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## Owyhee Reservoir irrigation in its final days

Water to cease when lake reaches certain level,  
but directors won't pinpoint a date

For the first time in a decade, some irrigators won't have a water shutoff date to circle on their calendars.

The Owyhee Project Joint Committee

decided Thursday to turn off water when the reservoir level gets to a certain point rather than trying to put a date certain on the issue.

Chances are, though, the shutoff could come in the next few days. Officials previously had said that irrigation water wouldn't last too much past Sept. 1, which is Sunday.

"We had an emergency meeting to get a feel for where we're at and where we're heading in the project as far as length of

season," Owyhee Irrigation District manager Jay Chamberlin said.

Gem Irrigation District users who rely on Snake River water supplied by the pumping plant in Marsing will continue to have service after the reservoir is gated.

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### Kickin' it before school



#### Homedale Elementary students stay busy before first bell

Fourth-grader Hayden Kincheloe lets it all hang out — including his tongue — when he lays into a play during a fierce game of kick ball on Thursday at Homedale Elementary School.

## Across-the-board pay increases slated in county budget

Remodels, repairs  
also planned in  
Murphy; hearing  
is Tuesday

Salary increases for most employees, including elected officials, account for about 14 percent of Owyhee County's budget increase as the hearing on the fiscal year 2014 appropriations approaches.

The Board of County Commissioners have figured three percent pay hikes for most employees — including themselves — in the proposed \$8.5 million budget.

The public hearing will take place at 10 a.m. on Tuesday at the Owyhee County Courthouse

in Murphy.

Overall, the county's budget is set to increase 4.4 percent (or about \$357,000) over the current appropriation.

The pay raises include some correction of line items for jail and sheriff's office employees as well as some step increases for sheriff's employees who have worked for the county for a certain amount of time.

The commissioners said that any employee who received a step increase didn't receive the three percent hike.

"We've got a lot of good people, and the focus is on retaining those good people," County Clerk Angela Barkell said, echoing the sentiment the commissioners offered Monday morning before their weekly budget.

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## Candidate filings begin to trickle in; Sept. 6 is deadline

City, taxing district elections set  
for Nov. 6

Two people have filed for November's municipal elections

with the deadline approaching Sept. 6.

Homedale city clerk and treasurer Alice Pegram said that former mayor Harold Wilson has submitted his nomination papers to seek a return to office.

No other nomination forms

have been returned, but council president Dave Downum confirmed he will run for the mayoral position that has been vacant since Paul J. Fink's death earlier this year.

Incumbent Tim Downing said he will not seek a third term on

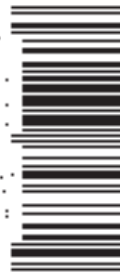
the Homedale council. Downum's council position also is up for election on Nov. 5.

Downing said he made his announcement not to run again so that anyone thinking of filing could have plenty of time to do so.

In Marsing, city clerk Janice Bicandi confirmed incumbent city councilman James Ferdinand has filed paperwork to seek a second term.

Aron Streibel also is up for

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# BOCC weighs in on Succor Creek TMDL

At their Aug. 19 meeting, the Owyhee County Commissioners approved a draft to be written by staff coordinator and Natural Resources Committee (NRC) chairman Jim Desmond to the Department of Environmental Quality about their concerns regarding misinformation on the streams around Succor Creek.

Desmond said a decade-old survey by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and the Bureau of Land Management produced incorrect data for the streams in the area because the data didn't account for Redband trout.

As a result, orders from both governing bodies do not reflect the kind of water in the area.

"It's a different environment," Desmond said.

The commissioners say the subsequent rules and mandates given to the county and NRC are not in line with what is needed.

"The mandates on paper are not realistic," county treasurer Brenda Richards said.

The commissioners also signed a contract for the Juniper mastication projects, which uses funding from the Idaho Department of Fish and Game to improve Sage grouse habitat through juniper removal. The project has been contracted to Ted and Dorothy Payne of Jordan Valley, Ore. for about \$17,000 to be completed by December 2015.

Commissioners approved a resolution recognizing previous service by Sheriff's Deputy Chris Even, and they approved a catering permit for Cowboy's Pasttime Dixie Black for the Bruneau Rodeo and Park for Sept. 21 from noon to 1 a.m. and Sept. 22 from noon to 6 p.m. —RAD



Tailgating with tacos

Marsing High School cheerleaders served up tacos Friday night prior to the three-way football scrimmage featuring the hometown Huskies, Homedale and Emmett (also Huskies) at the Marsing stadium. Both Marsing and Homedale open their seasons Friday.

# Homedale City Council talks fee schedule, King's street traffic

A couple of residents turned out for the public meeting on the fee schedule during the Homedale City Council meeting Thursday.

Marty Geselle said she lamented not coming to the budget hearings, most recently on Aug. 14, but said she was concerned about the increase proposed, specifically the property tax. So she brought up the budget during the fee hearing.

"The property tax went up to the maximum. I'm concerned about that. We keep spending and spending but it's not for services, it's for pay," Geselle said. "Don't get me wrong. I'm not saying you don't deserve a raise, but we need to keep an eye on that. I'm going to pay more attention."

The council said it was glad

Geselle took it upon herself to pay attention to the city's finances. But they said the budget hearing was Aug. 14, and because nobody attended, residents were voicing consent to the four percent increase in pay and the three percent increase in property tax.

The purpose of the fee schedule is to bring all the city fees into one schedule. City clerk and treasurer Alice Pegram also reminded the audience that the only increase in the budget for this year was the nightly Riverside RV Park rental fee from \$10 to \$15. She said a lot of the fees went down, and the other fees "have been here for many, many years."

Jerry Lawrence, president of the Silver Sage Homeowner's Association, told the council he was concerned about cars parked on the corners of the cul-de-sac, blocking drivers' view of children playing in yards or streets. Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said there has never been an incident there, and Lawrence agreed that it was just precautionary but still urged the council to take action.

The council agreed to post a 15 mph speed limit sign in the area, but said that the homeowner's association had the power to enforce parking rules, and should do so. The association can go to door to door, informing people about the parking situation, and can help spread the word about reaching out to repeat offenders and rally community support.

There was no action taken regarding what Lawrence called "mean dogs" in the area.

The council also decided to talk to Jon Blaye, the representative of Aurora Development that is working on bringing a King's Variety Store to Homedale. King's will be located at the old Homedale Auto Recyclers lot at the corner of East Idaho Avenue and North 4<sup>th</sup> Street East.

The development company and the Idaho Transportation

Department disagree on a proposed turn lane coming into the soon-to-be store. Councilman Tim Downing said that although it's a safety issue, it is something that should be worked out between the developer and the ITD, and the city should remain neutral.

However, Blaye asked the city to support him in a request to the governor for a waiver allowing for motorist deceleration and a right turn-in lane to the future King's. The council finally decided instead to have an in-depth chat with Blaye about the details of his request before taking a side.

Andrew Kimmel and Don Acheson represented Riedesel Engineering with the report to the city on wastewater. They said the city is not under any compliance or enforcement actions, so it can take time to decide when and where to make improvements, if any at all.

Riedesel did suggest the city take a look at undertaking some projects soon before they become bigger problems that would require bond permission to fix. An executive summary with four suggested projects ranging from \$65,000 to \$4.1 million was provided to councilmen for review.

Public works supervisor Larry Bauer also addressed the council, noting that there were three main water line breaks in the past month in the park irrigation system. He said they have been repaired, but some pipes would eventually have to be replaced. It would cost around \$1,500 to \$2,000 total from the parks department maintenance budget.

The council also decided to surplus a 1979 Ford F250 utility box pickup truck at Bauer's request. The truck is no longer needed, Bauer said, because the department uses a UTV for meter reading now.

—RAD

## Labor Day holiday hours, closures announced

Monday is Labor Day. Following is information on how the holiday will affect certain services in Owyhee County:

- Emergency services: Dispatch will be available and police, sheriff's, fire and ambulance services will be on duty as usual.
- All post offices: Closed
- All school districts: Closed
- Owyhee County Courthouse: Closed. The Board of County Commissioners meeting will move to 9 a.m. Tuesday and will include the budget hearing.
- All DMVs: Closed
- All city halls: Closed
- Paul's Market in Homedale: Regular hours, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Logan's Market in Marsing: Regular hours, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- The Owyhee Avalanche office: Closed. Deadlines are the same for all submissions except classifieds. The classified deadline will be 5 p.m. Friday.

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Former Meadows Valley Jr.-Sr. High School principal Dion Flaming has joined his wife and son at Homedale this year.

## New Homedale High principal is already “vested” in school

Strong ties in place for Vallivue grad, Canyon resident

Education is a family affair for Dion Flaming.

While most people try to get home after a long day at the office, the new Homedale High School principal — a self-proclaimed homebody — says he’ll probably put in long hours without even realizing it.

Primarily, that’s because his son, Luke, is a senior at HHS, and wife, Debbie, is the school’s curriculum instruction student support specialist.

“It’s more of a family thing,” Dion Flaming said of working late and juggling those long hours with Luke’s football practice. “We go over to Idaho Pizza for dinner and then come back to work.”

The dynamic is one that could be seen to outsiders as unique and a little odd: Mom and Dad working in important roles at the same school as their children try to socialize and survive in a peer-pressure-packed setting.

The Flamings’ daughter, Ashley, graduated from Homedale in 2012, and Luke will get his diploma in the spring.

“My son asked me to interview for the job. That means a lot,” Dion said. “I figure if he wants me here in his world that would be OK.”

“He said, ‘Dad, I want you here to give me my diploma.’”

Flaming handed Luke his eighth-grade diploma at Meadows Valley Jr.-Sr. High School in New Meadows, where Dion worked as principal and Debbie volunteered in several capacities.

“That’s our passion,” Dion Flaming said. “We love working with young people and do it well.”

Flaming is a Vallivue High School graduate. He grew up in the Greenleaf area after moving with his family from California in 1966. He met his wife at Northwest Nazarene College and the family now lives near his parents outside of Greenleaf.

He most recently worked as the adult basic skills director at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

Flaming’s educational career has been varied, however. He has served as a building principal for kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and a dean of students in a secondary setting. Flaming also has experience as an athletic director and has coached track and field and football. He also has served as a federal programs director and has taught Social Studies, U.S. History, World History, Economics and Government.

He also has experience in farming, ranching, heavy equipment operation, trucking and construction. He was a non-profit administrator for 10 years, too.

Flaming succeeds Luci Asumendi-Mereness, who left the HHS principal role after two years to accept the assistant superintendent job in the Caldwell School District under former Homedale schools boss Tim Rosandick.

“We’re going to give 100 percent to Homedale High School and try to make it the best it can be,” Flaming said.

Flaming says that he has a “vested interest” in Homedale High School because his daughter graduated from the school two years ago, his son will graduate this year and his wife continues in her student support and curriculum instruction.

“During these last two years, I have listened to my wife and kids talk about how great Homedale School District is, so when the principal position opened up, I already knew in my heart that Homedale would be a great fit for me.

“My hope is that I can be a part of this community and school for many years.”

— JPB

## Little settles in as Marsing High principal, boys’ basketball coach

Spending part of last year as dean helped with new role

Tim Little got a jump on his new job last spring. Still, he can joke about the new challenges of being Marsing High School’s principal.

“The learning curve is definitely vertical right now,” he said, referring primarily to the legal aspects of state and federal programs.

Perhaps in an administrative sense; when it comes to interpersonal aspects of the new assignment, though, Little built bonds beginning in April, if not before.

He was dean of students for the middle school and high school late last year when the transition in the superintendent’s office from Tracia Craig to Norm Stewart began.

“It helped with the eighth-graders who would be coming into the high school because (after) dealing with them for the last half of the year, they’re familiar with me already.”

Little is no stranger to the high school staff because he has taught in Marsing for the past four years, and he said that helped with the transition from classroom to corner office perhaps more than if a new principal had been brought in from outside the district.

“Because I’ve been in the building and I know the staff, they have an idea of my work ethic and character,” he said.

The 2013-14 school year brings a lot of change for Little. He has given up his athletic director duties and also has switched from girls’ basketball coach to the varsity boys’ squad with the departure of JW Chadez.

This is the first building principal job for the 17-year veteran of education.

“I never pictured myself getting to be a principal,” he said. “The way the set-up is in the district now, this was too hard to pass up.”

He said the attractiveness of the



Tim Little sits in his office at Marsing High School just days into his new assignment as building principal.

opportunity stemmed from being able to walk into an established setting with a firm foundation left by Stewart.

Even as he takes over the principal job, though, Little plans to stay connected.

“The best part about it is I’m still interacting with the kids,” he said, adding that putting a principal in each building for the year (as opposed to last year’s secondary post held by Stewart) will help with staff communication.

Little said his immediate availability in the building will help acclimate new teachers in a school that has seen a lot of turnover this summer.

Little completed a double major undergraduate degree in Health/Physical Education and Psychology at Eastern Oregon University then obtained a Master’s in Science and Education from Western Oregon University. He’s completing his principal’s endorsement through the University of Idaho.

The certificate and the principal’s post completes Little’s ascension. He taught in middle school and high school settings and coached boys’ basketball in Sweet Home, Ore., before spending a year at Nampa’s alternative high school as a teacher.

Now, he’ll start his fifth year

in the Marsing district with two new titles — principal and boys’ basketball coach.

“Academics come first,” he said of the challenge of taking over the Huskies’ hoops program. “During the interview process for principal, I let the board know that was the No. 1 concern and if it became a concern, I had no problem giving up the boys’ basketball job.”

Little, who was a highly successful 4A coach in Oregon, is used to putting in long hours and understands that a big time commitment is staring him in the face come winter.

He included his wife, middle school science teacher Deidra, in a lengthy discussion about going after the high school principal job. They mulled the amount of time involved, her goals and the fact that their family is part of the community (their 7-year-old son, Elliot, is a second-grader, and their 4-year-old daughter, Maizy, will start school next year) and the possible politics involved with being principal.

“The discussion for us to apply for the position stemmed around, well, we’re going to be here in the community,” he said. “It’s a great situation and I want to make the most of it.”

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Summer’s still lingering



**Marsing Elementary students take a break**  
*Youngsters swarm on the playground equipment in Marsing during recess.*

Marsing cell tower proposal delayed

The public hearing that was scheduled for Aug. 19 to discuss the proposed AT&T cell phone tower to be built on Marsing School District property was cancelled. Ironically, it was cancelled because of hesitancy from governing bodies waiting to gauge public reaction to the cell phone tower.

In its regularly scheduled meeting Aug. 13, the school board decided to table the discussion about the proposed cell phone tower because it wanted community feedback from the public hearing first. This caused the city council to table its discussion about it a day later at its regularly scheduled meeting, because city attorney Paul J. Fitzer said the council could not do anything with the proposal without full commitment from the school district first. The council notified the Planning and Zoning committee that the application was incomplete, and the public hearing about the proposed tower was cancelled.

Although the school board submitted an affidavit, Fitzer said he still doesn’t deem the joint application from the school board and AT&T complete, therefore disallowing the city council to proceed with making offers.

Marsing School District Superintendent Norm Stewart said the board didn’t anticipate its decision to table the discussion about the AT&T cell phone tower would eventually cause the cancellation of the public hearing. The school board was informed that if it wanted public opinion, it would have to hold its own hearing. Stewart said there are no plans to do that yet, as the board is still waiting on its attorney to go over the 25-year lease agreement with AT&T as well.

After the attorney has finalized legalities, the school board will make a decision on its next step, Stewart said. That will likely occur at the next regularly scheduled school board meeting Sept. 17.

“It’s a 25-year lease agreement, so we want to make sure it’s the best decision for the Marsing School District and the community,” Stewart said. “We want to weigh all of the options and really look at the pros and cons of the project.”

—RAD

Lawsuit against Owyhee County partially dismissed

In October, Mark Ottens, a former part-time building official for Owyhee County, filed a lawsuit against the county, naming certain officials, for unpaid wages, defamation, negligence, and emotional distress, among other claims.

Last month, Third District Administrative Judge Thomas J. Ryan dismissed seven of the 11 counts filed against the defendants. The remaining claims regarding unpaid wages and defamation are still pending action.

Ottens is the sole plaintiff and the defendants are: the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners; Planning and Zoning administrator Mary Huff; prosecuting attorney Douglas Emery; Idaho Division of Building Safety deputy administrator Stephen Keys; and Les Tibbals, who succeeded Ottens as building official for a brief time.

Ottens was hired to work at Owyhee County in March 2011 and left to work a full-time position with Ada County in April 2012, just more than a year later. Court documents say Ottens claims his position with Owyhee County required him to work 24 hours per week, but to fulfill his duties, he needed to work closer to 27 hours per week. He alleges that he worked the extra hours but did not get paid for them. The lawsuit is asking for \$3,022 in unpaid wages from April 2011 to April 2012.

According to court documents, officials launched an investigation into Ottens’ professional conduct after he vacated the position and attempted to hold a public hearing about it. Because the issue had been made public, Ottens claims damage to his professional reputation occurred.

In November when Ottens filed a claim tort about this case, Emery said, “The claim is found to be non-meritorious and will be aggressively opposed.”

There are no further court dates set for this matter.

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# Open auditions for “Annie” planned in Marsing

Open auditions will be held next week for a community production of “Annie” in Marsing.

Children and adults ages 8 and older are invited to the auditions, which will take place from 3:45 p.m. to 7 p.m. next Wednesday.

The auditions will be held in the Marsing School District cafeteria on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West.

Anyone auditioning must bring a prepared song and have a one-minute monologue ready. There may also be light reading from the script.

Rehearsals will begin on Sept. 9. Performances are scheduled for Nov. 15, Nov. 16, Nov. 22 and Nov. 23.

Leigh Short, a mother volunteering with the district’s after-school program, is coordinating the play.

Short said she suggested putting together

a stage production after she was asked about forming theater classes as part of the after-school program.

Auditions are open to anyone, not just people within the school district.

Call Short at 697-7115 for more information.

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### ✓ Budget: State revenue sharing up, PILT funding down in FY 14 budget

Once the budget is approved, the commissioners’ salaries will increase \$719.79 to \$24,712.79 in FY 2014.

In all, pay increases account for about \$51,000 of the budget increase. About \$4 million of the budget is dedicated to personnel costs, including \$2.89 million in pay and the remaining money in benefits, including health insurance, retirement, workman’s comp and unemployment insurance.

In another employee-friendly move, the commissioners established “employee recognition” lines in many department funds rather than just the \$300 in the clerk’s budget as in previous years.

“In my estimation, we don’t pay a whole lot of money and we need to work avenues to retain the good employees that we have,” Barkell said, adding that the recognition funds were her suggestion.

A total of \$4,900 has been budgeted.

“This is if we want to have a summer barbecue for our employees or if someone goes above and beyond, we’ll give them at \$10 gift card or a turkey

at Christmas,” Barkell said.

Each department head will be in charge of the employee recognition funds in their budget.

**Property tax revenue expected to rise in FY 14**

Property tax revenue is projected to increase four percent (or nearly \$94,000) in the next fiscal year, which runs from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30, 2014.

The commissioners penciled in employee pay raises for the second consecutive year even though the Department of Interior has projected a \$200,000 drop in Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding to offset property taxes lost on exempt federal lands.

The county still expects to receive about \$1 million in PILT funding next summer.

District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland said the board felt comfortable with the pay raises despite the drop in some revenue sources because state revenue sharing is expected to climb.

“The revenue is gradually increasing, so we’re expecting that to offset the reduction in PILT,” he said.

The sheriff’s office and jail

budget accounts for nearly than \$2.15 million of the county budget, which is an increase of about \$90,000. Sheriff Perry Grant plans to purchase three patrol vehicles this year to upgrade the county fleet — and phase out the Dodge Chargers.

The sheriff’s office budget will see a net increase of about \$19,000. A new line for a school resource officer has been set at \$32,000, but Grant said the line could be used for a Marsing city deputy. If neither the SRO grant nor the Marsing law enforcement contract materializes, the sheriff said the money won’t be used.

**911 budget more than doubles with salary, etc.**

The 911 budget has spiked more than 150 percent (or more than \$150,000) to \$253,503. Added this year is a salary line for the 911 coordinator (dispatch supervisor Christine Ballard). Ballard’s salary will be paid from both the 911 fund and the jail fund, from which dispatchers’ pay is drawn.

Grant said the change was made because officials discovered that 911 fees from phone bills

can be used for salaries. He also established a budgetary line for 911 training and created another budget line in the 911 fund to pay for the emergency communications service contracts which previously had been housed in the sheriff’s budget.

Those lines account for nearly \$50,000 of the increase. Another \$50,000 was added to the office and equipment budget because of plans to remodel the dispatch center in FY 2014.

Grant said much of the 911 budget increases will be one-time expenditures.

“I’ve moved money into a few different areas that I think will help us,” Grant said. “After one year of doing this, I think I have a better foothold on the budget and how we want to work it.

“It was an effort between me and my administration on this budget.”

Other large increases in the budget are for the county’s buildings and grounds.

**More county courthouse repairs planned next year**

The commissioners have allocated \$55,000 to replace

three heating units at the county courthouse complex after last year having to replace three air conditioning units. All the heating and cooling units in the county complex are more than 20 years old and have become obsolete, county officials said.

Another \$10,000 will be spent to repair the tank that feeds the Murphy water system. Work to reline the tank will begin in October; an auxiliary tank to provide continuity of service was delivered this week.

The commissioners also set a \$45,000 reserve in the general line of the Current Expense budget because of the murder trial of Rodney Wayne Bibbey, which is expected to begin later this year.

In addition to the loss of some PILT funding, the county had to cut its Weeds Department budget because the Bureau of Land Management has reduced funding. In FY 2014, the county will concentrate on the weeds around government buildings and alongside county roads while reducing spraying on public lands.

— JPB

### ✓ Irrigation: Officials trying to provide as much time for ag producers as possible

Chamberlin said that committee members set a minimum water surface elevation of 2,591 feet as the point when the gates will shut off. That translates to about 8,800 acre-feet of water remaining in the Owyhee Reservoir.

Chamberlin added an open-flow situation — which makes operational provisions difficult for the districts — occurs when the reservoir reaches a storage level of about 5,200 acre-feet.

The reservoir level measured at 57,651 acre-feet on Monday — a draw-down of about 18,000 acre-feet in the previous seven days.

“The demand is so high right now because we’re in such a hot, dry summer,” Chamberlin said.

“With that said, all along we’ve tried to let the growers know that we think we can meet all the demands until Sept. 1.”

This is the first time since 2003 that irrigation directors have had to take such drastic action. Even

a decade ago, water held out until Sept. 15.

“Whether we can make that same date, it’s questionable,” Chamberlin said. “We have so much more corn acreage than 2003; the same with sugar beets, but they’re in different areas than we had 10 years ago.”

The emergency meeting was held five days before a scheduled Tuesday meeting for the Joint Board, which is comprised of South Board of Control directors and Owyhee Irrigation directors. Chamberlin said officials were expected to formalize their decision at that gathering, which was held in Nyssa, Ore., after deadline.

Project directors have had to juggle current needs with the 2014 water year forecast.

“The bottom line is this: We have to worry about this year and get through this season and then deal with what Mother Nature has to bring us next year ... next

year,” Chamberlin said.

The water season has been stretched as long as it has this summer because of the amount of corn and sugar beets planted, Chamberlin said.

“We have a lot of sugar beets that haven’t finished, and (farmers will have) a hard time digging them unless we give them as long as we can,” he added.

Chamberlin said even though the meeting was called at the last minute, there were some growers in attendance, including corn farmers.

“The big concern, as everyone can imagine, is that not knowing because we’re pretty much going to drain the reservoir,” Chamberlin said.

“Farmers are thinking, ‘What will be my (crop) rotation next spring?’ Many have four-year rotations, so that makes it difficult for what they’ll do for the rotation.”

— JPB

### ✓ Deadline: Former mayor current councilman to seek Homedale’s top office

re-election in Marsing.

Grand View clerk Tammy Payne said Monday that no one has returned nomination forms for that town’s city council election. Three seats will appear on the November ballot, including those currently held by Linda Araujo and Mary Bradeen (both two-year terms) and the four-year position held by Marie Hipwell.

The Marsing Rural Fire Protection District board of commissioners could hold an election

in November for two positions including Subdistrict 1, currently held by Bob Malmberg, and the at-large seat from Canyon County that Jerry Floyd holds. Both carry four-year terms.

In the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District, Subdistrict 1 (incumbent Valerie Dines) and subdistrict 2 (incumbent Rick Sherrow) could appear on the ballot.

State law allows for no taxing district election if only one person files to seek a given position.

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# Obituary

## Evelyn Violet (Gusman) Fretwell Smith

Evelyn Smith passed away peacefully on August 23, 2013, in Burbank, Washington, surrounded by her children.

Evelyn Violet Gusman was born on February 24, 1915, at Pleasant Valley, Idaho, the middle child of Francis Marion and Mona Belle (Clegg) Gusman. Evelyn had an older sister, Helen Rose, and a younger brother, Francis Douglas “Doug”. Evelyn attended Pleasant Valley School and graduated from Jordan Valley High School. She went on to Links Business School in Lewiston, Idaho, where she received a stenographer’s certificate.

In 1937 Evelyn married Everett Arthur Fretwell of Rome, Oregon, at the home of her parents in Pleasant Valley. The newlyweds bought a little place in Arock, Oregon, where



they lived for about five years. During this time, Everett and Evelyn had three sons, all born at Arock: Carl, Forest, and Donald.

In a sad turn of events, Evelyn was left to raise three children four years old and younger when Everett died of cancer on October 18, 1942. After the death of her husband, Evelyn sold the farm in Arock and moved her family back to the home of her parents in Pleasant Valley. At that time, Evelyn went to work at the old stone hotel in Jordan Valley as a secretary for the Office of the Grazing Service. After a few years, the Grazing Service closed down in Jordan Valley, and Evelyn went to work in Parma, Idaho, as secretary for the President of Idaho First National Bank. Her parents helped her care for the boys during this time.

After ten years of being a young widow, Evelyn married Louis

Donald “Don” Smith of Arock on October 21, 1952, in Winnemucca, Nevada. The couple moved to Don’s ranch in Arock. In 1956, Don and Evelyn moved to Caldwell, Idaho, and raised their family on a fruit ranch on Sunnyslope. Together, they had four children: Arlene, Jim, Bob, and Dan.

In 1989, Don and Evelyn sold their farm in Idaho and moved to Burbank, Washington, to retire and be near their sons’ farming operations. Evelyn enjoyed spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great/great-grandchildren.

Evelyn will be remembered as the sweetest, kindest lady, always looking out for the comfort of others. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends

Evelyn was preceded in death by Don, her husband of 47 years, in 2000; her parents, brother Doug, sister Helen, son Carl, one grandchild, and one great-grandchild. She is survived by her six children, Forest (Nancy) Fretwell, Don Fretwell, Arlene (Chris) Yamamoto, Jim (Janie) Smith, Bob (Connie) Smith, and Dan Smith, 22 grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, August 31st, at 1 p.m., at Mueller’s Tri-Cities Funeral Home, 1401 S. Union Street, Kennewick, Washington with viewing on Friday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. until the start of the service.

## Death notices

**BERTHA MAE KYGAR**, 69, of Homedale, died Friday, Aug. 23, 2013, at home of natural causes. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. (208) 337-3252

**ALFONSO MANSISIDOR**, 92, a former Homedale resident, died Monday, July 26, 2013. Services were held Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church in Caldwell.

Graveside services with military honors followed at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery.

**RUTH ELIZABETH SHAW McCONNELL**, 93, who once farmed in Adrian, Ore., died Friday, Aug. 16, 2013. A memorial service was held on Saturday, Aug. 24, 2013, at the Nampa Funeral Home, Yraguen Chapel.

## School menus

### Homedale Elementary

Aug. 28: Orange chicken, steamed rice, peas, Mandarin oranges  
Aug. 29: Chili, baby carrots, applesauce, goldfish crackers  
Aug. 30: No school

### Homedale Middle

Aug. 28: Spaghetti or burrito, green beans, side salad, apple  
Aug. 29: Chicken nuggets or orange chicken, steamed rice & carrots, broccoli, Mandarin oranges  
Aug. 30: No school

### Homedale High School

Aug. 28: Idaho haystack or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice  
Aug. 29: Malibu or grilled chicken sandwich or hamburger, potato wedges, salad bar, fruit choice  
Aug. 30: No school

### Marsing

Aug. 28: Teriyaki chicken bowl w/roll or corn dog, buttered corn, salad bar (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)  
Aug. 29: Lasagna w/Italian breadstick or turkey sandwich, potato salad, green beans, salad bar (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)

### Bruneau-Grand View

Aug. 28: Chicken Alfredo, steamed carrots, whole grain breadstick, fruit  
Aug. 29: Enchilada w/salsa, Spanish rice, refried beans, corn, fruit  
Aug. 30: Cheeseburger salad wrap, potato wedges, fruit

## Senior menus

### Marsing Senior Center

Aug. 28: Grilled chicken breast, fiesta blend vegetables, spinach & walnut salad, rice, whole wheat bread, fresh fruit  
Aug. 29: Breaded pork chops, cheesy potatoes, squash, carrot/cabbage salad, peaches, cookies

### Homedale Senior Center

Aug. 28: Meatball sandwich, salad  
Aug. 29: BBQ chicken, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, bread



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# Calendar

**Today**

**Laughter Yoga**  
1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

**Thursday**

**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting**  
6:30 p.m., everyone welcome, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

**Friday**

**Oregon Food Bank distribution**  
10:30 a.m., produce only, W.W. Jones Elementary School, 3513 Arock Road., Arock, Ore. (541) 889-9206  
**Oregon Food Bank distribution**  
11:45 a.m., produce only, Jordan Valley Elementary School, 604 Oregon Ave., Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 889-9206

**Saturday**

**Homedale Farmers Market**  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com

**Tuesday**

**Board of County Commissioners meeting**  
9 a.m., includes fiscal year 2014 budget hearing, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy. (208) 495-2421  
**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting**  
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271  
**Ridgeview Irrigation District board meeting**  
7 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760  
**Gem Irrigation District board meeting**  
7:15 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760  
**South Board of Control board meeting**  
7:30 p.m., South Board of Control office, 118 S. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3760

**Wednesday, Sept. 4**

**Laughter Yoga**  
1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**“Annie” auditions**  
3:45 p.m. to 7 p.m., Marsing School District cafeteria, 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 697-7115  
**Homedale Highway District meeting**  
8 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale.

**Thursday, Sept. 5**

**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center,

224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting**  
6:30 p.m., everyone welcome, First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867  
**Homedale Rod & Gun Club meeting**  
7:30 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431 or homedalegunclub.com  
**Owyhee County Fair board meeting**  
8 p.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale

**Saturday, Sept. 6**

**Story Time**  
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. Call (208) 337-4228 during the afternoons Monday through Saturday

**Saturday, Sept. 7**

**Homedale Farmers Market**  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com

**Monday, Sept. 9**

**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  
**Homedale Fire District board meeting**  
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. W., Homedale.  
**Owyhee County Democrats meeting**  
1 p.m., The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 250-2458  
**Homedale school board meeting**  
7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

**Tuesday, Sept. 10**


**Senior center exercise class**  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Homedale Senior Center board meeting**  
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020  
**Eastern Owyhee Library Board meeting**  
4 p.m., Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View. (208) 834-2785  
**American Legion Post 128 meeting**  
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N., Marsing.  
**Homedale Friends of the Library meeting**  
7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228  
**Jordan Valley City Council meeting**  
7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby St., Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 586-2460  
**Gem Highway District board meeting**  
7:30 p.m., Gem Highway District office, 1016 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4581  
**Marsing school board meeting**  
8 p.m., Marsing School District office, 209 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111

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Michael F. Hanley

## Tales of the ION Country

### Remembering Ed Stauffer

Tom Skinner ran Ed Stauffer’s buckaroo wagon for years and had a wealth of stories to tell about his experiences and employer. The ones I remember Tom telling were about Ed Stauffer, a green kid and Mrs. Pick Anderson.

Stauffer was trailing a herd of cattle to Winnemucca for shipment on the railroad. One of his hands was a big, fat kid who was always spouting off. On one particular day, the kid was riding a big, gray Stauffer horse which he felt needed a hand like himself to straighten out. He rode up to Ed and said, “Mr. Stauffer, if you’ll keep those dunderheads off this horse, I’ll make a bridle horse out of him.” “All right,” said Ed, “I’ll make you a deal. If any worse dunderheads than you want to ride him, I won’t let them.”

The old pioneers learned that if they were to survive they had to work together. In later years when newcomers came in the old timers looked down on them. This attitude created a barrier that was never really breached until the last of them passed on.

The following story told by Tom Skinner points out that relationship.

Stauffer and his outfit were trailing through the Anderson’s ranch on Crooked Creek, Stauffer sent a boy ahead to ask Mrs. Anderson if they could lay over. She ran the boy off and told him to tell his boss, whoever he was, to move on.

The boy reported back to Ed, telling him what Mrs. Anderson had said. “Well, if Mrs. Anderson doesn’t want us to stop then, it’s no problem.” They saw a buggy coming down the road, and it was Mrs. Anderson. “Oh, Mr. Stauffer! It’s so good to see an old-time cowman. I knew that boy would lie to you. You can stay at the ranch. Put your caveata in the field with the bunched hay and cattle any place you want to.”

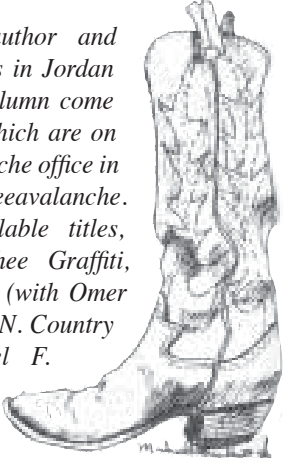
### Out of gas


Tom Skinner chauffeured Ed around after he went to automobiles. One time, they were pulling a hill when the Ford suddenly stopped and the engine speeded up. An axle broke, but Ed exclaimed, “She’s out of gas.”

### Automobiles (Pete Laca)

Pete Laca worked for Stauffer for many years and said that even though he used an automobile, Ed never liked them. One time, Pete said he and Ed were talking in the barnyard at the Brown ranch when a car went by. Ed said, “Confounded automobiles! All they do is make a big noise and dust, run over your cats, dogs and chickens and spook your horses.”


— Local historian, author and rancher Mike Hanley lives in Jordan Valley. Excerpts in this column come from his various books, which are on sale at The Owyhee Avalanche office in Homedale. Visit [www.owyheeavalanche.com](http://www.owyheeavalanche.com) for a list of available titles, including Hanley’s Owyhee Graffiti, Sagebrush & Axle Grease (with Omer Stanford), Tales of the I.O.N. Country and Journal of Michael F. Hanley IV.






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### Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 8 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 98 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 67 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 57,651 acre-feet of water on Monday.

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# Mtn. View Nazarene prepares for annual fair and round up

Family event, women’s worship seminar set next month

The Mountain View Church of the Nazarene has announced two public events, beginning with its seventh annual Family Fair & Round Up set for Sunday, Sept. 8.

The Family Fair & Round Up takes place from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., in Homedale.

Chuck Ryan, pastor of the church located at the corner of Batt Corner and Ustick Roads between Homedale and Wilder, will lead the 10:30 a.m. Cowboy Church Service titled “Boots, Bits and Spurs ... Ride On!” The Cowboy Church takes place inside the Rodeo Arena.

Parking and admission to the event are free. There are several drawings as well and each person who walks through the gates gets one free ticket for the drawings.

There will be free prizes, games and activities for preschoolers through fifth-graders.

Music will be provided by Betty and Ozark Mountain Music and former Liberty Quartet member Paul Ellis.

A drive for school supplies has been added to Love INC’s annual

food drive, and extra door prize tickets will be given for each bag of donated items. Free tickets for the Sept. 9 Melody of Love event featuring the Chicken Dinner Road Bluegrass Band also will be available through Love INC.

For more information, visit [www.mvcnaz.org](http://www.mvcnaz.org) or call 337-3151.

The church will host a mid-September simulcast event with Bible teacher and women’s author Beth Moore. Tickets for this event cost \$20 and will be available until Sept. 8. The ticket price includes the event and a box lunch. Tickets will not be available at the door. Women may purchase tickets by calling the church at 337-3151.

Moore’s storytelling and Bible teaching will be featured during the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Living Proof Live, a program sponsored by Nashville-based publisher LifeWay Christian Resources.

According to a press release, the event challenges and encourages women to grow deeply in their faith. The event runs from 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 14.

Dove-award winning musical artist Travis Cottrell, who also serves as worship pastor of Englewood Baptist Church in Jackson, Tenn., is slated to lead worship during the simulcast.

Mountain View Church of the Nazarene is located at 26515 Ustick Road between Wilder and Homedale.



Six “Greenwings” took part in the Ducks Unlimited shoot Aug. 18, including, from left, Alicia Barkell, 15, of Marsing; Blair Armstrong, 14, of Eagle; Curtis Stansell, 17, of Homedale; Jacob Drexler, 18, of Boise; Jake Armstrong, 11, of Eagle; and Jason Puri Jr., 13, of Wilder. Submitted photo

# Dozens join Ducks Unlimited during fun shoot for all ages

Owyhee chapter slates pig roast for Sept. 6

The “Fun Day at the Range” turned out to be a productive day, too, for Ducks Unlimited.

The fun shoot outside Homedale was held Aug. 19. Idaho Sporting Clays and the Owyhee County chapter of Ducks Unlimited sponsored the event.

Sixty-five new DU members took part in the shoot at Idaho Sporting Clays, including six Green Wings, youth 18 and younger. Participants traveled from Jordan Valley and Ontario, Ore., to participate.

More than \$600 in gift certificates and merchandise donated by local merchants and contractors was given away.

Twelve women and 47 men also participated in the shoot.

Nyssa, Ore., resident Stan Tuckness won a 12-gauge Winchester XPS shotgun.



Owyhee County Ducks Unlimited chapter chair Harold Denney, left, presents Nyssa, Ore.’s Stan Tuckness with a 12-gauge Winchester XPS shotgun at the Aug. 18 event. Submitted photo

Next up for Owyhee County’s Ducks Unlimited chapter is its fall pig roast and party, which takes place at Homedale Municipal Airport on Friday, Sept. 6.

Anyone registering for the event by Monday will be entered into an early bird drawing.

The event starts with a special sponsor social at 5 p.m., followed

by the pig roast and party at 6 p.m.

The evening includes raffles, auctions, games, special ladies’ prizes and several guns to be given away. Registration is available at [www.ducks.org/idaho](http://www.ducks.org/idaho).

For more information, call Owyhee County DU chair Harold Denney at (208) 921-6733.

# Man hospitalized after Idaho 51 wreck

Duck Valley officials alert ISP

A Nevada man was taken to the hospital early Saturday morning after his motorcycle crashed at the Duck Valley Indian Reservation.

Troy Thomas, 24, of Owyhee, Nev., was driving south on Idaho highway 51 on a 1993 Suzuki motorcycle. A statement from the Idaho State Police said Thomas

swerved to avoid a cow in the road, lost control of his motorcycle and crashed. ISP was alerted by Duck Valley Indian Reservation authorities. Thomas was taken by air ambulance to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise. Details about his condition have not yet been released.

ISP said Thomas was not wearing a helmet, but there are no citations anticipated. The crash is still under investigation.



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# Meet the new staff: Marsing

## Kelli Hecker

*MES fifth-grade*

**Hometown** — Boise

**Current residence** — Boise

**Professional background** — Customer

service at Sportsman's Warehouse, then Marsing Elementary; first year teaching.

**Educational background** — Associate from College of Western Idaho. Bachelor's from Boise State University.

**Reason for coming to the school district**

**and hopes for the new position** — I love the community and people who live out here.



Kelli Hecker

## Dustin Gochenour

*MHS social studies and recreational sports*

**Hometown** — Cheyenne, Wyo.

**Current residence** — Meridian

**Professional Background** — Completed

student teaching and a year of substitute teaching in Casper, Wyo., in Natrona County School District.

**Educational Background** — Associate degree from Eastern Arizona College in Thatcher, Ariz., and Bachelor of Arts in social studies education from the University of Wyoming.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — "I came to Marsing School District with the hopes of making a difference in a small community. I grew up in a small town similar to Marsing and had great teachers that had an impact on my childhood and adolescent years. I hope to have a similar impact in the town of Marsing as a social studies teacher."



Dustin Gochenour

## Carol A. DeWitt

*MMS seventh-grade language arts and reading*

**Hometown** — Anderson, Calif.

**Current residence** — New Plymouth

**Professional background** — Have

been in the field of education entire life, starting with assisting swim lessons during teenage years, and working at preschools and daycares while putting myself through college. Have taught second through eighth grade in Idaho and Oregon over the last 15

years, was the math and reading intervention teacher for Marsing Elementary, and an educational assistant/paraprofessional last year here at Marsing Middle School.

**Educational background** — Bachelor of Arts in child development and K-8 Certified Teacher through California State University, completed Master of Art in special education through Boise State University.

**Reason for coming to the school district**



Carol DeWitt

**and hopes for the new position** — I truly enjoy the country community atmosphere where teachers really get to know the students and families through community connections and facilitating activities that expand and relate to the students' lives. We will explore reading and writing through experiences that will build lifelong learning skill and knowledge necessary to be productive and proactive citizens.

## Greg Stone

*MHS ninth-grade earth science*

**Hometown** — Ketchum

**Current residence** — Emmett

**Family** — Mom and Dad live in Emmett

as well, where Dad is a medical doctor.

**Professional background** — Two years of science teaching, many years of substitute teaching, three years directing and coaching the Mt. Bachelor Ski Education Foundation Cross-Country Ski Racing Program

**Educational background** — Master's in education, secondary science from Eastern Oregon University in August 1999. Bachelor of Science in small business management and entrepreneurship from University of Colorado in December 1988.



Greg Stone

## M. Anne Liebenthal

*MHS Spanish, ENL*

*(English as a New Language)*

**Hometown** — Idaho Falls

**Current residence** — Nampa

**Professional background** — I began teaching in 1986, and have alternated between teaching and homemaking until becoming an empty-nester with three kids in college. With a few years of middle school reading and social studies in Utah, and adult Spanish and writing in Connecticut, I have taught mainly in Idaho, and focused on Spanish during nine years in District 251, in Rigby.

**Educational background** — Associate of Arts and Sciences from Ricks College in Rexburg, majoring in English with an Honors emphasis; a year and a half abroad in Perú; Bachelor of Arts from Brigham Young University with a teaching English major and teaching Spanish minor. Recently endorsed in ENL.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — Having never lived in western Idaho, I have many new opportunities and experiences available which were less of a priority when I had children at home. I've found rural students to be more mature, responsible and trustworthy during my career, and with Boise so close, I have great access to post-graduate pursuits, but get to work with high-caliber teens. Until week before last, I had no idea there was such beautiful fields, orchards and vineyards in our state. The commute to and from Nampa will be a daily delight.

*(Answer has been edited for space)*



Anne Liebenthal

## Cheryl Katich

*MMS Title 1 Intervention (Math) and math/language intervention*

**Hometown** — Overton, Nev. (45 minutes outside Las Vegas)

**Current residence** — Nampa

**Family** — Sam Katich — Married 16 years. High school sweethearts — Been together as a couple for 21 years. We have a 16-year-old son, Noah.

**Professional background** — Previously worked as an extended resource aide at Vallivue School District in Caldwell.

**Educational background** — Went to BSU part-time for eight years while working full-time for Vallivue School District.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — Heard Marsing was doing great things with students and technology. Wanted to be a part of a great team.



Cheryl Katich

## Shontel "Shonie" Jarvis

*MMS sixth-grade social studies*

**Hometown** — Middleton

**Current residence** — Marsing

**Family** — Married 20 years to husband Travis, who works as baseball coach for MMS. Have three kids; Tristan, a junior at MHS; Logan, a recent MHS graduate; and Jordan, who works as assistant baseball coach for American Legion. Has two grandkids.

**Educational background** — Graduated summa cum laude from Northwest Nazarene University in 2011 with Bachelor's in education and endorsement in K-8. Graduated phi beta kappa from Treasure Valley Community College with associate degree in 2007.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — "To not be another one and done."



Shonie Jarvis

## Johnathon Cossel

*MHS weight training and health*

**Hometown** — Marsing

**Current residence** — Nampa

**Family** — Wife, Rachel, works as director of recruitment and selection at Northwestern Mutual in Nampa

**Educational background** — Bachelor's in education from Northwest Nazarene University and certified K-12 physical education and health.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — "I have a lot of personal connections here with friends and family that don't just go here but work here, too. I want to bring to light educational factors in both areas of health. There's been a lot of research done in those fields that aren't taught, and I want to bring educa-



Johnathon Cossel

tion itself back to physical education. I want to not only make and develop successful teams, but help the kids develop emotionally and psychologically."

## Jacob Skousen

*K-12 instructional coach, Title 1 intervention, ENL for MMS, MHS*

**Hometown** — Ontario, Ore.

**Current residence** — Caldwell

**Family** — Wife Elysa and five children Diego, 13, Xochitl, 6, Itzali, 5, Ana, 3, Ysela, 2

**Educational background** — Associate degree from Treasure Valley Community College in ESL and bilingual education. Bachelor's from Boise State University in elementary education, bilingual education, and ESL. Master's in curriculum instruction with an emphasis in bilingual education, and Master's of Education in education leadership from BSU. Currently enrolled in doctorate program at BSU for administration.



Jacob Skousen

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — "Ultimately, I'm a teacher, regardless of whether I'm teaching kids or adults. Adminstrating is still teaching. I'm teaching and leading teachers. What role I'll have in the future, only time will tell. But Marsing is awesome. I already work with an exceptional staff."

## Robin Simpson

*MHS counselor*

*and cross country and track coach*

**Hometown** — Born in Cascade but grew up in Boise

**Current residence** — Caldwell

**Family** — One son, Cooper, 21

**Professional background** — Worked in advertising and publishing in a publishing business in central Idaho for 15 years. Then after career change, became counselor/manager at an international student facility in Spokane, Wash. Then began first year as school counselor in Marsing.

**Educational background** — Completed undergrad at Boise State University with Bachelor's in communication. Then, completed Master's in school counseling at the University of Idaho.

**Reason for coming to the school district and hopes for the new position** — "I came to Marsing because I'm familiar with the area, it's a small town, and it has a diverse population. Since I'm new, I plan to become an integral part of the staff and community and continue working in the best interest of students so they can succeed in and after high school."



Robin Simpson

## Next week

Homedale schools' new staffers get the chance to introduce themselves

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Meet the new high school chiefs

# New Leaders in Marsing schools

## Young elementary principal ready for next challenge

**Tyson Beggs continues career in administration**

The new Marsing Elementary School principal is just 30 years old in a state where the median age for school principals is 48, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.

Tyson Beggs said he is grateful to the Marsing School District for giving him the opportunity to lead the elementary school.

“It’s hard work, dedication and passion,” he said about coming into his new position. “I followed my passion and Marsing believed in my passion. But you can’t do it without an opportunity. I’m



*Tyson Beggs*

extremely grateful for the opportunity Marsing gave me.”

Beggs was born and raised in Clarkston, Wash., just three miles

west of Lewiston.

“I basically grew up in Idaho,” he said. “They (Lewiston) were our rivals.”

After high school, Beggs went to Point Loma Nazarene University in San Diego and earned his bachelor’s degree in mathematics. He then came to Idaho and got his master’s in curriculum and instruction and an education specialist degree in building administration from Northwest Nazarene University.

Beggs said his main driving force behind teaching was a desire to coach baseball. So when Columbia High School opened in Nampa in 2006, he began coaching there and shortly after that, began teaching math at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. He

coached baseball and taught math at Vallivue for six years before becoming the principal of Marsing Elementary School, after hefty encouragement from E. Michael Poe, NNU program director for educational leadership.

“He kept telling me, ‘You need to do this.’ And I dragged my feet and said, ‘I wanna coach baseball,’ but I eventually went for it and I fell in love with administration. I love being able to influence kids in a positive manner,” Beggs said.

Beggs also had experience being principal of Vallivue’s summer school for two years, and its vice principal for one year before that.

His goal for the elementary school is to get it to a five-star school rating in three years.

Marsing Elementary was given a three-star rating for the 2011-12 academic year and a two-star rating for 2012-13.

Beggs’ plan is to align the curriculum with Idaho’s Common Core standards and the Idaho Content Standards, and to have staff hold each other accountable to work as a team through weekly collaboration and vigorous data tracking of students’ progress.

“I have one of the best staffs in the valley and they will get us there,” Beggs said. “I mean this when I say it. They need a good job, and through my leadership and their teaching, we will get there.”

Beggs and his wife, Jonel, live in Caldwell with their 3-year-old son.

—RAD

## Skeeter Duby steps up as middle school principal

**Jordan Valley native longed for small-town feel again**

As Allen “Skeeter” Duby dusts off his jeans freshly dirtied by a team roping competition at the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo with his son, Steve, he prepares to lead a school into a new school year.

The new Marsing Middle School principal goes by his nickname, “Skeeter,” which is a name he has had since childhood. It’s the name he uses to compete in rodeo competitions, too.

Duby was hired as the school

principal this summer, leaving his job as vice principal of Nampa High School to do so. Duby had been at Nampa High for eight years, first as a math teacher, then as dean of students, then finally vice principal. Before that, he was at West Middle School in Nampa. But his career began in Jordan Valley, Ore., his hometown. He taught physical education and math for six years there. Duby attributes his upbringing in Jordan Valley to his move to Marsing.

“I wanted to be principal and a smaller school district appeals to me,” he said. “It’s what I grew up with.”

Duby faces specific challenges in the small school district because he is the only administrator in that building.



*Allen “Skeeter” Duby*

“It’s just different responsibilities I’ve taken on by becoming principal. There more areas to be concerned about (in

middle school),” he said. “But I do it with the help of the admin staff — they really keep me going.”

Duby also coached at Jordan Valley, as head football coach and boys’ basketball coach. He said he misses coaching, but he looks forward to a new way to connect with students.

“I like to be able to create relationships with all the kids, to be able to help more than just a few in my class,” he said. “I want to be able to have a positive impact on students across the district.”

As a principal, Duby will still be involved with sports programs “as another avenue to show support for students.”

His goal with Marsing Middle School is to get the curriculum in

compliance with Common Core state standards and, of course, to see the students progress.

“We want to see them coming out of classes and see them with the skills needed to move on to high school or high school and on,” Duby said.

Duby is single and still lives in Nampa, but said he is looking to relocate closer to his job. His three sons still live relatively close and are each cowboys in their own right. His 16-year-old, Steve, is taking online high school classes in Idaho; his 18-year-old, Taylor, is attending college in Walla Walla, Wash.; and his 23-year-old, Jason, lives in Klamath Falls, Ore. They have each competed in rodeos over the years.

—RAD



## New state highway facility awaits finishing touches

**ITD’s Murphy shed nearly done**

An Idaho Transportation Department spokesperson said that the agency’s new maintenance shed in Murphy is 98 percent complete. The shed on Idaho highway 78 about two miles east of Murphy will be used for quicker response for snow removal and road maintenance, ITD spokesperson Reed Hollinshead said. At present, crews have to respond from sheds in Caldwell, Marsing or the Mountain Home/Grand View area. Photo courtesy of Idaho Transportation Department

# Just a Pinch



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By Janet Tharpe

## Summertime Delight, Berry Cheesecake Cobbler

**“My family loves cheesecake and cobbler. So I made this to satisfy all their cravings!”**



Tammy Stephens  
Fairhaven, MA (pop. 16,095)



What says summer more than a front porch, a cool breeze and a big slice of berry cobbler? Home cook Tammy Stephens’ Triple Berry Cheesecake Cobbler is simply summertime on a plate. This recipe is a perfect way to use berries that are in season. Feel free to substitute berries you like - the options are endless! See step-by-step photos of Tammy’s recipe plus thousands more from home cooks nationwide at: [www.justapinch.com/berrycobbler](http://www.justapinch.com/berrycobbler) You’ll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember to use “just a pinch”...

### Triple Berry Cheesecake Cobbler

*-Janet*

**What You Need**

**FOR THE BERRIES**  
2 pt each of strawberries, blueberries, and raspberries or 2 12 oz. packages of frozen mixed berries, thawed and drained

**FOR THE CHEESECAKE**  
(4) 8 oz pkg softened cream cheese  
1 c sugar  
2 tsp vanilla extract  
4 large eggs

**FOR THE COBBLER**  
2/3 c quick oats  
2/3 c brown sugar  
2/3 c flour  
1 tsp cinnamon  
1/2 tsp nutmeg  
3/4 c butter, softened

**FOR THE CAKE**  
2 c cake flour  
2 tsp baking powder  
1/2 tsp salt  
1/2 c butter, softened  
1 c sugar  
3 large eggs, room temp  
2 tsp vanilla  
3/4 c milk

**Directions**

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- Mix 1/2 berries with 1/2 cup of sugar. Set aside.
- In bowl, beat together cream cheese and 1 cup of sugar until combined. Add 2 tsp vanilla; mix well. Add 4 eggs, one at a time, until combined.
- In another bowl, mix, quick oats, brown sugar and 2/3 cup flour. Add cinnamon and nutmeg. Mix well. Add 3/4 cup softened butter until mixture is completely moist and crumbly.
- In another bowl combine cake flour, baking powder, and salt with a whisk. Set aside. In a large bowl, cream 1/2 cup of butter and 1 cup of sugar until light and fluffy. Beat 3 eggs in one at a time until combined. Add 2 tsp of vanilla and mix until combined. Slowly beat in flour mixture and milk, alternating until smooth. Pour half of batter into greased 9x13 pan.
- Pour cream cheese batter over cake batter. Sprinkle half of berry mixture, without sugar, over entire surface of cake. Sprinkle oat crumble evenly over top of berries.
- Bake at 350 for 50 minutes. Let cake cool completely. Cut into 16 squares. Pour remaining berry mixture over each serving.

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# Drug suspect who skipped sentencing arrested in Nampa

## Man who pawned OCSO property jailed briefly

A California man originally arrested in October with three others in a speeding car for alleged possession of marijuana is back in custody.

Sergio Alejandro Bejar, 23, failed to appear for court proceedings after his arrest in October when Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy David Green stopped a speeding Dodge Charger on U.S. Highway 95.

Nampa Police arrested Bejar on Aug. 22, and he returned to Ada County to face a misdemeanor drug possession charge stemming from an arrest on New Year’s Day. Bejar was to spend four days in Ada County Jail, with the term scheduled to end Monday.

Ada County Jail had no record of Bejar on Monday afternoon, and no one was available in either the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office or the county jail to give an update on his status. No court dates are scheduled in Murphy either.

The Fresno, Calif., resident still



Sergio Bejar

must answer two felonies and a misdemeanor from the October case.

Bejar was charged with criminal conspiracy, marijuana trafficking and misdemeanor drug paraphernalia possession after his arrest in the fall.

A \$50,000 warrant was issued when Bejar failed to appear in the Owyhee County Courthouse for sentencing in February.

### Man arrested for not returning OCSO cam

Gem County Sheriff’s Office arrested Homedale resident Christopher Tuckness on an Owyhee County warrant for petty theft. Tuckness, 28, was booked into Gem County Jail in Emmett on Aug. 21 and bonded out on the same day.

Sheriff Perry Grant said that his office had loaned a camera to Tuckness so he could monitor his family’s property on Johnstone Road after some suspicious occurrences.

Grant said that Tuckness was given the camera, valued at \$100, in November.

“He ended up ultimately pawning it in Homedale,” Grant said. “It had a big ‘OCSO’ painted on the side.”

Grant said the camera was sitting in Patriot Pawn’s South Main Street location when the building burned down.

— JPB

# Patrons can now browse Homedale library items online

## Story Time set to return next week

Homedale Public Library director Margaret Fujishin has announced that its inventory listing is available online for customers to browse before coming to the library.

Customers can find out what books, audiobooks, DVDs and music CDs are available either from a computer or a mobile device.

The inventory can be found on [worldcat.org](http://worldcat.org) or [homedale.bibliionix.com](http://homedale.bibliionix.com).

On [worldcat.org](http://worldcat.org), library users can enter a ZIP code and locate items at participating libraries in their vicinity.

The Homedale library’s Apollo Automation website is available at [homedale.bibliionix.com](http://homedale.bibliionix.com).

The inventory is searchable by subject, author or title at both sites.

“As yet, not all functions are available to Homedale users on Apollo,” Fujishin said in a release.

“Library staff members are working on entering our patrons’ information and assigning barcodes for library cards.”

Fujishin added that once the Apollo site is completed, patrons will be able to reserve and renew items from home.

“They will be able to find out what items they have checked out and when they are due,” she said.

Fujishin said customers can call the library at 337-4228 to reserve items listed on either site.

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

Fujishin also announced that Story Time for preschoolers will return Friday, Sept. 6.

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# Avalanche Sports

## 2013 PREP FOOTBALL PREVIEWS



The Marsing High School football team will repeat this walk Friday night when the play host to Parma in both teams' season opener.

### Huskies shift gears one year after state semis

New QB directs speedy offense; defense loaded with veterans

It's not typical for a coach to tinker with a formula that landed his team a win away from the 2A football state championship game. But Jaime Wood did exactly that after taking Marsing High School to only its second state semifinal appearance in history and a 9-2 record in 2012. First, he installed a Wing-T offense fashioned Porterville (Calif.) coach Rick Stewart. Stewart visited Marsing in the spring to run a camp dedicated to the scheme. Then, Wood took Austin Williams, his quarterback for the past two seasons, and

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First-year Homedale varsity quarterback Lawsen Matteson looks to throw the deep ball against Emmett in Friday's scrimmage in Marsing.

### Trojans embark with new QB, veteran defense

Holtry sees six of eight starters return to defensive line, LB spots

Homedale High School begins the football season Friday with a new offensive coordinator and a new quarterback. The defense will have the same tough attitude, though. Coach Matt Holtry said goodbye to former high school and college teammate Erik Johnson for the second time in his first four years with the Trojans and hello to sophomore quarterback Lawsen Matteson. The one constant when Homedale hits the road will be the season-opening opponent. The Trojans take on Caldwell for the second

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The Homedale High School cross country team has begun a new era after the program was reinstated Aug. 12.

## Experienced nucleus has upstart HHS cross country confident

Ankeny leads reinstated program into Friday opener at Nampa park

Based on the optimism, a casual observer wouldn't think that Homedale High School hasn't fielded a cross country team since 2009. "(The outlook) looks very promising," coach Heidi Ankeny

said. "We have more kids out than expected, and there is a lot of excitement and support surrounding the program." Even though the majority of athletes out for the squad this year were still in elementary school or

middle school when the school board dropped the sport in the spring of 2009, the Trojans still will bring state-caliber athletes to their first meet. Homedale starts the season Friday with the Skyview Invitational at Skyview Park in Nampa.

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# Sports



Senior tailback Austin Williams (4) showed in Friday's scrimmage against visiting Emmett that he could mimic a fullback hitting the hole as he escorted Marsing teammate Tristan Jacobi on a gainer.

## ✓ Huskies: New-look offense will challenge defense with quickness, size

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inserted the speedy senior at tailback as the focal point for the new-fangled offense.

With sophomore Rodrigo Acuna arriving to assume the quarterbacking duties, Wood is ready to take advantage of a quicker-paced offense.

As he did during Friday's scrimmage against Emmett, Williams will run behind a

seasoned offensive line that features size and quickness. The Huskies open the season Friday at home against non-conference foe Parma from the 3A Snake River Valley conference.

Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. The offensive line includes seniors PJ Even (6-foot-5, 330 pounds), Gage Ramirez (6-2, 260), Ector Quebrado (5-8, 200) and Raul Garcia (5-9, 175) and

junior Noah Grossman (5-11, 220).

The four seniors across the offensive front comprise nearly a quarter of the Huskies' 17 upperclassmen.

The speed continues on the wings, too, with 6-0, 175-pound senior Tristan Jacobi and 5-10, 165-pound junior Lorenzo Lankow.

Senior Charlie Galvez (5-6, 185) will play tight end, with 6-2,

170-pound junior Garret Briggs taking the spot when Galvez adds beef in the backfield.

Teams may find it hard to run into the teeth of the Huskies' defense with Even and Ramirez clogging the middle. Josiah Hay-Smith, a senior transfer from Hawaii's big island, and 5-11, 200-pound junior Noah Grossman will patrol the ends.

When opponents try to go to the

air, they'll have to deal with the coverage capabilities of Rodrigo Acuna and the senior trio of Hudson Sauer (5-10, 165), Jose Acuna (5-10, 160) and Les Loucks (5-7, 150) in the secondary.

The Huskies are solid at linebacker, too, with four seniors expected to see action, including Galvez, Williams, Jacobi and 5-9, 175-pound senior Raul Garcia.

— JPB

# MARSING HUSKIES



Cross country Coach  
Robin Simpson



Football Coach  
Jamie Wood



Volleyball Coach  
Loma Bittick

## Cross Country

Coach — Robin Simpson, first season  
Thursday, Sept. 5 at New Plymouth Invitational, 4 p.m.

## Football

Coach — Jaime Wood, fourth season  
Varsity  
Friday, Aug. 30, home vs. Parma, 7 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Thursday, Aug. 29 at Parma, 6 p.m.

## Volleyball

Coach — Loma Bittick, 12th season  
Varsity  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Weiser, 7 p.m.  
Friday, Aug. 30 at Kuna Klassic, Kuna  
4 p.m. — vs. Columbia  
5:15 p.m. — vs. Cole Valley Christian  
6:25 p.m. — vs. Weiser  
8:05 p.m. — vs. Emmett  
Saturday, Aug. 31 at Kuna Klassic, Kuna  
9:10 a.m. — vs. Capital  
10:20 a.m. — vs. Vale, Ore.  
11:30 a.m. — vs. Horseshoe Bend  
To follow (TBA) — Single-elimination tournament  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Parma, 7 p.m.  
Junior varsity A  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Weiser, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.  
Junior varsity B  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Weiser, 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Parma, 6 p.m.



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# Sports

## ✓ HHS: State track qualifiers give new squad instant credibility with foes

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Junior Riley Portwood, a 3A state meet qualifier in the 1,600- and 3,200-meter races for Homedale in May, competed for Canistota (S.D.) High School's cross country squad as a freshman.

Another junior, Cole Hungate, has run cross country at Greenleaf Friends Academy since his middle school days. He transferred to HHS this summer.

"He has experience competing at the state level in both cross country and track," Ankeny said. "He is a very competitive and dedicated runner who brings a lot of experience and skill to our team."

Portwood and Hungate should form the nucleus of the Trojans' boys' squad, which has enough personnel to field both a varsity and junior varsity team at meets.

"Both boys are quick, determined and skilled distance runners who have competed at the

state level," Ankeny said.

There are only three girls out for the team this year, led by sophomore Maya Correa, who competed in the 3,200 at State in the spring. She also stays in shape as a member of the Vallivue High School girls' soccer team, which Ankeny says will limit her availability for cross country meets.

Correa is joined by seniors Kathryn Thatcher and Brie Harvey, two track and field veterans from whom Ankeny expects to see improvement through the fall.

"Already, their work ethic is amazing, and they always go above and beyond what is asked of them," Ankeny said.

The coach sees Portwood, Hungate and Correa as prime candidates to duplicate their state-qualifying success in track come November. The 3A state championship run is scheduled for Nov. 2 in Idaho Falls.


Even though Homedale hasn't

### About the team

**Coach** — Heidi Ankeny

Ankeny served as an assistant for sprints, relays and long distances last spring under former Homedale High School track and field coach Thomas Thomas.

She lettered in cross country all four years of high school then competed on scholarship at George Fox University in Newberg, Ore.



Heidi Ankeny

**Boys** — Esteban Lejardi, sr.; Caleb Oviedo, sr.; Adam Hotchkiss, sr.; Riley Portwood, jr.; Cole Hungate, jr.; Kincade Kincheloe, jr.; Daniel Silva, jr.; Benny Schamber, so.; Isaac Harvey, so.; Lance Eaton, so.; and Ryan Randall, fr.

**Girls** — Kathryn Thatcher, sr.; Brie Harvey, sr.; and Maya Correa, so.

**Note** — Homedale hasn't fielded a cross country team since 2009

had a cross country team since the fall of 2009, Ankeny anticipates her charges will be competitive in the 3A Snake River Valley conference.

"From what I have seen, most of the teams in our conference are built similar to ours, with a few

strong runners leading the team, so I don't know that one will be more competitive than another," she said.

"Weiser has several strong boys as well as Fruitland, but our boys can hang in there with them."

Ankeny also thinks Correa will be able to compete with Parma's speedy contingent.

"The biggest advantage that other teams in our conference have over us is experience on the courses that we will be running," Ankeny said.

The school board officially reinstated the cross country team — and hired Ankeny as coach — at its Aug. 12 meeting. Fundraising during the summer allowed the program to meet the board's mandate to be self-funded.

"Without the great community of Homedale backing us, this start-up season would not be possible," Ankeny said. "We plan to make you proud."

— JPB

## ✓ Trojans: Holtry takes over offensive coordinator job as Johnson leaves

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consecutive season, with the Cougars playing host to a 7 p.m. kickoff.

Holtry will handle the offensive play-calling as Matteson lines up behind an offensive line laden with returners.

"The return of our offensive line should help with our run game as well as protecting our first-year varsity quarterback in our pass game," Holtry said.

Matteson took the Trojans' deep

several times during last Friday's scrimmage against Emmett.

The results show that — despite Johnson's departure to the head coaching gig at 4A Ontario, Ore. — the Trojans may maintain a high-flying attitude.

That game plan will succeed, though, only if the line keeps Matteson upright. Returners to the offensive line include seniors Eddie Cardenas, Karl Henry and Britt Eubanks (first-team All-3A Snake River Valley conference)

and junior Bo Pickett.

Matteson also will have some upperclassmen as targets with the return of receiver Angel Cardenas and tight end Nathan Leslie. Two first-year varsity receivers are seniors, too — Talon Frelove and Lane Sale.

In all, Homedale has 38 lettermen back from last year's team that went 2-6, including a 1-3 mark in conference.

The offensive backfield will include running backs Jose

Lopez (junior) and Josh Tolmie (sophomore) and H-back Dayne Jacobs (junior).

Half of the returning lettermen will populate the defensive ranks, including first-team all-conference lineman Luke Flaming, a senior, and second-teamers Nathan Leslie (sr., linebacker) and Jacobs, a senior who will play linebacker this year but won honors at defensive back in 2012.

"The return of our 'box' players (three out of four defensive

linemen and three out of four linebackers) should be a strength on our defense," Holtry said.

Among other defensive returners are Eubanks and Jakobee Osborn on the line and Cardenas and Tolmie in the secondary.

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Volleyball Coach Julie Gregory  
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Football  
Coach — Matt Holtry, fifth season  
Varsity  
Friday, Aug. 30 at Caldwell, 7 p.m.  
Junior varsity  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Caldwell, 6:30 p.m.

Cross country  
Coach — Heidi Ankeny, first season  
Friday, Aug. 30 at Skyview Invitational, Skyview Park, Nampa, 4:15 p.m.

Volleyball Junior varsity  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Baker, Ore., 6 p.m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Melba, 6 p.m.

Volleyball Frosh-soph  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Baker, Ore., 5 p.m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Melba, 5 p.m.

Volleyball  
Coach — Julie Gregory, first season  
Varsity  
Thursday, Aug. 29, home vs. Baker, Ore., 7 p.m.  
Friday, Aug. 30 at Kuna Classic, Kuna  
4:40 p.m. — vs. Payette  
5:50 p.m. — vs. Burley  
6:25 p.m. — vs. Nampa Christian  
7:35 p.m. — vs. Borah  
Saturday, Aug. 31 at Kuna Classic, Kuna  
8:30 a.m. — vs. Nampa  
10:20 a.m. — vs. Meridian  
11:30 a.m. — vs. Greenleaf Friends Academy  
To follow (TBA) — Single-elimination tournament  
Tuesday, Sept. 3, home vs. Melba, 7 p.m.



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# Avid gardeners unite



**Above:** Owyhee Gardeners Judy MacKenzie and Bonnie Christensen enjoy the view from Ray and Beth Corbin’s backyard, the winner of the Garden of the Year award for best garden in rural Marsing. **Below:** Christensen stands with Coy’s Coffee’s Sequoi Trautman, who won Marsing’s best garden for a business.

## Owyhee Gardeners give annual award for best gardens

“Thank you for beautifying our city,” were the departing words as Owyhee Gardeners members Bonnie Christensen and Judy MacKenzie waved goodbye to Sequoi Trautman of Coy’s Coffee.

Coy’s Coffee on Main Street in Marsing won the city’s Garden of the Year for the business category in Marsing.

There were six winners total. Marsing and Homedale each had a category for a business, a resident in city limits, and a resident in a rural location.

Trautman, a barista at Coy’s Coffee, said she has been working on the garden in front of the business for years. She said she worked on it by herself “to help business,” although her dad helped install the sprinklers.

The Owyhee Gardeners, Inc is a product of residents’ adoption of the Good Neighbor Initiative, and currently has around 28 members in the Marsing-Homedale area. Winners of the annual Garden of the Year award are chosen by a collective nomination from members of the Owyhee Gardeners.

“You can just tell who keeps up their garden because it sticks out,” Christensen said.

### 2013 Gardens of the Year

**Marsing**  
Business: Coy’s Coffee, LLC, on West Main Street  
City: Ashley and Neal Mayes, on Morning Dove Way  
Rural: Ray and Beth Corbin, on Cross View Lane

**Homedale**  
Business: Snake River RV Resort, LLC, on River Resort Drive  
City: Mary and Harold Wilson, on W. Utah Avenue  
Rural: Ken and Jerilynn McRae, on Pioneer Road

Ken and Jerilynn McRae of Homedale won the best garden for a rural garden in Homedale. They said they spend about 10 hours a week maintaining and refining their garden.

“She (Jerilynn) is the one who designs it all. She knows all the flower names and she laid it all out,” Ken McRae said. “She just tells me where to put it and I do what I’m told.”

It’s hard to believe the garden was just a patch of gravel a mere three years ago. “Only God knows” how many different kinds of flowers are

in the garden now, Jerilynn said with a laugh.

The McRaes’ garden is a family effort, with their three children waking up early in the morning to help maintain it.

On West Utah Avenue in Homedale, a large garden is maintained by one woman but built by a community.

Mary Wilson moved to her house on West Utah Avenue 13 years ago, and started working on the land across the street from her seven years ago. The property belongs to Robert Comstock, but Wilson transformed it from a patch of land to a thriving garden with a sign that reads “Mary’s Hands Tend This Garden” and a cowboy statue with flowers for a torso — both items donated to the garden by family members. Wilson said she wakes up at dawn every morning and tends the large garden until about noon.

“All she’s ever known is working,” Wilson’s granddaughter Jamie Tracy, of Caldwell, said. “She can’t imagine not having something to do. It’s in her blood. It’s amazing.”

—RAD



The best rural Homedale gardeners are Ken and Jerilynn McRae and their children Macee, 7, Trey, 12, and Brady, 16 (not pictured).



Winners for Homedale business Snake River RV Resort LLC are (back, left to right) RV owner Dave Ellis, and staffers Bruce Huston, Chrissy Huston, and Frank Smith. Front, left to right: Owyhee Gardeners Judy MacKenzie and Donna Haylett.

# Looking back...

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

## 25 years ago

August 31, 1988

**Profile: Bob Kelly, saddlemaker**

Bob Kelly is an Owyhee County native who looks forward each year to the Owyhee County Fair and Rodeo. He has the reasons we all have for enjoying a county celebration, plus one. He has the pleasure of seeing saddles he has made working in the arena.

A saddlemaker for thirty-six years, he estimates that he has made 2,000 saddles. (He stopped keeping exact count after 1,720.) In addition to his own name, he has made saddles under the names of Ray Holes Saddle Co., Robinson Saddlery and Three Forks (Montana) Saddlery.

He has saddles in Montana, California, Arizona, and West Germany, but most of his saddles have been made for cowboys on the high desert country of Eastern Oregon, Southwestern Idaho and Northern Nevada.

Prior to becoming a full-time saddlemaker, he worked roping, branding, gathering and tending cattle and schooling horses in the areas of Owyhee County, Jordan Valley, and McDermitt, Nevada. While working for other ranches, he made and mended cowboy equipment and raised cattle and horses of his own. A tour of Germany riding in a tank behind Patton during World War II kept Bob out of the saddle for a few years. After the war, he returned to Owyhee County to ranch.

**Three new teachers, nurse begin duties at Homedale schools**

Three new teachers have joined the Homedale faculty for the 1988-89 school year, and a new nurse has also been engaged to serve the needs of students throughout the local public school system.

The new teachers are Howard Buettgenbach, formerly of Yellow Pine; Reed Findlay, formerly of Shoshone, and Teri (Metzer) Uria of Homedale. The new nurse is Nancy Zatteriero of Central Cove, formerly employed at Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

Buettgenbach is teaching biology, chemistry, and life science courses at the high school, and will also assist with football coaching duties at the junior high level.

Findlay has signed on to instruct high school computer science and vocational agriculture classes, and will also be working to revitalize the long dormant vo-ag program reestablished just last year.

Uria is teaching a fifth-grade class in the elementary school system, and will also serve as advisor for the high school cheerleaders.

**News from the Jordan Valley area**

School bells rang Monday, bringing 54 students to Jordan Valley High School. They were greeted by faculty, Arthur Motz, Superintendent and Principal, Larry Michaels; Science, Sheryl Douglass; Social Studies, Jerry Hunter; Math, Karen Yenne; Language Arts, Laura Ellis; Business, Gere Richardson; and Joel Richardson, P.E. and Coach. Completing the school staff are Beverly Soderling, Secretary and Deputy Clerk, and Pete Soderling, Custodian. Football and Volleyball practice started last week and after a good workout the prospects look promising this year for the mighty Mustangs.

The grade school staff anticipates enrollment of about 110 students. Teachers there are Alberta Shook, Head Teacher and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades, Joan Oster, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, Julie Matteri, 4<sup>th</sup>, Sherry Jaca, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Rosemary Michaels, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Mary Hawes, 1<sup>st</sup>. Pat Matteri returns as Basic Skills Resource person with Rosie Bilbao, Chapter I Aide and Sharon Terry, Secretary and Aide.

**Trojans win opener against Weiser**

With a 7-6 win over top-ranked Weiser fresh under their belts, the Homedale Trojans take on another A-2 school, Middleton, in Vikings football territory this Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Hinojosa bulldozed into the end zone from 5-10 yards out for Homedale’s sole touchdown of the game.

## 50 years ago

August 29, 1963

**‘Best float’ depicts early Idaho church**

A float depicting an early Idaho church as part of the “Centennial Owyhee” theme won the sweepstakes award Saturday in the annual parade, which is one of the features of the final day of the Owyhee County Fair.

The Catholic Church won the highest award of the parade, which featured floats, riding clubs, and individual contestants.

In the community float section, the LDS church placed first, followed by the State Line Grange and Owyhee Heights Club.

**Comedy entries**

The Marsing Businessmen’s float topped the comedy entries.

The Christian Youth were first in the youth division, followed by Cub Scouts No. 71, and Girl Scouts.

The OK Livestock Company was first in commercial floats. Placing second was McDaniel’s accordion group, with Frosty Palace third.

In the adult class, the Marsing Businessmen placed first, with the Homedale Fire Department second and the Kiwanis Club third.

The Greenleaf Riding Club was first among the riding groups, followed by the Owyhee Wranglers.

**Old Timers award winners announced**

Winners of the Old Timers Day awards at the park Saturday were:

Married couples - Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Butterbaugh, ages 94 and 90, who have been married 70 years; Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Runger, ages 87 and 81, married 63 years.

Senior Costume: Maggie Johnny, 98, Indian regalia. Richard Birmingham. 56, mayor of Marsing, born in DeLamar in 1907.

Junior costume: Florence Stimmel and Kenneth Downing.

**DeMolay chapter to hold first meeting Sept. 10**

Gem Chapter Order of DeMolay, which was instituted June 30 at the I.O.O.F. hall in Homedale, will have their first meeting Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. hall and all DeMolay mothers are requested to attend.

Gem chapter will hold its regular meetings the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month.

The officers to be installed are as follows: Rick Tolmie, master counselor; Crag Selders, senior counselor; Floyd Breach, junior counselor; Terry Obendorf, senior deacon; Dan Hamilton, junior deacon; Dave Batt, senior steward; Dan Eismann, orator; Mark Evans, scribe and treasurer; Lewis Tucker, sentinel; Jon Anderson, chaplain; Rick Orris, marshal; Rick Salisbury, standard bearer; Charles Shenk, almaner; Robert Nanney, Carl Paulson, Leland Bunch, Steve Inouye and Mike Carter, preceptors; Russ Nishihari, musician.

Homer Anderson has been selected as DeMolay Dad, and the Advisory Council consists of Lester M. Buck, chairman; Roy Ganow, Bert Adams, Rolf Geertson, Russell Immisch, Dick Frye Jr., and Bill Paulsen.

**Becky Brandau is winner of fair queen contest**

Becky Brandau of Wilson was chosen queen of the Owyhee County Fair Friday night. She sold 730 tickets, according to Mrs. Sharon Samson, assistant fair manager.

Zoe Ann Linder took second, selling 719 tickets. Juanita Pascoe of Marsing placed third.

Other contestants were Joan Eismann, Mary Ann Poe, Phyllis Steiner of Oreana, and Diana VanDyke of Grand View.

**Bruce Malmberg grand champion showman at fair**

Bruce Malmberg of Marsing was selected the grand champion showman at the Owyhee County Fair Friday night, according to fair manager Jesse Wilson.

## 140 years ago

August 30, 1873

THE YELLOWSTONE EXPEDITION. General Rosser, in command of the railroad survey of the Stanley Yellowstone Expedition, has submitted to the Northern Pacific Railroad authorities in New York, his report of the results accomplished by the expedition. He finds the new and final route across Western Dakota from the Missouri to the Yellowstone River entirely practicable and satisfactory, it being greatly superior to those of former days. The distance (205 miles) is 21 miles shorter than the survey of 1871. The grades are moderate, the work per mile is considerably less, and the number of important bridges is reduced nearly two-thirds. The Little Missouri River, which former surveys crossed seven and eleven times, has been reduced to three, and the line is so located that it runs immediately through only one mile of bad clay lands, just east of the Little Missouri River. With few exceptions the country is rolling prairie, sometimes rising into low hills; the grass being excellent and the soil good. Good water was found the entire distance. Coal outcrops at various points in veins several feet in thickness, and timber is more abundant than on former routes. The report states that the main body of General Stanley’s expedition accompanied the scientific corps, and most of the press correspondents did not accompany the engineers, who were escorted by General Caster’s detachment, but followed the old abandoned route, south of Heart River. Hence, the descriptions of the region traversed by the main command do not apply to the country traversed by the new route nor the railroad: The Directors of the Company have accepted the new line recommended by General Rosser, from Bismarck, the present end of the track, to Yellowstone Crossing, and have been called for proposals to grade and bridge this section of 205 miles. The expedition is now prosecuting the survey westward, up the left bank of the Yellowstone to Pompey Pillar, where it will join the survey made last year from the west, and thus complete the surveyed line across the continent.

THE 42<sup>ND</sup> PARALLEL. Assessor Angell and Deputy Assessor Miles returned from Duck Valley day before yesterday. Mr. Miles informs us that the United States surveyors have completed the survey of the 42<sup>nd</sup> parallel through that locality, and are now prosecuting the survey westward from Camp McDermitt. Duck Valley is in longitude 108° west of Washington, and the greater portion of it is Idaho. Silver City is about 108½° west longitude, and about 90 miles north of the Nevada line, which makes it 40½° north latitude. Camp McDermitt is only one-eighth of a mile south of the northern boundary line of Nevada.

LOCAL HINTS AND HAPPENINGS. E. B. Eastman returned from San Francisco last Monday.

Deputy Assessor Miles will leave on an official visit up Snake River next Monday.

An Empire miner had one of his arms seriously injured by falling down a slope last Saturday.

Sands & Cheasbro are fitting up the Minear mill, which they will start up on Illinois Central ore.

C.W. Moore arrived from Boise City on Thursday’s stage and left for San Francisco last evening.

Thanks to Mr. Robbins, of Winnemucca, for a box of fine Bartlett pears presented to us last Saturday.

Mrs. A. L. Simondi and her mother, Mrs. Grob, left for San Francisco by Thursday evening’s stage.

Johnny Crowe and wife, of Boise City, were over on a visit to Silver inst. Tuesday, and left for home yesterday morning.

The editor of the Reno (Nev.) *Crescent* gives notice that he cannot be bribed with a five-cent cigar to write a five-dollar puff.

Any person mailing a newspaper, or any other package of third-class matter containing a letter concealed therein is subject to a penalty of \$5.

A. S. Philip, brother to J. G. Philip, W.F. & Co.’s agent here, arrived from Cleveland, Ohio, this week, with the intention of remaining all summer.

# Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



## On the edge of common sense

### The obvious

“The data is clear — Calves that arrive healthy and stay healthy at the feedlot make more money.”

This was printed in bold letters at the beginning of an article in one of our industry publications.

What! I read the headline again. What’s the catch? I turned it over and read it upside down. It must be a trick question? A play on words? A bad pun? There must be a deeper meaning to this bold statement.

Should it have read ... “Calves who stay healthy, etc., have better eye sight, higher IQs, are tastier, are better at hopscotch, have a better chance of being featured in a vaccine ad?”

In all fairness to the scientist, or more probably the editor, they had limited space and wanted to be succinct. And ... it did catch my eye immediately. I guess it is our duty as scientists, veterinarians, nutritionists and farmers to run experiments to prove the obvious. Without this option how would students find material for post-graduate thesis?

However, I can picture scenarios where the statement is obvious, but not always true. The sky is always lighter when the sun comes up. “Duh.” Then an eclipse rises up.

The data is clear — Frogs who do not have their feet tied up can leap farther than frogs that have their legs taped to their body.

The horse that finishes first wins the race. Really? How ’bout a disqualification for making faces at the crowd, making fun of another jockey’s colors, or changing horses at the final turn?

I spent many years in feedlots. Lots of things were predictable, like mud, BRD (bovine respiratory disease), mill fires, OSHA inspections, blizzards, bovine escapes, and pickups that smell like pour-on, fermented silage, rumen contents, antibiotics, paint cans, burnt oil, and manure. But timing is crucial. Say the owner of pen No. 304 arrives just after the front-end loader operator scraping that very same pen dozed off, flattened 10 feet of concrete bunk, tore out the gate, stripped the cable, and ran over four head of napping 1,200-pound steers. If the manager had only bought the visiting owner one more round of Spicy V-8 juice over lunch, they would have been able to have the remaining healthy steers in No. 304 moved to another pen and explained later.

And what is obvious to one of us isn’t always obvious to everyone. Can you imagine this question in an Animal Science Class at University of Nebraska-Lincoln:

1. Do cattle that arrive healthy and stay healthy at the feedlot make more money than cattle that arrive sick and stay sick?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) It all depends on the market

But sometimes the logic becomes crystal clear. I was at a cattlemen’s meeting and overheard a cattle feeder remark, “The calves that got sick and died right away, made more than those that lingered on and died eventually.”

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Frank Priestley — Idaho Farm Bureau

## Voice of Idaho ag

### Forest Service may cut grazing to accommodate recreationalists



Citing the potential for recreational conflicts with sheep, the Ketchum Ranger District is making plans to cut more grazing on the Sawtooth National Forest.

It’s a disturbing trend. Every year it seems there is some new obtuse reason to cut grazing on public land. In this case, the Forest Service is concerned about fishermen, hikers, bikers and others out recreating coming into conflicts with the guard dogs sheep herders keep with their flocks to protect them from wolves. They’re also concerned that wolves might kill sheep and that will lead to government trappers and others killing wolves.

Does anyone else see the ambiguity here? The people who wanted wolves in the Idaho backcountry the least and whose concerns were totally disregarded by the federal government are now being told that wolves and recreation are higher priorities than their livelihoods. We often hear and read about the power and influence of the livestock industry. In reality, it has become a question of which user group will the livestock industry be forced to get in line behind next?

The Ketchum Ranger District’s analysis at [www.fs.usda.gov/projects/sawtooth/landmanagement/projects](http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/sawtooth/landmanagement/projects) spells out details of dozens of potential conflicts and detrimental impacts of sheep grazing. The analysis states that sheep crossing streams “could” harm water quality which “could” harm fish, or sheep “could” cause a vegetative disturbance that “could” harm a stream bank.

The analysis is 38 pages long in its entirety, and makes no mention of any of the benefits of grazing on the land such as noxious weed control, enriching soils and fire suppression.

Where it also fails as an analysis is in its complete lack of consideration for the affected livestock operators and the heritage of our state. This, along with continuing efforts to cut grazing on public lands, leads us to believe that a bias against livestock producers exists inside the Forest Service, and has for some time. These ranchers are descendants of the first people who came to Idaho and created the economy that allowed all others to follow. That ought to matter to someone in the Ketchum Ranger District.

The Wood River Valley has changed a lot in the past 100 years, although the population is close to the same. In 1880 during the height of the silver boom, there were just over 2,000 people there, as opposed to just over 3,000

today. The average listing price of homes in the area today is \$1.4 million and the median household income is \$57,000 per year compared to \$45,000 yearly statewide.

Most of our population is at least one generation removed from an agricultural livelihood. Many of us are more than that. But have we lost touch with knowing the value of a domestic food supply? Has our society become so disconnected from its food supply that it no longer matters if our lamb and wool comes from New Zealand or Australia?

For the average citizen or tourist, livestock production is sometimes inconvenient and frequently smelly. But is doing away with it in our backyard a solution?

After the silver boom subsided in the late 1800s, sheep became the Wood River Valley’s most important business. Today there are 180,000 sheep in Idaho. At its peak in the 1930s, there were 2.7 million sheep in Idaho, and Ketchum was one of the biggest lamb shipping points in the world, second only to Sydney, Australia. In addition, there are fewer than 40 large sheep ranchers left in Idaho. If the Ketchum Ranger District is successful with its plans, the number is likely to be 39.

One of our favorite events every fall is Ketchum’s Trailing of the Sheep Festival. It was started by the Peavey family and has since been embraced by the community. It’s an ongoing effort to educate people about the sheep industry. Thousands of people who like to eat lamb, wear wool, and observe the longstanding traditions of sheep ranching show up for the event every year. And they come from all over the world. In addition, it’s become a cultural event that honors the Basques, Peruvians, Scots and others who have been integral in the development and history of the industry.

Sheep only graze on Forest Service land for a short time each summer. Grazing season runs from late June to early August on most allotments. We honestly hope that someone inside the Forest Service will stop to consider what Idaho has to lose by closing more grazing allotments, and we sincerely hope they will conclude that our state’s heritage matters.

— Frank Priestley, a dairy farmer in Franklin County, has served as Idaho Farm Bureau president since 1997.

Sen. Mike Crapo

## From Washington

### FDA’s proposed food safety rule could cripple ag producers



Taking preventative measures to ensure food safety is an important goal. However, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s (FDA) proposed fresh produce rule is another example of the federal government going too far. FDA’s umbrella approach in its treatment of various crops and commodities regardless of risk level places unnecessary, costly burdens on certain farming operations. We cannot allow excessive regulations and costs to continue to be layered on farm families and expect them to be able to feed a growing population with less.

On Jan. 4, the FDA issued a proposed rule for growing, harvesting, packing and holding fresh produce. Among its requirements, the proposed rule would require weekly testing of all agricultural water at a cost of \$35 to \$40 per week. If levels of coliform bacteria exceed the FDA’s standard, the farmer must cease irrigation until the water is in compliance, running a high risk of ruining a crop. The FDA estimates that the cost of implementation will cost a producer approximately \$5,000 to \$30,600 per farm, depending

on size, with a total industry cost of \$460 million.

The rule was created pursuant to the 2011 enactment of the Food Safety Modernization Act, which was driven by concerns with high-profile incidents of food contamination. I voted against this legislation when it was passed by Congress because of concerns with its large cost and far-sweeping federal regulations. I support ensuring the safety of our water and food supplies, but we must be reasonable in our approach and ensure that any needed remedies are tailored to properly address the problem without overly burdening producers with additional unnecessary paperwork and costs. Unfortunately, this legislation and the resulting proposed rule have not achieved that goal.

The majority of produce grown in the United States is designated as low risk. However, the FDA’s assertion that even minimum-risk commodities should be subject to the same rules based on evidence that has not materialized is particularly concerning. FDA should focus its efforts

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# Commentary

## Financial management

### Put personal budget on paper and look out for monthly changes

Dear Dave,  
Should a budget change every month?  
— Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,  
Yes, it should. Your life changes every month, and your budget should reflect the ebb and flow of your life.  
Now, some things will stay the same. Your house payment or rent should fall into this category. If you have a car payment, which I hope you don't, that would be the same, too. There shouldn't be a big difference in the amount you spend on food most months, though.  
You might spend more in this category during November and December thanks to the holidays, but overall it should remain pretty steady.



The biggest fluctuation you may see is in your utilities. I heat my house with natural gas, so the bill is much higher during the winter months. It's just the opposite during the summer. We burn electricity to run the air conditioner, so the electric bill is higher in summer.  
This is part of the reason I urge people to do a budget on paper, on purpose before the next month begins. You may look at the upcoming month and realize the kids have soccer pictures scheduled. There may

be a school trip planned, or they may need back-to-school clothes and supplies.  
When it comes to a budget, there's no easy out. Things change from month to month, and you need to think, plan ahead, and itemize so your budget is an accurate reflection of your life!  
—Dave

Dear Dave,  
My husband and I would like to buy a home in the next year or so. My credit is in pretty bad shape, so we've decided to work on getting his credit in better shape in order to qualify for a mortgage loan. I have \$104,000 in debt, and \$92,000 of that is in student loans. He has \$13,000 in debt, with \$7,000 of that a repossession on a car for which he was a co-signer. Can I file bankruptcy on

my debts only?  
— Latrell  
Dear Latrell,  
You can't file bankruptcy on certain, specific items. By the way, student loans are not bankruptable. Even if you filed, you would still have all that debt hanging around your neck.

I want you to own a home, but I don't want your home to own you. Neither one of you have done very well with money so far, and at this point I'm afraid a house would be a curse instead of a blessing in your lives. I would encourage you to build a stronger financial foundation before you buy a house. In short, this means you need to get out of debt, save money, and start living on a budget.  
Latrell, buying a house when you're broke and deeply in debt

is never a good idea. I'm not trying to be mean, but I really think you're asking the wrong question. I don't want you to try and use bankruptcy as some kind of escape from this situation. Right now, I want you to change your behavior with money and get things cleaned up with a good, organized financial plan in your lives.  
— Dave

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

## Letters to the editor

### Shift in federal policy still igniting fires as fuel builds

Another devastating fire season has hit Idaho with a vengeance. Fingers are being pointed when, in fact, all of us must share the blame.  
Decades of strict fire control and construction in fire-prone areas have only added to the situation.  
In Idaho, as throughout the West, the predominant landowner is the federal government, which has increasingly fallen under pressure from radical environmentalists and judges who have determined land management policy.  
Perhaps fires in the Sun Valley/Ketchum area will bring the message home to Jon Marvel and associates that elimination of consumptive resource use adds to fuel loads with obvious results as witnessed in their "backyards."  
The question is: How many firefighters will be sacrificed, property and resources lost before responsible management returns?  
The answer is: It will only become worse, much worse, as fuel loads continue to multiply and more effort is directed toward fighting than preventing wild fire.  
Michael F. Hanley IV  
Jordan Valley

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**Term expires 2014**

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**Term expires 2014**

## ✓ Food safety: Crapo joins Risch to refocus FDA efforts for SCRAP Act

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on proven risks, not impose costly regulatory burdens on producers based on hypothetical evidence. Such action will have a major impact on Idaho's agriculture community by driving up costs on small and mid-sized famers, leading to significant drops in food production and higher prices.  
That is why I joined Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho) in offering the Stopping Costly Regulations Against Produce (SCRAP) Act as an amendment to the Senate version of the Farm Bill. The SCRAP Act would defund the FDA's proposed fresh produce rule that will negatively impact farmers throughout the country. Unfortunately, the amend-

ment was not allowed a vote during consideration of the Farm Bill. However, we continue to work to resolve this issue.  
Rep. Dr. Dan Benishek (R-Mich.) also introduced this legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives. Additionally, I am continuing to engage with the FDA to raise concerns with the proposed rule. The FDA extended the comment period on the proposed rule to Nov. 15.  
We need to focus time and resources on cleaning up and fixing particular problems, not broadly putting in place more mandates that simply drain resources. Farmers and ranchers work hard to put safe, quality food on their

families' tables and tables across the nation and world. Food safety measures must work to fix problems without crippling production.  
I encourage those interested in this issue to review the proposed rule and provide input to the FDA. The rule can be accessed on the FDA's website: [www.fda.gov](http://www.fda.gov).  
— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. Crapo is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman. To view his responses to issues of interest, visit <http://crapo.senate.gov>.

# Public notices

## OWYHEE COUNTY NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE

Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1404, notice is hereby given for the candidate filing deadline for the following taxing districts that will be conducting candidate elections in Owyhee County on November 5, 2013. In order to appear on the Elections ballot, a candidate must file a Declaration of Candidacy form with the office of said districts as stated below. Declaration of Candidacy forms can be obtained at the district’s office or the Election Office, Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy. Declarations of Candidacy must be submitted to the Clerk or Secretary of the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 9<sup>th</sup> Friday before the Election (September 6, 2013). Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a Declaration of Intent no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 45<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election (September 20, 2013).

### NAME AND ADDRESS OF TAXING DISTRICT:

Bruneau Cemetery District 30073 Hot Springs Rd. Bruneau, Idaho 83604	Marsing Homedale Cemetery District 4410 Cemetery Rd. / P.O. Box 452 Marsing, Idaho 83639
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Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District 17813 Oreana Loop Rd Murphy, Idaho 83650	Riverside Cemetery District 645 Idaho St. Grand View, Idaho 83624
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CITIES: City of Grand View 425 Boise Ave. / P.O. Box 69 Grand View, Idaho 83624	City of Homedale 31 West Wyoming Ave. / P.O. Box 757 Homedale, Idaho 83628
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City of Marsing 425 Main St. / P.O. Box 125 Marsing, Idaho 83639	
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FIRE DISTRICTS: Bruneau Fire District 32548 Belle Ave./P.O. Box 276 Bruneau, Idaho 83604	Grand View Fire District 720 Roosevelt St./P.O. Box 54 Grand View, Idaho 83624
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Homedale Fire District 19 East Wyoming/P.O. Box 905 Homedale, Idaho 83628	Marsing Fire District 303 Main St./P.O. Box 299 Marsing, Idaho 83639
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Murphy-Wilson-Reynolds Fire District 11606 State Hwy 78 Murphy, Idaho 83650	8/28/13
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### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 370 OWYHEE AND CANYON COUNTIES, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Board Meeting of the above named School District will be held on the 28th day of August, 2013 at the school office in said district, at which meeting there shall be a public hearing at 7:00 P.M. on the amended maintenance and operation budget for the forthcoming school year. This amended budget as presently determined by the Board of Trustees is now available in the office of the School District and will remain available until the meeting and hearing, as provided by law. This special meeting and amended budget hearing is called pursuant to Idaho Code § 33-801, as amended. Dated this 19th day of August, 2013.

SUMMARY STATEMENT -- AMENDED 2013-14 SCHOOL BUDGET										
ALL FUNDS										
GENERAL M & O FUNDS					ALL OTHER FUNDS					
	PRIOR YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	AMENDED	CURRENT	AMENDED	PRIOR YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	AMENDED	CURRENT	AMENDED
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2013-14	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2013-14
REVENUES:										
Beginning Balances	(755,844)	(1,460,947)	(1,365,523)	(1,140,000)	(1,140,000)	(1,020,971)	(1,132,305)	(1,033,200)	(892,507)	(892,507)
Local Revenue	(679,909)	(371,389)	(323,006)	(267,450)	(760,982)	(704,522)	(1,030,386)	(887,612)	(847,065)	(847,065)
County Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Revenue	(6,012,776)	(5,389,201)	(5,534,710)	(5,434,581)	(5,434,581)	(27,951)	(25,766)	(28,987)	(105,787)	(105,787)
Federal Revenue	(20,000)	-	-	-	-	(1,386,954)	(1,402,970)	(1,234,282)	(1,064,802)	(1,064,802)
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,300)	-	-	-
Transfers	(18,867)	(25,313)	(42,303)	(50,808)	(50,808)	(58,216)	(522,576)	(250,773)	(110,000)	(110,000)
TOTALS	7,487,396	7,246,850	7,265,542	6,892,839	7,386,371	3,198,614	4,117,303	3,434,854	3,020,161	3,020,161
EXPENDITURES:										
Salaries	3,433,934	3,357,778	3,410,981	3,396,086	3,592,195	842,639	828,113	684,556	620,244	620,244
Benefits	1,186,005	1,141,879	1,211,200	1,234,790	1,322,535	279,270	272,358	274,944	231,107	231,107
Purchased Services	947,262	973,086	1,043,014	1,078,150	1,112,150	85,259	133,453	137,208	158,095	158,095
Supplies & Materials	202,845	205,787	274,487	266,208	268,408	298,077	354,697	434,992	414,216	414,216
Capital Outlay	160,998	95,407	73,767	64,980	85,980	149,720	620,371	593,403	419,500	419,500
Debt Retirement	-	-	-	-	-	388,155	391,148	388,619	391,398	391,398
Insurance & Judgments	41,443	43,384	47,808	52,289	52,289	68	75	34	34	34
Transfers	53,962	64,005	66,465	68,508	68,508	23,121	483,884	226,611	92,300	92,300
Contingency Reserve	-	-	358,635	341,006	365,683	-	-	-	-	-
Unappropriated Balances	1,460,947	1,365,524	779,185	390,822	518,623	1,132,305	1,033,204	694,487	693,267	693,267
TOTALS	7,487,396	7,246,850	7,265,542	6,892,839	7,386,371	3,198,614	4,117,303	3,434,854	3,020,161	3,020,161



Faith K. Olsen, Business Manager  
23-Aug-13

### NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE CITY OF HOMEDALE, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Homedale, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election is held for the purpose of electing the following offices for the specified terms:

Mayor for a term of four (4) years

Two (2) Council Members for a term of four years each.

Candidates for city elected offices are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy specifying the office sought and affirming that the individual is a qualified city elector, meaning: at least 18 years of age, a U.S. Citizen, the candidate’s primary residence must be within the

City of Homedale, the address of the candidate’s voter registration must match the residence address provided on the candidate’s declaration, and the candidate must have resided in the city for at least 30 days prior to submitting their declaration. The Declaration of Candidacy must be accompanied by: (1) a nonrefundable filing fee of \$40 or (2) a petition of candidacy signed by at least five qualified city electors that have been verified by the county clerk’s office. The deadline for filing declarations of candidacy is Friday, September 6 at 5:00 p.m. Declarations of candidacy are available at City Hall in the office of the city clerk at 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale, Idaho from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk / Treasurer, City of Homedale  
8/28/13

### NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE CITY OF MARSING, IDAHO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be held in and for the City of Marsing, Idaho, will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The election is held for the purpose of electing the following offices for the specified terms:

Two (2) Council Members for a term of four years each.

Candidates for city elected offices are required to file a Declaration of Candidacy specifying the office sought and affirming that the individual is a qualified city elector, meaning: at least 18 years of age, a U.S. Citizen, the candidate’s primary residence must be within the City of Marsing, the address of the candidate’s voter registration must match the

## CITY OF HOMEDALE STATE OF IDAHO ORDINANCE NO. 404

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2013, APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$3,446,166.00 TO DEFRAY THE EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF HOMEDALE FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR, AUTHORIZING A LEVY OF A SUFFICIENT TAX UPON THE TAXABLE PROPERTY AND SPECIFYING THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSED FOR WHICH SAID APPROPRIATION IS MADE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho:

Section 1: That the sum of \$ 3,446,166.00 is, and the same is appropriated to defray the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013,

Section 2: The objects and purposes for which such appropriation is made, and the amount of each object and purpose is as follows:

### ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES: GENERAL FUNDS

Administrative	\$ 672,317.00
Local Improvement	\$ 42,757.00
Law Enforcement	\$ 400,195.00
Streets & Highways	\$ 324,180.00
Park & Recreation	\$ 95,295.00
Library	\$ 66,986.00
Airport	\$ 161,025.00
Irrigation	\$ 139,750.00
Sanitation	\$ 100,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS:	\$ 2,002,505.00

### DEDICATED FUNDS

Water	\$ 818,031.00
Sewer	\$ 625,530.00

### TOTAL DEDICATED FUNDS: \$ 1,443,561.00

### TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES: \$3,446,166.00

Section 3: That a general tax levy on all taxable property within the City of Homedale is levied in an amount allowed by law for the general purpose for said City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013.

Section 4: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage, approval and publication

in one issue of the Owyhee Avalanche, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Homedale, and the official newspaper of said city.

PASSES under suspension of rules upon which a roll call vote was taken and duly enacted an Ordinance of the City of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho at a convened regular meeting of the City of Homedale’s City Council held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2013.

/s/Dave Downum, Council President

ATTEST: /s/Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk-Treasurer  
8/28/13

residence address provided on the candidate’s declaration, and the candidate must have resided in the city for at least 30 days prior to submitting their declaration. The Declaration of Candidacy must be accompanied by: (1) a nonrefundable filing fee of \$40 or (2) a petition of candidacy signed by at least five qualified city electors that have been verified by the county clerk’s office. Candidate filing period at 8:00 a.m. Monday, August 26, 2013. The deadline for filing declarations of candidacy is Friday, September 6 at 5:00 p.m. Declarations of candidacy are available at City Hall in the office of the city clerk at 425 Main Street, Marsing, Idaho from the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Janice C. Bicandi, City Clerk / Treasurer, City of Marsing  
8/28/13

### MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NOTICE OF FILING DEAD- LINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declaration for the candidacy for one Commissioner from Sub-district No.1 for a 4 (Four) year term of the Marsing Rural Fire District and for a Commissioner At Large( Canyon County) for a 4 (Four) year term of the Marsing Rural Fire District. The petitions must be filed with the district secretary no later than 5:00 P.M. on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013. Such petitions may be obtained from Robert Carter, P.O. Box 299, Marsing, Idaho 83639, or by Phone # 880-8770. Individuals who run as write-in candidates must file a declaration of intent no later than 5:00 P.M. on September

20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.  
Election Date: November 5, 2013.  
Robert D. Carter, Secretary-Treasurer, Marsing Rural Fire District  
8/28/9/4/13

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEAR- ING

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Idaho Code, Section 27-126, the tentative budget of the Owyhee Pioneer Cemetery District of Owyhee County, as agreed upon by the Cemetery District Commissioners, is as follows:

Anticipated Revenue	
Cash on hand	\$22,257.00
Tax Levy	\$2,266.00
Other	\$300.00
TOTAL	\$24,823.00
Anticipated Expenses	
Labor	\$6,000.00
Other	\$18,823.00
TOTAL	\$24,823.00

The tentative budget may be examined at the home of Gary Aman at 17101 Tilford St, Murphy, ID between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 6 p.m. any Thursday prior to the budget hearing. A hearing date has been set for Thursday, September 5 for the purpose of consideration and fixing the final budget for the fiscal year 2013-2014, at which time any taxpayer of said district may appear and be heard upon any part of parts of the tentative budget. The time of the hearing will be at 4:00 p.m. at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2, Murphy, ID.

By order of the Board of Cemetery Commissioners.

Dated at Murphy, Idaho, this 23 day of August, 2013  
8/28/13

# Public notices

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Commissioners of GEM HIGHWAY DISTRICT, Marsing, Idaho, Owyhee County, Idaho have tentatively adopted the 2013-2014budget for said district as set forth below. A public hearing will be held for the adoption of the budget at the Office of the District at 1016 Main Street at 6:00 PM on Friday, August 30, 2013. The budget is available for public inspection at the District Office between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Call 896-4581 for an appointment.

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013

Proposed Budget Oct. 1, 2013 – Sept. 30, 2014

Anticipated Beginning Balance:	386,423.00
Anticipated Revenue:	
County and Local Revenue:	
Property Tax including penalties & interest	50,000.00
Ag Equipment Replacement Tax	2,112.00
Sales Tax	10,000.00
Interest	250.00
Miscellaneous	10,500.00
State Revenue:	
Highway Users Fund	300,000.00
Total Anticipated Revenue:	\$ 372,862.00
Anticipated Budget Balance:	\$ 759,285.00
Anticipated Expenditures:	
Gas, Oil & Tires	20,000.00
Insurance & Bonds	10,000.00
Labor & Salaries	98,000.00
Lease	40,000.00
Office Expense	3,500.00
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	25,000.00
Legal & Accounting	8,000.00
Repair & Maintenance	10,000.00
Roads & Bridges	250,000.00
Shop Expense	3,200.00
Utilities	8,500.00
Weed Control	20,000.00
Contingency	42,000.00
Total Anticipated Expenditures:	\$ 538,200.00
Anticipated Ending Budget Balance:	\$ 221,085.00
Stella J. Bush, Secretary-Treasurer	
8/21,28/13	

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: July 24, 2013 File No.: 7023.105974 Sale date and time (local time): November 25, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 5931 Rolling Hills Place Marsing, ID 83639-8195 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Donald C. Galligan Jr and Kathy Galligan, husband and wife Original trustee: Pioneer Title Company of Ada County Original beneficiary: Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Inc. Recording date: 11/22/2002 Recorder’s instrument number: 241681 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of July 24, 2013: \$141,475.10 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: Lot 9, Block 1, Whispering Heights Subdivision No. 2, Owyhee County, Idaho, filed for record November 8, 2000 as Instrument No. 234317 and Affidavit to Correct recorded November 22, 2000 as Instrument No. 234425, Owyhee County Records. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the

sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7023.105974) 1002.253703-File No. 8/7,14,21,28/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: July 19, 2013 File No.: 7037.103125 Sale date and time (local time): November 18, 2013 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 2517 Succor Creek Road Homedale, ID 83628 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Bonnie M Porter, unmarried Dennis C Griffith, unmarried Original trustee: First American Title Insurance Company Original beneficiary: Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation Recording date: 03/31/2004 Recorder’s instrument number: 247281 County: OWYHEE Sum owing on the obligation: as of July 19, 2013: \$127,264.27 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is:


The East 456 feet of the North 955.5 feet of the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 17, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7037.103125) 1002.253373-File No. 8/14,21,28;9/4/13

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

T.S. No. 1327413-1 Parcel No. RP00860010030A On 11/26/2013 at 11:00 AM (recognized local time). In the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, ELISA MAGNUSON, ESQ., a member of the State Bar of Idaho, of Pite Duncan, LLP, trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, state of Idaho, and described as follows, to wit: LOT 3, BLOCK 1 OF PURDOM HILLS SUBDIVISION, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO,

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED AS INSTRUMENT NO. 217651, RECORDS OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Idaho Code Section 60-113, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 2377 LOWER POND LN, HOMEDALE, ID 83628, is commonly associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, 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 PATRIC J SHIPPY AND NOVA J SHIPPY HUSBAND AND WIFE as Grantor, to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF CANYON COUNTY, INC as Trustee, for the benefit and security of NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK as Beneficiary, dated 9/9/2008, recorded 9/19/2008, as Instrument No. 266279, official records of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please note: The above named Grantors are named to comply with Idaho Code Section 45-1506(4)(a); no representation is made that they are, or are not, presently

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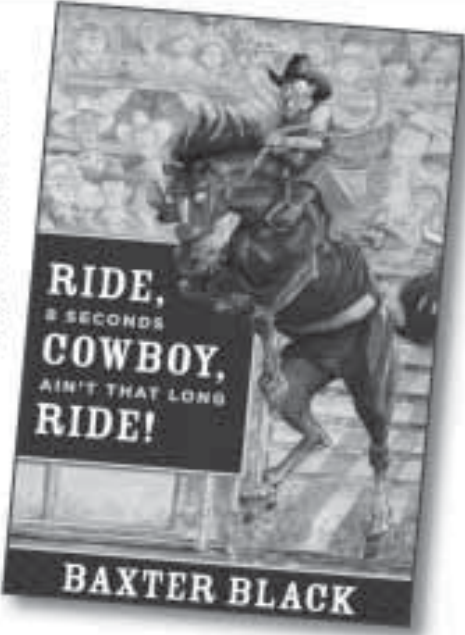
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# Adrian FFA's win Malheur County Fair awards

Adrian FFA members came away with big prizes earlier this month at the Malheur County Fair in Ontario, Ore.

Fourteen members entered crops, mechanical and livestock exhibits during the July 3-Aug. 3 fair.

- Dominic Abril won Best Large and Small Mechanics Exhibit.
- Kellie Barraza was awarded the Best FFA Breeding Exhibit with her cow/calf pair.
- Quincy Pendergrass was the reserve FFA Beef Showman. As a result she participated in the FFA Round Robin contest.

Her steer was also the Reserve Grand Champion market steer in the Malheur County Commercial Steer class.

Her calf was purchased by a consortium of local grocery stores (Logan's, Red Apple and M & W), and the beef will be available for local retail on Friday and Saturday.

Adrian FFA received the Best Chapter FFA Mechanics Exhibit and was the top Beef Herdsman-ship chapter.

The students exhibiting both large and small mechanics entries

were Quincy Pendergrass, Kellie Barraza, Dominic Abril, Scotlyn Evanson, Hunter Phelps, and JJ Maxwell.

In her email reporting the chapter's success, advisor Anna-Marie Chamberlain said the achievements were a reflection on their individual talents as well as their dedication in the shop.

Eight students from Adrian also exhibited crops and garden produce ranging from seed to hay to potatoes.

Pendergrass, Billy Wilson, TJ Acock, Bryson Shira, Morgan White, Wesley White, Abril and Michael Griffin all won ribbons with their crops.

Five FFA students showed and sold livestock projects, including Tane't Campbell (lamb), Chase Walker (pig) and steers from Griffin, Pendergrass and Barraza.

Chamberlain said the students' achievements throughout the fair shows how proud they are of the Adrian community and what the small town produces. She also acknowledged the "constant" support of the Adrian community for allowing the chapter members to excel at the fair.



Quincy Pendergrass, right, stands with her Reserve Grand Champion Malheur County Commercial Market Steer, the show judge and producer Wannie Mackenzie. Submitted photo

# Latest fires in Owyhee County small, controlled quickly

Four significant wildfires started in Owyhee County last week, but have already been contained and some have been controlled.

The Shoo Fly Fire burned 23 miles southwest of Grand View and consumed approximately 100 acres, although Boise District Bureau of Land Management spokesperson Mallory Eils said that official acreage burned has not been mapped yet. The

fire started Thursday and was contained and controlled by 8 p.m. Friday. Resources for this fire included four engines, one dozer, and one water tender. Multiple single engine air tankers (SEATs) assisted ground resources with retardant drops to help corral the fire.

The Cow Fire was located just east of the Oregon border south of Jordan Valley, Ore. and was

estimated at 25 acres. It was started Thursday and was controlled at 11 p.m. that same day. Two engines from the Vale BLM worked the fire with assistance from the Owyhee Rural Fire Protection Association.

The Chance Fire burned in the Owyhee River Wilderness approximately 60 miles south of Jordan Valley just north of the Nevada border. It was declared

controlled Saturday morning, although no specific time was given. Eils said the fire grew to 300 acres before being controlled, and displayed creeping fire behavior with intermittent runs of more active fire. The fire was fought by six smokejumpers because of its remote location. Some retardant drops by SEATs were used to check the fire's spread.

The Juni Fire was the only fire in Owyhee County that didn't start on the day of the thunderstorm. It began Aug. 13 and the most recent mapping showed it burned 2,226 acres. It was located 32 miles south of Jordan Valley and was

contained Sunday, although no specific time was given.

Eils also said a number of small, single-tree fires burned south of Juniper Mountain, but all were less than an acre and have since been extinguished. Eils said quick response by locals and fire crews kept the fires small and manageable.

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