

### Construction at SJSHS

By: Katherine Shafer

At the end of July, construction on SJSHS to install new windows as well as a new heating system at a cost of \$1.6 million, will, in a fifteen year time frame, save the school \$1.8 million, commenced.

The school was built back in 1955 and, with the exception of converting the school's coal-fired steam boiler to a fuel oil boiler, the

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Top Ten Worst Halloween Costumes

By: Hannah Hays

- 1. Clown
- 2. Foot
- 3. Garden Gnome
- 4. Raggedy Ann
- 5. Angry Birds
- 6. Where's Waldo
- 7. Gumby
- 8. Turkey
- 9. Venus Fly Trap
- 10. Beetle Juice

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Beginning at the end of July, the school paired up with Johnson Controls to create and install energy efficient upgrades within a reasonable price range. This includes replacing the 50year-old boiler with a newer and more efficient one and also replacing the original classroom windows with windows that are thermally insulated. These new windows will help reduce drafts and dust.

However, not just the heating system and windows are being replaced. To keep from losing too much heat all exterior doors will receive weather stripping and new sweeps. To provide more control over heat and energy a brand new tribution system with heat recovery will be installed. The cost for all this new equipment reaches a grand total of \$1.6 million dollars, though it is expected that the school will regain \$1.8 million dollars in the next 15 years due to savings.

Overall, the construction on the school is a fantastic improvement and will save the school a great deal.

Students, staff, and citizens of Sherman County are all very excited for the construction to be finished. Many agree that the windows look great and when asked about the construction, Craig Wood replied, "We have an outstanding group of contractors."

Thank you to any and all people who have helped make the construction a reality!



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Continuing on last year's entertaining "Newsletter ISPY", this edition consists of friendly Halloween paraphernalia that have floated their way into Husky Times print! Develop a paranormal investigator attitude because ISPY eight ghosts.

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## Sports Center

By: Katie Poirier

The Sherman Huskies have started off the 2012-2013 sports season with a big bang! With both volleyball and football teams dominating at Prairie City, our Huskies were off to a great start. It has not been a walk in the park, though, having both teams suffering losses to Imbler.

"We now know what we need to work on. On a positive note, we did serve 90% tonight," said head coach Amy Richelderfer-Huffman, following the loss to the Imbler Panthers. The girls did; however, achieve another "W" against the Horizon-Christian Hawks with an impressive score of 25-3 and 25-15. The season still looks promising for the girls, even after suffering a more recent loss to Maupin. Although having previously lost to Dufur this year, the approaching homecoming game against them looks like it will be a good one.

The boys' football season is looking like it, too, will be full of victory. Our boys are currently 3-1 and, according to Coach Somnis the seasons looking bright, "We're starting off well, and we're slowly getting better." When asked what made our Huskies such a good team, he replied, "The work ethic of the kids is really great. They're all fully committed to the team on and off the field." Every team does have its strengths and weaknesses; however, and our boys are "a more well-rounded, focused and harder working team." Said Somnis, "We could still be in better shape." When asked about what sets apart our team from any other in our league, Somnis answered, "We're faster than anyone else, and we are more committed." After hearing what Coach Somnis had to say, it's a safe bet that our Huskies will go very far this year, including defeating our homecoming opponent, Dufur, on October 19th.

Player	Number
Samantha Coons	1
Maddie Belshe	2
Brooklyn Sandquist	3
Meagan McKinney	5
Makenzie Blaylock	7
Shelby Kaseberg	9
Hollee Kaseberg	10
Katie Asher	11
Janet Guzman	12
Amber Kuettel	1
Bethany Lohrey	4
Meagan McKinney	5
Sabrina Green-Hite	6
Andie Harrison	7
Jasmine Wilson	8
Hollee Kaseberg	12
Katie Asher	13

Player	Number
Daniel Aguilar	2
Brett Evans	5
Riley Brown	10
Jailin Conboy	15
Nick von Borstel	20
Nick Coleman	22
Wyatt Stutzman	33
Ben Holliday	34
Blake Evans	44
Brian Simantel	45
Hunter Grenvik	51
Tanner Sandquist	56
Logan Raczykowski	60
Brett Lane	62
Jason Earl	64
Cody Jauken	70
Kevin Hart	75
Kaiden Paulette	88
Devonte Neely	90

VARSITY FOOTBALL

## Husky Happenings

By: Devyn Roberts

The school plans a thrilling and gratifying year here at Sherman Jr./Sr. High School full of Homecoming excitement, FFA functions, winning sports traditions, and a building facelift.

This year's Homecoming committee is sticking to last vear's trend of "princesses only". ASB President, Maddie Belshe, declared that last year's princess theme was because halftime crowning is preferred and the football halftime for the team was important. This year they wanted to "continue with the new tradition." The game against Dufur will be intense and half time is required for the football players to concentrate on the combat.

The Homecoming dance will be a "highlighter dance"; a dance at which black lights are installed to create a glowing effect on white clothing and where highlighters, glow sticks or glow in the dark paint are

spread on attendees faces, arms and clothing.

The FFA National Convention will be in Indianapolis, IN from October 24th to October 27th. The seven officers from Sherman Jr./Sr. High School FFA Chapter—Shayne Sabrina Greenhite, Holmes, Michaela Hays, Karolyn Kaseberg, Meagan McKinney, Shaun Casper, and the Sherman FFA Chapter's advisor Mr. Collins-are attending this important event with approximately 55,000 other FFA members and guests present. At the FFA National Convention, members and guests, "Gather to learn about careers in the agriculture industry, compete for scholarships, volunteer in the community and shape the future of the National FFA Organization" as stated in the 85th National FFA Convention & Expo blurb on the official **FFA** website: www.ffa.org.

Friday September 14<sup>th</sup> was Sherman Jr./Sr. High

School's first home game of the 2012-2013 school year. After an unsuccessful start to the season, our boy's football team bounced back by narrowly defeating Echo on September 21st. Both our girl volleyball teams acknowledged losses, but rebounded, as well. Excellent football and volleyball seasons are in store if determination, practice, and spirit are exhibited throughout the team and fans in attendance.

Sherman Jr./Sr. High School got a makeover starting in July, with the tearing out of the old classroom windows and replacement with new, outsized windows from Johnson Controls. We ask you to come and take a peek at this beautiful change to the school.

An exciting and fun year is ahead of us, and with the expected year of worldly demise – year of 2012 – almost over, all of humanity and Sherman County is thriving and does not foresee a future of destruction.

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Riverside Gymnastics Academy gymnast Makayla Macnab participated in the opening and closing ceremony for the 2012 Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions at the Rose Garden in Portland on Saturday, September 22nd. Makayla diligently practiced a choreo-

## Husky Pups

By: Liz Cranston

graphic number with her sister, Britney, in preparation for this amazing opportunity. She performed with members of the men's and women's 2012 Olympic Teams.

The Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions

is unlike any gymnastics tour ever produced, providing fans with a highflying, dynamic experience that will celebrate the sports' beauty and skill. What a great opportunity and exhilarating way to experience her passion for the sport of gymnastics.

## Principal's Corner

By: Brandon Hammond

With fall coming into bloom Sherman Elementary School is a hub of activity. Our teachers have worked unceasingly to engrain routines, procedures and classroom expectations in order to create an environment that allows for greatest student achievement. One area that we have emphasized as a staff is the implementation of our Common Core State Standards. Our focus right now is on mathematics and all teachers have taken on the rigorous task of aligning their curriculum to meet these new standards. Words cannot express adequately my appreciation and gratitude for all that our staff has done in this regard.

Technology has become an integral part of education. At Sherman Elementary we have partnered with our local Education-

al Service District in an effort to implement iPads within the 2nd and 6th grade classrooms. Mrs. Cranston, one of our sixth grade teachers, has also recently been awarded a grant from the SWCD. This grant, in part, will allow several classrooms the opportunity to explore GIZMO, a math and science interactive website. The use of this technology is allowing our students opportunities and experiences that will help them in the future.

Elementary school would not be complete without field trips. The month of October is a beehive of activity as several classes explore the world around them. Our kindergarten and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classrooms will attend Rasmussen Farms to culminate their fall lesson, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade will visit Maryhill Museum learning the legends of the world through stories and literature, 5<sup>th</sup> grade will travel to the Goldendale Observatory, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade will attend Oaks Springs Fish Hatchery where students will be assisting with the fish spawning. In addition to this, a few sixth grade students will be attending the Cottonwood Canyon signing ceremony.

As you can see our students are actively engaged at Sherman Elementary. We appreciate all of the individuals who work so hard to provide the best education for our kids.

## Superintendent's Corner

By: Wes Owens

It is an honor to open the 2012-13 school year as Superintendent of the Sherman County School District. The District staff, School Board members and many volunteers have paved the way for another successful year for every SCSD student. Everyone associated with the SCSD is proud to serve the students and parents in the communities of Biggs, Grass Valley, Kent, Moro, Rufus and Wasco.

Each new year brings excitement and unique challenges. Due to state revenue shortfalls and declining enrollment in the SCSD, the School Board, District Budget Committee, staff and administration have worked diligently to develop a budget that will effectively and efficiently use the limited resources we have for the new school year. Our primary effort this year, as always, is to provide the best education possible for each of our students. In addition, our focus continues to be led with creativity and proficiency in order to maintain the high quality education programs that we are known for, all while we remain focused on our core values, beliefs and priorities. I would like to share the priorities and points of emphasis that the School Board recently adopted for the 2012-13 school year:

- ♦ Student achievement is at the core of all District priorities. The School Board will support all staff in the development of curriculum guidelines and the alignment of teaching strategies K-12. This will also include the implementation of Common Core State Standards in Language Arts and Mathematics, K-12.
- Support the design of additional educational opportunities through virtual/on-line course options for students.
- by November 20, 2012, the Sherman County School Board will make a decision on whether to develop a comprehensive plan to consolidate the District to one campus in Moro and report these findings to the Sherman County Community or to continue with current configuration. These findings might also include specific triggers.
- Create a transparent picture of Strategic Investment Funds and what they mean to the Sherman County School District.
  - Where we would be without the wind dollars.
  - ♦ More precise picture and evaluation of expenditure of wind dollars.
- ♦ Build trust and support healing between the Sherman County School District Board and school staff, administrators, families, residents and community leaders by acknowledging current challenges and building on strengths.
- ♦ Create authentic, good, honest relations within the school community by developing effective communication and engagement opportunities for all residents of Sherman County.
- ♦ Work in a collaborative effort with Sherman County residents to foster an outstanding environment for the success of all Sherman County students. Create a Partnership and Destination School District.
- ♦ Investigate ways to increase grant writing to support programs at the elementary and secondary levels.

The Sherman County School District has maintained high quality education programs primarily because of our hard-working staff, dedicated School Board and also because our businesses, community agencies, parents and volunteers consistently support our schools. This is also a perfect time to thank Sherman County for the financial support through the Strategic Investment Program agreements that have been so vital in our ability to continue exceptional academic programs.

I look forward to the 2012-13 school year with a conviction and a commitment to continue to improve our services. Our ability to improve is dependent on your comments, suggestions and constructive criticism. Please call me at 541-565-3500, send an e-mail message to <a href="www.esagestions.new.esagestions">www.esagestions.new.esagestion.new.esagestion.new.esagestion.new.esagestion.new.esagestion.new.esagestion.

The trust that you place in the Sherman County School District employees and School Board members to develop our students' potential and prepare them for their post-secondary life is never taken for granted and is greatly appreciated.

Best wishes for your child(ren) and our students' success in 2012-13.

# Homecoming!!

Homecoming 2012 is just around the corner and every student at the Sherman Jr. / Sr. High school is ecstatic about all the activities during October 15th-19th. Throughout homecoming, student council will be having fun games during lunch, such as, Costume judging and pep assemblies, hoping to involve everyone and get them pumped up for Friday's Football and Volleyball games against Dufur.

The theme this year is "Huskies Save The World, Evil Good vs. #goodwillprevail"\* to support our superhero theme!

When decorating time

#### **Sprit Week Dress Up** Days!!!

Monday: Pajama /80's Day!

Tuesday: Super-Hero /

**Animal Day!** 

Wednesday: Wild Wild West/

Crazy Hat!!

Thursday: Color War!!

- Junior High-Green
- Freshmen-Yellow
- Sophomores-Red
- Juniors-Blue
- Seniors-Black

Friday: Orange and Black!

comes around this year every- have made of the lobby this one is making a group effort to year. decorate the main entrance to the gym lobby. Student council will assign each class their own Senior -Maddie Belshe section. The areas are going to be decorated by the Jr. High, Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors. The Seniors will have the honor of decorating the stu- Freshmen-Rebecca Bourgeois dent lounge, which is where the Homecoming Highlighter Dance\*\* will be held after the football game. The dance will have two over lapping themes, "Superhero" with a "Highlighter Dance".

Every class will not only be decorating in a group effort, but also get their own lockers to decorate as a class to show another aspect of Husky and Superhero pride. This is a new feature this year and ASB members know it is going to add a lot of spunk to Sherman's hallways. Student council decided that the only way to really make sure everyone gets involved is to change the way the class points are given. The bigger the group the better our school decorations will look this year.

Earn class points getting involved in the decorating and daily activities. Let's showcase school pride this year and make this homecoming one for the record books. We invite the community to stop by the games on Friday, not only to support our teams, but also enjoy what an astonishing decorating job the students will

2012 Homecoming princesses

Junior-Shania Drinkwine

Sophomore- Michaela Hays

More information on the princesses can be found on page 7.

and \*- The "#" (Hashtag) symbol is used to mark key words or topics in a thought or idea. The hashtag was originally used in a "tweet", and originated from the new website Twitter.

> \*\*Highlighter Dance: means the white lights are being replaced with black lights and will emit a glow to white or neon colored clothing.

> > Show your Husky Pride at the volleyball and football games on October 19th, at the Sherman Jr/Sr High School! Varsity volleyball starts at 4:30 p.m. followed by JV at 6. JV football starts at 5:30 p.m., followed by Varsity at 7:00.

# Homecoming 2012 Royalty



Name: Rebekah Bourgeois Grade: Freshmen

**Favorite Class:** Robotics Favorite Food: Pasta

Rebekah admires her mom the most because she's always been there when Rebekah needed her. Her future plans are to graduate high school with honors, and go to college. Something unknown about her is she created page layouts for an online game site! And if she could marry any super-hero it'd be Superman, so she could be Supergirl.

Name: Michaela Elizabeth Hays Grade: Sophomore

Favorite Class: Advanced Biology Favorite Food: Corn

Mashed Potatoes, and Gravy

Michaela admires her grandma, Linda Cornie, because she has done so much for her over the past four years. Her future plans are to go to college and get into law enforcement. Something unknown about Michaela is that she dances like "Goofy" the cartoon character. And if she could be married to any "super-hero" it would be Channing Tatum.





Name: Shania Drinkwine Grade: Junior

Favorite Class: Lunch Favorite Food: Steak & Potatoes

Shania admires Cody Jauken the most. Her future plan is to make it to NFR (National Finals Rodeo). An unknown fact about Shania is she has NEVER tried ketchup! And if she could be married to one "superhero" it would be Zach Blaylock because he is her super-hero.

Name: Maddie Belshe Grade: Senior

Favorite Class: Forensics & Leadership Favorite Food: Milky

Way

Maddie admires her friends the most. Her future plans are to graduate high school and attend college; she's still undecided about her major, but she's got lot's of time! An unknown fact about Maddie is she wished she owned a pet Duck. And if she could marry any "super-hero" it would be Spiderman.



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## Junior High Section

Coordinated By: Hollee Kaseberg



On September 13, 2012 the Junior High elected 6 new class officers for the 2012/2013 school year. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade selected **Audrey Stone** and **Jacob Justesen** as co-presidents and **Lexi Grenvik** as the representative. Representing the 8<sup>th</sup> grade is **Emily Poirier** and **Isaiah Coles** as co-presidents and **Emily Hill** as representative.

#### Junior High Football Team:

#### Junior High Volleyball Team:

-Anthony Lloyd

-Isaiah Coles

-Jacob Justesen

-Jared Fritts

-Kvle Fields

-Maverick Winslow

-Max Martin

-Nick Lesh

-Reese Blake

-Ryan Asher

-Treve Martin

-Addy Bates

-Audrey Stone

-Ayla Neely

-Bailey Gonzalez

-Brianna McKinney

-Brittney Orendorff

-Halee Koshney

-Kirsten Casper

-Lexi Grenvik

-Paige Macleod

-Renee Bourgeois

-Stormy Rhodes





## Halloween Poke Cake

Prep: 20 min. Bake: 35 min. + chilling Yield: 12-15 Servings 20-35

Ingredients

- 1 package (18-1/4 ounces) fudge marble cake mix
- 2 packages (3 ounces each) orange gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 3-1/2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1/3 cup baking cocoa
- 1/4 cup *milk*
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 12 to 15 candy pumpkins

Directions

- Prepare and bake cake according to package directions, using a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan. Cool on a wire rack for 1 hour
- In a small bowl, dissolve gelatin in boiling water; stir in cold water. With a meat fork or wooden skewer, poke holes in cake about 2 in. apart. Slowly pour gelatin over cake. Refrigerate for 2-3 hours.
- For frosting, in a small bowl, cream butter until fluffy. Beat in the confectioners' sugar, cocoa, milk and vanilla until smooth. Spread over cake; top with candy pumpkins. Cover and refrigerate until serving.

Yield: 12-15 servings.



#### Husky Helper

By: Katherine Shafer

Dan Aldrich and Craig Wood –custodians at SJSHS – have been chosen to be this month's Husky Helpers for keeping the school running smoothly and efficiently and always having upbeat attitudes.

Craig is known as the "go to" man to both students and staff when things go wrong or when someone is in need of help. He is always willing to stop what he's doing to assist others in need, whether it is for a student's jammed locker or a teacher who is in need of supplies for his or her class. "It's always fun to watch Craig walk down the halls in the morning with at least three boys in tow helping him. He is such a great mentor," Miss Ross comment-

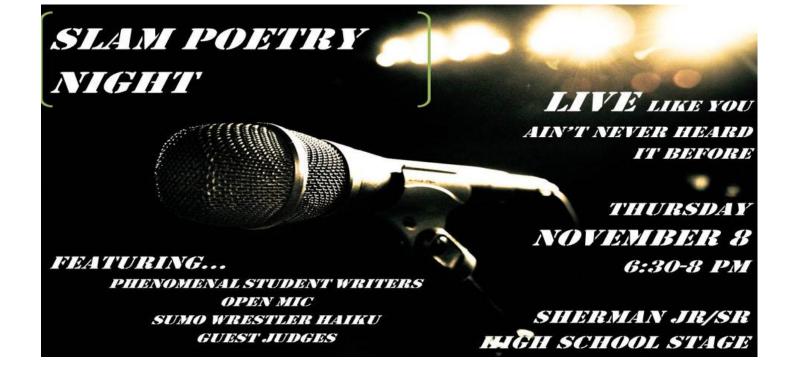
ed, when talking about Craig. Lately, you can find Craig helping the construction workers with the new windows and heating system.

Many days Craig comes in early for work and stays late. The smile he wears is often contagious and he helps students, teachers, and guests alike feel welcome almost as soon as they open the door.

Dan isn't always seen around the high school as much as Craig usually is, but he is still just as valuable a worker. Dan works the night shifts, staying late at night while most of us are already asleep. Like Craig, Dan always has a go-getter attitude and smile on his face as he helps

people around the school. The best chance anyone has of finding Dan is when he occasionally fills in for Craig during the day shift and during home games at the school. Dan makes sure that the gym is always clean after every game, which isn't always easy.

If you see either Craig or Dan around make sure you thank them for all their hard work they do. As well if you see trash or a mess on the ground, it would be beneficial to both Craig and Dan if you could take a few minutes to recycle or throw it away. Craig and Dan do so much for the school and without them SJSHS would not run as smoothly or efficiently as it does now.



## Principal's Corner

By: Mike Somnis

On behalf of the Sherman Jr./Sr. High School staff and the Sherman County School District, I would like to welcome you back to another exciting school year! I am very excited and humbled to be your new principal for the 2012-2013 school year.

Since coming to Sherman County in the fall of 2008, I have seen some great things happen here and some great students pass through our doors. My hope is that every student gets everything that they want out of this school year and takes advantage of the incredible opportunities that we have both academically and athletically.

Sherman Jr./Sr. High School takes great pride in our academic offerings, our rigorous course options and our new online academic options. We would like to encourage students to challenge themselves in the classroom and outside the classroom by getting

involved in many wonderful activities that our athletic and co-curricular programs can offer.

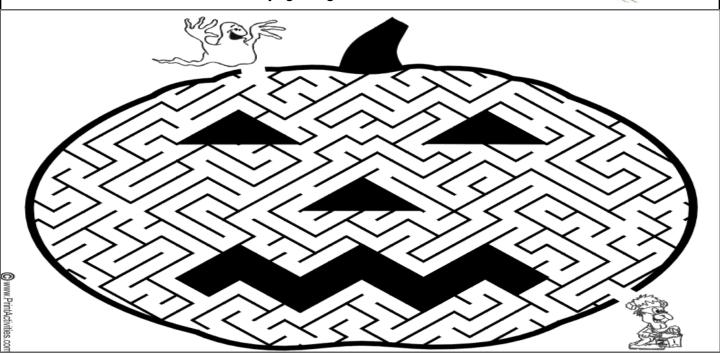
The safety and health of our students and staff is paramount to a successful school year. We encourage the community and families to get involved in the many happenings that go on throughout the year at our school and support the various committees that parents and families may serve on.

I sincerely hope that every student has a wonderful school year and that every student gets involved in at least one activity that our school has to offer. GO HUSK-IES!!

Sincerely,

Mike Somnis

Mike Somnis Principal





Should I spend my money on movies or video games?

Sincerely, Red Bear

I personally think you should spend your money on video games because video games can be played over and over and over, being different and fun each time of play. A movie is the same every time and after a while it can get old and no longer interesting.

#### Dear Ed!!

Dear Ed,

Why is your mouth always open? Don't you ever get bugs in it?

From your biggest fan, Mystery

Dear "My Biggest Fan, Mystery"

My mouth is always open because I'm constantly cheering on our amazing team. I also am a super happy animal. I don't get bugs in my mouth because I always dodge them when they try to get in it. They think they can just sit and hangout but that doesn't "fly" with me.:) -Ed

Dear Ed,

Does that suit get hot when you are running around? How did you get picked for the mascot?

Sincerely, Chubby

Dear Chubby,

I don't know what you are talking about I don't wear a suit. I am a pure bred Husky and I have luscious fur. I didn't get picked to be the Husky, I was born as the Husky.

-Ed

