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City News:

League of Oregon Cities:

What is the League of Oregon Cities (LOC)? The LOC encompasses 241 cities. It is a go-to resource to help city staffs and elected leaders serve their cities. They help cities with topics such as building codes, public meetings, revenue, parks, building codes and many more. Just about any topic that comes before city council has a help page at LOC. They offer training classes for government fundamentals and small cities topics. Baker City recently hosted the LOC small cities regional meeting. At this meeting the LOC representative shared the priorities for upcoming Legislative sessions, some are listed below. If some of these priorities pass the Oregon Legislature it may help Baker city.

1. Infrastructure funding: water, sewer, road investments.
2. Transportation Package.
3. Legislation to protect cities and landowners who open their property for recreational purposes from tort liability claims.
4. Behavioral health enhancements.
5. Lodging tax flexibility: this might effect TLT funds (see The Baker Bite Issue #2).

Around Town:

YMCA:

The Baker Y had its official groundbreaking (there is already concrete poured) for its new 84,000 square foot Family Center on 10/29. The new building will be 2 story including a new gym. The building is currently being fabricated and they hope to start using the new space as early as April. The Y is still fundraising for the gym floor and new basketball hoops for the new building.

Saint Alphonsus Medical Center:

With the closures of the ICU and OB departments at St. Als there has been a lot of negativity in the public conversation. Whether that is in print, social media or overheard at a table next door at a restaurant. Please remember there are about 130 employees at our local hospital. They are your neighbors, friends and acquaintances. It can be hard to hear others speak badly about your workplace. Let's lift up what we do have, because making the current employees feel better about their job helps St. Als to operate as well. The hospital still offers a huge number of services. The radiology department offers CT Scans, x-rays, mammograms, MRIs and ultrasounds to name a few. The lab is full service with convenient hours of 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Bootsma Infusion Center offers a variety of infusions and injections as well as wound care. EKGs, echocardiograms and cardiac stress tests are performed right here locally. Physical, occupational and speech therapy are available. Many other services are also available as well as a physician clinic. We as a community can try to solve the problems we face in healthcare, but please give a shout out to the hard-working employees at the hospital for all they do.

Restaurant:

North 7 Brewery

North 7 Brewery isn't a restaurant per se, but it does serve great beer and snacks to go with. The neat restaurant part is they are featuring a different To-Go restaurant in town each week. The week before they featured Latitude 45 this last week has been D and J Tacos. This week is AJ's Corner Brick. You can order from a business that has to-go food and take it to North 7. Eat your dinner and enjoy the atmosphere. North 7 is very kid friendly. They have shelves in the corner with games for toddlers through adults. We most recently played Cards against Humanity, but they have Battleship and Uno to name a few. Grab your family or friends head over to North 7 get a beer or a flight(sampler) and order some food to pick up and have at the brewery. <https://www.north7brewing.com/>



Special:

SPC Mabry James Anders Memorial Foundation

The SPC. Mabry James Anders Memorial Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that focuses on enhancing the knowledge of the youth as well as the members of the military. To do this, they raise funds and offer scholarships to locals in Baker City, OR, in honor of SPC. Mabry James Anders. There are fundraising events during the year including a 4th of July BBQ, Truck and Tractor Pull and most recently the Pumpkin Chunkin Bash. During the Bash you can buy a ticket to ride in a helicopter and throw a pumpkin at a target. They sell food and have vendors, making for a fun fall festival day out at the airport. Keep an eye out for their events and help support the foundation.

<https://mabryanders.org/about/>



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

- Churchill: Woodworking and MAITA music
- Crossroads Carnegie: Ballet, Big Bowls, Open sewing, Learn to Draw, Dollhouse furniture, Masks
- Downtown: First Friday
- Fairgrounds: Capitol Christmas Tree
- The Trail Head: Shred Flicks and Ski Tunes



Sports:

Fall sports are ending and Winter sports starting keep an eye here for updates.

Death Notices:

These are viewable without a subscription at the Baker City Herald

https://www.bakercityherald.com/obituaries/death_notices/

