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## Meet the Pioneers!

**VALE, ORE.** -- The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center in Baker City is offering two days of special programs featuring historic re-enactors and demonstrations of frontier life on Memorial Day Weekend!

Saturday and Sunday May 28 and 29, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day, interpreters will demonstrate skills such as quilting, black powder shooting, wheelwright, and dutch oven cooking. Visitors can participate in making their own pioneer craft such as beeswax candles or rag dolls. Roving interpreters with authentic outfits will portray frontier characters.

Featured performer Karen Haas will appear three times daily in the Leo Adler Theater. Her programs are “Wagons West,” “Eliza Jane Meeker- Pioneer Memories & Future Dreams,” and “Narcissa Whitman.” Program times are 11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 2:00 p.m. both days.

“Wagons Ho! Interactive Oregon Trail Experience” continues in the Flagstaff Gallery. This special exhibit uses costumes, life size games, puppets, and a full scale packable pioneer wagon for youngsters to learn by doing about Oregon heritage and the frontier adventure.

The Interpretive Center will be open all weekend, with living history presentations in the theater, and all hiking trails are open. Conditions are excellent for bird watching and picnicking as well. The Trail Center is located five miles east of Baker City, Oregon on Highway 86. Take Exit 302 from I-84. The Center is currently open 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is \$8.00; for seniors it’s \$4.50; children 15 and under are admitted for free. Federal passes are accepted. Call (541) 523-1843 for updates on programs and events. For more information about the Trail Center visit: [oregontrail.blm.gov](http://oregontrail.blm.gov)

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