

The Baker Bite

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City

Powder River Spring Clean-up occurs on April 12th at 10 am. Volunteers will pick up trash along the Leo Adler Trail. North 7 will be offering FREE drink tickets to all volunteers. This event is suitable for all ages. Meet at The Pavilion in Geiser-Pollman Park.

City Council

Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6 pm and are temporarily at the OSU Extension Office (4-H building). The new fee schedule was approved with almost no changes. There will be no increases in water rates. Employee pay is moving to a merit based versus schedule-based pay raise. Non-union employees received a cost-of-living wage increase.

Best Friends of Baker (BFB)

BFB reminds you that they have a lot of shelter dogs that needs good homes. 3 of the featured pets:

- **Farmer Joe (Joey):** Affectionate, Athletic, Curious, Friendly, Gentle, Playful, Smart, House Trained and good with other dogs, cats, children.
- **Brownie:** Knows Commands, Gentle Smart, House Trained.
- **Sawyer:** Affectionate, Athletic, Friendly, Gentle, Smart, Playful, Very Gentle and good with other dogs, children, other animals.

Politics

Senator Merkley is hosting a town hall in Baker City on 4/13 at 11:45am pm at Baker High School. Senator Merkley is 1 of 2 senator to the the US Congress from Oregon.

Art

Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre

"The Bookstore" opens 4/11 and runs this weekend, skips Easter weekend and returns Friday the 25th for the weekend. The story is about a whimsical almost magical bookstore where people fall in and out of love. Ida, the idiosyncratic store owner has died and has left it to her niece, Rachel, a harried and poor assistant book editor. The customers and employees are desperate to keep the fantastical haven as it is, but real estate magnate, Max Brewer is offering more and more money to turn the building into luxury apartments. Rachel must decide if she can say no to more money than she ever thought possible and also what to do about her fiancé and if she has any patience for whimsy and for this sappy kind of love that's all around. Some local favorites including Jay Billings and Kate Loennig as well as a couple of newcomers Emilia Heredia and Raevyn Whiting add to a fun cast.

Join them for a fun show!



Art Roamers

Safari season has begun. Wild animals will start roaming the streets of Baker City through an amazing cultural exchange with Nairobi, Kenya. If you would like to lease one of these animals for the 2025 season, contact Art Roamers. You get a one-of-a-kind unique animal sculpture, inclusion in a tourism map, at least 1 social media promotion per month, pick-up and delivery services, and your logo on their website. All of this and added excitement to our Baker City Community.



Health

St. Al's would like the public to fill out a survey. The QR code links to the survey. Also, measles is in Oregon from the Texas outbreak. If you want to know your vaccine status, any pharmacy, physicians office or the Baker County Health Department can look you up in the Alert ii system if you were vaccinated in Oregon. The MMR vaccine is safe if you are unsure, but it is a live vaccine so can pose issue for people with very poor immune systems. Talk to your provider.



Pharmacy

Let Saint Alphonsus know that you would like a MedNow pharmacy opened. MedNow is St. Al's retail pharmacy branch. This would help ease the strain on downtown pharmacies. Call 541-523-6461 locally or call the MedNow in Boise to request they open in Baker City, 208-367-2167.

Sports

Baker Bulldog Trap Team (BBTT)

The trap team is in Class 2A – Conference 2, the largest class and conference in the state. What is trap shooting. A clay “pigeon” (round disc) is launched into the air from a device called a thrower. The athlete attempts to shoot the target. The BBTT has 39 athletes and 6 coaches; students range from 7th grade to 12th grade. Last year they were Class 2A- conference 1 League Champions and Class 2A State Champions. Trap targets can be expensive for the team and they have several fundraisers during the season. Currently they have a link on their Facebook page for donations, as well they sell hats and food at meets. There is a big raffle for beef and a custom-made smoker by Rising Phoenix MetalWorks and Farm & Industrial. Come see some of their home competitions at the Baker Trap Club (42698 Imnaha Rd, Baker City); bring a lawn chair, sunglasses and ear protection (muffs or plugs). Their 1st event here is April 19th at 9 am. Watch the home sports schedule here in The Baker Bite for future dates.



Home Games:

4/11 1pm Baseball JV
4/11 3pm Baseball V
4/12 11am BMS Baseball
4/16 4pm JV2
4/18 2pm Softball V
4/18 2pm Softball JV
4/18 2pm Baseball JV
4/18 2pm Baseball V
4/19 Noon Baseball JV2
4/19 9am Trap Team at the Trap Club

Calendar Highlights (just the highlights): (<https://hikingbaker.com/event-calendar>)

4/11 6pm David Henry Music at Barleys
4/11 6 pm EORT play “The Bookstore”
4/12 8am Little League Opening Day
4/12 10am Powder River Clean Up
4/12 6pm EORT play “The Bookstore”
4/13 11:45am Senator Merkley Town Hall
4/13 1pm Woodworking at Churchill
4/13 3pm EORT play “The Bookstore”
4/17 6pm Sip and Wick candle making
4/18 6pm Jack Wilhite Rock and Roll Comedy at Churchill
4/18 5pm Bingo at Quail Ridge
4/19 10am Bike Gear Swap at Barleys
4/19 5pm Add Collard Music at Barleys
4/19 6pm Seafood Boil and Jesse Lee Falls Band at the Elks

