

ST. PAT'S GRAND MARSHAL

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Thanksgiving and Christmas. In 1940 Jim sold his sheep, lambs and wool crop to a man who never paid. Jim and Kate were fortunate they had their land paid for. Though they lost money, they were able to hold on to their property.

As a child, Charlie started working the harvest on his family's ranch. When he was 12, the U.S. entered into World War II. Men in the area left to go to war which gave Charlie an opportunity at other jobs and he started riding horses on weekends for a neighbor at \$5 a day. When rationing began during the war, the family traded their meat ration cards, because they had enough meat, for sugar and coffee.

When Charlie graduated from high school in 1948, instead of moving to work on McNary Dam for \$25 a day, he stayed home to work on the family ranch. He continued to work at \$5 a day on his brother-in-law's wheat ranch.

Working with horses on the ranch, Charlie developed a love for rodeo. During this time, he met his future wife, Yvonne Jarrard. He participated in bareback riding, calf roping, and wild cow milking. In 1959 he began helping to organize local rodeo events.

Yvonne was raised in La Grande. She had transferred from Eastern Oregon College to nursing school at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. Yvonne met Charlie at St. Anthony's when he was there for leg surgery.

Charlie married Yvonne in Pendleton in September 1953. They worked on the ranch and had six children: Jeanne, Patty, David, Tim, Mary, and JoLynn. They are currently blessed with several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In 1964, Charlie and Yvonne purchased butte property from Jasper Myers. In 1978 they sold the ranch on Little Butter Creek and built a house on the butte property which is located approximately five miles south of the ranch they sold. They continued to run their cattle for a number of years. Charlie had a pasture rental business, renting out pastures in the states of Oregon and Washington. He managed the pastures for several large cattle operations. The Dalys have sold their cattle and currently lease their property to a yearling operation that runs cattle



Top Photo: Pictured is Charlie's family (L-R) Jim, Charlie, Kathlene, Patricia, Mary, and Kate. Middle Photo: Charlie's mother Kate. Bottom Photo: Charlie's father Jim. -Contributed Photos

April through July. In 2002 Charlie and Yvonne were able to travel to Ireland to visit Charlie's parent's hometowns. Like his parents, Charlie's Irish ancestors were also involved with agriculture. Along with agriculture, his paternal side of the family traded pigs and horses

while his maternal side farmed and raised sheep.

Charlie and Yvonne are members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church Parish in Heppner and Charlie is also an "ole timer" member of the Heppner Elks #358 lodge. Charlie has also worked with the Wrangler Riding Club, Morrow County Fair Committee, 4-H and rodeo committee. In 1999 he was the grand marshal for the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo and Morrow County Fair.

Little League tryouts to be held

Heppner Little League tryouts will be held March 8-10 from 4-5:30 p.m. Boys' tryouts will be held at the majors' field. Girls' tryouts will be held at Kilkenny softball field. Majors tryouts will be held March 8 and 9. Minors tryouts will be held March 9 and 10. Children trying out

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Other items covered by Smith at the meeting were the proposal to consolidate the circuit courts which could require people to travel to Pendleton for trials, filings and other court business.

Morrow County District Attorney Justin Nelson addressed the Heppner Chamber of Commerce last week about the proposed consolidation of the courts. The Chamber voted to send a letter in opposition to the consolidation. Smith said he did not think the proposal was going to go anywhere.

Smith said he also did not see any legislation for new taxes this session, or a change in Oregon's popular kicker law, which returns money to tax payers when there is overpayment of taxes.

EASTERN PROMISE

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master's degrees in subject content. He said that the students taking these classes would then be able to enter college having already obtained some college credits. He also said that students who do not participate in the program would still graduate, but not with college credits.

"We're going to conduct the business of post-secondary education differently in Eastern Oregon," said an "Eastern Promise" draft proposal. "We're going to break down barriers for kids by implementing innovative strategies to overcome the challenges of education in a rural setting. The consolidation of resources and improved efficiencies enables us to promise parents and students a different level of accountability in education. That's our promise."

According to the draft proposal, "The Eastern Promise seeks to:

- increase the number of students from Eastern Oregon who are prepared for and attend college directly from high school;
- increase the number of students who obtain the Oregon Transfer and/or the Associate's of Art Oregon Transfer degrees;
- increase the number of BMCC and TVCC students who earn degrees or certificates and remain in the region;
- increase the number of BMCC and TVCC students who successfully transfer to EOU or other four-year institutions; and
- increase the number of EOU students who graduate with a bachelor's or advanced degree and live in the region."

According to the proposal, students could achieve the Oregon Transfer or Associate's of Art Oregon

Redistricting of legislative districts is also on the table now that the census has been completed and Smith says there is nothing more polarizing among politicians than changing districts. "They will literally count each and every voter to try and gain an edge for their party," he said of Democrats and Republicans. Smith said he thinks Greg Walden's US Congressional district might be redistricted in an attempt by Democrats to dilute his voting base. Smith said with the Republicans in control of the US House, Walden is quite powerful, and Democrats will try and include more of the urban areas of Oregon in his district which will make it harder for him to get elected. Walden is the only Republican representative from Oregon.

transfer degrees through dual credit, dual enrollment and online learning. With dual credit, approved high school teachers would teach college courses during the school day with credit determined through "outcome based assessments" (tests) similar to advanced placement courses. With dual enrollment, college instructors would provide instruction for college and high school students, with courses offered at high schools and college campuses. With online learning, courses would be archived through "Illuminate Live" and available for students to access at any time.

The proposal comes in the wake of a new administration in Oregon government (Governor Kitzhaber) that is taking education in a different direction. Another big factor is also the downturn in state finances. With less state money to divvy up, competition for those dollars is becoming fierce.

Mulvihill told the Ione Board that Governor Kitzhaber's administration is emphasizing pre-kindergarten education, planning a shift to a zero to 20 years education system alignment and is recommending zero funding for ESDs.

According to state representative Greg Smith, who spoke at a meet and greet in Heppner on Saturday, one suggestion rumored at the state level is consolidation of Wheeler, Gilliam, Morrow and Umatilla school districts to save state education monies. There is also pressure to consolidate or eliminate ESDs. "I get alarmed because we get so many services from ESD," commented ISD Board Chair Joe McElligott.

A "state issues" note from Mulvihill said that ESD reform bills, mergers, reduced funding, accountability changes and opt-out options are mainly due to serious problems with the Willamette ESD and the Union Baker ESD (Union Baker ESD is merging with the Umatilla-Morrow ESD to form the Intermountain ESD) and a \$3.6 billion deficit.

Mulvihill said he had planned to meet with legislators in Salem on Feb. 24, has scheduled a meeting with The Oregonian newspaper editorial board on March 7 and has planned a series of editorials.

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approved the 2011-12 licensed staff renewal: a one-year contract for a 2011-112 second year licensed probationary teacher Jordan Bemrose; a one-year contract for 2011-12 for a third-year licensed probationary teacher Gail Pratt; and a two-year contract extension for 2012-13 and 2013-14 for teachers Barbara Collin, Dale Holland II, Jim Raible, Ryan Rudolf, Lea Mathieu, Brandi Orem, Erin Hansell-Heideman, Karen Holland, Linda Neiffer, Steve Schaber, and Stefanie Spivey.

received the following financial update as of Jan. 31: the district collected \$112,369 in basic school support and \$1,287 in property taxes; the district collected \$40,000 for a science grant, a \$500 contribution from the local Grange Hall for operation of the pool, a \$500 donation from Inland Chemical for a School Reach Grant and \$3,356 in Tier II grants for a field trip and Accelerated Reader.

received a "clean" district audit from Chris Cockburn with Fife and Cockburn.

received a report from IMESD concerning state issues as follows: the economic forecast is stable; the governor's education vision emphasizes pre-kindergarten, an age zero-20 system alignment, puts the investment board over other boards, estimates school funding as \$5.56 billion with 52 percent in the first year of the biennium and 48 percent in the second, proposes zero percent funding for ESDs and legal issues with property tax; ESD reform bills mergers with reduced funding, accountability changes and an opt-out largely because of the Willamette ESD and Union Baker ESD problems and a \$3.6 billion deficit.

accepted the resignation of Dale Holland II from his football assistant coaching position.

learned that the charter school summit has been scheduled for March 8.

learned that the next board meeting will be held on March 29.

Methodist Church to hold Imposition of Ashes service

On Wednesday, March 9, Heppner United Methodist Church will be observing the beginning of Lent with an Imposition of Ashes service at 11:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Anyone unable to come to the service, the imposition of ashes will be offered through the noon until 1 p.m.

Ash Wednesday is the first day of the Christian season of Lent, a time of self-denial, penance, and of preparation prior to Easter morning. Lent is observed during the 40 days prior to Easter, not counting Sundays. On Ash Wednesday, the ashes made from burning the palms of last year's celebration of Palm Sunday, are used to place the sign of the cross on the foreheads of celebrants. The sign of the cross in ashes is a reminder that Lent is a time of penance and self-denial.

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Dodge ball Tournament

March 10th - 5:00 p.m.

Heppner High School Gym

\$40 per 8 person team

Teams must have 8 people

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