

# *Baker County News* (#4076 or # 3782)

## ***Adieu to Phoebe!***

Phoebe Wachtel resigned her position with Child Care Resource & Referral the end of November and is now working in a new job with the Baker City Police Department. We appreciate all that Phoebe contributed during her time with CCR&R. Phoebe's many quality skills, advocacy, and optimistic attitude are missed! We wish her well in her new venture. Fortunately, she remains in Baker City and is still working with First Book literacy program. She has made many positive connections on behalf of child care in the community that will continue to professionalize early childhood education.

## ***Welcome Ruai as Storyteller***

Ruai Gregory will be fulfilling the storyteller role for CCR&R. She will be available for consultation and classes, as well. If you are interested in receiving Story Time Express, please contact Jean or Ruai at the Baker office (541-523-7838) or email: [crrassist@tecteam.org](mailto:crrassist@tecteam.org)

## ***Change in CCR&R Services***

Jean Johnson will be performing ECE Specialist tasks at the Baker office: checking voice mail, email, updating, responding to inquiries, and teaching some classes. At this time, we will not be filling the ECE Specialist position with someone new. Deanna and Jan in La Grande will also be available for inquiries and information. CCR&R staff is available there Monday – Thursday from Noon – 5 pm as the La Grande office is our eastern regional call center for technical assistance and referrals.

Jean will be working in the Baker office each week, but a regular schedule has not yet been set. Please contact Jean if you have questions, concerns, or need assistance in some way. Be sure to leave a voice mail, if she does not answer at: 541-523-7838 or 800-956-0324, ext. 7 or 541-963-7942, ext. 7 or email to: [johnj@tecteam.org](mailto:johnj@tecteam.org) or [crrassist@tecteam.org](mailto:crrassist@tecteam.org)

## ***Baker Community Concerts***

If you want to give children experiences in listening to music and attending concerts, Community Concerts are unique opportunities.

**March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3 pm** Evan Marshall will perform with mandolin.

For information on Community Concerts call 541-523-4600 or 541-523-3124.

## ***First Friday Art Walk – January 6<sup>th</sup>***

Many businesses and organizations feature art the first Friday of each month.

Check out Baker City Chamber website for details:

<http://visitbaker.com/community/CalendarofEvents.asp>

## ***Peterson's Gallery features Marci Cook at 6 pm on January 6<sup>th</sup>***

January 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 8:00 pm is Opening Reception for

## ***Student Art – the Artwork of Baker High School and Crossroads Students***

Event is Free with live acoustic guitar by Leon Brown and refreshments

## ***First Friday Art Walk – February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30 – 8:00 pm***

Artwork by regional artists; refreshments; live music

Short Term Gallery, downtown Baker City

***Crossroads Carnegie Art Center is open Monday–Saturday from 10 am – 5 pm***