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A special good day to Herald subscriber Ted Hausotter of Baker City.

BRIEFING

Shriners Kids Rodeo Saturday

Kids can try their skills at riding a stick horse, mutton busting and more at the 20th-annual Kids Rodeo hosted by the Baker County Shrine Club on Saturday. Activities start at 11 a.m. in the Cockram Arena at the Baker County fairgrounds following the Easter egg hunt at Geiser-Pollman Park. Kids are free; adult admission is \$5 and includes lunch.

Sen. Jeff Merkley plans town hall in Baker City April 24

Sen. Jeff Merkley, D-Ore., will have a town hall Wednesday, April 24 at 3 p.m. at the Community Connection Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St. in Baker City.

Baker High STEM Club community science night set

The Baker High School STEM Club (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) is putting on a community science night on Wednesday, April 24, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the BHS gym. Topics will include chemical reactions, ecology, biology, robotics, engineering, physics and tours of Baker Technical Institute.

WEATHER

Today

60 / 36



Partly sunny

Thursday

72 / 46



Partly sunny

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Haines Elementary School Prepares For 100th Birthday Celebration

Happy 100th, Haines



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Ayla Kolilis, left, and Malina Lichlyter carefully glue pieces of tile onto a wagon wheel design to help create a mosaic tile mural to celebrate the 100th birthday of Haines Elementary School.

By Lisa Britton
For the Baker City Herald

HAINES — Malina Lichlyter was so engaged with gluing tiny bits of tile that she didn't want to stop.

She devised a plan, which she whispered to fellow Haines first-grader Ayla Kolilis.

"Let's do it in slow-mo," Malina said, and both girls slowed down their progress to a snail's pace.

But then it was time for recess and the girls left in giggles to go play ninjas.

These two weren't the only ones enchanted with tile — every student at Haines Elementary School helped create a mosaic tile mural to celebrate the school's 100th birthday.

Local artist Andrea Stone spent two weeks at the school working with students on the mosaic. Each grade from preschool to 6 designed a wagon wheel, and students created those designs as well as the background

of mountains and sky with multiple colors of tile.

The finished mural will hang near the school's entrance in time for the Centennial Celebration planned for May 30.

Events for the evening will be at both Haines School and Eastern Oregon Museum, which is housed in the school's original gymnasium.

The museum, at 610 Third St., will be open from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Museum volunteer Mary Jane Guyer said Haines alumni and the community are encouraged to bring yearbooks and memories to share.

"It's a meet-and-greet — come gather and reminisce," Guyer said.

Haines School was built in 1919. The gymnasium was built in 1931 and was used until 1945, which was the last graduating class from Haines.

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Haines Elementary School Turning 100

- Thursday, May 30
- 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Eastern Oregon Museum (formerly Haines gymnasium), 610 Third St., open to visitors and alumni.
- Centennial celebration, 6:30 p.m. on the south lawn of the school, 400 School St. Visitors encouraged to bring lawn chairs to enjoy a performance by Haines students and the Community Orchestra. Anthony Johnson, Haines alumnus and former principal, will give a presentation about the school's history, followed by refreshments and tours of the building.

BAKER WOMAN VISITED CATHEDRAL LAST MONTH

Seeing Notre Dame

By Lisa Britton
For the Baker City Herald

Three weeks ago, Chelsea Hurliman was taking photographs inside Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.

On Monday, back in Baker City, she watched live news reports as the landmark was obscured by flames and smoke.

"I watched it burn. I saw the spire fall off," she said.

Hurliman is assistant principal at Baker High School. During spring break in March, she took a group of 21 on a 10-day World War II tour with Education First.

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Suspect charged in burglary

What began last week with a welfare check request by a concerned Idaho Power Co. employee ended with the Sheriff's Department arresting a Boise woman on multiple charges related to a break-in at an Oxbow-area cabin.

Pearl Naomi Adair, 38, originally was arrested April 10 by Deputy Josh Bryant who responded to the request to check on a suspicious vehicle parked on the Brownlee-Oxbow Highway, a Sheriff's Department press release stated.

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Spring — really — arriving this week

Spring arrived most of a month ago but Thursday might be the first day that feels like it.

The National Weather Service is forecasting a high temperature in the low 70s in Baker City.

It hasn't hit 70 at the Baker City Airport in almost half a year — since Oct. 23, 2018, when the high was 70.

Since the equinox on March 20, the warmest temperature at the airport was 65, on March 21.

Spring, as is often the case in Baker County, has felt rather more like winter at times. The temperature at the airport has topped 60 on five days since the equinox.



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Kate Norton helps add finishing touches to the mosaic tile mural that will be on display in Haines Elementary School to commemorate its 100th birthday. A Centennial Celebration is set for May 30.



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FRIDAY — PRESERVING BLUE MOUNTAINS' FOREST FIRE LOOKOUTS