

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 14

■ **Lower Powder River Irrigation District Board:** 6 p.m. at Barley Brown's, 2190 Main St.

THURSDAY, NOV. 15

■ **Baker Rural Fire Protection District Board:** 5:30 p.m. at the Pocahontas Fire Station.

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

FRIDAY, NOV. 16

■ **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; continues most Fridays.

MONDAY, NOV. 19

■ **Baker County Red Cross Volunteers:** 6 p.m., in the Red Cross Office at Baker City Hall, 1655 First St.

TUESDAY, NOV. 20

■ **Elkhorn Community Preparedness:** 5:30 p.m. social hour, 6:30 p.m. meeting; at the Sunridge Inn Restaurant, 1 Sunridge Lane.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21

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

FRIDAY, NOV. 30

■ **Live Music by Keith Taylor:** Ragtime piano, 4:30 p.m. to

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald Nov. 14, 1968

The duty of the press is to report the facts as seen by the correspondents, John Morley told members of the Knife and Fork Club last evening at the Shangrila.

"The press is continually watching for political 'she-nanigans' which go on in the world and it is the press' duty to bring this information to the public," he said.

Morley gave an "Eye Witness to Today's Headline World," report to an attentive audience of approximately 130 persons.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald Nov. 15, 1993

Contrary to the weather service's forecast of sunny and 40 degrees in the Baker City area Saturday, a wind and snow storm blew into Bulldog Memorial Stadium just before Baker's state playoff football game against Astoria.

Like that storm, the second-ranked Bulldogs' defense stormed all over fifth-ranked Astoria on the way to a 28-6 first-round victory in the opener of the Class 3A playoffs.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald Nov. 14, 2008

Planning visions for future improvements at the Baker City Municipal Airport aired Thursday included adding a paved taxiway and hangars at one end of the airport and extending the main runway to better accommodate business jets.

The potential improvements surfaced during a public hearing on the 10-year update of the airport master plan led by airport consultant Aron Fegre, along with Jake Jacobs, a member of the Baker Airport commission and the Baker City economic development staff, and Michelle Owen, public works director.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald Nov. 15, 2017

Wanda Groshens and her family have donated their tree as Baker City's Community Christmas Tree. A selection committee from Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative, which volunteers to move the tree to its spot in the Court Avenue Park downtown between Main and Resort streets, picked the Groshens' tree from among nominations submitted to the city.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Nov. 12

1 - 12 - 17 - 34 - 37 - 38
Next jackpot: \$3 million

PICK 4, Nov. 13

• 1 p.m.: 9 - 6 - 5 - 1
• 4 p.m.: 0 - 5 - 3 - 6
• 7 p.m.: 5 - 1 - 0 - 2
• 10 p.m.: 3 - 3 - 8 - 5

WIN FOR LIFE, Nov. 12

12 - 19 - 43 - 50

LUCKY LINES, Nov. 13

3-6-10-14-18-23-25-32
Next jackpot: \$12,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **THURSDAY:** Beef Burgundy over fettuccine, mixed vegetable, roll, beet-and-onion salad, pudding
- **FRIDAY:** Barbecue ribs, baked beans, baby carrots, roll, green salad, cinnamon roll

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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COUNCIL

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Mayor Mike Downing was absent Tuesday. He had informed the other councilors that he would miss Tuesday's meeting.

In other business Tuesday, councilors voted to award

a bid for repairing and recoating the exterior of a 3-million-gallon drinking water reservoir built in the early 1960s.

The reservoir has not required any significant maintenance or repair since then, city officials said.

The Council awarded

the \$84,280.47 contract to Cascade Industrial Services of Rathdrum, Idaho, the lowest of six bidders. Baker City's Public Works Advisory Committee recommended the Council award the bid to Cascade Industrial Services.

The company is required to finish the project before June

21, 2019.

Councilors also appointed Joseph Peterson to the Public Works Advisory Committee.

This leaves one vacant spot on the committee that will be filled by a councilor early next year when the three newly elected councilors are sworn in.

BURNING

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The thinning-and-piling work is part of the East Face project, which includes similar efforts on both public and private land on the east side of the Elkhorns and extending nearly to La Grande.

In addition to the piles beside the highway, workers also cut and piled trees in the Anthony Lakes Recreation Area, including campgrounds, said Noel Livingston, fire staff officer on the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

In many cases workers burn slash

without first piling it.

That wasn't feasible in this case, Livingston said, because there was enough debris on the ground to fuel a fire that would have killed the remaining trees.

That threat is especially acute in the higher elevations, including around Anthony Lakes, where the predominant trees are subalpine firs and lodgepole pines, a forest type where natural fires typically scorch all the trees, what foresters call a "stand-replacement" fire.

Burning the slash piles is a long-term project because the sheer number of piles means crews can only light about 25 percent of the piles in a given area on

one day to prevent flames from spreading to the standing trees, Livingston said.

The East Face project isn't the only place on the Wallowa-Whitman where crews are burning slash piles this fall.

In all, officials hope to burn piles on about 1,900 acres across the forest, Livingston said.

"That's a lot of piles," he said.

Burning conditions have been generally good recently, he said. Snow earlier this month reduced the chances of fires spreading, and the cool, dry weather the past week has kept the piles dry enough that they'll burn readily.

OBITUARIES

Geraldine Rogers

Baker City, 1939-2018

Geraldine "Geri" Rogers, 79, a long-time Baker City resident, died Nov. 11, 2018, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Baker City.

Her memorial service will be Thursday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2625 Hughes Lane in Baker City.

Geri was born on Feb. 17, 1939, and was raised in Baker City.

She married Robert Rogers in 1961 in Baker City. They had one son who they named Jeff. Geri's husband died when Jeff was only two years old and she raised him as a single mother. Jeff was the light of her life. Nothing was more important to Geri than being a devoted and loving mother to her son.

Geri joined The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1985. She has been a devoted member of the Church since that time.

Geri has loved all of her many friends who became her family until she passed away. She loved spending time with her friends, including going shopping, doing genealogy and participating in church activities. Other interests included embroidery, art, reading and tending to her dogs.

Geri was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, and her son, Jeff Rogers.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Geri may do so to Best Friends through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

[tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)

Gerald Gregory

Baker City

Gerald Lee Gregory, 80, of Baker City, died Nov. 7, 2018, from a heart attack.

Gerald was elk hunting with his son-in-law when he experienced some chest discomfort. After a triple bypass surgery at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise, Gerald had two more heart attacks, the second one was fatal.

A traditional funeral service will be Friday, Nov. 16 at 1 p.m. at the Harvest Church, 3720 Birch St. in Baker City. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception to be held at the church immediately following the service.

Gerald grew up in Sweet Home, Oregon, and developed a love of the outdoors. He would have enjoyed living the life of a frontiersman, if only he had been born earlier in history. Gerald was an Army veteran, a woodworker, a gardener, a hunter, an artist and a cowboy action shooter. Before retiring, Gerald worked as a civil engineering technician for the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Some of Gerald's happiest years were spent in Eastern Oregon where he had a vegetable garden, a wood shop and easy access to the wild outdoors. One of Gerald's most loved hobbies was dressing as his alias, "Old Rawhider," and joining his Powder River friends for shooting competitions.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Dorothy; his son, Brian; his daughter, Becky and son-in-law, Bill Manix; and his brothers, Gene and Ken.



Gerald Gregory

Gerald was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Della Gregory.

Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Freda Swafford

Formerly of Richland, 1936-2018

Freda Swafford, 82, formerly of Richland, died Nov. 4, 2018, at her home in Hood River.

A private family interment will be at Eagle Valley Cemetery in Richland at a later date.

Freda Orcella (Short) Swafford was born on Oct. 1, 1936, at Mt. Pine, Arkansas. Her family moved to Southern Oregon in 1947, then to Hood River in 1955.

Freda had a strong Christian faith and had friends from school who all kept in touch. Before she married Keith Swafford she worked at the First National Bank in Hood River. Freda is survived by her daughter, Tammy Pridgen of Hood River; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; three sisters; and many nieces and nephews.

We will miss her greatly but are so relieved that she is now with her husband of 54 years, her family said. See you soon, Freda!

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Keith; and her three brothers.

Those who would like to make a memorial donation in memory of Freda may do so to defray funeral expenses 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

time and date to be announced.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Coree, they may do so to help defray service expenses 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

FUNERAL PENDING

Gloria A. Grammatico: Memorial service will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, 2018, at ColesTribute Center, 1950 Place St. Pastor Karl Wittich of Calvary Baptist Church will officiate. Memorial contributions may be made to Calvary Baptist Church through ColesTribute Center, 1950 Place St. Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in Gloria's memory, go to www.colestributecenter.com

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Russel Alec Hunt: 67, of Summerville, a former Baker County resident, died Nov. 9, 2018, at Grande Ronde Hospital in La Grande. There will be a celebration of his life in the spring. Details will be announced later. Memorial contributions may be made to the Blue Yesterdays (a local Big Band that Russ played with), the Navy Musicians Association, or to the Cove Christian Camp through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Russ or to leave a condolence for his family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Coree Lynn Welch: 2 1/2 months old, daughter of Justin and Destinee Welch, died Nov. 11, 2018, at her home in Baker City. A service will take place, the

WINNERS

Week of November 5th

Bill Hanks
Missed 3
Wins \$25

Vickie Kirkwood
Missed 4, beat tiebreaker
Wins \$15

Bill Amiss
Missed 4 & tiebreaker
Wins \$10

Tie-Breaker:
New Orleans 51 @ Cincinnati 14

CONGRATULATIONS

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ELTRYM THEATER

MOVIE TIMES NOVEMBER 9-15

THE GRINCH PG
A grumpy Grinch plots to ruin Christmas for the village of Whoville.
FRI-SUN: (4:10) 7:10, 9:45
MON: (4:10) 7:10 **TUES-THURS:** 7:10

BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY PG-13
A chronicle of the years leading up to Queen's legendary appearance at the Live Aid (1985) concert.
FRI-SUN: (3:45) 6:45, 9:35
MON: (3:45) 6:45 **TUES-THURS:** 6:45

THE NUTCRACKER & THE FOUR REALMS PG
A young girl is transported into a magical world of gingerbread soldiers and an army of mice.
FRI-SUN: (4:00) 7:00, 9:40
MON: (4:00) 7:00 **TUES-THURS:** 7:00

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