

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

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 20, 1970

“This is a beautiful country and a hospitable town,” representative Al Ullman said Friday night in his talk to the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the Awards Banquet of the Baker Elks Club. Ullman was referring to the State of Oregon and the City of Baker as being beautiful and hospitable.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 20, 1995

If he still were living, Leo Adler would be 100 years old Wednesday.
To honor Adler’s memory and all that he has done, and will do, for Baker City, Mayor Larry Griffith has proclaimed Wednesday as “Leo Adler Day” in the community.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald June 21, 2010

While U.S. Forest Service officials scramble to find money to repair Baker County roads damaged by flooding earlier this month, contractors are ready to start work on a major forest highway job that has already claimed a share of last year’s \$787 billion federal stimulus bill.
Workers from High Desert Aggregate and Paving of Redmond will begin repaving a 10-mile stretch of the Anthony Lakes Highway this week.
Drivers should expect delays of as long as one hour as work continues through the summer.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald June 21, 2019

More than thirty people turned out Wednesday in Baker City for a public hearing on the proposed Boardman-to-Hemingway power line, and more than a dozen local residents told a state council that they oppose the line that would pass through Baker County.
Nobody spoke in favor of the line.
Those who testified before the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council listed multiple concerns about the proposed 500-kilovolt line, including its potential effects on views from the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, harm to agricultural land and wildlife such as sage grouse.
Idaho Power first proposed B2H, a 300-mile line, in 2007.
The Oregon Department of Energy has recommended the Energy Facility Siting Council approve the project, and on May 22 the Department of Energy issued a draft proposed order for B2H. That order started a 60-day comment period, during which the Siting Council will have multiple public hearings in Northeastern Oregon.
Baker County Commissioner Mark Bennett said county officials have followed the B2H project since its inception.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, June 17
8 — 16 — 23 — 26 — 31 — 42
Next jackpot: \$2.9 million
POWERBALL, June 17
7 — 10 — 63 — 64 — 68 PB 10
Next jackpot: \$25 million
MEGA MILLIONS, June 16
21 — 23 — 33 — 35 — 42 Mega 6
Next jackpot: \$26 million

WIN FOR LIFE, June 17
16 — 30 — 41 — 43
PICK 4, June 18
• 1 p.m.: 3 — 7 — 3 — 5
• 4 p.m.: 1 — 1 — 1 — 6
• 7 p.m.: 7 — 8 — 3 — 4
• 10 p.m.: 0 — 1 — 2 — 5
LUCKY LINES, June 18
4-8-12-15-20-22-28-30
Next jackpot: \$21,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY:** Chicken ala king over a biscuit, peas, fruit cup, brownies
- **TUESDAY:** Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, fruit ambrosia, ice cream
- **WEDNESDAY:** Beef tips over fettuccine, carrots, bread, beet-and-onion salad, birthday cake
- **THURSDAY:** Chicken Kiev with hollandaise sauce, parslied red potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, gelatin with fruit, cookie
- **FRIDAY:** Barbecued pork ribs, baked beans, corn, roll, coleslaw, tapioca

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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La Grande man accused of burglary near Haines arrested in Washington

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A La Grande man accused of taking a pickup truck from the La Grande Legacy Ford dealership on June 12 and then later burglarizing a home on Pocahontas Road northwest of Baker City was arrested Tuesday in Washington.
Christopher John Fulfer, 35, was arrested near Moses Lake, Washington, Sheriff Travis Ash stated in a press release. Fulfer was booked and lodged at the Grant County Jail in Ephrata, Washington, where he remained in custody Friday.
He is being held on Baker County charges of aggravated theft and burglary and Washington charges of trespassing, resisting arrest and drug possession.

The stolen 2018 Ford F350 pickup truck was recovered by the Moses Lake Police Department on Monday and impounded. Several items taken from the home of Bryson and Whitley Allen, of 45043 Pocahontas Road near Haines, also were recovered.
The Allens reported the crimes at their home on Sunday, June 14. They said they had returned from a trip to find that cash and property valued at more than \$10,000 had been taken from their home.
The Baker County Sheriff’s Office became involved in the investigation after being notified of the vehicle theft by the La Grande Police Department. Ash said a witness spotted a vehicle matching the stolen pickup’s description on Anthony Lakes Highway the afternoon of June 13.

Although the vehicle was not located at that time, Fulfer was identified as a possible suspect, Ash said.
During the investigation of the burglary at the Allens’ home, Ash and deputy Talon Colton discovered a key for a 2018 Ford F350 pickup. Ash said the key was matched to the stolen vehicle.
The vehicle and the suspect were traced to the area of Moses Lake, Washington. Ash and Colton traveled to Washington on Tuesday. They, along with the Moses Lake Police, executed a search warrant on the vehicle and recovered some of the items taken from the Allens’ home, Ash said.
Washington State troopers found Fulfer walking on a highway in the Moses Lake area Tuesday evening.

HOMES

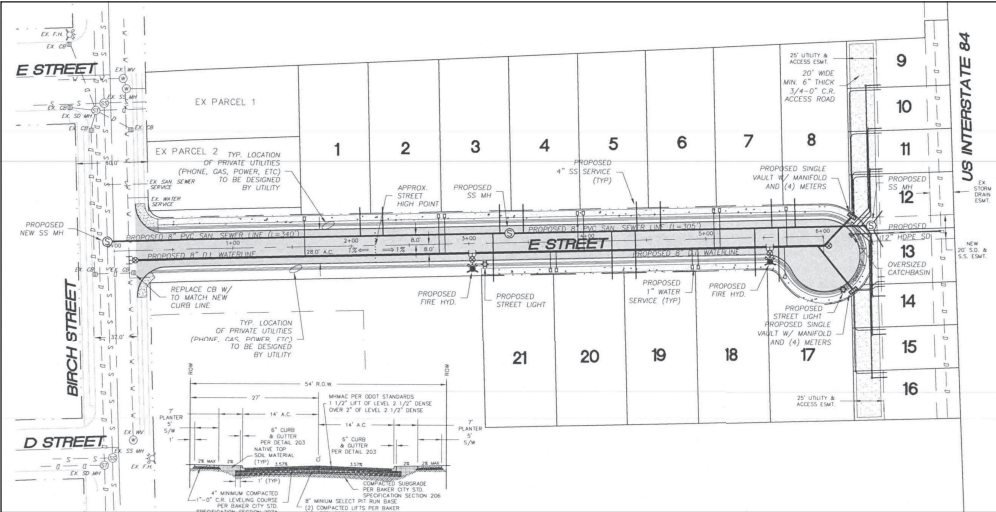
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“It seems like a good use of the property,” Michel told commissioners during Wednesday’s meeting.
Rockwell asked Michel for more information about proposed driveways in the subdivision, saying “why, at least so far, it hasn’t been something that’s included in the plan.”
Michel said local contractor Haden Damschen will be building the homes, and he hasn’t decided on the layout of the lots.
“And so instead of trying to put something in now and then changing it, we would just do it at the time of ... we plan on making that adjustment when we’re doing the sidewalks and curbing, so we won’t have any curb cuts later,” Michel said.

Eva Henes, a senior planner in the Baker City-County Planning Department, said the Michels’ application doesn’t include details such as driveway design.
The subdivision includes 13 lots of about 7,500 square feet each — eight on the north side of an extended section of E Street, and five on the south side.
Michel said he would like to build two-story townhouses on the remaining eight lots, which would be on the east side of the subdivision and arranged north-south paralleling the freeway.
Henes said the proposed E Street right of way would be 54 feet wide, and would replace an existing private access and utility easement.
Henes said two streetlights and two fire hydrants are



Jayson Jacoby/Baker City Herald

The proposed 21-lot Silver Birch subdivision would be built west of the freeway.



proposed within the right of way — one of each about halfway along E Street, and the others near the cul-de-sac.
Michelle Owen, the city’s public works director, suggested a requirement that was added as a condition of the subdivision approval. It mandates that public works

staff will approve utility and street construction in the development.
“In other words if the developer wishes the city to take on responsibility for the infrastructure when the project is complete, (public works) needs to have more than a statement saying install was done to code, we want to

verify that ourselves,” Owen wrote in an email to Henes.
Owen also attended Wednesday’s meeting, saying “I just wanted to highlight that we just want an opportunity to kind of inspect as those utilities are going in so that we can coach or guide or suggest how they might mitigate or solve problems.”

CONCERTS

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Lynette Perry, the event coordinator, said that she’s excited to be able to put on the free concerts and give citizens of Baker County something to do while putting money into the pockets of local musicians.
Perry said last week that Baker City Events, the nonprofit that oversees the concerts, needed to raise more than \$10,000 to cover expenses.
The organization made a lot of progress toward that goal this week.
On Tuesday, the Union

Pacific Foundation Board awarded a \$4,700 COVID-19 relief grant to Baker City Events to support the music review.
Perry said the grant from the railroad company will cover insurance, marketing and help pay the musicians.
“It’s huge, it took a tremendous burden off of us,” Perry said.
The grant will cover just under half of the expenses for the music series, but Perry said that other donations from local businesses have been coming in as well.
Sorbenots Coffee and Gray’s West & Co. Pioneer

Chapel both donated \$1,000 to support the event.
Other local businesses have also chipped in with items for the raffle baskets including items such as gift certificates and engraved beer glasses. Concertgoers are encouraged to buy raffle tickets, which also support the concert series.
Sunday’s first event will run from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

in the Powder River Pavilion at the park.
Social distancing guidelines will be in place and attendees are advised to bring their own chairs.
Other performers scheduled include Chihuahua Desert on June 28 and Brady Gross on July 5.
More information on the schedule is available at www.bakercityevents.net

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Mona Humes: 68, of Richland, died June 19, 2020, at St. Luke’s Medical Center in Boise. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com
Ruth Kelley: 92, of Baker City, died June 17, 2020, at Meadowbrook Place. A private interment will take place at Mount Hope Cemetery. Coles Tribute Center is in charge of arrangements. To light a candle in memory of Ruth, go to www.coletributecenter.com

FUNERAL PENDING

Betty Myers: Celebration of life, Saturday, June 27 at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery. For those who would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Betty, the family suggests Hilary’s Benevolent Fund through

Tami’s Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com
Maurice ‘Mac’ McKinnis: Private family service Tuesday, June 30 at Coles Tribute Center, with vault interment to follow at Mount Hope Cemetery. A celebration of life will take place later at the Baker City United Methodist Church for family and friends of Mac. To light a candle in memory of Mac, go to www.coletributecenter.com

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