

Local

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald September 23, 1971

More winter range for Rocky Mountain elk was acquired recently when the Oregon Game Commission approved the purchase of the Rasmussen property at the base of the Elkhorn Mountains.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 23, 1996

Most of the items taken during a recent burglary at The Salvation Army's Carpenter Shop Youth Center have been returned, according to Capt. Dennis Trimmer.

"Whoever took the items had a change of heart and returned the items to our donation shed at our Thrift Store, and then called us to let us know they had been returned," Trimmer said.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald September 23, 2011

Janice Cowan brought a sun hat to Phillips Park for Outdoor School this week.

"I've never had to bring my hat before," she said while encouraging sixth-graders to search the field for insects Tuesday morning.

Usually, Cowan brings rain gear to her annual sessions while helping students gain a deeper appreciation for the bugs in their lives.

A sun hat was more appropriate this year under the clear blue skies and temperatures that have reached into the 70s and 80s.

The difference is the result of a change in scheduling.

For the past 18 years, sixth-graders have spent the waning days of their school year at Outdoor School in late May and early June at the private park 10 miles northwest of Baker City.

This year, organizers instead sought to take advantage of the warm Indian summer that's typical in Baker Valley during September.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald September 24, 2020

A retail void dating back nearly a decade along a remote section of Interstate 84 could be filled soon.

A new truck stop, including restaurants and a convenience store but not a motel, is nearing completion at Farewell Bend, along the Snake River about 50 miles southeast of Baker City and about 4 miles from Huntington.

The Huntington Travel Plaza, part of the national TravelCenters of America network, could open as soon as Oct. 21, said Deep Singh of Vancouver, Washington, whose family, along with three other business partners, plans to buy the business.

Tina Arundel, director of communications for TravelCenters of America in Westlake, Ohio, wrote in an email to the Herald that "we look forward to opening a TA travel center in Huntington, Oregon. We plan to open in late October."

Singh said his family, which owns three gas stations in the Portland area as well as convenience stores, has been aware of the 40-acre property for a couple of years.

The former truck stop at Farewell Bend, which included a motel, closed in May 2011 and the buildings were later removed. The business had opened in the 1970s.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Sept. 20
16 - 29 - 33 - 37 - 44 - 47
Next jackpot: \$3.4 million

POWERBALL, Sept. 20
37 - 51 - 54 - 58 - 60 PB 19
Next jackpot: \$490 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Sept. 21
36 - 41 - 45 - 51 - 56 Mega 13
Next jackpot: \$20 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Sept. 20
27 - 43 - 71 - 77

PICK 4, Sept. 21
• 1 p.m.: 7 - 3 - 9 - 0
• 4 p.m.: 3 - 7 - 4 - 2
• 7 p.m.: 3 - 8 - 0 - 3
• 10 p.m.: 0 - 8 - 1 - 9

LUCKY LINES, Sept. 21
2-6-10-16-17-21-25-30
Next jackpot: \$28,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **FRIDAY:** Spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, rolls, green salad, cookies
- **MONDAY (Sept. 27):** Hot turkey sandwiches, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, coleslaw, ice cream
- **TUESDAY (Sept. 28):** Fettuccini Bolognese, garlic bread, rolls, green beans, ambrosia, brownies
- **WEDNESDAY (Sept. 29):** Chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, rolls, fruit cup, birthday cake
- **THURSDAY (Sept. 30):** Pork tips over fettuccine noodles, peas, rolls, green salad, bread pudding

Public luncheon at the Senior Center, 2810 Cedar St., from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; \$5 donation (60 and older), \$7.50 for those under 60.

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Maxine Michel Hathaway

Baker City, 1931-2021

Maxine Michel Hathaway, 90, of Baker City, was called home to the Lord in the early morning hours of Sept. 16, 2021.

A celebration of her life and services will be announced at a later date.

Maxine Elaine Michel was born on Aug. 11, 1931, in Middleton, Idaho, to Richard Marion Michel and Myrtle Watkins Michel. She was blessed with two brothers, Richard Jr. and Claude. Maxine attended all 12 grades in Middleton and graduated high school in May 1949. She went to work for Caldwell Auto Supply in Caldwell, Idaho. She then met Harry Miller Hathaway, the love of her life, and married him on April 20, 1952. Their union was 55 years strong upon Harry's death in June 2007.

After their marriage, Harry and Maxine moved to Nyssa, where Harry began working as a mechanic for the Chevrolet dealership. They had three beautiful children together, Becky Lou, Bradley Ray and Bryon Lynn. In 1957 the Hathaway family relocated to Baker, where Harry continued his career as a Chevrolet dealership mechanic. In 1963 they made the transition to business ownership, operating the 10th Street Texaco service station and later the Arco service station at Second and Broadway streets. It was a family affair with Harry as the mechanic, Maxine as bookkeeper and grew to include both boys as they became of age.

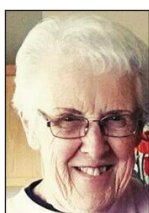
Maxine was a very active member of the Cavalry Baptist Church beginning in 1960 when she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior. She was the epitome of a true Christian and tireless in her service of the Lord and an inspiration to her many friends and all her family who loved her dearly. Her family remembers her always whistling, humming hymns while going about her daily tasks. Playing hymns on her piano and singing were great joys of hers as well. She was an enthusiastic and humble volunteer in many different local organizations and got no greater pleasure in life than helping others.

Maxine was an avid walker and was recognized by many Baker residents on her daily constitutionals which ranged up to 10 miles. Often, during a snowstorm, people would stop and ask her if she needed a ride. With a big smile she would say "no thank you, I'm just enjoying walking." Her work ethic was legendary in the family and inherited by both Brad and Bryon. All her grandchildren and great-grandchildren adored her, she never failed to praise them for their individual strengths, and she always had time for a story, a puzzle, a game or coloring. She left a legacy of immense love and thoughtfulness within her entire family.

She married Ken Grafham in 2009.

Her spirit lives on through her son, Brad Hathaway, and wife, Terri, of Stanfield, her son, Bryon Hathaway, and his wife, Anita, of Dubois, Wyoming; her grandchildren, Meagan and Jaymie Jo Hathaway, and Jordan, Jade and Scout Hathaway; her great-grandchildren, Gracie and Lili Hathaway, Jamine and Hudson Lemmon, and Harrison Joseph Hathaway. Maxine is also survived by her beloved sisters-in-law, Velma and Helen Michel; and she was blessed with many nieces and nephews, whom she loved dearly. She also held a special place in her heart for Kenny and Ruthie Grafham.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Becky Lou, in January 1960;



Maxine Hathaway

her beloved husband, Harry Hathaway, in June 2007; both her parents, Marion and Myrtle Michel; along with her brothers, Richard Jr. and Claude Michel.

Memorial contributions can be made to Meadowbrook Place Assisted Living and Heart 'N Home Hospice, both of Baker City. They may be sent in care of Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Maxine or to offer online condolences to her family, go to grayswestco.com.

Wayne Burnside

Baker City, 1939-2021

Wayne Elmer Burnside, 82, of Baker City, died Sept. 15, 2021.

A celebration of his life will be scheduled for a later date and will be announced closer to that time.

Wayne was born in 1939 to Elmer and Emily Burnside. He joined two older sisters and one brother. His younger brother, Daryle, came later. The family moved around until settling in Richland. They then moved to Halfway, where Elmer purchased the local Stockman's.

Elmer passed away in 1946, so the family moved to Baker City. Wayne attended Tiedemann Elementary School for six years before moving on to middle school. He joined the music program and became a proficient drummer. He continued on to high school playing music in the marching band, pep band and the orchestra. Wayne purchased his first set of drums in the ninth grade and got together with the May brothers and formed a dance band. The band played for music venues all over Eastern Oregon for three years.

After high school, Wayne joined a country western band and played for many different occasions with many musicians. In 1957 he went to work for Jackson's food market and learned the meatcutting trade. Afterwards, Wayne went to work for Orlins Quality Meats.

In 1962 he married Barbara Gentry, and in 1965, they adopted Kevin, their son. Sadly, the marriage ended, but Wayne retained full custody of Kevin. Wayne purchased a small acreage on the edge of town and began raising cattle and crops. He later purchased Orlins Meats and ran a successful business while he continued to play music.

Wayne served his community on the Planning Commission and was a member of the Baker Elks for many years. In 1984, while recuperating after undergoing hip replacements, he decided to change careers. He went into real estate as a Realtor and managed Orlins simultaneously, which he later sold.

Later in 1984, he met Linda Simonis Van Cleave. She and her three boys settled in on the farm. Wayne was a successful Realtor for Century 21 for several years. He later switched to Intermountain Realty and was also a salesman of Fleetwood Homes. He developed many parcels of land.

In 1992 he underwent another hip surgery, but unfortunately developed an infection which caused him to retire. He and Linda purchased a pontoon boat and spent many weekends boating and fishing all over Eastern Oregon with grandchildren and friends.

Wayne was a well-known poker player and could be found quite frequently attending poker games with his friends. He took great care of his home and loved football, baseball and basketball.

He is survived by his wife Linda; his son, Kevin O'Brien, and Linda's children,



Wayne Burnside

Chris and Jeremy Van Cleave; his sister, Darlene (Wayne) of Mead, Washington; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Wayne was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Patricia Brooks; his brother, Daryle Burnside; and a son, Benjamin Van Cleave.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Heart 'N Home Hospice.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Best Friends of Baker through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

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

Carol Peters

Baker City, 1952-2021

Carol Ann Peters, 69, of Baker City, died Sept. 10, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center-Baker City.

Carol was born on Jan. 2, 1952, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, to Joseph and Irene (Sass) Jakimczyk. Carol graduated from Custer High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She attended the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; she also received training as a respiratory technician from St. Michaels Hospital, Steven's Point, Wisconsin. Carol's main occupation was as a bookstore manager for B. Dalton Bookseller.

On Oct. 8, 1975, Carol married David Peters in Wahiwa, Hawaii.

Carol enjoyed puzzle books as well as shopping on Amazon.

She is survived by her husband, David Peters.

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



Carol Peters

Laura Watson

Baker City, 1948-2021

Laura Mae Watson, 72, of Baker City, died Sept. 11, 2021, at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Boise after a long battle with health issues.

Her funeral will be Saturday, Sept. 25 at 11 a.m. at the Harvest Church, 3720 Birch St. in Baker City. All family and friends are welcome.

Laura was born on Sept. 12, 1948, in Klamath Falls to William Francis "Frank" Watson and Alpha Watson. Laura grew up in a large, loving family. She had six siblings and had a strong bond with each of them. As a young child, her family, children included, would travel to work in cotton orchards.

As she grew older, she became well versed with her customer service skills. She was proud of her hotel manager title at the Hotel Bentley and the Red Lion Hotel in Louisiana. Later, she became the manager for local Baker City restaurants such as the Haines Steak House, The Sunridge, and during the opening of the Geiser Grand Hotel.

She had many, many friends whom she met throughout her life, mostly work colleagues that she held dear. She held on to written notes through the years from these friends that she treasured and beamed with pride when she would talk of her memories. Laura was an honest woman who always had an enormous amount of learned advice.

Laura was wonderful at remembering fond memories, that came across as stories, because they were exciting.

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NEWS OF RECORD

DEATHS

Samuel Orr: 70, formerly of Baker County, died Sept. 21, 2021, at OHSU Hospital in Portland. Arrangements are under the direction of Tam's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Online condolences can be made at www.tampinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

William H. 'Bill' Clark: 76, of Baker City, died Sept. 19, 2021, at his home. Services are under the direction of Coles Tribute Center. To light a candle in Bill's memory, go to www.colestrIBUTEcenter.com.

Dale Gene Koontz: 81, of Baker City, died Sept. 5, 2021, at his residence. A celebration of his life will take place on Saturday, Oct. 9 at 3 p.m. at Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., with Pastor Lennie Spooner of the Baker City Church of the Nazarene officiating the service. To leave an online condolence for Dale's family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

Beth Johnson Morrissey: 93, of Baker City, died on the evening of Sept. 21, 2021. A memorial service will take place soon, the date and time to be announced. To leave an online condolence for Beth's family, go to www.grayswestco.com.

FUNERALS PENDING

Viola Perkins: Graveside memorial service Friday, Sept. 24 at 10:30 a.m. at Haines Cemetery. Donations in Viola's memory can be made to the Eastern Oregon Museum in Haines, Haines First Baptist

Church, or the Rock Creek-Muddy Creek Mutual Improvement Club through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in Viola's memory, go to www.colestrIBUTEcenter.com.

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Arrests, citations

CONTEMPT OF COURT: Melissa Jean Lattymyer, 36, Baker City, 9:29 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21 at Church and 10th streets; cited and released.

PAROLE VIOLATION: Zachary Charles Persicke, 36, Baker City, 8:39 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 21 at the

Sheriff's Office; jailed.

Baker County Sheriff's Office

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VIOLATION OF A COURT PROTECTION ORDER: Nickolas Richard Watson, 34, Huntington, 7:02 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20 in Huntington; jailed.

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