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Linda Smith's handmade sheepskin hats.

SEWING

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Smith takes commissions for shoe sizes and offers them in two styles — slip-ons and ones with heels backs.

She also hand quilts wall hangings of animals and forest scenes.

"The reason I like to hand quilt these little wallhangings is because the muscles pop out as you're putting the stitches in and it makes the water look like it's moving," Smith said.

For her other products, Smith uses a walking foot on her sewing machine to work the leather for the shoes. She uses a natural rubber for the larger shoes. Smith runs the business and sews everything

Ruth Boyd began the business 45 years ago and owned it for 15 years. Boyd was Smith's sophomore English teacher and knew Smith for years before asking her if she wanted to take over the business.

At first Smith said no, but she changed her mind after deciding she would like to have her own business.

Smith began showcasing her products at craft shows.

Today, she only attends the 4-H Bazaar in Baker City in December and the Alpenfest at Wallowa Lake in September.

She also has products at the Geiser Grand Hotel but wants to focus on the location she moved into six years ago.



Kathy Orr/ Baker City Herald

Linds Smith makes sheepskin slippers in sizes ranging from newborn to adult extra large.

"It's a fun place to be," Smith said.

Smith moved to Baker City from Ontario in 1967 when her father helped build

Interstate 84. They had lived all over the state with her father working construction. She graduated from Baker High School.

CARBON

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Under the law, business would buy allowances for every ton of greenhouse gas they emit more than permitted. The state would make fewer credits available over time with the intention of requiring businesses to pollute less.

Opponents argue the program would put undue pressure on Oregon's rural economies by causing higher fuel costs and lost jobs.

Dembrow is currently working on changes to the bill that would provide more clarity and certainty around investments and economic impacts "to address the wild allegations and misinformation about cost impacts that were distributed via social media," he said.

One such piece of misinformation was the claim that gas prices would rise to \$5 a gallon in the first year of the program, Dembrow said. Projections from the state analysts show gas rising by around 21 cents in the first year of the program and approximately \$3 by 2050.

The idea behind those revisions — which Democrats are holding close to the vest

Jodell Hensen: 60, of Baker

City, died Oct. 25, 2019. There will

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10,

be a celebration of her life from

at the Baker City Eagles Lodge,

memory of Jodell, or to leave a

condolence for the family, go to

Willard 'Butch' Hubert: A

celebration of his life, Saturday,

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for the time being — is to make more Oregonians and businesses comfortable with how the program works and its potential benefits.

Dembrow said wants to clarify how the program would actually work. He's working with "people on the ground" in rural districts to help voters to understand the harmful effects of climate change. He's hoping those open to climate action policy will then convince their neighbors and community that long-term action is needed.

Social media campaigns targeting rural voters and even a short documentary explaining how cap and trade policy works are expected to be rolled out in the coming month, according to Dembrow.

Dembrow wouldn't go into more specific detail about what industries and groups he's working with to perfect the proposal, calling it "delicate situation."

He's hopeful that getting information out to voters of the districts of the 11 Republicans who walked out in June would hold them accountable to show up to work in February and stay there.

But it seems unlikely that

Nov. 16, at 11 a.m. at the Baker

City Christian Church, 675 High-

way 7. Friends are invited to join

the family immediately following

for lunch, a time to mingle and

share stories. Online condolenc-

es can be made at www.tamispi-

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Dembrow and his colleagues will find a middle ground to work with Republicans and keep them in the Capitol if cap-and-trade is on the agenda again.

Sen. Cliff Bentz, R-Ontario, said there was no change that could be made that could get him to vote for cap-and-trade.

"The reason has to do with the poisoning of the well by virtue of the unsuccessful attempt to pass it this previous session," Bentz said. "I think the focus should be on carbon policy that has nothing to do with pricing carbon, and everything to do with addressing CO² reduction using tools already available, and we have a lot of them.'

He pointed out federal tax credits already exist to address some carbon issues.

Democrats worry that Senate Republicans might not show up in February, denying Democrats a quorum and from accomplishing anything ahead of what is expected to be an important election for both parties next fall.

"The walkout was only used as a vote blocking device because of the incredibly egregious nature of these bills and concepts," Bentz said. "I don't think people understand how overreaching HB 2020 was. I don't think they get it."

He said that if Democrats refer a constitutional amendment to voters changing Oregon's quorum requirement, he won't stand in the way. The Oregon Senate requires twothirds of senators be present to act. There has been talk of changing that to a majority, which would allow the Democratic-controlled Senate

in the current lineup to proceed without Republicans.

Bentz expects a public backlash to such a change.

"That's exactly what people are supposed to do when they see the majority overreaching. They need to step up and say no," Bentz said. "Now if that tool is taken away by the people of Oregon, or a majority of them, then so be it. But there are going to be other ways people will express their dissatisfaction with the majority."

Gov. Kate Brown told reporters last week that she expects Senate Republicans to show up in February the same as she expects that from Democrats.

"They made a decision to run for the Legislature, and I expect them to show up and do their jobs," Brown said.

Senate Minority Leader Herman Baertschiger, R-Grants Pass, said Wednesday that he believes the short session shouldn't be used big policy programs like cap and trade, rather budgetary fixes and minor legislative tweaks. He also said it's too early to discuss whether Republicans would use the denial of quorum as a tactic in 2020.

For Dembrow, he's not confident that a cap-and-trade proposal in 2020 would withstand the feverish pressure Republicans will surely feel against the legislation from their base in an election year.

Although he's excited to see others take up the work he and his colleagues are pushing to get done in February, he's doubtful whether it will help Democrats in their pursuit climate action. CRUMPY "You'll love the work we do. I guarantee it." - JR

LOCAL BRIEFING

Childhood education film airs Thursday

The Baker Early Learning Collaborative is sponsoring the viewing of a documentary film, "No Small Matter," Thursday at Churchill School, 3451 Broadway St.

The doors will open for the free viewing at 5:30 p.m. and the film will begin at 6 p.m. Child care will be available at the site.

This documentary film brings attention to the subject of early childhood education through true stories and struggles, a press release stated.

Baker Early Learning Collaborative is made up of more than 15 community partners involved in helping improve opportunities for families with young children. Susan Townsend, a member of the collaborative, brings personal experience to this issue.

Her perspective on early learning stems from the time she spent as principal of an Early Childhood Education Center in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

To learn more about the film, go to www.nosmall matter.com

The conversation about early learning will continue at a parent advisory meeting scheduled at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the Baker School District Office, 2090 Fourth St.

Ring Praise concert Nov. 9 at Presbyterian

A concert including bronze handbells and piano is set for Saturday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 1995 Fourth St. in Baker City.

The Ring Praise concert is woven with hymn history and scripture.

Phyllis Tincher, handbell soloist, and Sean Rogers, pianist, will perform a variety of songs focusing on praising God. Through hymns, contemporary praise songs and reflective pieces, they tell the saving story of Jesus Christ. In addition to accompanying, Sean will also play a few piano solos. Phyllis rings 3 octaves of Schulmerich handbells and mixes in 2 octaves of handchimes. During the concert the audience will have an opportunity to ring handchimes as everyone sings. No music experience is needed.

There is no charge for the concert. It is sponsored by a grant from the Presbytery of Eastern Oregon. More information on Ring Praise Music Ministry, a nonprofit, is available at RingPraiseMinistry.org.

Soroptimist Christmas Party set Nov. 22

The annual Soroptimist Club of Baker County Christmas Party, with the theme "Life's A Beach," is set for Friday, Nov. 22 at the Baker Elks Lodge, 1896 Second St.

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with a prime rib dinner starting at 6 p.m. There will be live and silent auctions, along with a raffle of a standup paddleboard. The fundraising event makes possible the club's scholarships, InnovateHER grant and a variety of other projects.

Tickets are \$30 and are available at Gregg Hinrichsen State Farm, 1722 Campbell St., The Grove Team, 845 Campbell St., or from any Soroptimist member. Beach attire is encouraged.

LEHMAN

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That will include attending state FFA conventions, camps and classrooms throughout the country. The group will travel to Japan in January.

"There will be a lot of travel, public speaking and workshops," Lehman said. "And a lot of interaction with agriculture and industry as well."

Lehman said she was acquainted with some of the team members from her service as a state officer. Today they were spending time in team bonding activities and trainings to acquaint them with expectations of their new positions and to learn more about each other.

This is the second year an Oregon representative has been elected to the national team. Shea Booster of Bend is the retiring western region vice president.

PARK SIDEWALK

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Money for the \$9,000 park project comes from the city's sidewalk fund, Bornstedt said.

Although the city stopped collecting a sidewalk fee from residents (\$1 per month) and businesses (\$2 per month) after it imposed a public safety fee in 2017, the city still had about \$70,000 available when the current fiscal year started July 1, said Michelle Owen, public works director.

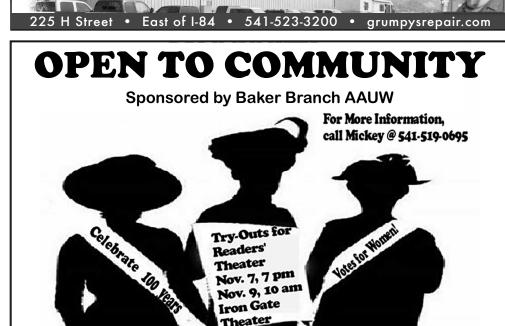
The city offers most of that money to property owners to help pay for new sidewalks, but an ordinance requires that the city use at least 25% on projects at public sites such as the park.

The city will continue to offer money to property owners, and use some for public projects, until the fund is empty.



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