

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

■ **Baker City Farmers Market:** 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Downtown at the Court Avenue Plaza; continues weekly.

FRIDAY, AUG. 2

■ **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 and others.

MONDAY, AUG. 5

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

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7

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

MONDAY, AUG. 12

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

TUESDAY, AUG. 13

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

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald July 29, 1969

The major motion picture studios in California will get a first-hand look at the "Big Country" from a photo album containing color pictures of the breathtaking areas of Baker County captured through the camera lenses of Jerry Gildemeister, professional photographer of Union.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald July 29, 1994

Three-hundred twenty firefighters were working this morning to finish building a line around the 168-acre Baldy Fire 25 miles northwest of Baker City.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald July 29, 2009

It's kind of a miracle, really, when you think of what Misoula Children's Theater can do in a week.

Two actors/directors arrive Monday, audition and cast 60 youngsters and then do four days of rehearsals to prepare for performances by Friday.

Of course, this is what MCT has been doing since 1972, so they've gotten pretty good at the process.

And now they're coming to Baker, thanks to the Crossroads Carnegie Art Center and the Leo Adler Foundation.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald July 30, 2018

You can tell it's a pretty severe heat wave when even the meteorologists resort to superstitions as they pine for a refreshing breeze.

Tim Barker is the science and operations officer at the National Weather Service's Boise office.

His job is to forecast the weather employing the objective tools of science.

But with two days left in one of the hottest Julys on record in the region, Barker admits he's also used something less complex than computer models and weather balloons as he ponders the potential for a cooldown later this week.

"Believe me, our fingers are crossed too," Barker said with a chuckle on Sunday.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, July 27

2 - 10 - 14 - 20 - 24 - 35
Next jackpot: \$1.2 million

POWERBALL, July 27

1 - 19 - 31 - 8 - 61 PB 6
Next jackpot: \$88 million

MEGA MILLIONS, July 26

4 - 6 - 11 - 43 - 48 Mega 11
Next jackpot: \$45 million

WIN FOR LIFE, July 27

9 - 23 - 24 - 65

PICK 4, July 28

• 1 p.m.: 9 - 9 - 6 - 5
• 4 p.m.: 0 - 1 - 7 - 3
• 7 p.m.: 4 - 2 - 5 - 7

LUCKY LINES, July 28

• 10 p.m.: 3 - 1 - 5 - 9
2-7-12-15-19-21-25-31
Next jackpot: \$19,000

SENIOR MENUS

■ **TUESDAY:** Swedish meatballs over rice, broccoli-blend vegetables, roll, carrot-raisin salad, bread pudding

■ **WEDNESDAY:** Hot beef sandwich, potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, pasta salad, birthday cake

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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Local students earn degrees from EOU

LA GRANDE — Eleven Baker County or North Powder residents graduated from Eastern Oregon University this spring.

Students who earned GPAs between 3.5 and 3.69 graduated with Cum Laude honors, 3.7 to 3.84 graduated Magna Cum Laude, and 3.85 to 4.0 graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Baker City

• Crystal Dawn Brockman, Master of Science in Education

• Jesse Allen Burk, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Cum Laude
• Evan Blake Daugherty, Bachelor of Science in Biology
• Aiden Everett Hayes, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration
• Matea Kae Huggins, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Cum Laude
• Jose Antonio Ramirez, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Magna Cum Laude
• Whitney Michele Rilee, Bachelor of

Science in Physical Activity & Health, Magna Cum Laude

• Alicia Dawn Wirth, Bachelor of Science in Chemistry-Biochemistry
• Molly Caroline Wynn, Bachelor of Science in Biology, Magna Cum Laude
• Malcolm Flint Zoon, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Summa Cum Laude

North Powder

• Betsy Maureen Nedrow, Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education

MILES

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The judge was let in on the secret, and that faux club held first place until, at last, everyone gave away the joke.

"Vandecar was going berserk," Myron said. "That was one of the best jokes I participated in."

Dotty, 77, grew up in Klamath Falls. She met Myron during her first year at Oregon State University.

"I was taking ag," Dotty said. "Back in those days, girls didn't take agriculture."

Myron graduated in 1962, the youngest in his class. They married in the fall of the same year.

What followed were several moves back and forth across the state between Baker City and Klamath Falls. In Eastern Oregon Myron worked first for Dick Truscott up Old Auburn.

Dotty got a job in town as a cashier. She earned \$28 per week.

Then one day she came in to get a tire changed at the service station now occupied by Ragsdale Mobile Glass on Dewey Avenue near the David J. Wheeler Federal Building. It was cold, so she went next door to the employment office to warm up.

They asked if she needed a job. She said no, but was told that the Forest Service was hiring for an engineering

"You do whatever you can to help."

— Dotty Miles

technician.

She applied, and got the job.

"That was back in the days when women didn't work for the Forest Service, not out in the field," she said. "I'd had two years of college and a lot of math."

She helped engineer plans for projects, including the Anthony Lakes Highway.

She worked for the Forest Service for 15 years, including a stint in the Siskiyou Forest when Myron was a county agent in Grants Pass for one year.

Their children, Gregg and Wendy, were born in Klamath Falls in 1968 and 1969.

The family came east for good in 1970.

"I moved him away three times; he moved me back four times," Dotty said.

Before farming and ranching for himself, Myron spent about a year working on a dairy for Dan Warnock.

Later, it was their turn to farm and ranch for themselves. They first leased the Inman place near Haines.

"That's where we had our first 4-H group," Myron said.

They were members of the Lone Pine Heirs.

"That club is still going. Gregg is the leader now," Myron said.

They moved to their current place, just outside of North Powder, in 1979. Dotty worked as a substitute rural mail carrier, and was Haines postmaster in 1989 to 2013.

A family tradition

The Miles family made fair a tradition every year — first the Eastern Oregon Stock Show in Union, the Junior Show in Baker City, and the Baker County Fair in Halfway.

Both Gregg and Wendy showed steers. Gregg also joined a cooking club.

"He liked to beat the girls at their own game," Dotty said with laugh.

She especially remembers one cooking competition, when Gregg arrived in his hat, a hand-me-down gift from Rob Thomas.

"That was Gregg's lucky hat," Myron said.

Gregg ventured into showing swine for a few years after his steer died and they bought a pig as a replacement.

He also raised honeybees for an FFA exhibit.

"We said, 'Gregg, how do you show a bee?'" Dotty said, breaking into laughter at the memory.

Over the years Myron served as superintendent for beef and swine. Their two children went through the 4H program, and then their grandson, Christian, followed with raising cattle

and cooking.

The couple pitch in wherever needed. In 2013, when Baker City's water was contaminated with cryptosporidium, Myron volunteered to haul clean water every day of the fair in a North Powder fire truck.

"You do whatever you can to help," Dotty said.

These days, they supply steers for local 4-H projects.

They invite families to their ranch and separate the available steers into the barn. Halters go on, and soon the kids are getting familiar with their 4-H projects. The steers stay on the ranch for a few more days to make sure each will be a good project.

"It's really gratifying to be able to do that," Myron said.

Picking the Shrine steer

Now that the Shrine game happens before the fair, Myron and a selection committee finds the Shrine steer ahead of time.

"We interview the parents, the kids and the steer," he said. "It has to be gentle."

The chosen steer appears at the Shrine breakfast the morning of the game, rides in the parade, and then is auctioned live at halftime.

"The kids have gotten to where it's an honor," Myron said.

Proceeds from that live auction go to the Shriners Hospital.

Motel owners donate \$5,416 for all-abilities playground in Baker

The owners of three motels in Baker City have donated \$5,416 to Baker City to help with the construction of an all-abilities playground at Geiser-Pollman Park.

The Prashar family raised \$416 from a motorcycle-washing event during the Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally earlier this month, said Brandy Berg, a spokesperson for the family, which owns the Sunridge Inn, the Super 8 and the Motel 6.

The family also donated \$2,000 on behalf of both the Sunridge and the Super 8, and \$1,000 on behalf of the Motel 6, Berg said.

Baker City received about \$41,000 from the Moda Assist Trail Blazers contest earlier this year to buy equipment for the all-abilities playground.

SEARCH

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Derrick Austin Coates, 32, is a white male who stands 6-foot-5 and weighs 280 pounds, according to a flier from the Baker County Sheriff's Office. Coates has brown hair and hazel eyes.

Baker County Undersheriff Jef Van Arsdall said a huckleberry picker found Coates' car about 6 a.m. Saturday in the middle of a short gravel road that leads to the Forest Service's Marble Creek Picnic Area.

The keys and wallet were in the car. The huckleberry picker moved the car to the side of the road. After returning several hours later and finding the car was still there, the person called police, Van Arsdall said.

He confirmed the car belonged to Coates, then activated the search and rescue team. Searchers, including a tracking dog and a State Police airplane, didn't find any trace of Coates, Van Arsdall said. Anyone with information about Coates should call 541-523-6415.

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Lillian Moore: 96, of Baker City, died July 28, 2019, at Settler's Park Assisted Living. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Mabel M. Dreher: 85, of Baker City, died July 28, 2019, at Settler's Park Assisted Living. Her memorial service will be Friday, Aug. 2 at 11 a.m. at Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave.. Pastor Ian Wolfe of the First Lutheran Church will officiate the service. Contributions in Mabel's memory can be made to Community Connection of Baker County through Gray's West & Co., 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Mabel, or to leave a condolence for her family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Lois Jean Bryant: 93, of Baker City, died July 25, 2019, at Settler's Park Assisted Living Community. Her graveside service will take

place Friday, Aug. 2 at 10 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Settler's Park through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Lois, or to leave a condolence for her family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Jennifer Schoenfeld: 72, of Haines, died July 26, 2019, at her home. Services are under the direction of Coles Tribute Center. To light a candle in memory of Jennifer, go to www.colestribute-center.com

FUNERALS PENDING

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
DESCHUTES COUNTY WARRANT: Noah Phillip Erloy Fuller, 25, Baker City, 8:34 p.m. Sunday at the Police Department; jailed.

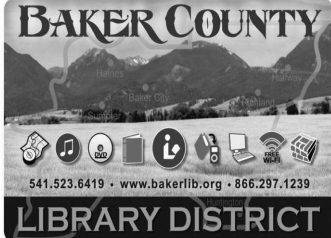
SECOND-DEGREE THEFT, SECOND-DEGREE FORGERY: Darlene Nichole Corr, 27, 2845 Hughes Lane, 5:58 p.m. Friday in Baker City; jailed.

THIRD-DEGREE THEFT: Caleb Colton Flint, 34, 900 Idlewood St., 12:47 p.m. Friday in the 700 block of Campbell Street.

Baker County Sheriff's Office
SECOND-DEGREE BURGLARY, FIRST-DEGREE THEFT, SECOND-DEGREE THEFT (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Julius Lamont Bertrand, 26, La Grande, 9:31 a.m. Friday at the Sheriff's Office; jailed.

FAILURE TO APPEAR (Marion County warrant): Jordan Gunter Stephens, 24, 3110 H St. Apt. A3, 9:39 a.m. Friday at the Sheriff's Office; jailed.

Baker County Veterans office will be closed Thursday, August 1st. We will be open for business on the next day.



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