

## 'Round This Time From the Record-Courier Archives January 1968

### Old Christmas Present Found

A hammer, an old sea shell, and a Christmas present from a long time ago, combined to make this past Christmas extra special for Mrs. Jessie Burdette of North Powder.

The Christmas present was a ring given to Mrs. Burdette by her mother more than 50 years ago, and was lost when her sister Mrs. Earl O'Bryant placed it in a shell. It could be shaken out and the shell gave no indication that the ring was still in it.

This Christmas Mrs. Burdette wanted to be sure, once and for all, if the ring was still in the shell. She used a hammer on the shell and sure enough the ring was resting securely in the depths of the old heirloom that has been carried from place to place through many moves by Mrs. Burdette.

### Paramount Seeks Major Film Site

#### East Eagle Among Areas in West Being Considered

With a decision depending upon how local areas may measure up to the rigid specification for a setting for one of the year's major movie productions, the Baker area was being given a thorough inspection by Paramount Pictures the past 10 days.

Sought is the scenic mountain mining camp, mining town setting for 'Paint Your Wagon', a screen adaptation to the Broadway musical bit.

Doing the locale search is Foster Thompson of the production staff of the \$10 million move which will be in color.....and will require three months and \$3 million on location to shoot with a star as yet to be finally signed and announced.

### Brandenthaler, Adler to Receive High Papal Honors at Cathedral

The Papal Honor, Knight of St. Sylvester, will be conferred upon Anthony Brandenthaler and Leo Adler in St. Frances Cathedral. This is the first time in the history of the Diocese of Baker that awards have been granted to a Protestant and a Jew at the same time said Bishop Francis P. Leipzig here. Awards were granted because of their civic and religious cooperation, not only in the community of Baker but within the state, the announcement from the church said.

The swords and certificates for Knight of St. Sylvester will be given to them by Bishop Francis P. Leipzig, who also will deliver the sermon.

Recognition of these high honors given by Pope VI, was received a few months ago, but the formal presentation was delayed until the swords arrived during the past week.

### Fox Kits Recaptured

Two fox kits which were captured on May 11, 1967 by Government trapper Chuck Daniels after he answered a complaint lodged by a local on predators. The two kits taken to the Muddy Creek District are believed to be the first seen in this area for many years.

### 1967 Sports

#### Personal Achievements:

Dan Freeman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Freeman of Sutton Creek too the national collegiate bareback championship as a member of the Cal-Poly team. Jyme Stoner of Baker was last year's arena director at the big P-I Northwest Rodeo Finals held at Portland. Skull Valley, a horse owned by Herman and Helen Snyder of Pendleton topped all comers to take the Blue Mountain Quarter Horse Association All Around trophy.

Duane Defrees a 225 junior from Baker High School was named to the all-state football squad.

B-League Football Allstars nominated by coached were Don Aubrey, Pine-Eagle; Don Dalton, Cove; Garry Coonse, Pine-Eagle; Lucky King, Burnt River; Neal Chamberlain, Powder Valley; Pat Gekeler, Cove; Elmer Hill, Powder Valley; Dan Moody, Pine-Eagle; Whip Coombs, Burnt River; Don Coleman Harper; Terry Smith, Pine-Eagle; Scott Cimmiyotti, Huntington. Coombs was named outstanding Back and King and Hill outstanding Linemen.

### Baker County Junior Miss Betty Heriza

Leaving Tuesday by stage, Miss Betty Heriza, St. Francis Senior, departs for Oregon Junior Miss Contest in Portland area, culminating in finals at Oriental Theater Saturday. Jaycees are sponsors and were on hand to see Betty away.

### Britton, Leggett Head FFA at OSU

Harold Britton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Britton and Darryl Leggett, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Leggett, have recently been elected to offices in the Oregon State University FFA Chapter. Britton takes over the duties of president and Leggett, treasurer.

### Hon. Wayne Morse, Senator to be Guest Speaker at Chamber Banquet

Leo Adler, chairman of the program committee, said today the Chamber of Commerce wishes to remind all members who have not made reservations or picked up their tickets for the annual banquet need to do so soon. Hon. Wayne Morse, Senator from Oregon will be the guest speaker.

## Community Bank Announces Final Silver Sweepstakes Winners

To celebrate its 60th Anniversary, Community Bank conducted a year-long Silver Sweepstakes as a thank you to their customers and community members. Each month 60 ounces of silver was given away - a 10 oz bar to six lucky winners. Over the course of the year, 72 bars, or 720 ounces of silver was presented to the lucky drawing winners. Over 30,000 entries were received bank-wide, or an average of 2500 per month.

The final drawing was held on Dec. 30. The six winners were: Maravene Agee of Joseph; Jerry Collins from Hermiston; Michael Holloway, La Grande; William Lyons of College Place; Carl Ruble of Clarkston; and Doug Wickre of Joseph (drawn in Enterprise).

The luckiest branch was the Community Bank Clarkston Branch, having a winner seven out of the twelve months. Winner Carl Ruble of Clarkston also won two silver bars - one in October, and one in our final drawing in December. Community Bank branches with winners 50 percent of the time were: Enterprise, Wallowa, La Grande-Valley, and College Place. Branches that drew five winners each include Joseph, Pendleton, La Grande-Downtown, Heppner, and Hermiston. Branches that were able to

present silver bars four times throughout the year include Baker City, Elgin, Milton-Freewater, and Walla Walla. Visit the Community Bank Facebook page [www.facebook.com/communitybanknet](http://www.facebook.com/communitybanknet) to see photos of sweepstakes winners.

Given the high level of interest, Community Bank plans to offer precious metals services on a pre-order basis to customers and community members in early 2016.

"We would like to thank everyone for their participation in our anniversary sweepstakes, and hope everyone had fun with it," said Tom Moran, President and CEO. "More importantly, we'd like to thank you for your continued business - you've helped to keep Community Bank an independent and locally-owned bank, which is somewhat of a rarity these days."

With many changes occurring in the banking industry over the past several years, Community Bank is one of only 24 remaining independent banks chartered in the State of Oregon. For perspective, in 1982 that number was 88. Community Bank is now one of the last remaining independent banks operating in Northeastern Oregon and Southeastern Washington.

## Baker School District to Review School Calendar to Enhance Learning Opportunities

Baker School District 5J is reviewing possible calendar changes for the 2016-17 School Year. The student instructional calendar will stay on a Monday-Thursday model with start and end times and dates very similar to the current schedule. Teachers and support staff will provide enhanced educational opportunities on Fridays for students, K-12 on an as needed basis. In addition, staff will be able to utilize part of the day for professional development and collaborative planning.

"I'm excited about the possibilities this calendar will allow for students and staff," said Mark Witty, Baker School District Superintendent.

Witty is working with the local teachers' association to analyze potential benefits and drawbacks. This move aligns with a 5J Board goal to implement a calendar that creates robust educational opportunities for students, staff and community. More information will be presented during the January School Board meeting on Thursday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. at the 5J District Office

## National Park Service Opens More Than 200 Jobs in the Pacific Northwest

The National Park Service Pacific West Region has more than 200 seasonal job openings on the federal employment site, USA Jobs. These openings include a variety of positions, from backcountry rangers to entrance fee collectors. The jobs are available at multiple national park sites in the states of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

"Join the National Park Service for our Centennial year by applying for a summer job," stated Deputy Regional Director Chip Jenkins. "We welcome all people who want to join us in engaging the next generation who will care for our national parks."

Closing dates vary depending on the specific position, and some are open for only a short period. See [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) for general information. Links to the specific openings are below.

**Park Ranger (Interpretation)**, GS-0025-05-07 Open 12/28/15-1/11/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/viewdetails/421169200>

**Park Ranger (Protection)**, GS-0025-05-07 Open 12/28/15-1/11/16

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**Park Ranger (Protection)**, (Back-country) GS-0025-05-07 Open 12/28/15-1/11/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/viewdetails/422840400>

**Visitor Use Assistant (Fee Collection)**, GS-0303-03/04/05 Open 12/31/15-1/14/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/421735800>

**Park Ranger (Wilderness)**, GS-0025-05-07 Open 1/4/16-1/8/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/viewdetails/422466600>

**Park Ranger (Mountaineering)**, GS-0025-05-07 Open 1/4/16-1/8/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/422831900>

**Park Ranger (Mountaineering)**, GS-0025-05-07 Open 1/4/16-1/8/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/422004500>

**Park Guide**, GS-0090-03/04/05 Open 1/4/16-1/8/16

<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/421443500>

## Utah Concealed Firearm Permit (CFP) Jan. 23

This 4 hour course meets the the Minimum Training Guidelines necessary to for the application to receive the UT Concealed Firearm Permit. The Utah CFP allows the permit holder to carry a concealed firearm in reciprocity with UT, in 35 additional states.

WHEN: Jan. 23 from 5-9 p.m. Course Fee: \$50

WHERE: 2690 Powder River Sportsmen Club, Baker City

This is a 4 hour course, taught by a certified Utah / NRA Firearm Instructor, meets the Minimum Training Guidelines necessary to obtain a Utah Concealed Firearm Permit.

PLEASE NOTE: if you want to carry concealed in Oregon you need to obtain an OR Concealed Handgun License. The UT CFP is not recognized by Oregon.

Registration sign-up sheets for these classes are available at:

- Ace Hardware - Trader Ray's  
- Baker Exchange

- Powder River Precision

- D&B Supply

Or call Maurizio (Maurice) at 541-853-2355 or 541-519-3902 to sign up or for more information.

## NRA Basic Pistol Class Offered

(This NRA course meets Oregon training requirements for Concealed Handgun License applicants)

WHEN: Jan. 22 (5:30-8:30 p.m.) PRSC Clubhouse Jan. 23 (8 a.m.-3 p.m.) PRSC Clubhouse/Virtue Flat Range

WHERE: Powder River Sportsman's Club (PRSC) 2690 Broadway St., Baker City and Virtue Flat Range, HWY. 86.

The course will emphasize the safe and proper handling and use of pistols. Participants will learn about firearm safety, parts and operation, shooting fundamentals, care, cleaning, storage options, pistol selection and more. This course includes classroom and range time and requires 8-10 hours to complete. Course Fee: \$60 (which includes class material)

## Eastern Oregon University to Again Offer College Wrestling

On Monday, Jan. 11, at 1 p.m. in Quinn Coliseum, Eastern Oregon University (EOU) announced the re-establishment of the EOU Mountaineer Wrestling Program. Funding for the program includes a \$300,000 allocation from the Oregon State Legislature as a result of the hard work of Representative Greg Smith (R-Heppner).

"Eastern Oregon is home to many wrestling champions both on individual and team levels," said Rep. Greg Smith. "EOU is unable to attract these athletes who desire to continue wrestling in college. I believe wrestling will give EOU another tool for recruitment and help keep our youth in Eastern Oregon."

"Representative Greg Smith has been a pivotal person in the effort to restart competitive wrestling at EOU," said Dr. Mike Clock, Chair of Restore College Wrestling Oregon Committee. "Over the past seventeen years, teams from east of the Cascades have won almost 55 percent of the team titles. Since the late '70s, there have been no geographically convenient opportunities for those young individuals to compete at the college level in Oregon."

"Hermiston is known for our strong wrestling program, and we are proud of it. Eastern Oregon University's decision to create a college wrestling program is a phenomenal opportunity for our kids, and will help them stay in our communities and strengthen local programs," said Kyle Larson, Head Wrestling Coach, Hermiston High School.

"The Mac-Hi wrestling program, along with programs through the region, will benefit from East-

ern Oregon University's re-establishment of the wrestling program. We have great athletes that give back to their programs, schools, and communities. They now have the option to stay local while pursuing the sport they love and continue to be part of our Eastern Oregon community," said Chad Kilburg, Head Wrestling Coach, McLoughlin High School.

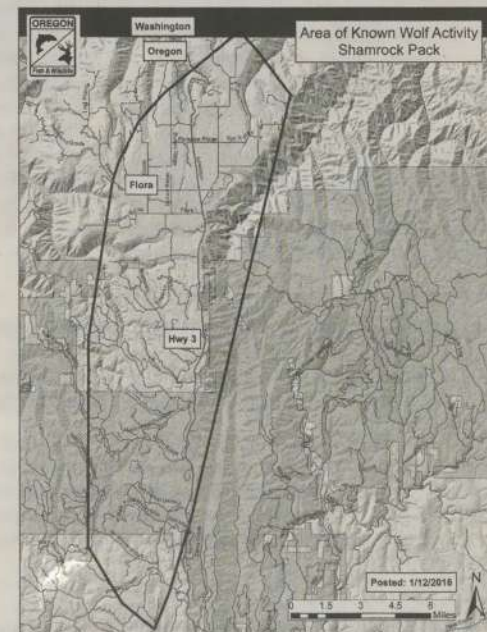
"I feel with the reinstatement of wrestling at Eastern Oregon University, this will further strengthen regional programs and give more Oregonians access to competing in the sport they love. Eastern Oregon high school wrestlers have needed a college wrestling program for years. With its long history of solid individuals and teams at the high school level, I have no doubt EOU will be competitive in no time," said Richard Rockwell, Head Wrestling Coach, Riverside Jr./Sr. High School Wrestling.

During the 2015 Legislative Session, Rep. Greg Smith worked with leadership and a group called Restore College Wrestling to find funding to reactivate a wrestling program at Eastern Oregon University, which is Eastern Oregon's only university.

Representative Greg Smith serves as Co-Vice Chair of the Joint Ways and Means Committee and is a member of the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction, which helps appropriate resources throughout the state.

Rep. Smith is also an avid supporter of wrestling programs throughout Eastern Oregon, the Baker County Economic Development Director and the father of two-time state champion, Ryan Smith.

## New Area for Known Wolf Activity



ODFW has designated a new Area for Known Wolf Activity for a pack in Wallowa County. The Chesnimnus pair previously used the Chesnimnus Wolf Management Unit (WMU) in Wallowa County. In 2015, the pair denned in the Sled Springs WMU and has not returned to the Chesnimnus WMU. Moving forward the new pack will be named the Shamrock Pack.