

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

TUESDAY, MAY 25

■ **Baker City Council:** 7 p.m., Baker City Hall, 1655 First St.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

■ **Baker County budget meeting:** 8:15 a.m.; Due to space limitations, citizens are encouraged to watch the meeting using a Zoom link which is available on the county's website, www.bakercounty.org/online/meetings.html

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO

from the Democrat-Herald
May 24, 1971

City manager Vern Jacobson at last night's city council meeting said he will apply for a sewage treatment construction grant and at the same time, find out if Baker must be part of district 13 in order to receive it.

25 YEARS AGO

from the Baker City Herald
May 24, 1996

The Baker County Planning Commission on Thursday approved a resolution opposing an initiative that would affect livestock grazing along Oregon streams.

Supporters are trying to gather 73,261 signatures by July 5 to place on the November ballot the "Clean Streams" initiative, which would ban livestock along all streams that the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality considers "water quality limited."

10 YEARS AGO

from the Baker City Herald
May 25, 2011

Lingering fears about a sometimes fatal horse virus that has been reported this month in several western states, including Oregon, have prompted officials to cancel a high school rodeo scheduled this weekend in Baker City.

The annual event would have brought an estimated 150 teenage competitors, and about 250 horses, to town.

ONE YEAR AGO

from the Baker City Herald
May 26, 2020

A week after Baker County Circuit Court Judge Matt Shirtcliff ruled that Oregon Gov. Kate Brown's executive orders related to the pandemic exceeded her legal authority, the legal spotlight is cast again on Shirtcliff's chambers.

Shirtcliff, the former longtime Baker County district attorney whom Brown appointed as Circuit Court judge effective Nov. 1, 2019, on May 18 granted a preliminary injunction to the plaintiffs in a lawsuit challenging Brown's executive orders that have restricted businesses and other activities since mid March.

The governor's attorneys appealed to the Oregon Supreme Court, which later on May 18 issued a temporary stay that blocked Shirtcliff's order and kept Brown's executive orders in effect.

Last week, attorneys for the plaintiffs, which include Elkhorn Baptist Church in Baker City, and the governor submitted briefs to the Oregon Supreme Court in the matter of the preliminary injunction.

On Saturday the Supreme Court returned the issue to Shirtcliff.

The state's highest court issued an alternative writ of mandamus, which asks Shirtcliff to either vacate his May 18 order for the preliminary injunction, or submit a written opinion for why the injunction should be reinstated.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, May 22

14 — 16 — 17 — 19 — 39 — 47
Next jackpot: \$3.1 million

POWERBALL, May 22

3 — 19 — 27 — 37 — 40 PB 8
Next jackpot: \$236 million

MEGA MILLIONS, May 22

6 — 9 — 17 — 18 — 48 Mega 8
Next jackpot: \$20 million

WIN FOR LIFE, May 22

6 — 8 — 39 — 60

PICK 4, May 23

• 1 p.m.: 7 — 4 — 3 — 0
• 4 p.m.: 5 — 5 — 3 — 2
• 7 p.m.: 0 — 5 — 3 — 9

• 10 p.m.: 1 — 0 — 1 — 7

LUCKY LINES, May 23

3-5-12-15-17-21-28-32

Next jackpot: \$40,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **WEDNESDAY:** Chicken with homestyle noodles, peas and carrots, biscuits, Jell-O with fruit, birthday cake
- **THURSDAY:** Hot turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas, coleslaw, bread pudding
- **FRIDAY:** Beef pot roast, red potatoes, mixed vegetables, rolls, broccoli and bacon salad, cheesecake
- **MONDAY (May 31):** Closed for Memorial Day
- **TUESDAY (June 1):** Chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes with country gravy, capri vegetables, biscuits, coleslaw, bread pudding

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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COUNCIL

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The resolution goes on to express city residents' support for "the Baker City Police Department, and additionally, specifically to exercise sound discretion to not enforce against any citizen any unconstitutional laws."

The resolution also states that the "Baker City Council will not appropriate any funds for any enforcement of unconstitutional laws against the People of Baker City."

The proposed resolution is similar to the "Second Amendment Preservation Ordinance" that Baker County voters approved in November 2018 with 5,432 votes in favor and 2,736 opposed.

The county ordinance states that county government can't use public money or facilities to enforce any law or regulations that "infringe on the right of the People to keep and bear arms."

Also on the agenda for this evening's meeting:

Request to pave section of Indiana Avenue

The request was made in a letter to Mayor Kerry McQuisten, dated March 26, signed by Gary McManus. He is the chairman of the homeowners association for a subdivision that includes ten lots and eight homes west of the intersection of Reservoir Road and Indiana Avenue. That's in the southwest corner of the city, near the city's water reservoir.

In his letter, McManus writes that this short section of street "used to be paved but gradually deteriorated over the years. Pot holes developed and were



Lisa Britton/Baker City Herald

A resident in southwest Baker City has asked the city to pave a gravel section of Indiana Avenue.

never filled in properly till they finally became very large."

McManus writes that members of the homeowners association "would appreciate it if Baker City would pave this short section of the west end of Indiana Avenue."

In a staff report to councilors, Michelle Owen, the city's public works director, writes that when the city approved Scenic Vista subdivision about 20 years ago, the city allowed the developer to chip seal rather than pave the section of Indiana Avenue that accesses homes and lots along Boulder Drive and Scenic Vista Court.

The homes along Boulder Drive are the ones that McManus mentioned in his letter to the city.

The chip seal, Owen wrote, "did not

hold up very well over time."

Rather than leave the street as it was, the city converted it back to a gravel street and has paid to apply dust treatment the past couple years, Owen wrote.

In her report to councilors, Owen suggests two paving options. One is to build the approximately 480-foot section of street to fully city standards, including base rock, for a rough estimate of \$210,000. The second option is to apply two layers of asphalt, of two inches each, atop the existing gravel street, for an estimated cost of \$50,000.

In either case, Owen said, the city proposes that property owners in the area would pay the cost through what's known as a Local Improvement District. That district could potentially include 26 parcels, including the ones along Boulder Drive, which is north of Indiana Avenue, as well as more than a dozen parcels south of the street.

Local Improvement Districts can be formed only if the owners of at least one-third of the properties involved support the proposal.

Additional cost to wastewater project contract

Councilors will consider a change order to the city's contract with Gyllenberg Construction for a \$5.7 million project to build a new wastewater lagoon. The change order is for \$150,000.

The cause for the request, according to a report to councilors from Owen, is a series of February storms in the Gulf Coast region that closed petrochemical plants and led to an increase in the cost of vinyl that will be used to line the lagoon.

OBITUARY

Dick Harrington

Formerly of Halfway, 1940-2021

Dick Harrington, 80, formerly of Halfway, died May 12, 2021, at St. Charles Regional Medical Center in Bend.

A celebration of Dick's life and family gathering will take place later.

Verna Richard "Dick" Harrington was born on Nov. 25, 1940, in the family ranch house in Council, Idaho, to Afton and Irene Harrington. He was raised and went to school in Council where he graduated a year early in May of 1958 with a full football scholarship.

In 1960 Dick married his high school sweetheart, Penne Baker. They had three children, and later divorced. He

married his best friend, Melba Crow, in July of 1974 and had three more children.

Dick spent most of his working life in the logging industry and later hauling cattle all throughout the United States with Melba as his co-driver.

His favorite things to do were going mushrooming in the spring and fishing the Snake River any time of the year. He also loved spending time with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren as they all were entertainment for him.

Dick is survived by his children and their spouses, Terre and Don Murray of Prineville, Tammy and Stephen Schlett of New Plymouth, Idaho; Sarah Harrington and Corey Carpenter of Baker City, Rick and Gayle Harrington of

Wilder, Idaho, Tracy and Patty Harrington of Vale, and Steve Harrington and Casey Osborne of Council, Idaho; 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; an adopted sister, Betty Lou Donnelly of Boise; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dick was preceded in death by his grandparents and parents; and his wife and best friend, Melba Harrington.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Dick may do so to Creating Memories, a program helping children with disabilities to get out and enjoy fishing, hunting, camping and more, 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.



Dick Harrington

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

James Richard Young: 89, of Baker City, died May 21, 2021, at his home, surrounded by family. His memorial service will be announced later. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Gaynelle Marie Nielsen:

74, of Baker City, died May 14, 2021, at her home. No services are planned at this time. To offer condolences to her family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

FUNERALS PENDING

Walt and Ronda Dillman: Graveside services for Walt and Ronda will be Saturday, May 29 at 11 a.m. at Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway. A reception will follow immediately at the Pine Valley Fairgrounds. Contributions in their memory can be made to the Pine Valley Fire Department, Pine Valley Fair Association or Pine Valley Ambulance, through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Walt and Ronda, go to www.colestributecenter.com.

Calvin McCullough: Celebration of his life, and a potluck, will be Saturday, May 29 at 3 p.m. at the VFW Hall in Halfway. Please bring a fun memory or store to share. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Iva E. Speelman: Potluck gathering to celebrate her life will take place Saturday, May 29 at the home of her daughter, Elaine Livran, in Sumpter starting at noon. Online condolences can be made at www.driskillmemorialchapel.com.

John Randall: Memorial service and celebration of his life, with a potluck, Sunday, May 30 at 1 p.m. at the Eagle Valley Grange Park in Richland. Food and beverages will be served following the service. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Candy Williams: Celebration of her life will take place Sunday, May 30 from noon to 2 p.m. at the Elgin Community Center. Refreshments will be provided. For those who would like to make a donation in memory of Candy, the family suggests the Crime Victim and Survivors Services

(CVSS) 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.

John Randall: Celebration of his life will take place on Sunday, May 30 at 1 p.m. at the Eagle Valley Grange Park in Richland, with food and beverages following. Those who would like to make a donation in John's memory may do so to the Hilary Bonn Benevolence Fund, or the charity of one's choice, through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Helen Marie Bogart: Celebration of her life will take place Saturday, June 5 at 2 p.m. at Clyde Holliday State Park near Mount Vernon. Memorial contributions can be made to the John Day Senior Center through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To offer online condolences to her family, go to www.driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Dan Douglas: Graveside service with military honors will take place Sunday, June 6 at 2 p.m. at Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Robert Lee Butler: Graveside memorial service Tuesday, June 7 at 11 a.m. at Moon Creek Cemetery in Mount Vernon. Memorial contributions can be made to the Wounded Warriors Project or to the American Heart Association through Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To leave on-line condolences for Bob's family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

James Roger Kennedy: Short, informal celebration of life picnic Friday, June 11 at noon at Geiser-Pollman Park. It will be a no-host bring-your-own-picnic event due to COVID-19 issues.

If you would like to join, please pack a lunch and bring a picnic basket or camp chair. To leave an online condolence for his family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations DESTROYING EVIDENCE (Out-of-county warrant): Crystal Leanna Bly, 40, Nampa, Idaho, 4:40 p.m. Friday, May 21 at Broadway and Resort streets; cited and released.

Baker County Sheriff's Office

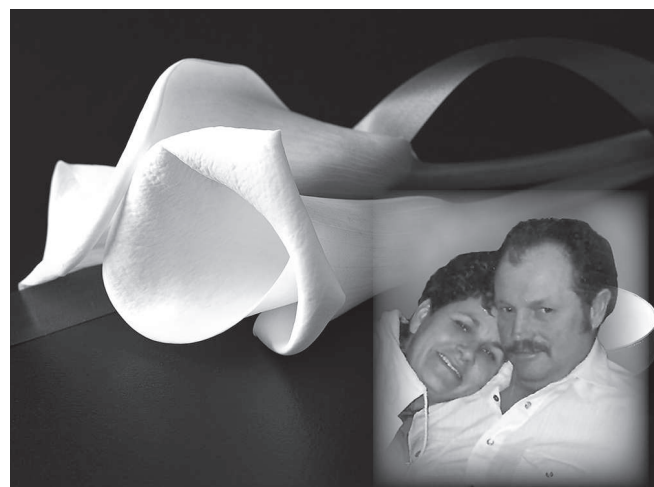
Arrests, citations FAILURE TO APPEAR (Baker County warrant): John Robert Loeb-LaMiller, 34, Baker City, 1:15 p.m. Friday, May 21 at the sheriff's office; cited and released.



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will be celebrating their life on May 29, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway, Oregon. A reception will immediately follow the graveside service at the Pine Valley Fairgrounds.

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