

# Local

## BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

### SATURDAY, SEPT. 28

■ **National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center:** Free fee day in celebration of National Public Lands Day; volunteers are being sought to improve the site from 9 a.m. to noon.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 1

■ **Local Community Advisory Council (LCAC):** 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., at the Community Connection meeting room, 2810 Cedar St.; lunch will be provided.

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2

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

■ **Baker City Farmers Market:** 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Downtown at the Court Avenue Plaza.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 8

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

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16

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

### MONDAY, OCT. 21

■ **Baker School Board:** 6 p.m., Baker City Hall, 1655 First St.; rescheduled from third Thursday of the month.

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

### 50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald September 27, 1969

St Francis Leopards and Imbler battled through a nip and tuck football contest Friday night at Leo Adler Field with St. Francis taking the nod by 12-6.

### 25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 27, 1994

Firefighters were scrambling this morning to protect a historic U.S. Forest Service cabin and a new footbridge threatened by the Fox Point fire in the Eagle Cap Wilderness about eight miles south of Wallowa.

### 10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 28, 2009

The first of its kind Biomass Crop Assistance Program that kicks off Thursday might turn out to be one of the more popular programs rolled out by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in decades.

### ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald September 28, 2018

Baker County's unemployment rate dropped slightly in August, but fewer people are working in the county than a year ago.

The county's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dipped to 5.0 percent in August, down from 5.1 percent in July and from 5.4 percent in August 2017.

There were 6,654 people employed in the county in August, which is 243 fewer than were working in August 2017, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

But the unemployment rate still dropped because the civilian labor force — the number of people 16 and older who are either working or are considered unemployed — has shrunk even more.

Baker County's civilian labor force, which does not include retirees, dropped from 7,253 in August 2017 to 6,963 in August 2018.

For all of 2017 the average unemployment rate in Baker County was 5.5 percent — the lowest annual rate since the state started tracking it in 1990, said Christopher Rich, Eastern Oregon regional economist for the Employment Department.

## OREGON LOTTERY

### MEGABUCKS, Sept. 25

4 — 8 — 12 — 19 — 38 — 40  
Next jackpot: \$2.6 million

### POWERBALL, Sept. 25

37 — 43 — 44 — 45 — 53 PB 25  
Next jackpot: \$50 million

### MEGA MILLIONS, Sept. 24

6 — 14 — 24 — 42 — 46 Mega 9  
Next jackpot: \$40 million

### WIN FOR LIFE, Sept. 25

12 — 32 — 42 — 58

### PICK 4, Sept. 26

• 1 p.m.: 1 — 3 — 6 — 0

• 4 p.m.: 8 — 3 — 6 — 5

• 7 p.m.: 9 — 3 — 4 — 5

• 10 p.m.: 7 — 3 — 0 — 1

### LUCKY LINES, Sept. 26

4-6-11-16-18-22-28-30

Next jackpot: \$24,000

## SENIOR MENUS

■ **MONDAY:** Orange-glaze chicken tenders, fried rice, Asian vegetables, bread, Asian salad, sherbet

■ **TUESDAY:** Pork tips over fettuccine, baby carrots, bred, cottage cheese with fruit, cinnamon rolls

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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Glen Smith, right, portrays a Baker County Jail inmate during crisis intervention training. Participants included Rachel Garner, left, a mental health clinician.

## TRAINING

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As in each scenario, an observer was on hand to evaluate how well the team members had performed in reaching their goals.

Andria Weber, an alcohol and drug counselor with New Directions, had praise for the calm manner in which the group approached Smith, listened to his concerns and then offered to help him. She cautioned them to be conscious of their stance when approaching a person in a volatile situation. Standing with folded arms is more authoritarian and threatening than an open-handed approach, she advised.

In preparing the teams before they began enacting the seven different scenarios, Wright urged them to keep several things in mind such as working to build rapport and being patient and respectful.

"Try to move out of a crisis into some kind of support," she encouraged the participants.

The team members each took two turns at leading their groups through the lessons.

In another scenario, Alice Marzano, a New Directions consumer, portrayed a woman whose mother, played by Lisa Raffety, a supported employment specialist for New Directions, acted out her concern for her daughter's erratic behavior.

In a second time around, deputies Rosin and Lefever adapted their approach, with Rosin taking a chair and Lefever changing her stance to a more relaxed posture. Garner dropped to floor level where Marzano acted out her role as a woman who was frustrated

in her belief that she was Jesus, but was not able to turn water into wine.

The calm approach of the team and the mention of a mental health worker with whom Marzano's character had a good relationship appeared to convince her to calm down and to go with the team to seek help for her condition.

Amy Powell, developmental disabilities program manager for New Directions who was the observer in the room, was impressed with the team members' efforts to help calm Marzano in her role with their nonthreatening approach and level voices while not buying into her statements about thinking she was Jesus.

Powell also was supportive of the training in general.

"This has been a great thing for our community," she said.

Marzano added her support as well.

"Community members need to know these things are happening," she said. "It's very important we train everybody."

Marzano, who receives medical insurance through the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), also is a member of the Engage to Empower peer leadership training group at New Directions and serves on the Local Community Advisory Council, which helps guide the Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization (CCO) on how to meet the needs of people enrolled in OHP, and others in the community.

Other New Directions consumers who participated in the simulated scenarios were Albert Rowley and Kristina Gueli.

Wright said she and three more people who had at-



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Alice Marzano, foreground, portrays a mentally-troubled woman during crisis intervention training Wednesday. Trying to calm her down and get her to the hospital are Baker County Sheriff's Deputies Matt Rosin, right, and Maya Lefever, with Rachel Garner, mental health clinician. Lisa Raffety, standing background, portrays Marzano's mother in the scenario.

tended a similar training in Umatilla County worked to bring the training to Baker City. The other members of the team are Harmony West, New Directions Crisis Team program manager, and Baker County Sheriff's Office corrections deputies Micheal Dunn and Joel Texteria.

Wright said the four believed the training was especially important to bring to Baker County because of the increase in the number of mental health crisis calls.

Three years ago, New Directions staffed one crisis response worker in the daytime and one at night. Today, the crisis response team consists of five people.

In 2015, crisis workers recorded 203 encounters. During the first six months of 2019, that number had already hit 585, Wright said.

Just as they did during Wednesday's training, the goal is for mental health and law enforcement professionals to work together.

"We each have different roles and we're looking at how we support each other in that," Wright said.

The joint training addressed dealing with all types of people, including the aging population, veterans, people on the autism spectrum, or those who might be suicidal.

And it helped law enforce-

ment and mental health professionals better understand the barriers that both face in trying to intervene in a mental health crisis.

"We only have authority for this specific piece, law enforcement only has authority for this specific piece and the hospital only has authority for this specific piece," Wright said.

Graduates of the 40-hour training are:

### Baker City Police

Chief Raymond Duman, office manager Phoebe Watchel, officer Koby Essex, Sgt. Wayne Chastain, Sgt. Mike Regan and detective Shannon Regan

### Sheriff's Office

Deputies Chad Mills, Matt Rosin, Maja Lefever, Adam Robb and Gabe Maldonado

### New Directions

Mobile Crisis: Benjamin Ash-ton, Sam Baxter, Rachel Garner and Stacia D'Anna; Colleen Davenport, nurse practitioner; and Heidi Wartena, outpatient program manager

### St. Luke's Eastern Oregon Medical Associates

Michelle Dix, community health worker

### Oregon State Police

Sr. Trooper Aaron Dietz of Enterprise

## NEWS OF RECORD

### DEATHS

**Evan Simonski-Davis:** 25, of Baker City, died Sept. 25, 2019. A candlelight vigil will take place on Saturday, Sept. 28 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 1150 Idlewood Drive in Baker City.

**Ruth Elaine Collard:** of Baker City, died Sept. 25, 2019, at St Alphonsus Medical Center in Boise. Coles Tribute Center is in charge of arrangements. To light a candle for Ruth or to leave a condolence for the family, go to [www.coletributecenter.com](http://www.coletributecenter.com)

### POLICE LOG

**Baker City Police Arrests, citations**  
THIRD-DEGREE THEFT, TWO OUT-OF-COUNTY WARRANTS: Lacy A. Sweeney, 35, Seattle, 7:15 p.m. Thursday in the 1200 block of Campbell Street; jailed.  
**Baker County Parole and Probation Arrests, citations**  
POST-PRISON SUPERVISION VIOLATION (Detainer): Adam-Troy Shelton, 4:32 p.m. Wednesday, in the 4000 block of 23rd Street; jailed.

## CRASH

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Speed, and a failure to use the seat belt, are being investigated as potential contributing factors, ac-

ording to OSP.

OSP was assisted by Baker City Fire Department, Baker County Sheriff's Office, and the Oregon Department of Transportation.



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