

The Baker Bite

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City Council News:

TLT? What is this?

Transient Lodging Tax. Also called a transient room tax. It is a tax collected from visitors who stay overnight in hotels, BnB's, vacation rentals, etc.... The money comes from people coming to stay in Baker County. The money collected goes into a fund administered by the Transient Lodging Tax Committee. Requests for funds are voted on by the committee and then sent to the Baker County Commission for approval, denial, or further work. These funds can be used for tourism related projects in Baker County. Approximately 80% of the funds are collected from Baker City. Recently \$300,000 was approved for the golf course irrigation project. The golf course holds multiple tournaments annually, which bring a lot of players from out of town, supporting our hotels and restaurants. The bathroom project at Geiser Pollman Park was approved to update the bathrooms. The park holds several events that bring visitors from out of town including Miners Jubilee and Big Foot Festival. Information about TLT can be found here: <https://www.bakercountyor.gov/pages/tlt.html>

The Arts:

Churchill School: <https://www.churchillbaker.com/events/>

Super busy week coming up.

September 7th: Comedian Jeremiah Coughlan

September 9th: Music group The Horsenecks

September 13th: Music group Matt Hopper and the Roman Candles

First Friday Downtown Baker City: Visit local businesses and see some art. Starts at 5:30 pm.

Remaining Little Big Show art has moved to Churchill School

Open Show and art sale at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center

Sherri Kay Linnemeyer at Royal Artisan

Herbal Remedies at the Co-op

Alethea Pottery Artist at North 7

Business Spotlight:

York's Covered Wagon

For being housed in a little building, you can get a smattering of everything here. Groceries, fishing, sporting goods, licenses, souvenirs, camping, hot lunch and so much more. This is a local favorite. Just check out the pickup trucks always parked in front. Didn't get out of your PJs today? Use the drive through. Super convenient convenience store.

Restaurant Review:

AJ's Corner Brick

The menu has standard bar food, but the food is made fresh to order and tastes good. The pizzas are large enough to share. AJ's has a full bar so you can enjoy a drink with dinner. The atmosphere is cozy and warm. There is frequently live music; check their FB page at <https://www.facebook.com/ajscornerbrick> or <https://hikingbaker.com/event-calendar> for music events.

Hike:

The Upper Crawfish Lake Trailhead (#1606). Located off the Elkhorn Scenic Byway in the Elkhorn Mountains of the Wallowa-Whitman NF. This 1 and ½ mile hike has varied terrain. There are a few tough creek crossings early in the year. I love to have breakfast or lunch at this lake. For a map see <https://hikingbaker.com/> Crawfish Lake hikes.

How Did You Find Out About That?

Facebook pages for Baker City:

Yard Sales: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/960844607273399/>

Classifieds: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bakerclassifieds/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/680814925309391/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/229773357388679>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/BakerCityBuyAndSell>

Baker City and Baker County:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/731272953572744>

<https://www.bakercity.com/>

<https://www.bakercountyor.gov/index.html>

Sports:

The 1st games of the season are coming up!
September 6th: Baker High Football 4pm

Community Calendar Weekend Highlights:

Pine Fest

Metric Moto

Walk for Awareness

Fall Fest at the Elks

Triumph Rally

A Diva Salon 20 Anniversary

Artisans Flea Market

Full calendar: <https://hikingbaker.com/event-calendar>