



## All-out effort

Homedale High School senior Jessica Mooney dives to get the ball in the air during varsity action with McCall. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

# Trojans go distance for first SRV victory

Senior Hailey Hall erupted for 12 kills on Sept. 20, and Homedale High School's volleyball team recovered from a strong McCall-Donnelly attack to nail down its first 3A Snake River Valley conference victory of the season.

The Trojans picked up the victory in a marathon 14-25, 25-21, 22-25, 25-14, 15-10 victory on their home floor. It was the first five-game match of the season for coach Maleta Henry's team.

"McCall was a scrappy team and could dig up some great hits," Henry said. "They were stronger than when we played them (in the Fruitland Tournament) Saturday.

"I think that surprised the girls in our first game — that they would need to work hard."

But Homedale's athletes were up to the challenge. The Trojans (2-7 overall, 1-3 SRV) broke away in the fourth game after winning the first two games by a combined margin of seven points.

Hall backed up her double-digit kills with two blocks and three aces. Faith Brasher added eight kills and served an ace.

"Offensively, we were hitting harder and blocking better," Henry said.

Jordan Warwick had 36 sets, 13 of which were turned into kills.

Senior Hailee Garrett served three aces and was credited with

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## Ready, set ...

Junior varsity player Amanda Andaverde gets under the ball as Brit-tany Ambeau moves into position during Homedale's match against McCall-Donnelly. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

# Trojans soccer has score(s) to settle with Payette girls

The last time the high school girls soccer teams from Homedale and Payette got together, it wasn't pretty.

The Pirates hung a 17-1 loss on the Trojans, so you'd expect that the Homedale bunch isn't looking forward to Thursday's Snake River Valley conference rematch at Sundance Park.

Not exactly.

"When I mentioned that we were playing Middleton and Payette this week, I thought they'd be going, 'aaaah,' but they were like, 'Yeah, let's go. Let's show them how we can do,'" Homedale coach Lesa Folwell said.

"So they're excited about it. I'm not as excited about it, but they're excited about it."

The unbeaten Pirates (9-0 overall, 5-0 SRV before Tuesday's game against Fruitland) visit for a 5 p.m. game. Homedale was 0-6 before Tuesday's match against Middleton.

Parma has raised the ire of the Trojans with the 16-goal victory

margin from Sept. 13. Homedale's only goal came in the final 10 minutes on a Hannah Johnson score.

"When (Payette Lesa Folwell players') parents come over and say, 'We're so embarrassed and so disgusted that the coach ran the score up on you like that.' I mean, hello, everyone knows it's a run-up," Folwell said.

Payette coach Vonnie Paul, whose team has outscored its opponents 76-5, doesn't see it that way.

"If you go to the games, you

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# Three minutes haunt Huskies

## Parma's fast start in 2nd half keys WIC football win

The Marsing High School football coaching staff should think about opening a psychic hotline.

The Huskies' coaches pinpointed a strong start in the second half as the key to preserving a slim lead in the 2A Western Idaho Conference season opener against Parma.

Unfortunately, the strong start never materialized for the Huskies.

The Panthers came out of the locker room in the third quarter and scored two touchdowns in the span of 1 minute, 19 seconds to spark a 28-15 victory at Husky Stadium.

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## Homedale's win streak ends

Homedale High School's football team closed out its non-league schedule with a 34-20 loss on the road to Melba on Friday night.

The Trojans (2-2 overall) open play in the Snake River Valley conference at 7 p.m. Friday with a home game against McCall-Donnelly.

"They're just as hungry as we are," Homedale coach Thomas Thomas said.

The Mustangs were paced by senior Ryan Johnson, who rushed for 110 yards and a touchdown.

"We broke down in coverage on defense," Thomas said.

Tony Tricket caught five balls for 100 yards for Melba (2-2).

Homedale pulled within a field goal at 20-17 on Bryan Martinat's touchdown in the second half.



# Sports

**Back in the saddle**  
Homedale's Bryan Martinat scored a 71 to win the Saddle Bronc riding during Sunday's District II high school rodeo performance in New Plymouth. Photo by Gregg Garrett.



## Homedale runners show improvement at Firman

Homedale High School's cross country team continued its ambitious schedule Saturday, tackling the prestigious Bob Firman Invitational at Eagle Island State Park.

"We faced some of the best teams throughout the state and perhaps in the Northwest," Trojans coach Nick Schamber said.

"I was very happy with the improvement from third, fourth and fifth runners. They all turned in a personal best."

Matt Borschowa shaved six minutes off the time he posted last week against Weiser. He covered the Firman's soggy 3.1-mile course in 21 minutes, 19.52 seconds.

Levi Jones (21:23.7) and Troy Christensen (25:07.61) improved their times by about three minutes each, Schamber said.

"They've all been training hard and are now seeing the results," Schamber said.

Tyler Gibson (20:51.28) was the top finisher for the Homedale boys in the Division 2 race.

Junior Scott Thatcher crossed the line in 20:57.69.

Skyler Stotts of Sodas Springs High School won the event in 16:41.33

"It's a good sign that they are starting to peak," Schamber said.

Next for the Trojans is a meet in Ontario, Ore., on Oct. 6.

## √ Soccer

can see what we're trying to do," she said. "If your football team gets up by 20 points or if your basketball team gets up by 20 points, they don't back off."

The coach also said there was an attempt to slow the offense, including bringing in reserves. Folwell disputes that.

"They didn't back off," the Homedale coach said. "Some coaches will pull players or put weaker players in. I didn't see any of that."

"They played hard, and they just kept going and beating our players into the ground. I thought that was very unprofessional for a coach to do that."

Paul said the tenacity with which her club plays — Payette has five shutouts this season — stems from the past. The program endured an 0-16 season four years ago and lost the 3A state championship game last year to American Falls in a shootout in Boise.

"We play to win. The girls want to win, and they want to go to State," Paul said.

Others coaches on the wrong end of blowout scores against Payette, including Cameron Long from Nampa and Kendall Bowser from Orofino, said the Pirates

didn't pour it on in their games. Nampa lost twice to Payette — 10-0 on Sept. 17 and 4-1 on Sept. 20. Orofino traveled to Payette and dropped a 14-0 decision on Sept. 9.

"They played soccer, and my feeling is if you're not prepared, that's what happens," Long said. "It's not the YMCA. It's a varsity-level sport."

Bowser's team, which was 0-7 after a weekend trip to play Lakeland and Bonners Ferry — made a long trip from North Idaho to face the Pirates in a non-conference game. Bowser said the lopsided score was a combination of Orofino's lack of intensity on defense and Payette's high skill level.

"She made lots of substitutions and gave everybody playing time," Bowser said of Paul. "To me, they seemed to be quite fair about it."

Folwell doesn't agree with that, but her players aren't abandoning the ship with the immovable object of Payette looming.

"I think they're a little sore about it still, but they're a strong bunch of girls," she said. "They really are amazing in a lot of ways."

"They're just so resilient. They just bounce back."

— JB

## √ Volleyball

52 sets, seven of which became kills.

Weiser def. Homedale

Corey Hall recorded eight blocks on Thursday, but Homedale couldn't pull out another five-game victory, losing to host Weiser 25-20, 18-25, 25-17, 20-25, 15-11.

"Offensively, we are getting stronger," coach Maleta Henry said.

"We are trying to keep up the momentum during play so

we don't get a run on us when we are in defense."

Hailey Hall record six kills and eight blocks. She and Corey Hall both had two tips for points.

Jessica Mooney served two aces and thwarted Weiser with four blocks, while Jordan Warwick had five assists.

Homedale plays Payette at home at 7 p.m. Thursday.



Hailey Hall

### Trojan Fall Sports

#### FOOTBALL

Varsity — Friday, Sept. 30, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.  
Junior varsity — Thursday, Sept. 29 at McCall-Donnelly, 6:30 p.m.

#### VOLLEYBALL

Varsity — Thursday, Sept. 29, home vs. Payette, 7 p.m.  
Varsity — Tuesday, Oct. 4 at Middleton, 7 p.m.  
JV games are 1 hour before varsity games, excluding tournaments

#### CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday, Oct. 6 vs. Ontario at Treasure Valley Community College

#### SOCCER

Boys soccer  
Tuesday, Oct. 4 at McCall-Donnelly, 5:30 p.m.  
Girls soccer  
Thursday, Sept. 29, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, Oct. 4 at McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.

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# Sports

## Marsing seniors up to challenge against state volleyball power

### Huskies set tone for rematch in third game

When Marsing High School needed to rise to the challenge of playing volleyball powerhouse Nampa Christian on Sept. 20, Nicole Gelinas was the catalyst.

The hometown Huskies faced the unbeaten Trojans head-on in what shaped up to be a key match early in the 2A Western Idaho Conference season. And, even though Nampa Christian remained perfect in the wake of a 25-18, 25-18, 25-22 victory, the Trojans (8-0 overall, 2-0 2A WIC) knew they had been in a dogfight once the third game was complete.

“We were anticipating Marsing to be competitive with us,” Nampa Christian coach Larry Downs said.

That competitiveness was something the Huskies needed, according to their coach, Loma Bittick.

“I think it’s early for us to say this was a real crucial match for us,” she said. “I think it was important that we play strong.”

“I didn’t feel like my girls were devastated by a loss, either. We’re looking forward to the next time around.”

That comes on Oct. 6 in Nampa. If Round 1 is any indication, the Huskies (6-2, 1-2) will be ready.

“We know Nampa Christian is a tough team, and I think we were mentally ready to play them,” Bittick said.

Gelinas, one of six seniors on Marsing’s nine-player roster, definitely was prepared.

She held serve when the Huskies put the brakes on Nampa Christian’s attempt to run out of the gymnasium with a quick victory in Game 3. The Trojans had reeled off a bunch of unanswered points behind Melissa Blamiers to take a 9-3 lead when Gelinas stepped to the service line for her first tour of duty in the final frame. Her strong



#### Dig it

*Breeana Chadez, left, goes after a sinking ball during last week’s 2A Western Idaho Conference loss to Nampa Christian.*

serve knocked Nampa Christian off-kilter.

Gelinas pushed the Huskies in front with her next turn at the line. Her second ace of the match capped an 8-3 rally and gave Marsing a 19-17 lead in the third game.

“I saw a lot of maturity in Nicole,” Bittick said. “I’m seeing it as our season goes. More and more, she is someone we can really depend on, especially for serves.”

The arrival of setter Kortni Scott, a junior transfer from Eagle High School, has given Gelinas a chance to branch out and hone other parts of her game, Bittick said.

“She’s taken some pressure off Nicole,” Bittick said of Scott, who played through a leg strain against Nampa Christian. “Nicole had to set all around last year and not be a hitter.”

With Scott in the picture against the Trojans, Gelinas helped front-line mates M.J. Usabel and Breeana Chadez quiet the 6-foot-1 presence of Nampa Christian hitter Lindsay Forseth. Gelinas had two kills and a block to go with four assists and seven service points.

Forseth was credited with 11 kills, but never took over the

match as she has against other opponents.

“Our blockers were doing a good job of timing and getting together to put a wall in front of her,” Bittick said. “Defensively, our diggers were getting good angles and reading her attack well.”

Usabel recorded four kills and a block. At the line, she had one ace and seven points. Chadez also had four kills, two blocks, an ace and three points.

Another Marsing senior, Chadez stuffed Andrea Perea and Kathy Lewellyn on consecutive points in the third game to give the Huskies an 18-17 lead.

But poor passing and service errors opened the door for Nampa Christian to escape with a sweep.

“We should be able to take care of the ball better,” Bittick said.

Still, Bittick said the Huskies acquitted themselves well against a program that won four straight state titles between 2000 and 2003 and has reached the state tournament final every year since 1998.

“I was not displeased with our performance,” the coach said. “I think we challenged them.”

— JB

## HMS 7<sup>th</sup>-grade volleyball ready for SRV stretch run

Homedale Middle School’s seventh-grade volleyball teams are hanging tough as Snake River Valley conference teams prepare for the sprint to the title.

Only the final six matches are used to seed the District III Tournament, and that journey has begun.

Homedale saw its season-opening three-match winning streak end on Sept. 20 with a 25-21, 25-15 road loss to Payette. The team started the week with a 25-22, 24-26 18-16 home victory over Ontario on Sept. 19.

The seventh-grade A team beat Payette 25-16, 25-22 on Sept. 20. The Trojans fell into a tie for second place with Ontario after a 25-22, 21-25, 15-6 loss to the Tigers on Sept. 19.

#### Eighth-grade volleyball

Coach Brenda Reay’s eighth-grade A squad beat Payette 25-23, 25-19. The B team (1-3) fell to Payette 25-13, 12-25, 15-11.

#### Eighth-grade football

Homedale’s eighth-grade team

needed overtime to get its first victory of the year, 28-22 over Weiser on Sept. 20.

Trent Acree returned the opening kickoff 65 yards for a TD and later scored on a 4-yard run that was set up when Dylan Kushlan recovered a fumbled kick return.

Alex Mereness set up another score with an interception. Mereness also blocked a punt and scored a touchdown.

#### Seventh-grade football

The Trojans (2-0 before Tuesday’s game against Middleton) scored two touchdowns to erase a deficit and beat Weiser 12-10 on Sept. 20.

Kenny Esparza, playing despite a dislocated finger, led the Trojans on both their scoring drives. Manuel Catilleja got Homedale on the board with a TD after the Wolverines had grabbed a 12-0 lead.

Justin Ensley and Colin and Gil Lootens helped the defense keep Weiser out of the end zone in the game’s waning minutes to preserve Homedale’s comeback.

Marsing  
Huskies

### FOOTBALL

Varsity football

Friday, Sept. 30 at New Plymouth, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity football

Thursday, Sept. 29, home vs. New Plymouth, 7 p.m.

### VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 29 at Melba, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 4 at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.

JV B volleyball team plays 2 hours before varsity  
JV A volleyball team plays 1 hour before varsity

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## Huskies take on Melba in tourney rematch Thursday

The Huskies meet Melba at 7 p.m. Thursday on the road, but it won’t be the first time Marsing has seen their 2A Western Idaho Conference foes this year.

Melba was the only team the Huskies defeated in the Fruitland Tournament on Sept. 17.

The Huskies’ victory over the Mustangs came in the bracket portion of the tournament.

Marsing, which was winding down from a busy schedule of Homecoming activities, failed to win any matches in pool play.

“It was good that it was a day for us to go try some things and work on individual skills and not worry about our record,” Marsing coach Loma Bittick said.

Nyssa def. Marsing

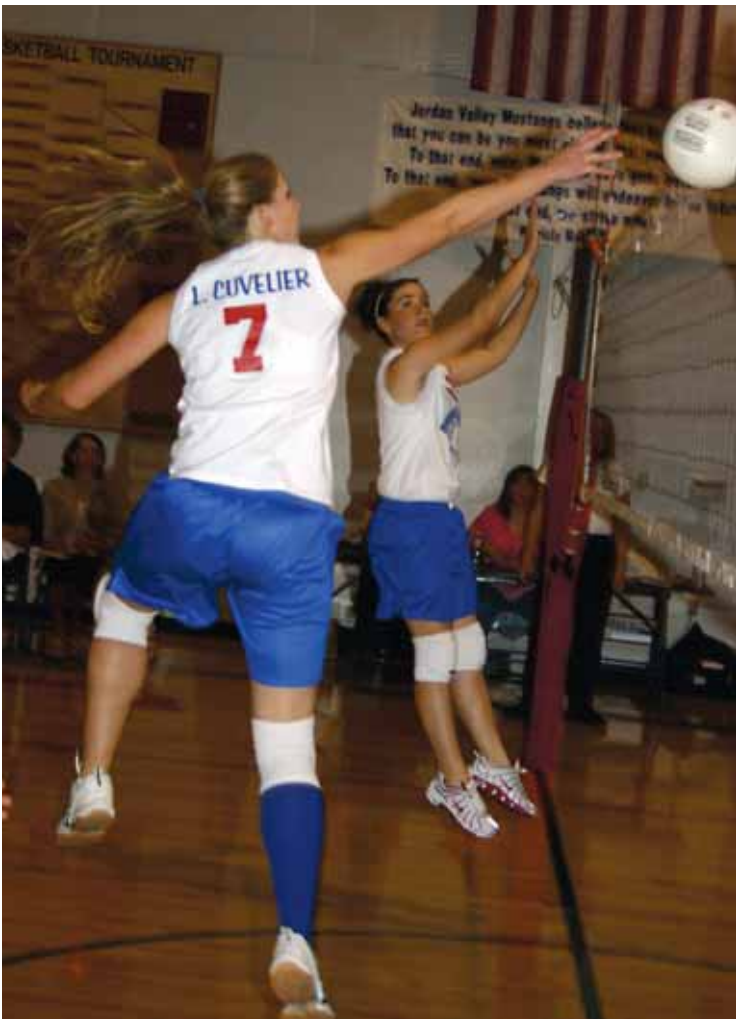
M.J. Usabel had eight kills and three blocks, but it non-league foe Nyssa came away with a 25-20, 25-21, 23-25, 25-18 victory.

Kortni Scott added three kills and nine assists to go with 15 service points, while Nicole Gelinas had eight assists and a block.



# Sports

## Mustangs volleyball teams rack up three wins



**Dink shot**  
*Jordan Valley High School senior Lauren Cuvelier tips the ball to Harper Hornet defenders with teammate Lacey Kershner following up the approach with a fake. Photo by Tara Echave.*

by Michelle Elsner, Chelicy Payne, Kelsey Prescott, JVHS

Jordan Valley High School’s volleyball team sent the Harper Hornets and the Huntington Locos home with a pair of losses Friday in an Old Oregon League tri-meet on the Mustangs’ home floor.

The Mustangs started the day off by beating the Huntington Locos in three swift games 25-19, 25-16, 25-13.

Dinah Powers had 15 serving points and one kill, Kelsey Prescott had 11 serving points and one kill, Tina Stanford had five serving points and seven assists, Beth Dowell had five serving points, Elisa Eiguren had four serving points, two assists and a kill, Cassia Trautman had nine kills, and Jessie White had three assists.

“I could tell they were nervous but they managed to play through that and later in the match started to get it all together,” coach Jacque Naegle said of the match against Huntington.

The Mustangs swatted the Hornets 25-2, 25-14, 25-8 behind good serving and timely kills. Bailey Kershner had 18 serving points, 16 assists, and three kills, Chelicy Payne served 14 serving points in a row, Breann Hipwell

had nine serving points, seven assists and two kills, Michelle Baltzor had seven serving points and two kills, Angela Larsen had four serving points, two kills and two blocks, Lauren Cuvelier had 17 kills and six blocks and Michelle Elsner had two kills and a block.

“In the first match, Lauren Cuvelier was hitting right on the money with everything that was set to her, and she just did a great job putting the ball away,” Naegle said. “When we did get the ball back, everyone was passing really well, and it made it easier for out setter to get the ball where we needed it.”

The Jordan Valley junior varsity swept the Harper Hornets in two straight games 25-14, 25-13, behind good communication, improved play and an aggressive offense. Kayla Cuvelier contributed 13 serving points and three kills to the wins, while Nickie Naegle served up nine. Athena Beckwith and Luisa Lowry picked up three kills each.

Jordan Valley’s two teams are back in action at home tonight against McDermitt, Nev., then they travel to Monument, Ore., for a tri-meet against Dayville/Monument and Mitchell at 2 p.m. Friday.

## JV football suffers third loss

by Holly Deen, JVHS

Alek Quintero rushed for 92 yards and Jordan Valley High School’s only touchdown Friday in a narrow 12-6 Tri-Co League loss to Harper-Huntington.

Quintero scored on a 42-yard run for the Mustangs (0-). Jerry Wroten and Quirt Cornett led for the defense with 15 assists each along with three tackles for Wroten and four for Cornett.

“I am happy with the defense. Also, the boys played really good offense,” Jordan Valley head coach Jeremy Chamberlain said. “Harper-Huntington had some open shots, but overall both teams played a really good game.”

James Stacy, a 5-foot-9 senior running back, led Harper/Huntington’s rushing attack with 133 yards.

## Adrian edges Cove in key OOL battle

Junior Derick Rios rushed for 75 yards and a game-tying touchdown Friday as the Adrian High School football team won the battle of Old Oregon League unbeatens, 18-12 at Ward Field.

Chris Schumacher, who had 56 yards on six carries, put the Antelopes (3-0) ahead in the third quarter with a 24-yard run.

Sean Loudon rushed for two scores for the Panthers (2-1), including an 8-yarder to give the visitors a 6-0 lead in the first quarter and a 50-yard scamper that established the final score in the fourth quarter.

The Antelopes, who faced Cove without quarterback Logan Branstiter, running back Franike Almeida, linebacker Robbie Phillips or lineman Lawrence Shenk, hit the road to play Imbler on Friday night.

**Volleyball**  
Adrian def. Wallowa

Kat Sillonis and Ryann Bowns set 13 assists apiece, and Bowns and McPeak each served three aces as Adrian outlasted Wallowa 25-21, 25-23, 23-25, 15-7 in an Old Oregon League matches played Saturday at Eastern Oregon University in LaGrande, Ore.

“This was an eternal match,” Adrian coach Aimee Goss said. “We

were up two games to zero and just couldn’t finish off the third or fourth games. I was really pleased that, with their energy draining, they stuck it out for the win.”

Paige Branstiter led the way with 19 kills.

The Antelopes (3-3, 1-2 OOL) travel to face Imbler at 6:30 p.m. on Friday.

**Joseph def. Adrian**

Andrea Garner registered five kills, and Paige Branstiter racked up 12 kills, including three block kills, but Joseph got the better of the Antelopes, winning 25-23, 25-22, 25-22 on Saturday in LaGrande, Ore.

“We had some really long rallies, and I felt the girls really hung in there,” Goss said. “I look for us to be more successful against them when we play them with only a single match.”

Sarah McPeak added five kills, and Bowns had 11 assists.

**Cove def. Adrian**

The Antelopes were unable to handle Cove’s service game and fell 20-25, 25-15, 25-22, 25-14, in the Adrian’s league opener.

Paige Branstiter had an outstanding service game with six aces. Kat Sillonis also served four aces.

## Homedale boys even SRV mark

If you saw any Homedale High School boys soccer players lounging around the past few days with not much energy, they had good reason.

The Trojans played four games in six days last week, including winning two of three 3A Snake River Valley conference games to finish the week at 3-5 overall and 3-3 in league.

Homedale capped the week Saturday with a 4-0 non-league loss to Nampa on a soggy field in Canyon County.

Uriel Ozuna had nine saves, and Ulysses Vargas corralled six shots from the Bulldogs, who snapped a scoreless tie with four goals in the second half.

“For the second half, the fatigue of four games was evident, and we started to leave parts of the field unmarked,” Homedale coach David Correia said. “Nampa took advantage of this and started to play the ball to the open space, outrunning our defenders.”

Correia said four Homedale players had to leave the game with muscle pain in the second half.

**Homedale 6, Weiser 1**

The Trojans exploded for five second-half goals Thursday, including two from freshman Nestor Machuca. Erik Padilla, Miguel Vasquez, Andres Vasquez and Patrick Vega scored the other goals for Homedale.



**Setting it in motion**  
*Homedale's Patrick Vega tries to get something started Saturday against Nampa by booting the ball toward the offensive zone.*

“The boys played a great game, attacking from both sides, anticipating the rebounds and winning the ball on the midfield,” Correia said.

**Homedale 5, Fruitland 2**

Patrick Vega and Cory Uria scored two goals apiece on Sept. 20 as the Trojans kicked off a modest league winning streak with a strong first half against the host Grizzlies.

Four players were injured in the game and missed the contest with Weiser.

**McCall-Donnelly 4, Homedale 1**

The week began Sept. 19, with the Vandals take advantage of second half mistakes to pull away for an SRV victory.

Ozuna carded 11 saves in goal, while Nestor Machuca scored another goal.

“Overall, I’m pleased with my team’s performance this week,” Correia said. “The team is coming together with every game. The morale of the team runs high, and that always helps in playing well-thought games.”



# Looking back...

*from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle*

## 50 years ago

### September 29, 1955

#### Bruneau rodeo held Sat. & Sunday

Bruneau wore an air of festivity Saturday and Sunday as its annual rodeo was held.

Sunday’s program got off to an early start when members of the Nampa chamber of commerce inter-community affairs committee staged a buckaroo breakfast starting at 9:30am. A program of western music was presented during the breakfast.

Visitors from throughout Owyhee county, ranchers and rodeo participants swelled the crowd at the breakfast to about 1,000. Breakfast was served all morning.

The weatherman cooperated with a warm fall day and the large crowd enthusiastically enjoyed the rodeo events. Ken Bort, Nampa radio man, was rodeo announcer.

About 50 people from Homedale joined the caravan which left here early Sunday morning and was joined by cars from Marsing and other places along the way.

**Succor Crik Sam Sez:** “Biggest thing I ever threw in school was a spit-wad. Now the kids have graduated to throwin’ watermelons.”

#### Store changes name

The Golden Rule store, part of a chain of stores with headquarters at Caldwell, will be known as the Idaho Department store from now on, according to H. S. Mathews, manager.

#### News about town

A houseguest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mary Joy Gannett of San Francisco, Calif. Mrs. Gannett was Mrs. Orr’s third grade teacher and they hadn’t seen each other since 1913 although they have been corresponding during this time.

Week end guests at the Ben Mahler home were Mr. Mahler’s brother Raymond Mahler and friends Ed beamer and Lester Kuykendall, all of Larson AFB, Moses Lake, Wash. Kuykendall was discharged from the service Friday and plans to look for employment here. Mahler and Beamer returned to Moses Lake, Monday.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomas and children DiAnna and Tim visited with Mr. and Mrs. Milbert Quenzer at Meridian and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Steineback at Boise. Mrs. Quenzer and Mr. Steineback are Mrs. Thomas’s sister and brother.

Arrivals at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thornton, North Side, Monday afternoon were Mrs. Thornton’s brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Johnson of Mt. Vernon, Mo. They arrived by bus from California where they visited relatives at Riverside and crescent City. They plan to spend a couple of days.

Mrs. Ada Norton of Franklin, Nebr., left for her home last Thursday after spending a three months visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Myers.

Tom Mohler will leave the middle of October for Tacoma, Wash., where he has employment. His wife and children, Dennis and Barbara will join him later and in the meantime they will stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merl Engle of Huston.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John Zillig were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kurpjeweit of Nampa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seda visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. Seda’s cousin, Mrs. Cora Irvine at the home of Mrs. Irvins’ daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Toomand and two children.

The E. L. Zilligs, who were visiting last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Zillig left Friday to continue their trip. They will visit friends and relatives at Twin Falls and Nebraska before returning to their home at San Pedro, Calif.

Mrs. Bessie Thomas spent Monday visiting with her grandson’s wife, Mrs. Jack Thomas and children.

Leaving after a two weeks visit Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Batt and three children, Billy, Becky and Leslie who have been visiting with his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Batt.

## 138 years ago

### September 28, 1867

FLINT DISTRICT. We are pleased to learn that our flint neighbors regard their camp with increasing favor. From the many crushings made of ore at various times and under embarrassing circumstances in the present year, the quartz is fully ascertained to be of a high grade of richness. Boasting is necessary to even approximate a true yield, and this branch of reduction has not been very well performed owing to defects of one kind and another in the furnaces. However, each trial develops a fault and suggests improvements.

The Black Mill is now employed on Leviathan ore. The Iowa Mill is nearly completed, and will be well supplied with Rising Star quartz. This mine has been leased to the Iowa Company for a limited time, and the best of the time will be made. General McQueen, Superintendent, is giving employment to a force of men in the mine day and night, and will ere long have several months supply of pay ore out. The ledge at the point of present work is full fifteen feet wide, and in taking it out makes a shaft wide enough for a double set of miners and two windlasses overhead. There being such an immense quantity of quartz, only a very rich quality is treated as first-class, and the remainder as second and third-class.

The mill is erected under the full direction of Mr. H. S. Jacobs, whose work will – we fully believe – bear the most critical mechanical examination. It will probably be completed within the next two weeks, and as it nears the finishing touch it shows quite differently from any other Owyhee mill; and , also, all its parts and modes of operation look perfectly reasonable, and give assurance of this being a perfect success. We shall give it a more extended and detailed notice when it commences practical duty.

The Silver Glance Company has a few men taking out ore on the Virginia City ledge, under the direction of Capt. E. B. Wilder.

A new shaft is being sunk on the Leviathan by William Walsh and others. The tunnel on the Sherman ledge is going in slowly, and is expected to reach the vein very shortly. On Cottonwood, Prescott & Co. are diving into the Cloud with cheerful improvement in appearance of the vein.

A DROLL SORT of character is holding forth in Silver now – he calls himself – Giles, the razor-strop-man. He has for sale a species of composition, which he says is composed of tailings from a quartz mill – at any rate, whatever it be, it is an excellent thing for sharpening knives, razors &c., in fact it operates like a charm, causing the dullest knife to cut a hair in a very short period of time. He may be seen mounted on a dry goods box, with a flambeau on the street corners during an evening, telling all kinds of funny stories and singing comical songs, stopping at intervals to serve customers with his sharpenins compound at fifty cents per package.

WE ARE INDEBTED to the office of the C. P. R. at Sacramento for a fine map, showing the location of the route from San Francisco to the Mississippi River. According to which the railroad will pass about twenty-five miles north of Great Salt Lake City, running round the north end of the lake where is approaches within twenty miles of the Idaho line, from whence it bears off in a south-westerly direction. Its nearest approach to Silver City, Owyhee, will be about 115 miles on or near the 116<sup>th</sup> degree of longitude west from Greenwich.

GONE EAST. Geo. Boving, of the late firm of Ewing, Boving & Co., and John Creed, both Owyheeans and first-rate fellows, have gone to the Buckeye State to visit their relatives and friends, and probably to capture the girls they left behind them. They have gone the “Plains across” on the Overland Stage. We wish them a safe journey and a good time generally.

NOTICE BRIGHAM & WEEKS news advertisement. The keep on hand plenty of hard-ware, cheap enough to suit

hard times, for hard cash or greenbacks. Also, they have a large stock and make to order tin ware of every description – so that every old or young bachelor, if he can not get a wife to “cook his goose”, can at least go to Brigham & Weeks and buy a cook stove well furnished on which to cook his slap-jacks &c. Give the boys a call – on Jordan Street, opposite of the Silver City Stable.

J. H. MISENER, of the firm Misener & Lamkin, Boise City has sold his interest in the Post office and book store to Maj. A. G. Brown. Mr. Lamkin visited our locality this week while on his way to San Francisco, by the Railroad line. He will return in a short time with the largest stock of books and stationery ever brought into Idaho Territory.

THE FOLLOWING is the list of drawn Grand Jurors for the October term of Court, to be held in Silver City, commencing the first Monday in the month: J. S. Trask, J. L. Martin, Frank Brainard, Gilmore Hays, P. L. Banner, Rob’t Cooper, John Crookshank, A. Gilbert, J. B. Bailey, Sam’l Fry, W. J. Girst, Tho’s Walls, Dan Powers, A. H. Beaber, John Catallow, Dan Edwards, Uriah Perry, W. B. Usher, A Ives, A. C. Henderson, Milt. Polk, A. F. Reynolds, Ben Bernstien, James Pickens.

A. D. MILLER of Miller’s Exchange at Ruby City, is fitting up a restaurant next door above Wells, Fargo & Co’s office, Miller knows how to keep hotel and no doubt will keep his boarders on tiptop “grub,” in tiptop order.

CIRCUS. Bartholomew’s Great Circus will be here next Saturday – it has been well received in Boise City, and through out the Basin, and no doubt will be a welcome change in the programme of life in Owyhee.

ATTENTION EVERYBODY! A public meeting will be held at Thos. Ewing & Co.’s store on Monday evening, Sept. 20, at seven o’clock precisely, for the purpose of taking action upon the currency question, and if agreeable to fix the price of Legal Tenders at seventy-five cents. This is a question in which all business men in Owyhee are interested; it will be thoroughly discussed at the meeting and we hope to see all who are interest present.

J. S. REYNOLDS, Chief of the Statesman, paid us a friendly visit this week. Wednesday evening he started for Frisco on the Railroad stage. He is on “biz” – intending to purchase a job press and a large stock of printing material; but he will spend a few days in strolling round the Bay village, inhaling the fresh sea-breeze and recruiting himself generally, before he returns to renew the thankless task of on editor in the “far west”. Jud and Bill and Tom – be good boys while the “old man” is away!

THE AVALANCHE has been selected as an official paper, in which to publish the United States Laws, passed at the Second Session of the Thirty-ninth Congress, 1866-67. We received a copy of the Statutes this week from the department of State, and in the next issue we will begin the publication of the them.

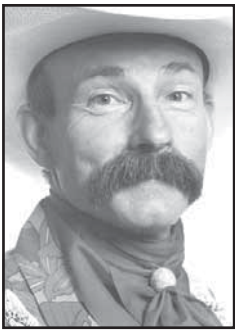
COL. FOGUS has opened another rich ledge on the summit of War Eagle Mountain. It is well defined and shows on the surface a width of about fifteen inches. We were shown pieces of the croppings, a considerable portion of which is black sulphurets of silver interspersed with particles of gold plainly visible.

THE FOLLOWING is said to be a private recipe of a Washoe editor: “Take one pint of whisky, stir it well with one spoonful of whisky, then take another pint of whisky, beat carefully with a spoon, and keep pouring in whiskey. Fill a large bowl with water and make a servant set it out of your reach. Take a small tumbler, pour in two spoonfuls of water; pour it out, fill up with whisky and add to the above. Flavor with whiskey to suit your taste. Dose – three ‘fingers’ every half-hour.



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense

### Hat tricks

When I’m in the airport, I always wave at a cowboy hat — a real cowboy hat. Somehow you can spot ’em. They inevitably turn out to be some bull rider on the way to a rodeo, a state cattlemen’s association representative on the way to Washington, DC, or a consultant of some kind, or farmer or rancher on the way to a funeral or a graduation.

Hats take a pretty good beating in the overhead storage on the airplanes. I got off the plane in southern Colorado, grabbed my hat from above and it had been smashed by a suitcase. It looked like it had been rained on, then put in a lunchbox to dry!

I drove into town and found a western store and asked if I could borrow their steamer. “Of course,” they said, “have at it.” Junior ambled over to visit. He occupied the job of “old timer” in the store. He looked at my hat and asked if I’d backed over it with a D-8 Cat.

It reminded him of one time when he and his pardner were out lookin’ for some cows. It was high up in the fall and they were makin’ the last round for stragglers. Between them they had 17 horses, and when they needed to change they’d just go in the corral and rope one. He said they didn’t always catch the one they were aiming for!

Like that day. He caught one that had the tendency to erupt on occasion. It coincided with the day he wore his new hat. The horses were sharp shod with screws in the horseshoes like caulks to better navigate the treacherous ice. Sure ’nuf, on a downhill grade, Spook came apart and bucked Junior over his head. Junior’s hat flew off and Spook came down with two steel front paws right in the middle of his new felt hat. It punched so many holes in it, he said after that when he wore it out in the wind he sounded like a piccolo.

Another time he was pushing cows along the edge of the Dolores River riding a kid horse. Suddenly the cows broke and ran! The ol’ pony was steady and they rode on up to see what scared the cows; a bear maybe, mountain lion, who knew? They broke through the willers to a little clearing and were confronted by two river travelers — campers maybe, women, coming right toward them, wearing — sunglasses, that’s all, just sunglasses! They screamed! Junior screamed! The kid pony reared up, rolled back and evacuated the area! Junior lost his hat. He went back to look for it but had to walk the last 50 feet. Kid pony wouldn’t go any further. Oh, and he never found his hat.

Maybe the new Nashville, Santa Fe, Aspen, Toby Keith kind of floppy dishrag cowboy hat that looks like a regurgitated hippopotamus cud does have some practical value, after all. It comes pre-smashed — perfect for the cowboy frequent flyer.

Wayne Cornell

## Not important ... *but possibly of interest*



Our education system is focused on the federally mandated “No Child Left Behind” program. It works something like this: Students spend the majority of their time taking tests that are supposed to gauge how much they have learned since the last test. I’m not sure how much kids are learning, but I’m sure that within a few years there won’t be another country on the planet with better test takers than the good old USA.

When I was in junior high, 40-some years ago, we had a meat-and-potatoes curriculum. There weren’t many electives. Teachers seemed to believe it was important that we learn something about a lot of different subjects. Nobody was beating our instructors on the head to make all students educational equals. There was a silly notion in those days that kids reflected society — some students were extra-smart, most of us were average and some just weren’t going to get it no matter what a teacher did.

Mr. Turney, the junior high principal, believed there was more to an education than reading, writing, science and history. He decided to give us a bonus — an appreciation of classical music.

Once a week we gathered for Mr. Turney’s mandatory music appreciation class. While we languished in total boredom, he played classical records from his personal collection, carefully wiping each disk before and after playing it. He paused periodically to alert us to listen for some subtle nuance in the musical score.

Mr. Turney, who probably was in his 50s, was a bachelor. About once a month, he gave us a special treat. He brought his silver-haired mother and his violin to the class.

After making sure Mom was comfortable in a chair in the back of the room, Mr. Turney opened his violin case and gently lifted out the instrument. Using a soft cloth, he carefully removed any fingerprints or smudges from the wood. Then he unfolded a linen napkin and draped it over his shoulder to prevent the oiled wood from staining his white shirt. Then he nestled the violin under his chin, lifted the bow and, with a flourish, began to play.

The most entertaining part of Mr. Turney’s solos was that as soon as he started playing, his mother started weeping. She cried until the performance was over, dabbing the tears from her eyes periodically with a handkerchief.

It came as no surprise to us that Mr. Turney’s mother wept. You didn’t have to be a Beethoven devotee to know that his violin playing was absolutely awful. Whenever he drew the bow across the strings, his mom had to be thinking about all the money she had wasted on violin lessons over the years.

While Mr. Turney played, and his mother cried, the regular teacher, Mrs. Vreugdenhill stood with her back to us, silently staring out the classroom window, apparently studying the crack in the chimney of the incinerator in the courtyard. Periodically, Mrs. V’s shoulders would tremble as if she also was near tears.

When the performance ended, Mr. Turney carefully wiped down the violin again, put it back in its velvet-lined case and took his mother home.

The music appreciation classes weren’t exactly interactive. Mr. Turney talked, and we tried to look interested. On one occasion, I attempted to help out by asking him to play the “Lone Ranger song” on his “fiddle.” Fortunately, Mrs. Vreugdenhill was the person who actually gave the grades for the class.

I believe Mr. Turney was principal for only one year. At the end of the term, he packed up his mother and violin and disappeared. The school board members apparently weren’t classical music lovers.

Still, if I were a junior high student, I think I would prefer Mr. Turney’s music appreciation class to today’s curriculum. I believe I learned more from observing him, his fiddle and his mother than I would learn in a modern-day “teach-to-the-test” factory.

## From Washington

### Justices are appointed to interpret the law, not make it

by Sen. Mike Crapo

As an attorney formerly in private practice, I’ll readily admit that case law generally isn’t exciting reading, and usually, I’d much rather sit down with a great Western. But, buried in centuries of Supreme Court rulings, you will find the foundation of laws that regulate our daily lives. Laws that govern everything from the movement of goods across state lines to freedom of speech have been upheld or struck down by 110 Justices over 216 years. In a society based upon the rule of law, those who hold that law accountable to the Constitution play a vital role indeed.

From the first years of our nation’s history, the Supreme Court has asserted its right to review laws for their constitutionality and, in doing so, preserved the timeless nature of that remarkable document.

We have only had 16 Courts. Unlike the Executive or Legislative branches, the Supreme Court represents the longer view of history and the law. Although many disagree with some Court rulings over the years, including the recent decision on eminent domain, its role is critical. Justices should be selected based on a record of discerning interpretation of the Constitution. Care should be taken to avoid those who would change the law to suit personal convictions.

Some significant Supreme Court cases demonstrate the influence of the Judiciary:



Sen. Mike Crapo

*Marbury v. Madison*

When John Marshall was Chief Justice from 1801 to 1835, the Supreme Court firmly established its role as the third branch of government. In *Marbury*, the Marshall Court declared an act of Congress unconstitutional, stating, “It is, emphatically, the province and duty of the judicial department, to say what the law is.”

This 1803 ruling affirmed the legal supremacy of the Constitution.

*McCullough v. Maryland and Gibbons v. Ogden*

In 1819 and 1824, the Marshall Court made history again, asserting the power of the Constitution to regulate interstate commerce. Subsequent rulings have alternately expanded and limited the definition and reach of the Commerce Clause in the Constitution, decisions that affect Idaho businesses to this day.

*Plessy v. Ferguson*

In 1896, the Fuller Court maintained that “separate but equal” laws were constitutional; unfortunately, the challenge that would grant true equality to all under the law was not to come for many years.

Commentary

Accuracy in the Media  
Media outlets fail to show communists behind anti-war protests

by Cliff Kincaid

As the U.S. gets hits by another hurricane, the Cindy Sheehan media circus is blowing into Washington, D.C. Last Saturday she was a featured speaker at a communist-organized “anti-war” rally. On Sunday, she was scheduled to speak at a national conference of the Progressive Democrats of America (PDA). Other speakers include Democratic Reps. Lynn Woolsey and Barbara Lee, co-chairs of the 61-member Congressional Progressive Caucus. One PDA slogan is “Get out of Iraq now.” Lee holds the distinction of being the only member of Congress to vote against the U.S. invasion of Afghanistan after terrorists based in that country hit America on 9/11.

Americans supporting our troops in Afghanistan, Iraq and around the world also held their own rallies Friday and through the weekend.

The major media usually deliberately ignores the involvement of communists in organizing “anti-war” protests. The focus usually falls on celebrity speakers. Last weekend, they included actress Jessica Lange, the flamboyant George Galloway, Ralph Nader and, of course, Sheehan. But if we had anything approaching an investigative press, the communist role is something that would be exposed. It is a classic case of Marxists using front groups to manipulate innocent people.

The top leaders of International ANSWER (Act Now to Stop War & End Racism), the group that organized and paid the full costs of the stage, sound and setup at the rally, come out of the Workers World Party. This is a group so extreme in its adulation for anti-American dictators that honest liberals like David Corn of The Nation magazine have recoiled in dismay over how many people on the left associate with them.

The immediate aim is to defeat the U.S. in Iraq by creating the impression that the American people are tired

of the war and want to withdraw U.S. troops. The long-term objective is to destroy the American way of life.

On the matter of Iraq, Accuracy in Media (AIM) analyst Roger Aronoff has produced a remarkable film, “Confronting Iraq,” which forcefully argues that the war is not only justified but necessary if we are to assure America’s survival. The film is important, now more than ever, because our media are extremely angry about the administration’s Iraq policy and want to do whatever they can to undermine it. The anti-administration bias aside, the media still have an obligation to tell the truth about the nature of this “anti-war” movement and whether ordinary people want to show up to a rally organized by people openly sympathetic to some of the lunatics and thugs that make up America’s avowed enemies.

Some would argue that it’s a sign of America’s strength that we permit communists to openly demonstrate on U.S. soil against American policies. But it’s a sign of the weakness and corruption of our media that the key role being played by the communists is being carefully concealed from the American people. I have covered several of these demonstrations, and the major media typically ignore not only how communists organize the demonstrations but how their followers are openly visible, with banners, signs and books, on the grounds of the event. One would have to be deaf, dumb and blind to ignore the communist role. Our media pretend to be deaf, dumb and blind.

I attended a news conference in Washington on Sept. 1 that outlined the plans for the Sept. 24 protest. What were described as “representatives of two major anti-war coalitions” took part. One was United for Peace and Justice and the other was ANSWER. Both groups have Marxist or communist connections. United for Peace and Justice is run by Leslie Cagan, a veteran far-left activist who serves in a leadership position with the Committees of Correspondence

for Democracy and Socialism. The group includes remnants of the old Communist Party and its front organizations. ANSWER is the front group of the Workers World Party (WWP), including Brian Becker and his associates.

As I sat in the audience of the press conference, I witnessed how the radical operatives carefully attended to the needs of the press, offering special access, interviews and information. Reporters for major media were singled out on a first-name basis. One target was Elizabeth White, a writer for The Associated Press, a national news service. She produced exactly what the ANSWER crowd wanted. Her story, which circulated nationally and was so sympathetic to the protest that it was distributed by ANSWER to its own e-mail list, did not contain any hint that there was anything controversial about the rally or its organizers. Becker, a veteran WWP operative, was identified as merely a coordinator for ANSWER.

For its part, ANSWER was ecstatic about the coverage of its news conference: “Local, national and international media packed the room.” In addition to AP, press in attendance was said to have included CNN, New York Times, Washington Post, ABC, NBC, Fox, Star Tribune (Minnesota), Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Kuwait News, TV-Asahi, Nishi-Nippon Shimbun, Nippon TV, Sirius Satellite Radio and others.

The stories about the rally will suggest these are spontaneous outpourings of concerned citizens with no other purpose than to seek peace in Iraq.

If the major media blow the whistle on the real agenda of those paying the bills and running the front organizations, that might raise questions about whether this is truly an “anti-war” event. And that, in turn, could suggest that a U.S. withdrawal from Iraq might not end the war but only intensify and expand it.

— Cliff Kincaid is Editor of the AIM Report.

The outdoors  
More must be done to preserve  
Idaho’s precious hunting grounds

by Marcus Gibbs and Steven Huffaker

When you take to the field this fall, you may see more “No Trespassing” signs. Every year, more landowners are exercising their right to limit public access.

The reasons vary. Some are tired of repairing damage caused by inconsiderate hunters. Others are developing their property or selling hunting and trespass rights to the highest bidder. No matter the reason, habitat and public access are being lost. Reversing that trend won’t be easy, and it won’t be cheap.

We can’t turn back the clock to the days when a knock on the door and a handshake were enough to get permission to hunt or fish on private property. We can’t order landowners to manage their property to benefit fish and wildlife. We can, however, provide incentives to allow public access and provide quality habitat.

This is not a new idea. Several years ago, the Fish and Game Advisory Committee, made up of sportsmen and landowners, recommended depredation payments to landowners for crop damage by big game. They recommended giving landowners permission to hunt in controlled hunts where they own property. More recently, the Advisory Committee recommended, and the Fish and Game Commission adopted, the Access Yes! program, which makes cash payments to landowners who allow hunting and fishing on their private property. This year, Access Yes! opened more than 750,000 acres of private and public land to hunters and anglers.

More needs to be done, so the Advisory Committee suggested additional actions:

— Small landowners, with fewer than 640 acres, need recognition for providing quality habitat and public access.

— Corporations that own thousands of acres of forestland need incentives to maintain quality habitat. Many of them have a legacy of providing public access, but today that land is being sold for vacation property. These companies need encouragement to maintain public access and quality habitat.

— Large landowners, with more than 10,000 acres, provide some of the best wildlife habitat and hunting available. Many of them realize this and have leased or sold their property for private hunting preserves. Few of us can outbid someone who takes their private jet to hunt their own piece of Idaho.

If these trends continue, Idaho hunters will have fewer places to go and fewer animals to hunt. Neither the Fish and Game Commission nor the state Fish and Game Department want that. We want average citizens to have the opportunity to hunt and fish on private property. We want landowners to have an incentive to protect habitat.

During the coming months, the Fish and Game Commission and Department will explore the recommendations by the Advisory Committee and others. We’ll also discuss how to pay for these programs.

Other states raised license fees or sold special stamps. Some let landowners sell hunting tags as an incentive to allow access and to protect important habitat.

Which approach is best? That’s what we’re trying to figure out — with your help. We want your comments, your thoughts, ideas and proposals.

Working together, we can find a solution that ensures access and quality habitat — for today and the future.

— Marcus Gibbs is chairman of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission. Steven Huffaker is director of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

✓ Crapo

United States v. “The Spirit of ‘76”

In 1918, the White Court determined that the Bill of Rights does not protect words that create a “clear and present danger” — words that Congress can pass laws to prevent.

Brown v. Board of Education

In 1949, the Warren Court ruled that in public schools, the “separate but equal” doctrine had no place, abolishing segregation.

Since 1950, the Supreme Court has ruled on religious freedom and abortion and, in the last 30 years, has heard more cases regarding freedom of the press than in the previous 175. Legal questions regarding freedom of speech and property rights are becoming increasingly complicated with modern technology, higher population density and public land access.

The Senate now is considering John G. Roberts Jr., for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The Senate hearings earlier this month were profoundly relevant to our nation’s future. The sovereignty of states’ rights are paramount to the preservation of individual liberties and private property. Judge Roberts’ opening statement reveals his view on the role of the Judiciary: “Judges and justices are servants of the law, not the other way around. Judges are like umpires. Umpires don’t make the rules; they apply them.”

I’m confident that Judge Roberts has the experience and ability to faithfully interpret our Constitution, preserving the rights that we Idahoans hold dear.

— Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) is a U.S. senator.



# Sports

## Marsing JV volleyball breaks into the WIC victory column

Jessica Elsberry served six aces as part of her 15-point performance Sept. 20 as the Marsing High School junior varsity volleyball team collected its first win of the 2A Western Idaho Conference season.

The Huskies (7-2 overall, 1-2 SRV) rallied from a first-game loss to beat Nampa Christian 23-25, 25-18, 15-13. Elsberry added four kills and a block to her effort.

“The girls worked good together,” coach Janet Cooney said. “Jessica Elsberry had a dream night.”

Taryn Chenoweth continued a strong season at setter with 10 assists. She also had three kills and served two aces.

Miranda Clausen added four kills and two blocks.

### Marsing A def. Nyssa

In a non-conference match played in Oregon on Thursday, Taryn Chenoweth and Holly Heller combined for seven aces and 16 service points to pace a 25-20, 17-25, 15-7 victory over Nyssa. Chenoweth had four aces, nine service points, a kill and an assist.

Miranda Clausen had three kills and a block.

“The girls played very good defense,” coach Janet Cooney said. “We picked up a lot of Nyssa’s hard-driven spikes.”

### Marsing B def. Nampa Christian

It took a comeback, but the

Huskies snapped their season-opening five-match losing streak in a 2A WIC match on Sept. 20.

Elly Collett had three kills, and Rose Remick served for 10 points as the Huskies rebounded after Game 1 for a 15-25, 25-14, 15-10 victory over Nampa Christian.

Remick and Cherie Daniels had two assists each.

“The girls have been working hard on passing the ball,” Marsing coach Leslie Nielsen said. “They put it together with our other skills and came away with our first win.”

### Football

#### Huskies off to 2-2 start

The Marsing junior varsity football team, coached by Rick Folwell, is in the midst of a two-game winning streak after shutting out Parma 35-0 last week.

“We are excited to see the progress our boys have made and look forward to our next few games,” Folwell, the husband of Homedale girls soccer coach Lesa, said.

Folwell said the junior varsity roster includes eight freshmen.

“We are looking forward to having a strong team for next year,” he said.

Marsing’s other victory also came by shutout as the Huskies thumped Glenns Ferry 30-0 on Sept. 15.

Marsing (2-2 overall, 1-0 2A WIC) opened the season Aug. 25 with a 6-0 loss to Payette.

The Huskies also dropped their road game against Valley.

## Strong opening for HMS cross country

The future looks bright for cross country in Homedale.

The new Homedale Middle School program turned in a strong showing Saturday at the Bob Firman Invitational at Eagle Island State Park.

The boys team finished sixth.

Fabian Garcia, one of five eighth-graders who scored in the meet for the Trojans, finished 25<sup>th</sup> among a group of 121 boys in a 3-kilometer race.

The middle school cross country program was created by the Homedale School Board at a special meeting on Sept. 20.

Garcia was joined in the top 50 by Homedale teammates Ricardo Magallon (46<sup>th</sup>) and Eddie Garcia (48<sup>th</sup>). Other finishers for the boys were Cody Johnson (78<sup>th</sup>) and Dylan Kushlan (79<sup>th</sup>).

All five Homedale boys are eighth-graders.

On the girls side, the Trojans didn’t have enough athletes for a scoring team, but a trio of eighth-graders competed.

Anna Almarez was 75<sup>th</sup> in the 122-runner field with a time of 15 minutes, 50.90 seconds. Elizabeth Baltierrez finished in 17:26.86, and Jennifer Dixon crossed the line in 18:41.16.

There are 12 runners on the team, which is open to seventh- and eighth-graders.



### First-down yardage

*Marsing Tigers quarterback Garret Briggs sprints for a first down Saturday in an Optimist Lions Football League game against visiting Nampa Outback. Submitted photo.*

## Marsing youth football pulls out victory in final minute Saturday

John Collett tied the game with a touchdown and Kelly Wilson punched in the extra point in the closing minute Saturday as the host Marsing Tigers of Lions Optimist Football defeated Nampa Outback 8-6 in a 7- to 8-year-old youth football

game.

The Tigers are 2-1.

The Marsing Lions (11- to 12-year-olds) fell to Meridian Red.

The Marsing Raptors (9-10) couldn’t convert their final drive of the game and lost to Eagle Cutting Edge.

## Trojans girls hurting

Homedale High School’s girls soccer team achieved a series of firsts last week, but the banged-up Trojans still are in search of their initial victory of the 2005 season.

Hannah Johnson scored a hat trick in the first half on Sept. 20 against Fruitland as the Trojans set a record with four goals before the intermission. The Grizzlies roared back in the second half for a 7-4 Snake River Valley conference victory at Sundance Park.

Johnson scored three times in the first half for Homedale, which was 0-6 before the week began. Kendall Rupp added the fourth goal for a 4-2 halftime lead.

The second half soured for Homedale, though, as two players suffered injuries.

Forward Adilene Padilla and defender Anna Maria Salas were both hurt.

“The loss of the players really affected our players, and we couldn’t quite get our timing and passes back on track,” Homedale coach Lesa Folwell said.

Padilla and Salas join goalkeeper Daisy Prado and midfielder Kayla Bertagnolli on the injured list. Prado (severely twisted ankle) and Bertagnolli (hyperextended knee) were hurt in a 3-1 home loss to McCall on Sept. 19.

Folwell said Prado will miss 10 days. The extent of Bertagnolli’s injury — or whether surgery is needed — won’t be known until more tests are performed.

### Nampa 4, Homedale 0

The Trojans missed an

opportunity to score when they couldn’t convert a penalty kick in the second half Saturday in Nampa as the Bulldogs picked up their first win of the year.

The Bulldogs (1-7-1) received two goals from Kaira Sires. Missy Brunett and Tekla Nielson also scored for Nampa.

“I thought (the Trojans) played hard,” Nampa coach Cameron Long said. “They played hard, and that’s what counts.”

### Weiser 6, Homedale 0

The Trojans’ defense made the Wolverines work hard for their goals, with Michelle Oviedo and Hannah Johnson combining to stop 34 shots on goal.

Weiser scored three goals in each half.

“The team was high-spirited after the game,” Folwell said. “There’s no shame in losing to a team that plays better.

“It was a great game, and we fought and had fun.”

### McCall 3, Homedale 1

Hannah Johnson powered in a goal in the first half on Sept. 19 at Sundance Park, marking the first time in the two-year history of Trojans girls soccer that Homedale had drawn first blood in a game.

By the intermission, the Vandals had tied the game to cap a costly first half for the Trojans.

Daisy Prado and Kayla Bertagnolli both were injured in the 40 minutes. McCall scored twice in the second half to take control.

## ✓ Marsing

“We told them we’ve got to come out and the game is going to be won by the team that did it in the first three minutes,” Marsing coach Don Heller said.

“And in the first three minutes, we gave them two touchdowns, and they got the momentum.”

And on a rainy, windy night in Marsing, Parma struck lightning-quick to get that control.

The Panthers’ first two scoring drives consisted of two plays — total. And both were set up by Marsing mistakes.

The first miscue came when Marsing punter Ricky Branin fumbled a snap from his own 17. He recovered it for a 10-yard loss, but Parma took over on downs at the Huskies’ 7.

The Panthers were able to play through a bad snap and a horrendous pass by Frankie Olmos to tie the game on a 7-yard reception by Ian Black. Olmos fielded the snap like a shortstop then chucked a fluttering pass that looked more like a flying saucer than a pigskin. Parked just inside the end zone, Black had to lunge to make the grab.

The second touchdown — set up two plays later when Marsing quarterback Miguel Quebrado fumbled as he scrambled straight into the path of Parma’s Larry Dawson — came on an option play from the Huskies’ 37. Joe Baker took a pitch all the way to paydirt, making two would-be Marsing tacklers miss on his journey.

Even with the stunning turn of events, the Marsing players were sky-high heading out for the kickoff after Parma grabbed the 15-8 lead.

“They got us for three minutes,” Heller said.

But the Huskies had their chances, tying the game on their next drive when Ethan Sauer ran seven yards on a sweep with 4:29 left in the third quarter.

A lack of execution for the remainder of the game on both sides of the ball hurt Marsing, though. The Huskies remaining four possessions were terminated by two interceptions, a blocked punt and a loss of yardage on a fourth-down running play.

Parma took the lead for good when Dalton Koplin took a handoff while in motion and sprinted around the end of the line for a 21-yard scoring run.

Santiago Quebrado and Sauer both had shots at the Panthers’ freshman, but their arm-tackles were rebuffed.

“The kids were there ready to tackle, but we didn’t break down,” Heller said. “Our kids were in the right spots, but we just didn’t make the tackle at the time.”

Marsing was playing without two vital pieces of its defense — starting safeties Perry Gibson (foot injury) and Aaron Salvas (rotator cuff).

And this week, they’ll be without senior linebacker Ernesto Villa, who was ejected from the game for throwing a punch in the fourth quarter. He’ll have to serve a one-game suspension, too, missing Friday’s road game with New Plymouth.

Gibson’s absence meant Shea McClellin got the call at fullback again for Marsing. Running behind and offensive line that was dwarfed by a Parma defensive front that averaged about 200 pounds per player, McClellin rushed for 121 yards and the game’s first TD on 25 carries.

“I’m proud of my kids,” Heller said. “They battled, and we were expected to get our butts kicked.”

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