

Local

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO
from the Democrat-Herald
June 5, 1971

SALEM (UPI) — Oregon Friday became the 32nd state to ratify a constitutional amendment to extend voting rights to 18-year-olds in all elections.

It was only by a two-vote margin as the Senate voted 16-14 to pass HJR 47, which had already passed the House.

25 YEARS AGO
from the Baker City Herald
June 5, 1996

Snow still glistens high in the Elkhorn Mountains, and throughout Northeastern Oregon streams tumble, spreading moisture across the forests.

In some places logging slash is so damp that U.S. Forest Service workers must wait to burn it. The idea of a wildfire seems silly this early June, just two weeks after several inches of snow fell at Anthony Lakes and late spring rain dampened the valleys.

10 YEARS AGO
from the Baker City Herald
June 6, 2011

Three mustangs from Baker City will make their way to Germany this month.

Horses, not cars.

Tim and Carol Delsman, Baker City residents since the 1990s, train mustangs adopted through the Bureau of Land Management's wild horse program.

Only U.S. citizens are eligible to adopt wild horses through the BLM, which periodically captures horses from several states, including Oregon, to prevent the animals from overpopulations rangelands.

ONE YEAR AGO
from the Baker City Herald
June 6, 2020

Baker County began the second phase of the state's reopening plan today, with more people allowed to attend both indoor and outdoor events, including church services.

Phase 2 guidelines also authorize some types of the businesses that had been closed during phase 1 to reopen, including theaters, bowling alleys and swimming pools.

Restaurants and bars, which had been required to close at 10 p.m. during phase 1, which started May 15, can now stay open until midnight.

In all cases the state continues to require people, or groups who are together, to stay 6 feet apart.

That guideline defines how many customers are allowed in restaurants, bars and other businesses, and how many people can attend church services and other events, both indoor and outdoor.

Although restaurants and bars are still required to space tables at least 6 feet apart, phase 2 does allow some flexibility depending on the types of booths.

Businesses, instead of the 6-foot spacing, can install a plexiglass or other "nonpermeable physical barrier that is easily cleaned if the barrier is at least 1 foot higher than head level for customers seated and at least 3 feet wide or at least the width of the booth if wider than 3 feet."

But phase 2 continues to prohibit patrons from sitting at counters or bars "unless the counter faces a window or wall and at least 6 feet of distance is maintained between parties and/or staff behind the bar."

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, June 2
3 — 11 — 15 — 25 — 32 — 46
Next jackpot: \$3.6 million

POWERBALL, June 2
6 — 7 — 11 — 66 — 67 PB 19
Next jackpot: \$286 million

MEGA MILLIONS, June 1
7 — 11 — 33 — 58 — 63 Mega 23
Next jackpot: \$45 million

WIN FOR LIFE, June 2
13 — 43 — 60 — 76
PICK 4, June 3
• 1 p.m.: 1 — 6 — 4 — 3
• 4 p.m.: 3 — 3 — 2 — 7
• 7 p.m.: 0 — 9 — 1 — 0
• 10 p.m.: 2 — 3 — 8 — 1
LUCKY LINES, June 3
4-6-9-15-18-21-26-29
Next jackpot: \$51,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY (June 7):** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, biscuits, fruit cup, ice cream
- **TUESDAY (June 8):** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, rolls, pea-and-onion salad, tapioca
- **WEDNESDAY (June 9):** Turkey and cheese sandwich, cream of chicken with vegetables soup, macaroni salad, bread pudding
- **THURSDAY (June 10):** Spaghetti, Italian vegetables, garlic breadsticks, cottage cheese and Jell-O salad, peach crisp
- **FRIDAY (June 11):** Baked ham, candied yams, green beans, rolls, broccoli and bacon, salad, cookies

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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Storytime returning on June 15

Events will be Tuesdays at Geiser-Pollman Park

By Lisa Britton
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After more than a year, children will once again gather for storytime with Missy Grammon from the Baker County Library.

Beginning June 15, and every Tuesday through the summer, she will have storytime in Geiser-Pollman Park at 10 a.m.

She'll set up just across the bridge from the library, in the shade of the park's trees (but not too close to the playground).

"I'm super excited about it," said Grammon, who is the youth services coordinator for the library.

The pandemic didn't stop storytime — Grammon held an online version every week for families to watch at home. Also, "Storytime in a Bag" was available at the library and full of crafts, activities, and a free book.

This summer's storytimes will include weekly "take and make" kits for children to complete at home.

Grammon is also planning a summer reading challenge and book clubs for several different ages.

Those who participate get a free book, and are eligible for prizes throughout the summer.

Participants can sign up at the library, or online through the Baker County Library District's Facebook page and website, www.bakerlib.org.

Park concerts start this weekend

Concerts planned on Saturdays and Sundays this summer at Geiser-Pollman Park

By Lisa Britton
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Music in Geiser-Pollman Park starts this weekend and continues throughout the summer.

The concerts are organized by separate organizations. Saturday events are sponsored by the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center.

Sunday concerts are put on by Powder River Music Review, a program of Baker City Events. (Although there will be several Saturday concerts as well.)

Saturday, June 5, will feature Carter Junction, the husband/wife duo of Clinton and Sarah Carter. The program starts at 5 p.m. in

Geiser-Pollman Park.

Earlier on Saturday, and on Sunday, Carter Junction will play at NHOTIC from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All performances are free and open to the public.

Powder River Music Review opens its season on Sunday, June 13, with Frank Carlson.

The music starts at 4 p.m.

Concerts are free, although donations are accepted to support the concert series. Also, raffle tickets are sold at each concert (\$5 each or \$20 for 15) for a chance to win the week's featured basket.

For a summer schedule, go to Powder River Music Review on Facebook.

GRADUATION

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Then she taught some of them as first-graders in 2009, her first year as a full-time teacher.

Later, Sullivan had many of the same students in her science and art classes at Baker Middle School, where she taught for seven years.

And finally, Sullivan moved on with this class to Baker High School, where she is finishing her fourth year as a science teacher.

"I know these kids really

"I know these kids really well. I've spent a lot of time with them. I think of them as not just students but as family."

— Nicole Sullivan, Baker High School science teacher who will give the commencement address Sunday, June 6

well," Sullivan said on Friday, June 4. "I've spent a lot of time with them. I think of them as not just students but as family."

Sullivan said she was honored that the Class of 2021 asked her to deliver the commencement speech.

"I'm so glad it's this group I get to speak to," she said. "It's an honor to share some bits of

advice before they leave."

Sullivan said she believes it's important to recognize, and to celebrate, the senior class' fortitude in dealing with such unusual circumstances.

"I think they've done really well in a pandemic," she said. "It's a pretty unique group of graduates."

Sullivan said she relishes

the opportunity to speak to this familiar group of students in a different setting.

"I'm looking forward to being able to address things we really don't talk about in the classroom," she said.

Sullivan said she's also excited about participating in a ceremony that will give these students, and their families, a welcome sense of normal after 15 months of upheaval.

"I think people truly value being together, and everyone appreciates having a somewhat normal graduation ceremony."

OBITUARIES

Michael Small

Formerly of Baker City, 1947-2021

Michael Duane Small, 74, of Spokane, Washington, and a former Baker City resident, died May 27, 2021, at his home.

His graveside service, will military honors, took place Friday, June 4 at Mount Hope Cemetery. Pastor Brad Phillips of Harvest Church officiated.

Michael was born on Feb. 2, 1947, at Indianapolis to Carroll Otis Small and Inez Marie (Anderson) Small. After relocating to Baker City, Mike attended Baker High School, graduating in 1965. He went on to pursue a career in the U.S. Army as an administrative specialist. He served there for 22 years, retiring as a staff sergeant. After his retirement from the military, Michael worked as a self-employed truck driver for 10 more years.

Some of his favorite things to do were fishing and hunting. He also played the trumpet and he loved to walk. While in Germany, he did volksmarches all over the country. Michael's passion was writing. He wrote many poems and won awards from the Poets Society and he

even published some books.

He loved the United States of America and was a true patriot, and he loved his family greatly. Mike always tried to see the good in people.

Survivors include his two sons, Floyd (Rick) Anderson of Indianapolis, and Michael Eugene Small of Tijeras, New Mexico; one daughter, Michele McCowan of Spokane; eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by both of his parents; a sister, Ginny Thomas; a brother, Carroll Gene Small; and a granddaughter, Tara Dawn Willis.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project through Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To offer online condolences to Michael's family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

Thomas Brock

Formerly of Baker City, 1952-2021

Thomas Joseph Brock, 58, formerly of Baker City, died May 23, 2021.

Disposition was by cremation at Stanwood, Washington. Services will be Saturday, June 12 at 2 p.m. at 17222 43rd Ave. N.E. in Arlington, Washington.

Tom resided in Baker County from 1982 to 2010.

He was born on Nov. 25, 1952, at Aurora, Illinois, to Fred and Anne Brock. He graduated from Marmion Military Academy in 1971 and also from Western Illinois University. He served in the Peace Corps, helping in Brazil. Tom was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving in many callings over the years. Tom was best known for his work ethic and serving others.

He is survived by his wife, Karen (Ratray); his daughter, Heather Van Slageren (Martin); his granddaughter, Cara Tryon; his sisters, Sarah Brock, Gail Brock and Judy Norlin (Tim); his brothers, Sean Brock (Donna) and Gary Brock (Trish); many nephews, a niece, and great-nephews and great-nieces.

The family requests those who wish to express sympathy to consider making a donation to one of Tom's favorite charities, The Mustang Yearly Washington Youth (MYWY), P.O. Box 2379, Woodinville, WA 98072.



Thomas Brock

NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Doug Townsend: 66, of Baker City, died June 3, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City, surrounded by his family. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

FUNERALS PENDING

Dan Douglas: Graveside service with military honors, Sunday, June 6 at 2 p.m. at Pine Haven Cemetery in Halfway. For those who would like to make a donation in Dan's memory, he suggested the Pine Valley Fair Association 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.

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 online 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.

Cristi Crum: Celebration of life, Saturday, June 12 at 1 p.m. at Union Creek Campground on Phillips Reservoir. Casey Crum will host a picnic for family and friends at the group picnic area near the boat ramp. Pulled pork, beans and some drinks will be provided. Feel free to bring a dish, and a couple of camp chairs. This is an informal event to help remember a great woman. To RSVP, call Casey Crum at 541-519-7258.

Dale and Marjorie Buxton: Graveside service with military honors, Saturday, June 12 at 2 p.m. at Eagle Valley Cemetery in Richland. To make a donation in memory of Dale and Marjorie, the family suggests the Baker United Methodist Church 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.

First English Evangelical Lutheran Church
Baker City, OR

We are celebrating our

100th Anniversary

June 13th, 10:00am

Anniversary Divine Liturgy with Bishop Dan Selbo of the NALC preaching.

A cake reception will follow worship and we will honor some of our special members.

More events are scheduled in July and August and can be found on our facebook page.

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