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Bette Uda park goes to the dogs Saturday

Golden retriever festival to benefit community, rescue

Golden retrievers and their owners

will explore Homedale on Saturday. The Golden Howl takes place from 10 a.m., to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park.

A half-hour into event, during the Waddle & Wag Walk, owners will take their dogs on a tour of downtown,

stopping at the Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library and Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation on West Owyhee Avenue and perhaps at the senior center on West Idaho Avenue.

Kimberly Rodriguez from the organizing group, Golden Howl Pack,

said there are about 120 dog owners interested in the event.

“We want to create a fall festival that is dedicated to golden retrievers and their owners while supporting our local

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MARSING HOMECOMING 2024

Candy and crowns

Clockwise from right:

Homecoming queen and king Elley Shelton and Dustin Randolph at Friday’s coronation.

Student Council members toss candy to classmates at Thursday’s parade.

Retired teacher Mary Beth Prince rode as the grand marshal Thursday.

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Marsing nixes middleman in OCSO talks

BOCC invited to negotiate on new meeting night

Marsing city council members have changed their meeting night, and they want the Owyhee County commissioners as special guests on the first night of the new schedule.

The city council voted to move its monthly meetings to the second Thursday of the month. They set the next meeting for 7 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 14 during last Wednesday’s confab.

Councilmembers have invited the Board of County Commissioners to that meeting

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Population spike produces parking problems in town

Homedale city officials continue to stare down land use issues and the effects of rapid development.

City Hall is preparing to send out a citizens survey to help with the upcoming comprehensive plan update, and that triggered a discussion that dominated last Wednesday’s council meeting.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller actually started the talk during his department report, bringing up the issue of vehicles parked in or too close to the right-of-way of city streets.

The veteran police officer, who is in his 25th year as the town’s top cop, said new housing builds and the town’s population explosion

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Church bazaars in coming weeks

With fall comes bazaar season, and there are plenty of opportunities in and around Owyhee County.

Vision Community Church’s Main Street Holiday Market returns to Marsing on Saturday, Nov. 9.

The market will run from 9 a.m., to 4 p.m., at the church, 221 Main St. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m., to 3:30 p.m.

Hand-crafted items, baked goods, door prizes, café food, baked goods and treats for children can be expected.

Proceeds from the café benefit an African orphanage and the Vision youth group.

Vendor space, an 8-foot-by-6-foot footprint, is available for \$15. Contact Kelly at (425) 327-4009 or kellyrvcc@gmail.com for more information.

In December, the ninth annual Homedale Friends Community Church returns to the sanctuary on U.S. Highway 95 north of Homedale.

The bazaar will take place from 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., on Saturday, Dec. 14 at the church, 17434 Hwy. 95 between Homedale and Wilder.

The bazaar will also include a donation-based soup lunch.

Items to be expected include wreaths, bags, blankets, jewelry, woodworking, biscotti, metalwork, aprons, furniture, home décor, woolen mittens, greeting cards, crocheted items, and other unique gifts.

All items for sale must be handcrafted unless previously approved by the bazaar committee.

Vendors are sought. Email hfccchristmasbazaar@gmail.com for more information.

Vending space is available for \$15 each, and each vendor is asked to donate an item for the door prize drawings.

Vendors must provide tables, tablecloths and display fixtures. Each vendor must also have sales tax forms in order.

Vendor set-up will be available between 5 p.m., and 7 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 13 and from 7:30 a.m., to 8:45 a.m., on Saturday, Dec. 14.

Vendors must clean up and vacate the building by 4:30 p.m., on Saturday, Dec. 14.



Owyhee County Sheriff’s Cpl. Triston Hawkes (right) accepts his commendation from Sheriff Larry Kendrick. Submitted photo

Sheriff salutes deputies for lifesaving efforts

Former Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office colleagues were honored for their lifesaving actions last week.

Cpl. Triston Hawkes received a Lifesaving medal and certificate personally from Sheriff Larry Kendrick during the Oct. 7 Board of County Commissioners meeting in Murphy.

Kendrick also made a commendation for former Deputy Chase Rhodes, who left OCSO after the incident in the spotlight and now works outside of law enforcement and out of state.

According to Kendrick, the actions of Hawkes and Rhodes during their time as jailers in Murphy helped save the life of a teenager who had become trapped under an off-road vehicle in July.

The two deputies’ shift at the jail was ending on July 5 when a 911 call came in at 6:29 p.m., about a OHV rider trapped under a Polaris RZR at the Rabbit Creek Trailhead just minutes from Murphy on Idaho highway 78.

Hawkes and Rhodes responded, arriving on scene in minutes. They found 18-year-old Diego John Pew trapped under the off-road machine. He was unconscious, wasn’t breathing and had no pulse, according to Kendrick’s presentation.

The OHV was laying on Pew’s neck and chest.

At 6:35 p.m., the deputies and a bystander lifted the machine off Pew, and the teenager’s pulse returned and he began breathing again, but he remained unconscious.

The deputies checked for other wounds before kneeling down with their knees around Pew’s ears to immobilize his head and neck to prevent further injury.

Kendrick said that the deputies and paramedics placed Pew on a backboard and loaded him into a LifeFlight helicopter at 7:35 p.m. Pew was transported to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

“Deputies Hawkes’ and Rhodes’ swift intervention and actions saved this young man’s life,” Kendrick said in concluding his presentation of the Lifesaving medal.

— JPB

GV Community Club schedules Halloween event, pizza party

The busiest time of year is approaching for the Grand View Community Club, and board members want to bring back something that was missing from last year’s Halloween.

In a letter posted to social media earlier this month, the board of directors announced plans to bring back the children’s pizza party that had been held traditionally each Halloween until last year.

“Last year, the pizza party was not put on, and the feedback was that it was missed by the local children,” the board members wrote in their letter.

“In light of that information, we would like to try to have the pizza party this year.”

The pizza party is just one of the events that the community club sponsors each year.

A trunk or treat will be held this month, and the Christmas lights parade is planned later this year. The group is also behind Grand View Days.

Donations are key to putting on all the community events, the board said. Holiday wreaths will be sold again this season as one fundraiser. The community center can be rented for holiday parties and other special occasions, too.

The Board of Owyhee County Commissioners designated the community center on Idaho Street as the polling place for the Nov. 5 general election, too.

Anyone who wants to donate can send a check to Grand View Community Club, P.O. Box 391, Grand View, ID 83624. A Venmo option is also available. Call club secretary Victoria Collett at (208) 484-8009 for more information.

In addition to Collett, other board members include Cyndi Fullmer, Ed Collett, and Rae-Lynn Mathews.

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The Owyhee Avalanche is seeking submitted photos for our 2025 Calendar

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✓ Marsing: Council discusses alleged citizen-dispatcher interaction

to discuss the enhanced law enforcement contract that would be carried out by the sheriff’s office.

The Fiscal Year 2024 contract expire on Oct. 1, and the issue came up again last week when Councilperson Lynette Enrico said she wanted “closure” on the matter.

“I just didn’t want to see it dissipate in the air and never be brought up again, but I didn’t know Brandy (Johnson) wasn’t going to be here,” the first-term councilperson said.

After a lengthy discussion, the council decided to invite the commissioners to the next meeting to negotiate and also allow Councilperson Brandy Johnson the chance to participate. She was an excused absence from last week’s meeting.

Mayor Hayzen Corder said he felt that the law enforcement presence was more noticeable in the past six to eight months since Sgt. Lynn Bowman was on the beat.

Enrico said some constituents told her they liked the deputies’ presence in town during the contract, too.

“I had a few people (saying) they like to see them doing their rounds, and when we had a contract that their presence was just a little more than on Main Street,” she said.

Corder relayed a citizen’s experience with the sheriff’s office since the expiration of the contract:

“The information that was relayed to that person who called the sheriff’s office was told, ‘The city doesn’t have a contract, so we can’t come,’ which is part of problem, but that’s not what needs to be said,” Corder said. “It’s something that should have been taken care of civilly.”

Councilman Chris Even was more pointed with his description of the interaction:

“It should have been ‘That’s a civil matter’ and left it at that,” he said of the dispatcher’s alleged response. “To be told ‘The City of Marsing doesn’t have a contract, we can’t help you call the city,’ and be hung up on is not how the sheriff’s office should be acting if they actively want our money to be part of this contract. It just can’t work that way.”

Even also addressed a citizen in the audience who apparently had been promised a radar trailer in his neighborhood to discourage speeders only to never have the pledge kept.

“It’s city funds that we’re spending, and we’re not seeing a return on what we’re investing,” Even said. “We have made it very clear that we’re willing to go month-to-month. Why do we continue to negotiate and do this other stuff? We’re not the ones who walked away from the table.”

In a letter to the city council, Kendrick said county commissioners were unwilling to go on a month-to-month basis because it would jeopardize the deputy’s future with the agency. Even and Corder pointed out that the city had researched BOCC minutes and never found any conversation about the contract in which the commissioners refused the month-to-month idea. Published BOCC meeting minutes do not include information from ministerial meetings, which could have been the portion of the weekly gathering in which the contract was discussed.

Corder asserted that communication between the governments should take place if the contract is important to the sheriff’s office bottom line.

“If this contract was that crucial to the county, I have not got a phone call from Sheriff (Larry) Kendrick or any of the commissioners saying, ‘Where are we at? Why aren’t we negotiating?’” the mayor said. “And vice-versa, I haven’t called any of them.”

The council decided to open the code enforcement officer job for applications again. City Clerk and Treasurer Jolyn Thompson said she had one candidate who was interested at the moment.

The council will consider administrative fines for code violations, which is one way to avoid needing a sheriff deputy to write a citation. With an administrative policy, the city attorney would file the violation with the courts if the offender fails to pay the fine.

The council must pass an ordinance to initiate an administrative fine policy, city attorney Stephanie J. Bonney said.

The new path comes after the Homedale City Council rejected the idea of a contract with its police department for 10 hours of code enforcement per week, and Thompson reported that Nampa and Caldwell don’t have the manpower to provide coverage.

Even said the sheriff’s office can still cite citizens for code violations that are misdemeanors, but that the report of a violation has to come to OCSO directly from a citizen.

Thompson said a code enforcement solution is necessary as reports of stray dogs increase. OCSO doesn’t have an animal control unit, according to several pieces of dispatch radio traffic heard when complaints are made. But a deputy would be required to respond to a vicious dog call because it is part of the state code, Even pointed out.

“Whatever we do we need to do something,” she said. “This limbo thing’s not working.”

— JPB

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Homedale FFA wins district soil judging

by Sienna Stairs
Chapter reporter

September was filled with very exciting activities for the Homedale FFA chapter. We kicked off the month with a Welcome Back BBQ that introduced our officers and our plans for the upcoming year.

On Sept. 11, 57 of Homedale's FFA members competed in the Treasure Valley District Dairy Cattle Evaluation.

Daniel Monasmith placed third, and Adriana Gonzalez placed 10th. Homedale chapter officers Sienna Stairs and Rachel Pawlak also ran a booth to make butter and whipped cream.

Twenty-seven chapter members went to FFA District Leadership Day on Sept. 25. They had such a fun time doing team-building activities, workshops, and meeting the district officers.

After winning the district soils judging competition on Sept. 25, the chapter's team finished 10th in the 20-team state meet in Burley last Wednesday.

The soils team includes Stairs, Pawlak, Katie Myers, Morgan Nicoletti, and Miguel Albor.

All but Pawlak were new to the competition. Pawlak was the lone holdover from last year's state-qualifying team.

Also on Sept. 25, the chapter entered a float in the Homedale High School Homecoming parade to promote FFA.

After a successful September, we have a lot more planned for October.



The Homedale FFA Soils team with chapter advisor Rachel Rheuby. From left: Rheuby, Sienna Stairs, Rachel Pawlak, Miguel Albor, Morgan Nicoletti, Katie Myers, and Emma Hille. Submitted photo



The group of Homedale FFA members who participated in Treasure Valley District Leadership Day. Submitted photo



Part of a busy day saw the chapter members ride on a Homecoming float on Sept. 26.

Homedale starts comp plan update

Residents should receive the City of Homedale comprehensive plan update survey soon.

The city will hold an open house from 11 a.m., to 1 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 26 to give folks a chance to turn in their completed surveys.

A free lunch will be served and city officials will be on hand to answer questions during the open house at Bette Uda City Park.

Correction

The shuttle bus used during the Oct. 5 Homedale Hometown HarvestFest was misidentified as the Homedale Chamber of Commerce bus. The bus services were donated by the Homedale Senior Center.

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New opportunities for veterans interested in farming and ranching

I’ve talked about programs and resources for military veterans in agriculture before, but this week I have information on our programs that seek to build a network of farmer veterans, share their stories, and provide meaningful opportunities to connect, learn and grow.



Ariel Agenbroad

University of Idaho Extension and the Farmer Veteran Coalition of Idaho chapter are committed to improving the economic opportunities and quality of life for military veterans who have chosen agriculture as their next mission. In late 2023, University of Idaho Extension, with the Farmer Veteran Coalition as a partner, received a grant from the Western Extension Risk Management Education Center to utilize peer-to-peer learning and a regional approach to connect Idaho’s farmer veterans with risk management education and each other.

Our project has three key activities.

- First, we have been offering free monthly webinars on the last Thursday of each month exploring topics to reduce economic, financial, legal, marketing and human health risks. Viewers can register to attend live and participate in question-and-answer sessions, or they can watch the recorded webinars on our YouTube channel. To register for upcoming webinars (the next one is planned for December), visit <https://bit.ly/uifvcwebinars24>. To watch recordings conveniently on your own time, check out <https://bit.ly/uifvcrecordedwebinars2024>.

- We’ve also started a podcast! The Idaho Harvest Heroes Podcast will deliver production, marketing, financial, legal and human risk management education to new and beginning veteran farmers and ranchers through stories directly from experienced veteran producers.

Over 10 planned episodes, we will highlight veterans who have reduced their risks through diversification, innovation, creativity, and who

have successfully navigated relevant state, regional and federal U.S. Department of Agriculture programs supporting veteran and new and beginning producers. Listen now at <https://rss.com/podcasts/harvestheroes/>.

- Lastly, we are planning statewide in-person, regional training workshops, tours and networking events to connect veterans with each other. The first of these workshops will be held Nov. 15-16 at the University of Idaho Caldwell Research and Extension Center at 1904 E. Chicago St.

These workshops, held on a Friday and Saturday, will feature 1½ days of training, tours, and networking focused on reducing agricultural risks and connecting military veterans with resources for success. We hope to bring together veterans, service providers, experts and practitioners in an immersive event focused on reducing the risks associated with agricultural enterprises. We are putting together an agenda that will include sessions on how to build a business, care for land, crops, and livestock, access state, local and federal resources, manage stress, prevent injury, and explore what’s possible on local farms in the region. The workshop has been designed for military veterans and their families at any stage of an agricultural pursuit, whether they’ve been farming for years or are just starting to explore.

Because of our grant funding, registration, all meals and materials are free for veterans and their families, but those interested must register by Monday, Nov. 11 at https://bit.ly/uifvcworkshop_tv.

Please share with others, and if you have any questions, call (208) 287-5900 or email my program coordinator (and Air Force veteran) Connie May at conniem@uidaho.edu.

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Calendar

Today

Ladies coffee group

9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Food distribution

9 a.m. to 10 a.m., for school families only; 10 a.m., to 1 p.m., for general Marsing community. The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Bingo

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

Labor Dept. bilingual employment services

Noon to 4 p.m., Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 364-7781 or canyoncountymail@labor.idaho.gov for appointment or information.

Financial Peace University course

6:30 p.m., to 8 p.m., \$80 per sign-up, advance registration required, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Information/Registration: (208) 337-4228, at the library, or message their Facebook page.

Thursday

Bingo

10 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

Fit and Fall class

10:30 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Early Childhood Learning class

10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., ages 0 through 5 (parents must attend with children), Eastern Owyhee County Library meeting room, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

After school Bible club

4 p.m., to 5 p.m., ages 5-11, Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. Information: Cyndi Fullmer, (208) 599-2790 or Amber Good, (208) 585-7694

Teens and Tweens

5 p.m., to 6 p.m., Homedale Library Community Room, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Friday

Mobile Food Pantry

7:30 a.m., to 10 a.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St., Homedale. (208) 473-9331

‘Let’s Talk About It’ book club

5 p.m., ‘All the Light We Cannot See, by Anthony Doerr’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 860-9674

Saturday

Food bank distribution

9 a.m., to 10 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho St., Grand View.

Homedale Senior Center thrift store

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

The Golden Howl golden retriever festival

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, Homedale. Golden Howl on Facebook

Snake River Country Market

11 a.m., to 3 p.m., ‘Spooktacular Market,’ London Park, Main Street and

4th Avenue West, Marsing. Information: snakerivercountrymarket@gmail.com

Card games

Noon to 4 p.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Marsing Boosters luau fundraiser

6 p.m., to 11 p.m., adults only, \$40 per ticket, High Desert Lawless performs. Phipps-Watson American Legion Post 128 Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Opal Nash Story Time

10 a.m., ‘Pete the Cat: Falling for Autumn,’ Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Fit and Fall class

10 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class

10 a.m., to 11 a.m., free, old Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing. (208) 296-0847

After School Program

4:30 p.m., ‘Fun with Democracy: Cast your vote,’ elementary and middle school-aged children, Gypsy Jackson Memorial Library, 121 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Creative writing group

5 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing.

Tuesday

Fit and Fall class

10:30 a.m., free, Melba Valley Senior Center, 115 Base Line Rd, Melba. (208) 495-2168

Early Childhood Learning class

10:30 a.m., to 11:30 a.m., ages 0 through 5 (parents must attend with children), Eastern Owyhee County Library meeting room, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

Homedale Chamber meeting

Noon to 1 p.m., Bowling Alley, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.

Region III assistance assessments

Noon to 3 p.m., appointments necessary, Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 495-5688

After School at the Library

4 p.m., to 5 p.m., ‘Goosebumps,’ pre-K through 5th grade, Eastern Owyhee County Library meeting room, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

High Desert Republican Women meeting

6 p.m., Sandbar Community Room, Marsing City Hall, 18 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 204-9744

Alcoholics Anonymous

7 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy. 95, Wilder.

Wednesday

Ladies coffee group

9 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Food distribution

9 a.m. to 10 a.m., for school families only; 10 a.m., to 1 p.m., for general Marsing community. The HUB food pantry, 205 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 649-5411

Bingo

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

Community Halloween events planned

With Halloween approaching, Marsing and Homedale businesses are getting ready.

- The Marsing Chamber of Commerce will hold its Trunk or Treat on Friday, Oct. 25 at London Park.

Participants can set up vehicles beginning at 4 p.m. The trick-or-treating will take place between 5 p.m., and 7 p.m.

Participants can register online at www.marsingchamber.org under the “Events” tab.

The event has been moved to the open space at the corner of 4th Avenue West and Main Street because there will be no fall carnival at the Marsing schools this year.

- Safe-n-Sane Halloween is on again in Homedale. Businesses will welcome trick-or-treaters from 3:30 p.m., to 5:30 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 31.

The children roaming downtown for goodies will be able to tell which businesses are participating from the orange paper jack-o-lantern in their windows. Window jack-o-lanterns are available at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Businesses are encouraged to pick up their orange window papers to ensure the city can produce an accurate and complete list of merchants who are participating.

Call City Hall at (208) 337-4641 for more information.

- The third annual Trunk or Treat at Oreana Community Hall is set for 6:15 p.m., to 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 31.

Cars should be parked and decorated in the community hall parking lot on Oreana Loop Road by 6:10 p.m.

There will be prizes for best decorated trunk and best trunk with a game.

Call (208) 861-2651 for more information.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Choice of milk and juice
PB&J sandwich, and vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

Oct. 16: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, grapes **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, mixed vegetables

Oct. 17: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, blueberry muffin, mixed fruit **Lunch:** Chicken Crispito, buttered corn

Oct. 21: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, string cheese, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken sandwich, crinkle fries

Oct. 22: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, buttermilk biscuit, country gravy, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Cheesy mac with nuggets, seasoned green beans

Oct. 23: **Breakfast:** Scrambled eggs, whole grain toast, sliced pears **Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza or turkey and cheese sandwich, garden salad, pineapple tidbits, Jello

Homedale Middle

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt or string cheese
Cereal option and PB&J offered daily
Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily

Oct. 16: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, Yami yogurt, orange slices **Lunch:** Orange chicken rice bowl, spring roll, seasoned green beans, fortune cookie

Oct. 17: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, string cheese, apple **Lunch:** Crisпитos, steamed buttered carrots

Oct. 21: **Breakfast:** Raised donut, applesauce **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, curly fries

Oct. 22: **Breakfast:** Buttermilk biscuits, country gravy, sliced pears **Lunch:** Mini corn dogs, mixed vegetables, chocolate chunk cookie

Oct. 23: **Breakfast:** Texas toast, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, buttered corn, whole grain roll

Homedale High

Choice of milk and juice, yogurt, string cheese or hard-boiled egg
Vegetable and fruit choices offered daily
Cereal option, Grab ‘n’ go items each day

Oct. 16: **Breakfast:** Sausage breakfast pizza, Yami yogurt, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, Tater Tots **Grab ‘n’ go:** BBQ chicken salad

Oct. 17: **Breakfast:** Croissant breakfast sandwich, Yami yogurt, iced coffee **Lunch:** Mini pepperoni pizza, garden salad, chocolate chunk cookie **Grab ‘n’ go:** Club sub sandwich

Oct. 21: **Breakfast:** Maple bar or bagel and cream cheese, Yami yogurt, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Meatball sub, seasoned green beans **Grab ‘n’ go:** Chicken Caesar wrap

Oct. 22: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, buttermilk biscuits, country gravy, iced coffee **Lunch:** Cheeseburger, Tater Tots **Grab ‘n’ go:** Turkey bacon sub

Oct. 23: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, fruit smoothie **Lunch:** Corn dog, curly fries, Jello **Grab ‘n’ go:** Turkey bacon salad

Marsing

Meals include choice of milk, fruit juice, fresh fruit & vegetables

Elementary each day: Breakfast: Cereal option
Middle/High School each day: PB&J option
Cold Grab-n-go line: Wrap, sub sand., salad
Hot Grab-n-go line (varies): Cheeseburger, chicken dish (reg./spicy sandwich; nuggets; bites), Pizza (varies), chicken rice bowl, potatoes (varies), bread (varies)

Oct. 16: **Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, string cheese, mixed fruit cup **Lunch:** French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash browns, strawberry cup **Cold Grab-n-go:** BBQ chicken wrap

Oct. 17: **Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, Yami yogurt, grapes **Lunch:** Grilled cheese sandwich, creamy tomato soup, green beans **Hot Grab-n-go:** Chicken fried teak sandwich, crinkle fries

Oct. 21: **Breakfast:** Breakfast on a stick, string cheese, sliced peaches **Lunch:** Mac and cheese, chicken nuggets, steamed carrots **Cold Grab-n-go:** Turkey bacon sub

Oct. 22: **Breakfast:** Sausage patty, biscuit, country gravy, diced pears **Lunch:** Super nachos, refried beans **Hot Grab-n-go:** Cheesy chicken quesadilla, crinkle fries

Oct. 23: **Breakfast:** Waffles, banana **Lunch:** Chicken or spicy chicken sandwich, crinkle fries **Cold Grab-n-go:** Chicken bacon salad

Bruneau-Grand View

All meals: Milk and fruit offered daily
Jr.-Sr. high school: Pizza offered daily

Oct. 16: **Breakfast:** PB&J sandwich **Lunch:** Beef and bean burrito, salsa and sour cream, romaine salad, corn

Oct. 17: **Breakfast:** Waffle **Lunch:** Corn dogs, Tater Tots, celery sticks

Oct. 21: **Breakfast:** Cereal **Lunch:** Chicken nuggets with roll, mashed potatoes with gravy, steamed broccoli

Oct. 22: **Breakfast:** Biscuits with jelly **Lunch:** Taco salad with tortilla chips, refried beans, salsa and sour cream

Oct. 23: **Breakfast:** Pancakes **Lunch:** Grilled chicken salad with romaine, corn

Obituary

Brett Orlee Sipes

Brett Orlee Sipes, 78, son of Orlee & Ann Sipes of the Ridgeview area west of Homedale, after a short final incapacity, died Sept 3rd, 2024 of heart failure and complications from prostate cancer.



Survived by longtime companion Paula McCarthy, sons Tabik & Darin, brothers Lee & Dirk, 7 grandchildren and 1 great-granddaughter.

Ashes to be placed in Sawtooth Mountains and Marsing-Homedale Cemetery in private ceremonies.

Friends & family are invited to a Celebration of Life and luncheon at 1 p.m., on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, at Homedale Senior Center.

Death notice

PATRICIA JO STAPLES, 66, of Homedale, died on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2024. Services will be held at 11 a.m., on Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, 624 Cleveland Blvd., Caldwell. After services, a lunch will be held at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale. Arrangements: Flahiff Funeral Chapels and Crematory.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Served at noon
Milk available each day. Roll/bread available each day

Oct. 16: Ham and beans, Brussels sprouts, cornbread

Oct. 17: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots

Oct. 22: Chicken cobbler, beets

Oct. 23: Deli sandwich, baked potato, coleslaw

Oct. 24: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots

Sandbar Community Room, Marsing

Noon to 12:30 p.m., inside Marsing City Hall
Milk available each day
Suggested donation: \$5 (60 and older), \$8 (59 and younger)
\$8 (take-out meal, any age)

Oct. 16: White chicken chili, corn, cornbread, spiced apples

Oct. 18: Herb salmon over rice pilaf, baby carrots, green beans, whole wheat roll, peaches

Oct. 21: Swedish meatballs over rice, peas, green salad, whole wheat roll, spiced apples

Oct. 23: Potato corn chowder, dill carrots, snap peas, 9-grain bread, banana

Oct. 25: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, beets, 9-grain bread, applesauce

Rimrock Senior Center

Served at noon
All meals are served with milk & fruit juice
Curbside pickup from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or delivery only.
Call (208) 834-2922 as early as possible to place order to go

Oct. 17: Sloppy Joes, green beans, macaroni salad, cottage cheese, peaches

Oct. 22: Meatball sub, green salad, fruit cocktail, pudding

Oct. 24: Pizza, green salad, cottage cheese, oranges, grapes and apples

Melba Valley Senior Center

Meals served at noon (Salad bar at 11:30 a.m.)
Phone ahead (208) 495-2168 same day for complete menu
Payment by donation. All ages welcome

Oct. 17: Ham and noodles

Oct. 22: Harvest soup

Oct. 24: Spaghetti

Oct. 29: Bean bake

HOMEDALE KINDERGARTENERS LEARN PUBLIC SAFETY

Volunteer Homedale firefighters Brandon DeMond (top) and Tyler Maxwell help a couple Homedale kindergarteners spray fire hoses onto West Washington Avenue during Thursday’s annual fire prevention visit.



Above: Homedale EMT April Binford poses a question to a group of kindergarteners during a tour of the ambulance. **Right:** Volunteer firefighter Mike Shenk — decked out in full protective gear with helmet and oxygen tank — fist-bumps a student from the special day class while putting the children at ease.



Above: Homedale Police school resource officer Clayton Cart shows children the interior of his patrol vehicle, including the stuffed pig toy on the dash. **Right:** Volunteer firefighter Shawn Gibbs talks about the importance of smoke alarms and fire extinguishers in the children’s homes.



MARSING HOMECOMING 2024



With one senior dressed in character, the “Wreck It, Ralph” float makes its way past the old high school gymnasium during Thursday’s parade down Main Street.



Part of the Homecoming court poses after the coronation prior to Friday’s football game. **From left:** Soyla Contreras and Alec Ecklund, sophomore duchess and duke; Elley Shelton and Dustin Randolph, queen and king; and Breanne Dickerson and Zane Mechling, junior princess and prince. **Not pictured:** Freshman royalty Emerson McIntyre and Damian Leon.



Homecoming King Dustin Randolph accepts his sash and crown prior to Friday’s football game against Nampa Christian.

Homecoming results

- Royalty**
Queen and king — Elley Shelton and Dustin Randolph
Junior princess and prince — Breanne Dickerson and Zane Mechling
Sophomore duchess and duke — Soyla Contreras and Alec Ecklund
Freshman royalty — Emerson McIntyre and Damian Leon

- Contests**
Total points — 1. Seniors, 950 points; 2. Freshmen, 795; 3. Juniors, 440; 4. Sophomores 255
Dress-up days — Monday: Seniors; Tuesday: Juniors and Sophomores (tie); Wednesday: Seniors; Thursday: Freshmen
Float decorations — 1. Juniors; 2. (tie) Seniors; Freshmen; Sophomores
Hall decorations — 1. Freshmen; 2. Seniors; 3. Juniors; 4. Sophomores
He-Man volleyball — Freshmen def. Seniors
Powderpuff — Seniors def. Freshmen
Tug of war — 1. Seniors; 2. Juniors; 3. Sophomores; 4. Freshmen
Pep rally games — 1. Seniors; 2. Juniors; 3. Sophomores; 4. Freshmen



Marsing fifth-graders Cylus and Lincoln Wardle ride in the Homecoming parade on Thursday.

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HHS girl finishes
12th in Vale meet

Next week
More Homedale
football success

Avalanche Sports

Rolling Rimrock closes in on championship

Homecoming victory would clinch 2A WIC

Sam Ward threw a few wrinkles into the Rimrock High School playbook Friday. Idaho City couldn't handle it.

Receiver Jose Jaramillo threw a 70-yard touchdown pass for the biggest piece of razzle-dazzle in a 53-12 destruction of the Wildcats in a 2A Western Idaho Conference eight-man road game.
Rimrock (4-2 overall, 2-0 in confer-

ence) can clinch the 2A WIC championship with a Homecoming win against Wilder (2-3, 2-1) on Friday.
Kickoff is 7 p.m., in Bruneau.
The Raiders kept Idaho City (0-6, 0-3) winless behind another eye-popping performance from Ronaldo Gomez.

At quarterback, the senior rushed for 304 yards and five touchdowns on 11 carries. He also ran in four two-point conversions and kicked a point-after. He completed six of nine passes for

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Homedale High School junior Morgan Nicoletti turns the ball to the inside while dribbling downfield in the second half Saturday.

HHS girls shake pesky Panthers

Trojans triumph after scoreless first half

Patience paid off for Homedale High School in Saturday's girls' soccer playoff opener.
The Trojans fired the majority

of their 10 shots at Parma goalkeeper Haylee Gentry in the first half, but didn't break through until the 43rd minute.
The first of Morgan Nicoletti's two goals sparked a 3-0 victory in the 4A District III quarterfinal at Deward Bell Stadium.
Third-seeded Homedale (10-4) played No. 2 McCall-

Donnelly in Tuesday's semifinals on the road after deadline. The winner moved on to the district championship game and earned an automatic berth into the 4A state tournament, which takes place Oct. 24-26 in Post Falls.
Nicoletti pushed her season

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County squads split crucial grid showdowns

Huskies' comeback falls short vs. NC

Marsing High School showed it belonged in the Class 3A football conversation Friday.
After spotting Nampa Christian three touchdowns, the Huskies rallied but fell short in a battle for first place in the 3A Western Idaho Conference.
But in losing 19-14, the Huskies (4-2 overall, 1-1 in conference) scored half of the points the Trojans (4-3, 3-0) have given up in 3A WIC play.
Senior Luke Steinmeyer posted both Huskies TDs, catching a scoring pass from Jace Chadez and also running the ball into the end zone.
With two games left in the regular season, Marsing takes aim at locking down second place in the conference on the road Friday against Melba (2-4, 1-1). Kickoff is 7 p.m.

The Huskies own the tie-breaker against New Plymouth, the other 1-1 team in the conference, and can sew up second place Friday. That could go a long way toward pushing Marsing up the Max-Preps rankings and closer to a second straight trip to the state

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Trojans' gamble beats No. 1 team on the river

Matt Holtry has a long memory and a penchant to take a gamble on the football field now and again.
On Friday, as the age-old Homedale-Fruitland high school football rivalry flared as a battle between two of Idaho's top Class 4A teams, the 16th-year coach rolled the dice to put down an 11-year-old demon.
Days after tumbling from the top spot in the state rankings, the Trojans — No. 3 in the media poll and tied for No. 4 in the coaches' poll — played spoiler to the new unified No. 1.
After junior quarterback Xavier Uranga fired a three-yard touchdown pass to Luke Henry to get HHS to within a point of the Grizzlies with four minutes left in the game, Holtry hopped on the riverboat and sent Uranga out to punch in a two-point conversion.
“At the end when we felt like we had the momentum, we felt as though we either go for the win now or we play for the win in overtime,” Holtry said. “Regardless, we felt like it was going to come down

— See *Trojans*, page 13

Unstoppable 2004 Rimrock girls now “Legends of the Game”

Rimrock High School unbeaten state champions will be honored as Legends of the Game early next year.
The Idaho High School Activities Association announced last week that the Raiders' 2003-04 girls' basketball team will be saluted during halftime of the Class 6A state championship game on Feb. 22 at the Ford Idaho Center in

Nampa.
The 2003-24 Raiders, coached by Bob Delle, won the second of the school's back-to-back 1A state champions and were part of a group that won 50 consecutive games.
The team beat Shoshone, 47-36, at Nampa's Skyview High School on Feb. 21, 2004 to cap a 26-0 season.

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Sports

Marsing misses key chance in seeding chase

Huskies handle Vision before loss to New Plymouth

A deflated Marsing High School volleyball team slipped to sixth place in the 3A Western Idaho Conference on Thursday.

New Plymouth rallied in the first set and thwarted the Huskies throughout a 25-23, 29-27, 25-10 home-court victory.

Marsing (10-3 overall, 2-3 in conference) saw an eight-point lead dissipate in the first set of a battle for position in the 3A WIC. Marsing coach Amy Chadez said her players had several opportunities to win the second set, too.

“Thursday night was disappointing for us,” Marsing coach Amy Chadez said. “The third set score shows the defeat our team felt after falling short in the first two sets.

“We are going to need to close out sets that we have solid leads in.”

With the regular season winding down, the Huskies started to run the gauntlet of conference-leading Melba and third-place Nampa Christian with a home match against the Trojans on Monday after



Adyson Chadez ducks as Marsing High School teammate Sydney Nelson yells that the Vision Charter attack is destined to go out of bounds.

deadline.

Marsing visits the Mustangs today.

“Our mental toughness is our focus this week,” Chadez said.

The coach said freshman Mikayla Fee and senior Lily Thoene put in solid efforts against the Pilgrims (7-6, 3-4).

Fee led the net play with five kills and three blocks. Thoene led the team with eight kills. She came up with 12 digs and nine assists.

Sydney Nelson had nine digs, while Adyson Chadez led the team with 11 digs to go with six kills.

Raylynn Vanosdall posted a 1.76 serve receive rating. She was 14-for-15 with three aces from the service line, and came up with 10 digs.

Oct. 8: Marsing def. Vision Charter 3-0 — The Huskies got well against the Golden Eagles from Caldwell during a Homecoming match.

Fee and Chadez controlled the action at the net, combining

for 21 kills in a 25-10, 25-14, 25-11 home-court conference victory.

Fee led the team with 11 spikes, while Chadez had 10 kills.

“It was a fun game seeing some of our attackers rack up the kills,” Amy Chadez said.

Chadez put all 20 of her serves in play and notched a pair of aces. She also came up with nine digs and a 2.00 serve receiving rating.

There was plenty of communication during the match, too.

“We played well as a team,” Amy Chadez said.

“We have struggled with serve receive in our past few games, and we were back on track tonight with a stronger effort.”

Thoene also put all 10 of her serves in play. She also dug seven balls and led the team with 16 assists.

“Controlling the passing and digs allows our setters more opportunities on offense,” Chadez said.

Taylor Callison (8-for-8) and Sydney Nelson (4-for-4) also turned in perfect service nights.

Bailey Daugherty amassed a 2.50 serve receive rating.

Vision Charter fell to 5-6, 1-4.

NFL raffle benefits Marsing wrestlers

Marsing Youth Wrestling proponents were out selling raffle tickets for a football experience Friday.

Four tickets to see the Kansas City Chiefs play host to the Los Angeles Chargers are up for grabs in the raffle.

Chances to win cost \$50 each. The drawing will be held live on the youth wrestling Facebook page at 7 p.m., on Friday, Nov. 1.

The game is scheduled for the night of Sunday, Dec. 8 at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo.

Tickets can be purchased through Venmo @Husky_Wrestling, but there are only 150 tickets available. Coaches urge you call them first to make sure tickets are still available. Call (719) 688-4484, (208) 989-4504, or (360) 798-0079.

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MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Football
Caleb White, sr., DL
2 solo tackles,
2 assists vs. NC
Breeana Lootens photo



Volleyball
Taylor Callison, sr., DS
8-for-8 on serves vs. Vision Charter
Breeana Lootens photo



Cross country
Mia Benson, fr.
PR'd at Gary Ward on Oct. 3
Breeana Lootens photo

THIS WEEK'S SPORTS SCHEDULE

Football
Varsity
Friday, Oct. 18 at Melba, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity
Season finale
Thursday, Oct. 17, home vs. Melba 6 p.m.

Cross country
Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Winston Tilzey
Invitational, West Park, Nampa



Volleyball
Varsity
3A Western Idaho Conference
Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Melba, 6:30 p.m.
3A District III Tournament
Saturday, Oct. 19, opponent, location,
time TBA

Junior varsity A
3A Western Idaho Conference
Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Melba, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 17 at 3A WIC Tournament

Junior varsity B
3A Western Idaho Conference
Wednesday, Oct. 16 at Melba, 4:30 p.m.



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Sports

Trojans appear to be fifth seed for volleyball

Fruitland beats HHS for step toward No. 1

Homedale High School entered the final week of the volleyball regular season fairly certain of its place in the world. The Trojans appeared locked into the No. 5 seed for the 4A District III Tournament before travelling to face seventh-place Payette in the team's penultimate 4A Snake River Valley conference match of the season Tuesday after deadline. Homedale will face either Weiser or Cole Valley Christian at 11 a.m., on Saturday to start district play. The match most likely will be in Fruitland. The Grizzlies took another step toward the No. 1 seed with a 25-9, 25-20, 25-21 win over visiting Homedale (4-12 overall, 2-8 in conference) on Oct. 8. Fruitland (20-3, 10-0) started this week with a one-match lead over No. 2 McCall-Donnelly. The two teams

finish the regular season on the Grizzlies' floor Thursday. Last week's setback against Fruitland sent Homedale to its fifth straight conference loss. Freshman Ava Topmiller made her varsity debut against the Grizzlies, going 2-for-3 in kill chances while seeing action in one of the three games. She also came up with a dig. Charity Pate, Teague Taylor, and Lilly Relk all reached double digits with their defense. Pate led the team with 14 digs out of 17 chances, and Taylor added 13 digs. Relk dug 12 balls and notched 12 assists. Claire Salutregui also kept points alive with seven digs. Teague got all nine of her serves in, while Pate served 92.9 percent with three aces on 14 attempts. Katilin Johnstone and Piper Kushlan drilled two aces apiece. The Trojans struggled on offense. Kushlan and Taylor knocked down four kills apiece, but Homedale was 13-for-115 (11.3 percent) overall.

Raiders hold their own at home

Adrian gets two top-10s, two PRs

Home cooking produced some standout performances at the Rusty Fender 5-kilometer Thursday. The boys from the host squad Rimrock High School finished third in the team standings, and girls ran some personal-best times. In a meet dominated by Class 2A juggernaut Victory Charter, Raiders junior Kolton Jewett finished fifth in a personal-record time of 18 minutes, 45 seconds. Senior Carson Raymond was seventh in 19:30 to round out Rimrock's top-10 performances in the boys' meet. Sophomore Crew Merrick just missed the top 10 with is 11th-place time of 19:43. Rimrock's three girls finished in the top 13 as Victory Charter clogged up the standings by taking the first six spots and placing seven runners in the top 20. Raiders sophomores Lainee Raymond and Bryllie Mendoza apparently were running buddies on home dirt. Mendoza finished 10th with a personal-best 23:38, and

Raymond was right in front of her with a season-fast 23:29. Junior Juana Lemus finished 15th in 25:05. Three other Raiders PR'd in the boys' race. Junior Ryan Gasper ran a 20:43, and sophomore Elijah Boren was clocked at 22:33. Freshman Axel Araujo ran a personal-best 24:23. Two of Adrian's three boys both had top-10 finishes. Junior Brady Ineck was sixth with a season-best 19:06, while ninth-grader Clayton Ineck PR'd at 19:36 for ninth. Freshman Lucas Berry turned in a PR of 22:40.

HHS' Ford motors to 12th in Vale

Several boys turn in PRs

Breydyn Ford has been pulling double duty this fall for Homedale High School. On Friday, the junior took a break from the soccer pitch to log a 12th-place finish in a 5-kilometer cross country race. She was the only Trojans girl to compete in the Ghoul or Glow race in Vale, Ore., crossing the finish line but just missing breaking 29 minutes (29 minutes, 0.5 seconds). The Homedale boys brought a full contingent,

and four athletes posted personal records. Juniors Tyler Isham and Jesus Monreal PR'd to finish 10th (20:10.5) and 14th (21:21.5), respectively. Ninth-grader Camden Sorenson put in strong performance with a 17th-place time of 22:00.7. Freshmen Kristofferlee Slawson (22nd, 25:03.7) and Cylas Purdom (26th, 25:41.5) also ran the fastest 5Ks of their careers. Kegan Hotchkiss, another freshman on coach David Gummersall's roster, took 27th in 25:46.3.

Homedale Trojans

FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Athletes of the Week



Football
Javid Blewett, jr., RB
113 yards, 1 TD rushing vs. Fruitland



Volleyball
Ava Topmiller, fr.
Made her varsity debut vs. Fruitland



Girls' soccer
Stella Heck, jr.
Won several challenges vs. Parma



Cross country
Jesus Monreal, jr.
14th and PR at Vale, Ore., meet



Volleyball
Varsity
4A Snake River Valley conference
finale
Thursday, Oct. 17, home vs. Cole Valley Christian (Senior Night), 7 p.m.
4A District III Tournament
Saturday, Oct. 19 vs. TBA, Fruitland or McCall, 11 a.m.
If win first match: Saturday, Oct. 19 at Fruitland or McCall-Donnelly, 1 p.m.
If split Saturday matches: Tuesday, Oct. 22, opponent and site TBA, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity
Thursday, Oct. 17, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Freshman
Thursday, Oct. 17, home vs. Cole Valley Christian, 4:45 p.m.

Girls' soccer
Varsity
4A District III Tournament
If won Tuesday: Thursday, Oct. 17, championship game vs. Fruitland or Emmett, site and time TBA
If lost Tuesday: Season complete

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Sports

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✓Trojans: Big win could springboard squad into high seed for 4A State

to one play, so we decided to strike while the iron was hot so to speak!”

The result — Homedale 29, Fruitland 28 — handed the Grizzlies their first loss of the season, preserved the Trojans’ regular-season winning streak at Deward Bell Stadium, and produced a cool dish of revenge for Holtry.

Nearly 11 years ago, in the Trojans’ first trip to the 3A state semifinals, the young coach stood stoically on the sideline as the seconds ticked off in the Grizzlies’ 30-29 victory at Deward Bell Stadium. The loss came in shocking fashion after questionable calls and Chase Fiddler’s game-winning two-point conversion run with seven seconds left.

“I would be lying if I said it didn’t cross my mind as an opportunity for payback when they went for two on us,” Holtry said of Friday’s conversion chance.

Henry was a second-grader when that game was played, and he said he has no memory of it.

But on Friday, the senior made his own memories, scoring two fourth-quarter touchdowns and running in a two-point PAT to lead the Trojans’ comeback from a potentially devastating 4A Snake River Valley conference loss.

He also threw a four-yard touchdown pass to Lukas Hall out of the wildcat formation for Homedale’s first score.

“The win was a great win for us as a team but also as a program,” Holtry said. “Fruitland is a great team, and they presented a great playoff-type atmosphere here Friday night.

“We learned a lot about our kids and our program last night, and we were very proud of how the kids responded to adversity and how they finished.”

Now, the Trojans (5-1 overall, 2-1 in conference) have rejoined the hunt for a seventh consecutive conference championship — albeit on the outside.

Homedale sits in a three-way tie for second place with Fruitland and McCall-Donnelly (both 6-1, 2-1) a half-game behind Weiser, which had a bye Friday.

The one snag in the Trojans’ plan, though, is that 30-7 loss to the Wolverines 12 days ago.

Weiser owns the tiebreaker against Homedale and McCall, but has yet to play Fruitland, which means there is still daylight for the Trojans’ championship streak. It’s only a sliver, though, because the Wolverines will have to lose twice for the door to open.

“As it sits right now, we are doing our best to get our Max Preps ranking as high as possible knowing that the five district champs will be in and then the next seven Max Preps-ranked teams,” Holtry said.

In a change this year, the computerized seeding process will give more weight to conference champions. Four of those champions will receive first-round byes, while the fifth will play host to a first-round 4A state playoff game. The No. 6 seed — which is the Trojans’ goal — will also get a home game to start the postseason.

And that brings us to the other HHS streak that still burns bright. Friday’s win gave Homedale 20 consecutive regular-season victories on its home turf.

Things didn’t start out that way in front of Friday’s packed house, which was reminiscent of so many HHS-Fruitland barn-burners of the past.

Facing a 7-0 deficit in the second period, quarterback Titus Vidlak threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score, pushing Fruitland to a 21-7 advantage at the intermission.

Homedale wasted little time after the break, though.

The Trojans cut into the deficit when running back Javid Blewett ended the opening drive of the second half with a nine-yard touchdown run.

Homedale then put together the drive of the season after Fruitland’s next possession was stopped three feet short of the end zone. Angel Nolasco tackled pass-catcher Juan Soliz at the 1-yard line on a 4th-and-goal play that originated at the Homedale 7.

The Trojans capitalized on Fruitland’s gamble, moving the ball 99 yards in 13 plays. Henry preserved the drive with a five-yard run on 4th-and-2 from the Fruitland 9. The senior rambled into the end zone on the next snap, and the score was tied 21-21.

Just four plays later Vidlak caught an option pass from Coye Coffman for a seven-yard score that put Fruitland back in front, 28-21.

Uranga rebounded from his nightmare of a game against Weiser to complete seven of 10 passes against Fruitland. He only tallied 51 yards through the air, but four of his completions went for first downs.

Blewett turned in another workhorse night with 113 yards on 18 rushes. Henry collected 39 yards.

Rafael Cuenca was the Trojans’ leading receiver again with three catches for 44 yards.

Tyce Fisher sparked Homedale’s defense with six tackles, including a solo stop behind the line of scrimmage.

Brock Walker led the Trojans’ tacklers with four solo stops and five assists, while Caden Layne chimed in with five tackles.

— JPB

✓Huskies: Home team can’t rally from three-score deficit

✓Rimrock: Clutch win

playoffs.

The start of the Huskies’ Homecoming game against Nampa Christian did nothing to help Marsing in the statewide picture, though.

The Trojans scored the game’s first three touchdowns, but Steinmeyer scored his TDs in the second half before the Huskies ran out of time.

A senior, Chadez completed six of 13 passes for 60 yards and led the Huskies to a 5-for-11 performance on third-down conversions.

But on a second down in the fourth quarter, Nampa Christian defensive back Thomas Duerre intercepted a long pass intended for Marsing’s Moe Montes to end a threat.

On the Huskies’ first possession of the night, Nampa Christian defensive back Dylan O’Brien leapt to intercept a pass intended for Jaden Shaw and raced 61 yards for a touchdown.

Prior to the turnover, Marsing’s defense had buckled down and forced the Trojans to punt on the game’s opening drive.

Nampa Christian took a 12-0 lead early in the second quarter when Pete Dice connected with Duerre on a 44-yard touchdown pass.

In the third quarter, the Trojans moved their lead to 19-0 when Ian Johnson took a screen pass 78 yards for a touchdown.

With Marsing resident Colby Ferdinand, a senior, snapping the ball to start plays, Nampa Christian posted 219 total yards.

The Huskies picked up 124 of their 181 total yards on rush plays.

EJ Young led the team in ground gains with 46 yards, and Montes picked 40 yards on 12 carries.

Shaw caught three passes for a team-high 25 yards. Steinmeyer had 18 yards receiving on two catches.

Freshman Homecoming royal Damian Leon kicked both PATs for the Huskies.

Steinmeyer paced the Huskies’ defense with 12 tackles, including eight solo stops and one of Marsing’s four tackles for loss.

71 yards and a touchdown. He also had a sack in a 12-tackle performance on defense.

Kas Bachman caught three passes for 78 yards and a TD, and Jaramillo made two catches for 47 yards and a TD.

Brandon Ramirez had the Raiders’ other quarterback sack as part of his six tackles.

A slew of players got three tackles each, including Levi Villarreal, Jose Jaramillo, Kolton Jewett, Riley Gonzalez, Ulices Rivera, and Morgan Field.

✓HHS girls: Nicoletti, Karlie Kildow pop two goals each vs. Emmett

goal total to 15 in the 51st minute with another unassisted goal. She struck both of her scoring shots from the near-identical spot on the west end of the pitch, 25 yards away from the net.

Karlie Kildow, who had a goal nullified earlier in the second half because of a hand ball, won a scrum and tapped the ball across the line for her team-leading 19th goal in the 69th minute.

While Homedale fired shot after shot toward the Parma goal, Trojans’ keeper Tiana Sorenson came away with a clean sheet after stopping the only shot her defense allowed.

Parma didn’t mount threats until the second half, while the Trojans spent the majority of the first 40 minutes camped out in the first-year program’s territory.

Oct. 8: Homedale 5, Emmett 1 — Two players each scored goals, and the Trojans closed the 4A Snake River Valley conference season with a road win.

Nicoletti tallied four points, including a pair of goals and two assists, as Homedale rolled out to a 4-0 halftime lead.

Karlie Kildow scored her goals four minutes apart (in the 16th minute and the 20th minute) to ignite an onslaught of 20 shots on Huskies goalkeeper Emma Simonsen.

Simonsen wound up with 15 saves.

Senior captain Leeya Haas picked up two assists, passing to Kildow in the 20th minute and setting up Nicoletti’s first score in the 27th minute.

Nicoletti teamed with Kildow on the first goal and sent the ball to Evalina Costello for another goal in the 22nd minute.

Nicoletti closed the scoring in the 77th minute, putting the ball in the net off a pass from junior defender Mattea Dimick.

Abigail Parks’ unassisted goal pulled Emmett to within three goals, 4-1, in the 63rd minute.

Sorenson was rarely challenged. She made three saves.

Commentary

Mtn. States Policy Center

Most mountain states don't feel wireless tax weight

by Sebastian Griffin

As the demand for wireless services continues to grow, many consumers may not realize that they are facing significant financial burdens because of the taxes and fees imposed on these services. Wireless taxes can take various forms, including privilege taxes, license fees, and user taxes, and they are often added to your monthly wireless bill. While these taxes are meant to fund public services and infrastructure, they can lead to substantial costs for consumers, particularly those with lower incomes.

For example, effective wireless tax rates can soar above 30 percent in states like Illinois and California. This means that for every \$100 spent on wireless services, up to \$34 goes directly to state and local taxes. The good news is that residents in some states, including those in the Mountain States region, enjoy lower wireless tax rates. States like Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming have some of the lowest wireless tax burdens in the country, meaning consumers keep more of their hard-earned money.

The bad news, however, is that other states impose much higher taxes on wireless services, with tax rates exceeding 30 percent in some cases. For example,

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Homedale resident Oscar Evans is on the board of directors.
Learn more at mountainstatespolicy.org.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the Nov. 5 general election until noon on Friday, Oct. 25.

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

- Email to jon@owyhee.com
- Fax to (208) 337-4867
- Mail to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Or drop off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

JP Doodles



Montana-based syndicated editorial cartoonist Barry McWilliams passed away in August 2021. The McWilliams Estate has given The Owyhee Avalanche permission to publish his cartoon. McWilliams' cartoons appeared in more than 1,500 newspapers, and he visited hundreds of elementary schools teaching children to draw.

Center on Representative Govt. Firebrands' spotlight skews perception of extent of congressional polarization

It's conventional wisdom these days to say that Congress is hopelessly divided, maybe more so than ever, and that partisanship is making it impossible for the institution to do its job. But a closer look suggests that's not the case. Data from the Polarization Research Lab, a partnership of Dartmouth College, Stanford University and the University of Pennsylvania, shows that many members of Congress are doing the work they were elected to do.

I think that's exactly right, and I'm pleased to see Congress getting some credit for its performance. In my columns, I often try to highlight the important role of Congress and to explain how it carries out its responsibilities. It's an essential part of our government, coequal to the executive and judicial branches.

Unlike the other branches, however, Congress reflects the diversity of the American people, with our varied and often conflicting views of how government should operate. Congress is where we turn to ensure our priorities are represented in Washington. It's natural and even healthy that those views sometimes clash. Politics is how we settle our differences. In our two-party system, a certain amount of partisanship is a feature, not a bug.

While Congress may often seem dysfunctional, it continues to show that it can get things done. It has passed bipartisan legislation to counter climate change, boost infrastructure and technology spending and help communities recover from COVID-19. Despite considerable debate, Republicans and Democrats have supported generous aid for Ukraine and Israel.

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It's true that some members of Congress spend too much time on insults and name-calling. Conflict gets people noticed, and as Polarization Research Lab director Sean Westwood says, it often seems that "firebrands are absorbing all the media attention."

The rise of social media and the growth of partisan TV and radio news programming has fed the trend. Political scientists describe the phenomenon of "elite polarization," where politics-obsessed Americans take their cues from "conflict entrepreneurs" who thrive on stirring up outrage. Certainly, Donald Trump and his loyalists in Congress have contributed to the problem. Trump has made insults and name-calling

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Commentary

Financial management

Wise couple shouldn't skip honeymoon because of job loss

Dear Dave,
I'm getting married next month, and my fiancé and I are both following your plan. I'm on Baby Step 3. I make \$65,000 a year and have \$14,000 in my emergency fund. My fiancé made \$90,000 a year, and he's on Baby Step 2 paying off his car loan. He has his beginner emergency fund in place, and we already have \$3,000 set aside for a honeymoon trip. I said he "made" \$90,000, because the company he was working for just went out of business. He's an experienced heating and air technician, and he has already had a few companies reach out with offers or interviews.

Do you think we should still go on a honeymoon, or wait until he officially finds another job and things are a little more stable?

— Charlotte

Dear Charlotte,
I'm not generally a big fan of spending when someone loses a job. But honestly? I think your situation is a little different than most. I also think you two are different than a lot of folks I talk to. Here's why:
First off, you're both serious about dumping debt and getting control of your finances. That's the big thing. Plus, you make good money, and he will again very soon,



based on his prospects and the line of work he's in. On top of all that, you've got a nice pile of cash in the bank. This tells

me you're both wise enough and mature enough to know the importance of being on stable ground financially.

Your guy will have another job in a couple of weeks, considering his experience and the fact companies are already reaching out to him. If he's lucky, he might even be able to work a deal that would allow him to start a new job right after the honeymoon. So, I like the future you two are looking at, Charlotte. You have some financial padding, he's in a field that pays well, and I'm pretty sure his income is about to be restored.

Congratulations on your upcoming wedding, and God bless you both. Go have a great time on your honeymoon. I hope you two will have long and happy lives together!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey is a national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions.

✓ Polarization: Researchers show not all politicians peddle in insults

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his brand. It's part of what his followers love about him and what his critics hate.

But that kind of behavior isn't as pervasive as it often seems, as the Partisanship Research Lab shows. Using an online tracking tool driven by artificial intelligence, it finds that 12 percent of members of Congress haven't insulted anyone during the current session, and another 65 percent have done so in less than one percent of their statements, including on social media. In other words, more than three-fourths of members are never or very rarely hurling

insults. Most are far more likely to engage in policy discussions and constructive debate.

A key finding of the research is that Americans think their political adversaries are more extreme than they are. For example, almost no one, Democrat or Republican, says it's acceptable to engage in political violence. But more than half think members of the opposite party would support violence to achieve their goals. There are similar gaps in perception on whether opponents support voter suppression and media censorship.

Of course, none of this suggests we shouldn't be

concerned about polarization or the very real political divides we're experiencing. As the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol made clear, a relatively small band of committed extremists can put our democracy at risk.

But it's reassuring that most members of Congress, Republicans and Democrats, are doing what they are supposed to do. They deserve credit for going to work every day, engaging in constructive debate and representing their constituents. Our nation would be better off if they — not the firebrands — received more attention.

✓ Tax: Idaho has lowest wireless communications tax in the nation

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Washington stands out as one of the states with the highest taxes (second-highest nationally) on wireless services. The higher taxes in these states don't just affect their residents, they can also drive up costs for wireless providers, which may pass those costs on to consumers everywhere, including those in lower-tax states. This creates a ripple effect, where the private sector adjusts its pricing models to offset these increased expenses, impacting wireless users universally.

In their recent report, the Tax Foundation found that: "Nationally, taxes, fees, and government surcharges make up a record-high 26.8 percent tax on taxable voice services. Illinois residents continue to have the highest wireless taxes in the country at 36.0 percent, followed by Washington at 34.4 percent and Arkansas at 34.2 percent. Idaho residents pay the lowest wireless taxes at 16.1 percent."

Wireless taxes disproportionately affect low-income households. These families spend a larger percentage of their income on wireless services compared to wealthier households. For many, wireless services are not a luxury but a necessity for accessing education, healthcare, and job opportunities.

Beyond the immediate impact on consumers, high wireless taxes can have a trickling effect and slow down investments in telecommunications infrastructure.

Companies may be less likely to invest in network improvements if they face heavy tax burdens, resulting in slower internet speeds, limited service availability, and outdated technology.

As we've seen during the COVID-19 pandemic, reliable wireless connectivity is more important than ever. Families need it for remote work, online learning, and telehealth services. With the possible lack of investment in infrastructure, communities may

struggle to keep up with the demands of modern life, stifling economic growth in our region.

By advocating for fairer tax policies, we can help protect consumers from excessive costs while encouraging investment in the wireless infrastructure that our communities depend on. Excessive wireless taxes create an uneven playing field and can hinder the necessary investments in telecommunications infrastructure. Thankfully policymakers in Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming are keeping these wireless taxes in check. This is something that Washington officials should take note of.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

October 20, 1999

Mountain rescue...

Members of the Rimrock Search and Rescue team practice removing a young trainee from a rock cliff near Bennett Ranch south of Grand View earlier this month. The rescue team held a weekend training session for new and experienced members. Several members of the Jump Creek Search and Rescue team attended the training class.



McMillan featured in BSU alumni publication

Homedale High School softball coach and former Boise State University football quarterback Jim McMillan is featured in the Fall 1999 edition of *Focus*, BSU's quarterly alumni magazine.

As BSU quarterback, McMillan set single-game, season and career records in passing yards that still stand today. His teams made two Division II playoff appearances.

McMillan moved to Homedale 15 years ago to teach and coach at the high school. He led the Trojans to five football state titles and three undefeated seasons. His softball teams have won three state championships.

In the article, "Words of Wisdom" McMillan discusses what makes an effective leader and praises the role models and leaders he has encountered in his life, including his parents.

"My parents taught me to have a little humility," he told writer Justin Endow. "They also showed me the value of hard work." Despite a talent for putting together teams that consistently bring together winning seasons, McMillan said he'd rather be remembered for other things.

"I hope my players and students leave having learned the game or the course material, and that they develop a strong foundation," he said.

Scarecrow winners announced

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce sponsored a scarecrow-building contest for businesses and residents of the Marsing area.

A \$15 gift certificate at any Marsing business was awarded for first place for business to Big John's Fireworks and Mary Lootens for the resident competition.

Homedale School Board approves new coaches

With the Homedale Trojans' 1999-2000 girls basketball season scheduled to begin in less than one month, the Homedale School Board approved a varsity basketball coach at a regular meeting Oct. 11.

Varsity volleyball coach Kevin Murphy will also take the position as varsity basketball head coach.

Tony Martinat will fill the position as the new assistant wrestling coach after the departure of Ryan Nash, who moved from the Homedale area.

Keith Field will replace Kris Hopkins as this season's golf coach.

50 years ago

October 17, 1974



TROPHY WINNERS in last Saturday's Caldwell Punt, Pass and Kick city and area competition, which again was sponsored by Happy Day Ford include, from left: First row — Chris Landa, champion age 8; Mike Matteson, champion age 9; Steve Nash, champion age 10; Scott Lundy, champion age 11; John Shelp, champion age 12; Jack Davis, champion age 13. Second row — Sidney Bloomer, runner-up age 8; David Kubosumi, runner-up age 9; Troy Vitek, runner-up age 10; Brian Cornell, runner-up age 11; Shelley Sayers — first girl trophy winner in contest history — runner-up age 12; Dave Thiel, runner-up age 13. Third row — Joel Brinkerhoff, third place age 8; Darren Krzesnik, third place age 9; Mark McLaughlin, third place age 10; John Dillon, third place age 11; Dave Henderson, third place age 12; Mario Torres, third place age 13; Karl Naumann, 1973 runner-up in age 12 who didn't receive his trophy a year ago. Standing at left, rear, Niki Wolfe and Wayne Henderson, co-ordinators. (Photo courtesy News-Tribune)

Matteson wins competition Punt, Pass, Kick

Mike Matteson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matteson, Homedale, was winner in the 9-year-old division in the district Punt, Pass and Kick competition at Boise Saturday.

Also competing at Boise were Chris Landa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Landa, in the 8-year-old division, and Steven Nash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Nash in in the 10-year-old division.

Mike, who won first in the Happy Day Ford contest at Caldwell Oct. 5, will compete against six district winners at Salt Lake City Saturday for a trip to Denver for the semi-finals.

Shelley Sayers, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Russ Sayers, Homedale, won second in the 12-year-old division at Caldwell. She is the first girl to place in a Caldwell competition.

Other local winners at Caldwell were David Kubosumi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kubosumi, 2nd place winner, and Darren Krzesnik, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Krzesnik, Rt. 1, Wilder; 3rd place winner in the 9-year-old division.

Magazine, paper subscription sales top \$4,500

The Homedale Junior High School has completed another successful magazine and paper sale, chalking up total magazine sales of \$3,944.91 and paper sales of \$764, according to Nolan Taggart, activities director.

Top five paper salesmen (Owyhee Chronicle) were Valerie Nash, \$118; Anita Johnstone, \$43; Don Trogdon, \$36; Karen Jereb, \$24 and James Liddell, \$24.

Top ten salesmen for magazines were Robert Yamashita, \$259.14; Valerie Nash, \$246.06; Brenda Root, \$189.27; Anita Johnstone, \$110.64; Leah Vance, \$108.80; Danny Miyasako, \$96.66; Tony Stone, \$86.80; Art Bonneru, \$85.78; Monte Warwick, \$78.61, and Susan Huter, \$70.75.

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October 14, 1871

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From Auditor Beckett's Report, it appears that the County Warrants issued from July 10th to Oct. 9th were as follows: On General Fund, \$5,219.38; Hospital Fund, \$1,416.50; Expense Fund, \$922 — total \$7,557.88.

Mining Items.

Operations on the Ida Elmore mine, at present, consist in running to drifts in the fifth and seventh levels respectively, north of the shaft. The average width of the ledge is about three feet. It is expected soon to commence sinking the shaft for the eighth level. There is an abundant winter supply of fuel and mining timbers laid in at the mine and about 2,000 cords of wood at the Company's mill, for the winter's run. A large amount of castings and other supplies, for both mill and mine, are also on the way from San Francisco. The mill still continues running on tailings which are paying very well.

The Minnesota shaft is now down about 140 feet, well timbered, and adapted for either horse or steam power. A contract has just been let to sink the shaft an additional 100 feet. The ledge is fully two feet wide and it is thought, will turn out fair milling ore. A building, 30x55 feet, is now being erected over the shaft, where steam hoisting works will be put up between now and spring. Work, for the purpose of opening up the mine, will be regularly prosecuted all winter.

The Mahogany shaft is now down 80 feet for the 4th level. They expect to cut the vein at a depth of 100 feet, but will not stop the shaft. Superintendent Minear intends to open the mine well and get it in good shape for working before attempting to mill any ore. The mine has a full supply of wood, lumber, timbers, coal, &c., with sufficient powder, candles, and all other articles necessary for mining, on the way from San Francisco to last till next June.

Public notices

IDAHO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
HJR 5
Legislative Council’s Statement of Meaning, Purpose, and Result to Be Accomplished

This proposed constitutional amendment provides that only Idaho residents who are citizens of the United States are eligible to vote in elections in the State of Idaho and that noncitizens are not eligible to vote in any election in the State of Idaho. Currently, Section 2, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Idaho provides: “[e]very male or female citizen of the United States, eighteen years old, who has resided in this state, and in the county where he or she offers to vote for the period provided by law, if registered as provided by law, is a qualified elector.” This provision does not expressly prohibit noncitizens from voting. The proposed amendment adds language to provide that only United States citizens may vote in elections in the State of Idaho.

Statements FOR the Proposed Amendment

1. This constitutional amendment is needed to clarify that United States citizenship is a requirement for eligibility to vote in Idaho elections because the current language does not expressly prohibit noncitizens from voting. The proposed amendment will ensure that individuals who are not citizens of the United States do not vote in any government election in the State of Idaho.
2. The amendment is also needed to clarify that the right to vote shall not be granted in the future to individuals who are not citizens of the United States. Noncitizens have been granted the right to vote in some local elections across the United States. Legislation to expand voting to noncitizens has been considered in other states and cities in the United States.
3. Allowing noncitizens to vote in Idaho elections could lead to concerns regarding election integrity and allow for foreign influence in Idaho elections. The proposed constitutional amendment will protect the State of Idaho from such issues.

Statements AGAINST the Proposed Amendment

1. The proposed constitutional amendment is not needed because United States citizenship is currently required for participation in Idaho elections. Under current law, the Idaho Secretary of State requires citizenship and proof of residency with respect to individuals who register to vote, and it is a felony for an individual to provide false information on an Idaho voter registration form. Additionally, federal statute provides that it is a crime for a noncitizen to vote in any federal election.
2. Election fraud involving voting or attempts to vote by noncitizens is not a significant issue in Idaho. Adding additional language to the Idaho Constitution in an effort to solve a problem that is not occurring could inadvertently create new problems or add an additional barrier to registering to vote by new citizens and state residents.
3. The proposed amendment undermines local control of local elections. The amendment would foreclose any opportunity in the future for the Idaho Legislature or local governments in Idaho to authorize noncitizens to vote in certain elections that might directly affect their interests.

Amendment Text

Section 2. QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS. Every male or female citizen of the United States, eighteen years old, who has resided in this state, and in the county where he or she offers to vote for the period provided by law, if registered as provided by law, is a qualified elector. No person who is not a citizen of the United States shall be a qualified elector in any election held within the state of Idaho.
09/25;10/16;10/23/2024

NOTICE OF HEARING ON
NAME CHANGE
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT FOR THE STATE
OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR
THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
CASE NO. CV37-24-325
IN RE: COLBY
CLARENCE FERDINAND
(minor)

A Petition to change the name of Colby Clarence Ferdinand, a minor, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Colby James Ferdinand. The reason for the change in name is: To make his middle name the same as mine (father).
A hearing on the petition is schedule for 10:45 o’clock a.m. on Nov. 19, 2024 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: Oct. 9, 2024
/s/:Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk
10/16,23,30;11/06/2024

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REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES SUMMARY STATEMENT – ALL FUNDS
2023 – 2024
BRUNEAU-GRANDVIEW SCHOOL DIST #365

	BUDGET	ACTUAL
REVENUES		
Local Revenue	596,679CR	952,217CR
State Revenue	4,712,558CR	4,989,339CR
Federal Revenue	694,360CR	1,455,025CR
Other Revenue	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES	6,003,597CR	7,396,581CR
Transfers In	222,988CR	222,988CR
TOTAL REVENUE & TRANSFERS	6,226,585CR	7,619,569CR
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries	2,754,325	2,550,067
Benefits	930,535	696,365
Purchased Services	2,096,965	1,837,617
Supplies & Materials	600,461	676,078
Capital Objects	73,983	57,365
Debt Retirement	328,952	327,049
Insurance & Judgements	49,748	45,239
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,834,969	6,189,780
Transfers Out	222,988	222,988
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS	7,057,957	6,412,768
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE at July 1		4,440,411CR
Adjustments		0
ADJUSTED BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		4,440,411CR
ENDING FUND BALANCE at June 30		5,647,210CR
The undersigned certify that this is a true and correct report of the financial condition of the BRUNEAU-GRANDVIEW SCHOOL DIST #365 Chairperson of the Board Clerk of the Board Treasurer of the Board		

10/16/2024

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✓ Dogs: Local businesses jump on board for inaugural run

businesses and community,” she said.
There will be contests for best costume, best trick and best sugar face (the nickname given to older goldens who have gray faces).
A group photo will be taken at 12:30 p.m., and there will also be a photo contest.
The Homedale High School Art Department will offer “Pup-kin Pawprints” and a photo booth.
A HHS music student will provide live music, too.
Youth vendors will sell dog treats, earrings and woodworking.
The Golden Howl organizers want to support the town’s small businesses, and raise money for golden retriever rescue and the high school’s arts programs.
“We have been working with Homedale businesses that will also be part of the event,” Rodriguez said.
There will be a Golden Howl after-party at the Liberty Lounge on West Idaho Avenue, and the Wild Lotus Coffee Bar at the corner of North Main Street and East Idaho Avenue is selling Golden Howl gear. Gordo’s on West Owyhee Avenue and Street Dogs on North Main Street are also involved.
Proceeds from the sale of gear and other aspects of the Golden Howl will benefit the Golden Bond Rescue of Oregon.
More information is available at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558384396619>
Other golden retriever events in the U.S., include:

• **Goldens in Golden** — Rodriguez said as many as 900 people attend this event in Colorado with participants traveling from as far away as Taiwan.
• **Goldie Palooza** — This Southern California gathering holds the world record for the most golden retrievers in one place. More than 1,000 dogs were on hand, and people traveled from as far away as Brazil.
• A Texas event attracted about 250 dogs.

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Public notices

REQUEST A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON A PERMIT APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

In compliance with Section 58.01.01.209, Rules for the Control of Air Pollution in Idaho, notice is hereby given that AMVAC Chemical Corporation, Marsing, has applied to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to modify its permit to construct to eliminate the flour processing limit and add Glufosinate to the product inventory. The facility creates various insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides as well as flour pellets, and is located at 6556 Simpkin Ln, Marsing, Idaho 83639. A public comment period on the proposed modified permit No. P-2020.0012 Project Number 63417 will be provided if a written request is submitted on or before October 31, 2024, directed to Dianne Hobbs, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho 83706-1255, or dianne.hobbs@deq.idaho.gov or to the DEQ website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>. Please reference the company name and permit number when sending the request. The permit application materials submitted by the facility are available for public review on the DEQ website.

DATED this 16th day of October, 2024.

Dianne Hobbs
Air Quality Division

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10/16/2024

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, the 6th day of February, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day at Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

A parcel of land lying in the Northwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 5 South Range 3 East,

Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, said parcel being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a found brass cap marking the Section Corner common to Sections 15,16, 21 and 22, Township 5 South Range 3 East Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho said Section Corner Bears South 89°39'52" West 2639.22 feet from a found Brass Cap marking the North Quarter Corner of said Section 22, said Section Corner also bears North 83°15'02" West 834.51 feet from a set 5/8 inch iron pin lying on the Northerly right of way of State Highway 78 and marking PT STA 543+04.7; thence North 89°39'52" East 1319.61 feet (formerly 1319.50) along the said Northwest Quarter of Section 22 to a point marking the West 1/16 corner common to said Sections 15 and 22; thence South 00°29'20" West 249.97 feet (formerly 250.02) to a found 5/8 inch Iron pin lying on the said Northerly right of way of State Highway 78; thence South 73°34'00" East 482.42 feet along the said Northerly right of way of State Highway 78 to a set 5/8 inch iron pin marking a point of curve to the right; thence continuing Along said Northerly right of way State Highway 78 and along said curve to the right a distance of 312.09 (formerly 312.61 feet), said curve having a delta of 07°38'09" a radius of 2341.83 feet tangents of 156.28 feet and a long chord of 311.86 feet which bears South 69°44'56" East to a set 5/8 inch iron pin, said pin marking the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 00°00'00" West 7.34 feet (formerly 8.00 feet) to a set 5/8 inch iron pin; thence South 73°58'30" East 250.60 feet to a set 5/8 inch iron pin; thence South 77°22'48" East 200.00 feet to a set 5/8 inch iron pin; thence South 62°58'18" East 122.40 feet to a found 5/8 inch iron pin; thence South 09°29'42" West 159.38 feet (formerly 158.76 feet) to a set 5/8 inch iron pin lying on the said Northerly right of way of State Highway 78 and also lying along a curve to the left; thence Along said Northerly right of way of State Highway 78 and along said curve to the left a

distance of 610.30 (formerly 588.99 feet) said curve having a delta of 14°56'02" a radius of 2341.83 feet, tangents of 306.94 feet and a long chord of 608.66 feet which bears North 58°27'50" West to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 625 Highway 78, Grand View, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by ERIC R ELDRIDGE, Married Man as his sole and separate property, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., recorded October 5, 2020, as Instrument No. 304978, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on July 2, 2024, as Instrument No. 317901, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT HE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

Said sale is a public auction for which the bid price must be paid immediately upon close of bidding by certified funds in the form of cashier's checks, certified checks, or valid money orders only. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason whatsoever, the successful bidder's exclusive and sole remedy shall be the return of actual monies paid to the Successor Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated October 2, 2020, in the amount of \$1,254.00 each, for the months of December, 2023 through July, 2024, inclusive. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus all escrow advances, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 3.00% per annum from November 1, 2023, and the Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$207,288.81, plus accrued interest at the rate of 3.00% per annum from November 1, 2023.

DATED This 8th day of October, 2024.

/s/:RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
10/16,23,30;11/06/2024

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✓ Homedale: Injury crash highlights need for change

could be factors in the crowding of the driving surfaces.

“My concern is these areas we’re trying to choke down,” Eidemiller said. “We’re making livable space, but we’re not taking into consideration (new residents’) boat or their trailer.”

The city already made a roadway near the fairgrounds a one-way street after the construction of several homes. That led to a change in how those residents are handling garbage totes so Republic Services trucks can legally drive down the street to pick up trash.

Another part of the problem is gravel left over from chip-sealing obscures the actual edge of pavement on some residential streets. That gives residents a false sense of where they can park their vehicles street-side.

“At some point and time, (residents) have to take stewardship of their places,” Mayor Gheen Christoffersen said.

Public works supervisor Jacob Hyer said the city has begun “taking back” some of the rights-of-way.

A pavement contractor recently rebuilt two blocks of South 1st Street East between Idaho Avenue and Colorado Avenue to widen the road. Some of the roadway that bled into the Albertsons parking lot was redefined as city right-of-way, and cleaning up the east shoulder of the first block widened the road between Idaho Avenue and Wyoming Avenue.

The council could begin working on ordinances to shore up the rights-of-way, but any action would probably be in conjunction with the comp plan update. City attorney Paul J. Fitzer didn’t attend last week’s meeting.

“We need a tentative five-year plan because, I’m telling you, parking will become the premiere issue in town,” Eidemiller said.

Earlier this year, the council heard complaints about nearby residents parking in spaces in front of North Main Street businesses, making it difficult for folks with mobility issues to comfortably visit the stores.

Parking continues to impact motorists’ visibility on West Idaho Avenue. A woman went to the hospital on Oct. 7 after a truck struck her commercial

vehicle as she pulled past the stop sign at North 1st Street West to see around cars parked diagonally on the main drag.

“The parking on Idaho Avenue needs to go back to parallel parking,” Eidemiller said. “Everybody is going to hate my guts for this, but if we can’t do that, the next best thing is a four-way stop (at 1st Street).”

Eidemiller said diagonal parking adds three feet to the length of modern vehicles — especially trucks.

A second accident not related to the parking issue occurred later in the week at the intersection of Idaho Avenue and Main Street.

Christoffersen said the Idaho Transportation Department was asked to convert the area to parallel parking during last year’s Idaho highway 19 reconstruction. But the painting contractor restored diagonal lines rather than converting the blocks west of Main Street.

Eidemiller suggested reaching out to District 23 legislators if bureaucrats can’t figure something out.

The city council has OK’d construction of several townhomes and single-family homes in addition to annexing land south of the city limits for a subdivision proposed for the corner of U.S. Highway 95 and Pioneer Road.

“In the areas we’ve built up, we’ve cured one problem but created another,” Eidemiller said.

Additionally, Jacksons Food Stores representatives apparently continue to meet with the city to hammer out development details for the northern 15 acres of the former Amalgamated Sugar Co.’s sugar beet dump. Talks began after the council discouraged the original mix of commercial and residential use proposed for the property bordered by U.S. 95, East Idaho Avenue, and Industrial Road.

Officials also talked about the growing traffic backup on Idaho Avenue during commute hours with Eidemiller declaring that the Idaho Avenue-U.S. 95 intersection is more congested than ever before.

City engineer Andrew Kimmel said a recently completed traffic impact study related to the proposed Jacksons development didn’t paint a rosy picture about the congestion that already exists in the area.

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10TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CAR AND BIKE SHOW

Oct. 5 at Bette Uda City Park, Homedale
Pastor’s choice — John and Melissa Stocke, Nampa, 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle
Youth pastor’s choice — Monty Anderson, Caldwell, 1979 Pontiac Trans-Am
Painter’s choice — Zoi Agueros, Marsing, 1948 Chevrolet Fleetline (painted by the late Ernie Agueros)
Roxy’s choice — Addison R. (no last name given), Wilder, 1971 Ford F250
Best-looking engine — Rocky Nelson, Nampa, 1978 Chevrolet C-10 race truck
Best wagon — Frank Bentley, Nampa, 1956 Ford Park Lane
Best classic — Mark and Susie Page, Parma, 1957 Chevrolet Bel-Air two-door hardtop
Best tractor — Scott Watson, Homedale, 1949 John Deere B
Best convertible — Skyler Garrett, Kuna, 1963 Ford Galaxie 500 XL
Best pickup — Teresa Armenta, Homedale, 1956 Chevrolet
Best bike/trike — Wes King, Nampa
Best hot rod — Carl Walker, Caldwell, 1939 Ford Deluxe
Best 4x4 — Michael Severson, Nampa, 1983 Dodge D350
Best mini truck — Stacey Francis, Wilder, 1976 Chevy Luv
Best rat rod — Bruce Benson, Melba (Owyhee County), 1932 Chevy
Other award winners — Gil Lopez, Boise, 1963 Ford gasser drag car; James and Kayleen Tharpe, Caldwell, 2017 Ford Shelby GT350; Stacey Francis, Wilder, 2000 Yamaha Roadstar Silverado; Richard Cirelli, 1950 Ford custom coupe; Rusty Schmidt, Nampa, 1972 Chevrolet K-5 Blazer; Eva Scroggins, 1965 Plymouth Belvedere; Doug Roberts, Wilder, 1936 Ford coupe; Richard Smith, Caldwell, 1954 Willys Jeep Overland Wagon; Kraiden Agueros, Marsing, 1976 Chevrolet Monte Carlo; Steven and Julia Saxton, Meridian, 1993 Dodge W250 truck; Ralph Marinello, Nampa, 1991 Chevrolet C1500 truck; John McClafferty, Caldwell, 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle; and Al Walker, Wilder, 1929 Ford pickup



Marsing’s Zoi Agueros won the Painter’s Choice for this 1948 Chevrolet Fleetline, which was a big crowd favorite last year, too. The car was formerly owned and painted by her grandfather, the late Ernie Agueros of Marsing.



Homedale resident Scott Watson’s 1949 John Deere B



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