

## The Great Salt Lick Contest



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Churchill School  
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## Membership Matters

The Baker County Chamber of Commerce organizes educational events to enhance your business and partners with Federal, State and Local government agencies to give your business the opportunities needed to ensure that you receive relevant information to elevate your business to the next level. The Baker County Chamber will help promote your business through our website, [www.visitbaker.com](http://www.visitbaker.com), E-blast, The Membership Matters newsletter, all social media platforms, and office referrals to the many customers looking for your unique service. We provide you with insight into Local, State and Federal regulations and laws, and how they will affect your business. We campaign on behalf of you to Legislative Leaders to ensure that your business values and ideas are presented before those who make the decisions in our area.

We work with the City of Baker City, Unity, Sumpter, Haines, Richland, and Halfway to ensure that all of our members' businesses thrive in the Baker County area. The Baker County Chamber of Commerce wants to see your business soar and prosper in our community by working together.

The Chamber also organizes many of the great events in Baker County. Every year we strive to make Miners' Jubilee better and more memorable, as well as supporting and advertising events for the Baker Heritage Museum, Baker City Downtown, Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, Churchill School, the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, Side B Promotions, HCMR and many others.

Joining the Chamber doesn't just benefit your business, but our community as well.

### Sustaining Members



Saint Alphonsus



## Portland Trail Blazers to visit Baker City-Press Release

The Portland Trail Blazers and Moda are proud to announce the Seventh Annual Rip City Rally. Beginning Monday, September 9, a team of Trail Blazers and Moda ambassadors and staff will embark on a week-long journey to cities and towns across Oregon, engaging with Trail Blazers fans all along the way. This event brings Oregon communities together with energy and enthusiasm to showcase the Trail Blazers as “Oregon’s Team”.

Baker City will be the starting point of this year’s rally on Monday, September 9. From there the rally team will be traveling west to La Grande on Tuesday, September 10, Hermiston on Wednesday, September 11, The Dalles on Thursday, September 12, and finishing in Sandy on Friday, September 13.

The 2019-20 season marks the Trail Blazers 50th Anniversary, which will include special engagements for fans, in-game elements and sponsored activities to help trace the team’s journey dating back to 1970. To celebrate 50 years of Trail Blazers basketball, special activities and guests will appear all along the Rally route, bringing excitement for fans of all ages.

“The legacy of this franchise and the dedicated, passionate support of our fans deserves something special to mark 50 years. The Rip City Rally is a great opportunity to bring the energy and excitement of the Trail Blazers 50th Anniversary Season to fans all over Oregon,” said Chris McGowan, President and CEO of the Trail Blazers and Rose Quarter. “We recognize the commitment our fans have given the organization over the last 50 years and we can’t wait to team up with our partner Moda to show our appreciation and connect with fans in their local communities.”

“We continue to build our partnership with the Trail Blazers on our shared commitment to work together to build healthier communities,” said Dr. William Johnson, president of Moda Health. “Each year, the Rally creates exciting opportunities for us to engage with people across Oregon, to sit with them, to listen, to hear their stories. And all that builds toward the understanding that in the end we can indeed be better – better together.”

An entire day of events are scheduled in each city along the route. As part of the Trail Blazers’ and Moda’s partnership to showcase healthy and active living, events will focus on providing activities for kids, including school assemblies, Youth Basketball PE Takeovers and on-court Youth Basketball activities at the Rip City Rally. The visit in each city along the route will conclude with a ceremonial flag raising with city officials, followed by a free community fair from 4-6 p.m. featuring activities for all ages.

Affiliates in the Trail Blazers Radio Network will participate in the festivities in each city (Baker City – KBKR 1490 AM; La Grande – KLBM 1450 AM; Hermiston – KTIK 1240 AM / 103.1 FM; The Dalles – KODL 1440 AM; Sandy – 620 AM)

### ABOUT MODA

Founded in Portland in 1955, Moda is a health company committed to building healthier communities by helping our members get well sooner and live well longer. Our family of companies includes Moda Health, Delta Dental of Oregon/Alaska, ODS Community Dental, EOCCO, Ardon Health, BenefitHelp Solutions, Astra Practice Partners, Healthy Grid, and Arrow Dental.

## Cast Iron Chef Dutch Oven Cook-Off



Have you ever dreamed of crossing the Oregon Trail? Spending every evening under the stars for dinner? This is your chance! Come share your Dutch oven cooking skills this October at the National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center.

Teams will be assigned an open fire cook space at the Trail Center outdoor wagon encampment.

Teams may have up to three members and must include at least one responsible adult member. Contestants will not know what ingredients they must work with until the Master of Ceremonies reveals this information. Using wit, ingenuity and grit, teams must use the ingredients and Dutch ovens provided to produce a delicious meal within two hours. When the allotted cooking time is over, teams must plate their meals for tasting by the judges.

Entries will be judged on aroma, appearance, taste, quality of entry, cooking technique, spectator interaction and presentation. Judges will proclaim one team the Cast Iron Chef Champion of 2019, an honor that comes with prizes, and a full year’s worth of bragging rights. Additional prizes will be awarded for 2nd place in each category. Samples will then be available for the audience to taste and vote for the People’s Choice winner!

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## Baker County Events

8/30-9/02

Sumpter Flea Market

09/01-02

Sumpter Valley Railroad

3 Round Trips

09/06

Artist Reception

Tom Novak

09/06-07

Pine Fest

09/14

Sumpter Stockade Chili

Cook-Off

09/19

Downtown Wine Walk

09/21-22

Sumpter Valley Railroad

Gold Rush Bandits

09/21

Powder River Cleanup

09/21

13th Annual Great Salt Lick

09/28

18th Annual

Chris Blacker Memorial Golf Tournament

## Music in the Mountains



The Pine Fest music festival was conceived in 2012 by Eric and Mimi Kauffman as the “Tiniest little festival in the tiniest little town.” For seven years, Pine Fest has showcased some of the greatest bands in the northwest as well as local performers. Named the Best Music Festival in Oregon in 2016, Pine Fest is held in beautiful Halfway.

Pine fest is filled with great music and amazing vendors selling all manner of food, drink, merchandise, crafts and services. This year’s lineup includes Brady Goss, Whiskey Deaf, Rae Gordon, Terry Robb, Chaz Browne Group, Ty Curtis and Jelly Bread.

So head on out to Halfway September 6th & 7th and join us for this amazing show!

FOR A COUNTY WIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS, CHECK OUT [WWW.VISITBAKER.COM](http://WWW.VISITBAKER.COM)

## Expose Your Art

The Great Salt Lick may have started as a joke, but it raises serious money. Every year dozens of salt lick sculptures, untouched by human hands, are auctioned off and the proceeds go to OHSU Parkinson’s Center of Oregon. Over the last 12 years, over \$150,000 has been raised. This unique event has drawn entries from all over the country and even Europe.

This year’s poem theme is “Expose yourself to Salt Lick.” Entries are currently being accepted at Churchill School. Replacement blocks can be picked up at Richland Feed and Seed or Oregon Trail Livestock Supply. The deadline for show entries is September 14<sup>th</sup>, entries will be accepted after that, but may not be eligible to win.

Get your art in now and get in on this great show! For more information, call Whit at 541-519-2736.



## About the Portland Trail Blazers

Members of the National Basketball Association (NBA), the Portland Trail Blazers were founded in 1970 and purchased by the late Paul G. Allen in 1988. The team's rich heritage includes 34 playoff appearances, three trips to the NBA Finals, an NBA championship in 1977 and a commitment to community service and sustainability. The Trail Blazers are dedicated to positively impacting underserved kids and their families throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington where they live, learn and play. Portland is the first and only professional sports franchise to receive the prestigious National Points of Light Award for excellence in corporate and community service. The Trail Blazers home arena, the Moda Center, earned LEED Gold Recertification in 2015 after becoming the first existing professional sports venue in the world to receive LEED Gold status in 2010. The team is also one of the founding members of the Green Sports Alliance. For more information, visit [www.trailblazers.com](http://www.trailblazers.com).

## Oregon Tourism and Baker County

Did you know that Oregon is ranked 11th out of all 50 states in traveler interest? The average visitor to Oregon spends approximately \$100 per day. An extra 10 visitor days is an extra \$1000! The trick is to get them to extend their stay in your area or even better, come back! Tourism is growing fast. In 2016, 5,700 jobs were created in Eastern Oregon alone.

We need to let our visitors know what we have. One of the best ways to do this is to give them options. We live in a gorgeous area, filled with camping, hiking, boating, fishing, biking, driving, swimming and just relaxing.

For every \$1 spent on advertising, \$237 in visitor spending is generated. The Baker County Chamber has access to over 20 state travel guides, 15 camping brochures and 50 plus rack cards from various museums, clubs, events, attractions, and adventures. All of this is provided free of charge to the Chamber. We would like an opportunity to work with your business or community to help them stock these materials.

The Baker County Chamber can order and distribute these materials to your local businesses, museums, and attractions. The Baker County Chamber already distributes information about your community, but with even closer communication and partnership, we can be even more effective.

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**New Chamber Members**

**A Frame RV Park-New Owners!**

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A-Frame RV Park has a multitude of resources including RV spaces, tent sites, free Wi-Fi, propane, convenience store, souvenirs, gift items, RV supplies, and laundry accessibility. With ready access to downtown Baker City and major highways, we're perfectly situated as your base camp to great Eastern Oregon activities.

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Custom maps for fun and adventure, and practical things, too.

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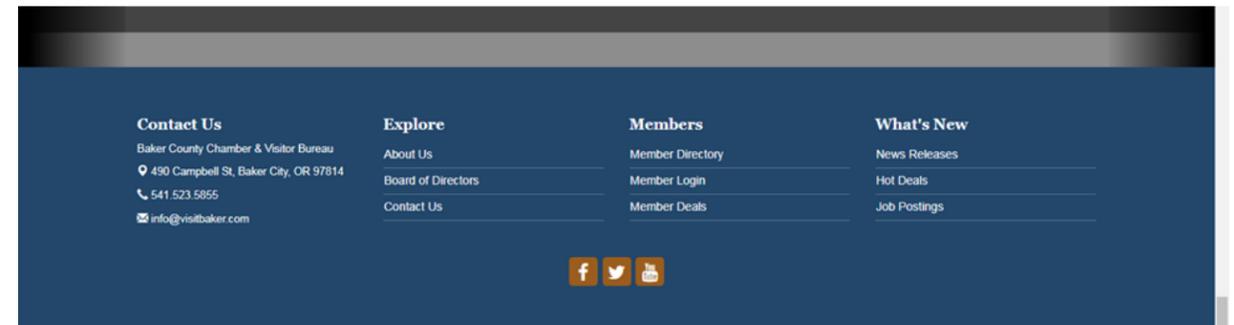
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**Your online profile and information**

As a member of the Baker County Chamber of Commerce, you have complete control over your business information on our website. As we are one of the top 5 results when Baker City is searched on Google, it is important to make sure all of your business information is up-to-date. Did you know you can change, update, delete and add information, logos, pictures and more? Not sure how to log in? Just follow these easy instructions.

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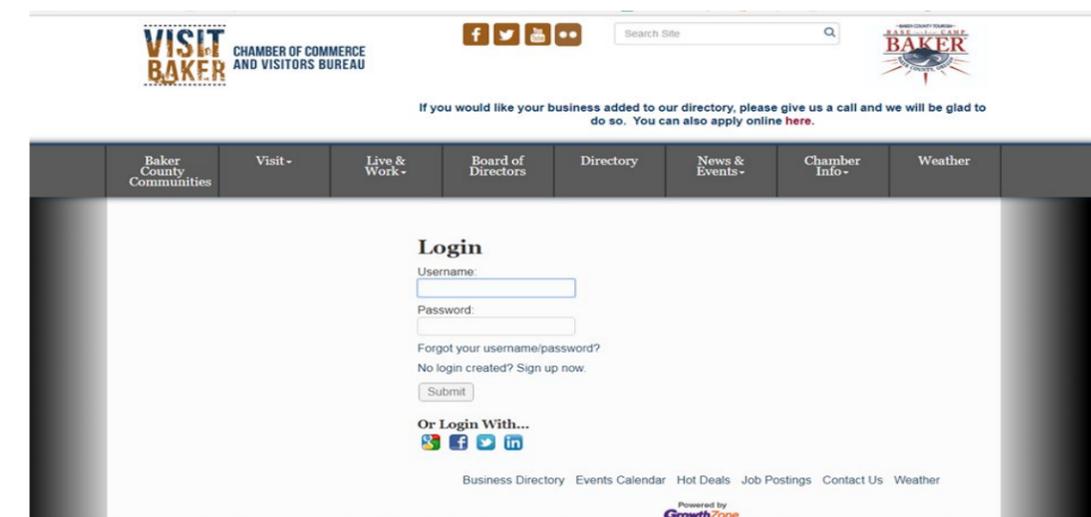
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Once the log in screen has appeared, enter your username and password.

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