

Local

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

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

Ingenuity, creativity and showmanship were evident again this year as approximately 250 children paraded down Main Street Saturday in the annual July 3 Kiddies' Parade sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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

Baker County has joined 16 other Central and Eastern Oregon counties in signing an agreement with the state that's designed to prevent juveniles convicted of crimes from committing other offenses.

The 17 counties of the Central and Eastern Oregon Juvenile Justice Consortium signed the pact recently with the Oregon Youth Authority, which operates juvenile corrections facilities in the state and the Oregon Department of Human Resources.

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

Salmon are late in returning to the Powder River this year, but they are coming,

This week, possibly.

For the sixth year in the past eight, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) will release spring chinook in the river and let anglers try to hook them.

Salmon runs went away in the upper Powder River in 1932 when Thief Valley Dam, which lacks fish ladders, was finished.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald July 7, 2020

HAINES — Every year, citizens of Baker County and beyond look forward to the Haines Stampede rodeo, and every year the bulls, broncs and riders put on a show to celebrate Independence Day.

Organizers were determined not to let the coronavirus pandemic cancel the holiday tradition.

"My family's been helping put on this rodeo for 20 something years," said Randa Alton, a rodeo volunteer. "This rodeo has been going on every year for so long, and it needed to happen. Everybody needed to be able to celebrate the 4th."

The Stampede had performances on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

Bill Harvey, chairman of the Baker County Board of Commissioners, said rodeo officials had to make major changes due to the pandemic, but he said residents were determined to make it happen in a summer when most other major local events have been canceled.

"This is a cultural thing for Baker County, there's ranches around here that do stuff like this all the time and they want to compete against one another, it's a good thing," Harvey said. "This is where I got my first ride when I was a youngster a long time ago, so I think it's great for kids to get their start and see if they like it here."

The rodeos were also televised by the Blue Mountain Translator District.

Vendor Randy Garnett, owner of Sammy's BBQ and Appleflat Catering of Wallowa County, said events such as the rodeo are crucial to his business — especially this year, with rodeos and many other events being canceled.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, July 3
7 — 14 — 17 — 21 — 28 — 41
Next jackpot: \$4.9 million

POWERBALL, July 3
26 — 40 — 41 — 55 — 65 PB 24
Next jackpot: \$113 million

MEGA MILLIONS, July 2
8 — 31 — 32 — 34 — 45 Mega 19
Next jackpot: \$82 million

WIN FOR LIFE, July 3
6 — 10 — 34 — 53

PICK 4, July 4
• 1 p.m.: 7 — 5 — 9 — 2
• 4 p.m.: 4 — 0 — 3 — 4
• 7 p.m.: 2 — 7 — 8 — 3
• 10 p.m.: 7 — 1 — 2 — 0

LUCKY LINES, July 4
4-6-11-14-18-24-26-29
Next jackpot: \$18,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **WEDNESDAY:** Chili burger with cheese and onion, tater tots, mixed vegetables, cottage cheese with fruit, brownies
- **THURSDAY:** Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, rolls, green salad, berry cheesecake
- **FRIDAY:** Baked cod, clam chowder, spring vegetables, rolls, coleslaw, ice cream
- **MONDAY (July 12):** Chicken cordon bleu, rice pilaf, mixed vegetables, rolls, beet and onion salad, cookies
- **TUESDAY (July 13):** Fettuccine Bolognese, garlic bread rolls, Italian vegetables, green 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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OBITUARIES

Julia Woods

Baker City, 1944-2021

Julia Ann Woods, 76, of Baker City, died July 2, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City.

A celebration of her life will take place Saturday, July 10 at 2 p.m. at the Eagle Valley Grange in Richland.

Julia was born on Nov. 9, 1944, at Baker City. She was raised in Richland and received her education at both Richland Elementary and Eagle Valley High School, where she graduated in 1962.

When still in high school she asked Dean Woods to the prom, and he said yes. This fateful date later led him to ask her to be his wife. They were married on Sept. 1, 1962.

Julia worked as the Baker County Clerk for 18 years until she retired. She and Dean then became snowbirds. They lived in Baker City during the summer and Mesa, Arizona, during the winter. In between, they traveled as much as possible.

Julia took up square dancing in 1972. She was a member of the Elkhorn Swingers Square Dance Club and danced as often as she could.

Julia enjoyed reading, sewing, and most of all making quilts for her grandkids and great-grandkids. She loved her family, anything purple, roses, the season fall and was a Yankees baseball fan. She was also a dedicated and loyal PBR (Professional Bull Riders) patron. She attended over 400 PBR events including over 20 PBR worlds finals and 33 NFR finals in Las Vegas.

Julia liked to play card games. However, if she didn't like the hand she was dealt, she was known to say, "Oh sugar foot." She could also give you some fiery looks when ticked off. Julia lived an active life attending several events a week for many years. Her husband once asked her if she wanted to slow down and do less. She replied, "No, I want to do more."

Julia is survived by her husband of 59 years, Dean Woods; her children, Lori (Carl) Morgan of Terrebonne, and Darin Woods of Nampa, Idaho; her brother, Bill (Marti) Gover; her sister, Nancy Gover; her grandchildren, Jacob and Jordan Meeks, Lindsay (Jeremiah) Shine, Shelby (Cody) Henigman, and Haley Woods; her great-grandchildren, Ellis and Evelyn Shine, and Emerson Woods and Leo Henigman; and several nieces and nephews. She loved her PBR family, the cowboys and the lifelong friends that they made.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Ranny Gover; both sets of grandparents; her sister, Beth Windam; and her great-grandson, Harrison Woods-Shurtz.

For those who would like to make a donation in honor of Julia, the family suggests the Eagle Valley Cemetery Beautification Fund 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.

Helen Troy

Baker City, 1932-2021

Helen Mary Troy, 89, of Baker City,

died June 28, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Ontario.

Mass of Christian burial took place today, July 6 at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral. Helen was then driven in procession to Mount Hope Cemetery for a brief committal ceremony followed by a vault interment.

Helen was born on April 18, 1932, at New York City to August and Helen (Beglane) Knewitz. Helen attended school at Our Lady of Good Council in New York City.

Coming from New York City and embracing a new life to become a rancher's wife and raise a family of three daughters, Helen married Wayne Troy in February 1957. They met in New York while he was serving in the U.S. Coast Guard. Helen learned to drive a car as well as a tractor. She helped with all aspects of running the ranch. She learned to ride a horse, sort cattle, helped with branding, raked hay, all while having a hot meal ready when the job was done.

Helen was a loving and devoted caregiver for many years to Frances and Elizabeth Troy, Wayne's aunts. This enabled them to remain in the old Troy family home, where they spent their entire lives. She enjoyed time with her grandchildren and took great pride in their accomplishments. Helen was very involved with the VFW and volunteered for the Remembrance Day events to promote the Poppy for over 20 years.

Helen was an avid bowler for many years and brought home several bowling trophies. Helen especially enjoyed traveling with her bowling team and made lifelong friends. Helen learned to crochet and made afghans for all her family and friends, especially with every new grandchild. She was very proud when her afghan was placed in the Baker County Fair.

Helen was affiliated with many organizations, including St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Altar Circle 7, the VFW Auxiliary, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Eagles Auxiliary, the Baker Bowling Association, and the Oregon Cattlewomen's Association.

After Helen retired, she traveled with Wayne to Ireland, Alaska, Hawaii, and Mexico. Helen moved to Settler's Park Assisted Living Community after Wayne (her husband) passed away in 2011. There she made new friends and experienced new adventures for several years. Helen was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She will be deeply missed by all those who knew her.

Helen is survived by her daughters, Teresa (Bruce) Robertson of Palmer, Alaska, Patty (Wayne) Herron of Elgin, and Lyndia Troy of Baker City; her sister, Ethel (Ray) Briggs of Richmond, Virginia; her grandchildren, Chelsea (Herron) Hewitt of La Grande, Jadon Herron of Union, Jessica Robertson of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Anna Robertson of Anchorage, Alaska.

Helen was preceded in death by her husband, Wayne Troy; her parents, August and Helen Knewitz; and her infant brother, George Knewitz.

Memorial contributions can be made to Best Friends of Baker or to St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church through Gray's



Helen Troy

West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

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

Boyd Sharp

Formerly of Baker City, 1936-2021

Boyd D. Sharp, 85, of Umatilla, and formerly of Baker City, died June 29, 2021.

His memorial service will take place Saturday, July 10 at 10 a.m. at the Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, 685 W. Hermiston Ave.

Boyd was born on Feb. 22, 1936, at Grand Coulee, Washington, to Edward and Hallie (Bower) Sharp.

Boyd traveled extensively throughout the Pacific Northwest throughout his childhood, attending schools in Eastern Washington, Eastern Oregon and Idaho. He married Anne Corrine Turcotte at Spokane, Washington, on June 24, 1956. The couple lived in Spokane, Baker City, Pendleton and Klamath Falls before moving to Umatilla in 2000.

Boyd served in the U.S. Air Force for seven years. He worked as a pastor for the Church of God in Baker City and Spokane. He then attended Whitworth University in Spokane where he received his bachelor's degree in Psychology. He continued his education at Oregon State University where he completed his master's degree.

Boyd worked throughout his career as a drug and alcohol counselor. He started the Baker County Council on Alcohol and Drug program. He later ran a similar program in Pendleton. He worked as a drug and alcohol counselor in correctional facilities in Baker, Umatilla and Klamath counties. He also authored a book, "Changing Criminal Thinking." He taught college courses on changing criminal thinking for a short time in Klamath Falls.

In 2000, Boyd retired from counseling and moved to Umatilla, where he kept busy serving the community. In Umatilla, he was involved with Landing Days, volunteered at the library, served on the City Council, volunteered for reading programs at Umatilla schools and was active with the museum. He also enjoyed going to Club 24 in Hermiston where he exercised four to five days a week. He trained so he could walk the Camino de Santiago trail in Europe, which he did three times.

Boyd enjoyed elk hunting in the Granite area and loved spending time in the mountains. He went on several salmon fishing excursions in Canada and he would often take family members on fishing trips.

Boyd is survived by his sons, Rocky Sharp and Mike (Jo) Sharp; his daughters, Deb (Joel) Underwood, Sue Sharp and Barbara (Mark) Lizotte; 13 grandchildren, Cindy, Shane, Rachel, Aaron, Anna, Andrea, Joe, Stephanie, Leah, TJ, Chantal, Josh and Bella; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Boyd was preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Anne, who died Feb. 2, 2018; his parents; and three brothers, Terry, Carroll and Ed.

The family suggest memorial contributions be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Boyd's memory.



Boyd Sharp

NEWS OF RECORD

FUNERALS PENDING

Diane Carlisle: Celebration of Diane's life and memorial service, Saturday, July 10 at 10 a.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Baker City. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Don Phillips: A celebration of his life will take place Saturday, July 17 at 1 p.m. in the Family Life Center at the Nazarene Church, 1250 Hughes Lane in Baker City. The family asks that if you have any special memories you'd like to share, please mail them to Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Keldon Gross: Memorial service and celebration of Keldon's life will take place Saturday, July 17 at 11 a.m. at the Halfway Lions Hall. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Robert Kent Nelson: Memorial service, Aug. 14 at 11 a.m. at the Baker City Church of the Nazarene, 1250 Hughes Lane. A reception will follow the service at the Nazarene Church's Family Life Center. Memorial contributions can be made to the Burnt River Community Church or the Northeast Oregon Compassion Center through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To leave an online condolence for Kent's family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

POLICE LOG

Baker City Police Arrests, citations
HARASSMENT: Markus Gregory Burke, 42, Baker City, 11:35 p.m. Sunday, July 4 in the 2700 block of Jackson Street; cited and released.
MANUFACTURING A DE-

STRUCTIVE DEVICE: Robert Steven Merritt, 33, Baker City, 9:14 a.m. Sunday, July 4 at the police department; cited and released.

HARASSMENT, INTERFERING WITH MAKING A REPORT: Michael Isaiah Estabrooks, 42, 4:16 p.m. Saturday, July 3 in the 400 block of

Second Street; cited and released.
FAILURE TO APPEAR (Union County warrant): Larry Ray Vanscoy, 60, 1:42 p.m. Saturday, July 3 at Auburn Avenue and Resort Street; cited and released.

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