Elaine; five children, Bruce (Karen) Hearne, Laula Hearne, Kim (Butch) Munk, Kirk (Lu Xui Qin) Hearne, and Ross (Macie) Hearne; his five grandchildren, Luke, Jory, Rachel, Jesse and Alicia; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Any donations should be sent to the Doernbecher 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](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)

### Oval Dixon

North Powder, 1919-2018

Oval Dixon, 99, died Sept. 28, 2018, at her son's home in North Powder.

A celebration of her life

will take place Saturday, Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. at the Family Worship Center in Albany.

Oval Virginia was born on the Fourth of July, 1919, at Mansford, Oklahoma, to Brady and Flora Mitchell. She came to Oregon at a very young age, as her family followed the crops which included beans, hops and strawberries. One night at a dance, her brother, Don, introduced her to Loren Dixon. They fell in love and Oval married Loren on June 6, 1938.

Oval lived in Alsea, Eugene, Albany and Sisters. She was a housewife and mother and enjoyed spending time with her family, doing activities, sewing and serving in her church. She lived her life in preparation for Jesus to be coming at any time and was a good representative for Jesus Christ. She loved to quote, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all." (Psalm 34:19)

Oval lived with her son, Floyd, and daughter-in-law, Linda, in North Powder, for the past two years where she enjoyed grandkids and great-grandkids. She loved and prayed for all her family, daily. She liked sitting in the sun outside and playing with the family's dog, Missy. She was loved and we will miss her saying "Here I go" each time she got up to her walker to take off, her family said. She would not eat until prayer was said. She was a good mother and mother-in-law and wonderful Christian woman. Her faith never wavered and she sang along with her favorite Christian music. She would say, "I wonder if all the kids know how many times a day they are prayed for." What a blessing she was to us all.

Oval is survived by her sons, Dennis and Floyd; her brother, Allie; her sisters, Jewel and Fern; her 13 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Loren; her sons, Larry and Lloyd; her sisters, Wava and Melba; and her brothers, Don, Web, and Bill.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Oval, the family suggests Heart 'N' Home Hospice of Baker City 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](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)

### Glenna Smith

Halfway, 1922-2018

Glenna Lucile (Hendrix) Smith, 96, died Sept. 23, 2018, at a care center in La Grande.

A celebration of her life will take place on Saturday, Oct. 13, at 1:30 p.m. at the Halfway Lions Club Community Hall, 235 Lion St. in Halfway. A reception will follow at Wild Bill's at 3 p.m. If you would like to bring a finger food to go with the light luncheon that will be provided you are welcome to, but it is not necessary.

Glenna was born on June 11, 1922, at Halfway to John and Myrtle (Ritter) Hendrix. Glenna attended Clear Creek Grade School, a one-room schoolhouse, through eighth grade and graduated from Pine Valley High School in 1939.

Glenna married Charles "Chub" Smith on Sept. 25, 1939, at Weiser, Idaho. They had three daughters, Charlene, Joyce and Marilyn. She lived in Halfway her entire life except for a few years during World War II when she and Chub lived in Kennewick, Washington, and Pacific City, Washington, where he worked in defense work at a cement plant and in the shipyards building aircraft carriers.

Glenna worked at the Halfway Market and the Pine Merc before becoming a bookkeeper for Pood Cooper. In 1960, Pood offered Glenna and Chub a partnership in the garage and freight line. Later they became the sole owners and changed the name to Smith's Garage.

The construction of the dams on Snake River was in full swing. Glenna was the No. 1 gas attendant as well as keeping the books, tracking the freight shipments, and all the other office duties. Wash your windshield, check your tires, check the oil whenever a car came, she jumped up from her books and went to meet their needs. Glenna and Chub retired in 1986 and planned on relaxing and traveling. They were able to make a train trip across Canada, tour the New England states and a trip to Disneyland before Chub became ill and passed away in 1988.

After Chub passed, Glenna and her best friend since childhood, Virgene Hulse Payton, started their marathon sessions of playing "old Clyde" at Wild Bill's and Stockman's, taking in all the dances, costume parties, traveling to Jackpot and just having fun with great enthusiasm and laughter.

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## Thank You

The family of Zena Edwards wants to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, gifts of food, memorial contributions and the love and support that we have received during this time of our loss. A special thank you for the loving and tender care provided by Meadowbrook Place, Heart 'N' Home Hospice, Encompass Home Health, Luann Cook, PA and Zena's private caregivers, JoDee and Mary Jo. We are eternally grateful.

- The families of Janice Smull and Denny Edwards.

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