

Local

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

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

(ADVERTISEMENT) — Held over for the third action week, “PaintYour Wagon.” Filmed in the East Eagles of Baker County, Paramount Pictures presents Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood and Jean Seberg in the film based on the Lerner and Loewe Broadway musical play.

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

Thursday afternoon’s hail- and wind-packed thunder-storm smashed flowers, filled storm sewers and made streets white and slippery in Baker City, but caused no power outages.

Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative reported no damage to its electric lines or substations.

However, OTEC customers in Baker City, North Powder, Haines, and as far away as Pondosa were without power for a brief time this morning when a tree fell across a main power line on 17th Street in Baker City.

OTEC crews had power restored to most areas later in the morning. The cause of the accident, and the number of customers affected was not available.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald July 7, 2010

The average salary in Baker County rose by 3.1 percent in 2009, more than tripling the statewide average increase for the year.

The July issue of Eastern Oregon Labor Trends showed the average annual wage in Baker County last year was \$29,259.

That’s a 3.1 percent increase of the \$28,388 average for 2008, said Jason Yohannan, regional employment economist for the state.

“Wages did go up in Baker County, an \$871 average pay increase, which is good in a year when people were losing jobs and some people were taking pay cuts or furlough days with no pay,” Yohannan said.

Statewide, the average annual wage rose by 0.6 percent in 2009.

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

Casting a line in the Powder River closer to home and reeling in fish for dinner could become a reality if the Powder Basin Watershed Council has its way.

If the dream comes true, Baker City residents might just find themselves walking down to the riverside rather than driving to more distant fishing holes to bring home enough trout for a fish fry.

“Last summer we started hearing from people that they’d like to see more fishing in the Powder River,” said Christo Morris, 44, the Watershed Council’s executive director for the past 3 1/2 years.

He and Anna Hayes are the two paid staff members at the office at 2034 Auburn Ave. Hayes is the Council’s water quality monitoring coordinator as well as outreach and GIS (Geographic Information Systems) coordinator.

People who talked about wanting more fishing also told stories of better fishing in the river in days gone by, Morris said.

Those comments got like-minded people thinking that perhaps they could bring back the good old days of Powder River fishing for angling enthusiasts.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, July 4

6 — 14 — 22 — 33 — 38 — 47

Next jackpot: \$3.6 million

POWERBALL, July 4

16 — 21 — 27 — 60 — 61 PB 6

Next jackpot: \$69 million

MEGA MILLIONS, July 3

20 — 40 — 44 — 45 — 50 Mega 24

Next jackpot: \$73 million

WIN FOR LIFE, July 4

9 — 23 — 71 — 75

PICK 4, July 5

• 1 p.m.: 0 — 2 — 1 — 1

• 4 p.m.: 7 — 5 — 2 — 6

• 7 p.m.: 2 — 7 — 2 — 7

• 10 p.m.: 9 — 4 — 3 — 5

LUCKY LINES, July 5

4-7-10-13-17-24-28-32

Next jackpot: \$26,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **WEDNESDAY:** Meatloaf, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, fruit cup, cinnamon roll
- **THURSDAY:** Barbecued ribs, au gratin potatoes, green beans, roll, broccoli-bacon salad, bread pudding
- **FRIDAY:** Baked cod, cup of clam chowder, mixed vegetables, roll, coleslaw, lemon bars
- **MONDAY (July 13):** Chicken-fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, peas, biscuit, cottage cheese with fruit, brownie
- **TUESDAY (July 14):** Barbecue meatballs, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, bread, carrot-raisin salad, ice cream

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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OBITUARIES

Calvin McCullough

Halfway, 1981-2020

Calvin LeRoy McCullough Jr., 39, of Halfway, died June 30, 2020, at his home.

A celebration of Calvin’s life and family gathering will take place at a later date.

Calvin Jr. was born on May 4, 1981, at La Grande to Calvin “Cal” and Elizabeth “Liz” McCullough of Halfway. Calvin earned his high school equivalency in 2000. He graduated from Milan Medical Center with a Medical Assistant Certificate in August 2012.

Calvin met Shawna Giddens in April of 2013 and they fell in love. He proposed on Jan. 9, 2014, and they were married at Halfway on July 12, 2014, surrounded by friends and loved ones.

Along with spending time with his wife and family he loved the great outdoors. He really enjoyed skeet shooting, fishing, boating, and putting together his motorcycle. These all brought him great joy and took him into the outdoors where he could enjoy the quiet. He also tinkered with fixing and refurbishing computers for his friends and community members. This brought him to live in Halfway in 2015.

Calvin is survived by his wife, Shawna Giddens McCullough; his parents, Cal and Liz McCullough; his brother, Kenneth (Beth) McCullough; his maternal grandmother, Agnes Bird; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Kenneth (Shorty) Ellsworth McCullough; his maternal grandfather, Frances Gregory Rockett; and one uncle and two aunts.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to Tami’s Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834 to assist with the funeral expenses. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Mona Humes

Richland, 1952-2020

Mona Humes, 68, of Richland, died the morning of June 19, 2020, at St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center in Boise.

A celebration of her life will take place at a later date; a private family gathering will be held; at her request there will be no funeral.

Mona was born on March 2, 1952, at Eugene to Bud and Hazel Smith. She was raised and educated in Junction City. Mona attended Junction City High School and graduated in 1970.

Mona’s working career included being a CNA at a nursing home in Junction City. However, she prided herself on being the best Mom in the world.

She lived in many places throughout her life including Bellingham, Washington, Burns, Elmira and Richland.

Mona enjoyed springtime, gardening, yellow roses and daisies. She enjoyed spending time with her grandkids, being outdoors, camping and fishing and being “high” on life. She loved crocheting and lived her life by the philosophy of all things, “peace, love and happiness.”

Her favorite catch phrases included: TMI; always and forever, forever and

always; They’re just kids and Why?” “I love you” was always spoken. She had enough love to love the entire world and she’d still have love left in her heart.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bud and Hazel Smith; her son, Billy Humes; and her beloved dog, Bear.

Mona is survived by her daughters, Melissa Humes and Sonya Bennett; her son, Jason Humes; her brothers, Ray and Casey Smith and Jim Crye; her sister, Doris Edwards; her grandchildren, Kristina Appleton, Alisha and Tom Bennett, Tyanha Humes and Dakota Farley, and Adam and Henry Humes; her great-grandchildren, Denali, Case, Everett, Blaine, Paisley, Laney, Jocelynn and Aspen; nieces Pati Key, Catherine, Jessica and Breanna Smith, Ivory Stover, Aimee and Tracy; and her nephews, Eddie Edwards and Ray Smith Jr.

For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Mona, the family suggests either the FFA, Hope4paws or the nonprofit # F C Cancer Foundation through Tami’s Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Charles Daniels

Formerly of Baker City, 1935-2020

Charles Henry Daniels Jr., also known as Charlie, Chuck or Snoopy, 85, a former longtime Baker City resident, died July 1, 2020, at his home in Weiser, Idaho, surrounded by his family.

A celebration of his life will take place at his home in Weiser.

Charles was born on April 16, 1935, at Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and was the son of Elfie Sorg and Charles Daniels Sr. He spent his early years in Teton Valley, Idaho, and was the second youngest of 20 children. He had nine brothers and 10 sisters.

When Charles was 7 his family settled in Baker City. Upon completion of the 10th grade, he was eager and proud to join the Navy which he did at 17, serving in the Korean conflict (Charles went on to obtain his GED). On Aug. 18, 1956, he married the love of his life, Kay McClain. They lived the majority of the next 50 years in Baker City, where they raised their five children. Charles worked various construction jobs including the Hells Canyon Dam project. For many years, he worked for the government as a predator control agent. In 1971, Charles partnered in ownership of Cashway Rental before becoming sole proprietor, renaming it to Charlie’s Rental Yard.

After selling his business and becoming empty nesters, Charles and Kay began spending their winters down south near Lake Havasu where they made many friends. In 2005, they relocated to Weiser. It did not take Charles long to become involved in the community. He enjoyed attending two different morning coffee gatherings, joining a fly-fishing group, and golfing.

To say Charles was an outdoor enthusiast would be an understatement. From his childhood hunting stories, to his work experience for the government, and finally as a hobby with his friends and family, he loved the outdoors. Charles encouraged this passion in others with his participation in the Boy Scouts and teaching hunter safety courses. He was an active

member in expanding the Powder River Sportsmen’s Club and establishing the club’s rifle range near Virtue Flat. Charles hunted deer and elk with groups he organized and snowmobiled with his wife, family, and many friends. He loved taking his kids and then grandkids on many camping trips, which included fishing, boating, catching crawdads, and riding four-wheelers.

Charles made friends easily. He never met a stranger, would give a hitchhiker a ride, and was always willing to help with a repair. He was also a lifelong student, usually self-taught, always in pursuit of more knowledge about a variety of topics and subject areas. Some of the well-known skills included carving and playing the harmonica.

At his core, Charles was a family man who adored his wife of 64 years. You could often catch them dancing to a tune, jitterbugging their way around any dance floor including their kitchen or shop.

His legacy includes his wife, Kay Daniels; his daughters, Diana Cutsforth (James), Carey Hopkins (Mike), Holly Palmer, Charlene Trevino (Rudy); his son, Lance Daniels; 14 grandchildren: Kaitlin Yamamoto (Thomas), Amanda Cutsforth Blatter (Kyle), Jillian Cutsforth, Danielle Marvin (Brent), Robert “Bobby” Hopkins (Dani), Hallie Hopkins, Marcus Palmer, Olivia Palmer (Eric), Erin Wheeler-McKenzie (Brad), Kyle Wheeler (Olina), Ryan Wheeler (Alora), Kali Oesterblad (Alex), Justyn Boyer (Licia), and Carlee Daniels; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; his 19 siblings; and his son-in-law, Charles “Cork” Palmer.

Charles Dreisbach

Formerly of Baker City, 1925-2020

Father Charles V. Dreisbach, 94, a Roman Catholic Priest of the Diocese of Baker Oregon, died June 17, 2020.

A funeral Mass was celebrated June 23 at Sacred Heart Parish, and burial was in the family plot at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City.

Charles was born on Nov. 24, 1925, at Los Angeles, and his family moved to Baker City in 1930. He attended St. Francis Academy in Baker City and graduated from high school in 1943. Later that year he joined the Navy where he served as a rifle and pistol instructor until going overseas. At the end of World War II, he was a Gunner’s Mate 2nd Class. He was discharged in 1946 and then attended the University of Portland from 1946 to 1950, graduating with a degree in Business Administration. During this time, he worked for the U-Haul Company in Portland, becoming their first business manager.

In 1952, he entered Mount Angel Seminary. He was ordained a priest in May of 1959 and served in various parishes in Eastern Oregon until his final assignment at Sacred Heart Parish in Klamath Falls, retiring in 2004 at the age of 78.

He became a volunteer for Sky Lakes Medical Center in 2007 and served at CARES for over a decade. He was a member of the Klamath County Rotary Club.

His parents and three brothers preceded him in death.



Calvin McCullough



Charles Daniels



Charles Dreisbach



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