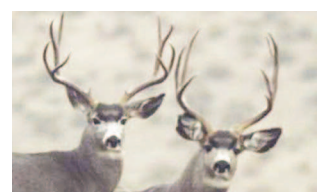


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QUICK HITS

Good Day Wish To A Subscriber

A special good day to Herald subscriber Jean Day of Baker City.

Sports, 7A

PORTLAND — A gritty group of Trail Blazers backups was able to put away the Los Angeles Clippers.

Damian Lillard had 25 points and Portland won 116-105 over the Clippers on Thursday.

BRIEFING

Veterans celebrations set

Over the weekend there will be a number of celebrations to honor U.S. armed forces veterans. On Saturday Nov. 10, the Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold a celebration of the 243rd-anniversary of the U.S. Marine Corps. The celebration will be at the VFW, 2005 Valley Ave., from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will include Birthday cake and a free drink for any Marine Veteran or actively serving in the U.S. Marine Corps.

On Veterans Day, Sunday, Nov. 11, the VFW will host a ceremony at the veterans monument at the Baker County Courthouse, 1995 Third St. at 11 a.m. at which essays from the VFW's annual Patriot's Pen youth essay contest will be read.

On Monday, The Baker City Elks Lodge will host a Veterans Steak Feed dinner from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. All members and guests are welcome.

Red Cross blood drive scheduled

The American Red Cross is conducting a blood drive at the Calvary Baptist Church, 2107 Third St., on Monday, Nov. 12.

Blood will be drawn from noon to 6:00 p.m. Call Myrna Evans at 541-523-5368 to make an appointment.

AAUW schedules Monday meeting

AAUW will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at Head Start at 1927 16th St.

The program will be Conscious Discipline, with presenter Kris Borgen, a Head Start teacher.

WEATHER

Today
43 / 22



Partly sunny

Saturday
45 / 16



Sunday
45 / 17



Mostly sunny

Full forecast on the back of the B section.

Baker County Veterans To Be Honored During Saturday Event

Run For Veterans

Participants encouraged to carry an American Flag on the route



Submitted Photo

Ty Gassin, a 2013 Baker High School graduate, planned the first Run For Veterans event in Baker City Saturday as a way of showing his support for his fellow veterans. The event will feature Gassin's self-designed and fabricated flags.

By Jayson Jacoby
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Ty Gassin has served his country and continues to do so, but he doesn't think he's done enough for his fellow veterans.

Gassin hopes to start rectifying that soon.

He is planning the inaugural Run For Veterans event for Saturday, Nov. 10 — the day before Veterans Day — in Baker City.

Gassin, 24, grew up in Baker City and graduated from Baker High School in 2013. He enlisted in the U.S. Army before he earned his diploma, and he served in the Army for 3½ years, including a nine-month deployment to Kuwait in 2015.

He started a business, All American Metal Art, in Ontario in May of this year, and not long after joined the Army Reserves.

Gassin said he decided to sponsor an event that would focus attention on military veterans.

"I felt like I had to give more, and I wanted to do something I was very passionate about," Gassin said. "I feel like I have a very strong connection with everyone in the services."

Gassin decided to pick one veteran from each branch of the military — Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard — and specifically honor each during the event.

He knew some of the veterans, including Marine Corps veteran Zach Downing, who helped inspire Gassin to join the military.

But when Gassin had trouble finding a Coast Guard veteran he enlisted the help of Rick Gloria, Baker County's veteran services officer.

Gloria helped Gassin get in touch with Michael Lary, who served in the Coast Guard.

The other veterans to be honored are:

- Dave Davis, Air Force
- Cliff Robertson, Navy
- Kaiden Williams, Army

Gassin will present a flag, which he designed and built himself, to each of the five veterans at the conclusion of the 3-mile run, which starts at 9 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery and finishes in the field south of the main parking lot at the Baker Sports Complex.

The free event is open to all, and participants are encouraged to bring an American flag to carry along the route, which mainly follows the Leo Adler

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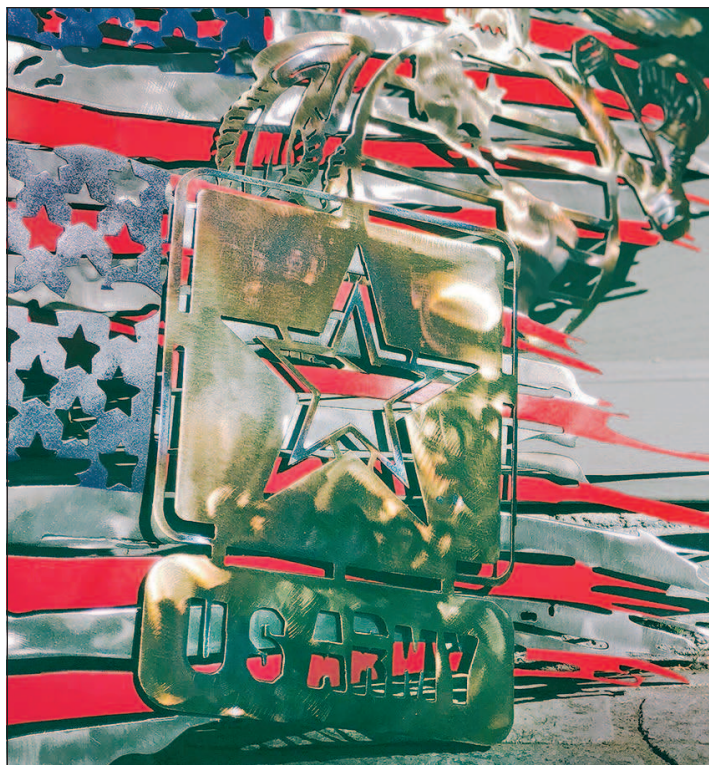
— Ty Gassin, sponsor of the Run for Veterans Event

Memorial Parkway.

People who don't want to run or walk the course are invited to attend the flag-awarding ceremony and have cupcakes donated by Katie Clark, who owns Katie's Cupcakes in Baker City.

Clark said that although she doesn't have relatives serving in the armed forces, "I've always been a big supporter of the military."

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Submitted Photo

This U.S. Army emblem will be one of five to be presented to members of each branch of the military Saturday.

County takes up land issues

It's business as usual for commissioners the day after Harvey defeats Nichols

By Casey Crowley
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On Wednesday the Baker County commissioners met for the first time since County Chair Bill Harvey won re-election for his second term over Bruce Nichols, a fellow commissioner.

The meeting lasted a total of four hours and included an hour-long lunch break. The Commission discussed a number of different issues during the half-day session.

After the break, the commissioners met in executive (closed to the public) session to discuss public access on a section of the Connor Creek Road near Lookout Mountain. At their next meeting they plan to make a decision on the matter in open session. Usually the commissioners would meet again in two weeks — on Nov. 21, the day before Thanksgiving — but the meeting is tentatively planned to be cancelled.

If the meeting is cancelled, the commissioners will not meet again until Dec. 5.

Lime plant property

The commission also decided to ask for formal offers from the four parties who are interested in purchasing part or all of the lime plant property.

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Write-ins could win

By Casey Crowley
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Write-in candidates might win the mayor positions in two Baker County cities.

According to unofficial results reported Thursday by Baker County Clerk Cindy Carpenter, Greg Lucas received 80 of the 93 write-in votes cast in the Sumpter mayoral election. The rest of the 13 votes went to 11 different names. Lucas received twice as many votes as the only candidate on the ballot, Samantha Rowan.

The Huntington mayoral race is tied if the city accepts all the name spellings for two write-in candidates who both received 55 votes. Either Richard Cummings or Charles Guerri will win the election via write-in, after they both beat out the two candidates on the ballot, Carol Allender and Rick Denton, who both received around 20 votes.

For all three of the write-in candidates, the cities will send out letters once the election is certified, to see if they will accept the positions. In Huntington, if all the name spellings are accepted and both candidates accept the positions, the city will hold a meeting and determine a way to pick a winner.

Carpenter said that in the past cities have used the method of pulling a name out of a hat to break a tie. If none of the write-in candidates accepts the position, the top ballot vote getter would win the race and take office.

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TODAY

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INSIDE TODAY — ELEVEN BULLDOGS NAMED TO GOL TEAMS

