

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

■ **Baker School Board:** 7 p.m.; Zoom video meeting; for details about how to access the meeting, call the District Office, 541-524-2260.

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

■ **Baker City Council:** 7 p.m., City Hall, 1655 First St.; some councilors will attend in person while others will participate via Zoom video conferencing; members of the public may attend as social distancing limits allow.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald June 19, 1970

July 4th and 5th will be the dates of what is popularly known as the biggest “Little rodeo in the Northwest” held at the Stampede grounds in Haines, Oregon, with shows starting at 1:30 p.m. daily. With Queen Victoria Small of Baker and princesses Loretta Williams of Union and Connie Nelson of Baker reigning over the event, the rodeo will include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, amateur team and calf roping and more.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 19, 1995

UNITY — About 25 Burnt River School District patrons agreed Friday night to form a community school organization that would work to make the school board more accountable.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 18, 2010

Congressman Greg Walden is continuing his push to secure federal money to rebuild the flood-damaged Wallowa Mountain Loop Road, and to help Baker County farmers and ranchers fix irrigation networks.

In response to a letter and phone calls from Walden, a Republican who represents Eastern Oregon, officials from the Federal Highway Administration visited the Loop Road on Thursday with U.S. Forest Service representatives.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald June 19, 2019

It was the only phone call that could have lured Dustin Newman from Baker City. He didn’t expect it. But it happened. The recent call to Newman, Baker City’s police chief for the past year, came from his former boss at the Polk County Sheriff’s Office in Western Oregon. It was a job offer, to run patrol operations for the agency where Newman worked for 14 years before joining the Baker City Police Department in 2014. “I didn’t go looking for a job,” Newman said on Monday. Newman said he and his wife, Katie, agreed long ago that the only opportunity that could prompt them to leave Baker City was a return to Polk County. They lived in the county seat, Dallas, a city of about 16,000 people 15 miles west of Salem.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, June 15
2 — 7 — 16 — 32 — 41 — 42
Next jackpot: \$2.8 million
POWERBALL, June 13
2 — 12 — 32 — 50 — 65 PB 5
Next jackpot: \$22 million
MEGA MILLIONS, June 16
21 — 23 — 33 — 35 — 42 Mega 6
Next jackpot: \$26 million

WIN FOR LIFE, June 15
5 — 28 — 60 — 71
PICK 4, June 16
• 1 p.m.: 2 — 2 — 1 — 9
• 4 p.m.: 5 — 5 — 5 — 2
• 7 p.m.: 4 — 0 — 4 — 5
• 10 p.m.: 6 — 2 — 7 — 2
LUCKY LINES, June 16
4-6-12-14-17-22-26-32
Next jackpot: \$19,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **FRIDAY:** Taco salad, (beef, lettuce, tomato, onion, cheese, chips, salsa and sour cream), fruit cup, cookies
- **MONDAY (June 22):** Chicken ala king over a biscuit, peas, fruit cup, brownies
- **TUESDAY (June 23):** Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, fruit ambrosia, ice cream
- **WEDNESDAY (June 24):** Beef tips over fettuccine, carrots, bread, beet-and-onion salad, birthday cake
- **THURSDAY (June 25):** Chicken Kiev with hollandaise sauce, parslid red potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, gelatin with fruit, cookie

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. Due to the coronavirus crisis, meals must be picked up; there is no dining on site.

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PLAY

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Bornstedt said the city is required to post signs for facilities that aren’t cleaned at least two times per day. Playgrounds at Geiser-Pollman, including the all-abilities playground under construction, will remain closed for at least the next two weeks or so.

Bornstedt said she hopes to finish the all-abilities playground around July 1, depending on when crews are available for concrete work. The older playground, built in May 2014, is also closed so workers can repair the artificial turf and concrete pouring and bench and sign installation will also affect that playground.

S. John Collins/ Baker City Herald file photo-2017
Volunteers installed a playground structure in May 2017 at Cedar Acres Park.



DONORS

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Those who have an elevated temperature — a common symptom of COVID-19 — aren’t allowed to donate. “A lot of things to keep donors really safe and as well as the staff. We’re looking out for them as well,” Winter said. The computer glitch that delayed the start of Monday’s drive prevented some of the 110 donors who had signed up from giving blood, as they had work or other commitments.

Evans was one of those thwarted. Her appointment was late in the day and the Red Cross staff had to cancel her donation and more than 20 others. But Evans said all the donors were “extremely understanding and patient.” The Red Cross collected 79 units of blood, only one unit short of the goal — a goal that was increased after the successful March drive. “We’ve been getting more and more people all the time, so our goal keeps going up,” Evans said. “We had very few, what they call deferrals, people that couldn’t give for like various medical reasons and we had almost no no-shows, almost everybody on the list came in,” Evans said. She said many people who weren’t able to donate due to the computer problem said they would sign up for the next Baker City drive, scheduled for Sept. 15. Evans said some donors she talked to feel frustrated about the things they

“It’s just something I can do whether there’s a virus or not, somebody needs to do it.”
— **Wayne Dyke, Baker City, who has donated blood more than 50 times**

can’t do to help during the pandemic, so the option of giving blood is attractive. “People have really stepped forward,” she said. “It’s amazing.” The Red Cross usually has five blood drives per year in Baker City. Winter expressed gratitude and “kudos” to Evans for her work in taking over the blood drive from Brooks, who was involved in putting on the events for almost 35 years in Baker City. “(Evans) started converting everybody to the online scheduling system and they sign up, she puts them in the system, she’s just doing amazing things to get donors through the door,” Winter said. Many of the donors who showed up Monday are accustomed to baring a vein in their arm. Addison Johnson, 79, has given 78 units of blood. He served in the military, where he began donating, and is now a “power red,” meaning he can donate 2 units of red blood cells at one event. “I always have. It’s just been part of my lifestyle,” Johnson said of giving blood. Wayne Dyke, 52, has also donated most of his life. He has donated more than 50 times, starting when he was 18. “It’s just something I can do whether

there’s a virus or not, somebody needs it,” Dyke said. He has a personal motivation as well — both his parents needed blood transfusions during surgeries. Chris Knoll, 47, has also donated for years. He was unable to for a time due to traveling outside of the U.S. but started up again last year. “I started in high school, actually,” Knoll said. “They came to our school and started asking for donations.” Knoll said his employers over the years have always supported him taking time off from work to give blood. Similar to Knoll, Jocelyn Wellman, 18, started donating as a high school student. “I was always terrified of needles, so I needed to get better,” said Wellman, who graduated from Baker High School on June 7. “And then I found out that I have one of the more rare blood types too, so I figured why not.” Jocelyn’s donation inspired her mother, Kim Wellman, to donate again. “I donated years ago,” said Kim Wellman, 53. “I haven’t donated for years but then my daughter started donating in high school and I thought, well I’ll get in on that. So, she got me back in on it.” Carmen Stoker, 70, has donated four times while in Baker City and has donated in the past. “I just figured somewhere down the line my family or myself might need help and I might be able to help somebody else,” Stoker said.

TESTING

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Operating hours are from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Patients will be tested according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendations, Huggins said. Based on those recommendations, not everyone who is evaluated will be tested for COVID-19, she added. Test results are typically received within three to five business days.

A person who is evaluated at the curbside center, but who does not qualify for testing, will be given guidance for self-quarantining at home if appropriate, and documentation may be provided for employers who are requiring testing. For the safety of those conducting the curbside assessments, people seeking the service are asked to leave their animals at home when they travel to the site, Huggins said.

Former BCPD officer joins Baker County Sheriff’s Office

By Chris Collins
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A former Baker City Police lieutenant who retired in May as the La Grande police chief has returned to Baker County to work as one of the Sheriff’s Department’s two Panhandle deputies.

Brian Harvey, 57, served with the Baker City Police from 2006 to 2009 as second in command under former Police Chief Wyn Lohner. Harvey left the Baker City job to accept the position as chief of police in La Grande. He retired May 4 after 11 years in that role.

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NEWS OF RECORD

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
DOMESTIC FOURTH-DEGREE ASSAULT: David Samuel Cutshall, 38, of 1345 Elm St., 1:55 p.m. Tuesday, at Madison and Grove streets; jailed and later released.
CONTEMPT OF COURT (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Adrienna Dione Morris, 22, of Baker City, 7:16 p.m. Tuesday, at the police department; cited and released.
SECOND-DEGREE THEFT (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Timothy Kelly Slaney, 31, of 1560 Indiana Ave., No. 109, 11:23 p.m. Tuesday, in the 1200 block of Campbell Street; cited and released.
FAILURE TO APPEAR (Two Baker County Circuit Court warrants): Edward Allen Braswell, 45, of Baker City, 8:37 p.m. Monday, in the 1400 block of Madison Street; cited and released.
VIOLATION OF CONDITIONAL RELEASE AGREEMENT (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Michael S. Myers-Gabiola, 29, of

3805 Cedar St., 6:34 p.m. Monday, at his home; cited and released.

Crime reports
SECOND-DEGREE BURGLARY and FIRST-DEGREE THEFT: Kevin Logsdon, owner of York’s Covered Wagon convenience store at 1549 Campbell St., reported at 4:12 p.m. Monday the theft of a 9 mm handgun valued at \$479 and binoculars valued at \$750. Police Chief Ray Duman said officers have identified a suspect after reviewing video from the store; the investigation is continuing.

Baker City Fire Dept.
1:07 a.m. Tuesday — Four Baker City firefighters were dispatched to the area of 4100 Indiana Ave. on a report of smoke and sparks emitting from the top of a power pole. Battalion Chief David Blair stated in a press release. Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative was notified and OTEC workers responded with equipment to disconnect and deactivate the power and pole. Firefighters transferred the situation to the OTEC crew and cleared the scene after one hour and seven minutes, Blair’s report stated.

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