

# Local & Entertainment

## Weather spotter training to be held in Richland, Halfway

The community is invited to attend a Severe Weather Spotter Training and Flood Fight Workshop and Flood Fight Workshop for co-sponsored by Baker County Emergency Management and the National Weather Service (NWS).

The first training session is slated for Thursday, February 11th at the Halfway City Hall, 155 East Record Street, Halfway Oregon in Baker County. The session will begin about an hour after the council's 5 p.m. start and will last 1 to 1.5 hours.

The next training session is slated for Friday, February 12th at the Richland City Hall, 89 Main Street, Richland Oregon in Baker County. The session will begin about an hour after the council's 10 a.m. start and will last 1 to 1.5 hours.

Everyone is invited. If you are a current weather spotter, firefighter, law enforcement specialist, land management employee, emergency services technician, transportation

operator, outdoor recreationalists, or just purely a weather enthusiast, this training workshop is for you.

Spotter training will include definitions and climatology of severe weather, training on cloud and storm recognition, storm hazards and safety tips, and weather reporting procedures. The Flood Fight workshop will cover equipment, procedures, and safety tips when dealing with flood events.

Across Eastern Oregon, over 100 volunteer weather spotters and cooperative observers provide valuable weather information which is fundamental in helping the NWS protect lives and property. Forecasts are often based on observer data, and even warnings for severe weather have been issued based on information received from trained volunteer spotters, cooperative observers and/or relayed by a HAM operator.

For more information about the NWS spotter program, please see our local office Web page at <http://www.weather.gov/boise/> or our national severe weather awareness Web page at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/severe-weather/index.shtml>. For additional information on flooding basic safety tips, definitions of a flood watch or flood warning, and making a flood plan visit <http://www.ready.gov/floods>, <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/disaster/flood>, and or download the app at <http://www.redcross.org/prepare/mobile-apps/flood>.

Please bring a friend, relative or other interested weather enthusiasts. We look forward to seeing you at the training session. If you have questions, please call Tim Barker (NOAA/NWS) (208) 334-9860 or Jason Yencopal (Baker County Office of Emergency Management) at (541) 523-6415.

## Sheriff's office to work extended DUI patrols in area

During the Holiday Season, the Baker County Sheriff's Office wishes to remind community members to be responsible when it comes to driving while impaired.

Deputies of the Baker County Sheriff's Office

will be working extended patrol shifts in an attempt to prevent and apprehend impaired drivers.

The extra hours that the Patrol Deputies work are funded by a grant through Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).

The Deputies primary focus during the extended hours are removing impaired drivers from the roadways and enforcing unsafe driving practices.

Please don't drive while impaired and have a safe New Year.

## Bebe's word search

Happy New Year

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid. The remaining letters spell the name of a popular location for celebrating New Years Eve.

S	E	I	B	A	B	N	E	W	Y	E	A	R	S	E	V	E	Y
G	C	H	A	M	P	A	G	N	E	T	Y	I	M	N	S	T	T
E	N	S	S	U	E	T	H	C	D	A	N	C	E	D	R	H	R
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D	N	E	T	R	V	O	N	T	E	T	E	A	S	E	N	T	R
A	I	S	W	I	A	A	O	R	I	N	A	S	N	R	O	H	I
Y	G	Y	E	O	B	I	T	N	T	E	I	R	R	U	K	C	F
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| APPETIZERS | DECORATIONS      | HATS          | PARADES        |
| BABIES     | END OF DECEMBER  | HOLIDAY       | PARTY          |
| BALLOONS   | EVENTS           | HORNS         | PUNCH          |
| BANNERS    | FAMILY           | KISS          | RESOLUTIONS    |
| BUFFET     | FATHER TIME      | MIDNIGHT      | SINGING        |
| CELEBRATE  | FEAST            | MUSIC         | STREAMERS      |
| CHAMPAGNE  | FESTIVITIES      | NEW YEARS DAY | THIRTY FIRST   |
| CONFETTI   | FIREWORKS        | NEW YEARS EVE | TIARAS         |
| DANCE      | FIRST OF JANUARY | NOISEMAKERS   | WINE           |
| DAY ONE    | FRIENDS          | OCCASION      | YEAR IN REVIEW |

## This week's crossword puzzle

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14				15					16			
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59					60					61		
62					63					64		
65					66					67		

- Across**
- 1- Magic stick;
  - 5- City on the Rhone;
  - 10- Letter opener;
  - 14- Burn soother;
  - 15- Sift;
  - 16- Inter \_\_\_;
  - 17- Italian bread?;
  - 18- Slowpoke;
  - 19- Abominable snowman;
  - 20- Summer hrs.;
  - 21- Stingy;
  - 23- Not us;
  - 25- Inquires;
  - 26- Intellectual;
  - 29- Greek god of the winds;
  - 33- Bunk;
  - 35- Helping theorem;
  - 37- "Xanadu" band, for short;
  - 38- Toiletries case;
  - 39- Commerce;
  - 40- "\_\_\_ She Lovely?";
  - 41- Wood of the Rolling Stones;
  - 42- Sums owing;
  - 43- Durango dwellings;
  - 44- Marsh plants;
  - 46- Opening word;
  - 48- Choir member;
  - 50- Like heaven's gates;
  - 53- Act of deifying;
  - 58- Bleat of a sheep;
  - 59- "Carmina Burana" composer;
  - 60- Leaning;
  - 61- Clockmaker Thomas;
  - 62- Ascended, flower;
  - 63- Now you \_\_\_...;
  - 64- Western pact;
  - 65- Needy;
  - 66- Composition;
- Down**
- 1- Emerson's middle name;
  - 2- Elite group;
  - 3- Headed north;
  - 4- Poor grade;
  - 5- Birthplace of St. Francis;
  - 6- Circular band;
  - 7- Jacob's first wife;
  - 8- Madonna role;
  - 9- Identical;
  - 10- States as fact;
  - 11- Belinda Carlisle's "Should \_\_\_ You In?";
  - 12- Religious practice;
  - 13- Stated;
  - 21- Cafeteria carrier;
  - 22- Home furnishings chain;
  - 24- ...\_\_\_ saw Elba;
  - 27- Workers' rights org.;
  - 28- "The Wild Swans at Coole" poet;
  - 30- Ursa Minor;
  - 31- Human bone, located in the arm;
  - 32- Drunkards;
  - 33- "His and \_\_\_";
  - 34- Siouan tribe;
  - 36- Gds.;
  - 39- Precedent setter;
  - 40- \_\_\_ Camera;
  - 42- Sub station?;
  - 43- Capital of Calvados, in NW France;
  - 45- Electrician on a movie set;
  - 47- Like bad cell coverage?;
  - 49- Novelist Joyce Carol \_\_\_;
  - 51- Starbucks order;
  - 52- Lout;
  - 53- A small town;
  - 54- Switch ending;
  - 55- Should that be the case;
  - 56- Draws;
  - 57- Bones found in the hip;
  - 61- \_\_\_-Cat;

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