

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

## 50 YEARS AGO

from the Democrat-Herald  
August 27, 1972

Demolition crews have begun work on the radar station southwest of Baker. The structure was recently purchased through the General Services Administration by the school district in Payette, Idaho.

## 25 YEARS AGO

from the Baker City Herald  
August 27, 1997

The Baker City Council on Tuesday decided to join Baker County in applying for a state grant to pave bicycle lanes on Hughes Lane.

Both the city and county are eligible to receive as much as \$100,000. Each would have to come up with a 20-percent match in cash or in-kind services.

## 10 YEARS AGO

from the Baker City Herald  
August 27, 2012

New modular classrooms greeted Haines School kindergartners and first-graders on today's first day of school.

The new classrooms were needed because of the rural school's burgeoning enrollment, said Beth Bigelow, Haines principal.

She credited the growth to students who are returning to the public school from online programs, homeschooling, private schools and transfers from other districts.

## ONE YEAR AGO

from the Baker City Herald  
August 28, 2021

Brian Ratliff has sliced open and probed the innards of quite a number of cows, but he's never come across a case as confounding as the missing tongue.

"This is a stumper," Ratliff said on Thursday, Aug. 26. "I don't have an answer."

The mystery started the day before for Ratliff, the district wildlife biologist at the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's (ODFW) Baker City office.

A ranch manager found the carcass of a three-year-old cow that morning on a public grazing allotment near the head of Fox Creek. That's near Lookout Mountain, about 14 miles north of Huntington.

Ratliff investigated the case as a possible wolf attack.

Wolves from the Lookout Mountain pack have killed three head of cattle, and injured three others, this summer several miles to the west.

Wolves didn't kill the cow at Fox Creek — Ratliff is sure about that.

He's also confident in his conclusion about why the cow died.

Almost the whole of the cow's tongue — at least a couple pounds of flesh — was missing.

The wound severed two arteries at the base of the tongue, and Ratliff said a veterinarian told him that a cow with that injury would bleed to death relatively rapidly.

That was the only injury which happened prior to the cow's death, Ratliff said.

The carcass was undisturbed with one exception — birds had pecked out one eyeball.

He estimated the cow died either late on Aug. 24 or early on Aug. 25.

Ratliff said tracking conditions were "phenomenal," with a large area of dry, soft dirt around the carcass.

He didn't find any predator tracks, but there were tracks from deer, elk, mice, squirrels and birds. There were also human boot tracks — presumably from the ranch manager who found the carcass.

## OREGON LOTTERY

## MEGABUCKS, AUG. 24

3 — 4 — 8 — 23 — 29 — 39

Next jackpot: \$5.2 million

## POWERBALL, AUG. 24

6 — 24 — 35 — 37 — 44 PB 22

Next jackpot: \$115 million

## MEGA MILLIONS, AUG. 23

3 — 5 — 47 — 48 — 67 Mega 7

Next jackpot: \$135 million

## WIN FOR LIFE, AUG. 24

14 — 30 — 50 — 62

## PICK 4, AUG. 25

• 1 p.m.: 0 — 2 — 1 — 9

• 4 p.m.: 6 — 3 — 7 — 2

• 7 p.m.: 5 — 1 — 4 — 3

• 10 p.m.: 7 — 5 — 9 — 7

## LUCKY LINES, AUG. 25

2-7-11-16-20-21-26-31

Next jackpot: \$24,000

## SENIOR MENUS

**MONDAY (August 29):** Chicken-fried chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots, rolls, green salad, pudding

**TUESDAY (August 30):** Beef stew, broccoli, cottage cheese with fruit, lemon squares

**WEDNESDAY (August 31):** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, mixed vegetables, rolls, coleslaw, birthday cake

**THURSDAY (Sept. 1):** Chicken a la king over rice, mixed vegetables, rolls, fruit, sherbet

**FRIDAY (Sept. 2):** Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, corn on the cob, green salad, rolls, lemon squares

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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## Baker grad's coffee house, bakery honored

BY LISA BRITTON

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Karma Coffee in Dallas, Oregon, was voted the Willamette Valley's best coffee house and earned second place for best bakery in a contest held earlier this year.

And the shop has a direct connection to Baker City.

The owner is Amanda Warren, who graduated from Baker High School in 2013.

She is the daughter of Anthony Bailey and Julie Hertel.

Her inspiration for opening a coffee shop was Mad Matilda's, a place she spent time when she was growing up in Baker City.

"Mad Matilda's made me want to open a coffee shop," she said.

She worked at Dutch Bros. in college, and at Starbucks after that.

"I liked making coffee," she said.

Then she decided to open her own shop. She bought and remodeled an old house in Dallas, which is about 15 miles west of Salem.

The shop opened in 2018.

Warren handled the coffee part of the business, and her mom was in charge of the bakery.

"She came up with most of the original recipes," she said.

In addition to food and drinks, the coffee shop features local artists on a rotating basis, and employs about 25 people.

Karma Coffee is located at 1062 Main St. in Dallas. For updates, check the Instagram page Karma Coffee Bar and Bakery.



Anthony Bailey/Contributed Photo

**Amanda Warren, who grew up in Baker City and graduated from Baker High School in 2013, owns Karma Coffee in Dallas, Oregon, west of Salem.**

## Officials monitoring 4 small fires in Eagle Caps

Baker City Herald

Wallowa-Whitman National Forest officials are monitoring four small lightning-caused fires in the Eagle Cap Wilderness.

The blazes, all 0.1 of an acre or smaller, were started Monday, Aug. 22 or Tuesday, Aug. 23, according to the Wallowa-Whitman. Fire officials surveyed the fires from the air this week.

Two fires are in the Goat

Creek area, about 1/4 mile apart. The two others are in the North Minam River drainage, about 1 mile apart. Two other fires were doused by rain from thunderstorms.

For more than 20 years the Wallowa-Whitman has had a policy in place that allows officials to monitor, rather than fight, lightning-sparked fires in the wilderness so long as the blazes don't threaten private property or structures.

The four current fires aren't close to private inholdings or to high-use trails.

"When the fires are active, smoke may be visible from the surrounding areas," said Anthony Botello, deputy forest supervisor for the Wallowa-Whitman. "We will be watching these closely and have a good plan in place when/if they become more active. The fires are in the middle of the Wilderness and

playing a natural role in reducing fuels."

"These remote Wilderness fires that pose no threat to private lands should be monitored closely," said Todd Nash, Wallowa County commissioner.

"They also serve as a benefit by reducing heavy fuel loads caused by long interruptions in the natural fire regime. I fully support the Forest Service current response."

## Local Briefing

## Meal, other activities planned at LDS church

The La Grande Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will hold a Stake activity on Saturday, Aug. 27 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Baker City church building, 2625 Hughes Lane. A meal will be served, followed by activities for anyone who wants to join in.

On Sunday, Aug. 28, a special "Back to School Devotional" will be broadcast to all church buildings at 7 p.m. PDT. Sister Bonnie Cordon, Young Women General President and Elder Ken Firmage, Area Seventy, will be speaking. Contact your Ward's leadership for more information on both activities.

The "Come, Follow Me" lesson for the week of Aug. 29 will be based on select chapters from the books of Proverbs and Ecclesiastes with a focus on the meanings of "wisdom" and "godly fear" as used in these scriptures. For lesson details, download the free mobile app called "Gospel Library" or visit the Church website.

## BCU plans Patriot Night Out Aug. 27

Baker County United is planning a Patriot Night Out event Saturday, Aug. 27 in the covered area at Geiser-Pollman Park.

The event, which celebrates the group's first anniversary, starts at 4:30 p.m. with an auto rally starting at Windmill Lane, with vehicles heading west on Campbell Street, then on Main to Broadway to 10th and then back onto Campbell to the park.

A free barbecue will start at the park at 5 p.m. The menu, catered by Elkhorn Custom Meats and Deli, includes hamburgers and hot dogs, baked beans, broccoli salad, chips, cookies and lemonade. Bottled water will also be available. Everyone at the barbecue will receive a free ticket for a raffle of a 30-foot flag pole, including installation.

BCU is a nonpartisan community service organization. The mission of BCU is:

- to educate and build a Baker County network of citizens who actively pursue self-governance by championing our inalienable God given rights.
- to regain and maintain a local representative government that protects the same, guided by our Constitution and the Bill of Rights, with emphasis on our county's culture, history, heritage.
- to restore a self-sustaining economy.

## BHS football players to sell Gold Cards

Baker High School football players will soon begin selling Bulldog Gold Cards, which offer discounts at local businesses. Football players will have the \$10 cards starting this weekend. Proceeds benefit the BHS football program.

## Free services for some cities, counties, nonprofits

The Northeast Oregon Economic Development District (NEOEDD) is offering up to 20 hours of free help to cities, counties and nonprofits in Baker, Union and Wallowa counties. The free services include project and organizational development, grant prospecting, grant writing and project administration services.

The services are possible due to funding from the Oregon Legislature and an Oregon foundation, according to a press release from NEOEDD.

NEOEDD will provide services based on available staff time, an organization's readiness to proceed, and the timing of grant deadlines.

"Our goal is to assist as many organizations as possible; however, our funding is limited, so we may not be able to serve every eligible organization," said Lisa Dawson, NEOEDD executive director.

The money from the Oregon Legislature supports services to cities with populations

under 2,500, counties with populations under 15,000, and special districts in these cities and counties. NEOEDD will use the same criteria to prioritize the free services.

Cities, counties and nonprofits can submit a request for services online at <https://bit.ly/3R6nIZy>.

"We may also refer organizations to Sequoia Consulting for help to identify appropriate grant sources for a project or to prepare an organization to apply for and successfully manage a grant," Dawson said.

More information is available by emailing Chantal Ivenso at [chantalivenso@neoedd.org](mailto:chantalivenso@neoedd.org) or by calling 541-426-3598, extension 4.

## Free grant-writing training for nonprofits

HALFWAY — Lisa Dawson and Sara Miller from the Northeast Oregon Economic Development District will teach a free workshop series in Halfway in September and October focusing on successful grant writing for nonprofits.

The classes will take place on four Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Sept. 10 and 24, and Oct. 8 and 22. The classes will be at the Lions Hall in Halfway. Registration deadline is Sept. 8. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/29sm299c> or find the link at [neoedd.org/events/](http://neoedd.org/events/) or call 541-426-3598.

## Entry deadline nears for Great Salt Lick Contest

Time is winding down to submit an entry for the Great Salt Lick Contest and Auction, which happens Saturday, Sept. 17, at Churchill School.

In this contest, founded by Whit Deschner, anyone is welcome to turn in a salt block that has been licked into an artistic form by livestock or wildlife.

Enter blocks by Sept. 15 —

## Community Connection gets grant for housing counseling

Community Connection of Northeast Oregon has received a \$25,863 grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide housing counseling to residents in Baker, Grant, Union and Wallowa counties.

For information about Community Connection's Housing Resource Center, call Debbie MacBaker at 541-963-3186 or email her at [debbie@ccno.org](mailto:debbie@ccno.org).

Read the news online at

[bakercityherald.com](http://bakercityherald.com)

## News of Record

## DEATHS

**Carl LaVerne Heath:** 84, of Baker City, died Aug. 24, 2022, at his residence. Service information will be updated when details are confirmed. To leave an online condolence for Carl's family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

## FUNERALS PENDING

**Tom 'Mac' Kerns:** A celebration of Mac's life will take place Saturday, Sept. 3 at 10 a.m. in the Haines Methodist Church. Donations can be made to the Eastern Oregon Museum in Haines through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St., Baker City, OR 97814. To light a candle in memory of Mac, go to [www.colestributecenter.com](http://www.colestributecenter.com).

**Frank William Hermann:** A celebration of his life will take place on Sept. 9 at 1 p.m. at the Harvest Christian Church, 3720 Birch St. in Baker City. To leave an online condolence for Frank's family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

**Peggy Anna Pittman:** Graveside service Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. at Mount Hope Cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a reception afterward at the Baker City Christian Church, 675 Highway 7. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Smile Train, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or Shriners' Children's Hospital through

Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814. To leave an online condolence for Peggy's family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

**Cass Robertson Vanderwiele:** Celebration of life/anniversary celebration, Sept. 10 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Thomas Angus Ranch party barn, 42734 Old Trail Road, north of Baker City. It will be a time to visit with Cass's family and offer them love, support and condolences. Friends and loved ones are welcome to stop by at their convenience between those times. Memorial contributions can be directed to Colton Accounting, on Church Street in Baker City. Cass loved making sure the children of Baker, who were in need, had a great Christmas. A foundation will be created to honor his wishes in his name. To leave an online condolence for Cass's family, go to [www.grayswestco.com](http://www.grayswestco.com).

## THANK YOU!!

The Powder Valley Senior Class of 2023 would like to thank the Ropers, Cowboys and Community for supporting us this last weekend in Haines at the Benefit. It was a lot of fun and we really appreciate You All!!

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