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## **City News:**

### **Curbside Recycling**

In the next year expect to see curbside recycling come to Baker City. Baker Sanitary is working hard to fulfill new rules created to meet the Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act passed in 2021. The updated Franchise agreement between the City and Baker Sanitary helps to make this happen. The act goes into effect July 1, 2025. Baker Sanitary is working out the logistics of schedules and pick up for recyclables. In the meantime keep taking your recyclables to the collection center at 3048 Campbell St. Baker Sanitary has lots of great recycling info on their website.

<https://www.bakersanitary.com/recycling>.



### **Puppy for Christmas?**

Instead of a puppy think about a dog from Best Friends. They have a lot of dogs that are already trained and need a good home. A puppy requires getting up in the middle of the night, frequent trips outside, constantly being watched for chewing. I guarantee that for a child any dog is a gift. So, check out their website: <https://www.bestfriendsofbaker.org/>. Urgent adoptions are needed for these 3 dogs:



- **RUGER** - 1 year old neutered male.
- **SPECK** - This is a "ready to go anytime, anywhere" neutered male
- **COPPER (AKA CHEETO!)** - An affectionate, funny, neutered, active pup-ster

### **Christmas Shopping? Skip the mall!**

I would guarantee you can find perfect gifts right here in Baker City. Just in the Baker City Downtown Zone we have numerous businesses featuring clothes, knick-knacks, games, theatre and theater tickets, gift cards, certificates and memberships, toys, electronics, bikes, ski gear, music instruments, candy, stocking stuffers, etc...

I challenge shoppers to start on the North side of Main St at Church St and walk to Auburn St. Check out the businesses. Cross the street and walk back up Main St. Zip up to Resort and check out the shops there. Zip up to 1<sup>st</sup> and check out the businesses there. The entire walk is about the same as doing the Boise Towne Square, but you get to say "Hi" to your friends and neighbors and support local businesses! Then you can drive out Broadway and 10<sup>th</sup> to those shops then out to Birds on a Wire and enjoy Baker City's very own mini-mall.

## **Home Sports:**

- 12/9 Boys JV2 vs powder 4:30pm
- 12/10 BHS girls basketball vs Vale 4:30pm (jv 1<sup>st</sup>)
- 12/11 BMS basketball vs Lagrande 4:00pm - Teddy Bear Toss
- 12/12 Boys JV2 vs Weston-McEwen
- 12/13 BMS basketball vs Burns 11:00 am

### **Sports:**

#### **Ski for the Health of It (SFTHOI):**

SFTHOI is a program to introduce youth to skiing and snowboarding, as well to grow their skills in these sports. This is a phenomenal program available locally. Students spend 8 sessions on Fridays at Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort. A mandatory lesson, rentals and lift passes are included in the program for \$80. Generous help from Community Bank and Leo Adler Fund make this possible. This year Crossroads Carnegie Art Center teamed with Anthony Lakes to raise funds from donations to attempt to sponsor more students. Even with the help there are 95 students on the waitlist! If you would like to help the program contact Crystal Irby at Baker 5J or Dillon at The Trailhead.

### **Arts:**

**Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre(EORT)** is a local live theatre. They produce around 8 plays each year. These include musical, children, family and adult plays. The theatre currently operates out of the Basche Sage place in a very small space. EORT owns the Orpheum Theatre, located behind the colorfully painted plywood downtown. EORT hopes to finish renovating the Orpheum and move into the new space in 1 to 3 years. The entire Orpheum project is funded by donations and grants. Live theatre is always a little different every night, it has not been edited in a cutting room. Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas opens December 6<sup>th</sup> and runs 2 weekends. Keith Taylor brings his piano skills to the show with extra music. The actors shine with a large live audience, so come see a play this year! Memberships make great Christmas presents!

**Churchill School** ends their music for 2024 with a concert by Dean Johnson w/ James Dean Kindle. Come enjoy some western swing and cowboy trail songs. Doors open at 6 pm on 12/12.

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

- Free days all month at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
- 12/8 Worldwide Candle Lighting Memorial
- 12/8 Annual Toy Run
- 12/11 Winter Band Concert
- 12/12 Dean Johnson and James Dean Kindle at Churchill
- 12/12 Laura Ingalls Wilder Christmas at EORT
- 12/12 Baker Community Band
- 12/13 Christmas Concert
- 12/14 Baker Community Choir



### **Death Notices:**

These are viewable without a subscription at the Baker City Herald  
[https://www.bakercityherald.com/obituaries/death\\_notices/](https://www.bakercityherald.com/obituaries/death_notices/)

