

## Three Trojans run into state meet

Two months ago, Nick Schamber's only concern was getting enough bodies on his roster to justify a cross country team at Homedale High School.

Now the coach is working to prepare three athletes for Saturday's 3A state championship race at Eagle Island State Park.

"I'm excited to have three runners going to state," Schamber said. "I feel that's pretty good considering that all runners this year were first-year runners in cross country."

Belen Vega, junior Scott Thatcher and freshman Tyler Gibson will represent the Trojans at the state meet.

Schamber said the 3A races should begin around 1 p.m.

Vega, a sophomore qualified for the state meet by finishing third in



Belen Vega

the 3A District III meet last week in McCall. She finished in 22 minutes, 41 seconds.

Thatcher was the sixth runner to cross the finish line in the boys race, clocking in at 20:10, while Gibson finished ninth at 20:18.

The top 12 runners from each



Tyler Gibson

division qualified for the state meet from District III.

"I felt we had an outstanding performance," Schamber said. "Both races took the top 12 to state, and I knew that we were probably on the bubble with all three."



Scott Thatcher

In a precursor to the district meet, Thatcher had finished 10th in the Snake River Valley conference meet, but neither Vega nor Gibson ran that race.

"Everyone really stepped it up," Schamber said. "I challenged them to set a goal, and if we didn't meet it, we came pretty close."

Schamber is a first-year coach, taking over from Troy Sullivan, who left the post in the spring. Schamber was hired only weeks

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### Looking for daylight

Jordan Valley High School football player Frank Beckwith, a senior, gains yardage during the Mustangs' 62-8 Tri-Co League loss to Crane on Friday afternoon. See story, Page x B.

## Vikes hammer Homedale

Homedale High School football coach Thomas Thomas was visibly disappointed after Friday's devastating loss to Middleton.

"I thought that was a team we could compete with," the third-year coach said.

The Trojans couldn't keep up with Middleton's option offense and suffered a 41-0 3A Snake River Valley conference loss that threw Homedale's state playoff

hopes into serious jeopardy.

The Trojans (4-4 overall, 2-2 3A SRV) close the season with a 7 p.m. home game Friday against Fruitland 7-1, 3-1), which has beaten its previous two opponents by a combined score of 117-13.

Homedale, on a two-game losing streak in which it has been beaten by a combined score of 118-12, must defeat Fruitland to keep its slim playoff hopes alive.

"In actuality, if we can pull off Fruitland, it could be a three-way tie for second," Thomas said.

In that scenario, Middleton (4-4, 3-1) would have to lose to top-ranked Weiser. The three teams tied for second would then play a tiebreaker on a neutral field early next week.

But the biggest variable in that

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## Huskies spike Parma in District tourney

### Season ends in loss to Melba

Marsing High School's volleyball team used experience to collect its only victory in last week's 2A District III Tournament.

Senior MJ Usabel helped pull the Huskies out of an early funk and finished with 13 kills in Marsing's 26-24, 25-16, 25-12 victory over Parma during second-day action Oct. 18 at Homedale High School.

The Huskies bowed out of the tournament later in the evening with a 23-25, 25-22, 26-24, 25-21 loss to Melba in an elimination match.

Marsing ended the season at 8-7 overall.

"I think we had a good season," Marsing coach Loma Bittick said. "I think it was a bit of an unfortunate ending."

The early match against Parma

marked the second time in a week that the Huskies had met their 2A Western Idaho Conference foes. Marsing pulled out a four-game victory on the Panthers' home floor on Oct. 13.

But Marsing coach Loma Bittick said that regular-season victory gave no edge to the Huskies during the tournament.

"The girls as seniors are pretty familiar with how those tournaments work, and they know it's a whole new start when you get into a tournament," Bittick said.

The early stages of the tournament match against Parma mirrored the regular-season finale against the Panthers in that Marsing had to overcome mistakes.

But communication played a big part in helping the Huskies

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— Recap of Marsing's other  
final-week games 3B



Nicole Gelinas

## Owyhee County athletes among Punt, Pass, Kick elite

Homedale Middle School eighth-grader Trent Acree and Justin Glenn, a fifth-grader at Marsing Elementary School, were among the winners Saturday at the sectional for the NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick competition.

Acree, who served on the Trojans' eighth-grade football team this fall, won the 12- to 13-year-old championship for boys with a total distance of 229 feet.

Competitors were judged on how far they could throw a foot-

ball, kick a football and punt a football.

Glenn had the best distance in the boys 10-11 (206 feet).

Both Glenn and Acree were competing in the competition for the first time.

Nicole Silina of Nampa outpaced all competitors, winning the girls 14-15 title with a distance of 266.

The best scorers in the Northwest will compete at Seattle Seahawks game next month.



### Local champions

The winners from the local NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass and Kick sectional pose with their plaques and medals after Saturday's competition at Marsing High School.



# Sports

## Homedale fights to end in district soccer

The Homedale High School boys soccer team's season ended last Wednesday with a hard-fought 5-0 setback at the hands of Payette in the 3A District III Tournament in McCall.

"The score does not reflect what happened on the field," Trojans coach David Correa said. "We played a very even match. Unfortunately we were not able to finish our plays."

Homedale, which ended the season 6-10 overall, held the Pirates to just one goal in the first half. The Trojans' Patrick Vega actually drew first blood when he drove home a header in the first half, but the goal was invalidated.

Payette twice scored on penalty kicks, and the Pirates used their speed to exploit the situation when the Trojans moved forward in an attempt to make something happen.

Erik Corbett had eight saves for the Trojans, and the other half of Homedale's goalkeeping duo, Uriel Ozuna, stopped five shots.

Homedale managed 13 shots on goal.

"I'm very proud of my team," Correa said. "We went to district

tournament determined to win. My players' attitude was that of winners all the way to the end, and we went out as winners."

Homedale 2, Weiser 1

The Trojans opened the district tournament on Oct. 24 with a dramatic last-minute victory over Weiser.

With the game deadlocked 1-1, junior Guillermo Machuca launched a 40-yard kick that curled into the goal for the winning score.

*David Correa*  
Freshman Miguel Vasquez had fed Machuca the ball at midfield.

"It was a beautiful goal and an important one since it was scored in the last minute of play and avoided sending the game into overtime," Correa said.

Andres Vasquez scored a short-range goal off a pass from Cory Uria to tie the game 1-1 earlier in the second half.

The first half ended scoreless.



"My players' attitude was that of winners all the way to the end."

— *Homedale boys soccer coach David Correa*

Erik Corbett racked up nine saves in the game, and Homedale took 19 shots on goal.

"Our team showed its dominance on the field by containing Weiser's offense on the midfield and attacking their goal constantly," Correa said of his team's performance in the first half.

Correa was further encouraged about the future after watching his team's play this season.

"During this season, I saw great soccer moments," he said. "I saw my players grow and mature as players and persons."

"I can say that our soccer program in Homedale is growing at a steady pace. Every season, we move closer to those teams with already established programs."

## Four Trojans make all-district boys soccer team

A season that included a victory in the 3A District III soccer tournament was capped last week when Homedale High School placed four players on the all-district team.

Coach David Correa's squad finished the year 5-10 with big contributions from the four players who received postseason recognition.

And three of the four were juniors, so that could bode well for the future.

Two defenders — junior David Liddell and senior Erik Padilla — were named to the first team. Second-teamers for the Trojans were a pair of juniors — forward Cory Uria and midfielder Andres Vasquez.

"With all of these guys, the leadership is what got them there (on the all-district team)," Correa said.

Three of the four players — Liddell, Padilla and Vasquez — were named team captains at the beginning of the season. Uria was given a captainship for the district tournament.

Liddell's strength and speed made him a key component in the Trojans' defense.

"He's the physical player on our team," Correa said. "He's fast and goes well in the air (after balls)."

The coach also said the junior was capable of starting plays merely with a throw-in.

"He's has the longest throw-in I've ever seen," the coach said. "He can probably throw the ball 40 yards."

Liddell used his speed during the season to thwart opponents' streaks toward the Homedale goal. Correa said he was able to recover and catch forwards through a knack for anticipating the play and reading his area of the field.

He was one of only four juniors on the 12-man first team.

Liddell had one goal and one assist during the season.

While Liddell was reactionary, Padilla helped the transition game with an aggression that sparked Homedale's drives down the field.

"Erik is an orchestrator," Correa said. "He moves everybody to the front and pushes to the front and sends balls to the front with the intention of being played."

"It's like he directs the rest of the players."

His knack for play-making netted Padilla five assists and one goal during the season.

Most of the time, if Padilla's pushes up the field were converted into goals, Uria was on the money end of the transaction. Uria finished as the Trojans' leading scorer with six goals and four assists, and his offensive prowess landed him on the all-district second team.

"He's very fast and he never stops fighting for the ball," Correa said. "He would pressure the goalie, even if it was a safe ball for the goalie."

Vasquez and Uria were two of only three juniors listed on the 12-man second team.

Vasquez was a versatile player for the Trojans and his position required both fantastic reaction time and a burst of speed to help with the offense.

"He's a hard worker," Correa said. "He attacks and he recovers."

He scored three goals and had assists on two others during the season.

One of Vasquez's biggest assets was his unselfish nature, the coach said.

"He's a sacrifice guy, and he enjoys being that person," Correa said.

—JB



David Liddell



Erik Padilla



Cory Uria



Andres Vasquez

### Trojan Fall Sports

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Varsity football — Friday, Oct. 28 home vs. Fruitland, 7 p.m.  
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before practice was scheduled to start.

The season was one of growth and learning for the team, which had no veterans from last year's

squad by the time the heart of the schedule rolled around.

"I enjoyed coaching all of them, and with a year's experience under their belt they know what to expect," Schamber said.

"I hope they all return for next year. I know I can't wait for next fall."



Sports



Power play

Hailey Hall powers a kill over the net in 3A District III Tournament action with Weiser last Thursday in Middleton. Photo by Gregg Garrett.

SRV playoff picture might need tiebreaker

With the right outcomes Friday night, the Snake River Valley conference football playoff picture could look like a Picasso on Saturday morning.

Although Homedale High School has lost its past two games to fall into third place in the SRV, the Trojans still can find themselves in the playoff hunt if they can beat Fruitland this weekend and Middleton (4-4, 3-1) loses to first-place Weiser.

On the flip side, if Fruitland and Middleton both win, Homedale would be left out in the cold and there would be a three-way tie for the championship.

“We got a lot of work to do

before we get that,” Middleton coach Bill Brock said last week.

In either scenario, a Kansas tiebreaker on a neutral field would be necessary to sort out the two teams who get berths into the 3A state playoffs.

If Homedale can knock off Fruitland and Middleton loses to Weiser on Friday, then Homedale, Middleton and Fruitland would meet either Monday or Tuesday on a neutral field. A coin flip would decide which two teams take the field first. Each team would get one possession from the 40-yard line. If the two teams are still tied after their possessions, then the tiebreaker would move to

the 10-yard line with alternating possessions until a team scores.

The team that won the coin flip would then play the winner of the first tiebreaker in the same format for the playoff berth.

The same holds true if Fruitland wins and Middleton finds a way to beat top-ranked Weiser on Friday. At that point, Middleton, Fruitland and Weiser, which would all have one loss in league play, would meet to decide the two playoff spots from the SRV. The team that loses in the first round of the tiebreaker most likely would be out of the playoff picture.

— JB

√ Trojans

storyline is Homedale.

The Trojans’ aggressive defense has been exploited in the past two weeks by both Weiser and Middleton. The Vikings used an option offense to roll up 399 yards rushing against Homedale’s defenders.

“On the option at times, we had people biting on the dive, and the pitch was open and the quarterback was there,” Thomas said.

“I thought the kids played hard but not real smart at times.”

Homedale’s overpursuit on the option allowed Coby Cantrell to rush for three touchdowns and 97 yards. Teammate Blake Parker trampled the Trojans for 178 yards on 20 carries.

“What happens is kids get too excited to make a play, but they’ll leave their rules and responsibilities at home and they’ll just go after a dive guy

when he doesn’t have the ball,” Thomas said.

Middleton coach Bill Brock said his staff noticed Homedale’s tendencies against the option, but the Vikings didn’t change anything on the gameplan they’ve used all season.

“We just did what we do,” Middleton coach Bill Brock said. “Obviously we saw it on film and we felt we could do what we wanted to do.”

On the other hand, Homedale could do very little against the Vikings.

The Trojans were forced to punt six times, and Homedale was held to 76 yards on 27 rushes.

Homedale made it into Middleton territory only three times.

“When we got things going on offense, we’d shoot ourselves in the foot with penalties,” Thomas said. “We had a ton of penalties at key times.”

The Trojans were penalized nine times for 75 yards.

Homedale’s best chance to

score in the first half came on its final possession of the second quarter. The drive began with a 17-yard gain on a counter by Bryan Martinat and an unnecessary roughness call on Middleton that netted another 15 yards.

But, in something reminiscent of early games, Homedale’s offense bogged down from the Middleton 29.

The drive ended when Brady Crofts picked off Tyler Christofferson’s fourth-down pass in the end zone.

Crofts ended two other Homedale possessions with interceptions. The first came with the Trojans on the Middleton 33 early in the fourth quarter and trailing 28-0. The third one halted Homedale’s final possession of the game.

“In a game when you’re starting to get down, you need some type of momentum to spark something, we never could catch that,” Thomas said.

— JB

Melba’s unusual style sends Marsing home

An inexperienced Melba High School volleyball team used an unorthodox method to end Marsing’s season last week in the 2A District III volleyball tournament at Homedale High School.

“The Melba team is really a young team and a little bit unpredictable,” Marsing coach Loma Bittick said. “They ended up tipping a great deal, and we just weren’t there to pick up those tips.”

Melba’s dinks and slight taps over the net frustrated Marsing and sent the Huskies to a 23-25, 25-22, 26-24, 25-21 elimination loss in the district tournament.

“In each of the games they won, they had at least five kills off tips,” Bittick said.

Bittick said the success Melba had with the tactic only bolstered the Mustangs’ confidence as the match wore on.

“As a young team, that really builds their momentum and gets them real excited,” Bittick said.

“It’s really tough, and I have a pretty veteran team and experienced teeam. For us to not be there and dig those tips was really hard for the girls to take.”

Tiffany Martinez, a senior for the Huskies, served for 20 points on the night. She notched three aces.

MJ Usabel recorded a team-high 10 kills against the Mustangs, and she had three assists. Nicole Gelinas added eight kills and four blocks.

“I do think we could have gone farther in the tournament if we were a little more mentally focused on our game against Melba,” Bittick said.

New Plymouth def. Marsing

The second-seeded Pilgrims knocked the Huskies into the losers bracket with a 25-21, 21-25, 25-17, 25-18 victory in the first round of the district tournament, which was held in Fruitland on Oct. 17.

“I thought the girls played pretty well, and they knew New Plymouth was going to be tough,” Bittick said. “They’re a very aggressive team.”

The Pilgrims had swept both of their matches against Marsing during the 2A Western Idaho Conference regular season. The Game 2 win in the tournament marked the first game the Huskies had won against New Plymouth this year.

Kortni Scott, a junior, dished out 14 assists from the setter position. She also had two kills.

Usabel served for 14 points and finished with six kills. Breeana Chadez had eight kills and seven points.

Bittick will lose six seniors from the 2005 squad — Usabel, Chadez, Tiffany and Angela Martinez, Gelinas and Mollee Neilsen — but she is optimistic about next season because a slew of juniors will be coming up from the junior varsity A team.

√ Huskies

rebound faster this time around.

“We had a strong third game because we starting pulling together and playing together better,” Bittick said.

Usabel had a couple kills in the third game as Marsing built a 16-9 edge with a 6-1 rally that had the Panthers on their heels.

“Our third game we started pretty strong,” Bittick said. “I could see (Parma players) pulling back and holding back toward the end of the second game. They began to tip more and attack the ball less.”

Parma’s apprehension in Game 2 allowed Marsing to go on a 12-2

run that locked up the victory.

If the Panthers seemed to pull back late in the game, the seeds of the submission were sown in Game 1 when senior Nicole Gelinas reprised her role as a dominator from the previous match with Parma.

Gelinas served 13 points in the tournament victory, including blasting three aces. She also had seven kills and joined forces with Usabel to set the tone for the match with key plays in the first game.

“We’ve been strong servers all season long,” Bittick said. “We had a letdown about two weeks ago, but this week we have been stronger with the serving.”

— JB

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# Sports

## Rival halts Mustangs' football win streak

Crane High School's unbeaten football team rolled into Jordan Valley on Friday to claim a 62-8 Tri-Co League victory.

Jordan Valley was able to avoid the 45-point mercy rule in the first half.

Jordan Valley had won three consecutive games before the Crane contest.

Crane started the game off with the ball and ended up scoring on its first drive.

Jordan Valley got the ball, but a fumble on a bad snap gave Crane another chance at the end zone.

Crane capitalized on Jordan Valley's fumbles and put two more touchdowns on the board, making the score 22-0.

Jordan Valley showed some life when Alek Quintero ran in an 84-yard kickoff return, making the score 22-8 at the end of the first quarter.

The second, third and fourth quarters all resembled the first when Crane scored 40 more points, making the contest a runaway.

Jordan Valley wraps up the regular season Friday with a road game against Burnt River.



## Mustangs JV squads take down Crane volleyball

The Jordan Valley junior varsity volleyball team defeated Crane on Friday to add another win to their season.

The freshmen won 25-13, 25-10, and the sophomore team collected a 25-11, 25-15 victory.

Crane was a slower team, giving Jordan Valley the edge.

“Jordan Valley played a good game overall and were able to return anything that came across the net,” Shantel Gleason said.

The JV was split into two teams,

which proved to work well.

In the first game, Kayla Cuvelier had the most serving points with 15, Nickie Naegle followed her up with 13.

In the second game the team played well together.

Elisa Eiguren had 8 serving points and Tina Stanford followed her up with seven. Beth Dowell added three kills to the score and Dinah Powers added 2.

Both teams will play together in Burnt River on Friday.

## Jordan Valley rallies, hangs on to league lead

**Extra effort**

*Jordan Valley High School volleyball player Chelicy Payne, a junior, digs a low ball with teammates Michelle Baltzor (10), Bailey Kershner (16), and Lauren Cuvelier (7) looking on.*

*by Michelle Elsner, JVHS*

The Crane Mustangs were out for blood against Jordan Valley High School when they arrived last Friday to play volleyball.

Crane gave the host team a scare when they won the first game, but Jordan Valley rebounded for a 27-29, 25-15, 25-12, 25-23 victory and avoided a three-way tie for first place in the Tri-Co League with Crane and Prairie City.

“Crane was a very scrappy team who wouldn’t let any thing go down on their side,” Jordan Valley coach Jacque Naegle said. “In the second and third games we started

passing beater, setting better, and smashing the ball better. We stepped to the challenge in the fourth game when we where down 20-23. We pushed up our serving and went home with a victorious win under us.”

When the games were over, the audience all told the coaches and players of the heart attacks they almost had when Jordan Valley trailed by three points in the fourth game only to come back to win the set.

Michelle Baltzor had 10 serving points, 6 kills, and 1 block. Cassia Trautman had 6 kills; Lauren Cuvelier had 15 serving points, 16 kills, and 5 blocks. Bailey

Kershner had 22 assists, 5 serving points, and 2 kills, Angela Larsen had 6 kills, and 2 blocks, Breann Hipwell had 21 assists 6 serving points, and 1 kill, Lacey Kershner had 9 serving points, and 4 kills, and Michelle Elsner had 4 kills, and 1 kill.

Hayley Johnson and Chelicy Payne said the player came together as a team because they wanted to be No. 1 more than Crane did.

The players also said that reaching the state tournament is a goal that continues to drive them.

Jordan Valley travels to play Burnt River on Friday.

## Rimrock can't catch Idaho City

Idaho City High School scored three straight touchdowns in the first half to take control in a 40-22 1A, Division I football victory over Rimrock on Friday.

The Raiders lost three fumbles, but managed to hang with Idaho City for part of the game.

Weslee Aquiso scored all three touchdowns for Rimrock.

## JV middle-schoolers rout archrival Crane

*by Jake Adams, JVHS*

Jordan Valley Middle School's football program feasted on archrival Crane on Friday.

The middle school varsity team blew out Crane 28-0 in a home contest despite a slow start.

The game was tied 0-0 at halftime, but the fireworks soon began.

“Dusty Easterday got an interception right after the half, which brought the boys' confidence up,” coach Ben Williams said.

After that Easteday scored three touchdowns and Brandon Mackenzie scored one.

There were two extra point conversions made as well.

Easterday had 150 rushing yards, aided by Mackenzie with 54 yards and Elias Cline with 31 yards.

Brandon Mackenzie led the

team with 16 tackles followed by Easterday, Josh Deen, and Cline, who each had eight.

Easterday commented: “Our defense was the key to winning this game.”

The junior varsity team stepped up to beat Crane 12-0.

Isaac Bowen and Tyler Elsner each scored a touchdown during the first quarter.

Jordan Valley held Crane off throughout the game and was eventually able to keep them scoreless.

Coach Williams said, “This season we didn’t have enough games, but we had enough experience and more determination.”

Jordan Valley wraps up the season Nov. 4 at Willowcreek. The action starts at noon.



**Stifling defense**

*Eighth grader Dusty Easterday follows up a tackle by fellow classmate Elias Cline in the Jordan Valley Middle School footbal game against Crane.*



# Sports

## Antelopes avoid letdown to collect volleyball victory

Adrian High School’s volleyball team overcame a letdown midway makes for some fun and exciting matches.”

through its match Friday to beat Wallowa 25-8, 14-25, 25-15, 25-19

“We came out strong in the first game and then had a let down in serve receive in the second,” Antelopes coach Aimee Goss said. “Wallowa was doing a good job of finding the hole.”



Aimee Goss

Kat Sillonis sparked the offense with 13 assists. Sarah McPeak came through with 11 kills and four digs.

“I was pleased that we stepped it back up to finish with a win,” Goss said. “I really do believe that on any given night every team in our league can compete. That

Amanda Simpson had a near-perfect night at the service line. Her 23-for-25 performance included a remarkable 12 aces. She also had 12 digs.

Paige Branstiter also served five aces to go with seven kills, seven digs and four block kills.

Andrea Garner added four kills.

Ryan Bowns had 15 assists and three digs. Teammate Kirsten Phillips chimed in with six aces and four digs.

Adrian travels to Eastern Oregon University on Saturday to take on Pine Eagle and Cove in an Old Oregon League tournament.



### Class of the league

Members of the Homedale team in the Under-8 division of the Vallivue Youth Soccer League are all smiles after wrapping up an unbeaten season. The coed team ended its season on Oct. 13 with a record of 11-0-1. All the games were played at Central Canyon Elementary School in Caldwell. The team, which is coached by Max Christensen Sr., Alejandro Ramos Sr., and Delma Flores included in the front row (left to right): Eddy Rodriguez, Ramiro Amezcuita, Max Christensen Jr., Cesar Vasquez, Maya Correa and Patrick McMichael. In the top row: Ben Holloway, Brandon Flores, Emma McMichael, Matthew Thatcher, Teddy Webb and Alejandro Ramos Jr. Submitted photo.

## Homedale senior places seventh at prep rodeo

Homedale High School senior Cheyanne Andrade took part in the District II season-opening high school rodeos on Sept. 24-25 in New Plymouth.

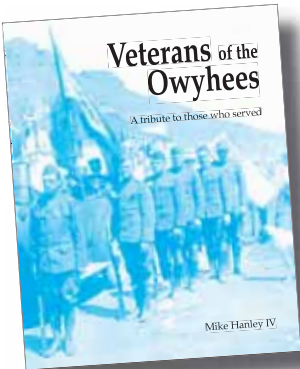
Andrade placed seventh in goat-tying with a time of 9.28 seconds at the Payette County Fairgrounds. The District II rodeo season is on hiatus until spring.

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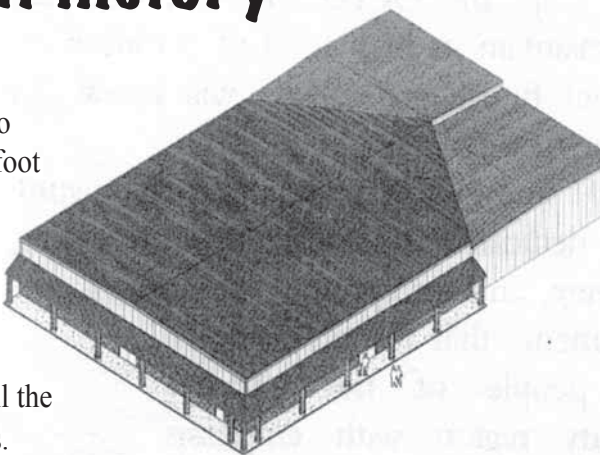
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Increased attendance and renewed focus on the education programs has prompted the need for additional learning, exhibit, research and public space. The project is designed to create opportunities in expanding programs, creating interactive exhibits and collaborating with corporations and organizations across the region. Most of the new and renovated structure will be dedicated to these needs.

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# Welcome to BOO-VILLE

FAMILY FEATURES EDITORIAL SYNDICATE

This Halloween, help transform your neighborhood into Boo-Ville, where all ghosts are friendly and being “boo’d” is fun. To get into the spirit, make these tasty treats, using trick-or-treat favorites. (Remember snacking is part of the fun, so have enough candies on hand.) With other ready-made ingredients, you can conjure up some Halloween fun in about 30 minutes.

For more spook-tacular recipes and great ideas for family activities visit [www.brightideas.com](http://www.brightideas.com).

## Witch Caps

- 1 (14-ounce) bag M&M’S Milk Chocolate Candies for Halloween
  - 1 bag Starburst Original Fruit Chews Fun Size, optional
  - 1 (16-ounce) container chocolate frosting
  - 8 (3 1/2-inch) packaged chocolate cookies
  - 8 chocolate ice cream cones
  - Candy corn or licorice laces, optional
1. Measure 1 cup chocolate frosting. Frost cookies and then place one chocolate ice cream cone on top of each cookie. Cover cones with frosting, and then arrange M&M’S in random patterns.
2. To make brim of cap as shown: Sort 32 fruit chews into 4 piles, making sure each pile is same color. Unwrap, flatten slightly, and then snip into thin strips, resembling fringe. Arrange fringe around cones for hair. Otherwise, make cap’s rim with either candy corn or licorice laces that have been cut into 1 1/2-inch pieces and place side-by-side around base of cone.

Makes 8 caps



# You’ve Been BOO’d!

Get everyone in a fun mood and start a new tradition this Halloween season. In the days prior to Halloween your family and you can secretly leave goody-filled bags on a friend’s doorstep, with a special poem encouraging them to continue the fun! Click on [www.brightideas.com/boo](http://www.brightideas.com/boo) to print the “You’ve Been Boo’d” poem and activity sheet and start spreading some fun in your neighborhood.

This Halloween there’s something new —  
This sweet surprise we call a “BOO”!  
Red & Yellow left it here  
To bring a bit of “ghostly” cheer.  
It’s not a fright, it’s not a scare ...  
It’s just a secret smile to share.

You’ve been “BOO’D”! It’s your turn now  
To pass it on ... we’ll tell you how.  
Choose a neighbor, friend, or anyone  
Who needs some special “spooky” fun;  
And when you’ve made your secret pick,  
Let Red & Yellow do the “trick”!

Put a “goody” bag beside the door;  
Include this poem, and one thing more —  
Some M&M’S, for candy fun —  
Now Red & Yellow’s “BOO” is done!  
Don’t sign your name, don’t leave a clue;  
‘Cause that’s the “magic” of a “BOO”!

Enjoy the latest, greatest way  
To celebrate the holiday.  
With Red & Yellow on your team,  
This Halloween will be a “scream”!  
It’s easy and it’s fun to do ...  
Let’s spread the joy and share a “BOO”!



## Scarecrow Cupcakes

- 2 (13-ounce each) bags Cookies & Snickers Fun Size Bars, unwrapped
- 1 (13-ounce) bag Twix Caramel Cookie Fun Size Bars, unwrapped
- 1 (14-ounce) bag M&M’S Peanut Butter Chocolate Candies for Halloween or M&M’S Milk Chocolate Candies for Halloween
- 1 (13-ounce) bag Snickers Fun Size Bars, unwrapped and chopped
- 1 (18.25-ounce) box yellow cake mix
- 1 (16-ounce) can vanilla frosting
- 6 shredded wheat biscuits
- 1 tube brown decorator’s icing

1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line cupcake pans with paper cupcake liners.
2. Prepare yellow cake mix according to package instructions.
3. Fold chopped Fun Size bars into batter before transferring to cupcake pans. Bake 18–21 minutes. Remove from oven, transfer to wire rack, and let cool completely.
4. Tint vanilla frosting beige by blending with 1 tablespoon brown decorator’s icing. Spread beige frosting on cupcake.
5. To decorate cupcakes, use photograph as guide:
- Hats:** Place 1 Fun Size bar at top of each cupcake, and top with Caramel Cookie bars to resemble rim on hat.
- Hair & Neck:** Arrange strands of shredded wheat under hat and around neck.
- Face:** Use Peanut M&M’S for eyes and nose. Create mouth with remaining brown decorator’s frosting.
- TIP: Consider using cut licorice laces, snipped fruit chews or shredded coconut instead of shredded wheat biscuits for “hair.”
- Makes 24 cupcakes



## Pumpkin Cookie Pops

- 1 (14-ounce) bag M&M’S Milk Chocolate Candies for Halloween
  - 1 (18-ounce) roll refrigerated sugar cookie dough
  - 1 (16-ounce) can vanilla frosting
  - Orange and green food coloring
  - 25 colored craft sticks
1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line 2 cookie sheets with parchment paper or aluminum foil.
2. Cut approximately 25 1/4-inch slices of cookie dough. Place on cookie sheets. Slip a colored craft stick’s 2-inch tip underneath each cookie. At top of cookie and directly on opposite side of craft stick make small dimple in dough.
3. Bake cookies 15 minutes. Remove from oven, transfer to wire rack, and let cool completely.
4. Tint 1/4 cup of frosting with green food coloring. Transfer to resealable plastic bag, snip small corner, and set aside.
5. Tint remaining frosting with orange food coloring. Spread on cookie tops. Use green frosting to pipe pumpkin stems around dimples. Use M&M’S to decorate cookies like jack-o-lanterns.
- Makes 25 pops