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Council news:

Gas Tax?

The city council is discussing a gas tax. Gas tax income must be used for roads and streets in Oregon. Also, any new taxes must be a ballot measure for voters to decide. What would a gas tax cost me? If a gas tax is \$0.05 per gallon and if you use 50 gallons of gas per month you would pay \$2.50 per month or \$30 per year. Drive less pay less, drive more pay more. The major benefit of a gas tax is the city receives income from outside the city. The major downside: gas is already expensive in Baker County, Oregon. ODOT's estimated revenue for a tax of \$0.05 per gallon is \$537,000 to \$717,000. These numbers were from before 2 new stations opened along the interstate. The money would be to fix and reconstruct Baker City streets. Contact the city and let them know your opinion: 541-524-2033, email:

<u>admin@bakercity.com</u>. Or message this newsletter.

Ambulance?

The ambulance service for the county is handled by the County Commission. Baker City does own 2 ambulances. The city is in talks with Pioneer Ambulance, St. Alphonsus and the county to be available for emergency transport if Pioneer is unable to answer a call. There are several possibilities, but it is possible the city would be contracted to Pioneer Ambulance.

The Arts:

Did you know we have art galleries, a live theatre, a movie theatre and a music venue in Baker? As well, several organizations have comedy and music on occasion. Have you been to any of these?

Hikingbaker.com is posting a regular calendar with their events to Facebook and Instagram, as well they have a link to the full calendar.

Check these out:

Churchill School:

https://www.churchillbaker.com/

Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre:

https://easternoregonregionaltheatre.com/

Eltrym Movie Theater:

https://www.eltrym.com/

Crossroads Carnegie Art

Center: https://crossroads-arts.org/

Robert Anders:

https://robertanders.com/index.html

Art Roamers:

https://www.artroamers.com/

Royal Artisan:

https://www.facebook.com/p/Royal-Artisan-100060243735238/

Business Spotlight:

No. 1911

Looking for a high-quality treasure? Stop in at No. 1911. They have durable, stylish clothes, with winter merchandise arriving. Goods ranging from drink cozies to jewelry to lotion to uplifting words. Having trouble finding baby gifts? They have cute onesies. New merchandise regularly. Stop in and check out the neat items. Super friendly staff can help you find just the

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right item. Don't forget the downstairs too!

Restaurant Review: D&J Taco Shop

Burritos and tacos and quesadillas oh my! Standard fair but always tasty. Choices of pork, chicken, steak, ground beef, shredded beef, vegetarian and fish for the main, different kinds of beans, lots of vegetable toppings and multiple salsa recipes allow for great customization. One of my favorites are the Gyro Tacos. Help support this great supporter of our community!

Hike:

An easy hike to have lunch or dinner in the Elkhorns: Black Lake.

Park at Anthony Lake. Lake can be accessed from Lilly Pad Lake Trail (right side of Black Lake) or Elkhorn Crest Trail (left side of Black Lake). Short about 1 mile hike not to steep. Visit

https://hikingbaker.com/hikes: Black Lake #1, #2, #3

Baker Sports:

Regular home games:

High School Volleyball

(games start at 4:00 with JV2): 9/19, 9/24, 10/15, 10/17, 10/22, 10/24 Full Schedule:

https://www.osaa.org/teams/56728?year=2024

JV Football (4pm): 9/6, 9/23

(5pm), 10/14, 10/25

Varsity Football (7pm): 9/6,

10/4, 10/18, 10/25 Full Schedule:

https://www.osaa.org/teams/57829?year=2024

Boys Soccer JV (4pm): 9/24, 10/4, 10/8, 10/18(2 pm), 10/22, 10/24

Boys Soccer Varsity:

9/14(4pm), 9/19(5pm), 9/24(5:30pm), 10/4(4:30pm), 10/8(4pm), 10/18(4pm), 10/22(5:30pm) Full Schedule:

https://www.osaa.org/teams/56725?year=2024

Girls Soccer: 9/17(5:30pm), 9/20(2:30pm), 10/1(5:30pm), 10/15(5:30pm), 10/29(4pm)

Full Schedule:

https://www.osaa.org/teams/56727?year=2024

Cross Country: 9/26, 10/30

Full Schedule:

https://www.athletic.net/team/192/crosscountry/2024

BMS Volleyball(4pm): 9/17, 9/20, 9/24, 10/3, 10/10, 10/15, 10/22

BMS Football(4pm): 9/25, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23

BMS Soccer(9am): 10/12

BMS Cross Country: 9/26

Community Calendar:

Weekend Highlights:

Sumpter Valley Flea Market Baker County Fair in Halfway Drop Dead Perfect at EORT Full Calendar with links:

https://hikingbaker.com/event-calendar