

# Local

## BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, JAN. 4

- **Live Music by Keith Taylor:** Ragtime piano, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Crossroads, 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, Peterson's Gallery, Broderick's Gallery and others.

### MONDAY, JAN. 7

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

### TUESDAY, JAN. 8

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

### WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9

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

### MONDAY, JAN. 14

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

### THURSDAY, JAN. 17

- **Baker Rural Fire Protection District Board:** 5:30 p.m. at the Pocahontas Fire Station.
- **Baker School Board:** 6 p.m., Council Chambers at City Hall, 1655 First St.

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

### 50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald December 31, 1968

A well-known and respected Baker couple, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rose, and their family left the city yesterday to take up residence in Ontario. Rose, an attorney, will be associated with the law firm of Yturri, O'Kief, Rose and Burgham in that city.

### 25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald December 31, 1993

Baker showed no lingering effects from the Christmas break during Thursday's non-league girls basketball game against Hermiston.

Baker rolled to an early 8-0 lead, then clicked on all cylinders on the way to a 58-33 victory in the Baker gym.

### 10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald December 31, 2008

When the final second of 2008 has ticked away you can still chop a hole in the ice at Pilcher Creek Reservoir west of North Powder.

What you can't do after 2009 debuts is drop a fishing line into the frigid water and try to attract a rainbow trout.

### ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald December 29, 2017

A \$200,000 federal grant is designed to reduce the abuse of prescription opioids in Baker County and three other Eastern Oregon counties over the next two years.

The Oregon Health Authority applied for the grant for Baker, Union, Malheur and Umatilla counties, said Mike Stensrud, who is coordinating the project from his office at the Umatilla County Health Department.

"Mostly what we're trying to do is increase public awareness of the problem that's going on," Stensrud said.

The campaign will include, among other things, community forums and media interviews, he said.

Data from the Oregon Health Authority suggest the opioid problem is greater, statistically speaking, in the four-county region compared with the statewide average.

## OREGON LOTTERY

### MEGABUCKS, Dec. 29

2 - 32 - 36 - 40 - 41 - 45  
Next jackpot: \$6.2 million

### POWERBALL, Dec. 29

12 - 42 - 51 - 53 62 PB 25  
Next jackpot: \$53 million

### WIN FOR LIFE, Dec. 29

3 - 24 - 32 - 41

### PICK 4, Dec. 30

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

### LUCKY LINES, Dec. 30

2-8-10-14-18-21-27-31  
Next jackpot: \$32,000

## SENIOR MENUS

- **TUESDAY:** Closed for New Year's Day
- **WEDNESDAY:** Chicken-fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, broccoli-blend vegetables, cottage cheese with fruit, ice cream

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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### Weston Gibbons

Baker City, 2011-2018

Weston Daniel Gibbons, 7, a loving and joyful brother, son, cousin, nephew, grandson, and friend, died Dec. 21, 2018.

Wes was born on Jan. 12, 2011, to Jason and Angela Gibbons. Wes would have been 8 on his next birthday, and for such a young man, he has left quite the mark on those who were fortunate enough to know him. His joy and zest for life were indescribable. He was a kind-hearted soul who always had a smile on his face and a sparkle in his eyes. Wes loved to make others happy and always took the time to get to know others. He had an easygoing attitude in all he did. His token laugh will be remembered in the heart and minds for those who were touched by his charming humor.

Wes was so positive that those around him seemed to thrive off his energy and wonderful smile. He had a great love for music and could sing almost any song on the radio. He loved to play dump trucks, army men, Legos, and any other game he could dream up with his best friend and brother, Waylon. Wes was a very patient and kind brother to his little sister Lizzy and could easily be talked into playing any make-believe game with her. He would readily become a member of her audience any time there was a "show" performance. Wes was a member of the "Three Amigos" — three cousins who were close in age who had revolving doors into his aunts', uncles', and grandparents' homes. Wes wanted to be a cowboy when he grew up, and never missed an opportunity to go to "cowboy school" with his aunt and uncle in Durkee.

When not tagging along with dad or playing with his friends and cousins, he would take full advantage of cuddle time on the couch with mom. A morning kiss to Mom or a hug for Dad on school days was never missed.

Our family was blessed with nearly eight wonderful years of indefinable pleasure — Wes' love and charm.

We can't begin to describe how lucky we feel to have had Weston, a young man who had a keen sense of others' feelings, and of who he was and always seemed to know just how to make



Weston Gibbons

others feel special.

Wes' passion for life, and amazing smile will never be forgotten. He will be missed; more than can be put into words.

Weston was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Carl and Dixie Hansen, Richard and Elizabeth Henes, Robert and Barbara Gibbons, JC and Margaret Smith.

Weston Gibbons is survived by his parents, Angela and Jason Gibbons of Baker City, his grandparents, Jeff and Carol Henes of Baker City, and Cindy and Mark Gibbons of Redmond; his aunts and uncles, Tish and Travis Bloomer of Baker City, Katie and Kris Kaaen of Baker City, Dan and Eva Henes of Baker City, Robert and Kathy Gibbons of Redmond, Dan and Calee Gibbons of Redmond, and Dan and Erin Hansen of Baker City; his cousins, Gauge, Dash and Bruin Bloomer of Baker City, Sofie and Soren Kaaen of Baker City, and Austin and Cohen Gibbons of Redmond.

To light a candle for Weston or to leave a condolence for his family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com)

### Margaret Morris

Baker City, 1936-2018

Margaret Mae (Craig) Morris, 82, died peacefully at home with her family on Dec. 25, 2018.



Margaret Morris

A private family gathering will take place in the spring or summer of 2019. Margaret was third generation born in Baker City, on Aug. 25, 1936, to John and Frances Craig. Margaret graduated Baker High School, and it was during this time that Margaret met Norman Morris and told her sister, "that's who I'm going to marry." True to her word, Margaret would marry Norman on Oct. 14, 1953.

Margaret was third generation born in Baker City, on Aug. 25, 1936, to John and Frances Craig. Margaret graduated Baker High School, and it was during this time that Margaret met Norman Morris and told her sister, "that's who I'm going to marry." True to her word, Margaret would marry Norman on Oct. 14, 1953.

She worked as a cook at several restaurants in Baker City, but found her career at St. Elizabeth Hospital, and worked as dietary aide, and cook for many, many years, retiring at the age of 62. After retirement, she was able to truly enjoy her hobbies, quilting, crocheting, camping, and fishing, along with gardening. Yes, she was a very busy lady. Each of the family members was given a handmade quilt, and something crocheted, for a birthday, wedding, Christmas, or simply because she loved you.

Margaret's favorite color was blue, a favorite song was "In the Garden," and her favorite season was spring. Margaret and Norman attended Elkhorn Baptist Church; however, during the last few years, due to health issues, Margaret was unable to attend.

Margaret had four children, Rick Morris and his wife, Leslie, of Moses Lake, Washington, John Morris and wife, Terri (wanting everyone to know that Margaret was the best mother-in-law ever) of the Tri-Cities, Washington, Norma Haye of Baker City, and Jim Morris of Baker City. She had five grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren, who all called her "grandma chicken." She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Margaret was the third child in a family of four, with one brother, James Francis Craig, and two sisters, Charlotte Ann (Craig) Morris, and Barbara Ellen (Craig) Humphries.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Norman Morris; and her sister, Barbara Humphries.

Margaret will be remembered as a beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, and aunt. We will miss you, and remember you, when the wind blows, and the seasons change, and the sun is warm upon our faces, her family said.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Margaret, the family suggests Creating Memories (outdoor activities and memories to be made for disabled children) or the charity of your choice 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)

### Galen Scrivner

Formerly of Baker City

Galen Scrivner, 68, known by many as "Coach Scriv," died Dec. 20, 2018.



Galen Scrivner

His funeral service will take place Jan. 5 at noon at Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave. Interment will follow the service at Mount Hope Cemetery. A reception will be held immediately following interment at the Baker County Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St.

There will also be a memorial service on Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. at McKenzie High School, 51187 Blue River Dr. Finn Rock, OR 97488.

Born and raised in Baker, Galen's fondest memories were those from his childhood. Hunting, fishing, and anything with a ball (baseball, basketball, football, golf) were wonderful activities to be enjoyed often and with others. Accompanied by his father, uncles, cousins and many neighborhood friends, Galen was certainly not alone in his love for sports and outdoor activities. When pressed to choose his favorite sport, Galen was known to say, "whatever is in season, that's my favorite."

He studied wildlife biology and math at Oregon State University and obtained his degree from Eastern Oregon State College.

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## PLEASE DRIVE SAFELY

**Have a Safe Party**  
Holiday parties often involve alcohol, and while you want your guests to enjoy themselves, it's also important to make sure they are being responsible. This involves keeping an eye out for anyone who may be drinking too much, and either providing a place to stay or a means to get home with a designated driver. Here are a few steps you can take to prevent holiday drinking and driving.

Have a designated driver. It's one of the simplest rules to follow, but also one of the most effective in keeping people safe on the roads.

Have cab numbers on hand. If someone should not be driving and they insist on going home, call a cab for them instead of allowing them to take the risk of driving home.

Offer plenty of non-alcoholic drinks. While many guests may want to enjoy the holidays with an alcoholic drink, offer non-alcoholic drinks as an option.

Offer food if you're offering alcohol. Drinking on an empty stomach can cause a person to become intoxicated faster. Offering food along with drinks may help prevent guests from over-indulging on alcohol alone.

### Holiday Driving Tips

If possible, drivers should try to stay off the road between the hours of midnight and 3 a.m., when drunk driving accidents are most likely, according to research from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

**Winter Vehicle Preparation**  
Prepare your car for the winter driving by checking items such as the brakes, spark plugs, battery, and tires.

Be prepared for emergency situations on the road by having a winter "survival kit" in your vehicle including items such as, fire chains, a working flashlight, extra batteries, cell phone charger, reflective triangles, compass, first aid kit, exterior windshield cleaner, ice scraper, snow brush, wooden stick matches in a waterproof container, blankets, candles, bag of cat litter for traction if stuck and non-perishable, high energy foods like unsalted canned nuts, dried fruits, and hard candy and bottled water.

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