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# Owyhee leaders installed



### County elected officials take oath of office in Murphy

Moments after taking his own pledge, Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick from District 3, right, administers the oath of office to, from left, District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery and Sheriff Perry Grant. Merrick was sworn in by County Clerk Charlotte Sherburn during Monday's ceremony inside Courtroom 1 at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

# Homedale woman enters quarter horse hall

Homedale resident Eula Dunn was honored for her long career in the quarter horse industry last week in Boise.

The 81-year-old Dunn was inducted into the Idaho Quarter

Horse Association Hall of Fame during the organization's annual meeting Friday and Saturday at the Riverside Hotel in Boise.

The induction ceremony took place Saturday night.

Dunn has spent 35 years involved in the industry. She and her husband, Jim, were involved in the Gold Piece Show, which was held throughout the Treasure

According to Jim Dunn, his wife still works as an advisor for IQHA after a career during which she served as secretary for quarter horse shows throughout the western United States.

# Marsing auction around corner

### Raffle tickets go on sale this week

Raffle tickets for the annual Marsing Disaster Auction are on sale.

Prizes available in the \$1 raffle include:

- Half of beef (cut and wrapped) donated by Sandy and Terry McLeod.
- A \$250 Marsing shopping spree furnished by American Legion Post 128.
- A Boise getaway donated by Mason & Stanfield Inc., engineers and surveyors.
- A 24-inch flat-screen television and DVD player donated by Betty and Kelly Ackerman.

The \$10 raffle features:

• A front-load washer and dryer donated by Haken Insurance, Emerald Insurance and Lowe's Home

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# Mtn. View men's game feed enters second decade

# Multifaceted speaker headlines event

A minister with eclectic interests will serve as guest speaker for Saturday's 10<sup>th</sup> annual Men's Wild Game Feed and Auction at a church outside Homedale.

Daniel W. Hall, who is also an author, will deliver the keynote for the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene's annual fundraiser for its Men's Group service projects.

Tickets are \$10 and are available by calling the church at (208) 337-3151.

The dinner and auction takes place at 6 p.m. Saturday at the church located at 26515 Ustick Road and the corner of Ustick and Batt Corner roads.

Proceeds from the event help the Men's Group in its work focusing on the wellbeing of widows and orphans.



l *Daniel W. Hall* 

A licensed minister and avid big game

hunter, Hall also takes part in historical reenactments. He is an artist and a poet and has nine years experience in the research and design arm of the bullet industry.

"I took to hunting like a duck takes to water," Hall, who is Christian, wrote in a biography supplied for the event. "To say I loved it is an understatement.

"As a young boy, I could hardly wait to be old enough to join in on the pursuit of the big game; and it did not disappoint me when I was able to pick up my own rifle and test my skills against the wild game."

Hall says the height of his hunting career

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was taking a Kodiak bear with a muzzle-

As an author, Hall says his life experiences spill on to the pages of his books.

"My hope is that from the historical to the spiritual, what I have learned and am still learning will come through to the reader," he said. "From the sights and sounds of the forest to the spiritual warfare of a Christian, the words of the pages will come to life within your own mind.

"I have often said that my writings are simply an overactive imagination put to good use."



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# Irrigation boards swear in three new district directors

New irrigation board directors Homedale. were sworn in Jan. 8 at the South Board of Control office in Homedale.

The three new directors are:

**Ridgeview Irrigation District:** Harold Bruning — Bruning said his decision to join the board was motivated by a desire to serve.

"Wherever I need to be to help out, that's where I would like to go," Bruning said.

He is a farmer on Stateline Road near Homedale, where he raises alfalfa. Originally from California, he has lived in the local area for seven years.

South Board/Gem Irrigation District: Ryan Criffield — "I kind of thought there should be a few changes in how things were being done.

"There's been some issues with weeds, moss control, things like that," Criffield said of his decision to join the board.

He has farmed on land west of Homedale for about 15 years and raises corn, hay and wheat.

"I'm not really a row-cropper, just a farmer," he said.

**South Board/Gem Irrigation** District: Chris Landa — "I'm just trying to do the best job I can for the water users. I think everybody should take their hand at it," Landa said. "I don't have an agenda, no pet projects. I'm just doing what I can do to help the process run smoother."

Landa raises corn, hay and wheat on a farm five miles south of

"I was born and raised in this area, right on the farm that I'm at," he said.

Bruning, Criffield and Landa replace Tim Leavitt, Greg Purdom and John Lax as directors.

Leavitt, who is retired from farming and his board activities, offered some advice to the three newcomers.

Ryan Criffield

Harold Bruning



Chris Landa

served three terms, or nine

years, as South Board of Control and Gem Irrigation District director.

"I feel very good for what was accomplished while I was there. One of the major accomplishments

is we've put a lot of our delivery laterals in pipe underground, and that cuts down tremendously on the maintenance," he said.

Lax, who was director for the Ridgeview District, said he accrued considerable knowledge during his five years on the

"I learned a lot about water and irrigation systems and all the canals, the laterals, and the system itself, how it works and the problems associated with delivering water," he said.

Lax said he gained respect for the crews who maintain the water system and got to know a lot of the men who stop leaks, among other essential work.

People don't always realize how important the work of the maintenance personnel is, Lax

Leavitt, Purdom and Lax were all given plaques of appreciation for their work on the irrigation board; Purdom and Lax were awarded their plaques at a December board meeting, while Leavitt — who was unable to attend the December meeting was given his on Jan. 8.

Officers — Dennis Turner is chairman for Gem Irrigation District and South Board of Control; Rick Smith is vice chairman.

Brett Nielson is chair of the Ridgeview Irrigation District; Mark Aman is vice chairman.



The Homedale Drive In located at 305 E. Idaho Ave. is under new ownership and will be renamed New York Barbecue.

### New ownership, new name for Homedale Drive In

The Homedale Drive In, which for weeks had a "For Sale" sign on it, was purchased late last year by Dave and Sue Williams of Homedale.

The drive-in, located at 305 E. Idaho Ave. in Homedale, was owned for many years by Hershel and Barbara Howell of Wilder.

"We're both getting up in years and it's a lot of work, but we both loved it," Hershel Howell said in a November phone interview about his reason for selling the business.

Dave Williams plans to make significant changes to the restaurant, including a new look, menu, and name. The Homedale Drive In will be rechristened New York Barbecue.

"I'm not even going to have

a deep fryer in the place. We're wanting to have a barbecue menu," Williams said. "My wife and I both grew up back east in Upstate New York. The food we grew up with is what I'm modeling this on."

Offerings will include New York-style barbecue chicken, corn fritters and something called a "salt potato" — a ping pong-sized potato boiled in "really strong" salt water and served with melted butter, Williams said.

A tentative opening date for New York Barbecue has been set for the end of February or the beginning of March, following an extensive remodel of the building.

—GB

### Martin Luther King Day closures planned

Government offices, banks, libraries and schools have announced their hours of operation for Martin Luther King Day on Monday, with virtually all of those institutions closing for the day.

MLK Day schedules are as fol-

City halls — Grand View City Hall, Homedale City Hall and Marsing City Hall will all be closed.

Courthouse — The Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy will be closed. The Board of County Commissioners, which generally meets each Monday, will change its meeting date to Tuesday starting at 9 a.m.

**Banks**—US Banks in Homedale,

closed.

Post offices —The U.S. Post Offices in Homedale, Marsing, Grand View and Bruneau will all be closed

Libraries — Lizard Butte Library in Marsing, Homedale Public Library, Eastern Owyhee County Library in Grand View, and Bruneau Valley Library in Bruneau will all be closed.

**Grocery stores** — Paul's Market in Homedale will be open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Logan's Market in Marsing will be open remaining the same, which is from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**Schools** — All schools in the following districts will be closed:

Marsing and Grand View will all be Homedale, Marsing, Bruneau-Grand View, Adrian, Ore., and Jordan Valley, Ore. (Bruneau-Grand View schools are typically closed on Monday.)

> Emergency services — Owyhee County dispatch will be available as usual, as will the sheriff's patrol, Homedale police patrol and volunteer medical and fire services.

**Avalanche** — The Owyhee Avalanche will maintain its regular hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the classified ad deadline noon on Monday. The office closes from noon to 1 p.m. for

# Homedale-area man pleads guilty in coin theft

A Homedale-area man accused of stealing coins from a Boise home faces sentencing late next

Christian M. Odell, 35, entered a guilty plea during a Jan. 8 hearing before Fourth District Judge Ronald J. Wilper. Wilper will sentence Odell on felony grand theft at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 26 in the Ada County Courthouse

Executing a warrant from the Ada County Prosecutor's Office, Boise Police arrested Odell on

He was charged with five felonies, including three counts of burglary and two counts of grand theft after allegedly stealing more than \$5,000 in coins from the home of a coin collector in June. In an October press release, Boise Police also said Odell subsequently sold

According to court records, a \$25,000 bench warrant was issued after Odell was a no-show for his Oct. 9 felony arraignment. The warrant was later recalled and Odell's preliminary hearing was held Dec. 11.



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# Young Homedale scholars to test their brainpower

The first six-school Academic Bowl of 2013 is set for today at Homedale Middle School, with students from the local community competing against their middle school counterparts from Parma, Weiser, McCain of Payette, Payette Lakes of McCall, and Fruitland.

Academic Bowl coach and fourth-grade teacher at Homedale Elementary School, Jan Silva, has been preparing 20 students from sixth, seventh and eighth grades to meet all challengers in topics ranging from geography to literature to science and math. Questions on current events and pop culture may also come up, Silva said.

There are approximately seven Academic Bowls each school year. The schools — with the exception of McCall — take turns hosting the event, so one school is chosen to host the bowl twice.

The students on the Academic Bowl team generally are chosen to participate.

"They are invited, and I invited all the kids that on the honor roll last spring by letter," Silva said

However, the competition is open to the general population of students in sixth through eighth



Courtney Van Winkle, 11, in black, reads through a newspaper so she can share information with other Academic Team members.

grades, she said, so no interested student is turned away.

The current team is made up

Eighth graders — Riley Haun (team captain), Alyssa Emery, Patrick McMichael, Emma McMichael and Ryan Randall

Seventh graders — Andrew Bowman, Bradley Butler, Diana Cook, Miller DeMark, Kaden Henry and Dillon Pfost

Sixth graders — Morgan Bowman, Warren DeMark, Courtney Downum, Jose Ojeda, Lindy Phariss, Randi Schild, Kelsey Taylor, Mauricia Villarreal and Courtney VanWinkle

"We are limited to 18 kids per meet. There are only six slots per round, and we have to have two students from each grade, so I usually play the kids who have been to the most practices," Silva said.

She does try to make sure that students who have expertise in a particular area are selected to play in the round where questions most relevant to them might be asked.

"There's a good mix of areas of expertise," she said.

There are three segments to the competition:



Teacher Jan Silva holds up a box of Brain Quest cards at Homedale Elementary for bowl team members to quiz one another on.

Round 1 – Team Written — Ten questions (worth 10 points each); every team submits a written answer for each question

Round 2 – Team Oral — timed event; 30 seconds for team conference and oral answer by one member, with five questions per team

Round 3 – Speed Round — 40 questions; team must sound buzzer to be recognized, then must answer correctly or lose 10 points

There are no trophies or other prizes given to bowl winners.

izes given to bowl winners.
"It's just kind of bragging

rights," Silva said.

"I like it because I'm the kind of person where the random facts I read stick in my mind, and I can use them at the Academic Bowl," Riley Haun said.

The local team has done well this school year, taking first place Oct. 17 in Parma and tying for first Nov. 14 in Weiser, according to Silva.

Today's meet will begin at 4:15 p.m., and the public is welcome to attend for free.

"We love to have spectators," the coach said.

—GB

# Jordan Valley council has quorum, seeks full complement

The Jordan Valley City Council still has a vacancy after its first meeting of a new term.

Two of the leading vote-getters in the Nov. 6 write-in election
— Marie Kershner and Frank
Beckwith — took the oath of office during a Jan. 8 meeting.

Mayor Jake Roe was sworn in

The Jordan Valley City Council for another four-year term, too.

Kershner and Beckwith, both incumbents, agreed to serve after winning the write-in election. Kershner will take Position 3, while Beckwith will fill Position 5 on the six-person panel.

Holdovers include No. 2 Mary Aguila, No. 4 Mel Wainman

and No. 6 Ellen Reed. All three still have two years left on their term.

City administrator Adele Payden said City Hall is soliciting candidates for the open Council Position 1, which had been held by Glenn Fretwell. She posted a notice at the city office last Wednesday.

Any Jordan Valley citizen interested in serving on the council can contact Payden at City Hall at (541) 586-2460 or cityofjv@juno. com for more information. City Hall is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The office closes for an hour at

noon for lunch. Email is checked daily, according to the town's website.

City Hall is located at 306 Blackaby St. The City Council meets there at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for Feb. 12.



# Homedale public works chief explains plowing protocol

Homedale's maintenance crew spent four hours plowing and sanding streets Thursday after last week's snowstorm.

The crew began plowing streets and sanding intersections at 5:30 a.m., public works supervisor Larry Bauer said.

The work came less than 12 hours after winter maintenance of the city's streets was discussed at the first City Council meeting of the year.

"We had two inches of snow," Bauer told the council. "We have a parameter of four inches of snow before we start plowing.

"It's not feasible to plow at two inches. At four inches, you could barely plow."

According to the weather station at Helena Chemical Co., the Homedale area received 31/2 inches of snow on Jan. 8. Another two inches fell Thursday.

"Three inches of snow the first time isn't much snow (for plowing)," Bauer said Thursday afternoon. "It's an inconvenience, but it's not enough to plow.

"We're not opposed to plowing. I love plowing, but it's expensive."

Bauer said the city put down about 50 yards of sand in intersections, which is comparable to previous years. He also said the city burned about 25 gallons of fuel in the dump truck and grader.

"It all adds up," he said. "It's a necessary evil, you have to do it. It's a discretionary thing to keep the people safe."

Bauer said that his crews usually take action on the streets after being notified by the police department.

— JPB

# Low turnout for hearing on county building permit fees

The Board of County Commissioners held a hearing Jan. 7 to receive public input on proposed fee increases for building permits in Owyhee County.

Jim Desmond, county emergency services and grants coordinator, served as hearing officer.

Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff explained the reason for the fee increases.

Owyhee County entered into an agreement with Canyon County for building inspections late last year and the decision was made to adopt Canyon's fee structure, which in some instances — particularly for larger building projects — is higher than Owyhee's, Huff said.

Only one individual, Sidney Erwin of Bruneau, attended the hearing. Erwin is one of the original members of the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning

"My first question is: Does the fee increase on the upper end limit or discourage development?" Erwin asked.

"I don't know if it will," District 3 Commissioner and board chair Joe Merrick said.

Huff clarified that few homes in the county are "upper end," meaning \$1 million or more. Permit fees for homes in that category would nearly double, going from \$5,608 to \$11,330.

"However, in my time with the county, we have never had a home built with a \$1 million valuation. The average home project in Owyhee County is about \$225,000. The cost of the building permit in that case would go up approximately 42 percent or (would increase in the amount of) \$1,251.25," Huff said.

The general consensus of the commissioners and others at the small hearing was that the

building permit fee increase for higher-end residences was not likely to be an issue for someone building a \$1 million home.

(In an email to the Owyhee Avalanche several days after the hearing, Huff explained that the base building permit fee would be the same for a commercial project as for a residential project.)

Erwin then queried the board on a second issue.

"Are people (building inspectors) willing to cooperate to get the job done, or are they going to be very stringent, with no adjustment?" he asked. "What I want to know is: Are we going to have reasonable inspectors who will provide us some benefit?

"Two people I know feel they don't know how to wade through the mess and get to the end. People don't know where they're at. You need to deal with how the public perceives the operation and be willing to embrace it. It's a county service, not a county policing agency."

The commissioners did not immediately respond to Erwin's comments, so Desmond asked if building inspections were performed according to a specific building code.

The county utilizes the International Building Code as its guideline for inspections, Huff said.

"Are inspectors going to follow the code?" Desmond asked.

When District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland and District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said inspectors would follow the code, Erwin said parts of the IBC were not relevant to home construction in Owyhee County, such as the specification for hurricane clips.

"There are different zones in the code," Huff said, indicating that Owyhee County does not have to adhere to every section

"It was actually recommended that we delete some sections," Hoagland said.

It is up to the commissioners to decide in the future whether Owyhee County will adopt Canyon County's code or keep its own, Huff said; to date, the commissioners have not addressed the issue, nor is it on the agenda in the near term for consideration.

At this point, Erwin said he had no further questions or comments.

"The state allows you to set a fee schedule that's going to cover your costs," Desmond said. "If you don't raise fees, you have to shift the cost to the general

"The building permit fee increase will be taken under advisement, and we will reach a decision at a later date," Merrick said, closing the hearing.

—GB

# Three people reappointed for three more years on county P&Z panel

Three people were reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission during the Board of County Commissioners meeting Jan. 7.

They include: Chad Nettleton, Murphy; Connie Brandau, Wilson; and Clay Atkins, Bruneau. Each will serve another three-year

Brandau is currently commission chairman; election of new officers will be held during the commission's meeting in late January.

"They're a good group, Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff said.

Members of the P&Z commission are involved in planning, property rights and land use issues, as well as other activities.

Speaking seven days before he

was sworn in, Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant spoke to the commissioners about the new telephone lines that are being installed to enhance the department's 911 — or Viper

Two phones are being purchased from CenturyLink and two from Frontier Communications.

"Ever since our new 911 system was installed, it hasn't been working as well with our old phone system, so we need four new lines," Grant said. "We need the new lines to give us use of our caller ID, to give us basic phone functions, and to assist with our mapping to help us find 911 cell phone calls."

Grant told the commissioners that sometimes people who call into 911 can't wait on the phone during an emergency.

"They hang up and we lose them," Grant said.

"If there's funding for it, I'd like to see (installation of the new phones) to let dispatchers see what's going on (during 911 calls)," District 3 Commissioner and board chair Joe Merrick

At that, the board approved the purchase of the four new phones. Cost for the phones will be \$32 a month for each of the CenturyLink phones and, according to Grant, "almost twice that amount" for the Frontier phones

Money for the phones will come from the county's 911 Fund, according to Jim Desmond, county emergency services and grants coordinator.

Desmond explained the reason for purchasing the phones from two different firms is that one company — Frontier — provides phone lines for areas that are farther away from Murphy, where the sheriff's office and county courthouse are located, and the other — CenturyLink — is for closer calls.

access to the courthouse reachable by people without having them have to call long distance,"

"The county wants to make Desmond said.

—GB

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# Homedale band boosters to meet Thursday

The Homedale Band Boosters will discuss a benefit spaghetti feed scheduled for later this month during a Thursday meeting.

The meeting, rescheduled after last week's heavy snow, will take place at 6:30 p.m. inside the Homedale High School

band room, which is located on East Owyhee Avenue in the rear of the school's campus.

The general meeting will include discussion of a fundraising total, trip dates, concert dates and other items.

Also on the agenda is discussion of

the spaghetti feed, which will serve as a fundraiser for the middle school and high school bands and choirs.

The menu will include spaghetti with meat sauce, a slice of garlic French bread, green salad, drink and strawberry shortcake

The music program students also will perform during the event, which is set for 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at Homedale Middle School.

Tickets are available from band and choir students and at the door the night of

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# **Obituaries**

### Carl Dufford Hays, Sr.

Carl Dufford Hays, Sr. was born on September 2, 1923 near Homedale, Idaho to Lee Bowman and Eva Brown Hays. He grew up farming and milking cows. At a very young age of twelve, he and his brothers become responsible for operating the family farm when his father became unable to due to a heart attack. During WWII he joined the Army and served among the "Greatest Generation" until pneumonia and a land mine course took most of his hearing during basic training. He received a medical discharge as a veteran.

He was devoted to many things: fishing, hunting, camping and his family, but probably the most important were baseball, horses and children. He played and coached baseball for many years and was asked to play in the minors but couldn't because he had to run the family farm. As a coach in Homedale and Marsing, he led teams to awards and championships for many years. Likewise, as a horse trainer and owner, he dedicated over 30 years to developing some of the finest thoroughbreds and quarter horses in the state. At his peak, he stabled more than 25 horses. He would only take as many as he could ride and shoe himself and he won far more races



than he lost.

Carl Hays had a wide smile, kind blue eyes, and a good word for everyone he met. He took extra time and effort with children so they felt very special. Simply put, those who knew him cherished him.

He will be joining his sisters Eulah Hays, Faye Dines, Velma Milligan and his brother Red Hays. What a welcome he will receive. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie Hays, his brother and best friend, Rob Hays and wife Mary Lou. He was a beloved father to Carl Dufford Hays Jr., Trina Hays and Kim Hays Cooper. The grandchildren and great-grandchildren carrying on his legacy are: Carl Dufford Hays



III, Anthony Hays, Burke Hays, Tanna and Tyler Cooper, Laura and Alex Conilogue, Carl Dufford Hays IV and Hauk Hays. Without question, Carl touched more lives than can be listed here, and I am sure he is smiling down on all of us knowing how much we love and miss him.

Funeral services were held at 1:00PM on Saturday, January 12, 2013 at Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, Wilder. Viewing was held 1 hour prior to service at the church. Friends may send flowers or you may also send donations to the Homedale Senior Center (P.O. Box 848, Homedale, ID 83628).

Condolences may be sent to www.flahifffuneralchapel.com

### **Frances Mrak**

Frances Mrak, 101, of Homedale passed away Sunday, January 6, 2013. She was born in a coal mining town in Sweetwater, Wyoming January 30, 1911. The second child of Frank and Frances Kushlan who were immigrants from Austria (now Slovenija). After the third child was born they moved to Homedale, ID to farm. Hard-working people, they cleared the tumbleweed land to grow a variety of crops. Three more children joined the family, and she helped take care of them and the field work. Working hard all her life, she found time to enjoy her large vegetable and flower gardens, was a great bowler for over 50 years and loved the garden club. She also served the Catholic Church in many different capacities.

She married in 1930 to Anton



Mrak, and to this union they were blessed with two daughters: Frances (Roger) Myers and Dorothy (Robert) Hensley, sister-in-law, Shirley Kushlan, Four grand-children: Lyman (Pat) Hensley, Tonya Hensley, Pam Myers and Julie (Andrew) Pikes and two great-granddaughters, Andrea

and Drew, and several nieces and nephews. She was a wonderful cook and made sure no one left the table hungry.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers: Frank, Lewis and John Kushlan, two sisters: June St. Clair and Ange Ojala, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale (27 E. Owyhee) from 5:30-8:00 PM Thursday January 10, 2013 with Rosary recited at 7:00 PM. Funeral Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of the Valley, Catholic Church, Caldwell, on Friday January 11, 2013 at 10:30 AM. Interment followed at Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Condolences for the family may be left at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

# **School menus**

### **Homedale Elementary**

Jan. 16: Orange chicken, steamed rice, peas, mandarin oranges

Jan. 17: Grilled ham/cheese, tomato soup, celery sticks, fruit

Jan. 18: No school.

Jan. 21: No school.

Jan. 22: Pork chop, mashed potatoes/gravy, mixed fruit w/jello

Jan. 23: Crispito, taco salad, applesauce

Jan. 24: Nemo sandwich, sweet potato fries, fruit, jello

### **Homedale Middle**

Jan. 16: Popcorn chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, fruit

Jan. 17: Beef or chicken taco, corn, pears

Jan. 18: No school.

Jan. 21: No school.

Jan. 22: Nachos or baked potato, bread stick, veggie cup, applesauce

Jan. 23: Spaghetti or burrito, green beans, fruit

Jan. 24: Chicken nuggets or orange chicken, rice, steamed carrots, mandarin oranges

### **Homedale High**

Jan. 16: Idaho haystack or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice

Jan. 17: Malibu or grilled chicken sandwich, hamburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice

Jan. 18: No school.

Jan. 21: No school.

Jan. 22: Teriyaki chicken or popcorn chicken, steamed rice, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice

Jan. 23: Lasagna/French bread or rib-b-que/cheese stick, mixed veggies, salad bar, fruit choice

### **Marsing**

Jan. 16: Teriyaki chicken bowl or corn dog, corn, salad bar 6-12

Jan. 17: Lasagna & breadstick or turkey sandwich, potato salad, green beans, salad bar 6-12

Jan. 21: No school.

Jan. 22: Pulled pork sandwich or enchilada & rice, baked sweet potato, salad bar 6-12

Jan. 23: Hamburger, chicken nuggets, potato wedges, green beans, pudding, salad bar 6-12

### **Bruneau-Grand View**

Jan. 16: Lasagna, garden spinach salad, steamed carrots, fruit

Jan. 17: Chili, coleslaw, cinnamon roll, applesauce

Jan. 18: BBQ pork/bun, sweet potato fries, cauliflower, oranges

Jan. 22: Pepperoni pizza, romaine tossed salad, veggies, pineapple

Jan. 23: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, wheat roll, green beans, fruit

### **COSSA**

Jan. 16: Corn dog, potato wedges, baked beans, fresh fruit

Jan. 17: Roast turkey, mashed potato/gravy, bread, peaches

Jan. 18:Pizza, salad w/tomato, corn, fresh pineapple

Jan. 21: No school.

Jan. 22: Hamburger/bun, lettuce, pickle, tomato, baked fries, pears

Jan. 23: Chicken, crispito, refried beans, corn chips, peaches

# **Death notice**

**ELSA SCHULZE**, 104, of McCall, who formerly resided in Marsing, died Friday, Jan. 4, 2013. Cremation services are pending under the direction of the Heikkila Funeral Chapel, (208) 634-2220.

# Acclaimed local gospel group to reunite in Marsing

### Nazarene church hosts Sunday show

A group of local musicians will return to the site of their last formal concert for a reunion Sunday.

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Daybreak Trio is set for an 11 a.m. show at the Marsing Church of the Nazarene, 12 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W. The concert is open to the public. There is no admission charge; however, a love offering will be received for the trio.

Pastor Bill O'Connor said the Marsing church prides itself on being "Owyhee County's Home for Great Gospel Music," and that the upcoming event kicks off a 2013 series of five concerts.

"These concerts will go on for as long as there are gospel groups available and people who want to hear them," O'Connor said.

Daybreak Trio retired from a full-time schedule of local and regional concerts in 2005 so the members could pursue other activities.

Randy Jahn owns a music studio in Greenleaf and has produced recordings for many other artists and groups.

Nampa resident Dave Mangum, a retired Melba High School teacher and coach, has appeared in the role of Jesus in the Nampa First Church of the Nazarene production of "No Greater Love" for the past 33 years.

Dallas Holton, who also lives in Nampa, has a long-running role as the Apostle John in the same production.

"It is a great privilege for our church to be able to present artists of this caliber to gospel music fans in the area," O'Connor said.

"There is no better encouragement for the soul, or lift for the spirit, than a good dose of toe-tapping, heart-lifting gospel music.

"It would be impossible to get a better dose of it than people will

receive at this concert."

Since halting their full-time schedule, the group has reunited occasionally, including during September's Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Family Fair and Round-Up at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

"The members of the Daybreak Trio have always been committed to the closest in harmony and the best possible presentation," O'Connor said. "Anyone joining us for this morning of music will be truly blessed."

# Homedale FFA completes projects

### Wide community support for Soldier Boxes reported

by Lydia Aman Chapter reporter

Homedale's FFA Chapter helped out this Christmas as they wrapped up both their Gift of Green and Soldier Box projects.

Care packages for the service men in Kuwait should have arrived by Christmas. The chapter also dropped off Christmas gifts for the Gift of Green on Dec. 21.

Every year before the Scavenger Hunt, Homedale FFA gives out

presents to a family in need. Project participants went shopping after receiving a list of presents and a budget.

After wrapping several boxes, the chapter packed the gifts into advisor Lori Idsinga's SUV. Then they drove to the family's house and dropped them off. Homedale FFA has conducted this community service project for several years.

The soldier boxes, gathered for

Homedale High School teacher Mark Thatcher and his fellow unit members, were flown out before the school's holiday break. They should have reached Kuwait around Christmas.

We would like to thank the community for bringing in so many objects for the soldier boxes. FFA members had to rearrange the boxes several times just to fit in books, toothbrushes, shaving cream, soap, shampoo, snacks, and multiple other items brought in. We even sent some copies of The Owyhee Avalanche.

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### **Today**

### **Bruneau Valley Library preschool**

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

### **Christian Life Club**

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

### **Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting**

5:30 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 720 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

### Job's Daughters Bethel 31 meeting

7 p.m., Silver City Masonic Lodge No. 13, 19 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 453-2116

### **Thursday**

Friends of Lizard Butte Library board meeting 6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W.,

### Marsing, ID 83639

Homedale band boosters meeting 6:30 p.m., Homedale High School band room,

### East Owyhee Avenue, Homedale.

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting 6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

### **Friday**

### Story Time at Homedale Public Library

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

### Saturday

### Homedale Senior Center breakfast

7 a.m. to 10 a.m., open to public, \$6 all-you-caneat, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

### **Homedale Running Club**

8 a.m., free and open to the public, Homedale High School athletic track, Deward Bell Stadium, Riverside Drive, Homedale.

### Men's Wild Game Feed and Auction

6 p.m., \$10, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 337-3151

### **Bruneau Elementary PTO fundraiser**

6 p.m. to 9 p.m., Winter Wonderland Carnival and Chili Feed, Bruneau Elementary School, 28541 Benham Ave., Bruneau. (208) 845-2252

### Tuesday

### **Board of County Commissioners meeting**

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

### Owyhee County P&Z hearings

10 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse Annex Building, 17069 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 495-

### Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting

Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

### Wednesday

### Bruneau Valley Library preschool

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

### **Christian Life Club**

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

### Thursday, Jan. 24

### Homedale City Council meeting

6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

### Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting

6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

### Bruneau Valley Library District board meeting

7 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

### Friday, Jan. 25

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### Saturday, Jan. 26

### **Homedale Running Club**

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### Monday, Jan. 28

### **Board of County Commissioners meeting**

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

### Tuesday, Jan. 29

### HHS music program spaghetti feed

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

### Wednesday, Jan. 30

### Bruneau Valley Library preschool

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 3- and 4-year-olds, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2163 or (208) 845-2131

### **Christian Life Club**

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

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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



# **Applegate Trail Wagon Master**

History of the trail, continued

Jordan Valley resident and historian Mike Hanley continues his discussion of the history of the Applegate Trail. The essay comes from 1999's "Journal of Michael F. Hanley IV: Serving as Wagon Master on the 150th anniversary of the Applegate Trail," which took place from Aug. 30 to Oct. 3 in 1996.

-Ed.

In the spring of 1846, Jesse and Lindsay Applegate, taking the advice of mountain men, led a group of trail blazers to locate and prepare a trail that would allow for safer passage to Oregon. They blazed a trail, known as the Southern Route, from Rickreall, near Salem, south to the Rogue River Valley, and southeast to the Warner Mountains in present California. From there they crossed the Black Rock Desert in present-day Nevada, then on to the Humboldt River, where their trail joined the California Trail at present-day Winnemucca. The Applegates went on to Fort Hall near present-day Pocatello at the junction of the Oregon and California Trails, where they persuaded a part of that year's migration to go with them over their new route.

Before they reached their destination, severe hardship caused by lack of water, livestock forage and provisions for the emigrants, led to the near-lynching of Jesse Applegate. However, in years that followed, thousands used the trail, with use peaking during the California Gold Rush of 1849. From then on it declined as other routes were established, including a safer passage to the Willamette Valley from the Dalles known as the Barlow Road. Had it existed in 1843, it would have saved the Applegates and the thousands who followed their trail much suffering, but denied those who re-enacted its 150th anniversary the opportunity to do so.

When Don Rowlett and Carney Pope asked me if I would like to be Wagon Master on a reenactment, I accepted because of my love for history, and my family's background was wagon train people. Peter Burnett, the man who popularized emigration, was an ancestor.

My wife Linda Lee and I joined a like-minded group of people at Winnemucca on Labor Day Weekend in 1996 for what was to become an adventure neither of us will ever forget. Now I can say I've been there and experienced the emigrant experience, which allows me to better understand this part of "the American Dream."

With ten wagons, including seven covered wagons and three spring wagons, we started out on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1996. The number of outfits varied, as did the participants who ranged from a high of thirty-six to a low of fifteen. The youngest was three, and the oldest seventy-eight.

Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordai 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.

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# Legion seeks help in protecting neighboring property

### Homedale officials suggest liability insurance, chaperones

Requiring liability insurance and beefing up the security deposit are two avenues that could lessen the chance of damage from renters at the Homedale American Legion Hall, city officials said last week.

Mayor Paul Fink suggested that the George D. VanDerhoff Post 32 membership require insurance from individual renters in case broken windows and other damage to buildings continue to plague the neighborhood around the hall at 14 E. Owyhee Ave. He also wants to see the price

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of the security deposit increased.

Fink also asked Post Commander Jim Knezevich to ensure that Legion members take an active role in examining the surrounding properties before and after celebrations are held at the facility.

"We're trying to do what we can to eliminate that," Knezevich said of the damage that has been linked to Legion Hall rentals. "Whatever help we can get in eliminating that would be great."

Councilman Aaron Tines suggested that a Legion member stand guard during the

"It should be a cooperative effort," Downum said. "Law enforcement can only do so much. Maybe you can have a Legion person there to chaperone.

one of those fixtures that is seen as good in the community."

Fink said that it will cost more than \$1,800 to repair a nearby apartment's windows and storm door that were shattered by rocks.

"\$1.850 is an awful lot of damage and would be hard to take," Fink said.

The Legion charges \$350 per rental and there is a \$150 security deposit that is refundable after an inspection, VanDerhoff Post officials said.

In 2007, after a Homedale Police officer was injured responding to the report of an unruly party at the Legion Hall, Post 32 officials visited with the council and said they planned to raise the security deposit.

"In any community, the Legion Hall is According to testimony from the 2007 meeting, the deposit was never increased.

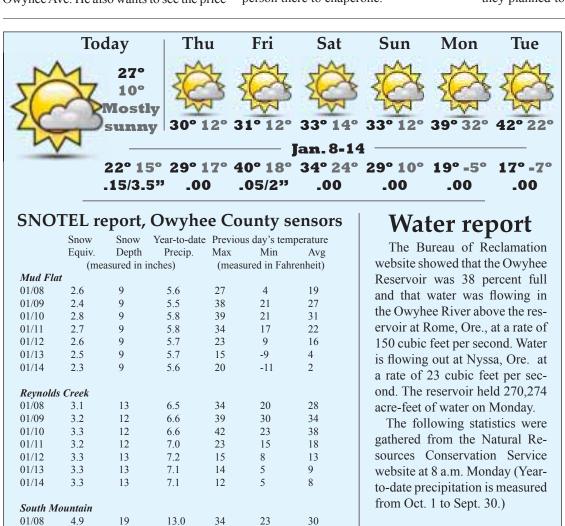
> The council wants the Legion to take action now to prevent further incidents.

> "This is a pre-emptive strike because in 2007 it was an ongoing thing," Downum

Knezevich said the Legion would share its event schedule with police and reiterated the Legion's plan to prohibit any renter who is found responsible for damages from reserving the hall again.

"If we find that our renter is responsible, we'll blacklist them or make them put up a \$5,000 retainer for liability," Knezevich

— JPB



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

# **Homedale Chamber** to tackle state tax phase-out "what-ifs"

stated plan to do away with personal property tax will be

discussed Tuesday when the Homedale Chamber of Commerce meets for the first time in two months.

Owyhee County Assessor Brett Endicott will brief business leaders on the personal property tax issue during the Chamber's noontime luncheon at the Owyhee Brett Endicott Lanes and Restaurant.

"What I'm hoping to convey to them is they need to talk to their legislators," Endicott said. "If I were a businessman, I'd say, 'Yes. Let's get rid of property taxes,'

Gov. C. L. "Butch" Otter's but, on the other hand, they are going to wind up paying for it in some way.

> "It'll go back to the homeowners, ag and small business."

> In his State of the State address last week as the Idaho Legislature convened its 2013 session, Otter stated his desire to retire the personal property tax, which requires businesses to pay taxes

on equipment.

In addition to Endicott's appearance, Chamber members will hear a presentation on a plan to paint murals on the walls of some local buildings.

### PTO carnival set Saturday

The second annual Winter Wonderland Carnival and Chili Feed is scheduled to run from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday at

Bruneau Elementary School.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the school's Parent Teacher Organization and the Bruneau Teachers Fund.

The fundraiser includes an allyou-can-eat chili dinner priced at \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-12. Homemade cinnamon rolls will be provided, too.

The carnival includes several games and other fundraising endeavors suited for the entire family. Tickets cost 50 cents each.

Games include a bean bag toss, fishing, dice race, bingo, a pop toss, a duck pond and deck of cards contest. Other fundraisers are a jail, cake walk and face painting.

The school is located at 28541 Benham Ave., in Bruneau.

Anyone who would like to volunteer for the event or provide sponsorship can call Jacque Black at (208) 845-2252.

According to a flyer announcing the event, bakers also are needed.

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Marsing girls lose, but close in on title

# **Avalanche Sports**

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Rimrock girls rebound

from first WIC defeat

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2013** 

# Homedale girls pull out epic victory

Trojans beat Grizzlies for first time since 2005-06 season

It took seven seasons, four coaches, 18 games and two overtimes, but Homedale High School finally has another girls' bas-

ketball victory over Fruitland.

Three players reached double figures, and the Trojans rallied despite the loss of their best inside player to end a 17-game losing streak against their 3A Snake River Valley conference rivals.

Freshman Tory Lane led the way with 20 points as Homedale posted a 65-58 double-overtime victory on the Grizzlies' court.

"The girls and I had talked about it, leading up to the game, that it was a big game — one that the seniors or juniors on the team hadn't won since they've been in high school. So it was nice to get that win for them," HHS coach Joe Betancourt said, adding the victory was "one for the ages."

Just like the last victory, which came on Jan. 20, 2006, Homedale beat Fruitland last

week on its home court with a first-year coach at the helm. Mike Greeley was the man during the 2005-06 season.

Fruitland then reeled off 17 straight victories against Homedale teams coached by Greeley, Jeremy Chamberlain and Matt Holtry

— See Girls, page 12

# Huskies forge tie for second with N.P.

Two players cracked the 20point barrier Saturday, sending Marsing High School to an important conference boys' basketball victory on the road.

Jason Galligan wrapped up a strong week on both ends of the floor with 25 points, 11 rebounds and four steals as the Huskies pushed past New Plymouth, 62-56, for their sixth win in the past seven games.

Jose Acuna dropped a seasonhigh 20 points and grabbed five rebounds as Marsing moved into a second-place tie with the Pilgrims in the 2A Western Idaho Conference standings.

The win could help down the road, too.

"Not only was this a huge win on the road, but it also gave us valuable experience playing in a game with that amount of pressure," coach JW Chadez said after the Huskies rallied from losing a double-digit lead in the second half.

"I have four players that are still learning how to handle themselves in that type of situation."

— See **Huskies,** page 11



Homedale 113-pounder Tyler Hardy imposes his will on Weiser's Kristian Claudio during a Jan. 8 bout. Hardy finished the week with a championship at the Magic Valley Classic in Wendell.

# Wrestlers leave mark in Magic Valley

Four athletes nab titles; Melba, HHS finish 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>

Owyhee County wrestlers scored big victories during the weekend's Magic Valley Classic.

For the second time in as many weeks, Troy Richardson won an individual championship as he helped Melba High School capture the team title at the two-day tournament in Wendell.

The 182-pounder pinned New Plymouth's Luis Castro for the weight class championship, which also propelled Richardson to the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler award. The Mustangs beat Firth by seven points in the team chase.

Homedale put four athletes in the championship round, with three athletes bringing home gold and pushing the Trojans to a fourth-place finish with 141 points.

Seniors Brad McCain and Tyler Hardy and sophomore Devin Fisher scored top medals in their respective divisions with unbeaten 4-0 runs.

McCain beat Melba's Fabian Medrano for the 195-pound championship.

Hardy pinned Malad junior Wesley Peterson in the final at 113 pounds. Peterson is ranked fourth in the state at 113.

At 126 pounds, Fisher capped his perfect Friday and Saturday with a pinfall of Challis sophomore

— See Wrestlers, page 12

### HHS boys beat Weiser to start SRV

# Defense, rebounding tell the tale at home

A mid-game surge gave Homedale High School the momentum needed for a rare boys' basketball victory over Weiser on Saturday.

Team play backed up Ricky McBride's usual strong night as the Trojans opened the 3A Snake River Valley conference season with a thrilling (and rare) 41-38 victory over the visiting Wolverines.

First-year coach Casey Grove said: "That was a huge win for us."

"It was a good team win," he added. "Everyone contributed in some way or another."

The contest served as the Trojans' home conference opener. Thursday's game against Parma was postponed to Monday, Feb. 4 because of heavy snowfall.

McBride nailed half of his shots from the field and led all scorers with 13 points.

Another senior, Hayden Krzesnik, put together a strong game on defense with five of his

— See **Boys**, page **12** 

# Jordan Valley boys pummel first two High Desert foes

# Girls also begin league slate 2-0

Jordan Valley High School stormed into its boys' basketball league season with two easy wins, but the Mustangs coaching staff knows the tough tests lay ahead.

Jordan Valley, which has opened the season with 12 consecutive victories, plays host to Huntington on Friday before traveling to fellow 1A High Desert League unbeaten Crane on Saturday.

Crane (9-4 overall) takes a seven-game winning streak into

its Friday night game at Harper, while Huntington (7-2, 1-1 in 1A HDL) lost, 58-42, to Adrian in its league opener before rebounding with a 42-36 win over Harper on Saturday.

Jordan Valley swept its first two 1A HDL matchups during the weekend, outscoring Harper and Burnt River by a combined score of 138-44.

Saturday: Jordan Valley 70, Burnt River 22 — The Mustangs posted their game-opening point total of the season, piling up a 32-6 lead in the opening quarter in Unity, Ore.

Assistant coach Jerry Wroten,

who is filling in for Mike Workman as he recovers from surgery, was able to work out Jordan Valley's reserves as the Mustangs owned a 41-point edge at halftime (56-15).

Wyatt Trautman registered 12 points and seven rebounds and knocked down six of his seven field-goal attempts. Ben Telleria chipped in nine points, and Nick Eiguren and Nate Elsner scored seven apiece.

Freshman Junior Salazar saw some varsity playing time and responded with five of Jordan Valley's 27 steals.

Cody Belveal hit a team-high

six points for the Bulls, while teammate Alex Martin added five.

Friday: Jordan Valley 68, Harper 22 — Senior Blaine Moran shot 70 percent (7-for-10) from the floor and led all scorers with 17 points to pace the Mustangs.

Moran also captured a teamhigh seven rebounds.

Jordan Valley held the Hornets to single-digit scoring throughout the game and jumped out to a 23-8 lead after eight minutes.

Four Mustangs reached double figures with Braden Fillmore scoring 11 points, and Telleria

draining a pair of three-pointers on the way to a 10-point showing. Wyatt Stanford also scored 10 points.

Nathan Joyce led Harper with 14 points.

### Girls

Jordan Valley opened the league season with a pair of victories, extending their winning streak to four games.

The Mustangs beat visiting Harper, 46-27, on Friday then hit the road for a 54-17 win over Burnt River on Saturday.

No other information was provided.

# Sports

# Huskies can still see 2A WIC finish line

Tim Little admits he's not one to look ahead too often, but the Marsing High School coach has the girls' basketball team's goal in sight.

"This is a huge week for us," he said. "If we can win on the road both Thursday and Saturday, then we are pretty much guaranteed our third league championship, or at least a share of it.

"But we're tying to keep our focus on one game at a time."

The Huskies suffered their first 2A Western Idaho Conference loss of the season Friday night when Cole Valley Christian capitalized on turnovers for a 46-41 road win.

Marsing (9-6 overall, 7-1 in conference) ended the week a half-game ahead of the Chargers, and the Huskies play on the road Thursday against Melba and Saturday against McCall-Donnelly. Little figures victories this week will go a long way toward sewing up the top seed in the 2A District III Tournament, which begins in two weeks.

Marsing needs to keep its edge against Cole Valley, which holds the point differential advantage in the head-to-head competition after its five-point win Friday. The Huskies beat the Chargers, 37-35, on Dec. 6.

"They're definitely coming on strong," Little said of Cole Valley. "They're in second place right now. We knew it was a big game going into it."

Neither team led by more than six points Friday night, and Marsing got to within a basket with about six minutes to go.

The Huskies committed 21 turnovers.

"In a two-possession game, that's the difference," Little said. "The difference was the turnovers and two or three possessions on defense where we just totally lose

"We talked a lot about it. I think some of it is if an individual isn't playing well, they just focus on their mistakes and lose focus on the other things they need to do."

Sierra Rice, Cole Valley's 5-foot-10 junior wing, led all scorers with 26 points.

"She's definitely one of the better players in our league," Little said. "She came out and shot the ball well and had the momentum going."

Rice's 13 points in the fourth quarter helped keep the Huskies at arm's length. The home club got within four points with 90 seconds to go.

"We just couldn't get over that hump," Little said. "We had some decent looks inside. We battled and got some put-backs, but we'd go down and Rice hit some contested shots on jumpers."

Senior Ashley Hull paced Marsing with 17 points. Destiny Reynolds and Marissa Hardy chipped in six points each. Lacey Usabel notched five points and four assists.

Jan. 8: Marsing 45, Nampa Christian 35 — Little got the offensive balance he eternally craves and a shot of revenge to boot to start the second half of the conference season in Nampa.

Lacey Usabel made up for a disappointing shooting night from the



Marsing's Lacey Usabel applies defensive pressure against Cole Valley Christian's Madison Holly on Friday. Photo by Dan Pease

floor by hitting her only field goal to give the Huskies' a two-point lead with 2 minutes, 7 seconds left in the game. Usabel sank 10 of 11 free throws and scored a team-high 12 points.

Marsing outscored Nampa Christian, 18-3, in the final period, with half of those points coming in the final  $2\frac{1}{2}$  minutes as the Huskies downed nine of their 11 foul-line chances.

Usabel dished four assists and collected four of her five rebounds on the Trojans' glass.

Hull scored 11 points.

Reynolds, who scored 10 points, sparked Marsing's late-game pull-away with a lay-in immediately after Usabel's go-ahead shot. Reynolds also had seven of her team-high eight rebounds on Nampa Christian's end.

Shannon Clover and Shelby Dines collected four boards each.

Nampa Christian, which entered the fourth quarter with a 32-27 lead, received 13 points from Lacie Kamper, while the Huskies limited Katie Rhodes to nine points.

# Rimrock boys still sliding

Only three players scored Friday as Rimrock High School's boys' basketball team fell.

Jared Lemieux and Jake Black scored 12 points apiece in the Raiders' 50-32 1A Western Idaho Conference loss in Wilder.

The Wildcats outscored the Raiders (2-9 overall, 0-3 1A WIC), 31-14, over the second and third quarters to take control.

Jan. 8: Liberty Charter 61, Rimrock 44 — The short-handed Raiders couldn't sustain a solid start against the state's thirdranked 1A, Div. I team.

The visiting Patriots outscored Rimrock, 23-4, in the second quarter to seize control of the 1A WIC contest.

Dominic Hulsey scored 11 of his game-high 24 points in the second quarter, which Liberty Charter used to erase Rimrock's 14-8 advantage after eight minutes.

Only seven players got on the floor for the Raiders with three of the four players who scored reaching double figures.

Lemieux led the way with 16 points and seven rebounds, while Austin Meyers had 14 points and eight rebounds. Jake Black scored 12 points.

The only other Rimrock player to score was Cristian Ayala, who hit one of Rimrock's secondquarter field goals.

Levi Pfeiffer added 10 points for Liberty Charter.





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### Brad McCain, senior, wrestling

The Play — McCain was one of four Trojans to reach Saturday's championship round in the Magic Valley Classic in Wendell. The son of Mike and Melissa Truesdell won the 195-pound title to cap a week in which he also registered a pin for one of Homedale's few victories in a 3A Snake River Valley conference dual meet deteat to Weiser.

### Girls' Basketball

Saturday, Jan. 19, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity

Thursday, Jan. 17 at Weiser, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.

Frosh-soph

Thursday, Jan. 17 at Weiser, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, home vs. Payette, 4:30 p.m.

### Boys' Basketball

Thursday, Jan. 17, home vs. New Plymouth, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19 at Melba, 7:30 p.m.

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### Wrestling

Varsity

Friday, Jan. 18 at Padilla Invitational, Parma, 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19 at Padilla Invitational, Parma, 8 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.





# Sports

# Rimrock girls get back to winning vs. Wilder

# Raiders rally after first 1A WIC loss

Kyla Jewett poured it on with eight points in the fourth quarter Friday as Rimrock High School bounced back from its first girls' basketball conference loss of the season.

Jewett's 13 points led a balanced scoring attack as the Raiders throttled host Wilder, 46-22, in a 1A Western Idaho Conference game.

Rimrock (9-3 overall, 4-1 in

conference)
had lost three
of its previous
four games
before traveling to Canyon County
to challenge
the Wildcats.

Jewett added seven

steals, six rebounds and three assists.

Bailey Bachman paced the rebounding effort with 12 boards. She also notched four assists and

Kyla Jewett

five points

The Raiders outscored the Wildcats, 25-8, in the second half and held Wilder without a field goal in the fourth quarter. Liz Villegas hit a three-point goal and led the Wildcats with seven points.

Angeles Lino hit two field goals in the fourth quarter to close out a nine-point night for Rimrock. Teammates Shana McCarthy and Desi Meyers scored six points apiece. McCarthy (eight rebounds) and Hailey Boman (five, including four offensive rebounds) muscled up on the

glass

Jan. 8: Liberty Charter 50, Rimrock 19 — The Raiders' three-game win streak to open the 1A WIC season came to a screeching halt at home against the Patriots from Nampa.

Alivia Wachsmuth drained five three-point goals to carry Liberty Charter to a 42-11 lead after three quarters as Rimrock never got untracked.

Bailey Bachman scored six points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Raiders. Shana McCarthy corralled six boards and scored three points. Bachman was the only Rimrock player to hit more than one field goal.

Liberty Charter held the Raiders to just three points each in the second and third quarters to put the game out of reach. Hailey Boman hit a free throw and a field goal in the second half to join McCarthy as the Raiders' second-leading scorers with three points each.

Tiana Thompson scored all of Liberty Charter's fourth-quarter points for eight of her game-high 18 points.

# Huskies: Winning streak ends when Payette rallies for overtime victory

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Marsing (8-5 overall, 4-1 in conference) played without Yovani Zerapio, who Chadez said could miss two weeks with a sprained ankle suffered in Friday's win over McCall-Donnelly.

That absence required strong play from the Huskies' reserves, the coach said.

Galligan registered four steals, and Miguel Leon had five steals to lead Marsing's defense. The Huskies forced 22 turnovers, and Leon pushed inside for layups as part of his eight-point and sevenassist night.

Dylan Breshears added six points and four boards, and Marsing went 6-for-8 from the foul line in the final two minutes to ice the game.

Friday: Marsing 40, McCall-Donnelly 30 — The Huskies had to regroup because of a rescheduled game, but managed to prevail at home against the Vandals.

"I felt we were looking ahead to New Plymouth and overlooked McCall," Chadez said. "This was partly my fault. "During our shoot-around Friday morning, we worked on things I wanted to do for New Plymouth. I think this made the kids think that I wasn't worried about McCall."

The coach said the Huskies responded to a "huge gut check" with a 20-point fourth quarter to erase the Vandals' one-point

lead heading into the final eight the fourth quarter that could have minutes averted the end of their four-game

Galligan scored 14 points and snagged eight rebounds to lead Marsing.

McCall's 6-foot-7 post, Jeremy Mueser poured in 18 points and collected 10 boards.

"I thought they played well, and the big man gave us problems all night," Chadez said.

Leon chimed in with nine points, four steals and four assists, while Acuna added five points. Les Loucks scored six.

Jan. 8: Payette 62, Marsing 59 (OT) — Just days after their coach said foul shooting could be crucial in a big game, the Huskies missed a couple free throws late in

averted the end of their four-game winning streak.

Chadez also said that the Huskies, who led by as many as 13 points in the second half, missed three lay-ins that could have sealed the game.

"There are definitely some plays down the stretch that the players and coaches would like to have back," Chadez said. "There were some things I definitely would have done differently, but we learn from our mistakes and this is why we play all 3A teams in our non-league schedule."

Three-pointers from Emilio Winn helped the Pirates down host Marsing in a non-conference

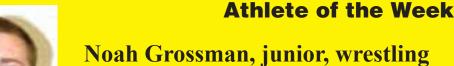
game

Winn scored six of his 15 points with a three-pointer with 12 seconds remaining to send the game into the extra session and another trey to put Payette ahead in the overtime. Clint Blackwell, who finished 16 points, knocked down the basket to put the Pirates in front to stay.

Galligan continued his hot streak for the Huskies, scoring 25 points and snagging 17 rebounds. Leon chipped in 18 points with four steals and four assists.

Payette roared back from a 32-19 halftime deficit, scoring 22 points in the fourth quarter to tie the score, 55-55, at the end of regulation.

### MARSING HUSKIES



The Play — Grossman was one of two Huskies to wrestler for bronze Saturday in the Magic Valley Classic in Wendell. The son of Doug and Sarah Grossman pinned a familiar opponent, fellow 2A Western Idaho Conference wrestler Marcus Davis of New Plymouth, to win third place in the 220-pound bracket.

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# Boys' Basketball

Wednesday, Jan. 23 at Nampa Christian, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A Wednesday, Jan. 23 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B Wednesday, Jan. 23 at Nampa Christian, 4:45 p.m.



Saturday, Jan. 19 at Garden Valley Duals, 3 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 1A-2A Western Idaho Conference Pod Tournament, New Plymouth, 3 p.m.

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# √ Wrestlers: Danner takes 4th for Marsing

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RJ Cotant, finished second in the 1A/2A state meet a year ago.

Fisher's road to the final was littered with pinfalls as he took senior Casey Clark of McCall-Donnelly

and Tanner Redick from Challis to the mat before disposing of Cotant.

Andy Montes beat Challis' Joshua D'Orzaio to reach the championship



Devin Fisher

round at 98 pounds before Malad's Dallin Ward took the crown with a pin.

Freshman Nash Johnson pinned Connor Burley of Salmon for third place at 106 pounds. He rallied from a 1-0 semifinal loss to

Kevin Mora, a bronze medalist at the 2012 state meet, by pinning Jackson Therberge of Wendell

match.

Fisher and



Dillon Danner

McCain both finished third at the Magic Valley Classic a year ago.

Other Trojans competing during the weekend included John Collett (2-2 at 138) and Jairo Hurtado (120), Wylee Cooper (132) and Rusty Vance (145), who had one victory each. Also seeing mat time were Colton and Jakobee Osborn, Tano Montes and Manny Macias.

Marsing's Noah Grossman, a 220-pound junior, pinned Marcus Davis from New Plymouth for a third-place medal.

Huskies senior Dillon Danner lost to Nate Shenk of Glenns Ferry in the bronze medal match at 152

Marsing finished 12th in the team standings with 63 points.

### **HHS JV at Gooding**

Cooper went unbeaten in four matches during his stay in the 132pound bracket for the Gooding junior varsity tournament.

At 152 pounds, Michael Crumrine went 3-1, K.J. Atkins was 2-2 and Jacob Furlott went 1-for-4 in his matches.

Riley Christoffersen won his only match in the 113-pound bracket, while Jacob Christensen (126) and Hunter Thornton (132) each had victories.

Also competing were Coty Ford (138), Dylan Sharp (145) and Henry York (170).

# Trojans dominant in few wins vs. Weiser

Taking advantage of tactical errors, Weiser High School wrestlers reeled off victories in the first nine matches Jan. 8 to post a 60-23 3A Snake River Valley conference victory in Homedale.

Lionel Perez scored a quick takedown in overtime to defeat Homedale 126-pounder Devin Fisher, 6-4, in the second match of the meet. The Wolverines then posted six consecutive pinfalls before Homedale's Colton Grimm went the distance in losing to Ty Johnson at 182 pounds.

Homedale wrestlers Brad Mc-Cain (195 pounds) and Manny Macias (220) stemmed the Wolverines' momentum with secondround pins against late additions to Weiser's lineup.

McCain dominated Anthony

Baker at the 3-minute, 39-second mark, and Macias smothered Chance Hilt 20 seconds before the end of the second two-minute period

The heavyweights put on an epic battle, but with both wrestlers winded from grinding out a 3-3 tie, Weiser's Hayden Herrick pinned Jakobee Osborn 26 seconds before the final whistle. The two wrestlers held their ground through a scoreless first period.

Homedale won two of the night's final three matches.

Andy Montes stretched Sharidan Curtis to the mat 74 seconds into their 98-pound match. Firstyear Trojans wrestler Tyler Hardy dominated Kristian Claudio, attaining a 15-0 technical fall stoppage in the 113-pound match.

# Boys: First win vs. Weiser in three years

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six rebounds coming on Weiser's end of the floor.

The senior guard also had half of Homedale's 10 steals and dished six assists.

Trey Lane put in nine points, and Caleb Oviedo added seven points and five rebounds, including four on the defensive side.

"Hayden played great defense and rebounded really well," Grove

said. "Caleb stepped up huge for us with some key points and important rebounds late in the game."

Homedale (7-4 overall, 1-0 in conference) held Weiser to five second-quarter points to begin chipping away at the Wolverines' 14-13 halftime lead.

Tyler Hemphill scored 11 points for Weiser, which managed only two free throws in the game.

Homedale, meanwhile, was 5-for-7 from the charity stripe, with McBride and Antonio Sturgeon both going 2-for-2.

This is believed to be Homedale's first victory over Weiser since the 2009-10 3A District III Tournament.

"Hopefully it is a good confidence-booster for the kids starting 1-0 in league play," Grove

### Homedale sports boosters plan inaugural crab feed

Proceeds from the inaugural Homedale Booster Club Crab and Steak Feed will go to Homedale Youth Sports Inc., but the money will benefit all levels of sports in town.

Tickets are \$40 for the feed, which takes place from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., in Homedale. Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Email boys' basketball and golf coach Casey Grove at cgrove@ homedaleschools.org to reserve

Each ticket will include five entries into a raffle drawing.

# Parma sprints past HHS girls

The fate of Homedale High School's three-game girls' basketball winning streak became obvious fairly quickly Friday night at home.

"The best way to summarize last Friday is we just got outplayed in all phases of the game," first-year Trojans coach Joe Betancourt said.

Deborah Blanscet scored 14 points to lead four Parma players in double figures as the Panthers

Parma edged Homedale, 46-40, in the two teams' first 3A Snake River Valley conference go-round on Dec. 13.

The Trojans (8-8 overall, 3-2 in conference) entered Friday's game after a historic victory over

Parma roared out to a 23-9 lead after eight minutes and held a 36-16 advantage at halftime.

"They shot the ball as good as

I've seen any team shoot in quite a while," Betancourt said. "We got down real quick, real early and could never climb out of the hole we found ourselves in."

Morgan Nash led Homedale with nine points and three assists. Elise Shenk added seven points, and Destiny Long and Kaylee Rupp scored six points each.

Parma also received 12 points from Kassity Polensky and 11 from Makayla Stockett.



Homedale coach Joe Betancourt, right, speaks with Kaylee Rupp (44)during a break in the action in Friday's home game against Parma.

# $\sqrt{\text{Girls:}}$ Rupp leads with 12

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"Anytime you can get a win against a team with that much of a winning tradition, it's a big deal," Betancourt said. "With our case being what it was, it's the signature win we have been looking for this year, one we can look back on and use as motivation going forward."

Fruitland's run ended with Betancourt on the sideline and Kaylee Rupp on the bench.

Rupp scored 12 points and collected seven rebounds before she fouled out near the end of regula-

"For our third straight game, we managed to win a close game," Betancourt said. "Before that, we lost four straight by three or less.

"We're getting close to where we need to be before Districts start."

One of those close losses was a 49-46 setback at Parma on Dec. 13. Homedale (8-7 overall, 3-1 3A SRV) started the second half of the conference season Friday by entertaining the Panthers with first place on the line.

Trojans freshman Tory Lane led all scorers with 20 points. She also had five rebounds and three

Morgan Nash had a solid allaround game with 12 points, three rebounds, two assists and two steals.

Fruitland's Ambrea Cuellar and Brooke Teunissen scored 19 each.

Rupp received a lot of help on the glass as Destiny Long and Hattie Mertz pulled down seven rebounds apiece.

— JPB

### Stopping the streak

Homedale High School had lost 17 consecutive girls' basketball games to Fruitland before beating the Grizzlies last week.

Since the start of the 2005-06 season, Fruitland holds an 18-2 advantage in the series.

### 2005-06

Dec. 13 — Fruitland 34, HHS 26 Jan. 20 — HHS 47, Fruitland 43 x-Feb. 1 — Fruitland 35, HHS 25 2006-07 Jan. 11 — Fruitland 47, HHS 41

Jan. 27 — Fruitland 32, HHS 31 z-Jan. 30 — Fruitland 57, HHS 41 2007-08

Dec. 14 — Fruitland 48, HHS 30 Jan. 8 — Fruitland 56, HHS 52 2008-09

**Jan. 13** — Fruitland 48, HHS 38 **Jan. 29** — Fruitland 44, HHS 28 y-Feb. 10 — Fruitland 54, HHS 28 2009-10

**Jan. 7** — Fruitland 52, HHS 12

Jan. 22 — Fruitland 47, HHS 29 2010-11

Jan. 7 — Fruitland 42, HHS 17 Jan. 27 — Fruitland 46, HHS 26 z-Feb. 5 — Fruitland 65, HHS 35

2011-12 Jan. 12 — Fruitland 47, HHS 24

Jan. 28 — Fruitland 44, HHS 26 x-Feb. 3 — Fruitland 54, HHS 33 2012-13

Jan. 8 — HHS 65, Fruitland 58, 2 OT Jan. 25 — Fruitland at HHS

**x** — 3A District III Tournament semifinals

y — 3A District III Tournament

championship z — 3A District III Tournament game

# Sports

# Adrian can't repeat football feat against Crane on hardwood

### Mustangs roar to victory with comeback in 4th

A late-game surge helped the Crane High School boys' basketball team exact some revenge Saturday night in Adrian.

The Mustangs erased a fourpoint deficit with a big fourth quarter to post a 54-41 victory in the Antelopes' 1A High Desert League home opener.

Crane's victory could be seen as payback; some of the same players on both sides of the court Saturday were on the football field in the fall when Adrian crushed the Mustangs as part of its unbeaten league championship run.

Paxton Shira, who quarterbacked the Antelopes in football, scored a double-double of dozens with 12 points and 12 rebounds Saturday. Teammates Tommy Shenk and Kurt Nielson, also football alumni, added nine points each.

Adrian (11-4 overall, 1-1 1A HDL) limited Crane (9-4, 2-0) to single-digit scoring in the first and third quarters. The Antelopes held a 33-29 lead heading into the final eight minutes.

Junior Zalin Arritola scored a nine points.

game-high 18 points in Crane's seventh consecutive victory. Senior Nic Nyman chipped in 15 points.

Crane outscored Adrian, 25-8, in the final quarter.

Friday: Adrian 58, Huntington 42 — With neither team shooting particularly well, the Antelopes scored enough firsthalf points to maintain momentum for their third consecutive victory and fourth win in the past five games.

Adrian held a 10-point halftime lead and prevailed despite shooting 32.3 percent (21-for-65) from the floor. Huntington was 18-for-66 (27.3 percent).

Playing their 1AHDLopener, the teams combined for 77 rebounds, with the Antelopes owning a 25-20 edge on Huntington's backboard. Shira grabbed 17 boards to lead Adrian.

Shira also poured in 22 points while playing just 16 minutes.

Nielson played eight minutes and scored 15 points, while Danny Livas put in eight points.

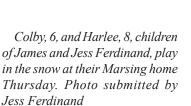
John Gray, a 6-foot-4 senior post/forward, scored 13 points for Huntington, which lost for only the second time this season, according to the Oregon School Activities Association website.

Teammate Devin Merritt scored nine points.

# So much snow



Belisia and Sebastian Larzelier, children of Homedale residents Matt and Michelle, scream down a hill during Thursday's snow day. Photo submitted by Michelle Larzelier









Above: From left, Mason Hall, Logan Stansell, Merrick Hall and Jaxon Astorquia are armed and ready — and have a fort for protection — Thursday in Marsing. Photo submitted by Wendy Stansell

Left: Jace Love, 10, and Rylan Love, 7, children of Lindsey and Josh Love of Homedale, make snow angels Thursday. Photo submitted by Lindsey Love

# Crane spoils Adrian girls' HDL opener

# Purnell scores 18 before leaving with five fouls

Adrian High School's struggles continued Saturday as the Antelopes lost their first 1A High Desert League girls' basketball game of the season.

Crane took advantage of Adrian foul trouble to collect a 41-33 victory on the road.

Adrian (8-6 overall, 0-1 in league) was perfect from the free-throw line, but managed just three trips to the stripe. The Mustangs, on the other hand, hit nine of 16 chances at the charity stripe (56.3 percent) as Adrian starters Madi Purnell, Nichole Orosco and Quincy Pendergrass all played with four fouls.

Purnell eventually fouled out, but not before scoring 18 points and collecting 11 of her team's 25 rebounds.

Orosco scored seven points, while another starter, Olivia Walker, added six. None of Adrian's bench players scored.

The Antelopes have lost five of their past seven games.

Crane (9-4, 2-0) received 15 points from freshman post Hannah Maupin. Senior guard Paige Landon added 12.

Friday: Adrian 58, Huntington 19 — The Antelopes rode a 23-2 start to the game to a victory that ended a three-game losing streak.

Adrian coach Gene Mills was able to play many of his reserves in the road game.

Junior Raquel DeHoog led the way with nine points and four rebounds in just five minutes of action. Nichole Orosco and sophomore Rebecca Furtado chipped in eight points each, while Madi Purnell scored seven points.

Purnell and Orosco, both starters, played only three minutes apiece.

Antelopes were well in control when they opened the second half by limiting the Locomotives to just a free throw in the third quarter.



For those who are curious about how much snow is above Silver City, Sandy Orton stands at the Banner Mine near Long Gulch earlier this month before the latest storm. Photo submitted by Clarence Orton

# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

# On the edge of common sense

# The heeler mentality

It all started when my wife asked, "What happened to your head?"

"Where?" I asked, thinking I had scratched it in the mesquite or during the night while I was sleeping someone had tattooed "KICK ME" across my forehead. She reached up and touched me above the left ear. "Oh," I said, "I had a little hair trim."

"Rollie got a little close, didn't he?"

"No, not really. I, uh, trimmed it myself," I explained.

"So, that explains the lock of black, tan and gray hair I found in the sink," she said. "I thought it was off that deer you shot yesterday. Why didn't you let me do it?"

"I don't know. I guess I was in a hurry."

"Pretty good reason," she said. "Did you close your eyes while you were trimming your hair? Or did a sudden Earth tremor rattle your clippers? Wait, you were working on your trick or treat mask of Frankenstein!"

"Yes," I said defensively, "It was ... it was just the heeler mentality." That stopped her.

The heeler mentality is a version of the cowboy mentality where instinct often overwhelms good judgment. It can be compared to the team roping "header" mentality. For instance: a header usually has his hair styled rather than cut; a heeler cuts his own hair and always needs a shave. A header drives a fairly new pickup and trailer with a coordinated paint job; the heeler is still buyin' recaps and the paint job on his trailer matches the primer on his brother's BBQ grill. A header usually has two horses, his favorite and one in training; the heeler has one horse—in training and for sale. The header has ulcers; the heeler has a hangover.

I'm left-handed, so I am condemned to roping the heels. I play the guitar right-handed because my dad made me. So now I can never play music as well as a natural right-hander plus I sign my name upside down because it's the only way I can write it legibly. People see me signing my name and think it's a parlor trick. "How long did it take you to learn that?" they ask. It's like asking a one-legged man how long it took him to learn to limp. I'm not doing it on purpose ... it's a handicap! Being left-handed in a right-handed world is like being a bolt with machine threads surrounded by nuts all drilled for standard.

A heeler sees nothing wrong with turning his socks inside out to keep them fresh, storing his dress shirt in his Dopp kit, and using Scotch tape instead of sewing on a new one when he loses a button off his cuff.

It's not a bad thing having the heeler mentality. Life is easier. You can drop your sandwich on the floor, then pick it up and eat it. What's a few grains of sand? They think nothing of doing a rectal exam on a cow without a plastic sleeve, getting mud on their new boots, climbing on a bad horse out of obstinance, receiving a D in Algebra, or never balancing their checkbook. But, we can focus intensely on a project when we need to, like comin' out of the heeler's box concentrating on the throw, or makin' a bank shot off the rail in a game of eight-ball, or cutting off our nose to spite our face!

So, giving myself a hair trim is not out of character. I can live with it, even though I look like the barber did it with an electric sander and a weed eater. It'll grow out, just a little slower, that's all.

— Visit Baxter's Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, such as books and DVDs.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

# Eyes on Owyhee Promoting ag's future



Officials have the headaches to prove that Owyhee County is built on diverse use of the land.

But those same county leaders understand that there would be no Owyhee County (read: no tax base and no money for services) without the men and women who work the land producing beef and vegetables to fuel the rest of the world.

Now, before you think this is a rant against the hard-headed folks who don't understand the correlation between wise use of the land (or any use at all) and — essentially — survival of the humans who enjoy using the land for recreation of all types, let me take this in a completely different direction.

While it's true that Owyhee County's future is directly tied to the ability to fend off the environmental extremists' attempts to sequester the land without any stewardship to speak of, another aspect to the county's survival is just as important.

And Owyhee County residents have more influence on the future of the county's agriculture industry than the naysayers and doomsday folks may lead you to believe.

Following in the tradition of helping those who help themselves, the Owyhee County Farm Bureau has embarked on a plan to nurture the next generation of ag producers by tilling cash into the most important crop we've got — our children.

College scholarships are probably the best-known elements of the Farm Bureau's community outreach program, but county president John Richard will be out in the public in the coming days to pay it forward for his fellow Farm Bureau members.

Each of the county's three FFA chapters will receive \$250 donations culled from the dues fund seeded by the county's 726 Farm Bureau members.

Richard kicked off the second annual round of donations Monday night at the Homedale High School ag shop.

The donations will continue Thursday morning in Marsing, and the Rimrock chapter will receive its check when Richard nails down a presentation date.

The chapters are asked to use the money to pay for travel to competitions at the district, state and national level, Richard said.

Each chapter also will receive a subscription to Range magazine.

"Our youth is the backbone of our ag industry, and we're wanting to support them," Richard said.

— See **Future,** Page 15

Sen. Mike Crapo

# From Washington Fiscal cliff averted, but work on fiscal affairs far from over



I agree with those who have characterized the recently passed legislation to avert the fiscal cliff as a missed opportunity to comprehensively address our nation's economic crisis. I voted for H.R. 8, the American Taxpayer Relief Act, because it made permanent the tax relief we have been fighting for throughout the past 10 years, and it temporarily heads off an acceleration of the fiscal crisis that many economists forecast would have put our fragile economy back into recession. Making this tax relief permanent was a vital step, but much more work must be done before time runs out.

While we lost the fight for a full extension of the tax relief for individuals with a taxable income above \$400,000 and couples with an income above \$450,000, we permanently extended the lower tax rates for the vast majority of Idahoans. The legislation provides a permanent structure of income tax rates, capital gains and dividends tax rates and addresses the Death Tax, which was set to jump to 55 percent. A fix for the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) was also included, along with extensions of other tax credits that have benefited families and small businesses. Estimates indicate that without action, the AMT would have impacted nearly 70,000 additional Idahoans, and additional Idaho farms would be subject to the Death Tax.

The legislation also temporarily prevents a cut in Medicare reimbursement rates, provides a little time to address the poorly designed spending cuts that would have begun this month, and it contains an extension of expiring Farm Bill programs.

I voted for the compromise because it mitigated what would have been an explosive tax increase on Idahoans, but I am disappointed the plan does not address the fundamental factors that have created a \$16.5 trillion national debt. Without substantial spending cuts and reforms, this deal postpones the hard decisions required to get our fiscal house in order. Many of the fixes in the bill are temporary and require additional substantive action

within the upcoming weeks and months.

The legislation also did not provide the comprehensive tax reform needed to repair our nation's broken tax code. While progress was made in obtaining some long-term tax relief, the tax code is still just as complex, burdensome, unfair and anti-competitive as it was before this agreement. We have not yet reformed and simplified the tax code, and we have not yet addressed the corporate rate, which is the highest in the industrialized world. Additionally, the rate paid by many small businesses, which is also now so high that it puts them at a competitive disadvantage, must also be addressed. We must immediately work to enact progrowth tax reform, which would simplify the tax code for all Americans, grow our economy and make American business more competitive.

We must also immediately act to reform entitlement programs, including the Social Security and Medicare programs, which are on track to be insolvent within a generation. Systemic reforms are necessary in order to guarantee solvency of these valued programs for current recipients and future generations. The American Taxpayer Relief Act does not provide these needed reforms.

Some may be breathing a sigh of relief that the fiscal cliff was avoided, but our work is far from over. I will continue to work for a comprehensive solution to our national fiscal problems that incorporates discretionary spending reductions, mandatory program reforms and wholesale changes to our tax code to improve our economy. We must not miss the opportunity to build off this short reprieve and work together to enact long-term, comprehensive reforms that will provide a better economic future for our great nation.

— 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.

# Commentary

# Financial management

# Father not liable for deceased daughter's debts

### Dear Dave,

My daughter died. She was 32 years old and single, and she had lived with me for the past few years because she was recently disabled. I did not support her financially, and when she died she had no assets and no will. Is it my responsibility to pay the student loans and medical bills she left behind?

— Jim

### Dear Jim,

I'm so sorry you're experiencing this kind of grief. Losing a child is a heartbreaking experience, no matter their age.

The short answer is this: If you didn't sign for it, you're not liable. If a friend were to move in with you, that doesn't make you responsible for their debts. The



fact that it was an adult family member doesn't matter either. She was a legal adult who signed her name on the debts in question.

If I were in your shoes, I'd try to find any papers attached to these debts and make copies of them. Then, I'd write up a form letter stating the total debt amount and the fact that she died with no assets. By doing this, you're notifying them that she passed away, and they're not going to be paid. There's no will or estate to be probated, so they can close the accounts.

Doing this will make creditors aware of the situation, and it should also protect you from getting hammered with collection calls. But the creditors get nothing in this kind of situation.

God bless you, Jim.

— Dave

### Dear Dave,

My husband doesn't like dealing with money. For years, I've handled everything from paying the bills to making the decisions, and he just does whatever I tell him. This makes things really hard on me, but he says financial issues cause him stress. Do you have any suggestions?

— Carol Lee

### Dear Carol Lee,

The plain truth is you need your

husband to step up and be a man. I'm sure he's a nice guy, but it's unfair for you alone to carry the weight of all financial and household decisions. It would be unfair, too, if he were the one carrying it all. This isn't a gender issue.

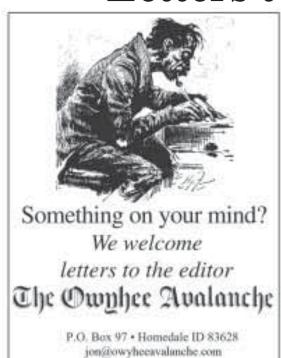
My wife and I are involved in all the decisions in our home, and that's especially true when it comes to money. We do a budget, and we decide together where the money's going. It's not a situation where she's a little girl, and her daddy named Dave takes care of her and everything else. That's the kind of thing you've got going on now. You feel like his mom rather than his wife, and that's not what a healthy marriage is about.

You need to sit down with him and explain why this is so important to you and how it makes you feel. You're not asking him to be a number-cruncher, but he has to grow up and become part of the team. You can play the role of CFO and write all the checks. But you and he *together* are the board of directors. You just need 15 to 20 minutes of his time each week, so you guys can discuss what's going on and how to handle things — together!

— 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.

# Letters to the editor



# Community thanks Y-Bar for Christmas dinner prep

Grand View and the surrounding community would like to thank Patty Waltz and her crew from the Y-Bar and Café for cooking and serving the Christmas Day Dinner at the Rimrock Senior and Community Center.

About 75 people enjoyed the wonderful dinner. Karon Nichols

Rimrock center coordinator

# Letter-writer: Shootings spark home-schooling idea

The subject of school shootings is in the news. Protecting children is widely discussed.

I have yet to hear anyone say "Home Schooling." Steve Richards Homedale

# √ **Future:** Applications sought from groups

From Page 14

Just like many producers, the Farm Bureau may not have a lot of money to spare, but the members have shown great wisdom in putting what money they can back into those who will continue the heritage and livelihood.

And that heritage includes rodeo, as Farm Bureau plans to donate another \$150 to the Marsing High School Rodeo Club this season.

"There are an awful lot of kids that go to Blue Mountain (Community College) or TVCC (Treasure Valley) to rodeo, get their degrees and then come back to work in the ag industry," Richard said.

The county Farm Bureau is always looking for ways to help the next generation, Richard said. Ag-related groups can submit applications to Owyhee County Farm Bureau, P.O. Box 1197, Homedale, ID 83628. Donations to help Farm Bureau help the different groups also are welcome.

The Farm Bureau has helped out fellow farmers and ranchers, too, including the ongoing drive to help pay legal fees left over after the Joyce Livestock Co. and LU Ranching water rights victory over the federal government.

# **Americans for Limited Government**

# Congressional GOPs have to be all-in on cutting deficit

by Rick Manning

Democratic political operatives are already sharpening their pencils to spin the fiscal cliff vote against Republicans who voted against it by claiming that they voted against a massive tax cut for the middle class.

Hoping that no one will notice that their net pay will be less in 2013 because the two-year tax holiday on payments into Social Security ended when the ball dropped ushering in the new year, Democrats will try to take advantage of calendar sleight of hand to claim they actually cut taxes.

Here is how it works.

The Bush tax cuts, which virtually every Democrat voted against when they were enacted in 2001 and 2003, expired at the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31, 2012.

Congress passed and President Obama signed legislation raising the income tax on some Americans but putting many of those tax rates that Democrats have raged against for years back into the law. Now claiming ownership of this as a new tax cut since technically the Clinton era tax rates on the middle class were in effect for three days,

Dems are licking their chops to attack their Republican colleagues.

What they won't tell anyone is that Republicans passed legislation earlier in the year to keep those middle class tax cuts that Democrats rejected in the Senate.

What they won't tell anyone is that the fiscal cliff legislation included more spending increases than the income tax increase included in it could cover. There were special goodies for Hollywood, NASCAR and the Wind Energy Industrial Complex to name just a few.

What they won't tell anyone is that Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada) and President Obama both publicly rejected an offer from Speaker of the House John Boehner (R-Ohio) to raise taxes, keep the rest of the Bush tax cuts, but include some marginal spending cuts as well

On the other hand, Republicans who voted for the fiscal cliff bill will be attacked by Democrats for having broken the pledge *a la* President George H.W. Bush in 1990 on the tax issue.

These attacks will be aimed at libertarian- and Tea Partyleaning voters with the goal of suppressing the vote for the Republicans and driving votes to third-party candidates.

Now for the ironic part.

While Republicans face a classic darned-if-you-do-and-darned-if-you-don't scenario, their only exit strategy is to behave like the limited government elected officials who they promised voters they were going to be, and actually cut government spending and the deficit.

They will get multiple chances in the upcoming months between the debt ceiling being topped next month, and the funding for the government running out and the mandatory sequestration budget cuts taking place in the spring.

It will be intriguing to see if they are up to the task, or if they will hand the gavel over to Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) in 2015?

After all, who really wants to vote for the party of a little less government than the other guys?

— Rick Manning (@rmanning957) is the communications director of Americans for Limited Government.

# Looking back...

### from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

### 35 years ago

### **January 19, 1978**

### Historical items to be displayed at smorgasbord

The stage at the 17<sup>th</sup> annual Parent-Teachers Association sponsored "International Smorgasbord" will feature historical items from the Owyhee County museum from Murphy, according to Mrs. Leah Bell, chairman. Mrs. Bell has served as chairman of the special stage displays for the past 17 years, and each year the attraction seems to surpass the one held previously.

Mrs. Vivian Bottsch of Grand View, president of the historical society, will be present during the smorgasbord to assist Mrs. Bell with the stage display. Also assisting will be Jan Beckwith, assistant director, Julie Hyslop, director of the museum, and other members who will be modeling clothes throughout the day. In addition to the clothing there will be historical items, local books and photographs.

### Parkins resigns

Doran Parkins, superintendent of schools at Marsing, resigned last week. The resignation is effective at the end of the school year.

In his letter of resignation, Parkins stated:

"This letter is to inform you that I will not apply for the Supt. position in the Marsing Schools for the 1978-79 school year.

"I have sincerely appreciated the opportunity to serve in this capacity in the Marsing Community the past five years.

"The cooperation between the School board, teachers, and all staff has made this job of educating our children very enjoyable and rewarding.

"I will continue to be interested in the growth of the Marsing schools."

### Grand View "Hoop Shoot" free throw contest

The Grand View Elementary School held a free throw contest this last week in conjunction with the rest of the schools in Southwestern Idaho. There were three divisions. First and second place winners in these three divisions were eligible to go to Mountain Home and compete in the regional shoot off, which was held this last weekend. The first and second place winners in the Grand View shoot off were as follows:

8 and 9 years old girls — first, Amaya Abaunza; second, Launa Hipwell. 8 and 9 year old boys — first, Kevin Hansen; second, Kelly Munro. 10 and 11 year old girls — first, Carol Lemon; second, Denise Ford. 10 and 11 year old boys – first, Daniel Nielson; second, Tod Olsson. 12 and 13 years old girls — first, Pam Koehn; second, Jamie Burkeen. 12 and 13 year old boys — first, Richard Woodvine, second, Randall Jayo.

First place winners from Grand View in the Mountain Home regional contest who are eligible to go on to further competition in southwest Idaho are: 8 and 9 year old girls — Launa Hipwell; 8 and 9 year old boys – Kelly Munro; 10 and 11 year old boys – Daniel Nielson.

### Tros enhance record by stomping NCHS

Tom Pegram was high scorer for the Trojans Tuesday night by adding his 15 points to the game.

The Trojans stamped Nampa Christian, 96-49, to give them a clean 11-0 season slate.

Homedale had six men score in double figures including Pegram's. Others were Tony Stone 14, Scott Ryel 13, Ken Leavitt 11, and Steve Christofferson and Gerald Pearson each with 10.

Homedale hit 54 percent of floor shots (39 to 72) while NCHS made 17 of 56 for 30 percent. NCHS' top scorer was Brian Good with 13.

Other scorers for Homedale were Larry Fischer 9, Keith Fischer 6, Dan Munson 6, and Brett Tolmie 2.

### **Tip-off royalty**

Chosen to reign as Homedale's Tip-off Queen is Kim Matteson, and King is Kenny Leavitt. Kim is a senior and Kenny a junior.

### 50 years ago

### **January 17, 1963**

### Jack Walker wins 2nd young farmer award

World problems from Cuba to India were discussed by Cy Radcliffe, former Homedale businessman, at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Community Development banquet sponsored Saturday night at Washington school by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce and Homedale farm organizations.

Jack Walker received the Outstanding Young Farmer Award for 1962. Lawrence Kent was 1<sup>st</sup> runner-up, and Philip Moulton 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up. Walker, who is master of the State Line Grange, received an engraved plaque and a wristwatch. Mrs. Walker was given matched luggage.

Dwight Jensen, Boise, TV newsman, was master of ceremonies. Chamber of Commerce President Russell Sayers welcomed the guests. He mentioned briefly the polio immunization campaign and other Chamber projects which highlighted the year's achievements. Incoming chamber president Merle Hamilton then introduced officers and directors for 1963.

New Chamber officers are Merle Hamilton, president; Kenneth Downing, secretary-treasurer; and directors, Harper Saunders, Russell Sayers, Merle Hamilton, Homer Anderson, Herman Koenig, Jeff Carter and Les Carter.

### Consolidation of two high schools is discussed

A group of Homedale men interested in school affairs including Allen George, Deward Bell, Buck Selders, Dave Phelps, Ron Pottenger and Merle Hamilton attended a meeting in Boise Friday at the state department of education where they met with a group of Marsing men to discuss consolidation.

The meeting was in the nature of a frank discussion of the issues involved, according to Homedale school board chairman Allen George. He said no decisions were reached and many problems would have to be worked out before such a consolidation could be effected.

### Planning board to print place mats of county

The Owyhee County Planning Commission met Monday evening at the courthouse in Murphy to discuss plans for observing Idaho's Territorial Centennial. It was decided to make place mats showing a map of Owyhee County with events of celebrations and where they are located such as the Bruneau Rodeo, County Fair, Homedale, etc.

The planning board would like all organizations planning any event or celebration to contact it.

Attending from Homedale were Bruce Smith and Henry Sweep, members of the board, also Spud Murphy and Homer Anderson.

### Carl Van Slyke wins Elks Lodge prize

Carl Gene Van Slyke of Homedale High School has been announced as second place winner in the Youth Leadership Contest sponsored by the Caldwell Elks Lodge. Carl will receive a \$40 scholarship.

Peter Jensen and Ronee Sue Blakley, both of Caldwell High School, are first place winners. This entitles them to be entered in the Leadership Contest on the state level as well as scholarships from the Caldwell lodge.

Elizabeth Ann Dillon of Middleton is also a 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner and third place winners are John Edgar Wynn of Emmett and Sandra Shilene Rayne of Middleton. Third place winners will receive scholarships of \$30 each.

Awards will be made at the conclusion of the Most Valuable Student Contest. Winners will be notified of this date personally and the public through the newspaper.

### **Temperatures**

A nippy 5 below zero was recorded Saturday night at the Homedale Union Pacific depot by Station Agent Ralph Brady. It was followed Sunday night by 4 below.

Below zero temperatures upriver caused huge chunks of ice to float down the Snake River over the weekend, and ice jams were reported in the vicinity of Weiser.

Locally, the cold weather made it difficult to start autos, but no serious trouble was reported.

### 140 years ago

### **January 18, 1873**

HER FACE WAS HER FORTUNE. The English Court of Queen's Bench was recently engaged in gravely discussing the effect of a scar upon the forehead received by an actress in a railway collision. The council for the railway company suggested that the matter was entirely too sentimental for the consideration of the court, but Mr. Justice Blackburn said it was a serious thing for an actress to have a disfigured mark upon her face. Lord Chief Justice Cockburn dwelt upon the effects of the accident upon the lady's professional career, without dwelling particularly upon the scar upon her face. The court supported the verdict, which gave the lady \$8,000 damages.

SURPRISE PARTY. The Avalanche, in the last issue, notices a surprise party of ladies and gentlemen, in honor of "Old Hill," in which he expressed his thanks, &c. Now an affair of the same kind or more so, came off a few nights previous, in honor, as the Ancient Mariner supposed, to him; and as it seems to be the rule or custom in this camp to express our feelings publicly, the Ancient Mariner hereby acknowledges that he was highly honored, and much gratified for the attention paid to him by, he does not know, how many ladies and gentlemen. Neither does he know how many quadrilles were formed on the upper deck. He was so much interested in his private quarters in his state-room, keeping the run of five babies that he could not know — but he knows they were very jolly — the fantastic toe and heel made the deck tremble. He is particularly grateful for pies, plastered cakes, nuts, candies, apples &c. Also, for dishes, knives, spoons, &c., left on the table after they dispersed, which he was compelled to appropriate to himself, as he knew not to whom they belonged. He has an outfit of provisions and crockery to last a month (if some young lady does not call for the dishes) when he hopes to be surprised again. The Avalanche says nothing about "grub," but goes to the Idaho Hotel to obtain a square breakfast, but pies and cakes go very well with the coffee.

GOV. BENNETT AND THE LEGISLATURE. It is a pleasure to know that none but the most kindly feelings existed between Governor Bennett and the Legislature throughout the entire session, which closed on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst. Previous to final adjournment the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Council:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be hereby tendered to his Excellency Thomas W. Bennett, the Governor of this Territory, for the uniform courtesy and kindness which has always characterized this personal and official intercourse with members of this body, and the members of this Council take this opportunity at the close of their official relations to express their sincere wishes that the pleasant personal relations existing between them and his Excellency may be long continuous.

A few minutes before the close of the session, a Joint Committee waited on the Governor to learn if he had any further communication to make, and received the following:

I have the honor to inform your honorable bodies that I have no further official communications to make. But permit me to say to each and all of you that my association with you, both officially and personally, has without a single exception been to me most pleasant and agreeable. And when the gavel falls, adjourning that the Seventh Session of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Idaho has closed, it will leave me without a single recollection other than the most happy toward every member and attaché of the two bodies, and I sincerely hope that each of you may return to your constituents and receive the welcome of "Well done, good and faithful servant." And in after years, when in your gayer moods, may you drink to the health of prosperity and life. Your humble servant, T.W. Bennett, Governor.

BULLION SHIPMENT. Wells, Fargo & Co. shipped from here during the week ending yesterday, 4 bars of bullion, valued at \$8,863.57.

### SYNOPSIS OF **COMMISSIONERS MINUTES DECEMBER 31,** 2012

Approved pay for part-time Prosecutor's Secretary at \$12.25 per hour. Approved pay for newly hired Deputy Sheriff at \$15.94 per hour Approved the Juvenile Justice Financial Report. Adopted Resolution 12-32 Closing Silver City and Bachman Grade Roads. Adopted Resolution 12-33 Ratifying the 911 Maintenance Agreement. Accepted the Historic Preservation Grant in the amount of \$3,000 Accepted MOU with Bureau of Homeland Security for \$40,123.44. Indigent and Charity 12-58 lien approved. 12-52 applicant approved.

The complete minutes can be viewed at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk's office.

1/16/13

### **CALL FOR BID FOR SCHOOL BUS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Jt. School District No. 370, Homedale, Idaho for the purchase of one (1) 2014 71passenger school bus (complete body and chassis).

Bid documents and detailed specifications are available at the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday until day

of bid opening.
Bids must be submitted on or before 9:00 a.m. on March 1, 2013 to the Homedale School District Office, 116 East Owyhee Ave., Homedale, Idaho. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered. At the stated time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject or to select any portion thereof of any or all bids and to waive any technicality. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the opening of such bids unless the awarding of the bid is delayed for a period

exceeding thirty days.
Faith K. Olsen, Business Manager

1/16,23/13

### NOTICE

Notice of Annual Meeting for Shareholders of South Side Bruneau Canal Company will be Thursday, January 24, 2013 at 2:00 pm, at the Idaho Power Jack's Creek office, off State Highway 78. 1/16,23/13

### **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S** SALE

Trustee's Sale No. ID-PRV-12002576

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on April 26, 2013, at the hour of 11:00 AM, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATEDAT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, 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 and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho,

A parcel of land situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. Said parcel is a portion of that certain tract described as Parcel 1 in dated March 7, 1990 and recorded March 9, 1990 as Instrument No. 201918, records of Owyhee County, Idaho, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence East 190 feet; thence South 100 feet; thence West 190 feet; thence North 100 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 5950 HIGHWAY 78, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DEVIN GLENN AND STEPHANIE GLENN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MARIA G. MARTINEZ, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Beneficiary, dated 7/23/2002, recorded 7/31/2002, under Instrument No. 240402, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MARIA G. MÂRTINĖZ, A SINGLE WOMAN.

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 is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 7/23/2002, FAILURE TO PAY THE INSTALLMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST WHICH BECAME DUE ON 10/31/2012; PLUS LATE CHARGES, AND ADVANCES FOR DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, IRRIGATION TAXES AND HAZARD INSURANCE AS SET FORTH; AND ALL SUBSEQUENT INSTALLMENTS PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, PLUS LATE CHARGES DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES, DELINQUENT INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND ALL FORECLOSURE COSTS AND FEES.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$28,983.80, together with interest thereon at 10.000% per annum from 10/3/2012, until

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

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to b heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same

DATED: 12/21/2012.

Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services

Trustee By Amy L. Bowles, Assistant Secretary c/o Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, 8151 W. Rifleman Street, Boise, ID 83704 Phone: 888-342-2510

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### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 26, 2012 File No.: 7303.22675 Sale date and time (local time): May 28, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 412 Mountain View Drive Marsing, ID 83639 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Linda M. Hoobery and Jason K. Hoobery, wife and husband Original trustee: First American Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for GMAC Mortgage Lender Recording date: 09/06/2007 Recorder's instrument number: 262346 County: OWYHEE Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 26, 2012: \$75,095.02 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property's legal description is: Lot 4, Block 2, Hidden Hollow Subdivision in the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, 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 sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation. warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7303.22675) 1002.237794-File No.

1/9,16,23,30/13

### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On May 14, 2013 at the hour of 10:30AM, of said day, on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650.

Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check, certified check or tellers check, (from a bank which has a branch in the community at the site of the sale), money order, State of Idaho check or local government check, or cash equivalent in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the same time of sale,

### ANNUAL ROAD AND STREET FINANCIAL REPORT **CITY OF HOMEDALE**

For the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012	
BEGINNING BALANCE	
AS OF OCTOBER 1 PREVIOUS YEAR	\$7
RECEIPTS	
LOCAL FUNDING SOURCES	
Interest income	176
All other LOCAL receipts or transfers in	10,709
Total Local Funding	\$10,885
STATE FUNDING SOURCES	
Highway user revenue	85,947
Total State Funding	85,947
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$96,832
DISBURSEMENTS	** - ,
ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	
Chip sealing or seal coating	41,175
Patching	1,312
Snow removal	0
Other	7,675
Total Routine Maintenance	\$50,162
EQUIPMENT	, , , ,
New equipment purchase	0
Equipment maintenance	4,519
Total Equipment	\$4,519
ADMINISTRATIVE	\$4,020
OTHER	+ -,
Street lighting	38,058
Professional services - audit, clerical, legal	0
Professional services – engineering	0
All other local expenditures	0
Total Other	$$38,05\overline{8}$
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$96,759
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$73
CLOSING BALANCE	\$80
Funds retained for general funds and operations	0
ENDING BALANCE	$\$8\overline{0}$
City of Homedale	
Alice E. Pegram, Clerk/Treasurer 1/9/2013	
1/16/13	

the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit:

Lot 3, Block 2, Owyhee Addition to Homedale, Idaho, No. 1, Owyhee County, ID.

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH IDAHO CODE, SECTION 60-113, THE TRUSTEE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT THE STREET ADDRESS OF: 718 Marion Street, Homedale, ID 83628 also shown of record as 718 Marion Drive, Homedale, ID 83628, MAY SOMETIMES BE ASSOCIATED WITH SAID REAL PROPERTY.

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Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Marty L. Thornton Jr. and Maggie L. Thornton, as Grantor to Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., as successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service, or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture (formerly Farmers Home Administration or Rural Economic & Community Development) as Beneficiary, recorded December 23, 1998 as Instrument No. 226985, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE

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Dated: January 9, 2013 Alliance Title & Escrow Corp., By: Melissa Ambriz, Trust Officer, Phone: 947-1554, File No.: 171848 / Customer Ref No.

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1/16,23,30;2/6/13

# Public notices

### **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S** SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's date: December 26, 2012 File No.: 7314.03353 Sale date and time (local time): April 30, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 3193 Cemetery Rd Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Amber Will, an unmarried woman Original trustee: First American Title Insurance Co. Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Ally Bank Corp. f/k/a GMAC Bank Recording date: 12/15/2009 Recorder's instrument number: 269922 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of December 26, 2012: \$110,206.83 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default:

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**SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION** CASE NO. CV2012-02622 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF **OWYHEE** 

COLLECTION BUREAU, INC., an Idaho corporation, Plaintiff

DOUGLAS J GROSSMAN AND SARAH A GROSSMAN, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS HUSBAND AND WIFE, Defendant.

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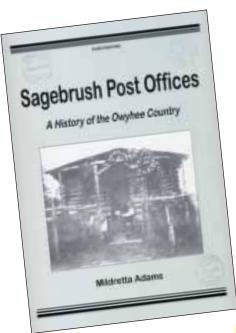
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# Marsing principal questioned on Friday School policy

The Board of Trustees of the Marsing School District met Jan. 7, and two people in attendance — Melissa Loucks and Amy Chadez — asked questions of Marsing Middle School and Marsing High School Principal Norm Stewart regarding his Friday School policy.

"Friday School is a new thing," Loucks said, "and we had some concerns, such as the school doesn't provide transportation but attending Friday School is a required thing.

"We just wanted to be clear on it and make sure the schools are getting information to parents and students far enough ahead of time to make sure they're prepared."

Because classes in the district are only held Monday through Thursday, Stewart devised Friday School as an option for disciplining students or for guaranteeing they finish their assignments.

Requiring parents to drive their children to Friday School is a deliberate attempt to help strengthen the disciplinary nature of the concept. Stewart said.

"It is a requirement that the parents provide the transportation to get the students to Friday School, with the whole intention to try to prevent and be a deterrent to continued behavior of (their child) breaking school rules," he said. "For students who are breaking the rules, the parents will also provide reinforcement at home that will discourage the kids from committing the negative behaviors."

In other words, a little inconvenience for the parents may motivate them to prevent their child's misconduct.

The disciplinary segment and the assignments segment are separate elements of Friday School but are held concurrently, according to Stewart.

Both segments are held for only half a day from 8 a.m. to noon and may be held at either the middle school or the high school, depending on the teacher or teachers who are in charge of the sessions that day.

Asked if parents are notified of the need for their son or daughter to attend Friday School in a timely manner, Stewart said, "It depends on the situation, and on what day the disciplinary action takes place."

For instance, if a student misbehaves or fails to turn in his or her assignments on a Monday, parents are contacted of the need for attendance at Friday School well in advance. However, if an incident doesn't occur until Thursday, it obviously leaves less time for notification.

The process for notifying parents involves sending a letter home with a student.

"Then we use the automated phone calling system to notify the parents that a letter has been sent home," Stewart said.

If a family emergency arises, parents are allowed to postpone their child's attendance at Friday School for a week, he said.

Only one or two teachers are used to supervise Friday School on a given day, with teachers in the district rotating the responsibility. Student count varies, according to the principal, who said as many as 36 children have been at Friday School at one time.

"At the beginning of the quarter or semester, there are very few students, if any," Stewart said. "But as the quarter progresses and the grading period is coming to an end, more teachers refer kids for missing assignments, making sure there are no zeroes in the grade book."

### Legislative action

Also attending the school board meeting was Mike Vuittonet, chairman of the Meridian School District Board of Trustees and a regional vice chairman of the Idaho School Board Association.

Vuittonet is seeking a representative from each board of trustees

in the Treasure Valley to join him in meeting with lawmakers during the upcoming session of the Idaho Legislature to address issues relevant to school districts.

Vuittonet said that would include about 16 districts in all.

"When legislation is forwarded, we believe that a committee which represents 16 boards could have significant input and influence," Vuittonet said.

He feels budgetary concerns are among the most pressing issues. Many districts are losing financing for a number of reasons, including the defeat of Propositions 1, 2 and 3, according to Vuittonet.

"We can't take this kind of hit," he said.

Marsing School Board's commitment to designate a board member to join Vuittonet and the ISBA in lobbying the Legislature is currently open-ended.

"They hadn't picked anybody but said they would let us know," Vuittonet said. — GB

# Marsing City Council hears transportation plan proposal

Marsing city engineer Amy Woodruff met with Mayor Keith Green and members of the Marsing City Council last Wednesday to present them with a proposal for a viable transportation plan for the community.

The five-page report, prepared by Woodruff, is titled "City of Marsing Transportation Plan Scope of Work."

"I want to make the transportation plan a useable document comprehensive and meaningful," Woodruff said, "to help mold development going forward.

"There are critical corridors that need to be preserved or enhanced."

The proposal reads, in part: "The transportation plan will be used by the City of Marsing to plan and manage existing roads and streets to the City, to manage future growth and how the growth is related to the existing roadway

network, recommend improvements in problem areas, and help develop funding options."

The transportation plan itself will be funded by a \$44,000 grant from the state's Local Highway Technical Assistance Council.

The plan will provide muchneeded data on such things as traffic volume and peak usage times on city streets culled from a number of sources, including the Idaho Transportation Department, Woodruff said.

Another aspect of the proposal that Woodruff stressed during her presentation was formation of a transportation advisory com-

Woodruff said she would like to see a diverse group of people from the community on the committee, including — among others — a business person, a school representative, road crew supervisors, and members of the general public.

"The community will be solicited for input and inclusion throughout the planning process," the proposal reads. "The input will be used in development of the plan, and the community will be asked for comment on the final plan."

The city will work in conjunction with the county and local road commissioners.

"The City would like to coordinate and collaborate with Gem Highway District to marry the Marsing transportation plan with any transportation planning in Owyhee County, as is practical and possible," the proposal reads.

Woodruff compiled the comprehensive, "no stone unturned" Transportation Plan Scope of Work document and gave a copy of it to the mayor and each council member to review.

The final report ultimately will

be compiled by Woodruff, using all the collected data, analyses, and recommendations.

The plan will be presented to LHTAC and Gem Highway District for final comments, the proposal states — and a well-developed plan will be key in helping secure funding for the city's transportation needs, Woodruff said.

"It's not that we're so big that we're planning on highways being built here and there," Mayor Green said. "But when we do grow, we want to make sure that the roads and streets have a flow. We don't want some road running into another, or a dead end. The kind of road that's built needs to be correct. A small service road is different from a thoroughfare.

"If you don't have the correct plan and you do get growth, then what happens? That basically is what the plan is for."

### Other items

The mayor and council voted to continue giving the city's annual \$500 donation to the Marsing High School senior class for its 2013 All Night Drug-Free Party.

Also considered was giving some funds to the City of Lewiston for its historic restoration as the state's first capital city. No final decision was made.

The new executive director of the Western Alliance for Economic Development, Tina Wilson, wants to visit with the mayor and council members to encourage them to rejoin the organization.

Marsing dropped its membership in October, and the City of Grand View has also declined membership.

"It can't hurt to listen," councilman Chris Even said.

Wilson was put on the council's February agenda.

—GB

# Ryan Garrett lands on LCSC President's List

on the Lewis-Clark State College President's List for the fall semester.

The 2009 Homedale High

School graduate is the son of Gregg and Randee Garrett.

His grandparents are Dot and

Frankie Garrett and Kenne and Darlene Metzer, all of whom live in or around Homedale.

Only students earning a 3.75 grade-point average while carrying a minimum of 12 credits in a semester achieve ranking on the President's List.

# **Children to explore emotions at Story Time**

Preschoolers will learn to liken their moods to those of fictional animals when "Happy Hippo, Angry Duck" is read at Story Time this week

Sandra Boynton's humorous children's book examining emotions is the highlight of the weekly event, which starts at 10 a.m. Friday at the Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

There will be crafts, songs and

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

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# $\sqrt{\text{Auction:}}$ Annual event set for Feb. 2

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• A 50-inch flat-screen TV donated by the Usabel family.

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Market, Caba's, The Pourhouse, The Spot Pizza, In the Grind and Marsing Hardware and Pump.

For more information on tickets, call Tony Purtell at 697-3138.

The winning tickets will be drawn during the annual disaster auction, which begins at 10:13 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2 inside the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.

To donate items to the auction

or for information on volunteering, call Bob Carter at 880-8770 or Betty Ackerman at 896-4562. Those interested in helping out also can email marsing disasterauction@gmail.com or get in touch with any Marsing Fire or Marsing Ambulance crewmember

To accommodate the auction, the Marsing Lions Club has moved its February bingo night to Saturday, Feb. 9.

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