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FAMILY FAIR AND ROUND UP REMEMBERS 9/11



Church event pauses to reflect

The fact that Mountain View Church of the Nazarene's 10th annual Family Fair and Round Up coincided with the 15th anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks wasn't lost on organizers Sunday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds.

Top: Hailey Hall Fuquay carries Old Glory into the rodeo arena in Homedale.

Right: Marsing EMT James Ferdinand, center, leads a moment of reflection along with Pastor Chuck Ryan, right, David Ferdinand and one of his Gospel Highway bandmates. Submitted photos
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Gateway West may yet be routed through Birds of Prey NCA

BOCC learns of land swap compromise idea

Congressional intervention may save private property and sage-grouse habitat from Gateway West encroachment.

A land swap that would create nearly 4,700 acres of National Conservation Landscape in parts of Owyhee and Elmore counties

could open up the existing energy corridor in the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area, Owyhee County District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi told The Owyhee Avalanche.

Aberasturi shared the news after Friday's special Board of County Commissioners meeting in Murphy.

John Chatburn and other
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Jodette Lemos gives her fifth-grade students a lesson on fractions Monday morning at Marsing Elementary School.

Marsing schools part of national PBS show

Tonight's NOVA broadcast looks at innovative education

Tune in to Idaho Public Television on Channel 4 at 8 tonight for a glimpse of how teachers in the Marsing School District are taking a new approach to learning in the classroom.

The PBS NOVA documentary titled "School of The Future" looks at how schools are using innovative methods to improve

education. The techniques being adopted by teachers were developed through new research by neuroscientists and psychologists.

Ken Price, Marsing's 21st Century Learning Community Center after-school program, said Marsing was one of six school districts in the nation to be featured in the documentary.

"Why Marsing was selected was, we started doing a 'growth mindset' approach to kids last year," Price said. "It's basically the concept of a fixed mindset

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Joe Black

Bruneau celebrates fixture

Late Joe Black honored as grand marshal

As a lifelong Bruneau resident, Joe Black watched quite a few honored folks parade around the arena in the Bruneau Round Up each September.

But he never wanted to be the

guy in the spotlight.

Bruneau Round Up secretary Bobby-Jean Colyer pointed out that rodeo directors asked Joe Black several times to be the grand marshal.

"But he would always say, 'I don't want to be the grand marshal because people always die after that!'" Colyer said.

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BUSY WEEKEND AHEAD

The historic Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church is part of the tour this year for the 26th annual Silver City Open House, which takes place Saturday and Sunday in the historic mining town.



Silver City Open House buildings take visitors back in time again

The historic Our Lady of Tears Catholic Church is among the buildings that will be open to the public for the annual Silver City Open House.

The open house takes place Saturday and Sunday in the historic mining town.

Ten privately owned buildings will be open for the weekend in Silver City. In addition to the church, the schoolhouse will also be available for tours. Open house committee chair Carol Chadwick did not disclose what other buildings will be open.

One or two people serving as tour guides will be located at each building.

Silver City's Catholic church was built as St. James Episcopal Church in 1898. Forty years later, the Catholic Diocese of Boise bought the church and dedicated it as Our Lady of Tears.

Built in 1892, the schoolhouse was the object of an extensive renovation that included refurbishment of the belfry a few years ago, and the Historic Silver City Foundation's \$325,000 project earned Preservation Idaho's Orchid Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation in 2012. The Owyhee Cattlemen's Association holds its summer meeting in the schoolhouse each year.

Chadwick said the Idaho Hotel, Pat's What-Not Shop and the Silver City Fire & Rescue store in the business district will be open.

Tickets for the open house will be available from

noon to 4 p.m. both days. Show hours are from noon to 5 p.m. The tickets will be sold at Memorial Park, where the horseshoe pits are in the center of town. Suggested donations are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

Proceeds help with the preservation of the historic values of the town and to support community needs, according to a pamphlet outlining the open house.

This is the 26th year of the Silver City Open House.

Chadwick emphasized that people need to make sure their gas tank is full before heading up the mountain, and she had a few other tips. The route to Silver City is a mountain road, and a vehicle with good clearance is recommended.

"Possibly pack a picnic lunch, because the hotel can only provide so much food," Chadwick said.

Chadwick added that she has been known to take a five-gallon gas tank with her on trips to Silver City.

"I've sold one every year," she said. "I already sold mine for this year, 20 bucks."

She also reminds people to bring a jacket because weather can change very quickly around Silver City in late summer.

For more information on the two-day event, call Chadwick at (208) 841-7318.

— SC

Homedale Fire benefit dinner slated Saturday

The Homedale Fire Department's benefit dinner takes place Saturday at the Txoko Ona Basque Center.

The doors open at 5 p.m. for the fifth annual HFD prime rib and oyster feed. Dinner will start at 6 p.m. inside the center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale.

The cost is \$30 per person, and tickets are available from volunteer firefighters or by calling Dan Herman at (208) 989-9603.

A raffle also is planned. Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20.

Raffle prizes include two \$500 Visa gift cards and gift cards from Jacksons Food Stores,

Moxie Java Bistro in Homedale, Helena Chemical, NAPA Owyhee Auto Parts, Pruett Tire Center, Matteson's and A&S Lumber.

Proceeds from the raffle and dinner help the fire department buy new equipment. Money also is put into the burnout fund that helps families displaced by fire.

Three families have been assisted in fires that broke out since last year's prime rib feed, Herman said. Equipment purchased with benefit funds includes turnout boots and equipment and pagers. Continuing education and training for the volunteer firefighters also has been funded.



Ray Maxwell, left, and Kevin Ensley, center, carved up the prime rib at last year's event.

Fall Homedale Farmers Market continues at park

Folks will have one more chance to enjoy the Homedale Farmers Market outdoors before it moves inside.

The final outdoor market is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Saturday in Bette Uda City Park.

Fall and holiday Saturday markets inside Homedale High School's old gym are set for Oct. 8 and 15, Nov. 12 and 19, and

Dec. 10 and 17. They'll run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., with set-up from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., and take-down from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Farmers market president Denise Dixon is asking vendors interested in setting up a booth at the upcoming markets to contact her to reserve a spot. She can be reached through ddixon222@msn.com or (208) 840-0440.

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Graveyard Point stop sign decision could come today

Homedale Highway District commissioners could decide tonight whether to post stops at all four corners of a rural intersection south of town.

The overwhelming majority of residents who spoke up during the public comment process opposes the placement of stop signs in all directions where Johnstone Road and Graveyard Point Road meet.

The commissioners could make a decision to either go through with the proposal or quash it during their 6 p.m. meeting today inside the highway district office, 102 E. Colorado Ave.

Board chair Larry Prow and fellow subdistrict commissioners Joel Wilson and Scott Salutregui also are scheduled to consider a wage increase for Fiscal Year 2017.

They'll also discuss whether to accept the Idaho Counties Risk Management Program (ICRMP) terrorism coverage rider for the district's insurance. This is an annual decision whether to accept or waive the coverage.

Director of Highways Stewart Constantine also will give his monthly report of day-to-day operations.

Marsing council to meet

Hearing an update on work being done around town could be one of the more lengthy portions of tonight's Marsing City Council meeting.

The gathering will take place at 7 p.m. inside City Hall, 425 Main St.

A report by maintenance supervisor Phillip Gibson is one of the few items of the agenda. Gibson typically informs Mayor James Ferdinand and council members about projects he's been tackling, such as trimming trees and filling potholes.

There are no items of new business listed.

Old business that could be discussed includes irrigation system upgrades and the Marsing Senior Center's ongoing purchase of The Sandbar Riverhouse restaurant.

No grand opening date has been announced yet.

Tines replaces Dines on cemetery board

Homedale man takes over term ending in 2017

Owyhee County Coroner and Homedale City Council member Aaron Tines has found another hat to wear in the name of community service.

During last Wednesday's meeting of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District board of directors, the Homedale resident was appointed to finish Commissioner Valerie Dines' term.

Dines is retiring and her latest four-year term on the board will expire on Dec. 31 next year. Tines will have to file for candidacy on the November 2017 ballot if he wants to pursue a term of his own on the board.

Dines served on the board for 15 years, and is leaving during her fourth term to spend more time with family.

Cemetery board chairman Jay Hall let Dines know how much he appreciated her work.

"I want to thank you for all the years that you've been here," Hall said. "You'll be missed deeply."

Tines stated that he brings some experience in the business of cemeteries to the board. He worked as a sexton and secretary for a cemetery from 2001 to 2003.



New Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District commissioner Aaron Tines (left) takes the oath of office while sexton/secretary Bruce Benson takes notes last Wednesday afternoon.

"I think the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery has done a great job over the years, and it's an honor to be part of that," Tines said. "I've been involved in running a cemetery before, the Mount Calvary Cemetery in Nampa. There's a lot more to it than people realize."

"I think it's nice to have people that have some background and know the area that can benefit the people that we serve."

Tines took his oath of office after Dines officially passed the torch to her successor.

"I appoint Aaron Tines to take my place until the election of 2017," Dines said.

Rick Sherrow is the third commissioner on the cemetery district. Bruce Benson serves as sexton and secretary for the district.

The next meeting of the district board members is scheduled for 2 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 5 at the cemetery office on Cemetery Road off U.S. Highway 95.

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WAED director to visit Homedale council tonight

The woman working on grant opportunities to fund the proposed Homedale Public Library expansion will update the city council tonight.

Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson will address the council during its 6 p.m. meeting at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Wilson also could discuss WAED activities, too, including a recently announced plan to establish three biofuel- and recyclable paper products-related businesses in Parma under the Treasure Valley Renewables banner. Wilson shared some information on the project during the last WAED general meeting, which was held Aug. 30 at Nathan's Greenleaf Café.

Wilson has had a hand in writing a U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Community Facilities grant and a Idaho Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant to help with the goal of expanding the town's library.

The usual departmental reports and a report from city attorney Paul J. Fitzer also are listed on the agenda.



No injuries after wreck

One car received heavy front-end damage, and the Jacksons Food Stores sign received minor dents after a pickup truck tapped it during a two-vehicle accident on East Idaho Avenue in Homedale on Sept. 6. No one was hurt.

Grand View to discuss grant for children with disabilities

A grant for children with disabilities could be one of the things discussed in tonight's Grand View City Council meeting.

Current or old business that might come up tonight could include ongoing work with the city's water treatment plant backwash diversion project, and a review of delinquent water and sewer accounts.

City Clerk Tammy Payne is scheduled to discuss Columbus Day, which falls on Oct. 10, and setting up a meeting with the Grand View parks committee. The council also could discuss how to cover Payne's responsibilities when she is away from office for personal reasons, or — as has cropped up recently — jury duty.

Grand View public works supervisor Robert Servis is expected to also give a report to the council.

New Mayor Ed Collett and council members will gather at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

The meeting agenda lists one item of new business as being a grant of \$778 from the Archie B. Teater Fund for children with disabilities and the Idaho Community Foundation.

Other portions of new business include a discussion on service meter readers and vicious dogs, and approving a terrorism waiver for the city's insurance policy.



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Joe Black winning the Big Loop horse roping in Jordan Valley. Submitted photo

✓ Bruneau: Grand marshal passed away on his birthday

This weekend, though, the late cowboy, roper, horseman and rancher will join the select group as an honorary grand marshal for the 33rd annual event at the rodeo grounds on Hot Creek Road. The grand entry ride will kick off the rodeo at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and family members will represent Joe in the procession.

Joe Black passed away on June 16, his 88th birthday.

Rodeoing had always been a family affair for Joe Black and his kin.

“His dad, his uncles, his cousins, all of them participated in the Bruneau rodeo way back when in their early youth,” his son, Doug Black, said.

Joe Black came from a family who originally settled in the Bruneau Valley prior to Idaho statehood. He spent the majority of his summers cowboying in the hills of Owyhee County and graduated with a class of four from Bruneau High School in 1946.

Joe Black later married Margaret Fenwick, a ranch girl from Jordan Valley, and started what would become a family of nine children. Joe and Margaret expanded their own cattle operations by acquiring additional ranches as their children grew.

“He had ranches in the desert south of Bruneau. We still have a rangeland ranch at the sand

dunes,” Doug said. “We had the Muleshoe Ranch in Hammett, and there was a ranch at Battle Creek that was a longtime family holding.”

Once the ranches were in the hands of his sons, Joe Black spent his time attending rodeos in northern Nevada, eastern Oregon and southern Idaho.

His favorite rodeo was always the Bruneau Round Up, which is why Doug thinks the title of honorary grand marshal would have meant a lot to his dad.

“He would think it’s a nice tribute to his family and friends and to his involvement in the community,” Doug said.

Doug said Bruneau’s annual rodeo was the best part of the year for his dad.

“He wouldn’t miss it for the world,” Doug said. “He loved going there and watching his friends and family ride and rope and catching up with people that he only gets to see once a year. We’ll miss seeing him as a fixture at the rodeo.”

He added that his mother Margaret and his siblings also see Joe’s grand marshal selection as a great honor.

“We think it’s a great tribute to everything he did for the area,” Doug said. “The Bruneau community was his identity.”

“Regardless of where he was, Bruneau was always his home.”

— SC



Joe Black and wife Margaret

“The Bruneau community was his identity. “Regardless of where he was, Bruneau was always his home.”

— Doug Black
Joe’s son

Bruneau Round Up is back

The 33rd annual Bruneau Round Up open rodeo and celebration will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Bruneau Rodeo Grounds.

The arena is located on Hot Creek Road about a half-mile south of Idaho highway 78 and two miles west of Bruneau.

This year’s rodeo will be held at 12:30 p.m. each day. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens, \$4 for children, and children 6 and younger get in free. Free parking will be available.

The rodeo will feature bull riding, saddle broncs, calf roping, team roping, barrel racing, wild cow milking, stock saddle broncs, wild horse roping, women’s breakaway roping, saddle cow riding, an old hide race,

mutton busting and junior steer riding.

Entries are now closed for the open rodeo, but registration for youth events will be taken on both days of the rodeo.

Mutton busting is the first event each day, and there is no fee for boys and girls to participate. Children can sign up for mutton busting between 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. each day. Competitors can weigh no more than 40 pounds.

The Western States Ranch Rodeo Association sanctions the stock saddle bronc competition, which carries a \$1,000 added purse.

There will also be “Wild West roping” offering a prize of a custom belt buckle on Saturday for

children 11 and younger. Boys and girls ages 12 to 16 will have their chance at a custom buckle on Sunday.

After the rodeo on Saturday, the American Legion Post 83 will host a barbecue at its meeting hall, 32478 Belle Ave., in Bruneau.

The barbecue is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and younger. This year’s menu includes roast beef, baked potatoes, vegetable salad, green salad and watermelon.

From 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Saturday, Buckin’ Country will provide live music for the annual dance at the Bruneau City Park. Admission to the dance is \$8 for a couple and \$5 for singles.

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Fall alfalfa management is crucial

September is probably the most critical month for alfalfa stand health and next year’s yield. Alfalfa will be in an energy deficit situation after cutting until it reaches 6 to 8 inches in height. Cutting, grazing, or sudden hard frost during this period will reduce carbohydrate storage in the crown and roots, which jeopardizes plant survival and production in the following season.

There is no such thing as a free lunch, even for alfalfa plants. Perennial plants use energy during their dormant period for metabolism or respiration. Photosynthesis is minimal during dormancy, so energy in the form of stored carbohydrates must be used. Alfalfa stores energy as carbohydrates mostly in the root and crown. If alfalfa’s carbohydrate storage is not sufficient, plant tissue will freeze more easily and be more susceptible to pests and diseases. Even in good conditions alfalfa will use half of its reserves over winter. When there is insufficient carbohydrate storage to maintain a healthy plant over the winter, growth in the following season will

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be slower and produce less yield.

Alfalfa has maximum carbohydrate levels at full bloom. That is why we recommend letting the last cutting reach 1/10th bloom, near its peak yield and energy storage, before cutting. Forage quality does not decline in autumn as fast as in hotter periods.

The risk of cutting or grazing in September is that the plants will try to regrow but probably will not reach the point of energy storage necessary for healthy dormancy. Recommendations are to either cut with enough time for alfalfa to regrow more than 6 inches of height before dormancy, or cut a couple days after hard frost, soil drying to moderate moisture, and declining day length. If timing is right, alfalfa will mostly go dormant after cutting and not try to regrow, thus preserving its energy storage. The trick in October cutting is to get a good drying window to make hay. Making haylage or baleage at this time of year is an advantage over mak-

ing dry hay, especially with large rectangular bales.

Cutting frequency affects alfalfa production and longevity. In temperate climates, a cutting frequency of 20 days will result in fewer shoots per unit area than 30- or 40-day cutting frequency. A cutting frequency of 20 days will produce less weight per shoot than 30 days, and 30 days will produce less weight per shoot than 40 days. A 20-day cutting frequency may result in loss of about half of the stand where a 30- or 40-day cutting frequency will usually allow stands to persist. Carbohydrate reserves in alfalfa are lowest at 20 days after cutting, intermediate at 30 days after cutting, and carbohydrate reserves are recovered to preharvest levels at 40 days after cutting.

— University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Educator Scott Jensen co-wrote this column with Twin Falls-based U of I forage specialist Glen Shewmaker. Contact Jensen at scottj@uidaho.edu. He welcomes questions on livestock care.

Calendar

Today

- Coffee club**
9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Grand View City Council meeting**
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday
- Homedale Highway District meeting**
6 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale
- Homedale City Council meeting**
6 p.m., City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
- Marsing City Council meeting**
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122
- Marsing Fire Commissioners meeting**
7:30 p.m., Marsing Fire Hall, 303 Main St., Marsing.

Thursday

- Fit and fall exercise class**
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Vision Church food distribution**
2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 779-7926
- Faith Riders horse riding**
6:30 p.m., spring and summer session, Lucky 3 Arena, Idaho highway 55, Marsing. (208) 249-1595
- TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting**
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867
- Bruneau-Grand View school board meeting**
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau (unless otherwise listed at www.sd365.us). (208) 834-2260
- AA meetings**
7 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

Saturday

- Friends of the Homedale library meeting**
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- Homedale Farmers Market**
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale.

- www.homedalefarmersmarket.weebly.com
- Two Rivers Park Celebration**
11 a.m. to 5 p.m., car show and chili cook-off, Two Rivers Park, Owyhee Street, Adrian. (208) 452-5531 or (208) 890-6972
- Free lunches**
Noon to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419
- Silver City open house**
Noon to 5 p.m., \$10 adults, \$5 children younger than 12, tickets sold until 4 p.m., Silver City. (208) 841-7318
- Candidate meet and greet**
4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Democratic and independent candidates, Tango Saloon, 404 U.S. Hwy. 95, Homedale
- HFD prime rib and oyster dinner**
5 p.m., doors, 6 p.m., dinner, \$30 per person, raffle tickets \$5 each or five for \$20, Txoko Ona Basque Club, 333 S. Main St., Homedale. (208) 989-9603

Sunday

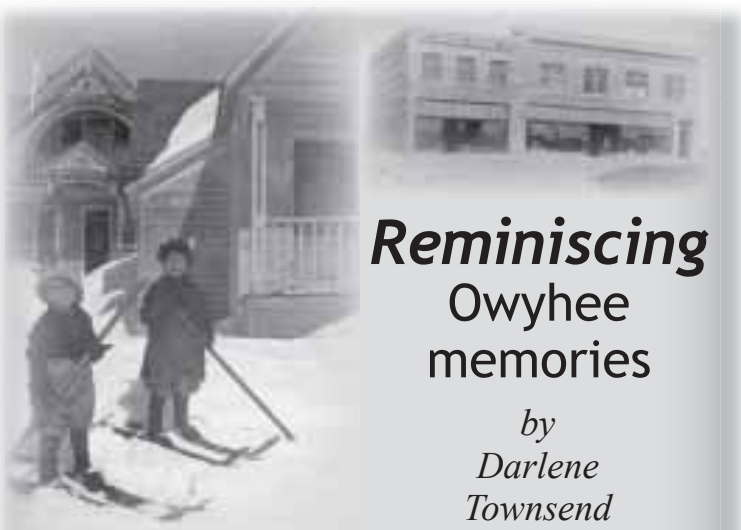
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Monday

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

Tuesday

- Foot clinic**
8:30 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Foot clinic**
9 a.m., call for appointment, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 968-5430
- Tuesdays and Thursdays
- 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
- After-school program**
2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2639



Reminiscing Owyhee memories

by
Darlene
Townsend

Personal cleanliness

In early days of this part of the West, bathing was not always easy. Water was not always readily available. It had to be carried from a spring or a creek. Clothing could be carried to a creek and washed there, then spread on nearby bushes to dry. Sometimes a line could be put up to dry clothes.

When washing machines were invented, washing became easier. I had use of one that sat on the back porch. It had a gas engine that tended to leak oil. It also had a wringer. Putting clothes through the wringer did just that — wrung/squeezed the water out of the item. There was a stand next to the washer that held two washtubs. Each held clean fresh, water to rinse the clothes before the final wringing and to be hung on the line. The white clothes were washed and rinsed first.

I recall when it was not proper to hang a woman’s undergarments on the line for all to see. Then a woman would contrive a method whereby her “unmentionables” were hung, until dry, inside a pillowcase or under a sheet or some other large item. (How times have changed!)

Bathing was a bit more difficult partly because of the larger amount of water that was needed.

My grandmother taught me how to get clean using what she called a “spit bath.” It is amazing how clean and refreshed a person can feel after taking such a bath. She said take a small pan of warm water and a washcloth. Start by washing my face and neck. Then wash down as far as possible. Then set the pan on the floor so I could stand in it. Then wash my feet and legs and wash up as far as possible. Then step out of the pan.

Owyhee County dust comes off quite easily that way.

As a kid, we lived where water was more accessible, but there was neither indoor plumbing nor a bathtub. When small, we took baths in a washtub. The water had to be carried in from a well and heated on the wood-burning cook stove. There were three of us young children.

Like normal kids we were happy to hang onto our dirt; we’d played hard to get it. Since we took turns in the same tub of water, we argued over who had to take the first bath. The cry of “last bath” could be heard for sometime after Mom announced it was bath time.

Some place in the midst of all these baths and having two younger brothers at the time, it dawned on me that the person taking the first bath not only got warmer water, it was a lot cleaner. Then the cry of “first bath” mingled in with “last bath.” I was done, dressed and sitting by the living room stove fire waiting for bedtime before my brothers were done fussing about who was last. Mom made the decision and took the cleanest of the two, adding a little hot water from the tea kettle on the cook stove before scrubbing the next kid. My next oldest brother finally gave up fighting for last bath. As soon as I was out of the room, he got ready to get in. The youngest could still be heard calling out “last bath.” I don’t know when he discovered that no matter what he said he still always had to have a bath and he was always the last.

— This is the latest in a series of reader-submitted true tales from Owyhee life. Submit short stories, preferably of 500 words or less, and related photos if available to jon@owyheeavalanche.com or call managing editor Jon P. Brown at (208) 337-4681 for more information.

About the author

Boise resident Darlene A. Townsend is a fourth-generation Owyhee County native. Born on a farm near the present-day Homedale Middle School, she is a 1953 Homedale High grad.

Townsend’s great-grandfather, W.H. (William Henry) “Hank” Townsend, came to Jordan Valley in the summer of 1863 looking for gold shortly after Michael Jordan’s party arrived. Her grandfather, Albert Vernon “Bert” Townsend, grew up in Silver City, and her father, Darley Louis “Duke” Townsend, was born in Wagontown and grew up in Silver City.

Her grandfather owned the Flint Creek cattle ranch now owned by her cousin Vernon Kershner.

She returns to Owyhee country whenever she can.

From page 1A

✓ PBS: Crew visited Marsing last winter to film teacher’s conceptualization

versus a growth mindset. Kids who have a fixed mindset would typically say, ‘I can’t do math, it’s too hard. I’ll never be good at math.’ They don’t understand that the brain is like a muscle and can be exercised to do new and hard things.”

He further explained that the concept behind the new approach to teaching is essentially about how people look at learning things.

Price pointed out that the documentary has been in development for about 18 months.

“The film crew came out last February

to shoot footage and they were here for two days,” Price said. “They focused on Jodette Lemos’ fifth-grade class and how she incorporates this growth mindset approach to teaching kids math.”

A description of the documentary on the NOVA website says the program is aimed at asking if the science of learning can reveal how children’s brains work and tell us which techniques are most likely to engage and inspire growing minds.

Lemos said she was pleasantly surprised that her classroom was chosen for the documentary.

“The film crew was no distraction at all,” Lemos said. “The students knew the importance of the lesson and ignored the crew.”

She added that her students have really taken ownership of the growth mindset concept.

“They began speaking the language and living by the idea that anything was possible depending on how you viewed the situation,” Lemos said. “I was so proud of my students and how they embraced the philosophy that they were capable of anything, especially when it

came to academics. They were willing to try new skills and weren’t afraid of making mistakes because they knew their brain would grow stronger through their mistakes.”

Price thinks the idea behind the segment on his district was to show that any school in the country could adopt a growth mindset philosophy.

“Here’s a poor, small, rural school in Idaho, and they’re on the cutting edge with how kids look at learning,” Price said.

— SC

✓ Gateway West: Congressman could propose a legislative fix to route

officials from the Governor’s Office of Energy Resources as well as Idaho Power’s Mitch Colburn and Mark Stokes were on hand to tell county commissioners and a handful of Owyhee County residents of the tentative plan.

“Idaho Power is working with (U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho), and there’s talk of doing a trade,” Aberasturi said.

The land swap would remove NCA status from the existing energy corridor in the Birds of Prey area while creating a 4,500-acre NCA area north of the Bruneau Sand Dunes. The new conservation region would be split just about evenly between Owyhee County and Elmore County near Hammett, Aberasturi said.

The state and Idaho Power officials were scheduled to meet with Elmore County commissioners Friday after the confab in Murphy.

“It’s really good news for Owyhee County,” Aberasturi said.

But, he said, Elmore County officials would have to sign off on the deal, and Owyhee commissioners will coordinate with their colleagues this week.

“It’s still preliminary now,” Aberasturi cautioned. “There’s nothing set in stone. Congressman Simpson is going to be writing something up to put in front of Congress, so it looks pretty good.”

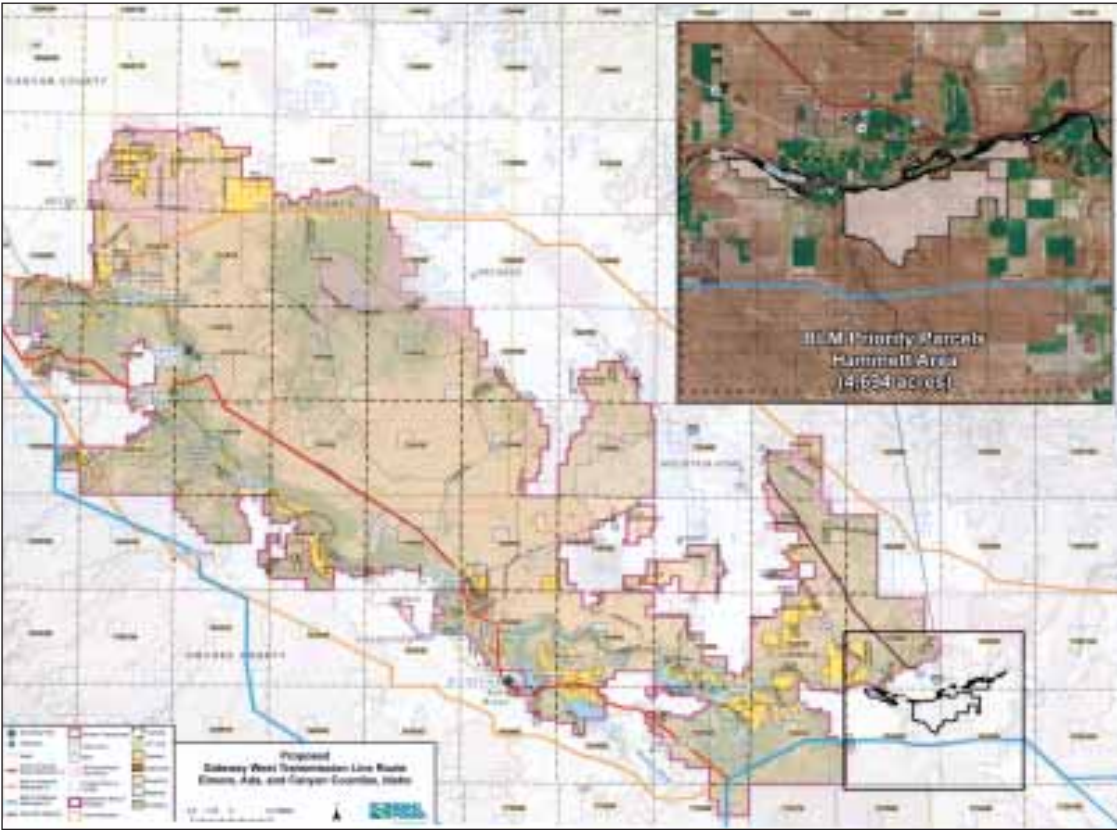
Any exchange would still be subject to public comment, Aberasturi said, adding that livestock grazing in the proposed 4,500 acres may have to be a grandfathered use.

“There will be some permittees that will have to be consulted to see if they are OK with this,” he said.

Aberasturi said Idaho Power officials have been in talks with conservation groups in an attempt to find a way to move the Owyhee County routing of the 500-kilovolt electrical line forward.

Segments 8-9 of the 1,100-mile powerline that will stretch from Windstar, Wyo., to the Hemingway Butte substation in Wilson were removed from the Bureau of Land Management’s record of decision approving the other segments.

A BLM Boise District Resource Advisory Council subcommittee recommended the route through



the NCA after months of meetings and with the understanding that the recommendation would be the top alternative.


But NCA route proponents, a handful of whom were at Friday’s

meeting, were disappointed when the BLM’s draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) listed two other routes as preferred alternatives. One route encroached on private ground and another would take the Gateway West line south of Oreana and through pristine sage-grouse habitat.

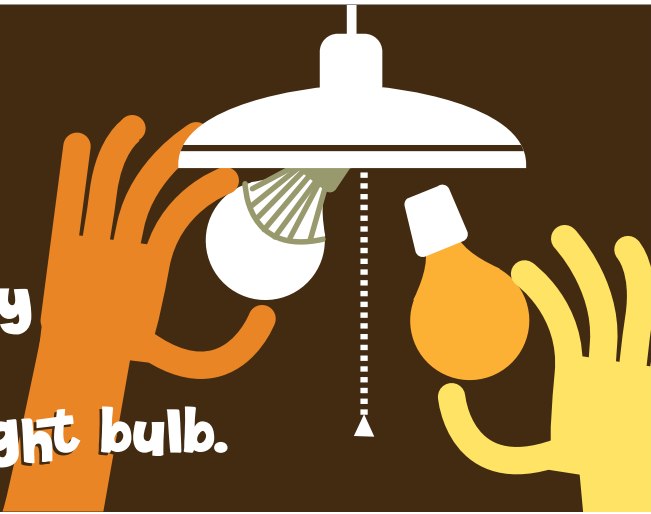
Aberasturi, however, is optimistic that Friday’s news can turn into the plan property owners and conservationists alike can embrace.

“I think it’s a move in the right direction, and if we keep moving forward with it, it will be good for the county,” he said.

Owyhees Donna Bennett and Karen Steenhof, members of the RAC Gateway West subcommittee, were present at Friday’s meeting, and so were Owyhee County Task Force members Ernie Breuer and Robyn Thompson of Oreana as well as former Task Force chair Frank Bachman and state legislative candidate Christy Zito. — JPB



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Homedale volunteer firefighters and emergency medical technicians were among the first-responders recognized Sunday at the fairgrounds. All photos submitted



Chuck Ryan presents barrel racing champion LaDawn Bayes here first-place buckle.



From left: Team roping winners Jeff Nicolosi and Bill Bequeath with Mountain View Church of the Nazarene pastor Chuck Ryan.

Owyhee car shows upcoming

Hwy. 78 CDR raffle tickets available now

Summer days are dwindling down, but the car show fun in Owyhee County is just getting started.

The second annual Homedale Assembly of God Church car and bike show will be held Saturday, Sept. 24.

Raffle tickets are on sale for the fourth annual Highway 78 Community Disaster Relief benefit, which takes place on Saturday, Oct. 15 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum complex in Murphy.

The Assembly of God show at Bette Uda City Park is free to the public. Car or bike registration costs \$10.

The event also includes a chili cookout, prizes and giveaways, and there will be hot dogs and onion rings available.

The car and bike show registration runs from 9 a.m. to noon, and awards will be handed out at 3 p.m.

For more information, call Pastor Ivar Moore at (208) 412-2946, Wes King at (208) 249-8721 or Randy Friedley at (208)



This 1951 Chevrolet pickup will be given away at the Highway 78 CDR Family Fun Day next month.

859-6999.

The Highway 78 CDR Family Fun Day in Murphy next month will feature a car show, a mountain antique power show, a beer garden, soda fountain and children's games.

Food also will be available, and Treasure Valley disc jockey Jon Jaxon will provide music.

The fun day runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and admission is \$5. Food and entertainment tickets will be sold at a price of \$1 per ticket and \$20 for 25 tickets. Car show registration is \$10.

There are several raffle drawings this year, too:

- \$1 per ticket, or six for \$5 — Old-fashioned quilt
- \$2 per ticket — 1951 Chevrolet 3/4-ton pickup
- \$10 per ticket — Les Schwab: Set of Back Country all-terrain tires; \$1,000 gift card for Larry's Sporting Goods in Nampa; \$1,000 gift card for Harbor Freight. Only 400 tickets are available.

Melba High School's art class is selling the \$10 raffle tickets with the students receiving 25 percent of the proceeds from the tickets they sell. Folks can also sponsor art students or the entire class.

For more information, call Denise Lacy at (208) 495-1578 or visit the website www.ochwy78cdr.com or the Facebook page at Hwy 78 Community Disaster Relief.

Library youth group hosts disc golf clinic

All boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to take part in a disc golf clinic Friday at Riverside Park in Homedale.

Dave Downum, one of the organizers instrumental in developing the nine-hole course, will lead the instructional session, which is part of the Homedale Public Library's Teens and Tweens program.

Youth interested in participating in the clinic will meet at 4 p.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., and then the contingent will walk to Riverside Park.

Pre-registration is required for the clinic. Boys and girls can sign up at the library during regular business hours.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave., and is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday.

Call (208) 337-4228 for more information about the library and its programs.

Library survey deadline looms

Folks have until Friday to return a survey on the proposed Homedale Public Library expansion project. The survey is connected to a grant application.

Library administrator Sharla Jensen recently mailed out 845 postcards with the survey questions, and the survey also has been available at City Hall. Jensen estimates that about 70 postcards came back as non-deliverable.

The survey includes three questions:

- Are you in favor of expanding the Homedale Public Library?
- Are you in favor of expanding services provided by the library?
- If so, which services: books; movies; computers; youth programs; adult classes; movie nights; other

The survey also includes a space to leave comments on the expansion proposal.

Jensen pointed out that only about 40 of the surveys have been returned to either the library or City Hall.

"I picked Sept. 16 as the date to return them somewhat randomly," Jensen said. "I just knew that people need a deadline in order to accomplish things sometimes, and we do need the survey results by October for part of the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) application."

The Friends of the Homedale Public Library donated \$204 in stamps for the mailing. Jensen stated that her unexpended September postage budget will cover the remaining \$83.30. As of Aug. 31, Jensen had \$391.50 left in the postage budget line for Fiscal Year 2016. The \$83.30 reflects about 21 percent of the remaining postage funds for the year.

The current library at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. covers about 1,350 square feet. The expansion would add roughly 3,600 square feet to the existing facility.

Jensen also placed surveys about the expansion proposal on the library's main desk earlier this summer. By July 12, 14 patrons had participated in that round of surveys, and Jensen said all of them supported the idea.

Folks who didn't get a survey in the mail, or who don't come into the library, can still comment on the expansion proposal on the library's Facebook page.

— SC

Grand View church plans family festival

Knight Community Church's second annual Fall Family Fun Festival and Carnival is set for Sunday, Sept. 25.

The festival begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Grand View City Park pavilion and will include church services. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., and carnival games and other contests will follow.

All families in the community are invited to attend the free event to enjoy fun, food and fellowship.

The church's after-school children's activities began Sept. 6. The after-school program will take place from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. each Tuesday through the end of May. The program will close during holidays.

Youth pastor Jerry Shetler and his wife, Lot, conduct the after-school program in the church's social hall.

Snacks are served, and children can enjoy board games, play pool and play outdoor games. A Bible lesson is taught at 4:30 p.m. during each session.

For information on Knight Community Church programs, services and events, call the church at (208) 834-2639 (Pastor Ivan Shetler is available on Thursdays, and Jerry Shetler is available on Tuesdays), or call their home phone at (208) 845-2019.

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No injuries in U.S. 95 vehicle fire

A Middleton man walked away unscathed after the truck he was driving burst into flames last Wednesday morning.

Brett Carpenter, 36, was the only occupant of the vehicle. He was driving south toward Oregon on the way to Nevada when the

fire started around 7:40 a.m. on U.S. Hwy. 95 at mile marker 15.

Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman and Sgt. Gary Olsen responded. Marsing Fire extinguished the blaze.

"The rig belonged to Priest Electric out of Caldwell,"

Bowman said. "The whole cab portion was totaled. The rear had a mechanic's box on the back, and it was untouched."

David Priest, company shop foreman, said the fire was caused by an electrical malfunction under the driver's side of the dash.

"They towed it themselves," Bowman said. — SC

County gets grant for emergency services

Owyhee County has been awarded two new grants from the Idaho Office of Emergency Management.

On Aug. 22, the Board of Owyhee County Commissioners (BOCC) approved the first grant in the amount of \$27,033 for the State Homeland Security program.

County Clerk Angie Barkell stated that the other grant commissioners signed off on during a Sept. 6 meeting brought in \$13,847, which the county matched with an equal amount for total revenue of \$27,694.

"That grant is the Emergency Management Performance Grant," Barkell said. "That revenue is used to partially fund Jim Desmond's contract."

Desmond's contract this year is for \$60,000 to be the county's emergency services coordinator. He explained that Homeland Security Grant funds have been used for a variety of purchases.

"The courthouse security system of video cameras and alarm buttons was purchased initially with those funds, and upgrades are going in now with those funds," Desmond said.

He also gave examples of other

things obtained with grant money since Desmond assumed the emergency services coordinator role in 2008:

- Homedale Police parking area security fencing and cameras
- Grand View alarm (evacuation and other alerts) system
- Marsing water purification/waste water complex security fencing
- Numerous radio purchases and upgrades
- 35-kilowatt backup generator for county emergency operations center (generator is mounted on a trailer so it can be used elsewhere)
- Wiring in emergency operations center at McKeeth Hall in the museum for generator use
- Training for many first-responders in the county

"There were lots of purchases before I took the job, and those included items like trailers, law enforcement gear and fire department gear," Desmond said.

The grant with the State Homeland Security program must be used by Aug. 31, 2018. The funding from the Emergency Management Performance Grant expires on Sept. 30, 2017.

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Bruneau author to headline second annual Cowgirl Tea

An Owyhee County author and editor will serve as keynote speaker for the second annual Cowgirl Tea in Murphy.

Bruneau native Milly Hunt Porter has written several books and is owner of Give-It-A-Go Books. She'll appear during "Our Heroes have always been Cowgirls"-themed event on Oct. 8.

Although geared toward wom-

en interested in western heritage, men are also welcome to attend the Cowgirl Tea, which will take place from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum.

The cost is \$12, and organizer Carol Huffman asks for RSVPs by Oct. 1. Contact her at (208) 989-3267 or carolrhuffman@msn.com. There will be a silent auction, and event sponsorships are available. Contact Huffman about getting involved.

More information is available on Facebook, and tickets are available through Eventbrite.com under "Cowgirl Tea," but there is a surcharge for that service.

In addition to honoring Porter, the Cowgirl Tea will feature award-winning entertainment by Utah natives "Cowgal" poet Sam DeLeeuw and western musician David Anderson.

"It is my hope that all who attend will be inspired and encouraged by the music, poetry, and story of lives that have shaped our western heritage," Huffman said.

Huffman described the Cowgirl Tea as "an informal event with a formalized structure where you can have fun, be entertained, and enjoy the beautiful surroundings of Murphy."

The event is made possible this year through a grant from the Idaho Commission on the Arts, the Idaho Legislature and the National Endowment for the Arts.

An optional museum tour follows at 4 p.m.



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Conservation districts’ fall tour focuses on future of farming

Event features conservation, higher yield techniques

The joint fall tour for the Owyhee and Canyon conservation districts will focus on soil health and management techniques. The tour will visit local fields for displays and demonstrations of different conservation philosophies on Thursday, Sept. 22. RSVP by Monday by contacting Canyon Conservation District administrative assistant Lori Kent at (208) 454-8684. The tour will start from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing. Attendees should be at the service center by 8:45 a.m. The carpool to the fields will start at 9 a.m. The Owyhee Conservation District will provide a light lunch. The tour will display cover crops, no-till methods, crop rotation, prescribed grazing and nutrient and pest management approaches. OCD has a no-till drill available for rental at a rate of \$13 per acre with a \$25 deposit. The no-till drill allows a farmer

to plant his crop without disturbing the soil. It also promotes water and soil conservation through higher water infiltration and storage capacity and less erosion. Other benefits are higher profit margins and the ability to grow a second crop instead of leaving a field fallow. The Natural Resources Conservation Service along with two local growers, Jason Miller and Brad McIntyre, have been educating growers in no-till farming and soil health in Owyhee, Elmore, Canyon, Ada, and Payette counties for the past five years. McIntyre is an OCD supervisor, while Miller is a water quality resource conservationist with the Idaho Soil and Water Conservation Commission. No till farming/soil health is fairly new approach in the Treasure Valley, but an OCD press release said it has been tried-and-true farming method for decades in the midwestern and eastern United States. No-till farming is credited with helping farmers reduce costs for labor, fuel and irrigation while increasing profits and crop yield and improving soil health. Proponents say no-till farming helps producers continue to meet the food demands of a growing global population.

Library examines Basques’ impact

The Basque influence on Elmore County is one focus of the next Bruneau and Beyond speaker program at the Bruneau Valley Library. Elmore County Museum director Debbie Shoemaker’s presentation kicks off the fall season for the series at noon next Wednesday. The library is located at 327073 Ruth St., in Bruneau. A light luncheon will be served prior to the presentation. Although


the event is free, organizers ask that folks who plan on attending RSVP to ensure adequate space and food can be arranged. Call (208) 845-2282 to reserve a spot. The Elmore museum director for the past five years, Shoemaker will focus on the roles of the Basque population, Sheriff Updyke, Shoshone tribe member Bruneau John and others, in the development of Elmore County and their impact on its history.

GV man pleads guilty to DUI again

Twice in two months, a Grand View man has pled guilty to driving under the influence. Willie Keith Rabey entered his plea to a misdemeanor charge of third or subsequent DUI on Aug. 29 in Murphy before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober. Six weeks earlier, Rabey had entered a guilty plea to DUI and other misdemeanors stemming from a June 25 arrest. At the Aug. 29 sentencing, which addressed an April 28 arrest, Grober credited Rabey with


35 days already spent in Owyhee County Jail and suspended the balance of a six-month sentence. Rabey was ordered to pay fines and court fees of \$950 for the DUI and at least his third driving without privileges misdemeanor. Rabey also has been placed on two years’ probation. Rabey’s driver’s license was suspended for a year during sentencing for the June 25 DUI. During that first sentencing, Rabey also was ordered to pay \$1,150 in fines and fees.

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 27 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 84 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 144 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 194,869 acre-feet of water on Monday.

— Information compiled from the National Weather Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Natural Resources Conservation Service and Helena Chemical in Homedale

Birthday

Cecil Nebeker celebrates at Succor Creek park


Longtime Adrian resident Cecil Burns Nebeker celebrated her 94th birthday last month in a favorite way — in the summer heat of dusty Succor Creek State Park surrounded by family. Nebeker and her children and grandchildren marked the occasion with a potluck dinner of burgers and ice cream birthday cake on Aug. 20, 2016. She has lived in Adrian since 1978 when she and her husband, Ray, moved from Kuna and increased their dairy herd from 10 to 50. She milked cows on the Adrian farm until 1996. After growing up in Southern Utah, Nebeker served in the Philippines during World War II in 1945 as a second lieutenant and registered nurse. She and Ray married in 1947, and lived in Centerville, Utah, where she worked as an RN until they moved to Kuna in 1968 and she learned how to milk cows. Cecil still lives in her Adrian home with her son, Joe. Joe and siblings Ray, Roger, Linda Rountree, Trudy, Robyn Zittercob and Dixie Goodsell all attended the birthday party along with grandchildren Dennis, Travis, Ethan, Crystal and Lillian as well as spouses, great-grandchildren and friends. Cecil’s other children include Josette Beaumont, Daisy Yee, John Nebeker, Wayne Nebeker and Tammie Nebeker McClure. She has 35 grandchildren, 25 great-granchildren and at least one great-great grandchild.



Above: Among the folks who joined Cecil Burns Nebeker for her birthday at Succor Creek State Park were, clockwise from left, daughter Dixie Goodsell, son Joe Nebeker and friends Deb Learned and her father. **Below:** Cecil with a new friend.



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Sage-grouse conservation nests at PLC meeting

Officials: Grass height, West-wide solutions won't work for bird

Owyhee County issues and officials took center stage Thursday during the Public Lands Council's annual meeting in Boise.

The meeting marked the swan song for Reynolds Creek rancher Brenda Richards, who wrapped up her two-year stint as PLC president. Jordan Valley's Bob Skinner ascended to the vice-presidency from secretary/treasurer and is in line to succeed Dave Eliason as PLC president in 2018.

It's fitting that two Owyhee country cattle producers were so prominent in the PLC ranks as the annual confab filled conference rooms at the Boise Centre last week.

Major topics discussed during Thursday's second day of the four-day convention were sage-grouse conservation efforts and how rural counties whose economies are tied to vast swaths of public lands can adapt to change and survive.

The PLC membership also held a closed-door meeting Thursday morning to discuss Animal Unit Monthly Committee issues. Governmental agency personnel and media were asked to leave the Summit Room during the discussion.

Ironically, as ranchers and federal government officials alike acknowledged that resource management for a single species



Public Lands Council president Brenda Richards, far left, introduces the county commissioners panel at Thursday meeting. **From left:** Mark Roeber, Delta County, Colo.; Ron Cerri, Humboldt County, Nev.; Jerry Hoagland, Owyhee County; and Jerald Raymond, Jefferson County, Idaho. Three other officials also sat on the panel, including Jim Desmond (below), natural resources director, Owyhee County; Rex Sacco, public lands director, Carbon County, Utah; and Robbie LeValley, Delta County administrator

wasn't prudent. A single species — the Greater Sage-grouse — dominated the discussion.

Days after the Bureau of Land Management released several memos to provide implementation guidance for sage-grouse plans, PLC members listened with guarded optimism as University of Montana wildlife biologist David Naugle spoke about changing views on grass height and sage-grouse survival.

Naugle, who has served the U.S. Department of Agriculture for six years as a science advisor for the Sage-grouse Initiative, told PLC-member producers that a six-year study of more than 1,300 nest sites across three western states showed no relation between grass height and nest survival.

"I'm not sure we got this right from a science aspect," he said.

Naugle said the new information calls into question the necessity of grazing rest periods to allow



grass to grow and provide sage-grouse cover. Two BLM officials — Joe Tague and Gordon Toevs — backed up Naugle's assertion during their monitoring workshop, saying that high grass can provide cover for the birds. The men also said that grass height must be measured in the season of pasture

use to be practical.

The BLM'ers tried to walk ranchers through the process of understanding range conditions throughout the West to build a baseline for analysis.

Tague also admitted that many field office range conservationists need training to eliminate the old agency philosophy that a 7-inch stubble height is ideal and should be uniform across the West. Instead, analysts need to get out on the landscape and use adaptive management to achieve objectives.

"It's the preponderance of evidence. It's going out and really looking," Tague said. "It's the nesting cover."

During the six-year study that was the backbone of Naugle's talk, scientists found that weather patterns — and wet, heavy rain at the wrong time of the brooding season — had more of a negative impact on nest survival than grass height.

The study is ongoing as scientists try to pinpoint why chick survival rates are so low.

Sage-grouse and its habitat in the West permeated the four-day conference, but there was a man-made sub-issue that rankled just as many attendees.

Naugle said what everyone was thinking when he addressed the necessity for local-level flexibility to deal with issues.

He said that if nothing was done about the "top-down threats" to sage-grouse — colloquially, the federal government's propensity to over-ride local decisions at increasingly higher bureaucratic levels — that the local issues wouldn't matter in the long run.

Naugle also pointed out research that suggests cultivation is a big threat to the survival of the sagebrush steppe ecosystem upon which the sage-grouse so heavily relies.

He shared a quote from one of his students stating that converting one square mile of sagebrush into cropland, such as a wheat field, negatively impacts sage-grouse in a landscape area 12 times the size of the new field.

Natural Resource Conservation Service easement programs aim to stem the march of cultivation wiping out more sage-grouse habitat.

There were obvious points in Naugle's presentation, too. He said nearly every nest mortality could be linked to animal predation.

"Sage-grouse and their eggs are like ice cream to the predators," Naugle said. "They go there on the weekends because everybody likes chocolate and vanilla."

Naugle also said that the jury is still out on how livestock affects sage-grouse nesting, but he pointed out that the six-year study of sage-grouse in Montana, Wyoming and Nevada showed no significant threat from livestock trampling.

Toevs believes the trend will continue toward landscape-level analysis instead of trying to have a blanket policy for every acre in the West regardless of local conditions.

The goal is to keep the sage-grouse out of the Endangered Species Act crosshairs. Proponents for the bird have four years to show their conservation measures are working, and the monitoring philosophy is part of data collection that will help show the effectiveness of the strategies, officials said.

In 2020, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is scheduled to examine how the new holistic approach is working toward the goal of keeping the sage-grouse off the endangered or threatened list.

"I think ultimately we want to draw the decision to the lowest level," Toevs said.

Jim Lyons, the U.S. Department of Interior Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, explained that the Obama administration is striving to attain local resolution to the issues facing the sage-grouse on a zonal basis.

"I think it's our preference to be able to work mitigation through the states using tools that have been involved," he said, referring to the work done on the state level, such as in Idaho.

"We are trying transform how we do business, to have more data to back up the decisions that we are making. Ultimately, these decisions have to be made at the local level consistent with ecological site potential."

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With an example of his infrared work on the screen, Owyhee County rancher and pilot John Romero tells a lunch crowd about the benefits of his Owyhee Air Research wildlife survey company.

Owyhee ranchers pack lunch with meaty topics

Attendees learn of innovations during break

At the Public Lands Council meeting in Boise last week, even a lunch of hamburgers and hot dogs wrought intrigue.

Sandwiched between Thursday's sage-grouse discussion and the county commissioners' round table on common struggles in three different states were short lunchtime presentations that shed light on several Owyhee County operations.

John Romero of Owyhee Air Research showed ranchers how he is using aviation and infrared technology to more accurately map Greater sage-grouse populations in the Owyhee Desert.

Romero said using an airplane after dark with high-definition and night vision-capable video equipment is a more effective way to perform wildlife surveys.

Helicopter flights during the day are ineffective, he said, because the aircraft noise and the heat of the day drive animals under cover.

With infrared imaging and an airplane, Romero can fly at an altitude that doesn't disturb the deer or cattle or sage-grouse he's trying to survey. The infrared also captures the animals' heat signature, meaning they can be spotted even if they are standing under a tree and out of the line-of-sight of traditional surveying methods.

Romero shared that — after a four-year study on the technology — the U.S. Geological Survey surmised that aerial infrared analysis is 98 percent accurate in counting sage-grouse leks. The study looked at operations

over five states and in parts of Canada.

Romero's service also provides third-party data collection, which supplies more credibility to the analysis results.

Owyhee County ranchers Brenda and Tony Richards and Daniel and Bailey Richards were featured in two separate Life on the Range video shorts produced by the Idaho Rangeland Resource Commission.

IRRC executive director Gretchen Hyde gave a brief history of the organization, which has been around since 1997. Bruneau rancher Chris Black is chair of the commission's governing board.

Tony and Brenda Richards and their ranching operation was the subject of one of the IRRC's first video features aimed at educating the general public about the people behind the business of beef.

Recently, IRRC wrapped up production of a video short detailing the work Daniel and Bailey Richards have done in conjunction with the Bureau of Land Management to graze a fuel break along a utility easement in the Owyhee Front. The goal is reduce fine fuels and avoid another devastating wildfire such as last year's Soda Fire.

Idaho State Department of Agriculture range specialist Brooke Jacobson also shared a video featuring another Owyheean, Jason Nettleton, and the Richards family. The ranchers were filmed carrying out photo monitoring of their grazing allotments.

"I don't see myself as a rancher, but as a vegetation monitor," Nettleton said. "We're not raising cows. We're raising grass and using cattle to harvest that."

— JPB



Adrian High School welcomes exchange students
Five students traveled across the globe to spend a year as exchange students at Adrian High School. **From left:** Enrique Paredes, Spain; Nichatorn Chaodong, Thailand; Nevin Hengst, Germany; Jendrick Ruter, Germany; and Lorenz Egbringhoff, Germany. AHS Yearbook

AHS student returns to Oregon spelling bee after regional title

Adrian High School sophomore Roby Young represented Malheur County at the Oregon State Spelling Bee contest in Salem on Sept. 3. This was the second consecutive year that the daughter of Vale, Ore., residents Robert and Cassie Young made the trip to the Oregon State Fair. She didn't place in the state tournament. Roby won the Division III (high school age) regional championship on May 4 in Vale to reach the state competition. AHS Photo





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COSSA resumes fitness classes

The fall session of night fitness classes at the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) campus in Wilder is now under way.

COSSA, which is located at 109 Penny Lane, started hosting TurboKick fitness classes on Tuesday. The classes will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday through Dec. 20.

Zumba fitness classes began Thursday and will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday (excluding Nov. 24, which is Thanksgiving) through Dec. 22.

Strength, Sweat, Stretch classes started on Monday and will continue today from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. and each Monday and Wednesday through Dec. 21.

All three offerings will resume after Jan. 1.

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

For more information on the class or to register, contact COSSA short-term training coordinator Kristie Dorsey at (208) 482-6074, ext. 249 or dorseyk@cossaschools.org.

“Everyone is welcome to attend the classes regardless of their fitness level,” Dorsey said.

COSSA serves Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Notus and Parma and has students from both Canyon and Owyhee Counties.



From left: COSSA principal Greg Hale, Beverly and David Wise (Tiffany Walters’ parents), Sheri and Duke Rogers (Bobby Rogers’ parents) and COSSA counselor Brandy Smith.

Teen awareness event receives donation

Risky behavior symposium set for Oct. 5

A non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness about the dangers of not using a seatbelt has given the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency (COSSA) \$1,000 for an annual educational campaign.

The check from Buckle Up for Bobby, Inc., was delivered to COSSA on Friday morning. It will help pay for the fourth annual Youth At Risk Symposium that COSSA will host on Wednesday, Oct. 5.

The Buckle Up for Bobby foundation came to exist after the deaths of two Treasure Valley teenagers in a car crash four years ago Friday.

Tiffany Walters, 17, and Bobby Rogers, 16, were both students at Mountain View High School in Meridian. In September 2012, the car they were in went over a 100-foot embankment. Tiffany and Bobby lost their lives at the

scene because they were not wearing seatbelts.

Bobby’s mother, Sheri Rogers, stated that the foundation is pleased to be a part of the awareness campaign held at the agency campus in Wilder.

“We know that these issues, along with safe driving, are important to COSSA and will be part of the risky behavior symposium,” Rogers said. “We would like to give a gift of \$1,000 in the form of sponsorship for this event in honor and loving memory of Tiffany Walters and Bobby Rogers.”

COSSA counselor Brandy Smith said organizations scheduled to participate in this year’s Youth At Risk Symposium include:

- Sage Recovery
- Truth 208
- The Idaho National Guard
- Advocates Against Family Violence
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD)
- Southwest District Health
- The Idaho Governor’s Office of Drug Policy

Sex charge against Marsing man dropped

A Third District Court judge has dismissed the most serious charge against a prominent Marsing resident and remanded the case to Magistrate Court.

Last Wednesday, Judge Thomas J. Ryan granted defendant Robert C. Troxel Jr.’s motion to drop a felony charge of sexual abuse of a minor under the age of 16.

Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery had brought the charge after Troxel was hit with allegations of improper conduct in the presence of his 14-month-old grandson.

“In the recent decision granting the motion to dismiss the felony charge of sexual abuse, the court focused upon the issue of witness competency,” Emery wrote in his answer to a public records request from The Owyhee Avalanche.

Ryan ruled that the felony wasn’t applicable because the child was too young to be cognizant of any alleged lewd conduct.

Emery said Ryan remanded the case back to magistrate court because — while the felony was dismissed — Troxel still faces a misdemeanor charge of indecent exposure.

The manager of the Marsing Housing Authority, Troxel entered not guilty pleas to both charges in late June and had been scheduled to go to trial next Wednesday.

Troxel is scheduled for sentencing before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 24, but the Idaho courts repository doesn’t reflect that Troxel ever changed his original not guilty plea to the indecent exposure charge.

Wild horses displaced by Cherry Road Fire

BLM plans another gather Thursday

An emergency wild horse gather triggered by a wildfire resulted in the relocation of horses has been completed.

The Bureau of Land Management Vale District performed the gather after the Cherry Road Fire burned 90 percent of the Wildhorse Basin pasture in the Three Fingers Herd Management Area in Oregon.

The BLM plans another gather Thursday in the Cold Springs HMA. Because the bait-trap method will be used, no public viewing will be available.

The agency plans to capture 150 wild horses, remove 100 and apply approved fertility control treatment to 25 mares that will be returned to the HMA. At the end of the operation, approximately 235 adult horses and foals will populate the HMA. The appropriate management level (AML) for the HMA about 25 miles southwest of Harper, Ore., is between 75 and 150 horses. The HMA is on 30,000 BLM managed acres and nearly 3,000 acres of interspersed private land.

The objective is to help protect rangeland from deterioration because of overpopulation.

In the days after the fire was contained last month, 155 horses were gathered and transported to the Oregon Adoption facility in the Burns-Hines area. The gathered herd included 33 foals, 55 mares and 67 studs.

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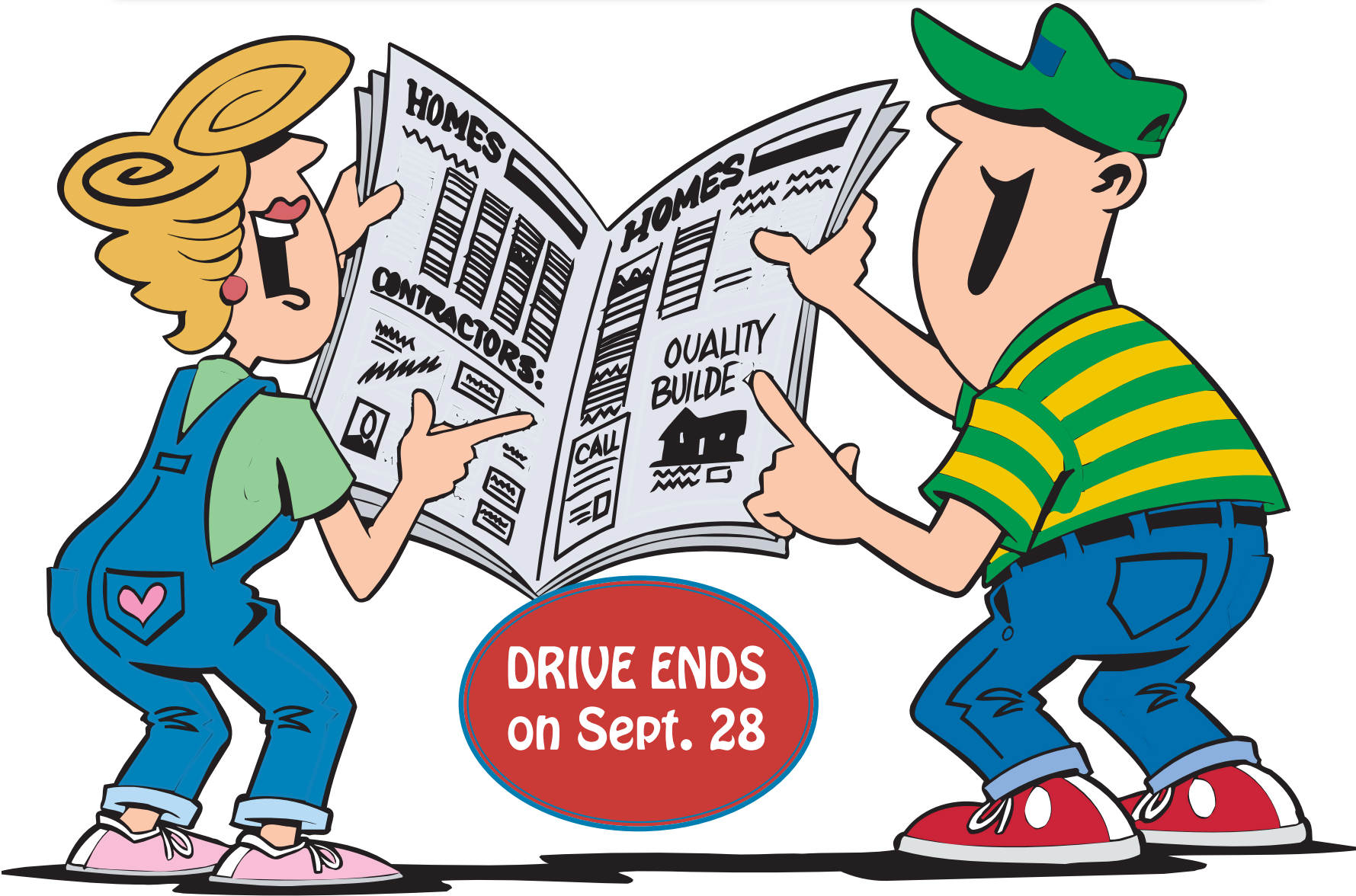
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Homedale quarterback Jake Deal tries to break free from the grasp of a Vale defender Friday night in Oregon. Photo by John Braese / The Malheur Enterprise

HHS ends Vale's home streak

Tough defense softens effects of four turnovers

It was a non-conference game in Week 3, but Friday's Homedale-Vale high school football clash had a playoff feel.

The teams — Idaho's preseason No. 1 Class 3A team and Oregon's two-time reigning 3A state champion — locked in a scoreless duel in the first half.

Homedale's offense couldn't get anything started because of four turnovers in its first six possessions, but the defensive players also bottled up their hosts.

And when the Vikings finally broke through to take a fourth-quarter lead, the Trojans wasted

"I was proud of our defense. ... Our defense played at a high level."

— Matt Holtry
Homedale football coach



little time in regaining the advantage then using defense to lock down a 15-8 victory.

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Marsing loses breakthrough game

Pirates lose ground game, win with turnovers

Marsing High School's offense finally began clicking Friday night, but the Huskies ran into an opportunistic opponent.

Payette cashed in on three turnovers for a 44-14 non-conference road victory that sent the Huskies to their 19th consecutive defeat.

"We had a number of

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Marsing quarterback Tyler Simonson (5) points out a blocking assignment for Clay King (24). Photo by Dan Pease

Mustangs, Skinner scorch McDermitt

Jordan Valley High School crushed McDermitt, Nev., in the first set en route to a non-league volleyball sweep on the road.

Regann Skinner peppered the host Bulldogs with 14 aces in a 25-1, 25-18, 25-15 victory.

First-year coach Kelsey Anderson said Skinner took over Game 1 after McDermitt won the match's first serve.

"The ball was aced, and our communication issue was apparent," Anderson said.

"After getting the ball back, Regann Skinner served 24 points."

Anderson said Jordan Valley's players struggled with McDermitt's slower pace of play.

"This was a good opportunity for all players to gain varsity experience," she said.

Zoey Warn drilled seven kills to lead Jordan Valley, while teammates Emilee Burch (five kills) and Taylor Warn (four) also helped on offense.

Burch also tipped four balls over the net for points, and Skinner added two tips.

Cheyenne Davis notched at team-high eight assists, and Alisha Rogers followed with seven.



Regann Skinner



Homedale freshman Matthew Randall, right, makes his move in the pack during Saturday's Roger Curran Invitational at West Park in Nampa. Photo by Machele Randall

Younger Randall revs up for Trojans cross country team

Freshman sets PR at Curran meet

Homedale High School runners challenged athletes from larger schools Saturday in the Roger Curran Invitational in Nampa.

The event was the final tune-up for the 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, to which the Trojans will play host at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder.

Matthew Randall continued a strong start to his high school career with Homedale's best finish at West Park in Nampa on Saturday.

The freshman finished 31st in the boys' 5-kilometer contest with a personal-best time of 18 minutes, 37.76 seconds. He shaved a full minute off his previous personal record, which was established when he finished

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Sports

✓ HHS: Two-time reigning 3A Oregon champs had won 11 straight overall

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“This game definitely had the playoff experience in it for sure,” HHS coach Matt Holtry said. “You’re going up against a Vale team that are back-to-back champions, and they’re expecting to win.”

A 15-game home winning streak didn’t hurt in the confidence department either. Vale hadn’t lost at home since a 20-19 setback against Nyssa, Ore., on Oct. 18, 2013, and the Vikings were riding an 11-game overall winning streak that began after Homedale had crushed Vale, 40-7, at Deward Bell Stadium last September.

But Friday night Homedale (3-0 overall) stifled Vale (1-1) on its first seven possessions. The Vikings had minus-12 yards offense before embarking on a 13-play, 45-yard drive near the end of the first half.

Vale reached Homedale’s 33-yard line before Cade Perry threw two incomplete passes and Ryan Criffield sacked the Vikings’ quarterback for a 6-yard loss to end the possession.

“I was proud of our defense. I think their first four possessions were three-and-out,” Holtry said. “Our defense played at a high level.”

Holtry could tell his offense was ready to match the defense’s performance even though two of the Trojans’ first three drives ended with Jake Deal interceptions, and back-to-back drives were halted by fumbles from Carson Brown and Mason Kincheloe.

All it took was a little heart-to-



Homedale running back Caleb Meligan cuts to the outside as a Vale defender closes in during first-half action Friday in Oregon. Photo by John Braese / Malheur Enterprise

heart at halftime.

“It was frustrating when your kids aren’t executing at the level that you know they can,” Holtry said. “We went into halftime, and I got into the kids a little.

“And I flat-out told them that this isn’t the way we play football, and this isn’t the level that is expected. When they finally cleaned that up, good things happened.”

After the Trojans’ first second-half possession ended in a fumble, Deal sparked the offense with his arm and gave Honedale the lead with his legs.

The senior quarterback connected with Brown for a 42-yard play that set up the Trojans inside the Vale 20. An 11-yard pass to Kendall Frelove and a Vale penalty gave Homedale a first down at the 3, and Deal snuck in

from a yard out on third down for a 7-0 lead.

Deal accounted for 206 of Homedale’s 343 offensive yards. He and Caleb Meligan shared the rushing lead with 76 yards each.

Meligan scored the go-ahead TD on a 6-yard run that capped an 80-yard drive. He also caught the two-point conversion pass.

Holtry said Deal’s tenacity — which mirrored that of the team overall — was instrumental in dragging the Trojans forward.

“On that long (80-yard) drive, Jake pounded (the ball) a lot for us,” Holtry said. “He had two of the turnovers, but he didn’t put his head in the tank. He continued to drive.

“I’m very proud of the way he kept going and kept grinding.”

After Homedale regained the

lead, the Trojans’ defense returned to its first-half form.

First-year player Brodee Walker recovered Perry’s fumble to end one possession, and Drew Deal picked off Perry’s desperation pass on the game’s final play.

Walker helped stifle the Vikings on the game’s final drive after Adrian Monreal missed a 40-yard field goal attempt.

Walker and Wyatt Dorsey sacked Perry on back-to-back plays, and a penalty put the Vikings in a 3rd-and-29 hole on their own 1.

“(Walker) is a versatile guy,” Holtry said. “He’s played tight end, guard, defensive end and outside linebacker for us.

“He just kind of found a niche for us at defensive end.”

Vale was able to convert for a

HHS plays Saturday

Homedale High School’s football program plays a pair of rare Saturday regular-season games this week.

The Trojans take on non-conference foe West Jefferson at Deward Bell Stadium in the first Saturday home game since the 2015 3A state playoffs.

The junior varsity team takes an unbeaten 3-0 mark into a 2 p.m. kickoff against West Jefferson.

The varsity game starts at 4 p.m.

first down, but Perry threw incomplete passes on four of the next five plays before Drew Deal’s interception.

Frelove paced the defense again with 12 tackles, including seven solo stops. Scott Matlock had seven assists and a tackle for loss.

“It was DYJ — ‘Do Your Job’,” Holtry said of the defensive unit’s performance. “They just executed their assignments, and they took care of their jobs.

“Our defensive line was awesome. They really did a good job containing their tailback (Marquo Gomez, who rushed for 156 yards but didn’t get into the end zone on 28 carries).”

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Tuesday, Sept. 20, home vs. Parma, 4:30 p.m.

Sports

Rose racks up four touchdowns, Homedale JV overruns Vikings

Scoring on its first eight possessions, Homedale High School dismantled Vale in junior varsity football Thursday.

The Trojans needed less than a minute to score two of their first three touchdowns in a 54-14 non-conference victory at Deward Bell Stadium.

Freshman quarterback Daniel Uranga threw for 299 yards and completed touchdown passes to four different receivers as Homedale (3-0 overall) remained perfect on the season.

Six different receivers caught balls from Uranga, and Jaegar Rose rushed 12 times for 71 yards and three touchdowns as Homedale rolled up 426 yards total offense.

Homedale's defense gave up 167 yards, but Vale was unable to find the end zone until the fourth quarter.

Jake Collett and Trent Shanley led the defensive effort with five tackles apiece. Collett had 2.5 tackles for loss and two sacks, while Shanley caught Vale ball carriers behind the line of scrimmage three times.

Anthony Rodriguez and Brandon Koberlein also sacked Vale quarterback Colton Kersey.

Rose opened the scoring with a 10-yard run to complete a three-play, 25-yard drive that took just 53 seconds to execute.

Rose's third touchdown of the first quarter came on a 3-yard run to complete eight-second, 65-yard drive that began when Uranga fired a 62-yard pass to Nelson Lomeli.

Homedale scored the game's first 54 points.

Collett scored on a 17-yard jaunt in the third quarter and caught the last of Uranga's four TD passes to complete a 29-yard scoring play in the third quarter.

Rose's fourth consecutive TD to open the game came on a 31-yard scoring pass from Uranga. Karsen Freelove caught a 6-yard touchdown.

The biggest scoring play of the night was an 82-yard touchdown pass from Uranga to Caleb Smith that gave Homedale a 41-0 halftime advantage.



Homedale Middle School seventh-grader Ethan Almaraz blocks a punt in Payette last week. He scooped up the errant football and scored to help the Trojans win their conference season opener.

Devastating defense delivers HMS' wins

Homedale Middle School's seventh-grade defense overwhelmed McCain in a 3A Snake River Valley conference opener.

The Trojans' eighth-graders also rolled over McCain, 34-0.

Ten different Trojans made tackles in the opponents' backfield in the seventh-graders' 44-0 rout Sept. 6 at Harmon Killebrew Field in Payette.

Ethan Almaraz returned a blocked punt for a touchdown, and Josh Brown scooped up a fumble and raced 40 yards for another score.

Almaraz and fellow tailback Hayden Kincheloe and quarterback Eli Heck also scored rushing touchdowns, while tight end Matt McBride caught a scoring pass.

Homedale scored four touchdowns in the first quarter.

Brown, McBride, Devin Kent and Willy Haun caught passes for point-after conversions.

Homedale's defense held McCain to just two first downs. Registering tackles for loss were Brown, McBride, Kincheloe, Almaraz, Heck, Haun, Aaron Chase, Luis Hernandez and Jon Lejardi.

Joining Almaraz as a special teams standout, Beeg Hockenhuill returned a punt 25 yards.

Eighth-graders cruise

Milo Mertz rushed for 76 yards and three touchdowns to key the Trojans' easy victory in their conference opener.

Mertz's second TD was a 25-yard run set up by Brayden Christoffersen's 25-yard jaunt. Homedale's first scoring drive began after Keagan Christensen recovered a McCain fumble on the first play from scrimmage.

Jase Lowder recovered a blocked punt to end Payette's second possession, and Tommy Muir fired a 20-yard touchdown pass to Christensen on Homedale's ensuing play for a 20-0 lead.

Christoffersen rushed 16 times for 112 yards.

Mertz had a forced fumble and an interception. Muir scored on 1-yard quarterback sneak to capitalize on Mertz's interception and give HMS a 26-0 halftime lead.

Mertz scored on a 10-yard run for the game's final score after teammate John Breshears recovered a fumble to end Payette's first drive of the second half.

Muir completed four of six passes for 48 yards.

Blaker Walker, who kicked a two-point PAT after Homedale's final TD, notched 2.5 tackles.

Christoffersen led the defense with three defensive stops, including a team-high two tackles for loss.

Payette was held to minus-8 yards total offense.

✓ Marsing: Huskies' running game rolls, but Pirates' defense gets opportunistic

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turnovers that really (hurt) us," MHS second-year coach Norm Stewart said.

"We'd have really great field position (but) we'd turn the ball over and they'd score."

The Pirates of the 3A Snake River Valley conference built a 31-0 halftime lead before Marsing broke through.

Clay King raced 57 yards 23 seconds into the second half for the Huskies' first touchdown.

Senior quarterback Tyler Simonson and receiver Enrique Quebrado hooked up for a 68-yard scoring pass 1 minute, 24 seconds remaining in the game.

Payette capped the scoring when Geoffrey Hornby returned Mason Hall's ensuing onside kick 48 yards for a touchdown.

"We just had mental mistakes," Stewart said.

"We kicked an onside kick, and our kids didn't touch it and (Hornby) came up and took it and just scored right after we had scored."

The Huskies (0-3 overall) rolled up 293 yards total offense, outgaining the Pirates by 82 yards despite running eight fewer plays.

The teams combined to run 110 plays.

Stewart was hoping to capitalize on the Pirates' notoriously inconsistent defense as well as the Marsing junior varsity's 56-14 victory last Wednesday.

"The week of practice was really good, and then we had momentum coming off the JV game," Stewart said. "The mental atmosphere seemed to be better going into this game, so I felt really good about our chances to break the losing streak."

"Then the mistakes happened and, like the show 'The Replacements,' it's like quicksand and the more that goes wrong, the deeper you sink."

Simonson, a transfer from Shoshone, completed five passes for 142 yards, while Marsing's offensive line opened enough holes for ball carriers to rack up 151 yards.

Despite running more plays than Payette, Marsing suffered from a time of possession deficit. The Pirates forced five turnovers, recovering three fumbles and intercepting Simonson twice.

Payette scored on a 35-yard return of a Simonson fumble in the second quarter, and Isaac Morado returned a Simonson interception for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter.

The Pirates also scored 1:47 before halftime when Hornby blocked a Mason Hall punt and returned the ball for a TD.

King gained 76 yards on four carries. Cole Hiatt had 27 yards on four attempts for Marsing.

Marsing held Payette to 80 yards rushing.

Hall led the defense again with 2.5 quarterback sacks, four solo tackles and 11 assists.

Quebrado had six solo stops, and Markus Allen broke through with 1.5 sacks, three assists and two solo tackles.

"I was still pleased with what we were able to do, especially the defense not allowing them to score in the second half," Stewart said.



Senior Ryan Randall, right, just missed the 20-minute barrier in setting his season-fast time Saturday. Photo by Machele Randall

✓ Trojans: Several season-best times in Nampa

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22nd two days earlier in Thursday's Weiser Invitational at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

In his first three high school races, Randall has trimmed nearly 2½ minutes off his time. He began with a 39th-place time of 20:59.5 in the New Plymouth Invitational on Aug. 31.

Junior Lainey Johnson ran a season-low 23:43.25 and placed 37th to turn in the Homedale girls' team's best finish.

Competing against athletes from Class 5A and 4A schools as well as a couple 2A programs, Homedale's girls finished 11th as Eagle and Rocky Mountain dominated the standings.

The majority of the HHS girls finished in a pack in the final 12 spots, but all achieved personal records:

- Kelsey Taylor, so., was 71st at 26:53.91.
- Hannah Egusquiza, jr., was 72nd at 26:57.74 (a season low).
- Diana Kepa, jr., finished 80th at 29:22.58.
- Laurel Schroeder, sr., was 82nd at 29:36.86.
- Ambyr VanWinkle, sr., was 83rd at 31:12.4.

Adrian junior Corrin Shuster was 74th in the girls' meet with a PR of 27:38.59.

The remaining Homedale boys' finishers included:

- Ryan Randall, sr., was 67th with a season-best 20:07.86
- Caleb Guerrero, jr., was 76th with a PR of 21:08.87.
- Jordan Van Es, sr., was right behind Guerrero with a season-best 21:12.4.
- Pete Vasquez, sr., finished 83rd in 22:13.0.
- Gage Purdom, fr., had a PR at 22:25.97 to finish 86th
- Jose Flores, fr., was 88th with a PR of 23:30.8
- Jonathon Slawson, so., finished 91st at 24:30.55

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

September 18, 1991

Trustees approve emergency levy

At a special meeting Sept. 4, Homedale School Board trustees unanimously approved a school emergency fund levy to raise an additional \$15,000 from property owners in the school district. At the same time, they placed a moratorium on any further enrollment of students from outside the district in the current school year.

Superintendent of Schools Ed Marshall had said the levy, which will trigger substantial additional money received from the state, is needed because of unexpectedly large numbers of new students entering the school system here this fall. He reported on Aug. 27 that 56 new students had entered school here, but by Sept. 4, the number had climbed to 68.

Marshall listed the following increases: elementary school, up 20, including six new out-of-district students; high school, up 28, including eight new out-of-district students.

The total number of out-of-district students enrolled here is 96 in grades kindergarten through 12th grade, Marshall also advised, or a little over 10% of the district’s current school population.

(Note: After the meeting Marshall revisited the reported total number of new students who have enrolled this fall, setting the new total at 70 students.)

Jet-ski races slated Sunday in Marsing

The Idaho Personal Watercraft Association and the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Posse are sponsoring a jet-ski race Sunday in Marsing.

The event will be held at the Marsing boat docks near the bridge.

Amateur racers will receive plaques if they win, and professional class racers will receive a money payback.

Council discusses election, fights, other topics

City election plans and “gang fights” were among a number of subjects that came up at a lengthy Homedale City Council meeting on Sept. 11 that lasted past 11:30 p.m.

The city election was scheduled on Tuesday, Nov. 5 between 12 noon and 8 p.m. at Homedale Magistrate Court, with both Mayor Paul J. Fink and Councilman Daniel Erbe indicating after the meeting that they plan to seek election to new four-year terms.

Erbe asked Police Chief Mike Moysard during last Wednesday’s session about reports there’s “another gang in town” getting into fights at the high school. Moysard said the Blades are still around, but he seemed to suggest any other possible gang might be Wilder-based. He reported that a group from Wilder was supposed to come over for a fight in Homedale City Park one day last week, “but we got that stopped.”

Tros stomp Vikings; Kuna next

Advance scouts for the Kuna football team arriving here on Friday probably swore they were at the Santa Anita Race Track instead of Deward Bell Stadium last week, as Homedale galloped easily to a 35-6 runaway win over outclassed Middleton.

But last Friday’s fun fly-away by Homedale’s Happy Hoofers, now 2-0 for the season, hasn’t made Head Coach Jim McMillan over-confident about Kuna. He said Monday “they’ll be a real good team,” pointing out that the Kavemen have played two A-1 opponents this year, “and probably should have won both games.”

He expects a tough game. Kuna is now 1-1 following an 18-8 win over Pendleton and a 13-6 loss to Caldwell. Game time is set for 7:30, but could run late because of Homecoming pre-game festivities.

The Trojans, meantime, should be ready to rev up again with zest, after leaving the Vikings far back in the dust on Sept. 13. HHS game stats show they compiled 459 yards of offense vs. Middleton’s 189, posting 18 1st downs to Middleton’s 7. Their 35-6 score could easily have been 47-6 or higher had not two penalties cancelled rushing TDs by Josh Hays and Dave Dixon, with Dixon’s coming at the end of a 90-yard long-distance torcher along the sidelines.

50 years ago

September 15, 1966

Precaution taken in underground nuclear blast near JV

The experimental nuclear explosion planned to be set off under-ground in South-western Idaho desert east of Jordan Valley in Owyhee County will “not be conducted without complete assurances of public safety and protection of resources in the area,” the chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission has announced.

Glenn Seaborg, AEC Chairman, said that, “our objectives are to minimize the exposure of anyone to any amount of radioactivity from our operations.”

He added that he believes it is very unlikely that there would be any increase in radiation exposure levels as a result of the blast. He based his statement on preliminary safety evaluation, he said.

“I also believe there would not be any noticeable effects in nearby states from ground shock or air blast from the experiment,” he added.

The commission has issued a new information bulletin on the blast, known as Project Schooner, in response to a request for detailed information on the possible effect of the nuclear experiment and the levels of radiation that could be expected to result.

Project Schooner is part of the AEC Plowshare program to develop peaceful use for nuclear energy.

The Idaho site was selected because of a need to try underground detonations deep in the hard rock strata. The AEC said the actual explosion has been postponed several times as new techniques and devices are developed.

The commission expects that several small-scale cratering experiments will be carried out at the test site in Nevada before Project Schooner is attempted

Chamber discusses city needs at Tuesday luncheon

It was suggested that a delegation attend the State Highway Board meeting in Boise in September or October to prod interest in the proposed construction of the Homedale Bridge, pointed out Don Shaffer at the regular Tuesday noon luncheon meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.

Shaffer added that the department’s budget is set in October and the city should be represented beforehand. No date was set for the next meeting of the Highway Board but will be discussed at the next Chamber meeting.

Other topics of discussion were: Another clean-up campaign for the town, particularly sweeping the main street — Idaho Ave. Tom Mills, editor of the Chronicle, suggested that removal of old junk cars parked on streets around town and never used should be added to the clean-up campaign.

Officers elected

The classes at Homedale High School have recently elected the following officers:

Seniors, Pres. Jack Matteson, Vice-Pres. Kelly Curtis, Sec. Wendy Hyer, Rep. Janis Richards, Treas. Merrilee Metcalf, Sgt.-at-Arms, Dani Lee Downing.

Juniors, Pres. Colleen Paxton, Vice-Pres. Craig Nash, Sec. Vickie Howell, Rep. Gail Phillips, Treas. Louis Uranga, Sgt.-at-Arms, Steve Higgins.

Sophomores, Pres. Barbara George, Vice-Pres. Doug Larzelier, Sec. Beverly Eells, Rep. Mike Pearson, Treas. Marilyn Cegnar, Sgt.-at-Arms, Robin Atkins.

Freshmen, Pres. Roy Eiguren, Vice-Pres. Dennis Tanakuni, Sec.-Treas., LeAnda Johnstone, Rep. Dan Uranga, Sgt.-at Arms, Stan Zatica

Grand View

Class of ’70 officers are: Pres., Barbra Rogers; Vice Pres., Celia Robinson; Sec., Melba McQueen; Treas., Tony Balderama; and Rep., Bobby Majors and Tom Basabe.

Officers of the Pep Club are: Pres., Vicki Uruidi; Vice-Pres., Diana Beaman; Sec. and Treas., Vivian Smith; and Rep., Terry Laidlaw; and Historian, Louise McCune.

Future Farmers of America officers are: Pres., Howard Fields; Vice-Pres., Floyd Simper; Sec., Larry Bachman; Treasurer, Joe Madarietta; Rep., Pat Laidlaw, and Sentinel, Dennis Beckman.

140 years ago

September 16, 1876

FIRE – About 10 o’clock on Saturday night the cry of fire resounded through our streets, and in a short time a heavy body of smoke was seen issuing from the barn in the rear of Frank Hunt’s place of business. Quickly a large crowd assembled and the flames illuminated the whole town. Fortunately there was no wind and the men who had assembled there bent their energies toward confining the fire to the building in which it originated. Two small buildings close by, owned and occupied by Chinamen, were torn down to prevent the further spread of the flames. In this way the buildings owned by George Gilmore and others in the immediate vicinity were saved. The building owned by Mr. Tregaskis immediately in front caught fire several times but was fortunately put out. In falling from the roof to the ground, Milt Tregaskis received injuries, which laid him up for two or three days. Mr. Sands, Mr. Sommercamp, Mr. Rupert and some other gentlemen also received some injuries in moving about among the buildings and trying to save property. There were about nine tons of hay, of last year’s cut, in the building, belonging to Mr. Baxter of Jordan Valley. This was all destroyed. Mr. Walker formerly rented the building as a residence for Chinamen at \$90 a month. His loss is about \$500. The citizens worked energetically to prevent the spread of the flames, carrying water in buckets and doing everything possible. Chinamen also worked very faithfully. Song Lee sent a force up there which did good service. It is a great blessing that no wind of any consequence prevailed; otherwise a large portion of the town would have been laid in ashes. It seems that there is only one fire hook in town that can be made serviceable on such occasions as this. It cannot be doubted that this fire strongly suggests the necessity of taking prompt measures to organize some kind of a fire department here. This matter has been too long delayed, and we again urgently express the hope that something will be done immediately. It is not known how the fire originated, but it was probably the work of an incendiary, as Chinamen saw one or two suspicious looking persons in the vicinity of the building about half an hour before the alarm was given.

THE MINES – A new era has dawned upon this camp since recent movements have been consummated in connection with the Golden Chariot. Having been the leading mine of this camp for a long period, and having contributed very largely to the bullion product of the Territory, it is natural that people generally should feel an interest in its success. It therefore gives us great pleasure to be in a position to say that the cloud which has for a short time obscured the career of the Chariot has been removed, and henceforward this mine with “Dirigo” for its motto will lead the country forward to a new course of prosperity quite equal to that which we have experienced in our most palmy days. We feel confident in making this statement as the circumstances fully warrant it. The recent change in the complexion of the management of the Golden Chariot Company is destined to have a salutary effect. The present officers of the company are President, John W. Shaw; Vice President, John Rosenfeld; Directors, R. T. Carroll, Archy Boland, Geo. W. Grayson, Joseph Clark, H. H. O’Brien. These gentlemen are among the best that can be found on the Pacific Coast. They represent capital, brains and energy, and their names are a guarantee of the success of any movement with which they identify themselves. We welcome them to their new field of operations and have no hesitation in assuring them that in the rich resources of Idaho there is a grand field for the investment of a capital. Our mines if carefully and judiciously worked will yield returns equal to those of any country under the sun, but unfortunately past mismanagement and blundering have had a disastrous effect and the interests of both capital and labor have suffered in the ordeal. Now that we are on the eve of a change for the better, there is a disposition to profit by the errors and misfortunes of the past and retrieve blunders, which had almost resulted in consigning the camp to obscurity for a time.

Sports

Huskies swept in 2A WIC volleyball opener

Emma Heitz served five aces Thursday, but New Plymouth High School prevailed in a conference-opening volleyball match against Marsing.

The sophomore setter also dished six assists in the Huskies' 25-13, 25-17, 25-17 2A Western Idaho Conference loss at home.

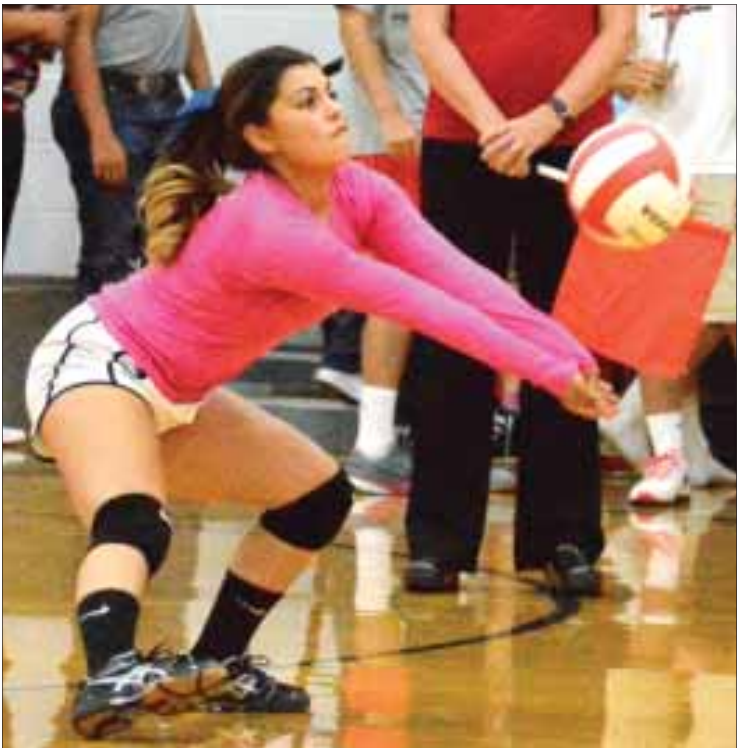
Senior Avery Villa led Marsing (0-3 overall, 0-1 in conference) with 18 digs and five kills.

Ashley Loucks chipped in two

kills, three assists and six digs. Senior libero LeAnn Garcia dug 17 balls.

Marsing jumps smack into the middle of the conference campaign.

Coach Jenny Carper will lead the Huskies against Cole Valley Christian in Meridian on Thursday before the squad returns home for a matchup against Melba on Tuesday. Varsity matches start at 6:30 p.m. both days.



Marsing senior libero LeAnn Garcia goes low to dig a ball during the early stages of last week's non-conference match in Homedale.

Local runners conquer Weiser's Rolling Hills course

Owyhee County was well represented during Thursday's Weiser Invitational cross country meet.

Athletes from Homedale, Marsing and Melba high schools competed in both the varsity and junior varsity 5-kilometer races, which were held at Rolling Hills Golf Course.

As has become the norm, Mustangs female athletes with Owyhee ties fared well. Junior Cheylah Volkers established a season-low time of 20 minutes, 56.22 seconds as runner-up in the varsity girls'

race. The Mustangs had six athletes — including 28th-place freshman Marissa Cole (PR of 24:18.31) — finish in the top 30. Melba was second in the team standings, which were topped by Caldwell.

Junior Lainey Johnson was 33rd, turning in a 25:10.39 as Homedale's top finisher in the girls' race.

Marsing sophomore Sefora Arriaga ran a season-best 33:23.53 to finish 58th.

Melba's Tristen Stimpson topped local boys with a fifth-place time of 18:38.33 in the boys' race in 18:38.33.

Freshman Matthew Randall was the top Trojans finisher, taking 22nd at 19:37.57.

Matthew Lee, a Marsing junior, was 33rd with a season-best time of 20:04.84.

Another Marsing junior, Juan Sierra, finished 47th in 20:53.0 in his season debut. Teammate Landry Villa, a junior, had a season-best time of 21:01.4 as he finished 49th.

There were three freshmen competing for Marsing:

- Joaquin Oliveros was 60th in 21:33.9.
- Isaac Lee ran a 22:19.03 for 72nd.
- David Aguilar was 82nd in 24:23.35.

Marsing junior Elijah Brown ran a person-best 22:45.11 for 74th.

Another Marsing junior, Brody Archer, was 88th in the JV meet with a personal-best time of 27:21.99, while freshman teammates Isaiah Burgos (27:46.16) and AJ Ayuban (29:25.31) also set personal records.

Homedale sent out three runners in the girls' JV race, including freshmen Lizzy Schamber (38:56.2) and Tori Gibson (39:51.64) and senior exchange student Giulia Borghetto (39:56.09).

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete Spotlight

Football
Adonis Stelzried, fr. Receiver
Caught two passes for 42 yards vs. Orofino

Volleyball
Gabby Rodriguez, so. Served 4 aces,
notched 11 digs vs. Homedale

Cross country
Landry Villa, jr.
Ran a season-best time in Weiser

Football
Varsity
Friday, Sept. 23 at Melba, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Sept. 22, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.

Cross country
Wednesday, Sept. 14 at Nyssa Invitational, Nyssa, Ore., TBA

Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 15 at Cole Valley Christian, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 20, home vs. Melba, 6:30 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Sept. 15 at Cole Valley Christian, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 20, home vs. Melba, 5:30 p.m.
Junior varsity B
Thursday, Sept. 15 at Cole Valley Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 20, home vs. Melba, 4:30 p.m.

Go Huskies!

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense County fair buy-out

“Roy, can you show us the scar? It’s gotta be a big one!”
“What scar?”
“Where they took your conscience out!”
“Aw, Kendall, yer full of it! What would an order buyer know about a conscience anyway?”
“I was just down to the fair office. I noticed that you put a floor bid on all the kids’ show steers. I’ve never seen anything so low! It’s shameful! Little kids came up to me with tears in their eyes. It broke my heart. And you, the owner of one of the biggest auction markets in the state!”
“I’ll have you know that I was the first one to price them, and it was left open for two hours if anyone wanted to up it. Besides, they’re kids. It’s good experience for ‘em.”
“There were adults crying, too, Roy. Grown men, weeping silently.”
“Hump.”
“Now I’d be willing to buy ‘em from you at 25 cents a hundred weight above your floor price. I’d hate to see you accused of making exorbitant profits from the sweat and toil of innocent farm kids. There are child labor laws now, Roy. But I’m only thinkin’ of you, Roy. You tossing and turning, unable to sleep knowing that you literally took the food from their trembling mouths.”
“You’re crazy if you think I’m gonna give ‘m to you at a quarter above! I’ve floored the cattle for the last ten years here at the fair. I have a reputation to maintain. I’m only doin’ it for the kids.”
“The little waifs gathered around me, Roy. Like birds in the winter. They looked up at me with big, sorrowful eyes and asked me, ‘Mister, what are cattle really worth?’ It was all I could do to keep from breakin’ down right in front of them.”
“A quarter above! I might take \$2 above if I don’t have to hold ‘em.”
“Roy, Roy, Roy, I’m only offerin’ to take ‘m off your hands for your own good. It might give you a little piece of mind. You’re not the kind of man who robs the blind man’s cup or picks the tip off the next table. Remember, it is more blessed to give to a regular customer than to keep it all for yourself.”
“Two dollars.”
“Roy, that’s 50 cents above the market. Think of the children. You’ll be haunted by nightmares of gaunt homeless 4H kids endlessly marching in a circle leading fat steers. Little kids with shattered dreams of college or a new bike. Pee Wees dragging chains through your troubled dreams whispering your name ... Scrooge, Scrooge, Scrooge ...”
“Buck seventy-five.”
“Roy, for the sake of the children and your own sense of decency let me lift the burden from your heart to mine. Let me bear the guilt. Let your scar begin to heal.”
“Buck fifty.”
“Sold. I’ll have a truck here Sunday morning.”

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Letters to the editor

Homedale library expansion vital, as is fiscal vigilance

Costs for the Homedale library expansion plan are wise to examine. We want to know what we get for our money.
Undisputedly, books are essential to civilization. They preserve history, math, science, art, everything we learn to build on, help us understand our world. Also, cause and effect in science, history and individual choices. Fictional works take us anywhere in the world, space and time. If we lose our right to research for ourselves, we are simply brainwashed by the powers that be.
Are books worthy of our study? How much has been learned from ancient writings? Start the study of science by traveling 1,000 leagues under the sea. Creative minds form new ideas that lead to inventions, discoveries and improvements. How many ideas from James Bond movies have found military uses? Trekkies have opened more worlds than Isaac Asimov. Sherlock Holmes taught deductive reasoning. Are books worthy of our study?
Libraries for years have been more than a collection of books, knowledge and experience. Now they have conference rooms, study rooms, computer access and more. Libraries are becoming what might be called multi-cultural community centers. Need a place for your child’s study group? A quiet place to work on your computer? Starting a new home business and need a conference room? A special needs group needing a meeting place? Libraries are saving money on traditional expenses through ebooks and Kindles. Libraries, with new technology, provide a lot more than books for the community’s use.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the Nov. 8 general election until noon on Friday, Oct. 28.

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

- Email to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
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Libraries are places where the community can come together, and they can offer a variety of classes. Learning how to be a first-time homebuyer; growing a garden; learn about the juvenile court system, etc. Everyone benefits when your library becomes a community cultural center.
Be wisely involved because this is a step into the future.
Margaret Miner
Homedale

The letter-writer is a volunteer at the Homedale Public Library. —Ed.

Rep. Raúl Labrador

From Washington Resilient Idahoans fighting for a better America



Early this month, I completed my summer tour of all 19 counties in Idaho’s First District — the most beautiful in America. Spanning from Canada to Nevada, the nation’s 18th-largest congressional district covers almost 40,000 square miles; 99.4 percent of that land is rural.
The district is blessed with huge glacial lakes, fast-running streams, bountiful forests and wide-open desert. The scenery is spectacular across the district, offering world-class driving at every turn. As one of about 600 citizens I met on the trip said, “Idaho is what America was.”
We stopped at amazing venues, including the Cherry Bend Boat Park on the St. Joe River in St. Maries, McEuen Park on Lake Coeur d’Alene in downtown Coeur d’Alene, and the flag-bedecked Council Senior Center in Adams County. Along the way, I met many friends, old and new.
Idahoans love their state, and they love their country. They cherish Idaho’s quality of life and the traditional values of hard work, fiscal responsibility and individual initiative. But they are troubled by a national government that seems to have abandoned all propriety and common sense.
The federal government’s refusal to tackle our \$19 trillion national debt weighs heavily. Idahoans balance their household budgets. They know economic calamity will follow if the national government won’t do the same.
Their hearts ache for the brave servicemen and women who complete multiple deployments but return home to a find a Veterans Administration unable to meet their needs.
They lament Obamacare’s broken promises, which saddles millions of Americans with high premiums and inadequate care.
They worry about the Administration’s insistence on

admitting refugees from areas where the FBI acknowledges it lacks the intelligence capability to properly screen potential terrorists.
They grieve over the tragic mismanagement of our federal lands, which ruined our timber industry and leaves our forests to burn.
But they haven’t given up. Far from it.
My travels affirmed something that has distinguished our people since 1776. Americans love liberty and are determined to fight to sustain our great republic.
In planning my tour, we chose small venues and scheduled meetings during the business day. Consequently, we expected lighter turnouts than our traditional evening town halls. Instead, we often had standing-room-only crowds, with citizens passionately voicing their concerns. Idahoans are engaged and hungry for change. They are ready to sacrifice to revive our economy and reclaim our values.
For those who’ve grown pessimistic because of what seems a broken government in Washington, D.C., I have a reminder. The American Revolution didn’t begin with the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Rather, it was ordinary Americans who pushed the political class to take action against tyranny.
From Bonners Ferry on the Kootenai River to Marsing on the Snake, I found patriots determined to hold elected officials accountable and return our country to full strength. I am grateful to the people of the First District for their trust, and continue to join them in the fight to restore our great country. May God bless America, and may God bless Idaho.

— Congressman Raúl Labrador of Eagle, a Republican, has represented Idaho’s First Congressional District since 2011. He served in the Idaho House of Representatives from 2006 to 2010.

Commentary

Financial management
Find stability in life before thinking about college

Dear Dave,
I'm 19 years old, and I just got kicked out of the house after wrecking my dad's truck. I've got a job making \$12 an hour working about 40 hours a week, and I'm currently living with a friend at his apartment. I have a goal of going to college, and I'd like to get out of my friend's place as soon as possible. Do you have any advice for someone just starting out?
— **Brandon**

Dear Brandon,
That's a tough situation, buddy. I'm sorry things worked out that way with your dad. You're going to need more money than what's coming in, so let's prioritize things.
Your first goal is food, and your second goal is to help your friend a little bit with the rent. After that, you need to save up and get a car as quickly as possible. I'm talking about a total beater — a \$500 to \$1,000, mechanically sound,

basic, ugly car. They're hard to find, but they *are* out there.
After you've done this and gotten some stability in your life, start thinking about saving for a little bit better car. This may mean picking up an extra part-time job for a while. Then comes piling up some cash so you can get your own place. Let's get all this out of the way before you start thinking about school. Right now, you barely have a place to live, and you've got nothing to drive.
Listen, I love your motivation and the fact that you have dreams and a goal to better yourself. You've been through a lot, but let's get the basics taken care of first, introduce a little stability into your life, and then we can start coming up with a plan for school and a long-term future. Good luck, Brandon!
— **Dave**
Dear Dave,
My wife and I make \$100,000



a year combined, and we have about \$12,000 in credit card debt. We also owe another \$80,000 in student loans, and our kids' private school education costs \$1,000 a month. Is it OK for me to take a loan against my 401(k), which is invested in mutual funds, to clean up the credit card bills?
— **Stephen**

Dear Stephen,
I wouldn't do that. If your 401(k) is invested in good mutual funds, it's likely you'll miss out on some pretty good rates of return. But that's not the biggest reason this is a bad idea.
The biggest reason is that when you leave your company — and you *will* leave, whether it's because you get a better job, you get fired, or you die — that loan is considered an early withdrawal. If you don't repay it within 60 days, you'll get hammered with a 10 percent penalty plus your tax rate. You could easily lose almost half of what's in the account.
If you want to start paying off debt, my advice is to start doing things to generate extra income and begin living on a tight budget. Grab an extra, part-time job for a while, too, and have a big garage sale. Sell so much stuff the kids think they're next! You need to work a serious debt-busting plan.

The good news is it's only \$12,000. Knocking out the credit card debt won't be so bad, and with your income, the kids' school isn't unreasonable. It's the \$80,000 in student loans that's killing you. Scrape together and save every penny you can find each month, and put that toward paying off the credit card debt.
Then, roll that amount over, add anything else you can come up with, and attack those student loans.
You can do it, Stephen!
— **Dave**
— *Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business, and CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 11 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations and digital outlets. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.*

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington
Fallen veterans sacrificed for
liberty of future generations

*"He lived to bear his country's arms. He died to save its honor. He was a soldier . . . and he knew a soldier's duty."

"His sacrifices will help to keep aglow the flaming torch that lights our lives . . . that millions yet unborn may know the priceless joy of liberty."

"And we who pay him homage, and revere his memory, in solemn pride rededicate ourselves to complete fulfillment of the task for which he so gallantly has placed his life upon the altar of a man's freedom."*

This poignant and apt description was part of the Citation of Honor from H.H. Arnold, U.S. Army Commanding General of the U.S. Army Air Corps, to recognize the outstanding service of Private Walter Elmo Holbrook, who gave his life in service to our nation on June 29, 1943. I recently had the privilege of presenting Private Holbrook's family with long-overdue medals honoring his service. The Bronze Star, Purple Heart, World War II Victory Medal, Prisoner of War Medal, and Presidential Unit Citation with two bronze oak leaf clusters were among the awards presented. I also had the honor of pinning the Gold Star Lapel Button, awarded to family members of those killed in conflict, on Elmo's surviving brother, Jim Holbrook.
Private Holbrook's life and service are emblematic of the many Idahoans who have left an indelible mark of distinguished service to our nation. Private Holbrook, known as Elmo, was born in 1914 to Mr. and Mrs. Edford Holbrook of Burley. He graduated from Burley High School in 1933 and went into the trucking business before



operating the Powers Ranch in Sublet. The position at the ranch has been described as perfectly fitting his longtime passion of being a cowboy. Elmo was also an active member of the Burley Christian Church, the Oddfellow Lodge and the Raft River Grange. Elmo enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps at the age of 26 and was sent to the Philippine Islands to serve in the U.S. Army Air Corps ground force. He was taken as a Prisoner of War and was in the Bataan Death March, in which more than 75,000 American and Filipino soldiers were forced to march more than 60 miles without food and water. He died in a Japanese prison camp in 1943.
During the presentation, Jim Holbrook recalled the words of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur at the Japanese Surrender Ceremonies Sept. 2, 1945: "It is my earnest hope — indeed the hope of all mankind — that from this solemn occasion a better world will emerge out of the blood and carnage of the past, a world founded upon faith and understanding, a world dedicated to the dignity of man and the fulfillment of his most cherished wish for freedom, tolerance and justice.' This is what my brother gave his life for."
Elmo gave his life in service to our nation. I will not give up in seeing that veterans are appropriately honored and have timely access to high-quality services that respect their dedication to our country.
That is our duty to those many Idahoans, like Private Holbrook, whose sacrifices, as Commanding General Arnold expressed, "keep aglow the flaming torch that lights our lives . . . that millions yet unborn may know the priceless joy of liberty."
— *Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in the final year of his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.*

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Sports

Rimrock carries out grandstand grand plan



Community volunteers, both youth and adult, turned out to build new wooden bleachers at the Rimrock High School football field this summer. Submitted photo

Football seating facelift began before season opener

Thanks to corporate grants and elbow grease from the community, Rimrock High School football fans have had new seats from which to watch the beginning of the season.

Ashley Merrick, the school's athletic director, says the project is ongoing, but about half of the home-side wooden bleachers at the Raiders' field were rebuilt over a month's time in the summer.

"They look great," Merrick said. "They are solid. It's a very good design."

Under new coach Todd Jensen, the Raiders split their first home games, crushing McDermitt, Nev., 62-0, on Aug. 26 and falling to Camas County, 48-18, on Sept. 2.

Merrick said the bleachers were ready to go "hours" before

the home opener against McDermitt.

A 48-24 non-conference win over Castleford on Friday marked the first of three consecutive road games. The Raiders return to Bruneau for Homecoming against Notus on Sept. 30. Kickoff is 7 p.m.

In the first two games, some home fans were able to enjoy the new bleachers. Merrick said the plan is to eventually refurbish the rest of the bleachers on both sides of the field. The Raiders' field is one of the rare sites where even the visiting side has a wooden grandstand.

Work on the bleachers is part of a two-pronged project financed in part by US Ecology of Idaho Helping Hands grants. The school district recently sent out a

mailer acknowledging contributions from locally owned Skyline Construction and Idaho Power Co., as well as Boy Scout Troop 73, Rimrock ag teacher Alan Schoen and the Merrick family.

Idaho Power spokesperson Stephanie McCurdy said local company employees Mark Gasper and Doug Thurman volunteered their time, too.

"Two of the folks who work at our C.J. Strike power plant got word that folks needed help revitalizing these bleachers, so they went and worked with folks for a day to actually put the bleachers together," McCurdy said.

Ashley Merrick said that about 20 local Boy Scouts, under the guidance of Scoutmasters Thurman, Steve Boren and Austin Merrick, worked from mid-

July to mid-August to install and paint the bleachers. Some of the bleachers were built near the end of the school year.

Schoen also performed some metal fabrication for the bleachers.

Ashley Merrick said that, before leaving the district, former woodshop teacher David Ethington was instrumental in getting the project off the ground. He designed and built a concession stand outside Rimrock's gymnasium in time for use during the 2015-16 basketball season.

"It's great," Merrick said. "We don't have to use the cafeteria. We have our own spot."

Ethington wrote the grant application in 2014, and US Ecology Idaho awarded \$3,500 in February 2015 that helped

complete the concession stand and kicked off the bleacher refurbishment.

Elizabeth Schwager of USEI said Merrick also received a grant in 2015 for concession stand equipment. The football team purchased helmets and uniforms with a \$3,000 Helping Hands grant received earlier this year.

The bleacher refurbishment campaign is ongoing.

"Where we are at now is only half of them have been done," Merrick said. "We're going to be looking at fundraising and other grant options. Of course, it's going to take manpower, too."

Anyone who wants to contribute can call Merrick at (208) 834-2260.

— JPB



About half of the home-side grandstands was refurbished with corporate help from US Ecology Idaho and Idaho Power as well as local assistance from Skyline Construction. The plan is to complete the other half of the home grandstands and rebuild the visitor seating at a later date. Submitted photo

Raiders run wild over Wolves to capture road victory

Rimrock High School scored three times to open the second half and snag its second football victory of the season Friday.

With new coach Todd Jensen looking on, senior tailback Rigo Lino rushed for 154 yards and two touchdowns in the Raiders' 48-24 rout of host Castleford.

The non-conference game was close at halftime as Rimrock (2-1 overall) clung to a six-point lead.

"In the second half, the kids really stepped up," Jensen said.

Rimrock finished with 556 yards total offense and had an eighth touchdown (this one on a pass play) called back because of a blocking penalty.

Lino scored on runs of 30 and 10 yards as Rimrock piled up 404 rushing yards.

Fellow senior Anthony Mowery made an impact on both sides of the line of scrimmage.

He had three short touchdown runs (three, five and 10 yards), but helped keep the Wolves' offense in check by making

12 tackles.

Christian Nielson, a junior who raced 70 yards for another touchdown, led the Raiders' defensive push with 13 tackles.

Other defensive highlights included sophomore Tyrel Lowe's interception and two quarterback sacks by freshman Nick Lino.

Sophomore quarterback Todd Marvin completed six of nine passes for 152 yards.

Levi Nanney, a sophomore who

transferred into the Bruneau-Grand View School District from Marsing before the school year, hauled in three passes for 103 yards.

The Raiders are on the road again Friday with a 2 p.m. kickoff against non-conference foe Rockland.

Rimrock is off to its first 2-1 start since the 2011 season when the Raiders went 8-2, and swept to the 1A, Div. I conference championship before losing to Oakley, 56-30, in the state playoffs.

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Board of Education of Joint School District No. 365, Bruneau-Grand View School District No. 365, Bruneau-Grand View, Idaho, shall receive comments from tribal officials and parents of Native American children at its regularly scheduled meeting, September 15, 2016, 7 p.m., at Rimrock Jr./Sr. High School. The Board will address the participation of Native American children on an equal basis in the educational programs and the district’s Impact Aid Program Application.
A copy of the Impact Aid Program Application will be sent to any parent of a Native American child who requests it in writing. Anyone wishing to address the Board should contact Superintendent/Principal at 834-2260 to request to be on the agenda.
9/14/16

**NOTICE OF ELECTION
OPALINE IRRIGATION
DISTRICT**
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 3 of the Opaline Irrigation District, will be held on November 8, 2016 to elect a Director of the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2017 and until their successors are elected and qualified.
Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed at least six (6) electors of the District, qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District, not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of election. Petitions may be obtained from Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary of the District, Ph. 896-5273. (Petition due date September 29, 2016.) In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a Division, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.
Dated: September 2, 2016
Opaline Irrigation District, Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary
9/7,14/16

PUBLIC NOTICE
Integrated Invasive Plant Management Environmental Assessment DOI-BLM-ORWA-V000-2011-0047-EA
On April 7, 2016, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Washington DC Office, issued a Final Vegetation Treatments Using Aminopyralid, Fluroxypyr, and Rimsulfuron on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS). The Record of Decision (ROD) for the PEIS was signed on August 17, 2016 and the Notice of Availability will be published in the Federal Register on September 9, 2016. This Decision allows the BLM to use the three active herbicide ingredients aminopyralid, fluroxypyr, and rimsulfuron in addition to those currently approved for vegetation treatments on BLM-administered lands in the western United States, including Oregon, subsequent to site-specific environmental analysis.
The Vale District prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) (DOI-BLM-ORWA-V000-2011-0047-EA) to expand and update its existing District-wide integrated noxious weed management program and released it on December 23, 2015 for a 45-day public comment period. Due to the availability of the three

new herbicides, the Vale BLM decided to revise the analysis in the EA to add a third alternative to the No Action and the Proposed Action - the Revised Proposed Action - that considers the effects of the use of these additional herbicides as part of the District’s Integrated Weed Management Program. The availability of one of these herbicides, in particular – aminopyralid, allows the Vale BLM to be responsive to public comments that advocated adding aminopyralid to the existing list of approved herbicides.
The Revised EA has been released for an additional public comment period to allow review of the BLM’s revised proposal and analysis. The document is available on the BLM’s ePlanning website at <http://1.usa.gov/1mwy1HW>, listed under **Documents** in the left column.
If you would like to comment on the Revised Proposed Action, please do so in writing. To be considered, your comments should be received by **October 11, 2016** via email: blm_or_invasive_plant_ea_comments@blm.gov, subject: Vale Invasive Plant Management EA (OR 932); fax: (503) 808-6021 Attn: Vale Invasive Plant Management EA (OR 932); or mail: OR/WA Bureau of Land Management, Attn: Vale Invasive Plant Management EA (OR 932), PO Box 2965, Portland, OR 97208. If you have any questions, please contact Brent Grasty, Planning & Environmental Coordinator at 541-473-3144.
9/14/16

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by William R. Jordan and Kim M. Jordan, Grantor(s), to Pioneer Lender Trustee Services LLC, trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for US Bank N.A., as beneficiary, recorded 09/25/2009, in the Records of Owyhee County, Idaho as Instrument No. 269353, which was subsequently assigned to U.S. Bank National Association under Instrument No. 288501, and Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC, Katrina E. Glogowski, an Idaho attorney, being the successor trustee, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state, to wit: APN: 43-0000RP04N06W241832A; A parcel of land located in a portion of Government Lot 7 situated in the Northeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 4 North, Range 6 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Government lot 7, said point of being the East one-quarter corner of said section 24; thence South 89°55’46” West a distance of 735.55 feet along the Southerly line of said Government lot 7 to the true point of beginning; thence continuing along said southerly line South 89°55’46” West a distance of 583.11 feet to the corner common to Government Lot 6 and 7; thence leaving said southerly line North 01° 10’59” west a distance of 924.27 feet along said common lot line to a point on the mean high water of the southerly Bank of the Snake River; thence along said southerly bank south 54°41’48” East a distance of 586.76 feet; thence leaving said southerly line of said government lot 7 to the point of beginning; Commonly known as Lot River

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2016 - 2017 AND PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2015 - 2016 OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 2016 TO OCTOBER 31, 2017			
Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet October 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. for a budget hearing Pursuant to the Idaho Code 42-3229 at 7300 Opaline RD. Melba, ID. 83641			
The proposed Budget may be examined at the home office of Secretary Dan H. Birmingham, 8563 Quail Run Dr. Melba, call for appointment 896-5273			
The following is a copy of the proposed budget including the 2015-2016 fiscal year budget and 2015-2016 proposed amended budget			
EXPENSES:			
ITEM	2015-2016 BUDGET	2015-2016 AMENDED	2016-2017 PROPOSED
Insurance	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
L & P Fees	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,065.00
Maintenance	\$35,000.00	\$35,438.86	\$35,800.00
Office	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$700.00
Phone	\$2,225.00	\$2,225.00	\$2,225.00
Power	\$178,050.00	\$178,050.00	\$178,050.00
Soc.Sec	\$6,850.00	\$6,850.00	\$7,100.00
Wages	\$32,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$34,543.07
Mileage	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Reseve Fund	\$30,001.12	\$30,001.12	\$49,166.61
TOTAL	\$292,476.12	\$292,914.98	\$313,999.68
INCOME:			
ITEM	2015-2016 PROJECTED	2015-2016 PROJECTED	2016-2017 ANTICIPATED
2014 O & M	\$0.00	\$438.86	\$0.00
2015 O & M	\$3,095.00	\$3,095.00	\$1,603.65
2016 O & M	\$251,400.00	\$251,400.00	\$3,849.42
2017 O & M			\$251,400.00
Office Fee	\$2,580.00	\$2,580.00	\$2,580.00
Late Fees	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Interest	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Refunds	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
Rental	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
LGIIP Fund	\$30,001.12	\$30,001.12	\$49,166.61
TOTAL:	\$292,476.12	\$292,914.98	\$313,999.68
Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary-Treasurer, Opaline Irrigation District, PO Box 331 Marsing, ID 83639 Publish 9/14 : 9/21			

Rd, Homedale, ID 83628. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to section IRC 45-1505 (3): the default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor’s failure to make payments as follows: Payments From 10/01/2015 Thru 07/13/2016 \$6,352.90 Recoverable Corporate Advances \$0.00 TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$6,352.90 This amount is estimated and needs to be confirmed prior to the submission of a payment as regular monthly payments, advances and other charges continue to accrue during the pendency of this notice. Installment of principal and interest plus impounds and/or advances which became due on 10/01/2015 plus amounts that are due or may become due for the following: late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee fees, and any attorneys’ fees and court costs arising from or associated with beneficiaries effort to protect and preserve its security must be cured as a condition of reinstatement. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to wit: \$125,562.76 with interest thereon at the rate of 5.125% beginning on 10/01/2015; together with title expenses, costs, trustee’s fees and attorneys’ fee

incurred herein by reason of said default; and any further sums advanced by the beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein. Whereof, notice is hereby given that Glogowski Law Firm, PLLC, Katrina E. Glogowski, an Idaho attorney, the undersigned trustee will on 11/15/16 11:00, at the following place: front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650 sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge

by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in IRC 45-1506 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee’s and attorney’s fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. DATED: 6/30/16 By Katrina E. Glogowski, ISB #6877
8/31;9/7,14,21/16



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NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE OF PROPERTY CASE NO. CV-13-03004 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

JAMES HILLIARD and BARBARA HILLIARD, Plaintiffs/Appellants, vs. MURPHY LAND COMPANY, LLC, Defendant/Respondent.

Under and by virtue of an Amended Final Judgment and Judgment for Costs and Attorney Fees on Appeal (collectively, the “**Judgment**”) entered in the Third Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the County of Owyhee, on June 17, 2014, and August 12, 2015, wherein Defendant Murphy Land Company, LLC (“**Judgment Creditor**”) obtained a judgment against Plaintiffs James Hilliard and Barbara Hilliard (collectively, the “**Judgment Debtors**”), and under and by virtue of the Writ of Execution (Order of Sale) issued out of the above-entitled Court, I am commanded to sell, at public auction, in the manner prescribed by law, the Real Estate Option to Purchase Agreement dated December 30, 2010 (the “**Option**”), that gives an option to purchase and a right to entry with regard to certain real property located in Owyhee County, which is more particularly described on EXHIBIT “A” attached hereto. The sale of the Option is subject to a right of redemption for a period of one (1) year following the date of the sale pursuant to Idaho Code § 11-402.

The Sheriff will give the purchaser the rights set forth in the Option but does not guarantee clear title of continued possessory right to the purchaser.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, the 20th day of September, 2016, at 10:00 o’clock a.m. of said day, at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho, I will, in obedience to said Judgment and Writ of Execution (Order of Sale), sell Judgment Debtors’ interest in the above-described Option or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the Judgment aforesaid, as provided in the above Judgment to the highest bidder, for cash,

lawful money of the United States of America, or credit bid by Judgment Creditors.

Parties desiring further information regarding the location of the real property described in the Option should contact: Steven F. Schossberger, Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley LLP, PO Box 1617, Boise, Idaho 83701 Phone 208-344-6000

DATED this 23rd day of August, 2016.

Perry Grant, Owyhee County Sheriff

EXHIBIT “A” “PROPERTY” PARCEL NO. 1: In Township 5 South, Range 4 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 36: East half, the northwest quarter, the north half of the southwest quarter

PARCEL NO. 2: In Township 5 South, Range 4 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 24: East half of the southwest quarter, the west half of the southeast quarter

Section 25: North half of the northwest quarter

Section 26: East half of the northeast quarter

PARCEL NO. 3: In Township 5 South, Range 4 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 25: South half of the northwest quarter, the north half of the southwest quarter, the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter

PARCEL NO. 4: In Township 5 South, Range 4 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 25: South half of the southeast quarter

In Township 5 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 30: Government lots 10 and 11

Section 31: Government lots, 1, 2, and 3, the north half of the northeast quarter

PARCEL NO. 5: In Township 5 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 28: Southwest quarter of the southeast quarter, southeast quarter of the southwest quarter, south half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter, east half of the west half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter,

southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter

Section 31: Government lots 5, 6, and 7, south half of the northeast quarter, north half of the southeast quarter

Section 32: Northeast quarter, east half of the northwest quarter, northwest quarter of the northwest quarter, southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of the southeast quarter, south half of the southeast quarter

Section 33: Northwest quarter of the northeast quarter, north half of the northwest quarter, north half of the north half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of the north half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter

In Township 6 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 4: South half of the northwest quarter, southwest quarter

Section 5: Government lots 1, 2, and 3, south half of the northeast quarter, southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, north half of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter

PARCEL 6: In Township 5 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 31: Government lots 11 and 12, southwest quarter of the southeast quarter

In Township 6 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

Section 5: Government lot 4, southwest quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of the southwest quarter

Section 6: Government lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of the southeast quarter

PARCEL 7: In Township 5 South, Range 5 East, B.M., Owyhee County, Idaho

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Section 30: Northeast quarter 8/31;9/7,14/16

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Sports

Oregon schools drop HHS volleyball team

Homedale High School lost volleyball matches on consecutive nights to teams from Oregon.

Baker swept the Trojans – and the non-conference season series – with a 25-21, 25-19, 25-20 home victory Thursday.

Ashley Burks and Amaya Carter led the hitting with eight and seven kills, respectively. Carter also had three blocks.

Starting setter Sophie Nash led the Trojans with four blocks. On offense, she had 22 assists in 88 attempts. Nash also converted seven of her nine attempts at digging returns.

Senior libero Diana Contreras was 10-for-14 in digs, while Carli Swallow had seven digs.

Last Wednesday: Nyssa, Ore., def. Homedale, 3-2 — The host

Bulldogs prevailed in a see-saw non-conference match despite Burks’ 12 kills.

Lindsey Burks and Carter smashed seven kills each in a 25-14, 22-25, 25-12, 14-25, 15-10 loss. Paige Carter added four kills, and Josey Hall had three.

Contreras served three aces, and Ashley Burks and Nash chipped in with two each.

Homedale’s net defense struggled with just six blocks in 36 attempts (16.7 percent).

Nash came through with 35 assists and was perfect in 10 attempts at digging balls from Nyssa servers.

Contreras had 22 digs, and Ashley Burks chipped in 10. Allison Shenk also helped out on defense with eight digs.

Wallowa shuts down visiting Antelopes

Adrian High School opens the home portion of its football season Friday still in search of its first win.

Wallowa took advantage of three turnovers and scored on a blocked punt in a 32-6 non-league victory at home.

The Antelopes (0-2 overall) trailed, 20-0, when Noah Price rushed two yards for his team’s only touchdown.

The Cougars dominated the passing game — both on offense and defense — to set the pace.

Adrian’s Ed Munoz, a first-year starter at quarterback, threw a pair of interceptions. Wallowa defenders sacked him three times, too.

The Cougars also blocked a Munoz punt in the fourth quarter. Travis Haga, who got the block, scooped up the ball for a touchdown. Haga was an all-around terror against Adrian; he also had two quarterback sacks and seven

solo tackles, and he caught two first-half TD passes (10 yards and 40 yards) from quarterback Chandler Burns.

Gus Ramsden ran in for a couple Wallowa scores.

Burns had 65 yards passing while completing three of 11 passes. Munoz was in negative yardage through the air.

Price and Munoz were the game’s leading rushers. They picked up 73 yards each, while teammate Daniel Price collected 42 yards on the ground.

Wyatt Prince had 10.5 tackles to lead all defenders. The Cougars’ top defensive player had a sack, too. Burns chimed in with six solo tackles.

Kevin Rodriguez (seven tackles, three for losses) and Marcus Furtado (6.5 tackles, two TFLs) led a balanced Adrian defense. Kenny Purnell had a quarterback sack.



Homedale junior Ashley Burks, left, tries to get the ball over the net against the defense of Marsing’s Sheyanne Glorfield (16) and Ashley Loucks during last week’s non-conference match on the Trojans’ floor.

HHS front line nets victory

Huskies’ Game 2 rally not enough on road

Sophomore Amaya Carter powered 13 kills to lead Homedale High School to a volleyball victory over intracounty rival Marsing.

Surviving a second-set surge from the Huskies, the Trojans prevailed 25-11, 18-25, 25-18, 25-14 in a non-conference match played Sept. 6 in Homedale.

The 5-foot, 9-inch Carter tried to keep Homedale in the second game when the Huskies capitalized on unforced errors and mis-hits to even the match.

Homedale began Game 3 with a dink-and-dunk strategy at the net and took control behind an ace and a kill from junior Ashley Burks and another kill from Carter.

Burks finished with eight kills and five digs. Carter contributed six digs.

Marsing got to within three points, 16-13, late in Game 3 behind consecutive aces from sophomore Gabby Rodriguez and a tip for a point from sophomore Emma Heitz.

Heitz finished with two kills, five assists and six digs, and she also served an ace. Rodriguez fired four aces throughout the match and dug 11 balls.

Senior libero LeAnn Garcia led the Huskies with 27 digs. Other seniors also chimed in

with Avery Villa knocking down three kills and scrambling for 14 digs. Sheyanne Glorfield led the net defense with four blocks, and she added three kills and two digs.

Homedale’s serve receive was led by senior libero Diana Contreras, who had 20 digs, and senior Carli Swallow with nine digs. Junior defensive specialists Allison Shenk and Ember Christensen had six and four digs, respectively.

Sophomore setter Sophie Nash and Swallow drilled a co-team-high three aces, while Nash paced the Trojans with 36 assists and she added eight digs.

Paige Carter, a sophomore middle blocker, had five kills and two digs.



Marsing senior Sheyanne Glorfield (far right) taps a ball back over the net during last week’s non-conference clash on Homedale’s floor.

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