school.

long run."

Purple said.

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fail."

School Principal Dan Purple

said Redmond dropouts tra-

ditionally cite jobs as the most common reason for leaving

Purple said two factors may have contributed to Redmond's

increase: the jump in the num-

ber of students using drugs and

alcohol and a strong economy.

"When the economy is

they perceive as an attractive

reason — wages of \$6 or \$7 an

hour — to quit school," Purple said. "Unfortunately, they're

Redmond is addressing its

This year's switch to a trimester rather than semester system

thinking short term and not

dropout rate in a number of

at the high school helps strug-

gling students by giving them

In addition, a program pair-

less classes to keep track of.

ing upperclassmen with in-

coming freshmen has helped improve academic success,

And because Redmond ad-

ministrators believe that high

problem rather than strictly a

high school problem, the dis-

trict has made a commitment

to keep the teacher-to-student

ratio low in the elementary

level. However, funding cuts

could threaten that commit-

an alternative school at the

accountability level for stu-

middle-school level.

The district also has set up

And it is trying to raise the

dents, starting with attendance.

"Attendance is the No. 1 in-

dicator of academic success,"

Purple said. "We're trying hard

not to give kids permission to

school dropouts are a K-12

ways, Purple said.

strong, students have what

FLASHBACK This week in history: More jobs and more dropouts

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100 years ago

Jan. 19, 1922 — Happenings in Society

Miss Rosalind Worthington of the Redmond national Bank left Sunday for Vancouver and Victoria, B.C. She will spend a vacation of two weeks.

The Rev. C. Wardlaw, who was badly crippled Nov. 19 when a football player was tackled out of bounds while he was watching the game from the sidelines, is improving steadily and is able to walk about his home this week without the aid of crutches.

Percy Mead, former Redmond boy, is now playing on the Vaudeville stage, according to word received here by his brother, Raymond Mead. Mead is associated with two other performers in an act entitled, "Brook, Lake and Rivers in '15 Minutes in the Stream of Joy."

75 Years Ago

Jan. 23, 1947 — Dimes to Line Redmond Street

Redmond will line both sides of Sixth Street with dimes Saturday morning, when girls vie with boys to determine which side can collect the most money for the "March of Dimes," an annual infantile paralysis fund drive.

The Camp Fire Girls and Blue Birds, headed by Mrs. George Gladwell, will place a tape along one side of Sixth street curbing. Boy Scouts and Cubs, in charge of Scoutmaster George Taylor, will take the opposite side of the street. The youngsters will collect dimes from business houses and pass-



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Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council delegates Rod Smith of Bend, G.W. "Jerry" McCann of Deschutes County, Claude Buck of Sisters, Louis Olson of Jefferson County and rex Barber of Culver, along with Jim Watson of Prineville, not pictured, decided to undertake a tri-county transportation study Monday evening in Redmond. In foreground is Russell Reeck, appointed paid secretary-treasurer.

ersby, putting the money on the tape. The first group to get the tape covered with dimes will be declared winner.

Starting at 9:30 a.m. Saturday the boys and girls will work for several hours, says Postmaster Arthur H. Tifft, Redmond chairman for the March of Dimes. Last year the youngsters collected \$340 in four hours.

In addition to Saturday's Contest, the infantile paralysis drive will be held in the schools, with Mrs. Nelly Nooe in charge. Banks are being placed in each grade schoolroom and in the study hall, library and office at the high school.

Collection jars also will be placed in various business houses of the town until the close of the drive on January 31. Half of the funds collected go to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, founded by Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the other half remains to be used locally for victims of po-

lio, giving them all needed assistance and special treatment.

50 Years Ago

Jan. 19, 1972 — COIG gives jobs to Deschutes

The Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, meeting Monday evening at Redmond City Hall, gave seven out of eight top priorities for hiring additional personnel through the Emergency Employment Act to government units within Deschutes County.

After it was noted that following the 6 ½-month federal funding period, local taxes should be used for the salaries. representatives from Jefferson County reluctantly agreed to eighth place for a maintenance person for their school district and Cook County representative suggested donating that area's priorities to the Redmond Fire Department. Redmond city manager Ed English made no commitment to retain the position beyond federal fund-

Of the approximate \$25,000 available from jobs not filled immediately with the onset of the program last fall, first priority will go to hiring a teacher aid for Bend schools, followed by a Sister's night patrolman, a Redmond school night watchman, a public works man for a special road district, a draftsman for Deschutes County,

a clerk-stenographer of bend and a day fireman for Redmond. COIG accepted the first half of a \$10,000 planning grant from Ray Hinds of the state executive department to undertake a study of existing transportation systems, future needs and possible resources of financial assistance. COIG went on record as favoring a study of transportation instead of housing.

25 Years Ago

Jan. 22, 1997 — More students dropping out of RHS

in the statewide high school dropout rate last year, Redmond's rate rose by more than 13 percent. Redmond's 1995-96 drop-out rate ended up to 9.3 percent from a 1994-95 rate of 8.2 percent, according to figures released this week by the Oregon Department of Education.

Despite a small decline

In Oregon, the latest figures show a small decrease in dropout numbers, from 7.4 to 7.2 percent between 1994 and 1996. That translates into a four-year rate of 26.6 percent for the class of 1996.

State Schools Superintendent Norma Paulus expressed pleasure over the direction of the dropout rate but said, "A school system must question itself when more than 25 percent of its students don't complete the process."

Oregon students who dropped out last year cited irrelevant coursework as the No. 1 reason for leaving.

However, Redmond High

Shooting

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Attempted murder and first-degree assault are Measure 11 offenses, subject to mandatory minimum sentencing in Oregon. At the time of his arrest,

LaForest had a warrant in

OBITUARY POLICY

Death Notices are free and will be run for one day, but specific guidelines must be followed. Local obituaries are paid advertisements submitted by families or funeral homes. They may be submitted by phone, mail, email or fax. The Spokesman reserves the right to edit all submissions. When submitting, please include your name, address and contact number. For deadlines or other information, call 541-617-7865.

another county, according to police. He's being held in Deschutes County jail. He was assigned a

public defender to represent him. No future court date is listed.

Reporter: 541-383-0325, gandrews@bendbulletin.com

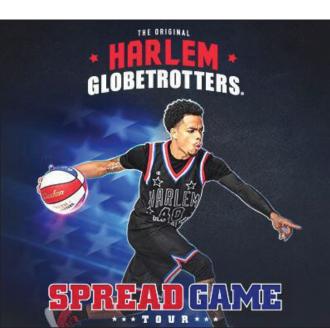
Calendar

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Younger Stroke Support Group: Stroke Support group for the younger crowd. Zoom Meeting open forum to discuss your trials, success', fears and general support of each other.; 6-7 p.m.; free; Stroke Awareness Oregon, Online; strokeawarenessoregon.org or 541-323-5641

The Ballybogs: The Irish traditional music band will perform; 6-8 p.m.; free; Porter Brewing Co., 611 NE Jackpine Ct. 2, Redmond; porterbrewingco.com or 541-504-7959.

Books in Common NW — "Dispatched



Online; redmondoregon.gov or 541-923-7750.

welcome to sing up for open mic; 5:30-7:30 p.m.; free; General Duffy's Watering Hole, 404 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; generalduffys.com or 541-527-4345.

Parker Steers: The local country, rock artist will perform every Monday in January; 6-8 p.m.; free; Wild Ride Brewing Co., 332 SW Fifth St., Redmond; wildridebrew.com or 541-610-2520.

TUESDAY 1/25

Enjoy the focus of a quiet space with the benefit of others' company; 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; free; Redmond Public Library, 827 SW Deschutes Ave., Redmond: deschuteslibrary.org or 541-312-1050.

Open Mic: First timers to pros, everyone's

Writers Writing — Quiet Writing Time:

from Anarres": Six authors will discuss the legendary Ursula K Le Guin in "Dispatched from Anarres"; 6:30-8 p.m.; free must register and have a copy of book; Paulina Springs Books, Online; booksincommonnw.com or 541-549 0866

Songwriting Dance Party: Join local singer-songwriter Casey Hurt Thursday nights, where he creates retro pop and soul dance tracks right on the spot; 7-10 p.m.; free; General Duffy's Watering Hole, 404 SW Forrest Ave., Redmond; facebook.com/Generalduffys or 541 527-4345.

FRIDAY 1/21

Coffee Clatter: Join for a morning of networking and check out what's new with Gateway Mortgage; 8:30-9:30 a.m.; free; Gateway Mortgage, 631 W. Antler Ave., Redmond; visitredmondoregon. com

Harlem Globetrotters: The

Globetrotters' show features even more amazing basketball skills and wizardry, with a continued focus on family entertainment; 7-8:30 p.m.; \$17-\$221; First Interstate Bank Center, 3800 SW Airport Way, Redmond; expo.deschutes. org or 541-548-2711.

Hawaiian Nights with Bill Keale: The

Submitted image

The Harlem Globetrotter will perform at the First Interstate Bank Center on Friday.

musician will perform Hawaiian music; 7-10 p.m.; \$10 online; General Duffy's Watering Hole, 404 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; facebook.com/Generalduffys or 541-527-4345.

Third Seven: Billy Mickelson will perform a variety of genres with opener Jeb Draper; 8-10 p.m.; free; High Desert Music Hall, 818 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; highdesertmusichall.com or 541-527-1387.

SATURDAY 1/22

Reggae Dance Night: A night of laser lights and reggae dance music with DJ Slade & DJ 3levat3 Spinning vinyl tracks from artists like – Bob Marley, Peter Tosh, Black Uhuru, Steel Pulse, Shinehead, Yellowman & more; 8-11 p.m.; free; High Desert Music Hall, 818 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; highdesertmusichall.com or

541-527-1387.

SUNDAY 1/23

Community Conversations — Addressing Bias Through Conversation: Build skills on how to address expressions of bias; 4-6 p.m.; free; Deschutes Public Library, Online; deschuteslibrary.org or 541-617-7050.

Karaoke Night: Weekly karaoke will take place in the new Annex building; 7 p.m.; free; General Duffy's Watering Hole, 404 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; facebook. com/Generalduffys or 541-527-4345.

MONDAY 1/24

Planning Commission Meeting: A regular meeting will be held; 4:30-6:30 p.m.; free; Redmond City Hall,

Healing Flow Class Series: Join a yoga healing flow class from the comfort of your home; Noon-1 p.m.; \$15 drop-in; CMC, Online; canyonmountaincenter.net or 415-748-8697

Stroke Survivor Support Group:

Hosted by Keith Taylor featuring various stroke professionals, Dr.'s Counselors and stroke survivors. Sharing openly attendees' questions, advice and struggles.; 3-4 p.m.; free; Stroke Awareness Oregon, Online; strokeawarenessoregon.org or 541-323-5641.

Virtual City Council Workshop: A regular meeting will be held; 6-8 p.m.; free; Redmond City Hall, Online; redmondoregon.gov or 541-923-7710.

Trivia Wednesdays: Go with a team or team up there to play genuine UKB Trivia live and possibly win gift certificates; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; free; Initiative Brewing, 424 NW Fifth St., Redmond; facebook com/InitiativeBrew or 541-527-4380.

Standup Comedy: Central Oregon Comedy Scene presents Standup Comedy night; 8-10 p.m.; \$15 online, \$20 at door; General Duffy's Watering Hole, 404 SW Forest Ave., Redmond; facebook com/Generalduffys or 541-527-4345.

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