

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

■ **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.

■ **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.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

■ **Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Fee-Free Day:** National Get Outdoors Day, a day packed with family friendly activities to connect kids to public lands and America's natural and cultural heritage, at the Interpretive Center, about 5 miles east of Baker City off Highway 86.

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

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

MONDAY, JUNE 17

■ **Baker County Red Cross Volunteers:** 6 p.m., in the Red Cross Office at Baker City Hall, 1655 First St.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald June 7, 1969

Bruce Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Schoeningh of Haines, will be among the 22 Citizen Ambassadors from Oregon who leave on June 16 for Europe, where they will visit nine countries.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 7, 1994

No mosquito of any age — even the lowly larvae — is safe in Baker Valley this year.

Baker County has hired Roy Hanan of Eagle Cap Aviation in La Grande to kill the pesky insects in the 200,000-acre vector control district, which includes Baker, Keating and Bowen valleys.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 8, 2009

City councilors will try, for the second time, to get through a first reading Tuesday on the proposed property maintenance ordinance — but it'll have to be over the objection of Mayor Dennis Dorrah.

Dorrah said he wants his fellow councilors to discuss further refining definitions in the proposed ordinance at a work session before debating the proposal during a regular meeting.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald June 8, 2018

An effort to force a recall election of Baker City Councilor Adam Nilsson has failed.

Lawrence Christian, the Baker City man who filed a petition seeking the recall of Nilsson, said Thursday that he did not collect enough signatures by the Monday deadline.

Christian needed to collect at least 586 signatures from people registered to vote in city elections.

He estimated in late May that he had collected about 250 signatures.

Christian filed the petition on Feb. 23. He said he took the action because Nilsson pleaded guilty last fall to one count of criminal mischief related to his arrest on Aug. 1, 2017, at the abandoned lime plant near Huntington.

Nilsson was appointed to fill a vacancy on the seven-member City Council on Feb. 14, 2017. His term ends Dec. 31, 2018.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, June 5

3 — 13 — 15 — 33 — 38 — 41

Next jackpot: \$3.6 million

POWERBALL, June 5

17 — 23 — 28 — 34 — 38 PB 8

Next jackpot: \$53 million

WIN FOR LIFE, June 5

19 — 51 — 52 — 62

PICK 4, June 6

• 1 p.m.: 9 — 8 — 7 — 9

• 4 p.m.: 1 — 7 — 9 — 2

• 7 p.m.: 5 — 8 — 2 — 6

• 10 p.m.: 0 — 5 — 2 — 6

LUCKY LINES, June 6

3-7-12-13-19-22-28-29

Next jackpot: \$42,000

SENIOR MENUS

■ **MONDAY:** Baked ham, sweet potatoes, carrots, biscuit, green salad, cake

■ **TUESDAY:** Liver and onions, potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, roll, fruit ambrosia, 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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AUTHOR

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She entered the competition hoping to win a college scholarship.

Rhodes-Courter lives in Florida, where, in addition to raising her family, she speaks about foster care issues at conferences around the world.

"These are problems that are big — they are national and international," she said.

This month she will be in Oregon to give a series of

talks sponsored by CASA.

During the Baker City and La Grande events she will share her story. But she emphasizes that these talks will be more of a conversation — a chance for people to ask questions and talk to her about local issues.

"So much of my messaging is inspiring communities to take action themselves," she said.

With her history, she decided to be, in her words, an "agent for change."

COUNTY

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McKim said the Lincoln County ordinance, though more stringent than typical in the U.S., is still "minimal compared to many other countries" laws regarding intoxicated drivers.

The commissioners agreed to ask District Attorney Matt Shirliff to review the Lincoln County ordinance and report to them.

Also during Wednesday's meeting, local resident Arthur Sappington presented commissioners with a statement he wrote titled "The Importance of Mining and Agriculture in America's Economy."

Sappington said he wrote it in response to a book published by two college professors in 2010.

Sappington writes that mining and agriculture are crucial to rural economies, and that the government should support, rather than restrict, those industries.

In other business Wednesday commissioners:

- Accepted a one-year agreement to provide law enforcement services to the city of Huntington. The County Sheriff's Office will provide about 20 hours of deputy time per week for the fiscal year starting July 1. Huntington will pay the county \$74,000.

- Appointed Shella DelCur-

"It wasn't enough to complain about something," she said. "Nothing is going to change unless people are willing to be a voice for the voiceless."

Her second book, "Three More Words," is about her experiences as a mother and foster parent. The system, she said, hasn't changed much since she was in foster care.

"The same stuff is happening," she said. "My passion and advocacy is stronger than ever"

Her goal with these conversations, she said, is to raise awareness.

"People really don't know this is happening in their cities," she said.

CASA of Eastern Oregon is sponsoring her local visits. The CASA program trains and supports volunteers who advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children in Baker, Malheur and Union counties. For more information, email info@casaeo.org.

to of Halfway to the county's Wolf Depredation Compensation Committee. DelCurto and her husband, Barry, lost a calf that was killed by a wolf in April, and another that was killed by wolves in April 2018.

Harvey said Shella DelCurto "is intricately involved with this activity out there in Halfway."

- Heard an update from County Clerk Stefanie Kirby, who was elected last fall and sworn in this January.

- Harvey said he met recently with Baker County's two state legislators, Sen. Cliff Bentz, R-Ontario, and Rep. Lynn Findley, R-Vale, and that House Bill 2020, the proposed carbon cap-and-trade

legislation, is progressing and likely to pass.

The effects could include a 15-cents-per-gallon boost in fuel prices, and a 20% hike in natural gas costs.

"It was not good news on any front," Harvey said.

He also said that the county's bill for PERS — Oregon's Public Employees Retirement System — could rise by 38% to 40% in the biennium starting in 2021.

Harvey said he had a meeting recently regarding the project to build a new station for the Eagle Valley Fire District in Richland, and that officials hope to sign a contract June 19 for architectural services.

OBITUARIES

James Coleman

Baker City, 1926-2019

James William Coleman, 92, of Baker City, died May 31, 2019, at his home.

A private family interment will take place on Saturday, June 15.

A celebration of life service will take place, also on June 15, at 2 p.m. at the Baker United Methodist Church, 1919 Second St. Pastor Lisa Payton of the church will officiate.

Jim was born on Oct. 21, 1926, at Conrad, Montana, the sixth of seven children born to Charles Frances and Rosa Ienath (Sausen) Coleman. He grew up on the family farm next to the Marias River, attending the Riverside School.

Jim served his country in the Korean War with the 24th Infantry Division. He served in Korea on the front lines defending the 38th parallel from March of 1951 until December of 1951. He earned the Bronze Star medal and was wounded three times, receiving a Purple Heart and two Oak Leaf Clusters.

After his honorable discharge from the service he returned home to Montana where he lived and worked until 1954 when he and his best friend, Bob Croucher, decided to restore a bus and see the United States. They were on their return trip to Montana when the bus broke down at Huntington, Oregon.

Jim and Bob went to work for Fred Couzens in Rye Valley. This is where he met and married Faye Frisco in 1955. They spent the first year of their marriage in Ketchikan, Alaska, before moving back to Oregon, finally residing in Baker City.

Jim worked as an equipment opera-

tor at Oregon Portland Cement until his retirement in 1980. Faye preceded Jim in death in 1986.

He met and married Beverly Short in 1989. They spent most of their time traveling to Yuma, Arizona, in the winter with the rest of the year living in Baker.

Jim loved the outdoors of Baker County, spending most summer days camping and fishing with family. He, his son-in-law and grandson enjoyed their numerous elk and deer hunting adventures. Jim was famous for his water-witching expertise and his talent of turning a simple piece of wood into a work of art with his carving talent. He also spent many hours restoring a 1941 Chevrolet pickup truck and a 1949 Willys Jeep.

Jim is survived by his wife, Beverly Coleman of Baker City; his sister, Mary Davis of Long Creek; his daughter, Rose Guyer (Don) of Baker City; his stepchildren, Becky Mink (Harvey Cannon) of Sunriver, Kelly Short of Salem, and Jim Short (Denise) of Holly, Michigan; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four stepgrandchildren; and six stepgreat-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Veterans of Foreign Wars through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle in memory of Jim or to leave a condolence for his family, go to www.colestributecenter.com

Norman Myers

Halfway, 1927-2019

Norman Myers, 91, a longtime Halfway resident, died May 31, 2019, of natural causes.

A traditional funeral, officiated by the Masons, VFW Post No. 7847 and a military honor guard, will take place Tuesday, June 11, at 11 a.m. at

Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway.

Norman served in the Army Air Force as a young man, where he worked in the photo lab in Occupied Japan after World War II. He worked for Boeing Air in the 1950s and then spent the remainder of his working life self-employed as a mechanic, real estate agent and doer of many things! There wasn't much Norman couldn't fix or repair.

Norm was active in the Masonic Temple and the VFW Post No. 7847 in Halfway, working through the ranks alongside his much loved and respected father-in-law, Hensley Pritchard. Norm enjoyed traveling with his wife, Neta, and they had many trips to interesting places that usually ended up passing through Reno, Nevada, where Norm always enjoyed a little recreational time with the one-armed bandit.

Norm spent his last eight years in Baker City, and until recently could be seen driving daily to downtown Baker City and often having lunch with his grandson, Karmen, and other friends.

Norm is survived by his son, Ty Myers; his daughter, Dee Myers, and son-in-law, Lester O'Dell; his grandsons, Liberty and Karmen O'Dell; his brothers, Carl and Dutch; as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Juanita "Neta" Pritchard Myers; his parents, Cope and Georgia Myers; and his brothers, Fred, Cope "Big Babe" and David.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Shriners Hospitals for Children 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



Norman Myers

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Brenda Elaine Epler: 66, of Baker City and Sumpter, died June 4, 2019, at her home. A private graveside service will take place Wednesday, June 12, at 2 p.m. at Fir Lawn Memorial Park in Hillsboro. Memorial contributions may be made 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 Brenda's memory, or to offer condolences to her family, go to www.grayswestco.com

FUNERALS PENDING

Carol Tone: A memorial service is scheduled Friday, June 14, at 2 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 2177 First St. Friends are invited to join the family for a potluck reception after the service at the Veterans Memorial Club, 2005 Valley Ave. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Matt Doud: Memorial service and celebration of Matt's life will take place Friday, June 21, at 1 p.m. at the Harvest Church, 3720 Birch St. in Baker City. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Gene Edward Norris: Burial of his urn will take place Friday, June 28, at 2 p.m. at Mount Hope

Cemetery, with military honors. A celebration of his life will follow at the Baker Eagles Club, 2935 H St. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To light a candle in Gene's memory, or to offer condolences to his family, go to www.driskillmemorialchapel.com

Joe Adamson: Celebration of Joe's life and memorial service, followed by a potluck, will take place Saturday, July 21, at 11 a.m. at the New Bridge Grange in Richland. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police

Arrests, citations

ARSON II and RECKLESS BURNING: Elliott Anthony Unrein, 20, of 2340 21st St., 8:03 a.m. Thursday, in the 2300 block of 21st Street; jailed.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT II: Jacob Lee McCusker, 39, transient, 2:14 p.m. Wednesday, in the 1200

block of Campbell Street; jailed and later released.

Baker County Sheriff's Office

Arrests, citations

THEFT II (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Jeffrey Dean Buxton, 49, of 1695 Auburn Ave., No. 36, 9:21 p.m. Wednesday, at his home; cited and released.

Oregon State Police

ARRESTS, CITATIONS AND USE OF MARIJUANA IN PUBLIC:

Joelene Kay Geranios, 64, of Caldwell, Idaho, 12:09 p.m. May 29; cited and released; she was cited after police investigated a one-vehicle rollover on Highway 30, near Durkee; Geranios reportedly was traveling east when her Mazda sedan traveled into the soft shoulder and was pulled into the ditch. It struck the embankment and rolled onto its top. Police said Geranios was flown by LifeFlight to a nearby hospital as a precaution because of a pre-existing medical condition.

JUNE 7-13
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THE SECRET LIFE OF PETS 2 PG
FRI-THURS: (4:10) 7:10, 9:45

DARK PHOENIX PG-13
FRI-THURS: (4:00) 7:00, 9:40

GODZILLA: KING OF THE MONSTERS PG-13
FRI-THURS: (3:50) 6:50, 9:35

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