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Around Town

City Council

City Council voted for new bathrooms at Geiser Pollman Park. Unfortunately, electric power to an area near the park will be interrupted for 8 to 10 hours while the bathrooms are delivered by crane. Please keep an eye out at the City of Baker City FB page for when this will occur. The city begins Budget Committee meetings next week on 5/19 at 6pm at Baker County Natural Resources and Parks Office at the Train Depot. They will continue each night at 6pm if needed. This is a great opportunity for public comment.

Vote

Ballots are due by May 20th. Mail them in or there is a drop box behind the County Courthouse. Didn't get a ballot? Register here for the next election: sos.oregon.gov/voting.

Baker City Rotary

Rotary is trying to help decrease plastic in our environment with a recycling program. They are taking part in the NexTrex Recycling Challenge. Bring your bags to one of their drop-off locations: Baker City Grocery Outlet, Baker Food Co Op, Haines Market & Deli, Old souls farm and newly added Step Forward Activities. The NexTrex Recycling Program accepts soft plastics including grocery bags, bread bags, overwrap from water bottle cases or paper towels, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, resealable food storage bags (clean and dry), bubble wrap, cereal box liners, and salt and pellet bags. Please read the recycling site sign to be sure any plastic bags you bring are acceptable.

Wraparound Fundraiser

The 3rd annual event kicks off at 5 pm at the Baker City Elks. Dinner will be by Mine City Catering with music by Trailer Hitch. There will be a silent auction during the event. The fundraiser is brought to you by Baker County Safe Communities Coalition. Money raised goes to help families and youth in Baker County. Some of the silent auction items include: Roaring Spring passes, custom cornhole boards, Hells Canyon Boat tour, Blue Lotus Tattoo gift card, Pendleton Round Up tickets, Savage Model 110 Predator .243 Rifle. You can purchase tickets at Thatcher's Ace Hardware, Kicks & Les Schwab. Tickets can also be purchased by contacting Jenny Blair (jblair@ndninc.org), Cassie Reeder (creeder@ndninc.org) or Haley Hueckman@ndninc.org).

Wine Walk

UnWINEd Walk is Thursday the 15th! Start at Court Plaza at 5 pm. Proceeds go to the Soroptimists. HUGE SHOUTOUT to Grocer Outlet for sponsoring this Wine Walk and picking up the insurance cost! \$12 gets you a glass and the fun of visiting 12 to 15 downtown business for a refreshing beverage! Then stay for dinner at one of our great local restaurants!

Art

Pops and Pies

Pops and Pies is a fundraising Baker High School choir concert with all proceeds being used for student travel to choir competitions and festivals. Soft drinks or coffee are included in the admission price. Dessert items will be for sale as well as auctioned off to the highest bidder. Other beverages will be available for purchase as well. Join the BHS choir at Churchill School on Saturday May 17th, doors open at 6 pm.

Robin Hood at EORT

Play opens Friday the 16th and runs for 2 weekends. With King Richard the Lionhearted away fighting wars in the Holy Land, his brother Prince John seizes the regency in England. Prince John and his followers are hard on the peasants, increasing their taxes and hanging those that cannot afford to pay. Robin of Locksley, also known as Robin Hood, rebels against the prince and is declared an outlaw. Living in Sherwood Forest, Robin and the Merry Men rob from the rich, give to the poor. Despite their dedication to avenging the less fortunate, Robin still takes time to woo the lovely Maid Marian, who has been promised to Prince John by her father the Sheriff. She actively resists the force of her father and the prince and later joins the Merry Men.

The Outsiders at Baker High School

Play opens Friday the 16th and has shows this weekend. In Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1967, Ponyboy Curtis, his best friend Johnny Cade and their Greaser family of 'outsiders' battle with their affluent rivals, the Socs. THE OUTSIDERS navigates the complexities of self-discovery as the Greasers dream about who they want to become in a world that may never accept them.

Baker Heritage Museum Camp

Museum Camp will be June 23rd to 26th. They do art, games, history, rocks, crafts and more. Registration is open so sign up now at their website or at the museum.



Sports (Baker 5J FB posts a lot of great things for kids)

Tennis Camp at the YMCA: sign up now for June 16th -19th, all ages

Football camp: 6-12th grade June 3,4,5 4 to 6 pm practice football field

Summer Soccer League ages 14 and up QR code at Baker Bulldog Nation FB page

Baker High Cheerleading tryouts: May 27th-30th Main Gym

Sports Physicals for 6,7,8th grades. See Parent Square for signups or 5J FB page



Calendar Highlights: https://hikingbaker.com/event-calendar

5/15 Wine Walk

5/16 Two Plays open, Let's Gather starts at the Nazarene Church, Track

5/17 Golf, Cleanup day, Garden Club sale, Cracking Party, Wraparound fundraiser, Pops and Pies

5/18 Woodworking

5/19 Dean Wareham Music, City Budget

5/20 Baseball, Softball

5/21 Softball

5/24 Baker Bulldog Youth Shoot