

Local

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald August 28, 1970

The board of directors of the Anthony Lakes Corporation announced today a statement of the conditions at the ski area and effects of the Forest Service decision to reject recent bids for road construction.

Under the new direction of area manager, Keith Petrie, the area rose from financial chaos to a position of solvency during the 1969-70 ski season.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald August 28, 1995

The Crawfish prescribed natural fire has gained a few more acres the past week, but cold nights and cool days have blocked the 297-acre blaze from doing more than nibble at its southwest corner.

The fire, which is about two miles southwest of Anthony Lakes, is creeping downhill toward Crawfish Creek and has little fuel in its path.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald August 27, 2010

The thousands who have been wondering for more than three years which roads on the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest will remain open to motor vehicles will have to continue to exercise their patience.

The final environmental impact statement for the forest's Travel Management plan is scheduled to be finished in March 2011, Wallowa-Whitman Supervisor Steve Ellis said this week.

But he doubts any roads will be officially closed to motor vehicles (the plan doesn't affect snowmobiles) until 2012.

In January of this year Ellis, who has the final say on the plan, said he expected to make a decision by late summer.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald August 28, 2019

For the second time this summer, tests have detected West Nile virus in mosquitoes trapped in the Keating Valley about 15 miles east of Baker City.

Three batches of mosquitoes trapped on Aug. 15 were infected with the virus, which the bugs can transmit to people, according to the Baker Valley Vector Control District.

The first positive test was from a "pool" of mosquitoes trapped July 9 in Keating Valley.

A pool consists of about 50 mosquitoes.

No mosquitoes trapped in Baker Valley, or elsewhere in the 200,000-acre Vector Control District, which includes most of Baker, Bowen and Keating valleys, have tested positive for the virus this summer.

District manager Matt Hutchinson said employees have been spraying for mosquitoes in the Keating area, and will continue to do so until mosquito numbers drop.

There have been three confirmed human cases of West Nile virus in Oregon this year — two in Malheur County and one in Harney County, according to the Oregon Health Authority.

The virus has been found this summer in mosquitoes in three counties in addition to Baker — Morrow (47 pools have tested positive), Umatilla (7 pools) and Malheur (4 pools).

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Aug. 24
11 — 29 — 36 — 38 — 42 — 45
Next jackpot: \$1 million

POWERBALL, Aug. 22
19 — 30 — 36 — 42 — 66 PB 14
Next jackpot: \$37 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Aug. 25
8 — 10 — 15 — 17 — 57 Mega 12
Next jackpot: \$68 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Aug. 24
32 — 45 — 54 — 77
PICK 4, Aug. 25
• 1 p.m.: 3 — 2 — 7 — 4
• 4 p.m.: 5 — 9 — 4 — 8
• 7 p.m.: 0 — 0 — 1 — 6
• 10 p.m.: 2 — 1 — 6 — 5
LUCKY LINES, Aug. 25
3-8-9-16-17-22-27-31
Next jackpot: \$50,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **FRIDAY:** Hot turkey sandwich, stuffing with gravy, carrots, broccoli-bacon salad, apple crisp
- **MONDAY (Aug. 31):** Chicken broccoli Alfredo over fettuccine, mixed vegetables, biscuit, carrot-raisin salad, brownies
- **TUESDAY (Sept. 1):** Barbecued meatballs, rice pilaf, broccoli-blend vegetables, bread, green salad, bread pudding
- **WEDNESDAY (Sept. 2):** Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, green beans, roll, gelatin with fruit, cake
- **THURSDAY (Sept. 3):** Chef's salad, breadsticks, cottage cheese with fruit, 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.

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OBITUARIES

Janice Smull

Baker City, 1938-2020

Janice Marlene (Edwards) Smull, 82, of Baker City, died peacefully at home, Aug. 25, 2020.

There will be a viewing Friday, Aug. 28, at Gray's West & Co., 1500 Dewey Ave., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Her graveside service will take place at Mount Hope Cemetery on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 1 p.m. There will be an outdoor celebration of life to follow at 3 p.m. at the home of Danna and Floyd Morgan, 36996 Highway 245 (Unity and Sumpter Junction).

Janice was born on June 21, 1938, to John Leonard and Zena Beryl (Lewis) Edwards in Baker City. She was the first child born, 2 years before her brother, Gene Dennis "Denny" Edwards. She attended Baker City schools and was very active in high school clubs: National Honor Society, vice president, Girls League, Nugget, Pep Club, Drill Team, Tri-Hi-Y, Choir Namater, Quill and Scroll, Makeup Crew, Banquet Co-Chairman, and Sports Princess. This is where she met her future husband, George Smull. They were married on Nov. 9, 1956, for 26 years.

After graduation Janice went to Radiation Technician school in Portland, Oregon. But school soon had to be put on hold as she and George were blessed with five children, Danna, Celeste, Dale, Christopher "Cas" and Molly. Janice enjoyed working as a swimming teacher and lifeguard during her children's early years.

After Molly's second birthday, Janice went back to school in Caldwell, Idaho, and received her Radiation Technician Certification in 1970. She went to work at St. Elizabeth Hospital and retired, May 10, 2000, with 39 years of service. She was also honored with a room dedicated to her for over 35 years of serving Baker City residents.

She spent time in retirement caring for her mother, Zena, visiting her three times a day. She enjoyed playing bridge with her mother and their friends at the Golf Course and the homes of bridge club members. She won the Millie Heizer award in 2017 and in 2018 she began teaching people how to play bridge. She played three weeks ago, earning high score with her partner, Danae Simonski, at Duplicate Bridge.

She enjoyed recording family history and events through photography. She loved to travel when she could and being involved in Baker City events and organizing class reunions. It was at one of the class reunions that she re-connected with a former classmate, Bill Moragne. Bill and Janice enjoyed spending time together from that point on.

Janice had many special friends and valued their friendships immensely. She had a big heart and was always ready to lend a hand. At Thanksgiving the family would often find an extra place at the holiday table for those at work who didn't have a place to go.

She leaves her family (five generations) remembering her gentle spirit, generosity, and big hugs.



Janice Smull

Survivors include her brother, Denny (Gerry) Edwards of Hermiston; daughter, Danna (Floyd) Morgan of Baker City; daughter, Celeste (Vance) Bennett of Nevada, son, Dale Smull of Durkee, daughter, Molly Smull of Baker City, daughter-in-law, Cheryl (Dan) Axness of Boise; seven grandchildren, Corey Smith of Baker City, Beamus, Cooper and Duncan Bennett of Nevada, Jared (Amanda) Smull of Durkee, Jillona (Danny) Frangipani of Scappoose, and Raina Smull of Portland; six great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Leonard and Zena Edwards; mother-in-law, Daisy; her former husband, George; her daughter-in-law, Sharry Smull; and her son, Christopher; and his son, her grandson, Lance.

In lieu of flowers, Janice asked that donations be made to Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre for renovation of the Orpheum Theatre through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Janice or to leave a condolence for the family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Betty Lissman

Baker City, 1937-2020

Elizabeth (Betty) Louise Lissman, 83, of Baker City, died Aug. 21, 2020, surrounded by family.

A celebration of Betty's life will take place later, with the date, time and place to be announced.

Betty was born on April 1, 1937, at Nampa, Idaho, to Russell and Louise (Loomis) Smith. She attended school at King Hill, Idaho, to sixth grade and graduated from Nyssa High School in Oregon. She married James Dayton Lissman on Jan. 15, 1954, and they recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary.

Betty spent three years in Portland as a carpenter's wife and a mother. She returned to Nyssa and became a farmer's wife and school bus driver. She not only drove students to school but to many other events including the World's Fair. Betty, the youngest of five, surrounded herself with not only her five children but also numerous others from her school bus route, neighbors and family friends. The house always had a lively crew.

Once her five kids were in school she started working for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Baker City. She advanced to program supervisor in the state office in Portland after training in every county in Oregon. Her work was so valued in the Department of Agriculture that she was sent to Washington, D.C., multiple times a year. After 20 years of service she was recognized with numerous awards for her exceptional contributions in conservation programs, exemplary service, distinguished achievement and excellence in leadership.

Throughout her life she supported her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in programs such as Little League, 4-H, and FFA. She was the head cheerleader and team grandma at many of their sporting events.

After retirement, she and her hus-

band, James, built their dream home in McMinnville. Betty volunteered at the McMinnville Library and contributed 1,000 hours to the OSU Master Gardener Program.

Betty was known for her incredible humor, her collection of a wide variety of pets and showed her love with baking for family and friends. Her cinnamon rolls were to die for. In addition she held very high standards for a beautiful home and well-manicured yard. Betty was an inspiration and she will be missed.

Betty is survived by her husband, James, of Baker City; her sons, Charles (Sandy) Lissman of Boring, and Lorrin (Sue) Lissman of Goldendale, Washington; her daughters, Barbara (Dennis) Baller of Carlton, and Sam (Mike) Sullivan of Baker City; her son-in-law, Billy Jimmy of La Grande; her brother, Edward (Phyllis) Smith of Parma, Idaho; as well as her 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and her beloved four-legged companion, Tinkerbelle.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Willy Smith; her sisters, Claudia Cramer and Lenore Pounds; her daughter, Cheri Jimmy; and her great-grandson, Cole Satterlee.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Betty may do so to Best Friends of Baker (animal shelter, rescue and care) through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamis-pinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Thomas Craft

St. Helens, 1937-2020

Thomas Doyle Craft, 83, died Aug. 3, 2020, at his home in St. Helens.

There will be a graveside service in Thomas' honor on Thursday, Sept. 3, at 2 p.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City. There will be a reception to follow, location to be announced by the family.

Thomas was born on April 2, 1937, at Lake City, Arkansas, to Louise and Thomas Craft. He spent most of his life on his property in Hermiston, while working as a truck driver.

Thomas loved working his ground with his tractor, road trips to visit family and friends, and going to the coast. And he sure wouldn't miss any concerts to see his favorite country singers. He was fortunate enough to see his favorite country singer, Travis Tritt, perform many times.

Thomas is survived by his brothers, Dwayne Craft of Gassville, Arkansas, and Dennis (Marie) Craft of Gatesville, Texas; his sons, Rick Craft of St. Helens, and Bob Craft of Sandy; his grandchildren, Ricky Craft, David (Jodie) Craft, Matt (Dawn) Craft and Courtney Craft; his great-grandchildren, Jakob Craft, Jonah Craft, Julian Craft and Kennedy Lynn Craft; and numerous cousins, in-laws, nephews, nieces and friends.

Thomas was preceded in death by his father, Thomas Matt Craft; his mother, Louise Jane Craft; and his brother, Daniel Dale Craft.

To leave an online condolence for Thomas' family, go to www.grayswestco.com or www.columbiafh.com



Betty Lissman



Thomas Craft

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Leo Keith Collier: 78, of Baker City, died Aug. 23, 2020, at Meadowbrook Place. A celebration of his life is planned for Friday, Sept. 11, at 1 p.m. at the Harvest Church, 3720 Birch St., with Pastor Brad Phillips officiating. To light a candle or to leave a condolence for Leo's family, go to www.colestrIBUTEcenter.com

Robert James Akers: 71, of Brownsville, Oregon, died unexpectedly while spending time at Anthony Lakes on Aug. 23, 2020. No services are planned at this time. To light a candle in memory of Robert or to leave a condolence for his family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Zelma Bates: 87, a longtime Baker City resident died Aug. 20, 2020, at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home

& Cremation Services. Online condolences may be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

FUNERALS PENDING

Beatrix 'Trixie' Pennock: Traditional graveside service will be Saturday, Aug. 29, at 10 a.m. at Eagle Valley Cemetery in Richland. Due to COVID-19 regulations, those attending are asked to bring their own chairs and masks and to remember the 6-foot social distancing requirements. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages memorial donations in Trixie's name to be made to St. Luke's Children's Hospital through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834, so that Trixie's legacy may include helping other sick children be healed. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police
POST-PRISON SUPERVISION VIOLATION (Baker County Parole and Probation detainer) and DRIVING WHILE OPERATOR'S LICENSE SUSPENDED, ATTEMPTING TO ELUDE A POLICE OFFICER, RECKLESS DRIVING AND DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICANTS (a second count of DUII alleges that the defendant had previously been convicted of the crime three times in the 10 years' prior to the most recent arrest — on July 14, 2017, and Aug. 19, 2019, in Malheur County and on March 26, 2018, in Baker County):

Jeremy Michael Clawson, 31, of 1950 Edgewater St., 2:27 p.m. Monday, in the 1900 block of Main Street on the parole violation detainer; the other charges stem from an incident that allegedly took place about 11:45 p.m. Friday when Clawson failed to stop for police; Clawson was jailed on the Parole hold.

Baker County Sheriff's Office
DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICANTS: Brady C. Bullock, 52, of Holladay, Utah, 10:13 p.m. Tuesday, on Interstate 84, about 10 miles south of Baker City; cited and released.

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