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County museum director leaving

Search for replacement now under way

The search has begun for a new Owyhee County Historical Museum director after Amy Johnson announced her resignation.

Johnson, who also serves as historic preservation officer, will remain in the position until Oct. 12.

"I hope that the county will be able to at least begin the process of hiring someone before I leave," Johnson said.

She added that she would be happy to help the next person adjust to the position, even after she has moved on to her new job.

"I plan to do what I can to make the transition as smooth

— See *Museum*, page 4A

RIMROCK'S HIGH-FLYING HOMECOMING



A touchdown before the touchdowns

Local helicopter pilot Jason Meyers landed on the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School football field in Bruneau so Hailee Meyers could hand off the game ball for Friday night's Homecoming game to Raiders football player Anthony Herrera. Photo by Rachel Burk / Rimrock journalism. For details on Rimrock's victory and more Homecoming photos, see **Pages 1B and 9B**

Farmers Market ready to close up shop after successful year

Thursday market, Saturday yard sale cap season

The Homedale Farmers Market is in its final week of the 2018 season.

Bette Uda City Park is the site for Thursday's last market, but organizers will top off the season with a community yard sale on Saturday.

Thursday's market runs

— See *Market*, page 5A



Wilder resident Vicki Naumann (right) purchases some freshly baked bread from Homedale Farmers Market president Denise Dixon on Thursday afternoon at Bette Uda City Park.

Feds provide money for Bruneau sewer pond

A rural infrastructure improvement project in Owyhee County has received a shot in the arm from the federal government.

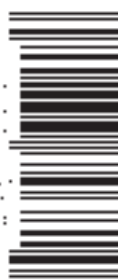
The Bruneau Water and Sewer District received nearly \$2.2 million to help bring a second wastewater treatment lagoon back online.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development loan and grant combination, announced Sept. 17, is part of \$392 million in federal investment to help rebuild and improve rural water and

wastewater infrastructure in 42 states.

USDA is supporting investments in 120 infrastructure projects through the Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant program. It can be used to finance drinking water, stormwater drainage and waste disposal systems for rural communities with 10,000 or fewer residents. In many cases, states, other federal partners and nonprofits are working with USDA to also provide funding for these projects.

— See *Bruneau*, page 3A



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JUST ANOTHER CRUISE IN THE PARK



Looking but not touching

Homedale 12-year-olds (from left) Kaleb Coronado (the son of Monica and Gabe Coronado), Keegan McKay (son of Mika and David McKay), and Amario Cuellar (son of Belinda and Fred Cuellar) check out the 1967 Camaro owned by Steve Rickey of Nampa during Saturday's fourth annual Homedale Assembly of God Church show and shine. Pastor Ivar Moore said more than 70 classic car owners cruised out to Bette Uda City Park for The Refuge youth center construction fundraiser.



Award winners

Left: Ivar Moore (left) presents Patrick Clark of Middleton with the Pastor's Choice trophy for his 1966 Shelby Cobra. Below: Nampa residents John and Kerry Elliott won best paint for their 1966 Chevy II SS.



Marsing getting ready to celebrate Homecoming

Marsing High School Homecoming week will carry a Disney theme when it runs Monday through Friday, Oct. 6.

Homecoming court nominees include:

Queen (seniors) — Hailee Bennett, Halli Enrico, Katelyn Fewkes, Gabby Rodriguez, and Emma Heitz

King (seniors) — Elisio Lagunas, Julian Sandoval, Dwight Sevy, Dawson Walker, and Enrique Quebrado

Prince (juniors) — Adonis Stelzried, Merrick Hall, and AJ Ayuban

Princess (juniors) — Jessica Sevy, Constance Bowers, and Halle Morton.

Duke and duchess (sophomores) — Jacob Goins and Amaya Mendoza

Duke and duchess (freshmen) — Noel Quebrado and Regan Stansell

Students will decorate the school on Friday in preparation for Homecoming.

Seniors are responsible for the stretch from Kurt Carey's classroom to the Commons corridor, while juniors will handle from John Lindley's room to the main office corridor.

Sophomores will take care of the band and business corridor, and freshmen the upstairs hall.

There will be dress-up themes each day during Homecoming week:

Monday — Team spirit day (favorite sports team clothes and hats)

Tuesday — Pajama day
Next Wednesday — Class

colors/T-shirts day

Oct. 4 — Blue and Gold day

Homecoming week events include:

Next Wednesday

- Game Night: He-Man volleyball at 6:30 p.m. inside the middle school gymnasium

- Powderpuff football game after volleyball

- Tug-of-war after Powderpuff

Thursday, Oct. 4

- Parade will travel from Marsing City Park to the high school. The parade participants will enter the school grounds from 9th Avenue West near the Whitehouse Drive-Inn

- Pep rally at football field after the parade

- Homecoming Court introduced at volleyball game, which pits Marsing against Cole Valley Christian

- Bonfire will be held after the volleyball game.

Friday, Oct. 5

- The Homecoming king and queen and the rest of the royalty will be announced at 6:30 p.m. before the football game.

- Varsity football game vs. Aberdeen High School kicks off at 7 p.m.

- Fireworks over football field after the game

Saturday, Oct. 6

- Homecoming dance

— TK

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BARKS IN THE PARK FOR A GOOD CAUSE



HHS student promotes pet adoption for senior project

Elizabet Egusquiza (left) and her mother Sarah visit with Mario and Jack, two dogs that Homedale High School senior Madison Bauer (background) brought to Bette Uda City Park on Saturday for her physical project.

Search warrant leads to felony drug charge for Marsing woman



A Marsing woman is facing multiple drug charges after Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies searched her residence early Saturday morning.

Toni Williams, 39, was charged with felony possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell or deliver and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia after deputies found nearly a pound of marijuana in an apartment behind a Marsing bar and grill near Main Street, according to sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

Williams was arrested and brought to jail in Murphy.

She remained in custody at press time awaiting a preliminary hearing scheduled for Monday before Third District Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober.

— TK



Adrian High School introduces exchange students

*Adrian High School welcomed eight students from abroad as exchange students for the 2018-19 school year. **From left:** Amaia Martin, Spain; Clara Windolff, Germany; Melina Kunze, Germany; Valentin Bauer, Germany; Peerapong Ruangpa, Thailand; Tim Werling, Germany; Martin Cifuentes, Spain; and MyungJin Shin, South Korea. AHS Photography*

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✓ Bruneau: Project needed for compliance

The Bruneau Water and Sewer District will receive a \$650,000 loan and a \$1.582 million grant to reconstruct, raise, and re-line its wastewater treatment lagoon system.

Capacity will be increased, allowing the system to meet Idaho Department of Environmental Quality requirements.

The district also received a \$30,000 USDA RD pre-development planning grant, and provided nearly \$5,000 district money.

Other funding elements include a \$500,000 Idaho Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant, \$1.2 million in U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 595 funding, and a \$19,077 Idaho DEQ planning grant.

In May 2017, district patrons

approved a 40-year bond for roughly the same amount as the federal money that was announced last week.

A phone call to board chair Stacy Buckingham seeking comment wasn't returned before deadline.

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Sept 29th Celebration—Annual FALL-KICK OFF Outdoor Market

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✓ Museum: Johnson’s tenure has seen big projects and monetary grants

as possible for everyone,” she said.

In reference to operation of the museum until a full-time replacement is filled, Board of Owyhee County Commissioners chair Kelly Aberasturi said, “Likely one of the gals who is there a lot anyway will take care of things until it gets to that point.”

The museum and its contents are in the purview of the Owyhee County Historical Society, but the county pays the director.

Aberasturi said the county has advertised for the position and applications are being accepted. He also stated that there is someone who volunteers at the museum who may be a candidate for the job. He didn’t divulge who that person is.

According to Johnson, her duties as director include writing grants, implementing exhibitions with the help of volunteers and Owyhee County Historical Society board members, and keep

About the museum
The Owyhee County Historical Museum at 17085 Basey St., in Murphy is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

track of new and existing items at the museum. She also indexes and digitizes all the museum’s records.

She also heads up the Outpost Days committee and continually seeks donations and grants to make all the projects happen.

During her time at the helm Johnson was instrumental in acquiring multiple grants and additional funding sources, including:

- Idaho Community Foundation Competitive grant — preservation supplies (2015), \$2,500
- U.S. Ecology grant — photograph digitization (2016), \$1,350

- Owyhee County Commissioners — Capital Campaign Grant (2016), \$15,000
- Idaho Heritage Trust award — Homestead Cabin restoration (2016), \$540
- Northwest Farm Credit Services grant — building improvements (2017), \$1,000
- Silo Legacy Grant award — interactive displays (2017), \$600
- Sister Alfreda Award (earlier this year) from the Idaho State Historical Society, \$10,000

Johnson is departing the job in Murphy because she took a position as curator at the Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center in Enid, Okla.

“Working for Owyhee County has been an incredible experience,” she said. “(The job) has allowed me to grow not only as a professional but also as a person.

“(The county) has been supportive of me and my family for the past four years and will always hold a special place in my heart.”

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Amy Johnson is leaving her post as Owyhee County Historical Museum director after four years. Submitted photo

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✓Market: Two chances to shop in the park this week

from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., and the yard sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Saturday.

With the conclusion to the 2018 season looming, organizer Denise Dixon claimed positive numbers for this year.

“This year was a good year all around,” she said.

Dixon claimed a customer count ranging from 120 to 150 per week and a vendor average of 12 to 15.

She said that business has slowed down substantially since school has started, but that vendor and customer counts are still up 20 percent from last year.

“We have a better variety of produce than we have had in the past, and that is good for our community,” she said.

Dixon said the youth program Cultivate! was successful this year, boasting a full class.

Highlights of the season included studying mason bees. The Quigley family made bee houses for the children to take home and observe.

Michelle Gooding talked about hops and their connection to the mason bees. The bees are protected by the scent of hops while the bees pollinate the plant.

Dixon reported that the City of Homedale provided \$900 to support the 2018 Cultivate! program.

“Thank you, city council,” she said. “We couldn’t have done it without you.

“Grants are becoming increasingly difficult to get, so we appreciate them stepping up and helping us out.”

The yard sale carries an early-registration booth fee of \$10. After today, it’ll cost \$20 to sell at the event.

“We had a great turnout last year, and we are expecting an even bigger crowd this year,” Dixon said.

Market vending fees fund grants for programs and activities in the Homedale School District.

The market board has approved a grant request from Homedale Middle School science teacher Kim Portwood to help purchase a microscope. Dixon said details have not been ironed out.

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School menus

Homedale Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar, and choice of milk and juice available each day

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Waffle sticks, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes w/gravy
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Donut, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Mini calzones, green beans, fruit roll up
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** S’more oatmeal bites, peaches **Lunch:** Burrito, Spanish rice, corn
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, pears **Lunch:** Hamburger, French fries
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Choc. chip muffin, applesauce **Lunch:** Spaghetti, green beans, garlic toast

Homedale Middle

Fruit & salad bar, choice of milk and juice available each day

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Ham & cheese sandwich or hot dog, potato chips, fruit choice
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Donut or cereal, string cheese, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Nachos or PB&J sandwich, fruit roll up
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Pancake bite or cereal, peaches **Lunch:** Mini calzones or Mini corn dogs, corn
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** French toast sticks or cereal, pears **Lunch:** Cheeseburger or sloppy Joe, French fries
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Mini Cinn. Bagel or cereal, applesauce **Lunch:** Orange chicken or pizza hot pocket, steamed rice, broccoli

Homedale High

Salad, fruit choice and choice of milk and juice available each day

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Biscuits/gravy or mini waffles or cereal **Lunch:** Beef taco or chicken taco, corn
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Pancake bites or grain & fruit bar or cereal **Lunch:** Chicken tender, mashed potatoes w/gravy, roll or grab’n’go chicken wrap
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick or frudel or cereal **Lunch:** Popcorn chicken or mini calzones, garlic toast, steamed carrots
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Croissant sandwich or bagel w/cream cheese or cereal **Lunch:** Hamburger or cheeseburger, tater tots, cookie
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Sausage plate or mini pancakes or cereal **Lunch:** Orange chicken, egg roll and steamed rice or pizza hot pocket, fortune cookie

Marsing Elementary

Veggie bar, fruit bar and choice of milk available each day

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Maple pancakes, banana **Lunch:** Enchiladas & rice, baked sweet potatoes or PB&J, baked sweet potatoes
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Breakfast sandwich, grapes **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, pineapple, carrot sticks or PB&J, carrot sticks, Jello
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Breakfast bar, apple **Lunch:** Chicken sandwich, green beans or PB&J, green beans
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Mini cinnis, orange smiles **Lunch:** Taco Tuesday, Spanish rice, refried beans or PB&J, carrot sticks, snickerdoodle
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, banana **Lunch:** Tater tot casserole, whole grain roll, buttered corn or PB&J, buttered corn

Marsing Middle/High

Grab-n-go line: Monday & Wednesday: Ch’burger, pizza, croissant sandwich, salad w/breadstick

Tuesday & Thursday: Chicken sandwich, pizza, wrap, salad w/breadstick

All main entrees served with fries, milk & fruit/veggie bar each day

- Sept. 26: Enchiladas & rice, baked sweet potatoes or grab-n-go line
Sept. 27: Pepperoni pizza, pineapple, carrot sticks, Jello or grab-n-go line
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Breakfast bar, apple **Lunch:** Chicken sandwich, green beans or grab-n-go line
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Mini cinnis, orange smiles **Lunch:** Taco Tuesday, Spanish rice or grab-n-go line
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, banana **Lunch:** Tater tot casserole, whole grain roll, buttered corn or grab-n-go line

Bruneau/Grand View Elementary

Milk and fruit offered daily

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad, whole grain tortilla chips, refried beans
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun, potato wedges, broccoli, brownies
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes & gravy, steamed broccoli, whole wheat roll
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Waffle & hash browns **Lunch:** Chili, coleslaw, applesauce, cinnamon roll

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High

Milk, fruit & salad bar offered daily

- Sept. 26: **Breakfast:** Pancakes & egg patty **Lunch:** Taco salad or pizza
Sept. 27: **Breakfast:** Biscuit & jelly **Lunch:** Hamburger on a bun or pizza
Oct. 1: **Breakfast:** Apple frudel **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets/roll or pizza
Oct. 2: **Breakfast:** Biscuits & gravy **Lunch:** Little smokies/roll or pizza
Oct. 3: **Breakfast:** Waffle & hash browns **Lunch:** Chili/roll or pizza

COSSA

Milk, salad and fruit offered daily

- Sept. 26: Chicken parmesan, green beans or grab-n-go PB&J
Sept. 27: Pizza or grab-n-go salad
Oct. 1: Chicken nuggets, brown rice or grab n go salad
Oct. 2: BBQ pork sandwiches, baked beans or grab n go PB&J
Oct. 3: Hawaiian fried rice, egg roll or grab n go salad

Death notices

KAREN DARLENE DOUDS, 68, of Homedale, died Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2018. Arrangements: All Valley Cremation, 1538 11th Ave. N. Ext., Nampa. (208) 899-9361

TRISTEN LEE THOMAS, 6, of Homedale, died Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2018 at a Caldwell hospital of natural causes. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

International dinner back at Caldwell church

The annual Society of St. Vincent de Paul International Dinner will be held in Caldwell on Saturday, Oct. 13.

The event will be held from 5:15 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church’s parish hall, 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell.

The dinner will feature Basque, Mexican, Italian, Asian, Hawaiian, Irish, Greek, Austrian, French, German and American cuisine. There also will be entertainment, and a silent auction featuring artwork, handcrafted goods, gift baskets and more.

Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

All funds will benefit people in need in the community.

For more information, call the church at (208) 459-3653.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad bar available with each meal:

Lettuce, tomato, boiled eggs, peaches, apricots, salad dressing

Milk available each day; roll served each day

Sept. 26: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes w/gravy, beets

Sept. 27: Chicken & noodles, Calif. blend veggies

Oct 2: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, beets

Oct 3: Beef stew, roll

Oct 4: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, Calif. blend veggies

Rimrock Senior Center

All meals are served with milk & fruit juice

Sept. 27: Meatballs & mushroom gravy, biscuits, green salad w/the fixings, applesauce, blueberry crisp

Oct 2: Pork chops, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, applesauce, whole wheat roll, cream cheese Danish

Oct 4: Baked fish or hot dogs w/bun, scalloped potatoes, cooked carrots, green salad, apricot halves & cottage cheese

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Obituary

John L. Rohl

John Laverne Rohl, 94, passed away on September 21, 2018, at the Owyhee Health and Rehab Center of natural causes.

John was born on February 3, 1924 to Charles and Sarah Rohl in Lore City, Ohio. He was the eldest of 6 children. John attended schools in Ohio and joined the Army in October of 1942 when he was 18. He drove truck for the Army and was honorably discharged. After serving in the Army, John joined the Civilian Conservation Corps and worked for them. He met the love of his life Mary Ellen Fryrear. John and Mary Ellen were married in Salt Lake City, Utah on August 28, 1945.

John and Mary Ellen began their adventure moving to Riverside, California. Their

first child, Robert was born in 1946, and two years later their daughter, Darlene was born. The family then moved back to Ohio. John and Mary Ellen’s third child, Dan, was born there in 1953. After Dan’s birth the family moved back to California where John began his career as a carpenter. In 1963, the family moved to Homedale, Idaho, and John began farming and working at Homedale Feed. In 1972, John and Mary Ellen moved to Wilder, Idaho, and John worked as a carpenter until he retired in 1986. After retirement, they became snowbirds alternating between Homedale, Idaho, and Quartzsite, Arizona. John was an avid gardener, coin collector, and traveler, and he enjoyed fishing.

Mary Ellen passed away in 1997. John remarried in

2000. His wife from this union passed away in 2017.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Mary Ellen, his son Robert, and three brothers. He is survived by his son Dan and wife Jonna of Eagle, Idaho; his daughter Darlene and husband Larry Prow of Homedale, Idaho; 5 grandchildren, Deanna (Cory) Leaver of Stanton, Nebraska, Barbi (Scott) Biorn of Rigby, Idaho, Sarah (Jim) Chambers of Boise, Idaho, Shyanne Rohl of Spokane, Washington, and Jesse Rohl of Spokane, Washington; 8 great grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren; his sister Sandy Bailey, and brother Jim Rohl of Buffalo, Ohio.

Graveside services will be held Thursday, September 27th at 11:00 a.m. at Fargo Cemetery in Wilder.

Open enrollment looms; Medicare seminars coming to Homedale

Senior center bazaar vendor registration closes Monday

The first of four workshops about changes in Medicare will be held at the Homedale Senior Center next month.

Cheryl Beeson will lead the information sessions, explaining how 2019 changes will affect seniors and answering questions.

The first session will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 16.

Other sessions — also scheduled from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — will take place on Nov. 8, Nov. 13 and Dec. 4.

The senior center, located

at 224 W. Idaho Ave., is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

There is no foot clinic scheduled for October, but Fit and Fall exercise classes will be held from 10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., prior to the congregate lunch each Tuesday and Thursday.

Other October events include:

- Tuesday — Widows breakfast
- Tuesday, Oct. 9 — The senior center board of directors will hold its monthly meeting at 1 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.
- Each Wednesday — Ladies Coffee Group, 9 a.m.

The thrift store is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every day the senior center is open. Proceeds

help operate the building.

Another senior center fundraiser is the annual holiday bazaar arts and crafts fair.

The bazaar will take place between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., on Saturday, Nov. 17 at the senior center.

Vending space is available for \$12 for a large round table or a 6-foot long table or \$6 for a small table or a card table.

Vendors can begin setting up at 7 a.m., on the day of the bazaar.

The deadline to reserve vending space is Monday. Send reservations and payment to Homedale Senior Center, P.O. Box 848, Homedale, ID 83628.

For more information on the senior center or its programs, call (208) 337-3020 during business hours.



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Ladies Coffee Group
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Story Time
10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Christian Life Club
4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m., after-school program for kindergarten through sixth grade, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024, (208) 337-3464

Owyhee County P&Z hearing
4 p.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

Owyhee County P&Z hearing
6 p.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Courtroom 1, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2095, ext. 2

Thursday

Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Homedale Chamber of Commerce luncheon
Noon, The Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Friday

Idaho Foodbank drop-off
9 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale.

3D printer class
10 a.m. to noon, Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Grades 5-12. (208) 834-2785

Story Time

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

3D printer class
Noon to 2 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Adult class. (208) 834-2785

Life in the SON support group
2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Vision Community Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 504-7884 or songtobe@gmail.com

Teens and Tweens program
4 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228 afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday

Boater safety class
9 a.m. to 5 p.m., free, Owyhee County Historical Museum, McKeeth Hall, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (408) 529-9975

Book Sale
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale public library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Free lunch
Noon to 12:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-5419

Monday

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

Adult book club
7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Tuesday

Crochet club
10 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Homedale Music Booster meeting
6 p.m., Homedale High School band room, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

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NOCWMA meeting
6 p.m., U.S. Department of Agriculture Resource Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

Thursday, Oct. 4

Fit and Fall exercise
10:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Owyhee County Fair Board meeting
7 p.m., Owyhee County Fair office, fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3888 or (208) 941-4522

County’s junior livestock sale sees considerable growth

The dust has mostly settled on the 2018 Owyhee County Fair and Junior Livestock Sale. My hat is off to the Owyhee County Fair board, my staff at the Extension office, our 4-H volunteer club leaders, FFA advisors, kids, and parents. We had a great fair!

Of course the fair would not be complete without the Junior Livestock Sale. I am always amazed at the support our youth receive from the buyers who come to the sale every year.

In 2018, the sale total was \$377,675 on 276 animals. Coupled with that were additions in the amount of \$125,640 for a total of \$503,315! In just the past three years, the average amount that kids have or will receive has increased over \$100 per year. A look at the past five years of sale data shows over \$2 million in support of Owyhee County 4-H

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and FFA youth! Just how does that money get spent? While it is difficult to pinpoint exactly, much of it is put into college savings accounts. I personally know of many families who require a major portion or even all of the sale check to be deposited into a savings account. Some youth use their sale monies to purchase additional livestock and expand their projects. There are many kids who have started the program with one animal and ended up with a small breeding herd by the time they graduate high school.

Following the sale and harvest of the animals, we collect carcass data on each of the steers for the beef carcass contest. Steers are then classed as gold, silver, or white standard depending on carcass traits. To meet the gold standards, a carcass must receive a quality grade of low choice or better, have an unshrunk dressing percentage of 57 percent or high-

er, have a yield grade of 3.2 or better (lower score is better for yield grade), and have a hot carcass weight between 550 and 950 pounds. Any dark cutters are eliminated. The steer must have also had an average daily gain of 2.8 pounds per day or greater. Once a steer meets all of these criteria, it is ranked according to actual market value on the rail.

In 2018, we had 15 steers meet the gold standard. Kids whose steers qualify for the gold standard receive some added money that is sponsored by the Owyhee Cattlemen’s Association as well as a few other donors. Congratulations to Tyler Stebly from Country Kids 4-H club who had the top steer in the carcass contest. You can see all of the steer carcass data on the Owyhee County Extension 4-H Facebook page. I am also happy to send you a copy if you want to contact our office.

The most frequently asked question now is when will we get our sale checks? The short answer is as soon as we have

the money to cover them. We are getting closer, but still have more than \$90,000 of the sale money to collect. Checks will be written this week and mailed in one batch the first day we are able.

— Scott Jensen is the Uni-

versity Idaho Owyhee County Extension educator. He welcomes questions on livestock care. The U of I Owyhee County Extension office is located at 238 8th Ave. W., in Marsing and can be reached at (208) 896-4104. Contact at scottj@uidaho.edu.



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Grand View Elementary students gathered in front of their new reader board recently to show their appreciation for Pioneer Federal Credit Union’s donation. Submitted photo



New sign informs Grand View school community

Grand View Elementary School now has a visible public notification system thanks to a nearby financial institution.

A new electronic sign donated by Pioneer Federal Credit Union has been in operation outside the school since the beginning of the school year.

“The plan is for the community to be able to see it as they are driving by the school,” Bruneau-Grand View School District superintendent Ryan Cantrell said.

The sign is part of Pioneer Federal Credit Union’s Community Pioneer service

program that provides for needs in the communities it serves.

“Every two years, Pioneer Federal Credit Union looks for smaller communities where our members reside and donate a marquee sign to that community,” PFCU spokesperson Lisa Arrington said in an email.

“Many people living in Grand View are members of Pioneer and use branches across Southwestern Idaho.”

Cantrell said he found out about the program through Elizabeth Thomas, a PFCU employee whose children

attend school in Grand View.

“When she presented the idea, I was extremely happy,” Cantrell said.

PFCU had sponsored a similar sign in Mountain Home.

Other PFCU community outreach in Owyhee County has included a booth in the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School career and job fair, donations of promotional items to support Bruneau-Grand View School District teachers, and sponsorship of the Bruneau Round-Up earlier this month.

Pioneer Federal Credit Union also donated \$5,000 to

the Sandbar Restaurant with a Cause in Marsing.

According to an email announcing the Grand View sign, PFCU said the reader board will allow communication of school and other local events and information.

Cantrell said folks interesting in posting school-related news on the board—including youth sports signups—can call elementary school principal Josh Noteboom at (208) 834-2775 or Cantrell at the district office at (208) 834-2260 for more information on posting guidelines.

— JPB

Court report

A list of felony and misdemeanor dispositions recently completed at courtrooms in Murphy and Homedale. Infractions are not included:

Sept. 18
Jeremy Ray Madrid, Marsing — Misdemeanor, misdemeanor petty theft (amended from felony grant theft), misdemeanor driving without privileges (DWP), misdemeanor disturbing the peace (amended from felony unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon): 7 days in jail (served), \$1,050 in fines and court costs. Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor fail to provide proof of insurance (second or subsequent offense), misdemeanor failure to appear (FTA) citation, misdemeanor petty theft

Sept. 12
Patrick Carroll Curtis, Boise — Misdemeanor resisting and obstructing officers: \$300 in fines and court costs. Dismissed by prosecuting attorney: Misdemeanor injury to child
Michael J. Rivers, Boise — Misdemeanor disturbing the peace (amended from misdemeanor battery): \$300 in fines and court costs
Austyn J. Vernon, Vale, Ore. — Misdemeanor controlled substance possession: \$350 in fines and court costs. Dismissed by court: Misdemeanor FTA citation

Homedale library book sale Saturday

The Friends of the Homedale Library’s semi-annual book sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The Friends have generally used proceeds earned from book sales to fund children’s events at the library. This year, the sale provided for a visit from Reptile Adventures and Noah’s Ark Workshop.

Additionally, the Friends matched a \$400 grant to purchase children’s books.

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MOTHER-SON TEAM PREVAILS IN HOMEDALE DOUBLES TENNIS



Organizer congratulates championship pairs
Makayla Kelly (center) stands with the final teams for the doubles tennis tournament she organized as a senior project. Rachel Kincheloe and her son Hayden (left) defeated Milo Mertz and Homedale High School principal Matt Holtry for the championship Saturday at the Bette Uda City Park courts. Submitted photo



Left: Homedale High School athletic director Casey Grove reaches high to crush a serve during a preliminary match Saturday morning. **Above:** Tournament organizer Makayla Kelly (left) hits a return as her partner, middle school teacher David Correa, stands ready for the volley.



Homedale High graduates hold 30-year reunion

*The Homedale High School Class of 1988 reunited during Homecoming weekend, Sept. 14-16. **Back row, from left:** Chuck Fisher, Tim Coleman, Danny Simmons, Eddy Connell, Kurt Shanley, Mike Mansisor, Shawn Shelton, Scott Dye, and Wally Knight. **Front row, from left:** Rich Stansell, Ryan Nash, Alan Middleton, Cathy (Timinsky) Shapel, Teresa (Uranga) Ryska, Walt Sutterfield, Shirley Martinat, Kristi Drum, Deborah Collins, Michelle (Tarr) Brewer, Tanya (Aman) Vanderwiell, Niki (Eason) Watkins, and Tracey Were*



Homedale High School graduate Kayden Turner recently received the rank of Eagle Scout after completing a project to protect his alma mater's jumping pits from the weather.

Eagle Scout covers HHS jump pits

The Deward Bell Stadium long jump pit covers are more sophisticated these days thanks to an Eagle Scout.

Kayden Turner, who graduated from Homedale High School this spring, earned his Eagle Scout rank during an August Court of Honor.

The son of Debby and Dennis Turner designed and built long jump pit covers for his Eagle Scout project.

"This involved taking the measurements, designing the covers, and the acquiring necessary materials," Debby Turner said.

The white covers are now in place over the two pits at his alma mater's track and field facility, protecting the sand underneath from water and erosion, and making a safer sideline for visiting football teams in the fall.

In all, the project took 130 hours.

"He chose the project be-



Kayden Turner

cause he liked what it would involve and it was a need expressed by (HHS track and field coach) Heidi Ankeny," Debby Turner said.

Stainless steel donated by the Homedale Boosters was fabricated into the cover frames.

Rayco Systems donated a

CNC machine to cut and bend the metal into the desired shape.

Turner and several fellow Scouts used a welder provided by Tom Dorsey to weld the metal.

The tarps covering the frames were donated by Kurt Shanley from Ruff & Tuff Tarps.

Other support came from Al's Pawn in Caldwell and Fisher Club Lambs.

"A special thanks goes out to all of the people who helped me put together these hours," Kayden said. "And a special thanks goes to all those involved with the materials donated."

Kayden was a Cub Scout from a young age, and he joined Boy Scouts Troop 509 at the age of 12.

He is now awaiting his mission call from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, according to his mother.

— JPB

HHS marching band channels its inner Bond

Homedale marching band's involvement in competition began in earnest with the Emmett Marching Band Competition on Saturday.

Fourth-year band director John Zieske, the 2017-18 Homedale teacher of the year, leads the Trojans musicians.

Zieske received his bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Idaho and then taught for two years in Shanghai, China before coming to Homedale.

The theme for this year's marching band show is "Secret Agent" and features music from the motion pictures "Mission: Impossible" and "James Bond."

Like all bands, the Trojans Marching Band has strengths and needs.

It has nine seniors who have a lot of marching experience. It also has a large percussion section, including five on the field and three in the "pit" on the sideline.

However, band size is a problem. There are 26 musicians on the field this year.

"We keep growing every year, which is awesome," Zieske said. "However, that's still about 10 less than Payette and at least 20 less than Parma and Weiser.

"Maybe 80 less than Fruitland?"

Zieske said the more marchers a band has on the field, the more complex the music and drill can be. That means higher scores from judges.

The future for the band looks good, Zieske said.

"Twelve marchers this year are in seventh and eighth grade," he said. "The number of students in marching band keeps growing every year.

"Interest is growing and, in four years, the band will easily be twice the size as it was when I started in 2015."

The band will take part in five more fall showcases:

- **Saturday** — Caldwell Invitational at Caldwell High School
- **Saturday, Oct. 6** — Kuna Invitational at Kuna High School
- **Saturday, Oct. 20** — Treasure Valley Festival of Bands at Vallivue High School in Caldwell
- **Monday, Oct. 22** — Parma Invitational at Parma High School
- **Saturday, Oct. 27** — Mel Shelton District III Marching Competition at Boise State University

Zieske said the scoring system during competition is based on multiple elements, including music performance (one to four judges), visual performance (one or two), general effect (one or two), percussion (one), and auxiliary (one).

Within each of those broad categories are specific questions, such as, "How clean (together) is the percussion section?" or "Is the front ensemble (pit) playing with the rest of the ensemble?"

"The judges then give a score or rating based on their observations," Zieske said. "All of the scores and ratings are brought to the tabulator, and a final score or rating is determined."

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Folks warned to stay out of Strike water near Bruneau delta

Visitors to C.J. Strike Reservoir have been warned about the possible development of unhealthy algae in part of the lake.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and Southwest District Health issued a health advisory last Wednesday after elevated levels of cyanobacteria were found in the water near the Cottonwood Park and Campground.

The state agencies advised people to stay out of the water, and to keep their pets out of the water near the Bruneau delta on the south side of the reservoir.

Cyanobacteria can trigger a Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB), which can release unhealthy toxins into the water.

According to the joint press release, people who are exposed to water with high concentrations of cyanobacteria or cyanotoxins may experience nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, difficulty breathing, skin irritation, allergic responses, liver damage, or neurotoxic reactions such as tingling fingers and toes.

Anyone with symptoms should seek medical attention.

Boiling or filtering the water will not remove cyanotoxins.

Cyanobacteria occur naturally and blooms occur in waters with high levels of nutrients such as phosphorus and nitrogen.

“Whenever you are recreating in any kind of surface water, it’s important to be aware of your surroundings, whether or not there is an advisory in place,” Idaho DEQ Boise regional office watershed coordinator Chase Cusack said.

“While harmful algal blooms aren’t always obvious to the eye, people can look for things like a green or blue-green layer on top of the water that might look like paint, or thick mats,

especially along the shoreline. If you suspect a harmful algal bloom, you should report it to the DEQ.”

Areas with high levels of cyanobacteria may also be white or brown in color and look like surface scum, resembling pea soup, and can have an unpleasant odor or stench.

SWDH and DEQ advise precautions where high counts of cyanobacteria and harmful algal blooms are known to be present:

- Humans and animals should stay out of the affected water. Swimming, wading, or other activities with full body contact of pond water should be avoided.
- Humans, pets, and livestock should not drink the affected water.
- Fish should be cleaned and rinsed with clean water. Only the fillet portion should be consumed. All other parts should be discarded.
- Pets and livestock are vulnerable to cyanobacteria and their toxins and should stay out of water where blooms are visible. Pets and livestock can be exposed to cyanobacteria and their toxins through drinking, swimming, or self-grooming by licking their wet coat or paws. A reaction will likely require immediate veterinary attention.
- Do not allow pets to eat dried algae.
- If affected water contacts skin or pet fur, wash with clean potable water as soon as possible.
- Areas of visible algae accumulation should be avoided.

For more information about cyanobacteria and harmful algal blooms, including a map of advisories currently in effect throughout Idaho, visit DEQ’s website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov/water-quality/surface-water/recreation-health-advisories/>



The airbags in this Hyundai deployed when the car struck a semi-truck last Wednesday afternoon in downtown Marsing.

Car wreck lands teen in hot water

A male juvenile from Wilder was transported to juvenile hall, after a stop at West Valley Medical Center, following a car wreck last Wednesday afternoon in Marsing.

The accident, which occurred on Main Street between 7th Avenue West and 8th Avenue West, left the juvenile with multiple injuries, including a broken arm, Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said.

The 17-year-old was driving a Hyundai Accent when he crashed into the side of a 2000 International semi-truck driven by Robert Shippy of Parma.

Shippy was westbound on Main Street when the Accent pulled into the lane of travel.

Shippy does not face any charges.

Grant reported that upon investigation, sheriff’s deputies discovered the juvenile had a warrant for failure to appear in court for a probation violation, stemming from an original charge of possession of a controlled substance.

He was transported to the Caldwell hospital, where he was treated for his wounds. Authorities then took him to the Southwest Juvenile Detention Center in Caldwell.

— TK



Story Time still on in Marsing
Children’s librarian Catriona Hardy read “Clark the Shark” before Lizard Butte Library Story Time children made a craft of fish in the sea last Wednesday. **From left:** Presley Morris, 4-year-old daughter of Beau and Heather Morris of Nampa, Brad Morris, Presley’s 1-year-old brother, and Zoey Porter, 3, daughter of Terra and Logan Porter of Marsing.

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Marsing's new FFA advisor new to neither FFA nor MHS

Marsing FFA chapter members have a familiar face advising them this year. Nic Usabel, a science teacher at the high school, has taken over leadership duties from Mike Martin. In addition to advising FFA, Usabel teaches Introduction to Agriculture and Earth Science. Martin is still teaching at the high school, teaching other agriculture courses, including welding, horticulture, and veterinary science. Usabel just began his fifth year teaching at his alma mater. Previously, he taught and also served as FFA advisor at Jordan Valley High School for six years. He was a science teacher at Eagle Academy during the 2013-14

school year. He earned his B.S. in Agricultural Education from the University of Idaho in 2007 and completed his master's degree in Education five years later. The Usabel name is one many people in the area are familiar with. Nic's father Joe Usabel, who owns a farm in Marsing, and his grandfather Roman served as board trustees for Marsing School District. Joe was the longtime board chairman. Both elder Usabels have served on various boards, including the Marsing Disaster Auction. They've also been part of the Marsing Fire Department. Nic Usabel's community involve-

ment goes beyond FFA, too. He is the Owyhee County Fair large animal round robin superintendent. Nic Usabel is excited about some changes that will be occurring with FFA this year. "New highlights for this year include our chapter meetings to develop a cohesive chapter," he said. He noted that he and the students hope to participate in many of the Treasure Valley District (TVD) Career Development Events (CDE). "Officers are excited to add the 212 and 360 Leadership Conference this year," Usabel said. The conference will be held on Jan.

28-29 at the Riverside Hotel in Boise. The chapter played host to the TVD dairy cattle evaluation CDE on Sept. 19. Next up are district CDEs for soils and land evaluation, and rangeland assessment on Friday in New Plymouth. Also on the schedule is the FFA Day on the Hill on Jan. 28 during the 2019 Idaho Legislature session at the Statehouse in Boise. The Marsing FFA also has a strong presence and involvement with the disaster auction, which will take place Saturday, Feb. 2 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center. — TK

Homedale FFA'er among top judges at Marsing district dairy contest


The Marsing FFA chapter played host to the Treasure Valley District Dairy Cattle Evaluation on Thursday. The career development experience (CDE) took place at Sevy Dairy. Homedale finished third in the competition. Notus won the day, and Vallivue placed

second. The rest of participating schools, in order of finish, were Wilder, Middleton, Ridgevue, and Marsing. Individual high scorers in the evaluation were Ihenna McKay from Homedale, Blake Usabel from Ridgevue, and Jack Weymouth from Notus.



Seven FFA chapters competed in the Treasure Valley District dairy cattle evaluation career development experience last Wednesday at Sevy Dairy in Marsing, and this cow seems unimpressed.

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Marsing High School science teacher and FFA advisor Nic Usabel is flanked by CapEd's Barry Prindle (left) and Michelle Mason at a grant presentation ceremony on Friday in MSD's cafeteria. Usabel was chosen to receive the grant partly because of his desire to increase student interest in science.



Marsing High School teacher furthers science in classroom

Marsing native accepts second CapEd grant in past year

Marsing High School teacher Nic Usabel has received another CapEd Foundation grant. The \$750 grant check Usabel accepted Friday will help his science students and FFA chapter evaluate properties of soil. It's the second CapEd grant the teacher has secured in the past year. In September 2017, Usabel got a grant to study the quality of flow of Snake River water. The latest grant will be used to purchase probes to accompany the LabQuest devices the school currently uses. Usabel plans to buy four pH sensors, four temperature probes, three

connectivity probes, and two desk lamps. Usabel applied for the grant in hopes of being able to provide more hands-on labs in his curriculum. In his grant application, Usabel stated that the objective for the project is "to address those students whose passion is not science but need to learn science through practical application." Students can experience working with Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) to build appreciation of the subject, the Marsing native said. "These labs will focus on soil health by measuring the acidity, salinity, and temperature of the soil, and to evaluate effects of acid rain on soil," Usabel said. Usabel's students will keep records, and conduct research

then use the study results to make presentations. "The target will be the 46 students enrolled in Introduction to Agriculture," he said. "I want to stimulate a desire to conduct experiments in innovative practical application of science that they can use in their real life." He said those applications would include understanding the effect of plant growth based on soil pH, the effect of soil salinity on available water, how acid rain changes soil pH, and how soil temperature affects plant growth. "In addition, I hope an interest is created so that these students want to pursue upper-level education," Usabel said. — TK

"Sparky" to teach fire safety Friday at Homedale library

The Homedale Public Library will have safety in mind during Story Time at 10:15 a.m. on Friday. Youth coordinator Carol McMichael will read "Sparky the Fire Dog," by Don Hoffman and illustrated by Todd Dakins. It's the story of a canine hero and helps to teach children about fire safety. The title character, Sparky, is the mascot and "spokesman" for the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). According to McMichael, the library will also welcome a special visitor from the Homedale Fire Department to talk to the boys and girls about fire safety.

During Teens & Tweens, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the youth will have fun with chalk. Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to come down to the library and make some chalk rock paperweights and chalk rockets. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. It's open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Saturday. — TK

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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 32 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 83 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore., at a rate of 144 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 230,628 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.

Three Creek welcomes two kindergarteners

The new year at Three Creek School has begun inside a new classroom.

“There are a few minor things left to be done, but students and teachers are working in the new room,” teacher Dena Pollock wrote in her September newsletter.

Interior design of the classroom was pulled off with a paint ball session for students and parents. They fired paint balls to decorate the white room.

Other elements in the new classroom includes bookcases, counters and cupboards, and white boards installed by Harvey’s Office Supply.

Pinnacle installed a coded locking system and video cameras to improve building safety and security.

Once color and pattern are selected, Lowe’s Home Improvement will install solar window shades.

There are seven students enrolled for 2018-19 in the tiny school district in south-east Owyhee County.

Kindergarteners Adien Lindsey and Eliza Brackett have joined five returning students.

Chad Houck, a deputy Secretary of State, has pledged to help the students field a robotics team in his capacity as a First Lego League administrator, according to the school newsletter.

Idaho Power Co., representative Liz Haugee visited with the students last Wednesday to talk about water and energy conservation and electricity safety.

The students received kits to test their homes for energy conservation and safety, but Pollock said the kits won’t go home until other activities in the student workbooks are completed in class.

Flat Creek Ranch resident Samantha Thomsen, who has won the school’s custodian contract, also took student photos Thursday.

Aaron Keyes visited the school Monday and Tuesday to present his Keyes to Safety: Wilderness First Aid lessons for students. He’ll be on hand for the Keyes to Safety: First Aid and Automated External Defibrillator training for adults at 9 a.m. on Friday.

Other early-year events include:

- **Next Wednesday** — School staffers visit the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls for the Idaho Lottery Scratch for Schools fundraising competition.
- **Saturday, Oct. 6** — The Newcrest meeting will be held from 11 a.m. to noon inside the Three Creek Community Center.
- **Monday, Oct. 8** — The Three Creek Parent Teacher Organization will meet at 7 p.m., at the school.
- “We are hoping for some new faces to join our meetings,” Pollock said in the newsletter.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 10** — The board of school trustees meeting will start at 7 p.m., at the school.
- **Saturday, Oct. 20** — The school will hold a fundraiser for the planned Magic Mountain Haunted Camp event.
- **Thursday, Oct. 25** — The Harvest Festival will start at 7 p.m.

The school’s garden has yielded carrots, strawberries and mint, and Pollock said the wait is on as corn and volunteer potatoes mature. As those crops grow, the students will learn more about them in the coming weeks.

The PTO has started something called the Adult Book Trading Library to exchange reading material. The library is in the back room on the old side of the school, and it’s open during school hours (7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., on Monday through Thursday).

The Box Tops for Education deadline is Oct. 19. The school has made about \$100 per year with the fundraiser.

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Trojans, Raiders kick off conference right

Homedale shuts out state's top 3A team

Defense wins championships, or so the adage goes. Homedale High School emphatically filed a claim on the 3A Snake River Valley conference championship Friday.

A team renowned for a high-scoring offense through the first four games of the season flexed its defense and opened the conference season with a 34-0 rout of top-ranked Fruitland.

"The defense played great all game," HHS coach Matt Holtry said. "It all starts, though, with the time and prep that our defensive staff puts in getting the players ready for this kind of offense."

"It's not your typical offense, and Tony Uranga did an amazing job scouting and preparing our kids all week."

Holtry said linebackers coach Josh Whiteour, defensive line coach Randy Lyons and defensive backs coach Jamie Mertz "all helped in getting the kids dialed in all week."

The result was an outcome that shocked probably every prep football watcher in Idaho except Holtry and the fans who have watch the No. 2 Trojans roll out to an unbeaten 5-0 start.

The win may have awakened many of the media pollsters, and Homedale's players could

— See **Homedale**, page 7B



Above: Homedale's Jake Collett brings down Fruitland's Cole Eiguren for a quarterback sack in the first half of Friday's showdown of the state's top two Class 3A teams. **Left:** Rimrock's Ian Burbank has the angle on a Notus defender during his run to the corner of the end zone in Friday's victory in Bruneau. Photo by Rachel Burk / Rimrock journalism

Rimrock ends losing streak vs. Notus

Rimrock High School's Homecoming football game Friday evening could be an indication of better days to come for the small eight-man team.

Senior quarterback Todd Marvin scored a two-point conversion in the third quarter to give the Raiders a 24-22 victory over Notus in Bruneau.

Ian Burbank had tied the game moments earlier by hauling in Marvin's 54-yard pass.

The Raiders ended a five-year drought against the Pirates in the 1A Western Idaho Conference opener for both teams.

"It was a clean game, and both teams played hard," Rimrock coach Mark Martell said. "We just wanted it more."

"Senior Todd Marvin ran the game and showed real senior leadership."

Senior Anthony Herrera missed Friday's game as he recovers from bull riding injuries sustained Sept. 16 during the final day of the Bruneau Round-Up. But Herrera did play a part in kicking off the game when he carried the game ball to officials after local helicopter pilot Jason Meyers flew the ball into the stadium. Rimrock

— See **Rimrock**, page 6B

Homedale slides into first with big volleyball victory

Three players pounded kills at a double-digit pace, driving Homedale High School to the top of the conference volleyball standings.

Starting in place of the injured Savana Buckley, sophomore Ainslee Evans made the most of her biggest varsity opportunity, drilling 10 kills in the Trojans' important five-set win over 3A Snake River Valley conference foe Fruitland.

Homedale shook off the

Grizzlies' match-tying victory in Game 4 to roar through the final set in a 21-25, 25-22, 25-17, 23-25, 15-8 win on the Trojans' floor Thursday.

The Trojans (6-1 overall, 3-0 in 3A SRV at week's end) grabbed sole possession of the conference lead with a Tuesday match against Parma (2-1 in conference) looming. That contest was played after deadline.

The Grizzlies had beaten Parma as part of their 3-0 start

to the conference campaign, making Thursday's match in Homedale nothing short of a showdown.

The athletes didn't disappoint with seesaw action throughout the contest.

Homedale senior Amaya Carter answered the call, too, striking 15 kills and digging 10 balls.

The Trojans turned in their best serve receive performance of the season, collecting 79

— See **Volleyball**, page 8B



Homedale senior libero Jayci Swallow dives to the floor for a dig as junior DeLayne Dorsey looks on Thursday.

Sports

Trojans' ailing runners begin rebound at Firman

Two boys endure large field to get personal records

Cross country teams from all over the West swarmed Eagle Island State Park on Saturday, but Heidi Ankeny knew exactly which teams to look for.

And the Homedale High School boys' cross country team finished the Bob Firman Invitational ahead of 3A Snake River Valley conference rivals Payette, Weiser and Fruitland.

"The boys' varsity team has been working on pack running and running up — with the teammate who runs ahead of you — and that was their only goal for this race," Ankeny said. "They executed this perfectly, and because of that, they saw some really big (personal records)."

Besides getting healthy after a run of illness, the Trojans' primary goal during the Firman was to finally get ahead of Fruitland, Ankeny said.

The Trojans finished 27th in the Division II race that featured 40 full teams.

Junior Matthew Randall rebounded from a few weeks of illness and got his time back below 18 minutes. He finished 62nd in a field of nearly 300



Senior first-year runner Joseph Zamudio (left) battles athletes from Challis and McCall-Donnelly down the wire at the Bob Firman Invitational cross country meet Saturday at Eagle Island State Park. Photo by Machele Randall

runners, turning a 17-minute, 59.1-second 5-kilometer time.

Senior Joseph Zamudio finished in the middle of the pack with a PR of 19:20.1.

Junior Julian Ramos also had a personal-best run at 19:47.7, cracking the 20-minute mark

for the first time in his career.

Gage Purdom turned in the fastest time of his junior season at 21:08.8.

Freshman Ryker Johnson ran a 23:36.0.

"Gage and Ryker continue to run consistently and cut time, so they will move up with the rest of the pack in the next few weeks, I am sure," Ankeny said.

Homedale juniors Maggie Johnson and Ashlyn Miller competed in the girls' junior varsity race, and Ankeny said both nearly reached their PRs. Johnson finished in 27:42.7, and Miller was clocked at 28:59.6.

"They had to wait around all day, and it got pretty warm in the afternoon," Ankeny said. "But they rallied and ran with a lot of determination."

Ankeny said despite the long wait between races and the large crowd of athletes (she said there were about 4,500 this year), the Firman is a good meet because the course is a test but also fun.

"It typically turns in fast times, but it is challenging with dirt paths, sand, hills, grass and a huge field of runners in every race," Ankeny said. "We love going to this one, and it is a great mid-season race where kids really start to hit their stride and see better times come in."

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Cross country
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Friday, Sept. 28 at Baker (Ore.) Invitational, 6 p.m. MDT

Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 27 at Weiser, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 29 vs. Buhl and Kimberly in Parma, 11 a.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 2, home vs. Payette (Senior Night), 6:30 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Sept. 27 at Weiser, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 29 at Payette tournament, 8 a.m.
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Sports



Marsing defensive backs Wylliam Moore (8) and Malek Barroso sack Melba quarterback Scott Martinez on Friday on the Mustangs' field. Photo by Dan Pease

Huskies still struggling

Marsing High School continued to struggle on both sides of the football Friday night. "Our biggest struggle was maintaining drives," first-year head coach Kurt Carey said. Host Melba was able to do what the Huskies couldn't in a 49-6 victory in 2A Western Idaho Conference action. Senior running back Dwight Sevy was a bright spot for the Huskies (1-3 overall, 0-2 in conference). He ran for 86 yards and the team's only score. Marsing had few answers for the Mustangs (2-2, 1-0). "We struggled to stop Melba's wing-T offense," Carey said.

"They are a well-coached team and you could tell that they've put in the work in the weight room to where they're at." Carey acknowledged the Huskies' need for improvement in multiple areas but said he was impressed with the offensive line's improvement. "We look to continue to improve this week as we prepare for New Plymouth," he said. The Huskies visit the Pilgrims (2-2, 1-0) in a 2A WIC clash Friday. Melba travels to Mountain View High School in Meridian to take on Cole Valley Christian (4-1, 1-1).

— TK

Melba defeats host Marsing



Kate Clark dominated Melba High School's home volleyball match against Marsing on Thursday. Clark crushed 17 kills and served eight aces in the Mustangs' three-game sweep in 2A Western Idaho Conference action. Cindy Read's 10 blocks sparked the Melba defense in a 25-7, 25-18, 25-17 victory. The Mustangs (10-3 overall, 3-2 in conference) also received 19 digs from Madisen Bunnell, while Katelyn Young carded 21 assists. "We played a tough Melba team," first-year Marsing coach Brittany Regli said. "They came out strong right off the bat. "It took us a little while to get going, but when we did, we competed hard." Katelyn Fewkes notched eight kills and eight digs for the Huskies (2-5, 0-5). Teammate Gabriela Rodriguez delivered a team-high nine kills. Delaney Percifield added a block and four kills.

Left: Marsing High School senior Fallon Lopez launches a spike toward the net as fellow senior Gabriela Rodriguez looks on during the Huskies' loss to Melba. Photo by Dan Pease

MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT



Volleyball
Delaney Percifield, so.
1 block, 4 kills in loss to Melba



Cross country
Sefora Arriaga, sr.
Season-best 25:01.5 at Bob Firman Invitational
Cross country

Football
Varsity
Friday, Sept. 28 at New Plymouth, 7 p.m.
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Cross country
Thursday, Sept. 27 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet, Kleiner Park, Meridian

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Volleyball
Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 27 at New Plymouth, 7:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 2 at McCall-Donnelly, 7:15 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Sept. 27 at New Plymouth, 5:45 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 29 at Payette tournament
Tuesday, Oct. 2 at McCall-Donnelly, 5:45 p.m.
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Sports



The Rimrock Junior High School cross country team supports their teammate, Ella Boren, who finished second in the McCain Open last Wednesday. Submitted photo

Local runners get top marks at middle school meet

Melba boy snags championship, Rimrock girl runner-up in Payette

Homedale Middle School’s first-year cross country runners got a glimpse of what they could become last Wednesday in Payette.

The Trojans didn’t have to look very far, either, as two programs that also tap Owyhee County talent shined during the McCain Open.

Rimrock eighth-grader Ella Boren ran to a personal-record time of 12 minutes, 30 seconds to finish second in the girls’ 3-kilometer race at Kiwanis Park.

Seventh-grade teammate Joslynn Burk ran her fastest race of the year (13:42) to finish 15th.

Melba put three athletes in the top 15 of the girls’ race, including sixth-grader Kenzie Tuttle’s seventh-place showing of 13:23.

Homedale eighth-grader LaRae Stewart posted a PR as she continued to build her technique. She was ninth in 13:28.

Melba eighth-grader Rozzlyn Cavier was fourth in 13:05.

On the boys’ side, eighth-grader McKoy Richardson took the championship in 11:25 as Melba placed five athletes in the top 20.

Seventh-graders Ira Black of Rimrock and Brock Johnson of Homedale were the first runners from their respective schools to cross the finish line, and both did it in career-highlight fashion.

Black was 24th with a PR of 13:01, while Johnson’s PR of 13:25 was good for 33rd place.

Johnson finished just ahead of teammate Liam Koon, another seventh-grader, who ran a personal-best 13:30.

Rounding out the local girls:

- Elizabeth Sexey, 7th grade, Melba, 14th place with a 13:39 PR
- Emily Zavala, 8th grade, Melba, 23rd, 14:04 PR
- Gabbie Young, 7th grade, Melba, 24th, 14:12 PR



Homedale eighth-grader LaRae Stewart shows off the ninth-place ribbon she earned in Payette. Photo by Machele Randall

- Ashton Moore, 7th grade, Rimrock, 29th, 14:22 PR
- Macklay Moore, 8th grade, Rimrock, 34th, 14:34 PR
- Lisbeth Ayala, 7th grade, Rimrock, 37th, 14:41 PR
- Trinity Neeser, 7th grade, Homedale, 38th, 14:42 PR

- Brynn Burk, 7th grade, Rimrock, 40th, 14:49 PR
 - Karli Smith, 7th grade, Melba, 43rd, 15:02 PR
 - Jaycie Hackler, 7th grade, Melba, 62nd, 15:52 PR
 - Brinley Gunstream, 6th grade, Melba, 68th, 15:58 PR
 - Cristal Araujo, 8th grade, Rimrock, 80th, 16:30 PR
 - Lizzy Egusquiza, 8th grade, Homedale, 93rd, 18:42 PR
 - Jolette Soto, 8th grade, Homedale, 105th, 22:06 PR
 - Adrianna Fraire, 8th grade, Homedale, 106th, 22:47
- Other local boys’ results included:
- Grant Svedin, 8th grade, Melba, 5th, 12:01
 - Hudson Cole, 7th grade, Melba, 6th, 12:02
 - Raivio Manzer, 7th grade, Melba, 13th, 12:30 SR
 - Parker Hansen, 8th grade, Melba, 18th, 12:41
 - Wyatt Hansen, 6th grade, Melba, 21st, 12:51
 - Jaxen Hackler, 8th grade, Melba, 25th, 13:01
 - Cooper Raymond, 8th grade, Rimrock, 35th, 13:37
 - Carsten Volkers, 6th grade,

- Melba, 36th, 13:39
- Izmael Ponce, 7th grade, Homedale, 39th, 13:46 PR
- Remington Sessions, 7th grade, Melba, 41st, 13:49 PR
- Braden Ankeny, 7th grade, Homedale, 45th, 14:03 PR
- Elias Tines, 7th grade, Homedale, 48th, 14:09 PR
- Carson Raymond, 6th grade, Rimrock, 56th, 14:21
- Weston Stears, 7th grade, Melba, 57th, 14:21 PR
- Tracker Christensen, 7th grade, Melba, 59th, 14:24 PR
- Jonny Gunderson, 7th grade, Melba, 69th, 14:52
- Gavin Young, 8th grade, Melba, 73rd, 14:59 SR
- Garrett Kunsky, 7th grade, Rimrock, 75th, 15:01 PR
- Mason Craig, 7th grade, Melba, 81st, 15:26
- Seth Huntsman, 7th grade, Melba, 73rd, 15:34 SR
- Max Bunnell, 7th grade, Melba, 84th, 15:35 PR
- Alex Zamudio, 7th grade, Homedale, 86th, 15:37 PR
- Kayden Tomevi, 8th grade, Homedale, 93rd, 15:53 PR
- David Peirsol, 7th grade, Homedale, 110th, 17:24 PR

Melba volleyball sweeps McCall-Donnelly on road

Melba High School’s defense was on display during a Sept. 18 victory on the road.

Madisen Bunnell reached for 18 digs, and Emma Clark added 17 in the Mustangs’ 2A Western Idaho Conference

sweep of McCall-Donnelly.

Clark and Cindy Read each spiked six kills in the 26-24, 25-8, 25-11 triumph.

Katelyn Young dished 19 assists as the Mustangs evened their conference mark.

Visiting Huskies come up short on Cole Valley Christian floor

The Marsing High School volleyball team lost a tough five-setter to Cole Valley Christian on Sept. 18 in Meridian.

The Huskies beat the Chargers in a lengthy second set and held a 2-1 lead in the 2A Western Idaho Conference match before Cole Valley prevailed, 25-21, 29-31, 23-25,

25-13, 15-11.

Marsing (2-5 overall, 0-5 in conference) saw great individual efforts from a trio of seniors.

Outside hitter Katelyn Fewkes finished with 22 digs and seven kills.

Ashley Loucks, a setter, also had seven kills and added 11 assists.

Fallon Lopez, also a setter, finished with 11 digs, nine assists, and five kills.

Loucks’ younger sister, junior Emily, tallied 22 digs, four kills and four aces.

The Huskies have lost five consecutive matches after starting the season with two straight non-conference victories.

Sports

Year and change in, HMS players yet to surrender TD

Destruction of Ontario latest win for eighth-graders

Homedale Middle School's eighth-grade football team is off to a perfect start.

The Trojans outscored their opponents 90-0 in the first two games of the 3A Snake River Valley conference season.

This group of players, who were 6-0 as seventh-graders, has yet to surrender a point in an eight-game middle school career — a stretch of 32 consecutive quarters.

Coach Brad Dines' squad played a road game against Weiser on Tuesday after deadline.

Sept. 18: Homedale 52, Ontario, Ore., 0 — Jaxon Dines threw five touchdown passes and ran for another score as the Trojans rolled in their home opener at Deward Bell Stadium.

Dines and Rylan Binford teamed up for three scoring plays, including passes of 74,

15 and 27 yards.

Binford's 15-yard catch-and-run into the end zone gave the Trojans a 33-0 lead with 4 minutes, 33 seconds left in the first half.

Mason Strong ran 88 yards with a Dines pass for the game's touchdown as Homedale struck with two long scoring plays on its first two possessions.

Strong caught a 38-yard TD pass and capped the scoring with a 32-yard run.

Sept. 11: Homedale 38, Parma 0 — Binford opened the game with an 82-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. He went on to score two more times.

Special teams showed up again when D'Orr Packer blocked a punt and recovered it in the end zone for another touchdown.

Binford had three TDs on the day, including a 10-yard run and a 40-yard pass from Dines.

Dines hit Strong with a 20-yard touchdown strike to wrap up the scoring.



Homedale eighth-grade receiver Rylan Binford (14) prepares to brush past Ontario, Ore.'s Austin Martinez on his way to the end zone in a Sept. 18 victory at Deward Bell Stadium.



Tigers spoil Trojans' home debut

Homedale seventh-grader Jackson Kerbs heads downfield during the second half of a Sept. 18 3A Snake River Valley conference loss to Ontario, Ore. The Tigers prevailed, 26-6, at Deward Bell Stadium. No statistics were provided.

Trojans wrestling golf tourney signups end soon

Signups are open for the third annual golf scramble to benefit the Homedale High School wrestling program.

The tournament begins with a 9 a.m. shotgun start on Saturday, Oct. 6 at River Bend Golf Course in Wilder.

The entry fee is \$240 per four-person team or \$60 per person. Each player receives a T-shirt with

their entry fee.

Dick's Sporting Goods gift cards will be awarded to the top three teams in amounts of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

The registration deadline is Friday.

For more information, contact Trojans wrestling coach Jake Levinski at (208) 869-8784 or levinski@homedaleschools.org.

Homedale JV's staunch defense bedevils Grizzlies

A stingy home debut carried the Homedale High School junior varsity to victory in its conference football opener.

The Trojans didn't allow a score until the second-to-last drive of the game, beating Fruitland, 30-8, in a 3A Snake River Valley conference road trip Thursday.

Homedale (4-0 overall, 1-0 in conference) took a page out of the Grizzlies' playbook, grinding up 342 rushing yards to control the pace of play.

Hayden Kincheloe got the bulk of the work, carrying the ball 25 times for 161 yards. Wily Haun needed just four rushes to get 70 yards.

Homedale's scoring plays were short runs except for the opening touchdown.

After the Trojans' defense stymied Fruitland's game-opening 14-play, 44-yard drive, Homedale quarterback Willie White and receiver Billy Hockenhuil teamed up on a 37-yard scoring pass.

The Grizzlies wouldn't have such a sustained drive until their final possession of the game covered 52 yards on nine plays and ended with Tanar Ward's 12-yard TD pass to Aden Simmons.

Outside of its first and last drives, Fruitland managed only 62 yards offense in the game.

John Breshears racked up 10 tackles to lead Homedale, including on tackle for loss and six assists.

Kincheloe, Keagan Christensen and Obed Palacios also had tackles behind the line of scrimmage for Homedale.

Thomas Symms chimed in with six assists and two solo tackles.

White accounted for the Trojans' two longest scoring plays Thursday. After throwing the 37-yard TD to Hockenhuil, Homedale's quarterback sprinted into the end zone from 12 yards out in the third quarter.

Sept. 14: Homedale 47, Filer 0 — Keagan Christensen had only 10 carries, but scored three times in the Trojans' Homecoming victory at Deward Bell Stadium.

Christensen gained eight of his 50 yards on his touchdown runs. He opened the second-half scoring with a 6-yard run for this final TD.

Homedale's offense ran 79 plays, which was 30 more than Filer managed.

The Wildcats were held to 133 yards, and Homedale's defense forced three turnovers. Josh Brown picked off Filer quarterback Logan Lockwood in the third quarter to end the Wildcats' longest drive.

John Breshears had a monster game on defense with 14 tackles, including five solo stops and a tackle behind the line of scrimmage.

Hayden Kincheloe scored on runs of 1 yard and 6 yards while piling up 152 yards on 24 carries.

Homedale's two quarterbacks got in on the act, too. Starter Willie White crossed the goal line on a 9-yard run to begin the scoring, and Eli Heck scored from five yards out in the fourth quarter.

Sports

✓ Rimrock: Dalton Allison gets sack, safety before leaving game early



Rimrock quarterback Todd Marvin has clear sailing to the end zone for his team's first touchdown Friday night. Photo by Rachel Burk / Rimrock journalism

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student Hailee Meyers handed the football off to Herrera to complete the exchange.

Friday's victory was the first Homecoming win for Rimrock in at least four years, and the defense got in the first damage.

Dalton Allison sacked Notus quarterback Tyler Carpenter in the end zone for a safety, but was taken out of the game later in the first quarter as a precaution after an injury, Martell said.

Later in the opening quarter, Marvin rambled 17 yards for a TD.

Burbank put the Raiders ahead, 16-8, with a 6-yard jaunt in the second quarter.

Notus rallied with touchdowns in the second and third quarters to take a 22-16 lead.

Senior Branden Fogg's 12-yard run and a two-point conversion from junior Chris Martin helped the Pirates knot the score, 16-16, in the second quarter.

Sophomore Garrett Stewart put Notus out front, 22-16, with a 5-yard TD run in the third quarter.

Marvin's touchdown that helped Rimrock (2-2 overall,

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More sights from Rimrock's Homecoming.

1-0 in conference) take control was the highlight of his 128-yard rushing night. He also completed five of 11 passes for 81 yards.

Burbank ran for 89 yards and caught four balls for 79 yards.

Marvin and Martin Gomez anchored the defensive effort with eight solo tackles each. Marvin threw Notus ball carriers for losses twice, while Michael Nanney had 2.5 tackles for loss.

"(That was) the most complete game I have coached in two years at Rimrock," Martell said. "On average, we have about 10 penalties a game, but this game we only had four."

The win in Bruneau was the second consecutive triumph for Rimrock, which had snapped a seven-game losing streak with a 50-12 non-conference win over Shoshone on Sept. 14.

Rimrock's last win over Notus was a 54-20 triumph in the 2012 season. The five-game losing streak included

the 2015 co-op year when Rimrock athletes played under the Greenleaf Friends Academy banner.

Rimrock visits Wilder in a key 1A WIC matchup at 7 p.m., on Friday. The Wildcats (3-1, 0-1) suffered their first loss of the season, 28-20, on Friday to conference foe Idaho City.

"Wilder is coming off a hard loss to Idaho City, so it should be a barnburner," Martell said.

Friday's game will be broadcast live on Idahosports.com.

Sept. 14: Rimrock 50, Shoshone 12 — Burbank ran for a touchdown and threw a 60-yard TD pass to Nick Lino in the third quarter as the Raiders blew open the non-conference game.

Marvin scored on runs of 71, 60, 17 and two yards. Michael Nanney's 8-yard run gave Rimrock at 22-6 lead in the third quarter.

The Raiders rolled up 451 yards of total offense, and Marvin's 200 yards on the ground paced Rimrock's 388-yard rushing night.

Burbank racked up 141 rushing yards, and he led the defense with eight tackles.

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Sports



Homedale quarterback Daniel Uranga stretches for the goal line while running a keeper into the end zone in the first quarter of Friday’s rout of Fruitland.

✓ Homedale: Trojans set defensive tone, hand Grizzlies a rare shutout

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wake up today as the top Class 3A team in the state.

Fruitland lost for the second consecutive week after racking up 21 straight victories and two state championships.

IdahoSports.com reports that the Grizzlies (2-2 overall, 0-1 in 3A SRV) hadn’t been shut out in at least a decade.

Homedale beat Fruitland for the third time in Holtry’s tenure. All of the wins have come since 2013 when the Trojans beat the Grizzlies, 34-12, at home to secure the program’s first 3A SRV championship.

Homedale defeated Fruitland on the road, 33-14, in 2015 en route to a second trip to the 3A state semifinals.

“Personally for me (Friday’s win) has to be in the top two with the first one in 2013 being right there with it,” Holtry said. “This one being at home and the way we went about it, though, really makes it hard to say it’s not the top for me in the past 10 years.”

Homedale (5-0, 1-0) wasted little time establishing the tone at Deward Bell Stadium on Friday.

Led by senior lineman Clayton Wolfe — a four-year starter in the trenches — the Trojans’ defense held Fruitland to only 118 total yards.

“Our keys coming into the game were to 1) Eliminate the big plays and 2) Stop their run

game,” Holtry said. “We felt if we could do those two things that we would have a good chance of winning the game.”

Wolfe took part in three tackles for loss and assisted on a sack of Fruitland quarterback Cole Eiguren. He finished three solo tackles and six assists.

Senior Carson Brown ended two consecutive Fruitland drives in the second quarter by picking off Eiguren twice.

“I think our defense has been playing well all year to be honest,” Holtry said. “The reality is that when the other team has had the ball as many times as they have in the past five games you would typically see the opponent with more points and or yards.

“This year’s defense is just not allowing teams to score, and when your defense can do that it makes things a whole lot easier when calling plays on offense.”

Homedale scored on three of its five first-quarter drives to build a 20-0 lead despite committing its only turnover of the game in the first half.

The 34 points were the most a Fruitland team had allowed in a loss since the Grizzlies fell to Emmett, 42-14, when the Huskies controlled the 3A SRV world in 2015.

Brown’s second interception set up one of the Trojans’ longest scoring plays of the season. Junior quarterback Daniel Uranga and Jake



Homedale senior receiver Drew Deal looks for daylight downfield after hauling in a first-half pass against Fruitland.

Collett teamed up for a 69-yard touchdown pass for a 27-0 lead in the second quarter.

It’s was Collett’s only catch of the night.

Homedale forced another turnover during garbage time. Three plays before the end of the game, junior varsity call-up John Breshears fell on the ball after Eiguren fumbled.

Uranga got the scoring started with a 7-yard run in the first quarter. Then, he fired three TD passes.

He hit Brown for the team’s

longest scoring play of the year — a 77-yard touchdown pass — later in the first period.

Brown also caught a 35-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter and finished with 127 yards on five receptions.

Senior Drew Deal capped the scoring with a 1-yard run to end a 51-yard drive with about 4 minutes, 16 seconds left in the contest. Deal also had 81 yards receiving.

With Uranga completing 14 of 25 passes for 294 yards, Homedale rolled up 519

yards total offense against the Grizzlies.

With a comfortable lead, Holtry kept the ball on the ground for most of the second half. Mason Kincheloe transformed into a clock-killer, rushing 28 times for 177 yards. His longest run of the game covered 24 yards and preceded Brown’s 35-yard TD reception.

He also had nine tackles, including six solo stops.

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Sports

Mustangs roll past Bulls before big weekend

Jordan Valley High School’s volleyball team is unbeaten after two league matches. Mustangs coach Tracy Skinner used all her personnel in a sweep of Burnt River last Wednesday at home. “It was a great opportunity for everyone to play,” Skinner said after the 25-4, 25-8, 25-12 triumph. The regular varsity players loaded up on multiple-match experience with tri-meets Friday in Joseph and Saturday in Crane. On Friday, the Mustangs split their matches against Joseph (a 25-19, 25-16, 25-21 loss) and Wallowa (a 25-13, 25-16, 25-21 victory). “The girls had a hard time

getting started in Joseph,” Skinner said. Freshman Kelsey Gluch came up with four blocks against the Eagles. Regann Skinner led the way with seven blocks, and Taylor Warn added five. Nicole Terry and Emilee Burch collected three kills each, and Baylee Davis dished 10 assists. “They really pulled it together to beat Wallowa,” Tracy Skinner said. Regan Skinner again had seven kills, and Warn and Terry chimed in with six each. Burch had five kills, and Becky Mackenzie three. Gluch chipped in a pair. Emilee Gluch served four

aces, while Baylee Davis and freshman Tayler Eiguren carded 10 assists apiece. Saturday saw a 25-11, 25-18, 25-20 win over North Lake followed by a lengthy loss to league rival Crane, 23-25, 25-19, 21-25, 25-22, 15-7 after leading after three sets. “I was missing two starters. The girls really stepped up on Saturday and played new positions with a couple (junior varsity) players that really stepped up,” Skinner said. The Mustangs (7-6 overall, 2-0 in league) played a non-league match Tuesday after deadline against Ontario, Ore., and will travel to face archrival Adrian on Friday.



Taylor Warn strikes the ball as teammates look on during Jordan Valley’s easy win over Burnt River. Photo by Tara Echave

Other scores

Football
Adrian/Jordan Valley
Friday: Wallowa 62, Adrian/Jordan Valley 6
Next game: Elgin (2-2, 2-1) vs. Adrian/Jordan Valley (2-2, 1-2), 1 p.m., Friday in Adrian

Volleyball
Adrian
Friday: Adrian def. Wallowa, 16-26, 25-18, 25-13, 26-24; Joseph def. Adrian, 25-17, 25-18, 25-19 (both non-league matches)
Saturday: Adrian def. Dayville/Monument, 25-9, 25-7, 25-7 (league)
Next matches: Jordan Valley (7-6 overall, 2-0 in league) at Adrian (11-8, 1-1), 5 p.m., Friday

— Coaches can email results and comments to jon@owyheeavalanche.com. Call (208) 337-4681, ext. 102 for more information.

IT’S ALWAYS BASEBALL SEASON SOMEWHERE



Indoor facility taking shape
Above: Homedale High School baseball coach Burke Deal (center) and former player Matt Thatcher (left) smooth cement Friday as it is pumped into forms at John Jackson Field to start work on an indoor practice facility for the town’s baseball and softball teams. Right: Deal and Dustin Brown (foreground) set forms Thursday. Deal has secured a matching grant for the project, but more money and in-kind help is needed. Call him at (208) 724-5185 for more information.



Trojans together as Bruins
Former Homedale High School baseball teammates Jake Deal (left) and Connor Carter are back on the field together for the second consecutive season at George Fox University in Newberg, Ore. Carter is a junior, and Deal is starting his sophomore season with the NCAA Div. III Bruins. Carter, a right-handed pitcher, and Deal, an outfielder, are currently taking part in fall ball workouts and scrimmages. Submitted photo

✓ Volleyball: Swallow, Nash pepper Fruitland with three aces apiece

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digs. Josey Hall had 16, including an eye-popping, hustling save with her back to the net midway through the first game that set the tone for

the Trojans’ defense. Jayci Swallow slammed a co-team-high three aces and had 15 digs. Fellow senior Sophie Nash anchored the Trojans from the

setter position with three aces and a co-team-high 16 digs to go with 40 assists. Paige Carter had 10 kills, two blocks and two aces. Amaya Carter sparked a brief

run in Game 2 to propelled Homedale to a set win that erased the frustrations of the opening game. Fruitland mistakes late in Game 2 helped Homedale

maintain the momentum gained when Paige Carter screamed out for a pass and Nash obliged for a 22-20 lead. Paige had another kill in the waning points of the set.

RIMROCK COMMUNITY CELEBRATES HOMECOMING

Observance brings Grand View, Bruneau families together

Homecoming and football brought the communities of Bruneau and Grand View together Friday night, but the celebration lasted all week long at Rimrock Jr-Sr. High School.

The Raiders’ 24-22 victory over Notus in both teams’ 1A Western Idaho Conference opener wasn’t the only highlight from the final night of the week.

Vicky Ayala, the daughter of Jesus and Veronica Ayala, was crowned Homecoming queen. Anthony Herrera, son of Fredy and Eliamar Herrera, was named Homecoming king.

Other king candidates included Tyrel Lowe and Todd Marvin. Also in the running for queen were Liza Hurtado and Samantha Elizondo.

The royalty court also included:

- **Juniors** — Princess Taylor Magers and prince Koby Kunsky
- **Sophomores** — Princess Pimsire Sungkeree (exchange student from Thailand) and prince Chance Carbonaro
- **Freshmen** — Princess Reagan Pearson and prince Treau Smith

Other Homecoming events included a Powderpuff football game and a Macho volleyball match.

The school’s volleyball team played 1A Western Idaho Conference matches against North Star Charter and Victory Charter in Bruneau.

The high school cross country team competed in the Bob Firman Invitational on Saturday at Eagle Island State Park.

The middle school runners took part in the McCain Open last Wednesday in Payette.

— Information provided by Avalanche correspondent Mandi Boren.



Clockwise from top: Anthony Herrera and Vicky Ayala were named the 2018 Homecoming king and queen.

An opponent snatches the flag to stop sophomore Sintia Varela’s advancement downfield during the Powderpuff game.

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School band members play from the grandstands during Friday’s victory. Top row, from left: flutists Hannah Field, Gentry Kunsky, and Mattie Draper. Bottom row: clarinetists Madelin Farmer and Yadira Hernandez.

Photos by Rachel Burk / Rimrock journalism teacher



MARCHING BAND SEASON GETS OFF ON RIGHT FOOT

Right: Homedale High School's marching band performed its "Secret Agent"-themed show at a clinic on Saturday in Emmett. Freshman Daniela Serrano (trombone) and sophomore Jaired Riddle (mellophone) feel the groove, while junior Gage Purdom (tenor drums) looks on, stoically.



Above: Marsing High School performs its Led Zeppelin-themed show.
Right: Boise State University's director of athletic bands Joe Tornello provides instruction on Saturday.



Above: Clinician Spencer Martin, the director of athletic bands from the University of Idaho, provided percussion-specific instruction to Gage Purdom (left) and senior Holden Kleppinger (snare drum).



Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

September 29, 1993

Homedale’s water rate to increase \$1 per month
Residents tapped into Homedale city water will pay an additional \$1 per month effective Oct. 1, the city council decided in a quick vote Thursday night.
The rate hike boosts the minimum monthly water bill from \$9.15 to \$10.15 for up to 5,000 gallons.
Based on 825 users, an additional \$9,900 in revenue will flow into the city’s water account annually.
State-mandated testing of city water and a \$4 per connection assessment to fund the state’s public drinking water program were cited as the reasons behind the rate increase.
The State Division of Environmental Quality billed the city \$3,300, Sept. 9, for the public drinking water program. The first payment is due Oct. 1.
Mayor Paul Fink said other city officials he’s talked to are unhappy with the fees and a perceived heavy-handed threat of penalties for late payment.
“I don’t think anybody is paying it without objections,” he said.

64-lot subdivision near Marsing begins phase 1
Construction of roads and underground utilities has begun on the first phase of the new Shari Hills Estates subdivision in Owyhee County.
Located on Highway 78, just outside of Marsing, the subdivision is situated approximately one mile from schools and shopping.
Brion Showalter of Marsing will be grading and installing the paved streets.
The 64 lots have been designed for peace and privacy and will feature a community well and protected atmosphere, developers say.
The lots start at \$18,500 and range from one-half to 1½ acres in size. Developers say the commute to Nampa and Boise is an easy one.
Wayne Holloway, formerly of Nampa, and his wife LouAnn are the developers, working with Blakely Buturla Engineering of Caldwell.

Bruneau Snail Race draws 2,000, brings in \$20K
“Very, very pleased!” was the response from the organizer of the Great Bruneau Snail Race, Sherry Colyer, Monday morning.
Saturday’s day-long event in downtown Bruneau was attended by approximately 2,000 people. Attractions included music, singing, speeches and square dancing, followed by an evening steak and trout barbecue and street dance.
Colyer said Monday that the exact total of the amount of money raised was not yet completed, early estimates are put at “around \$20,000” for the day. The total amount raised so far is at \$85,000.
“We’re still short of our goal of \$100,000,” Colyer said, but added that there is still some time to raise more money before the court date, which is tentatively set for early December.

The highlight of the day’s events was the race itself. About 5,000 “snails,” represented by ping-pong balls, were numbered and dumped in the Buckaroo Ditch, about a mile from town. As the balls floated down the ditch, crowds walked along, cheering them on.
At the finish line, Idaho U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Dirk Kempthorne caught the winning balls as they floated through a narrow make-shift finish line.
Winning the \$1,000 first place was Dr. Robert Borgholthaus of Mountain Home; second place, for \$500, was the ball purchased by Ross Fitzgerald of Great Falls, Mont.

50 years ago

September 26, 1968

Trojans host Middleton, stadium dedication set
The strong Middleton Vikings will invade Homedale Friday night for a conference game. Dedication of the new Homedale athletic field will be held during halftime ceremonies, according to Darrel Reisch, high school principal.

A strong ground game by Homedale High’s relentless Trojan football team proved too much for the hustling Adrian Antelopes Friday evening. Homedale hammered out a 27-6 non-league grid win over Adrian.
The victory was Homedale’s third in as many starts while Adrian is now 1-1.
Ruben Garcia, the workhorse for the Trojans, scored one touchdown and booted three conversions. Homedale’s Dale Dickson scored two touchdowns, the first on a 16-yard scamper. George Gonzales, Adrian, then returned the kickoff 85 yards to score the Antelopes only tally.

FPC favors high dam plan at Guffey site
The staff of the Federal Power Commission has issued a report holding that the one-dam Guffey Unit plan of the Bureau of Reclamation is more desirable than the proposed two-dam plan of the Idaho Power Company for development of the Snake River south of Nampa.
The company said nearly two years ago it had proposed to the FPC that when its Swan Falls Dam license expires in 1970, it be allowed to rebuild that structure to 65 feet and build a 40 foot-high dam at Guffey.
Proposes high dam
The Bureau of Reclamation has proposed construction of a 104-foot high dam at Guffey, an integral part of the Southwestern Idaho Water Development Project. The Guffey reservoir would flood out IPC’s Swan Falls dam.
Robert R. Lee, director of the Idaho Water Resource Board, said the staff of his agency arrived at a similar conclusion about a year ago.

The board did commend that Idaho Power be granted a five-year temporary license for continued operation of Swan Falls after its present license expires pending congressional action on the Southwest Idaho Project.

Named to attend Gem conference
Betty Eidemiller and Bonnie Takasugi have been named delegates to the 1968 Idaho Community Pride Conference being held in Boise Oct. 10-11.
Sixty 4-H club members representing their home counties will review the 1968 4-H Community Pride programs and plan activities to beautify Idaho in 1969.
City planners, landscape architects, horticulture specialists and others participate. 4-H’ers will tour Boise to view outstanding community beautification efforts. They are planning to present a tree to Gov. Don Samuelson for planting on the Capitol grounds.

Mrs. Stansell entertains guild
Mrs. Golda Stansell entertained the Lucy Wright Guild of the Friends Community Church at her home Thursday afternoon. Date set for the annual bazaar and cooked food sale is Nov. 30.
At the election held Mrs. Mildred Kellom was elected president. Other officers all re-elected are Mrs. Marguerite Matteson, vice president; Mrs. Grace Colley, secretary; Mrs. Etta Maybon, treasurer; and Mrs. Crystell Price, work chairman.

140 years ago

September 28, 1878

THE IDAHO AVALANCHE entered our sanctum one day last week like a visitor from fairy-land. Always bright, vigorous and cheery, its presence here after so long an absence is pleasing indeed. But, Major, we envy you your unapproachable and unexplainable ability and tact in collecting together and arranging for the weekly delectation of your readers, so many and such spicy locals. These form the chief feature of a good newspaper, and in these the AVALANCHE always excels. – *Public Good*.

The Delegateship
There are two candidates in the field for Delegate to Congress from Idaho. It is generally conceded that the Democratic voters in the Territory are in the ascendancy by several hundred majority, and they can, under ordinary circumstances, win at an election unless they put up and objectionable candidate. In this instance, they have selected a man who will poll the full party vote, and who, perhaps, with one or two exceptions among the gentlemen that had been named for the position, will command as much strength before the people as any other that could have been chosen for the nomination. The office of Delegate is decidedly the most important within the gift of the people of the Territory. A faithful discharge of the duties pertaining to it entails an immense amount of labor upon the incumbent and renders it certain that the position is no sinecure. Mr. Ainslie is in the prime of manhood, thorough worker in his profession, possessed of good ability and well-adapted to making friends in whatever station in life he fills. He displayed much energy and worked hard to secure this nomination, which circumstance had more or less to do with his success, and resulted in his selection in preference to men who had failed to announce themselves as candidates early in the campaign. That he will be elected seems pretty tolerably certain, and with the prospects of assuming the responsibilities of the office, Mr. Ainslie will act wisely by preparing in earnest for the work which is before him, and so conduct himself that neither friends nor opponents shall have cause to find fault with any of his public or private acts. He has a host of friends in the Territory who wish him well. The duties of a Delegate, as we before observed, are very arduous, and they will be especially so for the coming two years, when questions relating to the future welfare of the Territory will require serious and earnest deliberation and action, upon which will have much to do in shaping the destinies of Idaho either favorably or unfavorably. It is in the power of our Delegate to accomplish much in the right direction, and, as Mr. Ainslie has spent the best years of his life here and intends to live and die among us, he is qualified by experience to judge of our wants, and by energy, watchfulness and perseverance, can make a good record for himself. His opponent, Mr. Brown, has the reputation of being a clearheaded and honest gentleman. He has been pitted against Mr. Ainslie in election contests before, and has usually, we believe, been defeated. Republicans do not seem to have a very great hope of his success in the coming contest, and it is possible that they would have improved their chances by taking a standard-bearer from some other section of the Territory, not that Mr. Brown may be objectionable, but for geographical and other reasons. Whether there will be any more than two candidates before the public for this position remains to be seen. From present indications, the contest is not likely to assume the same degree of enthusiasm or animation that we have witnessed at most of the previous elections.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense I should'a brought a raincoat

As Noah said when he went out on the deck to check the windshield wipers, "I should'a brought a raincoat."

Paul's day started out with a drum roll. Every morning for months as he went into the machine shed, he noticed the rusty gate hinge on the doorjamb. It was shoulder-high and stuck out like a rhino horn. "Could be dangerous," he often thought.

That morning he was in a hurry and listed just enough to starboard to catch his shirtsleeve on the hinge. It jerked him hard to the right! As he swung around he stepped on the weed hoe. It stood smartly to attention and saluted him across the eyebrow!

He stumbled across the grain room holding his eye and stepped into the cat's dish. It slid out from under him. He did the splits and straddled the doorjamb into the big shed. Looking up from the floor, he noticed his tractor leaning, like it had its foot off the curb. On closer inspection, he found the lean was the result of a flat tire.

Back at the house to get a Band-Aid, he discovered they had no water. The well pump was out. Well houses in this part of Iowa are usually circular, concrete, 12 feet in the ground and have a lip not much above the ground level.

Paul loaded up the dog and went to town for parts. Backing out in front of the hardware store, he stuck his elbow out the open window. The protruding door lock slipped up under his sleeve. When he leaned out looking back he mashed the door lock down and pinched a thumbful of skin! He reacted by stomping the gas and nearly blindsiding pore ol' Bud, who was on his way to the sale barn in Moville.

When Paul finally got home, he saw that his cows were out. Probably in search of water. With the dog's help, he managed to get the migrating cattle back into the barn lot. He headed for the well.

"At least I'll get it fixed before lunch," he thought as he lifted the plywood cover and descended the ladder into the well. There was just room enough for one man to stand up, what with the pressure tank, the pump and pipes.

He knelt down to check the points and leaned a little to let the noonday sun shine light on the subject. Then he felt a stream of water cascading over his head and down the side of his face. It was warm.

Paul considered turning and shouting up at the dog, which was apparently marking the well as his territory, but thought better of it. He leaned as far as he could to avoid the shower, which just allowed the stream to soak his shirt and pant leg.

"Yup," he said, wiping the side of his face, "I should'a brought a raincoat."

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black books, CDs and DVDs. His newest book is "Scrambled Wisdom — Almost Isn't ... Is It."

Letter to the editor

HHS cheerleaders salute, thank decorating businesses

Thank you so very much to all who made Homecoming 2018 so special and memorable! All of the businesses around town looked amazing; it was so hard to pick just one!

Alforex Seed Co., stole the show with their small-sized football field and huge decorations. It was fun to see all the details. Thanks so much, and great job.

Our runner-up was Tolmie's Ace Hardware. What a fun display of awesome decorations, including a letterman's jacket from 1953. We loved the years of Trojan Traditions they had on display. Thank you so much, and great job.

Because it was such a hard decision, we would love to mention a couple other businesses — Subway, RehabAuthority, Parker Financial Advisors, and everyone else who decorated their businesses. Thanks so much. You brought the town to life during Homecoming week by showing your school spirit.

Thank you isn't near enough, but thank you. We can't wait for next year!

Homedale High School cheer squad
Evonne McGuire, coach



Center for Rural Affairs Congress' failure to reauthorize farm bill puts nation's producers at risk

The current farm bill will expire on Sunday. Congress has a handful of days to make an important decision, and they have three options: to pass a final farm bill, extend the 2014 farm bill, or let the farm bill expire.

At this point, swift passage of a final farm bill before the deadline seems unlikely. Yet, Congress has been unable to reach consensus. In the absence of a new farm bill, it is imperative that lawmakers extend current legislation.

Farmers and ranchers across the country rely on important programs that will sunset without an extension of the 2014 farm bill. More than \$1 billion in

available federal funding for a host of programs will be inaccessible. Support for beginning farmers, veterans, conservation, local food production, and more will be abandoned — and Congress is culpable.

Ignorance might be bliss for lawmakers in D.C. — far removed from the producers who are struggling to make ends meet. But, failure to take action and extend the farm bill is a disservice to America's farmers and ranchers.

Congress must act responsibly, set aside differences, and recognize that an extension will give producers the stability they need while farm bill negotiations continue.

—Iowa native Cora Fox is a policy associate with the Lyons, Neb.-based Center for Rural Affairs. The Morningside College (Sioux City, Iowa) graduate is pursuing a Master's in Public Health with an emphasis on policy and ethics at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb. Contact her at coraf@cra.org.



From Washington Tax cuts strengthen retirement savings

In recent years, we have seen press reports about Americans being unprepared for retirement with too little savings to provide a lifestyle during retirement similar to their pre-retirement standards of living. The long-term benefits of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which will continue to be felt throughout the years ahead, are setting the stage for improved retirement savings opportunities.

Preparing for retirement years is often difficult, especially when paychecks have to cover mortgages, rent, car payments, food, utilities, gas, college and other important obligations. Even unexpected medical expenses or car repairs can become a major hurdle in well-thought-out retirement strategies.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which Congress passed

U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo

Republican (term expires 2022)

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Commentary

Financial management

Don't panic; build business revenue to cover startup debt

Dear Dave,
My husband started his own one-man, small business as a handyman a little less than a year ago. He has netted \$17,000 in that time, but the business has about \$13,000 worth of debt. We've always kept personal finances and business separate, but what would you think about us selling one of our paid-for cars to help with the business debt?

— Robin

Dear Robin,
There's nothing wrong with small beginnings. On top of that, you should *always* keep your business and personal finances separate. Aside from the debt, it sounds like he's off to a good start.
I think you'll be able to pay off the debt from your future income. If your husband started his business less than

a year ago, he has spent that time trying to get things off the ground and working with very little name recognition. If he's good at what he does, and he continues to work hard and market himself properly, he should be able to double what he made in the past year.
To do that, however, he's going to have to spend some time in accountant mode. He needs to figure out the types of jobs he makes the most money on for the time he puts into them. I know a guy in our area who made more than \$100,000 as a handyman in the last year. I'm talking about \$100,000 in profit! His prices are higher than most in that line of work, but he's the best. He provides superb quality work, and he's always polite, on time, and on schedule.
If your husband does the research and crunches some



numbers, I think he can dial it in and make a lot more money than he's making now. Find that sweet spot, and he'll continue to grow the business!

— Dave

Dear Dave,
Recently, I loaned some money to a good friend. He's

going to help me with a big home project over the next few weekends, so do you think I should pay him for the work or forgive the debt instead?

— Marvin

Dear Marvin,
First, I don't recommend loaning money to friends or family. Once in a while, things may work out and everyone ends up happy. But in most cases, it changes the dynamic of the relationship. The Bible says the borrower is a slave to the lender, and there's a lot of truth in that — financially *and* emotionally.
The big question is whether you've already agreed to pay him for the work. Another consideration is how he views the situation. He may be looking at this as just helping a buddy, and he still owes the money.
Ask him what his expectations are before you guys start the

job. Just talk to him, and figure out what seems fair to you both. If you've already agreed on a certain amount, and the value of the work is close to what you loaned him, you might discuss the idea of paying back the debt that way.
But in the future, if someone close to you really needs financial help — and you're not enabling bad behavior in the process — just make the money a gift.

— Dave

— *Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 14 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at @DaveRamsey.*

✓ Retirement: Strong economy helps American workers now, in future

From Page 12B
and the president signed into law late last year, is helping to improve the conditions for retirement. The law provides enhanced investment benefits allowing retirement portfolios to increase in value, as market conditions continue to improve. Last year at the Senate Finance Committee markup of the tax reform law, Thomas A. Barthold, chief of staff for the Joint Committee on Taxation, confirmed an increased share of corporate ownership is being held not by wealthy CEOs and stockholders, but by workers through their retirement portfolios. The discussion I had with Mr. Barthold can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iwxac5BzddM&feature=youtu.be>. Idahoans have seen a significant increase in their retirement portfolios over the past year as overall market value continues to increase and the overall economy continues to grow.
Retirement portfolios are improving, even before the benefits of tax rate reductions and simplifications

take full effect, not to mention the wage and bonus increases Idaho workers are receiving. Both the decreased tax liability and increased wages assist Idahoans with keeping more of their hard-earned income for retirement savings and other expected and unexpected expenses. These direct and indirect effects of tax reform increasing retirement portfolios are not one-time events, but will continue and multiply over time.
A growing number of Idaho companies are creating Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs). ESOPs enable employees to obtain ownership interest in companies they work for, and these vested holdings become available upon retirement or when they leave their company as provided in the terms of the ESOP agreement. The media and others continue to report on the benefits ESOPs provide as one of many enhanced retirement opportunities for Idaho workers.
I also strongly support enactment of S. 2526, the Retirement Enhancement and Savings Act. This

bipartisan legislation introduced by the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Senate Finance Committee, on which I serve, contains many provisions to expand and encourage retirement savings opportunities. Many of these provisions were previously approved by the Finance Committee with overwhelming bipartisan support in the last Congress, but they have not yet been enacted into law.
While I fully understand preparing for the future is hard and vital, Congress has taken steps to assist with options and benefits for hard-working Idahoans to increase their retirement accounts. I continue to push for action to take additional steps forward to make it easier for Idahoans to save for retirement.
— *Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U. S. Senate. He is in his fourth 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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Public notices

NOTICE OF TAX SALE
Pursuant to Idaho Code §31-808, and pursuant to the Order of Sale recorded with the Owyhee County Recorder on August 20, 2018, Owyhee County will offer for sale on Monday, October 22, 2018, at 10:00 A.M. in Courtroom 2 of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, the following properties: Property known as **Tax 6C Section 10 3N 5W**, Owyhee County, Idaho. Said property was taken by tax deed, August 20, 2018, from **Jan Bryant**, parcel **RP03N05W107920A**. A minimum bid of **\$1,371.20** is required which will include delinquent taxes; late fees; interest and costs, plus current year’s taxes and all other accruing costs. Property known as **the N 144.5’ of Lots 5&6, the E2 of the N 144.5’ of Lot 7 Block 66, or more commonly known as 14 E UTAH AVE, City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho**. Said property was taken by tax deed, August 20, 2018, from **Rodney Hanson** parcel number **RPA0010066005CA**. A minimum bid of **\$5,352.25** is required which will include delinquent taxes; late fees; interest and costs, plus current year’s taxes and all other accruing costs. Property known as **the N 144.5’ of Lot 4 Block 66, City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho**. Said property was taken by tax deed, August 20, 2018, from **Rodney Hanson** parcel number **RPA0010066004AA**. A minimum bid of **\$2,032.68** is required which will include delinquent taxes; late fees; interest and costs, plus current year’s taxes and all other accruing costs. Owyhee County offers the above properties for sale without warranty or representations of any kind and is sold “as is”, “where is” without warranty or representations as to marketability, fitness for a particular purpose or representations concerning compliance with any Federal or State regulations. Owyhee County offers above properties for sale subject to any rights limitations, claims, easements, or rights of way that may exist. **It is the responsibility of prospective bidders to inspect the sale properties and to make themselves aware of any issues or potential issues concerning the sale of the properties.** The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of the sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds such as a cashier’s check. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all bids or offers.
Dated this 17TH day of September, 2018.
/s/ Kelly Aberasturi, Chairman, Owyhee County Commissioners
/s/ Angela Barkell, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners
9/26,10/3,10,17/2018

NOTICE OF ELECTION
Please take notice that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from

Division 4 and Division 5 of the Gem Irrigation District, will be held on November 6, 2018 to elect a Director for a term of three (3) years from the first of January 2019, and until their successors are elected and qualified. Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed by at least twelve (12) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the election. Petitions may be obtained from Connie Chadez, Secretary of the District, 118 S.W. 1st Street, Homedale, Idaho. (Petition due date is September 27, 2018) 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: August 30, 2018
Gem Irrigation District
Connie Chadez
Secretary
9/19,26/2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV37-17-01561
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD DISTRICT
OF THE
STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND
FOR THE COUNTY OF
OWYHEE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: FRANCIS CLARA DOUGAL.
NOTICE IS HEARBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court. In addition, it is requested that a courtesy copy be mailed to the law office of James R. Gillespie, Post Office Box 2337, Boise, Idaho 83701.
DATED this 19th day of September 2018.
s:/Charlene Dougal Stanford
9/26,10/3,10/2018

NOTICE OF PETITION AND HEARING
CASE NO. CV37-18-00326
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RILDA MAY ELIZABETH CATT and ERNEST CATT
Notice is hereby given that on the 14th day of September, 2018, Ida F. Kiester filed a petition for formal probate and formal appointment of personal representative. A copy of the petition is on file with the above Court and may be reviewed upon request. The petition has been set for hearing in this Court at Murphy, Idaho, on November 19,

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING PROPOSED BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 OPALINE IRRIGATION DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 2018 TO OCTOBER 31, 2019		
Notice is hereby given that the Directors for the Opaline Irrigation District will meet October 2, 2018 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 2017-2018 fiscal year budget.		
EXPENSES:		
ITEM	2017-2018 BUDGET	2018-2019 PROPOSED
Insurance	\$3,600.00	\$3,900.00
L&P Fees	\$3,400.00	\$3,465.00
Maintenance	\$38,314.00	\$42,977.00
Office	\$700.00	\$700.00
Phone	\$2,225.00	\$2,225.00
Power	\$178,050.00	\$176,775.00
Soc. Sec.	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00
Wages	\$33,908.07	\$33,909.04
Mileage	\$50.00	\$50.00
Reserve Fund	\$65,296.79	\$86,141.89
TOTAL	\$332,643.86	\$357,242.93
INCOME:		
ITEM	2017-2018 PROJECTED	2018-2019 ANTICIPATED
2016 O & M	\$675.04	\$605.04
2017 O & M	\$3,149.76	\$1,711.86
2018 O & M	\$253,914.00	\$5,390.14
2019 O & M		\$253,914.00
Office Fee	\$2,580.00	\$2,580.00
Late Fees	\$228.27	\$100.00
Interest	\$300.00	\$300.00
Refunds	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Rental	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
LGIP Fund	\$65,296.79	\$86,141.89
TOTAL	\$332,643.86	\$357,242.93
Dan H. Birmingham, Secretary-Treasurer Opaline Irrigation District PO Box 331 Marsing, ID 83639 9/19,26/2018		

2018, at 10:30 o’clock, a.m.
Dated: this 14th day of September, 2018.
s:/Michael E. Duggan, Attorney for Petitioner
9/26,10/3,10/2018

NOTICE OF HEARING
CASE NO. CV-37-18-291
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
FOR THE STATE OF
IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF OWYHEE
IN RE: AUSTIN LEE MCELHANEY
A petition to change the name of Austin Lee McElhaney a minor, now residing in the City of Melba, state of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Austin Lee Coble. The reason for the change in name is: The father is unknown, also I want him to have my last name.
A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 11 o’clock a.m. on Oct. 1, 2018 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.
Date: Aug. 24, 2018
Clerk of the District Court, Lena Johnson
s:/ Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
9/5,12,19,26/2018

NOTICE OF HEARING
CASE NO. CV37-18-00317
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY
OF OWYHEE
IN THE MATTER OF:

SHARON KAY FOX
A Verified Petition to change the name of SHARON KAY FOX, now residing in Homedale, Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho, Sharon Kay Atkins a.k.a. Sharon Kay Fox. The Petition purposes to change her name to SHARON KAY ATKINS. The reason for the change is as follows: for over 30 years, Petitioner has resided with Robin W. Atkins. Though Petitioner was and never has been married to Mr. Atkins, Petitioner has been using the last name of Atkins for over 30 years. Due to the length of time that Petitioner has gone by the name of SHARON KAY ATKINS, and to eliminate confusion and/or conflict regarding her name, Petitioner desires to legally change her name.
A hearing on the Petition is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on the 7th day of November, 2018, at the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 31 Wyoming Ave, Homedale, ID 83628. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change.
DATED this 11th day of September, 2018.
Clerk of the Court, Angela Barkell
s:/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
9/26,10/3,10,17/2018

THE FOLLOWING
APPLICATION HAS BEEN
FILED TO APPROPRIATE
THE PUBLIC WATERS OF
THE STATE OF IDAHO:
51-13127 ACE BLACK
RANCHES 28892 HOT
SPRINGS RD BRUNEAU,
ID 83604-5007 (3) Points of

Diversion NENW S31 T06S R06E OWYHEE County Source WASTE WATER Tributary BRUNEAU RIVER Points of Diversion L1(NWNW) NWNE S31 T06S R06E OWYHEE County Source WASTE WATER Tributary BRUNEAU RIVER Points of Diversion SESE SWSE L4(SWSW) S30 T06S R06E OWYHEE County Source UNNAMED DRAIN Tributary BRUNEAU RIVER Point of Diversion L4(SWSW) S30 T06S R06E OWYHEE County Source WASTE WATER Tributary UNNAMED DRAIN Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 2.26 CFS Total Diversion: 2.26 CFS Date Filed: 6/8/2018 Place of Use: IRRIGATION T06S R05E S25 NESE SESE T06S R06E S30 NWSW SWSW SESW T06S R06E S31 NWNE NENW NWNW Total Acres: 113 Waste water source is locally known as the Jones Wasteway.
Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of the application(s) must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 10/9/2018. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN,
Director
9/19,26/2018





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HELP WANTED
Part Time Delivery Driver needed to deliver pallets to Boise area 2-4 times a week. No CDL needed. Apply at Owyhee Publishing, 21 E. Idaho Ave in Homedale.

Opaline Irrigation District is seeking year-round, part-time, Secretary/Treasurer position. Gross monthly salary \$519.87, average 30 to 40 hours monthly, in-home office. Computer skills in QuickBooks, Excel and Word are a plus. Duties include: attending monthly Board of Directors meetings, typing minutes of said meetings, monthly financial reports, answer and return phone calls, collect mail, pay bills and employee payroll, 941 taxes (FICA), quarterly reports, and year-end tax documents (i.e. W-2's and 1099-MISC'S), prepare Annual Water Assessments, collect payments and deposit in Opaline's bank, keep all records, record delinquent accounts in Murphy, provide information on annual budget, prepare paperwork for an annual audit, and more. Call (208)896-5273 for more information or send application and resume to Opaline Irrigation District, PO Box 331, Marsing, ID 83639. Applications and Resumes must be received by October 15, 2018.

Part Time Position Available with the City of Homedale. Ordinance Enforcement Officer. No benefits. Apply at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave. Application must be received by 10/01/2018.

Oregon Department of Transportation Transportation Maintenance Specialist 2. ODOT is seeking a Transportation Maintenance Specialist 2 in Jordan Valley. Salary \$2927-\$4221/month + excellent benefits. For details please visit www.odotjobs.com or call 866-ODOT-JOB (TTY 503-986-3854 for the hearing impaired) for Announcement #ODOT18-2316OC to apply. Opportunity closes 11:59 PM, 10/31/2018. ODOT is an AA/EEO Employer, committed to building workforce diversity.

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CALL AHEAD FOR APPOINTMENTS

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FARM AND RANCH
Hay for sale Chicken Dinner Road, Caldwell. \$6 per bale, must self load. 208-899-5407 or 208-899-9953.
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Sports

Owyhee runner PRs for Melba

Murphy resident George Reed pulled off the best race of his life Saturday at the Bob Firman Invitational.

The Melba High School freshman was clocked at 21 minutes, 3.7 seconds over the challenging, multi-terrain, 5-kilometer Eagle Island State Park course.

Teammate Marissa Cole finished 45th in the girls' varsity race with a season-best 21:11.5.

Cole was one of only two local athletes to crack the top 100 in any of the Firman

races, which attracted 4,500 middle school and high school runners from across the West.

Two of Cole's teammates posted PRs, including sophomore Ember Svetich (24:49) and senior Camille Bangerter (29:04.5).

Tara Christensen (22:57.8) also had her best race of the season.

Rimrock

Senior Ray Draper ran a season's-best 19:43.1 in the varsity boys' Div. II race.

Teammate Victor Lemus, a freshman, broke 20 minutes at 19:59.3.

Adrian

Senior James Ellsworth led the Antelopes' contingent with a season-best 20:44 mark.

Three other Adrian runners — freshman Chase Johnston (21:03.2), junior Riley Bradford (23:13.1) and freshman Cy Aman (30:08.3) — also competed in the varsity boys' Div. II race.

Junior Kenzie Sorrell ran a 28:02.2 in the JV girls' 5K.

Huskies' lone runner scores season best

Marsing High School senior Sefora Arriaga reached a season record at Saturday's Bob Firman Invitational in Eagle.

Arriaga, who finished the 5-kilometer cross country course in 25 minutes, 1.5 seconds, was the Huskies' lone representative at the meet at Eagle Island State Park.

Marsing has had difficulty fielding a team in its meets this year. Arriaga is the only athlete who has run in all four competitions.

The Huskies' next meet comes Thursday with the 2A Western Idaho Conference championship meet at Kleiner Park in Meridian.

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