

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

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.
- **Brooklyn School Taco Feed:** 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Baker High School, 2500 E St.; \$5 for all ages; there also will be a silent auction, raffle and book fair.

MONDAY, FEB. 11

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

TUESDAY, FEB. 12

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

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13

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

TUESDAY, FEB. 19

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

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20

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

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald February 8, 1969

Pendleton's 25-game winning streak came to a wild fan-screaming halt here last night as the Baker Bulldogs won by a stunted whisker, 62-61 in overtime.

Ernie Ross was the big hero of the evening for the locals. Ross scored a tip-in with two seconds remaining and gave Baker the needed one-point margin.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald February 8, 1994

The Baker County Chapter of the Oregon Hunter's Association on Wednesday will discuss a proposal to outlaw the use of dogs in hunting bears and cougars.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald February 9, 2009

Data from the latest Census of Agriculture released Thursday shows the number of farms in Oregon is declining, but the average age of Oregon farmers and ranchers is rising.

Oregon also reported a slight decrease in the average size of farms, according to the Census of Agriculture doing in 2007.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald February 9, 2018

Baker City has seen a steady increase in the number of minors cited for possession of marijuana since recreational pot use was legalized for adults in Oregon, according to local statistics.

Police Chief Wyn Lohner believes that when Oregon voted to legalize pot — or as he says, the Willamette Valley did, as voters in Baker County and much of rural Oregon opposed the measure — it started changing the social norm for the way residents, including young people, view marijuana use.

"We're telling the youth that this is OK," he said. That's why he's not surprised by the increase in the number of citations issued to minors for marijuana possession. Lohner says his concern for young people is why he has fought to keep marijuana dispensaries out of Baker City.

Retail marijuana sales are prohibited by ordinance in Baker City and in the unincorporated parts of Baker County. There are marijuana stores in Huntington and Sumpter.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Feb. 6

5 - 8 - 9 - 25 - 30 - 47
Next jackpot: \$79 million

POWERBALL, Feb. 6

5 - 13 - 28 - 38 - 63 PB 21
Next jackpot: \$224 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Feb. 6

18 - 33 - 43 - 61

PICK 4, Feb. 7

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

LUCKY LINES, Feb. 7

1-7-10-15-19-22-25-30
Next jackpot: \$47000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY:** Pot roast, parsleyed red potatoes, carrots, roll, green salad, apple crisp
- **TUESDAY:** Liver and onions, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, fruit ambrosia, huckleberry 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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Pedal for a Purpose fundraiser Saturday

The Baker Valley Education Foundation is again partnering with the YMCA for the second-annual Pedal for a Purpose Spin-A-Thon Saturday.

The event, which is a fundraiser for the foundation, will begin at 7 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. at the Baker County

YMCA Fitness Center at 3715 Pochontas Road.

Participants will have fun, get fit, and support The Baker Valley Education Foundation by raising donations for innovative teaching in the 5J School District, organizers state on the Foundation's Facebook page.

There is a \$30 nonrefundable registration fee, which will reserve a bike. Team registration is available (\$200 for a team of up to eight riders). An email will be sent confirming time slots prior to the event. Prizes will be awarded for the best team costume. The event is open to

anyone 10 and older of any ability level.

Registration forms may be printed from the Foundation's Facebook page: facebook.com/events/1304305059707863/ or picked up at the YMCA Fitness Center. Call Lindy Petrik at 541-519-6562 for sponsorship information.

COUNTY

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But Hudson, in his July 2018 letter, noted that maps as recent as 1933 don't show a road following the route of the current gated road. Maps from as far back as 1882 do, however, show a road on a different alignment, south of the current road.

Hudson contends that the county's 2002 resolution doesn't legally apply to the road through his clients' property because that section of the road, unlike the lower section near the Connor Creek Mine, wasn't built when his clients' property was still public.

If a judge declines to order that the gate be unlocked, the county could potentially try to reopen the older road as an alternate route.

Before the commissioners voted Wednesday to file

the complaint they heard testimony from members of the public both in support and opposed to litigation. Six citizens spoke in support, two were opposed and one was uncertain.

Lou Echelbarger, a business partner of Longgood's with no stake in the property involved in the complaint, and Dan Forsea, who owns property adjacent to Longgood and Hansen's, both said that Commission Chairman Bill Harvey originally approved installation of the gate but later changed his mind.

Harvey said during Wednesday's meeting that he never authorized installation of a locked gate.

Echelbarger contends the road that crosses the private property is Sawmill Basin Road and has always been private.

Ken Helgerson, retired

Baker County Roadmaster who had that position during the 2002 dispute over the Connor Creek Road, said he agrees with commissioners' decision to file the claim against Longgood and Hansen.

Commissioner Mark Bennett said the only way to resolve the issue is to take it to court.

"I am not for litigating our neighbors and our taxpayers or our friends... but I don't see any other way," Bennett said.

He said he supported filing the complaint in part because he had been assured that in doing so the county would not be potentially subject to paying attorney fees for Longgood and Hansen.

When the county lost in a lawsuit it filed against the owner of a helicopter company in Baker Valley, a judge in 2016 ordered the county to pay about \$324,000 in attor-

ney fees for the business.

Harvey said that from the beginning he has wanted to work with the landowners.

"We attempted everything we could to no avail, so at this point in time this is the next step that you follow," Harvey said.

Commissioner Bruce Nichols said he hopes there are no winners and losers in the dispute and that the county can come to an agreement with the landowners.

"I get all sides of this deal here... like Mark said we are painted into a corner here, we need to find out what the real solution is," Nichols said.

Neither Longgood nor Hansen attended the Wednesday meeting.

Nichols and Harvey said they have each spoken separately with Longgood separately.

Longgood couldn't be reached for comment.

OBITUARY

Linda Hollinger

Baker City, 1965-2019

Linda Lee Hollinger, 54, of Baker City, died Feb. 3, 2019, at her home.

Her memorial service will be take place on Sunday, Feb. 10 at 2 p.m. at the Agape Christian Center, 650 Highway 7, with Pastor Garth Johnson officiating the service. Following the service, friends and family are invited to stay at the church for a reception.

On Jan. 18, 1965, at John Day, Stanley Titus and Mary Claussen welcomed Linda into the world. Shortly after her birth, in 1966, the family moved to Baker City where she attended high school. She lived for a brief time in Haines, Portland, and Huntington but she spent most of her life in Baker City. Linda, or Lynndee as she

was known to her friends, spent time as a child with her grandmothers, Rosa Macy and Bertha Ziermann, with whom she made doll clothes, learned to crochet, tat, and just really enjoyed their company. In her teenage years she loved to ride horses and visit with her friends.

She was a proud mother to her five children, sometimes working three jobs at a time to support them. Lynndee loved being a grandmother and spending as much time as she could with her grandchildren. She was a hard worker, working since the age of 15 in elder care, nursing homes, and in private homes. She also worked in various restaurants and truck stops. Most recently Lynndee worked for DHS in home health care and mental health.

Later in life Lynndee was blessed to have found Arden

Hollinger, who was her beloved husband and friend who was always supportive. Lynndee and Arden enjoyed bowling, camping, playing pool, and having good times with their friends.

Lynndee is survived by her loving husband, Arden Hollinger of Baker City; her children, William Olp of Austin, Texas, Robert Olp of Baker City, William (Virginia) Rachau of Imbler, Marymae Rachau of Baker City and Thomas Rachau of Baker City; her mother, Mary Titus of Baker City; her siblings, Stanley Benjamin Titus Jr. of Baker City, Lelah Masters

of Boise, Maryanne Pecaut of Redding, California, and Nancy Lee Smithen of Kelso, Washington; nine grandchildren and many close cousins, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her father, Stanley Titus, and her brother, Timothy John Titus Sr.

Should friends and family desire, contributions may be made to help with Lynndee's final expenses through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Pole St., Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle in honor of Lynndee, go to www.coles-tributecenter.com

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Marjorie P. Hoots: 89, of Ontario, died Feb. 7, 2019, at a care center. Lienkaemper Chapel of Ontario. Condolences to the family may be made at www.lienkaemper-thomason.com

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police
CRIMINAL TRESPASSING II : Blaine Allen Stritmater, 27, Baker City transient, 7:01 a.m. Wednesday, at St. Alphonsus Medical Center, 3325 Pochontas Road; jailed and later released. Police said Stritmater was arrested after he refused to leave the hospital after being told repeatedly not to return except in an emergency.
CRIMINAL TRESPASSING II: Linda Diane Peterson, 51, of

2450 Broadway St., 2:512 p.m. Wednesday, at New Directions Northwest Behavioral Health and Wellness, 2200 Fourth St.; jailed. Police said Peterson was arrested after she returned to the office building after being told by staff not to return for services again until Thursday.

POST-PRISON SUPERVISION VIOLATION (Baker County Parole and Probation detainer) and PAROLE BOARD VIOLATION (Oregon Parole Board warrant): Derrick Lamont Dodge, 27, of Nampa, Idaho, 11 p.m. Wednesday, in the 2300 block of Broadway Street; jailed. Two officers each from the city, county and state police agencies responded to the initial call of a disturbance in the 2400 block of Broadway Street, the press log stated.

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