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accepted). Raffle tickets will be sold for a chance to win a gift basket. Tickets are \$5 each or 15 for \$20.

Blom didn't set out to be a musician. His first passion was hockey.

"Hockey was what I was doing every day of my life since I was 3," he said.

At 18 he went semi-professional to play for a team in Bismarck, North Dakota.

But just two years later he suffered a shoulder injury that required reconstructive surgery.

Around the same time, several friends and family members passed away.

He turned to the drums and guitar.

"I had to put all the negative things somewhere and turn it into something positive," he said.

He practiced the guitar while he recovered from the hockey injury.

"Thank God there's music — it's a little less rough on the body," he said.

At first he just wanted to play music with friends. Then they put together a band and started playing shows.

He's been touring for about six years.

"It's hectic but so much fun," he said. "I love traveling and meeting new people."

He plays shows in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Oregon and

Colorado.

"COVID did a lot of damage to our schedule, but we rebuilt it," he said.

Limited crowds are tough — he'd rather have a big audience.

"You find someone who's

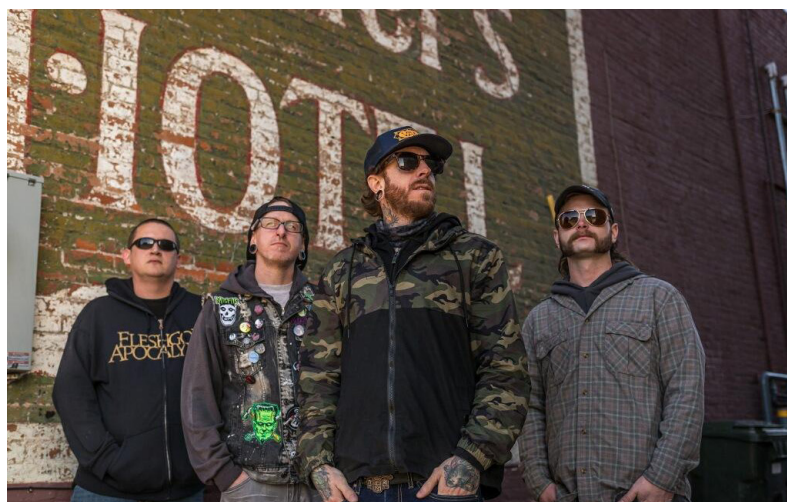
having a blast and feed off that — that's how you get your energy," he said.

Band members rotate, but the Baker City shows will feature Blom, Russell Nelson, Nick Haines, Ryan Piazzola, and Brain

Dubois handles sound.

He said they play "country rock."

"My whole band has a metal background," Blom said. "They bring their own taste — that's why we sound so different."



Baker City band Trailer Hitch opens for Ison House concerts on July 9 and 10.

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