

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

MONDAY, MARCH 9

- **Baker County Library Board:** 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Riverside meeting room at the library, 2400 Resort St.
- **Medical Springs Rural Fire Protection District Board:** 7 p.m. at the Pondosa Station.

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11

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

THURSDAY, MARCH 12

- **Baker School Board:** 6 p.m., Council chambers at Baker City Hall, 1655 First St.; meeting rescheduled from third Thursday of the month.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

- **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.

MONDAY, MARCH 16

- **Baker School Board:** Work session, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., at South Baker Intermediate School, 1285 Third St.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald March 7, 1970

Russel Hunt, 18, of Baker, is one of the more fortunate young men who will satisfy his military obligation while at the same time do something he enjoys. He's a musician, and he's been accepted for the Navy Band.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald March 7, 1995

February's warm, dry weather bit deeply into Baker County's snowpack.

The amount of water held in snow at 12 sites in and near the county was 88 percent of average March 1. On Feb. 1 it was 119 percent of average.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald March 8, 2010

Local wildlife biologists will continue to study Baker County's sage grouse even though federal officials announced Friday that the bird will not be listed as threatened or endangered.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald March 8, 2019

Baker City residents could pay up to 40 percent more for sewer service by 2021 as the city prepares to build a wastewater pipeline and storage lagoon that will cost an estimated \$11 million.

That is the worst-case scenario, however, Public Works Director Michelle Owen told city councilors during a work session Wednesday.

The current sewer rate for residential customers is \$23.26 per month.

The highest rate city officials have looked at is \$32.50, an increase of \$9.24 per month.

"We know we are going to be in the \$30 range, there is virtually no question," City Manager Fred Warner Jr. said.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, March 4

5 - 7 - 11 - 35 - 36 - 43

Next jackpot: \$5.6 million

POWERBALL, March 4

18 - 43 - 58 - 60 - 68 PB 14

Next jackpot: \$100 million

MEGA MILLIONS, March 3

8 - 12 - 33 - 56 - 64 Mega 2

Next jackpot: \$70 million

WIN FOR LIFE, March 4

16 - 18 - 46 - 58

PICK 4, March 5

• 1 p.m.: 2 - 7 - 6 - 1

• 4 p.m.: 1 - 3 - 0 - 4

• 7 p.m.: 2 - 2 - 8 - 0

• 10 p.m.: 7 - 9 - 5 - 2

LUCKY LINES, March 5

4-8-11-16-18-21-26-32

Next jackpot: \$65,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY (March 9):** Barbecued pork ribs, au gratin potatoes, green beans, roll, coleslaw, cake
- **TUESDAY (March 10):** Hearty beef stew, mixed vegetables, cornbread, fruit ambrosia, sherbet
- **WEDNESDAY (March 11):** Hot turkey sandwich, stuffing with gravy, peas, beet-and-onion salad, tapioca
- **THURSDAY (March 12):** Boneless chicken breast with cream gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli-blend vegetables, roll, gelatin with fruit, cheesecake
- **FRIDAY (MARCH 13):** Baked cod, cup of clam chowder, mixed vegetables, roll, coleslaw, apple crisp

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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Free Alzheimer's event set March 20

The Alzheimer's Association's Oregon & Southwest Washington Chapter will have a free community education program in Baker City March 20.

"Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia" will take place at Community Connection, 2810 Cedar St., from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Program Director Heidi (Logan) Rowell is a former Baker City resident who

will be traveling from Portland to teach the class.

"The Alzheimer's Association seeks to provide our free programs and services to rural communities, which are often underserved," Rowell said. "I grew up in Baker City so rural areas are especially close to my heart."

Rowell will cover information on the impact of Alzheimer's disease on the

community. She will also discuss the differences between Alzheimer's and other dementias, the risk factors, and current research and treatments.

"Currently, more than 67,000 Oregonians over the age of 65 are living with Alzheimer's," said Rowell. "Age is the greatest risk factor for Alzheimer's disease and 27% of the Baker County population is over the age of 65."

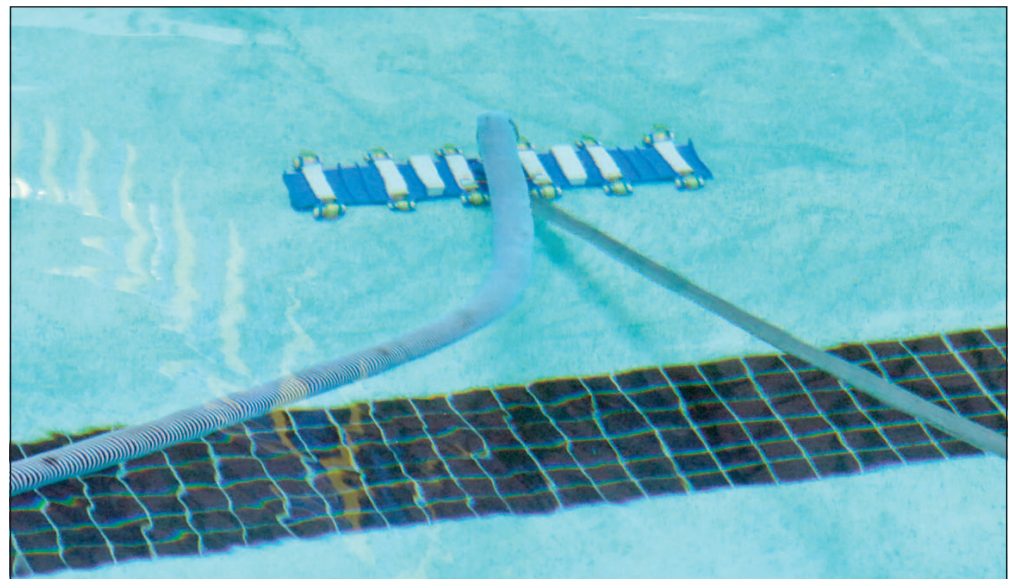
SWIMMING

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"We do hope to see some savings in utilities with the pool being closed for the month, but it certainly won't offset the costs entirely," Owen wrote in the email.

Workers were able to repair a recirculating pump for the domestic hot water at the pool, trying to make the best of a bad situation.

"There's really nothing even for us to work on at this point, we've done what we can do, and now we just wait for the part to be completed and shipped to us," Owen said, referring to repairs for the smaller pool.



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The vacuum head is pushed along the pool bottom to remove any residue collected while the pool was emptied.

MUSEUM

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McQuisten replaces Maggie Schirack as director.

McQuisten's one-year contract has a monthly salary of \$2,400, based on .7 FTE (full-time equivalent) or less of work per week. Starting July 1, 2020, the salary "will be adjusted to reflect reduced hours of commitment by Employee to reflect budgetary constraints."

McQuisten grew up in Haines, where her parents, Fred and Karen Zimmer, owned the store. Her dad ran that business, and her mom worked as a teacher.

McQuisten graduated from Baker High School in 2001, and from the University of Oregon in 2005.

Following college she moved to Ohio to live near extended family and applied to teach while earning her certificate.



McQuisten

But a family friend in Haines fell ill and she returned in the spring of 2006.

"I just needed employment," she said with a smile.

She worked for Dave Banta at First Bank, which later became Sterling.

The next few years were full of change. She met Dan in September 2006,

they married in 2007, and they bought the Eltrym on March 5, 2008 — a place where she first became an employee in 1998.

"It was in the process of being triplexed," she said of the late 1990s renovation. "You've Got Mail" was the first movie in theater two."

Now, as she begins her adventure at the museum, McQuisten credits a former theater employee, Gracie Hardy, for planting the seed of returning to history. Hardy majored in historic preservation and museum studies — a degree that wasn't available when McQuisten went to college.

"Historic preservation is what I would

have done," McQuisten said.

Then this spring she saw the job listing for the museum director.

"I have a really big interest in local history," she said. "I care about the community and the museum as a resource."

During her tenure at the Eltrym, McQuisten has searched for information on the woman who envisioned it — Myrtle Buckmiller, who ran Baker Theatres Co. with her husband, Frank. She died before the Eltrym opened and it was named in her honor (Eltrym is Myrtle spelled backward).

McQuisten's work lives are intersecting this week as the new exhibit "Extraordinary Women of Baker County" takes shape in the central gallery.

Myrtle is one of the 12 women selected for the display.

The museum opens for the season March 14. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, and free for ages 12 and younger.

OBITUARIES

Jerry Shankle

Formerly of Baker City, 1941-2020

Jerry Dean Shankle, 79, of Fort Mohave, Arizona, and formerly of Baker City, died

Feb. 28, 2020, at his home.

There will be a private family ceremony in the coming summer of 2020 for Jerry.

He was born on Feb. 15, 1941,

at Elizabethton, Tennessee, to Martha Magdalene (Peters) Shankle and Frank Chad Shankle.

Jerry was born a preemie and only weighed 2½ pounds. There were no incubators in the hospitals until the 1950s so his mom and grandma

(Maggie Peters) took him home and nursed him, they fed him with a medicine dropper and kept him in a dresser drawer. He became a healthy young child and adult thanks to the care he was given.

Jerry was 13 when his family moved to Baker, having very fond memories of all the cousins, Aunts and Uncles who were left behind in Eastern Tennessee. He was able to travel back to Tennessee the summer of 2017 and had a wonderful reunion with his cousins and visiting his birthplace.

Jerry married Wilma Pierce, having three sons and a daughter. His daughter, Kari, was reunited with him in 2017.

Jerry divorced Wilma, then he married Marjorie Davis and added five more sons to his family. He then married IlaRae Taylor and then most recently, Andrea Shankle.

Jerry spent most of his life in construction work. He worked in Alaska at Prudhoe Bay, also at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital.

He drove trucks for various companies, unfortunately he had to retire because of his health. Jerry loved fishing and traveling. He was always ready to drive around and show people all the sights he had already seen.

He always had a smile and a laugh on his face and sometimes a little joke to make a person's day better.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Andrea, of Fort Mohave,

Arizona; his son, Randy Shankle (Melissa) of Baker City; daughter, Kari Thoresen of Las Vegas, Nevada; Skip, Boyd, and Chad and Tyler Davis; and all of the grandchildren and great-grandchildren of their families; four sisters, Brenda Rohner; Theresa Shankle and Kathy Webb of West Richland, Washington, and Faye Shankle of Hermiston; two brothers, Phillip Shankle (Marilyn) of Tucson, Arizona, and Norman Shankle of Benton City, Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his former wives, Wilma Shankle, Marjorie Shankle and IlaRae Shankle; sons, Richard Shankle, Rodney Shankle and Doug Davis; and a very dear brother, Gary Wayne Shankle.

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NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Larry D. Cole: 83, of Haines, and a retired Justice of the Peace, died March 3, 2020, at his home. A celebration of his life will take place Thursday, March 19, at 1 p.m. at the Baker City Church of the Nazarene, 1250 Hughes Lane. Inurnment will

follow at the Haines Cemetery, with military honors. Services are under the direction of Coles Tribute Center. To light a candle in Larry's memory, go to www.coletributecenter.com

Richard Cameron McLean: 83, of Baker City, died March 4, 2020, at his home surrounded by his loving family. To light a candle in Richard's memory or to leave a condolence for his family, go to www.grayswestco.com

POLICE LOG

Baker County Sheriff's Office
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICANTS: Brandi R. Marberry, 35, of Orting, Washington, 9:36 p.m. Thursday, on Interstate 84, at Baker City; jailed.

Baker County Parole and Probation
POST-PRISON SUPERVISION VIOLATION (Oregon State Parole Board warrant): Travis James Sprague, 22, transient, 10:26 a.m. Thursday, at 3320 K St.; jailed.

Oregon State Police
PAROLE-PROBATION RELEASE VIOLATION (Multnomah County warrant): Erika Christine Hise-Denk, 44, of Baker City, 4:01 p.m. Feb. 26 at Campbell and Resort streets; jailed and later released.

MAR 6 - 12
ELTRYM HISTORIC THEATER
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www.eltrym.com
ONWARD PG
FRI: (4:00) 7:00
SAT & SUN: (1:00) (4:00) 7:00
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SAT & SUN: (1:10) (4:10) 7:10
MON-THURS: 7:10
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