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Family Fun Day at Trail Center

BAKER CITY, Ore. – The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center will offer a variety of activities and simple frontier crafts for families to share together during “Family Fun Day” the day after Thanksgiving, Friday November 23 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

For families with youngsters and holiday visitors the activities will provide opportunities to have fun while learning. Crafts include making beeswax candles, birdfeeders, and creating a family tree chart. Trail Tenders volunteer group will have a “Make A Holiday Gift” activity making a decorative candle, and includes all supplies and gift wrap for a minimal charge. Family appropriate films will be shown in the Leo Adler Theater throughout the day, and Junior Pioneer Activity books and activities are also available at no charge to all visitors age 15 and younger.

The Trail Center is located five miles east of Baker City, Oregon on Highway 86. Take Exit 302 from I-84. The Center is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is \$5.00; for seniors it’s \$3.50; children 15 and under are admitted for free. Federal passes are accepted. Call (541) 523-1843 for updates on programs and events. For information on this and other events in Baker County, Oregon call 1(800) 523-1235. For more information about the Trail Center visit:

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