

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

■ **Live Music by Keith Taylor:** Ragtime piano, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Crossroads, 2020 Auburn Ave.; no charge.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

■ **Baker County Board of Commissioners:** 9 a.m., Courthouse, 1995 Third St.
 ■ **"Growing the Food I Want" Gardening Class:** Topic is "Tree Fruit 'Fun-da-mentals,'" 6 p.m., D & B Supply, 3515 Pochontas Road; David Cowan, Master Gardener volunteer, will speak; classes continue Wednesdays through May 15; cost is \$5 per class; more information is available by calling Mindy Sherrieb at 541-523-3449 or leave a message at 541-523-6418 or mastergardener.baker@oregonstate.edu

FRIDAY, MAY 3

■ **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 and others.

MONDAY, MAY 6

■ **Haines Fire Protection District Board:** 6 p.m. at the Haines Library.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald April 26, 1969

As of Friday, according to Clyde Smith of the Game Commission in La Grande, the Columbia River, Snake River and all other tributaries were closed to sport and commercial fishing for spring chinook salmon to protect the run.

Officials of both Oregon and Washington said the closure midnight Sunday would last until there was indications enough fish would be available to warrant resuming the fishing.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald April 26, 1994

Virginia Long chooses a child's chair for the interview. She's 58, she has graying hair and her picture should be in the dictionary next to the definition of elementary school teacher. But the tiny plastic chair looks right.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald April 27, 2009

Steve Brocato can cite at least 11 reasons why the City Council should privatize planning services and award the contract to a company owned by the current planner, Don Change.

In fact, he does so in his report to councilors.

Among them: reduced planning application revenue because of the state of the economy, the opportunity to build the city's reserves due to the reduced costs of privatization; the benefit of retaining Chance.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald April 25, 2018

Citing a recent conversation with City Manager Fred Warner Jr., Baker City Police Chief Wyn Lohner announced Thursday afternoon that he will retire on May 11 after 12 years as chief.

Lohner said it was with mixed emotions he has decided to retire and transition out of law enforcement "for the time being."

"This decision was made after a tumultuous year of evaluating my future options and trying to decide how long I wanted to stay in this career," he wrote in a letter.

Lohner, 54, said he came to his decision after a Wednesday conversation with Warner in which Warner discussed his vision for the department.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, April 24

11 - 14 - 20 - 26 - 31 - 35
Next jackpot: \$2.4 million

POWERBALL, April 24

6 - 32 - 35 - 36 - 65 PB 4
Next jackpot: \$166 million

WIN FOR LIFE, April 24

26 - 31 - 49 - 76

PICK 4, April 25

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

LUCKY LINES, April 25

2-8-9-16-18-23-27-31
Next jackpot: \$30,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY:** Baked ham, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, bread, carrot-raisin salad, lemon bars
- **TUESDAY:** Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, succotash, roll, sauerkraut salad, 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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Deadline May 10 for business scholarship

The deadline for students to apply for the Ostwald Business Scholarship is Friday, May 10.

This scholarship is awarded to Baker School District graduates who have completed a minimum of two academic terms of full-time coursework at an accredited college, university or trade school in order to help them further their academic education in a business-related field. Applicants must have attained a minimum post high school grade point aver-

age of 2.5.

Scholarships are awarded annually based on the earnings of the Ostwald trust.

How to Apply

The scholarship committee makes the awards based on application criteria qualifications. Applicants must apply or re-apply for scholarships by submitting these documents by May 10:

- Ostwald Business Scholarship Application.
- A resume outlining educational achievements,

activities and community involvement.

- A one-page cover letter.
- Two letters of recommendation, at least one from a businessperson or business instructor.

• A 500-word essay that describes the student's involvement and goals related to business.

- Official transcripts of the applicant's post-high school courses and grade-point average.
- Official high school transcripts.

Mail scholarship materials, postmarked by May 10, to:

Ostwald Business Scholarship, c/o Baker High School, 2500 E St., Baker City, OR 97814.

The award will be paid directly to the appropriate institution upon receipt of a letter from the institution confirming that the recipient is enrolled as a full-time student at the school.

Download Ostwald Business Scholarship materials at: bakercityhigh.fbla/finances/ostwald-business-scholarship

COUNTY

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The complaint refers to public hearings, findings of fact and the commissioners' adoption of a resolution in March 2002 that added the Connor Creek Road to the list of those recognized by Baker County as RS 2477 rights of way.

But Longgood's attorney has asserted that the section of road where the gates were installed was built after the property had been transferred from public to private ownership, meaning that section doesn't qualify under RS 2477.

Longgood's attorney, Charles F. Hudson, cited 19th century maps and surveys

that show a road following a much different route from the current road where Longgood installed the gates.

That alternate route could be the only one the county seeks to reopen to travel.

The defendants bought the property through which the road travels in January 2017 and installed the fences in August of that year.

Commission Chairman Bill Harvey and Commissioners Bruce Nichols and Mark Bennett met in executive (closed to the public) session for about an hour and a half Wednesday before moving to open session. The closed meeting was called, as Oregon's Public Meetings Law allows, for them to meet with legal counsel regarding current

litigation.

Also in attendance were Attorney Larry Sullivan of Vale, who is representing the county on the road issue; District Attorney Matt Shirtcliff, in his role as county counsel; and Doni Bruland, the county's Natural Resource coordinator and Natural Resource Advisory Committee chair.

Commissioners moved to an open public session about 2:30 p.m.

During the open meeting, Nichols and Bennett voted to conduct a site visit as soon as possible along with Jeff Smith, Baker County roadmaster, before further decisions are made.

Nichols stated prior to the vote that he believes commis-

sioners would benefit from the visit "to see if it's feasible whether we build a road there or not."

Nichols noted that commissioners might find that the alternate site is too expensive or too steep and it might constitute public safety concerns.

"Whether it's feasible or not, right of way is what we are considering," Harvey said prior to voting against the motion.

After Wednesday's meeting Harvey said he believes the county must first substantiate the right of way issue before taking any further action.

"I still believe we have to protect the right of way," he said. "We need to find that out first before we make any other decisions."

OBITUARY

Bernice Pavelek

Formerly of Baker City, 1920-2019

Bernice Frances Widman Pavelek, 99, a former Baker City resident, died April 8, 2019, at her home in St. Helens surrounded by family with her son Steven at her side.

A traditional graveside service will take place on May 1 at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City. Friends are invited to join the family for a gathering following the service at the Veterans Memorial Club, 2005 Valley Ave.

Bernice was born on March 19, 1920, in Baker County, at Little Lookout Mountain to John and Dollie Widman. She was raised on the land that had been homesteaded by her grandparents back in 1864 during the Homestead Act of Oregon. She was named after Bernice Phillips Staggs whom her parents knew

at Lookout Mountain.

As a child she attended a one-room schoolhouse in the summer months. Bernice loved helping her Mom with flowerbeds in front of the big white house. Her love of flowers was later reflected in her yards as an adult. Bernice also talked about playing in the field, haying and helping with the cooking for the men during hay season at the big red barn.

When she was 19 Bernice moved to Baker City and got a job as a telephone operator which she thoroughly enjoyed. While in town she met the love of her life, Antone Pavelek, otherwise known as Andy. They married in 1947 and had two children, Linda and Steven, whom Bernice put her heart and soul into raising. Due to Andy's job they moved to St. Helens, which would be their home for more than 40 years. Andy would build houses and Bernice would help stage and decorate them for sale.

Bernice loved to tell stories of her

childhood on the Widman Ranch. You could watch her face light up and see the twinkle in her eyes as she recalled memories. She cherished camping with family, fishing, being a wife and homemaker. She also made a point to do volunteer work. Bernice spent many hours at St. Frederic Catholic Church in the library and Catholic School.

Bernice is survived by her son, Steven Pavelek; and by numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, Andy Pavelek; her daughter, Linda Pavelek; her brother, William Widman; and her nephews, William J. Widman, and Tim and Ken Pavelek.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Bernice the family suggests Baker County FFA through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com



Bernice Pavelek

NEWS OF RECORD

FUNERALS PENDING

Laurene Chapman: Her memorial service will be at 1 p.m., Saturday, April 27, at Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception afterward at Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St. Memorial contributions may be made to Hear 'N' Home Hospice or to the charity of one's choice through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Laurene, go to www.grayswestco.com

Terry Crow: Celebration of Terry's life and a potluck will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 27 at the Halfway Lions Hall. For those who would like to make a donation in Terry's memory the family suggests the Pine-Eagle Education Foundation through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can

be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Chuck Kuwahara: Celebration of life and potluck will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 27 at the Halfway Lions Hall. For those who would like to make a donation in Chuck's memory the family suggests either Creating Memories (organization that connects children and adults with nature to create memories) or the American Heart Association through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. The family requests stories of Chuck be shared to stories.kuwie@gmail.com. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Dorothy Miles Carter: Her graveside memorial service will be Saturday, May 4, at 11 a.m. at the Eagle Valley Cemetery in Richland. Following the service, friends are invited to the Eagle Valley Grange for a potluck luncheon; those attending are

asked to bring a dish. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eagle Valley Grange through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in Dorothy's memory, go to www.colestributecenter.com

Chary Mires: A memorial service and celebration of Chary's life will take place Saturday, May 4, at 2 p.m. at the Baker City Christian Church, 675 Highway 7. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Baker Heritage Museum or the Leo Adler Foundation 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

Curtis Heck: Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 4 at Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception immediately following the service, at the St. Francis de Sales

Cathedral basement reception area. For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Curtis, the family suggests Heart 'N Home Hospice or Best Friends of Baker through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Kristin Bagenski: There will be a celebration of her life from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday, May 5, at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave. Friends are asked to bring stories and memories for Kristin's memorial album.

Josephine "Jo" Snook Dickison: Memorial service will be Friday, May 17, at 10 a.m. at the Baker City Christian Church, 675 Highway 7, with a reception following in the church's Fellowship Hall. Memorial contributions can be made to the McEwen Church or Camp Elkanah through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City OR 97814. To light a candle for Laurel, go to www.grayswestco.com

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Thank You

The family of Carolyn Hamilton wants to thank everyone for the cards, gifts of food, flowers and the outpouring of love and support during our recent loss. Your kindness will always be remembered. A special thanks to Gray's West & Co. and the VJW!

Veterans Celebration Day

If you're a military veteran living in Baker County, Baker High School would like to invite you to our May 9th celebration.

You'll be honored by the faculty and students and have an opportunity to talk to individual students about the service you gave to our country. Lunch will be provided for all of our visiting veterans.

Please call 541-524-2608 for more information and to let us know you'll be attending.