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Peekaboo blood moon



Rare celestial sight captured

Homedale Middle School science teacher David Hann, a contributing photographer for *The Owyhee Avalanche*, captured Sunday night's super moon lunar eclipse through tree branches. Experts say the simultaneous phenomena of a super blood moon and a lunar eclipse won't happen again for another 18 years.

Sage-grouse decision not all good news

Simultaneous roll-out of BLM land use plans worries officials; state sues

The federal government's sage-grouse listing decision may be a mixed blessing for local officials and ranchers.

In the end, Owyhee County's long struggle to avoid Endangered Species Act designation for the greater sage-grouse and protect ranchers' livelihoods could mean restrictions nonetheless.

When she revealed that endangered status wasn't warranted last week, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell also announced that scores of land use plans across a

number of western states would be implemented.

"Whether the bird was listed or not, those plans are going to be in effect, and that's what's going to be driving the management," Owyhee County District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said.

Elected officials called that move "cynical," and Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter and the Idaho Legislature filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C., on Friday. The lawsuit alleges the federal

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Soda Fire reseeding stockpile grows

Money still coming in for affected ranchers

The University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office in Marsing could start distributing seed to rehabilitate private lands scorched by the Soda Fire next week.

Extension coordinator Scott Jensen said they now have enough seed to replant 5,000 acres.

He explained that a couple of cooperative weed management areas received permission from the Idaho State Department of Agriculture to reallocate some of their funding to purchase seed.

Between the Elmore County Farm Bureau and the Eastern Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area, \$35,000 was gathered to purchase the seed, which is now being stored at Wilbur-Ellis in Caldwell.

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Work planned on Bruneau-GV schools' library computers

School district's
entire library
system is down

Grand View Elementary School will begin reseeding its library computer system after receiving a grant from The Idaho Future Fund in the Idaho Community Foundation.

The school will use the \$20,000 grant to hire a contractor to enter information about every book in the library into the computer system, which actually stores data for all three libraries in the

Bruneau-Grand View School District.

District elementary school principal Ryan Cantrell said the district was determining how to take on the task of re-entering the

data, and paying for the work, when the grant was submitted and awarded.

The server, which is housed

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Homedale Chamber hears about community holiday celebrations

Safe ‘n’ Sane trick-or-treating set for Oct. 30

Homedale’s Chamber of Commerce held its first luncheon of the fall on Sept. 22. The town’s business leaders decided to hold the annual Homedale Safe ‘n’ Sane Halloween community trick-or-treating from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Friday Oct. 30. Children will trick-or-treat at businesses displaying an orange paper Jack O’ Lantern in the window.

Business owners will be able to pick up those paper Jack O’ Lanterns at City Hall starting Thursday. City Hall staff will again hold a costume contest. One girl and one boy will receive prizes that have yet to be determined.

Chamber president Gavin Parker said Riley Gray and the staff at Terry Reilly Health Ser-

vices plan to have free hot dogs and drinks in conjunction with the festivities.

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller also gave the Chamber some news about the flags behind the Welcome to Homedale sign.

Eidemiller said he wasn’t happy with the size of the current American flag being flown at the gateway. He is ordering a larger one, which will arrive in time for the official dedication of the three flagpoles.

Eidemiller said the ceremony will be held on Veterans Day (Nov. 11). He said the timing of the ceremony will depend on the availability of the Idaho Army National Guard band and honor guard, which he hopes to have present at the dedication.

On Thursday, Homedale public works supervisor Bret Smith told the City Council that he had installed a spotlight to cast a brighter light on the American flag.

The Chamber also discussed the Homedale for Holidays pa-

rade, which will be held at dusk on Saturday, Nov. 28.

Parker is hoping to expand on last year’s inaugural night light parade with more parade entries. The theme will be “How the Grinch Stole Christmas.”

At the conclusion of the parade, the city Christmas tree lighting ceremony will be held in Bette Uda City Park. Smith told the council Thursday that his crew is in the process of beefing up the electrical system at the park so it can handle the extra draw of the lighted decorations.

Chamber members are also making plans for a fundraising chili feed to benefit Homedale Middle School and a bonfire after the tree lighting.

The Chamber’s directors and business members meet at noon on the fourth Tuesday of every month at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W. Last week’s meeting was the first gathering since May.

— SC

Man gets probation for meth in Murphy

A Murphy resident originally charged with two felonies has been sentenced for methamphetamine possession.

Donovan Clark Langford (a.k.a. Donovan Bibb) was given four years’ supervised probation after pleading guilty to one count of felony drug possession. A state prison sentence of two to five years was suspended.

Third District Judge Molly J. Huskey dismissed an aggravated assault felony earlier this year.

According to an Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office probable cause statement, Langford was arrested after deputies found a bag of meth in a couch cushion at a DeLamar Avenue residence in Murphy.

Langford originally was charged with felony aggravated

assault because the victim said Langford had put a gun in his face and forced him to sign over the title of ownership to a vehicle.

In addition to probation, Langford was ordered to pay \$885.50 in fines and court fees, and Huskey leveled a 90-day jail term that could be imposed at the discretion of Probation and Parole officials.

Man driving drunk with children in car receives probation

A man pulled over for driving under the influence with three children in his vehicle has been sentenced.

Two of three misdemeanor counts of injury to a child were dismissed Sept. 14 when 41-year-old Miguel A. Zapata-Ibarra entered a plea.

In a plea bargain, Zapata-Ibarra entered guilty pleas to DUI and one count of injury to a child for transporting a child in a vehicle while intoxicated.

Zapata-Ibarra originally was charged with misdemeanor excessive DUI when he was arrested in July.

Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober placed the Melba man on one year of supervised probation and ordered fines and court fees totaling \$907.50.

The balance of a six-month jail sentence was suspended. Zapata-Ibarra was given credit for the two days he spent in Owyhee County Jail following his arrest.



HFD benefit dinner draws crowd

Ray Maxwell, near, and Kevin Ensley carved up prime rib Saturday night at Txoko Ona Basque Center as folks lined up the Homedale Fire Department’s equipment and burnout funds benefit.

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Homedale home building may start again

Briar Hills subdivision ready for second phase

A residential subdivision that got its start outside Homedale nearly 40 years ago is ready for Phase 2.

Briar Hills subdivision owners Marion and Barbara Vance plan to build a lift station to bring municipal water to the eight homes that are proposed for Phase 2 of a development that was started off Idaho highway 19 west of Homedale in 1979.

The subdivision's original

scope of 27 homes changed when the city put its water tank in the area, Marion Vance said.

While the subdivision is in the county, the Vances and their engineer, Scott Stanfield of Nampa-based Mason and Stanfield, Inc., went before the council to ensure that the original agreement signed 36 years ago would stand through which the city would take control of the water system.

The developer has to build a pump house for the second phase, and that pump house will revert to city ownership once it's in service. Owyhee County issued a building permit for the pump house a month ago. Although the

subdivision runs on city water, it sits outside the city limits and is under the jurisdiction of the county Planning and Zoning and Building departments.

The idea of new home-building taking place near town excited some of the council members. The downtown's Santa Fe subdivision was the last housing development to come to Homedale, and only four houses have been built since 2007.

“I would like to see this done in a timely manner because we’d like to see some building going on,” Councilperson Kim Murray said.

Riedesel Engineering Inc.

is representing the city on the project, and Riedesel engineer Andrew Kimmel told the council that it would cost less than \$5,000 to review engineering plans.

Stanfield cautions the city against setting a precedent when Councilman Aaron Tines suggested that the city could pay for the plan review. Stanfield explained that a developer typically pays for the review, and if the city paid for the relatively small Briar Hills project that it could set a precedent that developers of larger subdivisions — with more expensive plan reviews — could exploit.

City clerk and treasurer Alice Pegram gave the council an

update on other Planning and Zoning-related items during the meeting.

A property owner recently took out a building permit to re-roof a building.

According to a memo sent Pegram and building inspector Steve Pierson sent to Mayor Gheen Christoffersen and the council earlier this month, there have been nearly 30 building permits issued since January. Some of the building is related to the continued construction at the Homedale High School baseball field at the corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 4th Street East.

— JPB

Former member to rejoin Gem district irrigation board

Local officials to meet Tuesday

The South Board of Control (SBOC) will have a new member in January.

South Board office clerk Anita Johnston said Gem Irrigation District Div. 2 Director Dave Shenk of Homedale did not file for reelection by Thursday's deadline. Shenk leaves the SBOC after two terms.

Steve Clapier was the only person who filed nomination papers, and he will be appointed to

succeed Shenk during the Gem district board's January meeting. Clapier served as a director for the Gem District for two terms from 1996 to 2002.

Shenk wishes Clapier the best in his new role.

“He’ll probably do an excellent job; I don’t have any problem with that,” Shenk said. “I’ve enjoyed my tenure on there, but I’ve had so much on my plate the last few days that I just kept forgetting.”

Shenk thinks turnover is a good thing for the board and that more people should serve on it.

“We’re gifted with a really neat responsibility there to serve our community, and I know none of the board that I’m currently serving with took it lightly, ever,” Shenk said.

Shenk wants the community to know how much he enjoyed serving on the board, and said his fellow directors are “awesome.”

Clapier said he enjoyed his previous time on the board, and is happy to serve another term.

"I don't think somebody ought to be down there forever. Everybody needs to experience it," he said. "You learn a lot on the board."

He added that he now has more time on his hands now that he is mostly retired. He still does some work on his 80-acre farm in Marsing.

There will be no Gem Irrigation District election on Nov. 3. None of the races are contested.

Johnston said nobody filed to challenge incumbents Div. 5 Director Chris Landa or Div. 4 Director Ryan Crifffield, both of whom live outside Homedale.

Johnston said thus far, no one has filed to challenge Ridgeview District incumbent Harold Bruning. The deadline to file paper-

work for that mail-in election for Oregon water users is 5 p.m. Tuesday.

The irrigation directors' next series of meetings begins at 7 p.m. on Tuesday downstairs at the SBOC office at 118 S. 1st St. W. in Homedale. The Ridgeview Irrigation District directors meet at 7 p.m., followed by the Gem directors at 7:15 p.m. and the South Board of Control at 7:30 p.m.

Johnston said she expects a light agenda for the directors, and the main focus could be a review of the irrigation season, which recently ended. — SC

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✓ Computers: Grand View work just first phase in rebuilding system

at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School, began failing at the end of the 2013-14 school year and had become completely inoperable by the time the 2014-15 school year rolled around.

The computers at the Rimrock and Bruneau Elementary libraries also are currently off-line.

Cantrell said the condition of the server forced drastic measures.

“It got corrupted so badly that they had to reformat the server in order to save the hardware itself,” Cantrell said. “In reformatting the server, it lost 100 percent the data on that server.

Cantrell said no information

About Grand View Elementary PTA

- **President** — Mandi Boren
- **Vice-president** — Shannon Ethington
- **Secretary** — Katy Carothers

Boren said PTA members meet in the Grand View Elementary library, but they do not have a set schedule.

“It’s just random. We don’t have a lot of meetings,” Boren said.

She estimates that about 10 people — a combination of teachers and parents — are active in the PTA.

backup existed. He added that personnel from the district’s IT service provider, West Valley Technical Services, spent a number of hours trying to recover the data. The effort to recover

the information was part of the contract with the district, so no separate payment was made.

“They couldn’t pull any data off at all, so they came to us and said the only way that we can even try to salvage this server is we’re going to have to completely reformat it, but in doing so, you’re going to lose everything on it,” Cantrell said.

District superintendent Dennis Wilson said redundancies have been built into the restored server to ensure the library information is never lost again.

Grand View Elementary Parent Teacher Association (PTA) president Mandi Boren wrote the grant request and says students have barely been able to use the library at all.

“They write down the name of a book on a piece of paper, but it has been very difficult to track the

books,” Boren said. “Kids can’t go in there and say, ‘I’m looking for a book on horses,’ and they’re not able to find those books because they have no system to tell us where everything is.”

Rimrock Jr./Sr. High and Bruneau Elementary are also without computer services in their libraries. Boren and Cantrell both said the only reason Grand View Elementary came first is because its PTA happened to hear about the grant opportunity.

Grand View Elementary School secretary Dixie Amy was the first to learn of the Idaho Future Fund opportunity. The request was submitted in June, and the Idaho Community Foundation announced the grant award last week.

“We weren’t supposed to find out until December. We found out early. We were happy about that,” Boren said. “I think it’s because it was needed.”

Cantrell said the job description for the contract worker will be posted soon on schoolspring.com, on windows at the schools, and possibly in The Owyhee Avalanche.

The grant money will also be used to purchase up to three scanners “depending on if we end up hiring more than one person,

because our goal is to get the job done quickly,” Cantrell said. “If we’re able to find several qualified people, as opposed to just one, then we’ll take that route.”

Cantrell is confident that the grant is flexible enough to allow hiring multiple contractors.

District administrators considered hiring someone to do the work this past summer.

“We started to kind of get a realization that it was a lot more, just manual labor hours than we originally anticipated,” Cantrell said.

He expects that the contractor, or contractors, will work six- to eight-hour days while re-entering the data. It’s unknown how long the project will take, but the goal is to have the work completed by the end of the school year in May.

If Grand View Elementary comes in under budget for the project, Cantrell said they will look at the details of the grant to see if remaining funds can be used to start work for Rimrock Sr./Jr. High’s library.

Cantrell said Bruneau Elementary’s library is last on the to-do list simply because it is the smallest.

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Homedale man wanted by OCSO arrested in Canyon

A Homedale man wanted on a felony warrant in Owyhee County was arrested Friday afternoon in Canyon County.

Michael Ray Hunt, 29, was booked into the Canyon County jail at 4:10 p.m. Friday after his arrest on a \$25,000 warrant stemming from an April charge of felony drug possession.

The \$75,000 felony probation

violation warrant out of Owyhee County was signed just hours before he was arrested in Canyon County.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman did not know how Hunt violated his probation from a 2012 burglary conviction in Owyhee County.

In 2012, Hunt was charged with two felony counts of

burglary for burglarizing the Rumors Hair Salon on West Idaho Avenue in Homedale. He was sentenced to four years' probation while a prison term of up to four years was suspended. A probation violation warrant was issued in April, and a \$75,000 bench warrant for failure to appear was signed on Friday.

Hunt has previous convictions

in both Canyon and Owyhee County for misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance, or possession of drug paraphernalia. He has also been convicted of misdemeanor unlawful entry and misdemeanor petit theft.

Hunt was arraigned in a Canyon County courtroom Monday after deadline on a

felony charge of possession of a controlled substance stemming from an arrest in April.

At deadline Monday, he remained in custody at the Canyon County jail.

He will be returned to Owyhee County after the charges against him in Canyon County are resolved.

— SC

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✓ Sage-grouse: Officials voice displeasure over details of non-listing

government broke the law when it failed to complete the federal planning process in a transparent manner.

State plan ignored

Hoagland said the federal government's decision and land use plans don't incorporate enough of the Idaho sage-grouse conservation plan that he and other industry, environmentalist and government leaders worked on for 2½ years.

"It was probably the right thing do to, but it's going to implement all those land use plan amendments, and when we first started on that with the Governor's Task Force and working with the locals in the Fish and Wildlife Service and BLM, we had something we could live with," Hoagland said.

"Then when it went back to Washington, D.C., they included all these other restrictions on grazing and oil and gas exploration."

Reynolds Creek rancher and Public Lands Council president Brenda Richards had a similar outlook.

"The (Obama) Administration came to the logical decision not to list the sage-grouse, but went ahead and forced through their land use plans, which are just as concerning as a listing," Richards said.

"Instead of recognizing the stewardship that land users have voluntarily put in place, they are pushing forward their agenda, which ignores multiple use on our lands."

plans.

"It was never a grazing issue," he said. "It was a fire and invasive species issue, and they're not looking at that at all or how to manage those."

"They're totally ignoring how grazing management could be to the benefit of the sage-grouse. It isn't about the real threats, but the perceived threats of ranching or any economic use of those lands."

D.C. deletes local work

Hoagland even fears that the meaningful progress put forth in the recently adopted Jarbidge Resource Management Plan could be eliminated.

The RMP for the Jarbidge Field Office in the BLM Twin Falls District allows temporary non-renewable increases in grazing to reduce excess fine fuels, but that could be in jeopardy now.

"When this potential listing was started, the main threats were fire and invasive species. Livestock grazing was a very minor threat," Hoagland said. "Now, it is moved to a high-level threat by the reviewers in Washington, and the restrictions will be impossible for our cattlemen to operate."

"These amendments will destroy our local economy and still leave the habitat totally black or a monoculture of invasive grasses."

Stubble height "arbitrary"

The BLM land use plans set unrealistic stubble height parameters, Hoagland said, that will lead to grazing season limitations in western Owyhee

County. The height rules may not have as big of an impact in the Twin Falls District because of the different climate, he said.

"It's an arbitrary height they've come up with while totally ignoring local conditions," he said. "One size does not fit all."

The minimum stubble height requirement could force ranchers to pull cattle off allotments early — or delay pasture turnout dates altogether, Hoagland said. For example, if a pasture didn't attain a minimum stubble height during its rest season, a cattleman would be prohibited from putting his animals on the ground when the grazing season rolled around.

"It's more severe than what the listing probably would have required," Hoagland said.

The stubble height requirement already is being used in current permit renewal studies, Hoagland said.

Another element of the new plans that Hoagland said is detrimental to ranchers is a change in season of use.

"Interestingly enough, the amendment corresponds with the permit renewal mess where spring grazing is pretty much eliminated, and the rest of the seasonal grazing will be managed for the remaining stubble height, not fuels," he said.

State heading to court

Hoagland pointed out that it's the same old story of the bureaucracy overriding the local findings, and of the Obama administration relying on outdated science to draw conclusions favorable to its agenda.

And, Hoagland said, the same

old story could result — more lawsuits. The commissioner and rancher fears litigation is possible from environmental groups.

On Friday, state officials sued over the federal government's sage-grouse conservation plan. Otter contends the BLM's flawed amendment process effectively undermined years of open and partnership-driven work by local and state leaders and other stakeholders.

"We didn't want an ESA listing, but in many ways these administrative rules are worse. This complaint is an unfortunate but necessary step to protect the rights of Idaho citizens to participate in public land decisions that will impact their communities, their economy and their lives," Otter said.

"Our people deserve to be involved in development of critical land-use plans that will responsibly address the most serious threats to Idaho's sage-grouse population — wildfires and such invasive species as cheat grass that are fueling them."

Idaho Lt. Gov. Brad Little stood behind the decision to sue.

"I support this decision to sue the federal government's one-size-fits-all plan for sage-grouse conservation. We as Idahoans worked together to come up with a statewide plan to protect the sage-grouse and our rangelands. These efforts took into account local stakeholders, including ranchers, conservationists and our communities," Little said.

"Despite these good faith efforts, Washington bureaucrats went behind our backs and came

up with their own plan that did not involve local input. All that we have done has been ignored."

Idaho House Speaker Scott Bedke (R-Oakley) agreed with Hoagland that the federal plans have little to do with the plight of the sage-grouse.

"Secretary Jewell, and Secretary (Ken) Salazar before her, promised a transparent public process, but in the end they imposed unnecessary land management policies that have little or nothing to do with the birds — all developed during closed-door sessions with no input from Idahoans who have worked hard on our state management plan," Bedke said.

"That's the kind of thing that leaves Idahoans not only questioning the process but doubting the Obama administration's intentions. These additional burdensome measures seem to speak to something besides the protection of sage-grouse. I appreciate the Governor's leadership in challenging them."

Enviros could sue, too

Hoagland believes litigation is possible from environmental groups as well, and those lawsuits could wind up before U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winnill in Boise.

Ironically, the Sept. 22 decision against the bird's listing came eight days before a deadline Winnill imposed years ago.

Hoagland said it was the Administration's way of kicking the can down the road.

"They'll let the courts decide it rather than make the hard decision," he said.

— JPB

Ranchers' united front

Late Friday afternoon, the Idaho Cattle Association issued a statement echoing that sentiment and supporting the state's litigation efforts.

Hoagland said the BLM plans in Owyhee County will sap the economic potential from public lands. Ranchers will face grazing restrictions, and natural resource development will take a hit as oil and gas exploration and mining endeavors are curtailed.

He also said that the federal government's conclusions are disingenuous in the face of the original research and science gathered while building the



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Obituaries

Earnestine “Stine” Blessing

Earnestine “Stine” Blessing, 80, of Smiths Ferry, went to meet the Lord on Friday, September 25, 2015 at the home of her daughter. She began her life in Melrose, New Mexico on February 10, 1935 to Ernest and O. Maybelle Burdine. Her siblings were Betty Jean (Burdine) Baker, Martha Ann (Burdine) Berriochoa, and Tommy Carrol Burdine. Her family moved to Homedale, Idaho in the early 1940’s at the age of 5 where she was raised until she married the love of her

life, Robert Howard Blessing on February 17, 1952. Stine enjoyed drawing, crafts, oil painting, knitting, and sewing. She crocheted many things for her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and loved to teach her grandkids how to make doilies and blankets. She loved to read and tell jokes and stories. She enjoyed spending time at her cabin that she built with her husband in 1975. The cabin has been her home since 1995. Together with her husband, Stine



helped build the Chapel in the Pines in Smith’s Ferry. She en-

joyed singing and especially loved sharing songs with her sweetheart. Her favorite songs were “I’ll Fly Away”, “His Eye is on the Sparrow”, and “In the Garden”. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church in Homedale. Stine was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Robert H. Blessing, her parents, 2 brothers, and 1 sister. She is survived by her sons: Terry Blessing of Worley, ID and Robert Blessing of Whitefish, MT, daughters: Emily Barnhart of

Sierra Vista, AZ, Sherry Barnhart of Smiths Ferry, ID, and Judy Harris of Idaho City, ID. She is also survived by 14 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. A viewing will be held from 5:00-8:00 PM on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel (27 E. Owyhee), Homedale. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 2, 2015 at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing. Condolences may be sent to www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

Tyler L. Cooper

Tyler Layne Cooper, at the age of 23, passed away September 14th, 2015. Above all, he loved his family, playing with little kids and penning abstract art, especially with his cat, Blizzard, on his lap. At 6’ 2” tall and handsome, he immediately made a strong first impression but as you got to know him, his caring heart and keen mind captured people the most. He had an innate curiosity for the world, life’s purpose and meaning. He could debate for hours about the nuance of truth and love and then break into goofy poses and witty humor. Tyler was supremely con-

templative and devoutly carefree. He was first to deflect praise and eager to share his kind smile with a warm compliment, just like his Grandpa, Carl Hays Sr. Tyler made people feel important and he would do anything for them, because they mattered to him. Tyler graduated from Prairie High School in Cottonwood, Idaho on May 27th, 2011. He joined the military (National Guard) on December 22, 2009 and graduated basic training August 25, 2011 and soon after Advanced Individual Training on October 26, 2011. He was quickly promoted to Specialist on October



7th, 2012. He was assigned as a Horizontal Construction Engineer

to the 126th Engineer Company Detachment out of Grangeville, Idaho. He received the Idaho Service ribbon and the Army Reserve Component Accommodation Medal. Tyler joined the Army to be like his father, Vernon Cooper, his sensei. Tyler was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Carl Hays Sr. and Sonny Cooper. Tyler is survived by his father and mother, Vernon and Kim Hays Cooper; sister, Tanna Cooper; grandmother, Marjorie Hays and Lorraine Kidder; aunts, Trina Hays, Angie Long, Lisa Cooper, and Amber Reid. Uncles, Carl

Hays Jr., Mike Long and Mike Reid, as well as numerous cousins and many friends. On his passing, a river of tears is flowing to carry him on a Viking’s journey to the eternal place and peace where he belongs, with the people he loves, waiting for him and welcoming him home. Embrace fear, for a man can look death in the eyes and accept him with a greeting and go with him, he has achieved mental greatness, Tyler Cooper. Graveside service will be held at the Homedale-Marsing Cemetery October 3rd at 2:00 p.m.

Nellie Maud Haskett

Nellie Maud Haskett was born in Glenwood Township, Phillips County, Kansas on November 19, 1921 and returned to her heavenly father’s care September 26, 2015 of natural causes at the Parma Living Center, Parma, Idaho. In her youth, Nellie experienced both the wonderfulness of life on her parents’ Kansas prairie farm as well as the destructive dust bowls caused by the droughts of the thirties. Nellie married Paul Everett Haskett Sr. on February 20, 1940 at Alma, Nebraska and the union lasted for 61 years until Paul’s death in 2001. The first two years of married life were spent on cattle ranches in the La Sal Mountains near Moab, Utah where Nellie exhibited her cowgirl and cooking skills. Later Paul and Nellie farmed in the Delta, Colorado area and eventually purchased a farm along the Snake River near Marsing, Idaho where they milked cows, raised cash crops and enjoyed many colorful sunset



reflections on the river until their retirement in 1978. Retirement occurred in a home they built near Marsing where fruit trees, pine trees, many flowers and a garden were planted. From this home, trips to Hawaii, Seattle and the East Coast were taken. Nellie excelled as a green thumb in gardening and in the nurturing of animals, which provided their livelihood in farming and in their hobbies in retirement. Her joy in

life was providing for her family as she cooked great meals, canned fruit and baked the best pies, cakes and cinnamon rolls anyone has ever tasted. Nellie was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Sr., her oldest son, Paul Jr., her youngest son Sidney, two brothers Ross and Art, two sisters, Fern Schermerhorn and Hazel Pollard. Nellie is survived by her son James (Jeannie) of Greenleaf, daughter Doris (John) Neil of Marsing, 10 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. A viewing will be held at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, 27 E Owyhee in Homedale, Idaho on Thursday, October 1, 2015 from 12-4 PM. A graveside service will be held at 10AM on Friday, October 2, 2015 at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that a donation be made to the Salvation Army, 1015 E Chicago St., Caldwell, ID 83605 Condolences can be given at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

Ned Arthur Stokes

March 28, 1938 - September 24, 2015

Ned Stokes, 77, of Homedale, Idaho passed through the veil of this life and stepped into the arms of his Heavenly Father September 24, 2015. He was cherished and cared for with great love by his family especially as he battled melanoma cancer in recent months. Ned was born in 1938 to Ellis and Lottie Stokes in Ogden, Utah. He attended Idaho schools in Rigby and Blackfoot and graduated from Fruitland High School in 1956. He was a dedicated member of the LDS Church serving in many callings including missionary to the Western States, Scoutmaster, Seminary teacher for 12 years and Bishop of Homedale 1st ward. Ned had a great passion for knowledge and loved adventure. In 1972, he and his wife Gloria took their young family of 5 children to the Pacific island of Western Samoa. For 3 years the family experienced the Polynesian culture as Ned taught English and Art for the Church College. This proved to be a treasured and defining family experience. Ned was a voracious reader and lifelong learner. He earned 5 col-



lege degrees from Brigham Young University, University of Idaho and Boise State University in the fields of Education, Agricultural Economics, English, Library Science and Horticulture. Ned’s professional life included 27 years as the librarian for Homedale High School. In 1990, he received one of the highest honors bestowed by the Boy Scouts of America, the Silver Beaver Award. In 1996, he was honored to receive the Idaho Librarian of the Year Award, and in 2000 the Teacher of the Year award from the Homedale School District. — See Stokes, page 7

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Death notice

SHERI LYNN DAVIS, 43, of Homedale, died Sunday, Sept. 26, 2015. Cremation by Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

Local onions part of tasty sandwich

Idaho onions are known for their golden color, globe shape, remarkably mild flavor and crisp texture. These attributes combine to make Idaho onions some of the most versatile, best-tasting, and most popular onions in the world. Believe it or not, we're known for more than just our potatoes!



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The yellow onion has a very mild flavor, while the white is a bit zestier and is used in many Latin American dishes, such as a homemade *pico de gallo* salsa that is freshly made and eaten raw. The red onion adds a nice color or zest to any salad or entrée. Caramelized onions go great on steaks or even on grilled cheeses. Try this recipe simple recipe that utilizes not only the onion, but the apple, which grows nicely in our area as well.

University of Idaho Extension

Caramelized Red Onion and Apple Grilled Cheese

YIELD: 12 sandwiches

INGREDIENTS

Caramelized red onions:

- ¼ cup butter (2 ounces)
- 8 red onions, sliced (4 lbs.)
- 2 tsp. salt

Grilled cheese:

- 1½ cups butter, softened (12 ounces)
- 24 slices crusty bread, about 1-inch thick
- ¾ cup grainy mustard
- 6 apples, cored and thinly sliced (2¼ lbs.)
- 12 slices Idaho cheddar cheese (1½ lbs.)

METHOD

Caramelized red onions: Melt butter in a large, heavy-bottomed pan over medium low heat. Cook onions, stirring often, for 60 to 90 minutes or until golden brown. Season with salt. Cool completely.

One sandwich: Between two slices of bread, spread 1 tbsp. mustard, 3 ounces apple slices (about half an apple), 1 slice cheese and 1/4 cup (1½ ounces) caramelized onions. Butter outer bread slices. Cook sandwich over medium-low heat until golden brown on each side and cheese is melted. Cut in half before serving.

— Surine Greenway is the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Family and Consumer Sciences educator. For more information, you can reach the U of I Owyhee County Extension Office at (208) 896-4104 or owyhee@uidaho.edu. The office is located at 238 W. 8th Ave. W., in Marsing. Recipe source: Idaho-Eastern Oregon Onion Committee. Article source: <http://idahopreferred.com/products/onions/>



SEQUICENTENNIAL SAMPLINGS

Vol. 1, No. 7, Saturday, September 30, 1865

SOUTH BOISE AND OWYHEE. A correspondent of the Oregonian, writing from Boise City, September 28, has taken the trouble to make the following comparison between South Boise and Owyhee. We have noticed several attempts of the kind in the local papers. We know but comparatively little about South Boise, and only give the extract for what it's worth:

“There is a disposition in different parts of Idaho to undervalue other parts. As yet the Boise Basin has not developed sufficient quartz interests to enter the lists and compete with South Boise and Owyhee, but those two districts entertain a bit of jealousy at each other that is amusing to behold, and perfectly harmless, as each of these regions is at present being developed with great vigor. The same number of mills are working at each, and about the same number are in contemplation at each. South Boise and Owyhee, if present expectations are filled, will each have at least ten mills built and in operation by next Spring; but I am inclined to credit Owyhee in advance with the greatest amount of bullion, and I believe its ledges are the most valuable, for with the exception of the Atlanta Ledge, in yet a mining district I have saw nothing in the course of my extended tour, to promise as well as the mines upon Jordan Creek. Nor do I think, while the ledges at Rocky Bar are undeniably rich in gold, that any of their mills will have as good returns to show as the mill of Moore & Fogus, working Morning Star and Oro Fino rock. By these remarks I am not attempting to in any manner disparage the mines of South Boise, of which I have formed a most favorable opinion, but Owyhee is almost fabulously rich, and such ledges as the Morning Star, Oro Fino, Trook & Jennings, Home Ticket, and Whisky, claim a precedence for it over any mining region now known.”

NEW ROAD – Work on a new road between Ruby and Silver commenced yesterday. This road is being constructed at the instance of N. Y. & O. G. & S. M. Co., and is to extend from their mill around the Morning Star mill, on the east side of Jordan Creek. This road will prove beneficial to the community in general, and will be easier kept open during the winter than the road now in use. Mr. Peas is superintending this affair, and we should think he must have his hands pretty near full by this time, with mills, roads, etc.; but we know of no one in the country better adapted for “biz.”

✓ Stokes

From Page 6

A man close to nature, Ned spent many hours with his family camping, hiking and paddling in the rivers and lakes of Idaho. He loved astronomy and had a true artist's heart, expressing his creativity early in his life by studying architecture, carpentry and, later, gardening and landscape design. Evenings were spent researching family histories and indexing genealogical records.

Ned was preceded in death by his son Tracy, parents, 2 brothers and 1 sister. Ned is survived by his wife of 55 years, Gloria, 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

There was a tribute open to all family and friends Sunday, September 27, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in

a place where Ned expressed one of his many passions, his beautiful backyard (16937 Garnet Road, Wilder, ID).

Funeral services were held at the Homedale LDS Church (708 Hwy. 19, Homedale, Idaho) Monday, September 28 at 11:00 a.m. Greeting of the family began at 10:00 a.m. in the Relief Society Room. Burial followed at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing, Idaho. Services are under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Condolences may be left at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

Memorial donations can be made to the Homedale Public Library where Ned served after retirement as president of the Board for over 5 years.

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- 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
- After-school program**
3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2639
- Kid's Club**
4 p.m. to 5 p.m., open to all school-aged children, Crossroads Church, Idaho highway 19 and U.S. Highway 95, Wilder. (208) 789-3432
- Christian Life Club**
4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., kindergarten through sixth grade, Homedale Elementary School, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

Thursday

- Foot clinic**
9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., free, appointments necessary, Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4634
- 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
- Lizard Butte Library board meeting**
4 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
- Homedale Rod & Gun Club meeting**
7:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431

Friday

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

Saturday

- Octoberfest Fall Bazaar**
9 a.m. to 4 p.m., \$10 inside table, \$25 outside table, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430
- Free lunches**
Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
- Soda Fire appreciation day**
2 p.m., Sandbar Pavilion, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. sodafireappreciation@gmail.com
- Soda Fire ranchers benefit**
2 p.m., food, auction, street dance, Indian Creek Steakhouse, 711 Main St., Caldwell. (208) 989-9570 or (208) 866-4459

Monday

- Board of County Commissioners meeting**
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421
- Marsing-Homedale Cemetery board meeting**
2 p.m., Marsing-Homedale Cemetery office, Cemetery Road, Marsing.
- Adult book club**
7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. First monday of every month. (208) 896-4690

Tuesday

- Widows breakfast**
8 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Blood pressure clinic**
10 a.m., free, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- 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
- Senior center bridge**
1 p.m., Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430 Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Dance class**
1 p.m., free, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3254

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Caldwell event to help cattlemen

Organizers hope to raise \$20,000

Caldwell’s Indian Creek Steakhouse will host a benefit Saturday to raise funds for ranchers who lost property or valuable rangeland during the Soda Fire.

The fundraiser will begin at 2 p.m. in the steakhouse at 711 Main Street, Caldwell.

The event will involve door prizes, live and silent auctions, and a street dance.

Admission tickets are \$10, and can be purchased in advance at A&S Lumber at 328 Hwy. 95 in Homedale, Hap Tallman western wear at 4410 W. Overland Road in Boise, Knot Brand New at 201 N. 21st Ave., in Caldwell, Grizzly Motorsports at 4320 Cleveland Blvd., in Caldwell, or at the door.

Checks written for the event should be made out to the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Heritage Fund. Proceeds from the fundraiser will be given to that non-profit organization.

Dinner is separate from the \$10 fee, but steakhouse owner Dillon Wickel said all proceeds from menu items sold that night will also benefit the Heritage Fund. He added that people

might consider making dinner reservations for the evening.

Wickel says he can relate to being in need, like some of the ranchers are now.

“I guess we decided they needed some help, and so I got the ball rolling,” Wickel said.

He doesn’t personally know any of the ranchers affected by the Soda Fire, but Suzy Allen, who is helping organize the benefit, does. Her husband, Travis, is a mobile veterinarian in the Homedale area.

“He does most of his work in Owyhee County, and I’d say over half of the ranchers are clients, and some are my close friends,” Suzy Allen said.

A preview of the auction items will begin at 2 p.m. with the auction starting at 4 p.m. The silent auction will also begin at 4 p.m., and both auctions should end by 7 p.m. when the street dance begins.

The street dance is open to the public and will probably conclude by 10:30 p.m.

The biggest item in the live auction is a 2016 Polaris Ranger donated by Grizzly Motorsports.

“And then we have some art prints, some handmade wooden crosses, western art, a complete round-pen setup, half a beef cut and wrapped, a

Samsung Galaxy tablet, an 18-gallon livestock water trough, cattle supplements, and a horse feeder,” Allen said.

She did not know exactly which items might end up in the silent auction, but said the door prizes will include gift certificates from local businesses.

Allen expects the event to rack up a sizeable donation for the Heritage Fund.

“I’d like to get upwards towards \$20,000 or \$25,000, maybe more,” Allen said. “The reason that I have that number that high is because we have that 2016 Polaris Ranger.”

She thinks the ATV will bring in more than \$10,000 by itself.

Cowboy boots or jars will also be placed in the steakhouse during the fundraiser for people to drop off extra donations.

Allen said she doesn’t expect parking to be an issue during the event because there are many spots for cars along Main Street, and a few blocks away at the Treasure Valley Community College satellite branch.

If you have any questions or are interested in donating auction items, call Allen at (208) 989-9570, or Wickel at (208) 866-4459.

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Marsing potluck set to thank first-responders

A grateful community will have a chance to show its gratitude Saturday in Marsing.

The Soda Fire Appreciation Day runs from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Sandbar Riverhouse Pavilion on Sandbar Avenue.

The potluck meal is being organized to give ranchers and families affected by last month’s 280,000-acre Soda Fire an opportunity to say thank you to first-responders, emergency crews, volunteers and others that helped out.

Sunny Slope resident Gloria Watson is helping coordinate the event.

Her friend Paula Aevermann posted the potluck idea on Facebook because the fire threatened her brother Lonnie Aevermann’s house off Jump Creek Road. Paula’s nephew, Tim Miller, owns a home towards Wilson Creek, which also nearly burned down.

“I immediately knew that I would definitely help because I’ve known them forever,” Watson said.

Paula Aevermann, Linda Malmberg and Melody Aevermann are helping her coordinate the event.

She added that they pushed the date back several times.

“We knew so many of the ranchers were involved with the (Bruneau Round-Up) rodeo and the

Rope and Ride in Jordan Valley, so we kept giving them advantage so they could go to those,” Watson said.

She wants to emphasize that they don’t want those who helped during the fire to bring anything to the potluck.

Organizers are hoping about 100 people will show up with hot dishes to share with an equal number of emergency workers or volunteers.

Dessert, water, utensils and some picnic tables will be provided.

Watson knows many of the first-responders, emergency crews and volunteers who worked the fire. She is also familiar with some of the ranchers affected by the blaze from when she was involved with Owyhee County 4-H with her children in the 1990s.

Watson added that she and her late husband Terry did business with some of the ranchers. The couple owned the Terra-Hug spray company, and was hired to control weeds, spray pesticides and insecticides, and apply fertilizer at agricultural operations around Owyhee County. The business folded in 2002.

To RSVP for the potluck or for info, email sodafireappreciation@gmail.com.

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✓ Reseeding: Ranchers receive surveys to gauge loss; donations continue

“They’re going to bring a truck to the Extension Office in Marsing. We’re the most central location there is,” Jensen said. “Those that are getting it will come in and pick up whatever has been allocated to them.”

He’s also pleased that a couple of the ATV clubs in the Treasure Valley have offered to come out and help broadcast seed.

“We’re going to provide their contact information when guys come pick up seed here, and they can work out the details individually,” Jensen said.

In late October or early November, Jensen hopes to put together a day when youth groups such as FFA or 4-H clubs can go out and help plant seeds or shrubs in the burned areas.

Other private landowners could receive assistance from the Owyhee Watershed Council

(OWC) based in Adrian, Ore.

OWC coordinator Nicole Sullivan said she is still working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to secure funding to reseed rangeland. Almost \$130,000 is available.

Meanwhile, money continues to come in for ranchers who lost property or valuable rangeland to the Soda Fire.

Organizers of a Saturday event at the Indian Creek Steakhouse in Caldwell hope to rack up \$20,000. Including the money that was raised at a recent spaghetti feed in Marsing, Jensen said between \$60,000 and \$65,000 has been donated for the ranchers in the form of contributions to the non-profit Owyhee Cattlemen’s Heritage Fund (OCHF).

He added that two contributors really stand out.

“D&B Supply and Agri Beef.

D&B, the fire was barely out, and they had a check cut. That was \$10,000, and that’s the same amount that Agri Beef donated,” Jensen said.

No cash from the OCHF has been distributed yet.

“I’m not positive how exactly that’s going to go out,” Jensen said. “We have a committee that’s going to make those decisions, but I don’t know whether it’s going to go out in the form of cash versus that money being used to purchase hay or supplies.”

The biggest challenge he has encountered so far is finding out which ranchers have a specific need. Jensen created a producer information sheet that he tried to get to all the affected ranchers.

“It was asking things like: How many AUMs (Animal Unit Months) of grazing did you lose? How much hay did you lose?

Was it insured or not? How many cattle did you lose? Were they insured or not?” Jensen said. “So far we’ve only got about 10 of those back.”

Extension Office staff members sent out about 26 of those information sheets.

The lack of response doesn’t surprise Jensen, though.

“Probably the vast majority of Owyhee County ranchers are just pretty independent,” he said.

Jensen did not have any updated information on how many head of cattle were lost to the fire.

Most of the ranchers he’s talked to have their immediate needs covered, but some are feeding hay that they intended to use this winter.

Jensen has supplied hay to a couple of producers already without a formal request.

He thinks about 400 tons of hay has been donated so far. Some of the donors are keeping it on their property until the Extension Office knows where it needs to go.

Jensen said the hay that has been delivered came by semi-truckloads of one or two by each donor, and the accumulated hay is being stored at McIntyre Farms outside of Caldwell near Marsing.

Jensen also said the Extension Office is still the best resource for ranchers who need help. He can be contacted by email, scottj@uidaho.edu. The office’s general information phone number is (208) 896-4104.

Pledges to the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Heritage Fund can be made at any US Bank branch, or you can visit www.owyheecattlemen.org for more information.

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Moxie Java Bistro owner Lori Badiola, second from right, accepts the Southwest District Health Food Merit Award along with her daughter-in-law, Florentina, who is holding Lori's grandson Liam. Darvis Opp of SWDH, left, and Owyhee County District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi made the presentation. Southwest District Health photo

Homedale eatery saluted for food safety practices

Local Moxie Java nominated for same award last year

Homedale's Moxie Java Bistro is Owyhee County's Food Merit Award winner for calendar year 2014. Southwest District Health handed out awards in several counties last week.

Moxie Java Bistro was chosen from 77 licensed food establishments operating in Owyhee County. Grand View's Black Sands Resort and Homedale's Subway were also nominated.

This is the second year that Moxie Java, which is owned by Lori and Ben Badiola, has been nominated for the Food Merit Award.

"We've always been in good standing. We've always had the highest marks in everything," Lori Badiola said.

She added that they have a lot of pride in the business, and she likes to have a nice place to eat that's clean.

All of her employees go through the "ServSafe" food-handling course administered by Southwest District Health.

Badiola pointed out that the class also taught her proper sanitation and food safety procedures.

"That's where it teaches everything about all the temperatures, and sanitation, and all different things," Badiola said.

She also conducts monthly staff meetings, which are used in part, to remind employees of proper cleaning and cooking practices.

"Because (Southwest District Health inspectors) come in randomly, they're sporadic so we have to make sure they're checking all the temperatures in the coolers, and that the temperature on all our stuff is held at the right temperature," Badiola said. "Because when they come in, they check everything."

The merit award involves two inspections, about four months apart, with two different teams from Southwest District Health.

Lori and her husband were born and raised in Homedale.

"We were always looking for ways to bring more business to Homedale," Lori said.

They purchased 20 acres near the intersection of U.S. Highway 95 and Industrial Road in 2003 and built Owyhee Realty in 2006. The couple then had a vacant additional building space.

"We didn't really know what we were going to put into that business, and after tossing around some ideas, that's when we came up with the Moxie Java Bistro franchise," Badiola said.

The couple opened the coffee shop in 2007. The bar now called the Tango Saloon behind it and Badiola Arena were added later.

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Wild horses arrive



Simplot facility in Bruneau receives BLM animals

Shipments of wild horses managed by the Bureau of Land Management began Sept. 22 to the Simplot confined animal feeding operation near Bruneau. Photo courtesy BLM



Homedale High School drum major Emma McMichael leads the band with the high school color guard in the background at the final Homedale Farmers Market of the season last Thursday.

Homedale Farmers Market concludes for the season

The final Homedale Farmers Market of the summer was held Thursday in Bette Uda City Park.

Market president Denise Dixon said she will have final revenue and attendance numbers for the season in a few weeks.

The Farmers Market also awarded to grants:

- \$350 will be used to purchase T-shirts to reward Homedale

Elementary School students who meet Accelerated Reading goals. Elementary librarian Carol McMichael requested the grant to encourage children to read.

- \$150 was awarded to the Homedale High School color guard to purchase new flags for competitions. Dixon said Cheri Holloway requested the grant.

Revenue from this summer's market, including vending fees,

was used to fund the grants.

The Homedale Farmers Market will now move indoors for a few events.

Dixon will hold fall and holiday markets in the old Homedale High School gym from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Oct. 17 and Oct. 24, Nov. 14 and Nov. 21, and Dec. 5 and 12.

If you are interested in setting up a booth at any of those markets, contact Dixon at (208) 840-0440, or email ddixon222@msn.com.

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Homedale Senior Center a hub of activity in October

The Homedale Senior Center will be full of activity in October.

On Tuesday, the center will host a Widows Breakfast at 8 a.m. The first of two free blood pressure clinics also will be held.

The center is located at 224 W. Idaho Ave. Call 337-3020 for more information.

On Saturday, Oct. 10, the monthly dance will be held. People of all ages are invited to the event, which features live music and runs from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The cost is \$4 at the door, and folks are asked to bring finger foods to share.

The center's luncheon on Tuesday, Oct. 13 will include a visit from Christina Strough, who will discuss new Medicare laws. The lunch begins at noon,

and there is a \$4 charge. After her short talk, Strough will answer questions about Medicare.

The senior center board of directors is scheduled to meet at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

The senior center's monthly fundraiser all-you-can-eat breakfast will be held from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17. The cost is \$6 per plate or \$3 for children younger than 8.

The senior center's monthly foot clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 20. Appointments are necessary, and the cost is \$12. A free blood pressure clinic also will be offered. Call the senior center to set up a foot examination.

The Ladies Coffee Group continues to meet at the center at 9 a.m. each Wednesday.



Senior center volunteer and member Bob Hulse pours a cup of coffee for a diner during Saturday's fundraiser breakfast.

Sheriff's office to hunters: Keep people informed of trip

The fall hunting season is barely under way, but the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office is asking hunters to do their part to reduce a frequent problem this time of year.

Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said OCSO has already received at least one report of hunters who did not return home when they were expected to.

The report issued on Sunday was cancelled when the hunting party arrived back home one day later than when they said they would.

Bowman said dispatchers receive an average of almost two dozen calls about missing hunters every season.

Most of the calls do not involve people from Owyhee County, but rather other areas of Idaho and frequently from out of state.

He also said the vast majority of the calls are cancelled quickly after the hunters either return or make contact with relatives.

Bowman said hunters need to remember to tell others what their trip will entail. He

also said they should leave behind detailed information about exactly where they'll set up camp, and how far they intend to walk away from it while hunting.

"The more information they leave with family members on where they're going to be out, the easier it is for us to locate them, because the county's so big," Bowman said.

"If they have GPS coordinates, that's a big one because we'll know right where their camp is at."

The critical information search and

rescue teams rely on includes:

- Descriptions of the vehicles or campers going on the hunt.
- The clothing individuals might be wearing.
- The color of any tents that might be set up at the hunting base.

Bowman added that time is of the essence in these situations.

"The quicker that family members notify us that somebody is overdue, the better," Bowman said.

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Classics in the park draw car buffs
Above: Assembly of God church officials parked nearly 60 classic cars, tractors and motorcycles for Saturday’s show and shine and chili feed. *Right:* A group of Homedale volunteer firefighters were drawn to Debbie Livesay’s red Ford pickup.

“Wreck” part of COSSA symposium

Emergency vehicles will speed to the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency campus in Wilder this morning, but officials say folks shouldn’t be alarmed.

Lights will flash and sirens will blare to simulate the response to a mock car accident that is part of the school’s second annual Teens and Risky Behavior Symposium.

The symposium runs from 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today at the campus at 109 Penny Lane and features several presentations demonstrating how bad decisions can affect the lives of a young person and his or her friends.

COSSAAcademy and COSSA’s professional-technical students as well Marsing High School and Nampa will attend.

The mock accident is part of the Every 15 Minutes presentation.

Adult night classes slated

The fall session of night classes at Wilder’s Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency are now under way.

Some classes have started at COSSA, but registration for computer classes, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and first aid, and welding classes is still open.

Turbokick fitness classes are held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday through Dec. 15.

Zumba fitness classes are held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday through Dec. 17.

Admission is \$5 per class, or people can buy five classes and get the sixth class for free.

Computer classes begin on Monday with a two-day basic skills course. The \$40 class will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday and next Wednesday.

Other classes include:

- Microsoft Word — 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays between Oct. 12 and Oct. 21. Fee: \$80
- Microsoft Excel — 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays between Oct. 26 and Nov. 4. Free: \$80

A CPR and first aid class will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24. It costs \$60.

The fall Welding 1 class at COSSA will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday from Oct. 13 to Oct. 29. The course fee is \$200.

If you have questions or would like to sign up, contact Kristie Dorsey at (208) 482-6074, ext. 249 or dorseyk@cossaschools.org.

COSSA will offer other adult classes on several topics at a later date.

Prescribed burns begin in Owyhee County

One of the prescribed burns the Bureau of Land Management has scheduled for early fall was ignited Monday near Reynolds Creek.

The BLM will conduct three prescribed burns in Owyhee County in the coming weeks. Monday’s burn was part of a University of Idaho grazing and wildfire study.

The burns, which are part of grazing and juniper studies as well as a tool to improve rangeland health, are not inside the footprint of the 430-square-mile Soda Fire. They’ll take place as long as conditions are favorable, BLM Boise District assistant fire management officer for fuels Lance Okeson said.

“Our top priority is always safety,” Okeson said. “We have a checklist of factors that must be met before we proceed. If we can’t meet all of the requirements, we postpone a burn.”

Multiple agency resources will be on scene to ensure fire perimeters are secure and reduce the risk of escape.

Partners include the State of Idaho and private landowners who have collaborated over many years on projects. The objective of each prescribed burn varies, from researching hydrological response of watersheds following prescribed burning to controlling juniper and improving rangeland health.

The burns include:

University of Idaho grazing/wildfire study — In a 21-acre study area located near Reynolds Creek approximately 50 miles south of Marsing, U of I researchers will examine the effectiveness of applying fine fuel management techniques to various grazing scenarios in sagebrush-steppe ecosystems and the impact that grazing has on fire behavior and fire effects. Data on fire behavior, vegetation composition and fuel loads will be recorded before and after the burns this fall.

South Mountain hydrology study — This 87-acre area is located about 20 miles south of Jordan Valley, Ore., and four miles northeast of Cliffs.

The first of five units will be burned for a U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service (ARS) study on the effects of juniper removal on snow accumulation, snowmelt, and snowdrift, stream flow and sedimentation and vegetation recovery at the landscape scale. The BLM will use a periodic, landscape-scale juniper treatment that mimics natural processes to create research conditions.

Pole Creek prescribed fire project — The purpose of this prescribed fire 36 miles south of Jordan Valley in southwest Owyhee County is to manage juniper and to improve rangeland health. A total of 3,500 acres will be burned.

GV library group sells calendars, cookbooks

A new fundraiser is on the horizon for the Friends of the Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View.

The group continues to sell its “Fabulous Food for Friends” cookbooks, and now will begin taking orders for the 2016 community calendar.

The cookbook, which costs \$9, contains 280 recipes.

The community calendars are \$6 each, and folks can add birthdays, anniversaries or memorial names to be printed in the calendar for 25 cents each.

Cookbooks and calendars can be ordered at the library, 520 Boi-

se Ave., or through any Friends of the Library member.

The Friends of the Library elected new officers, and members paid their \$5 dues for the upcoming fiscal year during a Sept. 15 meeting at the library.

Sandi Riley is the Friends group’s president, and Harva Driskell will serve as vice-president. Secretary Ellen Jess and treasurer Opal Ward are in the midst of their terms.

Members agreed to buy four folding tables for use in the library or the adjacent meeting room.

Anyone can become a member of the Friends of the Library even

folks from outside Grand View or people who don’t use the library.

The Friends of the Library group holds meetings at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the library.

The Friends organized in September 2014. Since then, members have sold the 2015 community calendar and organized a Scholastic Book Fair. The group also has raffled a quilt and collected recipes to print the cookbook. The group also paid for prizes in the library’s summer reading program.

The Friends of the Library also has established a scholarship for any high school senior in

the Bruneau-Grand View School District. There are a pair of \$400 scholarships available this year, and any senior whether he or she is homeschooled, attends online school or a public school is eligible to apply.

Friends of the Library membership dues is \$5 per person and \$20 for a family, and Ward said teenagers are welcome to become members as well.

“We are very small right now but would really like to see this organization grow,” Ward said.

For information on the Friends of the Library, call Kathy Chick at (208) 832-1949 or any officer.

Bazaar set Saturday in Grand View

The Rimrock Senior Center’s fall bazaar takes place Saturday, and there are still spots for vendors.

The Octoberfest Fall Bazaar will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the senior center, 525 Main St., and at the adjacent park.

Vendors who want to sell inside will pay \$10 per

table. It’ll cost \$25 for vendor space in the park.

Call (208) 968-5430 for more information.

The bazaar also will feature a lunch of chicken noodle soup, salad, roll and a cookie.

The senior center, which is also billed as the town’s community center, is open for lunch on Tuesday and Thursday each week.

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MHS Homecoming nears

Marsing High School’s Homecoming runs Monday through Saturday, Oct. 10

MHS English Language Arts teacher Lennie Freeman said this year’s Homecoming theme is “Movie Musicals.”

Classes, clubs and organizations may begin decorating floats on Friday. Float building may continue through next Wednesday.

School hall decorating will be held 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Scheduled events include:

Monday — Dress-up: Camouflage Day

Tuesday — Dress-up: Tacky Tourist Day

- Students may pick up paper for gym signs from Ms. Freeman by noon.
- Royalty nominees will be introduced at the home volleyball match against Cole Valley Christian. Royalty includes the king and queen (seniors), the prince and princess (juniors), and the duke and duchess (sophomores/freshmen)
- King nominees — Connor Rhodes, Brett Grossman, Rodrigo Acuña, Brady Bowers and Alexandre Heidt
- Queen nominees — Samantha Floyd, Alicia Barkell, Jordan Goins, Holly Hobbs and Gaia Cascapera
- Prince nominees — Sam Galigan, Clay King and Karl Isert
- Princess nominees — Giorgia Comin, Avery Villa and Tiffany

Beagley

- Duke nominees — Landon Villa (freshman), Jaden Kinney (sophomore)
- Duchess nominees — Ashley Loucks (freshman), Lizeth Aguirre (sophomore)
- An evening bonfire celebration will be held behind the high school gym on Main Street after the volleyball match. The school’s cheerleaders and band will be there, and the entire community is invited.

Next Wednesday — Dress-up: Zombie Day

- Spirit competitions for hall decoration, gym signs, dress-up days, spirit log hunt, and parade floats
- Class athletic competitions — freshmen and seniors versus sophomores and juniors
- Boys’ volleyball game at 6:30 p.m. in the middle school gym, and girls’ powderpuff game immediately afterward on the football field
- All-class tug-of-war after the powderpuff game

Thursday, Oct. 8 — Dress-up: Blue and Gold Day

- Homecoming parade, 2 p.m.
- Pep assembly in Husky Stadium

Friday, Oct. 9

- Homecoming football game vs. Melba, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 10

- Formal Homecoming dance from 8 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Three Creek School adopts mascot

The new year is under way at Three Creek School, and the students now have a mascot and school colors.

The school welcomed 11 students ranging from kindergarteners to sixth-graders during a Sept. 8 open house and registration.

Teacher Dena Pollock reports that students mulled over a list of suggestions provided during last spring’s all-class reunion and chose the Mighty Mustangs as the school mascot. The grade school’s colors will be black and blue.

The first day of school featured crafts and games. The students made pinwheel pencil decorations and used a hair dryer to make ping-pong balls float.

Pollock said a fresh green salad was made for lunch from produce harvested from the school’s garden, and the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) provided a beef roast and rolls.

The Three Creek School early-year curriculum has included collecting praying mantis and studying the insect and its unhatched eggs through a microscope.

Students also are working to improve their writing skills.

“We are using a new writing curriculum to help us with that,” Pollock wrote in her latest newsletter.

The second-graders have begun learning cursive writing after the class completed Unit 1 of the

curriculum, which was manuscript writing.

First-month activities have included a Star Party at the Murphy Hot Springs air strip on Sept. 18. David Olsen of the Magic Valley Astronomical Society guided the party that viewed several constellations.

The PTO continues its Box Tops and Labels for Education campaign. The next turn-in date is Nov. 1, and the object is to obtain books for the school library.

School trustees approved the repair of a broke window, and some plumbing problems were fixed, Pollock said.

The Ranch Kids club met on Sept. 10, and the local 4-H club won ribbons at the county fair.

Marsing schools to host parental workshop

On Friday, parents of Marsing School District students can get tips on how to help their children become more motivated to learn.

The Growth Mindset workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., in the MSD cafeteria.

Parents can drop in anytime during the day. Childcare will be provided for children ages 2-12. Free lunch will be provided at 11:30 a.m. for parents and family members of Marsing students.

A MSD press release says the new Growth Mindset Initiative is based on the idea that students who believe their intelligence can grow with effort and practice — like a muscle — do better in school and life.

According to the release, students with a growth mindset understand that they have control over their own success. They’re motivated to work hard, put more effort into their schoolwork, and are more resilient in the face of obstacles.

Students who believe intelligence is set at birth — like eye color — have what is called a fixed mindset. The release said those students tend to do worse academically because they give up when challenged and think that having to work hard means you don’t “have what it takes.”

Northwest Nazarene University’s Doceo Center staff will conduct Friday’s workshop. The center’s mission statement says

staff members strive to inspire personalized learning through innovative educational practices.

For more information on the workshop, call the school district at (208) 896-4111, option 1.

The NNU instruction is based on the free, evidence-based tools and resources developed by Stanford University’s PERTS (Project for Education Research That Scales) research center.

PERTS has created the Mindset Kit at www.mindsetkit.org with free resources for teachers and parents. The MSD press release said work by PERTS has been featured in Education Week, The Wall Street Journal, and New York Times Magazine.

St. Vincent’s International Dinner scheduled

Food from around the world will be featured at this year’s International Dinner fundraiser for the St. Vincent de Paul Society of Caldwell.

The dinner will be held

from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Our Lady of the Valley Parish Hall, 1122 W. Linden St., in Caldwell.

The cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and younger.

Proceeds will benefit community members in need.

For more information on the dinner, contact MJ Stuart at maryjo1229@gmail.com or (360) 348-1455.

Husky PRIDE award

Jose Ponce, junior

Parents: Adan and Dora Ponce

Teacher’s nomination: “As a student in my class last year, and an aide for me this year, Jose has definitely exemplified PRIDE. Where most students have a ‘bad’ day, or let the chaos and rigors of athletics and academics bring out the worst in them, Jose is unwavering in his positive outlook.

“I know that when asked to complete a task, Jose will do so with a sense of determination and responsibility that few other students have. He wants to be great, and his work ethic, talent, and positive attitude allow him to be. In addition, his integrity is not a facade to impress teachers and staff; it is truly genuine. He will do what is right without the need for positive reinforcement because he knows it is the correct thing to do. To me, that is the real definition of integrity. Jose Ponce is a true and shining example of PRIDE at Marsing High.”



The Husky PRIDE award is selected by Marsing High School staff and submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche for a weekly feature. PRIDE stands for “Positive, Responsible, Integrity, Determination, Everyone/ Everywhere,” according to principal Tim Little.

— Ed.

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Homedale's unbeaten 1956 team honored

Members of Homedale High School's unbeaten 1956 football team and that year's cheerleaders were honored at halftime of Friday's game at Deward Bell Stadium. Former players on hand at the field named in honor of their coach were, from left, Rufus "Junior" Uranga, Keith Stansell, Nolan Taggart, Don "PeeWee" Tveidt, Dwaine Hibbs, Bill Carson, Pat Thompson, Vern Kershner, John Lane and Dave Kushlan. For more on the team, see **Page 17**. Photo by Teresa Ryska.

HHS takes little time to wallop Weiser

Trojans run
63 plays in
just over nine
minutes

Playing before one of the first legendary football teams in Homedale High School history, the current Trojans were nearly perfect against Weiser.

Homedale's defense pitched a shutout until there were about five minutes left in Friday's 48-3 dismantling of the Wolverines in the 3A Snake River Valley conference opener for both teams.

Even though the team only had the ball for 9½ minutes, the Trojans' offense chewed up the Wolverines at Deward Bell Stadium for 631 yards one week before Homedale heads into the teeth of its schedule with back-to-back road games against fellow unbeaten Fruitland and Emmett.

Homedale (4-0 overall, 1-0 in conference) played before members of the 1956 HHS football team Friday in the stadium that bears the name of the man who led those former Trojans to a 9-0 record and a league championship.

Friday's incarnation of the Homedale machine got its yardage in a new-fangled way — through the air.

Senior quarterback Lawsen Matteson missed only five of 31 passes and for 400 yards and five touchdowns.

The Trojans had to punt twice in its first four possessions, but still owned a 14-0 lead after the first 12 minutes.

Matteson and his receivers



Homedale defenders John Collett, center, and Jacob Furlott close in on Weiser receiver Alberto Sanchez during Friday's dominating victory.

got in sync in the second quarter to ignite a stretch during which the Trojans scored touchdowns on five consecutive possessions to establish a 48-0 stranglehold on Weiser.

Four of Matteson's touchdown passes went to the Carter twins. Garrett hauled in a 74-yard scoring play during Homedale's aerial flurry in the second quarter.

Connor caught TD passes of 10, 35 and five yards en route to a career-high 195 yards receiving. Garrett finished with 79 yards on two catches.

Connor's second TD came one play after fellow senior John Collett had his 35-yard TD catch and run called back because of an illegal block.

Collett cracked the century mark, too, hauling in five passes for 102 yards.

With injured senior tailback Josh Tolmie sidelined, the Trojans leaned heavily on the passing game. Junior Jacob Furlott still flirted with a ground gem, though. He finished with 97 yards and touchdown runs of one and 20 yards. Connor Carter also ripped off a 37-yard run

out of his own end zone for his only carry.

Carter's run after Weiser downed a punt on the HHS 1-yard line kicked off a seven-play, 99-yard march that culminated with Furlott's 20-yard scamper to pay dirt.

Homedale also scored on drives of 91, 81, 79 and 56 yards, but the Trojans had no possession longer than eight plays.

Collett led the Trojans' ferocious defense with 11 tackles, including six solo stops and a

— See **HHS**, page 3B

Antelopes' streak reaches 15 wins

The Adrian High School football team hit the road and snagged its 15th consecutive victory.

The reigning 1A Oregon state champions outgunned host Crane, 50-34, in the 1A High Desert League season opener for both teams.

Coach Paul Shenk's squad (3-0 overall, 1-0 in league) plays host to Harper/Huntington at 7 p.m. on Friday at Ward Field.

Adrian's volleyball team dropped its league opener in three sets to Crane on Friday.

Coach sees Huskies' confidence growing

Marsing opens
conference with
narrow loss

Spirits were a little higher Friday in the midst of Marsing High School's 12th consecutive football loss.

"I was pleased with the progress that we made," coach Norm Stewart said. "Obviously, you're always disappointed with a loss, but I was happy with what we've seen from the kids as far as improvement."

Cole Valley Christian never trailed in a 14-6 home victory in the 2A Western Idaho Conference opener for both teams.

"Our kids seemed to perform better in this game, and we definitely had a better performance on defense as well," Stewart said.

The Huskies (0-4 overall, 0-1 in conference) came up short in their attempt to tie the game with an extra-point run after Adam Marcial's 7-yard scoring run with 1 minute, 44 seconds left in the first half.

Quarterback Brett Grossman was stopped short of the goal line on his conversion attempt.

"It was real close on the extra point," Stewart said.

Only a couple days removed

— See **Huskies**, page 5B

Sports

Prestigious Firman primes locals for Homedale Invite

Three finish in top 100 of their respective races

Homedale High School tuned up for its own cross country event at the massive Bob Firman Invitational on Saturday.

Sophomore Lainey Johnson ran her second consecutive sub-24-minute race in the Div. II girls' 5-kilometer race at Eagle Island State Park for the best finish among local runners.

Johnson finished 75th in 23 minutes, 43.09 seconds.

The Trojans play host to the Homedale Invitational at River Bend Golf Course outside Wilder next Wednesday.

Every team scheduled to compete in HHS' home meet next week — Marsing, Weiser, Emmett, Mountain View and Nampa — showed up for the Firman, too, but the larger schools ran in a different division. Schools were seeded in different races according to their enrollment.

Johnson's Firman performance helped the Trojans to an 18th-place finish among 24 teams that had enough athletes to qualify for the team championship.

There were 164 athletes in the Div. II girls' race. Other Homedale finishers included:

Homedale sophomore Kendall Nash finished in 25:04.94 (105th), and the Trojans' other girls' runners were bunched together between 114th and 116th.

Sophomore Hannah Egusquiza

ran in 25:28.39, followed by seniors Lexie Doss (25:29.36) and Maya Correa (25:30.86).

The top finisher for the HHS boys was senior Nash Johnson, whose season-fastest 19:20.28 put him 105th in a field of 165 athletes.

The Trojans were 25th out of 31 teams with the following other placers:

- Anthony Beckman, so., 146th in a personal-best 20:12.53, which was nearly 10 seconds faster than his previous career best set on Sept. 17 at the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet in Fruitland.

- Alex Beckman, jr., 151st in 20:17.73, his fastest time of the season

- Ryan Randall, jr., 154th in 20:19.95, the fourth-fastest time of his three-year prep career

- Pete Vasquez, jr., 162nd in a personal-best 20:27.14. Vasquez shaved nearly 45 seconds off his previous fast time.

Marsing sophomore Landry Villa dipped below the 19½-minute mark to finish 107th in the boys' race. His third consecutive sub-20-minute run was less than five seconds off his personal best.

Another Huskies sophomore, Matthew Lee, turned in the best race of his career with a 20:22.53 time that put in 158th.

On the girls' side, freshman Sefora Arriaga finished 84th in the 123-runner freshman girls' race, running a career-fast 26:45.06. Teammate Tilde Vidman, a senior, finished in 29:26.78.



Above: Homedale runners Alex Beckman, center, and Ryan Randall, right, run in a pack with Parma athletes during Saturday's Bob Firman Invitational. Left: Marsing's Landry Villa leads Homedale's Nash Johnson. Johnson made up ground to edge Villa by less than two seconds. Photos by Machele Randall

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Athlete of the Week
John Collett, sr., football
The Play — Collett stayed busy Friday with the first 100-yard receiving game of his career and a team-high 11 tackles in the Trojans' 48-3 thumping of Weiser at Deward Bell Stadium. Collett caught five passes for 106 yards, including a 54-yard touchdown, and had a sack and three tackles for loss. He also did his part on special teams, averaging 37 yards on a pair of punts and returning a kickoff 16 yards.

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Varsity
Friday, Oct. 2 at Fruitland, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 1, home vs. Fruitland, 6:30 p.m.

Cross country
Thursday, Oct. 1 at Gary Ward Invitational, Lakeview Park, Nampa, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 7, home for Homedale Invite, River Bend Golf Course, Wilder, 4:30 p.m.

Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Oct. 1 at Fruitland, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Parma, 6:30 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 1 at Fruitland, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Parma, 5:30 p.m.

Frosh-soph
Thursday, Oct. 1 at Fruitland, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Parma, 4:30 p.m.

Go Trojans!

Sports



Jena Bubak won the steer stopping title. For more photos, see Page 6B. Photo by Diana Fillmore

Owyhee Rope & Ride

Saturday and Sunday in Jordan Valley

Ranch rodeo — 1. Mackenzie Ranch (Jerad McFarlane, Sammy Mackenzie, Randy Carson, Josh Mackenzie), gun scabbards by Ken’s Tent & Canvas; 2. TL Ranch (Jason Eiguren, Ira Walker, John Schutte, RC Crutcher); 3. T J Special (Shaun Lequerica, Teo Maestrejuan, Richard Eiguren Jr., Marlow Eldridge). **Women’s steer stopping** — 1. Jena Bubak; 2. Katie Jo McFarlane; 3. Marcia Eiguren. **Mixed team roping** — 1. Marlow Eldridge and Jaylen Eldridge; 2. Dirk Jim and Jaylen Eldridge; 3. Marcia Eiguren and Marlow Eldridge; 4. Marcia Eiguren and Jason Eiguren. **Fast time** — 1. Dirk Jim and Jaylen Eldridge. **Last chance roping** — 1. Sam Mackenzie and Jason Eiguren; 2. John Schutte and RC Crutcher; 3. Nathan Easterday and Tom J. Nelson; 4. Woody Harney and Nathan Kelly Jr; 5. Sam Mackenzie and Teo Maestrejuan. **Fast times** — First round: Dusty Easterday and Randy Carson; Second round: Ed Olson and Doug Rutan. **Ranch style bronc riding** — 1. Thomas Oldham; 2. Jackson Murphy; 3. Brady Haigh; 4. J.R. Harney; 5. (tie) Cody Miller and Kent Batton. **Raffle winners** — Don Barnhill, four-wheeler; Dennis Stanford, range teepee made and donated by Ken’s Tent & Canvas

Trojans get first SRV win

Gardenia Machuca and Liset Llamas served six aces each Thursday as Homedale High School broke through for its first conference victory. Machuca and Llamas dominated at the net, too, during the Trojans’ 25-6, 25-16, 25-20 3A Snake River Valley conference sweep of host Payette. Llamas fired home 12 kills and dug seven balls, while Machuca had eight kills and eight digs. Ashley Burks chipped in nine kills and two blocks for Homedale (4-4 overall, 1-3 in conference). Madi Fisher led the team with 15 assists, and Sydnee Shanley chimed in with 12. **Sept. 22: Weiser 3, Homedale 2** — Fisher doled out 37 assists, and Diana Contreras had 29 digs, but the hosts faded after winning the first two sets and lost, 23-25, 27-29, 25-16, 25-22, 15-10. Amaya Carter, a 5-foot, 8-inch freshman, ripped 11 kills and put down a block. Machuca had 13 kills and five blocks to go with 12 digs.



Liset Llamas makes a block during Homedale High School’s marathon 3A Snake River Valley conference match Sept. 22 at home against Weiser.



The undefeated team

Front row, from left: Richard York, Pat Thompson, Keith Stansell, Aaron Bright, Howard Brooks, John Lane, Ted Neef, Dave Kushlan, Roger Myers, Karl Reynolds, and assistant coach Ted Shannon.
Second row, from left: Head coach Deward Bell, James Flemming, Jack Aberasturi, Don Tviedt, Bill Carson, Chuck Dunn, Victor Landa, Junior Uranga, Johnny Uranga, and Nolan Taggart.
Third row, from left: Johnny Patterson, David Salisbury, Leon Dowty, Pat Parker, Vern Kershner, Fred Brinkerhoff, David Townsend, Don Kushlan, Jim Purdom, Dennis Brandon, Harvey Neef, Lanny Leslie, Bruce Bergeson and Dwaine Pickrel.
Cheer squad (not pictured) included: Charlene (Markley) Uranga, Charolette (Dunn) Tuttle and Betty (York) Allen
Photo and caption from Nov. 8, 1956 edition of The Owyhee Chronicle

✓ HHS: Lightning-fast Trojans roll in SRV opener

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quarterback sack.

Collett and the rest of the Trojans’ defense had plenty of time to get used to Weiser’s offense. With Homedale’s hurry-up gameplan clicking along, the Wolverines’ offensive players were on

the field nearly 39 minutes yet ran just 11 fewer plays than the Trojans. Those plays didn’t get the Wolverines very far down the field, though. Homedale limited its opponents to 152 yards total offense and just 10 first downs, four of which were achieved on

third or fourth down. Punts ended Weiser’s first eight possessions, and the team’s longest drive of the night (13 plays, 50 yards) ended with Alberto Sanchez’s 32-yard field goal with about five minutes left in the game.

1956 Trojans

Overall record — 9-0
SRV B champions — 7-0

Sept. 7	Homedale 47, Melba 20
Sept. 15	Homedale 51, Middleton 0
Sept. 28	Homedale 14, New Plymouth 7
Oct. 5	Homedale 21, Marsing 0
Oct. 12	Homedale 20, Kuna 0
Oct. 19	Homedale 13, Fruitland 6
Oct. 26	Homedale 12, Notus 2
Nov. 2	Homedale 31, Adrian 6
Nov. 9	Homedale 40, Wilder 6
Coach — Deward Bell, second year	
Assistant — Ted Shannon	

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

October 3, 1990

Owyhee County paid \$342,000

Owyhee County will receive \$342,000 this year from the federal Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program, according to Idaho Sens. Jim McClure and Steve Symms.

The funds are to help offset the loss of revenues resulting from the large amount of federally-owned tax-exempt land within the counties.

“When the federal government owns nearly two-thirds of the land in Idaho, local governments and taxing districts start off at a tremendous disadvantage,” McClure and Symms announced. “This program gives the counties in Western states the compensation they deserve as a result of federal ownership.”

Idaho’s 44 counties are slated to receive \$7,398,186 in PILT funds in 1990. Elmore County will receive the largest payment, \$591,697, followed by Cassia, Twin Falls, Idaho, Blaine, Bonneville and Owyhee Counties. Idaho’s share is the sixth-largest in the nation, according to Manuel Lujan, U.S. Secretary of the Interior.

Horse medalists named

Sixteen Owyhee County riders have been named gold medal winners in the 1990 4-H Horse Project Evaluation program, according to the county Extension office.

The gold medalists include, by their riding clubs: Sammee Cook, Lynda Chambers and Gina Alexander, Dust Devils; Will Aquiso, Marty Black, Christy Hall and Frank May, Bruneau Sage Riders; Kathy Thomas, Little Valley Mustangs; Teresa Mikelson, Sam Sibert and Alayna Malmberg, Owyhee Silver Spurs; Amy and Natalie Burrie, Owyhee Buckaroos; Misty Fowers, Amanda McDaniel and Shannon Jayo, Buckaroos.

Twenty-one riders won silver medals in the HPE program, including Sherry Krivanec, Tasha Grammater, D.J. Hughes, Jolene Hughes, Monty Krivanec, Nathan Volk and Darin Watson, Dust Devils; Jess Lisle, Jacob Miller, Walter Miller, Nathan Howard and Becky Miller, Bruneau Sage Riders; Dawn Van Domelen and Tonya Thomas, Little Valley Mustangs; Sara Wroten, Owyhee Silver Spurs; Jody Brandau and Aimee Carlock, Wilson Butte; Calvin Carothers, Shannon Field, Trina Hipwell and Jessica Bates, Buckaroos.

Nine additional riders from the clubs received bronze medals. They are: T.C. Krivanec, Rena Maggard, Mandi Volk, D.J. Vincent, Telori Watson and Jessica White, Dust Devils; Jana Lisle, Bruneau Sage Riders; April Bauer and Corina Malmberg, Owyhee Silver Spurs.

Trojans win over NP; to face Payette

The Homedale Trojans football scramblers (4-1) are preparing for Payette (3-2) here Friday night after overpowering New Plymouth 24-16 in a Homecoming game rich in big plays, penalties and suspense.

Homedale’s big plays included 2 touchdowns by Kevin Alambra, another TD by Brad Dines, a 2-pt. conversion run by Brian Tarr, a field goal by kicker Rick Zehr, plus an extra point bonus kick from him, all in the first half.

Swiftly senior Alambra’s first goal came on a 24-yard pass from QB Chris Hoshaw near the end of the first quarter, which, with Tarr’s conversion grab, tied up the score 8-8. Alambra’s second TD carry on about a 10-yard screen pass from Hoshaw just before halftime sent the Trojans into the lockers with a healthy 24-8 lead.

Police chief campaigns for Canyon Commission

Modest gold and black letter-sized political campaign fliers have begun to appear in business establishments in Marsing and Homedale in recent days, marking a more public emergence of Homedale Chief of Police Mike Moysard’s bid for a seat on the Canyon County Board of Commissioners in the upcoming Nov. 6 election.

Moysard, who resides in Sunny Slope across the river from Marsing, is the Democratic candidate for an open seat in District 2, the biggest in Canyon County. His Republican opponent is Walter Opp of Nampa, a retired building contractor who some years ago built a school gym and additional classrooms for the Homedale school system.

50 years ago

October 7, 1965

Job Corps camp leaders speak at Kiwanis meeting

Cleve Bolingbroke, director of the Marsing Job Corps camp, discussed the progress of the new camp and its youth program of work and education at the regular Wednesday noon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis Club at the Masonic hall basement.

Mr. Bolingbroke was accompanied by Dean Kleinhans, deputy director of education for the camp, and Bob Krout, Boise, district field supervisor of the office of economic opportunity.

Corpsmen are expected to arrive at the camp about Nov. 1, and Mr. Bolingbroke says buildings are almost put together and the land is being seeded and irrigated with a sprinkling system in an effort to get grass started and alleviate the dust problem.

He said the 26-member staff is being assembled to conduct the program of work, education and recreation being organized for the boys.

He emphasized that the Job Corps Program is primarily one of combating poverty in this country, training drop-outs to improve their education and technical training so they can hold jobs, become self-supporting citizens, and take their place in society.

Hunting season brings big game to Meat Packers

Poke Henson, of the Owyhee Meat Packers, reported this week that they have received a large number of big game recently, to be processed.

He reported that the number of northern elk and deer brought in at this time of the year has exceeded the amount of game brought in in past years.

A large amount of game is expected following the opening of the Owyhee open season on Saturday, Oct. 16.

Ten new students added to Nat’l Honor Society

Ten Homedale High School students were inducted into the National Honor Society in a ceremony Wednesday afternoon at the high school, according to Mrs. Ardath Chatterton, Advisor.

Seniors inducted were Jon Anderson and Kathy Meininger. Second-year members in charge of the ceremony were Steve Inouye, president, and Penny Wolff, Millie Nash, Kathy Brown, Marlene Pierce and Kathy George.

Juniors inducted were Sheryl Bell, Pam Vanderhoff, Sheila Wood, Becky Duke, Kelly Curtis, Cliff Eidemiller, Jack Matteson and Jack Kershner.

Succor Crik Sam Sez:

“The president’s luck is desertin’ him. He got sick before he’s eligible for Medicare.”

Trojan gridders roll to 42-13 win over Wilder

The Homedale Trojans scored 14 points in each of the first three periods and belted Wilder, 42-13, Friday night in the Snake River Valley B opener for both on the Wilder field.

Coach Marsh Jones reported that extra points were made by Jim Jackson (2), Tom Morris (3) and Ken Kushlan.

Ken Kushlan was leading ball carrier with 12 carries totaling 93 yards, and Tom Morris was second-leading carrier with 12 carries totaling 59 yards. Manuel Aberasturi was leading pass catcher, receiving 3 passes totaling 36 yards.

Team captains are selected each week on their playing status. Louis Uranga and Tom Morris will be co-captains Friday night at the home game with Fruitland, according to Coach Jones.

Marsing Huskies top Fruitland Friday, 21-0

The Marsing Huskies ended up victors Friday night as they defeated the Fruitland Grizzlies, 21-0, for their first SRV-B conference win of the season at Fruitland.

Marsing – Tullis 9 pass from Salove.
Marsing – Coffman 6 run (Tullis pass from Salove).
Marsing – Coffman 5 run (Tullis pass from Salove).

140 years ago

October 2, 1875

THE PRESENT AVERAGE wages paid to farm hands throughout the United States is \$12.40 per month, with board. This includes the black labor of the South, where from \$8 to \$10.75 is paid, South Carolina paying the least. In Massachusetts \$20.25 is obtained, in Maine \$15.94, in Vermont \$10.37 in Pennsylvania \$16.10, in the prairie States from \$16 to \$17, in the old “border States” \$12 to \$14, in California \$28.60, and Wyoming \$32.50. These wages are on contracts by the year; by the season the rate is somewhat higher. In Idaho Territory, farm hands are paid from \$40 to \$60 per month, with board.

ENLARGED The Owyhee Weekly Avalanche has been enlarged and changed its name to the IDAHO WEEKLY AVALANCHE. We are pleased to note this evidence of prosperity on the part of our Idaho neighbor. The Avalanche now contains more reading matter than any other paper published in Idaho. Any of our readers in need of a reliable, spicy Idaho paper, we would recommend the IDAHO DAILY or WEEKLY AVALANCHE, Mr. W. J. Hill editor and proprietor. We would especially recommend the Daily as a reliable newspaper and one deserving of encouragement by the people of Idaho and Eastern Oregon.

— *Baker City (Oregon) Herald.*

JORDAN VALLEY ITEMS Sam Heidelberger and John Grete returned last evening from Canter’s Hot Mineral Springs in Jordan Valley, where they have been health-seeking for the past few days. They are now just as well and hearty as ever they were in their lives.

Mr. Canter’s establishment is now in full blast, he now having five invited boarders from South Mountain. Bathing in and drinking the waters work marvelous cures of rheumatism and a variety of other ills that flesh is heir to.

The vegetable crops in the Valley are excellent this season. From two acres of land Postmaster Baxter raised 13,000 pound of potatoes, 22,000 pounds of beets and 5,000 pounds of cabbage, besides a large capacity of other truck. Mr. Baxter has presented the AVALANCHE with two beets, one of which weighs thirteen pounds. Beat that, whoever can.

Going to the ravages of crickets this season there will not be more than half a crop of grain in the valley.

THE DEPOT OF the Central Pacific Railroad at Oakland is represented as bearing a striking resemblance to a gigantic chicken barracks. Every visitor that enters the commercial metropolis of the Pacific Coast is obliged to pass through this dingy and dilapidated structure, and remain there from ten to twenty minutes prior to taking the ferry boat. The San Francisco *Ledger* speaks thus of the ordeal through which travelers have to pass: “To leave the elegantly appointed sleeping cars, remain for a time in that dismal cage and then to emerge into the comfort and beauty of the saloon on the steamer is like leaving a prosperous career on earth, passing through purgatory, and meeting the reward of a well spent life in the celestial regions. But though the contrast is indeed agreeable, one can feel nothing but indignation against the parsimony or want of taste which compels passengers to undergo such an ordeal.”

CANADA SEEMS TO be passing through a fever of excitement. Toronto was in a state of intense excitement on the 26th. The convention of Roman Catholic Bishops held there decided upon a grand procession, immediately after which a petition signed by thirty-four persons, mostly Orangemen, was presented to the Mayor, requesting him to use his influence, and authority to prevent said procession. The procession formed, however, and was met at different points by showers of stones seriously hurting women children and police. The latter succeeded in defeating the assailants, who were generally condemned in the strongest terms.

Sports

Pilgrims sweep Huskies volleyball

Marsing High School’s two-match conference winning streak ended last week.

New Plymouth swept the visiting Huskies in a 2A Western Idaho Conference volleyball match played Sept. 22. The Pilgrims prevailed 25-20, 25-14, 25-7.

Jordan Goins had seven digs and two assists for Marsing (2-5 overall, 2-3 in conference), which continues its 2A WIC season Thursday at home against Nampa Christian.

First-year coach Jenny Carper’s squad hosted Nyssa, Ore., in a non-conference match Tuesday after deadline.

Ashley Loucks served an ace against the Pilgrims and added three assists and three digs.

Alex Grant put down a kill and had three digs, while Holly Hobbs and Avery Villa chipped in six digs each.

Powerful Trojans can’t get JV win

Weiser overcomes HHS’ 378 yards

Homedale High School’s junior varsity football team lost its second consecutive game Thursday.

The Trojans fell, 34-12, to host Weiser in the 3A Snake River Valley conference opener for both teams.

Homedale (1-2 overall, 0-1 in conference) racked up 378 yards total offense and 21 first downs, but was hampered by four turnovers.

The Wolverines’ Jake Eisenbarth took the opening kickoff back 85 yards for the first touchdown, and Weiser led, 13-0, less than 90 seconds into the game when Braden Bumgarner lofted a 41-yard touchdown pass to Dalton Turrentine.

It was the first of two touchdown passes between the Weiser tandem.

Jesse Martinat scored Homedale’s first touchdown with a 10-yard run later in the first quarter.

Jaeger Rose scored on an 8-yard run in the third quarter as

Homedale got back within two scores, 27-12.

Mason Kincheloe’s 126 yards rushing on 23 carries was just shy of equaling Weiser’s entire offensive output of 141 yards. The Wolverines made the most of 10 first downs.

Josue Vargas had five solo tackles for the Trojans’ defense, and Tony Baltierrez picked off a Bumgarner pass.

Coach Chris Wright’s club opens the home portion of the conference season at 6:30 p.m. Thursday against rival Fruitland at Deward Bell Stadium.

✓ Huskies: Coach sees steady progress

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from having staples removed from the back of his head, Grossman completed four of six passes for just 32 yards, but he didn’t throw an interception. Marsing lost only one fumble against the Chargers (2-2, 1-0).

Doctors sutured a cut on the back of Grossman’s head after he was dropped while crowd-surfing at a concert in Boise on Sept. 19, Stewart said. The senior was limited in workouts during the week and didn’t put his helmet on until Game Day.

Cole Valley was unable to sack Grossman, but Stewart said giving his quarterback more time to find receivers would be an important task this week ahead of Friday’s conference home game against New Plymouth (2-2, 1-0).

“We need to work on giving our quarterback more time to get

the pass off to try to soften up the defense so we can work both the run and the pass so we’re not as much one-dimensional,” Stewart said.

Marsing’s improved defense held Cole Valley ground game in check in the first half, but Kylan Ross pulled off a 7-yard scoring run that helped established the final score with 9:17 left in the third quarter.

“In the second half, they were more successful on the run than they had been in the first half,” Stewart said. “We made some adjustments to try to slow that down and try to stop that, but they were able to score.

“The kids did a good job of holding up in the fourth quarter.”

The Huskies still had a shot at tying the game. With about a minute left, Marsing couldn’t convert on a 4th-down-and-1 situation.

Stewart says the program is heading in the right direction, even though he would like to get more playing time for his younger players than the current two-quarter junior varsity games afford.

The Huskies’ JV did pull off a victory Thursday at home against the Chargers.

“I think the kids’ confidence is increasing, and I had some good conversations with kids after the game (Friday),” the coach said. “Even though it was a loss, they were upbeat because we were in the game the whole time.

“It’s just that we missed out on some opportunities, and we’ve got to improve and try to correct the mistakes we made and take advantages of those opportunities if they arise in the future.”

—JPB



Marsing High School coach Norm Stewart, left, hopes his quarterback Brett Grossman has more time to work Friday. Photo by Sarah Grossman / Freeze the Day Photography



MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week

Sefora Arriaga, fr., cross country

The Play — Arriaga had the highest finish of any Huskies athlete at the Bob Firman Invitational on Saturday. Competing in just the third cross country meet of her career, the freshman ran a personal-best 26-minute, 45.06-second five kilometers at Eagle Island State Park.

Football Varsity Friday, Oct. 2, home vs. New Plymouth, 7 p.m.	Volleyball Varsity Thursday, Oct. 1, home vs. Nampa Christian, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity Thursday, Oct. 1 at New Plymouth, 6 p.m.	Junior varsity A Thursday, Oct. 1, home vs. Nampa Christian, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Cross country Thursday, Oct. 8 at Melba Invitational, Celebration Park, TBA	Junior varsity B Thursday, Oct. 1, home vs. Nampa Christian, 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 4:45 p.m.

Go Huskies!



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Owyhee Rope & Ride

MORE CHAMPIONS



Ranch rodeo

Mackenzie Ranch, from left, Sam Mackenzie, Jerad McFarlane, Randy Carson and Josh Mackenzie



Saddle bronc

Thomas Oldham hangs on during his ride.



Mixed team roping

Marlow and Jaylen Eldridge complete their run.

Photos by Diana Fillmore

Homedale's Homecoming



Abbi Gibbens, left, and Swiss exchange Julian Hartmann share a moment after being named Homedale High School Homecoming queen and king before Friday's football game.



The Homedale High School mascot carries the head of the Wolverine as he rides on the senior class float during Wednesday's parade.

Homedale's Homecoming



The color guard leads the Homedale marching band east on Idaho Avenue during last Wednesday's Homecoming parade.



Homedale High School teacher and coach David Hart served as grand marshal for last Wednesday's Homecoming parade.



Junior Carlie Sawyer sprints between two sophomore team defenders during the opening of last Wednesday's Powderpuff competition at Deward Bell Stadium.



Homedale High School senior Gardenia Machuca, left, arm wrestles freshman Madison Bauer as principal Matt Holtry officiates during a Homecoming class competition in the gym last Wednesday.



A Trojans football player tries to whack a Wolverine on the sophomore class Homecoming float.



Right: The Tasmanian Devil stands in for Weiser's wolverine mascot in the Class of 2019 Homecoming float.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense About horses I’ve known

About horses I’ve known . . . My first was named Maggie. A Standard bred. I was in the third grade. Father gave me an old cavalry saddle, split down the middle, light enough I could lift it. It was so uncomfortable, I rode bareback. I went to a one-room schoolhouse with six grades. I was the only kid in the third grade! Our house was on one side of the horse pasture and the schoolhouse was on the other. I rode Maggie to school and walked home.

When we moved from Texas to New Mexico, my new horse was named Buck. He was a good horse to grow up on. In the ensuing years in Colorado, I’ve had Cricket, who went with the divorce; Coyote, who raised my daughter; Bay, who had ring bone; Leo, a rope horse who wore a bikini top over his right eye to keep him from turning out; one with a King Ranch brand who tore down my tack room; Reven Bubba, a colt; then Sonny, a left-handed heeling horse. Not to mention several I just bought and sold.

In Arizona, we made Sonny a ranch horse. Others followed: Rex Allen, who raised my son; Paint that I took in trade for speaking to the Paint Association; Chaco, who became my “movie” horse in addition to his ranching responsibilities; Maria, a paint mare that I traded for Winchester, who had a little Thoroughbred in him; and Tom Perry, a solid buckskin. Today we have Copper, Missy, José, straight from Mexico, and Bravo, who is as big as a school bus. They all do ranch work.

In my life of travelin’, I’ve ridden many borrowed horses on trail rides, at ropings, parades and grand openings, but one deserves my highest praise. I was participating in the Reba/Ben Johnson Celebrity Roping at Gaylord Arena in Guthrie, Okla. Red Steagall lent me his ambidextrous white horse named Toby. I drew up with Fred Whitfield, eight times World Championship roper. I saw Fred during the afternoon practice warm-up. It was a little intimidating. I was horseless, afoot and USTRC ranked as No. 2 in skill, which is like kindergarten level. He rode over to me and said, looking down from his throne, “You just go out there and rope him, if you can, and if, by some chance you do, I’ll rope the heels.”

I stammered, “Uh . . . I’m left-handed.”

He looked at me like I’d just pooped on the carpet, turned his horse and rode away.

That evening he said, “OK, I’ll rope him and try to drag him real slow so you might be able to catch at least one foot.”

I said, “Fred, rope him as fast as you can and turn him hard.”

He gave me the eagle eye. I could imagine him thinkin’, “He ain’t seen nothin’ yet.”

I climbed on Toby, in Red’s saddle, and backed in the box. We roped the first one in 9.0. When we came tight, Fred looked across the steer at me and said, “We might have a chance,” and did his “raise the roof” hand gesture. We made 27.7 seconds on our second steer and made the cut.

Our turn on the third go, we did in 7.8. Fastest in the roping so far. Toby was PERFECT! We waited. The last team to go was a team of 19-year-old boys, Ty O’Neil and Trey Miller. “What are the odds,” I was thinkin’.

They shot out of the box like jet pilots! I think I saw contrails. Their ropes sang as they flew, and in less time than it takes to drive a horseshoe nail, the horse faced and the crowd exploded! 7.7

Toby understood. He knew we just got lucky and proved my team roping philosophy: The farther you go down the arena, the faster the wheel comes off the wagon!

Letters to the editor

Grand View councilperson disputes statements in article

As a member of Grand View’s City Council, I believe many of the statements reported in last week’s Avalanche about the council are not true and misleading. If you heard the false accusations and rumors at one of the watering holes, for example JC Landing, they are better left where you heard them. If you really want to know how the city council works, please come to the monthly meeting.

It was reported the city clerk has everyone dancing to her tune. Mayor Hart and Jon Pennington, this is a lie, and you know it. The council members are not sheep. I assure you I prepare myself well for all city council meetings and discussions.

The council has never said that we’re replacing Mayor Hart with Council President Mead. Councilmen Mead is only called upon when the mayor is unable to conduct city business.

Most of Grand View knows I am Mayor Hart’s stepdaughter. I hold family loyalties close to my heart. That said, I leave the family relationship at the door. City business is city business. I understand Mayor Hart is upset, but when we take office we sign an oath to conduct ourselves accordingly. When the mayor doesn’t act in the city’s best interest, I have to do what is right.

It seems many of the new candidates don’t know what’s true or what’s made up at the JC Landing bar. Remember candidates, if you’re elected, you’ll need to know current laws and ordinances, not outdated information and half-truths. You will need to follow those laws, even if it upsets people.

Evidently because I follow the rules, that has made me the bad guy in some of your eyes, and it saddens me. I love my town and have tried to do what believe is right for it.

Linda Araujo
Grand View councilwoman

Councilperson responds to Grand View article

I would like to respond to the article about the City Council candidates and the recall petition.

Here are the facts:

1. Melvin Freckleton, Jon Pennington, nor Katy Hazlett has attended City Council meetings. I do not know

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the Nov. 3 elections until noon on Friday, Oct. 23.

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

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how Pennington can “know for a fact that three council members take orders from her (City Clerk Tammy Payne)” when he has never been in the same room with the clerk and council members nor attended meetings. Pennington has not even conversed with me on any matter.

2. Tammy Payne could not appoint herself city clerk. She applied and was hired by the council through the normal process when the previous clerk retired. Anyone could have spoken at the public comment time at the meeting when the council hired her.

3. The clerk cannot appoint anyone to the position of mayor. The City Council can appoint someone to fill a vacancy; otherwise, mayor is an elected position.

4. The clerk is an employee and performs the job as laid out in the employee manual. The clerk has a yearly performance evaluation, just like other employees. The current clerk has received high reviews when evaluated by the council president and one other councilperson. If the City Council fires the clerk without due cause, the clerk could sue.

5. Anyone who knows Bill Mead, Linda Araujo or me will tell you we are not easily manipulated. It would be insulting if it weren’t so laughable. I have served on the council several times over the past 20 years. I have attended meetings even when not on the council (Hart requested my appointment to fill Jim Burnett’s vacancy). I have also been on the Water and Sewer Board more than once and am now on the Planning and Zoning Board, as well as taking part in other community service.

Opal Ward
Grand View city councilperson

Sherri Ybarra, superintendent of public insturction

State of education New mastery-based strategy presents challenge, opportunity

by Sherri Ybarra

Over the past number of years, there has been a misconception about what accountability looks like in our school system.

Real accountability is mutual. It is taking mutual responsibility for our students. Mutual responsibility is not one-sided, it is not finger-pointing and blaming others, nor a “top-down” compliance focus. Mutual accountability includes multiple measures over multiple times and does not look like one test score. As most parents will tell you, “There is more to my child than one test score.” It is not telling our students they are “not allowed” to fail. We have been so centered on “not failing” that we haven’t been aiming for success. According to a recent magazine article, “Studying others’ misfortunes is one of the most valuable tools we have; one must navigate through failures and misfortunes on their path to success.”

I used to have a poster in my classroom that read “This is a mistake-making place.” That was meant to reinforce to my students that success is sometimes not immediate. And mistakes don’t mean “this is the end of your path.”

You just need a strategy to pull through when misfortunes happen (because they happen to us all). Some of those strategies include: have a back-up plan, know your point of no return, and identify possible roadblocks that could stop you while on your path. Finally, and most importantly, have grit or determination.

Educators have good strategies in place every day for success. For example, from the time that a student steps into their classroom, they not only have a lesson plan written and teaching strategies in place, but they also support students in many different ways that we don’t see. For example, they show up for class, even when students are hungry, when students are going through personal struggles, and they show up for class when our students are victims of unspeakable things, or victims of terminal illnesses. They are not afraid to have or witness a misfortune. They are not afraid to face roadblocks. They just have strategies for success and navigate through the path. They also display determination because they show our kids how to “stick it out” every day.

Mastery-based education, as one of the Governor’s

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Commentary

Financial management

Credit card cancellation doesn't wipe out your credit history

Dear Dave,
I recently tried to cancel a credit card, and the customer service representative told me that doing this would cancel out my entire 14-year credit history. Is this true?

— Keri

Dear Keri,
No, it is not true. The rep you spoke with is either a moron or a liar.
Canceling a credit card doesn't erase a person's entire credit history, and it doesn't erase their credit history with that company or their card, either. And by the way, your credit history doesn't last 14 years. It lasts seven years, but all the information on your record that is older than that —

except for Chapter 7 bankruptcy — comes off your credit bureau report. A Chapter 7 filing stays on your report for 10 years.
So, you don't have a 14-year credit history. Sorry, it's just not there. And if you talk to this company again, you really need to find an educated rep to speak with. This one doesn't have a clue!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
With all the economic problems in the country today, what can college students do to avoid money problems in the future?

— Eric

Dear Eric,
There are always three or four smart things you can do to protect



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yourself financially. One is to live on a budget. When you give every dollar you make a name, and write in down on paper, it helps

you know what your money is doing instead of wondering where it went.
Two more good ideas are staying out of debt, and saving as much money as possible. Your money is your biggest wealth-building tool, and when you're saddled with debt, your money goes to creditors instead of into your pocket. Saving money is what prepares you for the good and bad things life throws at you — whether it's putting money aside to buy a car, a house or handling unexpected things that always happen.
Another thing is investing. I know you're young, but a little bit invested now could make you a millionaire when you're ready to retire. These are all simple

things, Eric. But they'll make a huge difference in your financial situation now and in the years to come!

— Dave

— *Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover, which recently passed 5 million copies sold. 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.*

Americans for Limited Government

Nanny state mentality erodes long-standing freedoms

by Rick Manning

What should one do when confronted by evil?
Walk away, shunt your eyes to the side and pretend you never saw it? Whisper to your friends and neighbors about it in an astonished tone while never doing anything? Or be an antagonist against that evil, shining a light on it, and confronting it without reservation?
What if the evil is cast in a way that many, perhaps even a majority, view it as being politically acceptable or even desirable?
Should one remain silent and quietly work to change the culture that accepts evil through good-hearted, private social welfare programs in the hopes that the love offered is enough?
These are the questions facing many Americans as we watch an ever-encroaching big government — under the false guise of tolerance — take a wrecking ball to what were once assumed freedoms.
Fundamental concepts like freedom of speech are being attacked by those who see slights in every word or utterance, and from the role of manufactured victim, demand that alternative opinions be censored.
This attack on speech is an obvious step toward tyranny, but other evil is more abstract and less easy to discern.
One example is the government-produced expectation that people are owed an income whether they work or not, and that denial of unearned “benefits” is an attack on their fundamental rights. The net effect of this claim against the government is that it effectively puts a demand for payment against those who produce wealth whether as an electrician, retail worker or Fortune 100 CEO. That reasoning makes those who work subservient to those who don't.
The very benefits created to fulfill the expectations of those who choose not to work are used to gain political leverage. An ever-greater unearned piece of the pie has the perverse effect of making working in entry-level jobs

a bad economic decision. The very entitlement of those who could but won't effectively makes fools out of those who can and do, as the doers are compelled to take care of the dependents, further eroding their net earnings.
Another pernicious assault on liberty is the grinding expansion of the regulatory state often at the expense of the poor through higher costs for basic necessities. The EPA power plant regulation stands as a primary, but far from the only, example of this regulatory onslaught. Borne out of a claimed need to address global warming, the EPA rule actually has a negligible impact on the problem it supposedly is designed to address. Instead, its impact will be to increase electricity costs by 16 percent over time — a cost that will be disproportionately borne by those who can least afford it.
Additionally, the higher electricity costs will have another profound impact on lower-income wage-earners — it will decrease the likelihood that they will find a higher-paying job as the U.S. manufacturing sector recedes because of the higher energy costs. The irony is that the American energy boom, absent the Obama regulations, is expected to dramatically increase domestic manufacturing without the need to level wages with the rest of the world. It is the abundance of energy here in America that makes this possible, and if left alone, the lower costs for electricity this abundance produces will likely become a major job creator over the next decade. Yet, Obama's regulatory assault on inexpensive electricity effectively negates this advantage.
Given the admission by the United Nation's climate chief, Christiana Figueres, that the real goal of the global warming push is not protecting the environment but instead to change the world's economic structure, saying, “This is the first time in the history of mankind that we are setting ourselves the task of intentionally, within a defined period of time, to change the economic development model that has been reigning for the last, at least, 150 years, since the Industrial Revolution.”

Global elitists attempting to change the world's economic structure away from a system that has produced more shared wealth than any in history under the guise of climate disaster at the expense of America's poor is exactly the kind of hidden evil that needs exposure. Yet, the cost of standing up against this liberty-stealing power grab is ostracism and derision.
Is it worth it?
Is fighting to keep the fundamental principles of self-determination and free enterprise as the cornerstones of our nation's economic system worth being attacked as an antagonist and naysayer?
The fight for freedom is never easy, and liberty only exists when there are those willing to push back hard against the natural slouch toward accepting government as the keeper of the least of these, rather than taking personal responsibility for that calling.
Freedom of speech only exists when the purveyors of political correctness are rudely cast aside by those willing to mock them and break the cycle of perpetual offense that they wield as a weapon, weathering their ridicule while defeating attempts to incorporate their language cocoon into law.
Economic mobility and freedom only exists when markets are allowed to grow or contract based upon their overall value. When the federal government chooses to increase the cost of basic economic necessities, like burning fuel to generate electricity with a goal of creating scarcity out of abundance, people everywhere suffer.
Some are called to help the poor by providing bread, others to fight for secular solutions where liberty prevails and people are lifted out of poverty through the proven formula of private-sector wealth creation. The two work well together, but if either lose the other cannot be sustained, and both are equal callings to confront evil.

— Rick Manning is president of Americans for Limited Government.

✓ Opportunity: Governor's task force recommendation brings flexibility

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task force recommendations, is coming to education in Idaho. It is the flexibility we have all been waiting for. This is personalization in education for our kids. But, this is probably going to be messy and chaotic, and there will be failures and misfortunes that we will need to learn from in order for our educational system to get better. We need to allow our schools to have this flexibility and mutually responsible accountability culture in order to change the landscape of education in Idaho.

We have faced many challenges in education over the past decade, including financial obstacles, higher expectations in our standards, and stricter accountability measures. But we showed grit and determination. This is our moment in time, the one we have all been waiting for. This is personalization in education. But this will be tangled and muddled, and there will be failures that we will need to learn from.
Finally, our state is bringing back the local-control and bottom-up approach that we Idahoans enjoy in our

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— Sherri Ybarra is in the first year of her first term as Idaho Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Public notices

**CITY OF MARSING
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The City Council of the City of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, will hear comments from the public concerning the proposed amended Comprehensive Plan for the City of Marsing at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 14, 2015, at the regular Council Meeting, at the Marsing City Hall, 425 Main Street, Marsing, ID. Marsing City Hall is a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. Copies of the proposed amended Comprehensive Plan are available at Marsing City Hall. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing to express their views regarding this proposal. Oral testimony may be offered at the hearing. Written comments will be received until 5:00 P.M. on October 14, 2015. Mailed written comments must be postmarked to the Marsing City Hall, P.O. Box 125, Marsing, ID., 83639, by 5:00 P.M. on October 14, 2015.

Dated this 18th day of September, 2015

9/23,30/15

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF GRAND VIEW
PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2015-002
VACATION OF WOOD STREET**

THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO, PROPOSE THE VACATION OF WOOD STREET BETWEEN BLOCKS B AND C, IN THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW; LOCATED IN SECTIONS 15, 16, 21 & 22, TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH , RANGE 3 EAST, BOISE MERIDIAN, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, PROVIDING FOR; THE CONVEYANCE OF THE VACATED PROPERTY TO THE OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY ADJACENT TO THE VACATED WOOD STREET PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE UPON PASSAGE, APPROVAL, AND PUBLICATION ACCORDING TO THE LAW; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

Wood Street is further described as running from the north side of Idaho Avenue to the south side of Riverside Avenue, adjacent to the property owners of Block B (100 Riverside Avenue) and Block C (310 Riverside Avenue) in the City of Grand View, Owyhee County, Idaho. The city will hold public hearings regarding the vacation at city hall, 425 Boise Avenue in Grand View, Idaho, on October 14th, November 10th and December 9th of 2015, at 6 PM, for the purpose of public comment regarding the vacation of Wood Street.

Mayor Franklin D. Hart
Tammy M. Payne, City Clerk
9/30;10/7/15

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF GRAND VIEW
PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

THE CITY OF GRAND VIEW PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE, a public hearing will be held on October 19th, 2015 at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave, Grand View, Idaho, at 6 p.m., to accept public comments on the proposed City of Grand View Comprehensive Plan.

Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-6509, the City of Grand View, due to the length and volume, elects to publish a summary of said proposed Comprehensive Plan. A full copy of the same may be obtained by requesting a copy, in writing or in person, from the Grand View Planning and Zoning Clerk, 425 Boise Ave., PO Box 69, Grand View, Idaho 83624, or, by accessing the City of Grand View web page at www.grandview.id.gov. A copy may also be viewed at the Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View, Idaho.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN:
Section 1: Title. Section 2: Purpose. Outlines the proposed Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Map general planning goals and policies, including; health and safety protection; promotion of the rural life style; promotion of agricultural and range use; and, the promotion of the public welfare of the residents of the City. PLANNING COMPONENTS: Section 3:Legal. Basis for Comprehensive Plan, per Idaho Code Section 65 Title 67. Section 4:Property Rights. Section 5:Planning Maps. Existing and proposed Future Land Use Maps. Section 6:Population Analysis. Section 7:Economic Development. Section 8:Land Use. Section 9:Natural Resources. Section 10:Hazardous Areas. Section 11:Public Services, Facilities and Utilities. Section 12:Transportation. Section 13:Airport. Section 14: Recreation. Section 15:Education. Section 16:Housing. Section 17:Agriculture. Section 18:Community Design. Section 19:Historical Background. Section 20:Implementation. Appendix I: Current Land Use Map. Appendix II: Proposed Land Use Map.

Individuals who require special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact City Hall or call (208)834-2700.

Dan Thompson, Planning & Zoning Chairman
Tammy M. Payne, Clerk
9/30/15

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV 2015-0674
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: VIRGINIA STEPHEN BELKNAP, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 8 day of September, 2015.

Stephen P. Belknap, Personal Representative of the Estate of VIRGINIA STEPHEN BELKNAP
COFFEL LAW, P.C., 921 7th Street South, Nampa, ID 83651, Attorney for Personal Representative
9/23,30;10/7/15

NOTIFICATION OF DISPOSITION AND CASE PLAN HEARING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT IN THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ADA

In the Interest of ROBERTO DELEON II: A Child Under Eighteen Years of Age.

TO: ROBERTO DELEON, the natural father of said Roberto DeLeon II:

YOU AND EACH OF YOU, will hereby take notice:

That a Petition under the Child Protection Act was filed in the above-entitled matter on the 26th day of August, 2015.

That a Disposition Hearing on the Petition has been set for 2:00 p.m. on the 16th day of October, 2015, in the Magistrate Court, Ada County Courthouse, 200 West Front Street, Boise, Idaho 83702. Unless you file a responsive pleading within twenty (20) days, a default judgment may be entered against you.

That you have the right to be represented by Counsel of your choosing or upon good cause shown, providing you are financially needy, the Court may appoint Counsel to act in your behalf.

That you are required to register your claim of paternity with the Vital Statistics Unit of the Department of Health and Welfare prior to the date of any termination proceeding, or proceeding wherein the child is placed with an agency licensed to provide adoption services, pursuant to Idaho Code 16-1513(5).

DATED this 22nd day of September, 2015.

CHRISTOPHER D. RICH, Clerk of the District Court, Ada County, Idaho
BY: L. Thomas, Deputy Clerk
9/30;10/7/15

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Sports



Above: Former Homedale High School quarterback Ryan Ryska, now in his first year as offensive coordinator for the town's seventh-grade football team, gets ready to relay a play into the game with the help of Tyson Dunn, left. *Left:* Homedale eighth-grader Karsen Frelove (24) barrels his way through the line Sept. 22 against Parma.

Mustangs roll to first HDL volleyball win

A dominant offense helped Jordan Valley High School to its first 1A High Desert League volleyball victory Friday.

Senior Morgan Caywood pounded four aces while serving eight consecutive points to fuel the Mustangs' three-game sweep of host Harper/Huntington.

Freshman Regann Skinner served eight consecutive points and had one ace to go with a strong net game of eight kills in Harper, Ore.

Junior Alisha Rogers tossed in one ace and seven consecutive serving points.

Zoey Warn had five kills. Jordan Valley beat the Harper/Huntington junior varsity, 25-13, behind five consecutive service points from Katelyn Deen and three kills from Taylor Warn.

— Morgan Caywood

Football ekes out win

Jordan Valley's special teams came up with a crucial stop late to preserve a victory Friday in Harper.

The Mustangs (2-2, 1-0) edged Harper/Huntington, 56-54, when Jordan Valley was able to thwart the LocoNets' two-point conversion that could have sent the 1A HDL opener into overtime.

Jett Warn completed 22 of 26 passes for 280 yards and five touchdowns. He also rushed for 249 yards, while Wyatt Stanford hauled in six catches for 158 yards and three TDs.

Warn had 11 tackles and 11 assists.

HMS defenses shine in sweep

Seventh-graders stay unbeaten in conference

Three different players scored touchdowns in Homedale Middle School's eighth-grade football victory.

Karsen Frelove set up the drive that led to his own 2-yard touchdown run with an interception early in the Trojans 18-0 whitewash of visiting Parma.

Frelove sapped any momentum the Panthers earned from recovering a game-opening onside kick at Deward Bell Stadium on Sept. 22. He picked off quarterback Joe Shaw on the first play from scrimmage.

Spencer Fisher would come up with another interception later in the game.

The Trojans (2-1 in the 3A Snake River Valley conference) held a 12-0 halftime lead after Daniel Uranga hooked up with Nelson Lomeli on a 63-yard

touchdown pass in the second quarter.

Jacob Collett caught a 22-yard TD pass from Uranga in the third quarter.

Homedale limited Parma to 62 yards total offense, while the Trojans rolled up 273 yards with a balanced attack.

Frelove led the ground game with 72 yards on 10 rushes. Lomeli caught three balls for 101 yards receiving.

Noe Albor and Caleb Vargas led a balanced defense with three tackles apiece. Collett and Albor had four assists each.

Seventh grade: Homedale 12, Parma 0 — Defense and special teams got in on the act as the Trojans moved to 3-0 in conference play.

Brayden Christoffersen returned a punt 22 yards for a touchdown, and Tommy Muir fired a touchdown pass to Jacob Ankeny as the Trojans built a 12-0 halftime lead.

Homedale's defense made the advantage stick. Javier Gudino

picked off Parma quarterback Remington Sitts to end the first half, and Milo Mertz fell on another Panthers turnover after teammate John Breshears forced a fumble.

Christoffersen anchored the defense with 6.5 tackles, while he also rushed for 60 yards on 14 carries.

Breshears pickd up six tackles, and Mertz had five tackles.

Mertz also rushed for 22 yards on four carries.

Quarterback Tommy Muir missed on just two of his six pass attempts, racking up 89 yards and throwing a TD pass to Jacob Ankeny.

Ankeny led the receiving corps with 60 yards on two catches, while Keagan Christiansen had two catches for 29 yards. Bryce Cornwall caught a 15-yard pass.

Julien Bedolla was shook up in the first half, but bounced back to finish with three tackles.

Homedale's defense held Parma in check in the face of four Trojans turnovers.



Jordan Valley High School junior Alisha Rogers prepares to serve in Harper, Ore., during Friday's 1A High Desert League victory over Harper/Huntington. Submitted photo

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