

KHKF-Issues and Programs- 2nd Quarter 2018

1. ISSUE: Distracted Driving

GUEST: Lt. Dustin Newman

DESCRIPTION: Another successful Distracted Driving event was held in Eastern Oregon yesterday. Law enforcement in Baker County hit the streets along with the Oregon Department of Transportation and Elkhorn Media Group to bring awareness to distracted driving. Motorists who were spotted using electronic devices were pulled over and in most instances, issued warnings. Baker City Police Lieutenant Dustin Newman says this event was more about education than handing out citations.

Newman also said, "I think it's really important for people to understand that distracted driving is not just cell phones. Things like putting on make-up, a dog in your lap, even kids at times can be distracting in the car."

During a three hour time period yesterday morning, Baker County law enforcement pulled over a total of 56 vehicles for infractions.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM April 24, 2018

2. ISSUE: Baker 5J School District grant projects

GUEST: Superintendent Mark Witty

DESCRIPTION: The Baker School District held a board meeting this week and one of the big topics was the approval of a couple of grant projects. The grants, valued at \$2.6 million, will allow work to be done at both Baker High School and Brooklyn Primary according to Baker 5J Superintendent Mark Witty, who also notes how this will benefit the community as well.

Witty says that "Receiving this grants, valued at that much, \$2.6 million really is beneficial to the district and our community, and as we walk away from those projects they'll be seismically upgraded to a level that is where I would want to be standing of there was an earthquake."

The projects will take place around the gymnasiums in both locations. Work is expected to begin on May 15th and go on throughout the summer months.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM May 3, 2018

3. ISSUE: Missing man found deceased

GUEST: Dustin Newman, Baker PD

DESCRIPTION: The body of the missing Washington man identified as, Cu Van Tran, has been located in the Snake River on Brownlee Reservoir. Mr. Tran was reported missing after falling out of the row boat he was operating on May 16th. Deputies from the Baker County Sheriff's Office, along with the Baker County Search and Rescue Team, have been continuing to search and patrol the area since the initial report. Boaters in the area called Baker County Dispatch at approximately 2:30 p.m. on May 19th to report a body in the water. Marine Patrol Deputies from the Baker County Sheriff's Office were in the area and positively identified the body as Cu Van Tran (DOB 3/12/42).

The Baker County Sheriff's Office would like to extend our sincerest condolences to the family of Mr. Tran during this difficult time.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM May 21, 2018

4. ISSUE: Churchill School to get facelift

GUEST: Brian Vegter

DESCRIPTION: 15 years ago Brian and Corrine Vegter dreamed of living in an old church or an old school, and now that dream is becoming a reality. The Vegter's recently purchased the old Churchill School in Baker City and have big plans for the building.

According to Brian and Corrine, one of the spaces will be used for events and concerts; another area they want to turn into a hostel for traveling cyclists, other areas will be used for artist studio space and musician practice space. Brian says they plan to have a living space as well so they will have a place to work as well as live.

Corrine who is a sculpture and welder will have an area dedicated her work and says that there will also be a full woodworking shop put in. One of the projects Corrine has in the plan is to design and build sleeping pods for the bike hostel. These pods will include light and electrical outlets.

The Vegter's understand that these upgrades could take quite some time but one of the first projects they have earmarked is to replace some of the floors beginning in June, however at this time there is no electricity, water or gas to the building. Brian says that within the building there are really only two areas that need to have flooring replaced.

Also noted was a plan for some outdoor events that will be held this summer. Brian says this is dependent on when the utilities can be dealt with.

The Vegter's said "we are really excited, we are super happy to have been a part of this community for the past 11 years and now be able to bring this jewel from the past back to life."

Anyone interested in keeping up to date on the progress at Churchill School can follow their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Churchill-School-Baker-City-227412308024332/>

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM May 23, 2018

5. ISSUE: Two juveniles drowned in Wallowa County

GUEST: Oregon State Police

DESCRIPTION: On Sunday June 3, 2018 the Oregon State Police and the Wallowa County Sheriff's Office responded to Troy on the Grande Ronde River in Wallowa County to conduct a death investigation involving two juveniles.

Preliminary investigation revealed that a father was rafting with his two juvenile sons when the raft hit a rock near Martins Misery Rapids, ejecting the two children from the raft and sending them down the swift, cold river. The father jumped into the river and attempted to rescue the children but was unable to locate them. Other groups of rafters on the river were able to locate the children but lifesaving efforts were unsuccessful.

This is an ongoing investigation and more information will be released when available.

The Oregon State Police were assisted by the Wallowa County Sheriff's Office, the Wallowa County District Attorney, and the Wallowa County Medical Examiner.

TIME: KHKF MORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM June 3, 2018

6. ISSUE: Search and Rescue training held in Eastern Oregon

GUEST: UC Search and Rescue

DESCRIPTION: This past weekend the Eastern Oregon Search and Rescue (EOSAR) group held training on the Mount Emily Recreation Area (MERA), Morgan Lake and the surrounding vicinity. Seventy search and rescue members from the ten eastern Oregon counties which comprised EOSAR participated. This year included the assistance of thirty members from the Oregon, Washington, and Idaho Civil Air Patrol aircraft and ground teams.

The annual conference commenced at the Union County Fairgrounds Friday afternoon and continued through Saturday in Union County. Scenarios provided training for Search and Rescue K9 units, ground searches, drones, overhead teams, and water recovery dive training at Morgan Lake. The trainings provided searches for missing persons, vehicles, and aircraft, and packaging patients for wilderness extraction. This year included aircraft from the Civil Air Patrol that were based at the La Grande Airport allowing the ability to search larger areas. The training simulations allowed interactions with the different agencies and resources involved as well as practicing coordination and radio communication, which is a key goal of this EOSAR summer exercise 2018 training.

Members of the public that were planning on recreating in those areas seen a significant increase in traffic and resource utilization.

TIME: KHKFMORNING NEWS 6:00AM-9:00AM June 18, 2018