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OWYHEE COUNTY PRIMARY ELECTION



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Perry Grant, Homedale, 1,015 votes
Jeff Eidemiller, Homedale, 339 votes
Jerry Laird, Marsing, 278 votes
Russ Turner, Bruneau, 95 votes
Note — Grant faces Richard Freund Nov. 6

DISTRICT 23 STATE LEGISLATURE Senate GOP

Bert Brackett, 3,009 votes Faces Bill Chisholm Nov. 6

Tim Corder, 2,230 votes

House of Representatives, Seat B GOP

Pete Nielsen, 2,225 votes Faces Pam Chiarella Nov. 6

Matthew Bundy, 1,498 votes Steven Millington, 1,044 votes

Note — Rich Wills ran unopposed for GOP Seat A nomination

Grant wins GOP nod for sheriff

Perry Grant was tabbed as the Republican nominee for Owyhee County Sheriff on Tuesday night with nearly 60 percent of the vote.

The current Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy prevailed over fellow Homedale resident Jeff Eidemiller, Marsing resident Jerry Laird and Bruneau's Russ Turner.

The 33-year-old garnered 1,015 votes (58.8 percent) with his next closest contender — Eidemiller — receiving 339 votes (19.6 percent).

"I would like to thank the voters for coming out, and a thank you to my supporters," Grant said from an election party. "I am grateful to have this opportunity and ability to go forward in the general election. I am just thankful.

"These were pretty big numbers, and I didn't expect this. 1,015 (votes) to 339 (votes), I had no idea I had that much support. I am pretty well humbled. I am privileged and honored to go forward."

Grant will face independent candidate and former OCSO Chief Deputy Richard "Dick" Freund in the Nov. 6 general election.

Tuesday's primary results are unofficial until the county commissioners' canvass. For election follow-up, read next week's Avalanche.

Some mail voters receive ballots too late

Melba levy passes

Owyhee County patrons were poised to reject Melba School District's one-year, \$275,000 supplemental levy, but voters in Ada and Canyon counties had the final word.

The measure passed, 445 yes to 339 no, with Owyhee patrons voting 88 yes and 103 no.

Canyon County carried the levy to victory, 327-215.

The district will use the levy proceeds and a \$90,000 reserve fund transfer to protect Melba schools from increasing class size and eliminating teaching positions.

Angel Walk 2012



Community steps up for Homedale family

Elementary school teacher Janel Van Dyke, right, wipes away a tear as her husband, Barry, holds their son, Bayler. The Van Dykes had just accepted a check from Homedale Middle School students as part of the fundraising effort in conjunction with Saturday's Angel Walk. For photos and more coverage of the event, see Page 9A

Some voters in Owyhee County's mail-in precincts didn't receive ballots in time to beat Tuesday's election deadline.

Exactly who's to blame depends on who you talk to.

Pleasant Valley resident Ann Rutan told The Owyhee Avalanche on Monday that she didn't receive a ballot until Saturday. She said some voters in the mail precincts of Three Creek and Riddle also experienced problems.

The County Clerk's office was supposed to send the ballots out between April 21 and May 1, but Charlotte Sherburn said her staff waited until the last possible moment to mail the ballots in attempt to receive

party affiliation declarations from individual voters. Sherburn said that she drove to the Jordan Valley post office on Thursday to mail ballots to those voters who hadn't returned declarations. She said those declarations, generated by the Secretary of State's office, weren't received in Murphy until April 30 – one day before the clerk's deadline to mail ballots.

The Republican Party's closed primary forced a change in voting law that required every Idaho voter to declare their party affiliation.

Secretary of State chief deputy Tim Hurst said anyone who didn't declare an affiliation should have received a non-partisan judicial ballot and an unaffiliated ballot, which would have listed candidates from all parties except the GOP. He also said that the declaration forms were mailed to the county clerks well before April 30.

"By delaying as long as possible, the county clerk was trying to help the voters," Hurst said. "She just waited too long."

There are 100 mail-in precincts throughout the state, Hurst said. The only complaint came from Owyhee.

According to 2010 registration records, there were 147 voters in the county's three mail precincts. Sherburn said her office received

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53rd Big Loop events start Friday

The Big Loop returns to Jordan Valley on Friday after an 11th-hour cancellation a year ago.

The 53rd annual rodeo and community event starts with the namesake competition, the Big Loop, and team roping on Friday afternoon. Admission to the first day of action is free.

The rodeo, for which entries closed Wednesday, gets going at 1:30 p.m. each day on Saturday and Sunday.

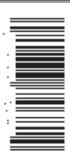
All events take place at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds.

Admission on Saturday and Sunday is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 6-13. Children

younger than 6 get in free.

According to the event's website, the Saturday and Sunday event lineup beings and ends with the Big Loop contest, which Wannie Mackenzie and Ira Walker won in 2010.

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Homedale woman faces grand theft, forgery charges

HPD conflicts case to Canyon; suspect linked to city councilman

A 23-year-old Homedale woman is being charged with two felony counts of grand theft along with two forgery charges stemming from an investigation centered at a Homedale nursing home.

Ida Delgadillo was formally charged with four felonies, including two counts each of grand theft by possessing stolen property and forgery for an alleged offense that occurred in December at Owyhee Health and Rehab.

According to court records, charges were filed in Canyon County court on March 6.

The Homedale Police Department forwarded the criminal complaint to the Canyon County Sheriff's Office "due to a conflict of interest", Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said. Delgadillo lives with Homedale City Councilman Aaron Tines, and they are the parents of a young boy.

According to the probable cause statement filed in January, two bank checks of a resident of OHR, where Delgadillo worked at the time, were stolen and forged. The checks were made out to Daniel Matlock and subsequently cashed at U.S. Bank locations in Caldwell and Nampa.

The report states that Delgadillo admitted in an interview that "she had possession of a blank check" that belonged to the OHR resident. According to the



Delgadillo

report, she said an OHR "housekeeper" gave her the checks.

After a handwriting analysis, the CCSO deputy concluded "it is probable the payee line and alphabetical line" of one of the checks stolen was written by Delgadillo. The same comparison showed "highly probable" evidence that she wrote another check.

Delgadillo faces a June 4 preliminary hearing before magistrate Judge Juneal C. Kerrick. A jury trial is set for July 24 before James C. Morfitt in Canyon County.

"(Delgadillo) was in possession of stolen property, bank checks on an account of a victim," Canyon assistant prosecuting attorney Gregory Swanson said. "I think the safest way (to say it) is that we are in negotiations, and that is as far as I can go. There has been no resolution to the case at this point."

Matlock, 33 of Caldwell was originally charged with two forgery counts and entered a guilty plea for one of the charges on April 30. The other forgery charge was dismissed. --JLZ

HPD encourages residents to be mindful when wiring money

Law enforcement looking for tips on elementary school vandalism

When a family member is in need, wiring money to help with car repairs, medical expenses and even to post bail has become commonplace, but the Homedale Police Department is encouraging residents to be mindful when making transactions involving the transfer of money.

Because of the watchful eye of a bank teller, an elderly Homedale resident kept control of their money and personal information on Friday after they were about to wire money to a foreign country to purportedly bail a family member

Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller explained how scam artists target residents and more specifically the elderly:

The scammer will call numbers they find online and pretend to be a grandson or granddaughter and ask the person who answers, "Do you know who this is?". When they get a name of the family member, they will say something horrible has happened and ask for money to be wired to them.

"This is sad because our seniors are trusting people and they take people for their word and there are people out there that prey on the generosity of others," Eidemiller said. "Never, ever base the decision to wire money solely on a phone call unless you are absolutely positive it is who they say they are."

Eidemiller said that HPD receives "fairly regular" calls dealing with fraud and residents being asked to wire money and confirm Social Security and bank account numbers.

"If someone claims to be a family member and is asking to wire money, don't take their word for it," Eidemiller said. "Ask them a specific question about the family that would identify them. Even if it is a legitimate thing and you have to send money, send it via a cashiers check.

"Don't send your bank account number, especially if it is a foreign country. The chances of being victimized go up 100-fold, and you can be flat broke in a couple of hours."

Eidemiller suggested that if residents receive calls from a "family" member who claims to be in jail, find out what jail they are in and where they are and a phone number where they can be reached. He encourages people to either call the jail or contact law enforcement to find out if the family member is in fact in jail.

"Call the police department and make sure you get the details about why they are in jail," Eidemiller

said. "Even if they are in jail, it can be a fairly common scam with online arrest records. Through dispatch services we can verify if that person is in jail and if they are who they say they are."

Homedale Elementary School vandalized

On Monday morning, the Homedale Police Department responded to a vandalism call at Homedale Elementary School.

The playground equipment on the east side of the school had been spray-painted with graffiti.

"It would appear that someone with too much time on their hands did this," Eidemiller said. "It appears that it happened over the weekend sometime, and HPD is continuing to investigate and anyone with information is encouraged to call."

Vandalism has been a somewhat-common occurrence at the elementary school in the past year, Eidemiller said. In 2011, the school had numerous windows broken with rocks and a school district van vandalized.

"Call the police if you see suspicious activity," Eidemiller said. "The residents have the right to remain anonymous when they call. If it looks suspicious, give us a call."

To report suspicious activity, call HPD at (208) 337-4642 or the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office dispatch at (208) 495-1154.

— JLZ

Homedale seniors serving breakfast again

The Homedale Senior Center will close the month of May with a couple fundraising events.

The first is the new monthly breakfast on Saturday.

The all-vou-can-eat meal costs \$6 per plate and will be served from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho

On Saturday, May 26, the center will host the second dance of the month. As with the breakfast, the dance is open to reserve a time for the foot clinic

all ages and proceeds go to help with the operating expenses of the senior center.

Admission for the dance is \$4, and attendees are asked to bring finger food to share. Live music will be provided by the Elvie Thomas Band from Adrian.

The center's monthly foot clinic will be held on Tuesday. The cost is \$10, and appointments are necessary.

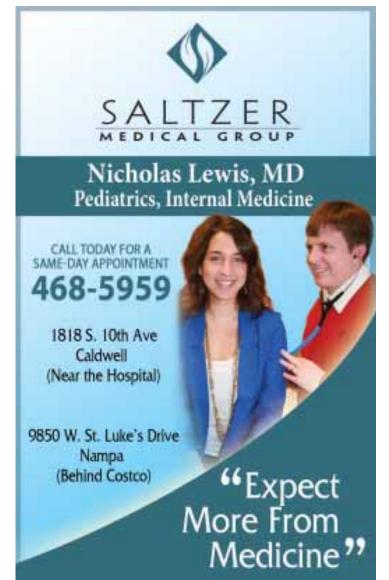
Call the center at 337-3020 to

or for more information on any events or activities.

The congregate meal is served at noon Tuesday through Thursday.

The senior center will be closed on Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.

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Award-winning teacher helps HHS students communicate through poetry

Healthy relationships advocacy group honors Garcia

While a group of her students got "messy", Homedale High School English teacher Melinda Garcia was honored at the Chalk HeART Challenge in Boise.

Garcia was named the Poetry Teacher of the Year in the state of Idaho and presented an award while four of her students took part in a live art competition at the Boise Art Museum.

The Center for Healthy Teen Relationships sponsored the teacher of the year honor Garcia earned "for her extraordinary commitment and passion for teaching poetry", according to the award.

Garcia's poetry students have submitted work for the Love What's Real writing contest every year since 2009. This year, Angel Salazar won the state competition, and he read his winning poem to the crowd of supporters at the BAM event on May 1.

The Chalk HeART Challenge featured teams of students from schools throughout the Treasure Valley making art creations on the spot. Their creations illustrated select poems from the 2012 anthology from the Love What's Real contest.

Ismahel Mendoza was one HHS entry at Chalk HeART; the second team consisted of Elizabeth Albor, Stephanie Hurtado and Brenda Vega.

"Our art teams did not win any prizes, sadly," Garcia said, "but they had a lot of fun getting messy and work with chalk in a live event."

Mendoza and Salazar went on Spanish-language radio station 9.83 FM La Mejor on May 5 to talk about their work.

Led by Salazar, three of Garcia's students swept the top honors in this year's poetry contest, which featured more than 1,600 submissions from high school students around the state.

"For these incomparable results and the unequaled dedication and enthusiasm that Ms. Garcia contributes as well as the commitment to building healthy teen relationships, we applaud and thank her for her efforts," the award reads.

In all, 74 Homedale entries have been published in the anthology since 2009. The judging is blind, so none of the judges know the names or schools for each entry.

"I think the judges really like our particular style of writing," Garcia said.

"Homedale students are taught to capture mature poignant sentiments with concrete sensory detail, which works well with this contest because they're trying to have kids articulate what healthy relationships look like in ordinary, everyday life."

Through her work, Garcia also tries to break down barriers between her students and the art of poetry, a medium highschoolers don't always accept.

"We work hard all year to break though misconceptions about poetry and rid our writing of cliché and vague language," she said. "Many students come into my class their sophomore year dreading the poetry lessons, but by the end, they are usually surprised about how much they've grown as writers and how much they enjoy creative writing."

Garcia, whose married to formerly deployed National Guardsman Juan Garcia and is the mother of 2-year-old Che, is in her 11th year teaching at HHS. She majored in Writing/Literature at George Fox University and earned her Masters of Teacher Education at Easter University. She grew up on a cattle ranch in Joseph, Ore.

She's taught English to every grade at the high school during her tenure. Nowadays, she teaches sophomores and two senior classes. She also teaches two honors classes, including one that offers concurrent credit through Boise State University.

Garcia's work with the sophomores plays a part



Melinda Garcia, left, was named the Poetry Teacher of the Year at the Chalk HeART Challenge earlier this month. Submitted photo

in preparation for the Idaho Standardized Achievement Test.

"From a curriculum standpoint, poetry is an excellent way to combine various state standards and district goals," she said. "Students don't know it, but they're studying for the ISAT when they're adding similes, hyperbole, assonance, etc., to their work.

"I think people learn more when they're required to produce something on their own, so it helps students grow cognitively and build their higher order thinking skills."

But poetry in Garcia's class is about more than meeting standards.

"Perhaps just as important are the social and psychological benefits," she said. "Students are often struggling with issues, and poetry becomes a wonderful platform through which they can express themselves and process their emotions and memories. More than once, a student poem has brought me to tears."

— JPB

Marsing Senior Center plans a dance

The Marsing Senior Center will hold a senior citizens dance Saturday as a fundraiser for operational costs.

The dance takes place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the senior center, 218 Main St. There will be live music from A Touch of Country.

A donation of \$4 per person will be requested and attendees are asked to bring finger foods to share.

For more information, call the senior center at 896-4634.

The center is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday.





Grants could turn GV's Goodman Oil Co. into RV park

Grand View is looking to its past for a glimpse at what the future could hold.

The city has applied for a series of grants to study and clean up the old Goodman Oil Co. location with hopes of building an RV park on the Snake River.

"It's about a half-acre right on the river. It's prime," Grand View first-term mayor Tammy Payne said. "Like Homedale, we're prime to have fishermen to come down and launch boats from all over the area."

The boat launch is about a block from the Goodman location.

The former gas station and mechanic's garage hasn't been in operation for about two decades, and current owner Royce Goodman — the grandson of the man who brought the service station online nearly 70 years ago — has agreed to lease the site to the city for \$1 for 50 years.

"The long and the short of it is it just has become kind of rundown, and some people see it as a blight on the city's commerce area," Payne said.

Earlier this month, the Idaho Department of Commerce awarded a \$50,000 Idaho Gem Grant to help pay for the reclamation project.

Payne said before the city signs a lease with Goodman and begins the RV park project, a two-phase Brownfields site assessment must be carried out to analyze if there are any environmental hurdles to repurposing the ground.

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality already has agreed to award two grants totaling \$46,000 to search for and identify what contaminants may be present. Those studies also will give the city an idea of how much it will cost to clean up the site.

"Once we get the assessment back, assuming it's not a huge, huge expense to the city, then we'll take possession of the property," Payne said. "We want to do these assessments to be well-informed in what we are receiving."

The \$50,000 grant would be used to clean up the site and build the park.

The five percent match requirement for the Gem Grant would come from in-kind contributions from city crew, the Goodman family, US Ecology Idaho and Idaho Power.

Payne said US Ecology has committed a \$10,000 donation to haul any hazardous waste to its Grand View-area storage facility.

It's unclear if there are undergrounds fuel tanks still at the site, which also served as an oil distribution center.

Idaho Power has agreed to let the city glean ideas off blueprints from its recent renovation at C.J. Strike Reservoir-area campgrounds.

"We have enough in-kind from the city crew, DEQ and US Ecology to do the cleanup," Payne said. "Then we'll use the balance of the \$50,000 to do the

Work to build the RV park includes concrete pads, electrical fixtures and laying sod.

Payne also said that the city still intends to complete work on the town's boat ramp. The project was delayed because of high water on the Snake River

Experts may examine Grand View's economic needs

The Gem Grant to build a RV park near the Grand View's grocery stores, restaurants and other retail outlets isn't the only vehicle available to help jumpstart Grand View's economy.

Mayor Tammy Payne announced that the Idaho Rural Partnership (IRP) is working to secure funding for a community review for Owyhee County's smallest incorporated city.

"It's an economic assessment as well as an infrastructure assessment," Payne said.

The town's first-term mayor said Grand View native Mike Field, IRP executive director, called with the news that the review is possible.

The quest for a community review features teamwork from Payne, Field and another Owyhee County native, Kerrie Hurd, who is as community development specialist and public affairs liaison for the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development. The daughter of the late Art Trogdon, Hurd grew up in Homedale.

USDA RD funding makes the community review possible. Hurd said Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) applications continue to roll in and a final

She also said another

community project — extending

the sidewalk along Idaho

highway 167 an additional 300

feet — will be first in line for the

"That's truly been the

— JPB

community that has done that

work," she said.

volunteers in the community.

last year.

decision on recipients is expected in early June.

"It really is an honor," Hurd said of the ability to give back to small communities like the one in which she was raised. "I can't give you in words how it feels."

Teaming up with IRP and Field, who is the son of former Idaho state representative Frances Field, creates a nexus of public and private sector entities to help build opportunities in rural Idaho.

"The cool thing about Mike being at Idaho Rural Partnership is we get a cross-section of anybody who's trying to do anything in rural Idaho.

"If one of us doesn't have the resource, we have all these partners to come to our aid."

If the federal funding comes in, Grand View could see a daylong community review early next year. Field said experts donate their time to visit the towns and make an analysis.

"We figure after all the grants, it's over \$50,000 per community that they can use for in-kind matches on other grants," Field

Grand View's in-kind benefit could be smaller, though.

Payne is optimistic about the

grant — and the subsequent

"It's tentatively scheduled for February 2013 so that we can do some long-term planning,"

"It will give us some baseline data so that we know where we're at currently and so we can start doing some visioning and start doing some planning in the community as far as economic development."

The review's aim is helping the community prepare for expanding its economic development and identify "other needs that would under a community satisfaction review", she said.

Payne said the review and other economic development projects are small parts of achieving a better future for the city.

"One step at a time," she said. "We're just looking forward to what this little community has to offer because it is a great

"I think sometimes at this end of the county, we just don't speak up enough about everything that we have to celebrate, and I think this gives us an opportunity to celebrate ourselves a little bit more."

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Big Loop: Events ramp up

Other competitions set for Saturday and Sunday include stock saddle brone, calf roping, junior steer riding, team roping, cow riding, senior and junior division barrel racing and bull riding.

Homedale silversmith Delwyne Trefz has crafted this year's championship buckles, and the all around trophies were donated by George Michel and Tex and Agnes Payne Memorial.

The winning Big Loop team will be awarded saddles donated by rodeo board, Intermountain Community Bank, Pruett Tire and Lumber, Walt Morgan Memorial, WT Bruce Photography and MGM Contractors and Superior Livestock Auction.

Fundraisers held in conjunction

with the Big Loop include:

- The Lions Club dance will be held inside the Jordan Valley High School gymnasium Friday and Saturday nights. Admission is \$7 each night, and Buckin' Country is listed as the featured band.
- A parade set to start at 11 a.m. Sunday from the St. Bernard's Parish Hall. Call Mike Hanley at (541) 588-2216 for information on participating.
- The Jordan Valley Booster Club's tri-tip barbecue, which is served after Saturday's rodeo
- · The buckaroo breakfast served from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Sunday
- · Cowboy church, which is set for 9 a.m. Sunday at the high

√ **Ballots:** Mailed to voters after deadline

only 74 declarations for the 2012 primary from those precincts. Forty-four came from Pleasant Valley, she said.

"Until we got this form back. we didn't know which ballot to send them," Sherburn said. Hurst said the law established no deadline for voters to return declarations

Deputy elections clerk Jamie Wylie said she refrained from sending non-partisan ballots in case voters filed declarations at the 11th hour. She said sending a non-partisan ballot to undeclared voters would have caused a legal

"We would have sent the non-

partisan out alone, but we can't get two affidavit envelopes back in from the same person," she said. "It would be like they voted twice."

Sherburn said there was confusion among voters who had made party declarations during the Republican Party Presidential Caucus.

"We tried everything we could to make it work, and it still worked," she said. "There were just some angry people out there.

"They felt that when they affiliated at the caucus that was the end of it."

A state elections spokesperson said Tuesday night that even if a person had registered at

the caucus, they still needed to complete the affiliation form in order for county clerks to know which primary ballot to send. A registered Republican could have requested a Democratic or unaffiliated ballot.

The situation has left Rutan livid. She feels disenfranchised because she and her husband David didn't have ample time to exercise their right to vote and mail the affidavit back to Murphy.

Sherburn said mail-in precinct voters had the option to drop their ballot off in Murphy until 8 p.m. on Tuesday.

— JPB

HMS preps for year-end salute to students

Summer vacation is near, and Homedale Middle School students ready to mark the end of another school year.

HMS holds its awards assembly and talent show on Friday inside the school's auditorium at 3437 Johnstone

At 10 a.m., the fifth- and sixth-

graders will receive awards and show off their talents. The seventh- and eighth-graders have their time in the spotlight beginning at 2 p.m.

The last day of school is Tuesday, and there will be an early release. The eighth-grade graduation ceremony will be held at 6 that night.

Meyers Memorial 5-10K targets breast, ovarian cancer fight

Event runs Friday between Bruneau, Grand View

There are only three days left Program. to enter the second annual Ray Meyers Memorial 10K.

The entry fee is \$20 for an individual and \$35 for a family of four. Entries will be accepted the day of the event, which begins at 9 a.m. Friday at Grand View Elementary School.

Bruneau and Grand View school district students can participate in the race for free, but are asked to collected pledges totaling at least \$10.

The 10-kilometer and 5-kilometer race routes end at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School on Idaho highway 78 in Bruneau where a health fair will be set up, games will be offered and lunch will be served.

The eventorganized by Bruneau and Grand View Elementary schools in coordination with the Bruneau-Grand View District's Coordinated School Health

Proceeds for the fundraiser held in honor of former school board member Ray Meyers benefit operation of the Bruneau-Grand View School District's elementary schools and a startup fund for the 2013 RMM10K. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds also will be donated to foundations fighting ovarian and breast cancer and leukemia.

In addition to the run, breakfast will be served beginning at 7:30 a.m. on Friday. The cost is \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children not enrolled in the Bruneau-Grand View district.

Race registration checks should be made payable to Bruneau Elementary School.

For more information on the event, call Bruneau Elementary at (208) 845-2492 or Grand View Elementary at (208) 834-

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Second-half property tax bills go out Friday

expect their second-half tax bills to arrive in the mail next week.

Owyhee County Treasurer Brenda Richards said Monday that her office will send out second-half notices Friday for those property owners who didn't pay their bills in full in December.

The balance of 2011 property

County property owners can tax bills is due by Wednesday, June 20.

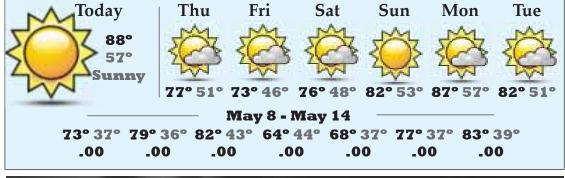
> Landowners can pay property taxes by credit card, but there is a 2.75 percent non-refundable convenience fee, which is paid to Access Idaho, not the county.

> County Assessor Brett Endicott recently announced that 2012 property assessment

notices (which are not bills) will be heading to property owners soon, too.

The Board of Equalization will hear assessment appeals during the first three weeks of

Once the appeal process is completed, the treasurer's office will mail out 2012 property tax bills in November.





Birthdays

Former Marsing mailcarrier to mark 90th

Former longtime Owyhee County resident Ruby Kiester-Young will celebrate her 90th birthday on Sunday, May 27, 2012 in Redmond, Ore.

Ruby was born in Redmond on May 26, 1922 to Andrew and Bertha Hill and relocated to the Lone Tree area near Nampa then to Riverside.

She married Howard Kiester in 1942, and they homesteaded in the Jump Creek community until 1984. Ruby then married Chuck Young and lived in the Opaline community before making her home in Marsing for 16 years. She moved in with her daughter, Diann, in Redmond in 2010.

While in Owyhee County, Ruby enjoyed her rural mailcarrier job in the Marsing community for over 20 years, friendships new and old and her expanding family.

She kept a daily journal of her life almost 80 years and was able to





Ruby Kiester-Young holding her great-granddaughter, Ruby Ray Ann Gentis, born March 30.

look back to any relevant date. She documented the times they first had electricity in their homestead home and when the baby got his first shoes. She can tell you when the team of horses ran away and what it was like to "shake"

potato vines for the pickers and how many pies she made for the summer harvest crews.

Her neighbors included the Cossels, Kiesters, Hills, Wixoms, Stewarts, Meiningers, Malmbergs, Churrucas and Johnstons friendships that have lasted a lifetime and memories that will last forever.

Ruby had four children: Allen (Trish) Kiester, who live in Pine; Ron (Carol) Kiester who live in Marsing; Diann Kiester-Gentis, who lives in Redmond, Oregon; and her daughter-in-law (Jim) Caroline Kiester, who lives in Nampa, Idaho. She is proud to tell you about her 13 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and eight great-great grandchildren.

If you would like to call Ruby, she can be reached at (541) 548-2752 or mail her at 241 NW Canyon Drive, Redmond, OR 97756.

Schultz celebrates 90th birthday

Family and friends of Ed Schultz are invited to celebrate his 90th birthday on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Schultz's party will be held at the Garden Apartments, 409 S.

1st St. W., in Homedale. Cake, coffee and punch will be served. No gifts please.

For more information, call Steve at (208) 318-6526 or Tony at (208) 896-5355.



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Anniversary





Ruth and Cal Martin, 1952

Cal and Ruth Martin, today

Adrian couple to celebrate 60th anniversary in Nyssa

Adrian residents Cal and Ruth Ave., Nyssa, Ore. Martin will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house hosted by their family.

The celebration takes place from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, May 19, 2012 at the Owyhee Community Church, 871 Owyhee

The Martins were married on May 16, 1952 in Winnemucca.

They have made their home and raised their family at Owyhee Junction in Adrian.

No gifts please.

Open house tonight for former MHS teacher

An open house is being held for a longtime Marsing High School teacher who now lives in Maine today in Caldwell.

Dorothy Dinsmore, who taught at MHS from 1968 to 1990, is visiting Idaho this week. Former students and family friends are invited to attend the open

The event will take place this afternoon from 4 to 7 at the home of Kate Stancliff, 824 W. Logan St. in Caldwell.

School menus

Homedale Elementary

May 16: Crispito or toasted cheese sandwich, taco salad, fruit, churro May 17: Pizza or popcorn chicken, tossed salad, fruit, cookie

May 18: Class picnic. Hamburger or hotdog, potato chips, apple,

May 21-22: Cook's choice

Homedale Middle and High and Marsing

May 16-22: Cook's choice

Bruneau-Grand View

May 16: Chicken wrap, fried rice, stir fry veggies, mandarin oranges, chocolate cake

May 17: Taco salad, fruit salad, bread sticks

May 18: Wrap or uncrustable, chips, cheese stick, carrots, apple,

May 22: Weiner wraps, wedges, tossed salad, fruit

May 23: Cook's choice

COSSA

May 16: Navajo taco, lettuce & tomato, refried beans, fresh fruit

May 17: Grilled ham/cheese sandwich, chips, veggies, applesauce

May 18: Meatball sub, pasta salad, salad, mandarin oranges

May 21: Baked mac & cheese w/ham, steamed broccoli, bread, fruit medley

May 22: Philly steak sandwich, baked fries, salad w/dressing, pears May 23: Taco salad, lettuce & tomato, refried beans, fresh fruit

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

May 16: Sausage & biscuits, gravy, potatoes, carrots

May 17: Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, beets, bread

May 22: Pork chow mein, fried rice, stir fry vegetables

May 23: Tuna salad, lettuce & tomato, bread

Rimrock Senior Center

May 17: Tuna noodle casserole, vegetables, cole slaw, lemon roll, custard, juice

May 22: Spaghetti, vegetable, tossed salad, French bread, juice, strawberry/ rhubarb cobbler

Local musicians bring folksy mix to Marsing

calling themselves "Dave Mangum and Friends" will present a concert at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene on Sunday.

The fee concert is open to the public and takes place at 11 a.m. on Sunday, and the church is located at 12 S. 2nd Ave. W.

The group plays a variety that informal leader Dave Mangum calls "a little bit bluegrass, a little bit folk, a little bit country and

A group of six musicians a little bit gospel, and all about live instruments, harmonious vocals and the amazing grace and mercy of Jesus."

> The band, with one exception, has been playing and singing together for about seven years.

> Mangum is a retired elementary school teacher who coached volleyball, track and field and basketball at Melba High School. The athletic track ringing the school's football field is named for him.

"These highly talented vocalists and musicians are committed to music presented with close harmony and technical perfection," Marsing Church of the Nazarene pastor Bill O'Connor said. "They work hard at their craft, and their music is chosen to touch the heart and lift the spirit.

"I'm delighted to share their musical message with our congregation and our community neighbors and friends."

Homedale summer reading program nears

Registration begins next Wednesday for the Homedale Public Library's Summer Reading Program.

As with last year, the program will cater to two age groups on each Friday in June. There will be activities for children ages 4-9 and ages 10-17.

Both programs will be held at 10:30 a.m. each week.

The younger children's program themes are:

- June 1 "Wishes"
- June 8 "Dreams"
- June 15 "Night Owls"
- •June 22 "Night Adventures"

The older kids' program themes include:

• June 1 — "We Own the Night"

• June 8 — "Know the Night" • June 15 — "Keeping the

"Night •June 22 — Adventures'

Each session will last about an hour, and there will be prizes to be won, prize drawings and snacks.

On June 22, Meridian resident Corbin Maxey, the "Reptile Guy", will give a presentation on the cold-blooded animals — complete with live exhibits — for both age groups.

For more information, call 337-4228 and ask for Diane Williams, Sara Martin or Laryssa Takashige.

The library is open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

Birthday Monsters to invade Story Time

Story Time attendees should be prepared to party Friday when Birthday Monsters is the featured story at the Homedale Public Library.

Story Time is set for 10:15

Crafts and snacks also are part of the program.

For more information, call the library at 337-4228.

alendar

Today

Bruneau Valley Library preschool program

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

Preschool story time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690 weekday afternoons

El-Ada commodity distribution

11 a.m. to noon, across from Marsing Senior Center, Marsing. (208) 337-4812

Homedale Youth Football Camp

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., \$25 entry fee due by April 27, open to grades 2-8, Deward Bell Stadium, Homedale. (208) 412-7398

After-school program

3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-3464

Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting

6 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 721 Roosevelt Ave., Grand View

Thursday

Vision Church food distribution

2 p.m. to 4 p.m., donations welcome, Vision Church, 221 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-

Homedale Youth Football Camp

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., \$25 entry fee due by April 27, open to grades 2-8, Deward Bell Stadium, Homedale. (208) 412-7398

Friends of the Lizard Butte Library board meeting

6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing, ID 83639

Bruneau-Grand View School Board meeting

7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School music room, 39678 State Hwy 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2253

Friday

HMS fifth- and sixth-grade awards assembly

10 a.m., Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road

HMS seventh- and eighth-grade awards assembly

2 p.m., Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road

Three Creek School kindergarten graduation

7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

Monday

Board of County Commissioners meeting

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

Knit and crochet session

1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2213

Tuesday, May 22

HIVIS eignth-grade graduation

6 p.m., Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.

HMS eighth-grade graduation

6 p.m., Homedale Middle School gymnasium, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale

Wednesday, May 23

Bruneau Valley Library preschool program

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., ages 2-4, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-

Preschool story time

10:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690 weekday

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the "Calendar of Events" link on the left-hand side of the page.

Submit information on upcoming fundraisers, meetings, reunions or community events to The Owyhee Avalanche by noon Fridays for inclusion in the calendar. Drop off press releases at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale, mail them to P.O. Box 97, Homedale, ID 83628, fax them to (208) 337-4867 or e-mail them to jon@owyheeavalanche.com (an e-mail link also is available on our Web site). For more information on submissions, call (208) 337-4681

Old Sayings When I hear a phrase that local people use I like to try and find its origin. For example, several different times I heard Frank Swisher use the term "She's a greener," and John Wayne used it in several western movies. Both men used it to describe something that performed well. I found out later that a firm named Greener made firearms that functioned so well that the phrase "She's a Greener evolved." Sometimes I would hear old timers say that they were "pulling freight" for someplace. It simply met that they were moving camp or location and taking their belongings with them by wagon. As time passed, just going somewhere came to mean pulling freight Local people used to refer to the 70-mile distant Snake River Valley as "The Valley." When the Oregon Short Line passed through "The Valley" in 1884, they began saying, "I'm going to the railroad." Today, the younger generation have reverted back to the old name when they go for business or shopping trips to the Snake River Valley, which points out the fact that the railroad is no longer considered as vital to their well-being as it was in the pre-automobile age. Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordan Valley. Excerpts in this column come from his various books, which are on sale at The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale. Visit www.owyheeavalanche.com for a list of available titles, including Hanley's Owyhee Graffiti, Sagebrush & Axle Grease (with Omer Stanford), Tales of the I.O.N. Country and Journal of Michael F. Hanley IV.

Owyhee Graffiti

Bet You Didn't Know What's in a name: Infamy for Nixon and Clinton

first U.S. President whose name contains all the letters from the word "criminal." William Jefferson Clinton is the second.

A Hawaiian stamp of 1851 with a face value of 2 cents was the sole reason Gaston Leroux, a Parisian philatelist, murdered its owner, Hector Giroux.

Lawsuits filed by California inmates cost the taxpayers more than \$25 million in 1994.

Archduke Karl Ludwig (1833-1896), brother of the Austrian emperor, was a man of such piety that on a trip to the Holy Land, he insisted on drinking from the River Jordan, despite warnings that it would make him fatally ill. He died within a few weeks.

Peter Karpin, a German espionage agent in World War I, was seized by

Richard Milhous Nixon was the French Intelligence agents in 1914 as soon as he entered the country. Keeping his capture a secret, the French sent faked reports from Karpin to Germany and intercepted the agent's wages and expense money until Karpin escaped in 1917. With those funds the French purchased an automobile, which, in 1919, in occupied Rurh, accidentally ran down and killed a man, who proved to be Peter Karpin.

> When police arrived in Appleton, Wis., to remove a woman's children because of a complaint that she had given her 11-year-old daughter a "swirlie" (Holding her head in a flushing toilet), the woman reportedly said, "I haven't had a vacation in 13 years, go ahead and take them!"

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Janel Van Dyke, left, and Barry Van Dyke walk with their 6-year-old son Bayler through the intersection of Main Street and Idaho Avenue in Homedale during the Angel Walk on Saturday. Proceeds from this year's Angel Walk went to help the Homedale family cover their medical expenses for Bayler who has cerebral palsy.

Organizers thrilled with turnout for this year's event

Decked out in their lime green shirts, the Van Dyke family along with nearly 500 other walkers, runners and bike-riding children hit the streets of Homedale for the second annual Angel Walk on Saturday.

This year's event, helped raise money for 6-year-old Bayler Van Dyke and his family as they work to improve his quality of life as he struggles with cerebral palsy.

"It was a great turnout. We came up with around 500 people," Michelle Larzelier said. "Everything was very smooth after having a year under our belt."

Larzelier, who serves as one of the event organizers, said before expenses, the walk raised nearly \$13,000 to help Bayler and his family purchase much-needed medical devices and equipment to help with the kindergartner's needs.

"The community support was outstanding," Larzelier said. "The Van Dyke family seemed to be overwhelmed with the amount of people that were there. With the community and people that don't even know them coming out to support them, I don't know if there is a better word than overwhelmed."

As with last year's walk, Homedale Elementary School students collected pledges from individuals unable to participate in the walk. This year, fourth-grader Nadia



The Van Dyke family, from left, Brantyn, Barry, Bayler, Janel, Jayda and Jalyn listen to the Homedale High School band prior to the start of the Angel Walk on Saturday in Homedale.

the event.

"It is really powerful that what started as a child with cancer and the moms in our group thinking 'this could be our baby that has cancer' has developed into this in only two years," Larzelier said. "People want to help turn out to help.

"It isn't just the people who showed up, but all those Garza and kindergarten student Jose Lomeli pulled in who prayed for the walk and sent in money and offered

the most pledges and won bicycles, which they rode in their support in other ways that makes this so special. That is a testament to the community that we live in."

> Larzelier said organizers are already beginning to get next year's walk planned and working with "the strong contacts" they made during this year's event.

'We will start planning a little sooner this year," others, and if you give them an opportunity, they will Larzelier said. "The great thing about all of this is that we have a great group of ladies, and they all work so hard to make this happen. It is a solid group."

--JLZ



Children lead the charge during the start of the Angel Walk held in Homedale on Saturday. Nearly 500 participants descended on the streets of Homedale to offer support and help raise money for the Van Dyke family. Check The Owyhee Avalanche website for more photos from Saturday's event

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Payette ends Trojans' season again

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012

Marsing qualifies school's largest contingent for state track meet

Huskies set to compete in 16 events with 15 athletes

The Marsing High School track and field team will have a packed roster as they embark for the 2A state meet on Thursday.

With 15 students qualifying in 16 events, Marsing coach Jim Eisentrager is "super proud" of how well the students performed on Friday and Saturday in New Plymouth at the District III meet.

"I am so proud of my team," Eisentrager said. "They have worked really hard all season overcoming sore muscles, injury and a dirt track to train on. For us to make this big of a showing at State is really impressive."

In all, the Huskies racked up three district championships in the two-day meet.

Jason Galligan set a MHS record and a personal record in the high jump with a 6-foot, 1-inch leap. Andrea Rodriguez snagged first in

the shot put with a 32-foot 81/4-inch toss. The boys' sprint medley team of Mariano Estrada, Miguel Leon, Raul Garcia and Tristan Jacobi wrapped up the district title and a school record nearly two seconds ahead of Nampa Christian, crossing the line at 3:47.80.

For the girls, Rodriguez also qualified in the discus with a fourth-place finish with a 91-9 throw. Shannon Malmberg will compete at State in the 100-meter hurdles and 100-meter dash. Ofelia Herrera finished the 3,200 with a

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Four Trojans heading to state track

High jumpers Abbott, Bayes make return trips

Junior Ali Abbott is the only Homedale High School athlete qualified for two events in the 3A track and field state championship meet, which begins Friday in Eagle.

Abbott made the field for the final track and field competition of the school year with a pair of thirdplace finishes. It will be her second straight trip to the big meet.

Another junior, Emilee Hann, collected one of Homedale's two silver medals during last week's

3A District III meet at Deward Bell Stadium. She'll also compete at the state meet, which will be held Friday and Saturday at Eagle High School, 574 N. Park Lane.

In all, four members of coach Thomas Thomas' Homedale squad qualified for the state meet, which is being held away from Bronco Stadium for the first time

Other HHS state meet competitors will include seniors

in years.

Bodie Hyer and Seth Bayes in the



Homedale's Seth Bayes competes during the high jump last week during the 3A District III meet at Deward Bell Stadium.

boys' meet. This will be Bayes' second straight trip to State.

Abbott snagged a couple of bronze medals at the district meet, which was held at the Trojans' track on Wednesday and Thursday.

Hann beat Abbott for second place in the high jump, prevailing in a jump-off after the teammates had both successfully cleared 4 feet, 6 inches in the regular competition.

Fruitland's Sarah Moore, a senior, won the high jump championship with a 4-10 effort.

This is Abbott's second State appearance in the high jump. She was 14th a year ago with a 4-6

Abbott also qualified for State with a third-place distance of 15-11 in the girls' long jump. Payette's Harlee Ransom, a sophomore, won the district title at 17-81/2.

Hyer is Homedale's lone qualifier in track events. He made the grade with a third-place time in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles. The senior ran a 44.04 race, while Payette senior Joseph Bolin won with a time of 41.24.

Another senior, Bayes was ilver medalist in the boys' high jump, finishing two inches beyond district champion Michael Frey, a senior from Payette who went 6 feet. Last year, Bayes tied for ninth at the state meet after clearing

The top three individuals in each event final earned passage to the state meet. Only the top relay teams qualified for State.

The Homedale boys' 4x400 relay squad finished third in 3 minutes, 43.64 seconds, and the Trojans girls' 4x200 quartet was third in 2:01.34.

Weiser swept the team titles after Thursday's final day of the district meet. Homedale finished fifth in both standings, scoring 26 points in the girls' competition and 21 on the boys' side.



opening round of the 3A State Golf Tournament at the Preston Golf and Country Club in Preston on Monday morning.

Photo courtesy of Ryan Talbot

Maggard finishes first day of state golf six strokes behind leader

Homedale High School's Reed Maggard finished Monday's first day of the 3A State Golf Tournament six strokes behind the tournament leader on Monday at the Preston Golf and Country Club in Preston.

Maggard — who finished one stroke behind the medalist in districts — played in foursome with golfers from Parma, Salmon and St. Maries high schools for the first 18-hole round on the par-71 course and finished with a 76.

"Reed had a few good holes and few bad holes," HHS golf coach Casey Grove said. "He was playing really well on the front and went through a patch on the back nine but recovered. He played a pretty solid round."

Grove said he is optimistic for Maggard as he heads into the second day of the tournament.

"If Reed could have blocked out some mental errors, I know he could have done better," Grove said. "He was hitting the

ball really well. If he can come out and shoot a good game in the second round, he will be fine."

In the opening round, Grove thinks some of the foursome's character traits carried over to Maggard. The competitor from Salmon shot a 90 followed by Saint Maries with an 87 and the fellow 3A Snake River Valley conference golfer shooting an

"All of the other guys in the foursome shot pretty high. Reed should be paired up with some kids that shoot better scores tomorrow, which should carry over to him," Grove said. "He doesn't have to sleep on the lead heading into the second day, and he will come out with nothing to lose."

Marsh Valley's Dallon Davis shot even-par on Monday to lead the tournament.

Tuesday's round was played after deadline and results will appear in next week's issue of The Owyhee Avalanche.

— JLZ

Sports

Homedale opens state softball Friday

Trojans battle back from district title loss to Fruitland

Despite a devastating loss in the district championship game, Homedale High School is making a return to the 3A softball state tournament.

The Trojans attained the most wins in one season with coach Larry Corta at the helm and in the process snagged the 3A District III No. 2 seed for the state tournament, which begins Friday at Ramsey Park in Coeur d'Alene.

Homedale (19-7) opens its state tournament at 1 p.m. MDT against District VI champion Teton.

"We played them last year in Kimberly at a tournament ...' Corta said. "Last year, they beat us, but we didn't play a very good game."

The Trojans reached the state tournament for the fourth time under Corta with a 7-2 victory over Weiser in the District III secondplace game. The runner-up game was played immediately after what could have been a heart-breaking loss to Fruitland in the district title game Thursday. Both games were played in Weiser.

"We buckled down and got 'er done," Corta said. "It shows the quality of the team that we have. A good team can regroup and go on."

Fruitland won the championship, 11-9, on the strength of Jenny Phillips' walk-off three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

The Grizzlies, who beat Homedale 10-3 in last year's

state championship game, sit on the opposite of the state bracket from the Trojans again this time around. The Trojans have won once in their six previous meetings with Fruitland. The one win came during this year's 3A Snake River Valley conference season.

Corta expects to see Fruitland again in this year's state final.

"We're probably two of the most evenly matched teams," he said. "It's just a matter of whose day it is at the time."

Before the rematch, of course. the Trojans have to win two other games. The first comes against Teton.

"I'm sure they're a good team up there, but we just have to focus up," Corta said. "The first one is always the toughest one.

"You get past that, and the momentum and confidence level gets better. But Teton is pretty confident, too.

Teton reaches the state tournament with a squad that rebuild after losing key players from the 2011 club.

"They don't see the competition we see, and I think we're going to be aggressive on the basepaths and that's something they don't see a lot of," Corta said.

The Trojans have brought home trophies the other three times Corta has led the team to State.

Thursday: Fruitland 11, Homedale 9 — Homedale came out fast against its archrival, scoring six runs on six hits

in the first two innings of the championship game.

"Our girls, they were pumped. They were ready to go," Corta

Destiny Long went 3-for-3 and scored three runs. She knocked in a run with a sixth-inning double and scored on Aubrey Nash's double as the Trojans built a 9-5 advantage.

Fruitland scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth and then won the game with Phillips' threerun blast in the seventh.

"We knew we could beat them," Corta said. "We played an excellent game. As far as a championship game, it can't get any better.

"It was just who had the momentum in the seventh inning. and Fruitland had it."

Justine Calzacorta was 2-for-4

with two runs socred from the bottom of the order. Tori Nash and Raven Kelly both drove in a pair of runs. Thursday: Homedale 7, Weiser

2 — The Trojans put their first five batters on base, and they all scored to set the tone early.

Long went 3-for-3 again, and Kelly knocked in two more runs with a first-inning double.

"It was emotional in between (the championship game and the second-place game)," Corta said. "They had to regroup."

Morgan Nash scored twice and chased home Gabby Nash with a two-out double in the fifth inning.

Two days after throwing a onehitter against the Wolverines, Bryce Osborn held Weiser scoreless until the sixth inning. She finished with 10 strikeouts.



Bryce Osborn delivers a pitch during Homedale High Schools game against Weiser in the 3A District III tournament on May 8.

May 8: Homedale 12, Weiser 0 (5) — Osborn was one wormburner away from a no-hitter in the district semifinal.

Cruising along behind an 8-0 lead, Osborn got a glove on a sharp grounder back through the circle by Weiser's Kyndra McKie in the bottom of the fourth inning. The ball slowed enough to prevent a play by second baseman Katie Deal, who had to range far to her right to corral the roller. The scoreboard operator ruled the play an error, but Corta confirmed that the ball was a single.

The hit didn't faze Osborn, who completed her one-hitter for her 13th win of the season. She struck out six and walked one.

Morgan Nash was 2-for-3 with a double and four RBI. She knocked in three runs on a bases-clearing double to the left-field fence to spark a five-run third. Nash scored on a wild pitch later in the inning as Homedale built an 8-0 lead.

Hailee Aberasturi brought the 10-run rule into play when she crushed a triple with the bases loaded in the fourth inning. She also finished with four RBI.

Laurien Mavey, who was 3-for-3, and Kelly both had doubles.

"We've instilled in the girls all year: Just make contact and good things will happen," Corta said, adding that the team batting average is close to .500 for the season.

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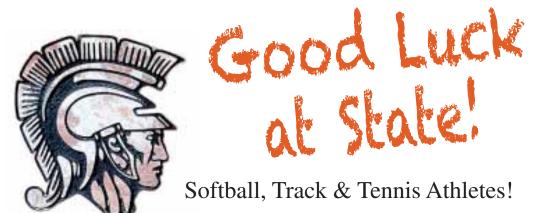
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Baseball Season complete Third-place finish at 3A District III Tournament

Softball

Friday, May 18 at 3A state tournament vs. Teton, Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene, 1 p.m. MDT Win or lose, Friday, May 18 at 3A state tournament vs. TBA, Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene, 6 p.m. MDT If win first two games, Saturday, May 19 at 3A state championship game vs. TBA, Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene, 2 p.m. MDT

If win first game and lose second, Saturday, May 19 at 3A state third-place game vs. TBA, Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene, noon MDT If lose first game and win second, Saturday, May 19 at 3A state

consolation final vs. TBA, Ramsey Park, Coeur d'Alene, noon MDT

Track and field

Friday, May 18 at 3A state championships, Eagle High School Saturday, May 19 at 3A state championships, Eagle High School

Tennis

Friday, May 18 at 3A state championships at Caldwell and Vallivue high schools Saturday, May 19 at 3A state championships at Caldwell and Val-

> Golf Season complete

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Sports

Huskies shut out by New Plymouth in championship

Marsing set to face defending 2A state champ Malad for opener on Thursday in Orofino

After suffering a 4-0 loss be us." to New Plymouth in the championship game of the 2A District III tournament, Marsing High School baseball coach Jerry Stacy says his team is ready to take on defending 2A state champ Malad on Thursday.

"It is an accomplishment getting to State," Stacy said. "All these teams in our league can beat anyone on any given day. The last two years we have earned state berths, and I am very proud of our team.

"We played Malad in the wood bat tourney in Glenns Ferry, but we didn't really show them anything we had earlier in the season. Hopefully, we can slide by them with hard work."

Leading his team into its second appearance in two years, the Huskies coach is banking on the loss to the Pilgrims last week to motivate his team as they face one of the toughest bracket seedings of the 2A state tourney.

"We would have rather been in the lower bracket for State," Stacy said. "I keep telling my guys though, 'If you want to be state champs, you have to beat all the teams anyway'. We match up well against the teams in our bracket, and whatever team has the least errors will be the ones to do well. Hopefully that will

Marsing (17-6) will hit the field with the Dragons on Thursday at 5 p.m. (MDT) at Orofino High School.

"I think we might be prime to slip by them," Stacy said. "Losing only by four runs and having New Plymouth on the other side of the bracket is a confidence-builder for us."

With the sparsely available lodging accommodations in Orofino, Marsing is staying in Lewiston and will make the hourlong journey each day starting on Thursday morning.

"Having the time on the bus will help them and let them get their heads about them," Stacy said. "I don't think the travel time from Lewiston will be a big deal once we hit the field."

If Marsing advances from Thursday's game they will face either Orofino — the District II champion — or Nampa Christian on Friday at 7 p.m. With a loss in the opening round, the Huskies will play at 1 p.m. on Friday.

Stacy said if the Huskies can stay on the winning side of the bracket, they would have the potential for another rematch of the District III championship game with the Pilgrims on Saturday at 4 p.m. for the state

Thursday: New Plymouth



New Plymouth's Cody Hinson dives into second base while Marsing second baseman Reece Middleton goes airborne to catch a ball during the championship game of the 2A District III tournament.

4, Marsing 0 — In the District III championship game, the Huskies out-hit its 2A Western Idaho Conference rival by one hit, but failed to capitalize while allowing four unearned runs.

"We played better than last time with New Plymouth, but still came up short," Stacy said. "All four of the Pilgrims' runs were unearned. The kids played hard, but we had a few mishaps."

All of the Pilgrims' runs came

during two-out situations, and the Huskies "had opportunities to get off the field", Stacy said, with a strong pitching effort from Marsing southpaw Justin

"Justin threw five quality innings but was plagued by defensive mishaps," Stacy said. "He threw well enough to get the win for us, but the defense let him down."

Austin Williams went 3-for-3

with a double to lead the Huskies from the plate. Bernardo Galvez added another hit for Marsing.

"(New Plymouth's) Jake Mellenthin was dominating on the mound. He kept our hitters off-balance and threw the fastball right by us," Stacy said. "When you give them a couple of runs with Mellenthin on the mound, that isn't where you want to be."

--JLZ





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Baseball

Thursday, May 17 at 2A state tournament vs. TBA, Orofino Friday, May 18 at 2A state tournament vs. TBA, Orofino Saturday, May 19 at 2A state tournament vs. TBA, Orofino (if nec.)

> Softball Season complete

Track and field Friday, May 18 at 2A state championship, Centennial High School, Boise

Saturday, May 19 at 2A state championship, Centennial High School, Boise

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Payette ends Trojans' season

With the offense slumping at a most inopportune time, Homedale High School's baseball season ended one win from the 3A state tournament Friday

The Trojans fell behind early and, despite having chances, couldn't catch Payette in a 6-2 loss in the 3A District III second-place game at the Ben Kerfoot Athletic Complex in Fruitland.

Coach Burke Deal's squad (12-9) lost for the second time in as many days. The Trojans fell in the district title game, 19-0, to reigning 3A state champion Fruitland on Thursday.

Payette scored six runs in its first two at-bats and ended Homedale's season for the second year in a

Payette wasted little time jumping on Homedale senior left-hander Zac Lowder, who was pitching for the second time in three days.

As in the district opener against Weiser, Lowder struggled with his command. He walked the first two Payette batters and wound up in a 2-0 hole after Brennan Serrano's triple. After two strikeouts, Lowder looked ready to get out of the inning before Bradley DeFrance stroked a 1-2 pitch into left field to bring home Serrano.

Another walk set up Payette's three-run second inning, during which Spencer Pollock and Tommy LaMue pounded back-to-back doubles.

Lowder settled down, but Homedale couldn't muster any runs despite five Payette errors.

Pirates starting pitcher Clint Blackwell struck out 10 and scattered four hits.

The Trojans scored their only runs in the fourth as Payette committed three errors. Trey Corta and Timmy Scott reached on backto-back miscues by LaMue, the Pirates shortstop. Both seniors would later score, including Scott on a throwing error by Payette third baseman Dayne Scott.

After Lowder's single led off the bottom of the first, Blackwell held Homedale without a hit until Jarvis came through to start the sixth. After two strikeouts, the Trojans' threat ended when Drew Beckman bunted and was thrown out.

Thursday: Fruitland 19, Homedale 0 (5) — The top-seeded Grizzlies scored five of their nine unearned runs during a six-run second inning and won the district championship in a rout.

Lowder was 2-for-3. He led off the first with a single, but was stranded at third when Fruitland starter Zack Huff struck out Logan Jarvis and Beckman with the bases

The Trojans had another chance in the second when Lowder's twoout double sent Trey Lane to third base, but Huff wiggled off the hook

Corta doubled to start the third, but was left at third base when Mike Mavey struck out.

Fruitland ace Joe Martarano entered the game and fanned five over the final two innings.

The Grizzlies took advantage of four Homedale errors, and Martarano was 2-for-3 with a triple, three runs scored and three RBI. Second baseman Lane Lacrone went 2-for-3 with three RBI, and Hagen Graves was 2-for-2 with three runs scored from the No. 9 spot.

Wednesday: Homedale 7, Weiser 1 — It didn't take long for the Wolverines to halt Lowder's streak of hitless innings pitched. Ending his impressive late-season run was a completely different

Weiser had been the last opponent to get a hit against Lowder, and Brady DeYoung's ringing double to lead off the game put a stop to the Trojans ace's 15 2/3-inning hitless streak.

No worries for Lowder, however, as he struck out the next two batters and finished the district semifinal with 10 strikeouts and the win.

DeYoung would score on a twoout error, but Homedale quickly assumed control.

And Lowder was one of the catalysts.

Moments after Weiser's coaches positioned players deep in the outfield, Lowder hit a ball deeper - over Chaz Hartley's head in dead center field. Homedale's leadoff hitter steamed into third with a triple then scored when DeYoung — the Wolverines' shortstop — chucked the relay throw out of the field of play.

Corta later smacked a triple and scored on Jarvis' bunt to give the Trojans the lead for good, 3-1, after one inning.

Lowder had bouts with control issues, but found a way out of every jam. He struck out the final two batters in the second and third innings and then fanned the first two Wolverines he faced in the

John Barron ended another Lowder hitless streak — this time a modest five innings — when he opened the sixth with a base hit.

Homedale tacked on four runs in the bottom of the fifth on a rally ignited by a Cody Lynde leadoff double.

Exchange student to represent Homedale at 3A state tennis

Luise Kerzel is the only Homedale High School tennis player to qualify for this week's 3A state tournament.

The tournament will be held Friday and Saturday in Caldwell. Matches will take place at Vallivue and Caldwell high schools.

A senior exchange student from Hanover, Germany, Kerzel will compete in the girls' singles bracket. She qualified after last week's 3A District III Tournament in Parma.

The Idaho High School Activities Association had yet to post a bracket for the state tournament on its website by press time.

Donna and Mike Marose have



Luise Kerzel been Kerzel's host parents during her stateside stay.



Marsing's Pedro Carrillo competes in the shot put during the 2A District III meet in New Plymouth on Friday.

Emry grabs third in Big Sky decathlon for Griz

Homedale High School graduate Austin Emry rode seven personal-best marks to a third-place showing in the Big Sky Conference Championships decathlon Thursday in Bozeman,

The sophomore posted the best score in seven years for a University of Montana athlete, scoring 7,169 points to finish behind two Montana State

The 2009 HHS grad started strong with five personal bests in Wednesday's events to rank second behind eventual champion Jeff Mohl of Montana State. He added personal records in the 110-meter hurdles and the pole vault Thursday, but slipped to

He was runner-up in the 110 hurdles at 14.75 seconds,

shattering his previous best of

"That was huge," Emry said. "I really wanted to get under that 15-second mark."

Emry returned Friday to finish sixth in the long jump at 22-93/4. He also competed in the high jump, pole vault and the 110-meter hurdles trials. On Saturday, Emry ran a leg on the Grizzlies' fourthplace 4x100 relay.

Rivercats set to hold tryouts next week

With the high school baseball season winding to an end, the Owyhee Rivercats will be hosting open tryouts next week in Homedale to piece together a team of 14- to 19-year-olds.

Coming off a 20-win season and an appearance in last year's A Division finals, Rivercats coach Jerry Stacy is excited for the possibilities with this year's

The Marsing High School coach, Stacy said sign-up sheets will be dispersed to Homedale and Marsing high schools by next week and those wishing to try out for the team

should bring them on Thursday, May 24 at 6 p.m. to the Homedale High School baseball field. Tryouts will continue the following evening on Friday at 6 o'clock.

This year, the American Legionsponsored club will also field a B Division team for 13- to 16-yearolds that will be coached by HHS coach Burke Deal.

Stacy said tryouts for both teams will be held next week.

The cost to play this year is \$150 and with sponsorships from the George D. VanDerhoff American Legion Post 32 and the Women's Auxiliary in Homedale,

the volunteer coaches are looking for area sponsors.

Businesses and members of the community can donate to help with travel expenses, equipment purchases and paying for the umpires for home games.

This year, the Rivercats will play nearly 40 games — including districts - and will host their season opener on June 1 against the Columbia Mudcats at 6 p.m. in Homedale.

For more information about tryouts or donations, contact Stacy by email at jerrysalmon93@yahoo. com or call (208) 629-9625.

√ **Huskies:** Set to compete on Friday, Saturday in Boise

From Page 10A time of 12:55.06 to qualify for the state two-mile competition.

The girls' 4x100 relay team of Malmberg, Shannon Clover, Rodriguez and Margarita Contreras placed second with a 54.09 to qualify for State.

For the Huskies boys, Estrada edged out two of his teammates to claim fourth place in the long jump with an 18-foot, 4-inch jump to qualify. Pedro Carrillo picked up second place in the shot put with a 45-foot, 8½-inch toss to qualify. Isaiah Ponce squeaked past teammate Dillon Danner on the final leg of the 3,200 to claim fourth place and a chance to represent Marsing at State.

In his other three events, Jacobi took second place in the 200 and third in the 100-meter dash and along with his team of Estrada,

Garret Briggs and Jesus Lino claimed second in the 4x100 relay.

Leon qualifed in the 800-meter with a second-place finish, crossing the line at 2:08.90. Lino will compete in the 200, and Garcia will take a lane assignment in the 400.

Eisentrager said the quote of the weekend came from Lino, who competed in his first district competition for the Huskies.

"Lino said, 'Hey coach, I don't know what it is about districts, but it makes me want to run really fast.'," Eisentrager said. "I loved it because he caught the high of district competition and the taste of State."

Marsing will compete at Centennial High School in Boise on Friday and Saturday. Competition is set to begin at 3 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. on Saturday.

--JLZ

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense

The magic triangle

Triangles have a unique place in our world. Engineers use them to build bridges; romance writers use them to manufacture chaos; Pythagoras used it to create his theorem; and the shortstop uses it to make a double play! Triangles strengthen structures. They take three straight lines going nowhere and form a bond that can withstand great pressure.

I see this cohesive combination in another triangle: women-horse-child. It is particularly evident when the child has Down's syndrome, Multiple Sclerosis or any other disability that restricts their possibilities.

In many equine therapeutic riding programs that I've visited, women are the predominant hands-on helpers in the arena. To be successful, a mutual trust must be established. It is no secret that most young kids are more at ease with a mother figure. Children innately sense the mother's compassion from her voice, her touch and her protective stance.

A woman introduces the child to the horse. This allows the child to give the horse the benefit of the doubt, because the woman trusts the horse and the child trusts the woman. When the child is set up on the horse's back, it is still in the mother's arms, ready to be rescued if need be. Through a long progression of walks around the arena the child's faith increases in the horse. The physical mother-child contact begins to loosen. It proceeds from holding one hand, to a hand on the back, to a hand on the saddle, to walking beside leading, and then one day, cheering from the sidelines.

The child's trust eventually expands to include the horse. The triangle is complete. We have connected woman-to-child-to-horse and back to woman. This third leg was there before the child was born or was even a thought. Woman-to-horse was always there. Not in all women, in all horses, or in all kids, I admit, but in many. I have given up trying to understand the relationship. I have seen it so often I no longer think it is haphazard or coincidental. I have concluded it involves some primitive instinctual behavior.

It is especially obvious at any equine therapeutic riding center. Check it out for yourself. You will see small islands of woman-horse-child. Concentrate on one of those triangles. Try and drown out the chatter, the buckets, and the racket going on around you. Then imagine the child on the horse is yours. You become hypersensitive to the slightest movement; be it protective, encouraging, or loving.

Even the smallest step in this magic triangle performance going on in the arena becomes magnified. Successes are marked in the tiniest gesture, the slightest touch, the tentative smile and the skip of a heartbeat. And through the cloud that puts you in the triangle, you hear the softest of voices saying, "It's all right, he won't hurt you."

— Baxter Black is returning to Owyhee County this year. He's scheduled to appear at 7 p.m. on June 2 at the Owyhee County Historical Museum to cap the first day of 2012 Outpost Days. Visit Baxter's Web site at www. baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including books and DVDs.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee Dear primary candidates: Clean up your messes

The dust has settled after a last sprint to the finish line in the 2012 primary election, but there's still some things that need cleaned up.

Namely, roadside political advertisements.

The race to select the Republican nominee for Owyhee County Sheriff seemingly turned into a contest of who could build and post the most signs throughout the county.

Sure, there were two forums, and the candidates took advantage of coffee shops and civic meetings to get their name out.

But the most prevalent form of communication seemed to involve plywood, paint, stakes and a small sledgehammer

I've lost count of the number of signs that dot the landscape, especially in and around Homedale. I only hope that the sea of promotional material will recede as the tide goes out on the campaign season.

When I was growing up, political signs became permanent fixtures in my hometown as city council and county supervisor candidates — win or lose — never seemed too concerned about picking up after themselves once the citizens had spoken. It was always a riot to see a campaign sign from a two-year-old election yellowed and battered from wind and sun.

It proved that some politician truly don't get it.

But with any luck Jeff Eidemiller, Perry Grant, Jerry Laird and Russ Turner will take as active a role in removing their signs as they did in putting them up – everywhere.

Signs were placed on private property and very near the right-of-way on state highways. We won't tackle the safety issue created when a motorist tries to read the fine print at 55 mph.

In Homedale, Grant enlisted the help of volunteers to place door hangers in residential areas, which may have painted outside the lines of the city's solicitation ordinance.

The papering of society didn't end with the sheriff's race, though. State Senate candidate Bert Brackett, and political action committees that supported him, mailed out reams of flyers and postcards in bulk.

Here's hoping that the candidates' concern for the community extends beyond service and includes tidiness.

There was very little mudslinging in this year's sheriff's race, but some candidates made littering a (not-so-pleasant) form of expression with dozens and dozens of signs. Some signs were bolted to fences, others free-standing. Opponents even put their signs side-by-side on the same piece of property, apparently with the landowner's permission

But now that it is May 16, a few hours since the polls closed, it's time for the candidates – winners and losers – to pick up their mess.

It would be a wonderful sight if the former hopefuls followed the example volunteers in the City of Homedale set earlier this month. Clean up after yourselves.

This isn't to suggest that political signs shouldn't be out there. They serve a purpose, even if it is only proof of how many handshakes a politician can conduct. There's not much of a message behind the signs and, therefore,

— See **Primary,** Page 15A

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Continue volunteer efforts to feed Idaho's hungry

Reports that unemployment statistics in Idaho are down are welcome. Unfortunately, an estimated 62,000 Idahoans remain jobless and 1 in 6 Idaho residents — including more than 95,000 Idaho children — are food insecure, which means that they lack enough income and other resources for food. Idahoans, food banks and other organizations have been working effectively to address this problem, including developing successful partnerships with Idaho's agricultural industry. However, despite success in reducing the number of hungry Idahoans, we are not out of the woods yet, and focus must remain on eliminating hunger in our communities.

More than 20 percent of the food-insecure children are under the age of five. Globally, nearly 1 billion people are chronically hungry. One of the many problems with food insecurity is that malnutrition can lead to significant health problems, including obesity, later in life. These health issues can contribute to a cycle of financial difficulty.

The good news is that Idahoans continue to lend a hand to families throughout the state. Local partnerships between hunger organizations and the agricultural community channel much-needed food to those in need throughout our communities. A network of emergency food pantries, community kitchens, shelters and other organizations work together to alleviate hunger in innovative ways. For example, Idaho schoolchildren in need are provided with backpacks of food to take home with them over the weekend to help prevent hunger. Mobile pantries have been organized to provide emergency food

services in communities that would otherwise be without these resources. Grocery stores, supermarkets, agricultural producers, producer groups and community gardens are coordinating food donations to food pantries to ensure better access to needed food.

Based on 2008-2010 data from Volunteering in America, Idahoans devote more than 52 hours of volunteer service per resident, the third-highest rate in the country for average hours of service per resident. This is equal to more than \$1.3 billion worth of service. The collection and distribution of food has been among the top volunteer activities in the state and nationally. These efforts have contributed to Idaho dropping from the eighth-hungriest state in the nation just six years ago to the 20th-hungriest, but we can do more.

Remarkable work is being done throughout our communities to eliminate hunger and focus attention on helping those in need. Through steadfast dedication, we can continue to chip away at hunger in Idaho. I commend all those involved in the ongoing effort, and I am inspired by the giving spirit of so many Idahoans. I look forward to a day when all Idaho children will not have to worry about how, where or if they will get their next nutritious meal.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. He is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman. To view his responses to issues of interest, visit http://crapo.senate.gov.



Commentar

Financial management

Short-term lifestyle sacrifices can lead to long-term gains

I have a problem with impulse spending. I switched to a debit card so that the money comes straight out of my checking account, but I still buy things I know I shouldn't. Should I stop using the card?

— Lauren

Dear Lauren,

First, let me say that debit cards are great. You can't spend money you don't have with them like you can with a credit card, but you've still got to budget carefully and give a name to every single penny of your income. Otherwise, you can still overspend.

When I made the decision to get intentional with my money, I just used cash. It's hard to spend it when you don't have any on you.



It's a tough thing, I know, but you have to make a conscious decision to start living differently. You have to get mad at the things that steal your money a dollar or two at a time, and you have to put your foot down. Enough is enough!

Try looking at your life as a whole, not a moment at time. All the moments you're living right now will have either a positive or negative effect on your future. I decided I wanted the greater, long-term good, so I gave up on the short-term stuff. No discipline but as the Bible says, it yields a harvest of righteousness.

Trust me, Lauren. The greater good is worth the sacrifice. But until you make that decision for yourself, you won't do it.

- Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm 53 and in a position financially to retire in a couple of years. I want to keep working some after retirement, but I'm so burned out by my job that I'm not sure what I would do. How can I find something that would light my fire again?

— Nancy

Dear Nancy,

If you haven't dreamed in a while, dreaming becomes an ex-

is pleasant when you're doing it, ercise. I think it would be a good idea to set aside some time, turn off the television, and just think about the things you like doing. Maybe you could schedule a long weekend, just for Nancy, and get away somewhere to just relax, unwind, and think about the things that make you happy.

> It's easy to get out of the habit of dreaming, but try to find some time that will allow you to get back the feelings you had when you were 18 and felt like you could conquer the world. Visit that place in your mind and your spirit, and think about what you'd aim at if you could do it all over again.

Dreaming is a great thing, but you have to formulate an idea. Once you have that in place, you can begin to develop a strategy for getting there. Make a list of the things you need to do ahead of time to make the transition possible. Would you need to take some classes or save up and buy some equipment between now and then? These are all important issues to address. And check out the book Quitter by Jon Acuff. It's a fantastic read for folks in your situation. Good luck, Nancy!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover and EntreLeadership. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 5 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Letter to the editor

Homedale officials salute Uda, cleanup volunteers

The City of Homedale and its citizens would like to thank Bette Uda and her family for rebuilding the cement tables and benches at the City Park. Their time and donation are very much appreciated.

We would also like to thank Luci Asumendi-Mereness, the high school students and all who assisted in the city clean up Saturday (May 5).

Paul Fink, mayor

Steve Atkins, Dave Downum, Tim Downing and Aaron Tines, city council members

√ **Primary:** How about a reprieve from signs for a few months?

From Page 14A

they shouldn't see the light of day once the sun has set on an election.

Yes, the general election looms in November. Richard "Dick" Freund has filed to run for sheriff as an independent, and the Republican winners in the legislative races still must face Democratic challenges.

But with nearly six months between now and then, wouldn't it be in the best interest if the candidates who survived Tuesday (and their vanquished challengers) took down their signs to spare folks of having to stare at slogans and brightly colored name tags all summer?

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer's address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

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Americans for Limited Government

Obama's refi program, Fed's low rates could restrict lending by \$240B a year

by Bill Wilson

By Barack Obama's own estimate, borrowers who take part in his mortgage refinance program could "save about \$3,000 a year on their mortgage, by refinancing at historically low interest rates", as he suggested in his February State of the Union Address.

Later, his administration estimated that as many as 3 million borrowers would be eligible for that particular program, but with interest rates at record lows thanks to Federal Reserve policies pushing rates down through trillions of dollars of asset purchases, millions more Americans are also refinancing their mortgages.

According to Freddie Mac, there were about \$897 billion in refi's last year alone, or about 6 million.

If Obama's program is successful, coupled with the existing annual crop of refi's, that could bring the annual interest savings nationwide to about \$24 billion.

But, as reported by a 2007 Federal Housing Finance Board Office of Supervision report, lower interest rates affects banks' "reported earnings and book capital by changing: (1) net interest income; (2) the market value of balance sheet instruments accounted for at market value; and (3) other interest sensitive income and expenses."

So, that could also mean about \$24 billion less capital in the financial system on an annual basis.

That doesn't sound like much, with over \$54 trillion of credit outstanding nationwide.

But when one recalls that financial institutions actually are allowed via government regulation to lend multiples far beyond what they hold in capital, the problem comes into view. Couple that with higher capital requirements imposed by Basel III, and suddenly that \$24 billion in destroyed bank capital could mean, say, \$240 billion in loans that will not be made in a single year elsewhere in the economy.

So what, you say?

Assuming interest rates stay fairly low for several more years to come, that will begin adding up, perhaps as much as \$18 billion in lost interest income every year even after the Obama program is long gone, totaling in hundreds of billions in less lending capacity by financial institutions.

Now, less available capital in the financial system might have been tolerable, if only the housing market had been allowed to truly crater in 2008 without government support. For, while less money would be available to lend, home prices would have been much lower, too. Alas, it was not to be, so now we face the squeeze.

In fact, there is a massive amount of debt coming due in the next few years. S&P reports as much as \$30 trillion of corporate debt worldwide will need to be refinanced in the next four years. Writes S&P on the corporate credit crunch coming, "This global wall of nonfinancial corporate debt will potentially compound the credit rationing that may occur as banks seek to restructure their balance sheets, and bond and equity investors reassess their risk-return

Add to that another \$5.9 trillion of federal debt coming due in the next five years that must be refinanced. as reported recently by Bloomberg News' Caroline Baum Plus about \$5 trillion in new debt by 2016 as the government borrows at record levels.

All of this could mean a perfect storm of credit tightening is on the horizon — and the administration's policies are only exacerbating the situation.

Through government profligacy, through forcing interest rates down, and through his refi programs designed to prop up what remains of the housing bubble and cynically cater to a favored class of voters, Obama may be creating a horrific situation financially nationwide.

In the end, Obama's policies will restrict private lending and at the same time leave institutions with less capital available to meet up with potential losses on loans, creating more systemic risk in the financial system.

This will all wind up injuring the future ability of businesses and families to seek financing, while posing significant risks to the economy and eventually, leaving taxpayers to clean up the mess in the end. One more thing to thank Obama for in 2012.

Bill Wilson is the President of Americans for Limited Government. You can follow Bill on Twitter at @

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 21, 1987

School district elections: Two trustees ousted at Marsing; Homedale race remains uncertain

Elections for school district trustees in the various districts encompassing Owyhee County were held Tuesday, and the results show that two incumbents on the Marsing district board were ousted, and the one seat on the Homedale board is yet to be decided.

Homedale

Although the Homedale school trustee elections were held Tuesday, the outcome for zone 4 was not expected to be known until today (Thursday), according to district clerk Jim Duncan.

Incumbent candidate Kirt Weimer was running unopposed on the ballot, but a write-in drive for Frank Haylett put the ho-hum election into a horserace.

The number of votes cast for Weimer and Haylett has not been released, but Duncan said the outcome of the race will depend on the district's attorney's opinion regarding some of the write-in ballots.

The clerk explained that on some of the ballots Haylett's name was written in, but the voters failed to put an "x" in the adjacent box behind his name, as they were so instructed.

He said the attorney, Richard Eismann, would probably rule on the validity some time this morning.

In zone 2, Doug Stowell garnered three votes to win, and in zone 3, Joe Masar won the position with 18 votes. Both candidates were running unopposed.

Marsing

In the Marsing district, Sue Showalter was ousted from the board by Chuch Kovis. Kovis garnered 144 votes to Showalter's 49.

Another incumbent, in zone 3, John Malmberg lost his seat to Jim Brunel by a vote of 18-53.

Ron Kiester was elected in zone 4. Although he was running unopposed, a write-in drive garnered 10 votes for Mark Basal, and five for Tim Ineck.

Receives degree at ISU

Teri Metzer Uria received her Bachelor of Arts degree in special and elementary education May 16 at the Idaho State University commencement at the Minidome in Pocatello. Graduates were introduced by Richard Sagness, Dean of Education. Rep. Richard Stallings gave the commencement address.

Mrs. Uria will continue teaching special education classes in Middleton next school term where she has been employed since completing her degree in December, 1987.

Attending the ceremony were her husband, Dennis Uria; her parents, Kenne and Darlene Metzer; her sisters, Lynn Metzer and Randee Garrett; her grandparents, Harold and Irene Markley; and aunt, Judy Purdom.

Julie Perkins named Dekalb award winner

Julie Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Perkins of Bruneau, was named winner of the 1987 Dekalb Agriculture Accomplishment Award. The award, sponsored nationwide by Dekalb-Pfizer Genetics, is presented to the senior agriculture student attaining the highest degree of proficiency in scholarship, leadership, and a supervised agricultural program.

Julie attends Rimrock Junior/Senior High School, where she has been president and vice-president of the local FFA chapter. Her agricultural programs consist of 60 head of Beefmaster cattle as well as market beef and swine raised for the Owyhee County Fair. Following graduation, Julie plans to attend Boise State University and major in business. Julie hopes to eventually return to ranching as a producer and manager.

As this year's winner, Julie received a pin and certificate, and her name will be inscribed on a special plaque displayed in Vocational Agricultural classroom at Rimrock Junior/Senior High School. This award is presented at the local level in more than 4,000 schools annually.

50 years ago

May 24, 1962

Improvement club elects new officers

Mrs. Virginia Soper was elected president of the Homedale Improvement Club at the meeting held Friday afternoon at the home of Hazel Aldrich.

Others elected were the Mmes. Florence Stimmel, vice president; Verda Johnston, secretary; and Grace Colley, re-elected treasurer. Mrs. Soper presided in the absence of President Nellie Zillig.

Members stood a moment in silence to honor the memory of Mrs. Martha Mortensen, who died last month. She had been an active member and past president of the organization and will be greatly missed.

Voters reject school bonds

The \$125,000 bond issue to construct a gymnasium, provide additional classrooms in the elementary school and to remodel present high school facilities in Class B School District No. 363 of Owyhee and Canyon counties at Marsing was defeated last Thursday by a vote of 122 yes and 188 no.

Winners in iris show Saturday are announced

Mrs. Mary Inouye won grand honors for the second consecutive year at the U and I Garden club's annual iris show held Saturday at the American Legion hall. Many choice blossoms were entered but rain which fell during the day kept many from seeing the display.

Mrs. Inouye's winning iris was Sable Night, a dark purple variety. Mrs. Amy Adams displayed the tallest iris; Mrs. Ina Stoy, second and third tallest. In floral arrangements, Mrs. Stoy won first; Hazel Aldrich, second; and Mrs. Elizabeth Batt, third.

District crown climaxes Gaviola H.S. career

It was a fitting climax to a senior's career when Gary Gaviola stepped off the mound Friday night winner in a shortened championship game.

The Marsing bats had broken the backs of the Kuna Kavemen by piling up the eight-run lead in the fifth to halt the game according to state baseball rules.

For Gaviola, it was special. It was his last game in high school play. He had succeeded in giving up only two hits in the last four games and the Huskies have been pounding out the runs to lead Marsing to an unbeaten season. In the third inning to ice the game, he lofted a long drive that gave him a home run. In addition, he led all the Huskies hitters with two for three at the plate.

The only other extra base blow by the Huskies was Rick Tullis' double in the second inning which didn't figure in the scoring.

On the mound, Gaviola also struck out 10 while walking only four.

The 5-foot-6, 150-pound senior plans to continue his education and baseball career in Caldwell at The College of Idaho, according to his coach Lyle Uscola.

Steve Inouye voted student of the year

Steve Inouye was voted "Student of the Year" by the Homedale seventh- and eighth-grade students. At the Class Day Dance held Friday, May 11, Mr. Clare Walker introduced the eleven students selected as the "Outstanding Students" on the eighth grade Hall of Fame for the school annual. Following the introduction, he announced that Steve, our Student Body President, had received the most student votes and was therefore selected as the "Student of the Year."

Second and third place honors were received by Jon C. Anderson and Danny Cagle. The other students chosen were Teri Wilson, Milly Nash, Caroll Parker, Penny Wolff, Ann Van Slyke, Brian Leavitt, Kathy George, and Kenny Kushlan. (From the Trojan Tribune)

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Uranga entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harold Markley and Judy and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Uranga Jr. and Lori at an evening dinner on Mother's Day.

140 years ago

May 18, 1872

THE PHILADELPHIA CONVENTION. A large majority of the delegates to the "Union Republican" National convention to meet at Philadelphia on the 5th of June have been instructed to vote for Grant, and his nomination at the first ballot is a certainty, unless there should be an unexampled disregard of the expressed wish of the party. So far as the Presidential nomination is concerned, the duty of the Convention is a matter of form. Few of the States have given instructions in regard to the Vice-Presidency, and little interest seems to be felt in the question. Colfax has no doubt the advantage, on account of having filled the place satisfactorily and of having been in harmony with the President who is to be endorsed. The nomination of candidates for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency, the adoption of a national platform, and the appointment of a Union Republican National Committee, are the only important duties to be performed by the Convention in the regular course of business.

MRS. CARRIE F. YOUNG. This talented lady arrived in our midst last Saturday, lectured at Jones & Bonney's Hall Wednesday evening, on the subject of Temperance, taking the "Michigan law" as a stand-point, lectured on the same subject at Fairview last night, and will speak upon "Woman Suffrage," at Good Templar Hall to-night, as per correspondence in another column. Ladies, come out to-night and listen to the key-note of your deliverance. Men, attend, and hear your doom. Mrs. Young also receives subscriptions for the "Pacific Journal of Health," published monthly in San Francisco, and of which she is editor-in-chief. It is really an excellent publication and only costs \$1.50 per year.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN. Ed. Avalanche:—Times here are commencing to liven up, the snow is disappearing very fast, and as it melts away in the foothills, prospecting goes on with good results. Last week there were four good ledges struck, the ore showing well, and the same indications extending five miles in a northerly direction to what is known as the South Mountain Ranch, on South Mountain Creek that leads to Bullion City direct. The float resembles gold and silver bearing quartz the whole way, to prove which, the well-known gentlemen, Messrs. E. Akins and Wm. Quail, found gold in various pans of dirt taken from the grass roots at the South Mountain Ranch. Much of the quartz resembles that of your rich mines on War Eagle mountain, and I am positive that any company would find it profitable to start a furnace here of 25 tons capacity at least; plenty of the ore assays from \$60 to \$400 per ton.

I have seen assays from various places as follows: From Portland, Oregon, from Salt Lake City, from San Francisco, and from the United States Assay office at Boise City — and they all correspond very nearly with the United States assay. The whole of South Mountain appears to be a solid mass of such ore; therefore why not test the matter, when such a splendid chance to make money lays open to the undertakers of such an enterprise? Some say that \$125,000 is too much to pay for the Golconda mine, which is 60 feet wide, and, good and bad together, will average \$60 to the ton. Why, that price for such a mine is nothing at all! Then we have the Original, south of the Golconda, very similar thereto in size and richness, and have been traced for half a mile in length. The Bay State is 5 feet wide of solid galena ore and assays from \$150 to \$300 per ton. The Yreka is also a large ledge and assays about the same as the Bay State. In fact, I might fill a whole page of the AVALANCHE with description of other good mines, there being not less than 100 such locations already made in South Mountain, and the chances are good for as many more.

Then why should capitalists manifest so much timidity in putting up furnaces and giving it a trial? If one mine should happen to fail, they all cannot fail, for those that are developed have all got permanent foot and hanging walls.

It is said by some that South Mountain is too far from the railroad transportation, but I venture to say that bullion can be shipped from here to Winnemucca for one cent per pound, as teamsters can load both ways, and make it pay, as bullion is good loading, and not much time is lost by it.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES APRIL 23, 2012

Approved alcohol beverage license's. Approved Recreation Boating Safety Grant with Parks and Recreation. Approved Negotiation Agreement on Reynolds Creek Bridge Project. Indigent & Charity: 12-12 lien and approved, 12-13 lien, 12-07, 12-09 denied, 12-06 withdrawn. The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty. net or in the Clerk's office. 5/16/12

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

On June 7th, 2012 beginning at 10:00 AM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony at the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below. After the hearing, the Commission will take up administrative matters as necessary.

10:00 am The Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Thomas Forster seeking to establish a single-family residence on a five acre parcel of land, parcel number RP02N04W210150A. The property is located at 7477 Trap Shoot Road, approximately 3 miles south of Marsing. The property is in an Agricultural zone, located in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 21, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

11:00 am The Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Silver Falcon Mining Inc. This is a request to expand their previously approved mineral processing and refinery operation to now include a new self contained building for a cyanide inline batch reactor. The subject property is twenty acres in size and is located at 14877 Silver City Road in an Agricultural zone in Murphy, Idaho including the N ½ of the SW ¼ of Section 4, Township 4 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County,

A copy of the above application is available for review at the Planning and Zoning office located at 17069 Basey Street, Murphy, Idaho. For questions, please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095.

5/16/12

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

The Homedale Highway District is calling for bids for the seal coating of approximately 11 miles in the district. The bids must be delivered to the secretary on or before June 6th, by 8 p.m., either personally or by mail to: P.O. Box 713, Homedale, Idaho 83628. The sealed bids will be opened at the regular meeting at 8 p.m., on June 6th, 2012, at the Homedale Highway District office located at 102 E. Colorado Avenue in Homedale.

For more information, call Rob Atkins at 337-3500. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept the bid deemed best or to reject any or all bids and to waive any technicality.

Terri Uria, Secretary 5/16,23/12

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On August 23, 2012, at the hour of 1:00 o'clock PM of said day, at Pioneer Title Co. of Owyhee County, 100 10th Ave. South,

Nampa, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., 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:

The South 50 feet of Lots 6, 7 and 8, of Block 89 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

The 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 Trustee has been informed the address of 212 North 2nd Street East, Homedale, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Candice D. Cooper, as Grantor(s) with First Horizon Home Loan Corporation as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded December 8, 2003, as Instrument No. 246090, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Midfirst Bank, recorded August 1, 2008, as Instrument No. 265787, in the records of said County.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$417.02 for the months of October 2011 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$57,868.00 as principal, plus service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 6.125% from September 1, 2011, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2012.

Tammie Harris, Trust Officer for JUST LAW, INC.. P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405. (208) 523-9106 FAX (208) 523-9146 Toll Free 1-800-923-9106

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On August 29, 2012, at the hour of 1:00 o'clock PM of said day, at Pioneer Title Co. of Owyhee County, 100 10th Ave. South, Nampa, Idaho, JUST LAW, INC., 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

In Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.

Section 18: That portion of Government Lot 3 of Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, lying South and West of the High Line Canal. E X C E P T I N G

THEREFROM
Any portion thereof which

Any portion thereof which may lie within the East 330 feet of said Lot 3.

The 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 Trustee has been informed the address of 12946 Bailey Road, Melba, ID, is sometimes associated with the said real property.

This Trustee's Sale is subject to a bankruptcy filing, a payoff, a reinstatement or any other conditions of which the Trustee is not aware that would cause the cancellation of this sale. Further, if any of these conditions exist, this sale may be null and void, the successful bidder's funds shall be returned, and the Trustee and the Beneficiary shall not be liable to the successful bidder for any damages.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possessions or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Eric J. Fritzler and Angela M. Fritzler, husband and wife, as Grantor(s) with North American Mortgage Company as the Beneficiary, under the Deed of Trust recorded January 6, 1999, as Instrument No. 227119; Modification recorded September 26, 2006 as Instrument No. 258249; Modification recorded April 14, 2009 as Instrument No. 267932, in the records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The Beneficial interest of said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to Midfirst Bank, recorded June 19, 2008, as Instrument No. 265399, in the records of said County.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay the amount due under the certain Promissory Note and Deed of Trust, in the amounts called for thereunder as follows:

Monthly payments in the amount of \$805.03 for the months of July 2011 through and including to the date of sale, together with late charges and monthly payments accruing. The sum owing on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$102,142.45 as principal, plus

NOTICE

The Southwest District Board of Health will hold a **Board Meeting** on Tuesday, May 22, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Southwest District Health, Board Room 324, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho. This meeting will **precede** the Public Hearing scheduled for May 22, 2012, 11:00 a.m., same location for comment on the FY 2013 Budget. The Budget Committee meeting will immediately follow. 5/16/12

LEGAL NOTICE SOUTHWEST DISTRICT HEALTH PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE §39-423

PUBLIC HEARING: Residents of Adams, Canyon, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, and Washington Counties are invited to comment on the proposed county contributions to the Southwest District Health Fiscal Year 2013 budget. Such hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, 11:00 a.m., at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Board Room 324, Caldwell, Idaho.

At the conclusion of this hearing, the estimated cost to each county for FY2013 will be submitted to the Budget Committee by the District Board and approval of a final budget of county funds will be requested, as determined by the provisions of §39-424, Idaho Code.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: The Southwest District Board of Health and Budget Committee will meet in open public forum on Tuesday, May 22, 2012, at 11:30 a.m. (or directly following the Public Hearing) at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho, for the purpose of finalizing the budget of county funds for Southwest District Health's Fiscal Year 2013 budget.

The following tables set forth the amounts of county funds to be appropriated and contributed by each county within the boundaries of said district, and the estimated amounts expended for "salaries & wages, and other expenses," during each of the three previous county fiscal years by said department.

AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED BY COUNTY, FY 2013

	Adams	\$	\$25,650	
	Canyon		313,989	
	Ğem		71,975	
	Owyhee		51,872	
	Payette	1	105,890	
V	Vashington		53,647	
	Total	$\$1,1\overline{23,023}$		
	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
	Budget	Budget	Budget	REQUEST
Salaries & Wage	es \$829,820	\$829,820	\$829,820	\$842,267
Other Expenses	276,607	276,607	276,607	280,756
Total	\$1,106,427	\$1,106,427	\$1,106,427	\$1,123,023

The proposed budget offered by the District Board of Health may be examined at any of the Southwest District Health offices located at: 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell; 1008 East Locust, Emmett; 1155 Third Avenue North, Payette; 46 West Court, Weiser; or 132 East Idaho, Homedale.

5/16/12

service charges, attorney's fees, costs of this foreclosure, any and all funds expended by Beneficiary to protect their security interest, and interest accruing at the rate of 7% from June 1, 2011, together with delinquent taxes plus penalties and interest to the

date of sale.

The Beneficiary elects to sell or

cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation.

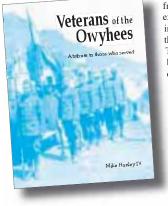
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Knight Community Church Grand View

Sunday School 9:30 a.m Worship Service 10:45 a.m. Adult Bible Study: Wednesday, 7 p.m. Knight's Neighborhood: (Youth Activity Group) Friday 5-6:30 pm

Friends Community

Church

Wilder - Homedale

17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays

ednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm

Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder

Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm

Assembly of God Church Homedale

15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm

Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm

Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767

Our Lady of the Valley **Catholic Church** 1122 W. Linden St., Caldwell

459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale - 337-4248

Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests

Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing

Welcoming Families, especially those with Jake & Alisha Henrioulle, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am

Church of Jesus Christ of **Latter Day Saints** Homedale

708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Travis Kraupp Bishop Ronald Spencer Sunday 1st Ward 9am Sunday 2nd Ward 12:30pm

Homedale Baptist Church

Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls

Wilder Church of God Wilder

205 A St. E, 482-7839 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene

26515 Ustick Road, Wilder 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm

MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY

Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 ervice 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español

Iglesia Evangelica Wilder

317 3rd st... Pastor Ramiro Reves 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual

Marsing Church of Christ Marsing

932 Franklin, Marsing

Minister Gib Nelson Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am

Christian Church Homedale

110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45

Bible Missionary Church Homedale

West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30

Assembly of God Church

Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm

Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing

Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm

Nazarene Church Marsing

Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West

Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups

Trinity Holiness Church

119 N Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing

215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry

Vision Community Church Marsing

221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church Wilder

Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor June Fothergill Sunday Services 9:30am

First **Presbyterian Church**

Homedale 320 N. 6th W., 337-3060 Pastor Marianne Paul Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday School 11am

Iglesia Bautista

Palabra de Esperanza

Homedale

711 W. Idaho, 463-9569

Pastor Jose Diaz

Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am

Calvary Holiness Church

Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m. Food Pantry Open Fridays 10 am - Noon

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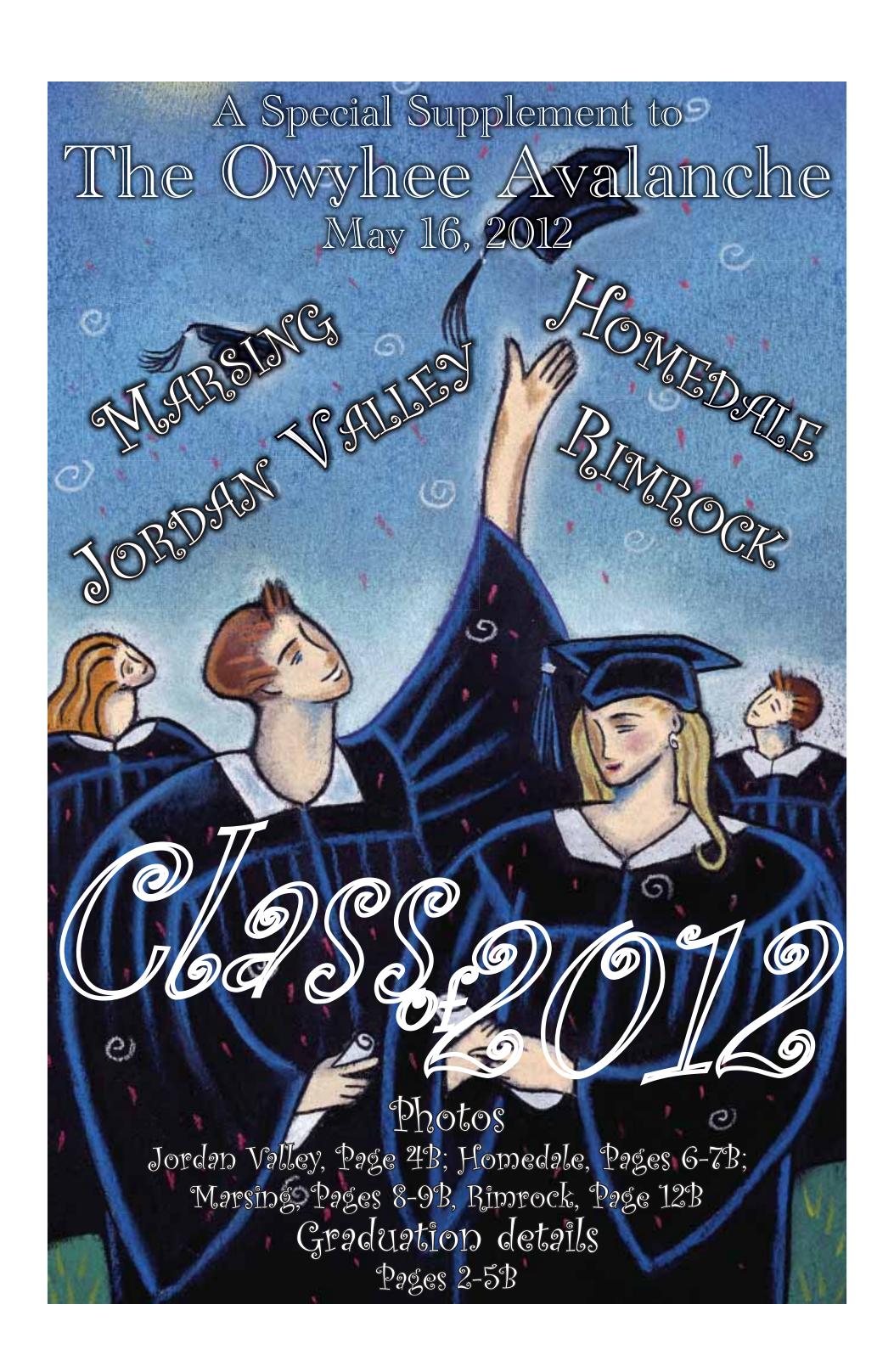
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Homedale

Top grads embrace helping their hometown

Personal achievement and community awareness are strong themes woven into the Homedale High School Class of 2012.

Five of the seniors receiving diplomas on Monday, May 21, 2012, will graduate with perfect grade-point averages for their high school careers.

But the story of Deena Ann Emry, Kyline Nichole Farwell, Raven Danyelle Kelly, Lane Michael Matteson and Katie Rose Price is about more than just getting good grades and paying attention in the classroom.

The quintet that leads a group of 79 graduates into the real world has also done their part to ensure that their neighbors find success when facing life's dayto-day challenges. Exchange student Luise Kerzel will receive a certificate of completion before returning to her hometown of Hanover, Germany.

All five are members of the school's FFA chapter and have played an integral part in the organization's annual Gift of Green and Meat the Need service projects. Through those efforts, Homedale students have provided a rich Christmas for one family each year and fed dozens of families by raising pigs through each school year.

The giving spirit of the Class of 2012's top graduates

can be summed up in Matteson's favorite quote. Taking inspiration from his love for football, the former national high school rodeo finals competitor embraces the words of legendary Green Bay Packers coach Vince

"I firmly believe that any man's finest hour, the greatest fulfillment of all that he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle - victorious."

Lombardi's words go beyond football, much like the thoughts and endeavors of the five

featured graduates go beyond the town they have called home.

Farwell, who will continue her basketball career on scholarship at The College of Idaho, also has helped shape the future of athletics in Homedale as a coach for the town's

AAU eighth-grade girls' basketball team. The daughter of Sean and Jill Farwell is concentrating on a Chemistry degree at the Caldwell liberal arts college with an eye toward a career in optometry.

A recent champion at the Business Professionals of America national convention, Emry also plans to attend C of I in Caldwell, graduate with honors and embark on her dream of traveling the world.

Emry tips her cap to her parents, Stuart and Lori Emry.

"The achievements I have earned throughout my high school career are due to my parents," she said. "They have supported me in everything I do and have pushed me over and over to better myself.

"I would not be where I am without them. I also have my brother (Austin) to thank for inspiring and motivating me to go after the things I want and to never give up."

Matteson will major in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Idaho in Moscow. Like Emry, Matteson is a Homedale native. He's the son of Mike and Sheila

Kelly, the daughter of Todd and Toni Kelly, plans to study Art and Psychology at Boise State University's Honors College, and Price hopes to follow in her parents' footsteps into the field of helping people in need. She'll go after a Bachelor's degree in Nursing at BSU. Her parents - Trent Price and Lisa Rittenhouse - both are members of the Homedale Ambulance crew.

Both Matteson and Farwell said they are proud of their 4.0 GPAs

"It was a goal I set for myself as a freshman, and it feels great to know I can achieve whatever I set my mind to with a lot of hard work and dedication," Farwell said.



Deena Ann Emry

Age — 18 **Grade-point average** — 4.0 Parents — Stuart and Lori

How long in Homedale — 18 years

Plans after high school — Attending The College of Idaho and majoring in business administration. I would like to graduate college in four years with honors and pursue my goal in traveling the world.

High school activities and honors — One year volleyball ... three-year varsity letterman and academic All-3A Snake River Valley conference in basketball ... one-year varsity letter and academic All-3A SRV in track and field ... Academic Letter Award, four years ... two-year member, National Honor Society ...

Five-year FFA member serving as chapter president and vice-president ... Four-year member of Range & Parliamentary Procedure teams ... Two-year member of Food Science team. State Degree recipient ... Third, Creed Speaking, Boise Valley District ... Eighth high individual in Range at State Convention ... Second high chairman in Parliamentary Procedure at State Convention ... Chapter Star Farmer Award ... Chapter Star Agribusiness Award. Work Horse Award ... Finalist, Dwaine Tesnohlidek Scholarship for Leaders ... Fifth in Range at State ... Second in Food Science at State ... Second in Job Interview at District ... Second in National Chapter Award at State

Four-year Business Professionals of American member, serving as chapter president and secretary/ treasurer ... First place in region, state and nation in Job Interview Skills ... Second place in State, Fundamental Word Processing Skills ... Fourth place in State, Basic Office Systems and Procedures ... Fourth place in Advanced Word Processing Skills ...

One-year member, Science Club, serving as secretary/treasurer ... One year, INL (Idaho National Laboratory) club ... Freshman class vice-president, sophomore class vice-president, senior class vicepresident ... United Dairymen of Idaho Distinguished Student Award

Community service — Sorted food at the Idaho Food Bank ... set up and served at the Homedale International Smorgasbord ... volunteered to help younger kids buy new school clothes for Lotshaw

— See Emry, page 4B



Kyline Nicole Farwell

Age — 18 Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Sean and Jill Farwell

How long in Homedale -Eight years

Plans after high school — Attend The College of Idaho and major in Chemistry in preparation to become

High school activities and honors — FFA, Business Professionals of America, Chess Club, varsity basketball, varsity volleyball and National Honor Society

Community service – Coaching eighth-grade AAU girls' basketball team, highway cleanup, Meat the Need, Gift of Green

Favorite quote – "Do not regret growing older. It is a privilege denied to many." — Anonymous

– See **Farwell,** page **4B**



Lane Michael Matteson

Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Mike and Sheila Matteson How long in Homedale

Plans after high school — Attend the University of Idaho and major in mechanical engineering

High school activities and honors — Football, rodeo, basketball, golf, FFA, National Honor Society, Student Body president ... qualified for the High School National Finals Rodeo in team roping in 2011

Community service — FFA activities, such as highway cleanup and Meat the Need ... Homedale Trojans Athletic Association Luau Auction ... Improving Sundance Park

Favorite quote — "I firmly believe that any man's finest hour, the greatest fulfillment of all that he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle victorious." — Vince Lombardi

Hobbies or pastimes — Jet skiing, snow skiing, wakeboarding, riding four-wheelers

Proudest achievement — Keeping a 4.0 GPA all through high school, because I didn't think I could do it.

Best high school memory — Whenever I was playing football, because I love playing the sport.



Raven Danyelle Kelly

Age — 18 Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Todd and Toni Kelly

How long in Homedale — 18 years

Plans after high school — Going to Boise State University's Honors College to study Art and Psychology, and then meet the man of my dreams.

High school activities and honors — One year, varsity volleyball ... three years, varsity basketball ... three years, varsity softball ... Science Club president ... National Honor Society ... Business Professionals of America ... Idaho National Laboratory ... FFA

Community service — FFA service projects ... church camp counselor ... San Francisco mission trip ... donation of paintings

— See **Kelly,** page **4B**



Katie Rose Price

Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Trent Price and Lisa Rittenhouse How long in Homedale

Plans after high school — Attend Boise State University in the fall. I hope to earn a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing degree, and eventually I would like to pursue being a traveling nurse.

High school activities and honors — FFA, Business Professionals of America, Science Club, Health Occupations Students of America president, National Honor Society, treasurer

Community service — Gift of Green, Meat the Need, Ag Expo, Community Outreach Day, highway

Favorite quote — "Enjoy the little things, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things." — Robert Brault

Hobbies or pastimes — Swimming, shopping, traveling, cooking, spending time with friends and

Proudest achievement — This year, I decided to enroll in the health occupations class at Canyon-Owyhee — See **Price**, page **4B**



Marsing



Honor graduates set to flock north

All five of the honored graduates from the Marsing High School class of 2012 are set to flock north following graduation on Sunday, May 20.

The graduation ceremony will take place in the high school gym and will begin at 5 p.m. Longtime MHS science teacher John Lindley will deliver the commencement address to this year's graduates.

Four of the five students are planning on attending the University of Idaho and will each focus on different field of study as they embark on college.

Deidrie Briggs and Rebecca Lynn Carter notched a 4.0 grade-point average and garnered the status of valedictorian for this year's graduating class. Not unlike recent years, Annie Marie Finley, Noah Abraham Morris and Evon Iva Timmons will share the salutatorian title after the three all managed a 3.98 GPA this past year.

Outside of Carter — who will trade in her Huskies gear for Washington State Cougar attire — the other four graduates will done black and gold as they seek degrees in Biology (Briggs), Elementary Education (Finley), Civil Engineering (Morris) and Veterinary Medicine screaming girls in the background." (Timmons) at the U of I.

Sticking with her FFA background and Humane Society volunteering, the daughter of Bob and Debbie Carter will pursue a bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences and plans to minor in Business.

As the eighth out of nine children, Leticia Morris' son summed up his best high school memory as when high school counselor John Cossel "told me that I was going to be salutatorian. That meant that I had the second-highest grade-point average in my grade."

The quartet of girls have bonded not only in the classroom, but in athletics as well. As a cheerleader, the daughter of Denise and Stuart Finley cheered on Briggs, Carter and Timmons during the volleyball and basketball seasons.

The future teacher reminisced that her best high school memory was "traveling to Kamiah for a football game with the cheerleaders... I feel bad for my coach (Kim Shippy), having to drive the whole way with four

As an avid FFA member, Roger and Debra Timmons' daughter serves as the national junior director for the American Paint Horse Association. Timmons lists her proudest achievement as "training my deaf dog to be a therapy dog. It took a lot of hard work, and people didn't think I would get it done but I did."

Straying from the family farm, Jim and Muriel Briggs' daughter plans to complete her undergraduate degree and then pursue graduate school at Pacific University and study Optometry.

The student council president listed an anonymous quote as her favorite.

"Good, better, best. Never let it rest. Until your good is better and your better is best."

These words should ring in the ears of all 44 graduates of the Class of 2012 from Marsing High School on Sunday as they embark on future goals in hopes of realizing anything is possible and hard work does pay off.

Valedictorian

Deidrie Jo Briggs

Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Jim and Muriel Briggs How long living in the Marsing area — My whole life (18 years)

Plans after high school — I am going to attend the University of Idaho to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Biology and study abroad. Then, I'll attend Pacific University's Graduate School to earn my doctorate in

High school activities and honors — I participated in FFA, student council, and the Class of 2012 for four years. In FFA, I served as the reporter for one year and the secretary for two years. I won Reserve Overall Grand Champion Sheep Showman at the Owyhee County Fair, second place at the State FFA Sales Competition, and many other awards pertaining to FFA. I served as the ASB treasurer in student council as a junior and ASB president as a senior. With the Class of 2012, I was the vice-president for one year and president for one year. I also participated in the National — See **Briggs**, page 10**B**



Valedictorian

Rebecca Lynn Carter

Grade-point average — 4.0 Parents — Bob and Debbie Carter How long in the Marsing area — 18

Plans after high school — I plan on going to Washington State University to obtain my bachelor's degree in Animal Sciences with a minor in Business. Then I will move on to veterinary school to obtain my

> Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree. After that, I will work in a veterinary clinic with the hopes of opening my own business one day.

> **High school activities and honors** — Marsing FFA, National Honor Society, Student Council, basketball, and volleyball

Community service endeavors — Breakthrough 2012, Animal Humane Society Volunteer, set-up Playing for Purtell, coached club volleyball girls, Boobs & Butts Cancer Benefit, set-up Disaster Auction, runner for Disaster Auction, helped at PTA Carnival, Rake up Boise, wrapped — See Carter, page 10B

Salutatorians



Annie Marie Finley Age — 17

Grade-point average — 3.98 Parents — Denise Finley and Stuart Finley

How long living in the Marsing **area** — 17 years

Plans after high school — I plan on going to the University of Idaho to study Elementary Education. Hopefully I will find a job in a small school like Marsing.

High school activities and honors — Cheerleading, Business Professionals of America (President-2011/2012, Vice President-2010/2011, Secretary/Treasurer-2009/2010) National Honor Society, National Business Honor Society, Student Council, Class Officer (President-2011/2012, Secretary-2010/2011)

Community service endeavors — MS Walk Boise, baked cakes for the auction at the Playing For Purtell fundraiser, served three years at the Marsing PTA carnival, served four years at the Marsing Disaster Auction, participated in a food and clothes drive for three years, and collected toys for the Ronald McDonald House. I also helped Rake Up Boise, served at the Marsing Football Luau, and picked up trash on the highway.

— See **Finley**, page **10B**



Noah **Abraham Morris**

Grade-point average — 3.98 **Parents** — Leticia Morris How long living in the Marsing area — All of my life

Plans after high school — I plan to attend the University of Idaho and get a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering.

High school activities and honors — Choir, salutatorian

Community service endeavors — Picked up trash along Highway 78

Favorite quote — "What doesn't kill you makes you stronger, and if it doesn't kill you, you don't have to worry about it." — Unknown

Hobbies or pastimes — I like singing, dancing and

Proudest achievements — Getting accepted to the University of Idaho. It gave me a sense of accomplishment and belonging.

Best high school memory — When Mr. John Cossel Sr., the counselor, told me that I was going to be co-salutatorian. That meant that I had the second-highest grade-point average in my grade. It showed how smart I was.

Additional information — I am the eighth out of nine children.



Evon Iva Timmons

Age — 17

Grade-point average — 3.98 Parents — Roger and Debra Timmons

I would also like to recognize my aunt and cousin, Leslie and Melissa Jayo, respectively.

How long living in the Marsing area — Six years

Plans after high school — I plan to attend college at the University of Idaho and major in Veterinary

High school activities and honors — Marsing FFA: Boise Valley District reporter, FFA chapter president, FFA chapter treasurer, FFA chapter historian, Marsing FFA Chapter Creed, Boise Valley District FFA Creed, Marsing FFA Chapter Green Hand, National FFA Marketing, National FFA Ag Communications, Marsing FFA Star Chapter Farmer, Idaho State FFA Horse Judging Marsing High School Girls' Volleyball, Marsing High School Girls' Basketball, National Honor

Community service endeavors — Marsing FFA annual food, clothing and toy drive, Mike Dines Benefit Dinner and Auction, Marsing Farm Days, Mike Dines Benefit Trail Ride, Marsing Disaster Auction, Marsing Lions Club Doodle Bug Race and Third of July BBQ

— See **Timmons**, page **10B**

Homedale

Emry

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Helping Hands ... picked up garbage along designated highway through the Adoptprogram A-Highway served food at the Ronald McDonald Clay Shoot ... served concessions at the (National Alliance for Mental Illness) Walk fundraiser ... fundraised with

youth group to sponsor a child through Holt International ... helped organize canned food drive for my school ... helped organize "Cause Week" at our school to raise money and awareness for foundations ... helped raise pigs to provide meat for needy families ... wrapped presents for needy families ... made refreshments for the Republican Caucus in Homedale ... cleaned up flowers around the Homedale

Armory ... tutored high school students in math after school.

Favorite quote — "When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and could say, 'I used everything You gave me.' " — Erma Bombeck

Hobbies or pastimes — Playing piano, traveling, reading, Judo

Proudest achievement — Winning the Job Interview

BPA level. I have never won a national award before. It was so rewarding in the end to know that all my hard work and preparation paid off. This is one of the first times that I have actually believed in my abilities — maybe not in the beginning,

Skills event at the National

even more determined to win. Best high school memory — Homecoming Week my freshman

but by the end I knew that I

wanted it bad, and that made me

year. It seems like just yesterday when my brother (Austin) and his classmates picked up my friends and I early in the morning to write on our faces, make us sing, and eat breakfast with us. I loved dressing up for the different days and all the games we got to play. I will never forget barely losing to the seniors in the Powder Puff game. To top off the whole week, the entire school attended the football game Friday night to support our team.

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Farwell

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Hobbies or pastimes Playing sports and watching Duke basketball

Proudest achievement —

Maintaining a 4.0 GPA all through high school. It was a goal I set for myself as a freshman, and it feels great to know I can achieve whatever I set my mind to with a lot of hard work and dedication.

Best high school memory

- One of my best high school memories came this year when I made a half-court shot in our basketball game against Melba. That's something just about every basketball player fantasizes about, and it's easily a moment I'll remember forever.

Kelly

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Favorite quote — "You are you. Now, isn't that pleasant?" — Dr. Seuss

Hobbies or pastimes — Reading Nicolas Sparks and Janette Evanoviche books ... going shooting with my dad and brother ... watching "How I Met Your Mother" ... hanging out with my best friend

Proudest achievement — When my softball team and I made it to State. It was so much fun and it was a great reward to all the hard work we put in that season. We went on to get second in the state tournament.

Best high school memory

- Going to the National FFA Convention in Kentucky. My friend, Aubrey, and I qualified for this trip in the National Chapter Award. While in Kentucky, I got to see the Corvette factory, the Kentucky Derby arena, famous horse farms and underground caves. It was an overall awesome experience with friends that I love.

Price

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School Services Agency where I would spend my afternoons. I've met some great people, and this has been one of the most fun and beneficial classes I've ever taken. This last week, I passed my exams and am now a Certified Nursing Assistant, which is a big achievement I'm very proud of. I know that this is just the first step towards my career goal of becoming a nurse.

Best high school memory — Through the various clubs I've been involved in, I've gotten the opportunity to travel to some amazing places I wouldn't have otherwise. I think these oncein-a-lifetime opportunities are definitely my best memories in high school because after all I can't pick just one. Last year in BPA, I traveled to Washington, D.C., and this year I went to Chicago. In October, I went to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, and we also got to travel through Kentucky

of my best memories, and I feel very fortunate for being able to be a part of them.

Additional information These last four years have gone by way too quickly, but I'm appreciative that I've had support from some very important people in my life throughout this journey. I'm so thankful to my many friends who have been there to help me along the way, my family for encouraging me in all I decide to take on, and to the teachers who have challenged me to reach my

fullest level of accomplishment.

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as well. These were truly some

Graduating class numbers 20

Rimrock High School will hold its Class of 2012 graduation ceremony Sunday.

Commencement exercises begin at 2 p.m. inside the Rimrock's gymnasium on Idaho highway 78 in Bruneau.

Twenty seniors are scheduled to receive their diplomas.

Abby Caballero is the valedictorian, and Nathan Black stands as salutatorian.

Mandy Hardan will serve as guest speaker. Hardan is Rimrock's English and Journalism teacher and Yearbook advisor.

Caballero served as secretary of the senior class. Other class officers included president Annabel Meza and vice-president Oscar Gomez.

Valedictorian Salutatorian



Abby Caballero



Nathan Black

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Jordan Valley





Meagan **Nicole Fillmore**

Age — 18 Parents — Clint and Laurie Fillmore

How long in Jordan Valley area Born and raised in Jordan Valley, Ore.

Plans after high school — I plan to further my education and become either a registered nurse or medical sonographer.

High school activities and honors — Over the last four years I have participated in basketball, volleyball, FFA, Knowledge Masters Open (KMO), the National Honor Society, and the Jordan Valley High School student government (as president and vice-president).

Community service — Town cleanup, educated students on drugs during drug week, and the canned food drive

Favorite quote — "You cannot find peace by avoiding life." - Virginia Woolf

Hobbies or pastimes — I enjoy spending time with my friends, helping out on the ranch, and playing

Proudest achievement — Graduation because it has taken a lot of hard work to complete not only the last 12 years of school, but this year especially with all the

Best high school memory — My senior year of basketball. It was so great to have accomplished what we did, and I couldn't have asked for better coaches and team. I will definitely miss them all.

Additionally — I am so grateful for all of the support that I have received over the years, I would like to thank the booster club and the community for always being there for us kids and their never ending support in sports.



Christina **Mae Rogers**

Age — 18

Parents - Sheri Rogers and the late Bill Rogers

How long in JordanValley area — Born and raised in Arock, Ore.

Plans after high school — I want to become a registered pediatric nurse. I plan to practice freelance photography as well.

High school activities and honors — I have played basketball, volleyball, and participated in 4-H showing

Community service — I have cleaned the Arock road multiple years. I have participated in various clothing donations.

Favorite quote — "Without change there would be no butterflies." — Walt Disney

Hobbies or pastimes — I love photography and writing, especially my book that I am currently working on. Spending time outside on our ranch and around our community is something I truly enjoy as well.

Proudest achievement — Graduating high school, because it has been one heck of a ride

Best high school memory — Beating Crane in basketball and volleyball this year



Jordan Sinclair Matteri

Parents — Kenny and Juli Matteri

How long in Jordan Valley area — 18 years

Plans after high school — Attend Eastern Oregon University to study Agricultural Business

High school activities and honors — Football, FFA, Knowledge Master Open and student council

Community service — Town cleanups, canned food drives, varmint elimination and community appreciation breakfasts (FFA)

Favorite quote — "Tough times don't last, tough people do." — Gregory Peck

Hobbies or pastimes — Hunting and trapping

Proudest achievement — Winning Oregon State FFA Star Agribusinessman

Best high school memory — Running out of the locker room to "Rock You Like a Hurricane" for each home football game

The Jordan Valley High School administration decided not to provide grade-point averages for their top graduates.

Eight seniors to graduate on May 26

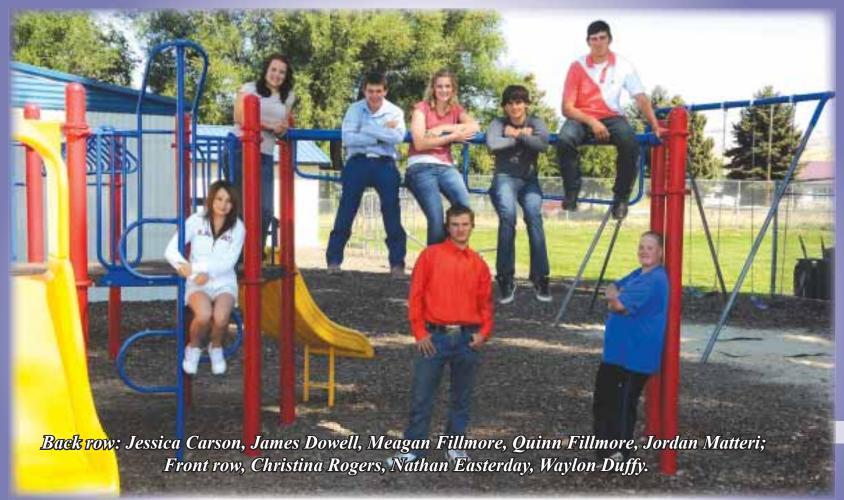
A group of eight seniors will receive their school gymnasium. A potluck reception will diplomas when Jordan Valley High School's Class of 2012 graduates.

The graduation ceremony is set for 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2012 inside the high and Christina Rogers.

follow.

Leading this year's class are honor graduates Meagan Fillmore, Jordan Matteri

Jordan Valley High School Class of 2012



Graduation Date: Saturday, May 26 · 3:00 pm **Jordan Valley High School Gymnasium**

Potluck dinner to follow graduation Congratulations!

The Owyhee Avalanche

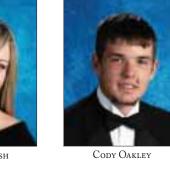
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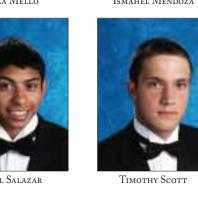


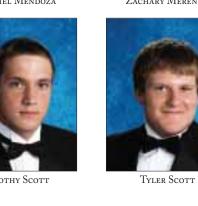






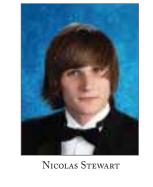


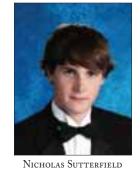


















Not pictured:

Class Theme: "Don't Stop Believin'" Class Flower: Calla Lily · Class Colors: Lime Green & Silver Class Songs: "Don't Stop Believin'" - Journey "Tattoos on the Town" - Jason Aldean

Monday, May 21, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Owyhee Family Dental Center **Perfection Repair** Paul's Markets **Bowen Parker Day US Bank**

Emerald Insurance Matteson's Owyhee Motors **NAPA Auto Parts Idaho Sporting Clays Campbell Tractor**

Homedale Chiropractic Westowns Disposal Homedale Drug Co. Farm Bureau/Wayne Hungate **Bauer Heating & Cooling**

The Owyhee Avalanche Homedale Floral A Special Touch Homecare Filler King Auto Body by Alan

Uria Pump **Pruett Lumber** Owyhee Publishing

Marsing High School Class of 2012





Dakota Hill





Alan Huffman



Grayson Kendall



Ahine Leal Linares



Shannon Malmberg

Graduation Ceremony: Sunday, May 20 - 5:00 p.m. Marsing High School Gymnasium

Marsing High S_{choo} Class of 2012



Colton Matthews



Reece Middleton



Noah Morris



Tad Muller



Sarah Padgett



Myranda Payne



Kyle Petet



Yuridia Quebrado



Jose Quiroz



Andrea Rodriquez



Timothy Sevy



Veronica Sevy



Evon Timmons



Hendrik Van Es

Speaker: John Lindley, MHS Science Teacher

Class Flower: Calla Lily

Class Colors: Midnight Blue

Class Song: "2012 - It Ain't the End" by Jay Sean

Congratulations, Graduates!

Marsing Hardware
Haken Insurance Agency
Showalter Construction
NAPA Auto Parts
ION Truck Plaza

Townsend Tire & Muffler
Spot Pizza
Farm Bureau/Wayne Hungate
The Owyhee Avalanche
Owyhee Publishing



Finley

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Favorite quote — "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not selfseeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not always delight in evil but rejoices with truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away." — 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Hobbies or pastimes

Marsing

favorite things to do in life are to read many books and hang out with my two favorite kids in the world. I also like to be outside and go to my church's youth group.

Proudest achievements — My proudest achievement would be being the salutatorian. I have been working hard as a student for 12 years and accomplished many college-level classes. It has taken a lot of time and effort to get me where I am today.

Best high school memory — Traveling to Kamiah for a football game with the cheerleaders. We sang tons of Taylor Swift and giggled the whole way. We had lots of snacks and didn't sleep one bit. I feel bad for my coach, having to drive the whole way with four screaming girls in the background. It was one of the greatest moments I spent with my squad, even though we had many great times, but this one was definitely the best.

Additional information — I would like to thank my family and my teachers for pushing me to always do my best. I am so thankful for everyone in my life who has inspired me. I am so thankful for the Lord, who has blessed me with love and strength to get me through my life. Mostly, I would like to thank my grandpa, Jerry Bowman, for making all of my dreams come true and always having faith in me to do anything I could want to do.

our chapter and two others were

Additional information — I am the national junior director for the American Paint Horse Association, I am also involved in high school rodeo, the Idaho Horse Show Association, the American Angus Association, and the Gem State Stock Horse Association.

Briggs

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Honor Society for two years, with one year as the Student Council representative.

I played three sports every year in high school: volleyball, basketball, and track and field. I was varsity captain in volleyball and basketball and the manager one year in track and field. As an athlete, I was awarded the Sportsmanship Award two years in a row, the 6th Player Award, and the Defensive Player of the Year Award on the varsity basketball team. In volleyball and basketball, I received 2A District III Honorable Mentions and was invited to play in the All-Star games. I was also a 3200-meter state qualifier in track and field my sophomore

I also was awarded Homecoming and Prom Queen by my peers.

service endeavors — As an individual, I helped the Marsing Lions Club at their annual Third of July dinner, where I served food and helped with activities to raise money for the community fireworks display. I also assisted the Lions Club during the Easter breakfast; I served pancakes and even made Mickey Mouse-shaped ones! In the spring, I volunteer at the Marsing Schools Carnival, where I run the Bean Bag Toss. I volunteered at the Care-ousel Horseback Therapeutic Riding by leading horses and interacting with special needs children while riding. I also assisted the Marsing Elementary Library by opening and sorting books to be given to K-5 students.

As the student council president, I ran a penny drive that raised over \$400 for the

Boise Veterans Administration Hospital. In FFA, I've collected food and clothing for needy families and ran various community dinners and auctions for the program. As an athlete, I wrapped and delivered presents to the needy in our community and restored old dugouts and items on school property. I also worked concessions at the Idaho Center and volunteered

Favorite quote — "Good, better, best. Never let it rest. Until your good is better and your better is best." - Unknown

at track meets.

Hobbies or pastimes — Apart from school activities, sports, and fair, I enjoy reading and playing the piano. In the summer, I like to hang out with my friends and go boating and water skiing. In the winter, I enjoy Alpine and Nordic skiing.

Proudest achievement — My proudest achievement is during my junior year and senior year, my basketball team was league champions two years in a row. Also, my junior year, we went to state in both volleyball and basketball. Even though we didn't do as good as we were hoping, we still had a blast!

Best high school memory — My junior year, both the volleyball and basketball games that took us to state. In volleyball, we beat Kamiah in a very close five-game match. In basketball, we were district champions over another very close game against Melba. We were all so excited that our work paid off, and we were going to State.

Additional information — I would like to thank my parents for pushing me to do my best in school, sports, and life in general. I couldn't have done it without them. And I want to thank the Marsing community for all their support and love.

From Page 3B Favorite quote—"We should consider every day lost on which we have not danced at least once." - Friedrich Nietzsche

out with friends

Timmons

Hobbies or Pastimes — Riding horses, showing cattle, training dogs, dancing, hanging

Proudest achievements —

My proudest achievement is training my deaf dog to be a therapy dog. It took a lot of hard work, and people didn't think I would get it done but I did.

Best high school memory — My best high school memory was when I went to the State Leadership Conference in Twin Falls and the night before we left out in the hallway of the motel singing and dancing.

Community

Carter

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presents for underprivileged families, Clean-up Marsing, volunteered to work lunch at Nampa Community Center

Favorite Quote — "Success is not the key to Happiness, Happiness is the key to Success. If you love what you are doing, You will be successful." — Buddha

Hobbies or pastimes — In my spare time, I like to ride my horse, play with my dog, participate in 4-H, and hang out with my friends.

Proudest achievement — Winning the varsity basketball sportsmanship award. I worked

hard all year long trying to keep my team motivated and loud even when we were down a couple of points. Although I didn't play very much, I still kept my attitude up and helped out the team whenever needed. It was nice to know that my team appreciated it just as much as I tried.

Best high school memory Hanging out with all of my friends and getting to know them. I have made some pretty amazing friends that I will keep with me for the rest of my life. They have shaped me into who I am today, and I thank them for that. They have all played a huge role in my life, and I'm glad I got to spend my high school life with them.

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Motto: All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them. - Walt Disney

Good Luck, **Seniors**!

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