

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

TUESDAY, JAN. 22

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

FRIDAY, FEB. 1

■ **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.

■ **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, FEB. 4

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

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 6

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

FRIDAY, FEB. 8

■ **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, FEB. 11

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

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO

from the Democrat-Herald
January 21, 1969

The budget board of District 5J Monday evening tentatively approved the implementation of the pre-vocational cluster concept in the junior high school and senior high school for the 1969-70 school year.

25 YEARS AGO

from the Baker City Herald
January 21, 1994

UNITY — A 50-mile poker run will be sponsored by the Burnt River Snowmobile Club Saturday.

Payback is 80 percent, with added money awarded to the first place winner. Drawings will be held for numerous door prizes.

10 YEARS AGO
from the Baker City Herald
January 21, 2009

David Hanson, former editor of the now defunct Cottage Living magazine, is looking to place an article featuring Baker City's historic downtown and the area's array of outdoor activities in a sisterTime Inc. magazine.

ONE YEAR AGO
from the Baker City Herald
January 22, 2018

GRANITE — An Idaho woman who was reported missing Saturday morning was rescued in the Blue Mountains Saturday evening after her pickup truck was stuck in snow on an unmaintained forest road between Ukiah and Granite.

Ruby Pike, 52, of Star, was not hurt, according to the Grant County Sheriff's Office.

Two Grant County deputies found Pike in her truck about 7:58 p.m. Saturday along Forest Road 52, the Blue Mountain Scenic Byway, about 35 miles southeast of Ukiah.

Pike was checked by an ambulance crew at Ukiah and then reunited with family members who reported Saturday morning that she was overdue on a trip from Pendleton to Boise.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Jan. 19
25 - 27 - 35 - 37 - 45 - 46
Next jackpot: \$7.1 million

POWERBALL, Jan. 19
5 - 8 - 41 - 65 - 66 PB 20
Next jackpot: \$144 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Jan. 18
2 - 43 - 48 - 62 - 64 Mega 24
Next jackpot: \$82 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Jan. 19
1 - 4 - 52 - 71

PICK 4, Jan. 20
• 1 p.m.: 3 - 20 - 5 - 8
• 4 p.m.: 1 - 4 - 6 - 9
• 7 p.m.: 3 - 8 - 5 - 1

• 10 p.m.: 7 - 3 - 8 - 2
LUCKY LINES, Jan. 20
4-8-9-15-17-24-25-30
Next jackpot: \$23,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **TUESDAY:** Chicken cordon bleu, parsleyed red potatoes, mixed vegetables, biscuit, green salad, cake
- **WEDNESDAY:** Hot beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, succotash, cottage cheese with fruit, cheesecake

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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Tuesday's meeting starts at 7 p.m. at City Hall, 1655 First St.

The Council's consideration of the tougher property maintenance ordinances comes little more than a week after the city cleaned up a property at 1975 Birch St. Several neighbors of the property, occupied by Lucas Gwin, attended the Council's Dec. 10 meeting to express their concerns about the piles of trash and infestations of rodents on the property and ask the city to take action.

The city had cited Gwin several times since 2015 for violating the property maintenance ordinance.

Tuesday's meeting agenda includes several other items.

Mayor vote

City Recorder Julie Smith will announce how each councilor voted when Councilor Loran Joseph was elected as mayor during the Jan. 8 meeting.

The city violated Oregon's Public

Meetings Law by failing to announce the individual councilor's votes. Joseph received 5 of the 7 votes cast.

The city's attorney reviewed the matter and recommended Smith publicly announce the votes. The attorney concluded the Jan. 8 vote was valid because the city kept each councilor's ballot, and the results are also listed in the minutes for that meeting.

TV Translator District bills

The Council will discuss two bills introduced in the Oregon Legislature that would help the Blue Mountain Translator District, which supplies over-the-air TV signals in parts of Baker and Union counties, to more easily collect the annual \$100 subscription fee for people in Baker City and Haines who use the district's signals.

Unanticipated grant money

Councilors will consider a resolution allowing the city to use grant money that was received after the current year's budget was approved, as well as

interfund transfers.

The city received a \$13,750 grant to buy a defibrillator for the fire department, and \$2,600 for travel and training costs for the Police Department's school resource officer to attend driver's education training.

The interfund transfer would be for recertification for the city's hydroelectric plant and would cost \$5,600. The money for the recertification would come from the general fund. The costs for the recertification were mistakenly omitted from the 2018-19 budget.

Board and commission appointments

Councilors will consider appointing members to several boards and commissions. There are four applicants for four positions on the budget board, seven applications for five spots on the planning commissioner, two applicants for one position on the parks and recreation board, and one applicant for a vacancy on the public works advisory committee.

OBITUARIES

George Hermann

Baker City, 1938-2019

George V. Hermann, 80, of Baker City, died Jan. 16, 2019, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Baker City.

A funeral service with Oregon State Police honors take place Tuesday, Jan. 22 at noon at the First Lutheran Church, 1734 Third St., with Pastor Ian Wolfe officiating. Interment will take place Wednesday, Jan. 23 at noon at the Hermiton Cemetery.

George was born on Nov. 1, 1938, at Chicago to Gottlieb Hermann and Otilie Hunt, moving to Oregon at the age of six. He attended Lexington High School and graduated in 1957.

From his high school years until 1964 he worked as a ranch hand; in 1964 he purchased and operated a gas station. After owning the gas station until 1969, he decided to train to become an Oregon State Police officer. During his career, he was a Senior Trooper for OSP and an OSP Training Officer. He worked for the Oregon State Police for 25 years before retiring in 1994.

On Nov. 27, 1977, he married Maxine Kranz in Reno, Nevada. George was a lifetime member of the Elks, and he enjoyed hunting, fishing, and fly-tying.

George was proud to have helped raise three wonderful daughters.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Maxine Hermann of Baker City; his daughters, Donna Sherbondy of Weiser, Idaho, Sandra Hermann of Dallesport, Wash-

ington, and Holly (Randy) Kinsey of Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

George was preceded in death by his parents, Gottlieb Hermann and Otilie Hunt; his brothers, Henry Welke and Al Welke; and a sister, Elsie Welke.

Memorial contributions in honor of George may be made to Meadowood Speech camp through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle in honor of George or to leave a condolence for his family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Denise Christianson

Halfway, 1941-2019

Denise Christianson, 77, a longtime Halfway resident, died Jan. 18, 2019, at Meadowbrook Place in Baker City.

A celebration of her life and potluck reception will take place Saturday, Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. at the Lions Club Hall in Halfway.

Denise was born in Baker City in 1941 and grew up mostly in Halfway. Her parents were Billie (Bernice) and William (Bill) Joseph.

Denise was married in 1958 to Cliff Christianson, and for several years they traveled the United States for work. With their mobile home in tow, they had the opportunity to see much of the country.

Their son Mark was born in 1963, and they finally settled in Keizer in 1965. Their daughter Kristi was born in 1967, and Denise

spent the next 15 years raising a family.

Divorced in 1985, Denise took a job with an investment company as a property manager in the Portland area, a company owned by another Halfway resident, Dale Denson. Within just a couple of years she took over all of their Oregon assets, managing more than 1,200 rental units. She worked for 20 years serving the clients and customers with whom she was involved.

Upon retiring she moved back to Halfway. As a ranch owner and native citizen, she became involved with several local community groups. Denise worked with the Fair and the Rodeo, the Museum and more. She started and ran Friends and Neighbors, providing food for the elderly and disabled. Denise helped with fundraisers, consulted or served on boards and remained very involved with the community until her last days.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Billie Joseph; her daughter-in-law, Vivian Christianson; and her brother, Paul Joseph.

Denise is survived by her daughter, Kristi, and her husband, Chris Hensley; her son, Mark Christianson; her grandchildren, Jessica, Cody and Katelyn Hensley, and David Common; 5 great-grandchildren; her brothers, Allen and Keith Joseph; her sister, Edrie Wheeler-Peer; her sister-in-law, Linda Joseph; and numerous nephews and nieces.

Denise will be missed by a great many people. For those who would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Denise the family requests donations be made to either of her favorite community efforts, the Pine Valley Community Museum or the Pine Valley Fairgrounds, through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online

FUNERAL PENDING

Steven Valentine: Celebration of his life, Saturday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m. at the Baker City VFW Hall, 2005 Valley Ave. In the spring, a graveside military service will take place, the date and time to be announced later. For those who would like to make a donation in Steve's memory, the family suggests Best Friends of Baker 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

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
HIT AND RUN (property): Jose Medina Luna, 25, 1729 Seventh St., 8:09 p.m. Sunday in the 1300

condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Doug Bunch

Prairie City, 1937-2019

Douglas G. Bunch, 82, of Prairie City, died Jan. 17, 2019, at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day.

A celebration of his life will take place Saturday, Jan. 26 at 2 p.m. at the Elks Lodge No. 1824 in John Day. Food will be provided.

A private inurnment will take place Friday, Jan. 25 at the Prairie City Cemetery.

Doug was born on Jan. 10, 1937, at Lime to Lawrence and Harriett Bunch.

He married Mary Hoff, and they had three children, Matt, Tom and Michele. He later married his wife of 44 years, Fran Fairbanks. Together they raised her two sons, Mike and Jeff Fairbanks.

Doug worked for the Oregon State Patrol and Fish and Game Department. He retired from the Oregon Telephone Company in 2004. He was initiated into the John Day Elks Lodge in 1960 and was awarded the first "Elk of the Year" of the Lodge in 1970. He became a lifetime member in 2003.

He is survived by his children; his brothers, Ray, Mike and Lou; and by numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews, and in-laws who he loved very much.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Tom and Duane; and his sister, Darleen.

Memorial donations may be made to the John Day Elks Lodge No. 1824 through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

To leave an online condolence for Doug's family, go to www.driskillmemorialchapel.com

NEWS OF RECORD

block of Broadway Street; cited and released.

SECOND-DEGREE DISORDERLY CONDUCT, HARASSMENT, FOURTH-DEGREE ASSAULT, RESISTING ARREST: Freddie Leroy Tate Jr., 51, Sumpter, 4:12 p.m. Sunday at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City;

PROBATION VIOLATION: Juan Pablo Burgos, 58, 1240 Place St., 1:39 p.m. Sunday in the 2400 block of Resort Street; jailed.

CRIMINAL TRESPASSING: Melissa Lattymer, 33, Baker City, 10:05 a.m. Sunday in the 2300 block of Resort Street; cited and released.

PROBATION VIOLATION (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): David Michael McMurdo, 35, 2550 B St., 1:11 a.m. Saturday in the 2400 block of Oak Street; jailed.