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## **Family Fun Day at the Oregon Trail Center!**

**Baker City, Oregon** – The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and Trail Tenders are hosting a variety of activities and crafts for family groups who visit during “Family Fun Day.” This will take place day after Thanksgiving, Friday, Nov. 27 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

For families and holiday visitors looking for an alternative to shopping on the day after Thanksgiving, the event will offer opportunities to learn more about the natural history of the region and foster intergenerational connections. Crafts will include making bird feeders, ornaments, paper quilt blocks and family tree paintings. Activities include a pioneer costume photo booth, a wildlife “skulls and scat” table and a variety of Junior Explorer workbooks.

Family Fun Day will also feature a chance for visitors to participate in the Great Thanksgiving Listen, a StoryCorps initiative to engage people of all ages in the act of listening. A limited number of spaces will be offered for visitors to record a facilitated interview with a member of their family. Interested parties may call (541) 523-1835 to sign up for a time slot in advance.

The National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, operated by the Bureau of Land Management, is located 5 miles east of Baker City, Oregon, on Highway 86. Take Exit 302 from I-84. The Interpretive Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is \$5. Seniors are \$3.50. Children 15 and under are free. Federal passes are accepted. Visit [oregontrail.blm.gov](http://oregontrail.blm.gov) for more information about the Interpretive Center, or call (541) 523-1843 for updates on programs and events. For information on this and other activities in Baker County, Oregon, call 1 (800) 523-1235.

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