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Corn tumbles from toppled truck



No one injured when corn truck loses load on Market Road

A truck carrying kernels of corn tipped over on Market Road near Buntrock Road between Marsing and Homedale last Wednesday afternoon. The driver, who was uninjured, said he took the curve in the road too wide and overcorrected. Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies called local farmers to bring their heavy equipment to help pull the truck right side up.

Vital services continue despite govt. shutdown

WIC health
services still
available; Jump
Creek rec closed

The partial government shutdown that began at 12:01 a.m. Oct. 1 left a few agencies in Owyhee County vacant, with little reprieve for those who work there or need services. But, contrary to early news reports, services for the Women, Infants and Children program through Southwest District Health were not affected. Yet.

Laurie Boston, the public information officer for Southwest

District Health (SWDH) in Caldwell, said that initially, there was concern about how the operation would be funded. But the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare received contingency funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to continue providing assistance and referrals to pregnant and nursing women in low-income households.

"All services will continue normally," Boston said.

For a month, at least. The contingency funding provided to SWDH by the Department of Health and Welfare is enough to sustain services for one month. If

— See *Shutdown*, page 5A

Trial starts for Marsing's mafia man

Enrico Ponzo, the man known as Jay Shaw to his rural neighbors in Marsing, went on trial in U.S. District Court in Boston on Monday.

Ponzo, who spent 17 years as a fugitive and had built a life as a small-time cattle rancher on Hogg Road outside Marsing, was arrested in February 2011 and returned to Massachusetts.

The 45-year-old alleged mafia member faces 18 counts in the federal racketeering case, including drug charges, money laundering accusations and attempted murder charges.

The trial is expected to last six weeks.

Busing policy helps keep schoolchildren safe in Homedale

Superintendent:
Students, drivers
must do their part

A Homedale School District policy gives students the option to ride the bus, but not all students take advantage of the safety precaution, the district's superintendent said.

And not everything can be controlled.

Superintendent Rob Sauer said that students who choose to walk to school must pay attention as much as the motorists who share

the road.

"One of the challenges we talk about is distracted drivers, but we have distracted walkers, too," he said.

"Students need to pay attention when they are walking and pay attention to what's going on on the road."

Sauer said students often are too absorbed with their smart phones when they are on the way to school.

"We can continue to communicate with parents and students and remind them of the busing option,

— See *Policy*, page 5A

HHS grad crowned Idaho State U. Homecoming queen

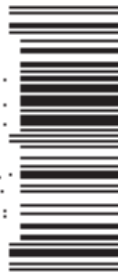
Jessica Eubanks, a 2010 Homedale High School graduate, has been crowned Homecoming queen at Idaho State University.

The daughter of Roger and Laura Eubanks earned the honor last Wednesday night during the Homecoming pageant in Pocatello.

Her sorority, Alpha Xi Delta, nominated Eubanks for the pageant, which consisted of talent, cheer and interview.

Her sorority sisters helped her in a line dance for the talent segment and also helped her with the cheer.

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Adam Percifield has returned to Marsing to re-open the Sandbar restaurant that his grandparents — John and Dot Salove — used to operate before they retired in 2011.

The Sandbar restaurant in Marsing set to reopen

The Sandbar, located right behind Spot Pizza in Marsing, is going to reopen this Saturday after being closed for just longer than two years.

The restaurant will be opened by Adam Percifield and his wife Lisa; Adam is the grandson of previous owners John and Dot Salove.

“It needs to be open,” Adam Percifield said. “It’s an Owyhee County staple.”

The Sandbar shut its doors in July 2011 after 50 years of operation because of hard economic times and because John Salove decided he was no longer interested in keeping it going.

“He just got tired of it,” Percifield said. “He has worked his whole life. He tried leasing it out, but he just wasn’t happy.”

The Sandbar

What — A steak and seafood restaurant; serves beer and wine

Where — 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing

Hours of operation — Wednesdays and Thursdays 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sundays noon to 8 p.m., closed Mondays and Tuesdays

In July, Percifield quit his job drilling oil in Nevada to move to Marsing and re-open the restaurant.

“My wife’s here, so we’ll get to live together,” he said. “I’m looking forward to being around

family. The whole restaurant experience seems exciting.”

Percifield assured that many of the staple dishes at the steak and seafood joint will still be served, such as the Sandbar Shrimp, and the dressing will still be homemade.

Although the restaurant started about 50 years ago, it didn’t move to Marsing until 1978. Before it closed in 2011, the restaurant had an average of 14 employees and had won numerous awards, including Southwest District Health’s Food Safety Merit Award, which it won a couple of times.

The restaurant will have a soft, quiet opening this weekend, but plans to have a grand opening in November, Percifield said.

—RAD

Early registration for Nov. 5 municipal election closes soon

City candidate forums in the works

Friday is the final day to register for the Nov. 5 city elections.

Citizens can still register when they cast an in-person absentee ballot, which is an option available until 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1.

Outside of the absentee balloting registration, however, after Friday voters won’t be able to register until the Nov. 5 Election Day. Registration that day is available at each polling place.

Offices open for election in Homedale include mayor and two city council positions.

Two city council spots will be on the Marsing ballot, while a four-year city council position and the mayoral position in Grand View will be up for grabs.

The Homedale council race includes no incumbents. Tim Downing has decided not to seek a third term, while Dave Downum has entered the three-way race (with Gheen Christoffersen and former mayor Harold Wilson) to fill the vacant mayoral position.

Homedale council candidates include Perry Chadez, Vonnice Harkins, Kimberly Jo Murray, Christopher Ormond and Samuel Page.

The Owyhee Avalanche will

present at a candidates forum for the Homedale city races at 7 p.m. next Wednesday at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. Citizens are encouraged to bring their questions pertaining to city government and policies to the forum.

Marsing council incumbents James Ferdinand and Aron Streibel are seeking second four-year terms, while Cory Percifield has also entered the race. Two men will win the election.

A candidates’ forum for the Marsing race is in the works, but nothing has been solidified.

In Grand View, there is only one contested council race as water and sewer association board member James Burnett goes up against Rebecca Sue Boldman for the four-year term accompanying Seat 1.

Opal Ward, who was appointed mayor earlier this year, is unchallenged in her bid for a four-year term in the position.

City councilpersons Marie Hipwell and Linda Araujo are unopposed in their attempts to retain two-year terms for Seats 2 and 3, respectively. Araujo was appointed to succeed Ward when she was installed as mayor.

Write-in candidates may have been added in any of the races after press time for The Owyhee Avalanche. The filing deadline was Tuesday.

Owyhee Avalanche accepts letters to editor on election until Oct. 25

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:

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Homedale Drama Club presents

The Children’s Alley

What — A Halloween carnival for pre-school and elementary children
When — Saturday, Oct. 19
Where — HHS old gym
Time — 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cost — \$3 per child, or \$10 for four or more (parents are free)
What do I bring? — A camera for photo opportunities

The Spooky Alley

What — A Halloween carnival for tweens, teens and adults
When — Friday-Saturday, Oct. 25-26
Where — HHS old gym
Time — 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Cost — \$5 each, two for \$8, or six for \$25
What do I bring? — A camera for photo opportunities

“Sleepy Hollow”

What — A musical performed by the Drama Club
When — Thursday and Friday, Nov. 7 and 8
Where — HHS old gym
Time — 7 p.m.
What do I bring? — Friends

Information

Call Drama Club advisor DeAnn Thatcher at (208) 965-0258

Homedale High actors to perform Halloween musical

Halloween will last a little longer this year. On Nov. 7 and 8, the Homedale High School Drama Club will perform the musical, “Sleepy Hollow.” It’s a story about a small town with rumors of ghosts. When the new schoolmaster comes in, a love triangle with the local beauty and her jealous boyfriend develops. The light-hearted and suspenseful musical climaxes when the schoolmaster stumbles upon a certain headless horseman. DeAnn Thatcher, the club advisor, said it started out with around 30 students, including 10 freshmen, the most she has seen in the group. But she said the number has slowly dwindled to 25. “These kids are busy,” she said. “It’s a trick to find a time when they can all come to practice. It’s hard to schedule.” The Drama Club practices in the old HHS gym, and often shares it with basketball, wrestling, and volleyball. “It’s just the way we have to do it if we want to make it work,” Thatcher said. “The curtain helps a little bit.” The pressures of keeping the club going strong aren’t just limited to scheduling and gym space, though. Finding the funds for costumes, props, and equipment can sometimes prove challenging. But Thatcher, who is known to Drama Club kids as “Drama Mama,” has been the club’s advisor for seven years. She has used this time to problem-solve. “We do a lot of thrift shopping,” Thatcher said. “And ‘yard saling.’ We use things from our personal closets, and there are a few things in the drama storage closet. We try with a very, very low budget.” One of the things the club does to alleviate that low budget is put on events such as the Children’s Alley, coming up on Oct. 19 at Homedale High School. Club members Megan Aman and Shyanne Kelly spearheaded the event. It is for young children, but serves two purposes: The high school students get to practice acting, and the children get to have fun. “We don’t want it to be too scary. We want the kids to have fun,” Thatcher said. Students will be dressed up in Sleepy Hollow or Scooby Doo characters. The mashup of the two productions will have the younger attendees solve the mystery of the headless horseman, and unmask him Scooby Doo-style. Another, more scary version for teens and adults will be the next weekend, also at Homedale High School.

—RAD



Shyanne Kelly, playing a farmer, yells at Kathryn Thatcher (far left), playing Katrina, in a run-through of the musical “Sleepy Hollow,” which will be performed in November by the Homedale High School Drama Club. From left, Patrick McMichael, Megan Aman, and Emma McMichael play supporting roles in this scene.

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New dining option in Marsing



S&W BBQ serves six days a week on Main Street

Owners Tony Wemouth and his wife LaDawn fire up the grill for S&W BBQ, located at 437 Main St. in Marsing. They opened the food truck less than two months ago, and said so far business is “pretty good.” S&W BBQ is open from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from noon to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Bruneau and Beyond luncheon to explore the Oregon Trail

The Bruneau Valley Library’s Bruneau and Beyond speaker program for October, set for next Wednesday, will feature a presentation on the Oregon Trail.

The free luncheon and program begins at noon at the library, 32073 Ruth St., in Bruneau.

Mountain Home resident Ron Tugby will speak on the Oregon Trail. Tugby volunteers for the Idaho Chapter of the Oregon/California Trails Association. The association has 11 chapters throughout the U.S. that work with the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service and the public to preserve and protect the historic trails and to educate the public about the trails.

While the presentation and the light lunch that precedes it are free, the library requests advance notice from those who plan to attend to ensure enough food is prepared. RSVP by calling the library director at (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345.

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Flood repair work continues on Idaho 78 near Murphy

An Idaho Transportation Department crew continues repair work on the Rabbit Creek culvert under Idaho highway 78 this week.

Flooding on Sept. 4 brought tons of mud and debris to the Murphy area. The culvert, which is about 1.2 miles northwest of Murphy at milepost 27.9 on Idaho 78, was plugged and buried by silt, rock and debris.

“When it was all over, the bottom of the 48-inch culvert was probably six or seven feet below the new surface,” ITD Marsing maintenance leadworker Jeramie Gregory said.

Last week, crews began digging out the culvert, which was buried well below the surface.

The crew also will re-establish the channel for the creek. Workers will be on the job from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Idaho 78 motorists won’t see any traffic interference because the work is on the shoulder and to the side of the roadway.



Idaho Transportation Department crews have been working on a stretch of Idaho highway 78 caked in mud and worn away by last month’s Rabbit Creek flooding. The repairs continue this week. ITD photo

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✓ Policy: Board identifies trouble spots before each school year begins

the importance of being aware of their surroundings and staying out of the road,” Sauer said.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller touched on the safety of student pedestrians during the Sept. 26 Homedale City Council meeting, and everyone involved agrees that there is enough responsibility to go around — from the students being alert to motorists paying attention and obeying traffic laws.

Sauer said he hasn’t witnessed a great number of students walking to Homedale Middle School either on Idaho Avenue or Johnstone Road.

But those pedestrians who are out there must contend with large agricultural trucks and school bus traffic and — after Daylight Saving Time ends on Nov. 3 — the motorists must be more aware of children walking to school in the predawn hours.

Sauer said another worry for district officials is motorists failing to yield at stop signs and driving above the posted speed limit.

Bus drivers do monitor the situation when they are on the road and have contacted either Sauer or district maintenance and transportation director Tom Muir when a motorist may have acted in a way that endangers safe travel. In turn, Sauer said, officials alert law enforcement.

“There are a ton of stop signs run on Highway 19 (Idaho Avenue between 6th Street and Johnstone Road),” Muir said.

Overall, Muir says the district’s bus system handles about 560 students each day.

The district has done what it can to keep students safe on the trip to and from school, Sauer said.

A safety busing policy the school board enacted in 2005 set

up the criteria to consider busing for students who live within 1½ miles of a school campus.

The policy says the board of trustees will consider requests for safety busing following under the following criteria:

- Unsupervised crossing of a heavily traveled multi-lane roadway requiring an understanding of traffic hazards that students may not be capable of.
- An arterial road and highway with 50 mph speeds (Johnstone Road and Idaho 19 near HMS are set at 35 mph)
- Students crossing an intersection in competition with a high volume of right-turning vehicles without adult-supervised crossing
- Students walking beside or over unprotected waterways
- Walking routes temporarily interrupted by major construction

- Walking routes interrupted by high traffic business driveways

Requests for new safety busing routes must come to the school board before its August meeting each year.

Sauer said that all Homedale Middle School students and any district student living on the south side of Idaho Avenue are eligible for the busing option.

Getting students on the buses, though, is a different matter.

Sauer said it’s difficult to pinpoint exactly why some students don’t want to ride the bus, but he said it could come down to a matter of independence, the stigma some older children might feel riding the bus, waiting for older siblings to return from the high school to pick them up or other factors such as after-school activities making afternoon transportation impossible.

Still, Sauer and Muir make clear that students who won’t or can’t ride the bus in the afternoon still have the option of morning transportation.

Sidewalks on the route to Homedale Middle School (Idaho Avenue and Johnstone Road) would also help mitigate any danger. Muir said he contacted the state years ago on building pedestrian access along Idaho 19 (Idaho Avenue), but that his plea “fell on deaf ears.”

The City of Homedale has explored Safe Routes to Schools grants, most recently during Tim Rosandick’s time as schools chief.

City public works supervisor Larry Bauer said the federal grant program requires a high monetary match from the requesting agencies.

—JPB

✓ Shutdown: BLM closes Jump Creek rec

the government does not end the shutdown in a month, SWDH will have to figure out another way to provide its services.

Boston said they have ideas for a “plan b” if that happens, but the details have not been solidified because the government shutdown itself is inconsistent.

WICAP Headstart in Marsing will also continue to run as usual because although it receives funding from the federal government, the funding year runs from January to December. So the shutdown has not affected its business, a spokeswoman said.

Although the majority of Idaho National Guard workers were able to go back to work this week, many employees still remain furloughed.

Phone calls to the Bureau of Land Management’s Owyhee and Boise offices went to voicemails and callers were directed to the

Department of Interior’s website on just about every extension. BLM Boise District public affairs officer MJ Byrne, who has been furloughed, added to her voicemail that she hopes the shutdown will end soon.

Per Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office dispatch log, the Jump Creek Recreation area outside Marsing has been closed because of the shutdown.


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Homedale Elementary

- Oct. 9: Crispito, taco salad, baby carrots, applesauce
- Oct. 10: Nemo sandwich, sweet potato fries, broccoli, strawberries, jello
- Oct. 11: Pizza, tossed salad, grape tomatoes, pineapple
- Oct. 14: Mini corn dogs, steamed carrots, broccoli, peaches
- Oct. 15: Spaghetti, green beans, celery sticks, pears, bread stick
- Oct. 16: Chicken taco, corn, cantaloupe

Homedale Middle

- Oct. 9: Mini corn dogs or ham/cheese hot pocket, green beans, side salad, apple
- Oct. 10: Crispito or PB&J, taco salad, celery sticks, peaches
- Oct. 11: Pepperoni pizza or enchilada, tossed salad, baby carrots, tropical fruit
- Oct. 14: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/gravy, side salad, mandarin oranges, roll
- Oct. 15: Ham/cheese sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, cucumber, applesauce, fruit rollup
- Oct. 16: Popcorn chicken or beef nuggets, steamed carrots, broccoli, banana

Homedale High

- Oct. 9: Enchilada or hot pocket, veggies, salad bar, fruit choice
- Oct. 10: Hamburger, cheeseburger or chicken patty, veggies, salad bar, fruit choice
- Oct. 11: Chicken or fish tacos, corn, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice
- Oct. 14: Pepperoni pizza, roast beef or French dip sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
- Oct. 15: Orange chicken or chicken nuggets, rice, green beans, fortune cookie, salad bar, fruit choice
- Oct. 16: Spaghetti w/French bread or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing

- Oct. 9: Orange chicken & rice or ham/cheese sandwich w/chips, steamed carrots, salad bar (6-12)
- Oct. 10: Spaghetti or beef nuggets, Italian breadstick, green beans, salad bar (6-12)
- Oct. 14: Cheese pizza, baked potato & roll, tossed salad, salad bar (6-12)
- Oct. 15: Cheese noodle bake or fish sandwich, mixed veggies, salad bar (6-12)
- Oct. 16: Spicy chicken & rice w/roll or burritos, steamed carrots, salad bar (6-12)

Bruneau-Grand View

- Oct. 9: Lasagna, steamed carrots, breadstick, fruit
- Oct. 10: Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll
- Oct. 11: Hamburger, romaine & tomato, fried, fresh fruit
- Oct. 15: Pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, baby carrots, fruit
- Oct. 16: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruit cocktail, roll
- Oct. 17: Beef & bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn, fruit

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Obituary

Patricia “Trish” Sue Miller

Patricia “Trish” Sue Miller, 41, of Homedale, passed away on Monday, September 30, 2013. A Celebration of Life will be held Friday, October 11, 2013, 1:00 PM at the Homedale Senior Center. Patricia Miller was born February 29, 1972 in Caldwell. She was raised in Wilder, Idaho and graduated from the Wilder School District. She married Robert Miller and together they had two sons, James and Tristin. They resided

in Homedale, Idaho. Patricia worked for Mattesons and the Canyon County Humane Society. She loved working with the animals and family was her hobby. She leaves behind her husband, Rob Miller; sons, James (Dafni) Miller, and Tristin Miller; parents, Bill and Jewell Baker; brothers, Bob and Ed Baker; sisters, Doreen Wittenborn, Delores Chrislip, Billie Rochester, Denise Baker and Jo Etta Rhueby; father and mother-in-law, Tom and Sandy

Green; brothers-in-law, Chad (Jennifer) Miller, Skipper and Ryan Green; sister-in-law, Tonia (Steve) Atkins; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family and friends. She is very loved and will be missed tremendously and dearly. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made at any US Bank in the name of the Rob Miller Family. Condolences for the family may be sent to www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

Death notices

HELENNE J. DENTEL, 81, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Friday, Oct. 4, 2013, at her sister’s home in Caldwell of natural causes. Arrangements are under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

GEORGE G. WILLIAMS, 94, of Wilder, died on Friday, Oct. 4, 2013 at a Boise hospital of natural causes. Arrangements are pending at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. 337-3252

Austrian Settlement centennial planners schedule meeting today

Help sought in creating celebration in Homedale

Preparations for a celebration continue as the Austrian Settlement centennial looms about four months away. The centennial celebration planning board has been hard at work for the Feb. 14 anniversary. Chair Joe Demshar, secretary Colleen Paxton, vice-chair Max Paxton and treasurer Elsie Kushlan conduct regular meetings to discuss ideas. Held in the Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, the meetings are open to the public. The next meeting is 6 p.m. today at the restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. All four people involved in planning board are descendants of the original families that came to Homedale on Feb. 14, 1914. The board is working on a grant to cover the costs of the celebration, but donations are

welcome because the grant is not guaranteed. A two-day festival, scheduled for Feb. 14-15, is planned. The Feb. 14 portion will be reserved for members of the original settlers, while Feb. 15 will be a public event featuring music, food from the “old country” (which is actually the Slovenia region in Europe) such as garlic sausage and blood sausage, potica and other dishes passed down through the generations. There also may be a dance during the public celebration. Other ideas to permanently mark Homedale as the home of the Austrian Settlement includes erecting a sign featuring a date and historical facts about the settlement. The sign could be placed on the center point for the original settlement, which is the northwest corner of Johnstone Road and Graveyard

Point Road. A historical marker could be placed somewhere in Homedale. The marker could be unveiled during the Feb. 14 celebration for descendants. Demshar is looking for family stories to compile a book that will be sold at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy. He also plans to have copies of the book available at the celebration. Anyone with stories about their ancestors that have been handed down through the years can contact Demshar at P.O. Box 67, Murphy, ID 83650. Timely responses are important to ensure inclusion in the book. Organizers continue to look for help with the festival, including people willing to donate their time and talent to make traditional food for the celebration and musicians to provide entertainment.



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Calendar

Today

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

Austrian Settlement Centennial meeting
6 p.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

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

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

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

Saturday

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

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 Fire District commissioners meeting
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Owyhee County Democrats meeting
1 p.m., The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 250-2458

Homedale School board meeting
7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday

Foot clinic
8 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale

Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

El-Ada commodity distribution
1 p.m., El-Ada Community Action Partnership Owyhee County office, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4812

Wednesday

Bruneau and Beyond
Noon, RSVP by Oct. 14, Bruneau Valley Public Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345

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

Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 720 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

Job's Daughters Bethel 31 meeting
7 p.m., Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13, 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 453-2116

Thursday, Oct. 17

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

Friends of Lizard Butte Library board meeting
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 W. 3rd Ave. S., Marsing. (208) 455-2550

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday, Oct. 18

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

Saturday, Oct. 19

Homedale Senior Center breakfast
7 a.m. to 10 a.m., open to public, \$6 all-you-can-eat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Idaho Genealogical Society annual conference
8:30 a.m., pre-registration \$25 IGS members, \$30 non-members, \$35 at door, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2122 and (208) 461-8866 or idahogenealogy@hotmail.com

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

Sunday, Oct. 20

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, Oct. 21


Board of County Commissioners meeting
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

Tuesday, Oct. 22

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

Owyhee
Then & Now

Michael F. Hanley



Tales of the ION Country

Famous men and stage drivers

The most famous of all the drivers was Hank Monk who had brought the first Central Overland coach to its western terminus. He is not best remembered for his skillful driving over the Sierras without a single injured passenger but for the ride he gave Horace Greeley.

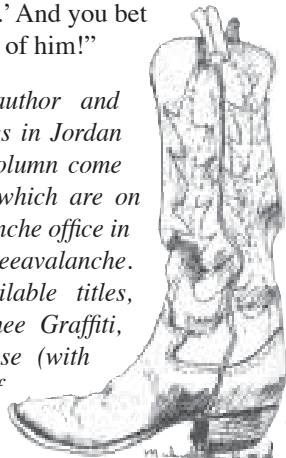
Horace was campaigning for the presidency of the United States and was on his way to California. He had advised the young men of the east to “go west, young man,” and was now on his way to see the western land of opportunity firsthand.

At Carson City, Horace boarded Monk’s stage for Placerville. Horace told Hank that he had a speaking appointment to keep in Placerville and was in a hurry. Hank, taking him seriously, drove at a fast pace over the dangerous mountain road. Supposedly this so unnerved Horace that he yelled out, “I will have you discharged before the week is out! Do you know who I am, sir?”

“Oh, yes,” Monk replied, “but I’ll take this coach into Placerville on time if it kills every one horse judge in the state of California.”

Mark Twain also tells the story: “I can tell you a most laughable thing indeed, if you would like to listen to it. Horace Greeley went over this road once. When he was leaving Carson City he told the driver, Hank Monk, that he had an engagement to lecture in Placerville and was very anxious to go through quick. Hank Monk cracked his whip and started off at an awful pace. The coach bounded up and down in such a terrific way that it jolted all the buttons off of Horace’s coat, and finally shot his head clean through the roof of the stage, and then he yelled at Hank Monk and begged him to go easier — said he warn’t in as much of a hurry as he was awhile ago. But Hank Monk said, ‘Keep your seat, Horace, and I’ll get you there on time.’ And you bet he did, too, what was left of him!”

— 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*.



Senior menu

Marsing Senior Center

- Oct. 9: Clam chowder & sandwiches, salad bar, apricots, sweet rolls
- Oct. 10: Garlic chicken, potatoes, beets, greens, tossed salad, apple juice bread, cake
- Oct. 14: Breakfast to order; biscuits & gravy, eggs, potatoes, juice, fruit, milk & coffee
- Oct. 15: Salisbury steak, potatoes, cauliflower w/cheese sauce, coleslaw w/apples, fruit cobbler
- Oct. 16: Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, carrots, Watergate salad, bread, strawberry shortcake

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the “Calendar of Events” link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681.

Homecoming 2013

Rimrock High School



Clockwise from top left:
The Rimrock Raider pumpkin carved by Jasper Lowe reportedly was the deciding factor when the junior high football parents won the community utility pole decorating contest. Organizers extended special thanks to the participants and judges. Second place went to the Lowe family's Boys of Fall, and the Grand View Elementary staff's Good Luck Raiders pole was third.

Homecoming King Torsten Pearson and Queen Mickie Newman are all smiles immediately after the coronation Friday.
The sophomore class won the float contest.

Jasper Lowe runs past Rockland defenders in Friday's game. Rockland won the non-conference game, 58-20.

Photos submitted by Amanda Lowe and Marcy Hardan



Homecoming 2013

Jordan Valley High School



Andi Warn, left, and Wyatt Stanford took home individual dress-up honors during Beach Day on Oct. 1.



The entire senior class at Jordan Valley High School — all three of them — was honored at the Homecoming game Friday afternoon against Spray/Mitchell. Natasha Keller, center, was named Homecoming queen, while Ben Telleria, left, and Wyatt Trautman served as her escorts.



Sophomore quarterback Jett Warn, left, follows his blocking during Friday's Homecoming game against Spray/Mitchell. Hit hard by key injuries, the Mustangs lost the junior varsity game. For more on the game, *See Sports*.



Members of the junior class swept to victory in several spirit competition categories last week during Jordan Valley High School's Homecoming. The juniors — shown during Beach Day on Oct. 1 — had 100 percent participation in dress-up activities throughout the week. The 11th-graders also won the flag football game, he-man volleyball and were tops in the parade.

Photos by Tara Echave

Girl Scouts work on auto repair badge



Study includes visit to local repair facility

Jason Conant, mechanic for Matteson's repair shop in Homedale, shows Girl Scouts Maya Correa, left, and Megan Aman how to check the oil levels in a car.



Matteson's repair shop technician Jason Conant shows the members of the Troop 75 Girl Scouts the basic mechanics of a car. The girls are, from left, Jordan Stuart, Megan Aman, advisor Angela Correa, and Maya Correa.

OCHS plans final field trip of year

Changes coming to Christmas Bazaar

The final event of the Owyhee County Historical Society's 2013 field trip season takes place Saturday, Oct. 19. The Walter's Ferry field trip, open to the public, will be a walking tour of historical buildings and places near Dan's Ferry Service store and gas station on the north side of the Snake River near the Idaho highway 45 bridge. The field trip begins at 9 a.m., and anyone wanting to take part should arrive shortly before that

time. Look for signs and vehicles near Dan's Ferry Service. For more information, call field trip leaders Jim and Jan Hyslop at 890-6718 or field trip chairperson Russ Hutchison at 465-7313. Owyhee County Historical Museum director Joe Demshar also announced changes to the annual OCHS Christmas Bazaar. The bazaar will be held only one day — Saturday, Dec. 7 — instead of the entire weekend as in the past. Charlie Brown Christmas trees gathered from around Silver City will be available during the bazaar as usual, but also will be sold at the museum the week after the bazaar.



Dorothy Davenport Bates

Nampa woman tabbed as Lizard Butte library artist of the month

This month's featured artist at Lizard Butte Library credits God for her talent. Nampa native Dorothy Davenport Bates decided after taking only a few painting lessons that God had given her the gift to create artwork. She explores that talent with the works on display at the Marsing public library as well as other endeavors. "I did paint an acrylic mural for our patio room of a garden and a white fence including a stuffed peacock sitting on a tree branch," she said. "It has become a real conversation piece when people come to visit." Bates is retired and still lives in Nampa with her husband of 26 years. She has two grown children

who also live in Nampa. A longtime Nampa Arts Guild member, Bates is also active in a senior choir and a Bible study group. She also stays busy with her garden, traveling and taking day trips. Bates and a friend once owned a small flower business, and Bates says she has been "a crafty person for years." Bates' artwork can be seen during regular hours at the library, which is located at 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., in Marsing. The Lizard Butte Library is open from noon to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.



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Family Dollar foundation work begins



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Concrete workers set the foundation for the new Family Dollar located diagonally across Main Street from Caba's in Marsing. The building will be 8,320 square feet, and construction will cost about \$410,000.



Pfc. Hernandez

Hernandez finishes USMC training

Pfc. Marcelino Xavier Hernandez, 2nd Battalion, has graduated with meritorious honors from Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego.

The son of Marcelino and Anna Hernandez of Homedale graduated from the training on Friday, Oct. 4, 2013.

After Marine Combat Training at Camp Pendleton, Calif., Pfc. Hernandez will be stationed in Virginia.

His grandparents, Claudio and Virginia Garcia, also live in Homedale.

Hernandez is a 2013 Homedale High School graduate.

Owyhee at 150
County’s heritage
traces to first large
cattle drive into Idaho

by Joe Demshar

The first large cattle drive to come into Idaho was prompted and accomplished by Owyhee cattlemen. Tom Bugbee, Con Shea, George Miller, E. Bass, and Robert Enos were the men responsible for the drive.

There were, of course, cattle in the country before this drive. Early ranchers had established small herds of beef cattle and milking cows to supply the needs of the growing towns. But these men, seeing the demand for beef rather than the wild game that was often the mainstay of people’s diets, organized the trip to Texas to buy the best livestock that they could find.

The men left Owyhee for Texas in January 1869 and returned with 1,400 head of fine cattle at the end of September of the same year.

In the entire 1,400 cattle, there were only two or three of the Texas Longhorns. All the rest were Durham or other improved breeds.

Con Shea and Bugbee drove

together all the way while Miller and Enos formed another herd. The two drives were so far apart that they did not see each other for three months at a time on a portion of the route.

After passing Ham’s Fork of the Green River they stayed near each other and arrived at the mouth of the Bruneau River together.

Early in 1870, Con Shea and Tom Bugbee returned to Texas for another herd of cattle.

The first cattle drive was over, but cattle ranching became a way of life for Owyhee County that continues today.

— Joe Demshar is the Owyhee County Historical Museum director. He used information from The Owyhee Avalanche and Tidal Wave newspaper for this article. More information on aspects, people and places in Owyhee County’s history and other historical topics is available at the museum, which is located at 17085 Basey St., in Murphy. It’s open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

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OCSO deputy Boster's benefit ride to end in Marsing

Dinner, live auction planned at the Spot on Saturday

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 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 shifts 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 help Boster's family with ongoing expenses.

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New library staff member to spearhead Tweens and Teens

A new face at the Homedale Public Library will be in charge of the upcoming Tweens and Teens event series.

Teasha Harris, 19, is the new part-time library clerk at the public library, and she's excited to be the head of Tweens and Teens this year.

The 2012 Homedale High School graduate said she is currently studying elementary education at the College of Western Idaho, and views Tweens and Teens as an opportunity to explore that role.

"Basically, it's like a mini teaching job," she said. "I'll watch over the kids, come up with a plan for each meeting, administrate the program, and help encourage kids to read."

Harris takes over for Sara Martin, who used to head Tweens and Teens.

This academic year's Tweens and Teens program will kick off Saturday from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Harris will lead the discussion to figure out what times works with participants' schedules. She said she will



Teasha Harris is the new part-time library clerk and Tweens and Teens leader.

aim for meeting once a week, but plans will solidify after the initial meeting. Anybody between ages 10 and 17 is welcome to come. Snack will be provided.

Tweens and Teens will begin next week with Teen Read Week, and the theme will be Seek the Unknown.

"I'm a little bit nervous," Harris

said of her venture into leading Tweens and Teens. "Nervous but excited."

—RAD

Homedale Story Time observes teddy bear day

A little girl's pet gets its feelings hurt and plots against a new teddy bear in Friday's Story Time selection, "Cat and Bear," at Homedale Public Library.

The story by Carol Greene will be read at 10:15 a.m., and preschoolers are invited to bring their own teddy bears for the event, which celebrates National Bring Your Teddy Bear to Work Day.

The story features a cat that gets jealous because the pet's little girl

owner gets a new teddy bear.

There will be crafts, songs and snacks.

The library is located 125 W. Owyhee Ave., and is open 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.

For more information, call 337-4228.

Homedale FFA Harvest Auction earns \$17K this year

*by Brenny Kilby
Homedale FFA reporter*

Homedale FFA's 10th annual Harvest Auction, which was held on Saturday, Sept. 21, was the most successful one yet.

We would like to acknowledge all persons who played a part in our triumph. First, a whole-hearted thank you to Rich and Rhonda Pickett with Pickett Auction Services. To Oscar Evans and Steve Nash, thank you for serving as ringmen in the auction. Your help in the auction was greatly appreciated.

The evening ran smoothly with Rachael Criffield and Shelley Shenk working at break-neck speed at the clerking table. A

tremendous thank you to all that donated goods for our Harvest Auction. Some big-ticket items were up for grabs this year.

We also added a silent auction to the event, which proved to be a success. This year, the auction made a mind-blowing \$17,357, breaking all records. Our profit will go toward travel to national convention, state conventions, community service projects and Ag Expo.

Our chapter is grateful to fulfill their duties as they take on labor for those who bid on them. Your hand in this year's auction has given our FFA chapter the opportunity for new, exciting experiences.



Homedale High School marching band mom Kirsten Mast, left, loads up a bag for customer Tresha Musgrave of Caldwell during the Farmers Market at Bette Uda City Park.

Farmers Market occurs sans HHS band

Band attends Boise competition

Even though the Homedale High School marching band will be in Boise for a big competition Saturday, the Farmers Market will go on.

Organizers announced that Marilyn Evans will serve as market manager for the event, which will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bette Uda City Park in Homedale.

Including Saturday, there are three market days left in the inaugural season for the school fundraiser.

The marching band, color guard and all its supporters will be at Bronco Stadium in Boise on Saturday for the District III festival.



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New trustees join Homedale School Board

Zone 2: Stacy Woods

Study hall could help prepare students for college

Stacy Woods stepped forward to make a difference and prove a point.

Recently installed as the Zone 2 trustee on the Homedale school board, the mother of two girls is taking a chance while others merely talk about it.

“I’m tired that people sit back and complain about the schools and don’t want to do anything about it,” she said. “You have to step up and try to make a difference.”

Woods sits in a seat on the school board that no one seemingly wanted when Tim Quintana said he wouldn’t run again prior to the May election.

The school board appointed Woods at its August meeting, and she was sworn in during the Sept. 9 gathering.

She stepped forward at the behest of former Homedale High School principal Luci Asumendi-Mereness.

“Luci mentioned it to me that

they had an opening at that position,” Woods said. “That’s all I needed to hear, and I pursued it more.”

Woods was the only patron to apply for the position after the school board asked for interested folks to pipe up.

Woods, 42, has been married to South Board of Control ditch rider Kenny Woods for 19 years. Their 16-year-old daughter Samantha is a junior at Homedale High School who competed in the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo Queen pageant last month. Kari, a 12-year-old, is a seventh-grader at Homedale Middle School.

The business development representative at Alliance Title and Escrow in Nampa has been a member of the Homedale Planning and Zoning committee for 1½ years. She also just began as an affiliate director of the Caldwell Board of Realtors.

Now she wants to go to work building the educational system



Facts on Woods
Age — 42
Spouse — Married to Kenny (19 years)
Children — Samantha, 16 (HHS junior) and Kari, 12 (HMS seventh-grader)
Occupation — Business development rep, Alliance Title and Escrow, Nampa

in Homedale — and Idaho.

She recently heard state Superintendent for Public Instruction Tom Luna tell the Nampa Chamber of Commerce that the state’s students are lagging behind the national standards.

“If our kids are that far behind when they go into college, that should be a concern for all of us,” she said.

Woods figures the state standards should be higher to ensure greater success in college — and beyond.

“Homedale has got a great

reputation as far as the education in schools here, but do we want to stop there?” she asked. “My oldest (Samantha) plans to go to the University of Idaho, and I want to see her excel and not get discouraged.”

Watching two secondary school students with the pedal to the floor all week long with school, sports and extra-curricular activities, Woods wants to find ways to make sure education and learning don’t get lost in the whirlwind.

“I would love to see at least one hour (per day) dedicated to

some sort of study skills class,” she said.

The study hall could take the place of an elective and even be mandatory in the formula to get students college-ready, Woods said.

“We put a lot of emphasis on sports,” she said. “I see the reasoning: To keep kids out of trouble, and it’s good exercise. But we need to re-direct our focus onto having our kids excel more in school and getting our kids to college.”

She encourages patrons to speak up at board meetings and also contact her through the district office with any concerns.

Woods also wants to help people understand what she already knows: As a parent, she has a responsibility to the community’s children.

“I’m very active in FFA and 4-H, and that’s what it takes is the parents to be involved, too, to get up and raise money for these kids,” she said.

— JPB

Zone 3: Dwayne Fisher

Broad involvement in process key to moving forward

Dwayne Fisher grew up in Parma, but he has been fully vested in the Homedale School District for years.

The Zone 3 trustee for the Homedale school board and his wife Tracy have five children in Homedale schools with a sixth on the cusp of elementary school.

“I felt if there was a great time to serve the community it was now as I am vested with children of my own in all three of our buildings,” Dwayne Fisher said. “I was also very excited about the hiring of our superintendent, Rob Sauer, and have known him for many years and looked forward to working with him.

“I feel like we have people in the right places to do extraordinary things.”

Trustee isn’t the first school-related job the 38-year-old agricultural executive has taken on, though.

The Fishers served as chairs for the 2008 Homedale International Smorgasbord.

The Fishers’ children have been in Homedale schools their entire



Facts on Fisher
Age — 38
Spouse — Married to Tracy (18 years in December)
Children — Devin, 16 (HHS junior); Madison, 16 (HHS sophomore); Lauryn, 13 (HMS eighth-grader); Spencer, 11 (HMS sixth-grader); Trenton, 8 (HES third-grader); and Tyce, 4 (preschooler)
Occupation — Partner and vice-president of sales, Champion Produce Sales, Parma; general manager, Tamura Farms Inc., Homedale

lives. Canyon County residents, Dwayne and Tracy moved into the district in 1999 after he graduated from Boise State University with a bachelor’s degree in marketing management. Two years later, their oldest son, Devin, started school.

“I felt that now was a great time to be involved with the leadership of our schools,” Fisher said. “We face many challenges, and I feel like I am a person that is not afraid to tackle things and work hard (to) find solutions to get them turned

around.”

Those challenges aren’t only financial.

Fisher said board members must overcome the perception that they aren’t getting the word out about issues in the district, including the two consecutive supplement levy elections that failed.

He said he voted against a 2011 supplemental levy because of the lack of detail on how the revenue would be used, but Fisher believes the district itemized “line-by-line” how the money would be spent in

the failed elections of May and August.

“All this being said and done, I still hear people say we are too secretive, we aren’t up-front, we need to be transparent,” Fisher said.

“Our challenge now is getting people to see that things have changed, that our administration has changed and nothing is being hidden or is secret.”

He said the district office door is “always open” for anyone who has questions or concerns.

“And I am glad to answer any questions anyone has moving forward,” Fisher said. “I want people to know that we are available and we want to hear their concerns and comments, but they have to take the time to allow those questions be addressed.

“Blanket explanations of where money is going to be used or blanket answers of why you don’t support a levy are both examples of people not taking the time to seek answers and solutions.”

Fisher urges patrons to get involved in the process — and

perhaps obtain more of an understanding — by coming to the board’s monthly meetings.

Fisher said the challenges facing the district really aren’t any different than those confronting the community and nation, and that finances and regulations play a huge role.

“It is important that we be fiscally responsible yet move our district forward and not let our money woes collapse everything we have going for us in our district,” he said.

Fisher fears that the financial situation will erode the district’s roster of quality teachers.

“Our ability to retain our amazing staff is no question a great concern of mine,” he said. “Most districts pay more than we do and have more to offer.

“I am very concerned about our ability to recruit new faculty members to our district. I believe our working environment and community help to offset what we lack in salary.”

— JPB

New trustees join Homedale School Board

Zone 4: Shelley Shenk

Students also must be involved to ensure success

The Homedale community has been asked to do a lot for the school district in recent months. New Zone 4 trustee Shelley Shenk — a Homedale native — thinks that the district’s students should have a stake, too. “I have always felt that we need to not only produce good students but good citizens as well,” Shenk said.

Shenk has done her part to ensure citizenship, leading her sports teams through community service projects such as cleaning the senior housing project, putting on instructional clinics for younger athletes and even a bake sale for the seventh-grade girls’ basketball team. Bake sale proceeds were used to purchase presents for a local family.

“I really feel that the kids need to give back to the community that gives them so much,” Shenk said. As one of the newest school board members, Shenk is well aware that even with the success of her team’s fundraiser, the financial outlook for the district as a whole is bleak.

“Funding is always an issue,” she said. “We will need to make some difficult decisions with next year’s budget.”

Some of the solutions in the wake of two failed levies may be increasing extracurricular fees as well as making cuts, but as a small business owner Shenk knows both sides of the argument.

“I personally think we may need to look at asking for a lower levy amount,” Shenk said. “With our economy the way it is, people are hesitant to see an increase in their taxes.

“Unfortunately, the way the state sets it up, the majority of the



Shelley Shenk, top left, stands with her family, including, clockwise from top right, husband Dave, daughter Elise, daughter Allison, daughter Erin and son Mark. Submitted photo

Facts on Shenk

Age — 50
Spouse — Married to Dave (31 years)
Children — Mark, 25; Erin, 19 (freshman at University of Idaho); Elise, 16 (HHS junior); and Allison, 13 (HMS eighth-grader)
Occupation — Agricultural business owner (feedlot, equipment sales, hay hauling) and volunteer coach for HMS sports

burden falls on the farmers, and in the last couple of years they have seen their profit margins get tighter and tighter.”

As a Homedale High School graduate and a mother whose children continue to make their journey through the Homedale school system, Shenk has helped mold the potential in the district and also has witnessed the next phase.

She served on the Homedale Trust Board and the original board that brought FFA back to Homedale.

“Our FFA program is one of the top programs in the state,” she

said. “I think our school should be very proud of that.”

Shenk also has watched the turnover in administration at the district’s schools, but remains optimistic about the caliber of leadership.

“We have hired people that will be important in moving our schools forward,” she said.

“Dion Flaming, the new high school principal, is doing a good job with discipline, and I think the teachers as well as the kids are seeing that our school is benefiting from that.”

— JPB



Idaho Department of Fish and Game conservation officers Corey Taylor, left, and Craig Mickelson stand with a poached 4x4 mule deer buck seized in Operation Border Jumper. Taylor typically patrols the Garden Valley area while Mickelson’s assignment includes parts of western Owyhee County. IDFG photo

Robotic deer too tempting a target for alleged poachers

Jordan Valley man among those cited by Idaho authorities

A stuffed, robotic deer helped Idaho Fish and Game officials nab a handful of Oregonians suspected of trying to get a jump on the mule deer season in the Succor Creek area.

Five men, including a 65-year-old Jordan Valley resident, will make appearances in Owyhee County Court in Murphy in the coming days. They face heavy fines for their roles in two unrelated poaching incidents.

In an enforcement effort with the code name Operation Border Jumper, Fish and Game Senior Conservation Officer Craig Mickelson led an investigation in the Owyhee desert during the last week of September.

Mickelson and the enforcement team set out a robotic decoy deer and initiated a stakeout just east of the Oregon/Idaho border.

On Sept. 29, 65-year-old James Hayhurst of Jordan Valley encouraged his 8-year-old grandson to take a shot at the deer, which had been set up along Palmer Creek.

The boy wasn’t charged, but Hayhurst faces numerous offenses, including hunting without a valid Idaho hunting license, hunting without a valid Idaho deer tag, attempting to take simulated wildlife and attempting to take a deer during closed season.

The rifle used in the case was seized as evidence.

Early on the morning of Sept. 28, a group of four Oregon hunters passed the fake deer on the side of the road, but didn’t spot the decoy until a return trip later.

Fish and Game reports that one

of the people in the party got out of the truck and fired six shots at the decoy. When the shooting stopped F&G officers interviewed the subjects and issued 13 citations, including two related to an illegal 4x4 mule deer buck poached that morning.

Officers seized the buck and two hunting rifles. Charged were:

- Martine Mills, 47, of Cove, Ore., for attempting to take a deer during closed season, attempting to take simulated wildlife, possession/transportation of a closed season deer, hunting without a valid Idaho hunting license and hunting without a valid Idaho deer tag.

Additionally, authorities issued a warning for an open container of alcohol.

- Thomas Roger, 66, of Cove for possession/transportation of a closed season deer and hunting without a valid Idaho hunting license.

- Justin Cernazanu, 29, of Cove, with possession/transportation of a closed season deer.

- Eugene Mills, 69, of Nyssa, Ore., with hunting without a valid hunting license.

Mickelson attributes Operation Border Jumper’s success in large part to the public’s willingness to report suspicious behavior.

“We had reports last year that one or more Oregon groups were slipping into Idaho prior to the mule deer season opener and poaching deer,” he said. “We held onto that information and used it this year to bring these individuals to justice.”

Persons with any information about suspected poaching activity are encouraged to call the Citizens Against Poaching (CAP) hotline at (800) 632-5999, 24 hours a day. Callers can remain anonymous and cash rewards are often paid for information leading to the successful conclusion of a case.

Masonic scholarship breakfast set Sunday

Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 members present their semi-annual scholarship pancake breakfast Sunday.

Breakfast will be served from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the lodge, 19 W. Idaho Ave., in Homedale.

For \$7, diners get an all-you-can-eat breakfast featuring pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee and orange juice.

Ava’s red syrup will complement the pancakes.

Proceeds will go to the

Masons’ scholarship fund that helps with college expenses for graduating high school seniors from Homedale, Marsing, Wilder and Parma.

For more information, call Rob Troxel at 896-4279.

American Legion Auxiliary helps military women, families

American Legion Auxiliary officers

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The boys aren't the only ones who get to have fun. Nationally, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) has 800,000 wives, mothers, daughters, sisters, grandmothers, granddaughters and great-granddaughters of veterans who served our great country during times of war. Some members are veterans themselves.

Locally, there are 32 women who meet at the George D. Vanderhoff American Legion building at 14 E. Owyhee Ave. in Homedale on the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. Their mission is the same as all the chapters in the nation: to support and advocate for veterans, active military and their families; to award scholarships; to foster patriotism; and to provide the community with volunteer opportunities.

Lynda Gammett is the current president of the Homedale chapter, which was established in 1940. She led the meeting last Wednesday where the women discussed past business and new business, which mostly involved installing an air conditioner/heater unit in their meeting room. They then began planning for their next big fundraiser, an all-you-can-eat style smorgasbord tentatively set for Nov. 9. In December, they will partner with American Legion Post 32 — "the men" — for a community Christmas dinner, and they usually take holiday cookies to the Idaho State Veterans Home in Boise, although Gammett said



ALA members meet to discuss holiday fundraisers and the budget.

it seems as though they will do something different this year.

Gammett said the men and women of American Legion often work together, but are still autonomous enough to remain separate.

"In a lot of ways, there is very little difference between the two," she said. "We try to do things to help the community out."

The ALA focuses on women and families of military, holding bake sales, yard sales, and fundraising events to pay for corsages for military mothers on Mother's Day, for example.

The ALA also sponsors scholarships and leadership opportunities for young women in high school. In addition to scholarships for daughters or sisters of military, the ALA sponsors local students for Girls State every year. Girls State is a seven-day mock government event for high school juniors

where they learn about civics and American government in a fast-paced program of campaigning, debating, voting, and electing mock local and state leaders.

On Memorial Day and Veterans Day, the ALA distributes red crepe paper poppies, a symbol of sacrifice and service made by veterans. Local Poppy Program coordinator is Vonnie Harkins, who was unable to attend the recent meeting.

"I helped (the ALA) at the fair for a few hours with (secretary Alice Mullins) Alice's encouragement, and I have to say I had a lot of fun," prospective member Tamara Patrick said at the meeting. "And I thought to myself, I might enjoy doing this."

Anyone who qualifies and is interested in joining the Homedale ALA should contact a member or attend the next meeting on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m.

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Huskies, Trojans roll in big conference wins



Homedale High School senior receiver Lane Sale battles a Parma defender for a pass during Friday's Milk Jug Game at Deward Bell Stadium.

HHS creams Parma in Milk Jug Game

Leslie's big game highlights key SRV shellacking

Homedale High School's fourth consecutive victory in the Milk Jug Game turned into a passing clinic Friday night.

Sophomore Lawsen Matteson just missed a 375-yard passing game, but finished with an astronomical quarterback rating in a 47-14 dismantling of Parma at Deward Bell Stadium.

"Lawsen is a very smart student-athlete, and whenever you have a QB that gets straight A's in school you know he is going to be able to pick up the offense," HHS coach Matt Holtry said.

"The ability for him to have the success that he has comes down

"It starts with a great week of preparation, and we had that all week last week. It was the result of three solid practices leading up to Friday night's game."

— Matt Holtry
Homedale football coach

to the whole team atmosphere. We have great leadership by our seniors and they have brought Lawsen in and given him the confidence that he needs as a sophomore to be successful like he is."

Matteson completed 76.7 percent of his passes (23-for-30) and connected with three different receivers for touchdowns in the

Trojans' fourth consecutive win in the rivalry. The son of former HHS quarterback Mike Matteson didn't throw an interception and finished the 3A Snake River Valley conference game with a 151.2 quarterback rating.

Homedale (4-1 overall, 2-0 in conference) now holds a 9-4

— See **HHS**, page 4B

Williams' five TDs lead Marsing's rout

Huskies take on NP for piece of first place Friday

The MASH unit that has been Marsing High School's football team got to feeling a little better Friday night.

"We got some injured people back, and it makes a huge difference," Huskies co-head coach Jaime Wood said. "We just came out and people played like we knew they could and got it done."

Getting it done left McCall-Donnelly well-done as Marsing scored eight touchdowns in the first half of a 59-7 shellacking of its visiting 2A Western Idaho Conference foe.

Senior tailback Austin Williams, whom Wood gauged was at about 85 percent, ignored his ankle problem and ran for 85 yards and four touchdowns behind an offensive line that regained one of its injured tackles.

"(Williams) knows that the offensive line will be the key

to our run game," Wood said. "I thought they line did a great job."

Williams also hauled in a 60-yard halfback option pass from Tristan Jacobi for a fifth score.

Garret Briggs (15 yards) and Charlie Galvez (10 yards) also had rushing scores as Marsing piled up 326 yards on 45 attempts.

Marsing's offensive line isn't back to full strength, but did get a little closer as senior right tackle Yovani Zerapio after missing two games with a sore knee. Another senior, Brad Labit, started at left tackle spot with upperclassman Gage Ramirez still sidelined with his own knee issue.

Marsing (4-1 overall, 1-1 in conference) rallied after a stinging loss to Cole Valley Christian in the Huskies' 2A WIC opener.

"The kids came out ready to play," Wood said. "They rebounded from that loss in a really good way. We had a really good week of practice."

The varsity players also got virtually all of the second half off.

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Senior placekicker Josiah Hay-Smith, right, boots a 37-yard field goal Friday night. Photo by Dan Pease

HMS 7th-graders maintain unblemished volleyball records

Homedale Middle School's seventh-grade volleyball teams ended last week with perfect records.

The Trojans played at Fruitland after deadline on Tuesday and closes the 3A Snake River Valley conference regular season at home Thursday against Parma.

The middle school program's home matches are held inside the Homedale High School gymnasium.

The Trojans' A team closes its season Saturday in Parma for the conference tournament.

Last week, the A team avenged its only set loss of the season with

a 25-13, 25-16 win over visiting Weiser last Wednesday.

Two days earlier, the A team downed McCain of Payette, 25-11, 25-22.

Statistics from the program's top team included six aces, three assists and four digs from Alex Grant. Amaya Carter had six kills

and five digs.

Courtney Van Winkle notched six digs and eight assists, while Josey Hall had four kills and nine digs.

Olivia Cardenas recorded three kills and nine digs, and Paige Carter had nine kills and three digs.

Sophie Nash filled the stat sheet with three aces, eight assists and 12 digs.

B team

Like the A team, the B team has lost only one set this season. That

— See **HMS**, page 4B

Sports

Homedale narrowly misses volleyball upset

Fruitland gets extra point in fifth set for tight win

Homedale High School opened the second half of the conference volleyball season with one of its best nights against an old foe.

Fruitland rallied from a 2-1 deficit to post a five-set 3A Snake River Valley conference victory at home Thursday, but the Trojans' 25-18, 23-25, 21-25, 25-12, 16-14 loss marked the second time in as many



Julie Gregory

but we can't be too upset for how well we played," Gregory said.

Morgan Nash shined in the middle of the court with 26 assists and 15 digs.

Kaylee Rupp delivered 11 kills to lead the Trojans (3-5 overall, 1-4 in 3A SRV), while Destiny

Long contributed six kills, 10 digs, one block and an ace.

In an example of the Trojans' determination, Tori Nash posted 20 digs and Katie Deal scrambled for 14.

Elise Shenk chimed in with five kills and a block assist.

The Grizzlies piled up statistics with Holli Mullins racking up 35 kills and six blocks. Kenzie Collins amassed 40 assists, while Lacy Keaton had 19 digs.

Season-best times highlight Trojans' cross country outing

Hungate takes SRV's best performance into conference meet

Homedale High School's cross country team ran with the big dogs Thursday at the Gary Ward Invitational.

"The kids fared well," Trojans coach Heidi Ankeny said. "Weiser was the only other school from our district there, and we were about the only small schools there."

"We were up against the big teams like Bishop Kelly and Vallivue."

Cole Hungate led three Trojans who ran their best five-kilometer times of the season.

A junior, Hungate finished 19th among a field of 63 boys. He was clocked at 17 minutes, 31.14 seconds.

Junior Kincade Kincheloe (21:13.45) and freshmen Ryan Randall (21:38.96) also had personal bests.

"It was cold and windy, but in my opinion they ran well considering the weather," Ankeny said.

Another top Trojans athlete, Riley Portwood, didn't appear in Thursday's meet at Skyview Park in Nampa.

"Riley didn't run because he rolled his ankle in PE the other day," Ankeny said. "So we were resting it. Better to heal it even though it was minor than to risk him injuring it more."

Ankeny pointed out that Hungate has the fastest time of any 3A Snake River Valley conference athlete this season.

Hungate has a chance to back up his performance Thursday when Homedale travels to Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser for the 3A SRV meet.

The rest of Homedale's boys finished in a pack at the Gary Ward Invitational.

Sophomore Benny Schamber ran a 21:37.77. Seniors Caleb Oviedo (23:10.55), Esteban Lejardi (23:35.16) and Adam Hotchkiss (23:46.46) finished



Homedale's Cole Hungate runs past a bundled-up supporter during Thursday's Gary Ward Invitational at Skyview Park in Nampa. Photo submitted by Machele Randall

ahead of teammate Lance Eaton, a sophomore who ran a 25:19.10.

In the girls' race, senior Kathryn Thatcher finished 31st in 24:06.94.

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Athlete of the Week

Lawsen Matteson, so., football

The Play — Matteson led a 521-yard offensive attack in Friday's Milk Jug Game victory over Parma with 374 yards passing and three touchdowns. He averaged 16.3 yards per completion and didn't throw an interception. He also scored on a two-yard run as the Trojans soared past the Panthers, 47-14, at Deward Bell Stadium.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Oct. 11 at Fruitland, 7 p.m.
Game will be webcast at www.idahosports.com

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 10, home vs. Fruitland, 6:30 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Thursday, Oct. 10 at Weiser, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 15, home vs. Payette, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 10 at Weiser, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 15, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.

Cross Country

Thursday, Oct. 10 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Winston Tilzey West Park Open, West Park, Nampa, 4 p.m.

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Sports



Carey Dines prepares to lower the boom on a ball against Cole Valley Christian as Marsing volleyball teammate Morgan Hall (11) looks on. Photo by Dan Pease

Emerging offense can't carry Marsing volleyball in 2A WIC

Dig Pink game set in Parma on Monday

Strong offense wasn't enough to save Marsing High School from a pair of conference volleyball losses.

Lily Bowers averaged 7.5 kills per match, and Mariah Kinney found her groove at the service line, but the Huskies dropped a pair of 2A Western Idaho Conference home dates.

Marsing travels to former conference rival Parma on Monday for its annual Dig Pink game.

The Huskies players are sell-

ing raffle tickets for an item donated by Campbell Tractor.

Traditionally, athletes on both sides of the non-conference battle wear pink to raise awareness of the fight against breast cancer.

Thursday: Cole Valley Christian 3, Marsing 0 — Kinney had 16 assists and eight digs, but the Huskies (1-9 overall, 1-7 in 2A WIC at week's end) couldn't find traction in a 25-21, 25-15, 25-13



Lily Bowers

loss to the Chargers.

Bowers pounded six kills and came through with a block and an ace.

Tristan Jarvis served a pair of aces and dug nine balls, while Morgan Hall hit four kills.

Kieya Buckley added three kills, two blocks and an ace.

Oct. 1: Nampa Christian 3, Marsing 1 — The Huskies came out strong and won a fierce battle in the first set before the Trojans claimed a 24-26, 25-15, 25-12, 25-16 conference victory.

Kinney served six aces, dished 12 assists and notched a kill.

Bowers led the Huskies with nine kills, while Ellie Folwell had two aces and carded three kills.

Herrera nabs 8th at WIC meet

Ofelia Herrera spearheaded Marsing High School's performance at the conference cross country meet last Wednesday.

The senior finished eighth in

the girls' race at the 2A Western Idaho Conference meet, running 22 minutes, 18.52 seconds in New Plymouth.

Sophomore Caitlyn Line posted

a personal-best 23:29.38 and finished 15th.

On the boys' side, Logan Moore finished 49th at 22:07.43, also a personal record.

✓ Marsing: Galvez takes interception for score, just misses another TD

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Leading, 56-0, Wood pulled his front-line players and flooded the field with the junior varsity squad.

Outside of a fourth down on which the first team returned and Josiah Hay-Smith kicked a 37-yard field goal, the JV players

got all the repetitions after the intermission. The only pass of the second half was Brett Grossman's 22-yarder to Kendall Freelo.

Hay-Smith put his foot into the ball all night long. He was perfect on eight extra-point attempts in the first half.

"What a first half for a kicker,"

Wood said.

Hay-Smith, who transferred to Marsing from Hawaii before the school year, started at defensive end in the season opener against Parma. A shoulder injury has kept him sidelined except for the kicking, though.

The game was played with a

running clock in the second half, and the Vandals didn't score until the fourth quarter.

Galvez returned one of his two interceptions for a touchdown, and Wood said the senior was one block away from a pick-six on his other theft.

The Huskies travel to New

Plymouth on Friday to take on the Pilgrims, who have won their first two conference games.

"Every game from here on out is all about seeding and trying to get into the state playoffs," Wood said. "Every game is huge. We've got to play the same no matter who it is."

— JPB

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week



Josiah Hay-Smith, sr., football

The Play — Limited to only kicking duties because of a lingering shoulder injury, the transfer from Hawaii still saw plenty of action in Friday's 2A Western Idaho Conference blowout of McCall-Donnelly. In a 59-7 home-field victory, Hay-Smith booted eight PATs in the first half and capped the scoring with a 37-yard field goal in the third quarter. Adding to his perfect night as a placekicker, Hay-Smith sailed two of his kick-offs into the end zone to do his part in keeping the Vandals pinned deep.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Oct. 11 at New Plymouth, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 10, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Cross Country

Thursday, Oct. 10 at Melba Invitational, Celebration Park, 4 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Thursday, Oct. 10 at McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 14 at Parma, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity A
Thursday, Oct. 10 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 14 at Parma, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Thursday, Oct. 10 at McCall-Donnelly, 5 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 14 at Parma, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 15, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.



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Sports

✓ HHS: Matteson, receivers bring passing game to life

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edge in the rivalry. Holtry is 5-1 in the series, while Parma’s Luke Platz saw his losing streak run to three games.

Matteson sandwiched scoring passes to Lane Sale around another TD pass to Jakobee Osborn. His 374 yards passing was part of Homedale’s season-high 521 yards total offense. The Trojans also collected a season-best 27 first downs.

“The entire offensive team has to be in sync, and they are playing well together right now,” Holtry said.

Sale finished with 136 yards on seven receptions. He hauled in a 36-yard touchdown nine seconds before the end of the first quarter and then caught a four-yard TD pass in the third quarter.

Matteson also scored on a two-yard run for a 35-0 Homedale lead 1 minute, 21 seconds before halftime.

With Dayne Jacobs out until the final week of the season with a broken bone in his foot, Nathan Leslie continued his emergence with another big game.

One week after scoring two touchdowns in the first half in a conference win over Weiser, the tight end caught four passes for 106 yards. Leslie’s first catch went for 18 yards and — paired with a 33-yard strike to Sale — set up Devin Fisher’s one-yard touchdown run in the second quarter.

A 39-yard pass to Leslie later in the quarter set up Matteson’s short TD run.

“All of our skill positions are great kids and great athletes,” Holtry said. “Talon Freelo

Lane Sale, Angel Cardenas, Brady Brown, Nathan Leslie, Tyson Furlott are all great receivers and can catch the ball very well.

“The best thing about this group is their unselfishness and the support that they give one another. It is a great feeling when these kids are celebrating each others successes.”

Leslie also got in on the act defensively, picking off Aaron Hezeltine on Parma’s next possession — the first of the second half — then catching a 29-yard pass. Homedale capitalized on the turnover when Sale’s four-yard scoring reception gave the Trojans a 41-0 lead.

Leslie led the Trojans with eight tackles and three assists.

Leslie’s final reception — a 20-yarder — led to Josh Tolmie’s second score of the night. Tolmie scored on a six-yard run to finish off a game that included a team-high 97 yards rushing and two short TD runs.

Parma had 174 yards total offense, and the Panthers’ only scoring came on a pair of seven-yard runs by Denver Riggs.

“I was very pleased with the overall attitude and effort by the defense Friday night,” Holtry said. “It starts with a great week of preparation, and we had that all week last week. It was the result of three solid practices leading up to Friday night’s game.”

Homedale’s other defensive leaders included Sale with six tackles and an assist and Luke Flaming with five tackles and two of Homedale’s three sacks of Hezeltine.

— JPB

✓ HMS: Trojans’ Bs sweep two more SRV opponents

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setback came against Ontario in the season-opening match.

There was little resistance from the visiting Wolverines in last Wednesday’s 25-15, 25-17 win.

The Trojans also beat McCain, 25-17, 25-20, on Sept. 30.

Homedale had an impressive week from the service line.

Emily Kent and Quinn Mikelson recorded five aces apiece.

Taylor Mitchell had four aces and a kill, while Kelsey Taylor had an assist and a dig.

Hatty Glanzman and Shelby Anders also served balls that their opponents couldn’t return, while Glanzman and Jenna Rupp each had a kill.

Rimrock volleyball loses

Rimrock High School fell in three sets during its only volleyball match of the week.

SaKota Hall had two aces, three kills and two blocks, but the Raiders lost to Riverstone International in Boise, 25-17, 25-14, 25-15, on Sept. 30.

Senior Kyla Jewett served an ace against the Otters and came up with five digs to go with three kills.

“The girls played tough tonight.

They played mentally tough, they stayed up and they gave it their all,” Raiders coach Amanda Nelson said. “I was proud of them tonight.”

The Raiders closed the 1A Western Idaho Conference season Tuesday after deadline in Canyon County against Greenleaf Friends Academy.

The 1A, Div. I District III Tournament begins Tuesday. Matchups weren’t available.

Trojans play for SRV lead Friday

Fruitland field is stage for marquee matchup

Matt Holtry is the type of football coach who doesn’t look too far ahead.

Still, he knows exactly what’s at stake Friday night when Homedale High School travels to face Fruitland.

Beating the Grizzlies would mean more than the biggest victory in Holtry’s tenure.

It would also be a big step toward sewing up the 3A Snake River Valley conference championship and home-field advantage for the 3A state playoffs.

No wonder IdahoSports.com has elected to webcast the game, which kicks off at 7 p.m. Friday.

Holtry, however, is cautious about making any plans beyond Friday night.

“In the SRV you can never assume anything, so we are not even talking playoffs yet,” he said. “We are talking Fruitland.”

And when one talks Fruitland, the discussion usually revolves around high-scoring games — for the Grizzlies, who finished second

in the state playoffs last year.

Fruitland (6-0 overall, 2-0 in conference) has yet to surrender a point in 3A SRV action. The Grizzlies smoked Parma, 40-0, on Sept. 27 and beat Payette, 37-0, at home Friday.

Fruitland seemingly hasn’t missed a beat despite losing four top-notch players and its longtime head coach — Bruce Schlaich, who resigned after the 2012 season.

“Fruitland is a well-developed program, and we are going to prepare just as we have the past couple weeks,” Holtry said.

First-year coach Ryan Tracy inherited an offense with another first-year guy at the helm. Jerred Seamons has taken over quarterbacking duties for Joe Martarano, who now hangs out with the Boise State football team.

The Grizzlies have scored no fewer than 25 points in all their games this year with their biggest challenge coming in a 25-18 victory over 4A Middleton on Aug. 30. Fruitland has outscored its past four opponents by a combined score of 179-14.

“It takes a lot of discipline and focus to beat a team like

Fruitland,” Holtry said.

“I feel that we have a great opportunity in front of us Friday night, and we are going to make sure our kids are ready for it.”

But for all the talk of Fruitland, Homedale enters the showdown with a roster peppered with seniors who have been through the rivalry before and a couple upperclassmen receivers — Talon Freelo

Then there’s sophomore quarterback Lawsen Matteson, who has an embarrassment of riches at his skill positions, including Freelo

“It definitely opens up your playbook when you have so many weapons,” Holtry said, reflecting on his new job as offensive coordinator. “Your biggest worry comes down to trying to get the ball in your playmakers’ hands as much as possible.

“It’s a good problem to have.”

— JPB

Prolific offense, stingy defense lead Homedale to JV victory

Two ball carriers rack up more than 100 yards each

The defense allowed fewer than 100 yards and five different players scored touchdowns Thursday in Homedale High School’s junior varsity football rout of Parma.

Daniel Stansell had nine tackles and a quarterback sack to lead the Trojans’ stifling defense, and he kicked a pair of PATs in a 50-0 3A Snake River Valley conference victory on the road.

Garrett Carter and Jacob Furlott

both topped 100 yards rushing and scored two touchdowns apiece to spearhead the Trojans’ offense. Both ball carriers averaged more than 20 yards per carry.

Carter had 163 yards, including TD runs of 47 and 17 yards, on eight carries.

Furlott had 104 yards and scoring runs of 33 and 32 yards on just five totes.

Quarterback Jake Deal plunged in from a yard out for another touchdown, while Chase Martell scored on a 13-yard run in the third quarter and Caleb Meligan scored on a six-yard jaunt in the fourth quarter.

The defensive effort was spread around. Homedale held the Panthers to 60 yards rushing and 34 yards passing.

Richard Symms had four tackles and a quarterback sack. He also broke up a pass.

Jacob Christensen and Michel Bethge recovered fumbles.

Riley Christoffersen had seven solo tackles, while Amos Aguilera and Conner Carter notched six solo stops and two assists each.

Dylan Burks had five tackles and an assist.

Homedale picked up 313 of its 347 total offensive yards on the ground.

HMS 7th-graders win again

SRV leaders stifle 8th-grade football

Homedale Middle School’s seventh-grade football team rolled up another rout last week.

The Trojans trounced host Ontario, 41-0, in a 3A Snake River Valley conference game Oct. 1.

Homedale, which was 3-1 before Tuesday’s regular-season finale against McCain of Payette, most likely will play for the conference championship.

HMS’ eighth-graders slipped to 2-2 when Ontario used big plays

for a 20-8 win that maintained the conference’s top spot.

Ontario stopped a deep drive on Homedale’s first possession then turned on the big-play power with an 80-yard pass play for the game’s first score.

The Tigers struck again on their next possession, finally breaking through against the Trojans’ goal-line defense for a 12-0 lead. Homedale stopped Ontario three times before a two-yard TD run.

Ontario built a 20-0 lead in the second quarter with a 90-yard return of a Homedale turnover.

Homedale couldn’t punch the

ball through during three trips to the red zone in the first half.

The Trojans took six minutes off the clock with their final drive of the second quarter, but ran out of time.

During a defensive-minded second half, Homedale finally got on the board on Christian Rios’ 40-yard run and extra-point kick.

Rios finished with 85 yards on 13 carries, while Max Mertz rolled up 84 yards on 12 carries.

The rest of the offense included Jesse Packer’s 22 yards on four rushes and Luis Garibay’s 32 yards on seven carries.

Sports

Adrian rolls past Crane behind big effort on both sides of ball

Two players top 11 tackles

Adrian High School scored 60 points Friday night, but its football victory had a decidedly defensive flavor.

Shane Miller recovered a fumble for a touchdown and two teammates recorded double-digit tackles in the Antelopes' 60-20 1A High Desert League win over host Crane.

Jett McCoy jarred the ball from Crane's Travis Landon and Miller fell on it for a 40-20 lead in the third quarter of Adrian's fourth consecutive victory.

Miller finished with 8.5 tackles, but the Antelopes (5-1 overall, 3-0 in 1A HDL) truly put together a team effort against Crane.

Bryson Shira had 3.5 tackles for loss and half a sack among his game-high 11.5 tackles.

Morgan White had half of Adrian's five quarterback sacks to go with 11 tackles overall and four tackles of loss.

In all, Adrian defenders caught Crane players behind the line



Adrian High School's Chase Walker rushed for 131 yards and a touchdown in Friday's road victory over Crane. Photo by Austin Meyer / AHS

of scrimmage 16 times. Chase Walker had 3.5 TFL and seven tackles overall, while Tyler Reay had 7.5 tackles, including a tackle of Tyler Opie for a safety and three tackles for loss.

Troy Villarreal also had 8.5 tackles and one TFL, but made an impact on offense, too.

He only carried the ball three times, but managed 69 yards and touchdown runs of 53 and 16 yards in the second half.

Quarterback Reagan Shira was just as efficient with his pass

plays, even he only completed two of his eight attempts and was picked off once.

Both his completions went for scores. Morgan White hauled in a 41-yard reception for the game's first touchdown, and Kenny Purnell caught a 15-yard pass to give Adrian a little breathing room shortly before halftime.

Before Purnell's TD catch, Crane had pulled to within two points on Justin Baldwin's nine-yard run.

Shira and White also scored on the ground.

Big net play sends Antelopes to non-league win over Grizzlies



Quincy Pendergrass notched 13 kills and served a pair of aces Thursday as Adrian High School snapped a two-match volleyball losing streak.

Alandra Hartley added eight kills in the Antelopes' 25-13, 25-15, 25-23 non-league win over Greenleaf Friends Academy.

"It was nice to come back and get a win after last week," Adrian coach Aimee Esplin said, reflecting on losses to Nyssa (Sept. 24) and Monument-Dayville (Sept. 27).

"The girls attacked the ball nicely and were much more accurate on the serve."

Lauren Barraza dished 10 assists and an ace, while Carlee Morton had eight assists and four aces.

Adrian (5-5 overall) finished the week with a four-set loss to 1A High Desert League at Crane on Friday.

The Antelopes finished the week 2-2 in league play and had lost two straight 1A HDL matches before Tuesday's showdown with archrival Jordan Valley.

The Jordan Valley match and a Monday non-leaguer against Greenleaf Friends Academy were played after deadline.

Left: Adrian High School freshman Carlee Morton scores a point on a tip against Greenleaf Friends Academy. Photo by Bob Radford



Freshman setter Alisha Rogers puts up an assist Friday during Jordan Valley's victory over Spray/Mitchell. Photo by Tara Echave

Mustangs rally past distractions for sixth straight win

The Homecoming excitement nearly got to Jordan Valley High School's volleyball team.

After a narrow first-set loss, though, the Mustangs were able to pull off a 22-25, 25-6, 25-12, 25-20 1A High Desert League victory over Spray/Mitchell.

"We started off a little nervous or slow the first game," Mustangs coach Sarah Carson said.

"It was a really fun week for the girls with all the homecoming celebrations and pulling off a win."

Morgan Caywood dominated from the back line for the Mustangs (6-2 overall, 3-0 1A HDL), serving 14 consecutive points at one stretch and ending the night with nine aces. She also had three digs.

Andi Warn led the way with nine kills, three tip kills and seven digs.

Carson said she was impressed with Sage Raine's net game. She finished with six kills, while Zoey Warn had six kills and five digs.

Sharayah Sausser also picked up five digs.

Alisha Rogers dished 25 assists and helped the offense with three tip kills. Defensively, she notched three digs.

Jaci Larsen had four digs.

The Mustangs took six-match winning streak into Tuesday's home contest against Adrian. Jordan Valley ends a three-match 1A HDL week with 4 p.m. encounters against Harper/Huntington (Friday) and Crane (Saturday).

Key injuries hobble Jordan Valley football's chances

Visiting Spray/Mitchell pulls away in second half

Jordan Valley High School's already-diminished junior varsity football roster took another hit Friday.

The Mustangs started their

Homecoming game without Braden Fillmore and lost Wyatt Stanford to a back injury in the third quarter.

Spray/Mitchell capitalized on

Jordan Valley's short-handed defense, taking control of a 1A High Desert League game that as tied at halftime for a 52-34 victory.

"I was proud of the way the boys played," first-year Mustangs coach Silas Skinner said. "We were missing our best player, Braden Fillmore, and they still

played with a lot of heart."

The Mustangs' lone senior, Benny Telleria carried a load on both sides of the line of scrimmage.

"He also stepped up and played a big defensive game as we were without our best defensive player," Skinner said.

"Juniors Nick Eiguren and Lee Stanford also played a good game, but at the end of the day football is all about numbers and we are just a few short right now."

Jordan Valley is 3-2 overall and 2-1 in the 1A HDL heading into Friday afternoon's home game against Harper/Huntington.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Turtle trouble

What do horses, centipedes, geese, dogs and zippers have in common with Mike Tyson? They bite!

As a veterinarian, I routinely find myself sticking my hand into some animal’s mouth, giving pills, floating teeth, removing foreign objects or tickling their uvula. Not long ago, I plunged my arm in a cow’s mouth (she was in a chute) to confirm my diagnosis of “rattlesnake bite on the *torus linguae* (dorsal hump) of her tongue.”

I carry a horse bite scar on the back of my arm from my teenage days trying to help a damsel in distress to bridle her equine! But, it can’t hold a candle to my Louisiana friend Sammy, who got bit on the ear by a yellow-bellied slider turtle. I guess it could only happen to a cowboy.

Pause a moment and try to picture how this could have happened. Was he using it to trim the hair in his ears? Did he mistake the turtle for a new smart phone? Was he listening to the turtle hum “Jambalaya?” Did someone tell him if he held it to his ear he could hear the ocean? Had he finally decided he wanted to pierce one ear like Harrison Ford and Formerly Called Prince?

None of the above. Sammy was heading out with his crew to work cattle. They were in a crew cab pullin’ a gooseneck with four horses. They turned down a back road and Sammy spotted a turtle crossing the road. “Hey, Bryan, wanna turtle?” he asked.

“Shure do!” said his son. He clambered out of the back seat, picked up the turtle, about the size of a salad plate, and climbed back in.

Back on the road, Bryan was being playful with his new pet. He held it up by Sammy’s head and spoke in his best turtle-voice, “I’ve seen tectonic plates move faster than you!”

Sammy glanced in the rear-view mirror just as the snapper clamped down on his right ear! He slammed on the brakes, howled and jack-knifed the rig! Sammy grabbed the turtle and pulled! Turt just mashed down harder! Sammy was turning the atmosphere blue!

“Here, maybe this will help,” his nephew said as he threw a 2-liter Big Cup of Mountain Dew on Sammy’s and the turtle’s heads!

“Do you think if you lay on the ground and I got the propane burner from the brandin’ pot ...”

“No!”

“I’ve got a shotgun in the ...”

“No!”

“They say,” said Jeb, “if a turtle bites you it won’t turn loose till lightning strikes ... and there ain’t a cloud in the sky.”

Although it was an awkward procedure, and had to be repeated several times, Uncle Jeb managed to pry the turtle’s mouth open with his alligator knife.

Over the next two or three weeks the swelling went down, but not before the entire neighborhood was sporting bumper stickers proclaiming “FREE SAMMY! FREE SAMMY! FREE SAMMY!”

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his rodeo novel “Ride, Cowboy, Ride! 8 Seconds Ain’t That Long,” other books and DVDs.



Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee We’re there for you because you’re here for us



A community newspaper is the key to keeping up with your neighbors’ milestones and good fortune and — yes — bad breaks.

As the National Newspaper Association cartoon above states “We were there.”

But beyond the boastful slogan, the beauty of a community newspaper isn’t so much that we were there, are there or will be there. It’s that you, the community members we serve, have allowed us to be there — in your lives.

I hear quite often about The Owyhee Avalanche’s importance to this community. Yes, most of the time I hear it from the rabid sports fans in the communities we serve. But we’re happy to serve that need.

The words of encouragement or praise — even the phone calls when something overlooked needs to be pointed out — are a type of reward for the hard work folks dedicated to the information business put in.

But there is another reward as well.

Bottom line, we get to be there.

I recently attended the largest wedding I’ve ever seen in person. I would not have had the opportunity to experience the Hailee Garrett-Troy Vernon nuptials at a beautifully adorned apple shed/chapel if it hadn’t been for this job.

I would have never met Hailee or her parents — Gregg and Randee — if it had not been for the good fortune of joining the Avalanche mission in June 2005.

The honor of attending the wedding with hundreds of other friends and family members is a social perk of being connected to a community.

The other perks are perhaps too numerous to list. For one, I get to watch great athletes perform for the love of the game and the pride of their community and school.

Hometown, small-town journalists — now more than ever — are on the ground floor of community building as well. In some cases, we help the cause, but in most cases we merely are there — to report, to support (objectively, of course), to cajole, to criticize and to celebrate.

There are vital components that help newspapers like the Avalanche report the news of the community.

Given the vastness of Owyhee County, the most important components are concerned citizens who are the Avalanche’s eyes and ears out and about.

The Avalanche staff can’t always know everything that’s going on in Homedale, Marsing, Bruneau, Grand View, Murphy, Oreana, Adrian or Jordan Valley. A phone call or an email or a note with as much information as possible helps us expand our coverage and knowledge of what’s going on.

It helps us be there.

Another contributing factor — frankly — is local businesses getting involved in delivering the news by advertising in our pages.

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Vision and Values Know your history: Tax cuts, less spending lead to bigger revenues

by Dr. Paul Kengor

In my previous column, I underscored the 1920s lessons that President Obama and fellow “progressives” need to learn. These include the value of tax cuts — lessons that the president and his allies will refuse. They want big, expanded government, not big tax cuts and government restraint.

Treasury Secretary Andrew Mellon, who understood that reducing tax rates can actually create more revenue, wasn’t proffering some mere academic theory. He and Presidents Warren Harding and Calvin Coolidge cut the 73 percent upper-income rate left by President Woodrow Wilson. In 1922, it was cut to 58 percent; by 1925, to 25 percent.

What happened? Not only did the economy boom, vanquishing Wilson’s double-digit unemployment, but Coolidge consistently balanced the federal budget. Mellon was right: More revenue came in, rising from \$700 million to \$1 billion.

Unfortunately, “progressive” President Franklin Delano Roosevelt skyrocketed the top rate to 94 percent. It would be reduced to 70 percent by 1965, but it took President Ronald Reagan to return it to Mellon-era levels, ultimately to 28 percent. Like Mellon, Reagan saw federal revenue increase, from \$600 billion to \$1 trillion.

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Commentary

Financial management

Paying children for chores creates teachable opportunity

Dear Dave,
Should families who are struggling to pay off debt still give their kids commissions for doing chores?
— Steve



Dear Steve,
Yes, but it doesn't have to be a lot of money. Kids seldom get paid an amount that is equal to what the chore is worth. To be perfectly honest, the chores most kids do — especially the little ones — aren't worth that much. I wouldn't pay a kid five dollars a day, or even per week, to feed the dog. I mean, it takes less than 30 seconds to scoop the food into the bowl!
When it comes to paying kids commissions for chores, the biggest thing we're trying to do is find teachable moments. We want the kids to learn that money is tied to work. Then, when they have some money, we want to teach them about the three uses for money — spending, saving

and giving.
Teaching them wise ways to do those three things while you're teaching them to work is the key. And you can do that for a small amount of money.
— Dave

Dear Dave,
Our daughter is 11 years old, and we save \$50 a month for her. Right now, we've accumulated \$4,200 for college, a car or just savings in general. Should we be investing this money, instead of putting it in a savings account?
— Jill

Dear Jill,
If I'm in your shoes, I'd choose college as the focal point over the

other things you've mentioned. My advice would be to move that money into a 529 Plan with mutual funds inside. That way, it will grow tax-free from this point forward. Then, if you continue to set \$50 a month aside for her for seven more years — and the stock market averages 11 to 12 percent — you'd have about \$16,000 sitting there when she turned 18. That wouldn't fully pay for college, but it'd be a great start. Plus, she can apply for scholarships and grants and work and save to help make it happen.
As far as a car is concerned, I'd set up a separate savings account and agree to match whatever she saves. That way, if she can put aside \$3,000 to \$4,000, with the match she'll have a pretty nice car. But in my mind, college is the most important thing here. If you guys can afford these contributions, and she wants to go to college and will hold up her end of the deal, you can work together as a family and make the idea of a

college education a reality!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
How long should it take someone to fully fund their emergency fund?
— Chris

Dear Chris,
On average, building an emergency fund takes six months to a year. It takes about 18 to 24 months for most people to pay off all of their debt, except for the house. That's if they're gazelle intense, and have no life other than getting control of their finances.
Baby Step 1 is saving \$1,000, and not paying extra on your debts until you have that money in the bank. Once you've got a \$1,000 starter emergency fund, then you list all of your debts except the house from smallest to largest and attack them with a vengeance. All you do is work and pay off debt until you clean up the mess. Once

that's done, you move on to the next Baby Step, which is adding to your emergency fund until you have three to six months of expenses set aside. Most people can accomplish that in six months to a year.
There are always various factors involved because everyone's situation is different. But in most cases, if you approach my plan with the kind of intensity I talk about, you can become debt-free except for your house and have a fully loaded emergency fund in place in just two or three years!
—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.

✓ Here: Community is what makes a community newspaper flourish

From Page 6B
Community members who pick up the Avalanche, if just to leaf through and find news of their grandchildren or neighbors or the latest score of their high school team or read the newspaper cover-to-cover, also get a good dose of what services are available in the area — their area.
The symbiotic relationship between advertisers and local newspapers has been vital to the heartbeat of a community

for as long as ink has hit paper. In the early days of Owyhee County, no issue of the Avalanche went out without several advertisements promoting the rich and burgeoning business district in Silver City.
Today, newspaper advertising remains a strong leg of a multi-pronged marketing strategy for any business, regardless of how big or small it is.
What's more, a robust advertising roster in a local newspaper may attract more businesses — and with

them more jobs and a stronger economy — because firm owners looking for new, fertile markets equate a newspaper bursting with ads with a hungry and loyal customer base.
Much like every great newspaper can be spotted by its broad content reflective of an active and participatory readership.
In short, we're there to report and help because people also are here to participate and help.

✓ History: Reagan's deficits decreased when top-most tax rate was cut

From Page 6B
So, why did deficits increase under Reagan? Liberals insist his tax cuts generated deficits. They're wrong. It's crucial to understand how and why.
Reagan's deficits resulted from revenue loss during the 1981-83 recession and — foremost — from excessive spending. As revenues rose from \$600 billion in 1981 to \$1 trillion in 1989, spending — on social programs by congressional Democrats and on defense by Reagan — soared from \$678 billion to \$1.143 trillion.
Reagan biographer Lou Cannon calls the Reagan deficits "war-time deficits," aimed at winning the Cold War and terminating the Soviet Union. Once they did, they paved

the way for President Bill Clinton to slash defense spending and balance the budget.
Reagan's deficits peaked in 1983-86, when the upper-income rate was still 50 percent. It wasn't reduced again until 1987, to 38.5 percent, and didn't come down to 28 percent until 1988. And get this: Reagan's deficits actually decreased in 1987-89.
Think about that: Reagan's deficits peaked when the upper tax rate was 50 percent, far higher than the 39.6 percent that President Obama and liberal Democrats demanded. If Obama believes deficits will come down with a 39.6-percent upper rate, why didn't they go down with Reagan's 50 percent?

That gets back to the main reason for most deficits: excessive spending.
History tells us this again and again. It's an irrefutable, common-sense fact. It's an elementary fact that liberals/progressives resist because it stands in the way of what they really want to do: grow government and redistribute wealth.
— This column first appeared in the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review. Dr. Paul 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."

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Looking back...

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

25 years ago

October 12, 1988

Homedale man bags bull moose 1.5 miles from camp
Jerry Nestor of Homedale downed a 4 to 5 point bull moose weighing about 1,200 pounds during a hunting trip to the Gospel Hump Wilderness Area south of Elk City in Idaho on Sept. 14.
Nestor’s moose kill will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience for him under Idaho law. He will never again be eligible to participate in an Idaho drawing for a permit to hunt the prize animal. Even had he come home without one, he would not be eligible to participate in another state moose drawing for another 10 years.

Nestor reported that he bagged his moose about 7:30 a.m. about a mile and a half from camp on the first day of a weeklong hunting trip which he had taken with Homedale Mayor Paul Fink. The latter man had gone along to hunt elk. They have hunted together for about the past six years. It took them all one day and part of the next to dress the animal and pack it back to camp.

Kristin Smyth wins four trophies in TEEN pageant
Kristin Smyth, a junior at Homedale High School, won four trophies and a \$500 scholarship to The College of Idaho at the Miss T.E.E.N. Pageant held in Boise on Oct. 1.

She was one of 10 finalists from around the state, and was named second runner-up, Miss Congeniality, Miss Photogenic as well as the winner of the scholastic achievement award. She received a trophy for each of these selections.

Winners were selected based on their volunteer service work, scholastic achievements, personal interests and aims, talents or speaking abilities as well as their grace and poise garbed in evening gown apparel. Kristin performed a piano selection during the talent phase of the competition.

Pageant sponsors representing T.E.E.N., standing for Teens Encourage Excellence Nationally, selected the finalists from applicants received from throughout Idaho.

Kristin’s parents are Jim and Karen Smyth of the Huston area. Her father is the tennis coach at Homedale High School.

Grand View-Bruneau news

Mike Love, son of Bill and Nelma Love, narrowly escaped serious injury when the Army helicopter he was piloting crashed while on patrol in the jungles of Panama last week.

Mike received a nasty gash on his head and spent a few days in the hospital, and his co-pilot evidently received only minor injuries. His wife Cynda and daughters Monica and Manda are at Fort Ord, Calif.

Kevin Black moved to Las Vegas, Nev., last weekend with help from his brother, Ken, and friend, John Morrison. Kevin began a new job this week as a paramedic in Las Vegas.

The family of John Morrison honored him with a yearful of holidays on Sunday. John has been stationed in Germany and most recently in Italy, and had missed being home for the holidays. The Morrison family started with Thanksgiving at Rick and Marie Hipwells, went to Mountain Home to Joe and Renae Smiths for Christmas, New Years and Easter.

The caravan then went to Jim Morrison Jr.’s home for Halloween and last of all to Dolly Morrison’s for 4th of July and a celebration of John’s birthday. What a celebration!

Homedale plays Fruitland Friday in crucial A-3 game

The Homedale Trojans take on the Fruitland Grizzlies at Fruitland on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in a football game likely to decide this year’s winner of the A-3 division Western Idaho Conference and determine which of the two undefeated teams moves on to the state playoffs.
Homedale brings a sterling 6-0 record to the big game while Fruitland stands 7-0 one week before the end of regular-season play. They are the only two remaining teams in the five-school WIC without a loss.

50 years ago

October 10, 1963

Kushlan paces Trojans to 26-6 victory at Wilder
Glen Kushlan scored all 26 points as he led the Homedale Trojans to a 26-6 victory over the Wilder Wildcats in an SRV-B football game at Wilder’s Homecoming Friday night.
The Trojan speedster opened his one-man scoring show with a 55-yard gallop in the first quarter, and added runs of 35, 45, and 20 yards for tallies. He also kicked two extra points.

Hagerman trips Grand View
Hagerman handed Grand View its initial 1963 football defeat, 27-20, Friday night in Snake River Conference play at Hagerman.
The lead shifted hands several times and two breaks midway in the second half gave Hagerman the win.
Dick Yarbrough of Grand View was injured in the third period — possibly a broken ankle — and George Balderama suffered a possible broken jaw in the same quarter.

C. of C. votes support of Highway 15 plan
Support of a resolution to redesignate highway 72 as highway 15, from Marsing to the Eagle junction was voted Tuesday at the regular noon meeting of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce.

Considerable discussion over a possible conflict of interest was held prior to the vote. Proponents favored cooperation with Marsing in exchange for support of Homedale’s bridge and highway needs. Opponents urged completion of highway 95 and a new bridge at Homedale before funds are diverted to other projects.

Other cities on highway 95 have voiced disapproval with the highway 15 proposal, it was noted.

Fire department called for auto blaze Thursday
The Homedale volunteer fire department was called to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Legrand Leavitt in Succor Creek community Thursday afternoon.

A fire started from the wiring underneath the dash of a car at the Leavitt home, according to Fire Chief John Matteson. There was extensive damage done to the wiring system.

Chroniclings
Mayor Orville Soper joined a bunch of rock hounds out at the Graveyard Point plume beds Sunday and helped remove a boulder which was blocking the diggin’s. The big rock, estimated to weigh 700-800 pounds, was pulled out with the aid of Al DeVore’s jeep. Later, some visiting rock hounds made off with it ...

Lyle Young, secretary-manager of the Idaho Press Association, is philosophical about newspapering. In a talk today to Kiwanis Wednesday, Lyle noted changes: he’s lost most of his hair, but gained an ulcer ...

Homedale locals
Mrs. Elsie Trueblood of Central Cove attended the antique show held at the Columbian Club in Boise Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Stewart and family returned Monday evening after spending the weekend visiting with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Totsoff of Hamilton, Mont.

Dave Schoeflin of Walla Walla College and Mr. and Mrs. Hero Heffel of Nampa were guests Saturday at the Jess Payne home. Mr. Heffel was guest speaker at the Seventh-day Adventist church service.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brady recently returned after a vacation to Burns, Ore., to visit their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Compton. They also toured parts of Nevada and did some fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Manning left Tuesday morning by automobile on a two-week vacation. They will visit their son, Maj. Wm. E. Manning and family in Fort Lotterdale, Kans. Most of their trip will be spent visiting Mr. Manning’s mother, Mrs. Ruth Doris McGuire, of Anderson, Mo.

140 years ago

October 11, 1873

ADMIRAL WINSLOW. Rear Admiral John A. Winslow, died at Boston Highlands on the 28th ult. He was a brave and efficient officer. His victory over the Alabama off Calais gave him a world-wide celebrity, and his ship, the Kearsage, in which and with which he won his naval triumph, from that fact became a national pet, as previously had the Constitution and other fortunate vessels of our Navy. Admiral Winslow entered the Navy as Midshipman in February, 1827, when he was but little over sixteen years old, and passed through the various grades and services until in the year 1870 when he was commissioned as Rear Admiral. He served honorably in the Mexican War and during the war of the Rebellion on the Mississippi and its effluents. Perhaps no event during the unhappy war gave more real joy to the Union men than his victory over the Alabama. He was in active service for more than forty-six years. He was an intellectual, firm, brave and determined man and officer, free from weak vanity, devoted to duty, and unflinching in his performance. His name and fame will live as long, and in company and honor and gratitude, with those of the brave and immortal men who gave fame to our Navy and nation in the earlier time.

MARRIED. At Winnemucca, Nevada, October 1st, 1873, by Judge Leonard, Gilbert Butler, of Silver City, Id, was married to Miss Frances Gilpin, of South Stirling, Pa.
The bride and groom arrived in Silver City by Tuesday evening’s stage, and are now occupying rooms at the Idaho Hotel. The Silver City Band, together with numerous other friends of Mr. Butler, serenaded the newly married couple, on Thursday evening, on which occasion many a bumper was drained to the health and happiness of the happy pair. We congratulate Mr. Butler on his good fortune, and welcome his fair young bride to her home in the West. May they both experience all the blessings with which a union of hearts as well as of hands can possibly be crowned.

THE WEATHER. During the past week the weather here has been extremely variable. On Monday night we were visited by a heavy rain storm, accompanied with terrific peals of thunder and vivid flashes of lightning; the former reverberated through our mountains in a grandly fearful manner, while the latter transformed the darkness of night into the brightness of day. On Tuesday morning it cleared up, then became cloudy again, and finally on Wednesday afternoon, culminated with another heavy fall of rain, mingled with snow, which lasted far along into the night. On Thursday morning the tops of the surrounding mountains were covered with snow, the first of the season. It is now pleasant sunshiny weather again.

WIND QUARTZ MILLS. A firm in Syracuse is making seven large windmills, destined for crushing gold ore, which are to be sent to the Island of Oruba in the Caribbean Sea. The prevalence of trade winds in that section, and the high price of fuel, have induced the quartz-crushing company to introduce windmills for ore-crushing purposes. The diameter of the wheel, which is of the “rosette” pattern, is 36 feet long, thus securing power equal to a 20-horse-power engine. The weight of each mill is about 9,000 lb., the cost of construction being about \$1,600.

IT IS REPORTED that negotiations are in progress for the annexation of Denmark to the German Empire, and that, as inducement, Schieswing-Holstein will be given back to the Danish King, who will retain his royal authority, and acquire for his country more security against foreign enemies than it has at present. Inducements are also to be offered to the Danish nobility. The revolt would be that Denmark would rapidly become Germanized, and that, at so distant time, steps would be taken to acquire Sweden, Norway and Holland, all of which are akin to Germany in blood and language.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES
August 12, 19 & 26, 2013

August 12
Approved Certificates of Residency to CWI for Jordan Paoletti, Evelyn Williams, Jonathon Williams and Rebecca Coffman.

Approved contract amendment with the Idaho Department of Health & Welfare adding \$11,000 to the original contract for process services.

Approved a tax cancellation on MH02N04W200620T for \$24.99 Approved tax cancellation on MHAM0020090350T for \$41.28.

Approved Understanding of Services with Bailey & Company for the auditing services for FY2013.

Approved Gas & Oil Ordinance 2013-2.

Approved amendment to Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map adding a power zoning overlay district.

Approved Overlay Ordinance 2013-3.

Approved the Chairman signing town contracts with Branch Enterprises for juniper mastication projects.

Approved radios for Grand View Fire Department for \$8,500.00. Approved a letter to Loretta Chandler, BLM, regarding permit renewals.

Approved a letter to Grace Arroyo outlining 24 hour cancellation notice for interpretative services.

Approved repeater and radios for Homedale Highway District from White Cloud Communications for \$11,975.53.

August 19th

Approved signature of all Commissioners on Independent Contract Agreement with Branch Enterprises for Juniper Mastication Projects.

Approved payment of the outstanding bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$65,442; Road & Bridge

\$187,005: District Court \$1,760; Fair Grounds \$500; Probation \$1,198;

Historical \$1,736; Indigent & Charity \$11,640; Revaluation \$267; Solid Waste \$7,257; Weeds \$369; 911 \$12,934; Vessel \$7; Economic Dev \$385.

Approved Certificate of Residency to CWI for Amber Purvis.

Approved Certificates of Residency to CSI for Gus Thomas, Abdiel Camargo, Megan Green, Taylor Petet and David Emery.

Approved Resolution 2013-32 recognizing the prior years of service for Deputy Chris Even.

Approved Independent Contract Agreement with Badger Medical for jail medical services. Approved Catering Permits for Cowboy’s Pastime for Bruneau Rodeo.

Approved liens on Indigent cases 2013-43 and 2013-44.

Approved Indigent case 2013-44.

Approved letter to Senator Crapo regarding the proposed relocation of the BLM Owyhee Field Office.

Approved a letter to Senator Crap supporting the OCA letter regarding problems with BLM’s management of the Owyhee Initiative.

August 26th

Approved resolution 13-33, ratifying a comment to the DEQ regarding Snake River/Succor Creek TMDL.

Approved Certificates of Residency to CSI for Antonio Sanchez and Christian Hurtads. Approved liens on Indigent cases 2013-45 and 2013-46. Approved withdrawal request on Indigent case 2013-41. Approved Indigent cases 2013-42 and 2013-46.

Approved Professional Services Agreement Amendment for Interpreter Services with Grace Arroyo.

The complete minutes can be viewed online at www.owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk’s office.

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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:

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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

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

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For 3 Month Period - Quarter Ending 9/30/2013

As required by Idaho Code 50-1011

4th QTR-FY 2013	2013 Budget	Actual Expenses	% of Budget Expenses	Actual Revenue	% of Budget Revenue
GENERAL CITY	\$37,234.00	\$19,642.77	53%	\$18,852.61	51%
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TOTAL	\$81,834.00	\$31,581.43	39%	\$25,954.44	32%

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Tammy M. Payne

City Clerk

September 30. 2013

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 THENORMAN 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.

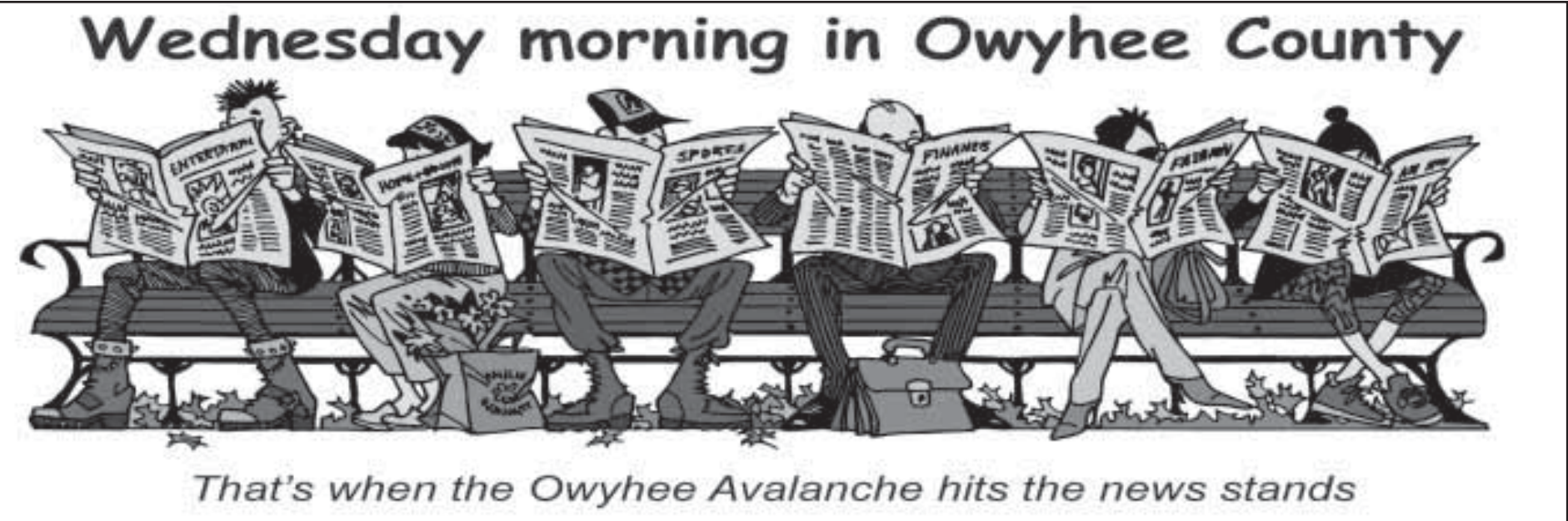
That the principal balance owing as of August 22, 2013 on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is the sum of \$25,426.97, plus interest, service charges, late charges, and attorney fees. In addition, there are delinquent and unpaid property taxes and assessments which amount to \$2,784.33 and 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.

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Let the hunt begin

Things motorized hunters should know

According to the latest survey, approximately 70 percent of the 240,000 people who hunt in Idaho (residents and non-residents) during the fall months are using motorbikes or ATVs to access their hunting areas.

With that in mind, the Idaho Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Public Outreach Campaign has created some tips:

- Hunters should be aware that a new state law requires youths who don't have a driver's license must take a free safety course before riding OHVs on forest roads. Youths younger than 18 must wear a helmet when riding on or driving an OHV.
- Hunters need to stay on designated trails and do their homework to make sure the trails they use are open to motorized use.

There are several resources to help hunters research which trails and hunting units are open to OHV use, including:

- U.S. Forest Service Motor Vehicle Use Maps can assist hunters in scoping out the national forests they plan to hunt. The maps are available from forest ranger district offices, Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) offices and, in many cases, online. The OHV Campaign's stayontrails.com web site has a link to all of the current online MVUMs: <http://stayontrails.com/mvum/>.
- A comprehensive list of Bureau of Land Management travel maps can be found at <http://stayontrails.com/blmTravel/> and on BLM websites. Maps also are available at BLM district offices and field offices.
- The Hunting page on the IDFG website is a good resource for OHV use restrictions in specific units. The IDFG Motorized Hunting Rule affects 30 units statewide.
- The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation has a popular online map resource at <http://trails.idaho.gov> for researching new OHV trails and for checking on whether OHV trails are open during hunting season, and when. The maps break down trail restrictions by OHVs, Utility Terrain Vehicles, ATVs and motorbikes.
- A YouTube hunting tips video walks hunters through the multi-step process of researching whether trails are open or closed. It can be found at http://www.youtube.com/edit?ns=1&video_id=dTgLOZH4li8&o=U

OHV hunters should be aware that some people may be hunting on foot in the same area where they are riding their trail machines.

Jordan Valley girl gets first deer

Regann Skinner, a 13-year-old seventh-grader, shot her first deer on Sept. 29 in an alfalfa patch on her family's ranch in Jordan Valley. The Owyhee Avalanche would like to publish photos of children's first hunts as well as any trophy animals harvested by hunters of any age. Email photos and information to jon@owyheeavalanche.com or call (208) 337-4681 for more information. Submitted photo



Law enforcement officials begin their hunting, too

Five Oregon men have been cited for various hunting violations after Idaho Department of Fish and Game officers staked out an area near Succor Creek last month using a robotic deer. See Story, Page 15A

New conservation officer looks forward to getting outdoors

Brian Jack patrols Unit 40 as general season begins

General deer hunting season begins Thursday in Owyhee County, and Brian Jack will be there doing what he loves to do. Jack is the newest Idaho Fish and Game conservation officer whose patrol area includes part of Owyhee County.

He joined Fish and Game in 2011 shortly after earning his bachelor of science degree in wildlife management from Humboldt State University in Arcata, Calif.

In spite of his California background, Jack says Idahoans have accepted him. "Since I've been here, I've realized how friendly the people are," Jack said. "I guess I was apprehensive about fitting into the Idaho culture because it's known to be independent. People have been very welcoming."

Jack's area of emphasis includes parts of Nampa and Meridian and Kuna. His Owyhee County area includes the Owyhee Front and Murphy.

With the start of general deer season Thursday in all three IDFG regions in Owyhee County (Units 40-42), Jack and his colleagues – Brian Flatter in the eastern part of the county and Craig Mickelson on the western side – will be out in the field for long hours.

"As a conservation officer and hunter, the fall season is undoubtedly my favorite time of year," Jack said.

The 25-year-old from Novato, Calif., says he enjoys the chance to see the leaves turn color and feel the temperatures begin to cool.

And with the start of the hunting season, Jack will be away from his Meridian home and camping. He'll put in 50- to 60-hour workweeks with overnight camping and getting up at daybreak.

He doesn't mind it one bit. "It's the type of work that we do that motivates me," he said. "It's just not hard to ask someone like me, 'Do you want to get up early in the morning and spend your day on an ATV watching the sunrise and watching the leaves turn?'"

Jack started with IDFG as a fisheries technician based out of Lewiston studying steelhead in the Potlatch River. It wasn't



Brian Jack stands in the Owyhee Mountains, which he'll most likely call home for a while as the deer seasons heats up. Submitted photo

his first experience with Idaho, though.

After spending his early hunting years on California's North Coast chasing blacktail deer in the fall and waterfowl in the winter, Jack and his college buddies ditched classes in 2010 to hunt mule deer in southeastern Idaho near Montpelier.

"After that hunting experience, I always knew I wanted to come back because I know Idaho has the best outdoor resources in the United States," Jack said.

Last year, Jack took the logical step to protect those resources when he took the oath to become an IDFG conservation officer.

But Jack knows that the job is more than upholding laws.

"It's meeting as many people as you can and stopping and saying hi to everyone and stopping and shaking their hand," he said. "It's not just driving by in the truck and waving, but stopping and finding out where they like to hunt and making a connection."

Knowing the importance of landowners, Jack also has networked with Owyhee County property owners who agree to share their land with hunters.

That legwork and analyzing conditions in the field have given Jack an idea of how deer season could shape up.

"Talking to our biologists, we had a pretty darn good fawn survival last year and the previous year," Jack said. "That means there will be a lot of yearling and two-year bucks in the hills, and they are generally two-point animals."

A little snow in the high country will increase the chances for a successful season, too, because the deer will move into the lower elevations.

Two-point deer are eligible for harvest in the general season,

and Jack said hunters need to be careful when they spot a prospective target.

"It's easy to get excited when you see a buck through the scope, but it needs to be two-pointed on both sides," he said.

While Jack wants hunters to have fun and productive outings, he asked outdoorsmen to pay attention and remain safe.

"I'm basically going to need their help in their country, and if they see something that doesn't look right, they should contact me," he said. "Just try to be a good witness, and that includes making the observation, getting a license plate, a suspect description and where they were."

If anyone sees anything illegal in the field, Jack said they should call him at 989-9326 or the Citizens Against Poaching hotline at (800) 632-5999.

Jack said the season in all three Owyhee County units will be busy, which makes hunting safety especially important.

"Wearing hunter orange or getting off the road before hunting is going to be more important than ever for the safety aspect," he said.

Jack's stomping grounds, Unit 40, could see the most activity, though, because – unlike other popular hunting grounds – the resource was virtually untouched by the summer's wildfires. Other factors include the unit's proximity to population areas as well as the prevalence of juniper and mountain mahogany, which are prime components to deer's favorite habitats.

"A lot of hunters who used to go elsewhere are going to Unit 40 because there were no fires down there and there's a lot of deer," he said.

— JPB

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