



# National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Baker City, Oregon

## Calendar of Programs & Events August 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Programs are subject to change as well as presented upon request depending on staff availability. Please call 541-523-1843 for further information or contact our website at <a href="http://oregontrail.blm.gov">oregontrail.blm.gov</a></p>					1 Ray Egan @ 11:00 & 2:00	2 Ray Egan @ 11:00 & 2:00
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## Program Descriptions:

**Where the Buffalo (Bison) Roam:** This PowerPoint presentation looks at the quintessential American icon, how we brought the animal to the brink of extinction and where it stands today.

**Geology, Climatology, & its Effects on Plant Communities:** Accompany an Interpreter on a walk around the grounds or relax in our Leo Adler Theater for an interpretive presentation on the geology of Oregon and its effects on climate and the corresponding plant communities.

**All About Oxen:** Take a look into the most prominent beast of burden on the Oregon Trail.

**The Varied & Startling Adventures of a Mountain Man:** Interpreter David Jason tells the story of "Probably" George Malvern in this adventurous living history program.

**Preparing for the Trail:** There were many decisions involved in making the choice to start a new life in Oregon. Explore some of the options, alternatives, and judgments the pioneers faced.

**Going West for Gold:** Explore the history of gold mining in Baker County on a guided walk with center interpreter Jim Collister.

**Women of the Oregon Trail:** Rachael Nickens explores the role of women on the Oregon Trail.

**A Miner's Tale:** This living history presentation gives audiences a first hand look at the life of a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century miner.

**Labor Day Wagon Encampment:** Join in three days of fun at our annual Wagon Encampment! Observe Bullwhackin' Kass with her team of oxen and taste Dutch Oven Style foods prepared over a campfire. See living history interpreters demonstrate crafts and skills, listen to some music, and play with pioneer toys and games. Please call 541-523-1843 for more information.

**Ray Egan Presents Ezra Meeker:** Learn about vigorous 96 year old Meeker and his views of the Oregon Trail experience, as portrayed by Ray Egan.

**Ray Egan Presents Willis Boatman:** The true-life experience of this pioneer's trail and early settlement interpreted by Ray Egan.

**Dr. Balthazar:** Mike Follin performs a delightful 40 min. rendering of a fast-talking, slippery, snake-oil salesman, "Dr. Balthazar & his Marvelous Miracle Medicine Show". The good doctor can cure everything from a common cold to a death of two weeks standing!

**Birds of Prey:** BLM Ranger Barbara Forderhase; of the Snake River Birds of Prey NCA brings owls, hawks, falcons and other raptors for this educational presentation.

**Phil & Vivian Williams:** Phil & Vivian Williams perform music to ease a "pioneer's hard day of travel", with traditional acoustic instruments, including guitar, mandolin & gut-strung fretless banjo. Join them for shows at 10:30, 12:30, & 2:30 during our Wagon Encampment.

**Tall Tales:** Experience pioneer tales from the trail along with music, coffee, & more at our Wagon Encampment.

\***Workshops:** Please call 541-523-1847 or visit [oregontrail.blm.gov](http://oregontrail.blm.gov) for more information.

### In the Leo Adler Theater:

Special interest videos on historical subjects, regional interest topics, and natural history shown daily.

### Flagstaff Gallery:

**"Riches to Rags: Clothing on the Oregon Trail"** This exhibit will examine the fashions of pioneers on the move to a new life in the west. Both reproduction clothing & historical pieces will be displayed, depicting typical fashions of the pioneers' "before" leaving on their journey, and how they had to abandon conventional fashion and personal style for the practicality and durability of survival on the prairie. Exhibit closes September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008

### Outdoors:

Demonstrations on pioneer crafts and special interest hikes offered depending on weather and availability of interpreters. Check marquee in lobby for daily schedule.

- Open daily except Christmas Day, Thanksgiving, and New Year's Day.
- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. - April 1 through October 31
- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - November 1 through March 31