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Prairie City Panthers Austin Catron and Doyal Lawrence (46) wrap up Sherman ball carrier Wade Fields (10) in Friday's game.

Panthers

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Sherman/Condon moved the ball to the 1-yard line, when the Huskies fumbled the ball and the Panthers made the recovery.

Prairie City/Burnt River made gains with the remaining 1:30 but had a turnover within the first minute of the fourth.

Sherman scored another touchdown before the Panthers put the brakes on the Huskies and caught a break themselves.

Panthers Skyelar Evins and Winegar stopped Sherman/Condon's Ajani Diaz before he could add conversion points.

Prairie City's Cole Teel made headway, and Opie McDaniel ran up the side from midfield for the Panthers' first touchdown,

McDaniel also adding the 2 extra points on the PAT kick.

Georgiy Georgiyev tackled a Husky in the back field, and Prairie City/Burnt River took over on downs after Panther Sam Allen made a tackle and the Huskies threw an incomplete pass.

Zweygardt rushed for a touchdown on a handoff from quarterback Winegar, and McDaniel again made the conversion kick.

"We wanted some points on the board," McDaniel said, commenting on the team's perseverance.

"I'm proud of the team and glad that we didn't get completely shut out," said Prai-



Austin Catron



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Prairie City/Burnt River Panther Cole Teel escapes a Sherman/Condon Husky tackle after quarterback Jayden Winegar (5) makes the pass Friday night at the Prairie City field.

rie City/Burnt River senior Austin Catron, whose block-

ing action helped the Panthers score touchdowns. "We just kept

thinking positive." Dean said speed is the No. 1 asset to winning the six-man game, and Sherman/Condon was quick, both on offense and defense.

"We need to take a lot of time and individuality to get more proficient," he said.

"I find it interesting that we were under center for an entire scrimmage and game last week," he said. "Then with the center exchange we lost confidence and turned the ball over repeatedly while not being able to keep gap integrity. I am encouraged that we kept fighting despite multiple penalties, turnovers and their obvious speed advantage."

Prairie City/Burnt River moves forward with their first league game of the season at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 27, hosting the Huntington/Harper Locomotives.

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Hello Grant County,
Well, fall is in the air, and aren't we lucky to live in Grant County where fall is an absolutely beautiful time of year!

Along with the cooler weather and leaves changing, fall also means that it is time for our Annual Chamber Installation Dinner.

This year's dinner will be held at the John Day Elks Lodge on Wednesday, October 2nd. Happy hour will be from 5-6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6 p.m. The menu will be either tri-tip or salmon, roasted red potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad bar, rolls and apple crisp for dessert. If you plan to attend, please call the chamber office (541-575-0547) and let us know if you want the tri-tip or salmon. We need to have a count for the cooks by September 25th.

We will be installing new board members Kim Randleas and Vicki Cunningham and introducing our new Executive Committee and current board members. Jack Southworth has agreed to be our Master of Ceremonies, and we will have several guest speakers presenting important information about "The Future of Grant County". We hope you plan to attend!

The new chamber committees have been appointed and are working hard. The new budget has been adopted and the Marketing Committee is developing an exciting new marketing plan for Grant County! Our Events Committee will be planning some fun events in the coming months, and the committee working on the Conestoga Wagon is working hard to update and improve the beautiful wagon at the Dixie View Point, just to name a few things we are doing.

Our coupon packets for our visitors have been completed and were given to the 80 Oregon Museum Curators who were here for their conference earlier this week.

First Friday for September was a carnival theme and was very well attended. It was a fun evening! Thanks to all of you who supported your participating downtown merchants. Next month will be the pumpkin hunt, so put it on your calendar and plan to attend!

The Downtown Merchants are planning a Halloween Haunt this year. How fun is that! There will be costume contests and treats for the kids from 3-8 p.m. on Halloween. The Corner Cup will light their fire pits and the town will be hopping! Stay tuned for more information about this fun event!

Our chamber meeting for this month was held on September 5th and, due to the installation dinner, our next meeting will be Thursday, October 17th.

If you're not a chamber member, please think about joining!

Happy fall!

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ODFW to radio-collar pronghorn antelope in southeast Oregon

Blue Mountain Eagle

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will capture 155 pronghorn antelope in the southeastern part of the state during the week of Sept. 22 in order to deploy GPS transmitters to identify migration patterns and winter range.

In partnership with federal agencies, ODFW wildlife biologists working under the U.S. Department of the Interior's Secretarial Order 3362, which aims to improve habitat quality in western big game winter range and migration corridors through this data-collection operation, according to a press release.

Since data are lacking for pronghorn movements across most of southeastern Oregon, this operation will provide important information in identifying where critical corridors occur on the landscape.

The timing of the project primarily falls after the archery deer and elk seasons but before the rifle deer season starts Sept. 28. Some hunters scouting for deer may see the capture crew operating in the Malheur, Harney and north Lake County areas. Hunters should be aware that low-flying helicopter flight patterns during this four-to-five-day period are targeting pronghorn for capture. ODFW and its contractors will work to avoid contacting deer hunters who are pre-season scouting in the area.

"We don't expect the helicopters to have an impact on hunters who are scouting," said Don Whittaker, ODFW ungulate coordinator. "Pronghorn and mule deer should be in different areas during this operation since the animals use different places on



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An Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife biologist radio-collars a pronghorn antelope.

the landscape. There are some exceptions such as Steens Mountain and the Trout Creek mountains, but as a whole, there won't be much overlap," added Whittaker.

Movement and migration corridors are important biological parameters for ungulate populations. These areas are best delineated using movement data collected from animals using GPS transmitters and modern, rigorous geospatial analyses.

While Secretarial Order 3362 recognizes the need for habitat improvement and conservation of migration corridors, more data are needed in Oregon to properly identify where critical corridors occur on the landscape.

In particular, data are lacking for pronghorn movements across most of southeastern Oregon. ODFW is currently collecting GPS data from hundreds of mule deer throughout their Eastern Oregon ranges that will facilitate identification of critical movement and migration corridors on all land ownerships, including the timing of migration and potential barriers.

The majority of pronghorn habitats in Oregon occur on BLM lands. Rigorous data documenting movement and migration corridors for pronghorn in Oregon is currently extremely limited.