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### It is rocket science



### Homedale shop students blast off

Junior Drayden Julian looks on as freshman Dylan Phariss pulls the lever to send one of the rockets created by the Homedale High School Industrial Arts class into the air Wednesday. For more on the benefits of this exercise, read Page 5.

# U of I set to honor Homedale grad

Vandals alum Cegnar built distinguished food service career

Ron Cegnar and J.R. Simplot have a couple things in common.

The 1963 Homedale High School graduate's highly successful career in the food service industry began with potatoes and McDonald's.

Cegnar also left the farm to find success as an executive.

Now, Cegnar will be honored for that success. On Monday, the University of Idaho's College of Agricultural and Life Science will present him with a Distinguished Alumni Award.

"I went to U of I with the idea that I was going back into farming," the son of Ethel and the late Lewis Cegnar said, "but I figured this is hard work



Ron Cegnar

and I wanted to find out how to make more money at it."

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# **Gateway West EIS** to be released Friday

### Open houses set in May; comment until June 28

The public's last chance to comment on the Gateway West Transmission Line Project starts Friday and Owyhee County Task Force members for the project encourage people to speak up.

"This is our last chance to get this transmission line project off of private property," task force member Robyn Thompson of Oreana said. "We need to insist that this power line be sited in the Birds of Prey area paralleling the existing transmission line using a new existing road that was built in 2009 with Obama stimulus money.

"People need to attend these public meetings, write comments and get involved."

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The public meetings will be held on May 8, Murphy, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St. and May 9, Melba, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Melba High School, 6870 Stokes Ln.

Other public meetings will be held in Boise, Kuna, Twin Falls, Burly, Pocatello, American Falls, Montpelier and in Wyoming.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is releasing the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the 500kilovolt electrical transmission

The new the public comment period begins with the document's release. The EIS will be available for review from Friday through June 28. An EIS provides the public opportunity to learn about and be involved in the federal

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Folks can get a peek at the plants before they step into the Homedale FFA greenhouse to shop thanks to Daniel Aguilera's Senior Project at Homedale High School.

# Homedale FFA greenhouse open

### Plant sale lasts until end of school year

After a couple refurbishment projects, the Homedale FFA Greenhouse is ready for another season of business.

The greenhouse behind the Homedale High School shop building opens its doors today. The greenhouse will operate from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday until the end of the school year. Two Saturday sessions — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — also are planned on May 11 and May 18.

The inventory includes a wide variety of bedding plants, vegetables and hanging baskets. Plant packs cost \$2, while hanging plants are available for \$15.

Proceeds typically help the operation of the greenhouse as well as buying supplies for the next year, but in 2013, the FFA chapter used some money to rebuild the building's sprinkler system.

Other proceeds also helped 17-year-old Daniel Aguilera pull off his senior project.

The son of Alma and Ignacio Aguilera, who is an FFA member, tackled the job of re-siding the green house with acrylic glass, more commonly known as Plexiglas.

Aguilera worked after school between January and February, cutting the materials with a jigsaw and fastening the plastic walls to the greenhouse. His work replaced yellowing panels on the structure.

He'll present his work early next month when the school district's Senior Project panel

convenes at Homedale Friends Community Church.

In addition to providing money for projects and operating expenses, the annual greenhouse sale is an agricultural education tool for the students Homedale FFA advisor Lori Idsinga leads.

The students started all plants in the greenhouse, and they are responsible for maintaining them throughout the year.

The chapter members learn about:

- Soil quality and characteristics
- Seed quality and how to
- choose quality seedPlant nutrients and what plants
- require and why
   Plant propagation through
  - The parts of a plant
- Plant processes

# Herrera attorney clarifies plea deal

Defense is allowed to argue for a lesser sentence

The defense attorney for Veronica Thea Herrera has clarified the court process ahead for the Homedale mother.

William Wellman said last Wednesday that under the agreement reached April 11, he will argue for a lesser sentence for the 29-year-old mother who is accused of killing her 2-year-old daughter and burning her body in an effort to destroy evidence.

The Idaho Criminal Rule 11 agreement stipulates that Third District Judge Thomas J. Ryan can impose a fixed sentence of no more than 15 years for the six crimes to which Herrera has agreed to plead guilty.

"The defense can argue for any reasonable sentence they believe

the facts and circumstances of (Herrera) support," Wellman said.

According to the agreement, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery will recommend a 15-year fixed sentence and up to 40 years total aggregate sentence. The indeterminate portion of the sentence will be left up to the courts. Disposition on multiple counts often results in concurrent sentences rather than a consecutive terms

Herrera will be eligible for parole at the completion of the fixed portion of the sentence.

As reported earlier, Herrera has agreed to plead guilty to involuntary manslaughter, failure to report a death to law enforcement, injury to child, destruction of evidence and two counts of solicitation to commit destruction of evidence.

She's scheduled for sentencing at 9 a.m. on Thursday, July 25.

— JPB

# Trial date set in alleged Marsing murder case

An August trial date has been set for the Marsing man accused of killing his wife by lowering a car on top of her.

Rodney W. Bibbey Jr. stood for felony arraignment earlier this month, and Third District Judge Molly J. Huskey set an Aug. 20 date for a trial that could take up to nine days.

In March, prosecutors said they would not seek the death penalty

Bibbey is accused of first-degree murder in the April 2012 death of his wife, Trina.

Trina Bibbey's death was originally ruled accidental when her car slipped off a jack and crushed her while she was changing the oil.

Earlier this year, however, an Owyhee County grand jury indicted Rodney Bibbey on the murder charge, and officials from the Idaho State Police and sheriff's office made the arrest.

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### Doggone cute



Rodeo fan of all kinds flock to arena Gladys King, daughter of stock contractor Gene King, stands behind a curious dog during Sunday's District 2 high school rodeo at Badiola Arena.

### Wreck outside Bruneau kills man

OCSO: Driver lost control at high rate of speed

Alcohol is being investigated as a possible factor in a fatal auto accident Saturday afternoon south of Bruneau.

According to Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman, Boise resident Don Steven Clemens died after being ejected from his vehicle on Idaho highway 51 near Marys Creek Road. A motorist who witnessed Clemens' rollover crash said that the 56-year-old was driving a 1997 Ford Mustang when he passed at a high rate of speed before careening across the roadway and crashing.

The crash took place 27 miles north of the Nevada border.

### Man arrested after crash

Driving under the influence charges are pending for a man who drove his car over an embankment near Island Park in Marsing.

Miguel Angel Zacarias, 20, of Marsing was booked in county jail early Friday morning after he apparently drove his car off Main Street and over the concrete embankment into Island Park.

He was arrested on charges of failure to purchase a driver's license and failure to provide proof of insurance.

Bowman said Zacarias was arrested after his 1993 Nissan Maxima took out a stop sign and post and caused damage to vegetation and the sidewalk.

Zacarias was transported to a hospital where a blood draw was taken, Bowman said. Results from the blood-alcohol text weren't available Monday.



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## County hires four new employees

Appraiser retiring; deputy's brother one of two new jailers

The Board of County Commissioners recently approved a new jailer who is the brother of an Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy after Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery signed off on the legality of the situation.

It was one of four new additions to the county government's payroll. Commissioners also hired another jailer, a part-time appraiser and a road employee.

Jeff Hoagland was hired earlier this month, less than a year after commissioners had denied his employment for the same position because his brother, Kenny, was chief deputy at the time.

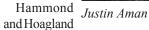
Emery told commissioners that the hiring was legal as long as Kenny Hoagland, who is now backcountry deputy, didn't directly hire his brother and would not be in a supervisorial position over his sibling.

In June, the commissioners denied Jeff's hiring because his brother was Sheriff Daryl Crandall's chief deputy and would have had a direct supervisorial

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Jailers Jeff Hoagland and Cody Hammond were added to the county's detention staff earlier this month, while Justin Aman — the son of former sheriff Gary

Ted Sherburn Aman and current District Court clerk Trina Aman — will join the assessor's office.



have been added to bring the detention staff up to Idaho Sheriff's Association standards that will become mandatory later this year. The standards require two deputies on the floor at all times. The new staff will also cover other detention deputies' shifts as needed.

Jeff Hoagland will be attending the Idaho Peace Officers Standards Training detention academy to

obtain certification. Uncertified employees must complete POST within one year of their hiring.

Hammond is a certified correction officer and a combat veteran and will still need to attend the detention academy at a later date for certification.

The recent list of new hires includes Travis Jewett, who was hired as the District 3 Road and Bridge operator. Jewett lives in Grand View.

Justin Aman will replace appraiser Ted Sherburn, who is retiring from the assessor's office after almost 12 years on the job.

"I've met a lot of interesting people," Sherburn said.

Sherburn will be enjoying his retirement with his wife, Charlotte Sherburn, who also is retiring as Owyhee County clerk.

"We're going to travel and spend time with family."

Aman has been training with Ted Sherburn since the end of January, and said he is lucky to be learning from the best. He also said that becoming an appraiser was not a career he had ever thought about.

"I have a Bachelor's degree in criminal justice, but this opportunity was available and I'm glad to be here," Aman said.

Aman will be going to an intensive training school this summer to obtain certification as an appraiser.



### Teenager taken to hospital with possible alcohol poisoning

Alcohol played a part in several law enforcement calls last week.

Homedale Police officers arrested a 66-year-old man on driving under the influence charges early Sunday morning in Marsing.

Eufemio Saiz drove his 2007 Chevrolet Malibu off the road near Old Bruneau Highway and Butte Lane, according to Owyhee County Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lvnn Bowman.

"He admitted he had had a lot to drink," Bowman said.

Bowman said HPD's Atanacio Montes and Christopher Jacob responded to the call because Deputy Terry McGrew was busy on a report of an underage-drinking party southwest of Homedale.

### **Under-age party sends** boy to hospital

About 30 minutes before the Marsing DUI report, McGrew responded to the report of a party near Sage Road and Succor

Creek Road and found a teenager "unconscious and not doing very well, health-wise," Bowman

The teen was one of about 18 17- to 18-year-olds — "many of them Homedale-area kids." Bowman said — at the party.

The unconscious teen was transported to the hospital for treatment of possible alcohol poisoning, but no update was available Monday afternoon.

Bowman said the party is still under investigation.

### California man could face battery charge

A 47-year-old Eureka, Calif., was booked into Owyhee County Jail on failure to provide a driver's license, but he could be hit with a battery charge.

Deputy David Green arrested Williams Simera as he and a woman were parked on the side of Buntrock Road in a blue Honda Accord. Green was responding to a report of a man beating a woman in the Gem Stop parking lot.

The woman was placed on a mental hold after she told Green that she was hearing voices, Bowman said.

Alcohol is believed to be a factor in the case.



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# Mentoring program helps incoming freshmen

high school can often be traumatic for students because of changing schools, classes, and being underclassmen, but a "Go On" program at Homedale High School is easing that transition.

The program introduces students who are currently at Homedale Middle School to the high school and teams them up with a mentor who helps show them the ropes.

"Freshmen have a fear of the unknown," Homedale High School principal Luci Asumendi-Mereness said. "This program is huge in terms of providing support before they get here."

J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Foundation's Go On Schools initiative and grant helps support Idaho schools that are committed to helping students continue their education beyond high school.

According to HHS student services specialist Debbie Flaming, 30 percent of incoming freshmen finish with a "D", or an "F" in the first semester. Students new to the

Starting the freshman year of high school experience have other issues as well. They often come in fairly unruly with a low maturity level, she explained.

> "The first year of high school is the most important because it's your base," Flaming said. "We brainstormed and said how could we make this a better experience for parents, students, teachers and upperclassmen. It is the first time we've tried a program like this."

The program enlists Go On ambassadors or mentors who are currently sophomores or juniors. They had to apply, needed a teacher recommendation, and had to be in good academic standing to qualify for a mentorship. These students come out of the Leadership Service Project. Each mentor works with two to three students.

In February, the ambassadors went to the middle school and gave a PowerPoint presentation on life at the high school and what the students could expect as incoming freshmen.

In March, the middle school



From left: Upperclassman mentor Katlin Carbone helps Hannah Downum, Anna Jerome and Sarah Jones go over class requirements and how to choose courses as part of Homedale's "Go On" school program, which helps incoming freshman adjust to a new school.

students visited the high school for an orientation.

Katlin Carbone is a Go On ambassador, and she remembers the day she came to school as a freshman.

"I didn't know anyone, and it was intimidating," she said.

Hannah Downum is one of the middle school students who will be a freshman in the fall.

"This is a pretty cool program," Downum said. "It's good that we get to know people first. I'm excited now about coming to high school and feeling pretty comfortable about it."

On May 2 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. eighth-graders and their parents will come to the high school for a BBQ and a chance to become better acquainted with the program.

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# **Bruneau American Legion** receives grant to improve hall

### County-backed application among 12 approved

The central meeting place for the Bruneau community will see improvements in the near future. Bruneau's American Legion post commander credits great community support for the successful state grant bid.

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter recently announced that the Bruneau American Legion Post 83 Hall was one of 12 projects to receive state grants.

The Post will receive \$150,000 in Idaho Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

"We received excellent support from the community," Post 83 Commander Joe King said. "We had nine letters from community members, and as a result of the 2012 Bruneau Auction that gave the Legion \$11,000 for

improvements, we were able to write a grant. As the Legion, we really appreciate the support."

The Idaho Department of Commerce distributes CDBG funding to promote economic development and help establish community centers in cities and counties throughout Idaho.

Owyhee County applied for the block grant on behalf of Post 83.

Matching grant funds are required as part of the application criteria. Post 83 supplied \$30,000 in cash, and other donors provided more money. The building is used for community events such as elections, the Bruneau Booster Auction, weddings and funerals.

The money will be used to expand the kitchen as well as lay a new foundation under the

kitchen and mess hall. Bathrooms that are up to code and handicapaccessible will be added to the back of the building, and the existing bathrooms will be torn down. According to the grant application, construction will be completed by February.

"It's amazing to see all of the growth and development that communities across Idaho are pursuing, and the State of Idaho is pleased to be a partner in helping them improve the infrastructure necessary to attract new businesses and serve our citizens," Otter said in a press release.

The Bruneau grant was submitted March 1. The state's Economic Advisory Council reviews all grants and recommends to the governor which ones should be awarded. Otter makes the final approval.

# HHS show, auction to benefit art program

An art show and auction will be held Thursday, May 2 at Homedale High School.

The Save the Art Benefit Art Auction and Exhibit will run from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. inside the old gymnasium.

Proceeds from the event, which is the Senior Project for Jake Murray, will help fund the HHS Art Department. Murray is the son of Denise Baker and Tom Murray.

Several art pieces — including professional works and items donated locally — will be available in the silent auction.

The freshman orientation barbecue for parents and Homedale Middle School eighth-graders will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Senior projects will be screened next month at the Homedale Friends Community Church.

### Rockets fuel students' lessons

Students in Mike Greeley's Industrial Arts class used pressurized water and air to send their aeronautical creations into the sky over Homedale High School on

Greeley said the fun exercise, which uses air at 110 psi to put the rockets into "orbit," teaches the

students mathematics, aeronautics and trajectory.

The rocket boosters consisted of 2-liter soda bottles partially filled with water.

"They also have to design the rockets to be sustainable, so they can make it through more than one flight," he said.

## Poker run and chili feed to benefit Owyhee causes

A poker run and chili feed celebrating the beauty of the Owyhees will be held at the Rabbit Creek trailhead Sunday at noon.

The beginner-level course is approximately 15 miles long. Dirt bikes, bicycles, horses and hikers are invited to hit the trail.

A minimum \$10 donation is requested, and proceeds will benefit Owyhee County causes, DIRT Inc.'s Bill Walsh said.

For more information, call Bill (208) 459-6871.

# From page

# Gateway: EIS downloads, chance to comment available online

decision-making process.

The Gateway West Transmission Line Project is a joint project proposed by Rocky Mountain Power and Idaho Power to build approximately 1,000 miles of new 230 kilovolt (kV) and 500 kV electric transmission lines across southern Wyoming and southern Idaho. Some of the proposed

routes would take the lines directly over or U.S. Forest Service office private property.

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- Request a CD of the final EIS at www. wv.blm.gov/nepa/cfodocs/gateway west/ index.html, or by calling 1-800-380-5828
- Attend a public open house

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- Email gateway\_West\_WYMail@blm.
- Send written comments to BLM, Gateway West Project, PO Box 20879, Chevenne, WY 82003
- Attend a public open house

# **Obituaries**

### Carmen Marie Jesenko

Carmen Marie Jesenko, 94, of Homedale, ID passed away peacefully in her sleep in Nampa, ID on Sunday, April 14, 2013. Carmen was born September 30, 1918 to Justo Victor Corta and Maria Ocamica Corta in Boise, ID. She was the 10th of 12 children. She lived with her family in Jordan Valley, Oregon, spending her summers at the family ranch at Soldier Creek and the school months in Jordan Valley. She attended elementary and high school in Jordan Valley.

While spending her summers on the ranch, she helped her mother and sisters with cooking and other chores while her brothers gathered and broke wild horses and tended to the cattle and sheep. There was always work to be done and a crew to cook for, as well as preparing food for visitors who came to the ranch. She and her family worked hard to keep the ranch operating. When Saturday night came around if there was a community dance in Jordan Valley, Carmen and her sisters would climb in the pickup with their brothers and go to the dance. She loved to dance and became a very good dancer.

It was at one of these dances she met Tony Jesenko, who also regularly attended these dances with his brothers. Tony began courting Carmen, and they eventually married on May 22, 1937 in Nampa, ID. Carmen moved to the Austrian Settlement south of Homedale where Tony operated a farm. Mom always helped on the farm and cooked for farm crews during harvest. Eventually three children were born to this union: a son, Paul; and daughters, Joan and Marianne.



Mom loved her family and enjoyed preparing big dinners for them and for company. She always liked going on family picnics. Camping and fishing trips were also a big delight for her. It brought great pleasure to Mom when friends and neighbors dropped by for a cup of coffee and one of her delicious desserts.

Carmen was a member of St. Hubert's Catholic Church and St. Hubert's Altar Society in Homedale for many years. When that church closed, she became a member of Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Caldwell. Over the years, she enjoyed gardening, crocheting, embroidering, bowling and doing some traveling.

Carmen is survived by her son Paul (Wanda) Jesenko; daughter Joan (Lloyd) Noe and son-inlaw, Riley Grimes; 12 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren, 30 great-great grandchildren; a sister, Eugenia Acordagoita; and sisters-in-law Begonia Corta and Annie Davis.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Tony Jesenko; her daughter, Marianne Grimes; her parents, Justo and Maria Corta; and her brothers; Joe, Mitchell, Luis, Edwardo, Simon, James, and Benacio; and sisters, Evelyn Uria, Emelia Worthington, and Justa Corta; two sisters-in-law, Ellen Corta and Elberta Corta: three brothers-in-law, Joe Uria, Arthur Worthington, and Alfonso Acordagoitia; and a great grandson, Levi Keeney.

A Rosary was held at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, 27 E. Owyhee, Homedale, ID, on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. A funeral mass was held at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, 1122 W. Linden, Caldwell, ID Friday April 19, at 10:30 am. Burial was at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Txoko Ona Basque Center, P.O. Box 1163, Homedale, ID, 83628. Carmen's online guestbook can be found at www.flahifffuneralchapel. com.

### Cleo Jean Kubosumi

Cleo J. Kubosumi, 74 of Homedale, passed away on April 15, 2013, at a Homedale care center. Cleo was born on July 15, 1938 in Caldwell, Idaho to Russell and Doris Anderson. She was raised in Homedale and graduated from Homedale High School. She married William Kubosumi on October 6, 1955. Two sons, Kim and Kris, were born into this family.

Cleo loved spending time with her family. She enjoyed working in her yard and garden. She also enjoyed her home, dancing and fishing with her family.

She was preceded in death by her husband William, her parents, her grandparents and her twin brother Leo. She is survived by her sons Kim (Shelli), Dallas Texas, Kris (Sherri), Des Moines, Iowa, 10 grandchildren, a sister Juanita



and many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be at 1:00PM on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Homedale Senior Center. Cleo's online guestbook is available at www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

### **Gary Dean Watson**

Gary was born April 17, 1943 to Wayne and Edith Watson. Gary passed away April 15, 2013 at West Valley Medical Center with his family by his side.

Gary was born in Greeley, Nebraska. His family moved to Idaho when he was five years old. He married Carol Rogers in 1962, and they had 2 children: Ervin Watson and Edee Watson. They were married 51 years. They lived in Homedale 50 years. Gary loved to go fishing with his brothers and his best friend Fred. He enjoyed camping with family.

He is survived by his wife Carol, son Ervin; brothers Ron (Brenda), Danny (Kathy), Dennis (Cindy); sister Debby (Karl) Naumann; brother-in-law David



(Kay) Marrs and Ward (Mary) Rogers.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Wayne and Edith Watson. his daughter Edee Watson and sister Kathy Simpson.

We would like to thank the Homedale ambulance and police departments. A special thank you to Heart and Home Hospice, Dr. Massart, and Tonia Atkins.

Gary requested no services. Family and friends gathered at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho, Homedale, Saturday April 20, at 1:00 pm for a covered dish dinner. Condolences may be submitted online at www. flahifffuneralchapel.com. Gary will be greatly missed.

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# Death

### BRIAN SCOTT NELSON,

43, formerly of Homedale, died Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at his Mt. Vernon, Wash., home after fighting Crohn's disease for more than 25 years. He and his mother, Betty, a music teacher, were residents of Homedale and Boise between 1993 and 2006. Visit Brian. Nelson. muchloved.com to view pictures, stories or share your thoughts.

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#### 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

#### Christian Life Club

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

### **Thursday**

### Homedale City Council meeting

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

### Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting

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

### Senior center exercise class

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

### Friday

### Life Line Screening

Health assessments appointments begin at 8:30 a.m., \$79 fee, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (800) 324-1851

### Saturday

#### **Homedale Running Club**

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

#### **NOCWMA** spray day

9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy, Marsing. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

### NOCWMA spray day

1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Homedale Armory, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 896-4544, ext. 102

### Saturday Night at the Movies

7 p.m., free, Marsing Church of the Nazarene, 12 2nd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4184

### Rimrock Drama Club production

7 p.m., \$8 adults, \$5 seniors, students, children, 'Cafe Murder,' Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School auditorium, 39678 Hwy 78, Bruneau. (208) 834-2106 (evenings)

### **Sunday**

### Young Life meeting

6 p.m., 15777 Quartz Ln., Wilder. (208) 794-1048

### Monday

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

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

### Tuesday

### Senior center exercise class

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

### American Legion Post 128 stew feed

6 p.m. social, 6:45 p.m. stew feed, free, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

### Wednesday

### Military veterans coffee

9 a.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

### 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

#### **Christian Life Club**

3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95 Wilder. (208) 337-4757

### Homedale Highway District meeting

8 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

#### Thursday, May 2

### Senior center exercise class

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

### **Lizard Butte Library board meeting**

4 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

### HHS incoming freshman orientation BBQ

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., free barbecue, Homedale High School, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4613

### **Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting**

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

### Homedale school levy community forum

7 p.m., Homedale H.S. auxiliary gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

### Friday, May 3

### Story Time at Homedale Public Library

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

### Saturday, May 4

### Homedale Running Club

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

### Marsing Lions bingo

6:45 p.m., early bird; 7 p.m., regular game, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing

### Sunday, May 5

### Young Life meeting

6 p.m., 15777 Quartz Ln., Wilder. (208) 794-1048

### Monday, May 6

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

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

### Homedale Public Library board meeting

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

### HHS Senior Project presentations 5:30 n m to 8 n m Friends Commi

5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4613

### Tuesday, May 7

### Senior center exercise class

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

### HHS Senior Project presentations

5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friends Community Church, 17434 U.S. Hwy 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4613

### Wednesday, May 8

### Bruneau Valley Library preschool

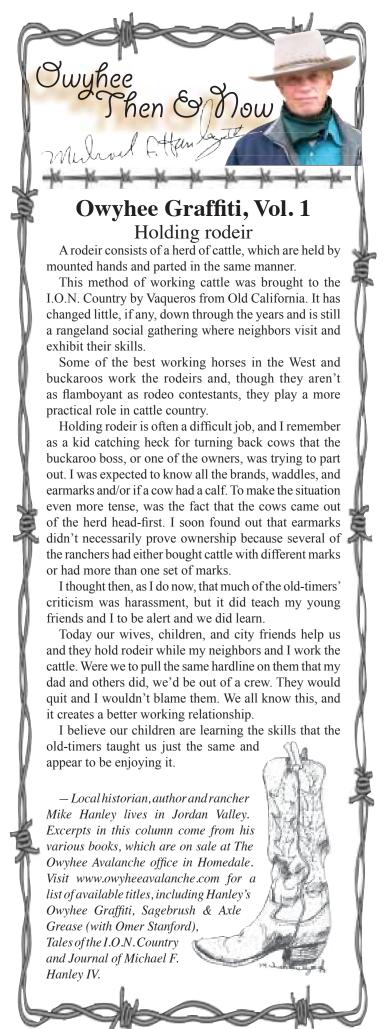
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### Lizard Butte Library Story Time

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

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# Senior menus

### Homedale center

April 24: Egg salad, potato salad, pea salad, bread

April 25: Spaghetti & meat sauce, salad, bread

April 30: Baked ham, sweet potato, string beans, bread

### Marsing center

April 26: Mock filet mignon, potatoes, green beans, salad bar, roll, pineapple, pudding cake

April 27: Scalloped potatoes and ham, buttered broccoli, pickled beets, rye bread, fruit w/sauce

April 29: Breakfast to order: Pancakes

April 30: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, brussel sprouts, carrot raisin salad, bread, pineapple

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# School menus

### **Homedale Elementary**

April 24: Burrito, baby carrots, cucumbers, pears

April 25: Fish nuggets, green beans, salad, apple

April 26: Stuffed crust cheese pizza, tossed salad, baby carrots,

April 29: Corn dog, corn, side salad, peaches

April 30: Orange chicken, steamed rice, peas, cucumbers, mandarin

#### **Homedale Middle**

April 24: Toasted cheese sandwich or rib-b-que w/string cheese, corn, grape tomatoes, banana

April 25: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cauliflower, mandarin

April 26: Pizza hot pocket or corn dog, tossed salad, baby carrots, mixed fruit

April 29: Sloppy Joe or grilled chicken sandwich, tater tots, baked beans, pears

April 30: Chicken & noodles or popcorn chicken, baby carrots, grape tomatoes, mixed fruit, goldfish crackers

### Homedale High

April 24: Enchilada or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice

April 25: Hamburger or chicken patty, salad bar, fruit choice

April 26: Chicken or fish taco, corn, salad bar, fruit choice

April 29: Pepperoni pizza, roast beef or French dip sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice

April 30: Orange chicken or chicken nuggets, steamed rice, green beans, salad bar, fruit choice, fortune cookie

### **Marsing**

April 24: Hamburger or chicken nuggets, potato wedges, pudding or salad bar (6-12)

April 25: Malibu chicken or pork taco, steamed carrots or salad bar (6-12)

April 29: Chicken fried steak or roasted BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, roll, corn or salad bar (6-12)

April 30: Hot dog, baked beans or egg roll w/rice, mixed veggies, jello w/topping or salad bar (6-12)

### Bruneau-Grand View

April 24: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, whole wheat roll, green beans, fruit

April 25: Cook's choice

April 26: Cook's choice

April 30: Ham/cheese yum, spinach salad, carrots, fruit

### COSSA

April 24: Beef fajita, lettuce, cheese, tomato, refried beans, pears

April 25: Chicken, bean & rice burrito, corn, apple & oranges

April 26: Chicken sandwich, lettuce, pickle, tomato, baked fries, applesauce

April 29: Chicken nuggets, baked fries, bread, pears

April 30: BBQ ribblett, w/w bun, baked beans, applesauce

## Homedale seniors schedule special benefit breakfast

has announced an addition to its monthly breakfast schedule.

The center will hold a breakfast from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 11 to coincide with the third annual Angel Walk and car show downtown.

The senior center usually presents a breakfast on the third Saturday of each month in an

The Homedale Senior Center attempt to raise operating funds. The all-you-can-eat meal, which

is served inside the center at 224 W. Idaho Ave., costs \$6.

The Buckaroo Breakfast girls' bicycle raffle also continues. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six.

For more information, call the center at (208) 337-3020 until 2 p.m. Tuesday through

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### **Busy Saturday** at the Homedale **Senior Center**

Top: Luke Beck serves a cup of coffee while Mary Burman scans the menu during the monthly breakfast at the Homedale Senior Center. Right: Tobias Hulse sets up a table of videos and music CDs prior to the start of the yard sale in the center's parking lot.





# Marsing church to show classic Hollywood films

### Family-oriented "Saturday Night at Movies" open to all interested

Cognizant limited entertainment options in a small town, a Marsing church has started a Saturday Night at the Movies program.

The new series featuring regular Hollywood productions kicks off at 7 p.m. Saturday with 1943's "The Human Comedy." The free screening takes place at Marsing Church of the Nazarene, 12 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W.

"We decided to offer something that families can enjoy. Decent films, often classics, that people of any age can appreciate and watch without offense," Pastor Bill O'Connor said. "We invite anyone who would like to have a good time watching a great movie to join us this Saturday."

"The Human Comedy" stars Mickey Rooney, James Craig, Donna Reed, Van Johnson, Frank Morgan, Faye Bainter and Robert Mitchum

The drama about life on the home front during World War II is based on the coming-of-age novel by William Saroyan, who also wrote the screenplay. It's the story of one family — a mother,

three brothers, and one sister left on their own in the midst of

Shown in what O'Connor characterizes as "glorious black and white" as originally photographed by MGM director Clarence Brown, the film details their experiences as the oldest brother (Van Johnson) goes off to war, and the middle brother (Mickey Rooney) takes a job delivering telegrams to help support the family. Told through a series of vignettes, the film examines the activities of all of the major characters as they cope with the ups and downs of life in small-town America.

"This has always been one of my favorite films, one that I've remembered since first seeing it as a young man nearly 50 years ago," O'Connor said.

"I regard it as one of the most touching family films of that era, filled with positive family values and solid American patriotism. I've wanted to show it in church for years. Now I have the opportunity of offering its feel-good story to an entire community."

O'Connor said everyone is invited to attend the movie

"The whole idea is to enjoy a family night out while watching some clean, wholesome, familyoriented entertainment," he said.

### Homedale library's Story Time takes week off

No Story Time is scheduled for the Homedale Public Library this week.

The event open to preschoolers will return to the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., at 10:15 a.m. on Friday, May 3.

Story Time activities include the story, snacks, songs and a

For more information, call the library at (208) 337-4228 in the afternoon Monday through



### Will they become Cub reporters?



**Homedale Cub Scouts learn the printing trade** 

Members of Homedale Cub Scout Pack 409 listen to Jon Brown, managing editor of The Owyhee Avalanche, during a tour of the plant last Wednesday.

# Homedale council to hear about tennis court storage idea

### PEC chief executive to visit from Phoenix

Plans to build a storage shed near the Bette Uda City Park tennis courts will be unveiled at Thursday's Homedale City Council meeting.

High school tennis coach Scott Michaelson and athletic director Matt Holtry requested an audience with councilmen during the meeting, which begins at 6 p.m. at City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming

Also on the agenda is Project Engineering Consultants, Ltd. owner Larry Maldonado, who wants to discuss the relationship between his Phoenix, Ariz.-based firm and the city.

PEC, which serves as the city's engineering firm, and Homedale officials have had a rocky relationship after PEC's Fred Ostler first accused former Mayor Harold Wilson of shredded invoices then admitted he had mistakenly made the accusation. Ostler blamed a former PEC employee and flawed company

practices for the invoice debacle when he presented the city council members with a settlement offer in August.

The city council has never voted on the settlement request of more than \$13,000.

The City Park storage facility project has received \$3,000 in grants, according to Michaelson. The Caldwell Community Foundation has pledged \$2,000 and Northwest Farm Credit Services will award \$1,000. Homedale farmer Steve Nash is a Northwest FCS member.

According to a grant application submitted by Homedale Youth Sports Inc., and its subsidiary Homedale Boosters, equipment such as a tennis ball machine, electrical extension cords, balls, net straps and match scoreboards would be stored in the shed. Maintenance equipment and materials such as brooms, squeegees, net tools, leaf blower, sprayers, paint and tape also would be kept out of the elements.

The exterior would be used to post scores and announcements.

The group also wants to buy water dispensers and benches for use during matches and the

summer program that Michaelson has instituted. The program for sixth grade through post-graduate players was offered free of charge last year and included lessons and

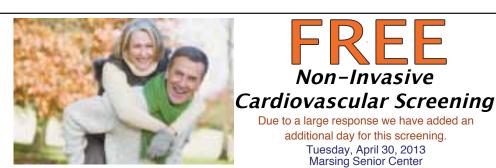
Volunteers staffed the program, but according to the Northwest Farm Credit Services grant application, the ability to get equipment to the practices was hampered. An on-site storage shed would eliminate the need to move the equipment from other storage areas for each practice or match.

Michaelson said that the plan is to contract with Tuff Sheds to get the storage unit constructed in a timely manner that would also satisfy quality concerns.

The precise location of the storage shed probably will be discussed Thursday.

"I suggested it go at the end of the parking area because I thought that would be the least likely to interfere with any existing systems or activities, but I think that might violate ordinances," Michaelson said.

"So I would be happy to put it anywhere near the courts that is acceptable to the city."



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# Marsing FFA BBQ, auction set for Friday

A wide variety of auction items will be up for bid in the annual Marsing FFA auction and barbecue.

The fundraising event will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday inside the Marsing High School ag shop on 8th Avenue West.

Tickets are \$7.50 per person and \$25 for a family.

Proceeds help fund students' trips to state and national FFA competitions. Earlier this month, chapter members attended the Idaho state leadership conference at College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Warren Dalley was 28<sup>th</sup> among 144 individual horse judging participants at the state convention. Dalley and fellow Marsing Horse Judging team members Gabe

Miranda and Tanner Fisher finished in the top third in the state competition, according to chapter advisor Mike Martin.

Last year, Marsing FFA teams won four state championships and sent 10 chapter members to Indianapolis for the national convention in October.

This year's barbecue will feature tri-tip steak, potatoes, mesquite corn and ice cream.

After the dinner, the auction will include items such as hay, straw, welding supplies, decorative rocks and flowers, homemade pies and pictures.

Nederend's Dairy has donated a Holstein heifer calf for the auction, too, Martin said.

For more information on the event, call Martin at 914-1608.

# 10<sup>th</sup> annual Wilson Butte 4-H trail ride set Saturday

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Wilson Butte 4-H Cowboy Trail Ride and Fun Run is more than a horseback ride.

The fundraiser, set for Saturday at the Blackstock Ranch on Opaline Road outside Marsing, also features lunch for participants and music from Dan Sevy and his band.

Registration for the two-hour ride around the Blackstock Ranch at 6754 Opaline Road, begins at 9 a.m. Saturday. Riders can leave for the trail until 11:30 a.m., but must return to 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 trail ride includes some challenging obstacles, but they are optional for the horse and rider.

The annual best-dressed little buckaroo contest open to children 9 and younger will be held.

There will be two top prizes for fun run winners and a chance of winning other donated items including a \$100 gas card, a half ton hay or a beautiful western quilt made by Lisa Merritt.

If interested in tickets, or for more information, call the W.B. Trail Boss's at 896-4512 or 250-4917. Visit www.wilsonbutte4-hclubblogspot.com for more information.

Directions: Take Idaho highway 78 toward Givens Hot Springs to mile marker 7 and turn on Opaline Road. Follow the road to the end, signs and flags will mark the way.

Refreshments will be provided

by the Idaho Dairymen. The Idaho Farm Bureau's interactive Maggie the milking cow display will be on hand for another activity.

The Idaho Farm Bureau produced a video about last year's ride, and it's available for viewing at www.idahofb.org –YouTube. Look for "Wilson Butte Cowboy Trail Ride."

Farm Bureau president Frank Priestley was one of the 215 horseback riders to participate in last year's event.

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# NOCWMA distributes weed spray Saturday

As spring blooms, noxious weeds are returning to harass and frustrate area property owners.

With that in mind, the North Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area will distribute herbicide on Saturday, April 27.

Puncturevine — also known as goathead — is the target weed for the first spray day of the season.

NOCWMA will distribute the pre-emergent Telar XP to help landowners prevent germination and sprouting.

The chemical will be distributed from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Hwy., in Marsing. Chemical will be available from 1 p.m. to 3:30

p.m. at the Homedale Armory, 420 W. Nevada Ave.

Safety classes will be held.

NOCWMA can place the herbicide only in 1- to 25-gallon containers designed for spraying. Milk jugs or other plastic containers are not acceptable.

Landowners with two acres or more must call NOCWMA to make special arrangements. Contact Gina Millard at gina. millard@id.nacdnet.net or (208) 896-4544, ext. 102.

Information sought on forms includes property address with cross streets or a sketch or GPS outline of the location or a property map. Also include size and type of herbicide container used.





# FFA reporter assignment just part of big year

### HHS' Shenk juggling photography business, U of I freshman year with historic opportunity

Legacy is a big deal for Erin Shenk.

The Homedale High School senior will enter the University of Idaho in the fall with an eye toward taking over the family feedlot business.

She's already helping others document their legacy through her photography business.

Now, the 18-year-old will represent Homedale as the state reporter for Idaho FFA.

"I just hope that my doing this will lead our fellow members to push to get more members into running for state office," Shenk said.

"This leaves a good legacy, I hope."

Shenk is the first Homedale FFA chapter member to ever make it through the gauntlet that is the state officer election process.

After several rounds of interviews, she was the final person out of a pool of 26 standing when the state reporter post was announced at the State Leadership Conference in Twin Falls earlier this month.

When her name was called as the new state reporter, Shenk sprinted to the stage at the College of Southern Idaho auditorium, beating the current officer-holder — who was supposed to escort Shenk — to the podium.

"For me, that's kind of a feat because I don't run," she said.

Shenk was stealthy throughout the process, it seems.

"When I made the first cut, I bawled while I was reading the letter," she said. "My mom (Shelley) and boyfriend (Marsing FFA member Cody Rhodes) didn't think I made it."

But she did, and Shenk survived other eliminations to prevail in a contest against 25 other applicants

The process, which pared the

field in half in each round, consisted of interviews to, among other things, determine how the candidates' interests would be fit into state office. In all, there were three days of interviews lasting from 8 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. each day.

As state reporter, she'll travel around Idaho to visit other FFA chapters. She'll also attend leadership workshops as well as the state convention and national convention, which is in October in Indianapolis. She'll also coordinate Idaho FFA's website and Facebook page and create the state organization's scrapbook.

Shenk's road to reporter was paved with credentials that included her photography business — Country Heart Photography — and a 3.4 grade-point average.

More directly related, though, was her work for the past two years as the Boise Valley District's reporter and her sophomore- and junior-year assignment as chapter reporter.

She'll serve as state reporter until next April, meaning that her summer and freshman year at U of I will be filled with FFA doings. The daughter of Dave and Shelley Shenk said she'll take the minimum number of courses to maintain her full-time status as an Agribusiness major at the Moscow school. She'll minor in Public Communication.

"I'm super-excited, but I had also made the decision long before I ran (for office) to make a commitment to being reporter because it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," she said.

Unique opportunities have been presenting themselves often for Shenk, who will graduate in a few short weeks.

Time for her first big assignment as state reporter will have



Life won't slow down once Erin Shenk graduates from Homedale High School next month. She has a photography business to run, state FFA reporter duties and a little thing called a college education to start.

to be worked into a photography job in Hawaii in June. She's getting a paid trip to the islands for the wedding.

Shenk has converted her love of photography into a two-year-old business. This is the second consecutive year that she has been busy taking senior class photos. She usually does about three jobs a month, and she's stashing the money to help pay for school as well as fold back into the business.

"I've always liked to take pictures and then for my 16th birthday I got a really nice camera," she

Her sisters — HHS sophomore Elise and Homedale seventhgrader Allison — have been regular subjects in her composi-

tions. She also has a 24-year-old

brother, Mark.
Shenk said her time in Homedale
FFA and being around her father's
business has provided her with
the tools necessary for her to accomplish everything on her plate
in the next year.

I've learned a lot of responsibility, and work ethic has definitely been a big thing," she said. "I took Ag Economics from (chapter ad-

visor Lori Idsinga), and applying what I learned there to my business has been good for me."

She also understands what all the hard work actually means to the way of life chosen by her family and other families in Owyhee County.

"I'm looking forward to just being an ambassador for agriculture and FFA," she said, adding with a laugh:

"I knew I wasn't going to be done (with FFA) this year. Five years is not enough for me apparently."

— JPB



Zai Lowe, far left, plays the detective trying to figure out who killed Miss Rosemary St. John (Abigail Marquez), who is being choked by cast member Cristal Perez. Other actors in the Rimrock Raiders Drama Club's production of "Café Murder" include, left to right, Briana Cunningham, Ana Gomez, Bronson Gray, Nick Bennett, Johanna Mori and Sanjuana Zaragoza. Submitted photo

# Rimrock's dessert mystery theater set

Cast members are now selling tickets for the Rimrock Raiders Drama Club presentation of "Café Murder."

The dessert theater murder mystery will be performed at 7 p.m. on Saturday in the Rimrock cafeteria, a k a Café Murder.

The audience-participation comedy written by Nathan Hartswick is being produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Services, Inc., in Englewood, Colo.

Kathy Mori and Lori Bennett serve as directors.

Audience members will help Det. Reginald Harris, played by sophomore Zai Lowe, solve the murder of a certain annoying customer, Miss Rosemary St. John, who is played by senior Abigail Marquez.

Tickets cost \$8 for adults and \$5 for senior citizens, students and children. Advance tickets include dessert and beverages.

Seating is limited, so organizers urge folks to get their tickets now. Depending on advance sales, some tickets may be available the night of the play. For ticket information, call (208) 834-2106 in the evenings.

Other cast members include seniors Bronson Gray and Johanna Mori, sophomores Briana Cunningham, Ana Gomez, Cristal Perez and Sanjuana Zaragoza, and freshman Nick Bennett.

# Owyhee rancher visits D.C. to talk grazing, sage-grouse

### Richards testifies before Congress, meets bureaucrats

Rancher Brenda Richards had a heck of a time getting home from Washington, D.C., last week, but the heartburn may have been worth it to further educate bureaucrats about Owyhee County's public lands issues.

Richards, whose many hats include vice-president of the Public Lands Council, discussed grazing permit renewal and the sage-grouse issue with the state's Congressional delegation as well as Obama administration officials.

As PLC vice-president, she testified before the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation. Speaking on behalf of the PLC, the Idaho Cattle Association and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Richards addressed the merits of H.R. 657, the Grazing Improvement Act.

The subcommittee hearing was held on Thursday. Richards was still on her way back from the East Coast late Friday night. Her trek back included a frustrating layover in Minneapolis.

Republican Raúl Labrador of Idaho's First Congressional District is a member of the subcommittee.

Richards testified that reform brought forward in H.R. 657 would have a positive impact on ranching families, such as hers. She, her husband Tony and their three sons run a ranch on Reynolds Creek.

"The Grazing Improvement Act would offer the flexibility the agencies need, while providing stability to the industry," the former Owyhee Cattlemen's Association board member said. "It would codify the language that we hold our collective breath for every year in the appropriations process, language which allows us to continue using our permits under current terms and conditions while the agencies work through the NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) backlog.

"By extending the life of grazing permits and categorically exempting certain qualified permits, transfers, and livestock crossing and trailing from NEPA review, H.R. 657 will reduce the backlog that is the source of much consternation."

Labrador reintroduced the legislation, which the House passed last year. Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) has introduced a companion bill – S. 258 – in the U.S. Senate

According to Richards, the current federal lands grazing permit

system is broken, and gives environmental extremist groups ample opportunity to litigate. Those lawsuits are often times partially funded with tax dollars.

Richards added that the litigation, combined with federal agencies' reimbursing the plaintiffs' attorneys' fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA), puts additional strain on agency resources and perpetuates the cycle.

During her testimony, Richards described how instability in permit renewals has impacted the ranching community in places like Owyhee County, where 78 percent of the land is federally managed.

"We cannot afford to lose access to (federal land) forage because of paperwork backlogs and litigation, but that's exactly what's happening," she told the congressmen.

"I encourage you to support this bill as one that will stimulate rural economies and job growth, save taxpayer dollars and ensure that the natural resources of the West continue under the careful stewardship of generations of ranching families such as mine."

She also gave first-hand accounts of how the legislation could put a stop to the neverending environmental litigation facing ranchers and the federal land management agencies because of the unnecessary, duplicative environmental analysis currently burdening the industry and taxpayers.

Richards backed up her testimony in discussions with administration officials such as acting BLM Director Neil Kornze and U.S. Fish and Wildlife chief Dan Ashe

In those meetings, Richards gave the ranchers' side of matters such as the court-ordered Owyhee permit renewal process that BLM field agents currently are carrying out.

The first environmental assessment affecting four allotments calls for reduced grazing in some areas. U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill has ordered that the BLM complete its assessments by the end of this year.

Winmill's decision stems from a lawsuit brought by Western Watersheds Project, one of the radical environmental groups that continually files the litigation to which Richards referred to in her congressional testimony.

Richards also discussed local sage-grouse conservation efforts aimed at preventing listing of the bird on the Endangered Species List. A listing would further hamper ranching operations in the county.

Winmill also set a deadline of 2015 for the completion of sage-grouse conservation plans.

### New concrete cements pool renovation



### Homedale facility coming together

Armenta Construction poured concrete for the pool deck Monday for the Homedale swimming pool renovation. The first phase of the project has already been completed and included the refurbishing, repair and re-tiling of the pool.

# Marsing council could fill another planning board position soon

Just when it seemed its Planning and Zoning commission had stabilized, the City of Marsing is searching for another member.

The city council approved Mayor Keith Green's appointment of Don Case earlier this month. He'll finish out Becky Wright's term. Wright resigned in March. During the same April 10 meeting at which Case was installed, Green announced that P&Z chair Bryan Yiengst had tendered a resignation letter.

Green said he plans to bring another appointment to the council during its May 8 meeting.

Yiengst had served since he and

John DeOsio had been appointed in September 2009.

Other current members include Michelle Jacobi, who has served for more than five years, and Brad McIntyre, who joined the commission in January 2012.

P&Z members serve four-year terms.

## Free fruits, veggies available in JV, Arock

Fresh produce will be available Friday morning in Arock and Jordan Valley.

The monthly Oregon Food Bank-Southeast Oregon Services Harvest Share Project distribution takes place at 10:30 a.m. at W.W. Jones School in Arock before shifting to the ION Heritage Museum in Jordan Valley at 11:45 a.m.

Free fruits and vegetables will be available at each site.

From 1 p.m. to 2 p.m., OFB-Southeast Oregon Services staffers will man a shift at the Jordan Valley Emergency Food Pantry, too.

The pantry is located at Jordan Valley Elementary School.

### Questionable call



### Seniors' dads ham it up for good cause

Homedale High School seniors Whitney Uria, left, and Hayden Krzesnik, second from right, stand next to their dads, Dennis Uria and Darren Krzesnik, who officiated the April 15 seniors vs. faculty basketball game. Proceeds from admission, baked potato sales, 50/50 raffle and an auction totaled more than \$2,000, which will be used to stage an all-night drug-free party after the Class of 2013 graduation on May 20. Submitted photo

# Homedale man labeled predator sentenced to up to 25 years

### Volk convicted of assaulting 16-year-old girl for 2nd time since '05

A 35-year-old Homedale man could spend up to 25 years in prison after being sentenced for sexual battery against a minor in Canyon County.

Third District Judge George A. Southworth ordered Nathan Michael Volk to spend at least five years behind bars in an April 15 hearing in Caldwell.

According to a press release

from the Canyon County prosecutor's office, Volk had been off probation for about five months when he engaged in sexual activity with a 16-year-old



Nathan M. Volk

family friend. Volk was previously convicted in Owyhee County on an amended felony count of injury to child in 2006. That case began when Homedale Police originally charged him with sexual battery of a 16-year-old babysitter in June 2005. After completing a rider program, he was placed on probation months after his sentencing.

At last week's hearing, Southworth said probation and sex offender treatment did not work after Volk's first conviction.

"Almost immediately after being discharged from probation, he reoffended with an offense very similar to his prior offense," Southworth said. "This court believes there is a substantial chance defendant would reoffend if he was on probation."

In addition to his five- to 25year prison term, Volk must register as a sex offender. Southworth also ordered he pay a \$5,000 civil penalty to the victim.

After his 2006 conviction, Volk was ordered to pay restitution to two victims, according to Idaho court records.

According to records for the most recent case, Volk was arrested on a Canyon County warrant and extradited from Williams County, N.D., in May.

A grand jury handed down an indictment in August, and Volk changed his plea to guilty in February.

The Canyon County prosecutor's office reported that Volk and the family friend engaged in sexual intercourse for a couple months, and Volk told her that he would go to jail for 20 years if anyone found out.

The victim's mother discovered the relationship and alerted law enforcement.

"Clearly he knew his conduct was wrong, and he belongs behind bars where he can no longer pose a risk to the community," Canyon County Prosecuting Attorney Brvan Taylor said.

Volk addressed the court last week, saying the pre-sentencing character evaluation inaccurately portrayed him as a predator.

"Clearly he preys upon children without fear of repercussions," Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Erica Kallin said.

"By incarcerating him for at least the next five years, the Court has recognized the predatory behavior and ensured we won't have another 16-year-old victim."



Caldwell resident Gene Blackwelder shows off the shotgun he won during the recent Marsing American Legion Post 128 semiannual gun show. Post 128 officials said proceeds from the well-attended event will help the Legion continue to help the community and local youths. Submitted photo

# **Legion Post 128 to** serve free stew feed

As a way to give back to the community, American Legion Post 128 in Marsing will hold its annual stew feed Tuesday.

The stew feed is free and open to the public.

Along with the stew feed, the American Legion Post 128 Auxiliary plans a dessert

Both events take place at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.

A social will be held at 6 p.m., with the stew feed beginning 45

The American Legion Post 128 holds its monthly meetings at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. All meetings take place at the community center, which is also the American Legion Hall.

Post officer elections will be held at the next meeting, slated for May 14.

Post 128 continues to play host to a monthly veterans coffee at the community center. Veterans meet at 9 a.m. for coffee and conversation.

# Homedale resident sentenced on federal child porn charges

A Homedale man is heading to prison for possessing sexually explicit images of minors.

Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill sentenced 70-yearold David Jay Wheeler to eight years in prison during a Boise hearing last week.

Once released, Wheeler will be on supervised probation for

Winmill also ordered Wheeler to pay \$2,219.47 in restitution on behalf of the child victim and forfeit property used to commit the crime.

Wheeler lived in Declo at the time of his arrest.

According to court documents, Wheeler is a former "hands-on" attraction to prepubescent females dates back decades. By his own admission, Wheeler used his computer to access online child pornography twice a week over the past 10 years.

Wheeler used sophisticated means to avoid detection, but investigators were able to locate him by using GPS technology, according to court documents.

Authorities recovered a computer and stored computer files through a search warrant, which was executed on Wheeler's Declo residence as he sat at his computer downloading more pornography.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children reviewed child molester whose sexual the seized child pornography and Investigations.

reported that the material had been produced depicting child sexual abuse victims from Idaho, Washington, Montana, Colorado, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Texas, Nevada, Hawaii, California, Illinois, Delaware, Georgia, Florida, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Netherlands, France, United Kingdom, Belgium, Italy, Germany, Ukraine, Canada, Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Norway, Austria, and Brazil.

Authorities from the Boise Police Department with assistance from the Idaho Attorney General's Office, Idaho State Police, the FBI, U.S. Postal Inspection Service and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's Homeland Security

# Marsing grad completes Air Guard training

Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Ismael R. Hinojosa graduated from basic military training at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio,

The 2012 Marsing High School graduate is the son of Raynaldo and Rebecca Hinojosa of

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force



Ismael Hinojosa

## **Irrigators** warned of potential fines

The irrigation season is under way in Owyhee County, and the sheriff's office is warning irrigators that they face potential fines if either flood or sprinkling irrigation water gets onto roadways.

"The first time this happens, it's an infraction that costs \$72," OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said. "Any additional incidents would be misdemeanors and a judge would set the fine."

In addition to the potential of creating a driving hazard, excessive water over roads can erode the blacktop.

Deputies have fielded several water-on-theroadway calls already this season.



Irrigation sprinklers spray the road on highway 95 near Market Road in Homedale. Owyhee County Sheriff Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman warns area farmers and ranchers that allowing water to hit roadways is a punishable offense.

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Marsing boys' coach steps down

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Homedale hammers M-D on the diamond

# Maggard fires 38, Trojans hit target in SRV golf

### Homedale beats Weiser by eight shots

Reed Maggard broke 40, and Homedale High School broke through for its first conference golf victory last week.

A senior, Maggard fired a 2-over-par 38 to win medalist during the nine-hole 3A Snake River Valley conference meet at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette on

Homedale (172) finished eight strokes ahead of Weiser.

"I think our kids adapted to the playing conditions moreso than our competition," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "We shot about the same as we always do.

"It was that our competition played much worse, especially Weiser."

Maggard was two shots clear of the field. Payette's Anthony Derrick carded a 40.

Hayden Krzesnik and Bryan Johnson each scored 44, while Nick Ryska rounded out the Trojans' qualifiers with a 46.

Kyler Landa also fired a 46, but only four scores are counted in the team tally.

Grove said that even in victory, the Trojans are striving to be better.

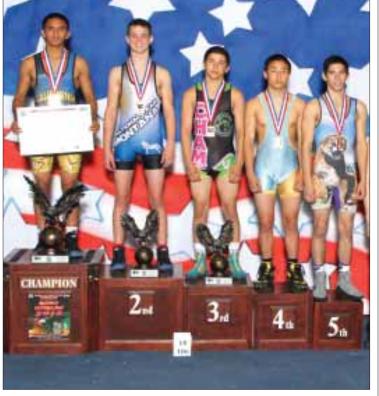
"I know they were really disappointed

in their performance, so I expect them to come out firing on all cylinders (today) when Parma hosts."

The Panthers host this week's 3A SRV meet at 3 p.m. today on the TimberStone course in rural Canyon County that also serves as Homedale's home track.

Rounding out last week's 3A SRV scores were Fruitland at 186, Payette at 200 and Parma at 223.





Left: Matthew Park (far left) won the 125-pound title for 15-and-under. Right: Tyler Hardy (far right) was fifth at 106 pounds for 18-andunder at the Reno Worlds. Photos by Jim Curtis / Creative Photography

# Hardy named All-American wrestler

### Latest HHS state champ finishes fifth in Reno Worlds; former Marsing wrestler wins title

Tyler Hardy did what he set out to do.

The two-time high school state champion, who is in the waning months of his senior year at Homedale High School, brought back All-American honors after a fifth-place finish at the Reno World Championships in Nevada.

Hardy wrestled into the semifinals of the 18-and-under bracket for 106-pounders April 12-14, one week after going 3-2 at the Flonationals in Pennsylvania.

He was one of two wrestlers with ties to Owyhee County to place in Reno.

Former Marsing youth wrestler Matthew Park won the 15-and-under championship at 125 pounds. After winning all five of his matches by pinfall, Park also was named the 15-and-under division's most outstanding wrestler. Park's Patriot Wrestling Club finished second in the age group's team standings to Oklahoma Wrestling Academy out of Edmond, Okla.

Competing for the Caldwell-based Cougar Wrestling Club, Hardy's stay in the championship bracket ended when eventual weight class

champion Joey Cisneros from Visalia, Calif., pinned him at the 5-minute, 21-second mark of their semifinal.

The son of Elena Gomez and Jeff Hardy posted a 4-2 record during competition inside the Reno-Sparks Convention Center.

Only minutes after losing to Cisneros, Hardy dropped a consolation semifinal match to Loomis, Calif.'s Isaac Blackburn.

Hardy rallied, though, to beat Henley, Ore.'s Jacoby Peterson with a first-round pin in the fifth-place match. Earlier, Hardy had beaten Peterson, 7-4, to reach the championship semifinals.

Hardy began the tournament with a 54-second pin of Robert Delgado from California.

# Johnson, Yotes make Cascade tourney

Hannah Johnson's collegiate softball career will continue for a little while longer.

The Homedale High School graduate and her teammates from The College of Idaho qualified for the Cascade Collegiate Conference tournament with a key doubleheader sweep Sunday at Symms Field.

Johnson started at second base in both games but didn't record an at-bat as the Coyotes beat Concordia (Ore.), 7-3, in the first game and 4-3 in the regularseason finale.

Sunday's sweep was part of a perfect weekend at home for C of I.

Johnson singled and scored an unearned run during a fourrun first inning as the Coyotes beat Northwest, 6-2, in Game 2 on Saturday. The daughter of Toby and Shannon Johnson went 0-for-3 in C of I's 5-0 shutout in the opener.

Johnson ends the regular season batting .208 (16-for-77) in 48 games. She had 43 starts this season.

The Coyotes ended the conference season at 17-11. The College of Idaho takes a 31-21 overall mark into its first conference tournament appearance

# District III peers honor local high school coaches

### Marsing, Rimrock football leaders among award-winners

The men atop two varsity Caldwell. football programs in Owyhee County lead a list of District III honorees.

Marsing's Jaime Wood and Rimrock's Juan Colunga were two of six local people to earn high school coach of the year awards at a recent banquet in

Both men led their teams to the state playoffs in 2012, including the Huskies' trek into the 2A semifinals for the first time since Wood wore the blue and gold.

Colunga won the coach of the year award for the second year in a row after guiding the Raiders to their second consecutive 1A, Div. year award. I postseason appearance.

Three Homedale coaches also were singled out in the 3A division, including assistant varsity wrestling coach Mark Boothby and junior varsity head coaches Taci Morris (volleyball) and Janee Brumfield (girls' basketball).

Marsing junior varsity boys' basketball coach Lamon Loucks also picked up a 2A coach of the

The awards ceremony took place April 10 at the Caldwell Elks Lodge.

### Jaime Wood

With his wife, Lachelle, Marsing athletic director Tim Little and all his assistants in attendance, the Huskies football coach picked up his first 2A coach of the year award.

"I think it means that the kids

have bought in and are giving all they have for the system that we're giving them," Wood said. "The coaches and those guys are the ones



Jaime Wood

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# Sports

## Marsing basketball coach resigns

# Chadez will concentrate on coaching his kids

When JW Chadez told his Marsing High School boys' basketball players of his decision to step down as coach, he had one simple message:

It's them, it's him.

"I reassured them that I wasn't leaving because I had anything

to do with them," the 35-year-old father of three said. "I'm not quitting to go somewhere else. I'm not bailing on them."



It's too simplistic to JW Chadez

say Chadez is leaving the program he has led for the past five seasons to spend more time with his family.

Then again, Chadez will be simplifying his life ever-so slightly with the move. His two sons play in two different youth basketball leagues, and he coaches at that level, too.

"I just knew as they get older that it would get more and more complicated," Chadez said. "And I knew that in four years I'd have a junior high kid, and I didn't want to miss his games and practices."

His lawn service business also will become a priority. Chadez said that he often sacrificed his

# HHS volleyball coaching position still vacant

The search continues for the next Homedale High School volleyball coach.

Superintendent Rob Sauer recently said applications are being sought to fill the coaching position, which Janel Van Dyke vacated in November.

Van Dyke said she stepped down because her family is relocating to Utah to be closer to relatives.

She also is the Homedale Elementary special education teacher.

Meanwhile, at their last meeting school trustees renewed the contracts of winter sports coaches, including Toby Johnson (wrestling), Casey Grove (boys' basketball) and Joe Betancourt (girls' basketball).

livelihood to conduct the Huskies' summer program.

In his five years, Chadez — with assistance from subvarsity coach Lamon Loucks — has rebuilt the Huskies' program into a perennial contender in the 2A Western Idaho Conference. He has coached basketball for the past 14 years.

"I'm proud of what me and Lamon did," Chadez said. "We went from winning two games to really getting proven, and I think we had a real dang good program at the end."

Chadez said that other 2A WIC coaches now view the Marsing program with respect.

And the coach doesn't expect the quality of the program to waver.

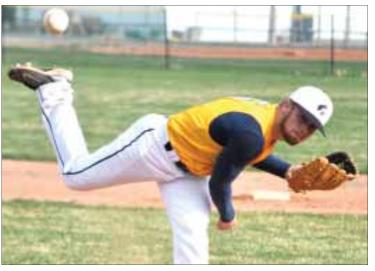
"It's going to be a good group of kids for the next coach," he said. "They'll have an opportunity." That potential and his bond with the team made the decision to leave a difficult one.

"It was a tough decision," he said. "I felt pretty bad for the kids that me and Lamon had."

He hopes to hang around as a volunteer coach.

And if you need more proof that Chadez's departure is strictly family-oriented: When Cody Pickett left North Star Charter earlier this month for the girls' varsity job at Eagle, he reached out to Chadez because he had heard he was stepping down. Chadez was adamant that he had no interest in jumping to the two-time 2A state tournament qualifier.

Chadez and his wife, Amy, have two children at Marsing Elementary — second-grader JT and kindergartener Jace — and their daughter, Adyson, will start school in the fall. — JPB



Austin Williams shined with his arm and bat against Melba.

# Huskies rack up 10th 10-run baseball win

# Rain halts key game vs. Melba

Marsing High School baseball continued to thump opponents last week, but couldn't beat the rain Friday.

The Huskies' 2A Western Idaho Conference game in Melba was halted one out from being official with Marsing leading, 2-0.

Junior Austin Williams had struck out 10 Mustangs and allowed only two hits when the umpires called the game with two outs in the fifth inning Friday.

"I'm not sure when we'll have to finish the game, but I'm sure it could have District seeding implications, so we'll be ready to when the time comes," Marsing coach Jerry Stacy said.

The 2A District III Tournament begins May 6 in Melba.

Williams was one hit from the cycle, going 3-for-3 with a double and a triple.

Marsing led on the strength of Charlie Galvez's two-run double that chased home Williams and Logan Jarvis.

April 15: Marsing 13, McCall-Donnelly 0 (5) — Josh Larsen's three-hit shutout was backed up by big numbers from the heart of the Huskies' batting order.

"Larsen was asked to throw strikes and went out and pounded the strike zone for us," Stacy said. "He has thrown very well every outing this year and has ate up a lot of important innings for our team."

Marsing (13-3 overall, 3-1 2A WIC) has scored 10 or more runs in 10 of its 13 wins this season.

Williams, Jarvis, Galvez and Casey Yiengst all smacked doubles and drove in two runs each.

# MARSING HUSKIES



### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

### Miguel Leon, sr., track and field

The Play — Leon captured the 800 meters in 2 minutes, 11.01 seconds at Thursday's New Plymouth Invitational and also ran the second leg of the Huskies' winning sprint medley team. Leon ran 200 meters as Marsing posted a time of 4:07.52.



Tuesday, April 30 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.

## Track & Field

Wednesday, April 24 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet Melba, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30 at McCall Invitational



Thursday, April 26 at Horseshoe Bend, 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 30 at New Plymouth, 5 p.m.

Go Huskies!







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# Aberasturi homers, HHS softball sweeps doubleheader

### Shelby Lee gets victory in her 2013 debut

Big innings helped Homedale High School sweep a non-conference softball doubleheader at Sundance Park on Saturday.

The Trojans walloped McCall-Donnelly in a pair of games shortened by the 10-run rule.

Homedale's lone 3A Snake River Valley conference game, scheduled for Friday in Weiser, was postponed because of rain. The game will be played at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 2, HHS athletic director Matt Holtry said.

Game 1: Homedale 17,

McCall-Donnelly 5 **(5)** — Hailee Abersaturi's three-run home run in the bottom of the second inning ignited the Trojans' pivotal rally from an early

deficit.



Hailee Aberasturi

Aberasturi became the third Homedale player to homer this season as the Trojans cruised after an eight-run second in the first game of a Sundance Park doubleheader.

Homedale trailed their nonconference foes, 2-1, before Aberasturi's oneout blast to center field.

Five more runs scored after two outs with Makayla Aberasturi driving home a pair on a single, and Deal scoring

Shelby Lee

for the second time in the inning when Gardenia Machuca lined a double to left.

Winning pitcher Morgan Nash had a big hit in the fourth when she tripled to plate Elise Shenk and Hailee Aberasturi.

Deal and Tori Nash were both 3-for-3. Deal doubled twice and

had two RBI.

Game 2: Homedale 18, Mc-Call-Donnelly 8 (5) — The Trojans scored 14 unanswered runs in their final two at-bats for another come-from-behind victory.

The team trailed, 8-4, in the bottom of the third inning when Machuca doubled to score Makavla Aberasturi and set off the first of two monumental rallies.

Gabby Nash, Morgan Nash and deal pounded consecutive doubles to put in four more runs. Gabby's blast into left field plated Elise Shenk and Hailee Aberasturi.

Homedale scored six runs in the inning, which followed up the Vandals' six-run outburst in the top half of the frame.

Machuca tripled to lead off

Homedale's eight-run fourth inning. She scored on a basesloaded wild pitch.

Tori Nash cleared the bases with a triple, and Michelle Castro doubled home two later in the uprising.

Eight of the Trojans' 14 hits went for extra bases.

Eight of the 10 Trojans who visited the plate during the game knocked in runs, and seven of those had at least two RBI each.

Shelby Lee made her 2013 debut after suffering a knee injury earlier in the school year. She pitched three innings to start the game. Although she had a rocky outing (seven hits and eight runs allowed), she was able to notch the win.

# Trojans' frosh brigade has coming-out party vs. Vandals

### Ninth-graders notch wins in doubleheader

Freshmen helped carry the day during Homedale High School's baseball doubleheader sweep against McCall-Donnelly.

Nash Johnson drove in seven runs in the non-conference twin bill, and starting pitcher Connor Carter dominated in a Game 1

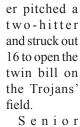
Homedale (6-10) also had

Friday's 3A Snake River Valley conference baseball road game against Weiser rained

The game will be played at 5 p.m. on Thursday,

Connor Carter May 2, HHS athletic director Matt Holtry said.

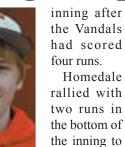
Game 1: Homedale 7, Mc-Call-Donnelly 4 — Connor Cart-



catcher Mike Mavey also blasted a solo

Nash Johnson home run. Johnson was 2-for-3 with three RBI.

The Trojans trailed, 4-3, heading into the bottom of the fourth



take the lead for good. John Collett Game 2:

second at-bat.

Homedale 14, McCall-Donnelly 2 (5) — The Trojans wasted little time in the second game against the visiting Vandals.

Homedale scored all its runs in the first three innings, including an eight-spot in the Trojans'

Johnson had a single and was credited with four RBI. He picked up the win on the mound with relief help from fellow freshman John Collett.

Michael Magdaleno went 3-for-4 with a triple, while Garrett Carter was 3-for-3. Drew Beckman also tripled during a 2-for-3 game.

Mavey and Magdaleno knocked in two runs each.





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**Baseball** 

Varsity

Friday, April 26, home vs. Parma, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Wednesday, April 24, home vs. Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Track and field

Friday, May 3 at Moke Strong Invitational, Caldwell

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**Tennis** 

Tuesday, April 30, home vs. Weiser, 4 p.m.

### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Reed Maggard, sr., golf

The Play — Maggard broke 40 for the second time in three 3A Snake River Valley conference meets to win low medalist honors April 15 at Scotch Pines Golf Course. Maggard's second-lowest SRV round of the season — at 2-over-par 38 — paced the Trojans to their first confer-

### Golf

Wednesday, April 24 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, TimberStone GC, Caldwell, 3 p.m. Monday, April 29 at Baker Invitational, Quail Ridge GC, Baker City, Ore., 2 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1, home for 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, TimberStone GC, Caldwell, 3 p.m.

### Softball

Varsity

Friday, April 26, home vs. Parma, Sundance Park, 5

Tuesday, April 30 at Fruitland, 5 p.m. Junior varsity Friday, April 19, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 20, home vs. McCall-Donnelly (2), noon

Tuesday, April 23, home vs. Payette, 5 p.m.











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# Sports

# Jokanovic collects Homedale's only tennis victory

# Serbian girl beats Fruitland's No. 2 during HHS' tough week

She dropped down to the No. 2 slot, but Lena Jokanovic kept up her winning ways for Homedale High School tennis last week.

The senior from Serbia posted the Trojans' only victory Thursday, beating Fruitland girls' singles player Ashtyn Fitzsimonds in straight sets on the road.

Jokanovic rolled, 6-2, 6-0, but the Grizzlies' prevailed, 5-1, in a the 3A Snake River Valley conference match. Homedale gave up three matches to forfeits in the girls' ladder, including No. 3 singles and both doubles matches.

"We were a little more shorthanded than usual because of a band conflict," Trojans coach Scott Michaelson said.

Hattie Mertz moved back to the top girls' singles position and lost to 2012 state runner-up Sadie Stutzman, 6-0, 6-0.

Fruitland rode forfeits in the second and third boys' singles matches to beat Homedale, 6-0.

Trojans' No. 1 Kincade Kincheloe fell the Bryce Nattress, 6-1, 6-2, in the only singles match staged.

The Grizzlies swept the two boys' doubles matches by scores of 6-0, 6-0 in each encounter.

April 16: Parma sweeps Homedale — The Trojans' top girls' singles players notched 22 percent of the team's victories in a conference home meet.

Playing at girls' singles No. 1, Jokanovic played the Panthers' Madison Beck, and No. 2 Mertz challenged Emily Myers. Both matches were decided by 6-3, 6-4 counts.

Homedale's No. 1 boys' singles player, Kincheloe, fell to the crisp



Homedale's Lena Jokanovic returns a shot April 16 against Parma's Madison Beck.

play of Tanner Kramer. At No. 3 boys' singles, Chyristian Gilbert swept Homedale's Jason Buenrostro, 6-0, 6-0.

Homedale's other game victo-

ries came in straight-set affairs in the boys' doubles ladder.

No. 1 Andrew Randall and Coy Gardner lost to Trevor Nielsen and Clay Nielsen, while secondseeded Dylan Phariss and Andy Parker fell to Jacob Brown and Keagan Brixley.

Both matches were 6-1, 6-0

# Leon, Bowers get individual gold at N.P. Invitational

# Marsing boys post runner-up team finish

Several top-five finishes propelled Marsing High School to a second-place finish in the boys' portion of the New Plymouth Track and Field Invitational.

Senior Miguel Leon beat Melba's Chris Young by six-tenths of a second to win the 800-meter run. Leon was clocked at 2 minutes, 11.01 seconds in the 800.

Leon played a part in two victories Thursday. On the girls' side, Lily Bowers won the shot put with an effort of 33 feet, 11 inches.

Leon also ran the second 200 leg for the Huskies' championship sprint medley team. Leon, Mariano Estrada,

on, Mari-Lily Bowers

Raul Garcia and Tristan Jacobi joined forces to win the race in 4:07.52.

Marsing's 4x100 relay team also won its race in 46.67. Estrada, Jacobi, Garret Briggs and Alexandre Heidt ran that event.

Heidt was runner-up in the sprints, turning in an 11.89 just ahead of Jacobi in the 100 then running a 24.0 in the 200.

Garcia finished second in the 400 meters in 55.71, and Dillon Danner was second in the 3,200 (10 minutes, 18.14 seconds).

Sophomore Isaiah Ponce finished third in the 1,600 at 4:52.77, while Danner was fourth. Ponce was also fourth in the 3,200 at 10:41.18.

Briggs and Logan Jensen finished third and fourth, respectively in the 110-meter hurdles. Briggs was also tied for fifth with teammate Tyler Malmberg in the long jump at  $18-\frac{1}{2}$ .

Malmberg grabbed fourth in the triple jump at  $37-8\frac{1}{2}$ .

Bowers had three top-five finishes for the Marsing girls.

In addition to her shot put championship, the junior served on the second-place sprint medley team with Ofelia Herrera, Emily Tank and Shannon Clover. The team ran a 2:02.26.

She was also third in the discus at 94-8.

Herrera was runner-up in the 3,200 in 12:56.69, while teammate Caitlyn Line was fifth (14:33.75). Herrera and Line were fourth and fifth, respectively, in the 1,600. Herrera crossed the line at 6:10.69, and Line followed about

30 seconds later.

Clover had three other topfive results — fourth in the 400 (1:08.0) and fifth in both the 100 (14.13) and the 200 (28.78).

### **GFA** boy finishes second

Owyhee County's JB Bermudez-Koch collected runner-up finishes in the hurdles. He notched an 18.11 time in the 110 hurdles and posted at 42.67 in the 300.

The Greenleaf Friends Academy senior was also third in the long jump at 18-11½, and served on the Grizzlies' bronze-medal 4x100 relay team with Darrell Cereghino, Jakob Behrends and Dave Larson.

# Seniors strong in competition for HHS track at Middleton

Senior Mariah Mackie notched the best finish of any Homedale High School athlete at the Middleton Invitational.

Mackie finished third in the girls' high jump, clearing 4 feet, 9 inches during the Thursday meet.

Fellow senior Ali Abbott went 14-7½ in a fifth-place girls' long jump finish, while Mackie was eighth at 13-10.

Freshman Maya Correa ran a 13-minute, 6.84-second 3,200

meters to pick up fifth place.

Senior Braxton Morris had the HHS boys' highest finish, grabbing sixth place in the shot put. He registered a throw of 42-11½, and finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the discus (110-10).

Homedale's other top-10 showing in the boys' meet came from the 4x400 relay team of Britt Eubanks, Jordan Brady, Cameron Brandhagen and Jacob Christensen. The quartet finished seventh in 3:58.77.





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# Sports

# Dust flies at District 2 rodeo







## Owyhee competitors show their stuff on their home turf

Clockwise from top left:

Marsing High bareback competitor Austin Williams gets ready for his ride during Sunday's District 2 high school rodeo at Badiola Arena in Homedale.

Williams goes to the shoulder on his high-kicking mount.

Shelby Dines of Marsing rounds the first barrel during barrel racing,

Rimrock rodeo team Sami Jo Bachman of Bruneau races for home on her Palamino.

Marsing's Lorenzo Lankow comes out of the chute spurring in the bareback bronc contest.

## What's next?

The next District 2 High school rodeos will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Payette County Fairgrounds in New Plymouth.

The rodeo comes back to Homedale on May 11-12 at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds. Competition starts at 9 a.m. each day.





# Owyhee County Church Directory



#### Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder

Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information

### Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City

2012 Mass Schedule the following Sundays June 10 @ 1pm • July 22 @ Noon August 12 @ Noon • Sept. 2 @ 1pm All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031

#### Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale

Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 E Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Mar - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6pm "Una Iglesia Diferente.

#### **Knight Community Church Grand View**

Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am

#### Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder

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

#### Assembly of God Church Homedale

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

### Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale

17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm

#### Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell

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

Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon

#### Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church **Homedale**

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

#### Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing

Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henrioulle, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am

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

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

#### Homedale Baptist Church Homedale

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

#### Wilder Church of God Wilder

205 A St. E, 469-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm

### Mountain View Church of the Nazarene

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

### MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY

Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español

#### Iglesia Evangelica Wilder

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

### Marsing Church of Christ Marsing

932 Franklin, Marsing

Sunday Bible Study 10am Sunday Worship 11am

### **Christian Church** Homedale

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

### Bible Missionary Church Homedale

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

## Assembly of God Church Marsing

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

### Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing

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

#### Nazarene Church Marsing

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

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

### **Trinity Holiness Church** Homedale

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

### Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints **Marsing** 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151

Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry

Homedale

711 W. Idaho, 463-9569

Pastor Jose Diaz

Servicios: Los Domingos 11:00 am

### Vision Community Church Marsing

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

#### **United Methodist Church** Wilder

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

#### Calvary Holiness Church First Presbyterian Church Wilder Homedale

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

## Corner of 3rd St. & B Ave.

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

### Seventh Day Adventist Homedale

453-9289 Sabbath School Sat. 9:30am Worship 11am Tuesday Prayer Mtg. 7:00 pm

#### Our Lady Queen of Heaven Iglesia Bautista Catholic Church - Oreana Palabra de Esperanza

2013 Mass Schedule the following Saturdays at 9:30am Jan. 12 - Feb. 23 - Mar. 23 - Apr. 27 - May 11 June 8 - July 13 - Aug. 24 - Sept. 28 Oct. 26 - Nov. 23 - Dec. 14 All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031

### Amistad Cristiana de Wilder UMC

Esquina de 4 y calle B Domingos Servicio: 12:00 pm El Ropero (Banco de ropa) Miercoles 12-2pm Martes y Jueves: 6:30 pm Ingles Sabados: 12:00 pm Arte Infantil Todo en Espanol, Inf. 989 7508

# Sports

# √ Coaches: JV coaches from Marsing, Homedale honored

From Page 15 that did the work to get (the

Wood was joined at the ceremony by his assistant coaches Brad Hill, Jim Briggs and Dale

"It's OK," Wood said of the award in his typical understated fashion. "(The program is) pretty much my main deal. I'm in it for the kids, so (the award is) not that big of deal to me."

### Juan Colunga

Colunga won the 1A, Div. I football coach of the year award for the second consecutive season after leading the Raiders to a second straight conference title.

"The credit needs to go directly to the kids and their commitment to the program," the third-year coach said. "They put in countless hours during the season, but most importantly they put in so much time and effort during the offseason as well."

More than a dozen athletes have shown up at 6 a.m. each day to lift weights for the past five weeks, Colunga said.

"I think this award also reflects directly towards the great staff at Rimrock for their continued support of the program — the players' parents volunteering their time and obviously to the community that supports Rimrock football," he said.

Colunga is 15-8 in his three years in Bruneau. The team has reached the state playoffs in each of his years at the helm.

### Mark Boothby

Trojans wrestling coach Toby Johnson said Boothby is an important component of the program not only on the mat but also behind the scenes, working hard to recruit teams for competitions such as the annual Homedale Duals. He also helps out at HHS track meets and helps outfit other programs with gear.

"He will spend time in the summers thinking of way sot make wrestling camps work for our kids," Johnson said. "He will also seek out the latest in athletic gear and create designs to outfit our wrestlers with the best."

Johnson also complimented Boothby on the dedication he shows to the student-athletes.

"He will never give up on a kid," Johnson said. "He spends extra time with kids that need one-on-one work in technique or strategy

"He will even take time to make sure kids are doing well personally, whether emotionally or academically. He genuinely cares."

For his part, Boothby turned the spotlight back on his peers.

"It is great that District 3 makes the effort to recognize the contributions of JV and assistant coaches," he said. "I am so honored that my SRV wrestling peers would nominate me for the award."

### Janee Brumfield

Brumfield led the Trojans' JV girls' basketball team to the 3A Snake River Valley conference championship in 2012-13.

"Coach Brumfield has been great for our program the last couple of years," HHS varsity coach Joe Betancourt said. "She really cares about all of our girls and the game of basketball."

Brumfield became JV coach before last season, succeeding Betancourt when he was promoted to the top job.

"All of the girls we have in our program are extremely competitive," Betancourt said. "Well, Brumfield is probably more competitive than they are.

"So she's a natural fit, and the girls respond to it."

Betancourt said Brumfield, who played at Northwest Nazarene University, is an exception to the phenomenon of some former collegiate players finding difficulty in transitioning to coach

"She's done a great job with it," he said. "I'm really proud of her and the job she's done getting the girls ready to play at the varsity level."

### **Lamon Loucks**

Loucks received the 2A JV boys' basketball coach of the year award after leading Marsing to the 2A Western Idaho Conference championship.

He also served as assistant to varsity coach JW Chadez.

### **Taci Morris**

This was the second straight year in which Morris earned the JV volleyball coaching award. She has led the JV squad for the past three seasons, and roamed the sidelines in the fall as the Trojans defended conference title.

"This award is exciting, not just for me but for our program, the girls and our coaching staff," the HHS graduate said. "I think it's their award just as much as

Morris thanked former varsity head coach Janel Van Dyke, saying "all our success starts with her."

Van Dyke congratulated Morris and the JV squad.

"I couldn't be happier for all of them," she said. "Taci is a very uplifting and determined coach. She brings enthusiasm and excitement to the floor as well as a great love for the sport.

"She is such an asset to this program. I really appreciate all that she does."

— JPB

# HHS student heading to HOSA nationals

# COSSA chapter wins state award for membership

Local Health Occupations Students of America chapter members made an impact at the state leadership conference earlier this month in Boise.

Homedale High School's Brenda Uriarte — one of the 16 students from Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency program in Wilder — is eligible to compete in the national conference in Nashville, Tenn., in June.

Uriarte advanced with her National Recognition Portfolio, which carried her senior project as a topic.

During her presentation, Uriarte explained how she secured a grant to purchase an automated external defibrillator (AED) for her school.

Uriarte was eighth in Medical Math.

Four other COSSA students qualified for the national competition, too, by placing in the top three of their events at the state conference.

The COSSA HOSA chapter also received an award for the biggest increase in membership after showing 166 percent improvement.

Notus students Jessica Peloquin and Rachelle Cherry will travel to Nashville to compete after finishing third in Community Awareness at the state convention. Rikki Frank of Parma and Ryann Lantz of Notus also qualified with a third-place finish in Career Health Display.

The top three finishers in each category earned trips to nationals.

Other Homedale students competing earlier this month were Hailee Aberasturi, Stephanie Villarreal and Valeria Garcia in the Community Awareness Project category. The team finished fifth at the state level.

The girls visited a local preschool and taught children how to brush their teeth as well as showing them proper hand hygiene and how to make healthy choices.

Veronica Sanchez and Jacque Martinez also represented HHS in the Medical Terminology competition.

Although Aberasturi's team didn't qualify for the national competition, she will travel to Nashville as a voting delegate.

COSSA students Meriah Bowen and Katia Rios competed in the Career Health Display event at State, creating a poster promoting a career as an ultrasound technologist.

Local HOSA chapter advisors Cindy Floyd and Lisa Rittenhouse thanked businesses and individuals for assistance with fundraising, including Subway sandwich shop in Homedale, Rebecca's Mini Market and Paul's Market as well as Dan Aberasturi.



Top: Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency welders, from left, Jacob Young, Lucas Young, Skye Shore, Jesse Jetton, Antonio Albor and Jose Villarreal took part in the Skills USA state meet in Boise earlier this month. Right: Homedale's Brad McCain, left, and Jetton show off their prizes from last week's Rocky Mountain Shoot-Out pipe welding contest in Pocatello. Submitted photos



# Homedale, Marsing students excel for COSSA welding team

# HHS students win gold, silver in competition

Two Homedale High School seniors recently finished at the top of their fields in welding

Brad McCain won a championship at the Rocky Mountain Shoot-Out pipe welding tournament on Thursday in Pocatello.

On April 12, fellow HHS senior Jose Villarreal won a silver medal at the state Skills USA competition in Boise

McCain, who won in the Tig Welding division, was one of two welders from Mark Bauer's Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency Professional Technical-based program to place high at the Rocky Mountain meet at Idaho State University.

"I am very proud of the students I teach, and I love to see them excel," Bauer, a Homedale resident, said.

Parma's Jesse Jetton finished second overall.

B o t h received \$300 scholarships and more than \$300 in tools, including a

Jose Villarreal

metal grinder, welding helmet, Tig torch and small trade tools.

Fellow HHS student Drew Beckman also made the trip to Pocatello along with Drake Hungate from Greenleaf Friends Academy and Parma's Antonio

"This contest is all about pipe welding," Bauer said. "They will make four different types of pipe welds in different welding positions."

Villarreal was one of three Homedale-Marsing area students at the Skills USA competition.

The two Marsing High School students — Skye Shore and

Jacob Young — participated in the portion of the contest staged at the College of Western Idaho in Nampa.

Shore, Young and Lucas Young from COSSA Academy in Wilder placed fourth in Welding Fabrication.

The three boys used teamwork to construct a fire pit in a competition new to the state.

"They had five hours and limited materials to build their project," Bauer said.

Jetton and Albor joined Villarreal in the structural welding at the Darrel A. Dennis Technical Center in Boise.

Contests at both sites required competitors to show proficiency in many skills, including:

- Written knowledge test
- Print reading
- Welding symbol reading
- Demonstration of multiple processes of welding, including stick, wire, flux cored, tig, oxygen, fuel cutting and plasma cutting

— ЈРВ

### 4-H swine projects tip the scales

And this little piggy...

Patrick Malmberg of Marsing unloads Rose the pig for the Owyhee County Fair 4-H pig weigh-in April 15 in Homedale. The pigs must be less than 85 pounds during the initial weigh-in and can't exceed 230 pounds at the August fair. Rose weighed in at 69 pounds. Other weigh-ins took place last week at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School in Bruneau, Goodwin's place in Wilson and Jordan Valley.

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The Indianhead Fly Fishers are ready to clean up the Owyhee River again.

The Weiser-based group plans to

The Weiser-based group plans to clean up the river below Owyhee Reservoir on Saturday.

This will be the 11<sup>th</sup> annual cleanup, and organizers say tons of trash have been removed.

Volunteers will meet 9 a.m. at the Owyhee River Wildlife Area for coffee, doughnuts and a short cleanup meeting.

Fly fishing group plans Owyhee River cleanup

The cleanup will cover about 13 miles of riverfront and roadways and will end below the dam in the picnic area.

All participants will be provided

hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, water and soft drinks.

The Indianhead group also encourages volunteers to bring fly rods to enjoy a day of catch-and-release action in search of brown trout after the cleanup.

For more information, call (208) 549-0796.

# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

# On the edge of common sense A bull ballet

Uncle Joe was makin' his rounds this spring checking the horses and cows to make sure everything had water. When he got to the bull lot, one of his prize young Charolais bulls had managed to crawl through one of the round bale feeders and was lying down happily chewing his cud.

Uncle thought over how to extricate his bull, then went for the tractor. He'd put the round bale in fresh that morning and had not yet cut the twine. It made it easy to lift the bale out of the feeder and set it out of the way. Next, with the lance, he tipped the feeder up to let the bull find his way out BUT ... the bull panicked!

In his effort to escape, the bull stuck his head through one of the slots and took off wearing the feeder around his neck! Joe watched the crazed critter stampede through the other young bulls in the lot, who, in turn, went berserk, scattering back and forth as if the iron monster was attacking them!

The saddle horses in the next pen caught the fever and added to the chaos by running around, tails in the air, rollers in their nostrils and fear in their eyes — all frightening the bulls who were already scared poopless!

Every now and then, the feeder would dig into the mud so the back would tip up along with the butt end of the bull, whose tail was waving in the air like a loose air pressure hose! Each flip and flop jiggered the gathering crowd. In one final assault, surrounded by 11 testosterone-powered, adrenaline-fueled, thick-headed white bulls, he led the charge through the metal gate out into the farm yard and right into the machine shed!

In a matter of seconds, all livestock cleared the area except for the barking dogs, Uncle Joe on his tractor and the still struggling captive bull. Joe called the dogs off and gave the bull five minutes to wiggle during which time he, the bull, managed to back out of the feeder and stumble into the yard.

After an hour of pushing, sliding, dislocating, cursing, twisting and a couple of "back up and take a run at it," maneuvers, Uncle Joe returned with his welding trailer and removed the stuck-tight round bale feeder ... in three

Men and machinery in a bull ballet ... it never ends.

- Visit Baxter's Web site at 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

Submit letters in one of four methods:

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
- Faxed to (208) 337-4867
- Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
- Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale

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

# Letters to the editor

### It's community, not politics that benefit common good

What a novel idea, Luke Ankeny's suggestion that groups — especially faith communities — join for the common good, i.e., the betterment of our youth.

For centuries, the killing of Christians by other Christians has been the great scandal of western civilization. Except for a few scattered outposts, such as Northern Ireland, the open warfare seems to have quieted.

Turf wars between various denominations seem to prevent collaboration for the common good.

Just think of the good to result if we could put aside (not do away with) such polemical debates as how many angels can thread through the eye of a needle, and gather with our neighbors for the betterment of education and the distribution of food, housing and healthcare.

Some will scream, "But that's not separation of church and state!" That's exactly the point. We have turned those charitable efforts over to the state, to politicians. And there is no sector more contentious and unproductive than politics and politicians.

To be successful, such an effort must have an overarching set of ideals — such as should be found in any religion, especially Christianity, but not to exclude other denominations (Jewish, Buddhist, Islamic and even pagan). All have some ideal of "do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

A certain mood in that direction can be seen in various community gardens that raise food to be given away, such as the Lutheran gardens in Nampa and Caldwell, as well as the Mormons in Marsing. Does charity really begin at

More to the point, should such an effort start from the top down as in by leaders? Or from the bottom up as in a grass roots movement? Why not both?

"Reuben, Reuben, I've been thinking, what a wondrous world 'twould be ... " Good luck, Brother Ankeny.

Ray Heidt

Marsing

### Take time to appreciate art at Lizard Butte Library

I noticed the great article in The Owyhee Avalanche on the art display at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing this month ("MHS students' artwork graces library's walls,"

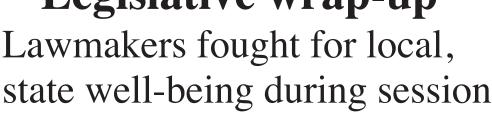
I just wanted to point out that if you read the article and haven't gone to the library to view the display, you are missing out on a great piece of work. The art students' work is outstanding and really professional.

Marsing is lucky to have such a talented teacher as Carmen Magart.

Fred Christensen Sunnyslope

District 23 Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson)

# Legislative wrap-up Lawmakers fought for local,



The 2013 session of the Idaho Legislature presented a new challenge.

In order to take on the chairmanship of the Senate Transportation Committee, I had to give up my seat on the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee.

The change meant learning about transportation-related issues. It also meant the end of six years on JFAC during which I gained a better understanding of state government and advancing conservative principles in our budget and legislative process as part of JFAC and the Senate Finance Committee.

Transportation issues were just part of the agenda legislators tackled.

### **Owyhee County sesquicentennial**

I carried this resolution, HCR25, on the Senate floor to recognize Owyhee County on its upcoming 150th anniversary on Dec. 31, 2013.

The Owyhee County Historical Museum, along with the Owyhee County Historical Preservation Commission, will kickoff the celebration during the June 1-2 Outpost Days in Murphy.

### Rangeland fire protection associations

House Bill 093, which I carried, put in statute the process for landowners, ranchers and interested members of the public to form a rangeland fire protection association, such as the ones formed in Mountain Home and Owyhee County. Volunteers must take firefighting training from the Bureau of Land Management and must coordinate with BLM fire fighting units, but they can respond in the initial attack.

### Health insurance exchange

H248 provides for the establishment of a state-created. market-driven health insurance exchange. It is the state's public policy to resist federal actions that would limit or override state sovereignty under the 10th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Through this legislation, the state of Idaho asserts its sovereignty by refusing to surrender decision-making authority over health care issues.

No one opposes the so-called Affordable Health Care Act, i.e. "Obama Care," more than I do. I despise the process by which it was "jammed through Congress." I dislike the bill for destroying our current health care system and creating a new entitlement that controls over 20 percent of our economy. I will continue to resist, and attempt to repeal "Obama Care."

However, that is not what the Legislature had the opportunity to vote on. Our choice was whether to have the federal exchange forced on the state or to create our

The purpose of H248, the plan I supported after careful and deliberate consideration, is to establish an exchange that will facilitate the selection and purchasing of individual and employer health benefit plans. The creation of a state-based exchange should provide an Idaho-specific solution that fits the state's unique needs.

### Personal property tax

Prior to the session, there had been a vigorous campaign to repeal all personal property tax. Counties said a full repeal would have a negative impact on local taxing entities. The Governor, in his state of the state address, put \$20 million on the table to replace revenue local taxing entities would lose. He also said "do no harm."

It became evident that causing the locals to have to cover approximately \$120 million of the current \$141 million of personal property tax could not be done without causing harm.

I favor lower taxes, but the cities, counties, school districts, highway districts and other local taxing districts have done a convincing job of determining the impact of full repeal of the personal property tax.

After much discussion, some very detailed input from

— See **Session**, Page 19

# Commentary

# Financial management

# Alter lifestyle to avoid dipping into 401(k) to pay debts

#### Dear Dave,

I've been on medical leave from my job because of an injury. My doctor recently advised extending the leave another six months, but during this time I wouldn't be paid. My husband makes \$75,000 a year, and we owe \$40,000 on our cars. This includes a \$30,000 note on one of them. Should we take money out of our 401(k) to make it through the additional time off?

— Crystal

### Dear Crystal,

Absolutely not! You guys have dug a hole for yourselves, and borrowing from one place to fix another will only make that hole deeper. In cases like this, you have to address the core issue. Your income has dropped significantly,



so you need to cut your lifestyle to match your new income level.

My advice would be to sell the cars, at least the \$30,000 one. There's no justification for \$40,000 worth of vehicles in your garage when you're living on \$75,000. It makes me think you don't have any savings, either, if you're talking about raiding your 401(k). Financially speaking, you have no room to breathe right now.

Serious situations call for serious actions. You've got to get your lifestyle down to a manageable on your home. You never want to level until vou're able to work again. And even then, there's no reason to raise your lifestyle up to your income. Live on less than you make, Crystal. That's what enables you to save money and be prepared when Murphy comes knocking on your door!

Dave

#### Dear Dave,

I'm having trouble making my auto payment. I owe \$20,000, and the car is worth \$17,000. Should I allow the bank to repossess it, and could they take a lien against my house if they do?

### Dear Jose,

You bet they could slap a lien off as quickly as possible.

go through repossession if there's any way to avoid that scenario. If they repossess, not only does your credit take a huge hit, you also lose control of the price of

After a repo, the lender will sell the car and sue you for the difference. But if you sell the car, you might be able to work out a higher price, leaving you a lesser amount you'd owe for the difference. Chances are if your loan is with General Motors, they won't work with you on the \$3,000 difference. In that situation, you can either negotiate with the bank or go to another bank or credit union and get a small loan for the difference. Just make sure you pay the loan

Keep in mind, too, that even if the car is worth \$17,000, it won't bring that much on the repo lot. More than likely it would sell for about \$11,000, leaving you \$9,000 in the hole. By giving up control, you'd create a much bigger financial mess. I wouldn't do that.

— 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.

## Local control of lands would enable success in rural Idaho

In Idaho, the economies of rural communities once relied upon the timber industry for job creation and tax revenues. Over the past several decades, radical environmental groups have hindered the ability to develop timber from our public lands. Counties that were once dependent upon

timber receipts to fund schools, roads, and daily operations were left desolate and broke.

In 2000, when the federal government operated with a budget surplus, and in order to compensate for the decline in timber receipts, Congress passed the Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act. These payments were supposed to be phased out over time as counties



diversified their local economies. While Congress has reauthorized this funding twice, we are still fighting the broader issues about multiple use on public land, and our counties have been left in limbo.

In a time of record deficits, we must stop providing short-term fixes to our financial woes and start working toward a solution.

Traditional rural timber communities have been operating in an environment of uncertainty for decades. Many public lands in western states have been inaccessible because of federal policies and tedious litigation. We must Rep. Raúl Labrador

## From Washington

find a long-term solution to help rural counties and remove the uncertainty these communities are facing.

To further this goal, I have introduced the Self-Sufficient Community Lands Act, legislation which would provide a viable successor to the Secure Rural Schools (SRS) program. The idea for this legislation was first brought to my attention by a bipartisan group of county commissioners in Idaho during the 112th Session of Congress. Recently, the House Committee on Natural Resources, of which I am a member, held a hearing on this legislation.

If enacted, this legislation would serve as a model to replace the expired SRS program in certain rural communities. The legislation would authorize pilot programs, in partnership with states, to encourage local forest management in order to generate revenues required to fund local services.

The legislation would create "community forest demonstration areas" to allow the governor of a state to appoint local boards of trustees to assume management of selected federal forest acreage. The governor would then petition the Secretary of Agriculture to cede management of the demonstration acreage to the appointed board.

Hunting and fishing rights, as well as other recreational

uses, would be protected. However, no federally designated Wilderness areas could be included in the pilot programs, allowing such areas to remain off limits to multiple use.

Rural communities are suffering in this economy and their greatest assets are being held captive by the federal government. Instead of being allowed to generate jobs and revenue, they must accept millions of taxpayer dollars to make up for lost revenue. My legislation would allow communities to create good-paying jobs and empower counties to generate revenue on their own by locally managing federal forests. The current system provides cash payments to counties, which is fiscally unsustainable, and leaves counties unsure if the money will be there from year-to-year. My legislation will increase jobs and local economic activity and will result in healthier, more vibrant forests.

It is time the federal government stopped preventing communities from utilizing their own resources to generate tax revenues to pay for schools, roads and other civic programs. Our intent is to allow communities to become more self-sufficient by creating new jobs and a stable funding source to provide necessary services to their residents.

Republican Raúl Labrador is in his second term as Idaho's First Congressional District representative. He serves on the House Committee on Natural Resources as well as the subcommittees on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation and Water and Power.

## $\sqrt{\text{Session}}$ : Transportation bills protect interests of highway districts

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cities and counties on fiscal impact, several bills were introduced. One bill was for full repeal.

A second bill developed by the counties, which I supported, exempted the first \$100,000 on business personal property tax and replaces funding to local governments with state general fund money. It would cost approximately \$20 million annually.

### State primacy of fish and wildlife

I carried Senate Bill 1061, which asserts state primacy over the management of our fish and wildlife by requiring coordination of policy and programs related to threatened or endangered species in Idaho. Any federal action — including the introduction or reintroduction of federally listed species without state consultation and approval — that would affect lands within the state or state waters or impair or impede the state's primacy without state consultation and approval is against the state's policies.

### Gun control

Following the horrific Newtown, Conn., school shooting, our Second Amendment rights to keep and bear arms have been under attack. Our president and several mayors and governors around the nation are trying to exploit this tragic situation in an attempt to limit law-abiding citizens' ability to own and purchase ammunition and firearms. As a longtime NRA member with an A+ rating, I take these attacks on our Second Amendment rights very seriously.

As a matter of state sovereignty and protecting our individual constitutional rights, I will continue to work to preserve and enhance our Second Amendment rights, including my support of two bills passed this session.

H192 provides for an enhanced concealed carry weapon permit that requires additional training with a certified instructor. Once the training is completed and the permit acquired, many states should recognize the permit.

H258 provides for any individual who gets a concealed weapons permit to also receive a free criminal background

### Senate Transportation Committee

- S1064 put in statute current pilot routes for 129,000pound trucks, while S1117 allowed the appropriate jurisdiction (state, county, city or highway district) to request analysis to authorize new 129,000-pound routes and — if so included — authorize them.
- H322 confirmed an authority with jurisdiction may place limitations on a 129,000-pound route or may withdraw a designation if circumstances warrants. It also established a public hearing process for establishing routes.
- H321 protects private property rights and insures adequate public right-of-ways for transportation and utility
- S1179 authorizes the Idaho Transportation Department to negotiate joint powers agreements so Duck Valley Reservation residents can get their driver's licenses in Idaho and also register their vehicles in Idaho.
- Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) represents Owyhee and Elmore counties and the western portion of rural Twin

# Looking back...

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

### 25 years ago

### **April 27, 1988**

### See ya at the park Saturday...

"Continuing Homedale Pride in '88" is the theme of this city's Clean-Up Week, now in progress and running through this Saturday, according to Ida Burt, chairperson.

The beautification effort is an annual project sponsored by the Homedale Chamber of Commerce.

Area residents are urged to meet at the city park at 10 a.m. this Saturday, for the all-out, climaxing drive to clean up the town, Burt told Chamber members Tuesday noon.

"We're looking for anybody who wants to help. We're going to center on cleaning up the parks and the business district, but there will be other projects as well," the chairperson said earlier.

The beautification effort has been under way throughout the month of April.

Some of the projects under way or already completed include:

Fairgrounds parking lot leveled and graveled, trash hauled from the area, and the ditch along the parking lot filled.

The firemen just this week have cut down and burned Russian olive trees on the west end of the airport. Burning of weeds is planned along Railroad Avenue also.

#### Joint committee cautions water users

The Joint Committee of the Owyhee Irrigation Project met Tuesday, April 19, and reviewed the water outlook for the 1988 irrigation season.

John E. Ross, Manager of the North Board of Control, and Clyde E. Hutton, Jr., Manager of the South Board of Control, reported that there is 283,000 acre-feet of water stored in the Owyhee Reservoir. This compares to storage one year ago of 552,000 acre-feet.

The Bureau of Reclamation surveys show that some runoff will still occur from snow in the higher elevations in northern Nevada; however, over the past two weeks the inflow into the reservoir has been less than the discharge for irrigation purposes. The reservoir storage is dropping, when at this time of year, it is normally increasing.

The Joint Committee recommended that all water users carefully examine the facts that relate to their particular farming operation. Although an attempt will be made to deliver the same quantity of water per acre to each farmer, there will be a variation in this low water year. Some of the factors which make equal deliveries impractical are the locations of farms on a particular canal, the carrying capacity of each canal, the characteristics of each water delivery structure, and whether or not water can be pumped to supplement water from the Owyhee Reservoir.

The Joint Committee believes a potential serious shortage may occur unless there is an increase in the runoff.

### Horseback egg hunt held

The Little Buckaroos 4-H Club sponsored its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Horseback Easter Egg Hunt on March 26.

Nearly 20 young riders scrambled off and on their confused mounts to gather the many prize eggs. The Idaho State Bank sponsored the Gold Egg, which was worth a cash award and found by Terra Longhurst in the K-3 grade division and Trina Hipwell in the 4-6 division. Tommy and Ellen Bates, Farm Bureau Insurance, donated a cash award for the Silver Egg, which was found by Terra Longhurst (Again!) in the K-3 and Marty Black in the 4-6.

All of the young riders found prize eggs, which were redeemable for candy, pop, or other prizes. A big thanks to our sponsors, Hometown Grocery, Square Deal, Rite Way, Farm & Food, Gus's Gas, The Feed Room, Grand View Auto, Reisinger Honey, Agri-Lines, Show Place, Hair Kare, Simplot Soilbuilders, Home Rebekah Lodge, Simplot Livestock, Rubelts, Amalgamated Sugar Co., Kelley Bean, Transport Petroleum, Feed Service, Campbell Tractor, Y-Café, Valley Health Care, and Grand View Café. Also, thanks go to the City of Grand View for the use of their lot and to everyone who helped hide the eggs. The club's next planned activity is a family trail ride set for May 7. Everyone is welcome.

### 50 years ago

### **April 25, 1963**

#### Boxing fans see local men fight at Boise arena

A group of Homedale boxing fans attended the five-card fight last Thursday night at the fairground arena in Boise, where two local boxers participated.

Homedale's Vern Walker lost a decision to John Hollbrook, Boise, and Eddie Welty, Marsing, was TKO'd in the 3<sup>rd</sup> by Wes Sherill, Boise. Both bouts were scheduled 4-rounders.

The fights were preliminary to the main event in which Bill McMurray, 200, Sacramento, Calif., won a unanimous 10-round decision over Boise's Johnny (Tiger) Collins, 225-pounder.

The Homedale boxers had been training under Johnny Shanley in an improvised gym in Bicandi's basement. Shanley and young Rick Shanley seconded the fighters

Shanley said this week that both his fighters were offered re-matches.

### Valedictorian, salutatorians

Althea Wirth was named Valedictorian of the 1963 Homedale High School graduating class. She attained a grade point average of 3.8 for seven semesters. Althea is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wirth. Karen Bergeson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bergeson and Carl Van Slyke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Van Slyke, were named salutatorians with grade averages of 3.7 each.

#### 'Moon River' theme of Junior-Senior prom

The annual Junior-Senior prom and banquet was held Saturday, April 20, at the Washington school. The banquet began at 6:30 and servers were: Linda Cegnar, Janet Kinder, Linda Lowder, Judy Markley, Donna Rudd, Elaine Eidemiller, Art Solis, Duane Sibert, Brian Johnstone, Larry Stansell, Danny Eismann, and Tony Maher.

The invocation and benediction was given by Rev. Robert Dewey and the welcome speech by Julie Egurrola, president of the junior class.

The response to the welcome was by Rick Chandler, president of the senior class. Principal Clare Walker gave his comments, which were greatly enjoyed by everyone. The will was read by Karen Bergeson and the prophecy by Joan Eismann. Entertainment was provided by the banquet servers who presented skits on "The Lighter Side of Dating."

Unfortunately, there were a few vacant places at the tables because those participating in the track meet at Boise did not return in time to enjoy the fine dinner, but despite this fact, the banquet was a success.

Following the banquet at 9:00 was the prom. The theme, "Moon River," was beautifully accented and portrayed by a scene painted by Vicki Sibert. Music was provided by the Playboys, and a photographer was on hand to snap pictures of couples. At intermission, entertainment was provided by a girls' ensemble, Nancy Echevarria, Helen Selders, Karen Bergeson, and Carolyn Schlegel, under the direction of Hollis Selders.

### Lt. Ralph Townsend enters pilot training

1st Lt. Ralph D. Townsend of Homedale has entered U.S. Air Force pilot training at Williams AFB, Arizona.

Lieutenant Townsend will fly T-37 and T-33 jets during the yearlong flying training course. He also will receive special academic and military training and will be awarded the silver wings of a pilot upon graduation.

A graduate of Homedale High School, Lieutenant Townsend attended the University of Idaho. A rated navigator, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darley L. Townsend. His wife is the former Marilyn K. Joy of Waco, Texas.

### Jack Walker is top scorer at big bore shoot Sunday

Jack Walker won the ammunition box with the high score during the big bore shoot Sunday by the Homedale Rod and Gun Club.

Z.S. Knight and Louis Breshears won the step down prizes, which were a gun case and fish knife. Another shoot is tentatively planned for next month.

### 140 years ago

### **April 12, 1873**

SIERRA OR SIERRAS. The Gold Hill, Nev., News, very properly objects to the popular use of the name of the Sierra Nevada in a plural form. Either the first word, Sierra, or the second, Nevada, is separately pluralized, or the two together are written thus – "The Sierra Nevadas." The News correctly says:

"Being strictly a Spanish word, the literal translation of sierra is a ridge or range of mountains. It also means a saw, and it is nearly an English word with the same meaning. Webster defining serrated as notched, like the teeth of a saw. The word Sierra, therefore, as applied to the saw-like appearance of a lofty ridge of mountains, each mountaintop representing a huge sawtooth, is eminently appropriate; yet it would be evidently incorrect to apply the term to anything less than the entire range. Nevada signified snowy, and thus Sierra Nevada, literally translated, signifies snowy ridge of mountains. It is, therefore, easy to see that Nevadas or Sierra Nevadas could not be proper, but, on the contrary, highly improper. The blunder is simply an Americanism, and should be avoided."

There is no more propriety or elegance in saying "Sierras" for Sierra Nevada, than in substituting "the Blues" for the Blue Mountains of Virginia, or the "Rockies" for the Rocky Mountains, or the "Santa Cruzes" for the Santa Cruz mountains, or the "Coasties" for the Coast range. Yet, palpable as the blunder is, some of the best writers and publishers on the Pacific coast constantly use the word "Sierras," as though they were referring to several ranges, instead of one singularly homogeneous and well-defined range of great individuality and beauty. – S.F. Bulletin.

PAPER CAR-WHEELS are coming into use for cars and locomotives. They are made of cemented sheets of coarse paper, similar to paper mache. Three hundred and fifty tons of pressure gives a hundred sheets of paper the consistency of plank; and the carpenter deals with it as he does with plank. He turns it to circular shape in a lathe. A hole is made in the center, into which a hub is forced, under a pressure of twenty-five tons. The paper wheel is now forced into a steel tire under a pressure of two hundred and fifty tons. This tire had one-half inch bevel upon its inner circumference. Two circular inch plates are then bolted to the tire to keep the paper filling in its place. Thus the tire rests on the paper only, which is rendered more elastic and easy to the machinery, and more comfortable to passengers.

TOOTHACHE. A quick cure of this painful malady is announced in an allopathic journal, but it leans to homeopathy. Inject into the gum two drops of chloroform through a subdermal needle; let it remain a moment in situ, and when withdrawn, press your finger against the wound for a few moments. A single operation suffices in most cases.

CROOK'S DISCIPLINE. Gen. Crook ordered that the Indians on reservations in his department must be present every morning at roll call. The Indians at first demurred, but now quietly acquiesce.

LOCAL HINTS AND HAPPENINGS. Splendid moonlight nights this week.

We hear of a little boy who staggered his mother the other day by asking if bats were mice angels.

Nitro-glycerin is better than kerosene for kindling a fire, because you never know what ails you.

The Empire mine has shut down for the present, quartz-hauling will soon be suspended, and dull times may be expected till about the 1<sup>st</sup> of June.

Mining companies, who contemplate putting pumps in their mines, will do well to see Harry Blakesly as he is an experienced hand at that business.

John Catalow telegraphs that he will be home from San Francisco on tomorrow's stage.

# blic notices

#### SYNOPSIS OF **COMMISSIONERS MINUTES APRIL 8, 2013**

Approved tuition assistance to CSI. Pay authorizations for Road & Bridge 3 and Sheriff's Department. Approved purchase of defibrillators. Adopted Resolution 13-09 Revision of Sage Grouse Plan. Approve closeout of 2010 BHS Grant. Approved extension of post closure plan for Bruneau/Grand View Landfill. Coordination meeting with Jarbidge District BLM. The complete minutes can be viewed online at owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk's office.

#### <u>4/24</u>/13

#### **REF: SMITH, ARLYN** K. AND SHELLY M., 1201.1207151

NOTICE: AS THE RESULT OF AN ORDER ENTERED IN A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, ARLYN KENNETH SMITHAND SHELLY MARIE SMITH MAY NOTBEPERSONALLYLIABLE FOR THE UNPAID BALANCE OF THE BELOW REFERENCED LOAN. HOWEVER, THE BENEFICIARY RETAINS A **DEED OF TRUST DESCRIBED** BELOW WHICH IS SUBJECT TO FORECLOSURE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO. AS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE/LETTER, THE BALANCE TO PAY OFF THE DEED OF TRUST IS \$79,732.26. INTEREST (PRESENTLY AT THE RATE OF 5.75% PER ANNUM) FEES AND COSTS WILL CONTINUE TO ACCRUE AFTER THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE/LETTER. UNLESS YOU DISPUTE THE VALIDITY OF THE DEBT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING NOTICE OF THIS DOCUMENT, THIS OFFICE WILL ASSUME THE DEBT TO BE VALID. IF YOU NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IN WRITING WITHIN THE 30-DAY PERIOD THAT THE DEBT OR ANY PORTION THEREOF IS DISPUTED, VERIFICATION OF THE DEBT WILL BE OBTAINED AND WILL BE MAILED TO YOU. UPON WRITTEN REOUEST WITHIN 30 DAYS, THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE ORIGINAL CREDITOR, IF DIFFERENT FROM THE CURRENT CREDITOR, WILL BE PROVIDED.

NOTICE: IF YOU ARE NOT PERSONALLY LIABLE TO PAY THIS OBLIGATION BY REASON OF A BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING, THEN THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT BUT IS INTENDED ONLY TO RELAY INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR DEED OF TRUST.

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

On 7/3/2013 at the hour of 11:OOam of said day, (recognized local time), on the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, Milemarker 29 1/2 HC 79, City of Murphy located in Owyhee County, State of Idaho.

William L. Bishop, Jr., as successor trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, payable, for certified funds, or the equivalent, which is lawful money of the United States of America, all payable at the time of sale in compliance with Section 45-1506(9) Idaho Code, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit;

Commencing at the intersection of the centerline of the Grand View-Murphy Farm-to-Market Road now known as Highway 78 and the Section line common to Sections 16 and 17, Township 5 South, Range 3 East, said intersection being the point of beginning; thence

South along said Section line 150 feet; thence

West 125 feet; thence North 45° West 100 feet;

thence North 166 feet to the centerline of Highway 78; thence southeasterly along said centerline of the Grand View-Murphy Farm-to-Market Road now known as Highway 78 to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Together with that certain foot 1998 Oakwood manufactured home bearing Serial No. GWOR23N21210 and more fully described in that certain Title Elimination document filed with the Auditor of Owyhee, Idaho on March 12, 1999 under Recording/ Auditor's No. 227774

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessor's office, the address of 34931 State Hwy 78 , Grand View, ID 83624 is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the deed of trust executed by Arlyn K. Smith and Shelly M. Smith, Husband and Wife, as grantors to William L. Bishop, Jr., as successor trustee, for the benefit and security of U.S. Bank National Association ND, recorded March 26, 2009, as Instrument No. 267777 Mortgage Records of Owyhee County,

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

The default(s) for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, under the Deed of Trust note, the following: The monthly payments for Principal and Interest Due from 10/20/2011 through 2/20/2013: and all subsequent payments until the date of sale or reinstatement

These payments include interest at an fixed rate. The current rate is 5.75%. Total: \$8,954.58 Accrued Late Charges \$87.00 Lender's Other Fees \$1,286.00 Previous Bankruptcy Fees and Costs \$726.00 TOTAL DEFAULT \$11,053.58

The sum owing on the obligation secured by the said trust deed consists of the principal balance of \$69,434.72, together with any advances plus foreclosure fees and costs. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments,

### CITY OF HOMEDALE

Quarterly Revenue/Expenditure Report 2nd QTR. FISCAL QUARTER, FY 2013

FUND	BUDGET AMOUNT	Ex	pended to Date	% of Budget Expended	Revenue to Date	% of Budget Revenue
01 General	\$ 658,371.00	\$	268,405.42	40.8%	\$315,259.04	47.9%
03 Parks	\$ 124,521.00	\$	46,260.51	37.2%	\$46,262.75	37.2%
04 Library	\$ 66,423.00	\$	22,640.08	34.1%	\$22,670.88	34.1%
05 L I D	\$ 50,000.00	\$	-	0.0%	\$4,009.61	8.0%
06 Law Enforcement	\$ 370,320.00	\$	168,515.10	45.5%	\$168,514.85	45.5%
30 Airport	\$ 109,525.00	\$	40,093.43	36.6%	\$27,647.23	25.2%
Sub-Total	\$ 1,379,160.00	\$	545,914.54	39.6%	\$584,364.36	42.4%
02 Streets & Hwys	\$ 227,485.00	\$	46,735.85	20.5%	\$50,563.78	22.2%
60 Irrigation	\$ 134,285.00	\$	59,727.78	44.5%	\$87,401.16	65.1%
25 Water	\$ 816,030.00	\$	327,400.38	40.1%	\$387,409.31	47.5%
26 Sewer	\$ 635,155.00	\$	136,841.45	21.5%	\$288,640.66	45.4%
27 Sanitation	\$ 99,000.00	\$	49,621.29	50.1%	\$48,031.53	48.5%
TOTAL (all funds)	\$ 3,291,115.00	\$	1,166,241.29	35.4%	\$1,446,410.80	43.9%

The General Public is invited to inspect all supporting documents for the above Financial

Statement at City Hall during regular business hours.

Signed:

Alice E. Pegram City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: April 24, 2013

### NOTICE OF FEE INCREASES

The Homedale Jt. School District #370, Canyon and Owyhee Counties, proposes to increase the following fee by an amount that exceeds one hundred five percent (105%) of the fee charged last year. The proposed percentage increase of the fees is listed below.

	Last Year	This Year	Percent
Fee	Fee	Fee	Increase
Driver Ed with Online Classroom Course	\$230.00	\$255.00	10.87%

This fee is being increased due to the fact that the fee imposed by IDLA for the online course has been increased by \$25.00 per student.

	This Year (2012-13)	Next Year (2013-14)	Percent	
Fee	Fee	Fee	Increase	
Elementary Lunch	\$1.35	\$1.45	7.41%	
M.S. & H.S. Lunch	\$1.60	\$1.70	6.25%	
This fee is being increased due to Federal Regulations.				

All citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the increased fees request. The hearing will be held on May 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Homedale School District Board Room, 116 East Owyhee, Homedale,

Faith K. Olsen, Business Manager

4/17,24/13

### NOTICE OF BUDGET AMENDMENT Bruneau-Grand View School District No. 365 Elmore and Owyhee Counties

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the regular school board meeting of Joint School District No. 365, THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2013, 7 p.m. Rimrock Jr. Sr. High School, a proposed 2012-2013 budget amendment will be presented for approval. The budget is presently determined by the Board of Trustees and is available for review in the district office. The budget amendment is called pursuant to Idaho Code, Section 33-801. Meeting notices have been posted throughout the district. **PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT** 

School District #365 - Bruneau-Grand View

	<b>GENERAL</b> I	M & O FUNDS	ALL OTHER FUNDS		
	Proposed		Propos		
	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Amended Budget</b>	<b>Current Budget</b>	<b>Amended Budget</b>	
<u>REVENUES</u>	2012-2013	2012-2013	2012-2013	2012-2013	
Fund Balances	\$ - 43,060	\$ 6,390	\$ 229,878	\$ 150,502	
Local Revenue	31,029	739,300	406,478	413,178	
State Revenue	2,760,102	2,607,199	47,643	88,780	
Federal Revenue	137,085	137,085	482,453	467,888	
Other Sourc./Trans.			12,482	12,482	
TOTALS	\$ 2,885,156	\$ 3,489,974	\$ 1,178,934	\$ 1,132,830	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Salaries	\$ 1,257,509	\$1,552,873	\$ 291,644	\$ 318,036	
Benefits	450,989	515,825	88,199	84,672	
Purchased Services	986,032	933,245	116,930	109,280	
Supplies/Materials	137,830	200,092	105,307	114,635	
Capital Outlay	2,160	87,361	53,969	90,178	
Debt Retirement	484	572	357,500	359,900	
Insur./Judgments	37,670	38,132	5,693	5,693	
Transfers	12,482	12,482	000	000	
Contingency		149,392	159,692	50,436	
TOTALS	\$ 2,885,156	\$ 3,489,974	\$ 1,178,934	\$ 1,132,830	
A copy of the school district budget is available for public inspection in the administrative offices of					

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JayDene Aquiso, Clerk Joint School District No. 365 Grand View, Idaho 83624 4/24/13

trustee's fees, attorney's fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure.

DATED: February 27, 2013

Trustee By: William L. Bishop, Jr., Attorney at Law, 720 Olive Way, Suite 1201, Seattle, WA 98101. (206) 622-7527 4/17,24;5/1,8/13

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# Public notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee's Sale No. ID-PRV-13002605

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on August 16, 2013, at the hour of 11:00 **ĀM**, of said day, ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATEDAT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the "Property"), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho,

ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT 'A' AND INCORPORATED HEREIN AS THOUGH FULLY SET FORTH.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 14 BUTTE LANE, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by DALE HUGGINS, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MARY THOMAS, AN UNMARRIED

WOMAN, as Beneficiary, dated 5/12/2011, recorded 5/13/2011, under Instrument No. 274344, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MARY THOMAS, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN.

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

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 5/12/2011, FAILURE TO PAY THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 6/1/2012. AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. IN ADDITION, THE BENEFICIARY WILL REQUIRE AS A CONDITION TO REINSTATEMENT THAT YOU PROVIDE RELIABLE WRITTEN EVIDENCE THAT ALL PROPERTY TAXES AND HAZARD INSURANCE PREMIUMS ARE PAID CURRENT AS PROVIDED IN THE DEED OF TRUST.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee's fees, attorney's fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$42,698.86, together with interest thereon at 6.000% per annum from 6/1/2012, until paid.

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

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

DATED: 4/10/2013.

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

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

#### **EXHIBIT A**

Tract I: Lots 19 and 20 of Block 2 of the Revised Townsite of Butte, now the City of MARSING, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho.

Tract II: A part of Government Lot 6, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, also know as part of Block 2 of GENTRY'S SUBDIVISION to the Village of Marsing, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southeast corner of Government Lot 6, Section 34, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:

North 89° 13' West 377.5 feet along the South line of said Government Lot 6 to the INITIAL POINT; thence

North 12° 42' West 30.8 feet; thence

North 89° 13' West 135 feet parallel to and 30 feet North of the South line of said Government Lot 6 to an iron pipe; thence

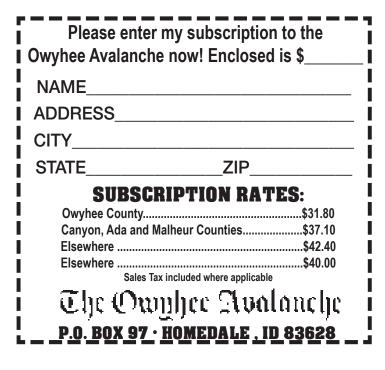
6 to an iron pipe; thence South 12° 42' East 30.8 feet; thence

South 89° 13' East 135 feet to the INITIAL POINT OF BEGINNING.

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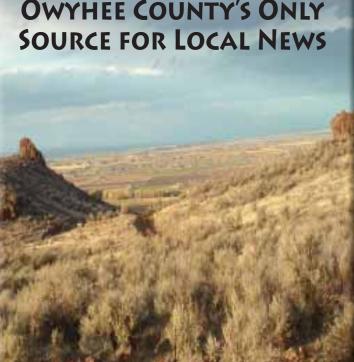
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# From page 1

# √ **Honor:** Native has made mark developing supply line

Cegnar plans to visit Homedale this weekend before driving to Moscow for the ceremony, which takes place in the Student Union Building ballroom.

"I tell everybody, 'I think they ran out of names,'" Cegnar jokes about the honor.

U of I Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology chair Cathy A. Roheim, Ph.D., nominated Cegnar.

Roheim said Cegnar was selected in light of his "exceptional career and community service."

He earned a Bachelor's (1967) and a Master's (1969) in Agricultural Business and Economics from U of I.

A first lieutenant during the Vietnam war, Cegnar is returning to Moscow on Monday as a man who was on the ground floor of creating cooperatives to help the entire supply system for national restaurant chains such as Applebee's and IHOP.

"What we've been really trying to do is take food service to the same level of supply system as Wal-Mart (in retail)," he said.

He has served as president of Lexington, Ky.-based CEO Partners Inc., which serves as a supply-chain consultant for such companies as DineEquity (Applebee's and IHOP), YUM Brands, Nestle, Starbucks, Jack In The Box, J.R. Simplot Co., Pepsico, Dunkin' Doughnuts, Little Caesar's, Denny's and Arby's.

Even though Cegnar is an executive, his company doesn't forget agriculture's roots, having also helped the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the National Pork Board.

Cegnar and two other MBAs founded CEO Partners Inc. 17 years ago after Cegnar had helped Restaurant Services Inc. build a purchasing cooperative to supply food, packaging, equipment and other services to 7,000 Burger King franchises worldwide.

He got his start with McDonald's in 1972, and — after obtaining and MBA from Boise State — rose to become head of the fast food chain's U.S. purchasing arm.

Other career stops included vice president for Popeyes Famous Friend Chicken and Biscuits in New Orleans and senior V.P. for JERRICO Inc. and the Lexington Equipment and Supply Co.

From 2000 to 2002, Cegnar sat on the board for Sybra, Inc., which is the second-largest franchisee of Arby's restaurants.

In 2012, Cegnar served on the U of I's AERS Advisory Board to bring some of the food industry perspective to the department's teaching.

"One of the things that (AERS professor) Larry Makus said is you've got to convince these kids they can break out of Idaho," Cegnar said.

Cegnar certainly has broken out of Idaho, visiting 54 countries during his career.

"I feel very fortunate because I had some breaks. I happened to be at the right place at the right time," Cegnar said. "I probably made some of my own (breaks), but I believe the education had a lot to do with it.

"I find through a lot of people that I'm exposed to that you don't have to have a Princeton or Harvard or Chicago education to make it"

But make no mistake: Cegnar hasn't forgotten his roots. He learned to fly at the Homedale Airport, and still uses that skill to get to places for work sometimes.

"When I go back to Homedale, I get my feet planted back on the ground again because that's the real world out there," he said.

Cegnar lives in Lexington with his wife Fran. He has four children and five grandchildren.

— JPB



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