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QUICK HITS

**Good Day Wish To A Subscriber**

A special good day to Herald subscriber Larry Skeen of Baker City.

**Sports, 5A**

Baker wrestlers placed fifth in the Class 4A division Saturday at the Oregon Classic in Redmond.

The Bulldogs defeated Woodburn 56-15 in the fifth-place match.

**Sports, 5A**

The Baker swim teams closed out their regular season home competition Saturday at Sam-O Swim Center.

Both Baker teams placed third in a three-way meet with La Grande and Pendleton.

BRIEFING

**Community Connection to celebrate 50th anniversary**

Community Connection of Northeastern Oregon will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a free lunch and open house on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at the Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St. The lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The open house, with refreshments and door prizes, will run from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Wolf depredation committee meets on Wednesday**

Baker County's Wolf Depredation Compensation Committee will meet Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 3 p.m. at the Courthouse, 1995 Third St. The committee will review applications for compensation for livestock losses to wolves, and for hiring range riders to try to deter wolves from attacking livestock.

**Parks & Rec board meeting Tuesday**

Baker City's Parks and Recreation Board will meet Jan. 22 at 5:15 p.m. at City Hall, 1655 First St.

Agenda items include updating the community survey for the city's parks master plan, and a design for a sign at Central Park.

**Farmers Market annual meeting**

The annual membership meeting for the Baker City Farmers Market is set for Jan. 22 at 6 p.m. at the Baker County Library, 2400 Resort St.

WEATHER

**Today**

38 / 18



Mostly sunny

**Tuesday**

38 / 28



Mostly cloudy

**Baker County Chamber of Commerce's 89th Awards Ceremony**

## Baker's Brightest

**Man of the Year**

Clay McEnroe



Submitted photo

Clay McEnroe

**Woman of the Year**

Michelle Kaseberg



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**Emergency Services Recognition Awards**

- John Young, Sumpter Fire training officer
- Jim Sheller, Sumpter assistant fire chief
- Kathi Vinson, EMS, Powder River Rural Fire
- Cassie Sullivan, Unity Fire Department
- Deputy Brandon Mastrude, Baker County Sheriff's Office
- Baker City firefighters

**Business of the Year**

Superior Towing



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Donn and Beckey Christy

**Legacy Man of the Year**

Judd Huff



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Judd Huff and his wife, Elizabeth

**Legacy Woman of the Year**

Mary Jane Guyer



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**Entrepreneur of the Year**

Corrine and Brian Vegter



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Corrine and Brian Vegter, who are renovating the former Churchill School in Baker City

**Organization of the Year: Baker County Community Literacy Coalition**



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Jim Tomlinson

**Excellence in Agriculture:**



Travis Cook: Copper Belt Winery

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Travis Cook

COUNTY COULD GET \$6.2 MILLION TOTAL

## County gets \$1.7M to help sage grouse

By Jayson Jacoby  
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The campaign to aid Baker County's struggling sage grouse population has received a nearly \$2 million boost.

And that might just be the start of a multimillion-dollar effort to not only protect the chicken-size bird but also to improve the condition of rangeland, much of it privately owned, across the county.

The \$1.7 million award from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, approved last week, is the first installment in a planned \$6.2 million from the Board, which receives its money from the Oregon Lottery, over the next six years.

Local officials also hope to use the state money to leverage federal grants and other sources that could make available several million dollars more to combat invasive weeds, deal with predators and do other work to aid sage grouse recovery, said Mark Bennett, a Baker County commissioner and a member of the governor's sage grouse council.

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## Council to look at property ordinance

By Casey Crowley  
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The Baker City Council on Tuesday will discuss proposed changes to the city's property maintenance ordinance that could allow the city to ban access to any property that the Baker County Justice Court deems a "chronic neighborhood nuisance."

Properties with an "accumulation of rubbish and waste" could potentially meet the definition of a chronic neighborhood nuisance.

City Manager Fred Warner Jr., in a report to councilors, suggests they vote on the first of three required readings of the proposed ordinance.

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**WEDNESDAY — GO! MAGAZINE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**



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