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EASTERN OREGON — The tradition of fireworks for the Fourth of July is strong across our communities, and many towns throw an old-fashioned celebration for the holiday, too.

Here's a look at weekend events around Eastern Oregon.

BAKER CITY

The annual Kids Sidewalk Tribute Walk, sponsored by Baker City Events, happens Saturday, July 2, in downtown Baker City. The theme is "Salute to Rural Country Life in America."

Entries can line up for judging at 1 p.m. at Court Plaza, followed by the walk to Geiser-Pollman Park. Every child will receive a ribbon, and cash prizes will be awarded in the categories of: Groups and Clubs; Floats; Individuals; Wheels and Pets.

At the park, treats will be provided by Gregg Hinrichsen State Farm Insurance and games organized by the Baker Elks Lodge.

BOARDMAN

Get ready to celebrate Independence Day from early morning into the night. Organized



Ellen Morris Bishop/For the Wallowa County Chieftain

Fireworks covered the sky at all elevations over Wallowa Lake Sunday night, July 4, 2021, during the annual Shake the Lake fireworks show.

by the Boardman Chamber of Commerce, the celebration gets started at 7 a.m. with a country breakfast at Boardman Marina

Park. After getting your fill, put on your running shoes for a 5K/10K fun run/walk at 8:30 a.m.

The parade gets rolling at

11 a.m. in downtown Boardman. And then, head back to the park for a full afternoon of festivities.

Bring your cooler and enjoy tunes

with DJ Kora. Park activities include horseshoes, pony rides, face painting, kids' games and a chili cook-off. Also, vendor and artisan booths will offer a variety of wares, food and drinks.

Live music cranks up with Blue Mt. Spanish Sound (3-5 p.m.) and Chris Loid and Green Light Polly (6-9 p.m.). The celebration crescendos with \$30,000 worth of fireworks illuminating the sky over the Columbia River.

For more information, call 541-481-3014 or search www.facebook.com/ChamberBoardman.

DAYVILLE

This town has three days of celebration leading up to the Fourth of July. On Saturday, July 2, the community hall will be open from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., and tri-tip will be served from 4-7 p.m. at the Fish House Inn, followed by karaoke from 6-9 p.m.

Sunday, July 3, starts with a service at Community Church at 11 a.m. Goat roping starts at 1 p.m. at Letosky's Corral, and the day ends at the Fish House Inn with hamburgers and hot dogs from 4-6 p.m. and music by Red-Headed Step Child from 5-9 p.m.

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