

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, NOV. 28

■ **Thanksgiving Day.**

FRIDAY, NOV. 29

■ **National Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Family Fun Day:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the center 5 miles east of Baker City just off Highway 86; the event includes pioneer games, tall tales from the trail and a selfie station; for \$3 per person, make three seasonal crafts to take home; hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily through Nov. 30.

SUNDAY, DEC. 1

■ **National Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Free Admission during December:** Beginning Dec. 2, the center will shift to its winter schedule of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Sunday.

MONDAY, DEC. 2

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 4

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

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

■ **Ragtime piano:** 4:30 p.m., Crossroads, 2020 Auburn Ave.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald November 28, 1969

Saturday is the big day for the B-8 Huntington Locomotives and the B-11 Pine-Eagle Spartans.

Huntington is at Prospect and Pine-Eagle hosts McKenzie at 12:30 p.m. Both football teams, each in its own class is playing for the state championship.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald November 28, 1994

A California man's plans to build a three-screen, 330-seat movie theater in the building that houses Harold's Used Cars have apparently gone the way of the silent film.

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

The Oregon Department of Transportation accepted a low bid of \$4.6 million from CSI Construction of Portland and broke ground last week on a new maintenance station near the north Baker City freeway interchange.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald November 28, 2018

Bill Lee stands in his backyard and surveys the handiwork of a man whose goal for 33 years was to make Baker City children smile.

Lee himself grins often, despite the face-freezing wind blowing on this overcast late November afternoon, as he looks at the dozens of colorful Christmas decorations that Sam Bass created and that have delighted thousands of kids, and no small number of adults.

But Lee admits that there is also palpable pressure in following a legend.

Lee emphasizes that he's not replacing Bass, who died Aug. 28, 2017, at age 75.

Lee said he hopes only to honor and to sustain the beloved holiday tradition that Bass and his wife, Nora, started at their home on 19th Street more than three decades ago.

This was no minor task.

It required, among much else, that Lee make five trips with his pickup truck and utility trailer loaded with the wooden decorations that Sam and Nora made over the years.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Nov. 25

14 - 15 - 32 - 37 - 40 - 45

Next jackpot: \$6.6 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Nov. 26

8 - 27 - 29 - 38 - 43

Next jackpot: \$243 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Nov. 25

20 - 30 - 60 - 73

PICK 4, Nov. 26

• 1 p.m.: 2 - 4 - 4 - 7

• 4 p.m.: 2 - 8 - 2 - 8

• 7 p.m.: 8 - 5 - 0 - 7

• 10 p.m.: 7 - 7 - 6 - 7

LUCKY LINES, Nov. 26

4-5-12-16-19-23-26-30

Next jackpot: \$10,000

SENIOR MENUS

■ **THURSDAY:** Closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
■ **FRIDAY:** Closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

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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Lisa Britton/For the Baker City Herald

The team of Spencer Smith, upper right, Hayden Owen, and Nico Helmreich are working with mentor Lea Gettle, lower right, as they develop a gun strap system that focuses on safety and comfort.

SOLUTIONS

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Here is a look at the product ideas that are in the works:

Fire suppression

Hunter Long has spent quite a bit of time with chemistry teacher Robert Barrington to figure out his product, a fire-suppression foam that activates at 120 degrees Celsius.

"Which is the temperature of fire," Long said.

In his research, Long interviewed Baker City Fire Chief John Clark.

"He said half the fires he sees on the interstate are on semis," Long said.

His initial target market will be semi-trucks.

"It's a market that *needs* the product rather than *wants* it," he said.

The product will contain both baking soda and propionic acid that are separated by a barrier that melts at extreme heat. The two substances mix to create

a foam that fills the engine cavity and smothers the fire.

He still has to do some math to determine the proper proportions.

Gun Sling

The team of Hayden Owen, Spencer Smith and Nico Helmreich have devised a harness system that combats the annoyance of a rifle slipping off one shoulder while hunting.

Existing systems, they said, consist of one strap which means one hand is always occupied by steadying the gun.

"It distributes the weight evenly as well as frees up hands," Owen said. "It's quick, convenient and comfortable."

Their design includes a quick-release buckle.

"Softer than normal plastic so the click is quieter," Smith said.

To determine their market the team turned to state departments of fish and wildlife. They found that 13.7 million people bought hunting licenses, and of those, 11.6 million hunt big game.

They narrowed their target audience to 2,000 hunters in Oregon and Idaho.

They've named their idea HSN Straps (the initials of their first names). Their next plan is to work with Baker Technical Institute's 3-D printing program to build a prototype.

"They've done their research," said Lea Gettle, the team's mentor.

Tea Infuser

Eric Bunarath and Taya Riley decided to explore the world of tea infusers — a bottle insert made for loose-leaf tea.

Their irritation is that infusers are specific to one type of bottle. They are creating a universal design that can fit a variety of bottles.

Eco-friendly hygiene items

Gracie Farber and Payton Jones are working on packaging ideas that are more friendly to the environment. Their ideas include refills on liquids such as shampoo, conditioner and face wash at a discounted price.

BAXTER

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Baxter will serve the remainder of Shirtcliff's term, which continues through the end of 2020.

Baxter will run for a four-year term in the May 2020 election.

Baxter grew up in Baker City, where his father served as district attorney before being elected as Circuit Court judge.

The younger Baxter, who currently serves as Union County's chief deputy district attorney, announced in October that he would file for the Baker County district attorney position.

"I believe that I am uniquely qualified to return to Baker County and serve in this important position," Baxter stated in a press release.

He has seven years of experience as a deputy district attorney in Union and Wallowa counties, including the past two as the chief deputy in Union County.

"I have been encouraged by law enforcement officers, lawyers, public officials and citizens to run for this position," Baxter stated in the press release. "I have spoken with the district attorney about his office and I am gathering input from as many sources as possible so that I can continue the good work being done by law enforcement."

Baxter recalled that his seventh birthday was the day his father was sworn in as Baker County district attorney.

"I grew up around the law and gained an appreciation for it," Baxter stated in the press release. "I understand the importance of the fair application of the law for all people. I strive to handle my criminal cases with common sense and dignity."

Baxter served a two-year mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Brazil from 2004 to 2006. He graduated from Brigham Young University in 2008. He attended and graduated from Florida Coastal School of Law in

2012. Greg Baxter and his wife, Kacey, have four children, ages 11, 7, 5, and 2. He is an active member of the Rotary Club, coaches his children in sports, and serves in his church.

Baxter is a board member for Shelter from the Storm, a domestic violence shelter in La Grande, and he is a member of Union County's Treatment Court, Multi-Disciplinary Child Abuse Team, Sexual Assault Response Team, and Domestic Violence Team. He also volunteers for the Union County Victim's Impact Panel, and has volunteered as a judge of high school mock trial competitions.

NEWS OF RECORD

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
CRIMINAL TRESPASSING II:
Aaron La Varr Daniels, 41, of

1860 Plum St., Monday, at the Baker County Jail where he is being held on other charges. Daniels is accused of trespassing at the Eldorado Inn at 695 Campbell St., on Oct. 30, according to court documents.

STRANGULATION (Domestic):
Tia Ralynn Gibbs, 40, of 1660 Church St., 11:24 a.m. Monday, at her home; jailed.

Baker County Sheriff's Office

Arrests, citations
PERJURY and FALSE SWEARING (Baker County Circuit Court warrants): John Taylor Rohner, 29, of 43049 Wingville Road, 9:41 a.m. Monday, at the Sheriff's Office; jailed and later released

on bail. According to court documents, Rohner is charged with the crimes based on his "declaration of eligibility" on Feb. 20, 2018, in Baker County that he had not participated in a diversion program for driving under the influence in the 15 years prior to sentencing. Court records show he had participated in a DUII diversion program in March 2014 in Umatilla County, according to the District Attorney's Office.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE (Union County warrant): Brandy Dawn Arthur, 27, of 3311 Place St., 2:18 p.m. Monday, at the Baker County Jail where she was being held for Union County authorities.

St. Jude Novena

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude Worker of Miracles, pray for us. (Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 8th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised.) Thank you St. Jude for granting my petition. MAW

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