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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015

South Board to shut off Gem pumps Sept. 30

Directors to discuss higher power assessments tonight

The South Board of Control (SBOC) has a tentative plan to turn off the Gem Pumping Plant on Sept. 30, ending the irrigation year for those who rely on the

Snake River.

The Gem plant is typically shut down in mid-October each year.

The tentative decision to turn the pumps off earlier this year

was made during the SBOC's regular monthly meeting on Sept. 8.

"They pump to parts of Marsing and Homedale, and then the

gravity gets the parts of Marsing and Homedale as a general area, but the cities themselves mostly get their water from the pumps, both of them," SBOC manager Clancy Flynn said.

He went on to explain that

Marsing gets more water from the pumps than Homedale. Part of Homedale's municipal irrigation system receives water from the Owyhee Reservoir.

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Hundreds of people turned out for Sunday night's spaghetti feed to help the cattlemen affected by last month's Soda Fire.

Soda Fire benefit raises \$7,000 for affected ranchers

The Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center was a packed house Sunday night.

A spaghetti feed was held to raise funds for ranchers who lost property or valuable rangeland during the Soda Fire.

Organizer Don Collingwood said around 750 people attended the fundraiser, and he estimates that folks spent \$7,000 between admission tickets, the silent

auction and a donation jar.

Collingwood said he counted three \$100 bills in the donation jar at the end of the night.

Marsing High School students, including FFA members, served food and clean up.

Collingwood thinks the evening was a phenomenal success.

"It was everything I hoped for," he said. "It couldn't have gone any better."

— SC



Linda Miklancic, far left, smiles as a Marsing FFA member places spaghetti on her plate. The meal also included meatballs, tomato sauce, garlic bread and salad provided by the Nampa Sizzler location.

Marsing, OCSO cement contract

Island Park work inches forward

With county commissioners signing off on a deal Monday, the City of Marsing and Owyhee County Sheriff's Office have a new law enforcement contract.

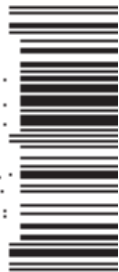
The Marsing City Council gave preliminary approval for a \$35,000 plan on Aug. 12 but ratified the proposed deal during last Wednesday's council meeting.

The city will use \$15,000 from a law enforcement line in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget, and the remainder of the city's general fund will cover the remainder of the cost, which will be paid in quarterly installments of \$8,750 each.

The sheriff's office agrees to provide a deputy to work 40 hours a week during the summer months and winter school break. The agreement takes effect Oct. 1 and lasts through the fiscal year, which ends on Sept. 30, 2016.

Sheriff Perry Grant previously told The Owyhee Avalanche that he will not have to hire an additional deputy for the extra work.

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Bruneau Round-Up celebrates another Black

Mattie joins husband Paul on grand marshal roll call

As a lifelong Bruneau resident, Mattie Black has watched a lot of people parade around the arena for the Bruneau Round-Up each September.

This weekend, the ranch wife will join the select group as grand marshal for the 32nd annual event at the rodeo grounds on Hot Creek Road.

In becoming grand marshal, Mattie will join the list of honored community members alongside her husband. Paul Black was named grand marshal for the two-day rodeo in 1995.

Mattie, 98, was born Aug. 24, 1917. Paul was born Oct. 9, 1912 and died Jan. 17, 2009. The couple was married for more than 70 years.

Mattie now lives with her daughter Paula Hanks, who said her mom was born near Bruneau in Little Valley.

“Daddy was born in Bruneau

also, and there was five years difference between them,” Paula said. “They met at a card party.”

Mattie graduated from Bruneau High School in 1936, graduated from Catherine Griffin Cosmetology in ’37, and married Paul in ’38.

Paula also grew up in Bruneau and remembers it as being quite a little city.

“There was still a bank, and a hotel, several grocery stores, and an ice house,” Paula said.

She added that her mom is somehow related to every single member of the Black family around Bruneau.

“She would be a great-aunt to all of that younger generation,” Paula said. “Joe and Virginia Black got married in 1902, that would be Daddy’s parents.

Mattie and Paul Black had two other children: Cherry, who now lives in Grand View, and Mike,

who passed away in 1995.

Paula said her parents bought the Shoo-fly ranch from Fletcher Cullen in 1951, but she isn’t sure how many head of cattle were on the ranch.

“Cattlemen are real touchy about their business. It was a small ranch. It wasn’t a big ranch. Daddy was quite a cowhand. He was quite a good horseman. People spoke very highly of him, but he never tooted his own horn,” Paula said. “He believed that if you were good you didn’t have to brag; people knew. They were very humble, honest, hard-working people.”

Her brother Mike worked the ranch with their parents and after he died, they leased the property. Mattie continued living at the ranch until 2½ years ago when she moved to Caldwell to live with Paula and her husband Jim.

This summer, Mattie attended an all-schools reunion in Bruneau, which would have been her 79th high school reunion.



Mattie and Paul Black in 1950 in Dairy Valley, Nev. Submitted photo

“She loved it. She even wrote down the next day, ‘62 people came up and talked to me,’ she was the belle of the ball,” Paula said.

Being named grand marshal came as a compliment to Mattie.

“I thought I was too old, but was honored to be asked,” Mattie said.

She also talked about her

fondest memories of living in Owyhee County and the time she spent with ranchers around Bruneau.

“To have lived and learned the history of the Bruneau Valley, meeting the love of my life and raising my family in Owyhee County,” Mattie said.

— SC

Bruneau Round-Up open rodeo ready to go this weekend

Children have a chance to win a horse again

Bruneau will be a busy place Saturday and Sunday with the 32nd annual Bruneau Round-Up.

It will be held at the Bruneau Rodeo Grounds located about two miles west of Bruneau off Idaho highway 78. The rodeo grounds are on Hot Creek Road about a half-mile south of the highway.

Grand marshal this year is 98-year-old Mattie Black.

“We ended up choosing her because her husband (Paul) was grand marshal in the past, and she’s been a longtime resident of Owyhee County, and (part of) just a really great ranching family that’s been out in the Owyhees a long time,” rodeo board chair Trampes Prow said. “She’s re-

ally looking forward to being our grand marshal.”

The open rodeo and celebration begins at 12:30 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. Open rodeo entries have closed.

Mutton busting is the first event each day.

“If any mutton busters want to participate, they need to be signed up no later than 11 or 11:30, under the canopy by the concessions stand,” Prow said.

Also on Saturday afternoon, there will be “wild west roping” for children 11 and younger.

“We’ll let a calf into the arena, and if you’re 11 or under, and are signed up, the first one to rope the calf wins the belt buckle,” Prow said.

Another fan favorite on Saturday is the barbecue that begins at 5 p.m. at the American Legion Post 83 Hall in Bruneau.

The barbecue is \$8 for adults,

\$4 for children. Bill McBride with American Legion Post 83 said this year’s menu includes roast beef, baked potatoes, vegetable salad, green salad and watermelon.

After the barbecue, the rodeo dance will be held at Bruneau Park, from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., with music provided by “Buckin’ Country.” Admission is \$7 for couples, singles are \$5.

On Sunday afternoon during the rodeo, youth 12 to 18 will have a chance to rope a calf and win a horse.

“It says on our poster that we rope a horse, but for safety for the children, and the kids, we rope a calf,” Prow said.

The horse was donated by a local ranching family that wishes to remain anonymous.

There are more than a dozen familiar events at the Round-up, plus added prize money for some

events. Competitions include bull riding, team roping, barrel racing, wild cow milking, a hide race, wild horse roping, saddle cow riding, breakaway roping and junior steer riding.

Prow pointed out that \$1,000 has been added to the stock saddle bronc event.

As with last year, there will be a top-five ride-off for Sunday’s rodeo.

“If you qualify in the top five of any point during the rodeo, you come back,” Prow said.

At that point, the top five ranch horses will be auctioned off and riders will get another horse, and the winner will take home at least \$500.

King Cattle Co. of Homedale is providing rodeo stock.

Some of the add-ons include \$300 each in bull riding, saddle bronc, ranch style dally calf roping, wild cow milking, and saddle

cow riding. A \$125 bonus is added for barrel racing, wild horse roping and breakaway roping.

Admission to the rodeo is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children, \$6 for seniors, and children 6 and younger get in free.

It isn’t too late for people to get a vendor space at the rodeo.

“If you show up and want a space, we charge 25 bucks. We’ll find you a spot and get you in,” Prow said.

For more information about the rodeo, or to purchase an arena sponsorship banner, call Prow at (208) 590-2897.

He also said the rodeo board would like to thank the Bruneau Booster Club for a cash donation that allowed them to replace some bleachers at the arena.

“They’re not new by any means, but they’re sure an improvement,” Prow said.

— SC

OWC, feds join forces to reseed private ground

The Owyhee Watershed Council and other organizations have begun working on ways to get tens of thousands of acres of private land rehabilitated after the Soda Fire.

The OWC is working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

to secure funding to re-seed rangeland on private property. Nearly \$130,000 is available.

“We are working in cooperation with many different agencies and entities to coordinate multiple funding opportunities and restoration

efforts,” OWC coordinator Nicole Sullivan said.

Sullivan said private landowners interested in the re-seeding funding opportunity should contact her at (541) 372-5782 or Fish and Wildlife biologist Brandon Miller at

(208) 685-6951 or brandon_miller@fws.gov.

Sullivan said RSVPs will allow program chiefs to determine how many landowners are interested in the program.

The OWC is based in Adrian, Ore.

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Homedale Chamber to resume regular monthly meetings Tuesday

President: Night Light Parade planning a priority

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce will return to its regular monthly meeting schedule Tuesday.

The Chamber took the summer months off but will resume meeting at noon, on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said he doesn't have anything major on the docket for next week's meeting, but he does want to start planning the holiday Night Light Parade, which is slated for Nov. 28.

"Just to get a jump on that, so we'll definitely be talking about that and getting the ball rolling there," Parker said. "Beyond that, I don't know, we'll see how it goes."

He also would like to see Homedale Farmers Market president Denise Dixon at the meeting, along with Homedale School District superintendent Rob Sauer.

"I'm definitely hoping for an update on the farmers market," Parker said. "Also (I'm) going to reach out to Rob Sauer, and hopefully he doesn't have any conflicts. I'd like him to give some type of an update on the school district and what's going on there, maybe as it relates to jobs and turnover of teachers this year and new faces."

Parker expects that representatives from Terry Reilly Health Services might also attend Tuesday's meeting.

"Usually a lot (of meeting material) will just come out of business updates from everyone just through the introductions," Parker said. "We give everyone a chance to have the floor for a minute or two."

He welcomes comments from community members at the Chamber meetings. Anyone with questions about the Homedale Chamber of Commerce can email him at gsparser@yahoo.com.

— SC

Grand View council election will have at least three races

The Grand View City Council election will have three separate races in November.

The Owyhee Avalanche incorrectly reported that the candidates seeking a pair of two-year seats would be lumped into one election.

City Clerk Tammy Payne clarified last Wednesday that incumbent Opal Ward will face a challenge from Melvin Freckleton for Seat 1.

John Morrison and Katy Hazlett will run against one another for Seat 2, which is currently held by Marie Hipwell.

The Avalanche reported incorrectly that Hazlett was seeking a four-year seat.

Hipwell didn't file nomination papers by the Sept. 4 deadline.

Seat 3 incumbent Linda Araujo is seeking a four-year term in a race against challenger Jon Pennington.

Seat 4 incumbent Donald "Bill" Mead is running unopposed in his bid for a four-year term.

Hopefuls have until Oct. 6 to declare their intent to run as a write-in candidate.

The election will be held on Nov. 3.

HPD nabs alleged burglar at scene

A 30-year-old male sits in Owyhee County Jail charged with burglary after allegedly getting caught in the act.

Homedale Police arrested Robert Thomas Brown near the corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 4th Street East on Friday afternoon.

Sgt. Mike McFetridge took Brown into custody after receiving a report that a man in dark clothing apparently had entered a shed on the property.

According to a jail listing, Brown has been charged with felony burglary and a misdemeanor after trying to apparently run away from McFetridge.

No preliminary hearing date has been set.

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Spurs and Spikes benefit roping, golf returns

Portion of this year’s proceeds earmarked for Soda Fire relief

The third annual Spurs and Spikes team roping and golf tournament fundraiser takes place in the Homedale-Wilder area on Friday and Saturday. The fundraiser includes the Sandy McLeod Memorial Roping on Friday in Badiola Arena on U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale and a scramble golf tournament pairing ropers and golfers on Sat-

urday at River Bend Golf Course outside Wilder. This year a portion of the proceeds from the two-day event will benefit ranchers affected by the Soda Fire. However, Spurs and Spikes organizer Maria Dugger said exactly which fund will benefit has yet to be determined. Last year, half of the proceeds went to the American Cowboy

Team Roping Association (ACTRA) Crisis Fund for Idaho and Nevada, which helps people in need. The other half was placed in the local Spurs & Spikes Crisis Fund to help people in the Treasure Valley with medical expenses. One of the Owyhee County residents who benefited from the local fund this year was Lonnie Wright of Murphy. He suffered a serious stroke in June and received a donation from the crisis fund to assist with his medical bills. Dugger said Wright has

since reimbursed his donation from the fund in an effort to pay it forward. The roping, which begins at 6 p.m. on Friday, will be held in honor of McLeod, a Marsing roper and golfer who died unexpectedly two years ago after a routine surgery. On Saturday, golfer registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. There are no spots left in either competition, Dugger said. During the Friday roping,

which is open to the public, there will also be a happy hour, a salsa bar, steak tacos, live and silent auctions and a raffle to raise money for the crisis fund. Obendorf Hop Co. is sponsoring the Friday portion of the weekend. Awards will be given in roping, golfing and all-around. Prizes in the golf scramble include two Callaway and two Ogio golf club bags. Buckles will go to all champions. For more information, contact Dugger at (208) 989-9502 or Mary Panzeri at (208) 697-0732.

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✓ South Board: Ridgeview, Gem district budgets may change tonight

Homedale irrigation to end on Sept. 28; Marsing same as Gem

The City of Homedale irrigation system will shut off on Monday, Sept. 28. Public works supervisor Bret Smith said the city shuts off service a couple days before the Gem Pumping Plant halts operation to allow crews a chance to flush out the municipal system. Phillip Gibson with the City of Marsing’s maintenance department said the city will shut off its municipal irrigation on Sept. 30, the same day that the old Gem pumps are tentatively set to be turned off.

By shutting the Gem pumps off on Sept. 30, the South Board won’t have to pay any “wheeling charges” for October. If the pumps are turned off on Oct. 1 or any other day that month, South Board officials would have to pay Idaho Power for the entire month. “The wheeling is like a demand charge, and it’s on a monthly basis,” Flynn said. “For that pumping station, we get our power from Bonneville Power (Administration), but it goes through Idaho Power infrastructure and so Idaho Power is the one that charges us the demand charge for using their infrastructure to transfer it for that month.”

The South Board then pays the BPA for the actual kilowatt-hours the irrigation system uses. Flynn said the SBOC pays an average of \$10,000 per month for the wheeling charges. During the Sept. 8 meeting, the board also gave final approval to budget increases for the Gem and Ridgeview districts, but the budget may not be finalized depending on discussions scheduled for tonight regarding soaring power costs. In an email to The Owyhee Avalanche, Flynn explained why the budget hikes approved last week are necessary: “The need to increase assessments in Ridgeview and Gem

are directly related to increased costs of operation that are not in the control of the South Board. Namely: power cost increases from BPA related to their upgrades and repairs to the power generation plants where the power comes from and the unknown piece of the power charges is whether or not Idaho Power will increase their wheeling charges for the BPA power,” Flynn wrote. “The (fee) increase in power is measured in mils, and each mil equates to approximately \$20,000 in additional cost to the South Board.” He added that BPA is increasing assessments from 22.8 mils to 26 mils, so that would be approximately a \$64,000 ad-

ditional power cost for South Board. He added that the SBOC will have a special meeting at 7 p.m. today for further discussion on the power costs and to make any needed budget amendments. discuss this line item of the budget some more, and make needed amendments to the budget that passed last week. He said the meeting should also result in the exact amount of increase for each district, and the best way to reach these increases. Irrigators will notice the changes in next year’s water bills. The March bill is the first half of the annual invoices. —SC

✓ Marsing: \$1,000 spent on playground

Deputy Jaime Wood, who currently serves as the school resource officer for the Marsing School District, will handle the bulk of the summer and winter work, according to Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman. The contract may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the city and the county. One of the largest sections of the agreement regards animal control. It states that the sheriff’s office will not apprehend dogs running at large. The document clarifies that deputies shall attempt to apprehend and help to contain such dogs, until a city worker is able to take possession of the dogs. The contract also says the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office will not euthanize or slay any dog except in self-defense. The city will pay the expenses for any dog that needs to be euthanized. The city could seek restitution from the animal owner, however.

the new restroom facility for the south side of Island Park has been ordered and will be installed by mid-October. The facility will be placed in the same location as the old restrooms. “We are very tightly focused,” Woodruff said. “It just takes time to work these things through.” The park’s playground equipment, which was removed last month, is currently being powder coated by RPMS of Marsing, and the equipment should be reinstalled by the end

of the month. City officials hope the \$1,000 investment with general fund money will extend the life of the aging equipment. A new base of sand and gravel has been leveled out on the parking lot areas of both sides of the park. That is the first phase of the repaving work, but the new asphalt will not be put down until next summer, around the same time a new boat dock is installed. — SC

Park restrooms could be installed next month
During last Wednesday’s meeting, city engineer Amy Woodruff told the council that



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Death notices

BALTZOR, FRANK “ALLEN,” 79, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died at a Payette care facility of natural causes. Arrangements are under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. 208-459-0833

BARBARA BILDERBACK HAMILTON, 93, a former Homedale resident, died Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2015. A memorial service was held Monday, Sept. 14, 2015 at Cloverdale Funeral Home in Boise.

DONNA FAYE WEBB, 77, a Marsing High School graduate grew up in Marsing and lived in Adrian, died Saturday, Sept. 5, 2015 in a Meridian hospital. A viewing was held on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2015 at Hare-Wood Funeral Chapel in Ontario, Ore. Graveside services took place on Friday, Sept. 11, 2015 at the Owyhee Cemetery.

Grand View church to host Sunday Fun Day

Knight Community Church in Grand View will hold a Sunday Family Fun Day in City Park on Sunday.

The event will include worship and a children’s carnival. Worship begins at 10:30 a.m., followed by the carnival from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Everything is free and open to the public.

Church member Jerry Cunningham is organizing the event and said the idea behind the day was simply to give boys and girls something fun to do.

He added that there will be a variety of games and activities throughout the afternoon.

“We’ve got Plinko, a lollipop tree. We’re going to be doing face-painting. We’ll have puppet shows. They have a bouncy house,” Cunningham said.

The puppet shows take place at 1 p.m., 2 p.m., and 3 p.m.

Free prizes for the games include Hot Wheels cars, candy, stuffed animals and bracelets.

Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be offered during the carnival, and Cunningham said the church provided all the supplies.

For more information on the Sunday Family Fun Day, contact Cunningham at (208) 834-2287.

Annual Silver Star, Masons spaghetti fundraiser nears

A spaghetti feed is scheduled later this month to give two Homedale families a Christmas this year.

Silver Star Chapter 83 and Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13 will hold the special dinner from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 26 in the Masonic Hall at 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. Tickets for the all-you-can-eat

dinner are \$10 per person, and the ninth annual event is open to the public.

Two families with Homedale Elementary School students will be selected to receive Christmas gifts, food boxes, and clothing.

For more information on the spaghetti feed, call Silver Star secretary Mary Baldwin at (208) 484-3330.

Obituaries

Jeneane Callaham

Jeneane Callaham, 75, Homedale was born November 1, 1939 to Herbert and Laura Officer in John Day, Oregon. Jeneane lived on a ranch just outside Mt. Vernon, Oregon where she enjoyed horseback riding and spending time with her father. Jeneane and her mother moved into Mt. Vernon in 1952, preceding the death of her father.

Jeneane graduated high school in Mt. Vernon in 1958. She worked on a ranch as a cook with her mother in Prairie City, Oregon where she met her future husband Earl Callaham. They were married in Winnemucca, Nevada on July 5, 1956. They moved to Arena Valley in 1959 and then to Jordan Valley, OR in April of 1966 where they resided until Earl retired and then they



moved to Homedale.

Jeneane enjoyed camping, fishing and viewing wildlife. She also enjoyed embroidery and spending time with her grandchildren and helping out at the Homedale Senior Center.

Survivors include her four children; Marilyn and Richard Schaefer of Rufus, Oregon, Herb and Dawn Callaham of New Plymouth, Idaho, Albert and Shirley Callaham of Seatac, Washington, Rosalie and David King of Ontario, Oregon, 10 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years and her parents.

Jeneane’s Funeral Service will be held at 10:30AM on Friday, September 18, 2015 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, 27 E. Owyhee in Homedale, Idaho followed by a graveside committal at 12:30 PM at Jordan Valley Cemetery, Jordan Valley, Oregon. Condolences may be given at www.FlahiffFuneralChapel.com

John Clarence Roth

John Clarence Roth passed away while enjoying one of his favorite past times of playing pool at the senior center. He was born

January 12, 1923 in Hoxie, Kansas to Clarence S. and Mabel Vivian Roth. They moved to the Wilder area in 1935 and he graduated from Homedale High. He was later drafted into the Army and fought in WWII where he ranked as staff sergeant, landing in various locations in Japan and received the bronze star. He was honored to be one of a select few men to fire a salute over the grave of Ernie Pyle, a war correspondent, on the island of Iashema. When the war was over, he came home where he



met the love of his life Edna Smart at the Bings Dance Hall, and they married on her 18th birthday. They would have been married 63 years on Sept. 2. They made their home on small farms in Caldwell and then Middleton and eventually downsized to Caldwell just a mile from their first home.

Their marriage was blessed with four daughters, and they later adopted a son. He retired from the U.S. Post Office in 1983 but continued farming and raising dairy springer heifers until 2002. John was a hardworking man until the last day of his life, raising a garden big enough for family and friends.

Over the years, his hobbies included hunting, fishing, competitive horseshoe pitching, softball, pool, dancing, and pinochle. He was a tough competitor and a cheerful winner at all.

He was a committed husband,

father, and the best grandpa a kid could ever ask for.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Ken Roth and Richard Roth, sister Arlene Perez, his grandson Colby Solomon, a nephew, niece and son-in-law, Mark Binyon.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years Edna, daughters Jonne Fritts, Sherry Binyon, Marilyn (Ken) Leavitt, Darlene (Delbert) Moore, and his son Jon (Natasha) Roth; two granddaughters, 3 grandsons and 11 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Caldwell Senior Center.

Services will be held at Flahiff Funeral Chapel Friday, September 18, 2015 at 3 PM. A Celebration of Life will follow immediately after the service at the Elks Lodge in Caldwell. Condolences may be made at www.flahiffFuneralChapel.com

Victoria Jean Stimac

Victoria Jean Stimac, wonderful and caring wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, age 69, passed away on September 4, 2015 in Boise, Idaho. She was born on July 13, 1946 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Irma and Rudolf Supka.

Victoria was married to Joseph Stimac for forty memorable years and was a loving mother to six children and 12 grandchildren. Including, Carl Van Aacken and Zulma of San Antonio, TX with children



After graduating high school, Vicky continued to become a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), enabling her to care for others in her own special way until eventual retirement. In an always welcoming home, she could often be found tending her garden, pruning her roses and lilies, or tumbling in the grass with her many grandchildren. When not outside, she was either crocheting a new gift or baking goodies for her loved ones. Always with a ready smile and a contagious laugh, she touched the lives of everyone around her and inspired each to be a bit more optimistic. She will live on in our hearts forever...

The family received friends on Thursday, September 10, 2015, beginning at 2:00pm. Services are under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel in Homedale, Idaho. Condolences can be given at www.flahiffFuneralChapel.com

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to assist with expenses.

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We would like to thank the Marsing Community for all your kind thoughts and words during this difficult time.
It is hard to express how much your kindness and support means to each of us.
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— *Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. You can reach her at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. Article adapted from Alice Henneman, MS, RDN, University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension, Cook It Quick web materials. Recipe from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Fruits and Veggies Matter website.*



University of Idaho Extension

Skillet zucchini with chopped tomatoes

Preparation Time: 10 minutes
Number of Servings: 4
Cups of Fruits and Vegetables Per Person: 1.0
Ingredients:
1 teaspoon whipped light butter*
1 cup chopped onion
4 small (6-inch/15cm) zucchini, thinly sliced
2 medium tomatoes, chopped
freshly ground pepper
*If you don't have whipped light butter, substitute a teaspoon of vegetable oil.

Directions:
In a large nonstick skillet, melt margarine over medium heat; add onions and cook, stirring until softened. Add zucchini and cook for 2 minutes. Add tomatoes and cook for 3 to 5 minutes or until zucchini is tender-crisp. Season to taste with pepper.

To liven this dish up and make it a complete meal, you can add some cooked pork sausage and will only have one pan to clean.

THE OWYHEE AVALANCHE

SEQUICENTENNIAL SAMPLINGS

Vol. 1, No. 5, Saturday, September 16, 1865

CORRESPONDENCE. – OWYHEE, September 12, 1865. EDITOR AVALANCHE: In addressing a communication to you, it is with some reluctance, for the reason that this camp, as well as all others west of the Rocky Mountains and east of the Cascades, have regular correspondents in all the newspapers of Oregon and many in California. The AVALANCHE having just been started at a place of the importance this now occupies in the commercial and mining community, will necessarily be sought after, and must and will give tone to the locality of the place, the mines and the manner of approaching them from the country west and adjacent to the Pacific Coast. At the same time, well knowing the desire of the enterprising proprietors of this new sheet for obtaining all matters of information upon subjects of interest to the public in relation to this new El Dorado has induced me to present for your consideration, and if you think proper to the readers of your paper, a few brief suggestions.

That the mineral wealth of the Owyhee mining district, on Jordan Creek, is no longer a question of doubt or investigation, but reduced to an absolute certainty and fact, that it is one of the richest in its mineral resources that has ever been developed west of the Rocky Mountains and east of the Cascades. It is useless for any one at the present time to attempt an estimate of the vast wealth embosomed in the Oro Fino Mountain, and the hills and country surrounding. The mills already in successful operation, and the great number now in course of erection, with those en route from the Atlantic States, warrants the assertion that the Owyhee quartz already attracts the attention of the capitalists of North America.

There are many important questions with regard to this locality, and one of the most important, is the routes or roads approaching it from California and Oregon, with mining materials, merchandise and supplies in general. The O.S.N. Company have heretofore held almost undisputed control of transporting everything required in the Northern mines, as well as passengers. The distance has been greater than by any other route — the prices have been exorbitant, and hence California enterprise has, to a certain extent, established stage lines from Ruby City, via Susanville to Chico, California, and Virginia City, Nevada. The lines will most assuredly be a success in transporting the mails, and will render greater facilities to passengers, by shortening the distance and lessening the expense.

The road from Chico via Susanville is one of the best natural routes, for the distance, to the mining districts on the Upper or Middle Snake River, including Owyhee and Boise Basin. The distance from Chico to Ruby City is about four hundred miles, and must be, without doubt, the line by which all Californians south of Red Bluff will send supplies.

There is one other matter which I propose to call attention to before closing this communication, and do so because of your manifest desire to obtain all information that may be of interest, both to the settlements on the Pacific as well as the rich mining camps on the Owyhee. That Southern Oregon is an extensive rich agricultural district, situated rather in the interior from the coast, the mines within the limits not requiring all the immense products of the country, it is not only the interest of Owyhee as well as that of Southern Oregon, to inquire and ascertain the geographical position of their respective localities. Jacksonville, the great mart for Southern Oregon, is situated about latitude 42 16, longitude 121; Ruby City is in latitude about 42 30, and longitude 117 — therefore the direction from Jacksonville to Owyhee is almost east, and the distance between the two places about four degrees, or less then two hundred and fifty miles — yet the road to be made will increase that distance say one hundred miles — it would then make the travel in transporting supplies and passengers from Jacksonville to Owyhee, less than three hundred and fifty miles. The country, as I said before, is of such character as to render the finding and making of a good road comparatively easy, and at very little expense. This being done, it will give the producer in Southern Oregon an opportunity of finding and excellent market for his surplus products; and that in comparative few a days' travel. This may be laughed at by the O.S.N. Co., and also by the devotees of the Chico route; but from the manner in which the military are now being disposed, and the energy displayed by the officers now in command, there can be but little doubt that the great barrier (the hostile Indians) to the travel through that section of country will shortly be removed — when the road will immediately be made, and the Owyhee miner obtain cheaper and better flour, beef, mutton, butter, eggs, etc., from Southern Oregon than from any other source.

MYRTLE.

COYOTE CHASE. – Wednesday evening a courageous specimen of the Coyote made his appearance in our burgh, just below Main Street; but no sooner was he espied than the sound of revolvers would have done credit to the well-regulated free fight. Mr. Coyote looked astonished at such a reception in the mountains where he was wont to rove undisturbed, as free from harm as the air he breathed, and gaining what composure the scene would admit of, and strength from the whistling bullets, took to his heels and soon left Ruby in the distance.

Calendar

Today

- Coffee club**
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Preschool Story Time**
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Bruneau and Beyond speaker luncheon**
Noon, free, RSVP by Monday, Sept. 14, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St, Bruneau. (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2282
- After-school program**
3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2639
- Kids' Club**
4 p.m. to 5 p.m., open to all school-aged children, Crossroads Church, Idaho highway 19 and U.S.
- Free community dinner**
6 p.m., Crossroads Church, Idaho highway 19 and U.S. Highway 95, Wilder. (208) 789-3432
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Thursday

- Fit and fall exercise class**
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
- Bruneau-Grand View school board meeting**
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau (unless otherwise listed at www.sd365.us). (208) 834-2260

Friday

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

Saturday

- Senior center fundraiser breakfast**
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$6 per plate, \$1 for orange juice, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave. (208) 337-3020

- Friends of Homedale Public Library meeting**
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Free lunches**
Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
- Silver City open house**
Noon to 5 p.m. Tickets \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. (208) 583-4104

Sunday

- Sunday family fun day**
10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Grand View city park, 545 Main St. Free. (208) 834-2287
- Silver City open house**
Noon to 5 p.m. Tickets \$10 for adults, \$5 for children. (208) 583-4104

Monday

- Board of County Commissioners meeting**
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421
- Marsing FFA kick off barbecue**
6 p.m. Marsing High School Ag shop, south of the school. 301 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111
- Homedale Planning and Zoning meeting**
7 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
- Homedale FFA Alumni Association meeting**
7 p.m., Homedale High School Ag shop, corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 2nd Street East, Homedale. (208) 337-4226 or (208) 337-4613

Tuesday

- Fit and fall exercise class**
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting**
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271
- Senior center pinochle**
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays

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.

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Hwy. 78 Community Disaster Relief committee member Denise Lacy has been towing this 1955 Ford Fordor Customline sedan to various events, promoting the Oct.17 family fun day fundraiser and selling raffle tickets for a chance to win the one-owner “barn find.”

Potential volunteers invited to Hwy. 78 disaster relief meeting

Classic Ford among raffle prizes at Oct. 17 family fun day event

The Highway 78 Community Disaster Relief organization is looking for volunteers to help with its annual fundraiser. Proceeds from the fundraiser go to the community disaster relief fund to help folks affected by medical bills, fire, death of a loved one or another qualifying emergency. The CDR organization covers an area with boundaries comparable to the Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District. Anyone interested in

volunteering to set up the event or help run the festivities is invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the museum. Prospective volunteers can also call Denise Lacy at (208) 495-1578. The family fun day fundraiser will be held from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum complex in Murphy. The fundraiser will include food, children’s games and activities, a car show and casino

games for the adults. Call (208) 495-1578 or email ochwy78cdr@gmail.com to register for the car show. One of the organizers, Denise Lacy, said she has a goal of getting 100 vehicles this year. Additionally, there are several raffles. A classic “barn find” one-owner 1955 Ford Fordor Customline sedan will be given away in one drawing. Tickets for the car are \$2 each. Purchased new from Burke Hudelson Ford in Nampa, the vehicle was parked next to a barn in 1968 with only 56,010 original miles.

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School menus

Homedale Elementary
Sept. 16: Crispito, corn, veggie & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 17: Pepperoni pizza ripper, tossed salad, fruit rollup, veggie & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 21: Hamburger, fries, veggie & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 22: Pork chop, mashed potatoes w/gravy, veggie & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 23: Orange chicken, steamed rice & broccoli, veggie & fruit bar, milk

Homedale Middle
Sept. 16: Pork chop or chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, cinnamon roll, salad & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 17: Lasagna or mini corn dogs, steamed carrots, salad & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 21: Nachos or toasted cheese sandwich, mixed veggies, salad & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 22: Wiener wrap or calzone, yogurt, salad & fruit bar, milk
Sept. 23: Fish or chicken sandwich, potato wedges, salad & fruit bar, milk

Homedale High
Sept. 16: Crispito or BBQ chicken/roll, steamed carrots, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
Sept. 17: Chicken parmesan w/pasta or corn dog, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
Sept. 21: Pepperoni pizza ripper or roast beef sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
Sept. 22: Beef taco or burrito, salad bar, fruit choice, milk
Sept. 23: Orange chicken or popcorn chicken, steamed rice, cookie, salad bar, fruit choice, milk

Marsing
Sept. 16: Cheeseburger or chicken nuggets w/roll, potato wedges, salad bar & soup
Sept. 17: PB&J w/chips or pepperoni ripper, tossed salad, salad bar & soup
Sept. 21: Hot dog w/baked beans or egg roll w/fried rice, mixed veggies, jello w/topping, salad bar & soup
Sept. 22: Spaghetti w/Italian breadstick or meat loaf w/mashed potatoes & roll, green beans, salad bar & soup
Sept. 23: Orange chicken w/rice or ham/cheese sandwich w/chips, steamed carrots, salad bar & soup

Bruneau-Grand View
Sept. 16: Orange chicken, oriental rice, stir-fry, veggies, fruit, milk
Sept. 17: Nachos, tortilla chips, salsa, refried beans, fruit, milk
Sept. 18: Corn dog, tater tots, baby carrots, apple wedges, milk
Sept. 22: Chicken & noodles, romaine salad, steamed carrots, fruit, milk
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Friday fun in the sun benefits Marsing PTO

The Marsing school district's Parent Teacher Organization held an elementary school carnival Friday to raise funds for district events or programs.

Activities for boys and girls included a bounce house, bowling, basketball, a hammer high striker game, a petting zoo, a tractor train ride, face-painting, a pie eating contest, a photo booth and a fishing game.

Tickets for the activities were \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Megan Astorquia is co-president of the PTO, and an educational advisor for the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency. She began organizing the event in May.

"We started planning over the summer and had meetings over the summer to start planning what we wanted to do, classes signed up for the different booths and they were in charge of getting the parent volunteers for the evening," Astorquia said.

Businesses that contributed to the carnival included Marsing's Whitehouse restaurant, Owyhee meat packing of Homedale, D & B supply, gift cards from a variety of local shops, and Chicago Bears football player and graduate of Marsing High School who donated a signed football.

The other Marsing PTO officers are co-president Janelle Thompson, secretary Courtney Barber and treasurer Jessica Showalter.

Astorquia wants parents of Marsing school students to know how they can join the PTO.

"We have meetings the third Tuesday of each month in room 104 of the elementary, and they alternate between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. each month," Astorquia said.

The next meeting of their PTO is slated 4 p.m. Oct. 20. Astorquia said anyone with questions regarding the PTO can contact her by email through pto@marsingschools.org.

She added that they currently have about 15 parents involved with the PTO.

"Anybody's welcome, we would like to have more participation, parents from any grade level, and teachers are part of it too," Astorquia said.

This was the second year that the Marsing PTO has organized the carnival. It was previously coordinated by officials with the 21st Century Community Learning Center, which also provides grant money to the Marsing school district for after-school programs.



From left: Miray Izzard of Marsing, 3 years old, Taylor Izzard, Marsing kindergarten student, and Troy Campbell, Marsing first-grader, compete in the pie-eating contest at the Marsing Elementary School carnival Friday.



Marsing first-grader Peyton Showalter tries his luck at the duck pond during the Marsing Elementary School carnival Friday.



Marsing fourth-grader Faith Quinlan — and the horse — enjoys the petting zoo during Friday's Marsing Elementary School carnival.



Codie McBride of Marsing tries to sink at shot at the Marsing Elementary School carnival basketball booth.



Katy Smit of Marsing paints Marsing third-grader Alexis Hawks during the Marsing Elementary School carnival Friday.

Marsing schools see increase in enrollment

Trustee to oversee international student trips

Enrollment numbers are up in the Marsing School District's new school year.

District superintendent Norm Stewart gave the board of trustees a student population comparison between 2014-15 and the current year during a Sept. 8 meeting.

"We ended the year with 819 (students), that's all three schools, and then we (are) at 833 right now," superintendent Norm Stewart said.

He added that he's pleased with the increase.

"Obviously it's a positive aspect so you can get more bodies. It means more opportunities for the kids," Stewart said.

Stewart explained more students could ultimately mean higher funding levels. The slight increase in students did not translate to any more state or federal dollars for the district, but Stewart said he was still happy to see more children coming through the doors.

In February, enrollment numbers started dropping in the district. At that time, Stewart was concerned that staffing levels could be affected if the trend continued.

The state distributes student support resources based primarily on average daily attendance.

During last week's meeting, Zone 4 Trustee and board vice-chair Michelle Jacobi accepted some additional responsibilities as the district's new Education First Travel Program coordinator. The position does not have a

term and anyone selected to fill the job can remain as long as he or she chooses to do so.

In the past, the district has had a school staff member in the volunteer position to organize trips for international, student-sponsored programs.

Jacobi's Education First predecessor was Jim Eisentrager. The former Marsing teacher is now principal at Nampa Christian High School.

Stewart thinks Jacobi is well qualified for the job.

"She has been involved with that personally, with even her own kids in attendance on some of those trips," Stewart said. "She thinks that it's a beneficial aspect to the student body and to the educational environment for the kids."

He also believes she is very passionate about the fundraising

aspect.

"Because she has done that through multiple sclerosis (efforts) that she's actively involved with, and so because of her experience with fundraising components this seemed like a logical direction to go where she could help offset some of the costs for the parents and the kids," Stewart said.

Jacobi's main role will be to help students gather money to finance the excursions.

"Where they would do some fundraising here within the community to help parents pay for the trips," Stewart said.

The school would still contract with a professional travel planner to put the details of a trip together, Stewart said.

Jacobi is eager to jump into her new volunteer role.

"To be able to see, touch and

feel some of the history and the culture that (students) read about in textbooks, getting them out of the classroom and seeing," Jacobi said. "This is an opportunity I am completely thrilled about."

Some Marsing students went to Paris, London and Italy four years ago, others went to Spain in 2013. The most recent trip was to Ireland in July. The trips were open to any students interested and did not involve a particular club or organization.

Jacobi, 40, has lived in the school district for 12 years. She started serving as a trustee in 2009 to fill out Jaime Wood's term and ran unopposed in 2011. Jacobi was re-elected in May, turning back a write-in challenge from Jeff Wasson.

She's married to Justin Jacobi and has three boys.

— SC

Silver City buildings on display at annual open house

Anyone can go to Silver City and look around the old mining town while the road is open from late spring to early fall. However, there's only one yearly chance to check out the interiors of the privately owned buildings.

The annual Silver City Open House runs Saturday and Sunday, with tickets available from noon to 4 p.m. each day.

Jerri Nelson, owner of the town's Idaho Hotel, said 10 buildings will be on display, including the Stoddard House, which wasn't open last year. Show hours run from noon to 5 p.m. each day.

The requested donation for tickets is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12. Tickets will be for sale at memorial park, where the horseshoe pits are in the center of town, and an awning will be set up there.

"People will give them maps to where the buildings are located in town, and there's also little signs on the buildings that are open for tours," Nelson said.

Some buildings on this year's tour include:

- Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church
- Stoddard Mansion (Cram family)
- Masonic Lodge Hall (Vern Tunnell)
- Drug store (Roger and Jerri Nelson)
- Judge Leonard House (Chadwick/Rundle/Mangum families)
- Birmingham/Brown house
- Jack Thomas house
- Paul Nettleton house
- Otto family log cabin
- Hoagland/Huff house

Other buildings in the town's business district also will be open. One or two people serving as tour guides will be located at each building.

"They kind of answer their questions, and fill them in on the history of the buildings," Nelson said.

Clarence Orton is president of the Silver City Property Owners Incorporated, and chairman of the open house committee.

He explained that proceeds from the open house are put into a capital improvement fund.



Visitors will find homeowners dressed in period garb as Dan Heuck did while showing his family's home during the 2013 open house. Submitted photo

"Over the years we've purchased a building for our watchman," Orton said. "We've dumped a lot of money into that building to get it habitable and sitting on a good foundation, and then we built a watchman's quarters in there."

Silver City Property Owners Inc. also pay into a fund, Orton said, "like a homeowners association, and that pays for our watchman, basic maintenance on our water system and our other costs."

Some money raised by the open house from the past couple of years was used to drill a new well to supplement the town's water supply, and a pump for the well has now been installed.

"Plus I've had it inspected by DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality), I don't have the final approval letter yet but we do have it all installed," Orton said.

This will be the 25th year of The Silver City Open House, and people might spend a little more time than they think they would going through the buildings.

"Minimum of three hours, three to four, and it's open from 12 to 5 so they can take as long as they like," Nelson said.

She added that there is a process to get ready for the two-day event.

"Just moving things so that people can get around inside the old buildings," Nelson said. "It usually takes two or three weekends to get everything planned out."

People attending the open house should wear sturdy shoes because the ground in Silver City is uneven and there aren't many boardwalks, and that's not Nelson's only piece of advice.

"Please make sure your gas tank is full of gas. There is no gas stations up there," Nelson said. "If you come up on an empty tank, everybody has to scatter to find enough gas to get people off the hill from generators."

She thinks at least one person shows up every year without enough gas to get back down the hill. Nelson also reminds people to bring a jacket because weather can change very quickly around Silver City in late summer.

Food service, snacks, drinks and lodging are available at the Idaho Hotel, but reservations are recommended for anyone wanting to stay overnight.

For information on the open house, call (208) 850-7013.

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MUSIC AND MINISTRY



The ninth annual Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Family Fair and Round-Up attracted folks to the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on Sunday for bluegrass from Chicken Dinner Road (above), Pastor Chuck Ryan's sermon (right), roping, food and games. Photos by Steve Breshears



Workers using equipment from nearby Mountain View Equipment Co. try to free a semi-trailer that got stuck on U.S. Highway 95 south of Main Street on Sept. 8

Stuck semi-trailer strands U.S. 95 motorists briefly

A semi-trailer stranded across U.S. Highway 95 in Homedale tied up traffic for about a half-hour on the morning of Sept. 8.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said the semi pulling a trailer loaded with two seed tenders became high-centered across the roadway when the truck driver tried to double-back while making a delivery to Mountain View Equipment Co., at the corner of East 2nd Street South and South Main Street.

Sometime before 9:12 a.m., the driver apparently tried to turn north from the undeveloped portion of East 2nd Street South onto the highway when the lowboy trailer dug into the U.S. 95 asphalt. Southbound traffic was halted just south of Main Street, while authorities stopped northbound traffic south of Pioneer Road.

Vehicles were backed up in both directions as Mountain View employees using a tractor and forklift worked to get the semi-trailer moving again. The forklift operator tried to pick up the laden trailer while the tractor driver tugged on the rear of the trailer to help the trucker get his rig moving.

After about 30 minutes, the forklift-tractor combination worked, and the truck driver returned to the agricultural equipment dealership.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Sept. 16: Meatball hero, carrot salad, macaroni salad, salad bar, milk
Sept. 17: Roast pork, mashed potatoes/gravy, California blend veggies, bread, salad bar, milk
Sept. 22: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, bread, salad bar, milk
Sept. 23: BBQ chicken, baked potato, baked beans, bread, salad bar, milk

Marsing Senior Center

Sept. 16: Beef stew, coleslaw, biscuits, milk
Sept. 17: Chicken enchiladas, beans, rice, oranges, milk
Sept. 20: Breakfast to order. Eggs, sausage or bacon, potatoes, fruit, juice, milk
Sept. 22: Hamburger gravy, potatoes, broccoli, pineapple, roll, milk
Sept. 23: Lasagna, fruit, green salad w/tomato, French bread, milk

Car show, chili cook-off set for Saturday in Adrian

The seventh annual Two Rivers Park Celebration is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday in Adrian. The park is located at 106 Owyhee St.
The event includes a “Classics on the Grass” car show, a chili cook-off with a first prize of \$200, live music and food booths. The schedule includes:

- 1 p.m. — Chili judging
 - 2:30 p.m. — Raffle drawing
 - 3 p.m. — Car show awards
 - 3:30 p.m. — Chili cook-off awards
- Check-in for the car show is 9 a.m. to noon. The entry fee is \$10, and all vehicles must be model year 1972 or older.
For more information on the car show, call Duke at (208) 452-5531.
Some vendor booth space is still available. Call Jinny at (541) 372-2601 for information.
For details on entering the chili cook-off, contact Mark at (208) 794-0886.

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A vehicle kicks up dust on a portion of Cemetery Road near the intersection with Y Road that the Homedale Highway District turned to gravel in 2012. The vehicle was heading east on Cemetery Road last Wednesday, just a few minutes after road commissioners had heard complaints about dust and speed on the stretch west of Y Road.

Residents complain about speed, heavy dust on Cemetery Road

Homedale Highway District rotomilled stretch in 2012

Cemetery Road residents went looking for answers at the Homedale Highway District board meeting.
Chris Landa and his son, Reece, recently purchased a home on a stretch of the road west of Y Road that the highway district rotomilled and turned to gravel three years ago.
“I think that was a big mistake,” Chris Landa told the board of directors last Wednesday. “There a lot of people who live on that road, and there’s lots of dust.”
When the district graded the gravel roadway, it only encouraged motorists to drive faster, kicking up more dust, according to Landa.
There is only one, small 25 mph speed limit sign on the westbound side of Cemetery Road near the intersection with Y Road. There nearest speed limit sign on the eastbound side is a 30 mph sign near Johnstone Road.

The residents wanted to know what plan the board of commissioners had to mitigate the dust and speed. Landa said he didn’t expect a paving project right away, but did hope the district could do something about the dust.
Subdistrict 1 Commissioner Larry Prow said there was no plan for dust control.
“I don’t know if we can spray this late in the year,” he said.
District Director of Highways Stewart Constantine said it costs about \$6,300 per mile to apply dust control
The district ground up the roadway in 2012 because it didn’t have enough money to rehabilitate the pavement. But that also creates a Catch 22.
“When we take an asphalt road out, we get less money,” Subdistrict 3 Commissioner Scott Salutregui said. “It’s a hardship.”
Since rotomilling Cemetery Road, the district has spent money to rehabilitate pavement on other sections of road, including West Thompson Road. The district also recently spent \$107,000 for a 4.9-mile sealcoating job elsewhere in the district.
Salutregui said it was never the district’s intention to leave the section of Cemetery Road gravel permanently.
But with increased agricultural truck traffic running at higher-than-posted speeds, the dust and ground pounding has become a nuisance and threatens the integrity of the properties, resident James Dayton said.

Dayton said that when the water table his high, trucks rolling through the area have shaken the ground bad enough to leave home foundations cracked. He said he had to hire a contractor to shore up his home’s foundation.
Dayton pointed out to commissioners that the road was posted at 10 mph in the past. He suggested that the district repost the speed limit at 10 mph in two places and also install a stop sign somewhere along the route.
Dayton also suggested a stop sign for westbound traffic at the intersection with Y Road.
“Coming from Jump Creek, they’ll get moving,” Landa said, adding that a stop sign could help reduce speeds.

Soda Fire impacts district
In his staff report, Constantine noted that two district employees — Trey Corta and Dan Herman — were called away from work to help with Homedale Fire Department’s structure protection efforts southwest of town on Aug. 12 during the Soda Fire.
Constantine said he has filed paperwork with the federal government to receive reimbursement for the salary lost when Corta and Herman were off the job.
Constantine also pointed out that fire damage in the Succor Creek, Jump Creek and Sage Creek drainages could result in trash and other debris eroding into and clogging culverts under district roadways, requiring more maintenance.

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Marsing makes football coaching change

Schools chief takes over during bye week

It was a busy bye week for Marsing High School football. The Huskies players got used to a new head coach and a new offense in the week leading up to Friday's intra-county showdown against powerful Homedale. "Obviously because of our close

proximity and history with Homedale you want to go out and give the best effort and best showing possible," Marsing interim coach Norm Stewart said. "The whole situation and circumstances puts an interesting spin on things, but we're going to go out and focus on the

fundamentals and provide the athletes with the best possible situation to move forward." The situation changed Sept. 8 when the Marsing school board moved Stewart into the interim head coach position. Stewart will complete the season at which time the position will be opened up for other applicants; the superintendent says he is

interested in continuing in the role behind this year, though. The Huskies take a 10-game losing streak into Friday's game. In a unanimous vote, the four trustees present also agreed to terminate the contract of Brad Hill, who was identified only as — See *Huskies*, page 15



Above: Homedale defensive lineman Dylan Burks pulls down Vale fullback Trace Cummings after causing a first-quarter fumble. Quarterback Gage Fortin tries to fall on the loose ball. *Below:* Connor Carter, right, and John Collett embrace after the first of Collett's three touchdown receptions.

Trojans trounce Oregon 3A state champions, 40-7

Matteson throws for 311 yards, five TDs

A team that has dominated its classification for two years could gain no traction at Deward Bell Stadium on Friday. Homedale High School held the football 76 percent of the time, breaking open the game with 20 points in the fourth quarter against reigning 3A Oregon champion Vale. The Trojans emerged with a 40-7 non-conference victory that ended the Vikings' 13-game winning streak. Vale entered the game having won 23 of its past 25 games dating to the start of the 2013 season. The Vikings also arrived with the memory of beating Homedale in each of the past two meetings (33-20 last year in Oregon and 14-13 in Homedale in 2013).

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Team effort pushes HHS past Nyssa

Homedale
avenges only
volleyball loss

Homedale High School shook off spates of net errors Thursday to avenge its only loss of the young season. Three players notched double-

digits in kills as the Trojans outlasted 3A Eastern Oregon League member Nyssa in a five-set non-conference volleyball match played in Homedale. Senior Gardenia Machuca peppered the Bulldogs with shots in the second game en route to 14 kills and two blocks. Homedale edged Nyssa, 16-25, 25-18, 21-25, 25-17, 15-13, seven days after

the Bulldogs went to the limit to beat the Trojans in Oregon. Homedale (3-1 overall after the victory) opened the 3A Snake River Valley conference schedule at home Tuesday against Fruitland. Hampered by a combination of service and hitting errors, the — See *HHS*, page 14

Adrian wins rare, prestigious honor

Only six Oregonian Cups for overall excellence given each year

Adrian High School's athletes made history again Tuesday. Oregon School Activities Association officials presented the Oregonian Cup at a school assembly as Adrian ended Triad School's nine-year stranglehold on the trophy that acknowledges the state's top Class 1A athletic program in terms of athletic and academic success. There are only six Oregonian Cup awards presented statewide, one for each OSAA classification. This is the first time since Wallowa in 2003-04 that an Eastern Oregon school has won the Class 1A Cup. Burns, in the 3A division in 2005-06, is the only other Eastern Oregon school to be honored at any level. According to the OSAA

website, Adrian earned five more points than Crane to win the school's first Oregonian Cup. Triad, which had won every 1A award since the 2005-06 school year, finished third. Adrian earned 1,527.5 points. The OSAA scoring system recognizes academics, sportsmanship and athletic success as well as participation in academics and athletics. Each team with a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher earns 25 points for their school. In the sportsmanship category, a school earns 200 points per season for having no ejections. Adrian also won state championship in football and boys' track and field during the 2014-15 season.

Antelopes maintain streak with comeback

Reagan Shira didn't have a great night passing, but his only touchdown pass Friday triggered Adrian High School's comeback. Shira's TD pass to Eduardo Muñoz was part of a 24-point second-half barrage that fueled a 38-22 victory over Wallowa and kept the Antelopes' winning streak going. Koby Frye ran 67 yards for one touchdown and threw two TD passes in the second quarter as the Cougars (1-1 overall) sprinted to a 22-8 halftime lead. Adrian (2-0), however, controlled the second half to collect its 14th consecutive win. Luke Campbell's 1-yard run late in the third quarter put the Antelopes ahead for good. Adrian shook off four turnovers, including three fumbles, and an uncharacteristically low offensive output of just 301 total yards. Campbell's go-ahead TD was one of his four carries, and he

managed just two yards against Wallowa's defense. Bryson Shira helped Adrian control the clock with 138 yards rushing on 17 carries, while his brother ran the ball into the end zone three times and finished with 97 yards on the ground. Reagan Shira opened the scoring with a 52-yard run 5 minutes, 15 seconds into the game. He also scored on a 32-yard run about 5½ minutes before the final whistle. Adrian limited the Cougars to 242 yards offense despite narrowly losing the time-of-possession battle. The Antelopes were able to stop Wallowa on third down 13 of 15 times. Colton Nielsen led Adrian's defense with eight solo tackles and a quarterback sack. The Shira brothers combined for 12.5 tackles. Campbell sacked Frye once, and Michael Griffin and Kenny Purnell recorded half-sacks.

Sports

Trojans coach hopeful after good times at Rolling Hills



Senior Maya Correa, shown in the New Plymouth Invitational earlier this month, was the top finisher for the Trojans girls at the Weiser Invitational on Thursday. She was 16th with a time of 24 minutes, 9.57 seconds. John L. Braese / The Malheur Enterprise

The disappointment of missing a favorite meet was replaced with some top times Thursday for Homedale High School cross country.

Maya Correa and Lainey Johnson finished in the top 25 of the girls' race during the Weiser Invitational at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

The Weiser meet, which featured a few larger schools, was a replacement on the Trojans' schedule after they didn't gain entry into the popular Catherine Creek Scamper in Union, Ore.

"Even though we were disappointed in not going to Union, I think it was a good thing for us," third-year HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said. "The kids all ran very well on a tough, hilly course in the high heat."

A senior, Correa finished 16th among

58 athletes, running the multi-elevation 5-kilometer course in 24 minutes, 9.57 seconds.

The sophomore Johnson was 25th in 24:40.92.

"We had several seasons bests and personal records, which is hard to do at that course, and most kids ran right around the same time that they had run the previous meet, which, when we get them back on a flat course, will translate into some good times," Ankeny said.

The Trojans' girls' squad finished seventh in the eight-team field.

Senior Nash Johnson had the boys' best finish, running a 20:26.61 for 34th place against competition from Vallivue, Caldwell, Melba, Middleton, Emmett, Weiser and Fruitland, among

others.

Other HHS girls' finishers included:

- Kendall Nash, sophomore, 37th at 26:02.46
- Hannah Egusquiza, so., 45th at 28:50.26
- Ali Jeppe, senior, 49th at 30:50.54
- Abbi Gibbens, sr., 50th at 30:51.51

Rounding out the boys' results were:

- Anthony Beckman, so., 55th at 22:04.36
- Pete Vasquez, junior, 59th at 22:35.21
- Alex Beckman, jr., 61st at 22:52.3
- Jordan Van Es, jr., 67th at 23:08.44
- Ryan Randall, jr., 71st at 23:22.02

✓ HHS: Trojans collect big victory ahead of 3A Snake River Valley conference start

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Trojans never got on track in the first set against Nyssa, and the Bulldogs' Maddi Mitchell put away two of the final four points for the win.

Mitchell's fellow front-liner Kassidy Hashagen opened with two kills in Game 2 before Homedale awoke and started getting good bounces.

The Trojans built an 8-5 lead when a ball fell just in as Nyssa defenders watched. Machuca began to exert her will with four kills, including the game-winner. After Mitchell had blocked Machuca to get Nyssa to within two points, 9-7, the Homedale

senior put down consecutive shots.

Nyssa rode Homedale errors to a 16-14 second-set lead, but senior Liset Llamas drilled one of her 10 kills to help right the ship. Junior Carlie Swallow also chimed in with a block and a kill on consecutive rallies to get Homedale to game point in the second set.

Nyssa (3-2 overall before the weekend's Burns Tournament and a Monday home match against Marsing) couldn't handle Homedale's service late in the set.

Ashley Burks, a 5-foot-8 sophomore, collected 13 kills and

three blocks at Homedale rallied to win the final two sets.

Senior setter Madi Fisher had 18 assists and eight digs, while junior libero Diana Contreras led a stout defense with 22 digs and three blocks.

Contreras also fired four aces, while senior Hallie Martell had a team-high five aces to go with 18 digs.

Senior Sydnee Shanley didn't let early service woes affect her overall game, finishing with 11 assists and four digs. She also had an ace.

Another senior, Tristan Corta, chimed in with 12 digs, six kills and two aces.



Homedale's Liset Llamas gets ready to spike a point against Nyssa's Olivia Olvera in Thursday's match.

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Athlete of the Week

Lawsen Matteson, sr., football

The Play — Matteson threw five touchdown passes to three different receivers and completed 32 of 48 passes for 311 yards in a 40-7 shellacking of non-conference visitor Vale, Ore., on Friday.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Sept. 18 at Marsing, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Sept. 18 at Marsing (two quarters), 5 p.m.

Cross country

Thursday, Sept. 17 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 17 at Parma, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 19 at Cole Valley Christian Tournament, 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22, home vs. Weiser, 6:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Sept. 17 at Parma, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22, home vs. Weiser, 5:30 p.m.

Frosh-soph
Thursday, Sept. 17 at Parma, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22, home vs. Weiser, 4:30 p.m.

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Sports

Huskies finish tough opening week in WIC volleyball

Marsing High School started its conference volleyball season against two of the 2A Western Idaho Conference’s premier programs.

Unbeaten Cole Valley Christian stretched its winning streak to five matches with Thursday’s 25-7, 25-12, 25-13 victory over the visiting Huskies.

“The scores did not do the game justice,” Huskies coach Jenny Carper said. “Marsing played better than I’ve seen them play, and they rallied their hearts out, but just couldn’t end with the point. I am very proud of them after that game.”

Jordan Goins had 12 digs, two blocks

and five assists in what Carper characterized as a defensive battle. LeAnn Garcia chimed in with a season-high 22 digs, and Holly Hobbs and Avery Villa both carded 15 digs and a block. Alex Grant had 18 digs, and Adrianna Salutregui posted five digs and three assists.

The loss came in the third of four consecutive road matches for Marsing. The

Huskies (0-3 overall, 0-2 in conference at week’s end) played in Nyssa, Ore., on Monday after deadline.

Kat Zwaanstra ripped 10 kills and three aces to lead the Chargers on Thursday. Teammate Lindy Westendorf backed her up with seven kills and four aces.

Sept. 8: Nampa Christian 3, Marsing 0 — The Huskies opened the conference

season with a 25-7, 25-5, 25-13 loss on the road.

Garcia notched seven digs for Marsing. Grant had eight digs and two kills, while Villa posted five digs and two kills. Goins set up four points with assists.

The Trojans remained unbeaten in 2A WIC play behind 10 kills from Alli Byron, and Kayla Cooper served seven aces.



Jenny Carper



Alex Grant



Jordan Goins

✓ Huskies: Interim coach installs old-fashioned, hard-nosed offense

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“Employee B” in the personnel-related proceedings following an executive session.

Board chair Betty Ackerman and trustee Clay Sauer and Michael Lankow voted for the change. Football parents Michelle Jacobi, the board vice-chair, and Michael Lankow, a trustee, didn’t recuse themselves and also voted for the change. Trustee Chad Showalter was absent.

“Really the focus is on changing the culture, and our numbers have been down, and there’s some concern,” MHS principal and athletic director Tim Little said Thursday.

“We want to move forward in a positive direction. In this week going into a bye situation and making a positive change now is going to be more of a benefit than waiting until the end of the year.”

Hill did not comment on the developments.

“The No. 1 concern from my perspective and the board’s perspective is that at the end of last year in (Hill’s) recommendation to rehire there were some stipulations that needed to be taken care of,” Little said without going into specifics.

“And in my observations and the board’s observations those haven’t been addressed.”

Stewart began working with the football team last Wednesday. Assistant coaches Johnathon Cossel, Dale Doan and Wes Tankersley remain on staff, and Little says no other changes are anticipated.

“We’re excited for the change,” Little said. “I think the kids have embraced, and Norm is definitely much more of the same philosophy as I am as far as building a program and having it be positive and having kids be excited about that.

“It’s not only about football, but it’s about life lessons.”

Stewart coached high school football for 23 years, ending his career in 2009 while principal at Echo in Oregon. In 2012, he was secondary principal in Marsing before moving into the superintendent’s role the next year.

Stewart led Echo into the state playoffs four consecutive years between 2006 and 2009. He also coach Oregon football at Cove, Powder Valley and Stanfield.

Every stop except Stanfield was for eight-man football.

“The essence of football is still the same,” Stewart said in comparing the eight-man game to the 11-man version. “Ultimately, you’re teaching fewer kids to be able to cover the same amount of distance, and the responsibilities are there with three less guys.”

Stewart said he’ll continue to work on football fundamentals as well as concentrating on academics.

“We’ve got a lot to learn in

regards to implementing what would be a new program,” Stewart said. “They have been working through and operating under what the program was before, and now with a new head coach who has different ideas and philosophies, they’ll need to adapt.

“We have a long ways to go and a short time to get there.”

References to Jerry Reed and Smokey and the Bandit aside, Stewart truly is taking the team back in time to move forward.

For starters, the offense will be the classic “three yards and a cloud of dust” mentality as Stewart sees the best defense as an offense that keeps the ball and controls the tempo.

“As coaches, we need to provide them the best opportunity possible,” Stewart said.

The look of the team off the field may change as well as Stewart takes a global look at what the program means to the

small community that has seen four coaches and three offensive schemes in the past five years.

“I want to make sure that the program I’m associated with is looked at in a positive light and we’re producing well-balanced young men who have fair play and focus on the fundamentals and are role models both on and off the field,” Stewart said.

“That’s very important because we’ve already started the conversation that whether they are on the field or off the field, there are kids looking up to them.”

— JPB

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MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week

LeAnn Garcia, jr., volleyball
The Play — Garcia led the Huskies defense in the first week of the 2A Western Idaho Conference season. She averaged 14.5 digs per match, including 22 in a three-set loss to Cole Valley Christian on Thursday.

Football
Varsity
Friday, Sept. 18, home vs. Homedale, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Friday, Sept. 18, home vs. Homedale (two quarters), 5 p.m.

Cross country
Saturday, Sept. 16 at Nyssa Invitational, Nyssa, Ore., TBA

Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 17, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 19 at Cole Valley Christian Tournament, 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22 at New Plymouth, 7 p.m.


Junior varsity A
Thursday, Sept. 17, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B
Thursday, Sept. 17, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 4:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 22 at New Plymouth, 4:45 p.m.

Go Huskies!



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Sports



Above: Seventh-grader Brayden Christoffersen, left, prepares to stiff-arm a Weiser defender. **Below:** Quarterback Daniel Uranga fires a pass in the eighth-graders' shutout.

HMS handles Weiser in openers

The Homedale Middle School football teams opened the season with lopsided victories.

Jake Collett scored three times in the eighth-graders' 27-0 victory over Weiser at Deward Bell Stadium on Sept. 8.

Collett opened the scoring with a 20-yard run in the first quarter of the 3A Snake River Valley conference opener. He hauled in two of Daniel Uranga's three touchdowns passes as the Trojans scored in each quarter against the Wolverines.

Homedale's eighth-grade squad includes players who won the conference's seventh-grade championship last fall.

Uranga connected with Collett for a 48-yard scoring play in the second quarter and came back to Collett for a 42-yard strike in the third quarter.



Nelson Lomeli wrapped up the scoring when he hauled in a 45-yard TD pass from Uranga in the fourth quarter.

Uranga also threw one-point conversion passes to Karsen

Freelove and Michael Babcock, and he ran in for another conversion.

Seventh grade: HMS 25, Weiser 12 — Brayden Christoffersen started his three-touchdown day with a 50-yard scoring run on the second play of the game. Jace Love threw a block to break open the play.

After Homedale stopped Weiser's first possession after three downs, Milo Mertz rolled in from 35 yards out for a 12-0 first-quarter lead.

The Wolverines touchdowns came in the final 10 seconds of each half.

Homedale controlled the line of scrimmage with blocking led by Thomas Symms and John Breshears and solid defensive performances from Julian Bedolla and Barton Strack.

Mustangs empty bench, blow out Bulldogs

Execution and adjustment was the name of the game Friday in Jordan Valley High School's rout of McDermitt, Nev.

Jett Warn accounted for 370 yards offense and had a hand in seven touchdowns in the Mustangs' 58-0 non-league destruction of the Bulldogs at home.

"Offensively we executed extremely well," second-year Jordan Valley coach Bryce Kershner said. "We were able to control the tempo of the game and capitalized on almost every possession."

Wyatt Stanford hauled in eight passes for 86 yards and two touchdowns, while JJ Echave had five catches for 50 yards and two TDs.

Warn was 12-for-16 for 209 yards and six TDs through the air.

He rushed the ball six times for 161 yards and another touchdown.

Warn also had five tackles and five assists on defense, while teammate Garrett Youren came up with seven tackles and helped out on seven other stops.

"Defensively we came in to the game not knowing what McDermitt would run. They did a great job adjusting on the fly," Kershner said.

The blowout victory helped the young coach take another step in building the program.

"We were able to get all of the players live reps in the second half, and that extra experience will prove valuable in the long run."

Jordan Valley plays Powder Valley in Baker City, Ore., on Friday.

Jordan Valley collects hard-fought victory

by Skyler Forsythe
JVHS Journalism

Playing with determination, the Jordan Valley High School swept McDermitt, Nev., in a hard-fought non-league volleyball match on the Mustangs' floor Friday.

Jordan Valley outlasted the Bulldogs in third set for a 25-20, 25-17, 25-23 triumph. It was the Mustangs' fifth consecutive victory.

A couple of the top servers for the Mustangs (5-1 overall) were senior Sage Raine and junior Alisha Rogers, each making

multiple points in each match.

"The girls played good, they never gave up, and they stayed strong," Jordan Valley coach Julie Mackenzie said. "The girls are strong, and with each game they play, they are becoming stronger and stronger."

The next scheduled contest for the Mustangs comes on Tuesday in Nevada with a rematch against McDermitt.

Jordan Valley opens its 1A High Desert League season on the road on Friday, Sept. 25 against Harper/Huntington.

✓ Trojans: Early fourth-down conversions set tone for clock dominance

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This time around, there was little drama.

The Trojans (2-0 overall) held Vale (1-1) to 100 yards total offense. The Vikings possessed the ball for less than one quarter of the game as Homedale dominated the time of possession at 36 minutes, 33 seconds.

Josh Tolmie collected his second interception in as many games thus far in his senior season, and he forced a fumble in the fourth quarter that Chase Martell recovered to end the Vikings' second-to-last possession. The senior defensive back also had a team-high four solo tackles and two assists.

Vale's frustration began early. Gage Fortin was able to recover his own fumble on the Vikings' first play from scrimmage, but Homedale forced a three-and-out.

Punts ended the visitors' first five possessions, including one kick that Richard Symms blocked with about seven minutes left in the first half.

While Vale couldn't seem to get

past fourth down, the terminal play in any series wasn't an obstacle for Homedale.

With senior quarterback Lawsen Matteson making his third start against Vale, the Trojans successfully converted on three fourth-down plays during their first possession.

First, Matteson hit Kendall Freelove for a 7-yard gain, then it was Wyatt Wolfe on a 6-yard pass on 4th-and-5 from the Vikings' 15-yard line.

The final fourth-down conversion of the opening drive was a 12-yard pass to a wide-open John Collett for the game's first touchdown.

Collett would score two more times as half of his six receptions went for scores. He finished with 60 yards receiving.

On a night when the running game took a back seat, Matteson completed 32 of 48 passes for 311 yards and five TDs. He was sacked three times for a loss of 15 yards.

Connor Carter had his second 100-yard receiving game in as many starts as a senior, hauling

in 10 balls for 124 yards. Many of Carter's yards came after the catch as he and Matteson burned the Vikings' secondary with quick slants throughout the night.

Collett's contribution didn't end with the passing game. He shared the team lead with six tackles, including four assists.

His impact as punter also helped keep Vale pinned in its own end despite continued difficulties in the exchange with his center.

On 4th-and-20 from his own 30 on his team's second possession, Collett corralled a rolling snap and booted a 54-yard punt. On his second punt, he handled another bad snap and uncorked a 40-yard punt.

Those would be the only punts of the night for Collett. He averaged 47 yards per kick.

Homedale ran 72 offensive plays to Vale's 39, and the Trojans rolled up 20 first downs, while Vale was limited to seven. Two of Vale's first downs came on penalties, which turned out to be one of the few deficiencies in Homedale's execution. The Trojans were flagged 10



Homedale senior running back Josh Tolmie (23) runs over Vale's Derek Hiatt during the first half of Friday's non-conference game.

times for a loss of 75 yards.

Homedale had built a 20-0 lead before Vale turned its own miscue into its only touchdown. Lineman

Andrew Collins fell on Derek Hiatt's fumble in the end zone to an 18-yard scoring play that began as pass from Cade Perry to Hiatt.

Sports

Antelopes net 2nd volleyball victory

Adrian High School’s volleyball team snapped a three-match losing streak Friday.

Selina Villarreal served four aces and notched two kills in the Antelopes’ 25-8, 25-14, 25-21 non-league victory over Wallowa.

“We played well tonight and held the intensity real well,” Esplin said. “We were consistent on the net and better at serve receive.”

Anna Hutchings chipped in six kills, while Lauren Barraza chimed in with four kills and four assists.

Carlee Morton served two aces to go with nine assists.

The Antelopes competed in the Burns Tournament on Saturday. No results were provided.

Adrian travels to North Powder, Ore., to face Powder Valley at 7 p.m. MDT on Thursday in a non-league matchup.

Marsing soph breaks 20 minutes at Curran

Marsing High School took on a tough cross country challenge Saturday.

The Huskies were one of only two Class 2A squads entered in the Roger Curran Invitational in Nampa.

While the larger schools with bigger rosters dominated the day, nearly every Marsing athlete was able to break 24 minutes in the five-kilometer competition.

Sophomore Landry Villa was the top finisher, turning in a 19-minute, 53.3-second performance for 39th in the boys’ meet.

Other Huskies’ times included:

- Matthew Lee, a sophomore, 48th in 20:40.3
- Tristin Miller, a junior, 53rd in 22:29.7
- Alexandre Heidt, a senior, 55th in 23:23.5
- Dalton Withers, a sophomore, 56th in 23:55.0

The rest of Marsing’s athletes competed in the junior varsity 5K.

Marsing’s lone entrant on the girls’ side, freshman Sefora Arriaga, was 93rd in a 127-runner field with a time of 27:35.7.

In the boys’ JV meet, sophomore Gavin Thorud ran a 29:30.97, and freshman Landon Villa finished in 32:09.8.



Landry Villa

HHS Homecoming arrives Monday

Parade, bon fire set for next Wednesday

Homedale High School staff and students have begun Homecoming preparations.

Most of the details will be hammered out during class meetings today. Homecoming starts Monday and concludes Saturday, Sept. 26 with the annual dance.

First-year principal Matt Holtry provided a preliminary schedule of events, including:

- **Monday** — Senior dress-up day
- **Tuesday** — Junior dress-up day
- **Next Wednesday** —

Sophomore dress-up day; class activities and parade in the afternoon; powder puff competition begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by the bon fire.

- **Thursday, Sept. 24** — Spirit day (red-and-white dress)
- **Friday, Sept. 25** — Homecoming royalty coronation, 6:20 p.m., followed by the 3A Snake River Valley conference season opener against Weiser at 7 p.m.
- **Saturday, Sept. 26** — Homecoming dance from 9 a.m. to midnight inside the HHS main gymnasium

Holtry expects to release other details, including Homecoming royalty and court candidates and spirit games, as well as the parade format, in next week’s edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.



This vintage photo provided by the Owyhee County Historical Society shows Swan Falls Dam when it was under construction on the Snake River.

Friday OCHS meeting focuses on history of Swan Falls Dam

The history of the structure that brought electricity to Silver City will be discussed at the Owyhee County Historical Society’s September membership meeting.

Idaho Power Co. archaeologist David Valentine will present “A History of the Swan Falls Dam,” during the OCHS meeting at 7 p.m. on Friday. The meeting takes place at McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy.

More than a century old, Swan Falls Dam was the first hydroelectric dam on the Snake River.

When large-scale lode mining came to Silver City, a scarcity of wood and coal hampered development of major Florida Mountain silver properties, particularly the Trade Dollar and the Black Jack mines. Hydroelectric power offered a possible answer to the problem. Designed by Boise engineer A.J. Wiley, the Swan Falls Dam represents the cutting edge of early 20th-century technology.

Valentine works to keep Idaho Power’s transmission and distribution network in compliance with the National Historic Pres-

ervation Act and other cultural resource laws.

Prior to joining the company in 2008, Valentine worked in Nevada for the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Reclamation. He has a master’s degree in Anthropology with an emphasis on historic archaeology from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas. He has authored book chapters on the archaeology and history of the Overseas Chinese in Nevada and journal articles (including two OCHS Outpost contributions) on mining, ranching, and transportation history.

Homedale FFA Alumni membership drive starts

The Homedale FFA Alumni Association is looking for new members.


The association will hold its first meeting of the 2015-16 school year at 7 p.m. on Monday inside the Homedale High School Ag shop at the corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 2nd Street East.

Anyone interested in supporting Homedale’s FFA program is invited to join the association. Men and women needn’t be former members of FFA chapters to join the alumni association.

Monday’s meeting will coincide with the high school’s parent-teacher conferences and the Homedale FFA chapter’s regular meeting.

Desserts will be provided.

For more information, contact Sue Williams at 337-4226 or Homedale FFA advisor and vo-ag teacher Sue Poland at 337-4613.



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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Round of applause

There’s not a piece of black rubber around their saddle horn. Their nylon rope is as limp as boneless chicken. Their rope hangs from a rope strap girded in a way that allows them to have it loose and in the air in less than a second! It is the equivalent of a *pistolero*, strapped down tight, loaded and cocked. They probably shod the horse they are riding. They wear light leather gloves. The bat wing chaps are broken-in and well-scarred. The long-sleeved shirt was put on clean this morning. A piggin’ string is looped through the gullet.

Saddled, we ride out, me and them. We’re headed for the brush, the scrub, the mesquite ... *el monte*, they call it. Cool this morning even though it will reach 96 degrees by 11:30. We’re on the hunt for 3- to 4-week-old calves to brand. We do it a couple times a week. The extended calving season results from leaving your bulls in year-round. Spring and early summer is when most of them calve. We have the first option of easin’ up on a calf, calmly tossin’ a soft loop around the neck and brand him on the “outside,” meaning in the pasture. However, the harder-to-catch calves often need to be trailed the two or three miles to the corral. The latter isn’t necessarily the easier way. There are lots of exits along the trails for them to duck in to.

By 7:30 a.m., we had managed to rope and brand two calves within half an hour! Things went right. The cows stayed calm, and we could get within 10 or 12 feet of their calves on a horse. Even a middlin’ roper can catch ’em sometimes. We finished them, mounted and headed deeper into the 12-section pasture. We made a big “*vuelta*,” translated: circle, rodeo, *paseo*. The word dally comes from *dar la vuelta*. The three of us try to stay within sight of each other because it’s a lot more difficult for only one cowboy to keep one or more pairs together and drive them to the corral.

Over the next couple miles we ran into a dozen cows with at least one “*orejana*” — no brand. We get behind them and spread out. The cows line out in a trot. The “*brincas*” begin lookin’ for places to escape. Through a mile of 20-foot tall mesquite and three arroyos a football field wide, we lose half of them, but we’ve still got the *orejana*! By the time we get to the middle drinker and turn toward the corral half a mile away, the cows have got a second wind.

In and out of the sandy little arroyo the cows, horses and vaqueros are divin’ into the thick brush at a gallop, pushing and breaking limbs, covering your face, hangin’ on to your rope ... suddenly the arroyo widens! I swing around to locate the mama and baby! Francisco is ahead and to my left; Poncho is comin’ out of the brush from my right.

There was a micro-moment, an explosion! I saw the brush rattle, Francisco’s rope sail, Poncho crash toward the scene and Francisco’s rope come tight as he surged into the sandy arroyo. Like an Irish Steeplechaser, Poncho cleared the brush swingin’ his rope. He caught one foot and *dio la vuelta*! Francisco turned and faced.

I’ve seen many spectacular performances in sporting events. Some leave you hooting and hollering, others take your breath away, still others are hard to believe. Lookin’ at these two vaqueros in that nondescript arroyo on a Thursday morning at the top of their game made me think, “Ya know, if I was anywhere else I would be hearing applause.”

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his newest release, “Cave Wall Graffiti from a Neanderthal Cowboy,” other books and DVDs.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee Let the cultivation continue



A little more than a year ago, an air of uncertainty surrounded the Homedale High School ag program.

The woman who oversaw the return of FFA to Homedale, Lori Idsinga, was ending a decade at the helm to spend time with family and find new challenges. Her trusty sidekick, Clara-Leigh Evans, also was stepping away to concentrate on family.

A large throng turned out for Idsinga’s going-away bash at the HHS ag shop, and no one would have blamed the vast majority of those well-wishers if their smiles and congratulations were actually masking deep-down worries for the future of FFA and ag education in the Homedale School District.

But one full school year and a few weeks into another since Idsinga’s emotional exit, the ag program appears to be in good hands.

It’s not really the official kickoff to her second year at the helm, but Friday’s teacher appreciation breakfast will be a memorable jumping-off point nonetheless for Sue Poland.

Her FFA students will furnish breakfast for staff members as a way of thanking them for the support.

Then, the ag education program will get one of the largest doses of support it has received in some time.

A Monsanto Fund representative will present at \$10,000 America’s Farmers Grow Rural Education grant. Homedale was one of four finalists for the grant in the area. Poland said Marsing was also in the running.

Poland plans to use the grant to enhance STEM education in the school’s ag sciences classes, which is in-line with Idaho’s wide-reaching emphasis on beefing up science, technology, engineering and mathematics learning for all students in the state.

The grant is just the largest chunk of a consistent stream of non-general fund help Poland has brought into the dis-

trict since her arrival.

She received \$2,500 from Monsanto last spring and made history by sending two Homedale FFA students to the Washington Leadership Conference, a gathering that promoted service learning during a July visit to the nation’s capital. Former Homedale FFA member, and HHS graduate, Mark Williams served as the farmer-sponsor for that grant.

The National FFA honored Poland with a \$2,000 Living to Serve: Environmental Grant this summer. The money will be used to help the environment through identification of noxious weeds near the middle school and a native plants rehabilitation project.

The Idaho Legislature turned out to be a third source of revenue as Poland continued to put her stamp on the program.

Homedale received an Idaho Quality Program Standards grant totaling \$8,600. The grant grew out of lawmakers’ actions during the 2014 session during which ag instructors, including Idsinga, lobbied for more state support for their programs. This grant will fund more technology, Poland said.

It’s fitting that Poland is using a grant facilitated by Idsinga’s passion to move Homedale FFA and ag education forward.

It’s not the circle of life, but it is proof that you can change the personnel but the gameplan is always the same.

Put the children first and get them the tools they need to build an educational foundation for success — whether it be as a farmer, a welder, a policy maker.

Who knows? Maybe one of the students whose education has been enhanced by today’s teachers will return to carry the FFA and ag baton in the shop at the corner of East Owyhee and North 2nd Street.

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Court victory just first step in blocking EPA water overreach



U.S. District Court Judge Ralph Erickson recently issued a temporary injunction blocking the controversial U.S. Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) “Waters of the United States” rule, which otherwise would have gone into effect in all 50 states. The states, not the federal government, have always had primary jurisdiction over the allocation, management and use of water. This short-term victory underscores the need for Congress to act quickly to permanently block the Obama administration’s harmful attempt to exert jurisdiction over virtually all of our water.

Under the court’s recent preliminary injunction, the 13 states, including Idaho, that were parties in the suit against the regulations will be temporarily exempted. This action is essential because the Administration’s water grab is harmful to our economy and goes far beyond the legal scope of what Congress intended in the Clean Water Act. The rule sets a dangerous precedent, subverts state water sovereignty and jeopardizes private property rights by significantly expanding federal authority — allowing the EPA to regulate nearly every stream, ditch, pond and puddle on state and local lands, as well as private property. The court’s decision comes as no surprise as the Supreme Court has repeatedly rebuked similar efforts.

Congress must act immediately on S. 1140, the Federal Water Quality Protection Act. I co-sponsored this

bipartisan legislation, co-sponsored by 37 other senators including fellow Idaho Sen. Jim Risch. S. 1140 would rein in the EPA’s misguided attempt to exceed the bounds of its statutory power. S. 1140 would prevent implementation of the final “Waters of the United States” rule and direct the EPA and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to redo the final rule. Any new rule must adhere to the principles that waters of the U.S. are limited to truly navigable waters. The legislation would prevent the EPA from exerting control over the isolated ponds; stormwater, floodwater and wastewater management systems; agricultural irrigation systems and virtually all other non-navigable water bodies that the agencies are seeking to control.

This needed legislation would make the limitations on the federal government’s authority over our water even more clear. The U.S. House of Representatives has passed legislation requiring the Administration to withdraw the rule. As a member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, I supported the committee’s passage of S. 1140 out of the committee. Now, the Senate must act.

While the actions in the courts are a short-term victory, I will continue to work with my colleagues to enact a legislative fix to permanently block this harmful rule. Maintaining clean water is an ongoing necessity, but EPA’s jurisdictional grab of our waterways violates its statutory authority and congressional intent and must be stopped.

Commentary

Financial management

Get comfortable with new job, area before buying house

Dear Dave,
I live in Pennsylvania, and I'm accepting a new job out of state. My wife and I will be in this new area for at least two years, and we're not sure if we should rent or buy a house.

— Ron

Dear Ron,
Most of the time, as long as you're financially ready for such a big investment, buying a house is a good move. But if I'm in your situation, and I'm not sure if it's a long-term thing, I'm going to rent until I see what the future holds. It seldom makes a lot of sense to live in a place for two or three years and sell it, unless you get a ridiculously good buy at purchase and are able to sell for retail without any trouble. Even though the economy is finally, slowly turning around somewhat, I'm not sure that most properties in the current

marketplace would go up enough in value in only two years to offset your cost of sale. You're in a situation similar to lots of military families I help. Often, they'll be stationed somewhere for just two or three years. They'll buy something, they can't get it sold, and they end up with rental properties all over the country. Believe me, that wasn't their initial plan. Playing long-distance landlord is a pain in the rear! Rent for now, Ron. Then, if you two decide you like the new job and new surroundings — and it turns out you're going to be there for a good, long while — start checking out the area for a nice home.

— Dave

Dear Dave,
I'm trying to get out of debt. I make good money and do consulting for a living. I put about 4,000



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miles a month on my car. It's a 2012 model, and I currently owe more on it than it's worth. I've considered selling it, but I'm concerned about reliability because I'm on the road so much. Do you have any advice?

— Chantel

Dear Chantel,
Rule of thumb No. 1 when it comes to your finances is you don't want too much of your financial picture tied up in things that are going down in value. Specifically, no one needs to have more than half of their annual income tied up in things that go down in value. You're a road warrior, so whatever you drive you're going to destroy. From a business perspective, you need a relatively low-mileage vehicle with good gas mileage that's reliable and safe. You also want something that's reasonably comfortable. Having said that, I would advise doing a lot of research and getting the least in car that meets all those criteria. Since whatever you drive is going to be worth nothing in about 20 minutes, I'd start setting aside some cash every month as part of

a monthly budget for a newer, better car. That way, when it comes time to put the old one down, you'll have a pile of cash to go along with your trade-in. But even in your situation, Chantel, I would never advise buying a brand-new car or leasing a vehicle. From a financial standpoint, either of those moves would be just about the dumbest thing you could do!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Visions and Values

Federal Reserve's parking lot of debt may stall economy

by Fred Kingery

Recent commentary by David Stockman, former Reagan administration budget chief, is timely for investors because it focuses on the Federal Reserve's internal debate about "policy normalization" in advance of today's important Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) meeting.

Stockman argues that the Fed's desire to raise rates, first, followed by actions to shrink its balance sheet (allowing its debt securities to mature without reinvesting the proceeds) is "putting the cart before the horse" and that the reverse — reducing the balance sheet followed by raising interest rates — is the right path to "normalization."



Stockman has a valid point, but there is potentially much more to the story. "Policy normalization" is Federal Reserve Bank language for how it will shrink its \$4.4 trillion accumulation of debt securities and when it will start raising the overnight funding interest rate, known as the "federal funds rate," for the U.S. banking system. All eyes in the financial markets are focused on this week's FOMC meeting to see if the Federal Reserve Bank, after five years, will begin the process of raising interest rates and/or signal a timetable for allowing its holdings of debt securities to mature without reinvesting the proceeds. Investors will be watching for even the slightest change in direction. Current expectations are for the Fed to slightly raise the overnight funds rate first and to make no comment on the future size of the balance sheet. Very few investors think the present size of the Fed's balance sheet will be a permanent fixture of the financial landscape for the foreseeable future. In other words, investors expect that the size of the Fed's portfolio of debt securities will decrease as those securities mature. Consider if investors migrate to the assumption that the Fed will continue to indefinitely reinvest the maturing

About David Stockman

David Stockman, 68, served as the director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) from Jan. 21, 1981 to Aug. 1, 1985 during President Ronald Reagan's first term. Before becoming part of the Reagan administration, Stockman was elected to a pair of terms in the U.S. House of Representatives out of Michigan's Fourth District. After resigning the OMB post, he returned to the private sector as an investment banker. Since 2014, he has overseen publication of the online daily "David Stockman's Contra Corner."

principal of its \$4.4 trillion debt portfolio. Moreover, what if the Fed determines that additional rounds of quantitative easing (QE) — money printing with a corresponding increase in the Fed's holdings of debt securities — is needed to simply maintain the economy or perhaps worse, is the one and only tool available to fight the next recession? Author and economist Richard Duncan has argued that QE is a form of permanent debt cancellation. The size of the Fed's balance sheet and that of every other central bank in the world is now permanent in his view. The massive balance sheets of the world's central banks have grown from a collective \$5.4 trillion in 2008 to approximately \$14.4 trillion currently. The \$9 trillion increase, according to Duncan, can be viewed as a permanent parking lot for sovereign debt if the debt is simply rolled at maturity year in, year out. The indefinite debt roll, in effect, would simply be debt cancellation. Notice what the Bank of Japan has done for that past 25 years. Thanks to the fractional reserve banking system, the \$9 trillion increase of central bank reserves has translated into a net global credit expansion (e.g., loans of various sorts) of more than \$57 trillion in the past seven years. But, it has supported only a net expansion of global GDP of approximately \$17 trillion. The rest of this \$40 trillion liquidity has supported a global financial asset inflation. So QE has generously inflated financial assets (e.g., stocks) but has translated into very little real growth in the global economy. As Stockman points out, "The stock market's price level is a measure of liquidity and the direction of the trend of liquidity, nothing more, and nothing less." In other words, the stock market's record valuation is driven more by excess money created by central banks flowing

into financial markets rather than traditional measures of value like real corporate earnings generated by real economic activity and the attendant real wealth creation. This liquidity has fed into record corporate debt issuance that in turn has financed massive stock buybacks, which in turn manufactures an increase in the E (earnings) of the stock markets' P/E (price/earnings) valuation metric. Lower P/Es justify higher stock prices; excess cash created by central banks does not. If the direction of Federal Reserve liquidity flow becomes recognized as the enduring sole basis for stock market asset valuation, then the traditional measure of real economic growth and the attendant real wealth created go out the window as the primary basis for market valuation. Any hint of a change in available liquidity will easily translate into the kind of volatility seen in the weeks of Aug. 17 and Aug. 24. Moreover, the Fed and Mr. Market will be trapped in a relationship where Fed board members' words related to Fed liquidity carry far more influence than hard economic facts. Mr. Market watches the Fed, and the Fed watches Mr. Market. Eventually, the artificial nature of both sides' observations will unfold into a financial crisis that will dwarf the last one. All that will be required is for perception of the Federal Reserve balance sheet as a "permanent parking lot" to take root. How close to establishing that perception are we?

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Looking back...

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25 years ago

September 16, 1990

Stansell wins scholarship

Eric Stansell, 19, son of Larry and Tonjia Stansell of rural Homedale, is one of three winners of a \$500 Idaho Cattle Association scholarship to the University of Idaho in Moscow.

Stansell, a freshman at the UI, was named one of the three recipients of a Thomas R. Hovenden memorial scholarship in the September issue of Idaho Cattle, a publication of the ICA in Boise.

Floral shop buzzes

Question: What seems certain to make a flower shop one sweet enterprise in Homedale? Answer: Two women from Sweet.

That seemed the sentiment of at least a hundred area well-wishers who crowded into Homedale Floral at its new location to provide a joyful sendoff to Leona Favinger and her niece, Laurie Daniel, in officially launching Favinger’s flower business on Sept. 12. Both women grew up in Sweet.

Favinger later seemed overwhelmed by the local turnout for the grand opening of her new business venture. “We’d like to thank everybody for coming and making our open house a great success,” she said, marveling over all the food, candy and gifts received from local merchants, business-civic organizations and friends.

City workers get pay hike

The annual salaries of Homedale Mayor Paul Fink and of the four local City Councilmen — Mike Beavers, Frank Haylett, Dan Murphy and Dennis Uria — will not be adjusted upwards when the new fiscal year starts next month. The mayor will continue to earn \$1,800 per year (\$150 per month) and members of the council will continue to earn \$600 per year (\$50 per month) in fiscal 1991.

With the possible exception of the members of the Homedale Police Department, fulltime non-elected employees of the city of Homedale are scheduled to receive a pay raise of 8% across-the-board, amounting to \$118 per month, starting on Oct. 1st.

Trojans to meet McCall

McCall-Donnelly’s Vandals arrive Friday, 7:30 p.m., to try themselves against the Homedale Trojans, fresh and perky after barging to another lopsided 20-7 victory over the Kuna Kavemen last week. The Trojans are now 2-1 following their defeat of Kuna, the second bigger A-2 school in a row that they’ve routed. They’ll be playing the first school their own A-3 size that they’ve encountered this season. The Vandals are also 2-1 for the year, following wins over Emmett and Kamiah and a loss to Grangeville.

The Trojans poured it to Kuna early a their latest tea party, winding up 1-2 yards from the goal line twice in the first six minutes of play, but failing to score either time. Nevertheless, the action included several on-target long-distance bombs from QB Chris Hoshaw to receivers Brian Tarr and Rick Zehr, plus steady running gains by Brad Dines and Ryan Landa. Local defenders meantime, held Kuna to four downs on their first possession and confined them to their own territory with big 69 (195-pound Harvey Allen) and fleet 27 (6-foot Sean Morford) providing especially effective block and tackle service.

County fair horse show winners are announced

Names of youthful winners in various events at the Owyhee County Fair Hose Show held in Homedale last month have now been released by officials at the Owyhee County Extension office in Marsing.

Earning all-around champion titles in each age division with their high scores were: Walter Miller of Bruneau, 78, novice division: Amanda McDaniel of Grand View, 77, junior division: Jody Brandau of Wilson Butte, 80, intermediate division, and Natalie Burrie of Melba, 92, senior division.

50 years ago

September 23, 1965

Trojans out-score highly rated Parma team 20-14

No game is scheduled for the Trojans this weekend. The team will travel to Wilder Oct. 1 to tangle with the Wildcats.

Ken Kushlan reeled off touchdown runs of 43 and two yards and gained 148 yards overall to pace Homedale to a 20-14 victory Friday night over highly-rated Parma.

Kushlan put the Trojans in front with his 43-yarder, which came on the second play of the game.

Marsing scores 3rd victory, defeats Adrian

Marlin Tullis scored 19 points Friday night to spark Marsing’s undefeated Huskies to a 25-0 conquest over visiting Adrian.

Tullis scored on runs of 2, 23 and 35 yards and kicked an extra point. Ron Haken collected the other Huskies TD on a five-yard run.

Marsing shot to an 18-0 half-time lead as Tullis scored twice in the first quarter. The Huskies wrapped it up with seven points in the third period.

History of Watson, Ore., to be prepared

A history of the Watson, Ore., community is being prepared and will be distributed to descendants of early-day settlers of that area, it is reported from Vale.

Most of the work is being done by Mrs. Charles Ingram, mother of Malheur County Sheriff Robert G. Ingram, and her cousin, Mrs. Walter Perry, both housewives of Vale.

The women are now seeking more information about a man named Watson, for whom the community was named. Little is known of Watson except the story of his death in a horse team accident.

The town, not far from famed Leslie Gulch, was founded before the turn of the century, and its life ended with the completion of the Owyhee reservoir. Water in the reservoir inundated the town in the early 1930s.

Malmberg awarded trip to Nat’l 4-H Congress

Craig Malmberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Malmberg, Jr., of Marsing, has been awarded a trip to the National 4-H club congress in Chicago, Ill.

Craig was the highest-placing 4-H member in conservation in the state. He has been active in 4-H for seven years, taking projects in beef, dairy, swine, tractor, weeds, conservation, electricity, soil and water, entomology, automotive, forestry, household electrification, gun safety and safety.

His projects have always been of the highest caliber due to the tremendous amount of time and energy he has put forth in his 4-H work. An example of his determination was in 1963 when, as a 13-year-old, he carried 14 different projects and was awarded 11 blue ribbons. The same year, Craig was given the distinction of being selected as the outstanding 4-H boy in Owyhee County.

Craig has worked very hard in his 4-H endeavors and deserves this opportunity he is receiving, declared Jesse Wilson, extension agricultural agent.

Girls State delegates attend Legion Auxiliary meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary held its regular meeting at El Gavilan Sept. 14. Girls State delegates from Wilder and Homedale were guests at the dinner preceding the meeting.

Mrs. Blanche Johnson, Girls State chairman, introduced Robin Trunnell of Wilder, Barbara Demshar and Kathy Brown of Homedale; Barbara Churchill was unable to attend because of a previous engagement.

Homedale Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams spent a few days this week at home from Silver City.

Janie Daws of Ontario, Ore., was a week end guest in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orr. On Saturday, they all went on a bird hunting trip to McBride Creek.

140 years ago

September 18, 1875

SOUTH MOUNTAIN JOTTINGS. South Mountain I.T., Sept. 13. South Mountain has rather lost its drive, everybody has got the blues, money is scarce and that is what troubles us, for we have to have money so that we can live well and wear good clothes.

The South Mountain Consolidated Mining Company have not paid off for last month but will in a few days. Every one has the utmost confidence in the Company as they have always dealt “on the square” with everybody and come to time promptly financially.

There is nothing new in particular to report as to the developments in the South Mountain Company’s finances. The shaft building at the Independence is nearly done and the frame for the building at the Bay State is ready to put up as soon as the foundation is ready.

A steam pump is being put in the shaft at the Bay State to throw the water out so that the contractors can get going faster with the sinking.

The new hoisting engine for the Golconda is on the ground and will be put in place forthwith.

The furnace is running splendidly and has not been “barred out” since starting the last time. The new style of water jacket works much better than the old as they are made wholly of wrought iron and do not break as easily as the old ones.

Henry Wallis and William Pierce, the two men injured last week by the cave in the Yreka, are getting better as fast as could be expected. The former was entirely covered up with rock and dirt and was badly bruised up: the latter received a bad cut on the head.

E. A. Ford is wanted here very much by some of our hotel men. They would like to interview him about the liability that he forgot to settle when he went away. He left word that he was going to South America. Deputy Sheriff Knowles is on the “war path” and it is hoped will be coming back in good time.

John MacNamara has disposed of his restaurant to Mr. N. Record who has already assumed the dignities of “hash-slinger.”

An exciting affray occurred this forenoon near Brunzell and Erteson’s between two members of the “petticoat brigade.” Six shooters were flourished and hair flew at a lively rate. As this letter is being written the combatants are before Chief Justice Brantley pleading their cases and waiting for their turn in the judicial scales.

Pinkham & Co. have been getting in a fresh supply of “grub” for their horse restaurant.

The famous race-horse Dasher is stopping at the above named restaurant.

Con Shea was sloshing around town a part of last week.

A.R. Wilkins started for Walla Walla a few days since, taking with him a lot of passengers.

E.W. Woods, the photographer, will pull up stakes and start for Walla Walla in a few days.

George Pinkham has purchased a new residence in the upper part of town on Main Street. This looks rather suspicious. Wonder who is to be Mrs. P.?

The arrival to-day by the North-western stage are Captain Bledsoe, Mr. McVarnish and Lobenstein.

MORENO, THE PRESIDENT of Ecuador was recently assassinated. He had held the position for fifteen years and had done nothing to develop the resources of the country or taken any step looking to the progressive interests of the people. It was about time for him to come to an ignoble end. While Brazil, Peru, Chili and the Argentine Republic have been advancing steadily in wealth, enterprise and intelligence for many years, Ecuador has stood still.

THE GREATEST INCONVENIENCE sustained by travelers through this country at this season of the year is the everlasting dust which permeates every part of the system and is rarely suppressed by fortunate showers, for these just now are not of common occurrence in this latitude.

Public notices

LEIN SALE
Mellissa Casey, Unit E-19, PO Box 982, Marsing, ID 83639; Avalon bicycle, two mattresses, half extension ladder.
Shantell Williams, Unit F-14, PO Box 224, Juntura, OR 97911; Table top swamp cooler, clothes, dryer, dresser, bed, milk can.
Units will be auctioned by sealed bid on September 19, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at Hwy 95 Self Storage located at 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID 83628. All sales are cash only and all sales are final.
9/9,16/15

NOTICE OF ELECTION
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 1 Reynolds Irrigation District will be held on November 3, 2015 to elect a Director for a term of three (3) years beginning January 1, 2016, and until their successors are elected and qualified.
Nomination for Director may be made by petition, signed by at least six (6) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the election. Petitions may be obtained from Brad Huff, Secretary of the District, P.O. Box 12, Melba, ID 83641, and Ph. 495-2950.
In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within the Division, notice of time and place of election will be posted as required by IDS 43-206.
Dated: September 16, 2015
Reynolds Irrigation District
Brad Huff Secretary
9/16,23/15

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
On December 9, 2015, at the hour of 11:00 o’clock AM of said day, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID, JUST LAW, INC., 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:
That part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, lying between the McDowell ditch and the section line, described as follows:
BEGINNING at a point 412 feet East of the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian; thence East 883 feet to the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence North 260 feet; thence in a Westerly direction along the

McDowell Ditch 878 feet; thence South 1° 56’ West 200 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
AND COMMENCING at the Southwest corner of Section 9, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and thence running on a course East 412 feet; thence running on a course North 1° 56’ East to the centerline of the McDowell Lateral; thence in a Westerly direction along the center line of the McDowell Lateral to a point in the West boundary line of Section 9; thence on a course South, to the Southwest corner of Section 9, the POINT OF BEGINNING.
EXCEPTING THEREFROM any portion lying within the boundaries of the McDowell Lateral.
The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed the address of **3432 Pioneer Rd., Homedale, ID**, is sometimes associated with the said real property.
This Trustee’s Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder’s funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.
Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Tyrel Stevenson, a married man as his sole and separate property, as Grantor(s) with MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (MERS) is a separate corporation that is acting solely as a nominee for America’s Wholesale Lender as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded May 31, 2006, as Instrument No. 256603, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as trustee for the Certificateholders CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2006-19CB, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-19CB, recorded November 24, 2014, as Instrument No. 285301, in the records of said County.
THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT,

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING
PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016
AND PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015
OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 2015 TO OCTOBER 31, 2016

Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet October 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. for a budget hearing Pursuant to the Idaho Code 42-3229 at 7300 Opaline Rd., Melba, ID 83641. The proposed Budget may be examined at the home office of Secretary Dan H. Birmingham, 8563 Quail Run Dr., Melba, call for appointment 896-5273

The following is a copy of the proposed budget including the 2014-2015 fiscal year budget and 2014-2015 proposed amended budget.

EXPENSES:	2014-15 BUDGET	2014-15 AMENDED	2015-2016 PROPOSED
Insurance	\$3,500.00	\$3,400.00	\$3,300.00
L&P Fees	3,000.00	2,900.00	3,000.00
Maintenance	35,000.00	41,980.16	35,000.00
Office	716.16	700.00	1,500.00
Phone	2,160.00	2,100.00	2,225.00
Power	178,143.00	178,050.00	178,050.00
Soc.Sec.	6,050.00	7,000.00	6,850.00
Wages	32,555.60	32,450.60	32,500.00
Mileage	250.00	200.00	50.00
Reserve Fund	26,946.12	18,946.12	30,001.12
TOTAL	\$288,320.88	\$287,726.88	\$292,476.12

INCOME:	2014-15 PROJECTED	2014-15 PROJECTED	2015-2016 ANTICIPATED
ITEM			
2011 O&M	87.39	87.39	\$0.00
2012 O&M	87.39	87.39	0.00
2013 O&M	198.64	198.64	0.00
2014 O&M	1,891.34	1,891.34	0.00
2015 O&M	249,480.00	248,886.00	3,095.00
2016 O&M			251,400.00
Office Fee	2,580.00	2,580.00	2,580.00
Late Fees	400.00	400.00	100.00
Interest	150.00	150.00	300.00
Refunds	5,000.00	5,000.00	3,500.00
Rental	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
LGIP Fund	26,946.12	26,946.12	30,001.12
TOTAL:	\$288,320.88	\$287,726.88	\$292,476.12

Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary-Treasurer, Opaline Irrigation District, PO Box 331, Marsing, ID 83639
9/9,16/15

PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.
The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:
Monthly payments in the amount of \$1052.30 for the months of September 2014 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$133494.28 as principal, plus service charges, attorney’s fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 6.875% from August 1, 2014, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.
The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.
Dated this 4th day of August, 2015.
Tammie Harris, Trust Officer for Just Law, Inc., P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405 (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146
For information concerning this sale please contact Just Law, Inc. at www.justlawidaho.com

PUBLIC NOTICE
OWYHEE PIONEER CEMETERY DISTRICT
2016 FINAL APPROVED BUDGET
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District approved the final budget for fiscal year 2016, commencing October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016 as follows:
Expenses:
Maintenance and Operations \$2,450.00
Revenues:
Cash Forward Balance \$4.00
Property Tax Replacement Funds 99.00
2015 Property Tax Levy 2,347.00
Total Revenues \$2,450.00
September 10, 2015
Gary Aman, Secretary-Treasurer, Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District
9/16/15

com or Toll Free at 1-800-923-9106, Thank you.
8/26;9/2,9,16/15

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV-2012-02669
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
MAGISTRATE DIVISION
In the Matter of the Estate of **AARON F. SALISBURY**, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARGARET P. SALISBURY has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must both be presented to the Personal Representative of the Estate at the law offices of White, Peterson, Gigray & Nichols, P.A., 5700 East Franklin Road, Suite 200, Nampa, Idaho 83687, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
DATED this 4th day of August, 2015
WHITE PETERSON
By: Wm. F. Gigray, III, for the Firm
Attorneys for Personal Representative
9/9,16,23/15



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**NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE
OF REAL PROPERTY
CASE NO. CV14-3994
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
CANYON**

RED SIERRA, LLC, Plaintiff,
vs. SHIRLEY DeAUGUSTINEO,
KENNETH RILEY, JOHN
STEPHEN RILEY, TIM RILEY
AND NICHOLAS J. RILEY,
Defendants.

Date of Sale: **09/22/15**
Time of Sale: **10:00 A.M.**
Place of Sale: Owyhee County
Courthouse Lobby, 20381 State
Hwy. 78, Murphy ID 83650

Under and by virtue of a
Judgment issued on July 18,
2014, and pursuant to an Order of
Sale issued on the 18th day of July,
2015, out of and under the seal of
the above-entitled Court, in favor
of the above-named Plaintiff, I
am commanded and required to
proceed to notice for sale and to
sell at public auction the property
described in said Order of Sale
and to apply the proceeds of such
sale to the satisfaction of said
Judgment, with interest thereon,
and my fees and costs.

The property directed to be
sold is situate in Owyhee County,
State of Idaho, and is described as
follows, to-wit:

Lot 15 of Block 10 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 for
Owyhee County, Idaho.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,
that on the 22nd day of September,
2015, at the hour of 10:00 o’clock
a.m. at Owyhee Courthouse
Lobby, I will attend, offer and sell
at public auction all or so much
of the above-described property
thus directed to be sold as may be
necessary to raise sufficient funds
to pay and satisfy the Judgment
set out in said Order of Sale to the
highest bidder therefor in lawful
money.

The judgment debtor or
redemptioner may redeem the
property from the purchaser within
six (6) months after the sale if the
real property sold consisted of a
tract of land of twenty (20) acres
or less, on paying the purchaser
the amount of his purchase with
interest thereon at the rate allowed
in section 28-22-104(1), Idaho
Code, from the date of sale to the
date of redemption, together with
the amount of any assessment
or taxes which the purchaser
may have paid thereon after the
commencement of the action and
which are not included in the
judgment, and interest at the rate
allowed in section 28-22-104(1),
Idaho Code, on such amount;
and, if the purchaser be also a
creditor having a prior lien to that
of the redemptioner, other than
the judgment under which such
purchase was made, the amount of
such lien with interest at the rate
allowed in section 28-22-104(1),
Idaho Code; provided, in mortgage
foreclosure proceedings, the
amount necessary to redeem the

property sold under execution shall
not include any sum for attorney’s
fees greater than the fee actually
paid by the judgment creditor or
which the judgment creditor has
by written instrument become
unconditionally obligated to pay
to his attorney for prosecuting his
claim to judgment; and provided,
further, the amount of such fee
shall be proven by affidavits of
the attorney who has received and
the person who has paid the fee
or by other competent evidence
to be presented to the sheriff
for his guidance in carrying out
the provisions of law relating to
redemption; and, provided further,
that such redemptioner shall not
be required to pay any attorney’s
fees unless such fees shall have
been paid within six (6) months
after the sheriff’s certificate of
sale shall have issued, or within
such time the judgment creditor
has become unconditionally
obligated by written instrument
to pay such fees.

The Sheriff will give possession,
but does not guarantee clear title
or continued possessory right to
the purchaser.

DATED this 25th day of August,
2015.

PERRY GRANT, SHERIFF
Owyhee County, Idaho
By: Teri Naito, Civil Clerk
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HELP WANTED

Owyhee County Sheriff has an opening for a Detention Deputy. Full job description available with application at Owyhee County Sheriff's, Murphy, Idaho or online at www.owyheecounty.net Application with resume must be submitted by 9/22/2015. Equal opportunity employer.

Sub Bus Drivers Needed! Homedale School District is accepting applications for substitute bus drivers. CDL with passenger endorsement required. Will help train for CDL. Applications available at www.homedaleschools.org or at the District Office, 116 E. Owyhee, Homedale or call 337-4611.

Now Hiring 4-H Program Coordinator for the University of Idaho Extension-Owyhee County Office. This position is responsible for providing leadership in developing, planning, and conducting 4-H youth educational programs within Owyhee County. This includes coordinating county 4-H clubs and recruiting and training leaders/volunteers and 4-H members. 4-H is the nation's largest youth development program that is run through the land-grant universities within the state. 4-H is focused on hands-on, research-driven youth programming that provides youth leadership skills and empowers young people to reach their full potential. This is a full time position with benefits. For complete job description, requirements, and application, email Scott Jensen scottj@uidaho.edu, call 208-896-4104, or stop by the Owyhee County Extension office in Marsing. Application deadline is 9/18/15.



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2 bdrm, Homedale (in town), fridge, stove, W/S/T paid, No yard for children, No pets, \$450/mo. 337-4444

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Homedale Youth Club signups loom

Program gives schoolchildren something to do on Fridays

The Homedale Youth Club is gearing up for the program's second year. Registration will run from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday at Homedale First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W. Refreshments will be served, and organizers will show a video showcasing last year's activities. The new year will begin Friday, Sept. 25. The program runs from 9 a.m. to noon each Friday during the weeks the school is in session. The program is free and open to all children. Children will eat breakfast and then embark on a variety of activities, including cooking and serving lunch. Last year, Homedale Elementary School teachers, community volunteers and teen

volunteers led the activities. One of the club organizers, Carolyn Rees, said 24 children regularly attended the weekly functions with that number growing to 30 some days. A dozen adult volunteers helped out through the year, and Rees said the five teen volunteers were "terrific and very popular with the kids." The club was started to provide activities for children on Fridays when the Homedale School District switched to a four-day week. It's a continuation of the former Club Kid after-school program at the elementary school. The program came to life through funding from the Homedale Ministerial Association and the Homedale Lions Club. Further support arrived when the program received grants from the Whittenberger Foundation and the Presbyterian Women's Creative Ministries organization. The church was chosen as a program location because of its proximity to the elementary school. For more information, contact Rees at 459-8315 or Shelley Townsend at 337-4480.



Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson volunteer firefighters tend to a smoldering single-wide mobile home after a Thursday morning fire. Photo from MRW Facebook page

Cat saves woman from Wilson fire

A mobile home fire displaced two people Thursday morning, but a cat may have saved her owner's life. The feline woke up a woman who was sleeping when a fire broke out at a residence on Trail Drive Road south of China Ditch Road in the Wilson area. The state fire marshal said it appears a cigarette left smoldering in a bucket of ashes and cigarette butts on the front porch ignited the devastating blaze, according to Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson Fire District spokesman Louis Monson. A dog died in the fire, but the woman and cat escaped injury. A man living in the residence returned from work to find emergency crews at the scene, Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said. "The home was a total loss along with all contents," Monson said. "The fire marshal commented that he 'expected to just find a frame, which is common in older mobile homes that have fires, and was surprised to see some walls still standing,' which he attributed to our quick response. MRW was on scene within seven minutes of being dispatched at 7:57 a.m., Monson said. Units responded from MRW stations in Wilson, Givens and Murphy, including two 3,000-gallon water tankers, a structure tender, engine, a command unit and three trucks. A dozen volunteer firefighters fought the flames, and the fire was out within 90 minutes, Monson said. The single-wide was a total loss, and Monson said MRW will follow up with burnout fund support. According to Owyhee County dispatch and the MRW Facebook page, Melba Fire requested a structure tender for mutual aid on a fire on Idaho highway 45 on Friday afternoon.

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