

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

■ **Baker City Council:** 7 p.m. at City Hall, 1655 First St.; Council members will be attending in person. Council Chambers will be open to the public and press, with limited occupancy.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO
from the Democrat-Herald
February 9, 1971

SALEM (UPI) — The Oregon Senate Monday voted 24-6 to allow 18-year-olds to vote in all Oregon elections. The resolution now goes to the House, where a similar measure lies in committee. Gov. Tom McCall has indicated he favors the measure. If approved by the legislature, the matter will be up for voter consideration at the May 1972 primary election.

25 YEARS AGO
from the Baker City Herald
February 9, 1996

Baker County workers closed Chandler Lane this morning after an ice jam on the Powder River caused water to submerge the road and nearby fields. The road was closed at Interstate 84 and at Davenport Road, about a half-mile east of Highway 30, said Lyle Chadwick, the county's road superintendent.

10 YEARS AGO
from the Baker City Herald
February 9, 2011

The lead attorney in a lawsuit alleging the Forest Service violated federal law when it approved 10-year permits for 35 livestock grazing allotments in Northeastern Oregon said she doubts grazing will be reduced or banned in any of those areas this year.

ONE YEAR AGO
from the Baker City Herald
February 8, 2020

Wednesday's snowstorm followed by Thursday's thaw buoyed Baker County streams, but the rises were modest compared with the flooding that occurred in Pendleton and other parts of Umatilla County. The Umatilla River topped its banks on the east side of Pendleton and on the Umatilla Indian Reservation, forcing some residents to evacuate Thursday. The river also flooded near Hermiston, forcing the closure of Interstate 84 Friday. Sections of several state highways also were closed Friday due to flooding or landslides. In Baker County, meanwhile, conditions were comparatively benign. Although the temperature jumped to 50 degrees Thursday and 52 Friday at the Baker City Airport, following a high of just 31 during Wednesday's day-long snowstorm, rivers stayed far below flood stage as the new snow melted. The Powder River in Baker City rose from an average of about 20 cubic feet per second (cfs) on Wednesday to a peak of 97 cfs at 11:15 p.m. Thursday. But the river receded on Friday to below 62 cfs. Minimum flood stage on the Powder is 667 cfs. Thursday's peak was well below the river's flow during summer, when it swells to 300 cfs or above with water released from Phillips Reservoir to irrigate crops.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Feb. 6
3 — 4 — 11 — 18 — 37 — 41
Next jackpot: \$1.6 million

POWERBALL, Feb. 6
1 — 16 — 48 — 49 — 65 PB 8
Next jackpot: \$42 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Feb. 5
14 — 17 — 28 — 29 — 44 Mega 2
Next jackpot: \$68 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Feb. 6
48 — 61 — 65 — 67
PICK 4, Feb. 7
• 1 p.m.: 5 — 2 — 6 — 3
• 4 p.m.: 0 — 8 — 2 — 7
• 7 p.m.: 6 — 2 — 0 — 1
• 10 p.m.: 3 — 5 — 4 — 8
LUCKY LINES, Feb. 7
1-6-11-15-20-24-27-32
Next jackpot: \$21,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **WEDNESDAY:** Chicken cordon bleu with hollandaise, rice pilaf, broccoli, roll, beet-and-onion salad, tapioca
- **THURSDAY:** Barbecued ribs, baked beans, corn, roll, broccoli-bacon salad, apple crisp
- **FRIDAY:** Baked ham, candied yams, mixed vegetables, roll, macaroni salad, cheesecake
- **MONDAY (Feb. 15):** Office is closed in commemoration of Presidents Day.
- **TUESDAY (Feb. 16):** Spaghetti with beef sauce, green beans, garlic bread, green salad, lemon squares

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. Meals must be picked up; no dining on site.

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Mark Clark

Formerly of Baker City, 1961-2021
Mark David Clark, 59, of Dickinson, North Dakota, and formerly of Baker City, died from a heart attack on Jan. 25, 2021.

There will be a celebration of his life at Pocatello, Idaho, and Baker City. The times and places will be announced.

Mark was born on Oct. 8, 1961, at John Day to David and Jackie Clark of Bates, who preceded him in death, as did his grandparents, Charles and Hazel Clark, of Austin, and John and Maggie Combs, of Bates.

Mark attended school at Prairie City, Baker City and Payette, Idaho. He served in the National Guard between 1984 and 1989 as a CAV Scout. He graduated from Idaho State University in 2001, earning his degree as an auto mechanic technician.

Mark and Marci met in Baker City in 1987 while both were working at Marvin Wood Products on the long belt. They finally married in August 2003 at Pocatello, where they had lived for 20 years.

Mark enjoyed logging for different outfits in Oregon, including for his friend, Pat Browning, out of Unity. From 2009 to 2014 he owned his own taxi company in Pocatello. Last year, he and Marci moved to Dickinson, North Dakota, so he could work in the oil fields for MBI Enterprises.

His passions included motocross, where he won many awards and earned sponsors, scuba diving, and especially hunting and fishing with his son, Christopher, and good friends, Chuck Wagner, Jim Butler, as well as other good buddies along the way. His greatest joy seemed to come from his grandchildren who adored their grandpa very much.

He never failed to let us know how much he loved us, his family said. We are comforted in knowing that he is in heaven with our loved ones, probably fishing with his dad and grandpas and his dog, Jessie, by his side.

Mark is survived by his loving wife, Marci Clark; his son, Christopher (Brandi); his daughter, Sarai (Brian); five grandchildren, Zach, 15, Ariyanna, 9, Kendall, 9, Malia, 18 months, and Brian Jr., 18 months; his sister, Debbie Clark; four nieces, Robin Clark, Amanda Givens, Jamie Hart and Billie Tipton; his closest friend and cousin, Steve Pierce; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorial contributions in his honor can be sent to Ladbury Funeral Services, 1133 I-94 Business Loop E., Dickinson, ND 58601, or to an animal rescue or pound.

Charles Chapman

Baker City, 1944-2021
Charles J. Chapman, 76, of Baker City, died Feb. 3, 2021, at his residence.

Charles, commonly known as "Charlie," was born on Sept. 16, 1944, at Ontario, to Art and Mary (Mattingly) Chapman. He attended Baker High, graduating in 1962. After high school, Charlie attended Eastern Oregon State College, graduating with a bachelor's degree in 1966.

He joined the Army and held the rank of captain. Charlie served his country for six years, deploying to Vietnam. On Sept. 1, 1968, Charlie married his love, Gail Donovan, at the Pope Air Force Base in North Carolina. Charlie enjoyed baseball, basketball and photography.



Mark Clark

He is survived by his wife, Gail Chapman of Baker City; his daughter and son-in-law, Sheri and Peter Braschko of Bend; his son, Sean Chapman of Baker City; his two grandchildren, Jacob Shuckle and Dalton Braschko; and two great-grandchildren.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents, Art and Mary Chapman.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project or Best Friends of Baker through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

To leave an online condolence for Charlie's family, go to www.grayswestco.com

William Gorbet

Richland, 1927-2021
William Edwin Gorbet, known as "Bill," died Jan. 28, 2021, at his home in Richland at age 93, just a few weeks short of his 94th birthday.

A traditional funeral service with military honors will take place on Saturday, Feb. 13 at 11 a.m. at the Richland Christian Church. Interment will follow at the Eagle Valley Cemetery. Due to COVID-19 regulations, those attending the service are asked to please wear a mask and to observe social distancing.

Bill was born at Longview, Washington, on Feb. 22, 1927, the first of five children born to Otha and Dorothy Gorbet. They lived on the banks of the Columbia River near Westport, Oregon, where Otha worked in the sawmills.

Eventually, Otha and Bill's uncles migrated to Southern California, settling in Lomita, where Bill was raised. He graduated from Narbonne High School, which is where he met his wife, Darlene, who he married in 1945.

Bill was drafted that same year and served in Korea. After being discharged from the service he returned to Lomita where he worked at various jobs. He eventually followed Otha to Standish, California, where he tried his hand at farming and worked at the sawmill at night pulling green chain.

He did all he could to make a living in that country, including milking cows on neighboring farms. After a time, he moved the family into town, Susanville, California, where he worked as a mechanic at Burr Automotive. He was offered a better paying mechanic job at the Paul Bunyan Lumber Co. mill and worked there until he was laid off in winter due to lack of work.

A brother-in-law in Lomita who was a concrete contractor offered him year-round work so he moved the family to Southern California, eventually settling in Torrance. He became a top-notch Caterpillar operator and mentored a few young guys to become excellent operators themselves, including his oldest son, Gene. He also worked as a construction superintendent in charge of overseeing the construction of car agencies up and down the San Joaquin Valley. He had a good knowledge of all building trades. He grew tired of being away from home and returned and easily found a good job operating a Caterpillar which was his true calling. He was a 62-year member of Operating Engineers Local 12.

In 1995 Bill and Darlene moved to Richland in peaceful Eagle Valley. His life here suited him perfectly. He and Darlene loved to take evening rides around the valley, espe-

cially in the spring when the newborn calves started arriving. Bill continued these rides up to his passing. He was an excellent fisherman and hunter and loved the fish and game the country provided.

When Darlene turned ill Bill was put into the role of full-time care provider. He had to attend to duties he had never performed before. He was determined to keep her home, knowing that removing her would break her heart. With the help of some wonderful local girls he was able to accomplish that amazing feat. Such an amazing testimony of love and devotion. Bill was a man of faith and read the whole Bible. He served many years as a deacon tending to church duties.

Bill was a man of many talents. He had a green thumb all his life. In high school his Ag teacher picked him to help tend to the greenhouse. He was a member of the South Bay Orchid Society and raised orchids in a little greenhouse he built at home.

He loved flowers and his yard in Richland was always bright with beautiful, blooming flowers. His vegetable garden was also neatly maintained and productive and he enjoyed sharing his bounty.

He was also an expert woodworker. He built amazingly intricate to-scale dollhouses for his granddaughters, rocking horses for his great-grandkids and antler plaques and gun cleaning vises for the hunters in the family. The pieces he donated to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation always drew spirited bidding at their banquets.

Bill was greatly loved by his friends and family and he left behind so many wonderful memories for all to cherish. He was completely selfless and lived to do for others, always thinking of himself last. Anyone who took the time to get to know him came to love him. His smile, warmth and kindness will never be forgotten, family members said.

Bill is survived by his sons, Gene (Mary) of Paso Robles, California, and Gary (Sandy) of Richland; his sister, Linda Hay (John) of Susanville; four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Darlene; and his daughter, Beverley Rae.

In honor of Bill's legacy of warmth and kindness he would like it if we all do our best to treat each other the best we can.

Donations in memory of Bill may be made to Making Memories 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

Lawrence Adkinson

Baker City, 1945-2021
Lawrence Jay "Larry" Adkinson, 75, of Baker City, died Feb. 3, 2021, at his home with his loving wife by his side.

His graveside service will

take place on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 11 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery in Baker City, with Pastor Greg Pierce of the Blue Mountain Baptist Church officiating.

Larry was born on June 29, 1945, at Portland to Ray Russel Ritzenthaler and Juanita V. LeWellan and was raised by his adopted parents, Frank William and Marie Virginia (Stockert) Adkinson. He graduated from Hillsboro High School in 1963. In June of that same year, Larry joined the U.S. Navy. He was entered into active combat in Saigon during the Vietnam War. He served for four years before being honorably discharged.

On July 16, 1965, Larry married Mary Darlene (Winner) Adkinson at Cornelius, Oregon. He worked for the Bonnie Hays Animal Shelter and as animal control supervisor for Washington County in Hillsboro for 22 years, retiring on June 6, 2001.

Larry was an avid outdoorsman. His hobbies and passions included trapping, fishing, metal detecting and hunting (especially sage rat hunting). He was a member of the American Trappers Association.

He and Darlene shared their lives as foster parents for nine years. Larry also enjoyed helping young men who were interested in trapping.

Larry is survived by his wife, M. Darlene Adkinson of Baker City; his daughter, Lisa Breiland and her husband, Travis, of Libby, Montana; his son, Dale Adkinson and his wife, Char, of Newberg; his grandchildren, Derek Jay Breiland and his wife, Harlie, of Libby, Kaleb KaiLynn Adkinson of Cherry Grove, Oregon, and Kaden Keen Adkinson of Sheridan, Oregon.

He was preceded in death by his biological parents and his adopted parents.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Bonnie Hays Animal Shelter through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

To offer online condolences to Larry's family, go to www.grayswestco.com

Anthony Boesch

Summerville, 1962-2021
Anthony Ray "Tony" Boesch, 58, of Summerville, died Jan. 29, 2021, with his family by his side.

He was born on Nov. 20, 1962, at Vancouver, Washington, where he was raised and attended Minnehaha Grade School and Hudson's Bay High.

Tony was married to Nicole Riley on July 11, 1993. Coming into the marriage they each had one child. Tony had a daughter, Tiffany, and Nicole had a son, Joshua. Together they had a son, Tristan. They later divorced.



Larry Adkinson



Anthony Boesch

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