

Local

BAKER COUNTY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17

■ **Baker City Planning Commission:** 6 p.m. at Baker City Hall, 1655 First St., Public hearing on a requested variance to allow construction of a single-family dwelling on a parcel smaller than the minimum size in the residential-medium density zone at 804 Auburn Ave.

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

50 YEARS AGO from the Democrat-Herald November 13, 1971

Landscaping of the grounds at the Baker County Library was completed Friday afternoon by landscaping contractor, Earl Bloomberg, Portland.

The most striking feature of the landscaping is the lighted fountain near the front door of the library.

25 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald November 13, 1996

The Baker City Council opposes a state proposal to build a 1,500-bed medium-security prison just southeast of the city.

The council on Tuesday approved by a 5-0 vote a resolution opposing the prison.

The council added two statements to the draft resolution the city staff brought to Tuesday's meeting.

The first was that the council was not satisfied with the Oregon Department of Corrections' response to the more than two dozen conditions the city submitted, and on which its possible support of the prison was contingent.

10 YEARS AGO from the Baker City Herald November 14, 2011

A local business owner is teaming up with teenagers to feed residents on Thanksgiving Day.

John Osborn, owner of Charlie's Ice Cream Parlor, will cook up enough turkey soup to feed 150 people.

Fresh roasted turkey noodle soup, to be specific.

ONE YEAR AGO from the Baker City Herald November 14, 2020

A snowstorm more typical of January than of early November brought copious amounts of snow and gusty winds to Northeast Oregon Friday morning, causing a power outage and closing the eastbound lanes of Interstate 84 for several hours.

Snow started falling around 5 a.m., and about 4 inches had accumulated in Baker City by noon.

The snow coated roads lead to multiple commercial trucks sliding off the eastbound lanes of Interstate 84 about 3 miles east of North Powder, according to Oregon State Police.

Police closed the eastbound lanes about 9 a.m. The eastbound freeway reopened around 2 p.m.

Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative reported a weather-related outage that affected about 1,100 customers in the Haines and North Powder areas around 9 a.m. Friday.

OTEC crews had restored power to their customers by 10:45 a.m.

The temperature had warmed to 38 degrees by 3 p.m. at the Baker City Airport, where the snow had changed to rain.

OREGON LOTTERY

MEGABUCKS, Nov. 10

16 — 18 — 24 — 30 — 31 — 35

Next jackpot: \$5.6 million

POWERBALL, Nov. 10

19 — 25 — 43 — 46 — 48 PB 14

Next jackpot: \$173 million

MEGA MILLIONS, Nov. 9

9 — 14 — 16 — 26 — 49 Mega 14

Next jackpot: \$53 million

WIN FOR LIFE, Nov. 10

7 — 24 — 51 — 55

PICK 4, Nov. 11

• 1 p.m.: 8 — 9 — 6 — 4

• 4 p.m.: 8 — 3 — 6 — 0

• 7 p.m.: 4 — 7 — 0 — 7

• 10 p.m.: 3 — 7 — 5 — 7

LUCKY LINES, Nov. 11

1-5-12-15-20-22-28-29

Next jackpot: \$14,000

SENIOR MENUS

- **MONDAY:** Salisbury steak, au gratin potatoes, green beans, rolls, broccoli-bacon salad, cheesecake
- **TUESDAY:** Ham-n-beans, cornbread, peas, cottage cheese and Jell-O salad, brownies
- **WEDNESDAY:** Tuna salad, croissant chips, pickle wedges, pickled cucumber and onion salad, pudding
- **THURSDAY (Thanksgiving lunch):** Roasted turkey with stuffing, butternut squash with apples and cranberries, vegetables, cranberry sauce, rolls, broccoli-bacon salad, pumpkin pie
- **FRIDAY:** Baked ziti, garlic bread, carrots, green salad, ice cream

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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Harvey Kinsey

Halfway, 1942-2021

Harvey Kinsey, 79, of Halfway, died peacefully on Oct. 29, 2021, at the Veterans Hospital in Boise with his daughter by his side.

Harvey was born on Sept. 24, 1942, in Halfway to Edward and Nita (Caterston) Kinsey. He was raised in Halfway and graduated from Pine Eagle High School in 1961. In 1962 Harvey enlisted in the United States Navy and received an honorable discharge in 1966. He worked in Eastern Oregon as a feller buncher operator for more than 30 years.

Harvey was one of a kind, a friend to all and a simple man who enjoyed hunting in the fall, fishing, trips to the coast to catch tuna, being outdoors, and solving the world's problems with his buddies under the "Northern Lights." His door was always open. He kept a bowl of candy stocked on the table and the neighborhood kids would stop by to say "Hi Uncle Harvey" and pick their "three" pieces.

Harvey is survived by his daughters, Carolyn De Ford, Christina Kinsey and Pamela Kinsey; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, LeRoy, Marvin and Linden.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Harvey may do so to the Halfway VFW Post No. 7847 through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Rodd Bunch

Durkee, 1957-2021

Rodd Bunch, 64, a longtime Durkee resident, was able to spend his last day on Earth doing what he loved — working cows with family — before he passed away on Nov. 6, 2021, from



Harvey Kinsey

an undetected fast moving infection.

A celebration of his very full life will be take place at the Durkee Community Building on Sunday, Nov. 14 at 11 a.m. followed by his favorite meal.

We will be celebrating outside in God's country where he was most comfortable, so please come dressed comfortably and warmly with a blanket and feel free to wear your hat.

Rodd Duane Bunch was born on Feb. 16, 1957, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Baker City to Duane and Jean Bunch. Rodd attended grade school in Durkee and graduated from Baker High School in 1975. During high school, he was active in sports and FFA. His junior year, he placed second in the State FFA public speaking contest and received his State Farmer Degree his senior year.

After high school, he attended Treasure Valley Community College for a year and then transferred to Blue Mountain Community College and graduated with an associate of science degree in Production Agriculture. After college, he returned home to Durkee to the family ranch.

Rodd married Rhea Woods on Sept. 12, 1981, in Durkee at the old school house. They had two children — Charlene Nicole, born on Aug. 5, 1984, and Levi Andrew, born on Oct. 29, 1986. Rodd and Rhea could be found at all the kids' activities — sports, 4-H, FFA, and rodeo. They shared 32 happy years together before Rhea was diagnosed with cancer and passed away in December of 2013.

Rodd started a companionship with neighbor and lifelong family friend, Heather Vaughan. They shared several wonderful years together being Papa and Mimi to their four grandkids: Rio (7), Cash (5), Sage (2), and Brim (3 months). They were the light of Rodd's life. The grandkids loved to come



Rodd Bunch

and do cow work with Papa on horseback or in the "side side" and have picnics at the cabin. Rodd was in Roseburg just a week ago to watch Rio and Cash play in their last soccer game of the season. He never missed a birth or birthday and was a very devoted Papa.

A favorite time of the year for Rodd was spring. Neighbors helping neighbors roping and branding calves with a hearty dinner and cold drink to cap the day. He worked very closely with his family on the ranch and enjoyed the company of his family and friends very much! He was humbled and amazed by the outpouring of love and support from family, friends, and the community upon Rhea's passing. Every call, message, or card truly meant the world to him. He was fortunate enough to have many treasured relationships with family and friends.

Rodd was active in the Durkee community and Baker County. He was past president of the Baker County Cattlemen's Association and a 4-H leader for many years of the Durkee Livestock Club. He is on the Durkee Preservation District Board, Burnt River RFP, a past board member of the SWCD, and the Taylor Grazing Board. He was a member of the Baker Elks Lodge and the Oregon Cattlemen's Association. He is also chairman of the Durkee Community Corps. He was a staple at every Durkee function, including the Durkee Steak Feed starting as a young kid helping when it was held by the Burnt River to now when it is held in Baker.

Rodd is survived by his companion and love, Heather Vaughan; his daughter and son-in-law, Charlene and Kyle Henrikson, and grandkids, Rio, Cash and Sage, of Roseburg; his son and daughter-in-law, Levi and Amanda Bunch, and grandson, Brim, of Durkee; his mother, Jean Bunch of Durkee; his sister, Susan Bunch of La Grande, his sister and brother-in-law, Cheryl and Chuck Buchanan of

Durkee; his mother-in-law, Ione Woods of Fruitland, Idaho; as well as other close family, and many very dear friends.

Rodd was preceded in death by his father, Duane Bunch; and his wife, Rhea Bunch.

Contributions in memory of Rodd can be made to the Muscular Dystrophy Association, Snake River Chapter, or the Baker County Livestock Producers Foundation Scholarship Fund, or a charity of your choice through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences can be made at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

Wesley Overcash

Baker City, 1950-2021

Wesley Roscoe Overcash, 71, of Baker City died Oct. 29, 2021.

No services are planned at this time.

Wesley was born on Feb. 14, 1950, in Pierce County,

Washington. Wesley worked with Step Forward and other programs.

Wesley loved chocolate! He also loved going for scenic car rides while listening to the oldies on the radio. Wesley was a go-getter. Once he had his mind made up, there was no stopping him. Wesley gave the best high fives and enjoyed all his movies. When Wesley showed up at parties, he would eat the food, sit back, relax, and watch people.

Wesley may not have been a man of many words, but his eyes said so much. He captured so many hearts and made life better by knowing him. Wesley was not dealt the best life, but he had a lot of people in his life who supported him and helped him love life. Wesley will never be forgotten and will continue to live in our hearts.

To light a candle in Wesley's memory or to offer online condolences, go to www.grayswestco.com.



Wesley Overcash

NEWS OF RECORD

Street; cited and released.

CRIMINAL TRESPASSING: Juan Pablo Burgos, 60, Baker City, 3:11 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 in the 1500 block of Campbell Street; cited and released.

BAKER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT WARRANTS: Jonathon Dwayne Hughes, 33, Baker City, 2:35 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10 at the Courthouse; cited and released.

RECKLESSLY ENDAGERING ANOTHER, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF: Joshua Gerald Vanderpool, 41, Baker City, 10:02 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at East and Madison streets; cited and released.

CONTEMPT OF COURT (Five Baker County Justice Court warrants): Alex Cooper Horn, 25, Baker City, 7:04 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the 2100 block of First Street; cited and released.

VIOLATION OF RESTRAINING ORDER: Steven Forrest Adams, 55, Baker City, 8:03 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8 at the Sheriff's Office; cited and released.

CRIMINAL TRESPASSING, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF, HARASSMENT: Juan Pablo Burgos, 60, Baker City, 7:13 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8 in the 2900 block of Walnut Street; cited and released.

FAILURE TO APPEAR (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Chloe Taylor V. Stoffelson, 25, Baker City, 9:01 a.m. Monday, Nov. 8 at the Police Department; cited and released.

CRIMINAL TRESPASSING: Michael Myers-Gabiola, 30, Baker City, 11:31 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11 in the 800 block of Elm

Baker County Sheriff's Office Arrests, citations

FAILURE TO APPEAR (Baker County Circuit Court warrant): Aubrey Scott Fryman, 35, Baker City, 8:55 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at the Courthouse; cited and released.

CONTEMPT OF COURT (Baker County Justice Court warrant): Pearl Naomi Adair, 41, Baker

City, 8:16 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8 at the Sheriff's Office; cited and released.

FAILURE TO APPEAR (Lincoln County Circuit Court warrant): Darion Alyssa Marie Grove, 27, Baker City, 9:21 a.m. Monday, Nov. 8 at the Baker County Jail, where she was incarcerated on other charges.

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