

Officials close county sage-grouse season

West Nile blamed; hunting will begin
Saturday in most of the state

The director of the Idaho Fish and Game department on Monday shot down the 2006 sage-grouse hunting season in Owyhee

County. The season will begin Saturday, as planned, in all other parts of Areas 2 and 3.

State Fish and Game director Steve Huffaker ordered the closure after department officials submitted findings from an extensive study of the effect of West Nile Virus on the sage-grouse population. The area in Owyhee County

affected by Monday's emergency closure includes all land west of the Bruneau River. Evin Oneale with Fish and Game's Southwest Region office in Nampa confirmed late Monday that the closure was related to studies spurred by a recent

massive mortality of sage-grouse throughout the county. Our job is to take care of the wildlife, and in the absence of clear data to show that the population could absorb hunting — to page 4B



Trojans hold on for third straight win

Homedale High School linebacker Tyler Maxwell puts a hit on New Plymouth's Jaime Brown for a loss during Friday's road game on the Pilgrims' field. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Homedale, Martinat motor past NP despite roadblocks

Senior runs back another punt for
touchdown; Homedale moves to 3-0

Thomas Thomas still may be waiting to get a complete game from his Homedale High School football team. The fourth-year coach needn't worry about senior Bryan Martinat. On Friday night, Thomas received the total package from Martinat as the Trojans stretched their season-opening winning streak to three games with a 28-20 victory over host New Plymouth in the Pilgrims' Homecoming game. "Bryan Martinat had an outstanding game," Thomas said of his senior speedster. Martinat caught two first-quarter touchdown passes and

scored on a punt return for the second time this season as Homedale (3-0 overall) captured a non-conference victory against the 2A Western Idaho Conference Pilgrims (0-2). Homedale meets another winless 2A WIC team, Parma (0-2), in the annual Milk Jug game at 7 p.m. Friday in Canyon County. As kickoff approaches, Thomas still looks for his players to execute the flawless game of which he insists they're capable. "We have not really tapped into our potential as a team," he



Bryan Martinat

said. "If we clean up the turnovers and fix the fix-able things that we are doing wrong, we will be outstanding." Martinat beat his teammates to that goal against New Plymouth. He caught TD passes of 32 and 35 yards from fellow senior Trevor Krzesnik on the Trojans' first two possessions, and Josh Jolley kicked his team's first point-afters of the season to put New Plymouth in a 14-0 hole. Martinat would catch four balls for 81 yards. But the wheels nearly came off the Trojans' chariot soon after the quick touchdowns. "We came out of the gates very — to page 4B

Huskies leave Pirates groggy

Marsing
manhandles
3A Payette for
season's first win

Marsing High School's hard-hitting football team left Payette as hazy as the smoky skies Friday. Solid hits by the Huskies wobbled two Pirates during the night, but it was the devastating consistency of Shea McClellin that gave Marsing a 40-14 non-conference victory at home. Running behind a veteran offensive line, McClellin averaged more than 10 yards a carry and scored in three different ways. "I think it was the line," the 6-foot-3, 225-pound senior said. "They block for me, and I can do the rest. "I give all the props to the line." McClellin piled up 236 yards on rushes, including a 70-yard scramble on a fake punt in the second quarter. That call, made by Huskies assistant coach Cody Heller, seemed to turn the tide in a topsy-turvy game. "Shea does a lot of roll-out

punting, and if he sees that they're coming in hard, he's free to go," Marsing head coach Don Heller said. While McClellin credited his offensive line for his spectacular running, Heller said it was a full effort from the team that helped Marsing rack up 400 total yards against the Pirates from the 3A Snake River Valley conference. "As long as our wings run hard; first half, they were running and getting there and clammup on the hit," Heller said. "Second half, that's why we congratulated them in there (locker room). They came out and ran hard and ran guys over." The receivers weren't the only Marsing athletes running Payette players over Friday night. Well, more accurately, running through Pirates. Miguel Quebrado knocked Payette sophomore defensive back Mario Flores woozy 3½ minutes into the second half while driving for a first down on a 13-yard bootleg. Five plays later, the Marsing quarterback hooked up with fellow senior Aaron Salvat for his second touchdown strike of the season. — to page 2B



Versatile McClellin pummels Payette

Marsing High School senior Shea McClellin, with ball, slices through the line of scrimmage on the way to a big gain Friday against Payette. He gained more than 360 all-purpose yards.

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The pass covered 27 yards, and Kalob Meyers' conversion run gave Marsing a 26-14 lead and signaled the beginning of the end for the visitors.

The knockout punch may have come on the ensuing kickoff when sophomore Martin Galvez sprinted downfield and destroyed Payette kick returner Deveon Reynolds. Reynolds had to be helped off the field after the hit from Galvez sent him parallel to the field before he crashed hard on the turf.

And as if that wasn't enough, McClellin was lurking four plays later to intercept a pass by freshman quarterback Travis Blackwell in the middle of the field and pick his way 60 yards for another touchdown.

"I had one guy to beat, and that was the quarterback," McClellin said. "He tried to push me out, but couldn't."

Futility seemed to be the name of the game for Payette on Friday night. Blackwell, who was pressed into service when Kyle Tschirgi broke his collarbone in Week 1, missed his receiver on three consecutive plays leading up to McClellin's interception. The ninth-grader completed only 18 of 38 passes and compiled 211 of his 270 passing yards in the first 24 minutes.

"The only reason they hurt us on the pass was we weren't breaking down and making tackles. They never got deep on us," Heller said. "All the passes were right in front of us, and we didn't break down and make the tackles."

"Second half, we broke down and made the tackles."

Blackwell's 8-yard scoring pass to Flores to put Payette ahead, 7-6, in the second quarter was set up by a 71-yard catch-and-run by Reynolds. Only McClellin's tackle at the Marsing 10-yard line prolonged the drive. Jake Dyer took a slant pass and turned it into a 41-yard touchdown to give the Pirates at 14-12 lead about a minute before halftime.

But Blackwell found no such connection with his receivers after the intermission. He completed only three of his first 12 attempts, and none went for more than 10 yards.

"We came out and shortened up our corners for one. We were too deep and giving up too much ground. We were faster than them. And then we were putting more pressure on them with our middle linebacker now and then."

— JPB



Sophomore's hat trick can't help Homedale in conference play

Homedale High School's Hannah Johnson fights off a Fruitland defender to score a second half goal. Johnson scored three goals Thursday, but the Grizzlies prevailed 5-4 in a 3A Snake River Valley conference matchup at Sundance Park. Photo by Gregg Garrett

Powder Valley punishes Adrian in football opener

Senior fullback Derick Rios rushed for 109 yards and scored on a 7-yard run Friday night, but Adrian High School opened the Paul Shenk era with a 36-6 non-conference football loss to Powder Valley.

The host Badgers owned a 30-0 lead in North Powder, Ore., before Rios broke through with his short scamper in the second quarter.

Quarterback Kade Thomas completed just four of 15 passes and was intercepted three times. Seventy-three of his 101 yards



Derick Rios

through the air came on one pass to Kyle Rogers.

Adrian (0-1 overall), playing its first season for new coach Shenk, opens the High Desert

League season at 7 p.m. Friday at home against Dayville-Monument.

Trojan Fall Sports

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Friday, Sept. 15 at Parma, 7 p.m.

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Tuesday, Sept. 19 at Weiser, 5 p.m.

Girls soccer

Thursday, Sept. 14 at McCall-Donnelly, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL

Varsity

Thursday, Sept. 14 at McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 16 at Cole Valley Tournament, Boise

Tuesday, Sept. 19, home vs. Weiser, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity

Thursday, Sept. 14 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.

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Homedale volleyball coach wants to keep mistakes at a minimum

Even without Middleton, Henry says SRV is tough

Even with the departure of Middleton High School, Homedale volleyball coach Maleta Henry is expecting an intense battle in the 3A Snake River Valley conference this season.

“If we play consistent and strong, I believe we will do well, although I am always an optimistic kind of coach,” the Trojans’ second-year leader said, adding that Fruitland is the team that most concerns her in the SRV this season.

“All the teams will be tough, but hopefully we can stick to our plan of no errors and see what happens.”

Heading into the week, Homedale had compiled a 3-3 record against non-conference competition and without the services of a handful of key seniors from the 2005 team.

Outside hitters Hailey Hall, Cheyanne Andrade and Faith Brasher and setter Hailee Garrett have graduated.

But with returners like senior setter Jordan Warwick and juniors Mandy Brasher and Corey Hall at hitter/blocker, Henry likes the possibilities with a veteran nucleus that has been together for a few years.

“These girls really hustle hard and make plays happen,” the coach said. “They never give up.”

That attitude leads Henry to say that her team will be scrappy this year, but that scrappiness may be required to make up for mistakes.

“Good volleyball is to allow your opponent to make the errors,”



Veteran back to help Trojans

Homedale High School’s Faith Brasher sends a kill back over the net last week against Marsing. She’s only a junior, but Brasher should continue to make an impact for the Trojans this year.

Henry said. “We need to eliminate ours, make good plays and be consistent.”

Even with a few returners, though, the task will be to jell with new faces to achieve that consistency.

Henry is looking for contributions from juniors Rachel Wheeler and Taryn Corta and sophomore Mikal Mackenzie.

A middle hitter/blocker, Wheeler already has made an impact with a couple solid games during the first week of the season.

“She’s very willing to keep hitting the ball and makes amazing plays happen,” Henry said.

Corta, who plays outside hitter

and back row specialist, is a solid defender, according to her coach.

“She is extremely hard to get a ball past in the back row,” Henry said. “She digs everything up.”

Mackenzie is a setter and outside hitter who Henry says is growing into a stronger player with each hour on the floor.

Henry also said a strong turnout in grandstands will bolster her team’s efforts this season.

“We would like to invite more fans to our games,” she said. “Our girls love attention and work harder when they are supported by their fans.”

— JPB

Busy Antelopes tune up for league opener with 3 wins

The Adrian High School volleyball team had a full dance card late last week, but the Antelopes came away with three wins.

Adrian won its first three matches before dropping a 25-20, 25-19 decision to Cove in the Cove Invitational on Saturday.

“Cove really played strong at the net and serving, and we struggled to maintain our defense at times,” Adrian coach Aimee Goss said.

“We really look to play tough matches to keep improving and to step up our level of play, and Cove really gave us a good match to do so.”

Returning players Paige Branstiter and Sarah McPeak were dominant at the net throughout the tournament. Branstiter racked up 20 kills, while McPeak chimed in with 16.

Ryann Bowns set 22 assists, and Kat Sillonis added 20.

The loss to Cove was the third match of the day for the Antelopes (3-1).

“This was a nice opportunity for us to play some good matches,” Goss said of the Cove tournament.

Adrian beat Elgin 25-21, 25-19 and Pine Eagle, 24-8, 25-9, before facing off with Cove.

The Antelopes begin league play at home Friday against Dayville-Monument before heading to Halfway, Ore., for the Pine Eagle Invitational on Saturday.



Paige Branstiter

Adrian def. Powder Valley 25-19, 25-21, 25-23

Bowns was on fire with 19 assists as the Antelopes opened the season with a non-league victory in North Powder.

“This was our first full match, and though we had some moments that we lost momentum, we did a good job of finishing,” Goss said.

McPeak had 16 kills, while Branstiter turned in 11 kills and three blocks.

Trojans searching for right formula on court

Homedale High School’s volleyball team battled environs and execution last week to earn a split in a pair of matches against foes from the 2A Western Idaho Conference.

The Trojans, who opened the 3A Snake River Valley conference season Tuesday against Fruitland (results weren’t available at press time), saw their level off at 3-3 with a 25-14, 25-15, 25-11 non-conference loss to visiting Parma on Thursday.

“We’re trying to get back into

our groove,” Homedale coach Maleta Henry said. “We need to make adjustments to make ourselves and better team.”

Mikal Mackenzie, a sophomore setter/outside hitter, racked up six kills and three assists to lead the way. Vanessa Brown had a team-high three blocks, while senior setter Jordan Warwick dished four assists and served an ace.

Homedale def. Marsing 25-21, 25-23, 25-17

On Sept. 5, Owyhee County rivals Homedale and Marsing squared off in a match on the Trojans’ floor that was tinged with déjà vu.

Homedale pulled off another three-set victory, just like Aug. 29 in the Huskies’ gymnasium. The heat in the Trojans’ gym was

stifling last week, as was the case in the first meeting.

Junior Rachel Wheeler played through the humidity that made it feel less like Owyhee and more like Hawaii and came away with five kills and four blocks. Junior middle hitter/blocker Mandy Brasher carded six blocks to go with her four kills.

“We had some great offensive plays,” Henry said. “The girls worked well together despite the hot gym.”

Marsing fell to 0-2 despite seven assists and seven service points from Taryn Chenoweth, who also had three kills. Kaitie Kent powered two aces for part of her five points and dished five assists, while C.C. Zanardi had two kills and four points.



Jordan Warwick

Marsing Huskies

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Junior varsity

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Varsity

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Junior varsity A

Thursday, Sept. 14 at Melba, 6 p.m.

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Former Trojans coach honored for service

The honor wasn't that former Homedale High School football coach Jim McMillan received a lifetime pass to prep games recently. It was that the authorizing signature came from his old coach.

"Jim received a lifetime pass from the Idaho High School Activities Association for 25 years of service within the state of Idaho as an activities director and coach," Homedale High School principal Mike Williams said.

Williams presented McMillan with an Idaho High School Activities Association pass at halftime of the Sept. 1 football game against Nampa Christian at Deward Bell Stadium.

And the card was signed by recently retired IHSAA executive director Bill Young, who coached McMillan during his high school days at Vallivue in Caldwell.

"I am very grateful to Mike Williams for making sure Bill Young signed the pass before he retired," McMillan said. "It really did mean a lot to me to have Bill's signature on the card."

Young served as coach during McMillan's junior and senior years at Vallivue, and he also was a vice-principal and athletic director during the first two years of McMillan's career as an educator and coach.

The principal also said that McMillan has served as an activities director, coach and game supervisor for the past quarter-century. Recipients must serve in similar capacities for 25 years to

become eligible for the pass.

McMillan quipped that the card only means he's getting old.

"In fact, I get reminded of that everyday as I now teach some of the children of the players I used to coach," he said.

McMillan's legacy at Homedale is solid, as evidenced by multiple state championships in football and softball with Homedale.

McMillan led the Trojans' football program from between the 1982 and 1994 seasons. In those 14 seasons, he became the only Homedale coach to win more than 100 games and finished with a 125-21-0 record. His .856 winning percentage is third all-time on the Trojans' list behind Ken Kellum (1967-71) and his immediate predecessor Daryl Kellum (1973-81).

Homedale won five of its eight state championships for McMillan, including back-to-back titles in 1982-83 and 1986-87, during which time the Trojans had two consecutive 12-0 seasons. His Trojans teams played in nine state championship games.

McMillan also coached the Homedale softball team to three consecutive state crowns between 1996 and 1998.

"I had so many fun times and great memories working with boys and girls in football and softball," he said. "We had some good season through the years, but the thing I cherish the most is the relationships I've had a chance to develop over the years."

— JPB



This one's on us, coach
Homedale High School principal Mike Williams, left, hands Jim McMillan a Idaho High School Activities Association lifetime pass during halftime of the Trojans' football home opener Sept. 1 against Nampa Christian. A former state championship coach of Homedale football and softball, McMillan was honored for 25 years of service in athletics. Photo by Gregg Garrett

√ Hunt

mortality; we need to err on the side of caution," Huffaker said. "Field observations and high mortality levels in radio-marked birds demonstrates a problem, but it appears to be limited to that location."

Two weeks ago, Fish and Game Southwest Region wildlife manager Jon Rachael had warned that the sage-grouse hunting season was threatened, but a decision wasn't made until data from field studies was received late last week.

"We have confirmed that sage grouse have died from West Nile infection in three different parts of the county, and our biologists have also seen unusual numbers of radio marked sage grouse die this year," Huffaker said in a department news release. "In addition, there have been reports from the public of unusual numbers of dead grouse in some areas."

According to the release, only two birds infected by West Nile have been found outside of Owyhee County, and there have been no reports of unusual numbers of dead sage-grouse this summer. Radio-marked sage-grouse are being followed in six areas outside of Owyhee County, and none have shown the dramatic losses seen in Owyhee County.

The hunting season on the Duck Valley Indian Reservation, adjacent to Owyhee County on the Idaho-Nevada border, was closed in August after sage grouse died from West Nile virus within the reservation.

West Nile virus is a mosquito-transmitted disease, and hunters should consider taking precautions to protect themselves from mosquitoes while hunting. As always, wild game, including sage grouse, should be cooked thoroughly before it is eaten to ensure that any bacteria or viruses are killed.

"There are many people working hard to improve the grouse in Owyhee County, and hunters need to do their part," Huffaker said. "If the population bounces back, we can open it back up, and that's always the goal."

The release also said wildfires have damaged sage-grouse habitat in some areas, but hunting is either already closed or very conservative in these areas.

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fast," Thomas said. "We scored on our first two drives.

"After that, broken coverages, penalties and turnovers plagued our team."

Homedale lost possession five of the six times its ball carriers fumbled, Krzesnik threw two interceptions and the Trojans were penalized 10 times for 75 yards.

The Pilgrims wiggled out of the impending noose as Homedale committed three turnovers inside the New Plymouth 30-yard line during the second quarter. The Trojans had a fourth turnover inside their opponents' 30 later in the contest.

New Plymouth parlayed the second chance into a 14-14 halftime tie. Micah McMurray scored on a 19-yard run in the opening period then hauled in a 60-yard scoring pass from Eric Poole on the final play of the first half.

"We had an opportunity to put them away early, but we let them stick around," Thomas said. "New Plymouth fought back very hard."

Later in the game, New Plymouth



Homedale JV on a roll, too
Homedale High School junior varsity football player Wes Taggart charges New Plymouth quarterback Jaime Garcia before tackling him for a safety during Thursday's non-conference game in Homedale. The Trojans won big to start the season 3-0. Photo by Gregg Garrett

backup quarterback Easton Foust fired a 57-yard TD pass to Jaimie Brown to pull the Pilgrims within eight points at 28-20.

"It was the first time we struggled on (defense)," Thomas said. "We will clean up what we thought was fine with our coverage going into the game."

Poole and Foust lit up the Homedale defense for 316 yards, and the Pilgrims gained 403 yards total offense.

"We had a good effort despite the mistakes," Thomas said. "Give New Plymouth credit. They are the best WIC team that I have seen this season."

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Sports

Mustangs volleyball off to another fast start

Oregon 2005
state runner-up
Jordan Valley
exhibits depth

The Jordan Valley High School volleyball team appears to be poised for another solid season in 2006.

Coach Jacque Naegle’s varsity team is 2-0 after its first week of matches.

The Mustangs, who won their first 20 matches in 2005 before losing to Dufur in the 1A Oregon state championship match, failed to lose a game last week.

On Saturday, Angela Larsen dominated with 13 kills as Jordan Valley beat Greenleaf Friends Academy 25-22, 25-18, 25-18.

“Our girls just played exceptionally strong on offense and defense,” Naegle said.

“They worked well together digging up hard hit balls and the tips that the Grizzlies went to when our blockers were getting their hands up, either popping up their hits or getting the block at the net.”

Larsen and Michelle Elsner recorded three blocks each.

Bailey Kershner led the offense with 16 assists, while Breann Hipwell racked up 13.

Kelsey Prescott pounded eight kills, too.

“The girls all played well. They played as a team and each of them made huge contributions to our win,” Naegle said.

“I love to see everyone contribute. That is what makes



Mustangs sweep Greenleaf Friends Academy
Angela Larsen unleashes one of her 16 kills as Jordan Valley High School volleyball teammate Bailey Kershner prepares for any rebound Saturday against visiting Greenleaf Friends Academy. Photo by Emma Johnson, JVHS

a team sport like volleyball enjoyable to watch, and that is when you have success.

Jordan Valley def. Nyssa 25-16, 25-19, 25-14

Bailey Kershner had 15 service points Thursday as the Mustangs aced Nyssa in a non-conference matchup. The varsity match was the last of three contests played

against the Bulldogs in Nyssa, Ore.

“We had the rare opportunity to play three matches,” Naegle said. “The teams we usually play only have enough players to play two matches, so all the girls got to see more floor time.”

Prescott added 10 service points, while Larsen, Elsner and Hipwell chipped in six apiece.

brunt of throwing everyone back together without the opportunity to practice together,” the coach said.

Nickie Naegle had five assists and Catie Kershner added three for Jordan Valley.

Elisa Eiguren was the top server with five points, while Kayla Cuvelier and Annie MacKenzie both contributed two kills.

“The one thing that the girls again did well was come on strong, and they were cutting the lead down at the end,” Jacque Naegle said.

Jordan Valley I def. Nyssa 25-12, 25-4

MacKenzie had her serve working to the tune of 17 service points, while Michelle Telleria added six Thursday on the road against the Bulldogs.

“The first game of the evening, the girls came out with a bang and worked together and looked just great,” Naegle said.

Jordan Valley II def. Nyssa 26-24, 25-12

Elisa Eiguren and Tina Stanford had eight service points each, and Kayla Cuvelier added seven as Jordan Valley pulled away after a close first game.

“The players started out just a little bit nervous and dug a little bit of a hole for themselves to start, but I was really proud of the way that they didn’t quit,” Naegle said.

“They really came together and worked hard. They dug up a lot of balls to keep everything going and came away with a win.”

Council routs hobbled Rimrock

Raiders football opens league
season without running backs

Losing a running back on the eve of a conference opener is the worst possible news for a football coach.

The fact that freshman Richardo Araujo’s absence added to Rimrock High School’s lack of healthy runners only added more aggravation for Raiders’ second-year coach Jim Clark.

Nonetheless, the Raiders played tough for most of their 46-0 1A, Division I loss to Council on Friday.

“We held them to zero points (for most of) the second half of the game,” Clark said.

But Clark said the host Lumberjacks trotted out their first-string offense with 30 seconds remaining in the game to score the final touchdown and end the game because of the 45-point mercy rule.

Ricky Green’s third rushing touchdown of the day ended the contest for Council (2-1 overall, 1-0 conference).

Rimrock (1-2, 0-1) played without Araujo, who received a definitive diagnosis of West Nile Virus on Thursday, and Chris Hipwell, who was injured two weeks ago.

Araujo was coming off a 182-yard performance in a 22-0 victory over Owyhee and seemed to rallying from ailment that had slowed his progress through preseason practice.

“He was confirmed with West Nile Thursday during school, so he was taken out of school and football by his doctor for an unknown time,” Clark told The Owyhee Avalanche in an e-mail Monday. “We are hoping he will be back soon.”

Without Hipwell or Araujo, the Raiders averaged just 2.1 yards per carry against Council. Hofer led the Rimrock ground game with 28 yards on six carries Friday.

“We could not get our offense going with two of our running backs out for the entire game,” Clark said.

The Lumberjacks intercepted Rimrock quarterbacks Nate Hofer and T.J. Snyder five times and caused seven turnovers total.

Snyder completed three of his five passing attempts for 61 yards, including a 40-yard hookup with junior wideout Isaac Steiner.

Dary Langfitt, a 6-foot-2, 180-pound freshman, led the Raiders with three catches for 80 yards.

Junior defensive lineman Carlos Salinas led the defense with eight tackles, Steiner, Hofer and linebacker Bobby Jackson racked up seven stops apiece.

Rimrock plays host to league foe Garden Valley on Friday.

Sports tracker

A look at Owyhee County athletes competing beyond high school

Homedale High School graduate **Michael Eby** is showing no ill effects from the torn labrum he suffered last season. He began his junior season with the Eastern Oregon University football team with six tackles in a 9-3 victory over host Southern Oregon on Sept. 2.

Eby recorded four solo tackles and two assists against the Raiders.

Eby and the Mountaineers lost 49-3 on Saturday to four-time defending NAIA national champion Carroll College. The game against the top-ranked Saints marked the Frontier Conference opener for EOU and was played in Helena, Mont.

Eastern Oregon has another road game on the slate this week-



Michael Eby

end as the Mountaineers visit Butte, Mont., to face Montana Tech at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Injured former Trojan misses ACI action

Former Homedale boys soccer player Antonio Bautista missed the final two games of Albertson College of Idaho’s participation in the Westminster Invitational in Utah recently.

The freshman was listed day-to-day after he suffered a strained groin in the Coyotes’ first game of the tournament.

He didn’t play Saturday when Albertson opened the home portion of its schedule Saturday against Whitman College.

This Saturday, Albertson hits the road to face Montana State-Billings at 1:30 p.m.

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Senior gets in a few kicks

Homedale High School's Cory Uria, shown at the right during the season opener against Weiser, notched two goals and an assist last week as the Trojans won both their games.

Trojans soccer sweep the week

Machucas manufacture loads of offense

Nestor Machuca registered a hat trick in one game and finished the week with four goals as Homedale High School's boys soccer team mounted a winning streak.

The Trojans (2-2 overall, 1-1 3A Snake River Valley conference) beat Fruitland 5-2 on the road Thursday for their first conference victory as boys named Machuca — Nestor and Guillermo —scored four times for Homedale.

"We took advantage of the weaknesses in (the Grizzlies') defense and exploited their confusion with many one-on-one balls player to our forwards," Homedale coach David Correa said.

Each Machuca scored on penalty kicks four minutes apart in the first half. Nestor got the barrage going with a quick score in the third minute.

Cory Uria also stole the ball deep in Fruitland's end and beat the goalie for a score in the second half.

Ulysses Vargas tallied seven saves against the Grizzlies.

Machuca, Uria and Andres Vasquez scored in Saturday's 3-1 non-conference victory over visiting Orofino. Vasquez scored his team's final goal on a corner kick

Vargas stopped eight shots, but was beaten by a penalty kick for Orofino's only goal.

"The boys' performance was solid," Correa said. "It will help boost the team's confidence as we approach the rest of our season and tougher matches."



Beginnings of a strong performance

Homedale High School varsity girls cross country athlete Belen Vega leads the pack early in the first lap of the 5-kilometer Homedale Invitational held Thursday. Vega finished second.

Homedale Invite could become jewel of cross country schedule

He brushed off the day as another typical cross country meet, but Nick Schamber may have been witness to the beginning of a strong tradition Thursday at the annual Homedale Invitational.

The meet — which nearly was canceled because of the red flag air quality alert across the valley — was moved to a course around Homedale Middle School for 2006, and for the first time, sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders were included in on the fun.

Belen Vega had the best showing of any Homedale High School athlete. She ran a 22-minute, 9-second 5-kilometer race to finish second in the girls varsity race to Weiser's Amanda Palmer.

The Homedale varsity boys placed two runners in the top 10 of that 5K race as Tyler Curtis of Caldwell won in 18:01. The Trojans' Scott Thatcher was fourth at 19:07, and teammate Tyler Gibson finished sixth in 19:22. The Trojans were fifth in the team competition won by Caldwell.

"We finished above McCall and Payette (both 3A Snake River Valley conference teams)," Schamber said. "That puts us in the driver's seat for taking a team to State in October."

"It won't come easy, though. I'm sure it's going to be a dog fight between us and McCall for that second spot to State."

Schamber, the second-year coach for both the high school and the middle school teams, also had his eyes set on another impressive result during Thursday's action.

"The biggest surprise was the middle school meet," Schamber said.



Lone JV runner

Drew Farwell finished in the top 40 for Homedale.

"I was expecting around 40 kids total. There were 78 girls and 64 boys. I think this is a good problem."

Weiser ran away with the team title in the 3-kilometer middle school girls race behind Marquita Palmer's winning time of 12 minutes, 14.39 seconds. Homedale resident Kendra Graber, who attends Greenleaf Friends Academy, was second in 13:58.59.

Homedale's finishers in the girls race included Debra Esparza (28th, 17:56), Michelle Lopez (33rd, 18:39.84), Gabby Nash (45th, 19:53), Miriah Moore (69th, 24:43) and Holly Gallagher (70th,

24:44).

On the boys side, Ontario was the middle school champion as Joe Delgado won the race in 12:24.4.

The Trojans' top finisher was Reed Maggard in 42nd at 18:05.5.

Schamber said he was pleased with the meet, which was moved from a course that incorporated the Deward Bell Stadium athletic track and the hilly perimeter of adjacent Nolan Taggart Park a year ago. He said 370 runners participated in the various races this year.

"I really enjoyed hosting the meet out here," Schamber said.

Other highlights from the meet included a 14th-place finish by Greenleaf Friends varsity girls runner Ciara Law, a Marsing resident. Another Owyhee County athlete, Homedale's Brandt Graber, finished 29th in the boys junior varsity race at 24:39. Graber's mother Sonja, the Grizzlies' cross country and track and field coach, said Brandt runs cross country to stay in shape for baseball, which he plays for Homedale because Greenleaf doesn't field a team.

The Trojans' only JV boys runner, Drew Farwell, finished 39th in 26:19.

The Homedale varsity girls placed two runners in the top 20 — Vega and exchange student Elisabeth Falsne, who was 18th at 24:39.

While the girls team was incomplete (60th-place runner Kayla Bertagnolli was the only other Trojans athlete), Schamber sees light at the end of the tunnel.

"Between injuries and getting girls eligible, we should be forming a team within the next few weeks," he said.



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PREP FOOTBALL STATISTICS

Homedale offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
Krzesnik	17	38	3	.447	238	79.3	4
Totals	17	38	3	.447	238	79.3	4
Rushing							
G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs		
Vance	3	44	271	6.2	90.3	3	
Martinat	3	11	111	10.1	37.0	0	
Wilhelm	3	23	104	4.5	34.7	2	
Sitko	3	24	92	3.8	30.7	0	
Valadez	3	14	50	3.6	16.7	0	
Krzesnik	3	4	11	2.8	5.5	0	
Totals	3	120	639	5.3	319.5	5	
Receiving							
G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs		
Martinat	3	7	125	17.9	41.7	2	
Wilhelm	3	4	49	12.3	16.3	0	
Sweet	3	4	32	8.0	10.7	0	
Tolmie	3	1	24	24.0	8.0	1	
Hansen	3	1	8	8.0	2.7	1	
Totals	3	17	238	14.0	79.3	4	

Scoring	G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.
Vance	3	3	0	0	1	20	6.7
Martinat	3	4	0	0	0	24	8.0
Tolmie	3	1	0	0	0	6	2.0
Wilhelm	3	2	0	0	0	12	4.0
Hansen	3	1	0	0	0	6	2.0
Krzesnik	3	0	0	0	1	2	0.7
Sitko	3	0	0	0	1	2	0.7
Jolley	3	0	0	4	0	4	1.3
Totals	3	11	0	4	3	76	25.3

Marsing offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
Quebrado	14	32	3	.438	178	89.0	2
Heller	0	1	0	.000	0	0.0	0
Totals	14	33	3	.424	178	89.0	2
Rushing							
G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs		
McClellin	2	42	390	9.3	195.0	3	
Meyers	2	12	50	4.2	25.0	1	
Sauer	2	20	45	2.3	22.5	0	
Dines	2	7	20	2.9	10.0	1	
Quebrado	2	4	19	4.8	9.5	0	
Marcial	2	2	5	2.5	2.5	0	
Finley	2	2	2	1.0	1.0	0	
Heller	2	5	-3	-0.6	-1.5	0	
Totals	2	95	527	5.5	263.5	5	
Receiving							
G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs		
Salvas	2	3	53	17.7	26.5	1	
Martinez	1	1	35	35.0	35.0	1	
Meyers	2	4	26	6.5	13.0	0	
Sauer	2	3	24	8.0	12.0	0	
Finley	2	1	21	21.0	10.5	0	
McClellin	2	1	3	3.0	1.5	0	
Totals	2	13	162	12.5	81.0	2	

Scoring	G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.
McClellin	2	4	0	0	0	24	12.0
Meyers	2	1	0	0	2	10	5.0
Dines	2	1	0	0	1	8	4.0
Martinez	1	1	0	0	0	6	6.0
Salvas	2	1	0	0	0	6	3.0
Totals	2	8	0	0	3	54	27.0

Rimrock offense							
Passing	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yards	YPG	TDs
Hofer	5	18	6	.278	104	34.7	1
Snyder	6	14	1	.429	88	29.3	0
Totals	11	32	7	.344	192	64.0	1
Rushing							
G	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	TDs		
Araujo	2	30	205	6.8	102.5	2	
Snyder	3	26	96	3.7	32.0	1	
Hofer	3	15	58	3.9	19.3	0	
C. Hipwell	1	8	32	4.0	32.0	0	
Schiermeier	2	3	20	6.7	10.0	0	
Steiner	1	5	13	2.6	13.0	0	
Totals	3	87	424	4.9	141.3	3	
Receiving							
G	Rec.	Yards	YPR	YPG	TDs		
Snyder	3	1	70	70.0	23.3	1	
Steiner	1	1	40	40.0	40.0	0	
Langfitt	1	3	30	10.0	30.0	0	
Araujo	2	2	20	10.0	10.0	0	
Richardson	2	1	14	14.0	7.0	0	
T. Hipwell	2	1	8	8.0	4.0	0	
Hofer	2	1	5	5.0	2.5	0	
Simper	1	1	5	5.0	5.0	0	
Totals	3	11	192	17.5	64.0	1	
Scoring							
G	TD	FG	PAT	2-PAT	Total	Avg.	
Araujo	3	2	0	0	2	16	4.0
Snyder	3	2	0	0	0	12	5.3
Totals	3	4	0	0	2	28	9.3

PREP STANDINGS

Football					Friday's games			
3A SRV	Conf.		All					
	W	L	W	L				
Fruitland	0	0	2	1	Homedale at Parma, 7 p.m.			

Homedale	0	0	3	0
McCall-Donnelly	0	0	0	2
Payette	0	0	1	1
Weiser	0	0	2	1

LaGrande, Ore., at Wesier, 7 p.m.
New Plymouth at Payette, 7 p.m.
McCall-Donnelly at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.

Last week's scores
Homedale 28, New Plymouth 20
Marsing 40, Payette 14
La Grande, Ore., 22, Fruitland 20
Weiser 14, Vale, Ore., 12
Kamiah 30, McCall-Donnelly 0

2A WIC	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Cole Valley Chr.	0	0	0	2
Marsing	0	0	1	1
Melba	0	0	0	3
Nampa Christian	0	0	0	2
New Plymouth	0	0	0	2
Parma	0	0	0	2

This week's games (Played Friday)
Marsing at Glenns Ferry, 7 p.m.
Homedale at Parma, 7 p.m.
McCall-Donnelly at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.
New Plymouth at Payette, 7 p.m.
Cole Valley Christian at Notus, 7:30 p.m.

Last week's scores
Marsing 40, Payette 14
Homedale 28, New Plymouth 20
Glenns Ferry 26, Melba 20
Nyssa, Ore., 45, Parma 28

1A, Div. I	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Council	1	0	2	1
Cascade	0	0	1	1
Horseshoe Bend	0	0	2	0
Idaho City	0	0	2	0
Tri-Valley	0	0	0	1
Wilder	0	0	1	1
Rimrock	0	1	1	2

This week's games (Played Friday)
Garden Valley at Rimrock, 7 p.m.
Cascade at Idaho City, 7 p.m.
Wilder at Horseshoe Bend, 7 p.m.
Tri-Valley at Council, 7 p.m.

Last week's scores
Council 46, Rimrock 0
Salmon River 52, Cascade 22
Idaho City 46, Meadows Valley 12
Notus 34, Wilder 20
Horseshoe Bend 52, Garden Valley 6

High Desert	Conf.		All	
	W	L	W	L
Adrian	0	0	0	1
Burnt River	0	0	0	0
Crane	0	0	0	0
Day.-Mon.	0	0	0	0
Hunt.-Harper	0	0	0	1
Jordan Valley	0	0	0	0
Spray-Mitchell	0	0	0	1
Prairie City	0	0	1	0

This week's games (Played Friday)
Burnt River at Jordan Valley, 2 p.m.
Dayville-Monument at Adrian, 7 p.m.
Spray-Mitchell at Crane, 3 p.m. MDT
Huntington-Harper at Prairie City, 3 p.m. MDT

Last week's scores
Powder Valley 36, Adrian 6
Imbler 70, Huntington-Harper 6
Condon-Wheeler 30, Spray-Mitchell 16
Prairie City 42, Pine Eagle 6

PREP RESULTS

Football

Friday's games

Homedale 28

New Plymouth 20

Homedale	14	0	7	7 — 28
New Plymouth	7	7	0	6 — 20

First quarter
Hom — Martinat 32 pass from Krzesnik (Jolley kick)
Hom — Martinat 35 pass from Krzesnik (Jolley kick)
NP — McMurray 19 run (Asterio kick)

Second quarter
NP — McMurray 60 pass from Poole (Asterio kick)

Third quarter
Hom — Martinat 52 punt return (Jolley kick)

Fourth quarter
Hom — Wilhelm 8 run (Jolley kick)
NP — Brown 57 pass from Foust (kick

failed)

Team statistics		
	Hom	NP
First downs	10	9
Rushes-yards	33-214	29-63
Passing yards	91	316
Passing	5-10-1	20-35-2
Total yards	305	379
Punts-Avg.	4-34	3-32
Penalties	10-75	7-50
Fumbles-lost	6-5	5-3

Individual statistics
Rushing — Hom: Vance 15-72, Sitko 7-29, Wilhelm 6-34, Valadez 2-4, Martinat 3-67. Poole 12-42, McMurray 4-17, Mena 9-42, Jordan 1-(-3), Brown 1-(-7), Harmon 2-(-5)
Passing — Hom: Krzesnik 5-10-1 91. NP: Poole 17-29-2 189, Foust 3-6-0 127
Receiving — Hom: Martinat 4-81, Wilhelm 1-10. NP: McMurray 7-81, Mena 4-43, Jordan 6-117, Brown 3-75

Marsing 40, Payette 14	Payette	0	14	0	0 — 14
	Marsing	6	12	16	6 — 40
First quarter					
Mar — McClellin 22 run (run failed), 2:16					
Second quarter					
Pay — Flores 8 pass from Blackwell (Dyer kick), 2:06					
Mar — Meyers 6 run (pass failed), 6:26					
Pay — Dyer 41 pass from Blackwell (Dyer kick), 10:50					
Mar — McClellin 70 run (run failed), 11:27					
Third quarter					
Mar — Salvas 27 pass from Quebrado (Meyers run), 6:10					
Mar — McClellin 60 interception return (Meyers run), 7:45					
Fourth quarter					
Mar — McClellin 3 run (pass failed), 6:57					

Team statistics		
	Pay	Mar
First downs	14	21
Rushes-yards	11-(-12)	53-319
Passing yards	270	81
Passing	19-38-2	7-18-1
Total yards	258	400
Punts-Avg.	3-35.3	2-33.5
Penalties	3-18	10-92
Fumbles-lost	4-1	1-1
Individual statistics		
Rushing — Pay: Dovalina 1-(-5), De. Reynolds 1-4, Bullington 7-13, Blackwell 2-(-24). Mar: McClellin 22-236, Meyers 8-29, Sauer 9-31, Marcial 1-3, Dines 5-8, Quebrado 3-14, Young 1-(-1), Heller 4-(-1)		
Passing — Pay: Blackwell 19-38-2 270. Mar: Quebrado 7-18-1 81		
Receiving — Pay: De. Reynolds 6-132, Flores 3-34, Dyer 3-71, Dovalina 3-32, Bullington 1-3, Kowalski 3-(-2). Mar: Marcial 1-16, Meyers 3-19, Sauer 2-19, Salvas 1-27		
Interceptions — Pay: De. Reynolds. Mar: McClellin, Finley		
Missed FG — Pay: Dyer 27 WL		

Council 46, Rimrock 0	Council	20	20	0	6 — 46
	Rimrock	0	0	0	0 — 0
First quarter					
Cou — J. Green 6 run (PAT failed)					
Cou — J. Paradis 7 run (PAT failed)					
Cou — R. Green 45 run (R. Green run)					
Second quarter					
Cou — R. Green 6 run (PAT failed)					
Cou — J. Paradis 6 run (pass good)					
Cou — R. Green 3 run (kick failed)					
Fourth quarter					
Cou — R. Green 65 run (no PAT)					

Rushing — Pay: Dovalina 1-(-5), De. Reynolds 1-4, Bullington 7-13, Blackwell 2-(-24). Mar: McClellin 22-236, Meyers 8-29, Sauer 9-31, Marcial 1-3, Dines 5-8, Quebrado 3-14, Young 1-(-1), Heller 4-(-1)

Passing — Pay: Blackwell 19-38-270. Mar: Quebrado 7-18-181

Receiving — Pay: De. Reynolds 6-132, Flores 3-34, Dyer 3-71, Dovalina 3-32, Bullington 1-3, Kowalski 3-(-2). Mar: Marcial 1-16, Meyers 3-19, Sauer 2-19, Salvias 1-27

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Missed FG — Pay: Dyer 27 WL

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Top 10 — 1. Marquita Palmer, Weiser, 12 minutes, 14.39 seconds; 2. Kendra Graber, Greenleaf Friends Academy, 13:58.59; 3. Cassi Anthony, Vale, 14:10.12; 4. Ruth Lewinski, PL, 14:50.19; 5. Megan Foresberg, NP, 14:56.89; 6. Taylor Maloney, Wei, 14:57.87; 7. Tiffany Needs, McCain, 15:04.72; 8. Lily Holmes, Council, 15:06.68; 9. Lindsey Hall, PL, 15:07.09; 10. Nikki Jaqqi, Wei, 15:26.33

Homedale results — 28. Debra Esparza, 17:56; 33. Michelle Lopez, 18:39.84; 45. Gabby Nash, 19:53; 69. Miriah Moore, 24:43; 70. Holly Gallagher, 24:44

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Sports

Jordan Valley cowboy sixth in Canadian rodeo

Jordan Valley cowboy Josh Mackenzie recently finished sixth in the saddle bronc competition at a Canadian Professional Rodeo Association (CPRA) event in British Columbia.

Mackenzie scored an 84 and won a share of the third- through sixth-place money (\$2,061) in the Interior Provincial Exhibition and Stampede rodeo, which was held Aug. 30-Sept. 3 in Armstrong, British Columbia.

He was in a pack that finished one spot ahead of legendary pro rodeo cowboy Dan Mortensen of Billings, Mont., a six-time world champion who leads the season standings.

Mackenzie is 24th in the CPRA's season saddle bronc standings.

Mackenzie is 12th in this year's Idaho Cowboy Association saddle bronc standings, which are led by Mark Gage of Jordan Valley.

Homedale's Bryan Martinat is third in the ICA saddle bronc standings as a rookie. He finished second with a 77-point ride during the Sept. 2-4 ICA stop in Halfway, Ore. Gage was fourth at that rodeo.

Another Homedale cowboy, Luke Jeffries, is ranked fourth in the ICA all around this season, just behind for Owyhee County resident Rob Black.

Jeffries finished second in the Halfway tie down roping competition with a 10.7-second effort.

Black leads the ICA tie down

race this year, and Jeffries is fourth, about 104 points behind.

Jeffries is third in the ICA steer wrestling after splitting sixth and seventh place in Halfway.

Other Owyhee County cowboys who fared well in Halfway included Shawn Dygert of Melba, who teamed with Travis Bachman to finish second in team roping with a time of 6.0 seconds.

Jordan Valley roper Matt Grenke paired with Rob Maxwell to split fourth and fifth place with a team comprised of Adrian, Ore.'s Mike Pendergrass and Jordan Valley's Mike Eiguren.

Homedale's Karen Ewy finished third in barrel racing at Halfway, a fraction of a second behind ICA season leader Kyna Schrader. Ewy is second in the season standings.

Another Jordan Valley Mackenzie — Sam — is seventh in the ICA all around standings. He's seventh in steer wrestling and 14th in saddle bronc.

Homedale's Cody Echevarria holds down ninth in steer wrestling, and Marsing rookie Scott Roeser is 10th.

According to the ICA Web site, the season enters its final days this weekend with rodeos in Washington state on Sept. 8-9 (Colfax and Okanogan) and Sept. 9-10 (Cashmere) and a Sept. 9-10 rodeo in Burns, Ore.

The ICA Finals are scheduled for Oct. 6-7 at the Idaho Center in Nampa.

2006 IDAHO COWBOYS ASSOCIATION RODEO STANDINGS

(Through Sept. 7)

All around — 1. Chad McDaniels, 8,888.07; 2. Marlow Eldridge, Nampa, 8,716.84; 3. Rob Black, Meridian, 8,064.63; 4. Luke Jeffries, Homedale, 7,755.34; 5. Ty Thomas, Star, 5,913.34; 6. Mark Black, 4,480.07; 7. Sam Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, 3,752.89; 8. Dan Webb, 3,598.20; 9. Brad Carpenter, 3,451.33; 10. Marissa Black, Meridian, 3,308.08. **Others** — 15. Mikal Black, 2,488.46; 18. Scott Roeser (R), Marsing, 2,105.68; 20. Tim Roeser, Marsing, 1,628.52; 22. Jeremy Sutfin, Jordan Valley, 1,253.10

Bareback — 1. Caleb Bayes, Parma, 5,043.90; 2. Toby Miller, 4,780.25; 3. Eric Mader, 1,557.23; 4. Jeremy Churchfield, 1,035.50; 5. Bryan Schwabauer, 1,1018.12; 6. Jacey Miller, 800.28; 7. Nathan Bayes, Adrian, Ore., 715.16; 8. Matt Askew (R), 661.20; 9. Noah Bayes, Homedale, 395.01. 10. Jeff Bayes, 168.44

Saddle bronc — 1. Mark Gage, Jordan Valley, 6,884.323; 2. Jake Bigelow, 5,371.97; 3. Bryan Martinat (R), Homedale, 3,465.35; 4. Ivan Tibbs, 2,495.13; 5. William Scheibe, 1,750.52; 6. Frank Tobias, 1,527.19; 7. Wayne Hebdon, 1,316.45; 8. Cliff Toone, 1,128.55; 9. Bob Smith, 1,016.70; 10. Cody Allred, 1,008.19. **Others** — 12. Josh Mackenzie, 585.96; 14. Sam Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, 172.90

Bull riding — 1. Stephen Hopkins, 5,312.15; 2. Cody Brixey (R), 4,205.46; 3. Brad Abbe, 2,789.23. 4. Miller Montz, 1,698.48; 5. Kiel Malone, 1,455.17; 6. Payton Bakes, 934.92; 7. Mike Sparks, 1,365.39; 8. Paul Coppini (R), 1,357.97; 9. Trevor Maddox (R), 1,108.78; 10. Jake Rupe (R), 1,059.73.

Tie down roping — 1. Rob Black, Meridian, 5,394.11; 2. Paul Cope, 5,099.67; 3. Tony Green, 4,910.43; 4. Luke Jeffries, Homedale, 4,353.08; 5. Will Casey, 2,946.67; 6. Ty Thomas, Star, 2,500.64; 7. Brad Carpenter, 2,394.39;

8. Brian Hill, 1,993.43; 9. Kirby Cook, Marsing, 1,867.10; 10. Aaron Marts, 1,828.33. **Others** — 12. Mark Black, 1,809.55; 13. Clay Schricker, Adrian, 1,683.16; 14. Blaise Black, Meridian, 1,373.62; 14. Ryan Endicott, Caldwell, 1,352.09; 15. Jeremy Sutfin, Jordan Valley, 1,253.10; 23. Sam Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, 819.99; 32. Scott Roeser (R), Marsing, 326.61; 41. Andrew Endicott, Marsing, 96.00

Steer wrestling — 1. Andy Weldon, 4,703.14; 2. Dusty Kimble, 3,688.64; 3. Luke Jeffries, Homedale, 3,199.48; 4. Brandon Christensen, Hermiston, Ore., 2,871.31; 5. Carl Seiders, 2,619.45; 6. Jeff Bowden, 1,973.28; 7. Sam Mackenzie, 1,610.50; 8. Jimmy Bertalotto, 1,393.66; 9. Cody Echevarria, Homedale, 1,358.63; 10. Scott Roeser (R), Marsing, 1,325.14. **Others** — 11. Tim Roeser, Marsing, 1,174.59; 14. Clay Schricker, Adrian, Ore., 587.19; 16. Wade Hyer, Homedale, 348.18; 17. Brady Black, 319.91

Breakaway roping — 1. Jennifer Casey, 6,682.53; 2. Dustie Crenshaw, 6,665.73; 3. Keri Dell, Hermiston, Ore., 3,369.04; 4. Regan Lawson, 3,082.09; 5. Monica Williams, 2,966.88; 6. Patti O'Maley, 2,649.80; 7. Danna Stovner, 2,410.24; 8. Kim Grubbs, 2,187.65; 9. Tricia Campbell (R), 2,185.63; 10. Melinda McDaniel, 2,037.68. **Others** — 13. Marissa Black, Meridian, 1,751.50; 28. Jodi Endicott, Caldwell, 647.43; 36. Bryan Reay, Homedale, 345.80; 37. Mikal Black, 333.93

Barrel racing — 1. Kyna Schrader, 5,117.84; 2. Karen Ewy, Homedale, 3,566.83; 3. Gretchen Bilton Smith, 2,708.72; 4. Lucy Schnabele, 2,642.31; 5. Linda Roberts, 2,488.44; 6. Matea Gabiola, 2,336.50; 7. Brittany Highsmith, 2,295.55; 8. Jamie Beutler, 2,260.15; 9. Mikal Black, 2,154.53; 10. Mackenzie Woods, 2,056.78.

Others — 14. Katie Davis, 1,577.48; 15. Abby Davis, Adrian, Ore., 1,568.26; 16. Marissa Black, Meridian, 1,556.58; 28.

Glorida King, Homedale, 509.68; 31. Lindsay Marie Black, 416.78; 35. Kallie Roeser, Marsing, 133.00;

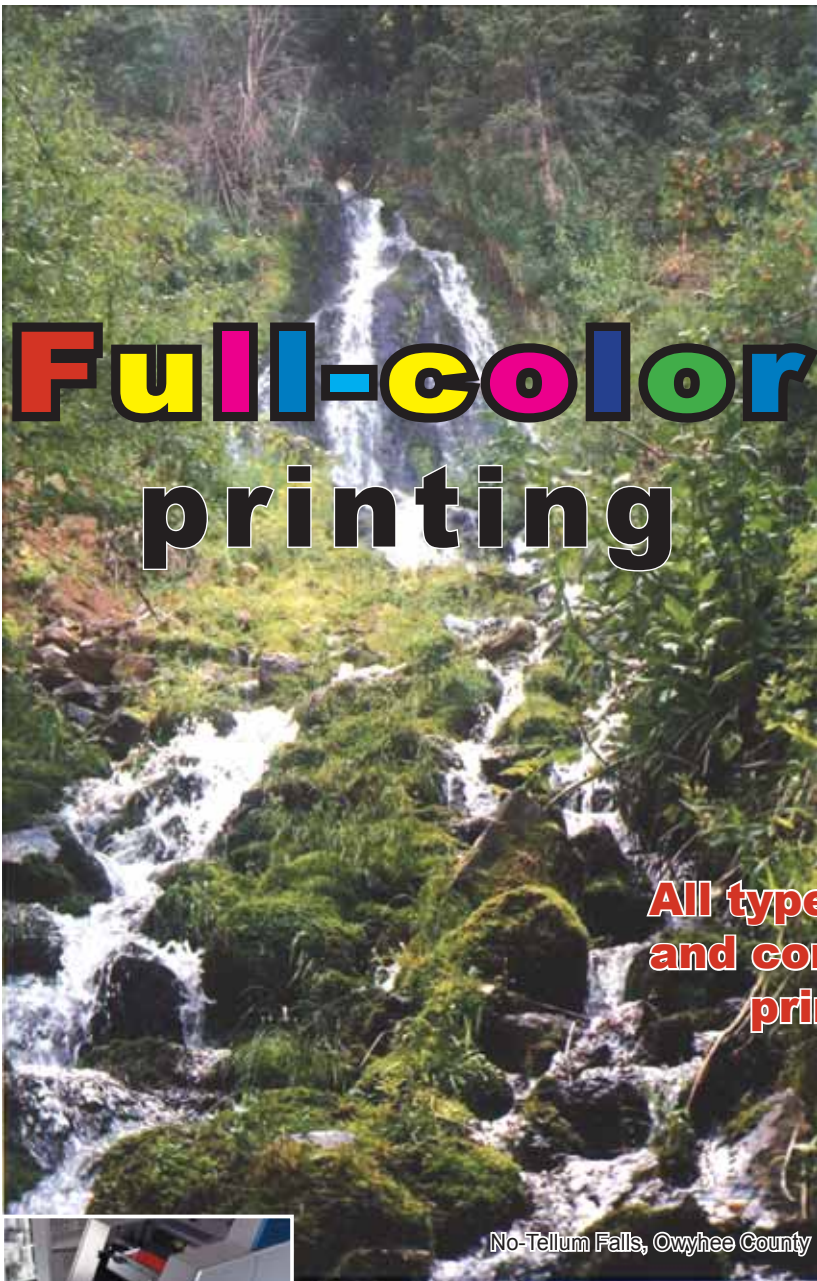
Team roping, heading — 1. Chad McDaniel, 8,622.07; 2. Cody Yerrington, 4,350.02; 3. Matt Davis, 4,285.69; 4. Ryan Fornstrom, 3,585.42; 5. John Hagler, 3,348.73; 6. Bobby Davis, 3,265.41; 7. Matt Grenke, Jordan Valley, 3,064.97; 8. Mark Black, 2,670.52; 9. Clay Griffith, 2,567.58; 10. Mike Pendergrass, Adrian, Ore., 2,527.54. **Others** — 11. Josh Bruce, Jordan Valley, 2,496.14; 20. Sam Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, 1,184.65; 23. Shawn Dygert, Melba, 966.70; 26. Ryan Bruce, 771.26; 27. Bobby Grenke, 645.24; 32. Scott Roeser (R), Marsing, 453.93; 35. Jason Eiguren, Jordan Valley, 363.76

Team roping, heeling — 1. Marlow Eldridge, Nampa, 8,400.96; 2. Tommy Flenniken, 5,202.25; 3. B.J. Roberts, 4,062.62; 4. Leo Baptiste, 3,585.42; 5. Sam Riley, 2,917.27; 6. Rob Black, Meridian, 2,670.52; 7. Ty Thomas, Star, 2,496.14; 8. Dally Curtis, 2,435.11; 9. Ira Walker, 2,397.36; 10. Mike Eiguren, Jordan Valley, 2,283.70. **Others** — 16. Tim Black, 1,715.30; 17. Richard Eiguren, Jordan Valley, 1,629.14; 21. Ryan Mackenzie, Jordan Valley, 1184.65; 29. Tim Roeser, Marsing, 453.93; 30. Ryan Bruce, 418.52; 32. Shane Smith, Jordan Valley, 363.66; 37. Luke Jeffries, Homedale, 202.78

Novice bareback — 1. Eddie Hynek, 270.00; 2. Josh Bruno, 172.00; 3. Jared Ashcraft, 118.00; 4. Justin Parker, 90.00; 5. Adam Waite, 48.00

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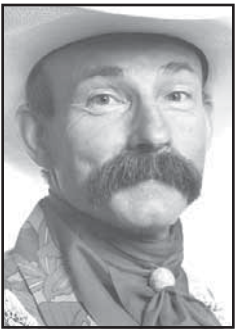
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Commentary

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On the edge of common sense



Factory farming

“We must stop the cruel confinement systems used in modern corporate factory health care!”

“We must abolish the abusive practice of government-sponsored factory education systems where children are forced to sit still for hours a day!”

“Evil corporate factory transportation companies that confine passengers in buses and airplanes in seats like crates which prevent turning around, lying down or completely extending their limbs must be regulated to reduce stress.”

Factory health care, factory education, factory transportation, i.e., hospitals, schools, airlines. All means of performing essential services that allows a more even distribution of benefits. Sure, there are people who can afford a private room, a personal physician, a tutor at home, a private jet, but not most of us.

Factory farming is a buzzword invented by the ANTIs to denigrate methods used in agriculture today like feedlots, chicken houses, hog confinement facilities, dairies and veal barns. These methods of “factory” farming allow us to produce meat, milk and eggs in quantities large enough to meet the demands of a hungry nation.

Granted, America could back off the concentrated production methods and still produce protein but more land would be taken up, more grain needed per animal unit and less product available at a higher cost. The same people who own their own plane could still afford a good steak, barbecue spare ribs and Ben & Jerry’s ice cream, but it would be out of reach for the average Joe. It’s an old story in the world of the ANTIs (the animal rights activists and environmentalists). It’s the haves vs. the have-nots.

Anybody that’s laid-up in a hospital for a week or has been admitted to the emergency room on a busy night knows how it feels to be anonymous. If you’ve gone through security at a big airport and been seat-belted into place, it’s easy to put yourself in the position of a dairy cow. It’s not pretty but it’s worth it, so most of us choose to go.

Factory farming isn’t always pretty, but it is how modern agriculture has responded to the challenge of feeding a burgeoning global population.

Henry Ford built a factory that allowed the common man to expand his world. Factory farming, at an even more profound level, has done the same. After all, you don’t have to drive but we do have to eat.

Wayne Cornell

Not important ... *but possibly of interest*

Home improvement made easy?



Our house was built in the late 1970s. That was just late enough that the original owners avoided avocado-colored sinks and pink countertops popular through most of that decade. Nevertheless, the interior looks — well — very ’70s. One area that was very dated was a hallway that leads to the bedrooms. The floor was covered with a 27-year-old shag carpet.

We were wandering through a store when we came across some bamboo flooring. The information on the box said bamboo is harder than oak. More importantly, this bamboo flooring was inexpensive (cheap). So we bought enough to replace the carpet in the 4-foot-by-30-foot hall.

It wasn’t until we got the flooring home that I discovered it wasn’t your quarter-inch-thick, snap-together flooring. The boards are “tongue-in-groove,” which requires some special tools and installation techniques. I briefly considered loading it all up and returning it to the store. But then my old “I can do this” gene kicked in.

The first job was pulling up the old carpet and removing about one thousand staples holding down the carpet pad, as well as the wooden strips filled with really sharp tiny nails that anchored the edges of the carpet. Then it was time to put the new flooring in place.

The procedure isn’t too complicated. A special nail gun, powered by compressed air, fits over the tongue on one side of the board. Then you whack a knob on top of the gun with a big rubber-headed hammer and a 2-inch staple is fired through the tongue at an angle and into the sub floor. The head of the staple is buried into the tongue flush so the groove of the next board will slip over the

staple, hiding it.

One problem with the process is that about every 20th staple didn’t go cleanly into the board. Instead the gun wadded it up in a ball on top of the tongue.

The misfire had to be carefully pried out without damaging the board.

I also learned that because bamboo is so hard and so brittle, you can’t use a chisel to create a notch so the board will fit an odd corner or around a heating vent. The wood will crack in unpredictable directions. Everything has to be cut with a saw.

Another problem popped up as I got within about three board-widths of the far side of the hall. The bamboo boards are 4 inches wide. There wasn’t enough room between the nailing tool and the wall for me to whack it with the hammer. For a time, it looked like I would have put in conventional nails from the top on the last three rows and fill the visible nail holes. But then I discovered that an air-powered finish nailer I already had was much smaller and could shoot 2-inch nails into the tongues at the proper angle, clear up to the wall. The rest of the project went quickly.

Now some readers may be asking themselves, “Why is he telling me a lot more than I need to know about installing a bamboo floor?” Well, the main reason is because my partner-in-life examined the finished floor and said, “I don’t think a professional floor installer could have done a better job.”

When you are my age, compliments like that are worth three days on your knees.

From Washington Libraries offer world of possibilities

by Sen. Mike Crapo

What entity serves two-thirds of the United States’ population expending less than 2 percent of all tax dollars? Here’s a hint: there are more of them than there are McDonald’s restaurants. With a Borders, Barnes and Noble and/or Hastings in each of Idaho’s major cities, and a wide variety of home entertainment accessible by cable, satellite or the Internet, you might be surprised to learn that Americans visit public libraries 1.2 billion times a year, borrowing more than 2 billion books, CDs, videos and more. In fact, a 2006 American Library Association poll indicates the top use of libraries today is Internet and computer use.

Access to the World Wide Web is especially important in Idaho, considering that although approximately two-thirds of Idaho homes have Internet access, there are thousands of households that do not, especially in rural areas.

September not only means the start of another school year; it’s also National Library Card Sign-up Month. This is a perfect time to pick up library cards for the family, if you don’t already have them. Libraries hold the keys to a universe of possibility for people of all ages: families can plan a vacation; parents can research home improvement; children can find the latest mystery or adventure stories; borrowers can check out movies or even books on tape



Sen. Mike Crapo

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Commentary

Accuracy In Media

A con job from Khan on Al-Jazeera

By Cliff Kincaid

Riz Khan of Al-Jazeera International made a dramatic appearance in Washington, D.C. earlier this month, assuring a conservative group that America has nothing to fear from the new channel being launched by the Arab regime of Qatar. But if the United States wants to win the war against Islamic terrorism, Khan and his Arab backers should be told in no uncertain terms that an English-language affiliate of Osama bin Laden’s favorite TV channel is not welcome on U.S. cable and satellite systems.

The stakes are high: If Al-Jazeera International gets access to American households, it is probable, if not inevitable, that we will lose the war, not only in Iraq but worldwide. Such a channel could not only further tilt global media coverage against the U.S. position in the world, but could incite Arabs and Muslims inside the U.S. to engage in jihad and commit terrorist acts. That is exactly what the Arabic version has done in Iraq, and that is why it is banned by the new democratic government there.

Khan attended the conservative meeting in the wake of very powerful speeches by President Bush and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld about the tremendous stakes in this war. Both say we are facing an enemy as determined as the fascists and Nazis of World War II. And both emphasized how al-Qaida uses the media and the Internet against our side.

Yet there was Khan, a former CNN journalist who wrote a fawning biography of the Saudi billionaire Prince Alaweed bin Talal, passing out a flier claiming that Al-Jazeera International will simply offer a “fresh perspective on global news and current affairs.” His flier also made reference to his sister channel, the Arabic Al-Jazeera. Its “ground-breaking work” was said to have “changed the face of news within the Middle East and brought fair and free journalism to the region …” The flier said that Al-Jazeera International is part of “a growing network focused on accurate, impartial and fair reporting.” The words “accurate, impartial and fair reporting” were highlighted in bold.

If Riz Khan really believes this, then Al-Jazeera International is the danger we at AIM have been warning about, and Khan and perhaps his cohorts, David Frost and Dave Marash, are parrots of a company line. If Khan expects us to believe that rubbish about being fair and accurate, then he must think we are fools.

Al-Jazeera began in 1996, the same year bin Laden declared war on America. They have been working together ever since. In addition to the numerous al-Qaida videos and statements aired by the channel, its anchors openly refer to suicide bombers as “martyrs” for the cause. In other words, it actively recruits Muslims to kill Americans and Israelis. Being a terrorist channel, however, does have its advantages. Al-Jazeera reporter Yosri Fouda was singled out to obtain exclusive interviews with the al-Qaida architects of 9/11, who wanted credit for killing almost 3,000 Americans. Such terrorist “exclusives” are what Al-Jazeera specializes in.

However, this can get the network in trouble. One Al-Jazeera employee is currently at Guantanamo Bay, facing charges of collaborating with al-Qaida and the Taliban, and a former Al-Jazeera Afghanistan correspondent is in prison in Spain, having been convicted of being an agent of al-Qaida. His legal bills continue to be paid by Al-Jazeera, which is funded by the emir of Qatar, supposedly a friend of America. On the U.N. Security Council recently, Qatar was the only member of the 15-member body voting not to require Iran to stop producing nuclear weapons. Some friend.

The channel’s first managing director was booted after evidence emerged that he was a lackey of the Iraqi dictator’s son Uday Hussein. Captured film footage shows him acting like a lapdog of the notorious murderer and sadist. All of this has been well-documented in the AIM DVD on “Terror Television,” which also shows captured terrorists saying they came to kill Americans in Iraq because of what they saw on Al-Jazeera.

No serious observer of the global media disputes the fact

that Al-Jazeera has had an anti-American and anti-Israel bias and has been encouraging jihad against the West. The debate has been over what kind of approach the U.S. should take toward it. Bombing the channel’s headquarters in Qatar obviously has been ruled out because American troops are stationed there, and U.S. corporations have offices in the country and conduct extensive commercial relations with the regime. The founding members of the U.S.-Qatar Business Council include major U.S. oil companies as well as Al-Jazeera.

But the U.S. presence doesn’t mean the regime is a friend of the U.S. After all, Saudi Arabia was a host to U.S. troops while al-Qaida was active there and producing most of the 9/11 hijackers.

While Rumsfeld used to regularly denounce Al-Jazeera, things seemed to change when Karen Hughes, an old friend of the president, was put in charge of “public diplomacy” at the State Department. She has been encouraging U.S. officials to go on the channel, as if they can persuade the Arab and Muslim audience that America wants to be their friend. That’s hard to do when the channel repeatedly emphasizes the blood and carnage that the U.S. is said to have brought to Iraq and other places around the world. The Hughes plan of being nice to Al-Jazeera is doomed to fail.

The Arabic Al-Jazeera has to be dealt with if America wants to win this war, but the immediate problem is to make sure the threat doesn’t get worse with Al-Jazeera International taking a place alongside CNN, Fox News, and MSNBC on your cable or satellite system.

If Khan had washed his hands of the Arabic channel, his pitch for the English-language version might have been worth listening to. But the failure to account for the Arabic channel’s well-documented relationship with al-Qaida means that Khan simply does not want to be honest with his potential audience.

At least Dave Marash was honest when he admitted to the New York Sun that the channel had inspired those who want to kill us. “Undoubtedly, some Al-Jazeera programs may have inspired some social misfits to undertake terrorism,” he said.

Khan’s deceptive public relations campaign can only mean that Al-Jazeera International is as potentially dangerous as its sister channel. That always figured to be the case, because they are funded by the same Arab government, which had connections to al-Qaida before 9/11, and personnel between the channels overlaps.

One conservative who heard Khan’s sales pitch in D.C. said that he came across as “slick” — perhaps as slick as the Arab petro-dollars paying his salary and the cost of the new network, which is said to be reaching a staggering \$1 billion. The sheer cost means that the channel, despite reluctance by cable and satellite systems to carry it, could buy its way into the American media market.

Strangely, however, while Congress erupted in anger over an Arab-owned firm taking over some American ports, the prospect of an Arab-financed “news” channel directly broadcasting al-Qaida propaganda into American homes has failed to make it on the list of top congressional priorities.

But if the analogy to World War II is appropriate, we should take some time to consider that America’s “greatest generation” would never have tolerated the prospect of fascist and Nazi agents and sympathizers getting access to America’s airwaves. That would have been unthinkable, even treasonous. Americans knew that we had to win in the media and on the battlefield and that the enemy could not be permitted to use our own media against us.

If you don’t want al-Qaida’s latest videos being broadcast directly into your homes through Al-Jazeera International, you must act fast. Contact Congress and ask your senators and representative to take action to stop the channel from gaining access to the U.S. media market. After several delays, the channel is planning to launch on U.S. soil in November. Time is running out. The lives of our fellow citizens are at stake.

— Cliff Kincaid is editor of the AIM Report.

✓ Crapo

for travel; all at a negligible cost — provided materials are returned on time, of course! And public libraries are working hard to ensure that young Internet users are safe from the perils of Internet predators and pornography, so that parents don’t worry when their children are online at their local library.

Libraries have a lengthy and rich tradition in the history of civilization. As long as there has been written language, people have recorded histories, traditions and ways of life. Records of law, technology, philosophy, religion and even business transactions dating to 2500 B.C. exist in Akkadian, one of civilization’s first written languages. Remarkably, many remain preserved today and some are housed in libraries in the United States and abroad. One of the oldest library systems in the world is at Oxford University, which opened its first library in 1320, although it was not public. And, while not the oldest but much closer to home, our very own Library of Congress holds the honor of being the largest in the world with more than 130 million items, including manuscripts, books, photographs and maps. In addition to touring the magnificent buildings and reading rooms, visitors can register for a reader card, which grants access privileges to many of the library’s vast holdings.

Late in life, Thomas Jefferson noted to a friend that, “I am far from presuming to direct the reading of my fellow citizens, who are good enough judges themselves of what is worth their reading.” Jefferson, who sold more than 6,400 of his own books to help start the Library of Congress, knew the importance of reading and an educated electorate. Perhaps, most importantly, he recognized that a successful democracy provides myriad education and enrichment reading resources recognizing and respecting many individual interests.

With modern technology, the Internet and interlibrary loan, most Idahoans don’t have to leave their community to access vast collections held by libraries such as the Library of Congress, some university libraries and even libraries overseas. And likely as not, one of the more than 140 public libraries in Idaho — the one in your local community — may have exactly what you need.

Take time this month to stop by your local library, talk to a librarian and, with library card in hand, delve into a world of limitless possibilities.

— Mike Crapo is a Republican U.S. senator from Idaho.

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The Owyhee Avalanche

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

50 years ago

September 13, 1956

Trojans romp over Melba in gridiron opener Friday

The Homedale Trojans looked like the team to beat in the class B SRV conference Friday, as they rolled to a 47-20 victory over the Melba Mustangs.

Homedale took the opening kickoff down the field for the first score, but failed to convert. Melba scored on a long pass and converted, to temporarily take the lead 7-6, but Homedale roared back with an 87-yard run by Vic Landa on an interception of a pitchout.

Homedale converted to lead 13-7 and was never headed. The offensive play of Vic Landa, Junior Uranga and Bill Carson stood out in the opening game. Line play was spotty, but the boys seemed eager and willing and the Trojan Coach Deward Bell said this week the team should round into a strong contender for the conference crown.

Homedale plays Wilder in the football jamboree at Caldwell Friday night and will open against Middleton Saturday at Middleton in the first conference game of the season.

Allen George is new chairman of school board

A regular meeting of Joint Class A School District No. 370 of Owyhee and Canyon counties, was held September 10.

The August accounts payable were paid in the amount of \$1,962.53 from the bond building fund.

The board canvassed the election for trustee in district number 1 and 5 held on September 4.

A letter was received from Dorothy Goodloe stating that she wished to resign on or before October 15.

The board completed its business and the new board elected Allen George as chairman and Albert Eidemiller as vice chairman.

O. C. Douglas was retained as clerk-treasurer and Richard B. Eismann as attorney.

The Superintendent suggested to the board that three lights be installed around the new Lincoln school building.

The clerk advised the board that to date \$53,705.79 including August bills, has been spent on the new building. The receipts to the general fund for August were \$25,787.97 and the expenses paid were \$12,481.23, and the cash on hand in the general fund as of August 31, was \$10,019.95

Chamber holds regular meeting Tuesday

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce met Tuesday night, September 11.

A resolution was adopted requesting that the Idaho highway commission be notified to give consideration to the new major plan of relocating a permanent road, to the south side of the Snake River from Twin Falls through Buhl, Marsing, Homedale and to Vale, Ore.

Bills were read and approved. A United States Chamber of Commerce film was shown on people, products and production, looking into the year 1975.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday night, October 9 at the El Gavilan. This will be a ladies night with a dinner meeting and entertainment.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce is still thanking everyone for help and assistance in connection with the “Old Timers” day program.

A.E. “Spud” Murphy, chairman of the program, says several persons have asked if they may still make donations toward the expense of the barbecue. Donations are not being asked but anyone who feels he wants to help out with the expenses is very welcome to do this. He may leave his donation at Allen Gowey’s office or with Elmer Ross at the Idaho Power company.

The barbecue pit and facilities are open for the public’s use. Reservattions may be made through the city hall where the grill and the electric pit may be secured. This arrangement is planned for the benefit of everyone.

140 years ago

September 8, 1866

PACIFIC RAILROAD. We believe the recent survey of this road touches a point on the Humboldt River as far north as Centerville and according to the distance as measured by General Halleck that is one hundred and ninety-nine miles from here by the present round-about route. Recent examinations prove conclusively that Centerville may be reached by a better route and in one hundred and fifty miles of travel. We have the testimony of one of the Engineers “that he never seen so fine a country for a railroad.”

Such testimony should insure its construction up the Humboldt. Again, by doing so, slow freight would reach here in eight days from San Francisco and Idaho City in thirteen. Alturas would receive all her supplies the same way as well as Ada County. There can be no question as to the interest of the company in adopting this route. The trade of Owyhee, Ada, Boise and Alturas counties is enormous, and is and will be an item worthy the consideration of even the Pacific R. R. Co. It would almost daily have a car full of Idaho passengers, as the entire Eastern and California travel would patronize it. The Stage travel from any part of Southern Idaho would not exceed thirty-five hours, and from Owyhee less than twenty bringing us within forty hours of San Francisco.

There is little doubt that branch roads will be required to feed the main trunk at various points with fuel and general traffic and this necessity should have its influence in the establishment of the main line. The general course of the mountain ranges in the Great Basin is north and south with occasional low divides. At almost any point on the Humboldt a branch road can be constructed north or south between the mountain ranges on nearly level ground for hundreds of miles. If Virginia City is ever provided with railroad facilities it must be by side tracks or branch roads as no main line will touch it. If the Pacific R. R. Co. consults its own interests, Austin will be supplied similarly. It is a matter of much importance that the superiority of the Humboldt route be correctly appreciated by the company. It is of the deepest concern to Idaho and hence our duty to make it a live topic that our people may generally add their power to secure the adoption of the most northern route in contemplation by the company. Will our citizens wake up to the actual importance of this matter? Think of it, of the incalculable advantages (to say nothing of conveniences) of having the iron horse on a national highway within twenty hours ride from our door — almost within hearing of his snort.

J. M. MORE. This member of the More & Fogus concern made a public talk to his creditors on Wednesday night in Silver. For the present, we credit him with truthfulness. He said in substance that everything he had and himself were at the disposal of his creditors; that their business had been recklessly conducted; that more money had been expended on outside affairs and worthless men and objects to the company than the whole indebtedness of the firm; that he did not expect to live long enough to find out all the wrongful transactions here; that of themselves, the mine and mill were paying institutions; that he did not hold himself blameless for the recent condition of affairs, &c., &c.

The reasonable deductions of which are that a system of dishonesty, deception and total disregard of business obligations have characterized the officers in charge. This is the public verdict and as such we give it. We were fully satisfied of this three months ago but had we given it publicity, the same men who are now threatening to mob the Fogus crowd would have personally assaulted us. In consequence of certain negotiations, we deferred making this item till so late an hour, that nothing further can be said in this issue.

MILITARY. General Steele passed by here from the Bruneau to the Forks of the Owyhee. He came via War Eagle and the Poorman mine, and stopped in Ruby, at the Idaho Hotel, Saturday night. The General freely stated that

he could see no use for a contemporary such number of men at Bruneau; that could he have avoided an immediate return with General Halleck in July, he would have fully examined the situation at that time. We think our influenced correct that Gen. Steele does not approve of the general course of the present District Commander, and that a different policy must be adopted. He has gone to the Forks to examine the country and select a location for a camp — to get it fixed with reference to water, grass and wood and especially the protection of the new road to Ives Canon. He says that his Department will soon be reinforced. His conversation and manner indicate a determination to make the men now available be of the greatest possible service. Recruiting stations would be opened in Idaho, but here is a scarcity of offices for this service. Excepting the Artillery, the companies are all short of offices.

J. L. BROWNE, who has been the agent of Wells, Fargo & Co., since the establishment of their office in Owyhee, leaves us before our next issue — not to return. Mr. Browne is a citizen of the best standing, and one we regret to lose. With a very intimate acquaintance of over one year, we are justified in pronouncing Mr. B. a man a near unexceptionable character as mortal man attains. Our best wishes and good fortune attend him.

STEALING ORE. The Cosmos Company arrested a workman on Wednesday night for stealing ore from the Silver Cord mine. He was suspected and for some time watched. When leaving work at midnight he was seen to take a sack with him. His cabin was searched and two hundred pounds of the rich rock found in his possession. He owned up, and begged so piteously that he was allowed to depart unpunished; but it will be very unsafe for another to make the same attempt to “accumulate” lands with the expectation of escaping so easily. This should be a warning to men employed about mines. As a class, they are just as honest as any other but frequently have the strongest temptations to violate their own sense of honesty.

SILVER CORD. It will be five weeks next Monday, at noon, since the Cosmos Company took possession of this mine and commenced opening it. Two tunnels and two shafts were immediately commenced. The lower tunnels starts at Wad’s Gulch and is in 270 feet from the beginning of the open cut; the upper one is in 110 feet. The upper tunnel starts in at a point little over fifty feet up the mountainside from the lower one, and make the lower and upper levels not over twenty-eight feet apart. The upper shaft is sinking 700 feet north of the gulch and is down sixty-five feet; the lower one is at the mouth of the upper tunnel twenty-eight feet. Another shaft is commenced at the mouth of the lower tunnel to be sunk sixty feet as soon as possible, from which it is proposed to make another level. Boarding house, shop and sleeping house have been erected in the meantime. The ledge shows an average width of three feet well defined and proven up for nearly 800 feet. The mill has been crushing rock from the mine for the past few weeks with satisfactory results. The bullion is worth an average of nearly \$8 per ounce. The company believes they have a very rich mine, and if seeing is believing we can vouch that their belief is correct. The ore looks very yellow and as evidence of its richness an honest miner had been sacrificing his good name by appropriating some of the ore to his own use. If anybody wants to see a ton of the richest quality of gold ore, let him get permission to examine about that amount in the office of the Company.

LINOLEUM. A substance is now being manufactured from flaxseed called linoleum. It is said that it will supersede India rubber which it very much resembles and of which it possesses most of the properties in the various manufactures of water-proof clothing. It can be used for the coating of iron or wood, or for coating ship bottoms. It is as good as common cement, having properties similar to the marine gine made from India rubber and shellac. The variety of its uses will be great.

Public notices

OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES
AUGUST 28, 2006
OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
MURPHY, IDAHO

Present were Commissioner's Reynolds and Salove, Clerk Sherburn, Treasurer Richards, Assessor Endicott, Sheriff Aman, Jim Desmond and Fred Grant.

Amendments to the agenda included: vehicle for Coroner, cancellation of market value, and approval for Holladay Engineering.

The Board adopted a Resolution extending the declaration of emergency on the West Nile Virus.

The Board approved the purchase of a vehicle for the Coroner.

The Board approved the road name of La Mirada Lane.

The Board approved a cancellation of market value on parcel no. MH 06S05E32000C A.

An executive session was called. No action was taken.

The Board approved a permit with the BLM for stockpiling of road materials.

The Board adopted a Resolution transferring funds from PILT funding to the PILT Trust.

The Board adopted a Resolution appointing and reappointing members to the NRC Committee.

The Board approved Holladay Engineering to do the site application for the solid waste transfer stations.

The Board took the following action on Indigent and Charity matters:

06-42 lien approved.
06-43 lien approved.
06-37 approved for payment.
06-41 approved with stipulation.

The Board denied the request for approval of the creation Silver City Fire and Rescue.

The complete minutes can be viewed in the Clerk's office.
/s/Dick Reynolds Acting Chairman
Attest: /s/Charlotte Sherburn
9/13/06

NOTICE OF TAX SALE
Pursuant to Section 31-808, and pursuant to the Order of Sale recorded with the Owyhee County Recorder on July 3, 2006, Owyhee County will offer for sale on Monday September 25, 2006 at

10:00 A.M. on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, the following property:

1st So EXT OF THE MISSISSIPPI MS#1032 Sections 4&5 Township 5 South of Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, in the Carson Mining District, in the County of Owyhee and State of Idaho in the District of Lands subject to sale at Boise City and bounded, described, and platted as follows, with magnetic variation eighteen degrees and forty-six minutes East. Beginning at corner North 1, a fir post six inches in diameter marked 1/1032, with mound of sounds, from which the quarter section corner between sections four and five in Township 5 South of Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, bears North twenty-six degrees twenty minutes East 866 feet distant; corner No. 1 of survey No. 714, the London lode claim, bears North sixty-nine degrees thirty minutes West 500 feet distant, and the mouth of a tunnel bears South forty four degrees six minutes East 753 and five tenths feet distant. Thence, first course, South nineteen degrees thirty-six minutes East 1,100 feet to corner No.2. Thence, second course, South eighty degrees thirty-four minutes East 600 feet to corner No. 3. Thence, third course, North nineteen degrees thirty-six minutes West 1,100 feet to corner No. 4.

Thence, fourth course, North eighty degrees thirty-four minutes West 300 feet discovery post; 600 feet to corner No.1, the place of beginning; said Lot No. 1032 extending 1,100 feet in length along said First South Extension of the Mississippi vein or lode.

Owyhee County offers the above property for sale subject to any rights, limitations, claims, easements, or rights of way that may exist of record, custom of usage, and the property is sold without representation or warranties as to existing boundaries, claims of usage, and any prospective purchaser should make their own personal inspection of both the land and public records to determine the property's suitability for their intended use, and all other matters shown by public record.

Terms of sale are cash. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Property was assessed to F. M. Tamborini, last known address 1107 San Antonio Ave.,

Alameda, CA 94501. Assessor's Parcel# RP95S03W040065A. Property will be sold at PUBLIC AUCTION to the HIGHEST BIDDER. The starting bid will include delinquent tax; late fees; interest and costs in the amount of \$119.42 plus current year's tax in the amount of \$5.92 and all costs accruing hereafter.

The Board of County Commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2006.


/s/Hal Tolmie, Chairman
O w y h e e C o u n t y
Commissioners
/s/Charlotte Sherburn, Clerk
B o a r d o f C o u n t y
Commissioners
Murphy, Idaho
8/30/9/6,13,20/06

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. 06 - 05621
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate
of SHERYL A. FORREY,
Deceased.


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be delivered or mailed to RICHARD C. DAVIS, Personal Representative of the estate, at 1303 12th Avenue Road or P. O. Box 65, Nampa, Idaho 83653-0065, and filed with the Clerk of the Court, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 15-3-804.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 2006.

RICHARD C. DAVIS,
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CARL D. HAMILTON
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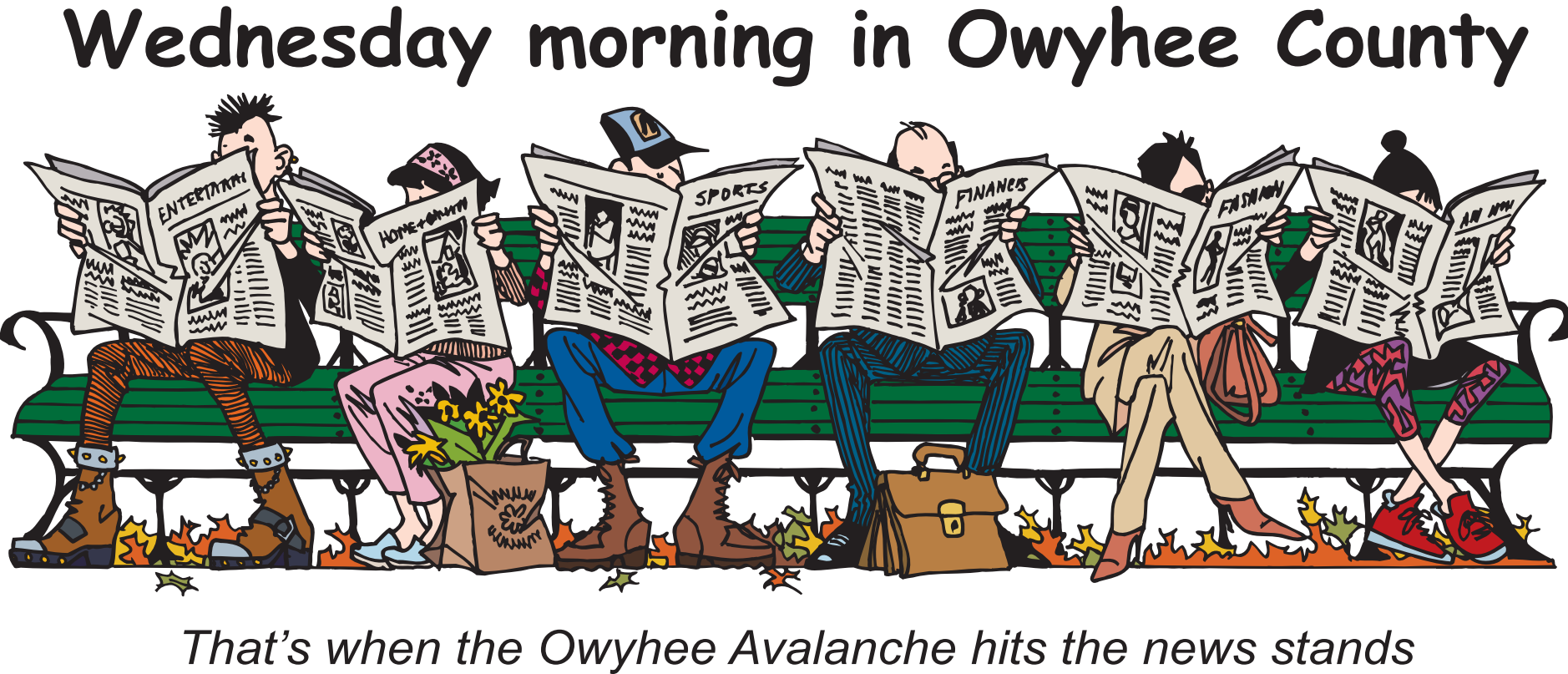
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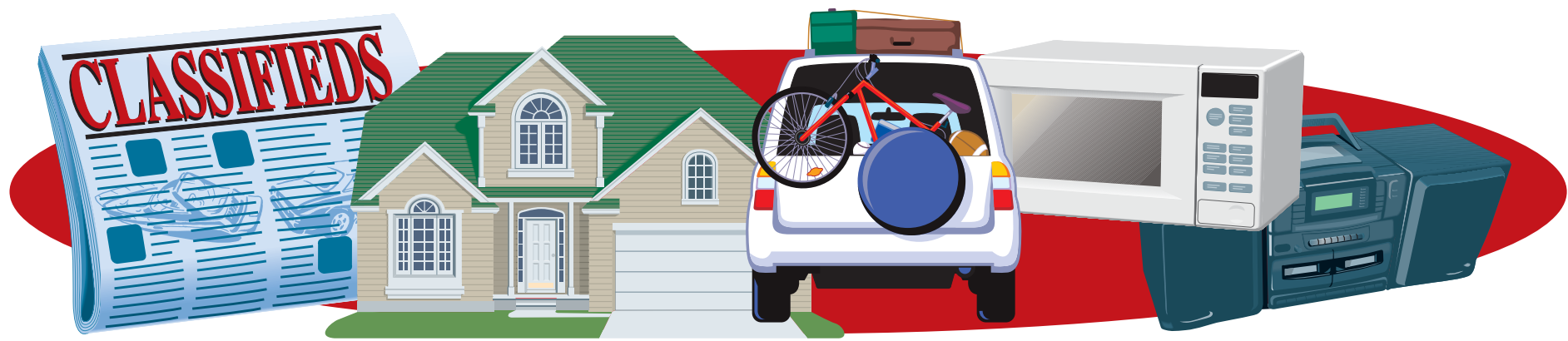
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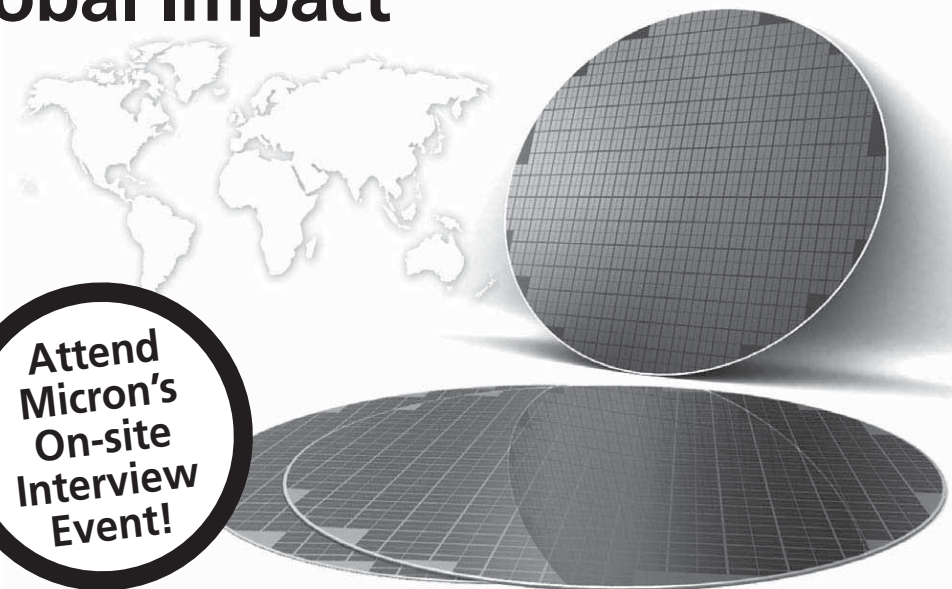
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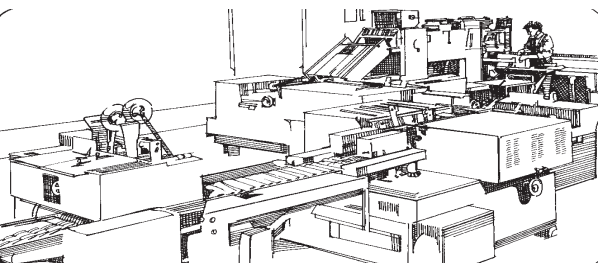
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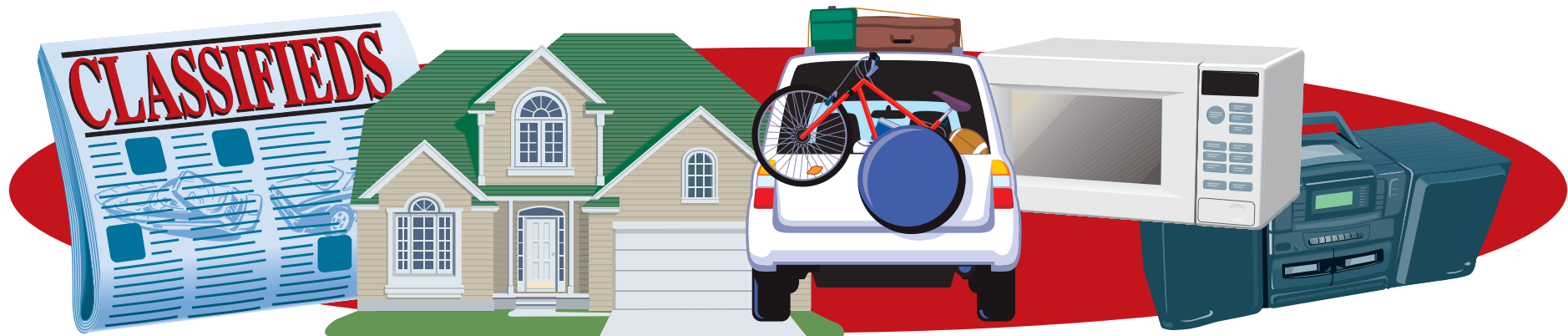
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God is truly gracious and merciful! We wish to give our thanks to all who helped in any way to make Larry’s benefit dinner and auction on Aug. 26th a tremendous success! Words alone are not enough to show our appreciation! A special thanks goes to Sue McBride and the small army of people who helped her organize and work at the event. Also, we thank the Homedale Senior Center for the use of their facilities. People everywhere have shown their love and support through this time of trial with cancer for Larry. We pray God’s rich blessings on each and every one of you. Larry and Donna McBride.
A special thank you to Paul’s Market & the community. Once again you have overwhelmed and humbled me with your generosity of spirit and your love. I can only say thank you a million times for all you’ve done, especially upon my retirement. Jo Howell

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