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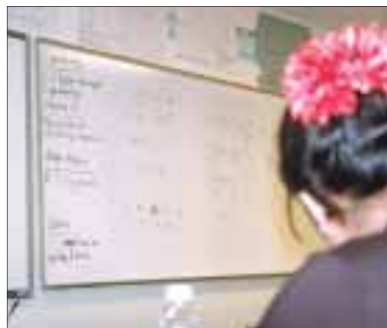
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Jordan Valley building damaged



Early-morning crash takes out storefront

A 71-year-old California man was cited for inattentive driving but he and his passenger were unhurt despite hurtling through a store building on the main drag in Jordan Valley early Monday morning. Photo by Adele Payden. For more on the story, see **Page 2A**

BOCC criticizes BLM's handling of permit renewals

County frustrated by slow progress on Owyhee 68

At the Board of County Commissioners meeting Sept. 23, commissioners approved sending a strongly worded letter drafted by Staff Coordinator Jim Desmond to Timothy Murphy, state director for the Bureau of Land Management.

The letter expressed the county's frustration with the Owyhee BLM Field Office and the way it is handling a court order from 2008.

The court ordered BLM to undertake the Owyhee Resource Area permit renewals, which encompasses 68 grazing permits

bundled into five groups. Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill had ordered BLM to complete the permit renewals by December of this year. From 2008 to now, the commissioners said they have only seen the BLM complete two of the five groups.

The slow progress has left District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi feeling "disgusted" with the BLM. He, and the other commissioners, are also upset that the BLM has not coordinated plans and management actions with the county and affected ranchers, as mandated by the Federal Land Policy & Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and the Protocol for Coordination. Aberasturi said he suspects the BLM will rush

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Marsing Lions Club turns bingo on again

Fundraisers start a month early this year

One of the bigger fundraisers the Marsing Lions Club puts on, Bingo Night, will start early this year so the club can squeeze in one more night of fundraising.

Bingo Night will be the first Saturday of every month through April, with the first night taking place this Saturday.

"With the economy the way it is, we decided to do one more," Lions president Tom Ineck said.

The club has put on Bingo Night for almost a decade. Every night, the money raised will go to the general fund for the Lions Club, unless another charity or foundation is specified. They have previously also donated to the Hope House and the Marsing Senior Center.

The general fund is separate from the Lions Club's spending fund — Ineck said a bylaw of the club mandates 100 percent of any and all money from the community must go back to the community. The general fund is

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Dan Herman installs one of four new signs on Market Road in the Homedale Highway District.

Speed limit lowered on stretch of Market

Homedale board heeds resident's plea for safety

Even as Dan Herman was installing 35 mph speed limit signs on Market Road, vehicles sped through Monday afternoon.

"There some people who were giving me looks," Herman said as he put in the last sign about three-quarters of a mile east of the road's intersection with U.S. Highway 95.

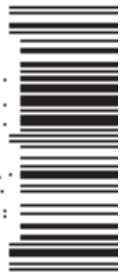
Now that the signs are up, though, motorists will have to be

cognizant of the change.

With the installing of four signs from about a quarter-mile west of Jump Creek Road to the Gem Highway District boundary, the Homedale Highway District has officially lowered the speed limit, giving the sheriff's office the go-ahead for enforcement.

Homedale district board of commissioners chair Larry Prow said the decision to reduce the speed from 50 mph to 35 mph was made after a resident on that stretch of road — Dave Shenk — asked for the move for the sake of safety.

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Grand View council continues planning area improvements

At the September monthly meeting, the Grand View City Council decided to meet on Oct. 23 with the Idaho Transportation Department, Idaho Power, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, a representative of the school district, and possibly representatives from the fire department and local EMT, to talk about revamping the emergency evacuation plan for the area.

The city currently relies on an emergency phone tree, where one person initiates a phone call to a designated number of people, who are tasked with alerting certain other persons, and so on until everyone is notified. Mayor Opal Ward said that the phone tree needs updating to accommodate

new and departed residents, and that the city council wants to discuss other options.

The meeting on Oct. 23 will be held at the fire station at 721 S Roosevelt St. in Grand View at 6 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

The city council also invites the public to its next regularly scheduled meeting at 6 pm. on Oct. 9 at City Hall.

The city council has finished cleaning the park and now looks to build a deck and a restroom. After a consensus from residents, the park has been named Riverside Park.

"When you see the new sidewalks, and the new grass, and new trees, it's such a great

community, it's beautiful," Ward said. "People donate time and labor to help make this happen. We have an awesome, awesome community for as small as we are."

It took about four years to complete the sidewalks and clean up, and Ward said the preliminary work on the deck and restroom has started, and will continue when the weather permits.

"We have a lot of people who fish from the river. They catch bass and trout, and it's a favorite fishing spot already, so it will be more so with the new deck and restroom because they'll both be handicap accessible," Ward said.

— RAD

City write-ins due Tuesday

Tuesday is the filing deadline for write-in candidates for city offices up for election on Nov. 5.

The City of Homedale has two council positions and the mayor's job available.

Marsing voters will elect two council members next month.

Grand View has three council seats and mayoral position on its ballot.

Other upcoming deadlines include:

- The closure of voter registration on Friday, Oct. 11. Registration will reopen on Nov.

5 at the polling places.

- Mail-in absentee ballot requests must be received by the Owyhee County Clerk's office by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 30.
- Citizens have until 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1 to complete in-person absentee voting.

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Horse trailer nearly demolishes shop in Jordan Valley, Ore.

Vern Piel, Sr., woke up to a distressing call Monday morning. The building he owned in Jordan Valley, Ore. had been hit by a truck pulling a horse trailer. The truck and horse trailer blew through the structure and stopped just short of the rear wall. The driver did not go to the hospital, and the four horses and about 15 hunting dogs in the trailer are reportedly uninjured. The building was vacant at the time.

Sheldon Twer, 71, of Oakdale, Calif., was driving a 2006 Chevy one-ton pickup pulling a five-axle horse trailer around 9 p.m. Sunday with a passenger, James Wolthuis, 43, of Sacramento, Calif. Oregon State Police Lt. Mark Duncan said there was heavy rainfall and slick roads at the time. He said Twer failed to negotiate a right turn at the corner of Yturri Boulevard and U.S. Highway 95. This caused the vehicle and horse trailer to careen through the building marked as Vern Piel's Market, formerly Telleria's.

OSP is still investigating the crash, but said Twer refused medical attention and has been cited with inattentive driving.

Piel lives in Echo, Ore., about 4½ hours away from Jordan Valley. Before departing to Jordan Valley, he was calling

insurance companies and towing companies.

"I'm pretty upset," he said. Piel said he kept antiques, groceries, and freezers in the building.

Postmaster Heather Phipps said she was at her home a few houses down when she heard the crash. She said she called 911, then drove over to investigate. The power in Jordan Valley had been out, so Phipps said the town was unusually quiet because no one had their televisions or radios on at the time. That's why so many people were able to hear the loud crash. Phipps was able to help the men get the animals out of the trailer, and offered use of her phone.

"It was dark and they were tired," Phipps said. "It's a good thing they didn't try to take the turn, or they would have rolled over. And with all those animals in the trailer, that would not have been good."

Phipps said she didn't see any injuries on the men, who she claims were wearing their seatbelts.

According to Phipps and Piel, removing the truck and trailer will prove difficult because the structure may collapse during extrication.

—RAD

Grand View food bank seeks volunteers

The Rimrock Food Pantry, a local division of the Idaho Food Bank, would like volunteers to help sort and distribute food to elderly or disabled residents of the area next week.

Grand View Mayor Opal Ward is also the chair of the board for the Rimrock Food Pantry. She said although she is grateful for the help from local Boy Scouts, any extra hands or donations are always appreciated.

There is a food barrel and a money jar at the Eastern Owyhee County Library at 520 Boise Ave. in Grand View.

Donations of any kind of canned goods or rice are encouraged, and even the smallest donation is welcome.

"Last month, there were five quarters in the money jar, which

is great. That'll still buy food. We don't care how big or how little a donation is. Even one can of food helps. Anything helps," Ward said.

The Rimrock Food Pantry receives food every second Thursday of the month. On Oct. 10, food will be delivered to the back room of the Knight Community Church behind US Bank. Volunteers can show up at 4 p.m. to help unload.

Then, on Oct. 12, people who need it can come get the food, and volunteers can come at 8:30 a.m. to help deliver food to senior citizens and disabled people.

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County finally replaces Silver City bridge

New Jordan Creek span answers residents’ pleas

At least one Silver City homeowner is overjoyed with the new bridge built over Jordan Creek.

Gayland Carr and his wife Barbara own the historic building known as the Daly Barn north of the bridge.

Like many other residents, they’ve been waiting three years for someone to step up and take responsibility for the hazard that the bridge had deteriorated into.

Last month, an Owyhee County Road and Bridge District 1 crew finished building the new span.

“It’s wonderful,” Carr said Thursday. “I don’t have any peace and quiet around my house any more. It’s all traffic, especially during the Open House.”

The county’s work on the bridge was completed Sept. 12, just in time for the annual Silver City Open House weekend that started two days later.

Carr speculates it took about three weeks for the crew to complete the project from demolition of the old bridge to finishing the new span, which features something the old structure never had — guardrails.

“It’s very well-built, very strong,” Carr said. “They put the concrete abutments and guardrails on each side.”

Carr and other Silver City homeowners had to wait and watch anxiously as the county and Bureau of Land Management went ’round and ’round on who was responsible for upkeep on the bridge.

Eventually the bridge was closed to everything except foot traffic. Carr said that sent the



A new bridge spans Jordan Creek in Silver City. Photo by Clarence Orton

four-wheelers into the creek to make the trek to parts of the town.

Once the responsibility was sorted out and the road crew found a window in its maintenance schedule, the work began.

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, the supervising elected official for the road and bridge district, said it cost the county less than \$10,000 to build the new bridge.

Money was saved because of timber that the Idaho Transportation Department donated and by using concrete E-blocks for the abutments.

“The E-blocks we already had in stock,” Hoagland said. “When the concrete companies do a job and they have a cancellation or excess (material), they have forms and put the excess in them to make E-blocks.”

The commissioner said a piece of rebar is set in the block to create a handle, and the blocks are easily set into place.

Money was also saved because the road crew didn’t have to build forms, pour cement and wait for it to set up.

The pressure-treated decking was obtained from Homedale’s Pruett Lumber, which since has changed owners and is now known as A&S Lumber.

“We’re tickled to death,” Carr said of the resulting structure. “There’s a real good approach, they back-filled everything and graded it out.

“It was just wonderful.”

The bridge got its first big test during the rainstorm soon after the Open House weekend.

Carr said a flash flood pushed Jordan Creek about five feet high, but the bridge withstood the onslaught.

“The flash flood went around the barn, and the bridge held up wonderful,” he said, adding that there wasn’t much damage around town although the creek’s course was altered in a couple places.

— JPB

Irrigation boards will see no changes

There won’t be any irrigation elections in Owyhee County in November.

Only the incumbents filed before Thursday’s candidacy deadline to seek re-election to the boards of directors overseeing districts here.

Elections were to be held Nov. 5. Under Idaho law if only one person files for a position no balloting has to take place.

Dennis Turner will start his third term in Gem Irrigation District Div. 3 in January.

Jay Hall will continue as Div. 3 director in the Opaline district.

Reynolds Irrigation Div. 3 director Jerry Hoagland told The Owyhee Avalanche that he missed the deadline, but because no one had filed to seek his position he’ll commit to another three years.

Arnie Hipwell, the Grand View board’s current vice-chair, will continue as Div. 3 director.

George Bennett Jr., will serve another term as Div. 3 director on the Snake River board.

Ridgeview Irrigation hopefuls have until Tuesday to file to seek the position held by Bret Nielson. Ridgeview is part of the South Board of Control, but has different filing dates and election rules because it’s governed by Oregon law.

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Marsing Chamber to hold elections for president, treasurer

Current Marsing Chamber of Commerce president Jolyn Green will not seek another term, and treasurer Susan Watson will also vacate her position.

Those interested in filling those positions have until Tuesday to nominate to the board. They can do so by calling Green at (208) 318-3982 or by attending Tuesday’s regularly scheduled meeting. The Chamber meets at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month at a different local business. Its next meeting is going to be at the D&J Grill in Cabas at 2 Main St. in Marsing.

Chamber officers serve for two years. Watson said she didn’t feel like she should leave her position, and will continue as treasurer if nobody else shows interest.

“I was just hoping to share the love with other people,” she said with a laugh.

Green, however, is ready for a break.

“I’m done,” she said simply.

The Chamber is a nonprofit organization that works to promote local businesses, sponsor local business events, and represent businesses in government.

Tomorrow, the Chamber will host another First Thursday, this time at Taylor’s Corner at Marsing Elementary School at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited.

“We’re always encouraging the community to become a part of the Chamber’s activities,” Watson said.

The Chamber was going to host a nightlight parade Nov. 23, but may change that date so it doesn’t conflict with the play, “Annie,” also scheduled to run that day.

The parade and the Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 30 are events the Chamber hosts in preparation for Christmas. The nightlight parade features citizens who put Christmas lights on their horses or bicycles or other mode of transportation and parade through town. It will end with the city mayor lighting the Christmas tree at Island Park. The Christmas bazaar will feature vendors selling a variety of trinkets and Christmas items.

The Chamber invites all community members to attend the events and monthly meetings.

—RAD

Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 2 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 23 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 107 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 14,052 acre-feet of water on Monday.

Homedale for Holidays parade date moved

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce has begun planning for the holidays.

During their meeting last week, Chamber members discussed the annual Homedale for the Holidays parade and ways to make the associated giveaway more effective for participating businesses.

The parade, originally scheduled for Dec. 14, has been moved to Dec. 7. Chamber president Gavin Parker announced the change at the Sept. 24 luncheon, saying the earlier date — also a Saturday — would coincide with the Homedale Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization’s Santa Brunch for the second year.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. and take its traditional route through town.

The annual drawing will take place afterward at the school, but there probably will be changes to that as well.

“I want to get back to the primary goal of driving local business sales,” Parker said.

Chamber members then brainstormed how to get more foot traffic into the stores that participate in the drawing, and how to get customers to stay, browse and buy.

Although no decision was formally made, the Chamber discussed doing away with the turkey giveaway and focusing on a program in which folks visit local businesses to register for the drawing to win “Homedale Bucks,” which would be redeemable for discounts at participating stores.

— JPB

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Monthly morning prayer starts next week

The first Community Prayer Gathering takes place next Wednesday in Homedale. The new event, sponsored the Homedale Ministerial Association, runs from 7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. in the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W. Homedale Friends Community

Church pastor Luke Ankeny said the new program will allow people to come together to pray for their community and schools. The gathering will be held on the morning of the second Wednesday each month going forward. For more information, contact Ankeny at (208) 337-3464.

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✓BOCC: “Train wreck” outcome feared

through the rest of the permit renewals to get them done in time to please the court, sacrificing quality and meticulousness. “They (BLM) will issue findings and give them (affected ranchers) a short time to appeal it, and that’s not how it was originally set up,” Aberasturi said. “It’s just like a child that didn’t study for a test — they do a makeshift. Then when they get an F for a grade, they say, ‘Oh well, I tried.’ And that’s how I feel.” Aberasturi’s sentiments were echoed in the letter to state BLM and U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo, U.S. Reps. Mike Simpson, and Raul Labrador, Idaho District 23 Reps. Richard Wills and Pete Nielsen, and state Sen. Bert Brackett.

The letter said, “... we are very concerned about the direction being taken by the Owyhee Field Manager and the special team that is producing the permit renewal documents.” The letter said that in an attempt to “prevent the train wreck that is the obvious outcome” of the permit renewals, the commissioners requested in mid-August that Owyhee BLM Field Manager Loretta Chandler provide documents about the assessment, data, permittee proposals, and other records or correspondence so the county can take part in the management action. By the next meeting, commissioners said BLM did not provide those documents, and as of

last week, had provided only a small fraction of the requested work. “They (BLM) just kept saying, ‘We don’t have enough time,’ and to me, it’s just excuses,” Aberasturi said. This failure to provide documents and the impending deadline for permit renewals has left county commissioners frustrated and anxious, so they sent the letter to state legislators expressing concern and requesting help. “We are going to continue talking to our representatives and the governor. We are going to do our work as county commissioners and get involved with the permit renewals as mandated by law,” Aberasturi said.

— RAD

✓Bingo: New season kicks off Saturday

set up so that none of it can be touched for overhead or members’ benefit. This year, the Lions Club will use money raised to help local students purchase eyeglasses. Some Lions have volunteered to do free screenings at the schools, and the club has donated to the Idaho Lions Eye Bank, which helps provide quality corneal tissue and restore sight to blind people around the world. But this drive is going to focus on Marsing. “It (the Eye Bank) is worldwide, but we are going to try to take care of local cases,” Ineck said. Bingo Night came about in the mid-’90s because of a need for another large fundraising event. Previously, the Raft Race dominated residents’ interest, but that was shut down in the ‘80s because of liability concerns. “Playing on the river and the use of alcohol scared us,” Ineck said. “It (the Raft Race) outgrew us. It just got too big and we didn’t have the manpower to do it anymore.” The Lions Club also used to do

Marsing Lions Bingo Night

When — First Saturday of every month, starting this Saturday

Where — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

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a Burger Buggy, but that fizzled once they no longer had the equipment. Now, they focus their grilling skills on hamburgers for the annual Percifield Memorial Coed Softball Tournament. The Lions also host a large BBQ

during the annual Celebration of Our Nation on July 3. They borrow the grill from the Marsing Fire Department. The Lions haven’t stopped giving back, though. In addition to supporting local centers and students, the Lions provide a lot of funding for the fireworks for the Celebration of Our Nation. The club started Marsing’s Little League football, which eventually produced current NFL linebacker Shea McClellin. The Lions also help fund numerous scholarship programs, host an Easter Egg breakfast and an Easter Egg hunt, and on Christmas they deliver baskets full of apples, oranges, cookies and other things to widows, widowers and shut-ins. The Marsing Lions Club is always looking for people to join. Interested parties can either talk to a club member, visit the Marsing Lions Club Facebook page, or attend one of the meetings at the Marsing Senior Center on the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m.

—RAD

✓Speed: Board changes October meeting

“He said he has a couple of senior citizens living right there,” Prow said. Mostly livestock trucks travel the road, but at a high enough rate of speed that Shenk was concerned for his mother-in-law’s safety. She lives near his house on the road. The Market Road speed limit west of U.S. 95 is 50 mph, but Prow said the new stretch of 35

mph east of the highway will meld with the 35 mph zone on the part of the road that goes through the Gem Highway District. Herman said he placed four signs along the route. **Meeting time changed** The Homedale Highway District commissioners have rescheduled their October meeting. Originally set for today, the

meeting will be held at 7 p.m. next Wednesday. The board meetings are held at the district office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., in Homedale. With the October gathering, the district board will begin its fall and winter schedule of 7 p.m. meetings. The 8 p.m. start time will resume in April.

— JPB



A recently installed smaller tank, right, will service the town of Murphy as repairs are made on the permanent water tank.

Out-of-state company contracted to fix Murphy water tower

Refurbishment work on the Murphy municipal water tank has taken another step. The Board of County Commissioners signed a \$46,990 contract with a Washington state firm to complete the project. The work to be done by Wilbur Fletcher Inc. Sandblasting and Metallizing of Dayton, Wash., includes rehabilitating the inside of the 40,000-gallon tank to repair bubbling in the liner that had been detected in earlier video inspections. The 35-foot-tall tank must be taken off-line to do the work, so Wilbur Fletcher set up a 6,000-gallon auxiliary tank to feed the town’s water system after the county road crew poured a cement pad next to the permanent tank.

According to Wilbur Fletcher’s scope of work, the auxiliary tank must be in place long before the actual repair work can begin. District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said repair work will start later this month or in November. He said there might be a delay, though. “We’re still trying to get it done this fall,” he said. The contract work entails repairing the lining and any rust damage that may have occurred and then reapplying an inner lining and painting the tower. “(With) the coating they’re using, the temperature doesn’t have to be too high,” Hoagland said, “but you don’t want to get into the winter.”

— JPB

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Reminiscing

The Great Chainsaw Flambé

by Stan Soran

One of the chores at the cabin is cutting the juniper limbs back away from the buildings. Then, if there is a fire from without, there is less chance of it taking out one of the structures. It also is a plus in the event one of the buildings catches fire as there is less chance of setting the woods ablaze.

This particular weekend, brother-in-law Fred had his little Homelite and I had my McCullough that Paul Bunyan had given up on as too heavy. Limbing the surrounding trees is just an afternoon’s job. Divided up between a few beers and several workers, it’s not too strenuous ... usually.

Fred was busily sawing branches and cutting them into kindling while I was trying to get my yard sale special started. Prime, compression release, choke, pull, pull, pull, sputter, choke off, pull, pull, cuss, choke, pull, prime, cuss some more.

I decided I needed to rest and maybe have a beer. With any luck, Fred would be all done by the time I got that darn yellow POC started.

Nephew Cody wanted to give it a try, so I told him to have at it. Pull, pull, choke, compression,

release, pull, pull, too young to cuss, sputter, pull, sputter. I told him to try pouring a little fuel into the carburetor. He got that, but was a little sloppy and got it all over the engine.

Something I didn’t realize was that the open compression release exposes the combustion chamber to the outside.

With one more pull of the rope, Cody ignited the saw, his shoes and eyebrows and the ground around him. Then things really started hopping, literally. Cody put his shoes out by stomping on his own feet. His eyebrows went out when there was nothing left to burn. He was yelling “Fire! Fire!” Then Rider came around and started yelling “Fire! Water! Water!”

At the time, it seemed like everyone was running in circles when I came around the cabin to see about a two-foot circle of flame around the McCullough with Rider and Cody running in a larger circle around it. I thought about throwing my T-shirt on it, but I only had one shirt and the fire looked bigger than T-shirt coverage already. So, without further thought (keyword), I kicked the saw over to cover the fuel tank opening and smother flame.

Physics and gravity promptly demonstrated how dumb an idea that was. The fire was now much bigger than several shirts.

Fred, who was hearing all this, came over with a bucket of water and doused the bigger part of the inferno. Then Rider and Cody dumped a couple more buckets onto it, and the drama was over. We finished cutting the limbs that Fred dropped and stowed them in the wood box.

After sitting around for a while, I decided I had to try that piece of junk just one more time. I opened the compression release, primed it and with one pull it roared to life — for a few seconds — and then sputtered out. And there I stood with the severed rope-pull in my hand.

Upon arriving home, the “yellow peril” was stowed in the car shed and never saw the light of day again. Perhaps in a yard sale some day.

— *Caldwell resident Stan Soran’s family has a long history of Owyhee County capers. Since the 1950s, the Soran Family has had a mine on Soldier Creek. Four generations and their friends have hiked, hunted, played, partied, mined, built, burned and rebuilt at the “Cabin.”*

Homedale library’s Teens and Tweens to resume on Saturday

The Homedale Public Library’s Teens and Tweens Program returns Saturday, Oct. 12.

The season’s first meeting takes place from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Subsequent meetings will be scheduled at a time decided upon by the participants.

The program is open to boys and girls ages 10-17.

The first meeting of the year kicks off Teen Read Week, which runs from Oct. 12 to Oct. 19, with

a Seek the Unknown theme as well as other activities. Snacks will be provided.

Call the library at 337-4228 for more information. Teasha Harris is the Teens and Tweens coordinator.

The Homedale Public Library is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Another Story Time slated

Story Time celebrates the birth of all children Friday at the Homedale Public Library.

“On the Night You Were Born” by Nancy Tillman will be featured at 10:15 a.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The story tells how the whole world comes alive on the night of a child’s birth.

In addition to the story, there will be crafts, songs and snacks.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228.

Death notice

ROBERT L. DeGIORGIO, 76, of Marsing, died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013. Arrangements by Boise Funeral Home, Aclesa Chapel.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Oct. 2: Orange chicken steamed rice, peas, cucumbers, mandarin oranges

Oct. 3: No school

Oct. 4: No school

Oct. 7: Hot dog, tater tots, baked beans, peaches

Oct. 8: Pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, side salad, mixed fruit

Oct. 9: Crispito, taco salad, baby carrots, applesauce

Homedale Middle

Oct. 2: Toasted cheese sandwich or Rib-b-que, corn, grape tomatoes, orange wedges

Oct. 3: No school

Oct. 4: No school

Oct. 7: Chicken & noodles or popcorn chicken, baby carrots, grape tomatoes, mixed fruit, goldfish crackers

Oct. 8: Sloppy Jo or grilled chicken sandwich, tater tots, baked beans, pears

Oct. 9: Mini corn dogs or ham/cheese hot pocket, green beans, side salad, apple

Homedale High

Oct. 2: Lasagna w/French bread or rib-b-que, mixed veggies, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 3: No school

Oct. 4: No school

Oct. 7: Pizza or ham/cheese sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 8: Chicken tenders or pork chop, scalloped potatoes, roll, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 9: Enchilada or hot pocket, veggies, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing

Oct. 2: Hamburger or chicken nuggets, roll, potato wedges, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 3: No school

Oct. 7: Chicken fried steak or BBQ roasted chicken, mashed potatoes, roll, corn, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 8: Hot dog, baked beans, egg roll & fried rice, green beans, jello, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 9: Orange chicken & rice or ham/cheese sandwich w/chips, steamed carrots, salad bar (6-12)

Bruneau-Grand View

Oct. 2: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, tossed salad, peas, breadstick, fruit

Oct. 3: Haystacks, tortilla chips w/salsa, refried beans, romaine lettuce, fruit

Oct. 4: Pig in a blanket, potato wedges, broccoli, apple wedges

Oct. 8: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, steamed broccoli, breadstick, fruit

Oct. 9: Lasagna, steamed carrots, breadstick, fruit

Senior menu

Marsing Senior Center

Oct. 2: Chili con carne, tossed salad, apricots, rolls, cookies

Oct. 3: Chicken supreme, Italian vegetables, noodles, French bread, peach cobbler

Oct. 7: Breakfast to order; waffles, ham & eggs, potatoes, fruit, juice, milk, coffee

Oct. 8: Roast pork, mashed potatoes, gravy, green salad, peas, roll, cake & ice cream

Oct. 9: Clam chowder & sandwiches, salad bar, apricots, sweet rolls

Oct. 10: Garlic chicken, potatoes, beets, greens, tossed salad, apple juice bread, cake

Story Time shows how world reacts to child’s birth

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Christian Life Club
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., kindergarten to sixth grade, transportation provided, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

Thursday
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Lizard Butte Library board meeting
4 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
Marsing Chamber First Thursday
5:30 p.m., public invited, Taylor’s Corner, Marsing Elementary School, 8th Avenue West
Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
Homedale Rod & Gun Club meeting
7:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431 or homedalegunclub.com
Owyhee County Fair board meeting
8 p.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale

Friday
Story Time
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228; call afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday
Ranch rodeo and horse sale
9 a.m., entries close Sept. 25, horse sale to follow, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 249-5540
Homedale Farmers Market
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com
Rimrock Fall Bazaar
10 a.m. to 3 p.m., \$10 table rental, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2171
Marsing Lions bingo
6:45 p.m. early game, 7 p.m. regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 454-7820

Sunday
Middle school youth group
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy 95, Wilder. (208) 697-1409

Monday
Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421
Homedale Public Library board meeting
11:30 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
Homedale School Board meeting
7 p.m., Homedale School District office boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Homedale Senior Center board meeting
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Eastern Owyhee Library Board meeting
4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785
Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., public invited, D&J Grill, 2 E. Main St., Marsing. (208) 318-3982
Gem Highway District board meeting
7:30 p.m., Gem Highway District office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581
Jordan Valley City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby St., Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 586-2460
Homedale Friends of the Library meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
American Legion Post 128 meeting
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.
Marsing School Board meeting
8 p.m., Marsing School District office, 209 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111


Wednesday, Oct. 9
Community Prayer Gathering
7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, N. 18 St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3464
Senior center board meeting
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Christian Life Club
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., kindergarten to sixth grade, transportation provided, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464
Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday
Homedale Highway District meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale
Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122
Three Creek School Board meeting
7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

Thursday, Oct. 10
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday, Oct. 11
Story Time
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228; call afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday, Oct. 12
Homedale Farmers Market
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com

Owyhee
Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley IV

Tales of the ION Country

Just a little help from the wife

Most of we ranchers out of necessity have our wives help us work on the ranch. This is anything but a pleasing situation and always results in friction as wifely advice and orders cause tempers to flare.

A neighbor and his Mrs. were working cattle, and he finally gave her heck one time too many. She rode over to him and said in a clam voice, “Listen, cowboy, if you want to work these cattle you had better keep your mouth shut because if you don’t the kids and I are going to the house.” The same wife was complaining that she was having to care for the kids and help him too and couldn’t get anything done in the house. He told her, “I’m going to get me another woman with an backside this wide (outstretched arms) that can stand up under all this work.”

Another neighbor out of desperation told the Mrs., “Dad-burn-it, I don’t tell you how to cook, don’t tell me how to work cattle.”

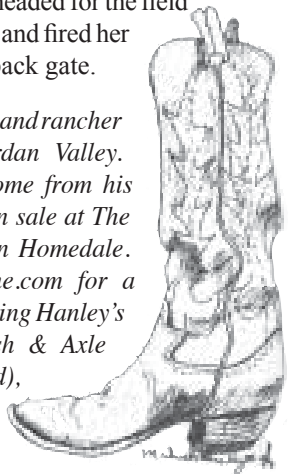
Then there is the neighbor who has the wife drive while he pitches off the hay. He shows her where to go so she won’t get stuck. Well she does OK for a while then she gets to thinking the other half doesn’t know what he’s talking about (so he says) and drives into a soft spot. He then says, “Gosh-darnit, I told you to drive around that place.” She says, “If you think you’re so gosh-darn smart, get it out.” ... you can’t win.

Women’s liberation

Now that we are in an age of women’s liberation all kinds of unforeseen problems arise when we men-folk try to accommodate them. Let me explain by telling what happened when my neighbor tried to assist a young lady in distress.

Peggy Elordi hired a good-looking girl that came into Jordan looking for a job. She was to start working in the restaurant in the morning, but she showed up for work drunk. Peggy fired her, and Pat Payne, who was looking for help, asked if she could work in a hay field, and she said she would. Pat hired her and told her she could stay in the bunkhouse and start work in the morning. When morning came, Pat’s wife, Danice, looked out her kitchen window and saw a new hand headed for the field in a bikini. Danice ran outside and fired her before she even got out the back gate.

— Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordan Valley. Excerpts in this column come from his various books, which are on sale at The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale. Visit www.owyheeavalanche.com for a list of available titles, including Hanley’s Owyhee Graffiti, Sagebrush & Axle Grease (with Omer Stanford), Tales of the I.O.N. Country and Journal of Michael F. Hanley IV.



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Common Core in Idaho

Teachers, administrators apprehensive, excited about new school standards, known as Idaho Core Standards

Staying true to school spirit, this year, students, teachers, and administrators will all be learning.

This is the first year school districts in Owyhee County will fully implement Idaho Core Standards into their curriculum.

For administrators, this means helping teachers align curriculum with the more rigorous standards and helping parents understand what the changes mean.

For teachers, it means finding new ways to teach kids critical thinking.

For students, it means stepping up the game.

The state chose to adopt Common Core Standards in June 2009 and piloted the program this spring. The first field test will take place this coming spring, and the testing will be first administered in spring 2015.

What is Idaho Core?

Idaho Core is the state’s adaptation of the Common Core Standards. That is, a set of standards that will guide curriculum, which is still established by teachers. These standards raise the bar for students, making teachers readjust their curriculum to meet the qualifications that are two levels higher than in previous years.

Homedale Middle School principal Amy Winters said she recently hosted a forum with parents to address their questions about Idaho Core. She said the parents were “surprised” at how much more rigorous the curriculum is.

“There were parents who said, ‘I didn’t learn this until I was in high school,’ ” Winters said.

Homedale fifth-grade teacher Kelly Schamber said that when she started teaching 12 years ago, fifth graders were learning basic geometry such as the simple area of a triangle. Now, she says, they are learning pre-algebraic formulas like how to calculate volumes and write equations by pulling numbers out of situations.

Marsing High School principal Tim Little said the purpose of the Idaho Core is to get children in the United States on par with the rest of the world.

“This has come from studying other countries that have proven that their education system is working,” he said. “So in my mind, it really puts us on the same playing field as other countries, so we can really start taking data from other countries and seeing how we measure up. And that’s a good thing about it.”

The previous ISAT testing will be replaced by Smarter Balanced testing. ISATs were



Students like those in this Marsing High School math class will begin a more rigorous curriculum that focuses on strengthening skills in math and language arts.

graded quickly because they were multiple choice, and students were expected to “regurgitate” answers. Smarter Balanced testing replaces multiple choice answers with short answer responses, forcing students to think more critically about the problem and to back their responses with solid evidence.

Because it will require people, not computers, to grade these tests, it’s still difficult to determine when grades and statistics will be available. This is the reason why last academic year’s star ratings will stay in place for two years; this year is the Smarter Balanced field test. Starting next school year, the test will be a factor in a school’s star rating.

Homedale Elementary School principal Terri Vasquez pointed out that previous ISAT testing began in third grade and lasted a month. Smarter Balanced testing will last at least two months.

Where does all this come from?

In order to provide a way for students to perform better on more austere assessments, curriculum will likely have to be altered to train students to think critically more often. Idaho Core provides standards, not curriculum, geared toward real-world thinking.

For example, Vasquez said that instead of learning that 2+2=4, first graders are instead asked to create a word problem, such as: “If four kids are on a bus and two leave, then only two kids will be left on the bus.”

“If you think about it, it’s like — See *Idaho Core*, next page

Idaho Core Standards myths and facts

Myth: The federal government required Idaho to adopt Common Core Standards.

Fact: Idaho, along with 45 other states in the country, chose to adopt Common Core Standards. The federal government has not and will not review the standards.

Myth: States must adopt the Common Core Standards if they accepted federal stimulus funding, grants, or a federal waiver from No Child Left Behind

Fact: No state is required to adopt Common Core State Standards. The U.S. Department of Education has tried to incentivize states to raise academic standards in core subject areas through Race to the Top grants and the federal waivers from No Child Left Behind. To date, Idaho has not received any federal funding to implement these new standards. States such as Virginia chose not to adopt Common Core and still received a No Child Left Behind waiver from the federal government.

Myth: With the Idaho State Standards, my child’s identifiable data will be uploaded into a national database.

Fact: Idaho implemented a statewide longitudinal data system in 2009 to streamline data collection processes at the state and local levels. That was two years before the state chose to adopt these new content standards. Idaho’s statewide longitudinal data system is not tied to a national database in any way.

Myth: The new standards will de-emphasize literature, like Huckleberry Finn, and historical texts, such as the Gettysburg Address.

Fact: These standards actually emphasize reading and writing skills across all subject areas, not just in English language arts classrooms. Students will continue to read classic literature and other types of fiction and nonfiction in English class. In addition, the standards include literacy standards for history, science and other subject areas to make sure reading and writing are emphasized outside of English class as well.

Myth: The standards were developed by private-interest groups that stand to profit from it.

Fact: The new standards were developed by states. Critics point to the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and the National Governors Association (NGA) as “private interest groups,” but these groups are actually two state-led organizations that were asked by their members — state education chiefs and governors — to facilitate the state-led effort. The members of these organizations include Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna and Governor C.L. “Butch” Otter. Tests were written by more than 20 states that make up the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium. Teachers from each member state, including Idaho, are helping to write the assessment. It was piloted in Spring 2013 and will be field tested in Spring 2014 before it is first administered in Spring 2015 to all students.

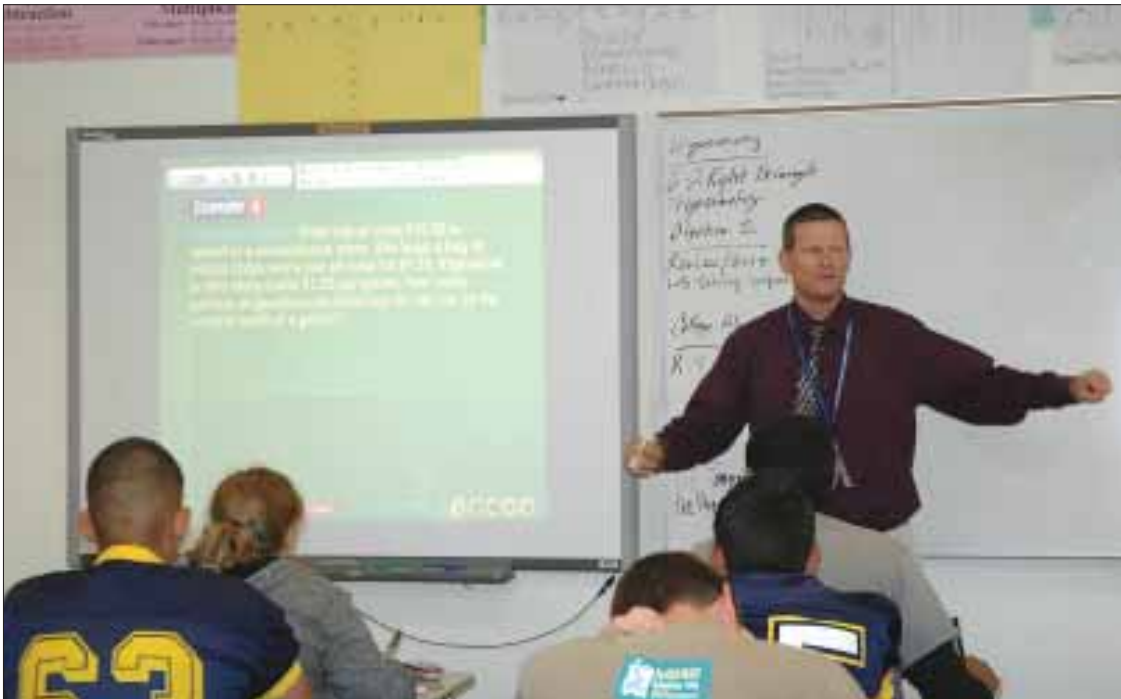
Note: Information was gathered from www.sde.idaho.gov and the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna.

Common Core in Idaho

Raising the bar for students will be an adjustment



Students at Homedale Elementary School line up for lunch.



Mark Worley teaches fourth period Algebra II at Marsing High School to a classroom of sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Reactions from school staff about Idaho Core

“It’s an exciting time to be in education.”
— **Kelly Schamber, Homedale elementary teacher for seven years (12 years teaching)**

“I feel like I have more control in my (the Marsing) district. I like to create, and I like to have freedom to teach creatively.”
— **Misty Dietz, Marsing language arts teacher for five years**

“I think the math curriculum that we had been using prior to this year was well aligned to Common Core, so I think it’s a matter of us continuing to push for the problem-solving ideas for deeper understanding in how to use math.”
— **Loma Bittick, Marsing math teacher for 29 years**

“There’s a big push right now, especially in science. As a nation, we’re falling behind with our kids. So there’s a big push to try to get that level higher.”
— **Skeeter Duby, Marsing Middle School principal**

“The one thing teachers are definitely a little concerned about is the Smarter Balanced assessment. They haven’t seen a ton of practice problems yet, so they do worry that we’re throwing a dart at a wall, and we just don’t know where the target’s at yet. But that is starting to come out and teachers are starting to feel more comfortable.”
— **Tyson Beggs, Marsing Elementary School principal**

“I think some students are going to struggle, but they can learn. It’s kind of like us old guys with electronics. My kid says to me, ‘It’s a waste on you, Dad.’ But the younger kids are going to come through here and they’re going to do great.”
— **Dion Flaming, Homedale High School principal**

“It’ll be challenging, especially at the high school level, but that’s how anything new goes. Most teachers are impressed with the direction curriculum is going.”
— **Debbie Flaming, student services specialist at Homedale High School**

“The collaboration in Common Core is huge. . . . I love looking in the classrooms and it doesn’t matter what classroom I went to, the kids were all working. They weren’t just sitting there, staring at the teacher. They were writing, and talking together, and they were talking about academic information, not what they were doing over the weekend. So that’s really exciting to see.”
— **Amy Winters, Homedale Middle School principal**

“We’re all nervous. Testing is always a wildcard. Kids freeze when they know they have to take a test. With this change, we’re very nervous. Just the length and the burnout with these little guys is worrisome.”
— **Terri Vasquez, Homedale Elementary School principal**

✓ Idaho Core: Classroom challenges shift

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real life,” she said. “In real life, instead of regurgitating answers, you have to find solutions to problems.”

Language arts is tasked with challenging students with different kinds of text (fiction, nonfiction, classic literature and poems), presentations via oral and written means, and an increase in vocabulary.

Math will focus on covering fewer topics to allow more in-depth exploration, less focus on memorizing formulas and more on mathematical proofs, and using math in real-world situations.

These are also meant to enhance language arts and math.

Idaho Core focuses on language arts and math, but its goal is to have the skills trickle into all other subjects, as well.

“There are standards for reading in (sic) writing in subject areas, such as history and science, but these standards do not change the content of the subject areas in any way. They only encourage the science teacher to check for writing skills, for example,” said Luci Willits, chief of staff out of Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna’s office.

Common Core was developed by The Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center). The standards were developed after years of research and testing and included feedback from teachers, business leaders, states, and content area experts from other high-performing nations.

Opposition

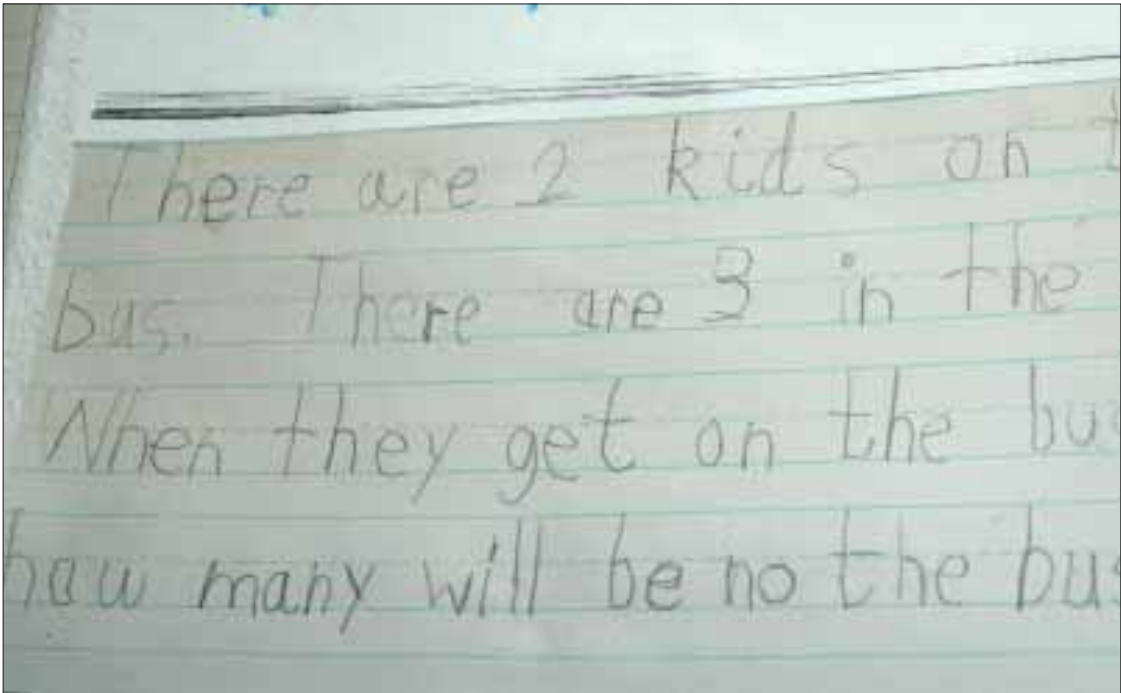
Some opposition groups have claimed that Idaho Core will dumb down education or will indoctrinate children with a leftist agenda. The standards have not changed for history, government, or political science. The standards will only change for language arts and math, and serve only to set the bar higher, proponents say.

On the other hand, concern arises from making education too difficult as well. While administrators openly admit that the higher expectations may prove difficult for some students, the learning curve allows for teachers to adjust for that.

“What the Common Core is asking for is to move kids to a higher level of thinking than has been measured,” Marsing Middle School principal Skeeter Duby said. “And so we’re unsure of what the results are going to be like in the beginning.”

“I think it’s pretty well known in the state that scores will probably decrease because they’re asking for things that people haven’t done a lot of. And that’s something that we as a public don’t like to see; people are going to perceive it as students not being successful, which is not necessarily the truth because we’re measuring something different than just recall.”

—RAD



Instead of learning math and writing separately, Homedale first-graders combine the two to encourage deeper critical thinking.

Battle of the bands



Above: The Homedale High School Marching Band placed fourth in Group 2A during Saturday's USBands Marine Corps Invitational at Caldwell High School. **Below:** Mauricia Villarreal, left, and Kennedee Burrignt plays during Saturday's first day of the 2013 marching band competitive season.

HHS marching band strides into competition

Season of contests continue at Vallivue

New Homedale High School band director Skyler Krall's confidence in his charges seems to be growing more and more each week. The 43-person unit seems to be peaking at the right time.

"Things are looking up, and we're really starting to hit our stride in marching band," Krall said. The marching band, primarily composed of high school musicians with 10 middle-schoolers thrown in, began its festival competition season Saturday in Caldwell.

"If you had asked me last week, I certainly wouldn't have been as optimistic as I am this week," Krall said of his outlook for the festival season.

"The group has put in a lot of effort, and we most recently put together the drill for our last song in three rehearsals."

Krall took over the Homedale music program in the months after Jessica Bohachek departed after three years.

"As a teacher, I'm doing my best to provide the students with the information that they need to succeed," Krall said. "I'm expecting students to be responsible and take care of their end of the deal."

"They're learning that part bit by bit."

The marching band rehearses nearly nine hours each week with additional time devoted to the color guard and drumline under the tutelage of two assistants.

"Jonathan 'Red' Coltrin

has created some excellent choreography for our color guard," Krall said. "Angel Salazar has been doing a great job with the drumline."

According to the music program's website, homedalemusic.weebly.com, the marching band also received tips from guest instructors Chris Whitney, Eric Downs and Alan Salvador.

The festival season began Saturday with USBands Marine Corps Invitational in Caldwell. It continues this Saturday with the Treasure Valley Festival of Bands at Vallivue High School. The band is also scheduled to compete in the District III festival and a contest in Ontario later this month.

Drum major Lauren Craft, a senior who previously was a trumpeter in the band, also has led her fellow musicians through halftime performances during football games against Vale, Ore., and Friday against Weiser.

The final halftime performance comes during the Oct. 18 non-conference game against Gooding at Deward Bell Stadium.

Additionally, the band plays the Star Spangled Banner before games and the Trojans fight song and other selections during breaks in the action at the games.

For its field show, the band has been playing a medley of songs from the 1970s pop group ABBA, including "Dancing Queen," "The Winner Takes it All," "I Have a Dream," and "Mamma Mia."

The music program's performance season began Tuesday night with the high school and middle school concert bands playing at the middle school.



Additionally, the Homedale Farmers Market has been going strong, raising funds for the band as well as other school groups. The color guard recently held a car wash and yard sale to raise money, too.

"Unfortunately everything that we need as a music program is expensive," Krall said. "The market has provided a boost of funding for the program."

With the band boosters running the market, Krall and his musicians have been able to focus on learning their routine and getting used to one another.

"Students have been doing a great job at respecting the differences that I have brought to the program," Krall said. "That's been making my job easier."

— JPB

Homedale school music schedule

Saturday — Treasure Valley Festival of Bands, Vallivue H.S., Caldwell

Oct. 12 — District III competition, Bronco Stadium, Boise State University

Oct. 14 — Battle of the Marching Machines, Ontario, Ore.

Oct. 18 — Halftime performance, football vs. Gooding, Deward Bell Stadium

Dec. 9 — High school winter concert, 7 p.m.

Dec. 17 — Middle school winter concert, 7 p.m.

Marsing prepped for sweet sounds

Marching with Willy Wonka, Huskies finish second in opener

Maybe the Marsing High School Marching Band is gearing up for a great fundraiser through its on-field routine this year.

The Huskies band, directed by Dawn Sandmeyer for a sixth year, has built a performance around Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.

Whether it's purposely ironic or not, the band members also are mulling the sale of World's Finest Chocolate bars to make money for the program.

At any rate, Marsing's marchers began the competitive season Saturday with a second-place finish in Group 1A at the USBands Marine Corps Invitational in Caldwell. Their program included "Golden Ticket," "Candy Man," "Oompa Loompa," and "Pure Imagination."

"Our show is coming together, and I think we will do well at competition this year," Sandmeyer said.

The marching band has sharpened its chops with halftime gigs during Marsing's home football games, but the outfit also has practiced four hours a week outside of school time.

The color guard puts in an additional 90 minutes to two hours' work the other three days during the school week.

The work paid off Saturday with a best color guard award.

The pinnacle of the competitive season comes Saturday, Oct. 12 with the District III festival at Bronco Stadium in Boise.

Marsing is one of four teams competing in the 2A division along with Melba, Cole Valley Christian and Cambridge.

The 35-person band (29 of which are musicians) draws the bulk of its talent from the high school. Eight band members and one color guard performer attend middle school.

Kieya Buckley is the drum major, while Audra Kendall and Caitlyn Line serve as color guard captains.

Sandmeyer, who has spent the past 19 years teaching music at Marsing, enlists Lennie Freeman as the color guard coach. Travis McDowell assists the percussion section.

Homedale puts 3rd Street on hold

Council discusses student pedestrian safety in town

The safety of children walking to school is, ironically, one of the reasons the Homedale City Council won't move forward with street rehabilitation on the west side of town.

Instead, council members want to wait until the city has enough funding to install sidewalks, curbs and gutters while simultaneously rebuilding North 3rd Street West's pavement.

Reidesel Engineering's Marty Gergen told council members of a Local Rural Highway Improvement Program (LRHIP) grant that would provide \$100,000 for new pavement on the road that runs from Idaho Avenue to the livestock trailer parking lot entrance at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

The application deadline for the asphalt-only, fiscal year 2015 grant is Dec. 2. This grant, which is available every year, is different than the one-time Idaho Transportation Department money that public works supervisor Larry Bauer has discussed in recent meetings.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller took the opportunity to extend the discussion to pedestrian safety for the route heading to Homedale Middle School.

"In the morning time, it's insanity," he said, "and as the weather gets more inclement, the kids are

no longer walking on the side of the road, they're walking in the road."

As students migrate farther and farther into the roadway, Eidemiller said, the traffic lane narrows to a dangerous width.

"With beet trucks and two buses passing, there's not enough room for everyone to cohabitate," he said.

Council president Dave Downum agreed, asserting that sidewalks are necessary along the entire route to the school.

As for 3rd Street, city councilmen balked at continuing exploration of improving the roadway because of safety but also because of a fear that the city's discussions haven't been completely transparent.

"There's been no discussion about this," Councilman Tim Downing said. "Unofficially, it was floating around that ITD had \$61 million available that they needed to spend."

Although Bauer has discussed the project and possible funding sources in a couple recent meetings, Thursday was the first time the issue was specifically on an agenda.

"Everyone wants to see something done on 3rd Street, and that includes curbs and gutters," Downing said.

The two-term city councilman – who isn't seeking a third term in November – pointed out that the city has followed a previous plan for self-sufficiency, squirreling away money each of the past two years to build up an improvement

fund.

Saying the city had the money to do the asphalt work now, Bauer told the council there was no time to table the discussion because of the looming application deadline.

Gergen told the councilmen that it was possible to do the pavement now – including widening the street — and return in future years with the curbs, sidewalks and gutters.

"Right now, without sidewalks, it's dangerous because of traffic and the elementary school," Downing said. "If we make it wider – and faster, probably – it'll be less safe because there will be less dirt to walk on."

Councilman Aaron Tines was hesitant to move forward, too, but for a different reason.

He said that when Bauer originally pitched the project, the grant money was new, but now the council is learning this is a different grant that is available every year.

"Every time in here, we hear 'It's (the grant) right at the cutoff. It's right at the cutoff,' and now it's a completely different grant," Tines said. "I think the city needs to be in a position to do it all at once instead of doing asphalt now and, in four or five years, putting in sidewalks."

Councilman Steve Atkins agreed, saying that the lack of a specific scope of work – and a total price tag — also makes moving forward difficult.

— JPB

Benefit ride planned for injured deputy

Colleagues and friends are tuning up for a ride to help Owyhee County Sheriff's Marine Deputy Brent Boster.

Boster was seriously injured in an August motorcycle accident on Horseshoe Bend Hill in Boise County.

The Rider Down Ride and Raffle will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Idaho Center parking lot in Nampa.

The ride, which organizer Jake Jacoby of the Nampa Police Department says is open to motorcycles and automobiles, will move along Interstate 84 to Mountain Home then travel into Owyhee County via Idaho highway 51.

The ride moves on to Idaho 78 and will end at the Spot Pizza in Marsing between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. for a dinner, live auction and raffle.

Cost is \$20 per vehicle, and proceeds will go to Boster's family to help with ongoing expenses.

Jacoby, a former colleague of Boster, is the K-9 trainer at NPD. He said his buddy was in good spirits when he last visited Boster in the hospital, but that he still has a long road ahead.

Jacoby said Boster has been moved to the hospital's in-patient rehabilitation wing.

For more information on the motorcycle ride, call Jacoby at 899-3091.

Owyhee Gardeners eye field trip, help kids

The Owyhee Gardeners held its monthly meeting Sept. 12 at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing.

The group welcomed Sharon Frost as a new member and awarded Marilyn Evans and Fred Christensen raffle prizes of crocheted hangers made by Wanda Ferguson.

Plans were made to visit Bill Ahaus' agricultural operation in Greenleaf to watch a honey harvest, and the club also will visit a Parma facility to learn about the manufacture of goat cheese.

The club continues a 50/50 drawing aimed at raising money for community projects. During the September meeting, the group viewed a photo album of its largest project, the Marsing Meeting

Place. Members also discussed ideas for new projects in the Marsing area.

The Owyhee Gardeners helped students supervised by Marsing Middle School teacher Deidra Little during a Sept. 19 visit to the native plants and butterfly gardens on 8th Avenue West in Marsing. Members will help the student identify and learn about various plants.

Club members attended the Southwest District Fall Meeting for garden clubs Monday at Fudruckers in Meridian.

The Owyhee Gardeners meet at 1 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W. Prospective members are welcome.

Council chips in on Homedale sign

City will spend HPD's civic pride, economic development funds

The City of Homedale will pay for roughly half of the remaining cost to build a gateway sign at the east entrance to town.

The city council unanimously agreed Thursday night to spend \$1,000 to help the Chamber of Commerce complete the \$3,100 project.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said that there was about \$2,100 in expenses left to make the plan a reality.

"This has been on my radar for a few years now and it's nice to get the ball rolling," Parker said.

In making his request for support, Parker did say that the Chamber had enough money to go it alone if the council couldn't contribute.

"This is obviously part of Homedale," Councilman Aaron Tines said. "I think it would be not quite kosher if the city weren't part of it."

The Chamber already has spent nearly \$500. The sign's metal has been out in the weather near the city shop to grow patina on it.

On Thursday, Parker said that "local and very rustic" Owyhee County rocks have been donated for the masonry to create a decorative three-foot base for the sign. He said the rocks have been donated in memory of a community member who recently died, but Parker declined to name the person or the donor.

Former Homedale High School student Art Solis, through his con-

struction company, will provide the equipment to bore a hole under the roadway so electricity can be run to the island where the sign will welcome motorists traveling north and south on U.S. 95 near its intersection with Idaho Avenue.

"It's been a need ever since the bypass came in," Councilman Steve Atkins said.

The city's \$1,000 contribution will be split evenly between the economic development fund and the Homedale Police Department's civic pride fund.

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Homedale prepares for annual Safe N Sane Halloween

Signs designating businesses are Safe N Sane Halloween participants are now available from Homedale City Hall.

The annual community trick-or-treating opportunity will run from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday,

Oct. 31 in downtown Homedale.

Safe N Sane Halloween is open to boys and girls who are 12 and younger.

Each year, youngsters fan out in Homedale to seek treats, and businesses that want to participate

are asked to pick up an orange and black paper jack-o-lantern from City Hall and display it in a window. The trick-or-treaters will be visiting those businesses during the event.

There also will be a costume

contest. City Hall staff will take photos of each trick-of-treater who comes into the building and then pick the best costume worn by a boy and a girl.

The winners receive a prize package and the honor of having

their photo hang in City Hall for the next year.

City staff will have a list of participating businesses available in the days before the event.

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Gem Highway copes with lower funding, same demands

Sixty miles of roadways and signs around Marsing are maintained year-round by a small group of people operating with a shrinking budget.

“I don’t like (the budget cuts),” road superintendent Rick Meade said. “It makes it tougher and tougher every year. And especially with the big dairies, the roads get used more.”

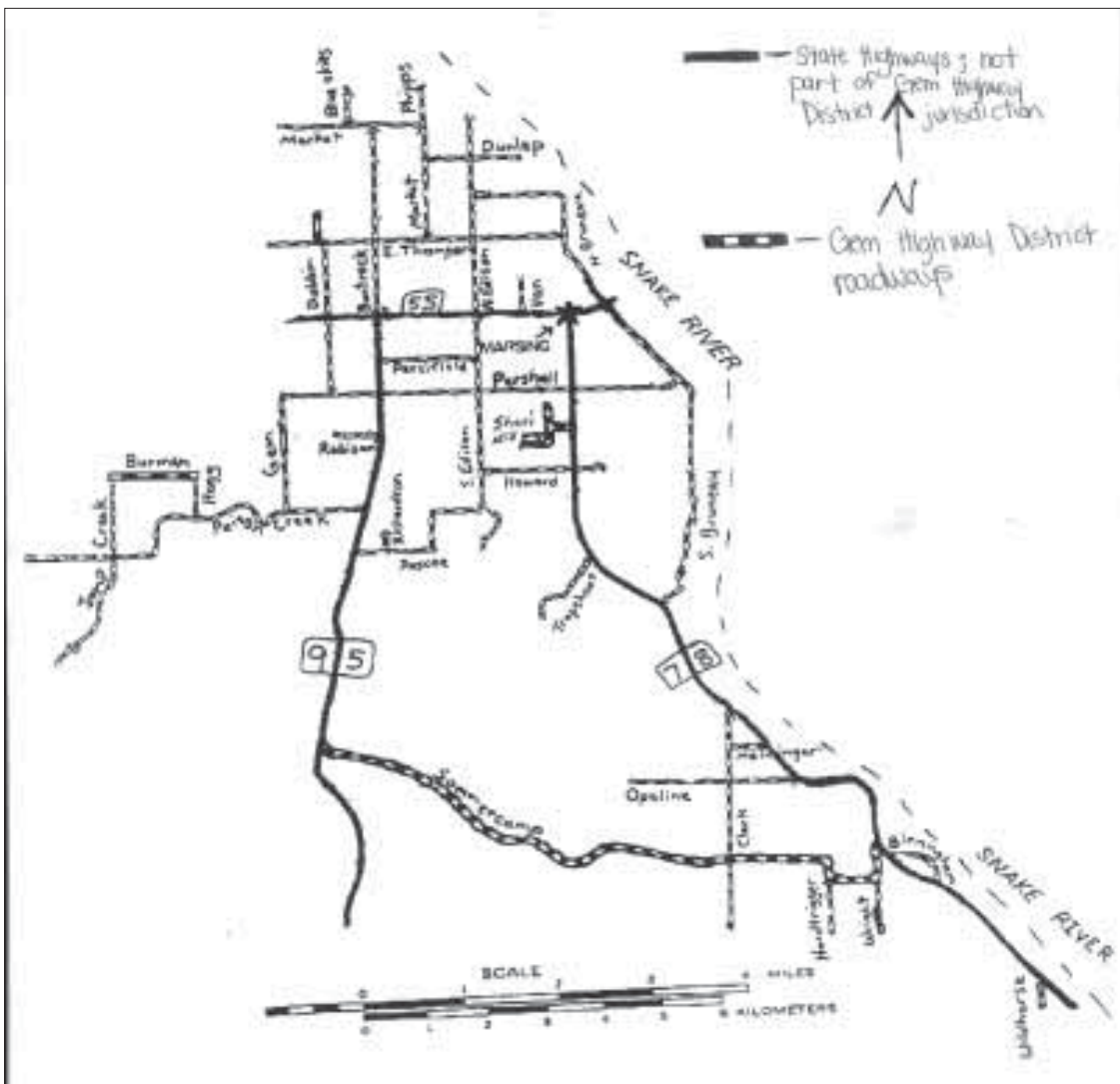
Between fiscal year 2013 to 2014, the Gem Highway district, which employs two full-time people and one part-time, lost \$37,000 in its overall ending budget balance. That’s a drop of about 7 percent.

Meade and Gem Highway District commissioners said they work hard to continue providing services in their district despite the decrease in funding. But the dwindling dollars means that they will focus more on maintenance and less on improving.

“Around here, ‘levy’ is a bad word,” Subdistrict 1 commissioner Morris Giedd said. “But we’re not going to get more funding from the state, either.”

The revenue for the Gem Highway District has dropped in property tax revenue and sales tax. But the most significant drop is the \$64,500 in the Miscellaneous line, which is from gravel and used equipment the district sells, permits, and other small items.

While the revenue decreases, the expenditures increase. In the last fiscal year, the Roads and Bridges line increased by \$25,000 because of more repairs on equipment (the district hasn’t received new equipment in years), the skyrocketing price of oil, and sellers such as chipping contractors raising prices.



A map of the roadways on the Gem Highway District. Photo courtesy Gem Highway District.

To cope, the district has cut seal coating from 13 miles to just three, and has stopped doing overlay altogether.

But workers continue to do what they can to keep roads drivable.

“We’ve got pretty good reports from residents,” Meade said. “They know money’s tight. They know we do what we can.”

Gem Highway commissioners Giedd, Jeff Percifield (subdistrict

2), and Jay Hall (subdistrict 3) work with Meade to figure out what needs worked on most and how to go about fixing the roads. There are no big projects planned for the district at this time.

Meade works with full-time road technician Keith Berends on the roads and signs within the district. Marsing councilwoman Stella Bush works part time as the secretary/treasurer.

“There’s a wide variety of

stuff to do. It’s not monotonous,” Berends said. “There’s always something new coming up.”

“We get to play with big toys,” Meade added. “It’s one of the perks.”

Meade lives in Marsing with his wife, Sharell, and their two kids, a high schooler and a grade schooler. Meade was born and raised in Marsing, and has lived in his house for 18 years. He has worked for the district for 11 years.



Rick Meade



Keith Berends



Stella Bush

Berends lives just north of Marsing with his wife, Jana, and their three children, Hayden, 11, Daisy, 9, and Toby, 6. He joined Meade — who used to work the district’s roads alone — four years ago.

Bush has worked part-time “doing the books” for the district for years, and has also worked as a city councilwoman for six years. She lives in Marsing and maintains a three-acre house and her cows.

—RAD

Landowner continues to fight with county over landfill lease

During the Board of County Commissioners meeting Sept. 23, an amendment to the agenda allowed a local landowner to address his frustrations over the Bruneau-Grand View landfill.

Kent Kohring owns land in Bruneau, and in 2004, he leased 40 acres to the county to use as a landfill for 10 years. The lease was renewable, but Kohring chose not to renew the contract, forcing the commissioners to pursue other options. After failed negotiations with Kohring, the commissioners bid out trash dumping services to Snake River Rubbish, and on July 28 of this year, trash began shipping out of Owyhee County to the landfill near Glens Ferry.

The commissioners mentioned they are satisfied with this ultimate arrangement because it costs the county less than what they spent leasing 40 acres of land on Kohring’s property.

The county stopped shipping waste to the Bruneau-Grand View

landfill in late July and began closure procedures shortly after. But Kohring raised concerns about the after-care once the closure is complete.

County Staff Coordinator Jim Desmond pointed out that one of the provisions in the lease is that once the landfill is no longer being used and closure is complete, the county will no longer have the right-of-way to the access leading to the landfill, and that Kohring would be responsible for after-care.

Kohring denied responsibility for the after-care and accused the county of retaining access to the landfill, which is still in the closure process. Desmond did not have the paperwork at the meeting, but later confirmed that the provision in the original lease agreement clearly outlines the landowner is responsible for after-care, and the county loses right-of-way access after closure is finished.

“You are the landowner and you have backed out of the lease,” Desmond told Kohring during the meeting. “That’s on you. You took actions to shut down. You made it clear you wouldn’t accept less than above the appraised value of the land.”

During lease negotiations, Kohring had asked the county to offer more money or to purchase the land from him at more than what it was appraised for. County commissioners are bound by law to not pay more than the value of any purchase.

“You wanted to increase from \$5,000 to \$10,000, and that’s a burden to the taxpayers, so we didn’t do it. There’s nothing more to talk about,” District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said.

The board said that if Kohring had any further questions, they would be discussed in executive session.

—RAD

Genealogical Society to meet in Murphy

Early registration for Oct. 19 conference ends Saturday

Saturday is the deadline to pre-register for the Idaho Genealogical Society’s annual meeting and conference in Murphy.

The Owyhee County Historical Society will host the conference, which is scheduled for Oct. 19 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy.

Only people who register by Saturday are ensured lunch during the event, which will celebrate Idaho’s territorial sesquicentennial.

Pre-registration is \$25 for IGS and OCHS members, and the fee includes lunch. Non-members can register early for \$30. Registration the day of the event is \$35. Signup

the day of the conference will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Send registration to OCHS, 17085 Basey St., Murphy, ID 83650; attn. Mary O’Malley.

The conference will feature three speakers, including Givens resident John Larsen delivering a presentation titled “Songs of Early Idaho.”

There also will be a tour of the museum, its archives and the adjacent old Murphy schoolhouse.

For more information on the conference, contact O’Malley, the OCHS president, at (208) 495-2122 or IGS president Juvanne Martin at (208) 461-8866, or by email at idahogenealogy@hotmail.com.

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Rimrock center serves more than senior citizens

The Rimrock Senior and Community Center at 525 Main St. in Grand View is now operating with a new telephone number. The number, (208) 968-5430, became the official new number on Thursday.

The reason?

“Money,” coordinator Karon Nichols said.

The new number came because the center switched to a much less expensive cell phone company as a way to save money and do what they can for their dwindling funds.

“There’s just not as much money around as there used to be,” Nichols said. “But we’re doing what we can because we think the senior center is an important entity.”

Nichols said she knew changing the number from the old one, which had been the phone number since 1983, would be tough for many people to adjust to, but said it was necessary and would save the center hundreds of dollars a year. She said she wants to keep the Rimrock Senior and Community Center active.

The center is open every Tuesday and Thursday for noon meals, and whenever it is reserved for an event. It offers valuable programs for seniors, such as a once-a-month foot clinic to trim toenails and blood pressure screenings. It also hosts speakers such as representatives from Idaho Power talking about ways to save energy and the sheriff’s office to talk about fraud aimed at seniors.

The center also hosts events such as private weddings, showers, and local events. This Saturday, it will host its annual fall bazaar.

But the center has done more than just change its phone number as a way to keep the necessary funds rolling in. In April 2012, the Trinkets and Treasures shop opened inside the center. Senior center board member Willie Roby was in charge of most of the shop’s setup and volunteers helped paint it.

“It’s grown and grown,” Nichols said. “She (Roby) really has a knack for decorating and display. We’re proud of it.”

The most unusual part of the

Rimrock Fall Bazaar

When — Saturday
Time — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Where — Rimrock Senior and Community Center
What — Bazaar to sell handmade soaps, jewelry, knitted items, and more
Cost — No cost to go, lunch is \$4 and optional dessert is extra
Extras — Raffle for quilts, and a basket full of goods worth \$100
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Trinkets and Treasures shop is that customers pay what they can or what they think the item is worth. The trinkets are donated by community members, most often seniors who leave their homes to enter into retirement homes.

“It really is the difference between the senior center doing

well and not doing well,” Nichols said.

The center also participates in fundraisers and raffles, notably raffling and selling quilts made by the Quilt club, which started five years ago right around the time the economy started slowing.

Quilt club members are Ellen Jess, Ellen Bates, Dee Kincaid, Anna Hency, Melody Burnett-Simper, and Jackie Lucas. These women make quilts before and after the lunches on Tuesday and Thursday, then sell the quilts and give the money to the senior center. They only keep a small portion of the money to purchase more material for more quilts.

The senior center gets money-saving and money-making ideas often from other senior centers in Idaho. It is part of Area 3, a coalition of 19 senior centers ranging as far north as McCall.

“In larger communities like Parma and Weiser, they’ll have extra fundraisers and meals, but we’re a really small community. Some things we’ve tried in our community just don’t work,” Nichols said.

The senior center’s board members have the fiduciary responsibility for the center and the paid staff, which includes Nichols, a cook, a bus driver, and a janitor for three hours a week.

Board members are: chairman Bob Kern, vice chair Harva Driskell, treasurer Mary Lynn “Charlie” Miller, and members Willie Roby, Garry Boeger, and Verla Robison.

Although the board makes all the executive decisions, Nichols coordinates everything at the center. She makes sure the center juggles the Cowboy Church one Saturdays a month, Bible study on Sundays, memorial services, baby showers, and wedding receptions. She organizes the free community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners on the holidays, the \$5 per ride bus trips to larger cities nearby, the presentations for seniors on things like gardening and history, and Saturday’s fall bazaar.

“Other than that, we don’t do a darn thing,” Nichols said with a laugh.

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Day in court lands man in jail on different warrant

A 31-year-old Caldwell man spotted in the Owyhee County Courthouse on Friday was arrested on a warrant alleging five counts of grand theft.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Sgt. Jeff Wasson arrested Merle Herman on Friday morning.



Merle Herman

Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said Wasson saw Herman in the courthouse and realized he had a warrant out.

Herman was in Murphy for a pretrial conference before Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan on three other felonies, including two counts of theft and one count of burglary. A jury trial is set for Oct. 8 on that case.

Ex-Navy man floats idea of local coin club

Enthusiasts, curious invited to Saturday meeting

Neal Durham has been all over the world chasing coins. Now, he wants to share his coin-collecting passion with other folks.

The first-term Lizard Butte Library District board member hopes to establish a club for area coin enthusiasts.

The retired military intelligence officer has set up an introductory meeting at 11 a.m. Saturday inside the Community Room at the Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., in Marsing.

“Hopefully there would be enough people (to) come out to get the club up and running and to educate the public on coin collecting and the value of coins,” Durham said.

He said the meeting is open to anyone interested in collecting coins, from children to adults. It would give local collectors a close meeting place; he said the nearest club is in Boise.

Durham, who has an extensive collection of domestic and international coins, got started on the path to collecting when he was in the Navy 40 years ago.

He was stationed in Kingsville, Texas, when a buddy of his invited him to a local club meeting.

“And, as the saying goes, everything else was history,” Durham said.

The meeting set him off on an odyssey that fit well with his globetrotting vocation in military intelligence.

“Whenever you go into a country you always have to study

their background, the economy, religion, agriculture, whatever,” he said. “With economics, you get into their money and the history of it.”

In 16 years in the Navy, Durham visited 15 countries and 34 states. He served three tours in Vietnam.

His travels resulted in coins from all over the world. Durham says he has sold some coins to help finance his studies at Boise State University, but he always winds up replenishing his collection with new specimens — both foreign and domestic.

The Canyon County resident owned an example of every Indian head penny minted from 1887 to 1909.

The oldest coin currently in his collection is an 1875 pfennig. He once owned an 1839 French 5-franc piece.

Durham said his favorite coin at the moment is a 1909 Philippine peso, which was actually minted in San Francisco and is 90 percent silver.

On the domestic side, Durham says his collection includes all the state quarters as well as presidential dollars. A local bank has him on a waiting list, and he gets one of the first calls when a new shipment of commemorative quarters comes in.

Because of the low demand, the presidential dollars are available only from coin dealers these days, he says, even though the government has minted \$3 billion worth of the coins.

He hopes to kindle collecting in the area through his club just as he has tried to do as a registered merit badge advisor for the Boy Scouts of America.



Marsing-area resident Neal Durham thumbs through a book that contains several specimens of U.S. pennies from the 19th century to today.

Durham said although the BSA has a coin-collecting badge, few area scouts have contacted him to go after it.

On the other hand, he said he finally made the decision on starting the club after a youngster asked Lizard Butte Library staff about how to get into coin collecting.

Taking his cue from the Boise club’s meetings, Durham said prospective meetings in the local club could include fun activities like selecting a letter of the alphabet and asking everyone to bring a specimen from a country that is spelled with that letter.

He also wants to help folks figure out the value and grades of coins, both of which are published in hobby magazines.

For more information on the club or coin collecting, call Durham at (208) 459-9216.

—JPB

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Economic development group now attached to county government

Tina Wilson now works for Owyhee County, essentially. The Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director’s salary passes through the county budget.

She has attended recent city council meetings in Homedale and Marsing, telling those officials about her plans to create community assessments aimed at making it easier to obtain economic development grants.

Wilson is the third executive director in the WAED’s six-year existence. She will draw a salary of \$39,675 in fiscal year 2014. The expenditures and revenue (the organization recently received a \$30,000 grant from the Idaho Department of Commerce) will be handled through the Owyhee County treasury.

“The reason for the shift is for transparency of where the money is going,” Wilson said.

Also as part of absorbing the business of the WAED, the Board of County Commissioners has approved a cellular phone agreement and a sub-lease on a vehicle for Wilson. A county credit card for WAED use also will be issued.

The WAED and county has formalized the arrangement with a memorandum of understanding.

WAED funding comes from the communities involved in the organization. Although at one point both Marsing and Grand View opted out of the alliance, Wilson said all three Owyhee municipalities and the county government are involved again.

Owyhee County pays \$5,000 in annual dues, while each town in the county pays \$1 per capita to belong. Wilson said Canyon County supplies \$15,000 in dues, and all such revenue helps run WAED.

Grand View actually backed out under the tenure of former Mayor Tammy Payne, but Wilson is the in the process of rebuilding ties with the government under Mayor Opal Ward.

“The previous mayor chose not to be involved, and with the changeover, I will be going to the Chamber of Commerce meeting in September and see what I can do to help with Grand View,” Wilson said.

Wilson said she would also like to see more board membership from the south side of the Snake River.

“I have more participation on the Canyon County side and would love more participation on the board from the Owyhee County side,” Wilson said.

Currently, District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi and Droplet Irrigation owner Jonathan Demcak are on the WAED board. Wilson said although Demcak is executive board chair, he has been busy



Western Alliance for Economic Development head Tina Wilson recently updated local governments — including the Homedale City Council — on her activities.

setting up his business’ second location in Washington state.

“I talk to Kelly at least weekly, and there are times, when we are working on projects, that it’s daily,” Wilson said.

WAED’s role in economic development can’t always be seen in brick-and-mortar advancements, Wilson said.

Years ago, WAED was instrumental in helping a Homedale business obtain funding to shore up its wastewater compliance and stay operational.

Wilson also has helped Homedale businesses with Idaho Department of Labor and healthcare accountability issues as well as finding ways to streamline manufacturing.

She won’t divulge the name of the businesses with which she has worked because, she says, confidentiality is important.

Wilson said she also helped the City of Marsing rewrite a grant to begin methane energy production, but the grant was not awarded.

Now, she’s focused on an infrastructure project in Grand View.

Other projects are located in Canyon County, but could impact Owyhee’s economy, she said. One is the reopening of a shuttered slaughterhouse in Nampa that could accept Owyhee County beef. Another is the Sunny Slope Wine Trail for which a grant has been funded, Wilson said.

“We’re looking to target Sunny Slope as a destination, which will flow into recreational things in Marsing,” she said.

Wilson says she’s been active with Thunder Mountain Gold, which is in the process of starting a mining operation on South Mountain. WAED is facilitating between Thunder Mountain and Idaho Power in an attempt to increase the electricity load distribution to the mining site.

“Thunder Mountain is poised to go into full production by the third quarter,” Wilson said, adding that the opening of the mine could mean 80 to 100 new jobs.

— JPB

Unhelmeted motorcyclist suffers head injuries on Idaho 51

A 61-year-old motorcyclist was flown to a Boise hospital last week after running off Idaho highway 51 south of Bruneau.

Joel Johnson of Nampa was riding a 2000 Harley-Davidson in a group of motorcyclists traveling south on Idaho 51 when he left the roadway near milemarker 47 on Sept. 23. The wreck took place about 10 miles north of Sugar Valley Road.

“A witness in the riding party said he was negotiating an upcoming turn, started to drift wide into the corner and went off the road and down the embankment,” Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Johnson, who wasn’t wearing a helmet, suffered head injuries. He was unconscious and bleeding from the nose and mouth when

emergency responders first arrived.

Johnson eventually regained conscious and an Air St. Luke’s helicopter transported him to St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center in Boise.

No update on his condition was available.

Bruneau Quick Response Unit and Grand View Ambulance also responded.

Guilty pleas entered in Homedale aggravated assault

Men arrested after one pulled gun in confrontation

Two Homedale residents will be sentenced later this month after guilty pleas to felony aggravated assault stemming from an incident in July.

Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan will sentence Gilbert Garza Jr., 19, and 21-year-old Johnathan Hardt at 9 a.m. on Oct. 25. Hardt will be sentenced on felonies of aggravated assault and intimidating a witness. Garza will receive a sentence for felony aggravated assault.

Last week, the Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney’s Office reached a plea agreement with Hardt.

During a July 28 confrontation in an alleyway near the Jacksons Food Store in Homedale, Hardt allegedly pulled a .45-caliber handgun on another male individual. Garza accompanied Hardt at the time.

Hardt entered his plea to an amended complaint on Friday in Murphy. He originally was charged with two counts of felony

aggravated assault and one felony count each of intimidation of a witness and use of a deadly weapon in the commission of a felony.

He also had been charged with driving a vehicle without the owner’s consent after he was arrested and charged with driving under the influence across the Snake River in Canyon County on July 29.

Hardt is scheduled for an Oct. 28 pretrial conference in Caldwell on misdemeanors of DUI and failure to purchase a driver’s license.

Marsing fugitive faces felony in Elmore

A Marsing man on 11 years’ probation for grand theft was back in court late last month.

Zakkery Ryan Martin, 23, was arrested on two out-of-county warrants on Sept. 9 in Marsing. Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy David Green made the arrest.

Martin entered a guilty plea to an amended charge of reckless driving in magistrate court in Homedale on Sept. 18 and is set to enter a plea on an Elmore County felony probation violation on Monday in Mountain Home.

Elmore County authorities had issued a probation violation warrant on Sept. 3, and that county’s prosecuting attorney obtained a fugitive warrant on Sept. 13.

Martin’s 11-year probation stemmed from a 2010 conviction for felony grand theft and a felony probation violation.

His reckless driving plea on Sept. 18 came after Homedale Police arrested Martin on suspicion of driving under the influence in February.

The charge was amended prior to his guilty plea and sentencing on Sept. 18.

For the reckless driving, Martin must pay \$302.50 in court fees and fines. A \$750 fine was suspended.

He received credit for the 10 days he spent in jail and had the remainder of a six-month jail sentence suspended.

Martin also must serve two years of supervised probation and complete 32 hours in a treatment program.

His driver’s license was suspended for six months.

Martin was transferred to Elmore County Jail after his disposition in Homedale court.



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Two people extricated after Idaho 55-U.S. 95 crash

11th wreck at intersection since 2010

Two people were taken to a Caldwell hospital last Wednesday after a crash at the U.S. Highway 95-Idaho highway 55 intersection.

Last Wednesday's wreck apparently was caused by inattentive driving. Although it rained as emergency crews were working the scene, the roadways were dry at the time of the accident, according to Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Terry McGrew.

McGrew cited 75-year-old Robert Groff of Santee, Calif., for inattentive driving in connection with the two-vehicle accident that occurred outside Marsing before noon.

Groff, who was born in 1938, was turning left from westbound Idaho 55 onto southbound U.S. 95 in a Winnebago motorhome at the time of the accident.

McGrew said Caldwell resident Herschel Howell, 55, driving eastbound on U.S. 95 toward Marsing, took evasive action to avoid Groff's motorhome, but his Chevrolet pickup began to spin and he couldn't avoid impacting the recreational vehicle.

McGrew said it appeared Groff either didn't see Howell's vehicle

or thought he had more room to make the turn.

Howell and Groff's passenger, 72-year-old Yvonne Paris of Santee, Calif., were transported by Marsing Ambulance to West Valley Medical Center in Caldwell. Both were alert when they were loaded into the same ambulance, although Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman confirmed Friday morning that Howell suffered a partially amputated ear. Bowman didn't know if the ear was saved.

Marsing Fire Department had to extricate Harris, who was born in 1941, and Howell, whose birth year is 1958.

One witness, a truck driver from Los Angeles, said the force of the impact spun the motorhome 360 degrees and it came to rest facing north on U.S. 95.

Howell's pickup was also facing north off the shoulder about 25 feet from the Winnebago.

Four people have been injured in two separate accidents at the intersection since early July.

There were 11 crashes at the intersection between 2010 and 2012, according to Idaho Transportation Department and locally compiled statistics.

"Every year our Office of Highway Safety builds what is called a high accident location report, and that information is used to determine where improvements need to be made and if something needs



Above: Santee, Calif., resident Robert Groff sits on the step of his motorhome to fill out paperwork. **Below:** Marsing Fire volunteers work to free Herschel Howell from his pickup.

to be addressed," ITD spokesman Jeff Stratten said.

While officials on scene of Wednesday's crash wondered aloud about doing something to curtail the accidents at the crossroads, Stratten said ITD uses the expertise of engineers and management officials who travel through the area on a consistent basis.

Stratten said six accidents were logged at the intersection in 2012, one accident in 2011 and two crashes in 2010.

No one died in the accidents, but 14 people have been injured since 2010.

— JPB



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Huskies stumble in WIC opener

Cole Valley scores two TDs late in first half

Jaime Wood went to the mountains last weekend.

The trip may have been planned, but chances are the Marsing High School football co-head coach also used the opportunity to blow off some steam after a frustrating opening to the 2A Western Idaho Conference season.

Cole Valley Christian took advantage of the Huskies' mistakes Friday night for a 13-9 win in both teams' conference opener.

The game was played on the Chargers' Homecoming night at Meridian High School.

"I've got great kids," Wood said. "It's just execution. That's

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Plenty of meaning this week on gridiron

Marsing salutes Guard; HHS plays for Milk Jug

The high school football teams from Homedale and Marsing face big home games Friday night.

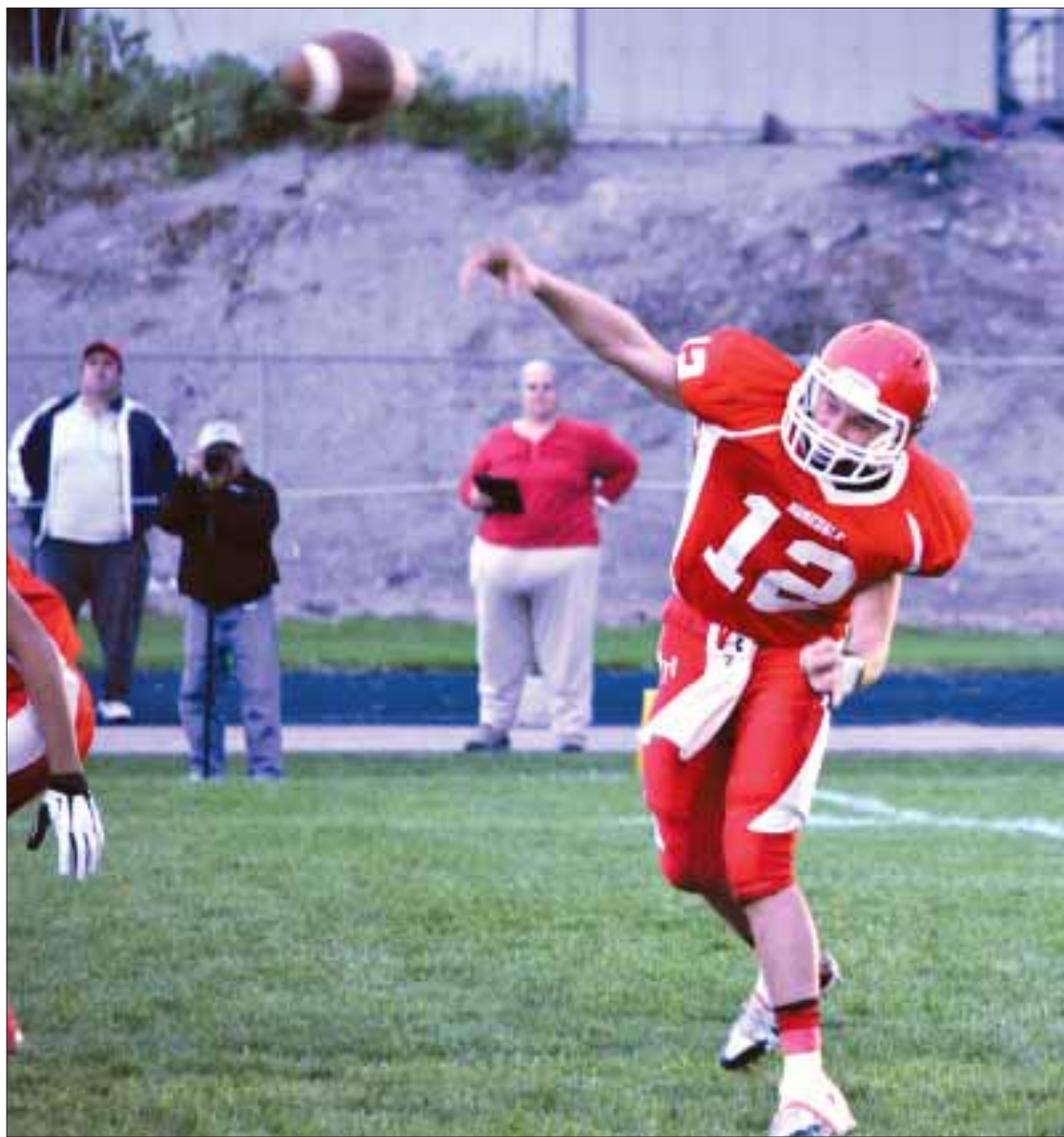
In Marsing, the Huskies will play host to McCall-Donnelly in a 2A Western Idaho Conference doubleheader.

The varsity game kicks off at 7 p.m., and the entire evening at the Marsing stadium will serve as a salute to the Idaho National Guard.

Huskies co-head-coach Jaime Wood said both the Huskies and the Vandals will don special "digital-camo" game uniforms.

Wood said there will be many merchandise giveaways at the game, which will be preceded by the junior varsity contest.

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Homedale High School sophomore quarterback Lawsen Matteson fires a pass during the first quarter of Friday's win over Weiser at Deward Bell Stadium.

Matteson's emergence molds key victory over Wolverines

Freelove, Tolmie top 100 yards in huge conference triumph

Anyone near Deward Bell Stadium could hear the air go out of the place about midway through the second quarter Friday night.

In the span of three plays, Homedale High School's lead had been cut in half and Weiser had picked off Trojans sophomore quarterback Lawsen Matteson and was marching again.

But something funny happened on the way to what felt like would be another heart-wrenching 3A Snake River Valley conference loss to the Wolverines.

Matteson emerged as the quarterback coach Matt Holtry has seen in practice, shaking off two first-half interceptions to gun three touchdowns in the Trojans' conference-opening 28-19 victory.

Granted, the evolution was pretty rocky.

After Austyn Grothaus missed a 35-yard field goal attempt, Matteson went to work on the Wolverines' defense.

He zinged three completions on the next possession, including a 16-yard pass to Nathan Leslie

to convert a fourth-down try. Leslie had been Matteson's go-to guy on touch-down passes of 13 and two yards in the first half.

Alas, Matteson threw another interception and Homedale (3-1 overall, 1-0 3A SRV) clung to a 14-7 halftime lead.

Something clicked during the intermission, though.

Matteson came out of the locker room firing.

On a drive that ended with Josh Tolmie's 15-yard touchdown run, Matteson hooked up with Talon Freelove for two receptions covering 53 yards — including a 35-yarder on third down — and hit Jakobee Osborn for 10 yards.

Another hard-nosed performance led Tolmie to a game-high 103 yards rushing.

Matteson would complete his

first five pass attempts of the second half, including a 59-yard scoring strike to Freelove to keep the Trojans above water after Weiser's Ty Johnson cut the lead to 21-13 with a two-yard quarterback keeper.

The long scoring play to Freelove was part of a seven-catch, 155-yard outing for the 6-foot-3, 180-pound senior.

Despite getting another score on a short Grothaus run, Weiser's comeback was stifled by Homedale's defense.

The Trojans limited the Wolverines to only 235 yards total offense, including just 90 yards passing from Johnson. Twenty of that came on Weiser's first score — a pass to KC Thomsen.

Ty Johnson faced an onslaught late in the game, missing on his final five attempts — and throwing an interception to Homedale senior Bryan Johnson. Osborn also sacked the Weiser quarterback late in the fourth quarter to conclude his five-tackle, one-assist night. Lane Sale had a sack earlier in the game.

Britt Eubanks led the Trojans with six solo tackles and two assists.

— JPB

Marsing ends skid on court

Marsing High School snapped its season-opening seven-match volleyball losing streak last week.

The Huskies rallied from a first set loss for an 18-25, 25-13, 25-5, 25-16 victory over visiting North Star Charter in a 2A Western Idaho Conference match on Sept. 24.

Mariah Kinney dominated from the backcourt with nine aces, 10 assists and 19 service points for the Huskies (1-7 overall, 1-5 in conference).

Fellow senior Kieya Buckley served four aces to go with six kills. Lily Bowers, another senior, had three kills and two aces.

Junior Ellie Folwell also served for 12 points, while senior Morgan Hall notched five kills and two blocks.

Trojans maintain intensity in SRV

Volleyball breaks through for first conference win

Homedale High School's volleyball team put together a complete package last week, splitting two conference matches.

The defense came together as Katie Deal averaged 21 digs per night and Homedale played nine games in two 3A Snake River Valley conference matches.

In the process, the Trojans picked up their first conference victory of the season, out-lasting Weiser.

Thursday: Payette def. Homedale, 3-2 — Senior Kaylee Rupp put down 11 kills and blocked three shots, but the host Pirates were able to post a 12-25, 25-23, 25-22, 18-25, 15-9 victory.

"The girls played very well," first-year HHS coach Julie Gregory said. "We just came up a little short."

Deal dug 26 balls, and Morgan Nash recorded 18 assists. Elise Shenk added six kills and

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Talon Freelove

Sports



Homedale High School volleyball teammates Hattie Mertz, left, and Gardenia Machuca stretch to block a shot during the Sept. 24 match against Weiser.

✓ Trojans: Tori Nash notches three aces

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a block.

Amberlee Couch delivered 28 kills for Payette, while teammate Jordan Parks served five aces. Tiffany Weimar had 28 assists, and Harlee Ortega contributed 14 digs.

Sept. 24: Homedale def. Weiser, 3-1 — The Trojans were able to bounce back from lulls in execution during a hard-fought 25-18, 23-25, 26-24, 25-15 conference victory at home.

“We played well enough to win, but we still have a lot of room to grow,” Gregory said.

After the Wolverines tied the match at a set apiece, the two

teams locked into an epic third game in which neither side had more than a three-point lead (Weiser at 16-13).

After cringing because of her mistake that helped Weiser tie the set, 24-24, junior hitter Hattie Mertz put away two kills to push Homedale to the win.

The fourth game was just as suspenseful for Gregory and the Trojans, but Mertz had another crucial kill to tie the set, 11-11, to ignite the decisive if bumpy run.

Rupp went to work with a portion of her five blocks and eight kills, and Tori Nash served one of her three aces as the Trojans scored 14 of the match’s final 18

points.

Mertz logged eight kills and two blocks in the emotionally charged match.

Deal served an ace, and had 16 digs, while Nash delivered 21 digs.

Morgan Nash set 15 assists, and Elise Shenk put down two blocks.

Weiser spread its offense around with Paige Brown notching six kills and Sarah Jensen and Alecia Lundberg registering five each.

Lindsay Hurd had a block and two assists, while Sadie Shirts had a block and served four aces.

Katelyn Westover collected 12 digs.

Huskies’ Herrera takes 10th in Nyssa

Hungate continues strong for Trojans

Ofelia Herrera had the best finish of any Owyhee County athlete in Thursday’s Nyssa Invitational cross country meet.

The Marsing High School senior finished 10th in the girls’ five-kilometer event, posting a time of 21 minutes, 59.17 seconds.

Huskies sophomore Caitlyn Line was 50th among the 128 female competitors, turning in a 24:15.04.

Logan Moore was the lone Marsing boys’ runner listed in the results on Athletic.net. The senior was clocked a 22:35.68.



Sophomore Benny Schamber runs for the finish line past a competitor from the Ambrose School during the Nyssa Invitational. Photo by Machele Randall

HHS’ Hungate finishes 14th in Nyssa’s boys’ meet

Two Homedale athletes finished in the top 30 at the Nyssa Invitational.


Junior Cole Hungate ran a 17-minute, 39.64-second five-kilometer race to finish 14th among a field of 179 boys. Another junior, Riley Portwood was 30th at 18:43.46.

In all, the Trojans put nine boys into the competition and finished 13th among 14 qualifying teams.


Other HHS competitors included sophomore Benny Schamber (21:11.11), junior Kincade

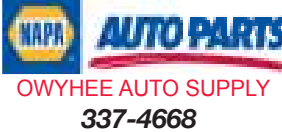
Kincheloe (21:57.89), freshman Ryan Randall (22:02.19), seniors Adam Hotchkiss (22:19.34), Caleb Oviedo (22:37.06) and Esteban Lejardi (23:06.75) and sophomore Lance Eaton (24:45.31).

In the girls’ race, Homedale senior Kathryn Thatcher ran a 23:55.9 and finished 40th among 128 runners. Sophomore Jenny Bautista was clocked at 27:03.24.




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Athlete of the Week

Kaylee Rupp sr., volleyball

The Play — Rupp averaged 9.5 kills and 4 blocks last week as the Trojans split a pair of 3A Snake River Valley conference matches. She led a strong night at the net for Homedale with eight kills and five blocks in a four-set victory over visiting Weiser on Sept. 24. She added 11 kills and three blocks in a five-set loss at Payette on Thursday.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Oct. 4, home vs. Parma, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 3, at Parma, 6:30 p.m.

Volleyball


Varsity
Thursday, Oct. 3, at Fruitland, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8, home vs. Parma, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 3, at Fruitland, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.


Cross Country

Thursday, Oct. 3 at Gary Ward Invitational, Skyview Park, Nampa, 4 p.m.


Frosh-soph
Thursday, Oct. 3, at Fruitland, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.




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Marsing High School's Tristan Jacobi struggles for yardage Friday in Meridian against Cole Valley Christian. Photo by Dan Pease

✓ Football: Milk Jug 13 brings Parma to Homedale

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Meanwhile, at Deward Bell Stadium, coach Matt Holtry's Homedale squad will take on Parma in the latest installment of the Milk Jug Game. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

The Trojans have won eight of the 12 rivalry games played since the red-and-black milk can became the object of desire.

Holtry has lost only once in his previous four Milk Jug games. Parma coach Luke Platz is winless in two tries.

Homedale used a big defensive effort, highlighted by Dayne Jacobs' 57-yard interception return for a touchdown, to wallop the Panthers, 49-14, last year.

Homedale has won the past three meetings for the Milk Jug. Parma last retained the trophy with a 30-13 win in 2009.

The more crucial aspect of the encounter for the Trojans, however, may have nothing to do with Parma.

A victory would put Homedale a 2-0 in the 3A Snake River Valley conference heading into what surely will be a showdown for first place with Fruitland on the road on Oct. 11.

The Grizzlies extended their season-opening winning streak to five games with a 40-0 win over Parma in the two teams' SRV opener Friday. Fruitland takes on Payette this week.

✓ Huskies: Neither team is able to get on the scoreboard after halftime

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the bottom line."

The lack of execution ended the reigning conference champions' three-game win streak to start the year, and it opened the door for Cole Valley to extend its season-opening winning run to four games.

Seven penalties (three at the most inopportune time) and several miscues on the makeshift offensive line began to catch up with Marsing (3-1 overall, 0-1 2A WIC) after Josiah Hay-Smith's 38-yard field goal gave the Huskies a 9-0 lead three minutes before halftime.

"We missed assignments blocking and had penalties all night long," Wood said. "We can watch our first two possessions, and we missed assignments that we worked on all the time that could have been touchdown plays."

The Chargers pulled off a long runback on the kickoff following Hay-Smith's field goal and eventually scored to pull within two points.

Marsing started its next drive on its own 30-yard line, but was pushed back 27 yards by penalties.

"Charlie (Galvez) had to punt out of the back of the end zone," Wood said.

Cole Valley's Jacob Booker scored on a 10-yard run 30 seconds before halftime for the decisive touchdown.

Wood seemed more frustrated at the loss of a goal than the loss of a game, though.

"I'm not worried about those guys," he said of his players. "I wanted more for them this season."

"They could have easily won out (in conference)."

The Huskies continue to battle injuries, which forced Wood and co-head coach Brad Hill to start two offensive linemen who haven't seen a lot of practice with the first team.

"We haven't started our two starting tackles (Yovani Zerapio and Gage Ramirez) for two games, and it kills you when those guys learn all the plays and then can't go," Wood said. "(The replacements) just don't have the reps."

The injury bug extends into the offensive backfield, which also creates platoon problems during games.

Tailback Austin Williams is still nursing a sore ankle, which Wood said has left him at about half-speed. The senior had only four yards on six rushes Friday, and Tristan Jacobi led the way with 71 of the Huskies' 121 rushing yards.

When Galvez moves from tight end to tailback to spell Williams, the Huskies lose experience at the end of the offensive line.

Even with the lack of depth, though, Wood said the Huskies moved the ball Friday night.

Marsing built a 6-0 lead when Garret Briggs caught a 12-yard

TD pass from quarterback Rodrigo Acuna.

Acuna completed eight of 15 passes for 152 yards. Wood said his one of the sophomore's two interceptions came late in the game when a pass slipped through receiver Les Loucks' hands.

"We have a good football team, and when they're blocking right and we run that offense right, we're fine," Wood said. "It's just when there's a letdown and someone misses an assignment."

"We moved the ball all night down the field. Rodrigo played really well, and then you get a penalty that kills it, or you miss a block. All those things weigh in."

— JPB

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week



Mariah Kinney, sr., volleyball

The Play — The team's setter; Kinney helped the Huskies break through for their first win Sept. 24 with a monster match against North Star Charter. She fired nine aces as part of her 19 service points and also dished 10 assists.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Oct. 4, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Oct. 4, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 4 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Thursday, Oct. 3, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Melba, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Thursday, Oct. 3, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Melba, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Thursday, Oct. 3, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Melba, 5 p.m.

Cross Country

Thursday, Oct. 3 at Western Idaho Conference meet, New Plymouth



Go Huskies!

Sports



The four seniors playing their final home matches for Rimrock High School were honored before last week's game against Wilder. The players standing with their parents are, from left, Jackie Prow, Kyla Jewett and twin sisters Mickie and Jackie Newman. Photo submitted by Amanda Lowe

Wilder sends Rimrock to fourth conference defeat



Jackie Prow makes a play against Wilder as fellow seniors Jackie and Mickie Newman prepare for a possible carom. Photo submitted by Amanda Lowe

Rimrock High School comes into Thursday's volleyball match against host Notus still in search of its first conference victory.

The Raiders dropped a 25-21, 25-20, 25-18 1A Western Idaho Conference decision to visiting Wilder on Thursday in Bruneau.

"The girls fought hard tonight," third-year Rimrock coach Amanda Nelson said after the match. "They played their best, and they really gave it their all tonight."

One of four seniors playing their final home matches, Kyla Jewett registered three kills and nine digs for the Raiders (1-6 overall, 0-4 in 1A WIC).

Teammate Jackie Newman led the team with four kills and added a block, while sophomore Analeise Mills had two kills and two blocks.

Wilder didn't provide statistics.

The Raiders have three matches left in the season before the 1A, Div. I District III Tournament begins on Oct. 15.

Wednesday: Compass Honors def. Rimrock, 3-0 — Melissa Rasmussen served seven aces to lead the visiting Aviators to a

victory in Bruneau.

Rasmussen and teammate Carlie Ball registered four kills each in a 25-16, 25-23, 25-14 victory.

Rimrock's Mickie Newman came up with four blocks and three kills, while Jackie Prow served an ace, dished five assists and had a dig.

"The girls fought hard tonight," Nelson said. "They were dedicated and tried their best tonight. They gave it their all."

Hailey Boman notched three kills, four assists and two digs for Rimrock.

Matika Rasmussen had a match-best six kills for Compass.

Sept. 23: Ambrose def. Rimrock, 3-1 — The Raiders couldn't sustain the momentum of a first-set victory, dropping a non-conference match in Boise, 21-25, 25-17, 25-17, 26-24.

Sophomores Sakota Hall and Mills notched four kills each, while Hall recorded an ace for Rimrock.

"The girls played hard and they tried to keep that consistency there, but we just got out-done," Nelson said.

Jordan Valley runs volleyball streak to five wins

Jordan Valley High School's fifth consecutive volleyball victory took all the fight the team could muster Friday.

"I was so proud of the Lady Stangs, as they fought to the every end," coach Sarah Carson said.

"Our intensity and teamwork helped us pull off the win."

Andi Warn had 15 kills, including four

tips over the net, as the Mustangs rallied from a mid-match letdown for a 25-17, 21-25, 23-25, 25-21, 15-11 1A High Desert League victory on the road against Prairie City.

Jordan Valley (5-2 overall, 2-0 in league) play host to Mitchell/Spray on Friday for a Homecoming match.

Carson said the Mustangs put together a

complete game to win their longest outing of the year.

Morgan Caywood added nine kills, four tips and five digs, while Zoey Warn and Andi Warn shared the team lead with seven digs each.

Jaci Larsen came through with four kills and also performed well at the back line.

"Jaci Larsen stepped up her serving this

game and got three ace serves and served really well under pressure," Carson said.

Alisha Rogers came through with four blocks and 22 assists.

"Our passing game was amazing, allowing for some great offensive plays," Carson said.

Sharayah Sausser had four kills to round out the offense.

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Sports

Owyhee Rope and Ride



Clockwise from left:
Owyhee Rope and Ride Top Hand Award winner RC Crutcher stands between award sponsors Doug Burgess, left, and Rick Mastrejuan.
The winning team in the ranch rodeo was TL Ranch featuring, from left, Jason Eiguren, RC Crutcher, John Schutte and Ira Walker.
Jordan Valley Rodeo Association member Dennis Stanford stands between horse roping winners Wyatt Stanford, left, and Nick Eiguren, both of whom are Jordan Valley High School students and who were among the youngest members of the Mustangs ranch rodeo team.
Heeler Matt Azevedo, left, and header Jared McFarlane roped in Saturday's ranch rodeo, helping Azevedo to second place in the team standings.
Photos by Tara Echave



15th annual Owyhee Rope and Ride results

Friday, Saturday and Sunday
At Jordan Valley Rodeo Arena

Big Loop cow roping — 1. Teo Maestresjuan and Randy Carson, 44.41 seconds, \$176 each; 2. Ed Olsen and Dennis Rutan, 44.72, \$144 each

Warm-up roping — 1. Sam Mackenzie and Gene Curtis, 16.01 seconds, \$229.50 each; 2. Jared McFarlane and Ryan Mackenzie, 16.05, \$168.30 each; 3. Tyrell Moore and Sammy Mackenzie, 18.78, \$112.20 each.
Fast times — First round: Sam Mackenzie and Gene Curtis, 7.48, \$45 each; Second round: Jared MacFarlane and Ryan Mackenzie, 9.35, \$45 each

Women's steer stopping — 1.

Michelle Rutan, 5.25 seconds, \$118.80; 2. Monel Shelly, 6.23, \$89.10; 3. Marcia Eiguren, 8.52, \$62.10

Mixed team branding — 1. Richard Eiguren Jr., Marcia Eiguren, Wyatt Stanford and Josh Mackenzie, 4.25 seconds, \$264 each; 2. Jessica Kelley, Nathan Kelley Sr., Martin Black and Jane Horka, 4.55, \$190 each; 3. Braden Fillmore, Mark Fillmore, Teo Maestresjuan and Marcia Eiguren, 5.18, \$132 each; 4. Brandi Lisle, Lee Stanford, Jackie Newman and Tub Blanthorn, 5.21, \$66 each

Last chance horse and muley roping — 1. Dirk Jim and Daxton Jim, \$1,100 each; 2. Mike Eiguren and Ryan Bruce, \$825 each; 3. Casey Brunson and Jason Ward,

\$550 each; 4. Jason Eiguren and Gene Curtis, \$275 each.
Fast times — First round: Dirk Jim and Daxton Jim, 8.08 seconds, \$100 each; Second round: Will Knight and RC Crutcher, 10.79, \$100 each

**Ranch rodeo
Team standings**

1. TL Ranch (Jason Eiguren, Ira Walker, John Schutte and RC Crutcher), \$440 each and felt halts donated by Oregon Trail Livestock Supply
2. Azevedo (Matt Azevedo, Jared MacFarlane, Marlow Eldridge and Casey Brunson), \$330 each and Monel stirrups donated by Jordan Valley Rodeo Board

3. Eiguren Ranch (Richard Eiguren Jr., Mike Eiguren, Shaun Lequerica and Teo Maestresjuan, \$230 each and halters donated by Jordan Valley Rodeo Board

Individual winners

Top hand award — RC Crutcher, TL Ranch (custom-made saddle donated by Ricardo's Saddlery and Burgess Angus)

Team roping — John Schutte and RC Crutcher, TL Ranch (headstalls donated by Leon Gage, Jordan Valley)

Big loop horse roping — Nick Eiguren and Wyatt Stanford, Mustangs (bed tarps donated by JV Café and made by Ken's Custom Canvas, Homedale)

Team steer mugging — Randy Carson, Tex Sutfin, Josh Bruce

and Bryan Grenke, JV Ranch (headstalls donated by Jordan Valley Rodeo Board)

Team doctoring — Jason Eiguren, Ira Walker, John Schutte and RC Crutcher, TL Ranch (mouth closers donated by Daniel Richards; ropes donated by Tips, Winnemucca; and D bar M Western Store, Reno)

Team branding — Ryan Mackenzie, Sammy Mackenzie, Sam Mackenzie and Josh Mackenzie, Mackenzie Ranch (headstalls donated by Ricardo's Saddlery, Winnemucca, Nev.)

Raffle winners

Four-wheeler — Lacey Kershner

Range teepee — Ed Dunlap

Marsing child a BMX force to be reckoned with

8-year-old ranked second in state

When Marsing third grader Robert Renteria, II, was 4 years old, he taught himself how to ride a bike. Now that he’s 8, he has been competing in high-stakes bicycle motocross, or BMX, for just more than two years.

In BMX competitions, racers are poised behind starting gates. When the gates drop, the racers pedal like mad up and down large and small ridges and around sharp, raised turns to the finish line.

The relatively new sport is growing in Idaho, but the state has yet to establish an indoor track where riders can practice year-round. This puts Idahoans at a disadvantage against states like Texas and California, where the weather permits practicing outdoors in any month.

Regardless, Robert and his dad, Rob, remain dedicated to the sport by competing throughout the year. Competitors must pay registration to enter into the American Bicycle Association, then they race in as many competitions as they please, accumulating points throughout the year to rank up.

Despite the fact that Rob Renteria works full-time for the

Golden Gate Highway District and is a full-time single father to Robert and his 14-year-old sister Makenna, his family somehow still finds time to travel to various parts of Idaho and the United States an average of four times a week to compete.

Their longest streak was 11 consecutive days of competition. “We were both ready to shut down for a little bit after that,” Rob said.

The Renterias recently returned from the state competition in Coeur d’Alene, where Robert placed second in his division. The youngster competes mostly in the four tracks around the valley — in Kuna, Eagle, Caldwell, and Mountain Home — but he and his father have their sights on the Silver Dollar Nationals Competition in Reno, Nev. in January.

“We compete when he wants to,” Dad said. “If he wants to race, we’ll race, no argument about it. But if I see that he’s getting worn out, we take a break for a day or two, but then after that, we’re right back on it.”

Young Robert’s passion for BMX seemed to crop up out of



Rob Renteria helps his son, Robert, adjust the seat on one of his two racing bikes.

nowhere, despite the fact that his father used to do it when he was young, too.

“One day, Robert came up to me and told me he wanted to start competing, so we did,” Rob said. Robert is part of BMX Cafferty Cyclery, which is a team for Cafferty’s Cyclery in Nampa. The young competitor has many sponsors, such as Alienation BMX, Profile Racing, and EVS — all recognizable names in BMX.

Sponsors help defray costs of repairs and competition, but the Renteria family still travels with teammates and other competitors to help reduce the cost of travel.

In the hundreds of races Robert has competed in, he has had two significant spills. One resulted in a busted lip and another hurt his finger, but no broken bones, yet. Breaking collar bones and fingers are the most common serious injuries in the sport, Rob said.

But he makes sure Robert is properly equipped with protective gear.

With more than 150 trophies, countless plaques and ribbons, Robert said this is just the beginning. He hopes to someday make a living with BMX.

Every time he begins a race, Robert said he is thinking about one thing.

“Winning.”

—RAD

Three Creek School back in session

Seven students enrolled; budget at \$338K

Dena Pollock’s second year as teacher at Three Creek School has begun with seven students enrolled.

In what has turned out to be a monthly newsletter during the school year, Pollock reports that the tiny school teaches two kindergarteners, two first-graders, a second-grader and two third-graders.

She also supplied a look at the 2013-14 school year budget for the school, which serves a tiny district straddling the Owyhee County-Twin Falls County line.

The Three Creek School will operate on a \$338,747 budget through June, with \$193,000 carrying forward from the 2012-13 budget.

The district will receive \$95,472 from the Idaho State Foundation. Property tax revenue from Owyhee County totals \$20,000, while Twin Falls taxpayers provide \$5,000.

The biggest expenses are \$37,650 for salary, \$10,000 for building repairs and maintenance and a \$17,166 payment on at 20-year, \$240,000 bond used to build the new gymnasium and storage room three years ago.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is planning a harvest event

in October, and the organization is still looking for a treasurer.

The PTO raised \$123 at the Twin Falls Community Yard Sale, and also benefits from the recycling bins for aluminum and metal recently placed at the school.

Inside the classroom, Accelerated Reading and Accelerated Math programs are accessed on student computers.

The school has received a \$4,500 technology grant from the state.

Pollock said the new technology will allow students to participate in interactive video lessons in the near future.

As part of the school’s safety lesson, a Bureau of Land Management fire crew visited the school with a fire truck carrying a 2,000-gallon water tank. Smokey the Bear also provided a lesson on how to prevent wildfires and fight them.

The school year’s first field trip to Jarbidge, Nev., taught the students about water sources and systems.

They toured the town’s water treatment facility and finished the day by selecting something to take home from the Jarbidge Gift Shop.

Rimrock Homecoming in full swing

Tailgate party precedes Friday’s 6 p.m. kickoff

Rimrock High School kicked off its Homecoming festivities Tuesday with Lazy Day.

The students will continue their celebration leading up to Friday’s football game with Twin Day today, Crazy Day on Thursday and Spirit Day on Friday.

Homecoming royalty candidates include:

Senior court — Veronica Gomez, Kyla Jewett and Mickie Newman (queen candidates) and Torsten Pearson, Ramon Salinas and Cody Steele (king candidates)

The Homecoming king and queen will be announced at halftime of Friday’s non-conference football against Rockland.

Junior prince/princess — Ana Gomez and Kaleb Burbank

Sophomore prince/princess — SaKota Hall and Anthony Mowry

Freshman prince/princess — Madison Burbank and Samuel Simper

Rimrock’s Homecoming isn’t just for the students or confined to the high school, though. Today, the annual community pole decorating contest will be held.

Before Friday’s game, the students’ parents will sponsor a tailgating party.

The tailgating party begins at 5 p.m. at the football field and features a powder puff game, soccer game and pep assembly.

The Raiders football team takes the field at 6 p.m.

While the community doesn’t hold a parade, Homecoming floats will be displayed at the football field at halftime. Each class will decorate their float, and the Homecoming royalty from each class will ride on their respective floats.

After the game, a Homecoming dance will go from 8:30 p.m. to 1 p.m.



Rimrock High School students got into the spirit a little early at last week’s Senior Night volleyball match. From left: Nick Bennett, Dallin Mills, Samuel Simper, Taylor Pearson and Zai Lowe. Photo submitted by Amanda Lowe

HOLIDAY BUFFETS

Taste and Look More Festive with Grapes

FAMILY FEATURES

Clusters of colorful grapes are traditional additions to many holiday tables. Whether they are used for a centerpiece, a garnish for the main course (think turkey, crown roast of pork, baked ham) or a “must” addition to a fruit and cheese plate, grapes offer beauty, flavor and freshness to the season.

But there are many other ways to add grapes to special meals and party fare. The recipes included here are easy-to-make, beautiful and tasty examples of unique ways to prepare and serve grapes. Luckily, many varieties of fresh grapes from California are available throughout the holiday season and into January. For more recipes and serving suggestions, visit www.grapesfromcalifornia.com.

Grape Tuxedo Bites, 3 Ways

Sometimes, the amount of cookies and other sweets served during the holidays can be overwhelming. Grape Tuxedo Bites 3 Ways are the exception. These three recipes, featuring white and dark chocolate, caramel, toffee bits, almonds and peanuts, are definitely rich, but because the center of each is a refreshing, juicy grape, they avoid being overly sweet.

Chocolate Toffee Grapes

- Makes 25
- 25 green or red seedless California grapes
 - 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips or chopped semisweet chocolate
 - 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped toffee bits

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with wax paper or parchment.

In small double boiler, melt chocolate and oil together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes (or in microwave on high power 30 seconds, stirring once). Dip grapes in chocolate and then in toffee. Place on baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

Nutritional analysis per dipped grape: Calories 47; Protein .5 g; Carbohydrate 6 g; Fat 3 g; 48% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 2 mg; Sodium 20 mg; Potassium 22 mg; Fiber .24 g

White Chocolate Almond Grapes

- Makes 25
- 25 green or red seedless California grapes
 - 1/2 cup white chocolate chips or chopped white chocolate
 - 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped salted almonds

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with wax paper or parchment.

In small double boiler, melt chocolate and oil together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes (or in microwave on high power 30 seconds, stirring once). Dip grapes in chocolate and then in almonds. Place on baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

Nutritional analysis per dipped grape: Calories 48; Protein 1 g; Carbohydrate 4 g; Fat 3.5 g; 61% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol .71 mg; Sodium 17 mg; Potassium 49 mg; Fiber .5 g

Caramel Peanut Grapes

- Makes 25
- 25 green seedless California grapes
 - 1/2 cup finely chopped salted peanuts
 - 1/2 cup caramel bits or 10 unwrapped caramels
 - 1 tablespoon heavy cream

Put toothpicks into grapes, set aside. Line baking sheet with parchment. Place peanuts in small bowl and set aside. In small saucepan, melt caramel and cream together over medium-low heat, stirring until melted, about 5 minutes. Keep warm. Dip grapes in caramel and then in nuts. Place on baking sheet lined with wax paper or parchment. Repeat until all grapes are used. Chill until set.

Note: You can also melt caramel in microwave. Put caramels in microwaveable bowl or glass measure and zap on high 30 seconds. Stir until smooth and zap an additional 20 seconds if necessary.

Nutritional analysis per dipped grape: Calories 38; Protein 1 g; Carbohydrate 4.5 g; Fat 2 g; 46% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 1 mg; Sodium 19 mg; Potassium 8 mg; Fiber .3 g



Grape Relish

For a small holiday party, a festive assortment of cheeses, meats, breads and crackers is an easy solution. This pretty Grape Relish provides the perfect foil to the rich assortment, combining sweet, tart and aromatic elements. The relish is also a wonderful accompaniment to poultry dishes, too.

- Servings: 8
- 2 cups finely chopped red and green seedless California grapes
 - 2 tablespoons minced shallot
 - 2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme
 - 1 tablespoon sherry vinegar
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons sugar
 - 1 teaspoon safflower or vegetable oil
 - 1/4 teaspoon each salt and freshly ground pepper
 - 1 baguette, sliced thinly

In medium bowl, combine chopped grapes, shallot, thyme, vinegar, sugar, oil, salt and pepper. Transfer to small serving bowl and set aside. Makes 2 cups.

To make crostini, preheat oven to 350°F. Spread baguette slices on baking sheet and toast until crisp, about 10 minutes. Let cool.

Nutritional analysis per 1/4 cup grape relish: Calories 27; Protein .3 g; Carbohydrate 6 g; Fat .63 g; 19% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 74 mg; Potassium 57 mg; Fiber .3 g

Suggested buffet platter selections to accompany relish: Crostini, ham, sliced duck breast, pâtés, additional grape clusters, assorted mustards in small condiment bowls or custard cups and cheeses, such as St. Andre, Manchego, aged cheddar or goat cheese.



Grape Roquefort Canapés

The welcome combination of grapes, cheese and nuts on holiday buffet platters is fairly common, but these tasty Grape Roquefort Canapés roll all three altogether in one simple bite-sized serving. Creamy cheeses, with the distinctive bite of Roquefort, the juicy sweetness of grapes, the crunch of nuts and the anise hint from the tarragon are just the kind of easy-to-eat appetizer that quickly satisfies without being heavy. Plus, they're very elegant.

- Makes 20
- 1/4 cup cream cheese, softened
 - 1/4 cup crumbled Roquefort or other blue cheese, at room temperature
 - 1/4 cup heavy cream
 - 1 tablespoon chopped tarragon
 - 20 red seedless California grapes
 - 1/3 cup finely chopped toasted pistachios or toasted walnuts

Line small baking sheet with waxed or parchment paper. Set aside.

In small food processor (or mix by hand), combine cream cheese, Roquefort, heavy cream and tarragon until well mixed. Transfer to medium bowl and stir in grapes. Put nuts in small bowl. With tablespoon, scoop up grape and gently coat in cheese mixture. Roll in nuts and place on prepared baking sheet. Refrigerate 2 to 3 hours and serve.

Goat Cheese Variation: Substitute 1/4 cup soft goat cheese for Roquefort; 1/4 cup finely cut chives for tarragon; and 1/4 cup toasted chopped pecans for pistachios.

Nutritional analysis per canapé: Calories 42; Protein .9 g; Carbohydrate 1.4 g; Fat 4 g; 79% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 9 mg; Sodium 34 mg; Potassium 30 mg; Fiber .2 g

Set a sparkling table with frosted grapes

Set amid a selection of other treats, frosted grapes make quite an impression. Delicate, but ever so tempting, these easy-to-make beauties are also a lovely garnish atop cakes and custards.

Frosted Grapes

- 2 pounds seedless California grapes, cut into 2- to 4-inch clusters
- 2 large egg whites, beaten or 1/4 cup pasteurized liquid egg whites
- 1 cup superfine granulated sugar

Hold one grape cluster by the stem and brush lightly with egg whites. Transfer to rack set over wax paper, then sprinkle with sugar. Using fingers, turn cluster to lightly coat. Gently shake off excess sugar. Repeat with remaining clusters. Let grapes dry, uncovered, at room temperature, about 2 hours.



Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

October 5, 1988

Owyhee slated for federal payments
Owyhee County is slated to receive \$342,000 under the U.S. Department of Interior’s Payments-in Lieu-of-Taxes compensation program for 1988, according to First District Congressman Larry Craig.
Administered by the Bureau of Land Management, the funds are to help compensate the county for non-taxable Federal lands within its boundaries. The payments are authorized by Congress for counties and local governments with large portions of Federal tax-exempt lands. Counties can use the compensation payments in the same manner as general tax revenues, Craig said.

Notification of water rights adjudication coming soon
The week of Oct. 3 is the date set for Owyhee County property owners to be notified of the requirement to file a Notice of Claim to water rights in the Snake River Basin water right adjudication through the bureau of the Idaho Department of Water Resources.
Owyhee County joins 13 other Idaho counties which have been served notice in the historic water rights litigation. About 5,000 property owners in Owyhee County will receive the notice, Shaw said. In all, 38 out of Idaho’s 44 counties will be affected by the adjudication, Shaw said.
The Snake River Basin Adjudication (SRBA) is the result of 1985 legislation ratifying the Swan Falls agreement. The court order commencing the SRBA called for the identification of all existing uses of water from the Wyoming border to where the Snake River leaves the state at Lewiston.
Shaw said the SRBA is a court action which will accurately identify all uses of water as of November 19, 1987, the date the adjudication commenced. The SRBA will join all water users together in litigation so that no future challenges may be made to an SRBA-decreed water right. The final court decree will secure ownership of water rights and allow the state to better administer water from the Snake River and all its tributaries in Idaho, Shaw said.
The Idaho Supreme Court appointed Judge Daniel C. Hurlbutt, Jr. of the Fifth Judicial District in Twin Falls to preside over the adjudication.

Homedale tapped for enrollment in Gem Communities
Homedale is among 15 cities and counties in the Idaho GEM Communities program, Governor Cecil D. Andrus has announced.
The city’s selection had been pushed by the Homedale Economic Task Force in cooperation with the local Mayor, City Council, Chamber of Commerce and the Ida-Ore Planning Development Association in Boise.
It paves the way for local leaders to receive direct training and technical assistance from the Idaho Department of Commerce and other state specialists aimed at creating an economic development program for Homedale.
It also should lead to additional benefits from the state next year after the local leadership has completed training and other requirements in order to certify Homedale as a GEM Community.
The benefits should include a \$1,000 matching grant from the state to help implement economic development, road signs for posting at city borders announcing Homedale as a GEM Community, mention of the city in state promotional advertising and other publicity to enhance the city’s ability to attract new industries here.

Trojans to stalk Panthers this Friday
Coach Jim McMillan is predicting that Friday night’s upcoming confrontation between the Homedale Trojans (5-0) and the Parma Panthers (4-2) at Parma will be “a hard-hitting, intense game.” McMillan is looking for the Panthers to be “a real good defensive team.”
Maybe so, but the Kuna Kavemen, more of those A-2 division guys, were supposed to have a pretty good defense and would up getting their firewood doused with a 0 strike rate against Homedale’s 24 fiery firebrands piled on the scoreboard.

50 years ago

October 3, 1963

Trojans outscore Pilgrims 33-27 in SRV-B contest
Lester Cochran scored three touchdowns for New Plymouth Friday night but it wasn’t enough to pull the Pilgrims from behind and they dropped a 33-27 decision to visiting Homedale.
Floyd Breach scored two touchdowns and a pair of extra points for Homedale in the SRV-B league contest.

BLM crews stop brush fire near DeLamar Sunday
Bureau of Land Management fire crews aided by local ranchers controlled a 1,200-acre fire in heavy brush and grass Sunday near the ghost mining town of DeLamar 22 miles west of Murphy.
The fire was controlled at 7am after an all-night battle, but about 70 men remained on the lines to finish the job. Origin of the blaze was not determined but no lightning was reported in the area.
The BLM fire dispatcher said the fire, unusually large for this late in the season, got into some juniper trees. It was about three miles west of DeLamar toward Sheaville.
Another four-acre fire broke out in the same area Sunday but was soon controlled.
Fighting the large fire was a 50-man Mexican crew, 25 other BLM firefighters and the ranchers.

New telephone service for J.V. due January 1st
Adequate telephone service soon will be available for the first time for about 170 families throughout the southern area of Malheur County, according to Jonel C. Hill, Oregon’s public utility commissioner.
He said, “I have pressed for a better communication-system for the people in the Jordan Valley area of Malheur County to replace the limited radio-telephone service they have been using.
“I am pleased to announce that the Owyhee Telephone Company will complete construction of about 200 miles of pole lines into this vast area and will make modern dial-telephone service available on or before Jan. 1, 1964.
“The company is now completing a central office in Jordan Valley that will also provide dial service at Danner, Arock, Rome and surrounding territories,” according to Harper Saunders, Homedale manager.

Caldwell C of C passes new bridge resolution
The Caldwell Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night passed a resolution favoring the construction of a new bridge on US 95 across the Snake River between Owyhee and Canyon counties and the retaining of the existing route of US 95 through Homedale.
The Chamber, following a request from the Homedale Chamber of Commerce, passed the resolution directed to the Idaho Department of Highways.
The bridge would be in the same or in substantially the same location as the existing bridge at Homedale “to best serve the needs of the residents of Canyon and Owyhee counties, and the needs of the traveling public generally and will avert substantial economic loss to the residents and property owners of Homedale and the area immediately adjacent thereto in Owyhee and Canyon counties,” the resolution said.
The present bridge is inadequate and “constitutes a dangerous hazard,” the Chamber said.
The local Chamber also asked that in case of any rebuilding and improving of US 95 the present highway through Homedale be retained.

World Series draws attention of Kiwanians
No program was held at the regular Wednesday noon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis club as members listened to the closing innings of the first game of the World Series in which the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the New York Yankees 5-2.
Vic Uria urged that calendar orders be turned into him so work of compiling the calendar could be started Wednesday evening at President Jim Duncan’s office.

140 years ago

October 4, 1873

ANOTHER STAGE ROBBERY. On Saturday night last, the stage running from Battle Mountain to Austin was stopped in the canyon near Vicker’s station by three men, who made the passengers remain inside while they broke open Wells, Fargo & Co’s express box and took its contents – about \$200. They did not molest the passengers. They were all armed and appeared to be new at the business. It is thought that they are the same party of robbers who attacked the Winnemucca stage on the night of September 21st.

OUR NEW MAGAZINE. The first number of our new magazine, entitled “Old Hill’s Monthly Souvenir,” is now ready for distribution. The price of the publication is \$3 per annum, in advance; single copies, 50 cts. Sam. Heidelberger is our canvassing agent, and will immediately call upon everybody to subscribe. Single copies can be had of C. S. Leonard, at the Post office. The “Souvenir” is a permanent concern, and should we receive sufficient encouragement, in the way of subscriptions and advertisements, we will make it even better than it is at present. We flatter our self that the enterprise will reflect credit on Silver City, and aid the camp generally in more ways than one.

RAILROADS AS WEATHER-BREEDERS. A correspondent of the New York Graphic writing from Ogden, Utah, remarks that in view of the wonderful climate changes now going on along the lines of the great railways crossing the plains, it is impossible to imagine a probable limit to the vast area which may here within a few years be deemed among the best portions of our country for the purposes of agriculture. The secret of this transformation from a desert to a fertile plain is contained in five words – the railroad has brought rain. No element was wanting on the Earth itself, nor was aught in excess to enforce sterility, but everywhere there was drought. In the hot dust nothing grew but stunted hardy grass and sage brush. All seemed desolation and utter hopelessness. Wherever irrigation was tried, its success exceeded the most sanguine expectations in developing an almost miraculous productiveness in the soil. No enthusiast dared, however, to dream of the possibility of artificial irrigation over all this enormous expense. Rivers entering here would have been drunk up by the thirsty earth and sky long ere they could have reached its center. Yet man’s work has irrigated this land by an unexpected means. The railroad has brought rain. To the electrical influence of these long lines of iron between east and west, some attribute the change. By others it is affirmed that the effect has been produced by merely the displacement of the atmosphere, caused by the numerous heavy and swiftly rushing trains. Be the cause what it may, the fact remains the same – that, year by year, since the Union Pacific railroad has been operated, the rainfall has steadily increased, until this season it has become, so far at least as the road is concerned, a decided nuisance. Who of the projectors of this road ever imagined that a time would come when its trains would be delayed in the plains by the overflow of water from violent rain storms, covering the track, and in places even sweeping it way? Such has, however, been the fact this spring. Trains have been as much as twelve and even fifteen hours behind time from this cause along. The result of this rainfall is already to be seen in the settlement of the country along the route. When first the Union Pacific was opened to travel, one would ride all the long day through without seeing a human habitation, except at the miserable stations where trains were “side-tracked,” coal taken on, or water drawn from wells of great depth. Now, as far west as Cheyenne, houses are scattered all along, fields are seen in a flourishing state of cultivation, and numerous herds of cattle prove how well the grazers have found the country adapted to their wants.

A REVOLUTION IN ICELAND. The Danish papers report that an extensive political aspiration has begun in Iceland with the object of effecting a complete separation of that island from Denmark.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense
A diesel wreck

It's been said, "Free advice is always worth more than advice you have to pay for." Barb said she remembered a time when farmers used what we call today "alternative medicine" on themselves and their animals. They had lots of uncles, medicine men and quacks to seek advice from. One gave himself a cow dose of penicillin and another one poured Coppertox on a sore. They both survived. Then there was the story from the old days, about the two brothers whose dad bought a 700-pound Brahma bull at the sale in Eau Claire. On arrival at the farm, Dad diagnosed that the critter had lice. Lots of us save our used motor oil for a variety of uses: on the gravel drive, painting corrals, warts or cat repulser. He told the boys to "oil him down."

Junior, the older brother, couldn't find any motor oil; they'd used it up on an ol' pony treating him for thrush. Looking around for a medical substitute, he laid eyes on the big diesel tank. He reasoned that diesel is an oil, or a product of oil and, thus, would be as good as used motor oil for louse treatment.

He instructed his younger brother to pour a pint into their hand sprayer and spray the bull thoroughly. An hour later Dad came up from the corral and asked, "What's wrong with the new bull?" Junior allowed he had put oil on him, just like they'd been ordered, then added that it was diesel.

They all went down to examine the bull, and he looked like he had been rained on with black molasses! The poor bull was breathing in gasps and was weaving.

"We got to get that off him!" said Dad, alarmed. The boys led the bull over to the spigot, got buckets and a hose and, as Dad watched, they began the bull wash. Mom had a bottle of Dawn dish soap. They hosed and scrubbed and rubbed and sprayed for an hour until the bull began to recover, then did another 30 minutes to be sure.

When they finished, according to Dad, the bull looked cleaner and calmer. He still smelled like diesel so they powdered him with Johnson's Baby Powder. He smelled like a newborn when they finally were done!

The bull survived his bout with "alternative medicine." Six months went by. He now weighed more than 1,000 pounds and was sleek and fat. They sold him to a local rodeo producer and told him the infamous "Lice Treatment" story.

You can guess what they named him. "And now, out of chute No. 2 rodeo's answer to the Dodge 2500 6-Cylinder Cummins Turbo, the one and only Diesel Dawn!"

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the Nov. 5 elections until noon on Friday, Oct. 25.

The usual letters to the editor guidelines apply, including letters must be no more than 300 words and letters must include contact information, including a phone number, of the letter-writer. Submit by:

- Email to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
 - Fax to (208) 337-4867
 - Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
 - Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale
- For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Could the tide turn with BLM?



Call me an eternal optimist, but there may be hope yet for the Bureau of Land Management.

I know, I know. Elsewhere in this week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche, reporter Rebecca DeLeon details the latest federal thorn in the county's side, namely the perceived feet-dragging by local BLM officials on the sticky Owyhee Resource Area grazing permit renewals.

And, yes, Congress still hasn't resolved the tenuous state of the Payment in Lieu of Taxes issue.

But I truly believe there could be light at the end of the tunnel — if the stars align and other celestial rarities develop.

I don't think a certain region south of Purgatory must ice over before federal officials come to their senses and understand the plight of the western rancher.

It's true, I may be a little pollyannish here, but the reason for my optimism — of all things — is something that could happen in the very near future in Washington D.C. involving a man who used to work for the Senate majority leader and who has now been nominated to run the BLM by a Democratic president.

Stay with me on this; after all, the ray of hope was illuminated by one simple statement from a staffer in a

Republican senator's office.

Neil Kornze is a Nevadan who spent eight years advising Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.) — I know, I know — on public lands, mining and wildlife issues.

The 34-year-old Kornze left Reid's employ to work for the BLM in 2011 and has been acting national director since Bob Pool departed in February.

Now, he's up for Senate confirmation, which might mean something cautiously positive for Owyhee County ranchers.

"Kornze knows the Initiative inside and out, and that's probably a good thing," Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) communications director Lindsay Nothern said.

Of course, having a bureaucrat who is familiar with the Initiative process and its value to the Owyhee way of life and getting a few hundred under-informed congressmen to follow along are two vastly different prospects.

Case in point: Congress was able to take another step in getting needed county payments for rural timber counties with passage of the Helium Stewardship Act last Wednesday. To get that piece of the pie, the idea of mandatory PILT payments for Owyhee and other counties

— See **BLM**, Page 11B

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
Citizens' input on issues
continues to be important



I recently held my third tele-townhall meeting of the year. These regular meetings are one of the ways I hear the insights of Idahoans. I value this input greatly.

The primary purpose of the tele-townhall meeting held on Sept. 18 was to discuss issues before Congress this fall. This includes discussions about new gun restrictions, engagement with Syria and federal budgeting issues. During the tele-townhall, I heard concern about Congress' inability to enact a budget and questions about other issues affecting the fiscal crisis. It is past time for Congress, like many American families and small businesses, to have a budget by which it operates. Without that budget, we do not have the procedural abilities to force Congress to live within its means, prompting year-end battles, like the continuing resolution and debt ceiling battles, which are not the proper ways for Congress to make policy.

Our national debt is \$17 trillion and growing. Congress has not effectively dealt with the federal spending problem, and we continue to face demands for increased taxes rather than controlled spending. To grow our economy and reduce our deficit, we must enact a comprehensive plan that stops federal deficit spending and provides the necessary tax and entitlement program reform to put our nation on a more competitive fiscal path.

Additionally, we discussed efforts by some to enact additional gun restrictions. The tragic Washington, D.C., Navy Yard shooting launched a renewed engagement in further gun control efforts. I strongly oppose further gun control measures at the federal level. Rather, we need to address the true causes of violence and not continue to restrict the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens. Focus must be on improving earlier identification of mental illness threats, stronger and more effective intervention and improved prevention.

I heard concern about U.S. engagement in Syria. The only time that the U.S. should be engaged militarily against other nations is when our national security requires it. At this time, the justification has not been made for military

action in Syria. The president agreed to work to try to find a way to bring about Syria's voluntary compliance with chemical weapons bans. This is the appropriate direction toward resolution of the issue, but let's not forget with whom we are dealing.

I also heard from a small business owner frustrated with tax increases affecting the ability of small business owners to operate their businesses. I am deeply concerned about increased taxes on America's small businesses restricting business activity and resulting in shrinkage of our economy. I will continue to fight for reform of our tax code, in which we simplify the code, broaden our base, lower tax rates and make America stronger and more competitive.

We also discussed questions about Obamacare, energy policy, oversight of the Federal Reserve, immigration laws, accountability for government agencies and gridlock in Congress.

To listen to the audio from this tele-townhall and past tele-townhall meetings and sign up for future tele-townhall meetings, please visit my website, <http://www.crapo.senate.gov>. The website also provides information about accessing my Facebook and YouTube pages and includes a link to follow me on Twitter. Information on contacting me via email, phone and mailing addresses can also be found on my homepage.

This website also features audio of teleconferences, recent correspondence on top issues, links to legislation and other resources to assist Idahoans who need help with federal agencies.

The input of Idahoans is very valuable as we tackle significant national challenges. I thank the many Idahoans who take time to be engaged in strengthening our nation. Please continue to contact me and share your thoughts and ideas.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. Crapo is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Commentary

Financial management

Don't sacrifice health insurance to pay off debt

Dear Dave,
Is it ever OK to stop paying or drop health insurance altogether in order to pay off debt?
— Shauna



Dear Shauna,
No! The No. 1 cause of bankruptcy in America today is medical bills, and credit card debt is a close second. That doesn't mean medical bills only of the uninsured. It also includes money from co-payments, deductibles and the fact that people didn't have any savings. One accident or unexpected event can leave you with thousands of dollars in medical bills, and that's even with a good health insurance policy. I don't want anyone walking around without health insurance.

But I'm not talking about the Affordable Care Act and all the other mandated crap the government is trying to shove down our throats. I'm talking about a solid health insurance plan along with having some money saved. Do this first *then* you can have all the philosophical discussions you want about whether or not you're supposed to pay for someone else's healthcare and upkeep. At the end of the day, it's

absolutely vital that you have your own health insurance. I hope I haven't been unclear on this topic!
—Dave

Dear Dave,
I have \$400 in debt on a credit card, and I haven't made a payment on it in about two years. The debt has been sold several times, and now the amount they're asking for is over \$1,000. I'd like to work something out, but how do I know the collection company that is calling me now is legitimate?
— Lorenzo

Dear Lorenzo,
It's normal for a debt this old to have been sold a few times. My guess is the company that's

calling you is legit, and they probably bought the debt for pennies on the dollar. Whatever you do, don't set up a payment arrangement. They're asking for over \$1,000 because they've added stuff like late charges and interest. Let's go back to the original amount of \$400 and see if they'll accept a one-time, cash payment to settle things. Make sure you get it in writing if they accept and don't give them a dime until *after* you get the written agreement. Then, once you have the agreement, send them \$400. Do not, under any circumstances, give them electronic access to your checking account. You've waited a long time to take care of this, and in the

process you've made things more difficult. I'm glad you've decided to clean up your mess, though. Late is better than never, Lorenzo. Just remember, you're still responsible for debts you incur — even if the company you originally borrowed from has sold it to someone else!
— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books: *Financial Peace*, *More Than Enough*, *The Total Money Makeover* and *EntreLeadership*. *The Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 5 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Letter to the editor

Letter-writer criticizes idea to show class 9/11 film

Your Sept. 18 issue had an article, "9/11 remembrance."
Is Lisa Rittenhouse going to show a documentary of carnage from our drone bombs to a select group of schoolchildren, like she did with the 9/11 documentary?
Is her agenda to create a society of victims or a society of free thinkers?
Steve Richards
Homedale

✓BLM: Maybe man from West can change hearts, minds in D.C.

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that also carry the burden of federal lands had to be sacrificed (for now; Nothern says Crapo and others are still hard at work to remove the discretionary specter from the payments for the five-year rider ends next October).
Still, considering the difficulties that seem to emanate from the BLM's Washington D.C. office on everything from the Owyhee permits to the Gateway West powerline siting, maybe a fresh, young mind from the West can begin to make a difference.
I understand there are a few holes in this theory. After all, the man who sat in the top BLM chair before Pool — Bob Abbey — was a Nevadan, and, although he did visit Idaho during his tenure to celebrate the collaborative nature of the Initiative, there didn't seem to be much progress on any front.
There is one big difference between the two Silver Staters — Abbey is from Las Vegas, while Kornze hails from the more palatable Elko County.
But one would hope that men like Abbey and Kornze who are from the West may have been close enough to glean some actionable compassion for cattlemen as well as know how important they are in keeping some part of Americans' cost of living at a reasonable level.
Hey, a guy can dream, can't he?

Vision and Values

Progressives' crusade against tax cuts ignores history of success

by Dr. Paul G. Kengor
There's an ongoing effort by President Obama and fellow "progressives" not only to continue to blame George W. Bush for every economic woe facing America — even as every economic indicator is far worse under Obama — but to permanently discredit the value of tax cuts. Tax cuts are an unmitigated evil that progressive crusaders must forever exorcise.
For President Obama and his allies, this is a project they're taking back to the Reagan years, starting with an assault on President Reagan's enormously successful 1981 tax cuts. Their campaign, however, can't end with Reagan. They need to venture way back to Andrew Mellon in the 1920s.
Mellon was Treasury secretary throughout the Republican administrations that followed Woodrow Wilson's exit from the White House in 1921. He was a superb Treasury secretary, with few peers before or since.
Unemployment under Wilson's "progressive" presidency had hit almost 12 percent. In 1921, the newly inaugurated president was Republican Warren Harding. As Harding's Treasury secretary, Mellon argued against spending increases as "stimulus" for economic growth and, instead, pushed for tax rate cuts. It was a Reagan-like move, with Reagan-like results. By 1923, unemployment dropped to under 3 percent, where it (roughly) remained throughout the 1920s under Harding and his Republican successor, Calvin Coolidge.
The economy did not begin its crash and sustained slide until the presidencies of Herbert Hoover, a Republican, and FDR, a Democrat. Both Hoover and FDR jacked tax rates through the roof. The federal tax rate on income reached a breathtaking 94 percent under FDR. As historian Burt Folsom shows, FDR actually considered raising the upper rate to 99.5 percent on income above \$100,000. (Yes, you read that right.)
FDR, for the record, despised Andrew Mellon. He subjected Mellon to an intense, intrusive investigation of his income-tax returns, pursuing him to his deathbed. FDR had a vendetta against Mellon's entire philosophy on taxation. It became personal as well as political.
Here's a Mellon insight that FDR no doubt detested: "It seems difficult for some to understand that high rates

of taxation do not necessarily mean large revenue to the government, and that more revenue may often be obtained by lower rates."
FDR certainly didn't understand, though his Treasury secretary, Henry Morgenthau, eventually came to that conclusion. "We have tried spending money," Morgenthau said. "We are spending more than we have ever spent before, and it does not work. ... I say after eight years of this administration we have just as much unemployment as when we started. ... And an enormous debt to boot!"
Morgenthau figured out what Andrew Mellon already knew. Said Mellon: "The problem of government is to fix rates which will bring in a maximum amount of revenue to the Treasury and at the same time bear not too heavily on the taxpayer or on business enterprises."
And so, during the Harding and Coolidge administrations, Mellon succeeded in promoting tax-rate cuts rates across the board, with upper-income rates reduced from 73 to 24 percent. The cuts were very similar to Reagan's in the 1980s. And like under Reagan — and contrary to liberal mythology — total tax revenue to the Treasury actually increased.
Under Reagan, federal revenue rose from \$599 billion to almost \$1 trillion. Under Mellon's stewardship in the 1920s, revenue went from \$700 million to above \$1 billion. And unlike under Reagan, Mellon's policies eliminated the budget deficit. (Coolidge was able and willing to cut spending where Reagan did not.)
For President Obama and his fellow liberals, these are inconvenient, unwelcome facts. They believe they need higher taxes to feed and sustain their government class. Democrats are banking on that government class — which they want to expand and unionize — to keep them in power not another four years but another 40 years.
Tax cuts are anathema to our president and progressives. And so is the wisdom of Andrew Mellon.
— This column first appeared in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review. Dr. Paul G. Kengor is professor of political science at Grove City College, executive director of The Center for Vision & Values, and New York Times best-selling author of the book, "The Communist: Frank Marshall Davis, The Untold Story of Barack Obama's Mentor."

Public notices

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

On October 23, 2013 beginning at 10:00 AM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho on the following matter at the time listed below.

Beginning at 10:00 am, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Kristi Bryn Johnstone seeking to establish a single-family residence for her parents on an 80 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP03N05W310001A. The property is located at off Old Sullivan Road approximately 3 ½ miles southwest of Homedale. The property is in an Agricultural zone, located in the E ½ of the NE ¼ of Section 31, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Copies of the proposed projects are available for review in the Planning and Zoning office. For additional information please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095 ext. 2. 10/2/13

NOTICE OF MEETING & TIME CHANGE

THE REGULAR HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR Oct. 2nd HAS BEEN CHANGED.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, Oct. 9th 2013, AT THE HIGHWAY DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED AT 102 E. COLORADO IN HOMEDALE, AT 7 P.M.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE REGULAR MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT 7 P.M. DURING THE MONTHS OF OCT. 2013, THROUGH MARCH, 2014.

DATED THIS 24TH DAY OF Sept., 2013
Terri Uria, Secretary
10/2/13

NOTICE OF DEFAULT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, is the Successor Trustee under the Deed of or Transfer in Trust executed by ALAN DETAR AND SUSAN DETAR, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to

PIONEER TITLE COMANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, in favor of HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, AN IDAHO LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, as Beneficiary, dated 9/20/2004, recorded 9/28/2004, under Instrument No. 249395, records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, AN IDAHO LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. Said Deed of Trust covers real property situated in said County, described as follows:

ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT ‘A’ AND INCORPORATED HEREIN AS THOUGH FULLY SET FORTH.

The Trustee hereby gives notice that a breach of the obligation for which such transfer is security has occurred, the nature of such breach is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 9/20/2004, THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 2/24/2010 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$65,334.10, together with interest thereon at 6.000% per annum from 9/6/2012, until paid.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED: 9/12/2013
Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services
Trustee By Ronald W. Jantzen, Vice President
Exhibit “A”

This parcel is a portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence

South 0° 20’ 13” East along the West boundary of said Government Lot 3 a distance of 311.80 feet to a point on the Southerly boundary for Hidden Valley Road as shown on the plat

for HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES; filed as Instrument No. 214934, Records of Owyhee County, Idaho; said point is the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence traversing said road boundary as follows:

South 43° 16’ 03” East a distance of 40.00 feet; Southeasterly 31.42 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 89° 59’ 56”, a radius of 20.00 feet and a long chord which bears

South 88° 16’ 01” East a distance of 28.28 feet;

South 43° 16’ 01” East a distance of 17.28 feet;

Southeasterly 171.97 feet along the arc of a curve to the left having a central angle of 56° 03’ 38”, a radius of 175.75 feet, and a long chord which bears

South 71° 17’ 51” East a distance of 165.19 feet;

Southeasterly 177.57 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 54° 54’ 44”, a radius of 185.28 feet and a long chord which bears

South 71° 52’ 19” East a distance of 170.85 feet;

South 44° 24’ 59” East a distance of 224.34 feet;

Southeasterly 171.59 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 37° 43’ 12”, a radius of 260.64 feet and a long chord which bears

South 25° 33’ 23” East a distance of 168.51 feet;

South 6° 41’ ~ 47” East a distance of 161.43 feet; thence leaving said road boundary and bearing

South 77° 36’ 42” West a distance of 645.46 feet to a point on said West boundary; thence

North 00° 20’ 13” West along said West boundary a distance of 759.77 feet to the

TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

This parcel is subject to a 10.00 foot wide utility easement along the Southerly boundary and is subject to and includes use of a 50.00 foot wide road and utility easement described as follows:

COMMENCING at the Northwest corner of Government Lot 3 of Section 23, Township 2 North, Range 4 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence

South 0° 20’ 13” East along the West boundary of said Government Lot 3 a distance of 311.80 feet to a point on the Southerly boundary for Hidden Valley Road as shown on the plat for HIDDEN VALLEY ESTATES, filed as Instrument No. 214934,

Records of Owyhee County, Idaho; said point is the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING for said easement; thence traversing said road boundary as follows:

South 43° 16’ 03” East a distance of 40.00 feet; Northeasterly 24.47 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 70° 06’ 09”, a radius of 20.00 feet and a long chord which bears

North 81° 47’ 06” East a distance of 22.97 feet;

South 0° 20’ 13” East parallel with said West boundary a distance of 1341.93 feet;

Southwesterly 235.62 feet along the arc of a curve to the right having a central angle of 270° 00’ 00”, a radius of 50.00 feet and a long chord which bears

South 44° 39’ 47” West a distance of 70.71 feet to a point on said West boundary; thence

North 0° 20’ 13” West along said West boundary a distance of 1418.07 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

9/25;10/2,9,16/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

On Wednesday, the 22nd day of January, 2014, at the hour of 10:00 o’clock a.m., on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Homedale Annex, at 3 1 W. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho 83628, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, David E. Kerrick, a member of the Idaho State Bar, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

The South one-half (1/2) of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of Block 40 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-1 13 of the Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed the address of 111 N. 2nd Street W., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding

title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID W. GILBERTSON and ANN D. GILBERTSON, Grantors, and the Beneficiaries having appointed DAVID E. KERRICK as Successor Trustee for the benefit and security of NORMAN A. HUTER and MICHAEL E. HUTER, CO-TRUSTEES OF THE NORMAN AND MARILYN HUTER FAMILY TRUST, u/t/a dated October 16, 1996; said Deed of Trust dated the 22nd day of June, 2005, having been filed of record on the 23rd day of June, 2005, as Instrument No. 252358, records of Owyhee County, State of Idaho.

THE ABOVE NAMED GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE OR ARE NOT PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

That default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the installments in the amount of \$250.00 each month beginning February 22, 2011 through and including August 22, 2013, for a total of thirty-one (31) payments, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, on the note secured by such Deed of Trust, together with interest at the rate of seven (7) percent per annum.

That the principal balance owing as of August 22, 2013 on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is the sum of \$25,426.97, plus interest, service charges, late charges, and attorney fees. In addition, there are delinquent and unpaid property taxes and assessments which amount to \$2,784.33 and will continue to accrue until date of payment, irrigation assessments and any other costs and expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust, Deed of Trust Note or by Idaho Law;

The Beneficiaries elect to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this 20th of September, 2013, at Caldwell, Canyon County, Idaho.

/s/David E. Kerrick, Successor Trustee, 1001 Blaine Street, Post Office Box 44, Caldwell, ID 83606
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Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROPOSE OR PROMULGATE NEW OR CHANGED AGENCY RULES

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.

*Deadline for submission of written comments is October 23, 2013, unless otherwise noted. Deadline for public hearing requests is October 16, 2013, unless otherwise noted. (Temp & Prop) indicates the rule is both Temporary and Proposed. (*PH) indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.*

IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PO Box 790 Boise, ID 83701

02-0625-1301, Rules Governing the Planting of Beans Other Than Phaseolus Species in Idaho. Requires all lots of soybean seed and seed from other related plant species for planting in Idaho to be tested for bean diseases of concern and nematodes that do not occur in Idaho.

IDAPA 05 – DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE CORRECTIONS, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0285

05-0102-1301, Rules and Standards for Secure Juvenile Detention Centers. Clarifies the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) standards and how detention standards and PREA standards relate.

IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY, 1090 E. Watertower St., Ste. 150, Meridian, ID 83642

07-0106-1301, Rules Governing the Use of National Electrical Code. Incorporates by reference the 2014 NEC with amendments related to circuits and receptacles located near sinks, in laundry rooms and kitchens, and on decks and porches, and retains previous amendment requiring the use of AFCI circuit breakers in bedrooms.

07-0110-1301, Rules Governing Certification and Approval of Electrical Products and Materials. Provides that all electrical products and materials for installation in Idaho may be approved either through certification and listing by a nationally recognized testing laboratory or through a field evaluation process performed using recognized practice and procedures.

07-0501-1301, Rules of the Public Works Contractors License Board. Allows for submission of applications for licensure to be done electronically other than by facsimile; clarifies acceptable formats for communication with the Division; provides for time extension when renewing a license.

07-0701-1301, Rules Governing Installation of Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Systems. Incorporates by reference the 2012 editions of the International Mechanical Code, the International Fuel Gas Code, and Parts V and VI of the International Residential Code related to HVAC installations with amendments.

IDAPA 08 – STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0037

08-0201-1302, Rules Governing Administration. Changes to the

GED testing divides the section on GED testing from the high school equivalency section more clearly and specifies that state set’s the fee paid by each individual for GED exam; clarifies that the passing minimum score is set by the GED Testing Service; removes requirement that test takers must be Idaho residents; requires test takers to show proof of identification using government issued identification.

08.02.02 – Rules Governing Uniformity

**08-0202-1306, (*PH)* Updates incorporation by reference of the Idaho Standards for Initial Certification of Professional School Personnel manual and the Idaho Procedures for Idaho Public Driver Education Programs manual.

**08-0202-1307, (*PH)* (Temp & Prop) Clarifies requirements for out-of-state applicants taking the Idaho Comprehensive Literacy Course and allows for Department-approved courses to be taught as part of the recertification process.

**08-0202-1308, (*PH)* Updates several endorsement to reflect best practices and qualifications for Idaho educators and eliminates the Driver Education endorsement which is no longer offered.

08.02.03 – Rules Governing Thoroughness

08-0203-1301, Sets out the requirements for the State Board to recognized Distinguished Schools, as well as grant Additional Yearly Growth Awards.

**08-0203-1306, (*PH)* Sets out minimum requirements for physical education at all levels and adds CPR as graduation requirement; allows students to take dual credit engineering or dual credit computer science or AP computer science as a math or science credit rather than as electives.

**08-0203-1307, (*PH)* Implements cursive writing as a core standard in elementary schools in the 2013-14 school year.

IDAPA 11 – IDAHO STATE POLICE, 700 S. Stratford Dr., Meridian, ID 83642

11-1001-1301, Rules Governing Idaho Public Safety and Security Information System. Increases fees for ILETs system users.

11-1002-1301, Rules Establishing Fees for Services – Idaho Criminal Justice Information System. Adds terms and references terms as defined in Idaho Code; provides procedures to: expunge of a person’s criminal history record; transmit criminal history arrest fingerprints; and challenge the accuracy and completeness of a criminal history record in the BCI database.

IDAPA 13 – FISH AND GAME COMMISSION, PO Box 25, Boise, ID 83707

13.01.08 - Rules Governing the Taking of Big Game Animals in Idaho

13-0108-1302, (Temp & Prop) An adult accompanying a Nonresident Junior Mentored Tag holder is no longer required to have a tag valid in the same area.

13-0108-1303, (Temp & Prop) Clarifies rule for designating a controlled hunt tag from a parent or grandparent to his or her minor child or grandchild.

13-0109-1301, Rules Governing the Taking of Game Birds in Idaho. (Temp & Prop) Clarifies rule for designating a controlled hunt tag from a parent or grandparent to his or her minor child or grandchild.

13.01.11 - Rules Governing Fish

13-0111-1301, (Temp & Prop) Defines the terms “single-point hook” and “watercraft” as used in fish season proclamations.

13-0111-1302, (Temp & Prop) Clarifies that sturgeon angling is “catch-and-release” only and they may not be removed from the water. This language was inadvertently removed from rule during a chapter restructure, but the rule was never rescinded by the Commission.

IDAPA 14 - BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0078

14-0101-1301, Rules of Procedure of the Board of Registration for Professional Geologists. Defines term ‘responsible charge’ and clarifies when a geologist may seal work prepared by someone else.

IDAPA 15 – OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR MILITARY DIVISION – BUREAU OF HOMELAND SECURITY, 700 S. Stratford Dr., Bldg. 600, Meridian, ID 83642

15-0603-1301, Public Safety Communications Rules. Changes chapter name to more accurately reflect scope of rule; corrects citations, provides internal consistency in terminology, and eliminates redundant and unnecessary language.

15-0604-1301, Rules Governing Idaho Youth Challenge Program.

New chapter administers the Idaho Youth Challenge Program; establishes student acceptance and selection criteria and funding and accounting processes; creates an admissions board and establishes its duties; and creates a governing board and a board of trustees.

15-1301-1301, Rules of the Idaho Emergency Response Commission. Chapter is repealed because Commission was dissolved.

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16.03.01 - Eligibility for Health Care Assistance for Families and Children

16-0301-1301, Chapter is being repealed and rewritten.

16-0301-1302, Chapter rewrite conforms to federal law changes by revising eligibility criteria, application requirements, definitions, financial and non-financial requirements, health coverage for children and adults and access to other health plans; addresses annual eligibility renewal and reporting requirements.

16-0304-1301, Rules Governing the Food Stamp Program in Idaho. Exempts federal income tax refunds from resource limits for up to 12 months from the time of receipt as a liquid resource; allows a standard medical expense deduction for qualifying individuals; allows the Department flexibility to select options allowed under federal regulation when calculating expense changes used for food stamp benefits.

16-0305-1301, Rules Governing Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind, and Disabled (AABD). Simplifies verification requirements for proof of citizenship and lawful alien status; updates residency requirements to reflect federal law; removes child support requirements that do not meet federal requirements while retaining policies to cooperate with obtaining medical support.

16-0306-1301, Refugee Medical Assistance. Amends definitions and eligibility determination requirements to comply with federal law.

16.03.09 - Medicaid Basic Plan Benefits

**16-0309-1302, (*PH)* Aligns rule to federal regulations and complies with CMS requirements related to missed appointments; re-validates provider enrollment information no less frequently than every 5 years; ensures providers prescribing drugs or ordering services for Medicaid participants are enrolled with the agency; ensures providers complete a screening process involving site visits and fee payments for certain types of providers either through the Medicaid agency itself or Medicare; and aligns appeals process for providers denied enrollment with federal requirements.

**16-0309-1303, (*PH)* Adds the federally required tobacco cessation counseling for all non-pregnant Medicaid eligible adults over the age of 21.

16-0504-1301, Rules of the Idaho Council on Domestic Violence and Victim Assistance Grant Funding. Incorporates by reference the “Service Standards for ICDVVA-Funded Programs,” Edition 2014-1.

16-0507-1301, The Investigation and Enforcement of Fraud, Abuse, and Misconduct. Aligns rule to Idaho statute to include all public assistance providers and programs that would be subject to investigation and enforcement actions to increase accountability for all programs to help prevent fraud and abuse of public funds.

16-0612-1301, Rules Governing the Idaho Child Care Program (ICCP). Exempts in-home child care providers from health and safety inspections, but each in-home provider must complete health and safety training.

16-0730-1301, Behavioral Health Community Crisis Centers. (*PH) Establishes the benefit and eligibility process for behavioral health community crisis centers for programs providing behavioral health crisis services to persons residing in Idaho.

IDAPA 17 – INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0041

17-0209-1301, Medical Fees. Adjusts the dispensing fees for pharmacies allowed under the pharmaceutical fee schedule.

17-0210-1301, Security For Compensation -- Insurance Carriers. Changes the deductible policy reporting period from February 1st to March 3rd to coincide with the premium tax due date and the mandatory data elements in the proof of coverage reports; removes the Appendices B and C reporting forms from rule.

17-0211-1301, Security For Compensation – Self-Insured Employers. Allows the Industrial Commission to presume that the most recent proof of coverage information contained in the Industrial Commission’s database is correct for determining coverage by a self-insured employer.

IDAPA 18 – DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, 700 W. State St., 3RD Floor, Boise, ID 83720

18-0123-1301, Rules Pertaining to the Idaho Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act. Confirms rule to HB 197 by setting forth the elements of the new filing requirements for a new Form F – Enterprise Risk

Report.

18-0150-1301, Adoption of the International Fire Code. (Temp & Prop) Incorporates by reference the 2012 International Fire Code, with amendments.

IDAPA 19 – IDAHO STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0021

19-0101-1301, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Dentistry. Updates incorporation by reference; clarifies practice standards for hygienists and assistants; reduces application by credential fee for dentists; revises advertising rules; reduces number of continuing education hours for specific license endorsements; requires dentists to maintain certain certifications to maintain specific sedation permits.

IDAPA 21 – DIVISION OF VETERANS SERVICES, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0092

21-0102-1301, Rules Governing Emergency Relief for Veterans. Allows Native American tribal veterans’ representatives to apply for reimbursement from the Division for travel expenses for attending one regional training conference each year in support of the statewide service officer program.

21-0108-1301, Rules Governing Veterans Recognition Fund Grant Program. New chapter provides procedures for the application, review and award of grant moneys for veteran support programs.

IDAPA 22 – IDAHO BOARD OF MEDICINE, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0058

22-0103-1301, Rules for the Licensure of Physician Assistants. (Temp & Prop) Conforms rule regarding physician assistant prescriptive authority to statutory changes and rules governing prescriber drug outlets of the Board of Pharmacy.

22-0113-1301, Rules for the Licensure of Dietitians. Corrects name of the accrediting agency for dietetic educational programs from the “American Dietetic Association” to the “Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics”; corrects statutory citations.

IDAPA 23 - BOARD OF NURSING, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0061

23-0101-1302, Rules of the State Board of Nursing. (Temp & Prop) Allows a nurse moving to Idaho to practice for 90 days using an existing license from another Compact state while a new residency application is processed.

IDAPA 24 – BUREAU OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0063

24-0201-1301, Rules of the Board of Barber Examiners. Removes the 20-hour continued education requirement for barber instructor and barber styling instructor licensure renewal; removes obsolete grandfather rights provision.

24-0401-1301, Rules of the Idaho Board of Cosmetology. Defines ‘clinical services’; reduces original and renewal fees for establishment, retail dealer, glamour photography, personal, instructor, and school licenses and for endorsement fees; clarifies new school inspection process, when a student can provide clinical services, and that schools and establishments must post the sanitary rules.

24-0501-1302, Rules of the

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Board of Drinking Water and Wastewater Professionals. Reduces application and licensure fees and equalizes fees for on-line and written exams; amends education requirement for operators qualifying for a very small water system license or a very small wastewater system license.

24-1101-1301, Rules of the State Board of Podiatry. Updates incorporation by reference; updates examination rules and application process; amends exam fee section; increases continuing education to 15 hours after 1/1/2015; allows but limits a carryover of CE hours; provides a special exemption for hardship cases.

24-1801-1301, Rules of the Real Estate Appraiser Board. Conforms rule to changes to Appraiser Qualification Board in federal law and regulations regarding state licensed or certified appraisers; addresses appraisers’ duties when appraisals are in litigation.

24-2601-1301, Rules of the Idaho Board of Midwifery. Increases application and initial and renewal license fees.

IDAPA 25 – OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES LICENSING BOARD, 1365 N. Orchard, Suite 172, Boise, ID 83706

25-0101-1201, Rules of the Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board. Clarifies that hunting organizations and clubs offering outfitted facilities and services, including acquiring access to private land for hunting and for commercial gain, are subject to the rules governing licensed commercial outfitters.

IDAPA 26 – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, PO Box 700, Boise, ID 83720-0065

26.01.20 - Rules Governing the Administration of Park and Recreation Areas and Facilities

26-0120-1301, (*PH) Increases state park campsite fee caps by \$10 per night and by \$50 per night for Idaho state park camper cabins and yurts.

26-0120-1302, (*PH) Increase fee caps for the Winter Access Program passes offered by Harriman and Ponderosa State Parks and adds two new pass types to program.

IDAPA 27 – IDAHO BOARD OF PHARMACY, PO Box 700, Boise, ID 83720-0067

27.01.01 – Rules of the Idaho State Board of Pharmacy

27-0101-1207, Amends the Board approved continuing pharmacy education requirements; mandates 1 hour of CPE for all pharmacists doing sterile compounding; clarifies the maximum allowable quantity of a CV scheduled controlled substance that can be dispensed by a pharmacist without prescription

is 4 ounces; addresses drug storage and removal from a secured area adjacent to a pharmacy; clarifies that pharmacy structural security rules pertain to all pharmacies.

27-0101-1301, Establishes standards for the compounding of drugs, including general compounding standards controls that regulate equipment, practices, policies and procedures, compounding accuracy, certain records, and labeling; expands sterile product preparation rules.

27-0101-1302, Extends the acceptable forms of positive identification to obtain controlled substance prescriptions to include Enhanced Drivers Licenses (EDLs), Nexus Cards, and PASS Cards.

IDAPA 28 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, 700 W. State St., Boise, ID 83720

28-0207-1301, Rules Governing the Administration of the IGE M Grant Program. New chapter establishes procedures for the administration of the IGE M grant program.

IDAPA 31 – IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION, PO Box 700, Boise, ID 83720-0067

31-0101-1301, Rules of Procedure of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission. Allows PUC to update its list of current utilities and railroads subject to the annual regulatory assessments; increases public involvement by making RSS feeds more user-friendly; recognizes utilities formed as limited liability companies; clarifies rules regarding customer notices.

31-7103-1301, Railroad Safety and Accident Reporting Rules. Adopts the 2013 edition of the federal safety regulations pertaining to the transportation of hazardous materials by railroads that are incorporated by reference.

IDAPA 35 – STATE TAX COMMISSION, PO Box 36, Boise, ID 83722-0410

35.01.01 - Income Tax Administrative Rules

35-0101-1301, Revises time period relating to a net operating loss (NOL) carryback; removes language relating to NOL subtracted from income; establishes provisions relating to a NOL for a taxable year commencing on or after 1/1/2013; establishes provisions relating to the subtraction of a portion of a NOL; revises provisions on claims for credit or refund for overpayments attributable to a NOL carryback and provides that certain claims for NOLs shall be made pursuant to law; provides that certain loss recoveries are deductible; provides for a sourcing formula to Idaho for partnership income with exceptions; revises reporting and paying periods for Idaho income tax withheld by certain employers.

35-0101-1302, Clarifies term

“place of abode” for federal foreign income exclusion; addresses pension income; adds tax brackets for 2013; amends income adjustment addition of credit for taxes paid to other states; adds deduction for certain loss recoveries; limits deduction for donation of technological equipment to the lesser of cost, fair market value, or taxpayer’s Idaho taxable income; revises provisions relating to a NOL carryback; clarifies qualifying for the energy efficiency upgrade deduction; conforms to federal law for medical expense itemization minimums; clarifies that total income is federal total income; clarifies certain deductions for part-year or nonresidents; provides for a sourcing formula to Idaho for partnership income with exceptions; addresses bonus depreciation tax credit; clarifies the requirements for claiming investment tax credit carryovers; clarifies that the permanent building fund is paid by pass-through entities paying Idaho income tax for individuals on a composite return but not when the entity pays backup withholding for individuals; amends credit and refund rules.

35-0102-1301, Sales Tax Administrative Rules. Clarifies that signs such as traffic and street signs become real property after installation while others, such as business signs, do not; defines ‘primary’ and ‘primarily’ regarding use of tangible personal property; clarifies that events where participants pay to participate in a tasting, the charges are still taxable; clarifies that all coatings (paint, powder coating, etc.) are the same for sales tax purposes; clarifies that sales and use of equipment primarily used to improve and install real property are taxable even if the real property is used in production; conforms rule with federal program for food stamp exemption; clarifies promoter’s responsibility in regards to documentation that must be obtained from participants at the event.

35-0103-1302, Property Tax Administrative Rules. Updates documents incorporated by reference used to determine values of certain property and to measure assessment level and uniformity; updates method used to value recreational vehicle living quarters; clarifies that certain properties are improvements (buildings and structures) and real property and should not be eligible for the personal property exemption; provides methodologies for valuing public rate regulated electric utility operating property; amends process for property tax valuation appeal hearings; provides guidance to the Commission and companies on how to report exempt personal property for

operating property; defines oil and gas wells and the land that is eligible for exemption; clarifies that Commission will not approve a property tax levy computed on a property tax budget amount that exceeds the amount stated in the budget hearing notice; deletes requirement to issue tax notices for accounts that have zero balances due to the personal property exemption.

35-0109-1301, Wine Tax Administrative Rules. Clarifies when the exemption applies to wine sold by Idaho wine direct shippers to customers outside Idaho.

35-0110-1301, Idaho Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Administrative Rules. Redefines “wholesale sales price” to include “any person” selling tobacco products; addresses when separately stated charges are part of the wholesale sales price subject to tax and when they should be excluded; provides examples of how the wholesale sales price should be applied to sales made by out-of-state distributors who voluntarily hold an Idaho tobacco tax permit.

35-0114-1301, Prepaid Wireless E911 Fee Administrative Rules. New chapter administers the fees collected by retailers on the sale of prepaid wireless telecommunications service and clarifies that fee applies to sale of prepaid wireless service, not a device using such service and who must collect fee; clarifies when a sale is out-of-state and that it is exempt from the fee.

35.02.01, Administration and Enforcement Rules

35-0201-1301, Clarifies procedures for making a valid request for obtaining the name and address of the user of a stolen tax ID number.

35-0201-1302, Adds the interest rate for 2014 and the Revenue Ruling where the federal rate for the calculation can be found.

IDAPA 39 – IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, PO Box 7129, Boise ID 83707-1129

39-0260-1301, Rules Governing License Plate Provisions. (Temp & Prop) Establishes restrictions and guidelines for the introduction and approval of new special plates.

39-0350-1301, Rules Governing Safety Rest Areas. Removes prohibition against discharging firearms at Safety Rest Areas because department has no authority to regulate firearms; restricts panhandling and donation seeking or soliciting; clarifies other provisions.

39-0402-1301, Rules Governing Marking of Hazards to Air Flight. (Temp & Prop) Clarifies which entities are exempt from the requirements for lighting and marking guyed towers.

39-0404-1301, Rules Governing Idaho Airport Aid Program.

New procedures establish a uniform project prioritization methodology and a uniform annual grant program funding allocation methodology for the Idaho Airport Aid Program.

IDAPA 52 – IDAHO STATE LOTTERY COMMISSION, PO Box 6537, Boise, ID 83707-6537

52-0102-1301, Gaming Rules of the Idaho State Lottery Commission. Conforms rules to amendments to Idaho Code regarding record retention requirements and removal of Holiday Christmas Tree Fundraising.

IDAPA 57 – SEXUAL OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD, 1299 N Orchard St Ste 110, Boise 83706

57.01.01 – Rules Governing the Sexual Offender Management Board.

57-0101-1201, (Temo & Prop) Chapter is being repealed and rewritten.

57-0101-1202, (Temp & Prop) Chapter rewrite amends existing standards and procedures for psychosexual evaluations and certification of psychosexual evaluators; establishes new standards and procedures for sexual offender treatment programs, sexual offender treatment providers and post-conviction sexual offender polygraph examiners; implements certification procedures for sexual offender treatment providers and post-conviction sexual offender polygraph examiners; establishes quality assurance process for adherence to standards and procedures; adds a hearing process for disciplinary action against a certificate holder.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULE

IDAPA 08 – BOARD OF EDUCATION/DEPT OF EDUCATION

08-0203-1305, Rules Governing Thoronhness.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

IDAPA 02 – DEPT OF AGRICULTURE

02-0609-1301, Rules Governing Invasive Species

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **October 2, 2013, Volume 13-10,** for the notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings schedules, information on negotiated rulemakings, executive orders of the Governor, and agency contact information.

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Aim High Week hits Homedale High School

Last week was Go On Idaho Aim High week, and because Homedale High School is the top Go On school of the participants in the state, the week hit hard with a school-wide collegiate wear day, ACT test prep, testimonials on how college transformed lives, and peer support.

The program promotes phrases such as “Own Your Destiny,” “No regrets,” and “Redefine ‘College Material.’”

During Monday’s Aim High Assembly in the gymnasium, Go On Student Ambassadors and teachers addressed students about the merits of going on to college.

“I thought we should probably get someone to come and talk about how they went to college and regretted it, but honestly, I couldn’t find a single person who did,” local realtor and community activist Kathy Deal said in her presentation to students.

The latest data from the National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, released last year, showed that around 40 percent of Homedale High School students went on to college. That’s significantly higher than Idaho’s average of 10 percent.

“That’s not bad, but we’re shooting for 75 percent or higher,” student services specialist Debbie Flaming said.

It’s not just a teacher effort, though. On Wednesday, about 40 students participated in an afternoon of lunch and games for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program at the high school.

But the Homedale High program is not affiliated with the national Big Brothers, Big Sisters organization, although it was a heavy influence. The program was funded by a scholarship from the Go On grant, but was organized and executed by a group of four high school girls.

Katlin Carbone, Hattie Mertz, Delany Phariss, and Elise Shenk enrolled in a class offered as an elective by the Idaho Digital Learning Academy late last academic year. It was a service learning class where the girls were challenged with helping younger kids adjust to high school.

Since Carbone, 17, had been a part of the national Big Brother Big Sister organization for years, she decided to adapt the model to



Homedale High’s sophomores displayed their “other” school spirit right on their shirts during the Collegiate Wear day on Sept. 24. From left to right are: Student services specialist Debbie Flaming, sophomores Dylan Phariss, Nash Johnson, Madi Fisher, Michael Lejardi, Jennifer Bautista, Ezra MacLeod, Ali Jeppe, Josh Walker, and principal Dion Flaming.

the high school. For the program, all incoming freshmen — current eighth graders — are automatically enrolled. Upperclassmen must apply to be a “Big” every year.

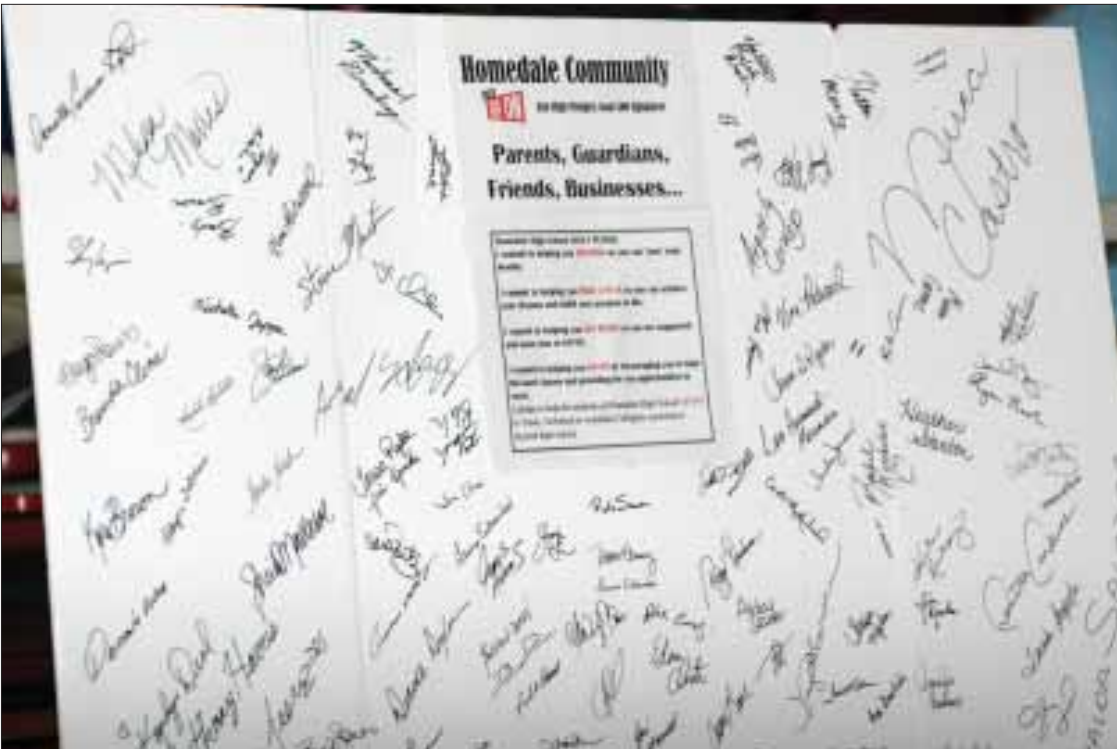
Once signed up, the Bigs are in charge of mentoring a small group of “Littles” in supervised lunches, activities and team-building games.

The program was funded by a scholarship from Go On, a \$40,000 grant from the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation. This is the second year the foundation has provided Homedale High with the scholarship, but won’t be giving out the same one next year.

Flaming said that because Go On is still in its infancy at the high school, real statistics of a change in college-bound students are not yet available. But she says a change in attitude is promising.

“I can see a big difference in kids, and according to our staff, a larger number of students want to go on to college now,” she said. She noted that there have been more students and parents showing interest in enrolling in dual-credit classes.

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Students signed large placards, pledging to “Go On” to seek post-secondary education. Teachers took a similar pledge to do all they can to help their students achieve their goals.



Left: Teacher and coach Matt Holtry oversees one of the fun activity stations set up during an Aim High Week program. Above: Community leaders, such as pastor and coach Luke Ankeny, and teachers shared their stories of success derived from post-secondary educational opportunities.

