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**Good Day Wish To A Subscriber**

A special good day to Herald subscribers Jerry and Mary Kincaid of Baker City.

**Local, 2A**

LA GRANDE — Eastern Oregon University students will have a new degree option in the fall. The computer science department at EOU has added a bachelor's degree in cybersecurity. Students in the program will be able to earn a degree on campus or online.

**Sports, 5A**

PORTLAND — Russell Westbrook had 27 points, 13 assists and 11 rebounds, and the Washington Wizards snapped Portland's six-game win streak with a 118-111 victory over Damian Lillard and the Trail Blazers on Saturday night.

**Sports, 5A**

EUGENE (AP) — Chris Duarte and LJ Figueroa scored 15 points apiece and Oregon beat Utah 67-64 on Saturday night for the Ducks' fifth straight win.

**Local, 6A**

Baker County Sheriff's deputies arrested two Baker County men on charges related to two separate fights with family members Saturday night — one at Haines and one at Huntington. Both men were lodged at the Baker County Jail, a press release stated.

WEATHER

**Today**  
40 / 23



Chance of snow late

**Wednesday**  
37 / 14



Partly sunny

Full forecast on the back of the B section.

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**Baker City Man Preparing To Open Brewery, Tap House**

## Bullish on the Beer Business in Baker



Jayson Jacoby/Baker City Herald

Kevin Multop watches over his latest batch of homebrewed beer in the garage behind his Baker City home. Multop plans to open his North Seven Brewing Co. this spring.

**By Jayson Jacoby**

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Kevin Multop is standing in the garage behind his Baker City home, peering into a cauldron in which an aromatic liquid is bubbling.

The odor is rich and a bit sweet.

Malty.

But even if you didn't recognize the scent you would need the briefest of glances at the garage's fiberboard walls to offer a confident guess at what Multop is up to on this snowy February morning.

There is a poster-size photo of Multop and his wife, Jessica, each clutching a one-liter mug at a Munich beer garden.

On the opposite wall hangs a chart listing beer styles, a document modeled on the periodic table of elements.

Multop taps the button on a digital display and uncoils a length of garden hose.

The contents of the stainless steel container, burbling along at a rolling boil, are the beginnings of Multop's latest batch of beer.



Jayson Jacoby/Baker City Herald

Kevin Multop pours a sample of a dry stout, one of his latest home-brewed creations.

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## Risk level likely to stay lowest

■ Baker County, by a margin of two COVID-19 cases, stayed below the threshold that would have pushed it to the moderate-risk category

**By Jayson Jacoby**

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Baker County should stay in the lowest risk category under the state's COVID-19 guidelines through at least the second week of March, County Commissioner Mark Bennett said on Saturday, Feb. 20.

But it was a very near thing.

The county has been at the lowest risk level since Feb. 12. While the county is in that category, restaurants and bars can have indoor dining up to 50% of capacity, and the same limit applies to gyms and fitness centers, theaters and museums.



Bennett

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## BHS, BMS will have new principals

**By Chris Collins**

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Superintendent Mark Witty announced Friday, Feb. 19, that the Baker School District will undergo an administrative musical chairs of sorts later this year.

Beginning July 1, Skye Flanagan will move from his position as Baker Middle School principal to take the helm as Baker High School principal.

Greg Mitchell, current BHS principal, will move to the District Office to take the position of director of federal programs, curriculum and professional development. Jodi Thew has served in that role for the past year. Thew will replace Flanagan as BMS principal.

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## Council to talk lodging taxes

**By Samantha O'Conner**

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At Mayor Kerry McQuisten's request, the Baker City Council when it meets tonight will discuss the possibility of ending a nearly 15-year-old agreement with Baker County regarding collection of lodging taxes that guests at motels, bed and breakfasts and vacation rental homes pay.

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