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Homedale hopefuls meet public



From left: Homedale City Council candidates Chris Ormond and Perry Chadez and mayoral candidate Gheen Christoffersen were among seven candidates to take questions from the audience last Wednesday at the Homedale Senior Center.

Support of business, community stressed

Community, cooperation, commerce and communication were the main themes to come out of the Homedale city election forum.

Seven of the eight candidates attended last Wednesday's event at the senior center, and about 30 citizens some from outside the city limits — showed up to ask questions.

All five hopefuls for the two four-year seats on the city council were in attendance, while two of the three men wanting to become the town's next mayor were at the head table.

The only no-show was former mayor Harold Wilson, who said he had a previous

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What's next?

Next Wednesday — The Owyhee Avalanche's Q&A with candidates involved in all three elections appears.

Next Wednesday — 5 p.m. deadline with county clerk for mail-in absentee ballot requests

Friday, Nov. 1 — Inperson absentee voting to be completed by 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 5 - Election Day, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Absentee ballots must be received by 8 p.m.

Bibbey awaits Dec. 23 sentencing for killing wife

Facing first-degree murder, Marsing man pleads to lesser felony

The Marsing husband accused of killing his wife by dropping a car on her has pleaded guilty to a lesser charge.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery said the Rodney Wayne Bibbey Jr. faces a fixed sentence of no less than

10 years in state prison after his guilty plea Monday to

second-degree murder. The maximum penalty is life in

Homedale picks 4-day school week panel

17-person committee starts meetings Tuesday

Homedale School District's four-day week committee will begin a series of monthly meetings Tuesday.

The first meeting of the 17person panel tasked with exploring

Bibbey originally had been indicted on a

prison, Emery said.

charge of first-degree murder in connection with the April 2012 death of his wife Trina at the Marsing-area home they shared.

Bibbey, who turned 38 in jail, also entered a guilty plea to a reduced

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The four-day school week concept, which trustees rejected a few years ago after a commissioned study, re-emerged after the failure of a pair of supplemental levy elections earlier this year.

Sauer will join district personnel and community volunteers on the committee.

"At this point we're planning on meeting once a month," Sauer said.

Idaho Power taking Murphy dark County Clerk Angela Barkell said the Board of County Commissioners made the closure decision

Rodney Bibbey

charge of injury to child, a

early Friday because of planned outage

County offices to close

More than 200 Idaho Power customers in and around Murphy will be without electricity for three hours Friday.

As a result of the planned outage, offices at the Owyhee County Courthouse complex will close at 2 p.m.

during its Monday meeting.

On Monday, Idaho Power spokesman Brad Bowlin confirmed the public utility will be doing some work on the Murphy Flat substation Friday afternoon. He said 216 customers will be affected.

The work includes routine maintenance as well as replacing equipment inside and outside the substation.

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the pros and cons of the concept will meet at 5:30 p.m. inside the district office boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave.

"The first meeting is to brainstorm the questions we need to have answered," superintendent Rob Sauer said. "There are going to be questions will have that I might not have thought of."

The committee meetings are open, although no input will be taken from the general public at this time. A public comment period of some sort will be initiated later, Sauer said.

"Folks are more than welcome to communicate with the committee

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The power line to the Homedale sugar beet dump office explodes before sunrise on Oct. 14.

Power outage delays first day of beet harvest at Homedale dump

Operations stall after electrical fire near office

The harvest at Homedale's sugar beet dump got off to a sparkling start – literally.

First-day operations were delayed about two hours on the morning of Oct. 14 when the electrical line servicing the beet dump's office caught fire.

The power line, which stretches from a power pole on East Idaho Avenue to the small office inside the Amalgamated Sugar Co.'s fence line, began arcing before 8 a.m. and finally caught fire about 10 minutes later. Electrical service was interrupted at 8:12 a.m., according to Idaho Power.

Homedale Fire Department personnel and Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller responded to the scene and stood by as the line popped, crackled and eventually blew apart in a spectacular shower of sparks and flames.

No one was injured as the wire disintegrated.

The line failure knocked out power to three customers, according to Idaho Power spokesperson Stephanie McCurdy. She said a repair crew was dispatched at 8:20 a.m. Service was restored at 10:09 a.m. after repairs were made, she said.

Operation at the beet dump was suspended, and truck drivers as beet dump personnel stood around as the wire continued to flicker and arc.

Idaho Avenue was closed in the area near the dump, but some motorists ignored Eidemiller's strategically parked vehicle east of the line failure and drove through the area nonetheless.

A phone message left for Amalgamated Sugar Co. district manager Clark Millard seeking information on the beet harvest as well as how the outage affected the first day of operations was not returned.

Homedale's beet dump is located at the corner of Idaho Avenue and U.S. Highway 95. Amalgamated Sugar Co. also operates Owyhee County beet dumps in Marsing and Grand View.

— JPB





Homedale High School football players bow their heads during Friday's moment of silence for two former athletes.

Head-on crash kills Homedale graduates

Men were athletic standouts in high school

Two Homedale men died early Friday in a head-on vehicle collision east of Wilder.

Amador M. Cortinas, 23, and Daniel J. Valadez, 24, died at the scene of the wreck on Idaho highway 19 near Allendale Road, according to the Idaho State Police.

According to ISP, Cortinas was driving westbound in a 2005 Chevy Cobalt when he crossed the center line and struck a 1994 Chevy Blazer driven eastbound by 23-year-old Jacob C. Andersen of Caldwell.

Andersen was transported by ground ambulance to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

ISP reports that Cortinas was wearing his seatbelt, but Valadez was not.

ISP public information officer Teresa Baker confirmed that alcohol was found in the Chevy, but it's unclear who it belonged to.

Cortinas was employed at NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply in Homedale, while media reports said Valadez worked at SSI in Wilder.

The pair graduated from Homedale High School in 2008 after standout athletic careers. They played football, wrestled and competed on the track and field team.

Valadez won the 2008 state championship in the boys' discus in 3A track and field.

Both had All-3A Snake River Valley conference careers with the football team and played on the 2007 squad that earned the school's first berth in the 3A state playoffs.

Cortinas was a three-time district champion in wrestling. He earned medals at the state tournament in 2007 and 2008.

Cortinas also played in the District III East-West Shrine All-Star Game in 2007.

A moment of silence was held for the two men prior to Friday's high school football game between Homedale and Gooding.

Beet haulers wait in the cold in the hours before an Idaho Power crew arrived to repair the severed power line and restore electricity.

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Research and Restoration Roundup showcases Owyhee habitat, resources

Two-day event kicks off this morning in Marsing

It's a long-held assertion that of The Nature Conservancy cattle producers are as much stewards of the land and the ecosystem as they are businessmen trying to make a living off the land.

Two Owyhee County ranchers will exhibit how they co-exist with sensitive species on their rangeland during this week's Owyhee Research and Restoration Roundup set for Marsing and Reynolds Creek.

Local landowners, students and other members of the public who have an interest in rangeland management, fish and wildlife conservation and habitat restoration efforts are invited to attend the roundup.

The event sponsored by several groups begins with seminars today inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 1st St. N.

A field tour takes in three stops in the Reynolds Creek area Thursday.

Registration for the twoday event is available at www. owyheeroundup.org.

The Owyhee Local Working Group for sage-grouse conservation also will hold a meeting in conjunction with the roundup today.

LWG chair Donna Bennett will speak on habitat and population restoration efforts at 1 p.m. today. Bennett's talk is part of a series of presentations on sage-grouse, including:

· Research, assessments and trends from Idaho Fish and Game employees Michele Kemmner and Jake Powell

• A study of sage-grouse diets from Jennifer Forbey of Boise State University

• A look at the connection between livestock grazing and insects by Steve Cook from the University of Idaho

• Juniper mastication projects and effects from Art Talsma and Dave Bunker of Branch Enterprises. Bunker routinely contracts to remove juniper in Owyhee County in an effort to improve sage-grouse habitat by reducing the fire danger as well as predatory advantages.

Bunker also will demonstrate juniper mastication during the field tour Thursday on Jerry Hoagland's Reynolds Creek ranch.

• Josh White of the Natural Resource Conservation Service's Sage-Grouse Initiative will discuss federally funded sagegrouse programs

• Carl Rudeen from Mountain Home Air Force Base will talk about aerial cheatgrass control, which helps reduce fire danger that threatens sage-grouse habitat

At 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Owyhee County rancher John Romero will lead a tour of his land show off restoration efforts on his ranch and discuss sage-grouse census techniques.

Other presentations today include:

• 9:20 a.m. — Owyhee Initiative Science Review and Restoration, featuring Talsma discussing restoration projects and U of I's Karen Launchbaugh giving an overview of research projects

• 9:40 a.m. — Watershed and wetland management, including an overview of and lessons learned from Reynolds Creek research. Fred Pierson of the federal Agricultural Research Service will make the presentation, which was in doubt before the federal government shutdown ended last week.

• 10 a.m. — A group from the U of I (Steve Bunting, Tim Prather and Eva Strand) and Bob Unnasch of The Nature Conservancy will talk about the changing role of fire in the Owyhees.

The discussion will continue at 11 a.m. after a break. Jordan Valley

Cooperative Weed Management Area director Eric Morrison, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Jason Pyron and Owyhee County rancher Vern Kershner will talk about restoration projects.

Another Owyhee rancher, Dennis Stanford, will talk about lessons learned from the Cow Creek Fire. Stanford also serves as Jordan Valley CWMA chair.

• There will be three video presentations during the noontime lunch break, including Life of the Range from Steve Steubner of the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission; juniper mastication from Gary Grimm, representing Mountain Visions for The Nature Conservancy and USFWS; and another Grimm production documenting students and sagegrouse education.

• At 12:45 p.m., U of I's J.D. Wulfhorst will present "Portraits of Ranching in the Owyhees."

• At 2:45 p.m., Hoagland joins Trout Unlimited's Pam Harrington to discuss redband trout restoration efforts on Hoagland's Reynolds Creek ranch.

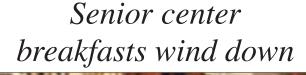
Hoagland also will lead a field tour of the project beginning at 1 p.m. Thursday. The tour also will outline sage-grouse habitat restoration efforts on the District 1 county commissioner's ranch.

• U of I economist Neil Rimbey makes today's final presentation. At 3:15 p.m., he'll talk about the "Ecomonics of Restoration."

· John Robison and Brenda Richards, both of whom serve on the Owyhee Initiative board, will close the first day with summary comments.

In addition to the tours of Hoagland and Romero's ranches Thursday, there will be a lunchtime presentation at the ARS Reynolds Creek station as attendees tour the Reynolds Creek watershed.

Sponsors for the two-day roundup include the University of Idaho Rangeland Center, the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission, the Nature Conservancy and the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.





Everyone has a job to do Top: Lukas Beck takes an order during Saturday's final Homedale Senior Center breakfast of the year. Above: Cook Mark Podlaha cracks an egg while preparing a breakfast in the kitchen.









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The candidates for city office in Homedale during opening remarks, including, from left, mayoral candidate Dave Downum, council candidates Vonnie Harkins and Kim Murray, mayoral hopeful Gheen Christoffersen and council candidates Perry Chadez, Chris Ormond and Samuel Page.

\sqrt{Forum} : Safety, cleanliness and education are key points

commitment.

Wilson's wife, Mary, did attend and questioned if Homedale could support another store such as King's Variety Stores and why that company would build on undeveloped land at the east entrance to town when there are so many vacant storefronts downtown.

"King's could draw people from as far away as Jordan Valley," council hopeful Samuel Page said. "What you want to do is bring them across the river, not have them get in their car and drive over the river (to Canyon County)."

Bringing businesses to Homedale was a primary topic at the outset of the question-andanswer period as Kurt Shanley asked what could be done to bring businesses into town.

Mayoral hopeful Gheen Christoffersen said Homedale must present a strong, clean city to attract businesses and must also support the businesses that are already here.

Alluding to King's request for city officials to support its talks with the state on adding a turn lane off U.S. Highway 95, he also said city leaders must show support. Citing traffic safety concerns, the city council has balked at supporting that proposal.

"We need to show 100 percent support. If we need to go to a meeting, we should go to a meeting," he said.

Council president Dave Downum, who has foregone seeking a third term to run for mayor, said city government leaders have kept the levy rates low and the tax rates low in attempt to make the town attractive to new business.

Chris Ormond, a newcomer to Homedale who is running for council, suggested keeping red tape at a minimum to make new business development easier.

Jeff Eidemiller, who said he was speaking as a citizen and not chief of police, wondered how the candidates would work to improve city residents' quality of life. Eidemiller, like a few other people asking questions last week, lives outside the city limits.

Ormond said the city must concentrate on ensuring children are safe on their walks to school. He also suggested beautification measures, such as planting more trees.

Christoffersen spoke to cleaning up the town again.

"If we want to improve everyone's quality of life, we have to control the drugs," he said.

Kim Murray, who is running for council, said she would like to see Homedale become a tight-knit community again as it was before she moved away to Las Vegas 30 years ago.

"I think part of controlling the drug problem is getting to know each other again," the daughter of former 17-year mayor George Murray said.

Downum took a different approach to Eidemiller's

question.

"The main thing we can do for people out there is to stay out of their pocketbooks," he said.

The candidates were also asked about the city's ability to partner with the school district.

"I know we need a strong school system because everything resolves around that," council hopeful Perry Chadez said.

Vonnie Harkins, who is running for council for the second time, said schools and employment are important in keeping crime down.

"When my kids were in school, they got in trouble not only because there were no jobs, but also because there was nothing to do in this town," she said.

Marsing forum cancelled

The planned Thursday Marsing City Council candidates forum was cancelled after only one candidate and no citizens showed up by the scheduled 7 p.m. start time.

Candidate Cory Percifield arrived with his wife, Rachael, but incumbent James Ferdinand had said beforehand he would not be able to attend.

Another incumbent, Aron Streibel, did not attend.

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Jordan Valley food bank distribution changing

The Oregon Food Bank-Southeast Oregon Services Rural Harvest Share program returns to Jordan Valley and Arock on Friday, but there are some changes in sight.

For the short term, the produceonly distribution will be moved up an hour at both locations Friday.

On the long term, though, Southeast Oregon Services director Peter Lawson warns that the Arock distribution is in jeopardy and the Jordan Valley aspect may shift to a school-based pantry program focusing on food-insecure students and families.

The arm of the program providing food boxes to pantry clients such as seniors and others in need will continue, though in a different way beginning in November. Lawson said the new approach would resemble the "mobile pantry" philosophy utilized elsewhere in Oregon.

Lawson said the switch from a community pantry to a schoolbased program has come through talks with then-Jordan Valley School District superintendent Andree Scown and her successor, Jennifer Pettit, who took over as superintendent prior to the 2013-14 school year.

"This, in my mind, is an expansion of the work that's already been done with the Free and Reduced Lunch Program Andree

put in place during her tenure," Lawson said.

The changes also have been implemented to meet networkwide accountability requirements, Lawson said.

October's Rural Harvest Share begins at 9:30 a.m. at W.W. Jones Elementary School in Arock.

The scene shifts to Jordan Valley Elementary School at 11 a.m., and the community food pantry located at the school will open from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

For the fall and winter, Lawson said Rural Harvest Share distributions will be contingent on supply and road conditions.

"I anticipate being able to come

over in November and December, but we may end up taking a hiatus in January through March when fruit and veggie supplies tend to be a lot lower," he wrote in an email announcing Friday's distribution.

Lawson also urges more participation from the Arock community, saying that the number of households picking up free produce dipped to an average of 12 when the program started to about three per distribution day currently.

"We do have a commitment to serve remote rural areas and will continue to do so but I'm not sure we can continue to justify the staffing and fuel for the program if attendance continues to be low," Lawson wrote.

He added that the Arock program will be reassessed in the spring.

Lawson saluted the commitment of the network of volunteers who have helped with the Jordan Valley Food Pantry over the past five years.

"(We) can't say enough about their heart for service," he said. "Our sincere hope here is that there will be multiple opportunities for folks to be involved as volunteers and supporters as we go forward — just in a little different way than we've gone about it before," he said.

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$\sqrt{$ School: Public process comes later on

representatives, board members and myself to give input or make suggestions," Sauer said.

Sauer said that community members may have suggestions about four-day districts to contact for research that the committee members may not have thought of.

Parent and staff surveys will be conducted before the committee makes a presentation to the school board

The district's Lumen email service could be utilized to distribute the survey.

"There will be some type of community presentation," the superintendent said.

The plan is to wrap up work trustees time to draft a 2014-15

HSD four-day committee

District administration — Shelley Shenk, Zone 4 trustee; Stacy Woods, Zone 2 trustee; Rob Sauer, superintendent; and Dion Flaming, high school principal

District employees — Vicki Eby, food services supervisor; Tonya Garrison, bus driver; Sally Gonser, Language Arts teacher, middle school; Mike Greeley, industrial artsteacher, high school; Lori Idsinga, agricultural teacher, high school; Mary Jo Larzelier, fourth-grade teacher, elementary school; Michelle Larzelier, elementary school teacher; Gloria Lejardi, high school registrar; Machele Randall, elementary school paraprofessional; and Shirley Martinat, elementary school food service

Community volunteers — Rutillo Bautista, Oscar Evans and Heidi Nash

in March for a presentation to calendar if they choose to go with the school board in April, giving a four-day week.

— JPB

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$\sqrt{\text{Bibbey:}}$ Sexual abuse felony charge reduced to misdemeanor injury to child

misdemeanor, which stemmed from an allegation that he had -as Emery put it — "introduced" a sex toy to a 12-year-old girl and offered to show her how to use it.

He was originally charged with felony sexual abuse by soliciting a child to participate in a sexual act.

"The solicitation case came up in the context of the murder investigation," Emery said. "It appears Mr. Bibbey was very distraught in his marriage." Bibbey faces a 9 a.m. sentencing hearing on Monday, Dec. 23 in Murphy before Third District Judge Molly J. Huskey, who is the same judge before which Bibbey changed his plea Monday. The death of Trina Bibbey, who died when a car fell on her while she was changing its oil, originally was ruled an accident. Investigators reopened the case earlier this year and a grand jury subsequently indicted Rodney Bibbey.

Less than two months ago, Emery saw the conclusion of another high-profile case in which Homedale mother Veronica Herrera was convicted of killing her 2-year-old daughter.

"I've had a rash of serious

felony cases in this county, and this certainly numbered amongst the most difficult cases I've had to deal with," Emery said of the Bibbey case.

$\sqrt{\text{Murphy:}}$ Routine repairs

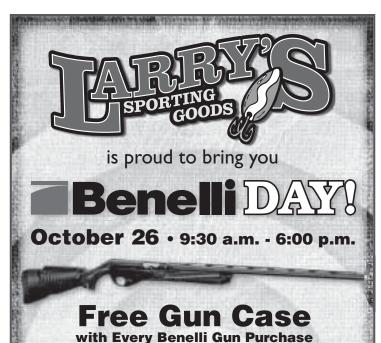
"The work is important to maintain reliability of the electrical system for our customers out there," Bowlin said. "We try to get this work done after the hot summer weather and before the really cold winter weather sets in."

Bowlin said Idaho Power customer service representatives have contacted the commercial customers who will be affected. Sometime today, residential customers should receive automated phone calls regarding the scheduled outage.

"Hopefully everyone will be informed in advance and can plan accordingly for this outage," Bowlin said.

Fridays typically are a Third District Court motion day inside the Courtroom 1 in Murphy. After consulting District Court Clerk Trina Aman, Barkell said the court's business, which usually starts at 9 a.m., should be wrapped up in the morning.

"It may stretch into afternoon, but not past 2," Barkell wrote in an email. – JPB



Bibbey remains in custody inside the Owyhee County Jail in Murphy on a \$500,000 bond.



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Obituaries Matthew Amador Cortinas

Matthew Amador Cortinas was born on May 22, 1990 to Max & Rosie Cortinas in Nampa, ID. The Lord took him home on October 18, 2013. Amador is survived by his parents, sister Monica (Gabe) Coronado, brothers Ruben (Audri), Anthony (Carmen) and Joseph (Kelsi). He was preceded in death by both grandfathers, Amador Cortinas and Armando Salgado.

Amador graduated from Homedale High School, where he was active in football and won several State Championships in wrestling. He worked at NAPA Auto Parts in Homedale for quite

some time and he was the youngest member of the Homedale Lions Club.

Amador has left an imprint on the hearts of everyone who knew him. He was a selfless person, whose smile and soft nature attracted many. Family was very important to Amador; he was a loving son and brother, a playful uncle. He was a young man with an old spirit, a genuine person that will forever be remembered for his "big bear hugs." He loved animals, the outdoors, cars. We were blessed to have had him in our lives, even for just a short time. He will continue to live on, in our Funeral Chapel (27 E Owyhee



memories and hearts forever. We love you Mattie...

Viewing was held at Flahiff

Ave. Homedale ID 83628) on Monday, October 21, 2013 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. Services were held at Mountain View Church of Nazarene (26515 Ustick Rd. Wilder, ID 83676) on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 11 AM.

To Those I Love: When I am gone, release me, let me go. I have so many things to see and do, you mustn't tie yourself to me with tears. Be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love, you can only guess how much you gave me in happiness. I thank you for the love you have shown, but now it's time I traveled on alone. So grieve awhile for me, if grieve you must. Then let your grief be comforted by trust, it's only for awhile that we must part. So bless the memories with your heart, I won't be far away, for life goes on. So if you need me call and I will come, though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near. And if you listen with your heart you'll hear all of my love around you, soft and clear. And then when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile and open arms to welcome you home ...

Condolences can be given to the family at www.flahifffuneralchapel. com

Darold Edwin "Ed" Morrow

Darold Edwin "Ed" Morrow, 68, of Caldwell, died Thursday, October 10, 2013. Ed was born January 4, 1945 in Nampa, Idaho, to Elliott and Opal Morrow. Ed lived in Marsing, Idaho where he went to school and graduated from Marsing High School.

He worked at JR Simplot Company as a Journeyman Electrician for 44 years and retired in 2009.

Ed shared his life with his love of 32 years, Lucia Villarreal, and her seven children. Grandpa loved his monthly lunches with his high school friends and weekly lunches



with the Hispanic Senior Citizens of Idaho. During Ed's free time

he loved hunting, fishing, metal detecting, and four-wheeling with his nephew, sons, grandchildren and friends.

Spending time with family was the best. He took each of us, individually or as a group, to fourwheel in Silver City, something everyone always looked forward to. Ed was loved and will be missed deeply.

He is survived by two sisters, Anita (Danny) Thompson, Janie (Leroy) Harriman. His children, Juan (Dalia) Herrera, Elisa Puga, Gloria (Jose) Lopez, Pedro (Juanita) Villarreal, Rosalinda (David)



Ramirez, Carolina (Giovani) Giron, Diana (Chava) Villarreal and extended family Caesar (Lupe) Rodriguez. 2 nephews, 2 nieces, 26 grandchildren and 11 greatgrandchildren.

A viewing was held Monday, October 21, 2013, 6:00PM to 8:00PM at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell with Rosary recited at 7:00PM. Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 10:30AM, at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church with graveside service at Canyon Hill Cemetery.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.flahifffuneralchapel. com.

Doris Roberta Tyson, 84 of Melba passed away Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at a local care center. She was born July 20, 1929 in Boise, Idaho to Frank D. and Grace Lynn Cowger. Doris was the youngest of two sisters. She was raised on a farm and often could be seen riding a trained bull that they used for farming. She attended and graduated from Meridian High School.

She married Charles D. Tyson on November 27, 1949 in Boise. They lived in Meridian. Doris always had a love for horses and the rodeo. She was crowned Queen of the Snake River Stampede in 1950. They moved to Amarillo, Texas after Chuck's enlistment in the Air Force in 1952. They spent

to rodeos and jackpot ropings. After the service they moved back to Star where they entered into ranching. In 1963 they moved to Reynolds Creek where they continued to ranch. In 1983 Chuck and Doris entered into their next dream ... they bought and built one of the area's finest cutting and training facilities. Doris loved the ranch and her horses, but she also had a love for law enforcement and joined the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office as a dispatcher where she worked for 23 years.

Doris was involved in many horse groups: member of the AQHA, NCHA, IRCHA, BVCHA and an honorary member of the ICHA. She also served as a 4-H Horse Leader for over 11 years in





cow cutting and was proud that she trained her own horses for the event. Doris showed cutting horses for many years and was always a top contender, with many saddles, trophies and buckles won for her efforts. She was a tough lady and Her strength showed through as she was a survivor of both breast cancer and a brain aneurysm.

Doris always enjoyed the company of family and friends. She especially enjoyed her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

After Chuck's passing in 1998, Doris sold their ranch and moved closer to town to a quaint little property where she kept a couple horses and continued doing what she loved, showing cutting horses. Her partner in life then became her beloved dog "IO". They were truly inseparable. After Ion's death, she found her beloved kitty, Sampson. She always had a story to tell about their adventures together.

Doris is survived by her sister,

Hukill, grandchildren Stephanie Hukill and Cody Hukill as well as her great-grandchildren: Taylor, Solo and Zekiah, all of which she dearly loved.

She was preceded in death by her husband Charles and her daughter Charlene May Tyson.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Friday, November 1, 2013 at the Melba Community Baptist Church, 319 Randolph Ave, in Melba with a viewing at the church from 1 to 2:45 p.m. prior to the services. Arrangements are being provided by Zeyer Funeral Chapel, Nampa. 467-7300 In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Melba QRU (PO Box 189, Melba, ID 83641) or the Melba Senior Center (115 Baseline Rd,

Daniel J. Valadez, beloved son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend to all who knew him, was granted his angel wings on October 18, 2013.

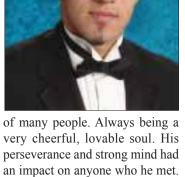
Daniel, 24, of Homedale Idaho, was born to Elidia Nonato, on October 18, 1989. Daniel was an active, spirited enthusiastic young man. His lively spirit and contagious smile brought joy to all those around him.

As a student at Homedale High School, he was a member of the wrestling, track and field, basketball, football, and spirit leader of the cheerleading squad as well as graduating in 2008. After high school, Daniel went off to pursue a business degree as well as becoming an active member of the rugby team at LCSC.

His deep passion for sports and being active reflected highly on his nieces and nephews and always being their number one fan. Daniel was a role model for many of all ages, majority including young children.

He left many aspirations unfinished, some of which included becoming a pediatrician, nutritionist, fitness trainer, navy seal, also an EMT.

He was a very charismatic individual who touched the lives



Even if it was something serious he still managed to make you smile and laugh, always looking at the bright side of any situation. Daniel will forever live in the hearts of his family; friends and everyone who knew him, May you rest in peace. Daniel is survived by his Mother

Elidia Nonato, Brothers and Sisters: Brandon (Morgan) Valadez, Luz (Daniel) Ramirez, Miriam (Joe) Villarreal, Sergio (Lupe) Valadez, Aracely (Alejandro) Cornejo, and Israel (Judith) Valadez, as well as many nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts, numerous cousins, coworkers and endless amounts of friends.

A Rosary was recited at Flahiff Funeral Chapel (27 E. Owyhee Ave. Homedale, Id) at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2013, with viewing starting at 5:00PM. Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church (1122 W. Linden St Caldwell, ID) Wednesday, October 23, 2013, 10:30AM followed by a reception.

Matthew 19:26 — Jesus gazed at them and said, "with man this is impossible; but with God all things are possible."

Condolences for the family may be left at www.flahifffuneralchapel. com.

Daniel J. Valadez

Calendar

Today

Owyhee Research and Restoration Roundup

9 a.m., Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 1st St. N., Marsing. www.owyheeroundup.org

County P&Z hearing

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2 **Christian Life Club**

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

Thursday

Owyhee Research and Restoration Roundup

Field tour, meet at 8 a.m. at Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center or at 9 a.m. at the Reynolds Creek Agricultural Research Service station. www.owyheeroundup.org

Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020 **Homedale City Council meeting**

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6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

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., season finale, Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com

Grand View Fall Festival

11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., American Legion Post 134 Hall, 410 Roosevelt St., Grand View

Homedale First Presbyterian Fall Festival

4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Homedale First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 372-5011

Senior center dance

6 p.m. to 9 p.m., public invited, \$5 and finger foods to share, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Sunday

4-H Halloween Party and Ride

2 p.m., costumed, horses, costumed riders, RSVP, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 249-6889

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

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

Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

Wednesday

Christian Life Club

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

Thursday, Oct. 31

Senior center exercise class

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

Homedale Safe-n-Sane Halloween

3 p.m. to 5 p.m., downtown businesses, Homedale. (208) 337-4641

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

Friday, Nov. 1

Story Time

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

Saturday, Nov. 2

Christmas bazaar

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Homedale First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6^{th} St. W., Homedale. (208) 989-6389

Marsing Lions bingo

6:45 p.m. early game, 7 p.m. regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 454-7820

Sunday, Nov. 3

Gospel concert

2 p.m., free (love offering accepted), Joint Heirs Quartet, Homedale First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 372-5011

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, Nov. 4

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

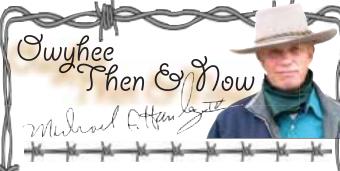
Tuesday, Nov. 5

Senior center exercise class

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

Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting

1 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st



Tales of the ION Country Foreword, Part I

It has never been easy trying to scratch a living out of Idaho, Oregon and Nevada's High Desert Country. For thousands of years, the I.O.N. Country was home range to various tribes of Indians, but they didn't set up permanent camps. They passed through with the seasons, stopping to hunt, dig roots and fish streams.

Salmon on the tail end of their long journey from the Pacific passed through many of our river and creek valleys, marking them as sites for camps during the salmon runs. The fish were processed to help fill the Indians' bill of fare through the long harsh winters. A network of trade put coastal tribes in contact with these inland tribes and war parties brought home slaves and booty. When they acquired horses, their range was extended and the buffalo herds in what is now Montana were frequented by hunting parties.

This was the way of I.O.N. Country's inhabitants were living when the first white explorers came, but their way of life didn't last long after that. Within 50 years, most of them were dead or confined to reservations ... victims of the White Man's diseases and greed for land. The buffalo were gone and other surviving big game scattered. In time, all the salmon runs were blocked with dams and other obstructions. The hills were scarred from mining, and the grass was mostly gone from over-grazing by domestic livestock.

Today there are few signs of the Indians' long tenure on the land. Artifacts in museums and occasional pictographs chipped into rock are about all that remain to mark their passing.

- 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.



Death notices

RICHARD J. DASH, 85, of Homedale, died Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2013

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

Tuesday

Senior center exercise class

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center,

St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760 Gem Irrigation District board meeting

1:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760 South Board of Control board meeting

1:30 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

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.

at his residence. Cremation is under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

BARBARA M. LEWIS, 91, of Homedale, died on Saturday, Oct. 19, 2013 at home of natural causes. Viewing will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 24, 2013 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Services will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25, 2013 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Burial will follow at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

CLARA MAMIE CALLAHAM LOVITT, 92, died Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013 in Homedale. Visitation was held Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2013 at Nyssa Lienkaemper Chapel. Funeral services were held Thursday, Oct. 17, 2013 at Lienkaemper Chapel, and burial took place at Nyssa Hilltop Memorial Cemetery.



86th annual National FFA Convention

Oct. 30-Nov. 2 • Louisville, Ky.

Another Ag Comm team heads to nationals

Marsing has won three state titles

The Marsing FFA chapter is starting to make it a habit to show up at the national convention with its marketing skills sharply honed.

For the third consecutive year, a group of Marsing FFA'ers won the state championship in Agricultural Communications, meaning that for the third straight fall, advisor Mike Martin is hoping to sit back and watch magic happen on the national stage.

This year, Courtney Bryant, Caitlyn Line and Favian Robles comprise the Ag Comm squad that will represent Idaho during the national competition in Louisville, Ky.

The national convention begins next Wednesday, and the Ag Comm team won't have much time to savor their surroundings.

First, the team will pose for a photo at noon local time inside the Mid America Banquet Hall.

Ninety minutes later, it's time for team orientation.

A half-hour after that, the pressure mounts with an exam followed by team presentations.

Thursday's schedule includes the mock press conference at 8 a.m., followed by practicums and, finally, the team presentation finals in the afternoon.

The award banquet takes place Friday, Nov. 1, and the award presentation will be held during the convention's ninth general session at 1:30 p.m. on Nov. 2 inside the University of Louisville's Freedom Hall.

By now, though, the Ag Comm team has its stuff down. The trio won State with 517.2 points out of a possible 775.

Soon after the state competition, Martin huddled with Bryant and Line to devise ways to improve on the team's 15-minute PowerPoint presentation.

But in Robles, the team may have an ace in the hole. The 2013 Marsing High School graduate has been in high-pressure competitions before both with the school's FFA and Business Professionals of America chapters. He is tasked with writing a press release based on the news conference.

A junior, Bryant will take care of the social media aspect of the presentation.

A sophomore, Line will handle the graphic design element.

The group's media plan to put a farmer's market in Marsing on the map also will be judged during the national competition.



Marsing High School senior Brad Labit is packing his alto sax for Louisville, Ky., as he has been chosen to play in the national FFA band during the convention.

Labit ready for spotlight in Louisville

Marsing senior to perform with FFA national band

The Marsing FFA chapter will arrive in Louisville for the national convention early next week, but one of their peers already will have been in town for a weekend.

Marsing High School senior Brad Labit flew east ahead of his friends for a good reason - he's part of the national FFA honor band.

The 17-year-old son of Jon and Sandy Nelson and Brett and Calli Labit will land in Louisville on Friday afternoon and begin practicing his alto sax parts with the band only about four hours later. It'll be the start of three days of intense rehearsals for Brad Labit and several dozen musicians from around the country.

Martin said typically between 50 and 75 FFA members are asked to participate with the band each fall.

Labit is only the second Marsing student to take part in the performing arts portion of the national convention. Kyla Loucks sang at the convention in 2010 when it was held in Indianapolis.

Martin said Labit is only the third student of his in 36 years of agriculture education to win a spot on the annual band.

The intense rehearsal schedule, followed by several performances between next Wednesday and Nov. 2, may not be all that foreign to Labit.

He is a senior lineman for the Huskies' football team and he also wrestles. He usually devotes about eight hours a week to saxophone practice, too.

fellow Marsing chapter members will get to see him on stage only once - in the early evening on Friday, Nov. 1. The convention wraps the next day.

The FFA band will play popular and contemporary tunes, Martin said.

Labit has been playing sax since he was in sixth grade, starting out with the baritone saxophone and then graduating to the alto. Labit also has experience with the French horn.

In sixth grade, he tried out and was accepted for the Vallivue Middle School jazz band.

He transferred to Marsing High School as a sophomore.

Labit performed with the Boise State University Honor Band as a sophomore and has spent the past two years as first-chair sax player in the Treasure Valley Honor The band will rehearse for three Band. He'll play in that band again this school year because once you're in, you're in until you graduate.



The Marsing FFA AgComm team heading to nationals includes, from left, junior Courtney Bryant, recent graduate Favian Robles and sophomore Caitlyn Line. Submitted photo

Marsing FFA advisor Mike

solid days before beginning a series of performances during the convention. Martin and Labit's



Rimrock FFA'ers capture top honors at recent contests

Samuel Simper led a group of Rimrock High School freshmen that scored high on the FFA knowledge test Sept. 18 in Marsing.

Simper had the highest marks at the Boise Valley District competition in Marsing. Contestants were quizzed on information about FFA from its beginnings in 1928 to the current day.

Fellow Rimrock freshman Jessica Riley was runner-up, followed by another Rimrock ninth-grader - Taylor Pearson - with the thirdhighest score. Rimrock's Bailey Lindquist was fifth.

Rimrock's dairy judging team won the district championship later that day. Team members included Sami Bachman, Jackie

Newman, Travis Erwin, Nick Bennett and Zach Tindall.

In another competition held in Owyhee County, Rimrock's soils team finished second during a cold and windy day of judging dirt on Reynolds Creek. Team members included Nick Bennett, Bonnie Standlee, Issac Riley, Sakota Hall and Hailey Pearson.



From left, Jessica Riley, Samuel Simper and Taylor Pearson.

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Homedale chapter has plenty of tourism planned

Livestock team to compete after group visits Dave Ramsey Show

The Homedale FFA chapter contingent will cram a lot of living into the next week as it visits the FFA national convention.

The trip begins Monday. The convention starts next Wednesday and lasts through Saturday, Nov. 1 in Louisville.

Homedale's state championship Livestock team of Devin Fisher, Madi Fisher, Shelby Lee and Riley Haun will compete in the nationals.

Lee and Hattie Mertz will accept a one-star National Chapter Award, too.

While the group will be busy during the convention, some of the most exciting activities may happen before the members ever get to Louisville.

The group will spend some time in Nashville after flying from Boise at 4 a.m. Monday. Monday afternoon brings a tour of the Grand Ole Opry and adjacent hotel followed by dinner and line dance lessons at the Wild Horse Saloon.

On Tuesday, the chapter members will tour the Country Music Hall of Fame before sitting in on the Dave Ramsey Show. Homedale chapter advisor Lori Idsinga said the group will get a chance to meet show host Dave Ramsey, whose financial matters column appears weekly in The Owyhee Avalanche, and they'll

appear on his live streaming show that day.

"It's about a $2\frac{1}{2}$ - to three-hour drive in between states," Idsinga said. "I figured it wasn't too long to sit in a car to get to see that many things."

It won't necessarily be all business when the convention starts next Wednesday. The group will attend horse races at Churchill Downs on Wednesday morning before embarking on national convention responsibilities.

Lee and Mertz wrote the National Chapter Award application and interviewed for the award, Homedale FFA advisor Lori Idsinga said. The pair's award application placed eighth in the state.

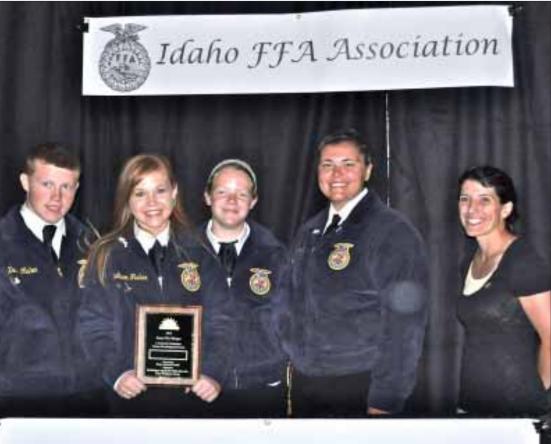
The rest of the chapter lineup heading to Louisville includes Justine Rose, Lance Eaton and Brennyn Kilby.

Idsinga and chapter co-leader Clara-Leigh Evans join Dwayne and Tracy Fisher as adult chaperones.

Kilby, Mertz, Eaton and Rose will help run the Idaho state booth for two hours on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Idsinga said the state booth, which was designed by the Jerome FFA chapter, showcases the agricultural products produced in Idaho.

The majority of the chapter



Livestock Evaluation

Homedale FFA's state championship Livestock team, which will compete at the national convention next week, includes, from left: Devin Fisher, Madison Fisher, Shelby Lee and Riley Haun. Submitted photo

members will return on Saturday, Nov. 2. The day before, they'll tour the Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory. The group also will tour WinStar Farm where former Homedale FFA member Wade Hyer once interned.

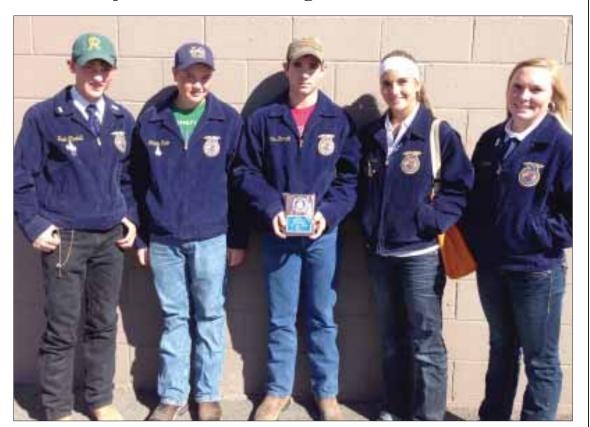
Other convention-related activities include receiving the National Chapter Award on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Kilby, Mertz, Rose and Eaton are scheduled attend a veterinary medicine seminar next

Wednesday. Idsinga said Rose wants to become a veterinarian.

The same four students will attend the "What's Your Story?" seminar, which helps the attendees learn how to conduct a good interview.

Part of national delegation wins contest



Six Rimrock chapter members scheduled for trip to Kentucky

Six members of the Rimrock Saturday, Nov. 2. FFA chapter will travel east next week for the 86th annual members will attend sessions National FFA Convention.

The Rimrock chapter with keynote speakers and tour

Rimrock FFA's Boise Valley District champion dairy judging team is, from left, Zach Tindall, Travis Erwin, Nick Bennett, Sami Jo Bachman and Jackie Newman. Jackie Newman, Bachman, Bennett and Tindall are part of the Rimrock contingent heading to Louisville for the 2013 national convention next week. Submitted photo

Seniors Jackie Newman, Mickie Newman, Sami Jo Bachman, Bridget Black and Zach Tindall and sophomore Nick Bennett will fly to Louisville, Ky.

The convention runs from next Wednesday through

the city, giving them a chance to meet new people and have new experiences.

None of the Rimrock delegation is entered in national competitions.

Alan Schoen is the Rimrock FFA chapter advisor.



Officials ask motorists, haulers to be cautious during harvest

The harvest has been going strong for some weeks now, but with the sugar beets trucks hitting the road, Farm Bureau officials want to remind haulers and motorists alike to use caution on the roadways.

The Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, which has issued one citation in a farm truck-related accident this year, echoed the plea.

"The biggest thing is to be aware that it's harvest time throughout the month and into November," OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said.

Bowman said motorists need to watch out for the agricultural trucks because "they can't stop on a dime."

Bowman said there haven't been any injury accidents related to farm trucks or slow-moving farm equipment on the road this season, but a 60-year-old truck driver from Caldwell, Lawrence G. Atkinson, was cited for driving too fast for conditions when his truck loaded with corn tipped over on Market Road between Homedale and Marsing on Oct. 2.

Owyhee County Farm Bureau president John Richard contacted The Owyhee Avalanche to discuss road safety during harvest time in the wake of a deadly crash in Canyon County that took the life of a 72-year-old Caldwell woman.

Richard said agricultural producers have to be aware of what's going on on the roadways before circumstances impact their business.

"The farmers have got to wake up, and if a lot of this stuff continues, we're going to be like California, Oregon and Washington," Richard said. "We'll get regulations slapped on us, and they'll (the farmers) really be upset."

Richard said that corn shipments on county roads will probably continue through Christmas, so motorists need to be alert to the loaded trucks on the road as well as farm machinery creeping along.

"The equipment drivers need to be watching, too," he said. "Who's coming up behind them? And they need to have their lights and have (the equipment properly)

flagged so people know what's coming up behind them or headon (in front of them)."

Richard stressed that drivers should be courteous and pull out of the lane of travel, whenever possible, to minimize impeding traffic flow. He also said that haulers should consider covering their loads.

Although covered loads aren't required in Owyhee County, Canyon County does have a covered-load ordinance. Richard said covering sugar beets and even onions can minimize the possibility of a heavy piece of produce (between eight and 17 pounds in some instances) from dislodging and flying into the windshield of a nearby vehicle.

Richard also said that operators of trucks hauling corn, hay and straw should be careful not to spread noxious weeds during their runs.

"We'd rather have guys take responsibility themselves than have another law on the books," Richard said. "They've got to do something to control what they're doing."

— JPB

Senior menus

Marsing Senior Center

Oct. 23: Baked potato bar w/bean soup, broccoli, chili, cheese, etc., fruit, bran muffin, seasonal fruit

Oct. 24: Chicken fried steak, potatoes, carrots, roll, apple salad, cookie, ice cream

Oct. 28: Breakfast to order; French toast, bacon, eggs, juice, fruit, milk & coffee

Oct. 29: Meatloaf, baked potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, apple, Oct. 30: Baked ham, macaroni & cheese, carrot, broccoli, tossed salad, beets, oranges, roll, strawberry cream jello, cake

Homedale Senior Center

All meals include salad bar – lettuce, tomatoes, boiled eggs, apricots, ranch & Thousand Island dressing

Oct. 23: Ham and beans, carrots, corn bread

Oct. 24: Chicken chow mein, fried rice, stir fry veggies

Oct. 29: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, bread Oct. 30: Beef stew, bread



Winning chefs Tyler Williams, left, and Ismahel Mendoza-Cardenas with their spoils. Submitted photo

Marsing Family Dollar coming along

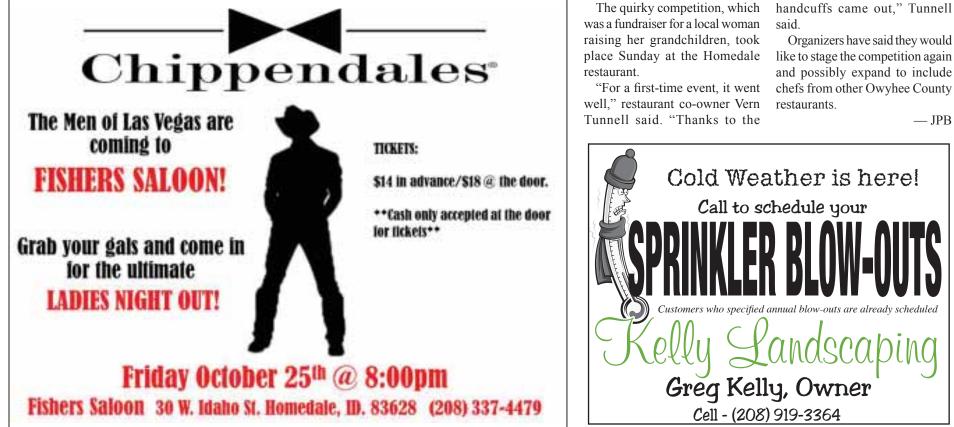
The Family Dollar store to be located at 15 Main St. in Marsing is steadily being constructed, and so far, there have been no hiccups with the \$410,000 project.

Bryn Winburn, public relations manager for Family Dollar Corporate, said construction should finish in a few months. She said the store will open in early 2014, although no exact date has been set, yet, and that the facility will be hiring eight to 10 people. Those interested in applying may do so at www.familydollar.com.

Construction is on schedule. The building will be 8,320 square feet when complete.



Marsing's Family Dollar Store building is beginning to take shape. An official says the location will open early next year.



Young chefs cook up victory vs. Old Guard

Homedale event raises \$2,000 for local family

The Young Guns beat the Old Guard during Sunday's first Battle of the Chefs in Homedale.

Ismahel Mendoza-Cardenas, 19, and Tyler Williams, 31, were declared the winners after a competition against fellow Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant cooks Tony Evangelista, 41, and Lazaro Juarez, 55.

community for coming out and those who could not make it but still bid on items.

"We are also thankful to all who contributed items for the auction."

About \$2,000 was raised between the admission price for the cook-off and the auction.

The competition teamed the younger chefs against the older chefs in a cooking contest that included some unusual challenges, and Tunnell said the margin of victory was very slim.

"It was going well 'til the handcuffs came out," Tunnell

Organizers have said they would like to stage the competition again and possibly expand to include

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Oct. 23: Chicken burrito, corn, baby carrots, pears

Oct. 24: No school

Oct. 25: No school

Oct. 28: Hamburger, French fries, baby carrots, peaches

Oct. 29: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/gravy, grape tomatoes, mixed fruit, roll

Oct. 30: Bean dip w/tortilla chips, nachos, cheese stick, veggies, pears

Oct. 31: Fish nuggets, green beans, side salad, apple

Homedale Middle

Oct. 23: Spaghetti or burrito, green beans, side salad, apple Oct. 24: Chicken nuggets or orange chicken, rice, steamed carrots,

broccoli, mandarin oranges

Oct. 25: No school

Oct. 28: BBQ chicken or pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, side salad, peaches bread/butter

Oct. 29: Hot dog or hamburger, baked beans, cucumber, pears

Oct. 30: Toasted cheese sandwich or rib-b-que, corn, grape tomatoes, orange wedges

Oct. 31: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cauliflower, mandarin oranges, cinnamon roll

Homedale High

Oct. 23: Idaho haystack or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 24: Malibu or grilled chicken sandwich, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 25: No school

Oct. 28: Pepperoni pizza or turkey sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 29: Orange or popcorn chicken, rice, green beans, fortune cookie, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 30: Lasagna w/French bread or rib-b-que, mixed veggies, salad bar, fruit choice

Oct. 31: Nachos or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing

Oct. 23: Teriyaki chicken bowl w/roll or corndog, corn, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 24: Lasagna & Italian breadstick or turkey sandwich, potato salad, green beans, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 28: PB&J & chips or cheese pizza, tossed salad, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 29: Pulled pork sandwich or enchilada & rice, baked sweet potato pie, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 30: Hamburger or chicken nuggets & roll, potato wedges, salad bar (6-12)

Oct. 31: Malibu chicken or fish taco, steamed carrots, pudding, salad bar (6-12)

Bruneau-Grand View

Oct. 23: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, steamed broccoli, roll/jelly, fruit

Oct. 24: Taco soup, tossed salad, fruit, cornbread

Oct. 25: BBQ pork/bun, sweet potato fries, corn on the cob, fruit, pumpkin bar

Oct. 29: Chicken alfredo, tossed salad, green beans, fruit

Oct. 30: Orange chicken, stir-fry veggies, oriental rice, fruit

United Country & Musick & Sons is As an Owyhee Country conduction to the graduated from Homedale high school in '94 excited to welcome cho h n hor ca

Marsing woman faces grand theft charge in Ada County

A Marsing woman faces a Nov. Friday, Nov. 1. 1 preliminary appearance in Ada County on a felony grand theft charge.

Linda Garrett, 42, was arrested on a \$15,000 warrant at 9:33 a.m. on Oct. 15. Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Terry McGrew made the arrest at a Marsing residence.

The Ada County Prosecutor's Office filed the charge against Garrett on Oct. 7. She'll appear before Fourth District Judge Kevin Swain at 8:30 a.m. on

Garrett already faces at misdemeanor charge in Ada County for supplying false information to an officer or government agency. She entered a not guilty plea on Oct. 1 and is scheduled for a Nov. 7 pretrial conference before Judge Daniel L. Steckel. A jury trial is set to begin on Dec. 10.

Juveniles arrested for theft at middle school

Two Marsing Middle School students have been questioned in

the alleged theft of nearly \$300 from an elementary school locker room used by the middle school football team.

OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the \$284 reported stolen last Wednesday morning belonged to a MMS football player. One of the two juveniles connected to the alleged theft is a football player, Bowman said, but it's not believed that the athlete took the cash.

Bowman wouldn't give the ages of the two suspects.

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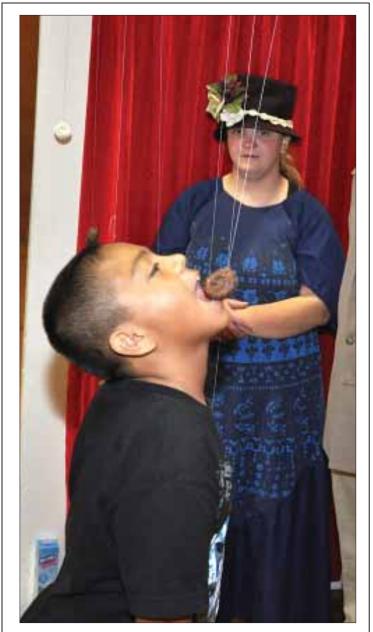
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Children's Alley gives way to Spook Alley

Donette on a string was one of the skill games played during Saturday's Children's Alley fundraiser presented by the Homedale High School Drama Club. There won't be much fun this weekend, unless scary is your idea of fun, as the club's actors puts on Spook Alley for tweens, teens and adults. The event will be held from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday inside the old HHS gymnasium. Tickets are \$5 for one pass, two for \$8 or six for \$25. Call DeAnn Thatcher at 965-0258 for more information.



Scarecrow entries sought for Grand View's fall festival

Chamber event includes coat drive, activities

If the chill in the air isn't enough to alert you to the arrival of fall, maybe Grand View's Fall Festival will help.

The Grand View Chamber of Commerce will present its third annual festival from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday.

All will take place at the American Legion Post 134 Hall, 410 Roosevelt St.

There will be plenty of contests and fall fare to keep people busy, Chamber spokesperson Cyndi Fullmer said organizers are still looking for people interested in entering the scarecrow contest, the aim of which is to decorate the town for the season.

Last year, the Chamber recruited local businesses to display the community members' creations, but the old Grand View standby — power poles around town were also used.

The scarecrow entries will be judged at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Call Fullmer at (208) 834-2636 to enter the contest and reserve a display spot.

An hour earlier, judges will select winners in the costume contest. That contest is open to all ages.

In between those two competitions, children will get a chance to see who is the best pumpkin artist.

Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated pumpkin. Pumpkins must be dropped off for judging between 11:30 a.m.

and 12:30 p.m.

There are several age groups, including 5 and younger, 6-9, 10-13 and 14 and older. A People's Choice award also will be handed out.

Comfort food will be available during the festival, too, with the return of the chili feed and baked potato bar.

Prices include:

\$4 for a meal of chili, combread and crackers
\$3 hot dogs

• \$4 for a baked potato and all the fixin's

• \$5 for a baked potato with chili

Coffee or punch is included.

The Chamber also has launched a coat drive to keep community members who are in need warm during fall and winter. Coats can be dropped off at the Legion Hall during the festival. The Rimrock Food Pantry will distribute the coats on Nov. 9, but if there are any families in need of warm coats before the distribution, contact Fullmer.

There will be a bake sale, too. Among the fun activities offered will be an obstacle course and 25cent bingo.

Prize donations are being sought for the bingo game. Call Fullmer for more information.

The Grand View Chamber of Commerce meets on the third Wednesday of each month at the Grand View Firehouse. Prospective members are always welcome to attend.

In addition to the Fall Festival, the Chamber is making plans for its annual Christmas in the Country event, which will be held Dec. 6-7.

Homedale Chamber alters its October meeting date

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting has been rescheduled to next week. Chamber president Gavin

The Homedale Chamber of week, would be held at noon next ommerce monthly meeting has Tuesday.

The luncheon will be held inside the Owyhee Lanes and



Avery Volk

4-H club tabs top buckaroo

Avery Volk has received the 2013 Most Outstanding Buckaroo belt buckle from the Great Basin Buckaroos 4-H club.

Retiring leaders Bruce and Terry Reuck presented the Homedale girl with the buckle.

A three-year club member, Volk earned the buckle by accumulating points for a wide variety of clubrelated activities and projects.

Members compile points for wearing western attire, a wild rag, bringing the little red book (aka the National Cattlemen's Beef Association Integrated Resource Management booklet) to meetings and events, attendance and completing and exhibiting western heritage projects.

During the most recent club year, Volk completed a wallet for a Leather Craft, Level 2 project and the Rangeland Steward Project, Level 1.

New club members are welcome. For more information on joining, contact new leaders, Nick and Mandy Rowland, through the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office 4-H program at (208) 896-4104.

Halloween 4-H bash Sunday at fairgrounds

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All 4-H horse riders — and those too young to ride yet — are invited to a 4-H Halloween party and ride Sunday.

Appropriately enough, the entry fee for the fun at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale is a bag of candy. The fun starts at 2 p.m.

Organizer Sylvia Bahem said the event is also open to Cloverbuds as well as other 4-H members who don't ride horses.

There will be costume contests for horses and humans as well as food, drinks and games.

Call Bahem at 249-6889 to RSVP.

Bahem reminds riders that they must wear an approved helmet to ride.

Crafty Farmers Market addition

Homedale **Farmers Market holds** final session Saturday

Homedale Elementary School student Ryan Aman puts the finishing touches on his painted pumpkin Saturday. The Homedale Farmers Market finale begins at 9 a.m. Saturday at Bette Uda City Park. An hourlong barbecue to thank this year's vendors is planned to start at noon.



County renews contract with Computer Arts with change

BOCC insists on addendum allowing county to back out if necessary

The county commissioners had a stern but respectful chat with Shane Harris and Mitchell Cromwell of Computer Arts, Inc. during the Board of County Commissioners meeting Oct. 15.

Computer Arts has provided Owyhee County with hardware and software for its networking and office needs for years. Each year, the contract must be renewed, but this year, the commissioners insisted on an addendum that allows the county to back out of the deal if it feels Computer Arts isn't upholding its promises of service. Dispatch supervisor Christine Ballard noted Harris and Cromwell came to the commissioners' meeting to discuss the addendum because it had not been in previous contracts.

"We just feel that this contract is a little one-sided, and it doesn't leave any recourse for us," District 3 commissioner and board chairman Joe Merrick said.

The county will pay Computer Arts \$87,774 for all services in sues, and that Computer Arts has given Owyhee County financial relief for some services.

"We gave a \$10,000 program to the Sheriff's Office at no cost to the county," Harris said. "This is about communication. If there's an emergency, call (one of the 24/7 on-call employees). If for whatever reason, no one answers, we (Cromwell and Harris) are the second tier. Call us on our cell phone."

Ballard pointed out that another reason for the addendum is to prevent inconsistent service. Harris responded that previous Owyhee County Sheriff Daryl Crandall "didn't want anything done" for the department, but that the current sheriff, Perry Grant, wants to make many changes to advance the department technologically.

"So we have to adjust for that. It goes both ways," Harris said.

"If we are performing at a faulty level, I agree that we shouldn't be here," Cromwell said. "We came out, and we made the changes. We just need to know what problems Department of Juvenile Correcthere might be so we can earn tion's tobacco grant. your business."

At the end of the discussion, both parties gave the other wellwishes.

"We have had a long-standing relationship with Computer Arts, and we hope it still goes forward. We just had to put in paper what was already agreed on," Ballard said concerning the contract addendum.

"I think this is a good thing," Aberasturi said. "I want to see business succeed, but I have to look at this as a government official, and my priority is protecting the taxpayers."

During the meeting, the commissioners also approved the pay rate for detention deputy Kirill Fomin at \$13.87 per hour.

They also approved hiring Miguel Mouw as an independent contractor for juvenile probation services. Mouw is internationally certified as an alcohol and drug counselor for juveniles. His services will cost \$50 per hour for the first 60 days, then \$60 per hour after that. Doris Jewett, chief probation officer at Owyhee County Probation, said Mouw will likely work three hours a week. Funding for his pay will come from the —RAD

Homedale Presbyterian church plans several events in coming weeks

Festival, bazaar, gospel concert on docket

Homedale First Presbyterian Church has lined up some events open to the public in the next few weeks.

First up is the church's Fall Festival on Saturday.

From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., there will be games and activities for children at the church, 320 N. 6th St. W.

The festival will include a cake walk, face painting, a flour game, Witch Pitch, Big Bubbles, mini pumpkin painting, a candy wrapper race, sucking seeds, Feed the Pig, swamp fishing and a hot dog roast featuring hot dogs, apple cider and donuts.

For more information, contact Pastor Marianne Paul at (208) 372-5011.

On Saturday, Nov. 2, the church hosts a Christmas Bazaar. The event, which will feature portraits, paper arts, baked goods, fashion handbags, jewelry and crafts, will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tacos and tamales will be served for lunch, and tamales to go will cost \$12 per dozen.

For more information, call Darlene at 989-6389.

The church welcomes the Joint Heirs Quartet for a southern gospel music concert on Sunday, Nov. 3. The quartet draws membership from Fruitland, Vale, Ore., and the area around Adrian, Ore.

The concert, which is free, begins at 2 p.m. A love offering will be accepted.

The group will perform a mix of southern gospel, country gospel, bluegrass Gospel and traditional hymns.

For more information, call Paul or the Joint Heirs Ministries at (208) 707-1029.

Story Time costume party set at Homedale library

The gang down at the Homedale Public Library will get into the spirit at Friday's Story Time by wearing non-scary costumes.

"Curious George Goes to a Costume Party" by Margaret & H.A Rey is the featured story at 10:15 a.m. on Friday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The event will include a costume party and other activities.

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

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.

It's closed on Sunday.



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Although the commissioners and Ballard alluded to one or more past incidents with IT services, no details were provided to the press. Computer Arts has lost contracts with two other counties in Idaho in the past couple of years.

At the beginning of the discussion, the commissioners expressed caution and frustration.

"I'm going to be blunt, because that's how I am," District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said to the Computer Arts representatives. "We've had problems with you before. And to be honest, if it were only up to me, I would have fired you already. ... But as a commissioner, I have to be softer."

Harris responded by saying that employees have resolved past is-

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"Annie" tickets on sale; performances set Nov. 21-23

As rehearsals continue, tickets have gone on sale for "Annie," the Marsing School District after-school program's production of the Broadway musical.

There will be three performances next

month inside the Marsing schools cafeteria. The doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for 7 p.m. performances Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 21-23.

There will be 150 tickets available for

each performance, and organizer Leigh Short said the tickets are selling fast.

Admission is \$8 for adults (ages 19 to 64) and \$5 for children and students (ages 3-18) and senior citizens 65 and older. Tickets are available at a group rate of \$3 each for nonprofit organizations and youth groups.

Tickets are available through cast members or at the Marsing Elementary School office.



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Homedale Middle School National Junior Honor Society inductees gather

Fourth row, from left: Max Mertz, Jesse Packer, Kaylee DeWitt, Dakota Kelly, Jessica Evans, Ashley Burks, Cobey Christoffersen, Eva Symms, Jordan Packer and Jeremy Bell. Third row, from left: Dillon Pfost, Dana Jo McGee, Lauryn Fisher, Gabriella Martell, Kendall Nash, Lyndsay Burks, Courtnee Smith and Lainey Johnson. Second row, from left: Kaden Henry, Ember Christiansen, Kaylie Kirk, Alexis Muir, Alicia Raine, Lyndsey Salutregui, Kendra Thatcher, Riley Morgan. First row: Julia Correa, left, and Nallely Gonzalez. Not pictured: Diana Cook and Hannah Egusquiza

Homedale Elementary embraces Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week, celebrated nationally each year Oct. 23 through 31, is the nation's oldest and largest drug prevention program.

It began in 1985, when a special agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration was kidnapped and killed while on the cusp of bringing down a multi-billiondollar drug operation. After his death, his hometown in California began wearing red ribbons and pledging to lead a drug-free life. When President and First Lady Ronald and Nancy Reagan joined in 1988, it became a national catalyst for a drug-free movement.

"I remind the kids every year about the history of Red Ribbon Week," Homedale Elementary and Middle School Counselor Randee Garrett said.

Dress-up days

Monday — "No sweat"... I'm drug-free What to wear — Sweat pants or sweat suits **Tuesday** – I'm a "jeanius" – I'm drug-free What to wear — Jeans **Next Wednesday** — I'm too bright for drugs What to wear - Bright colors Thursday, Oct. 31 - I'm not afraid to be drug-free What to wear - Halloween costumes **Friday, Nov. 1** - I "red" that it's cool to be drug-free What to wear - Red

This year, Homedale Elementary will celebrate Red Ribbon Week Oct. 28 through Nov. 2.

Each year, Garrett goes to all the classrooms in the elementary school and teaches about the history of Red Ribbon Week, the dangers of drug use, and she practices ways to say no to drugs

with the students. Garrett came up with the dress-up days for the drug-free awareness week. It's a fun, free way to get the children involved with actively promoting the message, she said.

Although the school district used to have a budget for antismoking and anti-drug education,

that funding fell off during the hard financial times.

"There are lots of things I do without a budget," Garrett said. "That's what the Internet is for. And we have old materials, like brochures, that were purchased with grant money a few years ago. So we can still use those. The challenge is with new drugs."

In order to stay up-to-date with new, emerging drugs, Garrett says she takes to the Internet and the Idaho RADAR Center through Boise State University. RADAR which stands for Regional Alcohol & Drug Awareness Resource — offers free information about alcohol, tobacco, and illegal substance use to Idaho residents only.

At Homedale Middle School, the effort is more student-led, Garrett said. The students participate in Idaho Drug-Free Youth, a statewide program that puts students in charge of efforts to raise awareness among peers. Although Garrett helps with the oversight for the program, she says the students lead the charge there, which allows her to focus her efforts at the elementary school.

Although the school has no budget, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office has pitched in with efforts. Sheriff Perry Grant has asked the county commissioners for \$1,000 to purchase brochures and materials for drug prevention at schools throughout the county. Garrett said Deputy Gary Olsen dropped off pencils, wristbands, and other items to distribute to the students for drug-free week.

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After one year, HMS Idaho Drug Free Youth going strong

At Homedale Middle School, club now does fundraising to help the fight for a drug-free youth has grown exponentially in the past year.

continue efforts, as well.

the skills they need, but they are the leaders in this club."

One year ago, teachers Brenda Reay and David Correa finally received funding to begin a local chapter of Idaho Drug Free Youth. Since then, it has accumulated 150 students, and is looking to expand to the high school.

"David Correa and I actually went to an IDFY convention about six years ago," Reay said. "We found some information, but couldn't get anyone into it. But we thought it was a cool idea to get kids into the club."

Last year, the duo finally received funding to begin IDFY through the program Safe and Drug-Free School, from the U.S. Department of Education. The

IDFY's goal is to empower youth to lead happy and healthy lives through the power of positive peer pressure. Its focus is to get young people actively involved with discouraging other young people from drug or alcohol use.

Reay said the Homedale middle-schoolers do this through education and by hosting activities.

"We want to show kids that you can do drug-free activities and still have a good time, without using drugs," Reay said.

Last year, a big hit was a trip to the YMCA in Caldwell. Reay said club members are working to go back to the YMCA, and/or go to Bogus Basin in Boise during the winter. Activities cost participants \$5, and the leftover expenses are

HMS Red Ribbon Week

Dress-up days: Monday — Pajama; Tuesday — Nerd; Wednesday, Oct. 30 - Hippie; Thursday, Oct. 31 - Twin; Friday, Nov. 1 — Gender Swap (boys dress like girls, girls like boys) Activities

· Homeroom door prizes: Each homeroom will decorate its door with the theme A Positive Influence for Drug-Free Youth. Doors judged on which conveys message with most conviction.

• Dress-up competitions: Each grade level will receive a prize for the highest percentage of students who dress up.

• Education: The IDFY leadership team will perform skits and teach drug prevention lessons to fifth- and sixth-graders. Leaders will give out popcorn and suckers to the attendees.

· Planting the seeds: Sometime during the week, IDFY leadership team will plant red tulips next to the readerboard to commemorate Red Ribbon Week.

• Bake sale: Held at week's end to help fund IDFY activities.

covered by the club.

"We put a lot of responsibility on the leadership team," Reay

said. "We ask them, 'What do you want to do?' So they have a lot of buy-in. We try to equip them with

The club meets whenever it can, whether it's after school, before school, or during an advisory period. The club president is Lauren Fisher, the vice president is Ashley Burks, and the secretary is Nallely Gonzalez. Officers are elected by their 150 peers.

"The number of students interested (in IDFY) is what pleased me the most," Reay said. "It's really a positive feeling. They really want to be proudly drug-free."

Reay said she is surprised and pleased with IDFY at Homedale Middle School, and her only regret is not getting it off the ground sooner. She said the club looks forward to expanding to Homedale High School someday.

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Trojans' wrestling tourney renamed

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Homedale humbles another state-ranked team



Homedale High School sophomore running back Josh Tolmie, left, runs for the end as offensive lineman Eddie Cardenas seals off a Gooding defender Friday night at Deward Bell Stadium.

Gooding's offense moves ball, but Trojans' defense minimizes threat

It was probably the most emotion anyone has seen from Matt Holtry on the sideline since he became Homedale High School's head coach five years ago.

On Friday night, after Lawsen Matteson lofted a 32-yard touchdown pass to Lane Sale, the football coach tensed up and let out a loud and prolonged "Yeah!" moments before Jovan Cornejo's PAT established a two-touchdown lead against the state's secondranked Class 3A football team.

"It was just one of those moments where you had practiced something that you saw on film and then the kids go out and execute it exactly how they had prepared in practice," Holtry said. "It was a great feeling and a very proud moment for a coach of the kids executing at such a high level."

The widened lead and wide smile may have diminished slightly later in the game, but the No. 3 Trojans made another defensive statement in a 27-14 non-conference victory over previously unbeaten Gooding.

Noting that the same media that sets that state polls had picked Homedale to lose to Fruitland and finish near the bottom of the 3A Snake River Valley conference, Holtry put his team's accomplishments over the past couple weeks in perspective.

"Our team understands that the only thing that matters is what we believe in as a team. Our kids have a great belief in themselves right now and that's all we care about," Holtry said.

"The fact that we beat two 6-0 teams in back-to-back weeks is just confidence-boosters for our program, and I am proud of how our kids continue to prepare each week."

Homedale (6-1 overall and in

— See **Homedale,** page **3B**

NC rumbles past Marsing in 2nd half

Marsing faces uphill climb to return to playoffs

Turnovers and breakdowns may have put an end to Marsing High School's hopes of returning to the 2A football state playoffs.

The Huskies rallied to tie their Senior Night game in the third quarter at home Friday against 2A Western Idaho Conference foe Nampa Christian.

But the Trojans scored Austin Williams

make a second straight appearance in the postseason. Marsing reached the state semifinals for the second time in school history last year.

Marsing co-head coach Brad Hill said turnovers and break-

> downs in the secondary again were key in the Huskies' downfall.

"Every time we got something going, we'd get a turnover or give

get a turnover or give up a big play," Hill said. "You can't do that. You get momentum back and then lose it with a play like that."

like that." Charlie Galvez



Standing, from left: Matthew Miklancic, Eddie Escutia, Brady Steinmetz, Ty Lowder, coach Tyler Christoffersen, Lane Atkins, Jason Puri, Robert Nix, manager Devon Thorton, Jesse Martinat, Gunner Campbell, coach Doug Anders and Morgan Bowman.

Kneeling, from left: Edgar Navarette, Izaiah Lopez, German Albor, Jaegar Rose, Kaden Binford, Mason Kincheloe, Carson Brown, Jose Buenrosto and Drew Deal. Submitted photo

Defense dials up conference title

the game's final three touchdowns for a 49-28 triumph to put a serious dent in the Huskies' hopes to

scored a touchdown and Josiah

— See Marsing, page 5B

Adrian nabs district volleyball No. 3 seed

Antelopes sweep last two HDL foes

Adrian High School picked up momentum during the weekend for the 1A District 8 volleyball tournament.

The Antelopes swept 1A High Desert League matches on the

road Friday and Saturday. Adrian (10-7 overall, 6-2 in league) closed out the regular season with a 25-16, 25-12, 25-20 win in Long Creek, Ore., against Long Creek/Ukiah. On Friday, the Antelopes swamped host Burnt River, 25-13, 25-6, 25-10.

— See Adrian, page 5B

HMS 7th-graders stifle unbeaten Wildcats team

Homedale Middle School's seventh-grade football team used a stingy defense to avenge its only loss of the season and win the conference championship.

The 6-0 shutout against host Weiser in the 3A Snake River Valley conference title game continued a Trojans' trend.

"Homedale only allowed one touchdown the entire season," first-year coach Tyler Christoffersen said. Weiser entered the game as unbeaten regular-season champion on the strength of a victory over Homedale earlier in the season.

Doug Anders was the Trojans' other coach this season.

Homedale (5-1) showed determination to write a different ending from the get-go on Oct. 15.

The Trojans drove 70 yards to the Weiser 3-yard line before being stopped on their opening possession.

Homedale's defense made an early statement against the larger Wildcats, forcing a quick possession.

Homedale scored the game's only touchdown on its second

possession of the game.

Mason Kincheloe's five-yard run capped a drive that featured Carson Brown's rushing. German Albor's extra-point kick attempt was blocked.

Homedale held a 6-0 lead at halftime, and the Trojans made that advantage hold up through a defensive-minded second half.

A defense anchored by Jesse Martinat's play on the line prevented Weiser's offense from gaining any traction in the second half.

Homedale's offense converted a 4th-and-1 late in the game and ran the clock out to wrap up the championship. The Ownlice Avolanche





Adding to the legacy

Above: Homedale High School football players touch the newly installed championship year on the boxcar at Deward Bell Stadium on Oct. 15. Left: Trojans coach Matt Holtry, in red, smiles and watches with his team as Tom Torrentine of The Sign Shoppe unveils the newest — and first since 2003 — conference championship year.

Reminiscing Return of Trojans's glory days

by David Freelove

I was given the honor in 2006 to coach the Homedale Lions Optimist football program. Although I entered this position with great hesitation I took on the challenge with encouragement from my predecessors. I went on to coach this team for the next five years and we achieved a record of 27-3.

In those five years we appeared in the championship game all five years and won in 2006, 2008 and 2010. In this time, Homedale sponsored two teams and both were dominant within the league. I recall, I believe it was in 2008, both Homedale teams met in the playoffs and after a tight game and double overtime, the Lions advanced only on a coin toss.

What I am getting at here is I have coached the boys we are

seeing achieve the dreams of this community by reviving the football tradition of the past. I in no way will hang this solely on me, but on the many influences all of the players may have had to encourage them to continue to participate in football.

These influences include their parents, coaches, teachers, and the community. I have great confidence in Coach Holtry and Coach Wright. I have listened to their speeches, and I hear only positive encouragement, which in my mind is key to success.

The kids I have coached are Nathan Leslie, Eduardo Cardenas, Talon Freelove, Devin Fisher, Bryan Johnson, Jake Deal, Tyson Furlott, Colton Grimm, and Britt Eubanks. Most of the rest were coached on the other Homedale team by Brad Dines, who shared

the same principle as me. We coached first for the love of the game and preached character, respect and hard work.

I called them "my boys" when I coached them, and I know what is in the hearts of each one of these players today. That is "hard work achieves the goal you have set." The goal was set years ago with these boys, and I have no doubt the work part will be given to achieve the goal of taking the state title back to Homedale where it belongs!

To the coaches and players of our team. I am with you like the rest of the community and we wish you the glory you deserve and have worked so hard for.

Remember what I always told you, "Practice hard and the game is easy!" I am proud of all of vou!



The 2008 Homedale Lions fifth- and sixth-grade championship team included: Back row, coaches from left: Dwayne Fisher, Tony Lowder and Dave Freelove. Third row, from left: Matthew Garrison, Joey Reyes, Brady Hansen, Kyle Orris and David Chavez. Second row, from left: Kyler Landa, Bryce Hellman, William Elordi, Dylan Phariss, Devon Schoonover, Marcus Harden and Devon Fisher. Front row, from left: Adam Campos, Chase Martell, Dillon Lowder, Noah Freelove, Brandon Sheley, Lance Eaton and Andy Montes

—Most players mentioned helped Homedale win the 3A Snake River Valley conference championship on Oct. 11 in Fruitland. The others beat Fruitland to win the *3A SRV junior varsity title on Oct.*

10. Freelove — along with Tony Lowder and Dwayne Fisher coached the 2008 Homedale Lions Club team of 11- and 12-year-olds to the Caldwell Optimist fifth- and sixth-grade title.



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also caught a crucial 32-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter to highlight his four catches for 66 yards in the No. 3 Trojans' 27-14 non-conference victory over second-ranked Gooding.

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Volleyball

Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 3A District III Tournament, if nec., opponent TBA, Weiser, 6 p.m. or

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Cross Country Thursday, Oct. 24 at 3A District III championship meet, Payette, 4 p.m.





Sports

HMS eighth-graders lose double-OT shootout

Weiser halts Trojans' last drive in SRV third-place game

The eighth-grade football called on a Homedale player who teams from Homedale and Weiser crammed an entire season of offense into their third-place playoff game.

The Wildcats, who won the 3A Snake River Valley conference title in 2012, came out on top in a wild one, 46-38, in double overtime Oct. 15 at Deward Bell Stadium.

The teams combined for 58 points in the fourth quarter and overtimes, which were played under the Kansas City tiebreaker format. Each team got four downs to score from the 10-yard line.

The game ended tied 30-30 after regulation, and Homedale got the first shot at scoring in OT. Mertz ran behind Jose Uriarte's block for the TD, and Christian kicked the PAT for a 38-30 lead.

The Trojans' defense held Weiser for two downs before the visitors broke through for a score and kicked the PAT.

Weiser opened the second OT and was aided by a late-hit penalty

was reportedly trying to recover a fumble. With the ball on the 3-yard line, the Wildcats scored on third down.

Homedale drove to the 4 on its possession, but Weiser stopped the progress to secure the win.

The Trojans had beaten Weiser, 12-0, during the regular season, and it looked like the rematch would be another tough, grind-itout affair when Weiser held the ball for 4 minutes, 45 seconds on its first possession.

Homedale forced a punt then chewed up the next four minutes of the quarter before Max Mertz scored the first of his five touchdowns on a three-yard run early in the second quarter. Coltyn Fink kicked the PAT, and the Trojans led 8-0

Mertz finished with 300 yards offense, including 226 yards rushing on 21 carries. He threw an interception.

Homedale had a chance late in the first half with the game



tied. 8-8.

Mertz's 50-yard run to Weiser's 15 was called back. Relegated to their own 25, the Trojans couldn't move the ball.

Weiser struck quickly, converting a 55-yard touchdown pass on the first play of its ensuing possession for a 16-8 advantage.

Keying off a Keifer Cooper block, Mertz returned the kickoff 75 yards for a touchdown and Rios booted the PAT to tie the score, 16-16, with 40 seconds before the intermission.

Mertz intercepted a Weiser pass at the Homedale 10 to end the first half and quell the Wildcats' drive

After the scoreless third quarter, the offenses awoke again.

Taking advantage of a Jordan Packer block, Mertz ran 37 yards for a touchdown and a 22-16 Homedale lead with $5\frac{1}{2}$ minutes left in regulation.

Weiser fired right back, tying the game, 22-22, with 3:20 left.

Mertz's quarterback sneak behind center Kayden Henry and

Christian Rios, left, prepares to straight-arm a Weiser defender during his 70-yard rushing afternoon for the Homedale Middle School eighth-graders on Oct. 15.

Rios' PAT kick put Homedale back out front, 30-22, with less than a minute left.

Weiser used a trick play to score a TD before the end of regulation and sent the game into OT with a PAT kick.

In addition to his placekicking performance, Rios gained 70 yards on 13 rushes. Jesse Packer had 13 yards on three carries.

The Trojans were coached this season by Jamie Mertz, Chad Packer and Riley Qualls-Maggard.

Trojans: Homedale hits road to wrap up regular season before playoffs

From Page 1B

simple terms a failed two-point PAT from a perfect season) looks to finish an unbeaten 3A Snake River Valley conference season Friday on the road against Payette. The Trojans already have locked up at least a share of the conference crown and have in hand the District III's top seed in the 3A state playoffs.

"It would make our SRV championship just that much better if it were an unblemished 4-0. We have never done that in the SRV. and we have the opportunity to be the first to do so," Holtry said.

"We can't overlook anyone at this point and, like we have the last couple weeks, we will go back to work and prepare for Payette and only Pavette this week."

With all the folks suppos-



off Williams as the Senators were driving in Homedale territory.

Sophomore Josh Tolmie intercepted Williams on the first play of the fourth quarter to end another Gooding threat.

In all, Homedale's defense forced four turnovers, including three in the first half. Sale and Nathan Leslie came up with 11 solo tackles each, with Leslie adding four assists. Sale had a sack, and Luke Flaming added to Homedale's rush defense with seven tackles and four assists. Colton Grimm had six solo stops and a fumble recovery.

"As I have said before, our defense has been big all year. With each week, it seems as though they gain just a little more confidence each week," Holtry said.

"They made big plays in big situations on Friday night, and that's the kind of play it takes to win in the playoffs."

edly in the know clamoring about Homedale's offense, it was the defense's performance against Gooding's read-option spread offense that spelled the difference on Senior Night at Deward Bell Stadium.

Gooding (6-1 overall) came into the game on the heels of a 77-12 thrashing of Filer. The team had scored fewer than 28 points in a game only once this season — a 14-12 victory over Wendell on Sept. 13. Since then, the Senators had outscored opponents 199-43 (a nearly 50-11 average score over a month).

Gooding's offense held its statistical potency against Homedale on Friday night, but the Trojans held their ground against the Senators' quirky pre-snap routine

Homedale High School senior football player Lane Sale carries a custom-made hammer onto the field before Friday's game against Gooding. Former Trojans player Levi Elsberry created the hammer a few years ago, and Homedale unveiled it this season.

and stiffened at key times to keep the damage to a minimum.

"Our defense moves on the snap of the ball, so we just made sure our kids were doing just that," Holtry said. "I felt they did a great job adjusting to the nohuddle, and coach Dan Holtry did a great job putting our kids in the right positions to be able to make the plays that they did."

Gooding piled up 355 yards total offense and held a $6\frac{1}{2}$ -minute edge in the time of possession, but had only one lead and two

touchdowns to show for it.

The Senators took a 7-6 lead with 4 minutes, 44 seconds left in the first quarter on one of Homedale's few defensive breakdowns. Quarterback Wyatt Williams rushed through the vacated center of the field for a nine-yard touchdown.

Matteson, who had fired a long 64-yard sideline pattern to Talon Freelove for the Trojans' 6-0 lead three minutes into the game, seized control again after Gooding's strike.

The sophomore took just two minutes on a drive that ended when he threw a 20-yard touchdown pass to Angel Cardenas.

After senior Bryan Johnson recovered Kaden Barrus' fumble, Matteson coolly rebounded from his team's holding penalty to change up at the line of scrimmage and loft a scoring pass to Lane Sale on a first-and-20 play from the Senators' 32-yard line.

The defense rose up again soon after Sale's electrifying score when senior Tyson Furlott picked

Gooding's defense stifled Homedale's running game. Tolmie had 48 yards on 19 carries, and his longest rush went for nine yards. In all the Trojans had 57 yards on a 1.7-yard-per-carry average.

That put the pressure on Matteson to make things work through the air.

He completed 14 of 23 passes for 254 yards and four touchdowns. Freelove had 128 yards on five catches, and Nathan Leslie hauled in a seven-yard TD pass to cap a 10-play, 80-yard drive on Homedale's first possession of the second half.

— JPB

RODGER NASH

The children of Rodger Nash, from left, Valerie Stacey, Ryan Nash, Steve Nash and Shannon Johnson, hold the banner that will accompany Homedale's team duals wrestling tournament. Submitted photo

Homedale wrestling tourney renamed for **longtime supporter**

banner at halftime of Friday's football game, the late Rodger Nash became the namesake for Homedale High School's premier wrestling event.

The children of Ardis and Rodger Nash — former state champion wrestlers Ryan and Steve Nash, Valerie Stacey and Shannon Johnson — were on hand at Deward Bell Stadium as the banner that will hang each year during the Rodger Nash Duals.

The tournament previously was known as the Homedale Team Duals.

Born in 1934, Rodger Nash was raised in Homedale, and an all-state designation as guard in football highlight a four-sport career at Homedale High School. He also competed in track and field, baseball and basketball.

Off the athletic field, Nash was active in drama club, the school

With the unveiling of a newspaper, FHA, boys' Home Ec, and he served as president of the "H" Club (lettermen's club) as well as participating in student council and serving as student body president.

The Nashes' four children were active in Homedale athletics, too, and now their grandchildren are. Their daughter, Shannon, is married to longtime HHS wrestling coach Toby Johnson.

Ardis was an English teacher at HHS and was responsible for starting the Wrestling Rallies Club at the school.

During Friday's ceremony, Rodger Nash's sister, Mil Shanley, and duals tournament director Mark Boothby presented Rodger and Ardis' children with the banner.

It will be hoisted for the first time on Feb. 1, which is Rodger Nash's birthday, when the tournament returns to the Homedale.

Sports **Two Trojans runners register** top-10s at West Park Open meet

Homedale High School's cross country athletes continued their kick toward the 3A District III championship meet with two top-10 finishes in Nampa.

Junior Cole Hungate and sophomore Maya Correa both earned medals, while sophomore Lance Eaton shaved 1 minute, 15 seconds to highlight a slew of personal-best times for most of the Trojans.

"We had a great meet today," HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said. "The weather was perfect, the course was flat and fast, and there was good competition.

"The whole team ran extremely well, and I was impressed with the energy that they went into their race with. They were all expecting PRs, and they ran hard to get them."

Hungate backed up his 3A Snake River Valley conference championship with a third-place finish last Wednesday in the Winston Tilzey West Park Open.

Hungate ran a 17-minute, 13-second race over five kilometers during the boys' race in a meet hosted by Nampa Christian. He was 79 seconds behind champion Dwain Stucker of Meridian and trailed runner-up Quentin Jensen of Nyssa, Ore., by 55 seconds.

The Trojans finished 11th in the boys' team standings.



Cole Hungate, left, and Maya Correa earned medals at the West Park Open last week. Photo by Machele Randall

Correa finished ninth in the girls' race at 21 minutes flat. Senior Kathryn Thatcher was 35th in 23:45.0, while Jenny Bautista missed the race with an illness.

Homedale fielded a full boys' squad, but was without junior Riley Portwood for a second straight week because of an illness.

PR just beginning of story for Eaton

Soph wasn't expected to run competitively this year after surgeries

compete this season, but Lance Eaton ran the race of his life last week

The personal-best time — and Eaton's involvement with the Homedale High School cross country team - may not have happened if not for his mother, though.

Dealing with hip and back problems because he was born with a left leg considerably shorter than the right, the normally athletic sophomore wasn't incredibly enthusiastic about joining the Trojans' program when it was reinstated.

After a series of surgeries to help lengthen this leg, Eaton was cleared to run, but doctors wouldn't allow him to return to his previous endeavors of football or basketball yet.

That's why his mom talked him in to cross country — to gain strength and be moving," HHS cross country coach Heidi Ankeny said. Mom's prodding paid off last week. Eaton shattered his personal-record time with a 23-minute, 20-second effort in the boys' five kilometers at last Wednesday's Winston Tilzey West Park Open in Nampa.

Doctors said he would never try team began about 18 months ago when the surgical treatments started.

> Doctors attached a piece of hardware to his leg.

"It made him look like a bionic man," Ankeny said. "It also looked extremely painful."

The contraption was removed after a while, but Eaton had to stay in a full leg cast until spring as the bone mended.

Once he decided to join the cross country team, Ankeny huddled with the folks at RehabAuthority in Homedale to develop a regimen for him.

"He would run with us, only about two laps or five minutes and then he would go to Rehab to use their machines or do strengthtraining with me at the track while the rest of the team was out running," Ankeny said.



Trojans JV clobbers Senators for 6th straight

Deal fires 3 TD passes at home

Caleb Meligan returned a hit Martell from 22 yards out. punt // yards Friday night as Homedale High School's junior varsity football kicked off a rare doubleheader with its sixth consecutive victory.

first four touchdowns with Deal getting the action started with a 53-yard strike to Nash Johnson.

Later in the first quarter, Deal Homedale led, 20-0, when Furlott scored his TD. Deal's final touchdown pass of the game was a 22-yarder to Conner Carter to end a 12-play, 79-yard drive 10 seconds into the fourth quarter.

The Trojans (6-1 overall) demolished non-conference opponent Gooding, 34-6, in a game preceding the Gooding-Homedale varsity clash at Deward Bell Stadium.

Chase Martell's PAT kick after Meligan's return of Walker Mink's punt gave Homedale a 27-0 lead.

Half of quarterback Jake Deal's six completions went for touchdowns, and Jacob Furlott's game-high 71 yards included a 13-yard touchdown run in the third quarter.

Homedale scored the game's

Deal passed for 146 yards and wasn't intercepted. Martell was his favorite target, hauling four of Deal's six completions for 71 yards.

Johnson and Dylan Burks led the defense with six tackles apiece. Johnson added an assist.

Richard Symms had two quarterback sacks to go with three tackles and an assist. Matthew Thatcher added four tackles, and Riley Christoffersen had three tackles and an assist.

He dropped 1:25 off his previous best time despite missing the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet two weeks ago as a swollen tendon settled down.

Not bad for a kid who found out after his leg-lengthening surgeries that there was no anterior cruciate ligament in his left leg.

Eaton's road to the cross coun-

The work paid off as Eaton ignored the medical prognosis for the 2013 season and set his sights on jumping into competition.

Of course, he picked the race with the toughest — and largest with 199 entrants - field to make his debut.

On Sept. 21, Eaton finished last in the Bob Firman Invitational at Eagle Island State Park. He ran a 27:52.15.

"The race hurt his knee and leg some, but it did not deter him," Ankeny said right after the race. He dropped three minutes off that time just five days later, finishing the Nyssa Invitational in 24:45.31.

In his only other race, the Oct. 3 Gary Ward Invitational in Nampa, Eaton had his highest finish of

Lance Eaton didn't let doctors prognosis deter him. Photo by Machele Randall

the season — 63^{rd} — but ran a 25:19.10 (nearly 21/2 minutes faster than his varsity debut, but still slower than Nyssa).

Then came Wednesday back in Nampa.

Eaton ran 41/2 minutes faster than his Firman outing, dropped below 24 minutes for a 5K and trimmed 1:25 of his previous best.

"It really is a pretty amazing story considering all he has been through and the state that his leg was in just several months ago," Ankeny said.

— JPB

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Sports

Homedale volleyball triumphs in seniors' final home match

The upperclassmen stepped up on Senior Night to give Homedale High School a victory in its regular-season volleyball finale on the homecourt.

Katie Deal continued a defensive surge with 26 digs to help the Trojans beat visiting

compete in

Kuna meet

Floyd Invitational in Kuna.

Ofelia Herrera was the top

finisher among Marsing High

School athletes in Thursday's Gib

The senior ran a 22-minute,

16-second five-kilometer cross

country race to finish 38th in the

girls' competition. Sophomore

On the boys' side, senior Logan

Caitlyn Line was 55th in 23:20.

Moore ran at 24:11 5K time.

Payette in five games during a 3A Snake River Valley conference match played Oct. 15 inside the Homedale High School main gymnasium.

Homedale earned the No. 4 seed in this week's 3A District III Tournament with a 25-22, 21-25.

25-15, 16-25, 15-11 win.

The Trojans and Pirates faced off again after deadline Tuesday night in a play-in match to qualify for the double-elimination portion of the tournament at Weiser High School.

Payette, Homedale would have played top-seeded Fruitland later Tuesday.

In last week's victory over the Pirates, senior Kaylee Rupp led the way up front with nine kills and a block. Fellow senior With another win against Destiny Long had eight kills and

18 digs.

Setter Morgan Nash turned in an all-around performance with 20 assists, three kills and two aces.

Tori Nash carded 21 digs, and junior Hattie Mertz added seven kills and a block.

$\sqrt{\text{Adrian:}}$ District tournament set for Saturday in John Day **MHS runners**

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"These two matches gave us a chance to play a lot of girls to finish off the regular season," Adrian coach Aimee Esplin said.

"We look forward to Districts at John Day on Saturday and to play hard to extend our season.'

The Antelopes finished with the No. 3 seed into the district tournament, which will be played at Grant Union High School. No matchups were provided.

Saturday: Adrian def. Long

Creek/Ukiah, 3-0 — Kellie Barraza served five aces and put down four kills in the Antelopes' regular-season finale.

Quincy Pendergrass chimed in with seven kills and two blocks, while Alanda Hartley added five kills.

The freshman setting duo of Carlee Morton and Lauren Barraza paced the offense with 11 assists and 13 assists, respectively.

Friday: Adrian def. Burnt River, 3-0 — Kellie Barraza started the weekend on fire,

scorching eight ace serves in a league victory in Unity, Ore. She also had a kill and an assist.

Morton served five aces and dished a team-high 13 assists to go with one kill.

Anna Hutchings added four aces and three kills, while Pendergrass notched seven kills.

Thursday: Nyssa def. Adrian, 3-0 — Alanda Hartley notched eight kills, but the Antelopes were unable to knock off their non-league visitors from the 3A Eastern Oregon League.

"Nyssa is a very strong team, and I was happy with our improvement in a few areas," Esplin said. "I would have liked to have seen some better serve receive.

"I like playing teams that really push you to try to step it up."

Quincy Pendergrass had four kills and two blocks for the Antelopes.

Carlee Morton added six assists and an ace, while Anna Hutchings served an ace and put down four kills.

$\sqrt{\text{Marsing:}}$ Huskies have to beat much-improved Melba, hope NC loses

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Hay-Smith kicked the PAT in the third quarter to knot the score, 28-28, for Marsing. Both athletes are seniors and were playing their final regular-season home games.

Nampa Christian rallied, however, with two short scoring runs and a 34-yard touchdown pass from Steve Tiersma to Jake Tiersma to get the victory. Connor Hensley's one-yard run put the Trojans up for good, 35-28, in the third quarter.

Tiersma threw a pair of scoring passes in the first half to fuel the Trojans' 28-14 lead at the intermission.

Senior Hudson Sauer rambled 60 yards in the third quarter to ignite Marsing's comeback.

Sauer finished with 126 yards on 15 carries. Senior teammate Austin Williams led the Huskies with 130 yards rushing, including an 18-yard touchdown to start the scoring.

Nampa Christian tied the game in the opening quarter when Hensley returned an interception 41 yards for a score.

Hill said Marsing's playoffs chances "technically" aren't hopeless, but the Huskies (4-3 overall, 1-3 in conference) will need a victory Friday against Melba and some help from Nampa Christian.

The Mustangs (5-2, 3-1) throttled New Plymouth, 42-12, on Friday to get the inside track on the conference's No. 2 seed into the state playoffs.

Nampa Christian (2-5, 1-3) has the tiebreaker against Marsing for the fourth and final berth and entertains 0-7 McCall-Donnelly on Friday.

"Melba is playing really, really well," Hill said. "They've improved a ton. They went to New Plymouth last week and handed it to them. They played really good defense.

"It'll be an uphill battle at their place."

It'll also be a battle against a hard-nosed running game without one of Marsing's starting defensive ends. Senior Brad Labit will

be in Louisville, Ky., representing the Marsing chapter in the FFA national convention honor band.

"Brad's been plying well," Hill said. "He plays defensive end and (the Mustangs) just line up and say, 'Here we are; we're going to run the ball at you.""

The coach said the team is "a little dinged up" heading into the regular-season finale.

"Health-wise this time of year we're as good as can be expected," Hill said.

— JPB





lied to tie the game, 28-28.



Varsity Friday, Oct. 25 at Melba, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity Thursday, Oct. 24, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.



Thursday, Oct. 24 at 2A District III championship meet, Celebration Park, Melba



Varsity Thursday, Oct. 24 at 2A District III Tournament (if nec.), Nampa H.S., opponent and time TBA



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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense Amish recycling

The Amish have many admirable traits: generosity, a work ethic, a Godly discipline, thriftiness and a small footprint on the ecology. Talk about recycling!

They put us glass-, tin can-, cardboard-, energy-hungry practitioners to shame. We use so much diesel, gas and oil driving, hauling, mashing, crushing and condensing the messes we make it's probably not an even trade!

The Amish don't make a mess in the first place.

An example of their "leave no mess" philosophy was demonstrated when Amish Joe decided to sell a cull cow at the local sale barn in rural Indiana. Joe hired a man to haul her. Joe's son, Jack, and his brother-in-law, Amos, all wanted to go. They could only fit three in the pickup so Amos climbed in the stock trailer with the cow. It was November, the trailer was a solid-body gooseneck with full doors so there was no danger of Amos getting cold.

Once they reached the auction and parked in the unloading line, Joe and Jack went into the barn to visit. Amos waited patiently for them to come back, till finally he beat on the side of the trailer. This racket woke the driver, who came back and opened the trailer gates.

Amos stepped out into the daylight, paused, and the cow ran out over the top of him! She trotted through the parking lot and as truck doors opened she showed them all her tail! Out onto the four-lane highway, she looked back with pride, and was blindsided by a well-used faded-gray Toyota Camry!

When Joe reached the scene of the collision, he noted that the hood was dented and one headlight had a black eye. Joe offered to take the victim's information, but he took one look at the dazed cow and said, "No thanks!"

Before anybody could grab a rope, the cow struggled to her feet and ran into a newly harvested soybean field. The chase was on! The pursuers never had a chance, bogged down, slinging mud and stumbling over each other. Then, the Indiana State Police arrived! One officer stayed to monitor the radio, the other, Officer York, had just come on duty. His hat was clean, his shirt was starched, his brass was polished and his shoes were shined. "I ain't goin' out der," said Officer York, "but with your permission I will restrain the cow." He drew his Glock 22, chambered for .40 S&W and began firing at the cow 20 yards away.

After a few stray shots, he handed the pistol to Joe, who brought him down with one bullet. The policeman asked about disposal of the carcass. Joe said he would take care of it. After a 30-minute trip to WalMart, he returned to the scene of the gun battle with a roll of plastic, Coleman lantern, meat saw and some butcher knives. By 2 a.m., they were putting a cowful of wrapped primal cuts in his propane freezer back home in the milk barn. We can all learn a lesson about real recycling from Joe. As to what Joe learned, he remarked that if he were ever being pursued by the state police he'd prefer it be Officer York, especially if gunfire was involved.

Frank Priestley — Idaho Farm Bureau

Voice of Idaho ag GMO food labeling: Good policy or blind hysteria?

According to one of the nation's leading natural food retailers, consumers have a right to know what's in their food, and labeling of genetically altered food is good public policy.

Labeling of food products that contain GMOs (genetically modified organisms) is popular in Europe. Voters in Washington will decide on a ballot initiative this fall to require such labeling in that state. A similar ballot initiative failed in California last year. Food producers and the many companies that process and distribute food to grocery stores across the nation are watching closely as the debate gains momentum.

The policy, adopted last spring by Whole Foods Market (WFM), seems straightforward. Consumers definitely have a right to know what ingredients they are buying and eating. But upon closer examination, it becomes suspect whether WFM's means attain their goal. In fact, in reality, and especially pertaining to animal products, the verification process by which the retailer will decide which products get a non-GMO label and which will carry a "this product contains genetically modified organisms" label is no more than a charade.

Last spring, Whole Foods Market (WFM) announced plans to label every product in their stores by 2018. WFM has contracted with and provided major financial backing to a non-profit organization in Bellingham, Wash., called The Non-GMO Project. The Non-GMO Project is staffed primarily by political operatives and others who adamantly oppose genetic modification of crops and support labeling.

WFM has also supported the voter initiatives in California and Washington and made public its belief that the federal government should step in and regulate a new labeling

system. Where the argument loses credibility is in the verification process. But before we delve into the difficulty of verification, consumers should understand that the only crops in production and that currently utilize genetic modification are corn, soybeans, sugar beets, alfalfa, papaya, canola, cotton and summer squash. For the vegetable-eating public, there is little change at stake whether non-GMO labeling gains public acceptance or not. This overlooked fact makes a nice, but hollow talking point for WFM and the Non-GMO Project to tout the thousands of products they have already verified. It's not difficult to verify carrots, potatoes, onions and many others as "non-GMO" when there is no seed to begin with.

However, when you consider that most of the main ingredients in livestock feed are corn, soybeans and alfalfa, and that significant percentages of these crops currently in production are genetically modified, it becomes a much stickier issue for producers of meat, cheese, milk, and other dairy products.

Although labeling advocates point to a host of undocumented and unproven allegations about the dangers of eating food that contains GMOs, and perceived threats to the environment, it's important to understand a few simple, proven facts. First, genetically altered crops have — See Labeling, Page 7B

Americans for Limited Government D.C. establishment shows its true colors during government shutdown

by Rick Manning

The infamous Cornhusker Kickback that helped get Obamacare enacted into law and effectively ended Ben Nelson's Senate career has now been joined by the Kentucky Kickback in the checkered legislative history of the health care law.

Tucked into the "deal" to end the government shutdown, raise the debt ceiling and keep Obamacare intact is an additional \$2 billion-plus of spending for a dam in Republican Senate Leader and lead negotiator Mitch Mc-Connell's home state. McConnell incredibly claims no knowledge of how this earmark got into the bill, and his staff pointed to equally politically beleaguered Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.) as the person who put it into the law. As a personal disclaimer, I worked for Sen. McConnell's wife, Secretary Elaine L. Chao, for 21/2 years at the Department of Labor. Chao will go down as the greatest

Labor Secretary in history as she imposed budget restraint on the department, implemented union transparency laws that increased union leadership accountability to their membership, and overturned a department-wide culture that favored organized labor over job creation.

I like and respect Secretary Chao, but the audacity of the Kentucky Kickback cannot be swept under the rug.



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It symbolizes everything that is wrong with Washington, D.C. and will likely become this election cycle's equivalent of the "Bridge to Nowhere" in ads run against McConnell and Senate Republicans by his deal-making partner Harry Reid (D-Nev.).

In fact, McConnell's in-state and D.C. political opponents could not have asked for a better present than this government works pork. It is almost like he was set up, but we know he wasn't.

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Friday is last day to submit Nov. 5 election letters

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

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.

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Commentary

Financial management

Do math before deciding huge car payment will save gas money

Dear Dave,

Is it a good idea to sell your car in order to get one that gets better gas mileage?

– Trey

Dear Trey,

Only if the other car is really cheap, or cheaper than the one you're selling. I think it's funny when people run out and upgrade on their \$7,000 car to buy a \$30,000 Prius to save gas. Think about it. That's an extra expenditure of \$23,000 to save gas. Where are you planning on driving, to the moon?

Actually saving money is a much better plan than some of the ideas people dream up in the name of saving money. When it comes to things like this, you need to sit



down and do the math. Crunch some hard, cold figures and see what happens. "Well, if we got this kind of gas mileage, instead of what we're getting now, how much money would we save?" But if you spend \$5,000 more to save \$50 it will take forever to get back the money you've already spent.

Getting better gas mileage is good thing, but I wouldn't recommend spending any more than the value of the car you're

happen. Moving down in car but up in mileage is a great plan. If you do that, you'll really start making headway with your money.

This kind of scenario is a simple math thing, Trey. The problem is lots of times people's emotions get caught up in stuff, and next thing you know they think they have a real reason to buy an expensive, new piece of automotive technology. I call that car fever, and it'll wreck your finances in a hurry! – Dave

Dear Dave,

An insurance salesman told me it's better to use a life insurance policy for college savings rather than a 529 plan because the child

currently driving to make it can use it for anything instead of about actually going to college. just college. Is that true?

- Rusty

Dear Rusty,

Of course that's what he told you. He's an insurance salesman!

He was right on one point. If the kid doesn't go to college, the savings inside an insurance policy can be used for anything. But here's the catch: There won't be much waiting for you, because you saved it inside a life insurance policy. The returns stink! Savings inside a life insurance policy won't get you anywhere near the cash you'd have by investing in a 529 plan.

If you're going to save for your kids' college fund, there needs to be lots of talk around the house It's not really brainwashing them so much as it's letting them know the importance of a good education. And they need to know, on no uncertain terms, that the money you're saving for them is for one thing: college.

What you experienced, Rusty, was an insurance salesman trying to sell insurance. Stay away from it when it comes to saving for college!

— 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 on more than 500 radio stations.

$\sqrt{$ Shutdown: Deadline dealing produces pork for both sides of the aisle

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Even more incredible than the McConnell pork is the \$174,000 gift in the legislation that was bestowed to the wife of the deceased former New Jersey Sen. Frank Lautenberg, a Democrat. The destitute widow was only left with a \$100 million plus fortune, and when you are spending other people's money, Harry Reid and friends couldn't resist giving her a little going-away gift. After all, it is other people's money.

The largesse was but a small pittance for both her and

the federal government, but it totaled more than the annual salary of three American workers.

Over the next days and weeks, America will be subjected to constant recaps of the budget fight, with the pundits trying to set the winners and losers firmly in the borg-like D.C. collective mind for use against those who dare buck the system in the future.

Few will note that the real loser is the D.C. political establishment. An establishment which had its veneer stripped away revealing a president who is vindictive and venal, establishment Republicans who attempted to tear apart those who actually tried to keep the promises made in their campaign brochures, and a sneering Harry Reid who attacked veterans, furloughed government workers, and children with cancer with rare honesty showing the system's disdain for those who rely upon it.

For the public, November 2014 cannot get here soon enough.

— Rick Manning is vice president of public policy and communications for Americans for Limited Government

$\sqrt{\text{Labeling:}}$ Identifying GMO products faces verification problem

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been in production in the U.S. for nearly 20 years, have been deemed safe through extensive testing by the federal government, and have shown zero adverse effects on the health of the general public.

In addition, it has been acknowledged by both WFM and the Non-GMO Project that no test exists that can tell the difference between sugar, corn, soy or any of the others that came from GMO seed being any different than commodities that came from conventional seed. In addition, if a cow, a pig, sheep, etc. eats crops that come from GMO seed, there is no test in existence that can tell any difference in the meat, milk, etc. from that of any other animal.

So how does WFM, the Non-GMO Project or any of the other advocates of this policy intend to verify their label? The short answer is they can't. But what they are telling consumers is that products earn a non-GMO label by going through a "process-based" verification process. Ultimately what that means is that livestock feed must first

be certified organic and, second, it must be traceable and tested. Without a major paradigm shift in U.S. livestock production, neither of those processes is possible at a meaningful level.

If WFM wants to develop and fund a verification process to provide their shoppers with a meaningless label, we don't see a problem. But creating a new government bureaucracy that essentially does the same thing is absurd.

— Frank Priestley has been Idaho Farm Bureau president since 1997.

Contacting elected officials

Federal representatives Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho)

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State representatives Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter Office of the Governor P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

October 26, 1988

Watson new veterans' service officer for Owyhee County

MURPHY – The Owyhee County Commissioners have appointed Milo Watson of Bruneau to serve as a veterans' service officer for the county, for the purpose of aiding area veterans and their families who may require assistance in obtaining federal and state veterans' benefits or services.

Watson replaces Joe Vaughn of Marsing, who resigned from the position recently. Watson can be reached by telephone at his home. Veterans desiring his assistance also may leave messages for him at the office of the Owyhee County Clerk in Murphy.

Watson is a retired Army sergeant who saw military service during WWII, Korea and Vietnam. He said Monday that he looked forward to aiding area veterans and their families who may need help with paperwork involving their pensions, medical and/or educational benefits. He said he would travel wherever he is needed to offer advice and help. "I like to be sure that veterans, their families and survivors are getting all that they're entitled to," Watson said.

Jordan Valley news

Dr. Milt Baum, assistant superintendent of public instruction to Verne Duncan, was in Jordan Valley last Tuesday to give information and answer questions concerning reorganizing and consolidating the local public schools.

This was simply a fact-finding and information-gathering meeting that was open to the public and no decision was made concerning any changes in the school zones.

Dr. Baum reported on the seven possible ways of reorganizing and also stated that of the 27 union high schools in the state, 24 of them are now in the process of reorganizing.

Jr. high students raise \$4,500 in sales campaign

In a drive that concluded Oct. 10, Homedale Junior High School students rang up some \$10,090 in magazine sales and \$2,228 in sales to The Owyhee Avalanche, or \$12,318 in total sales.

Homedale HHS-JHS Principal Nolan Taggart called the results "wonderful, the largest sales we've ever had collectively. We exceeded the goal by \$2,000. We're extremely proud of the kids," he added.

The sales or renewals of various publications to area residents will net about \$4,564 in profit for extracurricular activities at the junior high school, including uniform purchases, school parties, dances and pay for game officials. None of the costs are covered by student activities fees.

Among the school's seventh- and eighth-graders, the following students were the top 10 magazine winners, based on their sales: LuKrena DeGeus, \$505.56; Toni Belknap, \$487.47; Nicole Larzelier, \$437.49; Cory Jackson, \$392; Kimberly Sams, \$341,85; Eddie Stansell, \$317.31; Michael Busse, \$301.17; Gayle Sarceda, \$294.28; Jennifer Cornell, \$283.02; and Sara Hopkins, \$275.23. The following students were the top winners for sales or renewals to The Owyhee Avalanche, based on 3 points for each new subscription sold and 1 point for each renewal: LuKrena DeGeus, 14 points; Marvin Petersen, 12 points; Cory Jackson, 11 points; Eddie Stansell, 10 points; Derek Marston, 10 points; Jessica Uhlenkott, 9 points; Connie Chadez, 8 points and Jenny Johnstone, 8 points.

50 years ago

October 24, 1963

Trojans defeated 20-13 in homecoming Friday

The Homedale High School football team meets Notus here Friday night. The Trojans will finish the season off with their last home game with Marsing here Nov. 1.

Greg Esplin and Mike Miller paced the Fruitland Grizzlies to a 20-13 victory over Homedale Friday night at the Trojans' homecoming, and the winners moved into undisputed possession of first place in the southern division of the Snake River Valley B conference.

A Homedale miscue led to Fruitland's first touchdown. On Homedale's first play from scrimmage, they fumbled, and Jesse Pierce recovered for Fruitland, on the Homedale 42-yard line. The Grizzlies worked their way inside the 20, mainly due to the running of Esplin. From the 12-yard line, on a third down, Miller skirted the end for the complete distance, and the score, with 5:25 left in the first period. The try for the PAT failed.

Homedale struck right back, when quarterback Bill Cegnar engineered Homedale down to the Grizzlies' 43yard line. Cegnar then found Tony Maher all alone in the Grizzlies' end zone, and hit home with a perfect pass, to tie the score. The try to the extra point failed.

Crowned queen

Ilene Maher, senior, was crowned queen at the Homedale High School homecoming game at halftime Friday night. Princesses were Pat Larzelier, senior, Nancy Hollist, junior, Teri Wilson, sophomore, and Sheryl Bell, freshman.

Nuclear site explorations suspended

The Nevada Operations Office of the Atomic Energy Commission is suspending for the present its site exploration activities now being carried out near the west fork of the Bruneau River south of Mountain Home in Owyhee County. This area was being investigated for conduct of a proposed nuclear excavation experiment, Project Schooner.

Site exploration activities to date indicate that the Bruneau River area appears to meet safety criteria for the experiment and would be preferred over many other sites which were considered and investigated, the commission has informed the Owyhee Chronicle.

The commission has decided to defer Project Schooner for the time being in favor of concentrating on the development of cleaner nuclear explosives, small-scale experiments in excavation, and experiments in scientific and other engineering applications.

New lights installed on river bridge

Lights for the Homedale bridge were installed last Thursday with the third fixture completed Wednesday, according to Homer Anderson, Idaho Power Company district manager.

These lights were ordered by the Homedale City Council, and by their request, were installed by the company.

140 years ago

October 25, 1873

A BALLOON LOST IN SPACE. In the Richmond (Va.) Dispatch of the 12th ult. we find an account of the finding of a message from a man who had gone up in a balloon. As the story is told, a man going to work before daylight heard a rustling noise behind him, and on investigating the matter found a gentleman's reversible paper cuff attached to a bunch of keys by a narrow black necktie, upon which the following was written:

Should this fall into the hands of any one, write to my dear wife, Mrs. J. J. Harte, at Olive Street Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, and tell her of my situation. I am up in a balloon, tossed to and fro at the mercy of the terrible currents; have lost control of it, and the Lord only knows what will become of me. I left St. Louis on the 2d, and since 8 p.m. that evening have been floating about in space. I am out of food and famished for water. I drop this hoping some one will find it and write to my wife. My name is J. J. Harte, of Boston, Mass.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION. The approaching close of another year brings with it the occasion for renewed thanksgiving and acknowledgement of the Almighty Ruler of the universe for the unnumbered mercies which He has bestowed upon us. - Abundant harvests have been among the rewards of industry. With local exceptions, health has been among the blessings enjoyed. Tranquility at home, and peace with other nations, have prevailed. Frugal industry is regaining its merited recognition and its merited rewards. Gradually, but under the Providence of God surely, as we trust, the nation is recovering from the lingering results of a dreadful civil strife. For these and all other mercies vouchsafed, it becomes us as a people to return heartfelt and grateful acknowledgements; and with our thanksgiving, we may unite prayers for the cessation of local and temporary suffering. I, therefore, recommend that on Thursday, the 27th day of November next, the people meet in their respective places of worship, to make their acknowledgements to Almighty God and His bounties and His protection, and to offer to Him prayers for their continuance.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this 14th day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three and of the Independence of the United States the ninety-seventh.

Ulysses S. Grant, President. By Hamilton Freh, Sec'y of State

TIDINGS OF AN OLD OWYHEEITE. From a late number of the Santa Barbara (Cal.) Press we learn that A. W. Buchanan, formerly of Silver City, is now agent for Wells, Fargo & Co. at that pleasantly situated town.

Santa Barbara is the county seat and principal town in the county of the same name. The population is about 5,000. It

Grand View-Bruneau News

The Grand Finale of the Homecoming week at Rimrock High School was a 10-6 victory over McCall. Halftime pageantry boasted princesses representing each class.

Homecoming Queen for 1988 was Miss Annette Lodder, a senior at Rimrock and an exchange student from the Netherlands. Congratulations to Annette, and to the princesses, Kathleen Beus, Nikki Blodfelder, Amy Field, Mindy Rice and Anna Filibi. The cost of these fixtures will be about \$2.75 each per month, Mr. Anderson stated.

Chroniclings

Bill Porter entertained the football boys last Thursday with cokes and hamburgers at Max's Café as a reward for winning the game with Wilder. He complimented the "well-behaved" bunch of boys ...

L. H. Vietmeier, former Homedale banker, is pictured in a recent Sunday Oregonian. Lloyd is executive vice president of the Peoples Bank of Oregon at Beaverton, and was recently elected president of the Washington-Yamhill Bankers Group ...

Mrs. Jewel Scott, who called attention of the Chroniclings reporter to the news of Mr. Vietmeier, also clipped an article from the Oregonian telling that Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Eidemiller of Madras, former longtime Fargo residents returned recently from a bus trip to Alaska. The Eidemillers have taken eight Trailways bus tours in recent years to Mexico, Florida, New England, etc. ...

is built upon the sea-shore, at the southwestern extremity of a gently sloping valley fifteen miles in length. Two miles from the beach stands the old Mission, at an elevation of 250 feet, about the level of the sea.

Near Santa Barbara is a celebrated grape vine, which sprouted forty-five years ago from a cutting used by a native woman for a riding whip. The stem is now over a foot in diameter, and the branches are supported by a trellis 76 feet long and 61 feet wide, which they completely cover. It produces about 12,000 pounds of fruit annually, some of the clusters weighing five pounds each.

The climate of Santa Barbara is magnificent, the temperature ranging from 44° to 60°. The clean sandy beach and temperate waters offer great attractions to bathers, and the famous hot springs, five miles from town, contribute to the speedy recovery of invalids, especially those afflicted with rheumatism.

We are glad to know that our old friend "Bue" is settled in such a delightful home, and hope that he and his family may live long to enjoy it.

olic notices

REQUEST FOR BID

Owyhee County is currently seeking competitive bids to replace four (4) furnace units located at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

The bids are to include all materials and installation. A workers compensation certificate, public works license and proof of liability insurance must be provided prior to the start of work. The bids are to be sealed and mailed or physically delivered to the Owyhee County Clerk no later than close of business on October 25, 2013

Opening of bids will commence at 10:00 a.m., October 28, 2013 at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2. Owyhee County reserves the right to accept the most appropriate bid or reject any and all bids submitted.

Mailing Address: Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk, PO Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650. Physical Address: 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID.

Additional information and specifications may be obtained by contacting Brett Endicott, Owyhee County Assessor at 208-337-5522 or 208-495-2817.

10/16.23/13

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL **ELECTION CITY OF HOMEDALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Homedale, Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election will be held to elect the following

offices for the specified terms: Two Council Members with four year terms each; The office of Mayor for a term of four vears.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling places:

Homedale Čity Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale, Idaho

Senior Citizen Center224 W. Idaho Ave. Homedale, Idaho

Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk 10/23/13

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL ELECTION CITY OF MARSING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Marsing, Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified terms:

Two Council Members with four year terms each; The office of Mayor for a term of four years. On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling places: Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 Eighth Avenue West, Marsing, Idaho

SUMMARY STATEMENT 2012-2013 BUDGET **MARSING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 363**

| ALL FUNDS | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| REVENUES | Budget | Actual |
| BEGINNING BALANCE | 2,584,240 | 2,415,391 |
| LOCAL REVENUES | 857,217 | 818,785 |
| STATE REVENUES | 3,979,274 | 4,206,206 |
| FEDERAL REVENUES | 1,464,595 | 1,249,306 |
| OTHER REVENUES | 0 | 0 |
| TRANSFERS | 353,010 | 309,037 |
| TOTALS | 9,238,336 | 8,998,725 |
| EXPENDITURES | | · |
| SALARIES | 3,259,822 | 3,219,017 |
| BENEFITS | 944,572 | 775,492 |
| PURCH SERVICE | 1,431,349 | 1,121,564 |
| MATERIALS/SUPP. | 691,397 | 479,362 |
| CAPITAL OUTLAY | 675,287 | 172,138 |
| INSURANCE | 40,402 | 38,948 |
| DEBT SERVICE | 1,502,987 | 460,948 |
| TRANSFERS OUT | 353,010 | 309,037 |
| ENDING BALANCES | 339,510 | 2,422,219 |
| TOTALS | 9,238,336 | 8,998,725 |
| | | |

A copy of the School District Budget and the annual financial reports are available for public inspection in the District's

Admin. Office.

Deborah Holzhey, Business Manager - 10.18.13

a four year term; One Council Member with a two year term; The office of Mayor for a term of four years.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place: Eastern Owyhee Library, 520

Boise Ave Grand View, Idaho Angela Barkell, Owyhee

County Clerk 10/23/13

NOTICE OF RURAL FIRE **PROTECTION DISTRICT ELECTION FOR BRUNEAU RURAL FIRE DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the election to be held in and for The Bruneau Rural Fire Protection District will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election will be for a permanent override levy of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) per year for equipment storage and department affairs expense.

On Election Day, the polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following designated precinct polling place:

Bruneau American Legion Building, 32536 Belle Äve, Bruneau, Idaho 83604 Angela Barkell, Owyhee

County Clerk 10/23/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by Ronald L. Rogers and Rosa B. Rogers, Grantor(s), to Pioneer Title Company, trustee, in favor of Washington Mutual Bank, fsb, as beneficiary, recorded 11/05/1997. in the Records of Owyhee County, Idaho as Instrument No. 223240, which was subsequently assigned to US Bank, NA, as trustee on behalf of Newcastle Investment Trust 2011-MH1 on 08/13/2013 under Instrument No. 281697, and Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC being the successor trustee. covering the following described real property situated in the abovementioned county and state, to wit: APN: RP01S03W143150A/ MH01S03W143150A; A parcel of land being a portion of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and more particularly described as follows: BEGINNING at an aluminum cap marking the Northwest corner of said Section 14; thence along the Westerly boundary of said West Half of the Northwest Ouarter of Section 14, South 00° 37'50" West 1335.94 feet to a brass cap marking the North 1/16th corner South.15/South.14, also being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing South 00° 37'50" West 333.99 feet to an iron pin; thence South 89° 22'31" East 662.73 feet to an iron pin; thence North 00° 39'50" East 333.70 feet to an iron pin; thence North 89° 21'02" West (formerly South 89° 20'40" East) 662.92 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; Commonly known as 12751 Rocky Top Lane, Melba, ID 83641. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to section IRC 45-1505(3): the default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to make payments as follows: Delinquent Payments From Dec, 2012 thru Sept, 2013 of \$413.19 (variable payment amounts) each for a total of \$4729.07; late charges of \$35.00; Insurance Charges of \$480.63; and estimated beneficiary advances of \$3500.00 for a total of \$8744.70. * This amount is estimated and needs to be confirmed prior to the submission of a payment as regular monthly payments, advances and other charges continue to accrue during the pendency of this notice. Installment of principal and interest plus impounds and/ or advances which became due on Dec, 2012 plus amounts that are due or may become due for the following: late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/ or insurance, trustee fees, and any attorneys' fees and court costs arising from or associated with beneficiaries effort to protect and preserve its security must be cured as a condition of reinstatement. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to wit: \$35,430.63 with interest thereon at the rate of 11.625% beginning on Dec, 2012 , plus late charges, until paid; plus prior accrued late charges; plus advances of \$480.63, together with title expenses, costs, trustee's fees and attorneys' fee incurred

| SUMMARY STATEMENT |
|-----------------------------------|
| REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES |
| 2012 TO 2013 |
| ALL FUNDS |
| IOMEDALE JT. SCHOOL DISTRICT #370 |
| HOMEDALE, IDAHO |

| | ALL FUNDS | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| REVENUES | BUDGET | ACTUAL |
| Beginning Balance | (2,398,723) | (2,398,728) |
| Local Revenue | (1,210,618) | (1,204,535) |
| Intermediate Revenue | 0 | 0 |
| State Revenue | (5,563,697) | (5,575,628) |
| Federal Revenue | (1,234,282) | (1,232,692) |
| Other Revenue | 0 | 0 |
| Transfers | (293,076) | (292,544) |
| TOTALS | (10,700,396) | (10,704,127) |
| | | |
| EXPENDITURES | | |
| Salaries | 4,095,537 | 3,997,034 |
| Benefits | 1,486,144 | 1,349,470 |
| Purchased Services | 1,180,222 | 1,042,447 |
| Supplies & Materials | 709,479 | 607,264 |
| Capital Objects | 667,170 | 409,073 |
| Debt Retirement | 388,619 | 389,119 |
| Insurance & Judgments | 47,842 | 47,836 |
| Transfers | 293,076 | 292,544 |
| Contingency Reserve | 358,635 | 0 |
| Unappropriated Balances | 1,473,672 | 2,569,340 |
| TOTALS | 10,700,396 | 10,704,127 |

The undersigned certifies that this is a true and correct report of the financial condition of the Homedale School District.

Faith K. Dleen

Faith K. Olsen **Business Manager**

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23-Oct-13

herein by reason of said default; and any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein. Whereof, notice is hereby given that Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC, the undersigned trustee will on 01/17/2014 at the hour of 11:00, am, at front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650 sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in IRC 45-1506 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. DATED: 09/12/13 By Katrina Glogowski, Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC, 506 2nd Ave Ste 2600, Seattle, WA 98104 (206) 903-9966

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2013-3062-H IN THE DISTRICT COURT **OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL**

DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF **OWYHEE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RALPH O. KNIGHT, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PATRICIA R. KNIGHT has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to preset their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be presented to the personal representative of the estate at the Law Offices of Maybon, PLLC, 1013 Fillmore St., Caldwell, ID 83605, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 10th day of October, 2013 /s/Shawn C. Maybon, Attorney

Community Center, 126 2nd Street North, Marsing, Ídaho Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk 10/23/13

NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL **ELECTION CITY OF GRAND VIEW** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Grand View, Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election will be held to elect the following offices for the specified terms:

One Council Member with

10/23,30;11/6,13/13

for the Personal Representative 10/16,23,30/13



Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Wednesday, the 22nd day of January, 2014, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m., on the steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Homedale Annex, at 3 1 W. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho 83628, County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, David E. Kerrick, a member of the Idaho State Bar, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows to wit:

The South one-half (1/2) of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 of Block 40 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-1 13 of the Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed the address of 111 N. 2nd Street W., Homedale, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DAVID W. GILBERTSON and ANN D. GILBERTSON, Grantors, and the Beneficiaries having appointed DAVID E. KERRICK as Successor Trustee for the benefit and security of NORMAN A. HUTER and MICHAEL E. HUTER, CO-TRUSTEES OF 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 **REPRÉSENTATION IS MADE** THAT THEY ARE OR ARE NOT PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

That default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the installments in the amount of \$250.00 each month beginning February 22, 2011 through and including August 22, 2013, for a total of thirty-one (31) payments, and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement, on the note secured by such Deed of Trust, together with interest at the rate of seven (7) percent per annum.

That the principal balance owing as of August 22,2013 on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is the sum of \$25,426.97, plus interest, service charges, late charges, and attorney fees. In addition, there are delinquent and unpaid property taxes and assessments which amount to \$2,784.33 and will continue to accrue until date of payment, irrigation assessments and any other costs and expenses associated with this foreclosure as provided by the Deed of Trust. Deed of Trust Note or by Idaho Law

The Beneficiaries elect to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

DATED this 20th of September, 2013, at Caldwell, Canyon County, Idaho.

/s/David E. Kerrick, Successor Trustee, 1001 Blaine Street, Post Office Box 44, Caldwell, ID 83606

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: October 1, 2013 File No.: 7233.24789 Sale date and time (local time): February 5, 2014 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 1 Mile North North Canal Road Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Randy E. Hanson and Heather M. Hanson, Husband and Wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company Original beneficiary: Washington Mutual Bank Recording date: 02/18/2003 Recorder's instrument number: 242537 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of October 1, 2013: \$44,813.86 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: That part of the SW 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 33, Township 3 North, Range 4 West of The Boise Meridian, lying North and East of the Gem Irrigation District "C" Canal. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7233.24789) 1002.257826-File No.

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Marsing man fills moose tag in SE Idaho



Moose hunter Dennis Huhtala stopped off at The Owyhee Avalanche office last week on the way to getting a skull mount started for his trophy.

Once-in-a-lifetime hunt yields more than 300 pounds of meat

Dennis Huhtala checked off a another bull in a stand of quakbucket list item earlier this month with one well-placed shot.

The 65-year-old Marsing resident filled his moose tag Oct. 9 on Gravel Creek near Wayan, which is south of Soda Springs.

The once-in-a-lifetime kill came on his first time drawing a moose hunt tag. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game issued only 10 tags statewide this year, and if Huhtala hadn't come back with an animal he wouldn't have been able to apply again for another two years.

He planned to have the trophy skull-mounted.

Huhtala, his wife Arline and cousin Steve spent six days in extreme southeast Idaho in search of a moose. As for how long Huhtala had planned to be on the hunt:

"Until I killed him," he said. The hunting party had seen six moose before Huhtala set out to bring down the trophy, which is estimated to be $1\frac{1}{2}$ years old. Huhtala said the bull stood about $5\frac{1}{2}$ feet at the shoulder.

Huhtala spotted the moose from the road. He was standing with

ing aspens.

"I on-footed him about 100 yards before I got a good, clear shot at him," he said.

One shot through the lung brought the animal down. Then the real work began.

"It took three hours to pack him out," Huhtala said. "We quartered him, and each piece weighed about 200 pounds."

Huhtala and his cousin dragged the moose uphill about 100 yards to his pickup. After processing, the animal yielded about 317 pounds of meat, Huhtala said.

The hunt was the culmination of a summer of preparation for Huhtala. He spent a week in the area in July scouting.

"Then when I heard it snowed, I went over there," he said.

If you think that the hunter is done for the year now that he has his moose, you'd be wrong.

Huhtala left for the Soda Springs area again Thursday to hunt elk.

He and his wife moved to Marsing three years ago from Anderson, Calif. - JPB

More proud parents show off children's first-time hunts





Oregon brothers get deer on same day

Jordan Valley brothers Kyle Roe, left, and Sean Roe both shot their first deer on Oct. 7, near the end of the season in the East Whitehorse Unit. Their parents — Jake and Cory Roe — had enrolled the boys in the Oregon Youth Mentor Program. Kyle, 9, is a fourth-grader at Jordan Valley Elementary School, while Sean is a 10-year-old fifth-grader there. After missing their first shots, the boys took their bucks from a well-hidden perch on a ditch bank. The bucks were in a group of does and fawns that were grazing. Submitted photos

First hunt, first deer for HMS student

Homedale Middle School eighth-grader Hannah Egusquiza, 13, made the most of her first big game hunt last week. Hunting with her father, Joe, in Eastern Idaho's Unit 73 on Oct. 14, Hannah harvested a 2x2 buck with what her mother, Sarah, said was "one well-placed shot" and more than 120 yards. Submitted photo

How to submit photos

Send milestone hunt photos (youth first successful hunts, trophy hunts) to jon@owyheeavalanche.com with information on the hunt and the hunter. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information



Homedale twins get first elks

Two brothers who are eighth-graders at Homedale Middle School filled their tags on the first elk hunts of their lives during the Unit 40 late bull hunt. Jesse Packer, left, shot his bull at 400 yards on the second day of the hunt. Jordan Packer shot a 7x7 bull elk on the third day of the hunt after his father, Chad, had called the animal to within 25 yards of their position. The twin brothers are 13 and in the eighth grade. Ami Packer is their mother. Submitted photos