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## Majority of Owyhee Project sees cut in allotments

Low water supply could have ripple effect next season

Irrigation officials turned water into South Board of Control canals a week earlier than planned, but producers in about half of the Gem Irrigation District face a reduced water allotment this year.

Irrigation water on both ends of the system serving the Gem and Ridgeview districts began flowing early last week with the Owyhee Dam supply being tapped on April 2 and the Gem Pumping Plant

cranking up last Wednesday.

The turn-in was actually scheduled for April 8, but conditions forced officials' hands.

"Because of the dryness of the soils — everything drying

out — and we decided we'd better go because it was stressing out the onion crop and there was some grain that as drying

— See *Allotments*, back page

## Musicians get silver in Seattle

HHS director resigns after three years

The weekend trip to Seattle must have been a bittersweet one for the Homedale schools band and choir.

The same weekend the musicians and vocalists earned honors at a music festival in the Emerald City, they learned that director Jessica Bohachek would be leaving her post.

Bohachek tendered her resignation during Monday's Homedale School District trustees meeting.

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*And the winner is ...*



### Scouts stage Pinewood Derby

Pack 409's Nickolas Puckett, left, and Pack 509's Easton Kirk watch their cars finish one of the Pinewood Derby races April 2 at the Homedale LDS church. Kirk won the heat, but Puckett was given the Nuts and Bolts award for his creative weight on the back of his racer. For more photos and results, see **Page 12**.

## MSD stays course with schools boss absent

The Marsing School District is running smoothly despite the absence of Superintendent Tracia Craig, who has been out on medical leave since December.

"The school board is directing the district oversight and has retained the services of Sue Beitia, Beitia Consulting, on an hourly basis to make sure crucial deadlines are being met, especially with federal programs that pertain to summer school funding," Marsing School District business manager Deb Holzhey said.

Bietia served as the Emmett School District superintendent before retiring and also served as the Bruneau-Grand View interim superintendent for one month last

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Shoshone Paiute Tribal chair Terry Gibson, second from left, died Thursday. In October 2004, he gathered with Sen. Mike Crapo and the Owyhee County commissioners to sign the Owyhee Initiative. *Avalanche* file

## Initiative figure Terry Gibson dies

Heart attack claims Shoshone-Paiute tribal leader at 52

One of the key players in the drive to form the Owyhee Initiative has died.

A funeral for Shoshone-Paiute Tribal chair Terry Gibson were held Tuesday in Owyhee, Nev.

Gibson, 52, died of a heart attack Thursday on the Duck Valley

Indian Reservation.

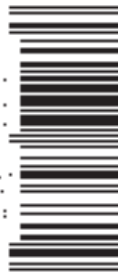
Former Owyhee Initiative Working Group chair Fred Kelly Grant said in an email acknowledging Gibson's passing that the man's leadership was a key element in forging a union between the Tribes and Owyhee County,

setting the foundation for the Initiative process.

Grant also recalled that Gibson fought to preserve the land rights of county ranchers, too.

Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), who was instrumental in getting the Initiative included into the 2009 Omnibus Public Lands Management legislation, also released a statement:

— See *Gibson*, back page



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Workers from Gem Gunitite Pools have completed one phase of the Homedale swimming pool refurbishment. Steps, the handrail for which can be seen in the foreground, have been installed as part of the upgrades.

## Homedale pool project progressing

### Decking refurbishment now under way

The Homedale municipal swimming pool project has entered another phase, and the city’s public works supervisor is excited about the future.

“I’m hoping maybe we’ll get a better activity at the pool now that we’ve got it remodeled,” Larry Bauer said. “I’d like to see the adults use it more.”

A crew from Gem Gunitite Pools Inc. of Nampa, the same firm that built the pool at Riverside Park 50 years ago, completed the first major phase of the \$48,000 project — refurbishing, repairing and re-tiling the pool.

Bauer said that the city also had to spend another \$1,200 when the pool’s pump failed.

The next portion of the project will include rebuilding the pool deck.

The remodel has included the installation of steps to allow easier access into the pool. Previously, swimmers had to climb down into the pool on a ladder.

Bauer hopes that the steps will make the pool more user-friendly for senior citizens. There is talk of possibly implementing a senior exercise class.

The city hasn’t made money on the pool, but officials see the facility as a welcome feature for the community.

“It’s an asset that not a lot of small communities have,” Bauer said. “We’re fortunate to have

this.

“People way back when had the foresight to understand the benefit of a pool.”

The pool should open in the third week of May, and it usually stays open until the school year begins.

Bauer said that the pool building still needs work. He speculates it will cost between \$8,000 and \$10,000 for the future project, which the council hasn’t addressed yet. He also said that the building’s interior recently was vandalized.

“There’s still an ongoing cost, and all the mayors and councils we’ve ever had here understand the importance of it,” Bauer said.

— JPB

## Homedale Highway officials want to buy mobile repair rig

### Firms have until May 1 to submit their bids

The Homedale Highway District took another step in possibly buying a machine to help with road maintenance.

Commissioners voted to accept bids on a trailer-mounted spray injection road repair machine during their regular monthly meeting last Wednesday.

The machine the board seeks is similar to the DuraPatcher used to repair parts of Cemetery Road during a Feb. 12 demonstration.

The device mixed hot oil and gravel to create road mix on the spot. It is towed behind a dump truck from which the gravel is dispensed.

MetroQuip of Meridian quoted district commissioners a price of \$71,850 for the DuraPatcher at the board’s March 6 meeting.

Idaho Code, however, requires that government agencies put proposals of more than \$25,000 out to open bid.

Equipment firms have until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1 to submit bids.

The bids will be unsealed and read during the commissioners meeting at 8 p.m. on May 1. A final decision will be reached within four weeks of the opening, according to a legal notice appearing in this week’s edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.

Board chair Larry Prow said last week that if the district decides to obtain a mobile repair unit, the acquisition terms could include a five-year lease.

## Marsing P&Z to gain commissioner tonight

### Public hearing scheduled on property sale

Marsing Mayor Keith Green is fielding a request from the Planning and Zoning Committee to appoint Don Case to the board.

The city council will vote on the appointment at its 7 p.m. meeting

today.

Case will replace Becky Wright, who resigned last month. Current Planning and Zoning members are chairman Bryan Yiengst, Michelle Jacobi, John DeOsio and Brad McIntyre.

A public hearing on the declaration to sell real property, two lots within the city, will be held during the first part of the meeting.

## Public hearing on Homedale building fee change tonight

### Council may decide issue at meeting

A public hearing will be held tonight on Homedale’s plan to implement a penalty for developers who begin construction without a building permit.

The hearing will be held during the city council’s first meeting of April. The meeting starts at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The public hearing is scheduled for 30 minutes later.

The council wants to update Ordinance No. 396, which would amend the

International Building Code and establish an “investigation fee” for starting a construction project without a building permit.

Under the ordinance amendment, the city would charge a \$50 fee for building inspector Steve Pierson to reinspect the project.

The International Building Code already allows for a punitive penalty for developers who don’t obtain a building fee. Owyhee County, for example, changes a maximum of four times the permit fee.

Public comment will be limited to three minutes per person, but the city council can vote to allow more time.

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# Abandoned horse dies on BLM ground

## Deputies can't locate reported second animal

Domesticated horses can't make it on their own if their owners abandon them in the wild, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office warns.

Early last week, deputies responded to a report of one dead horse and one in a weakened state. Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the deceased animal was found on Bureau of Land Management ground outside Marsing. The second horse was never located.

"They were domesticated horses that probably had been dumped," Bowman said, adding it was believed to be the county's first instance of horse-dumping in about five years.

In most horse-dumping cases, owners abandon the animals because they can't afford to feed them. But, Bowman says, the beasts have lost the survival instinct.

"(Owners) think they'll be fine, but they don't know how to eat or where the water's at," he said.

Bowman said BLM law enforcement will be involved in the investigation because the animals were dumped on public lands administered by the federal agency.

—JPB

# HHS Seniors vs. Faculty hoops set for Monday

The annual Seniors vs. Faculty basketball game tips off Monday at Homedale High School.

The fundraiser for the Class of 2013 Sober Graduation Party tips off at 7 p.m. inside the main gymnasium.

Tickets are \$5 each.

There will be a dessert auction at halftime.

## Correction

A photo on the front page of last week's edition of The Owyhee Avalanche misidentified the relationship of a female chasing a boy at the Homedale Chamber of Commerce Easter egg hunt. The girl was the boy's cousin.

# County deputies called in on search for swimmer

## Man arrested after crashing near Sinker Creek

Owyhee County Sheriff's deputies were among personnel from three agencies who searched for a missing man last spotted swimming near the Owyhee County side of the Snake River.

"He swam across from the Ada County side to our side," OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said. "He was last seen on our side in ankle-deep water Thursday night."

As of Monday morning, there was no sign of the man, who apparently had been swimming with friends. He was last seen in the water below Guffey bridge.

The Ada County Sheriff's Office requested help from OCSO and Canyon deputies when it received the initial call sometime before 9 p.m. Thursday.

Bowman said OCSO offered to launch patrol boats to help in the search Friday morning, but were asked to hold off on that step. Authorities apparently later suspended the search.



Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Karl Kingston, right, brushes the window of a reportedly stolen car for fingerprints as Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman looks on.

down the road Friday morning after a single-car accident was arrested for not having a driver's license.

Jaime Zavala Ruiz was taken into custody after Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy John Nagel found him walking down Idaho highway 78 near Sinker Creek.

Ruiz was uninjured when he drove his 2002 Nissan Sentra 10 feet down an embankment, Bowman said.

But the man, who is believed to be from Melba, was arrested after it was discovered he had failed to purchase a driver's license.

## Stolen vehicle recovered

Deputies checked a 1990 Geo Prism for evidence last Wednesday after it was discovered abandoned on Gem Road in Marsing.

Bowman said the Nampa Police Department reported the car stolen out of that city a day earlier. He said fingerprints and other evidence found in the car – including marijuana and a pipe found in the backseat – was turned over to NPd for that agency's investigation.

The car was returned undamaged to the registered owner, Bowman said.

—JPB

## Unlicensed driver crashes

A man found wandering

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# Homedale trustees begin to outline school levy ideas

Teaching positions, resource officer would be funded if patrons vote yes

Trustees would finance a full-time school resource officer for the next two years if Homedale School District patrons approve a supplemental levy next month.

During a special meeting last Wednesday, the school board outlined how much of the money would be spent. Trustees have proposed a two-year, \$968,200 supplemental levy, the question for which will appear on the May 21 ballot.

Trustees also settled on a venue for the community forum to discuss the proposed levy.

The community meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 2 inside the old gymnasium at Homedale High School.

According to a handout from superintendent Rob Sauer, the \$484,100 in annual revenue from the levy would be used to enhance school safety and student achievement each year.

As previously reported, money also would be used to reduce the pay-for-play fees paid by families with athletes.

Trustees also want to use some proceeds to reinvigorate the fund balance, which has dwindled in the past few years with reduced support from the state and less property tax revenue because of the economic downturn.

Under the school safety heading, the trustees want to hire a school resource officer, restore a

full-time guidance counselor and pay for a parent communication system.

Trustees envision several elements to enhance student achievement, including establishing an Idaho Education Network outlet at Homedale Middle School with the goal of allowing some teachers who have classes at both HMS and the high school to teach without having to shuttle between the campuses.

A teacher position at each school would be financed, and steps would be taken to restore contract days and other positions lost to previous budget cuts.

The school board held its regular meeting Monday night after deadline.

The trustees' next regular meeting is set for 7 p.m. on Monday, May 13.

## Driver's education class registration set in Marsing

Caldwell schools handling course; sign up April 22

The Caldwell School District will launch open registration later this month for driver's education in Marsing.

The Caldwell district will offer the driver's ed program beginning May 28 in Marsing with permits being issued July 1.

Open registration takes place at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 22 inside the Marsing High School library.

The course costs \$180 with a \$60 deposit required at the registration. Another \$60 will be due at the start of the class, and the final \$60 installment must be paid before the final exam in June.

The district accepts cash or check. No credit or debit cards

will be accepted.

Prospective driver's ed students must present a permit receipt at registration. Students must be 14½ to acquire a permit from DMV.

Permits are available through Marsing's DMV office at 19 Reich St., and cost \$21.50. In order to obtain a permit, a person must present to DMV a verification of compliance form from the school office, an original birth certificate, photo ID from both parent and student, and the student's Social Security number.

For more information on the Caldwell School District's driver's ed course, call Pam at 880-9695 or Bill Cooper at Caldwell High School at 455-3304 or email [driversed@caldwellschools.org](mailto:driversed@caldwellschools.org).

Information also is available under the driver's ed link at [www.caldwellschools.org](http://www.caldwellschools.org).

## From page 1

## ✓ Musicians: Choir, band both get silver ratings during spring festival

She is resigning because her husband has received a job opportunity in the Spokane area, the three-year director said.

"All of my students already know that I will be leaving and if I could take them with me, I would," she said. "It has been a blessing to have the privilege of working with the students, colleague, and parents here."

"I am going to miss Homedale, but I must do this for my family."

Bohachek leaves the music program that she says has improved greatly in the past three years.

At the World Strides Heritage Performance Spring Festival in suburban Seattle during the weekend, Homedale's choir and band each garnered silver ratings in a festival that included musicians from Southern California, Washington state, Montana and Missouri.

The Homedale musicians' trip

the western Washington included visits to the Experience Music Project, Space Needle, Museum of Flight, Seattle Art Museum and Pike's Place Market.

The students also took a cruise to Tillicum Village on Blake Island to watch a performance that highlighted the Salish Tribe culture. The children ate salmon, bread and rice cooked in the tradition of coastal Native American tribes, Bohachek said.

"I am proud of how much the students have grown-up in the short time I have been here. They amaze me with the intelligence and musical maturity they show," Bohachek said. "The students have progressed a great deal in these few years, and I know they will continue to do so."

"I have full confidence that the school board and administrators will select a teacher fully qualified, that deserve the students of Homedale."

—JPB



Homedale School District music director Jessica Bohachek leads the band through its performance in Auburn, Wash., during the weekend.

## Marsing may raise school lunch prices

The Marsing School District recently announced that in order to comply with federal regulations governing school lunch programs, the District needs to raise the prices for 2013-14.

Elementary full-pay lunches will increase from \$1.50 to \$1.55. Middle and high school full-pay lunches will also increase a nickel, from \$1.80 to \$1.85. Adult lunches will remain the same at \$3.25.

## ✓ Schools: Parents' four-day week surveys due Monday

year. She will be working for the Marsing District on an as-needed basis and is being paid \$80 per hour plus mileage from Emmett where she lives. She has not been paid to date because she has not yet submitted a bill. Marsing School Superintendent Clark has exhausted her medical leave and is not being paid. District officials have no known timeline for her return.

Currently the district is within

budget this year and is still waiting on word from the Idaho Legislature and the State Department of Education regarding funding

"We work from a protected unit calculation of 44.9 units, which is guaranteed even if the Average Daily Attendance (ADA) falls below 44.9 that. We know we will be funded," Holzhey said.

Budgeting is a challenge according to Holzhey because the budget is set in June for the fol-

lowing year before the district even knows the ADA numbers, which aren't released until July. However, the district looks at historical staff apportionment, which is salary based on the first 11 weeks. That is how the state will fund for staff. The other strand of that funding is a unit calculation based on 28 weeks of attendance.

"The school board also made the decision to go to a four-day

school week because it is what is best for the kids in terms of cost savings. It took a little adjustment, but what we're hearing from students and parents is that it is working out well," Holzhey said.

A survey was sent to parents last week asking for feedback on how the four-day week schedule was working. The surveys are due back to the Marsing District office by Monday. They can be mailed or hand delivered. —AS

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Adrian FFA members pose on the road to the Oregon FFA State Convention. **Front row, from left:** Pedro Santiago, Mike Griffin, Kellie Barraza, Quincy Pendergrass and Annie Hungate. **Back row, from left:** Raquel DeHoog, Becca Furtado, Tane’t Campbell, Tyler Reay, Bryson Shira, Jett McCoy and Shane Miller. Submitted photo

## Adrian FFA cited at state convention

Adrian tops Oregon’s  
small-school chapters  
in food collection

by Kellie Barraza  
chapter reporter

The Adrian FFA chapter traveled to Oregon State University in Corvallis, March 22 as 12 students attended the 2013 Oregon State FFA Convention. While at State Convention, seven students competed in the Agriculture Issues Career Development Event (CDE). The CDE topic was “Got Raw Milk?” This was the first time that chapter members ever competed in this CDE, and they learned a great deal about the contest for future presentations. Several students also sat on scholarship and proficiency committees at the convention, judging the top students in the state to determine state winners and national qualifiers.

Adrian FFA was recognized on the state stage for having an increase in membership from last year to current. Chapter members also were recognized statewide for their participation in the Les Schwab Food For All food drive as one of several chapters throughout Oregon to meet the goal of collecting more than 500 pounds of food. In fact, Adrian led 1A FFA chapters with the most food collected (1,294 pounds). This was an exciting moment and the students felt very rewarded for all their hard work. While on the OSU campus, the Adrian FFA chapter further participated in a Food For All challenge by bagging local produce to be distributed to families in need across Oregon. All 12 members joined in the fight to end hunger across our state. The entire trip was a huge success, much fun was had, many things were learned, many eyes were opened, and Adrian FFA members left Corvallis with a desire to implement new ideas into their chapter for the upcoming years.

## HHS plans parent-teacher conferences

FFA chapter  
begins state  
convention today

Homedale High School’s year-long focus on “Go On” grant-related activities continues next week.

The week kicks off Monday with parent-teacher conferences. The conferences will be scheduled between 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Next Wednesday, HHS juniors will take the SAT college entrance exam. The exam will be administered to three groups of students from 8:20 a.m. to noon.

According to the schedule listed on the Homedale School District website, the ACT college exam will be administered at 8 a.m. Saturday. The Homedale FFA chapter is scheduled to attend the state leadership convention at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls today through Saturday.

## Death notice

**GLORIA HOLLY**, 86, of Adrian, Ore., the former Adrian postmaster, died Friday, March 29, 2013, of natural causes. Cremation is under the direction of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

## Animals invade garden for Homedale Story Time

Springtime is in the air, and so the Homedale Public Library is bringing “Who’s In the Garden?” to Story Time on Friday. Phyllis Gershater’s children’s book, which will be read at 10:15 a.m., tells the story about animals that may visit a garden as it blooms and grows. Some of the

animals preschoolers will learn about include rabbits, frogs, bees and moles. The program also will feature crafts, songs and snacks. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. For information, call 337-4228 in the afternoon Monday through Saturday.

# School menus

### Homedale Elementary

- April 10: Oven fried chicken, baked beans, grape tomatoes, mandarin oranges
- April 11: Beef taco, cucumbers, cantaloupe
- April 12: Pizza dippers, tossed salad, baby carrots, tropical fruit
- April 15: Wiener wrap, potato wedges, salad, peaches
- April 16: Chicken nuggets, mixed veggies, grape tomatoes, banana
- April 17: Chicken burrito, corn, baby carrots, pears

### Homedale Middle

- April 10: Popcorn chicken or beef nuggets, steamed carrots, broccoli, oranges
- April 11: Beef or chicken taco, corn, baby carrots, pears
- April 12: Stuffed crust cheese pizza or chicken patty, tossed salad, grape tomatoes, pineapple
- April 15: Hamburger or grilled chicken sandwich, potato wedges, baked beans, peaches
- April 16: Nachos or baked potato w/cookie, cucumbers, baby carrots, tropical fruit
- April 17: Spaghetti or burrito, green beans, side salad, apple

### Homedale High

- April 10: Idaho haystack or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice
- April 11: Malibu chicken, grill chicken or hamburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice
- April 12: Pulled pork BBQ or toasted cheese sandwich, steamed carrots, salad bar, fruit choice
- April 15: Pepperoni pizza or turkey sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
- April 16: Teriyaki chicken or popcorn chicken, steamed rice, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice
- April 17: Lasagna w/French bread or rib-b-que, mixed veggies, salad bar, fruit choice

### Marsing

- April 10: Spicy chicken w/rice or burritos, steamed carrots, jello w/topping or salad bar (6-12)
- April 11: Rib-b-que or macaroni & cheese, corn or salad bar (6-12)
- April 15: Chicken fajita or chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, chocolate chip cookie or salad bar (6-12)
- April 16: Sub sandwich or beef taco, chipotle rice & beans, mixed veggies or salad bar (6-12)
- April 17: Teriyaki chicken bowl or corn dog, corn or salad bar (6-12)

### Bruneau-Grand View

- April 10: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, spinach salad, breadstick, fruit
- April 11: Enchilada w/salsa, Spanish rice & refried beans, corn, fruit
- April 12: Pig in a blanket, tots, broccoli, fruit
- April 16: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, broccoli, breadstick, fruit
- April 17: Cook’s choice

### COSSA

- April 10: Navajo taco, lettuce, cheese, tomato, refried beans, mixed fruit
- April 11: Beef stroganoff w/potato, fresh w/w roll, pears
- April 12: Chicken sandwich, lettuce, pickle, tomato, baked fries, applesauce
- April 15: Chicken nuggets, baked fries, bread, pears
- April 16: Finger steaks, rice pilaf, green beans, applesauce
- April 17: Ravioli w/sauce, salad w/tomato, garlic bread, peaches

# Senior menus

### Homedale Senior Center

- April 10: Hot corned beef sandwich, coleslaw, potato
- April 11: Taco salad with chips
- April 16: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, beets, bread
- April 17: Chicken salad w/lettuce & tomato, macaroni salad, bread

### Marsing Senior Center

- April 10: Fish or Chef’s choice, coleslaw, potato salad, green beans, sourdough bread, fruit cocktail
- April 11: Beef pot roast, potatoes & gravy, salad, carrots, fruit, bran muffin, banana pudding
- April 17: Breakfast to order: French toast



# Calendar

## 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

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

**Senior center board meeting**  
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Christian Life Club**  
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Highway 95 Wilder. (208) 337-4757

**BLM wilderness plan public meeting**  
5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy. (208) 384-3300

**Austrian Settlement Centennial planning meeting**  
5:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 495-2319

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

**Marsing City Council meeting**  
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122

**Three Creek School Board meeting**  
7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

## Thursday

**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting**  
1 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 459-2860

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

**Senior and community center membership drive**  
10 a.m. to noon, Rimrock Senior and Community Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808

**Senior center dance**  
6 p.m. to 9 p.m., \$4 plus finger food, open to public, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

## Sunday

**Young Life meeting**  
6 p.m., 15777 Quartz Lane, Wilder. (208) 794-1048

**Moms Night Out**  
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., open to all mothers of young children, Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, 26515 Ustick Road, Wilder. (208) 697-1509

## Monday

**Board of County Commissioners meeting**  
9 a.m., Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State

Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421

**HHS parent-teacher conferences**  
3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

**Eastern Owyhee Library Board meeting**  
4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785

## Tuesday

**Foot clinic**  
8 a.m., \$10, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**El-Ada commodity distribution**  
1 p.m., El-Ada Community Action Partnership Owyhee County office, 15 W. Colorado Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4812

## 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

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

**Bruneau and Beyond speaker luncheon**  
Noon, free, RSVP by Monday, April 15, Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345

**Christian Life Club**  
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Highway 95 Wilder. (208) 337-4757

**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, April 18

**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Friends of the Lizard Butte Library board meeting**  
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave W., Marsing, ID 83639

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

## Friday, April 19

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

## Saturday, April 20


**Homedale Senior Center breakfast**  
7 a.m. to 10 a.m., open to public, \$6 all-you-can-eat, 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.

**District 2 high school rodeo**  
9 a.m., Badiola Arena, 406 U.S. Hwy 95, Homedale.

**Senior center yard sale**  
9 a.m., donations welcome, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

### Owyhee Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley IV

### Turnout time

The New Year starts in the Owyhees with turnout time. Calves are branded and cows pace fences looking toward the rangelands beyond.

Canadian geese and sandhill cranes arrive, joining their smaller cousins looking for nesting places.

Historically we welcomed turnout, but what was a time for new beginning has become one of anxiety. The BLM, radical environmentalists and the threat of a federal judge issuing edicts keeps pressure on us over our permitted use of federal grazing lands.

We are admonished about the special features that they feel obligated to save from our use and association. Why, we ask, do these treasures exist if our long association with them is so bad?

The famous western artist Charlie Russell summed up the situation in a poem, with modern overtones, about the condemnation of the first mangers of the land:

“When Tracks Spell War or Meat”

Nature taught her child  
To read, write and spell,  
And with her books before him  
He reads his lesson well.

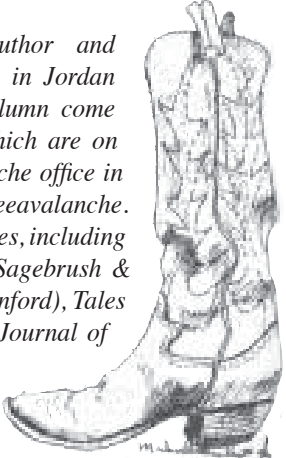
Each day is but a page  
His God, the sun, has turned.  
Each year, a chapter nature taught  
Her child has read and learned.

A broken twig, a stone is turned  
Disturbed by passing feet.  
His savage eye has caught it all  
For tracks spell war or meat.

Nature holds his Bible  
With pages open wide,  
He questions not her miracles  
’Tis done; he’s satisfied.

He loves his mother country  
Where all her creatures trod,  
Yet he is called a heathen  
Who has always lived with God.

— Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordan Valley. Excerpts in this column come from his various books, which are on sale at The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale. Visit [www.owyheeavalanche.com](http://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.



## E. Owyhee library board plans to meet Monday

This month’s meeting of the Eastern Owyhee County Library Board has been changed.

Board chair Frances Field announced that the meeting will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday.

The change is only for this month, she said. The board will go back to its usual meeting time, 4 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, for May.

The board meets at the library, 520 Boise Ave., in Grand View.

Find out  
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Read Calendar each week  
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# County swine weigh-ins scheduled Monday

The road to the county fair continues Monday with 4-H swine project weigh-ins throughout Owyhee County.

According to the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension website, swine must be no heavier than 85 pounds at weigh-in. The suggested range is 65 to 80 pounds.

Weigh-ins will be held at the fairgrounds in Homedale from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in Bruneau at 3 p.m. and at the Goodwins place in Wilson from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and in Jordan Valley at 6 p.m.

Weigh-in at the fairgrounds takes place from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

To be sold at the Saturday, Aug. 10 fair auction, a pig must weigh at least 230 pounds. The final weigh-in is set for Wednesday, Aug. 7.

Sheep and goat project weigh-in is set for Friday, May 24. Times will be set at a later date. Read for an update in the Owyhee Avalanche.

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# GV church’s new pastor has goals for the community

After guidance from interim pastors for the past two or three years, the Knight Community Church in Grand View has a new leader in Ivan Shetler.

“I’ve found a strong local church with solid people and a church that is doing well financially,” Shetler said.

He came on board November and will be working two days a week. He previously served as the pastor for the First Mennonite Church in Nampa during the mid-1970s.

Shetler understands the needs of the Grand View community because he grew up in the area. The 68-year-old pastor is officially retired, but has a handyman business that he runs with his



Ivan Shetler

son from a family farm north of Bruneau. He has lived on that farm since his family bought it 58 years ago and his mother and father cleared the sagebrush and built a dairy.

He and his wife Jan have three grown children, one son and two daughters.

“Rural towns have the same problems as those people who live in the city,” Shetler said.

“People are people no matter where you go.”

His objective for his church and the community is simple.

“The Bible says the light of the world is Jesus, and my primary goal is to make sure that light shines in Grand View.”

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# Owyhee rivers run through Bruneau and Beyond next week

An Idaho native who has rafted the world’s rivers will visit the Bruneau and Beyond speaker series next Wednesday.

Lenore resident Jon Barker, a global river expert, will speak at noon at the Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St. The speaker-luncheon program is made possible by a Idaho Community Foundation grant.

Barker will focus on the Owyhee, Bruneau and Jarbidge River drainages, including the picturesque side streams and surrounding desert areas.

The event begins at noon with a light luncheon. There is no charge for the lunch or the seminar, but RSVPs are requested to ensure

enough room for all who want to attend. Call library director Clara Morris at (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2345 by Monday to make a reservation.

While growing up in Lewiston, Barker helped his father with rafting trips on the Salmon River. He began as a commercial river guide in the 1980s and later added hunting guide to his resume. He has 26 years’ experience as a private avalanche consultant, too.

Most of his experience and expertise have been in the Northwest, but his excursions have taken him to far-off destinations such as Africa, South America and Mongolia.

# OCHS field trips start with Saturday two-fer

The Owyhee County Historical Society has scheduled its first field trip of the year for Saturday, which includes two separate trips.

**6 a.m.** — Sage Grouse Drumming Observation at sunrise. Because of the sensitivity of the area, a limited number of people will be allowed to go on the field trip. Call first before going. Leader: Karen Steenhof, (208) 495-2364.

Meet at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Catholic Church on Oreana Loop Road in Oreana. Ordinary, 2-wheel-drive cars are adequate, but ride-sharing is encouraged from the church to

reduce the number of vehicles at the observation site.

The party will return to the trip by 8:45 a.m.

**9 a.m.** — Henderson settlements and Utter Massacre attack sites. Leaders: Betsy and Russ Hutchison, (208) 465-7313.

The group will meet at the Catholic church in Oreana. Two-wheel-drive vehicles are acceptable.

From the church, field-trippers will drive to sites near Oreana Loop Road, Idaho highway 78, Wees Road, and Nettleton Road.

A potluck lunch will take place.

## Scorpion Creek construction starts



### Idaho 78 traffic impacts begin

Work to replace the Scorpion Creek culverts on Idaho highway 78 between Guffey and Murphy is now under way. A concrete slab bridge will be installed. Flaggers will guide traffic until temporary traffic signals are in place and operating. Traffic will be impacted 24 hours a day once the signals are in place.

# Homedale senior center plans a couple of April fundraisers

Donations are being sought for a yard sale planned in Homedale Senior Center parking lot later this month.

The sale, which will raise money for the operation of the center at 224 W. Idaho Ave., is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, April 20.

That’s the same day as the monthly Saturday breakfast at the center. The breakfast costs \$6 per plate and runs from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

The public is welcome to attend both events.

For more information on

donating items for the yard sale, call the center at (208) 337-3020. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday.

This Saturday, the senior center will be open for a public dance.

The dance, which includes live music, goes from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission is \$4, and participants are encouraged to bring finger foods to share.

The center also offers a hour-long Fit and Fall-Proof exercise class each Tuesday and Thursday beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The senior center also will host a couple of medical-related

screenings this month.

The monthly foot clinic will be held on Tuesday. Call the senior center to make an appointment.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, April 26, Life Line Screening will visit to check registrants for health risks including heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, congestive heart failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and lung cancer. Call (800) 324-1851 for pre-registration. The screening costs \$79.

The senior center’s board of directors will hold its monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. today.



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# Membership info available at Rimrock center coffee talk

GV-based organization serves nearby communities

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Rimrock Senior and Community Center is encouraged to attend a Saturday event.

The benefits of a center membership will be discussed during the “coffee and conversation” gathering from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

The center is located at 525 Main St., in Grand View. Call (208) 834-2808 for more information.

Annual membership dues costs \$10 annually. People 50 and older are official members, while those younger than 50 are considered supportive members but still receive many services offered.

The center, which is open on Tuesday and Thursday, is a nonprofit organization serving Grand View, Bruneau and Oreana.

The staff includes coordinator Karon Nichols. Rimrock High School graduate Katie Chick Bartlett is head cook.

The center offers nutritional, social and recreational programs and services for senior citizens to enhance their well-being, support independence and encourage continued community involvement.

Lunch is served at noon on Tuesday and Thursday each week. Ray Paulsen plays piano and sings, and other musicians join in to provide music prior to the meals.

Bus driver Dave Buffington provides transportation for members who need rides to lunch. He also takes care of the Meals on Wheels deliveries.

The senior center bus also travels to Mountain Home on the first Wednesday of the month for shopping, doctor appointments and other errands. The bus also makes a trip to the Bruneau Valley Library on the third Wednesday of the month for the Bruneau and Beyond speaker luncheon.

A volunteer from Idaho’s Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisors group also is available to help sort out Medicare and Medicaid questions.

This year’s board of directors includes president Bob Kern, vice-president Harva Driskell, treasurer Mary Lynn (Charlie) Miller, secretary Vera Lea Jayo, directors Garry Boeger, Verla Robison and Willie Roby and past president Laura Fredrickson.

The center receives support from private funding, donations, fundraisers such as the recent bake sale, membership dues and community involvement.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday, the Trinkets and Treasures Thrift Shop is open. Donated items are on sale, available for a donation to the center.

Another activity is the Tuesday Quilters group, which meets on Tuesday and Thursday to make quilts. Several creations have been donated to local ambulance services, the Veterans Administration in Boise, Grand View Lions Club auctions, City of Lights shelter and Hurricane Sandy victims. Other quilts have been raffled to support community programs, including the senior and community center.

Its nutrition services are coordinated the Canyon County Office on Aging (CCOA), while the transportation service is coordinated through the Elderly Opportunity Agency (EOA) out of Emmett.

Both entities are part of the Southwest Idaho Area III Agency on Aging.



First-year Three Creek School teacher Dena Pollock is surrounded by her pupils. Two of the students left the school after this photo was taken because their family moved to Malta. Submitted photo

# Three Creek teacher has seen world, but loves Idaho’s outdoors

Pollock taught in Fruitland, New Plymouth

First-year teacher Dena Pollock fits in well with the culture at tiny Three Creek School.

Pollock, who succeeded Marilyn Boss in the southeastern Owyhee County school district, grew up around cattle and the outdoors.

“There is no other experience like a working ranch cattle,” she wrote in a newsletter introducing herself to the community. “As a young girl, I had the opportunity to participate in cattle drives in the Jordan Valley, Cascade, and Bear. What a wonderful way to develop common sense and an appreciation for our environment.”

The 1973 Payette High School graduate has been married to husband Terry since 1995. She has a 37-year-old son, Jason, who is married with a son.

Pollock joined Three Creek after five years as a sixth-grade

language arts and social studies teacher in Fruitland. After meeting her husband, she finished her educational degree online and obtained a kindergarten through eighth grade certification in all subjects.

Before moving to the Fruitland district, Pollock spent 10 years as a special education teacher in New Plymouth. Her final year in New Plymouth, she taught English to sixth- through eighth-graders and reading classes. She earned a teacher of the year award in New Plymouth.

While Pollock lives in Three Creek for the school year, her husband remains on their three-acre home place in New Plymouth while working at R&M Steel in Caldwell.

At Payette High School, Pollock was senior class vice-president and president of the Young Republicans. After graduation, she moved to Portland to attend community college while working as a playground assistant at an elementary school.

During her youth, she was

involved with riding clubs and rodeos. She was Payette County rodeo queen for two years. Later, she led a 4-H horse group in New Plymouth.

Pollock said she enjoys water activities of all kinds and has familiarity with the Weiser and Salmon rivers and parts of the Owyhee River. She grew up fishing at the convergence of the Snake and Payette rivers in Payette County.

She also has world-traveling experiences to share with her students, having visited Australia, New Zealand and Canada. She also has spent time in nearly every state in the union.

Future plans are to see Italy, Greece, South America, Africa and Thailand.

But for now, Pollock is focused on her new challenge.

“I plan to enjoy the peace and natural wonders of this area as I work to provide the best possible education to the students at Three Creek School,” she said in the newsletter. “I hope to do some writing while I am here.”

# School now has six students in class

Tiny Three Creek School has a new teacher and, as of last month, two fewer students.

Dena Pollock’s first class at the school in southeast Owyhee County is relatively large with eight students. Typically the district has four to six students.

Second-grader Dally Sears and first-grader Jadyn Sears and their family moved to Malta.

The rest of the class includes third-grader Lizbeth Arellano, second-graders Will Brackett and Sophie Thompson, first-

grader Katie Brackett and kindergarteners Emily Benitez and Owen Thompson.

On the horizon for the school is Volunteer Day on Saturday, April 27. According to the monthly newsletter, several projects at the school that need completed

Kimberly Brackett is the president of the school’s first-year Parent Teacher Organization. Pollock is vice-president and Gloria Alleman is treasurer.

In February, the class visited the Herrett Center on the College

of Southern Idaho campus in Twin Falls. Students learned about telescopes and reptiles and took in two planetarium shows, “Larry the Cat” and “Rusty Rocket.” The PTO provided pizza for lunch.

The PTO also furnished sweets, pictures and drinking cups for the Valentine’s Day celebration.

The school also has a Box Tops and Labels for Education campaign to help the PTO fund projects for the school.

Pollock also announced that school board member and student parent Gus Brackett has released another children’s book, “Badger Thurston and the Runaway Stagecoach.”

Gus Brackett is the school board chair, and Art Small has served as secretary. The third trustee is Clint Lundy.

Three Creek School will have a volunteer day on April 27 to finish projects at the schoolhouse. Call (208) 857-2281 for more information.

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Hands-on experience



Marsing High School students Tyler Malmberg, left, and PJ Even try out an interactive video game as Airman First Class Tyler Dana watches during the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency career day April 2 in Wilder.



Marsing High School art teacher Carmen Magart sits in the Lizard Butte Library as some of her students' artwork hangs behind her, as it will all month. Submitted photo

4-H club sets 10<sup>th</sup> annual trail ride

Members of the Wilson Butte 4-H club are planning their 10<sup>th</sup> annual Cowboy trail ride and Fun Run on Saturday, April 27.

Registration for the fundraising event begins at 9 a.m. Riders can head out on the trail until 11:30, but riders must be back in camp by 1:30 p.m. to be included in the fun run. The \$15 entry fee includes the ride, fun run and lunch.

The ride, which lasts approximately two hours, will be held on the Blackstock Ranch, 6754 Opaline Road, Melba.

In addition to the trail ride, there is a fun run, and lunch is served. Entry fee is \$15.

Dan Sevy and his band, which has supported the trail ride from the beginning, will play country tunes as the riders return to camp. The Idaho Farm Bureau's interactive Maggie the milking cow display will be on hand, and the Idaho Dairymen will provide refreshments.

The top two riders in the fun run will earn prizes, and the annual best-dressed little buckaroo contest is open to children 9 and younger.



This quilt will be raffled as part of the trail ride later this month. Submitted photo

There also will be drawings for prizes including a \$100 gas car, a half-ton of hay and a western quilt made by Lisa Merritt.

For information on the trail ride or the drawing, visit [www.wilsonbutte4-hclub.blogspot.com](http://www.wilsonbutte4-hclub.blogspot.com) or call (208) 896-4512 or (208) 250-4917.

MHS students' artwork graces library's walls

April Lizard Butte exhibit features Carmen Magart's class

Students mentored by Marsing High School teacher Carmen Magart have their artwork on display this month at the Lizard Butte Library.

The students, ranging from freshmen to seniors, are part of the April display that the Friends of Lizard Butte Library group sponsors.

The library is opens at noon during the week, closing at 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and at 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The library is located at 111 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. W.

Magart is an Art and Speech teacher at Marsing. She has a

Bachelor's degree in Art and English from the University of Idaho and received a Master's in Education from Boise State University.

She has taught 14 years in public schools and spent seven years at BSU as a literacy coordinator and instructor.

Magart said she is proud of her student artists. The group includes:

**Seniors** — Alejandro Alvarez, Mario Martinez, Zac Amelia, Taylor Petet and Chance Milburn

**Juniors** — Noelle Muller, Debra Ortiz, Troy Parquer and Jose Acuna

**Sophomores** — Warren Dalley, Ashley Tank, Stephanie Richards, Guadalupe Jacobo, Courtney Bryant and Christina Prieto

**Freshmen** — Sydney Barker, Alexandre Heidt, Nick Mulligan, Jack Campbell, Cody Barrett, Colby Jerome, Brady Bowers and Christian Law

Woman wants to start playgroup for area moms and their children

Amanda Casper couldn't find any "playgroups" for her son in the Homedale-Marsing area, so she's decided to start one of her own.

"I became a stay-at-home mom about a year ago and have been trying to find a local playgroup or mom's club ever since," she said.

She said the closest groups she could find were in the Nampa-Caldwell area.

The Homedale mother hopes to start an informal group for area mothers to find social settings

for themselves and their young children.

The 27-year-old, whose 18-month-old son is Seth, is open to ideas and welcomes any mothers who are looking for the same type of environment.

Her basic idea is finding moms with children ages 1-4 to meet once a week at her home, but she is open to other ideas about location, time of day and frequency of the play dates.

"The goal is to build a supportive community of moms looking

for socialization and fun for their kids, and us, too, for that matter," she said.

Working moms are welcome, too, the five-year Homedale resident and Idaho native said.

"I would like to start a group that meets the needs of all mothers of young children in our community," she said.

Anyone interested in starting such a group should contact Casper at (208) 721-2862 or [brmanda@yahoo.com](mailto:brmanda@yahoo.com).

— JPB

Book browsing

Readers, including Homedale resident Larry Prow, left, had hundreds of book titles from which to choose during Saturday's Friends of the Library book sale at the Homedale Public Library.



Free cardiovascular screen offered in Marsing

The Marsing Senior Center will hold a free cardiovascular screening on Thursday, April 25.

The non-invasive Cardio Pulseware process Wellness Connection offers is more than 99 percent as accurate as the procedure done in hospitals.

Men and women older than 40 should be screened if they have

risk factors such as high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, high cholesterol, smoking or a family history of vascular disease.

Appointments are necessary for the screening at the senior center, 218 Main St.

For more information, call Jeannie Marie Drennon at (208) 573-1193.

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# GV council holds April meeting tonight

The Grand View City Council and Water and Sewer Association will hold its regular meetings at 6 p.m. today.

The meetings take place at Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave.

Old business includes reports from liaison committees, including administration (Mayor Tammy Payne), parks and recreation (Councilperson Opal Ward), public safety and law enforcement (Councilperson Marie Hipwell) and street and road—pedestrian bridge (Councilman Bill Mead). The liaison committees were formed to improve communications within the community after Mayor Tammy Payne took office because poor communication had been a problem in the past and she felt it was an issue that needed to be addressed.

The water and sewer board’s current business includes discussion of water meters in the War Eagle subdivision, approval of bills and final discussion of the fiscal year 2011 budget. The meters in the War Eagle mobile home park are symptomatic of similar problems within the community when private citizens install their own water meters.

“Meters are not necessarily the same as ours and the reading output is different which causes problems,” according to Payne. “We need to set a policy.”

The board members also will discuss the Simplot Livestock water bill. The Simplot Livestock operation no longer uses city water and therefore wants to have the city shut it off, but there are other homes along that system that do use water and so we’re are addressing that issue,” Payne said.

New business items for tonight will focus on city and county planning and zoning as well as a progress report on a residence that has been told they are out of compliance and need to clean up the property. The agenda will also include a report on a \$250 grant the city received from the Modern Woodsmen for trees that will be planted on Arbor day. Payne said they will buy as many trees as possible with the money and some trees will replace a few trees that previously died. There will be a ceremony at the tree planting that will be put on by the Boy Scouts.

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# Cub Scouts craft speedsters



Race starter Andy Hansen lets fly with an early heat race.



Brayden Christoffersen’s Peeps-themed Pinewood Derby car won the Most Creative award.

## Pinewood Derby results

Results from the April 2 Pinewood Derby between Cub Scout Packs 409 and 509 at the Homedale LDS church:

### Top three

- 1. Koehn Kildow, Pack 509;
- 2. Ryker Johnson, Pack 409; 3. Keagen Christensen, Pack 509

### Pack 509 participants

Cub master — Linda Adams

Webelos — Christensen, Brayden Christofferson, Bryce Cornwall and Ethan Lemley

Bears — Tommy McGuire, Jaired Riddle, Tyrel Taggart, Easton Kirk and Eli Heck

Wolves — Kildow, Nathan Tayler, Trenton Fisher, Tanner Peterson and Jeffrey Lane

### Pack 409 participants

Cub master — DeAnn Thatcher

Webelos — Puckett

Bears — Johnson, Landen Wilson, Andrew Mast, Tucker Favinger and Cash Leavitt

Wolves — Caleb Puckett



Above: Pack 409’s Ryker Johnson returns his racer to the staging area. Johnson was the tournament runner-up and received the Most Realistic award. Left: Pack 409 den leader Donna Reed, left, and Pack 409 Cub master DeAnn Thatcher do a final check of the competitors’ racecars before the April 2 action at the Homedale LDS church.



Trojans kick off  
3A SRV tennis slate

Homedale wrestlers  
win at own tourney

# Avalanche Sports

## Hardy picks up two wins in national tournament

HHS senior sets sights  
on Reno wrestling  
event this week

Homedale High School senior Tyler Hardy won his first match at a national wres-

ting tournament during the weekend. The two-time Idaho high school wrestling champion opened his stay in the Flonational's Tournament's 106-pound bracket with a 48-second pin over New Jersey's Patrick Higgins. Competing for Team Idaway, Hardy was making his first appearance in the

tournament, which was held Friday through Sunday at the Kovalchick Athletic and Convention Complex on the Indiana University campus in Indiana, Pa. He finished with a 2-3 record. Not surprisingly, three of Hardy's five foes hailed from the Keystone State. The 18-year-old Hardy fell into the con-

solation bracket after Pennsylvania wrestler Devin Brown pulled off a pin 39 seconds into the third round of their match. The win pushed Brown into the championship quarterfinals. Brown was ranked No. 13 among 106-pounders in the nation according to [www.internatwrestle.com](http://www.internatwrestle.com). — See **Hardy**, page 15

## Adrian, JV athletes get Walker wins

Trojans pile up  
silver and bronze  
on Nyssa track

The three local track and field teams at Friday's Don Walker Invitational pulled in a slew of top-three finishes. Adrian High School athletes brought home two championship in the Nyssa, Ore., meet, while Jordan Valley's Ty Warn won the boys' 200 meters.

A senior, Warn ran a 23.63-second race to highlight the most consistent outing of any local athlete. He also finished runner-up in the 100 (11.35), the 110 high hurdles (16.3) and the high jump (6 feet, 6 inches).

The Adrian team of Danny Livas, Bryson Shira, Tommy Shenk and Chase Walker won the boys' 4x100 relay in 45.3 seconds.

On the girls' side, Adrian junior Tane't Campbell uncorked a 116-2 effort to win the javelin.

Homedale's Riley Portwood, a sophomore transfer from South Dakota, clocked a 4-minute, 50.92-second 1,500 meters to finish second. He pulled in a third-place showing in the 3,000 in 10:45.3.

Maya Correa, a freshman on the HHS distance team, was runner-up in two girls' races. She went 6:04.13 in the 1,500 and 12:45.27 in the 3,000.

The Trojans' girls also showed consistency in the field events.

Emilee Hann led three top-four finishes with a 5-0 runner- — See **Athletes**, page 15



Marsing High School's Casey Yiengst crosses the plate during the decisive sixth inning April 2 against visiting Melba.

## Williams whips up more wins

Marsing starts 2A WIC  
baseball campaign 2-0

Austin Williams did it all Friday to cap Marsing High School's perfect start to the 2A Western Idaho Conference baseball season.

The junior struck out 13 on the mound and went 3-for-3 from the plate, and the Huskies needed every ounce of the performance in a 5-2 win over host Nampa Christian.

He allowed only one hit while running his record to 5-0. The victory was his second of the week, and the right-hander didn't allow an earned run in either of his starts.

Marsing (10-1 overall, 2-0 2A WIC at week's end) took an eight-game winning streak into Monday's non-conference road game against Vale, Ore.

On Friday, the Huskies broke up a scoreless game in the fourth inning, putting up all their runs with the spark of Junior Gonzalez's two RBI. Williams and Lane Sevy also knocked in runs during the rally.

Williams and Josh Larsen limited the Trojans to six hits. Larsen pitched the seventh inning.

Charlie Galvez was 2-for-4, and

Gonzalez doubled.

"Our hitting was really strong all last week," Huskies coach Jerry Stacy said. "Williams, (Logan) Jarvis, (Charlie) Galvez, (Josh) Hiatt, Sevy and Gonzalez each had at least two doubles during the week."

**Thursday: Marsing 11, Parma 5** — Sevy pitched from ahead in the count throughout the non-conference road game.

"He pitched with direction and really attacked the batters, which is what we've been trying to get him to do and it paid off for him," Stacy said.

The Huskies scored 10 or more runs for the seventh consecutive

— See **Wins**, page 16

## Trojans go deep in latest easy win

HHS softball  
starts SRV with  
blowout victories

Homedale High School's softball team is making a habit out of scoring a lot of runs lately.

The Trojans opened the 3A Snake River Valley conference season last week with two mercy rule-shortened victories at Sundance Park.

Junior Destiny Long's two-run home run in the third inning — her second of the week and sixth of the year — snapped a 1-1 tie and propelled the Trojans' to a 13-2 conference win over visiting Payette on Friday.

Elise Shenk's two-run double with one out in the bottom of the sixth inning ended the game via the 10-run rule. She was 3-for-4 with three RBI.

Homedale (9-5 overall, 2-0 in conference at week's end) out-hit the Pirates, 12-4.

Gardenia Machuca hit her first homer of the season during Homedale's three-run fourth inning.

Morgan Nash struck out eight and scattered four hits to get the victory. She helped her own cause with a 3-for-4 outing at the plate that included three RBI and a double.

Makayla Aberasturi also went 3-for-4, notching two doubles and scoring three times.

**Thursday: New Plymouth 12, Homedale 10** — The host

— See **Trojans**, page 16

## Emry adds second event to Big Sky agenda

Known as a multi-event athlete in one sense, Austin Emry will be just that at the Big Sky Conference Outdoor Championships next month.

Although the University of Montana junior hasn't qualified for the conference meet in the

decathlon yet (his first chance could come this weekend in Las Vegas), Emry will participate in the championship meet in at least two events.

The 2009 Homedale High School graduate added his name to the competitor list for the long

jump, winning the Montana State Open championship Saturday in Bozeman, Mont.

Emry soared 22 feet, 9¼ inches to win the event.

He also won the 110-meter hurdles with an altitude-adjusted time of 14.55 seconds, which

was eight-hundredths of a second slower than his Big Sky-qualifying time on March 30.

Emry will compete in the UNLV Invitational this weekend in Las Vegas.

The conference meet will take place May 23-25 in Portland.



Sports

Fruitland has tough climb against HHS girls' ladder

Shakeup in boys' singles precedes SRV season

There was a new look to the Homedale High School tennis team in more ways than one last week.

The athletes had new uniforms — so new, in fact, that the school patches hadn't been embroidered yet — and some of those athletes were in new positions during their 3A Snake River Valley conference opener against visiting Fruitland.

Sophomore Hattie Mertz, playing in the No. 2 girls' singles match, turned in the only victory for the Trojans against the reigning 3A state champion Grizzlies.

Mertz, who was knocked from the No. 1 spot after a challenge by Serbian exchange student Lena Jokanovic, rolled past Fruitland's Kelsy Weber, 6-0, 6-2.

Jokanovic got off to a rocky start in her debut atop the girls' singles ladder, but rallied against 2012 state runner-up Sadie Stutzman.

Stutzman served well and took advantage of errors in the first set, but had to battle hard to pull in a 6-0, 7-5 victory.

Jokanovic held the lead for most of the second set before Stutzman closed out the victory.

"Jokanovic showed great mental toughness against the favorite to win this year's state championship, which should build confidence in her game," HHS coach



Novak Djokovic wasn't the only Serbian playing tennis in the Treasure Valley last week. Senior exchange student Lena Jokanovic, who attends Wilder, debuted in No. 1 girls' singles for Homedale on April 2 against Fruitland's Sadie Stutzman.

Scott Michaelson said. "Along with her determination, work ethic, and refusal to give up, this loss could serve as a big step toward a successful season."

Fruitland posted a 5-1 victory in the girls' matches and swept the boys' matches 6-0.

The Homedale girls' singles players put up resistance against the Grizzlies.

At No. 3, Delaney Phariss forced Laura Iniguez into extra play in the first set before losing, 7-5, 6-2.

"Delaney Phariss played well at No. 3 singles, and Coy Gardner had a strong showing at No. 2 singles," Michaelson said.

Gardner fell to Jonah Piper, 6-2, 6-4 in the boy's meet.

Fruitland picked up forfeits at No. 2 girls' doubles and No.

2 mixed doubles. The mixed doubles points are split evenly between the two team scores.

Sophomore Kincade Kincheloe played his second match atop the boys' singles ladder, and it was revealed that it may be a permanent situation. He lost, 6-1, 6-2, to 2013 state bronze medalist Bryce Nattress.

Kincheloe was elevated to No. 1 after senior Jordan Brady missed a practice and was unable to defend his top seeding.

After losing the No. 2 match to Vale, Ore.'s Taylor Jacobs, 6-4, 7-6, on March 19, Brady unexpectedly left the team. He is now competing with the HHS track and field squad.

"He lost a tough match in a tiebreaker and seemed pretty disappointed. He didn't come to

tennis after that. He didn't tell me why," Michaelson said.

Michaelson spoke to Brady prior to last week's match against Fruitland.

The coach said Brady plans to run the 400 and 800 for the Trojans.

"The loss of Jordan will hurt the team. With him gone, a couple of players have to play up a level and we will forfeit a match," Michaelson said.

"We also lost a positive situation of having two evenly matched players at the top of the ladder with Kincade Kincheloe and him practicing and competing with each other, like we have on the girls' team."

Michaelson said that Brady's positive influence and experience also will be missed. Brady was the

only returning upperclassman for the Trojans.

The only senior on the squad now is Jokanovic.

"He's a nice young man," Michaelson said of Brady. "I hope he has success in track."

Brady served on the Trojans' 4x400-meter relay team during Friday's Don Walker Invitational in Nyssa, Ore. Homedale's quartet finished sixth.

**Thursday boys: Homedale 2.5, Payette 2** — Andy Parker beat Isaac Stevens, 6-4, 7-5, in the No. 2 single match to sew up the Trojans' narrow conference win at home.


Kincheloe improved his season record in the No. 1 slot to 2-1 with a dominating 6-0, 6-1 victory over Brian Heleker.

The deciding half-point came when Alec Egurrola and Delaney Phariss beat the Payette mixed doubles team of A.J. Mussell and Laurel Weiss, 6-3, 6-2. The victory point for mixed doubles is split evenly between the boys' and girls' scores.


**Thursday girls: Payette 3, Homedale 2.5** — Forfeits told the story as Homedale players actually won the majority of matches played. A mixed doubles match was played, but the Pirates got the point by forfeit because it was the second match of the day for the Trojans players.

Homedale won two of the three singles matches with Jokanovic sweeping Hannah Briscoe, 6-2, 6-3, and Mertz whitewashing Jasmine Kinkead, 6-0, 6-0.


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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



**Hattie Mertz, so., tennis**  
The Play — Although she lost her No. 1 girls' singles ranking after a challenge match with a Trojans teammate, Mertz maintained her strong play as Homedale opened the 3A Snake River Valley conference season. On Thursday, she blanked Payette's Jasmine Kinkead, 6-0, 6-0. On April 2, Mertz rolled past Fruitland's Kelsy Weber, 6-0, 6-2.


**Baseball**  
Varsity  
Friday, April 12, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 13 at Caldwell, 10 a.m.  
Tuesday, April 16, home vs. Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Friday, April 12 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.  
Saturday, April 13 at Caldwell, 10 a.m.  
Monday, April 15 at Vale, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 16 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 17, home vs. Wilder varsity, 5 p.m.

**Tennis**  
Thursday, April 11 at Weiser, 4 p.m.  
Friday, April 12 at Treasure Valley CC Tournament, Ontario, Ore., TBA  
Saturday, April 13 at Treasure Valley CC Tournament, Ontario, Ore., TBA  
Tuesday, April 16, home vs. Parma, 4 p.m.


**Softball**  
Varsity  
Friday, April 12, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Friday, April 12 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

**Golf**  
Wednesday, April 10 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Rolling Hills GC, Weiser, 3 p.m.  
Thursday, April 11 at Mountain Home Invitational, Mountain Home GC, 9 a.m.  
Monday, April 15 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Scotch Pines GC, Payette, 3 p.m.


**Track and field**  
Friday, April 12 at Probst-Walker Invitational, Emmett, 4 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 16 at Weiser Invitational, 4 p.m.




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# Sports

## Huskies' Herrera, Dillon runners-up at Oregon Trail

Bowers gets a pair of top-fives in girls' throws

Marsing High School's track and field program collected a dozen top-10s during Friday's 19-team Oregon Trail Invitational. Ofelia Herrera and Dillon Danner had the best showings for the Huskies in Vale, Ore. A junior, Herrera ran a 12-minute, 16.61-second 3,000 meters for second place. She was eighth in the 1,500 at 5:46.75. Danner was second in the boys' 3,000 at 10:00.27, and finished fourth in the 1,500 with a 4:40.03. Junior Lily Bowers continued

her impressive start to the throws season with a bronze medal in the discus at 99-11. She also collected fifth place in the shot put at 34-½. Junior Tyler Malmberg posted a pair of top-10 finishes. He was seventh in the triple jump at 38-2¾, and cleared 10 feet for 10th place in the pole vault. The boys' 4x100 relay was 10th at 47.93. Garret Briggs kicked off the race, followed by Alexandre Heidt, Mariano Estrada and Tristan Jacobi. Raul Garcia completed the boys' 400 in 56.38 for 10th. On the girls' side, junior Asia Shippy grabbed ninth in the pole vault with a height of 6-0. Sophomore Shannon Clover was ninth in the 200 at 29.79.

## ✓ Hardy: Wins 106 opener

Hardy then reeled off two consecutive consolation bracket victories, both by pinfall. He pinned Daniel Baca of California in 54 seconds then got Pennsylvania's Coy Campbell at the 4-minute, 36-second mark of their match. A freshman, Baca finished seventh in his state tournament. Hardy's run at the tournament ended against Pennsylvania's Gus

Solomon, who pulled off a pin 12 seconds into the final round of their match. Hardy said he will compete in the CF Athletic Reno Worlds in Nevada Friday through Sunday. He also hopes to turn some heads and catch on with a collegiate wrestling program, such as the Northwest College team in Wyoming for which former HHS state champion Jeremy Ensley competed.



Adrian's Jillian Nielson sprinted to a second-place finish in the 100 meters with a time of 13:89. Photo by Bob Radford



Homedale's Mia Correa battles Nyssa's Anjelika Thomas in the 1,500 meters. Photo by John Braese / Malheur Enterprise

## ✓ Athletes: HHS' Correa, Portwood shine

From Page 12 up height in the high jump. Ali Abbott was third at 4-10, and Mariah Mackie fourth at 4-8. All three are seniors. Abbott also soared 15-5½ for second in the long jump. She was third in the 300 hurdles (56.44). Mackie collected a couple of third-place medals, including in the 4x400 relay with Hann, Rebecca Coffman and Alissa Martin. Mackie ran the anchor leg to close out a 4:52.81 effort. Mackie also was third in the triple jump at 28-5. Braxton Morris, a senior on the Trojans' boys' squad, was second in the shot put at 41-7 and fourth in the discus at 128-7.

Adrian athletes racked up several runner-up positions, including: Livas in the 200 (23.68), 400 (54.07) and the 4x400, during which he ran the opening leg to kick off a 3:42.27 effort with Bryson Shira, Reagan Shira and Chase Walker. Senior Olivia Walker, whose 29.06 showing in the 200 was part of three second-place finishes. She also ran the anchor leg on the 4x100 (55.03) and the 4x400 (4:48.11). Campbell, Madison Purnell and Jillian Nielson teamed up with Walker in both races. A sophomore, Nielson was runner-up in the 100 at 13.89,

while senior teammate Walker was second in the 200 (29.06). Another senior, Purnell ran a second-place time of 1:09.29 in the 400. Freshman Reagan Shira joined Shenk and sophomore Jett McCoy as third-place finishers for Adrian. Shira ran a 46.37 in the 300 intermediate hurdles, while McCoy clocked a 2:30.04 in the 800, and Shenk went 17-4½ in the long jump. Homedale junior Jed Jones was third in the boy's shot put with a toss of 37-6½. In the girls' shot put, Trojans' ninth-grader Elizabeth Vargas notched a 28-8½ effort.

## MARSING HUSKIES ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



**Austin Williams, jr., baseball**  
The Play — The right-handed pitcher got both victories last week as the Huskies opened the 2A Western Idaho Conference season with two victories. On Friday, Williams made the most of his second start of the week, striking out 13 while going 3-for-3 from the plate in Marsing's 5-2 win over Nampa Christian. On April 2, Williams fanned six and walked only one batter in the Huskies' 15-5 rout of Melba.

### Baseball

Thursday, April 11, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.  
Friday, April 12 vs. Malad, Glenss Ferry Wooden Bat Tournament, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday, April 12 vs. Wendell, Glenss Ferry Wooden Bat Tournament, 3:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 15, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 5 p.m.

### Softball

Thursday, April 11, home vs. New Plymouth, 5 p.m.  
Friday, April 12 vs. Soda Springs, Glenss Ferry Tournament, 10:45 a.m.  
Friday, April 12 vs. Prairie, Glenss Ferry Tournament, 4 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 15, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 5 p.

### Track & Field

Thursday, April 18 at New Plymouth Invitational, 3 p.m.

# Go Huskies!





Sports

Foes rally for wins against HHS baseball

Strong pitching thwarted in first two SRV games

Late innings weren't kind to Homedale High School's baseball team in a 0-4 week.

Shaky defense for the second time in as many 3A Snake River Valley conference games Friday sent the Trojans to a 5-4 loss in a rematch against Payette, the team that kept Homedale out of the state tournament last year.

The Pirates held off the Trojans' comeback in the bottom of the seventh for a 5-4 victory in Homedale.

It was the Trojans' second one-run loss in as many conference outings.

The Trojans (3-8 overall, 0-2 3A SRV) cut Payette's lead in half on two different occasions, but couldn't complete the comeback.

Caleb Oviedo started his second conference game of the week and was stingy with the hits as he and Connor Carter combined on a five-hitter. Oviedo struck out seven before Carter came on in the fourth.

Pirates ace Clint Blackwell struck out 13 to hold Homedale at bay.

Michael Magdaleno, who returned to the lineup last week after being sidelined since the season opener with a shoulder injury, was 2-for-4. Carter went 2-for-3.

**Thursday: New Plymouth 5-19, Homedale 4-5** — The Pilgrims finished off a season-opening win from a game suspended by darkness then dispatched the visiting Trojans in five innings in the nightcap.

In the completion of the first game, which was halted with the scored 4-4 after six innings last

month, New Plymouth scored in the top of the seventh to collect the victory.

Magdaleno, who got hurt in the opener, finished 2-for-4.

In Game 2, the Pilgrims out-slugged Homedale in the first two innings then capped the mercy-rule win with a nine-run fourth inning.

The Trojans led, 3-0, after a half-inning, but New Plymouth battered starting pitcher Nash Johnson for six runs in the bottom of the first.

Homedale pulled to within a run, 6-5, in the second inning, but the Pilgrims took control with a four-run rally in the bottom of the frame.

Magdaleno as 1-for-2 with an RBI. Connor Carter, Oswaldo Gonzalez and Garrett Carter also had base hits.

**April 2: Weiser 3, Homedale 2** — The Wolverines managed just one hit, but were able to score two runs in the sixth inning for a come-from-behind 3A SRV win on the road.

Oviedo got the start, and he and reliever Connor Carter held Weiser to only a triple by Anthony Barraco.

Homedale, meanwhile, hit Weiser starter Matt Pritchard hard.

The Trojans took a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the fourth inning when Blake Patton's liner through the box knocked down the Weiser pitcher. Trey Lane, who smacked a one-out single, scored on the base hit.

Magadaleno was 1-for-4 in his return to the lineup after missing more than two weeks with a shoulder injury.

Lane was 2-for-2 with a double, while Mike Mavey and Johnson also picked up singles.

Homedale committed five errors.



Tori Nash rips into a pitch April 2 during Homedale's 3A Snake River Valley conference rout of Weiser at Sundance Park.

✓ Trojans: Pilgrims prevail in non-league

*From Page 12*

Pilgrims scored four times in the bottom of the fourth inning to take control of a back-and-forth non-conference battle.

New Plymouth beat the Trojans despite being out-hit, 17-7.

Homedale struck for three runs in the top of the first inning. Destiny Long rapped the first of her three doubles and scored on Tori Nash's two-run double.

Pitching cousins Gabby Nash and Morgan Nash teamed up in the circle for the second consecutive game. Gabby got the start but couldn't pitch out of the second inning. After a scoreless first in which she walked the first two batters she faced, Gabby issued four free passes and surrendered five runs (four earned) in the second frame.

Down 6-3, Homedale tied the game with a three-spot in the third inning and then took a short-live lead, 9-6, in the fourth inning.

Katie Deal, Machuca and Michelle Castro notched RBI singles in the third inning.

In the fourth, Long doubled and scored on Tori Nash's double, while Deal lofted a sacrifice fly to score \ Shenk and Machuca smacked a double to plate Makayla Aberasturi.

Tori Nash and Machuca had three hits apiece.

Only four of the seven runs Morgan Nash allowed were earned as the Trojans committed three errors.

**April 2: Homedale 19, Weiser 0 (5)** — Morgan Nash and Gabby Nash combined on a one-hitter as the Trojans coasted to a win in their conference opener at Sundance Park.

Morgan allowed the hit while striking out three and walking three in four innings as a starter. Gabby had a strikeout and a walk in a fifth-inning relief stint.

Already out front 2-0 because

of Long's fifth home run of the season in the bottom of the first, the Trojans broke open the game with a five-run second.

Although five runs scored, the inning was relatively quiet. Hailee Aberasturi's bunt single to third base brought in Katie Deal, who began the inning with a walk. Machuca scored on a wild pitch, and Aberasturi scored on Morgan Nash's groundout. Gabby Nash then stole home with two outs, and Tori Nash knocked in Long, who had reached on an error.

The Trojans closed out their scoring with eight runs in the fourth inning.

Long was 2-for-4 with three runs scored and three RBI.

Makayla Aberasturi, Hailee Aberasturi and Deal drove in two runs apiece.

Morgan Nash ripped a bases-clearing triple with two outs in the third inning and scored on a passed ball.

✓ Wins: Jarvis goes 3-for-4 against Melba

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game, a stretch in which Marsing's offense outscored its opponents, 95-24, and the Huskies pitching notched a pair of shutouts.

"The kids are seeing the baseball really well right now, and we have been squaring the ball up," Stacy said. "It makes it a lot easier to coach when your team is scoring runs."

**April 2: Marsing 15, Melba 5**

(6) — The Huskies reached double digits for the sixth consecutive game, crushing the host Mustangs in the 2A WIC opener for both teams.

Jarvis was 3-for-4 with a double and three RBI for his breakout game of the season. Gonzalez also knocked in three runs as the Huskies built a 9-0 lead in their first three at-bats.

Williams and Larsen combined

to limit the Mustangs to three hits, with Williams fanning six, walking one and giving up just one hit in a starting role.

Connor Rhodes was 1-for-3. He singled and scored the game-ending run in the sixth inning when Williams reached on an error by the Melba shortstop. Earlier in the inning, Seth Hardy singled and scored from third base on an error by Melba's catcher.



Homedale's Drew Beckman lays down a bunt during the Trojans' 3A Snake River Valley conference opener against Weiser on April 2.

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Sports

Maggard, Trojans 2nd in first SRV meet

Despite Spring Break rust, the Homedale High School golfers sparkled in their return to competition.

Reed Maggard fired a 3-over-par 39 at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette to finish second in the 3A Snake River Valley conference opener on April 1.

With the scoring foursome shooting 45 or lower, Homedale finished second to Weiser in the team competition. The Wolverines carded a 159, and the Trojans were eight shots back.

Coach Casey Grove anticipated a second-place finish from his team and a top-two showing from Maggard.

The senior was two shots behind medalist Garrick Woods of Weiser, who finished the nine-hole match at 37.

Bryan Johnson shot a 41, which was the fourth-lowest score carded. Three golfers finished at 40, and Johnson and Fruitland’s Craig Tucker both notched 41s.

Rounding out Homedale’s qualifying scores were Cole Twedt at 43 and Kyler Landa at 44. Senior Hayden Krzesnik scored 46.

“With our first match back after Spring Break, I expected a little rust, and there was,” Grove said. “But Cole, Bryan and Kyler all played much better than I expected coming off of break.”

Fruitland Invitational

Playing their second 18-hole tournament in as many days, the Trojans finished third at Scotch Pines on March 22 without Maggard in the lineup.

“I feel if he was (at the meet) we

would have won the whole thing,” Grove said. “Reed most likely would have shot in the 70’s that means we would have dropped out 96. That would have put us ahead by at least four or five.”

Maggard was out of town for the Vandal Friday new student orientation event at the University of Idaho in Moscow.

Krzesnik, another senior on the HHS roster, led the way with an 83 during a chilly day on the par-72 course.

The Trojans scored 359, which was 14 strokes behind tournament champion Fruitland and 12 behind fellow 3A SRV team Weiser.

Rounding out the Homedale scores were Twedt at 89, Johnson at 91 and Landa at 96.

Nampa Invitational

The Trojans finished fifth in the 12-team Nampa Invitational on March 21, the day before Spring Break began.

Homedale scored 350, two shots behind fourth-place Skyview.

Maggard fired an 80 in miserable playing conditions on the par-72 Centennial Golf Course. He was six shots behind medalist Braxton Miller, who spearheaded Middleton’s one-shot victory over Columbia. The Vikings scored 320.

“As a team, I thought we played pretty good considering the playing conditions,” Grove said. “It was really cold and windy with a little snow mixed in every now and again.”

The rest of the Trojans’ scorers included Krzesnik (88), Twedt (90), Landa (92) and Johnson (101).

Huskies take I-84 to Glenns Ferry tourney

With his team off to a fast start, Marsing High School baseball coach Jerry Stacy sees Friday’s quick trip to Glenns Ferry as an opportunity to plan ahead.

“The Glenns Ferry tournament is a great chance to scout teams in the 2A classification,” Stacy said.

“Every year, five or six teams at this tournament end up qualifying for the eight-team state tournament, so it provides an accurate glimpse of what to expect at the state tourney.”

The Huskies open their participation in the Glenns Ferry Wood Bat Tournament at 1:30 p.m. Friday against two-time reigning state champion Malad. The Dragons narrowly escaped the first round of the state tournament last year with a 3-2 victory over Marsing in Orofino.

Marsing will face Wendell at 3:30 p.m. Friday for its other Glenns Ferry tournament game.

In addition to those two games, the Huskies will have a chance to scout fellow 2A Western Idaho Conference teams Nampa Christian and New Plymouth as well as the host Pilots and Soda Springs.

“It’s a bit of a cat-and-mouse game down there,” Stacy said. “You want to see what kind of talent these other teams have while trying not to let them get too good of a look at your own kids.”

The tournament gives the players a chance to swing some lumber, but that won’t be much different for the Huskies.

“The wood bats only rule doesn’t bother our hitting much since most of our kids are using wood bats during our regular-season games anyway,” he said.

“I think the wood bat games are a better game to watch. It gets baseball back to its roots, and everyone enjoys the crisp crack of a wood bat striking the ball.”



Dozens of wrestlers — but not all of them — posed for a photo Saturday. Submitted photo

Homedale wrestlers win at home

Scores of young wrestlers — and parents — invaded town Saturday for the Homedale Wrestling Club freestyle tournament.

Wrestlers from around the Treasure Valley and from as far away as California and Montana squeezed into the Homedale High School main gymnasium.

Homedale champions included Nathan Marston in the Pre-Bantam 45A bracket, Jeffrey Layne in the 65A Bantam division; Brayden Christofferson in the Intermediate 80 division; and Kaegen Christensen at Novice 75.

The team wrestles in the Idaho Rattlers Tournament in Eagle on Friday (Greco-Roman) and Saturday (freestyle).

Freestyle results Pre-Bantam (4- to 5-year-olds)

40A — 1. Logan Meredith (Corning, Calif., PAL); 2. John Curran (Kuna); 3. Tyce Fisher (Homedale)

40B — 1. Jeremy Bamford (Idaho Bearkatz); 2. Teagan Navarro (Nampa Freestyle); 3. Sebastian Larzelier (Homedale); 4. Jared Lemley (Homedale)

45A — 1. Nathan Marston (Homedale); 2. Joshua Schnacker (Suples Wrestling Club); 3. Paxtyn Sigman (Nampa Freestyle); 4. Lincoln Gibbs (Nampa Freestyle); 5. Mason Miller (Homedale)

Note — Marston unbeaten in five matches (three pinfalls, two tech falls)

45B — 1. Joey Tamez (Nampa Freestyle); 2. Carlos Valdez (Arrowrock, Boise); 3. Jayden Dodge (Nampa Freestyle); 4. Ty Cooper (Homedale)

50 — 1. Jeremiah Perry (New Plymouth); 2. Isaac Bullard (Homedale); 3. Alijah Macias (Nampa Freestyle)

Bantam (6- to 7-year-olds)

45A — 1. Tristen Smith (Fairfield); 2. James Casper (Cougar Wrestling Club); 3. Carter Stevenson (Kuna); 4. Isaac Silva (Homedale)

50A — 1. Tanner Frothinger (Idaho Bearkatz); 2. Kai Carson (La Grande, Ore., Mat Club); 3. Hunter Crowe (Vallivue club); 4. Jaxen Hackler (Nampa Freestyle); 5. Riley Ford (Homedale)

50C — 1. Ezra Clemens (Grizzly Freestyle Wrestling Club); 2. Skyler Rodriguez (New Plymouth); 3. Gabriel Briggs (Idaho Ultimates); 4. Brayden

Finch (Nampa Freestyle); 5. Bobby Christensen (Homedale)

55A — 1. Matthew Martino (Idaho Rattlers); 2. Simon Luna (Idaho Gold); 3. Joseph Jimenez (Nampa Freestyle); 4. Tyson Holt (Patriot Wrestling Club); 5. Andrew Marston (Homedale)

60 — 1. Kody Rich (Kuna); 2. Efren Arizmendez (Idaho Rattlers); 3. Zackery Curran (Kuna); 4. Luke Truby (Nampa Freestyle); 5. Jaxson Kent (Homedale); 6. Caleb Parshall (Homedale)

65A — 1. Jeffrey Layne (Homedale); 2. Trevor Corn (Patriot club); 3. Elijah Bisenius (La Grande Mat Club); 4. Kyle Morris (Homedale)

Note — Layne was 4-1

65B — 1. Hudson Rogers (Gooding Cobra club); 2. Nickel Schroeder (Idaho Bearkatz); 3. D’Orr Packer (Homedale); 4. Zander Hyer (Homedale)

70-75 — 1. Gage Heck (Middleton Freestyle); 2. Grant Rupp (Hawks); 3. Caden Layne (Homedale); 4. Will Phillips (Grizzly Freestyle); 5. Thomas Quarve (Nampa Freestyle)

Note — Layne (1-2) pinned Phillips, 1:40

Intermediate (8- to 9-year-olds)

65 — 1. Bodie Clements (Suples club); 2. Tyler Pendleton (Patriot club); 3. Beau Brockner (Idaho Rattlers); 4. Joe Egusquiza (Homedale)

Note — Egusquiza reached the championship bracket and posted a 2-3 record. Homedale’s Tommy McGuire (1-2) and Devin Kent (0-2) also competed.

70 — 1. Preston Owens (Idaho Rattlers); 2. Andre Carreno (Idaho Gold); 3. Jose Luna (Idaho Gold); 4. Joel Campbell (Vallivue)

Note — Trenton Fisher (1-2) and Chase Cooper (1-2) competed for Homedale

80 — 1. Brayden Christofferson (Homedale); 2. Willy Haun (Homedale); 3. Kaiden Haney (Idaho Bearkatz)

Note — Christofferson (2-0) pinned Haun (1-1) in 1:14

87/95 — 1. August Pena (Cougar club); 2. Michael Bruner (Patriot club); 3. Hons Rietmann (Idaho Bearkatz); 4. Owen Houser (Homedale)

103 — 1. Eryk Carter (Vallivue); 2. Kobe Martinez (Patriot club); 3. Rhyalee Nix (Homedale); 4. Austin Smith (Hawks club)

112 — 1. Austin Tyler (Kuna); 2. Marcus Bottom (Homedale); 3. Shane Huston (Nampa)

Note — Tyler pinned Bottom (1-1) in 40 seconds

Novice (10- to 11-year-olds)

75 — 1. Kaegen Christensen (Homedale); 2. Hunter Chesley (Idaho

Bearkatz); 3. Wyatt Briggs (Kuna)

Note — Christensen (2-0) beat Chesley, 7-1, 3-1, and decisioned Briggs, 4-1, 7-0

80 — 1. Colson Miller (Idaho Rattlers); 2. Michael Babcock (Homedale); 3. Luke Chapman (Idaho Rattlers); 4. Casey Loftis (Kuna)

Notes — Miller pinned Babcock (3-3) in 1:43 ... Babcock beat Loftis, 3-1, 4-7, 7-6 to reach title match ... Homedale’s Tye Atkins (0-2), Matthew Randall (1-3), Ethan Lemley (0-2) and Jace Love (0-2).

90 — 1. Ryan Wilson (Patriot club); 2. Spencer Fisher (Homedale); 3. Antonio Mendez (Arrowrock); 4. Kaden Hine (Idaho Rattlers)

Note — Fisher (2-2) lost the championship to Wilson, 3-0, fall 1:28

95 — 1. Parker Robinson (Hi Desert Mat Club); 2. Jaegar Rose (Homedale); 3. Bradyn James (Kuna)

Note — Rose (3-2) lost to champion Robinson, 0-0, fall :34

100 — 1. Trent Shanley (Nampa Freestyle); 2. John Conner (Homedale); 3. Gate Likes (Idaho Bearkatz)

Note — Shanley def. Conner by tech fall, 7-0, 7-0, in first round. Conner dec. Likes, 6-0, 0-1, 1-0

140-plus — 1. Brandon Ober (Nampa Freestyle); 2. Mason Bottom (Homedale); 3. Archie Flores (Nampa Freestyle)

Note — Bottom (1-1) pinned Flores, :55, and lost by pin to Ober, :18

Schoolboy/girl (12- to 13-year-olds)

98-105 — 1. Brady Hine (Idaho Rattlers); 2. Tyler Clements (Suples club); 3. Mickey Briggs (Kuna); 4. Blake Butler (Pine Eagle, Ore.)

Note — Homedale’s Cobey Christofferson (0-2) and Devon Thornton (0-2) also competed

136-144 — 1. Julio Carbajal (Grizzly Freestyle Club); 2. Quentin Thornton (Homedale); 3. Bayden Hill (Nampa Freestyle); 4. Robert Nix (Homedale)

Notes — Thornton (2-2) beat Hill twice and lost to Carbajal twice ... Nix was 0-2

Cadets

(14- to 15-year-olds)

132 — 1. Tanner Lee (Fruitland); 2. Brandon Flores (Homedale); 3. Jose Alcalá (Idaho Ultimates)

Note — Flores (1-1) lost to Lee by pin and pinned Alcalá in 1:00

138-145 — 1. Elijah Dittenber (Vallivue); 2. Tyler Cobb (Nampa Freestyle); 3. Tommy Trumbo (Montana State); 4. Hunter Thornton (Homedale)

Notes — Thornton (3-4) los the third-place match to Trumbo by fall, 7-0, 8-14, :31 ... Wylee Cooper (0-2) also represented Homedale



# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense Halter safety

I can always count on my friends to add a new page to my scrapbook entitled “How to Mess up a Simple Calving.” This chapter would be entitled “Halter Safety.”

Rob was deep into calving his heifers. His calving lot was football field-sized including a small shed and a couple jugs. It was decorated with swells and depressions common to the coulee ranchland in eastern Washington.

For his regular heifer checks, he used a typical “rancher’s” four-wheeler that he’d bought from an orchard man who had traded up in a good year. Ron paid him \$50 plus two grandstand tickets to the Mariner/Cleveland Indians baseball game. It was dipping into twilight when Rob made his “just before supper” heifer check. He was looking for No. 112, a brockle-faced heifer that he’d noticed going into labor earlier. He found her in a large depression on her back and gasping!

Grabbing a halter from his calving box, he put it over her head and gave it a manly pull ... no luck. Thinking quickly, in his first-responder mode, he pulled the four-wheeler in front of the upside-down heifer and tied the halter shank to the back of his machine. So far, so good.

The rope came tight, but the four-wheeler, which weighed at least 600 pounds less than the heifer, lifted off its front wheels and came dangerously close to tipping over backwards. Next try, he locked his legs around the handlebars, leaned out over them like a figurehead on a schooner to distribute the load, and gave it the gas! He felt all four wheels grab and the cow move just before the rope broke! Rob fell forward, head first as the spinning machine climbed over him, rolled him up and laid him out flat on his back!

Third time is the charm. Rob found a heavier piece of rope, re-hitched and ... voila! He drug the heifer to flatter ground. He dismounted to untie the slipknot from the machine, unfortunately not noticing that the brockle-faced heifer had regained her feet and was coming his way.

She hit him from behind, bounced him off the four-wheeler and walked him like a foot-log! Then she turned to escape the scene of the crime and pulled the machine over on top of our hapless hero, eventually dragging the whole wreck to a stop.

In retrospect, Rob said she turned out to be a pretty good mother, but he was never able to drive his four-wheeler into any pasture she inhabited without being attacked.

EPILOGUE: The heifer outlived the machine.

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at [www.baxterblack.com](http://www.baxterblack.com) for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his rodeo novel “Ride, Cowboy, Ride! 8 Seconds Ain’t That Long”, other books and DVDs.

### Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 21 taxing district elections until noon on Friday, May 10.

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

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Andrea Scott, reporter



## Eyes on Owyhee Africans’ visit a lesson for all

Recently I covered a story on East African veterinary officers who toured two Jordan Valley ranches to learn more about how animal identification systems are used to track the movement of livestock.

The tour specifically came to Jordan Valley because the area shares similarities to the landscape of East Africa. I have always looked at life and at the world in terms of what we share as people and communities rather than at the dissimilarities. This tour was not only educational, but also deeply moving for me, as well as for the majority of those involved.

I felt the visitors from East Africa had a very deep insight into our Western culture and made excellent observations.

Joseph Macharia, the Central Veterinary Laboratory director from Kenya, loved listening to ranchers Bob Skinner and Mike Hanley of Jordan Valley and their view of the cattle industry from a hands-on perspective. He appreciated the interaction and learning what has and hasn’t worked in practical terms in ranch operations. But his most telling observation was what makes him most fearful for our ranching culture.

“I think that it is very sad that Americans don’t appreciate where they get their food and see the ranchers the way we see them,” he said. “It is also troubling that we see the history of these old ranches that have been in their families for many generations and the younger children are finding it harder to stay.”

John Ogoto Kanisio Okeleng Lefuf is the chief veterinary officer from South Sudan and he was struck by the democratic process we have in the U.S. I have to admit it made me laugh a little as I hear so many Americans, yes, myself included, criticize our government. He noted that our openness should not be taken for granted because it is much more difficult to work with the government in his country.

“One of the surprises I had was how democracy works in action especially with ranchers and the way people in your country can influence government policy, and there is at least a willingness of your government to listen,” he said. “The government is in the driver’s seat in South



Owyhee Avalanche reporter Andrea Scott speaks with Ugandan epidemiologist Noelina Nantima. Nantima was in Jordan Valley as part of East African veterinary officers ranch tour.

Sudan, and there is an assumption that the people don’t know anything.”

He also said he was impressed because the American livestock industry is organized into many different working groups, which gives people more power and knowledge. Lefuf said the biggest lesson he will take back to his country is to “organize, organize, organize.”

Although I spoke to almost everyone on the tour, I spent most of my time with Noelina Nantima, the epidemiologist for Uganda. Within a very short time of our meeting, she put her arm around mine and we walked through the ranches talking about our different cultures and our hopes for the future.

My biggest hope is that we as Americans can all pull together and see that we have more in common than what sets us apart.

## Concerns of a parent Are we doing enough to do right by our kids?

by Luke Ankeny

For some time I have felt led to write these words and do so now as an act of obedience. I do not wish to upset anyone with these words, but humbly submit them in an effort to encourage, challenge, and support.

I often wonder if we as a community are doing the best job we can at raising and instructing our young people in a manner that will prepare them for life and allow them to be functioning and contributing members of society. Regardless of our varying answers to this question, we ought to at least be willing to evaluate how we are doing in an effort to continue to do and be what is best for our children at home, in our schools, in our faith communities, and in our community at large.

I don’t know about the rest of you, but I consider being a parent a privilege, an honor, and a great responsibility. As parents, we are to teach and train our children, preparing them for their life today and their life tomorrow. Do those of us who are parents accept this responsibility and are we willing to pay attention to our children, make sacrifices in our personal lives, have expectations, enforce discipline, spend time with our children, and love them like crazy in order for this to happen?

Many of us in the Homedale area have opted to put our children in public schools, meaning we have entrusted



the majority of our children’s education to other members of our community. In order to offer this education to our

young people, our school board made up of community members hires professionals with education, giftedness, and experience. Do we trust these people to do their jobs, and as a community do we do everything within our power and ability to allow them and our young people to be successful? Teachers, administrators, and school board members do you work diligently in your duties with our young people’s best interests in mind?

We have many faith communities in Homedale, including the one I am a part of and employed by. Do those of us who belong

to faith communities take serious the role of instructing and training those children in our communities in matters of faith and life?

“It takes a village to raise a child” is an ancient proverb we all know, but do we truly believe these words? As adults are we willing to set aside our selfishness, sense of entitlement, desire to be right, addictions, screens and more in order to help our children truly succeed? Are we willing to love, encourage, discipline, have expectations, volunteer, trust each other, support each other, instruct, and more in order for our children to be successful?

I don’t have all the answers, or maybe any of them, but

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# Commentary

## Financial management

### Let little sis stay rent-free as long as she acts responsibly

**Dear Dave,**  
My younger sister moved to Atlanta, and she came to live with my husband and me a few months ago. She's 19, has a job, and is attending a local college. But even though she's working, she hasn't said anything about helping out with utilities or paying rent. We don't need the money, but do you think it's time for us to push her out of the nest so she can start living as an adult?

— Molly

**Dear Molly,**  
The way you've described your little sister makes me think she's a pretty good kid. She's doing all the right things for someone her age, and it doesn't sound like you've got a party animal or drug addict in your home. In my mind, this is the kind of person you want



to help.  
In a sense, you're acting as surrogate parents to this young lady. If it were my little sister, I'd let her live in the house without paying rent as long as she was living smart and moving in a positive direction. To me, this includes working, saving money, and going to college. At the moment, you're enabling good, positive behavior. You have a chance to be her biggest cheerleader and prepare her for the future.  
But if things change and she

starts behaving irresponsibly or living a lifestyle you don't approve of, then it'll be time to put the brakes on the deal. But right now this kid's a rock star. Thanks to the generosity and support shown by you and your husband, she can gain traction for a successful launch into the world as a smart, responsible adult. I think it's awesome!

— Dave

**Dear Dave,**  
I have some old debts that have been forgiven. Should I still pay these if and when I have the money?

— Matt

**Dear Matt,**  
First, you need to double-check and make sure the debts have been officially forgiven. Commercial

debts, such as old credit card debt, are almost never forgiven. They might be in default, or it may be that the company has written it off, but that's not the same as being forgiven.  
Years ago, my grandfather loaned me money when I was in college to pay for part of my tuition. He forgave that debt not long after, so I didn't owe him the money morally, legally or in any other way. But in a commercial setting, meaning you're dealing with a bank or other lender, that doesn't happen.  
If a credit card company decides to take less than the original amount owed, that's a business decision that has changed the terms of the deal, both morally and legally. Sometimes they'd rather have a bird in the hand rather than promises in the bush.

You don't have an obligation to pay the original amount because the terms of the deal have been altered.  
Forgiven is forgiven. That means the deal and any obligation is completely wiped out and gone. But chances are, Chase or MasterCard aren't going to call you up and forgive the debt.

— 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.

### ✓ Enough: Pastor welcomes dialogue in search for solutions

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as you can tell I do have lots of questions, and a desire to be better as a parent, community member, participant in my faith community, and supporter of our schools in order for our children to be successful in life. If you would like to dialogue with me about my thoughts or have suggestions about things we can do to improve what we are already doing for our children, please send me an email at luke.ankeney@gmail.com.  
— Luke Ankeny and his wife, Heidi, are parents to three boys. He is pastor at Homedale Friends Community Church as well as active in the community and as a Homedale High School basketball coach.

#### Letters to the editor

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## Letters to the editor

### Friend thankful to time he spent with Ervin Gifford

Very sorry to learn of Gif's (Ervin Gifford) passing. I first met him when living in Mountain Home in the mid-1980s and then wound up reuniting in 2002 when I lived across the river from him in Wilder.  
He was a good man, and I am thankful for the little time I was able to spend with him.  
Hope that Vera and the family are all right.  
Jay Gesin  
Fairbanks, Alaska

### Ex-Initiative chair mourns passing of important figures

This week my heart has been saddened by the passing of two people who were so very important to me and to all the people of Owyhee County.  
(Thursday) night, Terry Gibson, dynamic chairman of the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes passed away way too early in life. Terry's leadership made possible the union of Tribes and County that formed the base of the Owyhee Initiative. He was my friend and was the friend of all Owyhee County ranchers. I well remember the critical role he played in preserving the rights of Connie and Richard

Brandau when the Bureau of Land Management seemed bent on destroying their ranch. He was a great leader of his people. They will miss him, and I will miss him every day of every week.  
And in (a recent issue of the) Avalanche, I learned of the passing of Ms. Ashbie, a lady who courageously took the first step toward offering the land compromise that made the Initiative possible. At a time when the construct of the Initiative was precarious, she made a dramatic move that broke the ice and began the movement to success of the process.  
Long after we all have left this life, Owyhee County's citizens should be taught about these two great spirits — filled with courage and compassion for their fellow beings.  
May God bless them and their families.  
Fred Kelly Grant  
Boise

### Seniors thank community for bake sale success

The bake sale on March 29 for the Rimrock Senior Center was a huge success.  
We want to thank the organizers, the bakers and the buyers for all the hard work and support.  
Rimrock Senior Center board of directors

## Contacting federal representatives

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# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

April 13, 1988

### Efforts under way to recall Homedale’s mayor

An effort to have Homedale Mayor Paul Fink recalled is under way in town, and one of the carriers of the petition said Monday that signatures will be presented at the city council meeting tonight.

Harold (Mick) Craven said Monday during a meeting of the county commissioners in Murphy that over 75 signatures have been gathered for the recall of the mayor.

Craven said at the meeting the main reason for the petition drive is that the mayor is trying to do away with the city police department and get the county (sheriff) to take over law enforcement in the city. However, the petition does not list this charge as one of the reasons.

### Chamber supports mayor

The issue of the petition for Homedale mayor Paul Fink’s recall was discussed and brought to a vote at the Tuesday noon meeting of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce.

A motion that the Chamber “goes on record to support the efforts and performance of Mayor Paul Fink” was passed unanimously by the membership. The secretary was instructed to send a letter stating the action to the city council.

### Hoff’s is sold, manufacturer moving in

It was announced at the Tuesday meeting of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce that the former Hoff Lumber Co. facility southeast of Homedale has been sold, and a laminated beam operation is presently moving equipment into the plant.

The facility has been purchased by two former Boise Cascade men, Wayne King and Bud Filler, according to Paul Fink. Fink said the men expect to hire six to eight people immediately, with a potential of 20 to 30.

### Poster contest winners picked

People entering most Homedale businesses have had the opportunity to view posters with the theme of Homedale’s clean-up campaign. These posters are the product of the fifth-grade students at Homedale, and were part of a contest, according to Ida Burt, chairman of the project for the Homedale Chamber of Commerce.

The posters were judged by the Homedale Senior Citizens who stated that the judging was difficult, because there were so many great posters, Burt said.

Winners were Jell Neil, Adriana Medina, and Cory Palermo, for first, second and third places, respectively. Honorable mention went to Stacy Stansell, Shawn Leavitt, Ruby Anderson, Matt Cupp, Joe Sibert, and Mariah Udlinek.

### Bruneau-Grand View area news and notes

Ray Colyer of Bruneau had the honor of being inducted into the Southern Idaho Livestock Industry Hall of Fame at a ceremony, March 15 in Twin Falls. Colyer was one of the six livestock producers to be inducted. Ray and Bonnie own Colyer Cattle Company and are well known in the area for their fine purebred Hereford cattle.

Edi Gallup reports that her daughter, Edi and husband, Mark Westbrook, recently moved from Virginia to Cantee, Maryland. Mark is now out of the Air Force after serving nine years.

The stork has been busy making deliveries in the area recently. Jack and Belva Lawson became grandparents for the second time with the birth of Tarah Lynn Johnson on March 28 to Lori and Jim. Tarah was born three weeks early and weighed just 5 lbs. 10.5 oz. and was 18” long. She joins a 20-month-old brother, Nick, at home. Local great-grandparents, George and Agnes Bennett, along with Jack and Belva, send best wished to little Tarah, who got to come home at two weeks of age.

Ron and Shawna Ridley and 2-year-old Cyndi are proud to announce the arrival of Stephanie Robynn on April 8 in Mountain Home. Robynn weighed in at a dainty 8 lbs. 9 oz. Congratulations to the Riddleys and to the new grandparents, Wayne and Marlene Ridley and Sherrie Burnett.

## 50 years ago

April 11, 1963

### Over 400 attend Presbyterian church dedication

Dedication services for the new First Presbyterian church were held Sunday, April 7, at 7: 30 p.m. at the new church at West Sixth Street and Washington Avenue. Rev. George Keith is pastor.

The program included: The Prelude, “Sonata,” Guilmant and “Suite Gothique,” Boellmann; The Call to Worship; The Introit; The Ascription of Praise; A Hymn of Praise – Number 1, “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty,” The Congregation; The Invocation and Choral Amen; The Lesson from the Gospels, Matthew 16:13-20, The Rev. Raymond L. Wilson; A Canticle; The Lesson from the Epistles, First Corinthians 3:10-23, Dr. A. Walton Roth; The Apostles’ Creed – Page 12, The Congregation; The Gloria Patri, The Congregation; An Anthem, “Hallelujah, Amen,” Handel, The Choir; The Presentation of the Keys, Mrs. Leslie R. Selders; The Acceptance of the Keys, Mr. Ronald Robinson; A Hymn of Affirmation, “A Mighty Fortress is Our God,” The Congregation; A Litany of Dedication by the Minister and Congregation.

Over 400 people attended the dedication service.

### Owyhee legislators discuss 37<sup>th</sup> session at Kiwanis

Owyhee County’s two legislative members, Sen. Arlie Parkins, Marsing, and Rep. Alvin Benson, Wilson, reviewed activities of the 37<sup>th</sup> legislative session at the regular Wednesday noon meeting of the Homedale Kiwanis club.

Sen. Parkins praised the work of Linda Beaman, Grand View girl, who served as a page in the Senate. His son, Mac Parkins of Homedale, also won plaudits for his singing at the legislative memorial service.

Sen. Parkins said he has high hopes that his work in the Senate on legislation to survey water rights on the Owyhee River and obtain a compact with Oregon and Nevada on use of this water, as well as a general strengthening of Idaho’s water laws, will greatly benefit Idaho farmers.

He said only if dedicated funds were provided for education from a sales tax would he consider this type of taxation. He said a need exists to provide for education so that future legislative sessions are not torn apart by the biennial scramble for funds. He noted, however, that cities along the Oregon border would be penalized by a sales tax, and that Oregon people who trade in Idaho object to the tax.

He said a demand developed that Owyhee County by considered in a penitentiary move and he was able to get a bill passed providing that Owyhee County as well as Ada County receive consideration. However, the governor vetoed this bill in favor of one which would not restrict the penitentiary move to any county. He said a million dollar payroll goes with the penitentiary.

### Scouts make trip to Jump Creek falls

The 2<sup>nd</sup> class Scouts visited Jump Creek waterfalls recently. They enjoyed a wiener roast and discussed the organizing of a troop.

Scouts going were Mike Carter, David Vance and Danny Dewey. Adults were Ben Uda, George Kubosumi, assistant scoutmaster and R. Lynn Hendry, scoutmaster.

### Aeronautics director suggests changes for airport

Chet Moulton, Boise, state aeronautics director, met with a group of Homedale men Thursday noon at Bicandi’s café to discuss formation of an airport management committee, seeking to improve airport operation and maintenance.

Mr. Moulton said an airport manger is needed to supervise the airport’s use, especially during the dusting and spraying season, when extra heavy use is received from a number of aerial applicators.

He suggested that fewer users might be more practical, or that a contract might be entered into with a single operator to manage the field and its facilities. Four or more different operators used the field at one time last year.

No conclusions were reached, but it was generally conceded that more than one firm must operate from the field during the height of the dusting and spraying season.

## 140 years ago

April 19, 1873

UNOSTENTATIOUS BEARING. The Honolulu Gazette, mentioning the departure of several high American officials, says their unostentatious bearing there won the esteem of all who met them. Such bearing is not rule among superior men, but small men in exalted places cannot learn it. They are always in terror lest somebody should suppose them to be nobodies. They must put on airs. They are not conscious of mental worth, and so they attach great value to their social or political position. They respect themselves, because they have wealth and power; they despise men who have neither. They have no appreciation for the gold of human life, but much for the dross. The lower the man, the more need he feels of carrying about with him some sign to notify everybody that he is an individual of importance. One man wants to be called “General;” another cannot condescend to use a little word when he can get a big one to express his idea; a third needs somebody to play the toady about him continually; and when we get down to the savage, he is covered with red paint, or adorned with tattooing, and provided with a big ring through his nose. Napoleon dressed plainly, but his marshals put on the most elaborate military toggery. Great genius implies a correct valuation of the actual business of life, and the conventional forms surrounding us, and it knows when to throw off the latter, and when to concentrate all the energies on the former. Plainness of language and cordiality and simplicity of manners are indispensable to the finished gentleman; and without them, wealth and ranch make nothing but a vulgar snob.

EVIL CONJUNCTION OF PLANETS. Dr. R. T. Thrall, in the Philadelphia Star, is a very cheerful prophet. He says that we are approaching a climax of a pestilential period. From 1880 to 1885 the planets Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune will approach the Earth nearer than they have been for 1,800 years. Whenever any one of the four have come near enough for us to feel its influence, pestilence, famine, and extremes of heat and cold have been found the result. Now, we are to have the influence of the four combined, and he predicts that in seven years from now all manner of evil which grow out of atmospheric changes will be upon us. To lessen the calamity, the world is urged to use the strictest sanitary measures, and by health and cleanliness counteract the effects of our unwelcome neighbors. The world is so much better able to care for itself than two or three hundred years ago, and by care we may avert much of the danger. To the following classes he gives very cold comfort: The dissipated, the glutton, the debauches may calculate on being among the weaker population who devitalize themselves by tobacco using, young ladies who destroy one-half of their breathing capacity by fashionable dress and tight lacing, will never survive the perihelion of all the large planets of the solar system; and perhaps it will be best that they should not.

ONE NORTHERN BOUNDARY. The work of adjusting the northwestern dividing line between the British and American territory is by no means an easy one. From the Chicago Tribune we learn that this is a joint commission of the two Governments in charge of it. Last winter, the American commission ran a line fifty miles east from the Red River; this winter, the English party, under charge of Captain Andrews, of the Royal Engineers, are continuing this line to the Lake of the Woods. The party consists of about one hundred persons – engineers, astronomers, surveyors, axmen, teamsters, etc. Though the weather has been frightfully cold, sometimes reaching fifty degrees below zero, the work has been continued without interruption, as the country is of a swampy character, which would not permit doing the work after the thaw. A strip of twenty feet in width is cleared, flags are put up at distances of five miles, and several monuments (built of wood and iron, as no stone can be obtained) are to be erected. The work west of the Red River will be begun by both parties in May, and it is estimated that it will require three years to complete the whole survey.



# Public notices

**SYNOPSIS OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES MARCH 25, 2013**  
Tax cancellations approved on four parcels.  
Tax Cancellation on BTA Appeal.  
Letter of Intent to Balanced Rock Soil Conservation District.  
Approved the Southwest Idaho Wireless Integration Agreement with Ada County.  
Approved purchase of pagers for Bruneau Fire Department.  
Indigent & Charity; 13-14 lien, 12-31 approved, 13-10 approved, 13-11 approved, 13-12 approved.  
The complete minutes can be viewed at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk’s office.  
4/10/13

**LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL PURSUANT TO Idaho Code §31-808**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Idaho Code §31-808, Owyhee County, a political subdivision of the State of Idaho, intends to sell the following property,  
Description: Parcel # RP B0020014021AA Lots 21 & 22 in Block 14 of the Revised Townsite, now the City of Marsing; physical address of 205 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Marsing, ID 83639  
Taxpayer: Said property was taken by tax deed on July 23, 2012, from the prior owner identified as Alejo Deluna  
Date of Sale: April 22, 2013  
Time of Sale: 10:00 o’clock a.m., Mountain Standard Time  
Place of Sale: Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650  
Minimum Bid: \$4,319.21  
Sale Type: The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds such as a cashier’s check. THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT, HOWEVER, TO REJECT ANY AND ALL OFFERS UNLESS THE MINIMUM BID HAS BEEN MET.  
Further Information: Parties wishing to bid on the property may receive additional information from the Owyhee County Treasurer’s Office at Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650, (208) 495-1158 or on the Owyhee County website at www.owyheecounty.net  
Title Insurance: No title insurance is offered as part of the sale, however, the successful bidder may acquire title insurance, at their expense, if they choose to do so.

**DISCLAIMER: ALL PROPERTY, WHETHER REAL OR PERSONAL, IS SOLD WITHOUT WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATIONS OF ANY KIND AND IS SOLD “AS IS, WHERE IS” WITHOUT WARRANTY OR REPRESENTATION AS TO MARKETABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH ANY FEDERAL OR STATE REGULATIONS. RATHER, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS TO INSPECT THE SALE PROPERTY AND TO MAKE THEMSELVES AWARE OF ANY ISSUES CONCERNING SAID SALE PROPERTY.**  
Any individuals in need of

special accommodations or services, and to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, should contact the Owyhee County Commissioners’ Office at least 5 (five) days prior to the auction so that appropriate arrangements or accommodations may be made. Contact number (208) 495-2421.  
Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013, by order of the Board of County Commissioners of Owyhee County.  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,**  
OWYHEE COUNTY, By Joe Merrick, Chairman  
3/27;4/3,10,17/13

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Description: Parcel # RP 006800250200A Tract 20 of Triangle Ranch Plat 1, located in the N½, Section 25, Township 7 South, Range 3 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho  
Taxpayer: Said property was taken by tax deed on July 23, 2012, from the prior owner identified as Ginger-Soul Corporation  
Date of Sale: April 22, 2013  
Time of Sale: 10:00 o’clock a.m., Mountain Standard Time  
Place of Sale: Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650  
Minimum Bid: \$946.21  
Sale Type: The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds such as a cashier’s check. THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT, HOWEVER, TO REJECT ANY AND ALL OFFERS UNLESS THE MINIMUM BID HAS BEEN MET.  
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Description: Parcel # RP 02S02W278500A W2 SE, Less Tax 1C, 1D, 3, 4, 44, Also Less County Road, in Section 27 Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County (See complete Legal Description Below As Exhibit A)  
Taxpayer: Said property was taken by tax deed on July 23, 2012, from the prior owners identified as Earle Dean Grant and Fred Kelly Grant  
Date of Sale: April 22, 2013  
Time of Sale: 10:00 o’clock a.m., Mountain Standard Time  
Place of Sale: Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650  
Minimum Bid: \$12,931.22  
Sale Type: The sale is an auction open to the public and will be sold to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale in lawful currency of the U.S. Treasury Department in cash or certified funds such as a cashier’s check. THE COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT, HOWEVER, TO REJECT ANY AND ALL OFFERS UNLESS THE MINIMUM BID HAS BEEN MET.  
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**Exhibit A**  
In Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho  
Section 27: West Half of the Southeast Quarter  
EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described parcels:  
A parcel of land situate in the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:  
Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 27 Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian; thence  
West on the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 145 feet to a point, being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence  
North a distance of 47 feet; thence  
West a distance of 120 feet thence  
North 82° 30’ West a distance of 76 feet; thence  
North a distance of 190 feet; thence  
North 78° 30’ West a distance of 100 feet thence  
South 12° 15’ West a distance of 350 feet thence  
North 82° 50’ East a distance of 370 feet; thence  
North a distance of 23 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.  
AND  
Tract I:  
A parcel of land situate in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:  
COMMENCING at the Southeast corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence  
West on the South line of said Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter a distance of 145 feet; thence  
North a distance of 47 feet to a point, being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue  
North a distance of 167 feet to a point; thence  
North 78° 30’ West, a distance of 200 feet thence  
South a distance of 190 feet to a point; thence  
South 82° 30’ East a distance of 76 feet thence  
East a distance of 120 feet to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.  
Tract II:  
A parcel of land situate in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:  
BEGINNING at a point 90 feet

due West from the center of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho; thence  
140 feet North; thence  
43 feet West; thence  
140 feet South, thence  
43 feet East to the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING.  
AND  
A parcel of land in the West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:  
Beginning at the Southwest corner of said Government Lot 3; thence  
West 90 feet; thence  
North 165 feet thence  
East 90 feet; thence  
South 165 feet to the point of beginning.  
AND  
A parcel of land in tie Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Township 2 South, Range 2 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described as follows:  
Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter, thence  
South 35 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence  
West 145 feet thence  
South 150 feet; thence  
East 145 feet thence  
North 150 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.  
AND  
A tract of land conveyed to the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company, the deed thereof being recorded in Book 10 of Deeds, page 265, records of Owyhee County, Idaho and more particularly described as follows:  
Beginning at a point in the south line of said Section 27 that is 1,645.4 feet distant west of the southeast corner thereof, measured along said south line, said point also being 100 feet distant westerly, measured at right angles from the center line of the main track of the Murphy Branch of the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company as same was formerly constructed and operated, a distance of 500 feet; thence westerly along a straight line drawn radially to the last above described line, a distance of 110 feet thence southerly along a line that is parallel with and 210 feet distant westerly, measured radially and/or at right angles, from said center line of the main track as formerly constructed and operated a distance of 538 feet, more or less, to a point on the south line of said Section 27; thence east along the south line of said Section 27, a distance of 116.3 feet to the point of beginning.  
3/27;4/3,10,17/13

**LEIN SALE**  
1976 Kit CT Rora 20’ trailer Vin# KIT222JGC200089 to be sold on 4/25/2013 at 10:00 a.m., 118 W. Washington, Homedale, ID 83628  
4/10,17/13

Garage full?  
Sell it in the  
*Classifieds*  
337-4681



# Public notices

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR BIDS  
HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT  
INVITATION FOR BIDS NO. 2013-01

[I.C. § 67-2806]  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by Homedale Highway District until 5 p.m. on May 1, 2013 for a **trailer mounted spray injection road repair machine** in accordance with the specifications set forth in the Bid Specifications.

**Bid documents and detailed specifications** are available via e-mail at [terriku76@hotmail.com](mailto:terriku76@hotmail.com) or by calling the Highway District Office at 337-3500.

**Sealed Bids to Be Delivered:** Sealed bids will be received via Postal Mail at the address of Homedale Highway District at P.O. Box 713, Homedale, Idaho 83628 by 5:00 p.m. on May 1, 2013, for a trailer mounted spray injection road repair machine in accordance with the specifications set forth herein and in the Bid Specifications.

**Date and Location upon which Bids Must Be Submitted:** All bidders are to have their bids in a sealed envelope with a precise statement on the outside stating: "Bid of [Insert name of Bidder] submitted in response to Highway District Bid Notice No. 2013-01 " and filed with the Secretary/ Director of Highways of the Highway District at the **Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 713, Homedale ID 83628]

Bids received after the deadline will be returned to the bidder unopened and will not be considered.

**Bid Bond Required:** Bid security is required to be submitted with the bid in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the amount bid and in the form of either cash, Cashier's check made payable to the Highway District, a certified check made payable to the Highway District, or a bidder's bond executed by a qualified surety company made payable to the Highway District. If the successful bidder fails to execute a contract, the amount of that bidder's security shall be forfeited to the Highway District, and the proceeds shall

be deposited in the fund out of which the expenses of preparation and printing of the publication, notice, and bid specifications are paid, and the Highway District may award the contract to the next lowest responsible bidder. In that event, the amount of the lowest responsible bidder's security shall be applied by the Highway District to the difference between the lowest responsible bid and the next lowest responsible bid, and the surplus, if any, shall be returned to the lowest bidder (if cash or check is used) or to the surety on the bidder's bond (if bond is used).

**BIDS SUBMITTED CANNOT BE WITHDRAWN AFTER THE TIME SET IN THE NOTICE FOR THE OPENING OF BIDS.**

**Written Objections to Bid Specifications or Bidding Procedure** must be received by the Highway District Secretary at the above stated address at least three (3) business days before the date and time upon which bids are herein noticed to be opened.

**Bid Opening and Evaluation:** All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud on May 1, 2013 at **8 p.m.** in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located at 102 E. Colorado Ave. in Homedale. The decision of the Board of Commissioners of the Highway District will be in an open meeting and within 28 days of the bid opening.

**Reservation of Right to Reject Any and All Bids:** The Board of Commissioners of the Highway District reserves in its discretion to reject any and all bids presented and to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bid process and/or re-advertise. If two (2) or more bids are the same and the lowest responsible bids, the Board of Commissioners may accept the one it chooses.

The successful bidder shall execute a contract within fourteen (14) days of the date of notice of award.

By: Terri Uria, Secretary,  
Homedale Highway District  
4/10,17/13

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**  
Idaho Code 45-1506 Today's

date: March 6, 2013 File No.: 7021.15329 Sale date and time (local time): July 8, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 502 West California Avenue Homedale, ID 83628-3039 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: Jeffrey L Garcia, and Melissa R Garcia, husband and wife Original trustee: Fidelity National Title Insurance Co Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB Recording date: 05/13/2008 Recorder's instrument number: 264995 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of March 6, 2013: \$133,686.65 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 15 and 16 in Block 11 of Amended Plat of the Townsite of Homedale, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof, records of 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](http://www.northwesttrustee.com) or [USA-Foreclosure.com](http://USA-Foreclosure.com). The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7021.15329) 1002.243729-File No. 3/20,27;4/3,10/13

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