

# Local

## BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

■ **Baker County Board of Commissioners:** 9 a.m. work session at the Courthouse, 1995 Third St. Agenda items include an update from OSU Extension Service and Baker Heritage Museum, and continued discussion on the county's travel policy.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 15

■ **Baker 5J School Board:** 6 p.m. Meeting will be conducted via Zoom. To join, go to <https://bakersd-org.zoom.us/MeetingID:99793029746>. Passcode 885247.

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

### 50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald April 12, 1971

The district 5J Budget Board last night approved for presentation to the voters a 1971-72 school budget, which is \$9,000 less than this year's budget and will require no additional money outside the six percent limitation to be voted by the local public.

### 25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald April 12, 1996

A Baker County 911 budget meeting Thursday night allowed the Haines City Council and other interested parties to learn more about the money allocated to the 911 system, and to submit their own proposals for the budget.

### 10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald April 13, 2011

The Baker City Council has scheduled a special meeting for next Tuesday to discuss raising sewer rates to pay for major upgrades in the wastewater treatment system. Councilors talked about the situation during their regular meeting Tuesday evening. The most expensive item on the city's horizon is an estimated \$4.8 million project to pipe wastewater from the sewage treatment lagoons just north of town, several miles east to a man-made marsh in Baldock slough, north of the airport.

### ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald April 14, 2020

They are missing their last year of high school spring sports. They are missing senior prom. They might miss a traditional graduation.

But even with all the cancellations and uncertainty caused by the coronavirus pandemic, the seniors of Baker High School might miss, most of all, their last few months with classmates and friends.

"I miss making memories with those closest to me and I miss the time we've spent together these last four years," said Riley Flanagan. "With how things are looking, it seems we may never get the chance to go back to school and see these people."

On April 8, Oregon Gov. Kate Brown closed schools through the end of the academic year, and schools moved to distance learning.

The honor students from the BHS class of 2020 — valedictorians Flanagan, Anthony Cowan, Spencer Smith, Kale Cassidy and Sam McCauley, and salutatorians Anna Carter and Laura Illingsworth — shared how they are coping with this novel situation.

## OREGON LOTTERY

**MEGABUCKS, April 10**  
7 — 17 — 22 — 30 — 40 — 46  
Next jackpot: \$1.3 million

**POWERBALL, April 10**  
14 — 16 — 23 — 50 — 53 PB 3  
Next jackpot: \$67 million

**MEGA MILLIONS, April 9**  
22 — 26 — 27 — 58 — 66 Mega 12  
Next jackpot: \$220 million

**WIN FOR LIFE, April 10**  
26 — 37 — 40 — 63

**PICK 4, April 11**  
• 1 p.m.: 2 — 7 — 7 — 3  
• 4 p.m.: 6 — 3 — 6 — 1  
• 7 p.m.: 0 — 8 — 2 — 7  
• 10 p.m.: 1 — 8 — 6 — 1  
**LUCKY LINES, April 11**  
4-8-10-15-18-24-26-31  
Next jackpot: \$16,000

## SENIOR MENUS

- **WEDNESDAY:** Chicken cordon bleu, baked potatoes, rolls, green beans, broccoli-bacon salad, lemon bars
- **THURSDAY:** Pork roast with gravy, red potatoes, rolls, capri vegetables, pea-and-onion salad, ice cream
- **FRIDAY:** Barbecue beef ribs, scalloped potatoes, rolls, corn, sauerkraut salad, pudding
- **MONDAY (April 19):** Pulled pork sandwiches, potato wedges, mixed vegetables, ambrosia, cheesecake
- **TUESDAY (April 20):** Beef burgundy with fettuccine, rolls, peas, macaroni salad, brownies

Public luncheon at the Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St., from 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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# Camp hosts sought for Spring Recreation Site

HUNTINGTON — The Bureau of Land Management's Vale District is seeking volunteers to serve as camp hosts this year at the Spring Recreation Site on Brownlee Reservoir near Huntington. Camp hosts have access to a free camp-

site, including water and electricity, and receive a small stipend to defray living costs. Hosts are expected to work five days per week, including weekends, with days off in the middle of the week. Camp hosts typically work from May through October.

For more information about volunteering as a camp host at Spring Recreation Site, contact Brian Woolf, outdoor recreation planner at BLM's Baker field office, at 541-523-1256 or bwoolf@blm.gov.

## COUNCIL

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### Wastewater

- Residential monthly rate increases from \$28.52 to \$29.06.
  - Commercial monthly rate, which is based on water usage rather than a flat rate, increases from \$2.66 per unit (about 750 gallons of water used) to \$2.71.
- The resolution also includes 1.9% increases for

a variety of fees at Mount Hope Cemetery. The cost for a gravesite would increase from \$427 to \$435.

The city is not proposing to increase fees for building inspections or for ambulance service, two of the largest sources of fee revenue for the city.

In other business Tuesday, the City Council will:

- Consider approving a list of goals, based on the list councilors created during a work session on Feb. 16.

- Decide whether to award a bid for repaving and replacing sidewalks and curbs on a three-block section of Washington Avenue.

The project runs from the Powder River east to Washington's intersection with Clark Street.

The city received two bids, from Hampton Paving Inc. of La Grande and Nelson Construction Corp. of Washington. Hampton Paving submitted the low bid of \$587,806, which is below the city's estimate.

Nelson Construction bid \$656,902.15. The work will start after July 1 and is slated to be finished by the end of August.

During the work sections of Washington Avenue will be fully or partially closed at times.

- Consider an ordinance adding two members to the city's golf board, bringing membership from five to seven.

The board had seven members until 2004.

## OBITUARIES

### 'Andy' Harrison

Baker City, 1950-2021

Charles "Andy" Harrison, 71, of Baker City, died April 3, 2021, at his home.

Andy was born on Feb. 26, 1950, at Poteau, Oklahoma, to Gene and Sharolet Harrison. He was raised and educated at Halfway, and graduated from Pine Eagle High School in 1968.

Upon graduation, Andy joined the United States Army and served two tours during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged Feb. 4, 1975.

Andy then went to work as a truck driver for Coldwell Trucking in Pendleton. He was a member of the American Legion Club. Andy's favorite pastimes include restoring cars and pickups, and fishing on the lake.

He is survived by his siblings, Connie and her husband, Allen Currie, Andy Harrison, Rick Harrison, and Dave and Christine Harrison all of Baker City, Mike Harrison of North Carolina, Kimberly Harrison of Umatilla, and Mark and Regina Harrison of Vancouver, Washington.

Andy was preceded in death by his parents.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Andy the family suggests Heart 'N Home Hospice 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](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### James Millwood

Baker City, 1944-2021

James P. Millwood, 78, of Baker City, died on April 6, 2021, at his home.

At his request, there will not be a service.



'Andy' Harrison

A beloved husband, brother, father and friend is now in eternal peace with his lord. He lived a full life and will be missed by his loved ones. We will see you on the other side, his family said.

James is survived by a loving wife, sister, two daughters and a son.

To leave an online condolence for James' family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

### Rhonda Kragness

Baker City, 1965-2021

Rhonda Lee Kragness, 55, of Baker City, died April 8, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center after a long battle with scleroderma.

A celebration of her life will take place on Friday, April 17 at 4 p.m. at the Baker City VFW.

Rhonda was born on May 23, 1965, at Piqua, Ohio. Her parents were Nikolai Stavro and Priscilla Anne (Landis) Codekas. She was raised and attended school in Ohio but graduated from Aloha High School near Portland in 1983 and then attended Concordia Lutheran College in Portland.

On Sept. 27, 1987, she married Brent Anthony Kragness, the love of her life and soulmate, at Saint Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Beaverton.

Rhonda worked as the surgical coordinator for Tuality Community Hospital from 1988 through 1991 and medical RN, front desk for oncology, from 1991 to 1996. Brent and Rhonda moved to Baker City in 1996 to own and manage the Idle Hour Tavern, which they did for 16 years.

Rhonda loved life and everyone in it. She loved camping by the water, the Oregon Coast, and spending time with

family and friends. She may have been the smallest person but had the biggest heart and personality in the room. She could, and did, talk about anything "three times." She was kind, loving, warm and generous to everyone she met. Everyone was her friend and she returned that gift! She was the eternal optimist and caregiver. She loved to laugh and make others laugh with her.

Survivors include her husband, Brent, and their son, Lon Chavez; her brothers, Peter Bedrosian and his wife, Diane, of Ohio, Shannan Codekas of Germany, Nicholai and his wife, Beth, of Aloha, and Stavro Codekas of Forest Grove; her sisters, Kelly Codekas of Baker City and Melena Codekas of Forest Grove; her mother-in-law, Bonita Thompson of Battle Ground, Washington; her brothers-in-law, James Kragness and his wife, Samantha, of Aloha, Phil Kragness and his wife, Jamie, along with children Cecil and Aaron of White Bear Lake, Minnesota, and Robert Kragness of Minnesota; her sisters-in-law, Colleen Kragness and Marinne Daly of Vancouver, Washington; her grandchildren, Aden, Riley and Francesca; her nephews, Michael Kragness, Jordan Codekas, Christopher Codekas and Nicholai Jr. Codekas; her nieces, Taylor Osgood-Kragness, Caprice Codekas, Hali Codekas, Kayla Codekas and Alexia Codekas; her great-nephews, Jacob Codekas and Sklyer Codekas; and her great-nieces, Elizabeth Codekas and Ava Osgood.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Fred and Evelyn Cooper and Vernon Smith; and her parents, Nicholai and Priscilla Codekas.

The family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in Rhonda's name to the Scleroderma Foundation at: [Scleroderma.org](http://Scleroderma.org) or by calling 800-722-HOPE.



Rhonda Kragness

## NEWS OF RECORD

### DEATHS

**Reva Joy Calhoun:** 87, of Baker City, died April 8, 2021, at her home. Arrangements are under the direction of Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel. To leave an online condolence for her family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

**Sue McCleary:** 71, of Richland, died April 9, 2021, at OHSU in Portland, surrounded by her family. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

**John Brown:** 79, of Huntington, died April 9, 2021, at Dorian Place Assisted Living in Ontario. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

**Dave Osman:** 74, of Halfway, died April 9, 2021, at his home. A traditional funeral service will take place Saturday, April 17 at 11 a.m. at the Pine Valley Presbyterian Church in Halfway, followed by a graveside service, with military honors, at Pine Haven Cemetery. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

**Louetta Stutzman:** 92, of Halfway, died April 10, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

**Eugene Meier:** 48, of North Powder, died April 10, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

**Jamie Weiss:** 55, of Baker

City, died April 11, 2021, in Baker City. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### FUNERAL PENDING

**Arlene Mae School:** There will be a public celebration of Arlene's life, with a potluck, on Saturday, April 24, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Unity Community Hall. To offer online condolences, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com)

### POLICE LOG

**Baker City Police Arrests, citations**  
FAILURE TO APPEAR (Baker County Justice Court warrants): Justin Michael Shelton, 31, Baker City, 6 p.m. Sunday, April 11 at Court Avenue and Seventh Street; cited and released.

**DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICANTS:** Alejandro Castro Camargo, 37, Pasco, Washington, 6:19 p.m. Sunday, April 11 in the 1300 block of Fourth Street; cited and released.

**DISORDERLY CONDUCT, SECOND-DEGREE CRIMINAL**

**MISCHIEF:** Robert Steven Merritt, 32, Baker City, 12:12 a.m. April 10 in the 1500 block of Campbell Street; cited and released.

**CONTEMPT OF COURT** (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Timothy Kelly Slaney, 32, Baker City, 2:46 p.m. Friday, April 9 at the Police Department; cited and released.

**SECOND-DEGREE CRIMINAL TRESPASSING:** Juan Pablo Burgos, 59, Baker City, 10:05 p.m. Friday, April 9 in the 1200 block of Campbell Street; cited and released.

**CONTEMPT OF COURT** (Baker County Justice Court warrants): Michael Steven Myers-Gabiola, 31, Baker City, 10:29 p.m. Friday, April 9 in the 2400 block of Birch Street; cited and released.

### Baker County Sheriff's Office

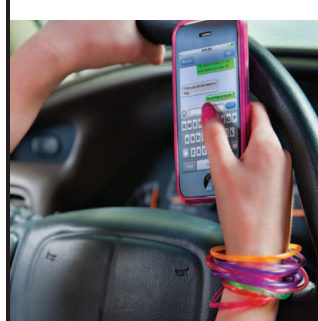
**Arrests, citations**  
CONTEMPT OF COURT (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Alex Cooper Horn, 25, Baker City, 8:06 p.m. Sunday, April 11 in the 1000 block of Campbell Street; cited and released.

**MENACING:** Harold Irvin Wilkerson, 47, Baker City, 4:44 p.m. Friday, April 9 at 42534 N. Cedar Road; jailed.

**PROBATION VIOLATION, FAILURE TO REPORT AS A SEX OFFENDER** (Baker County Circuit Court warrants): Lyle Lester Ray, 52, Baker City, 6:23 p.m. Friday, April 9 at the Sheriff's Office; cited and released.

**Oregon State Police Arrests, citations**  
FAILURE TO APPEAR (Malheur County Circuit Court warrant), POSSESSION OF METHAMPHETAMINE (2 grams or more): Gary Lee Waldrup, 65, Huntington, 6:21 p.m. Sunday, April 11 in Huntington; jailed in Malheur County on the failure to appear warrant, and cited for the possession charge.

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