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Summer scene

Families of all kinds flock to Marsing pond

The warm weather in the week leading up to Labor Day brought fishermen — and more than a few waterfowl — out to Marsing's Island Park pond for another attempt to land a trout before the summer temperatures begin to subside.



Homedale trustees weigh options after another levy failure

Board will lobby Legislature to increase funding

A campaign in which supporters closely watched the polls from only feet away failed last week when Homedale School District patrons voted down a supplemental levy question for the third time in three years.

For the second time in three months, voters rejected a proposed two-year, \$968,200 levy on Aug. 27 with 368 opposed to the idea and 332 supporting it.

The levy failed by just 20 votes in May. In both elections, the levy's fate was decided in Owyhee County because Canyon County voters supported the measure.

Last week's Owyhee County voter turnout was 41.7 percent, 12 points higher than three months earlier, and 213 more ballots were cast than in May.

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question levy supporters'
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7th Family Fair and Round Up ready to go

This Sunday, the seventh annual Family Fair and Round Up, sponsored by the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, will take place at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale. Gates will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Entry to the event is free.

Pastor Chuck Ryan will speak at the 10:30 a.m. Cowboy Church

Service, delivering a sermon titled, "Boots, Bits, and Spurs ... Ride On!" in the main arena. He will talk about checking equipment and being prepared for rides and life.

Festivities for the day include:

- Breakaway roping, team roping, and barrel racing

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County official to fly to D.C. to discuss PILT

Invasive species stations will close soon

Owyhee County Treasurer Brenda Richards will head to Washington, D.C., next week as part of a delegation tasked to ensure federal property tax compensation continues.

During her departmental report at the Aug. 26 Board of County Commissioners meeting in Murphy, Richards reported that the Idaho Association of Counties had requested she fly to the nation's capital to help congressional leaders understand how important it is to maintain current levels of Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) funding to the counties.

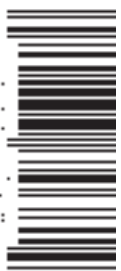
The talks will take place Tuesday and next Wednesday.

Owyhee County will receive about \$200,000 less in fiscal year 2014, but will still get about \$1 million in PILT funding. With sequestration, there is fear that the payments could dwindle more. Richards said that the federal government is looking

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Brenda Richards



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Water streams out of bullet holes in a dip tank owned by Silver City Fire and Rescue. The tank was placed on New York Summit to allow Bureau of Land Management helicopter crews to extract water to use in nearby firefighting efforts. Submitted photo

Vandals riddle firefighting tank with bullets on N.Y. Summit

Vandals allegedly shot up a water tank set up to help wildfire-fighting efforts in the Owyhee Mountains.

Silver City Fire & Rescue chief Jim Hyslop said a 6,000-gallon dip tank on New York Summit was hit with six gunshots overnight between Aug. 25 and Aug. 26.

The tank had been set up on the mountain north of Silver City on Aug. 15 to allow a Bureau of Land Management firefighting helicopter to dip water to douse a fire on the north slope of Sugar Loaf.

The helicopter crew dipped from the tank for several hours to suppress the eight-acre Sugar fire, Hyslop said.

Once the Sugar fire was contained, BLM requested the tank remain operational and full in case of a flare-up or new fires in the area, Hyslop said.

On the morning of Aug. 26, six leaks caused by bullet holes were found in the vinyl tank. Hyslop said the bullets and casings (four .45-caliber ACPs and two .223-caliber) were recovered and that the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office had begun an investigation.

The tank can be repaired, Hyslop said.

SCFR spent \$4,000 on the dip tank and related equipment.

Candidate deadline for city elections looms

Mayoral spots open in Homedale, Grand View

Friday is the candidate filing deadline for the Nov. 5 election.

Several positions are up for election, including city council spots in Homedale, Marsing and Grand View and mayoral positions in Homedale and Grand View.

Irrigation district elections may also be held.

So far, three men have either filed or said they intend to run for the vacant office of Homedale mayor.

Former mayor Harold Wilson filed first. Gene McAbee, the former Homedale Senior Center board of directors president, submitted papers last week. The men are seeking to fill the position left vacant after Paul J. Fink's death in June.

City Council president Dave Downum told The Owyhee Avalanche last week that he planned to run for mayor, but as of Friday afternoon had not yet filed paperwork with City Hall.

Council seats currently held by Downum and Tim Downing — both carrying four-year terms — also will be on the November ballot.

Downing will not seek a third term.

In Grand View, City Clerk Tammy Payne announced this week that the mayoral position currently filled by Opal Ward must be on the November ballot along with three council positions.

State law requires that a mayoral position vacated in mid-term must appear on the next municipal election ballot. Payne left the mayor's office earlier this

year to accept the clerk job when Teena Lewis went to work for the Owyhee County Treasurer's Office.

Ward was appointed to fill the mayoral position, leaving her city council seat open briefly until Linda Araujo was appointed.

There's no word on whether anyone has filed for the Grand View election.

In addition to the mayoral slot, three council seats will appear on the November ballot, including those currently held by Araujo and Mary Bradeen (both two-year terms) and the four-year position held by Marie Hipwell.

In Marsing, City Councilperson James Ferdinand has filed to seek re-election for another four-year term. Aron Streibel also is up for re-election to the council.

Taxing district elections also are planned, including:

- The Marsing Rural Fire Protection District for Subdistrict 1, currently held by Bob Malmberg, and the at-large seat from Canyon County that Jerry Floyd holds. Both carry four-year terms.
- The Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District for Subdistrict 1 (incumbent Valerie Dines) and subdistrict 2 (incumbent Rick Sherrow).

Idaho law allows that non-municipal elections can be foregone if only one person files for each available position.

After the petition deadline, write-in candidacies can be filed until Oct. 8.

Pre-election voter registration is available until Oct. 11, and requests for mail-in absentee ballots must be received by 5 p.m. on Oct. 30. The final day for in-person absentee voting is Nov. 1.



Silver City bridgework finally starts

An Owyhee County Road and Bridge crew began work Aug. 26 to replace the deteriorated wooden bridge across Jordan Creek in Silver City. Work should be completed by the middle of the month. Photo by Clarence Orton



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Local musicians come back to Owyhee to entertain

Betty and Ozark Mountain Music to play at Family Fair and Round Up

When Harry Strang and Bill Cates retired from working at Century Link, they decided to use their newly found spare time to learn to play an instrument. But Strang said he didn't expect to join a band that tours the country playing "bluegrass gospel mountain music."

The band Betty and Ozark Mountain Music was formed by Betty Adams, a Caldwell resident who spent most of her childhood in Homedale. Strang and Adams used to sing in the choir at the same church that sponsors Sunday's Seventh Annual Family Fair and Round Up — Mountain View Church of the Nazarene.

The event will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale.

There are five members of the band. Adams plays guitar and sings lead vocals and Strang, who currently lives in Boise, plays upright bass and sings harmony. Kent Craig of Weiser plays fiddle, and Meridian resident Cates plays five-string banjo. Lorinda Yamamoto Norton, of Caldwell, sings and even dances "authentic Ozark Mountain dancing."

Adams was born in Branson, Mo. in a region of the Appalachian Mountains known as the Ozarks. The area is well-known for its bluegrass and country music influence, something Adams and her family brought with them when they moved to Homedale. Her parents bought a ranch just outside of town off Pioneer Road when Adams was 4 years old.

Adams graduated from Homedale High School in 1957, and still has lunch with her graduating class once a month.

"Homedale is still so precious to me. At least once a year, I go back to the old home place and let it restore me, refresh me. I'm always so close to my roots," Adams said.

Twelve years ago, Adams decided to form a band with members who also shared her love for the music of the Ozarks and her roots in small-town life.

Strang remembered when he and Cates bumped into Adams at a music show in Garden Valley in 2004. Adams invited the men to play with her at the O'Connor Field House in Caldwell for a fundraiser, and they agreed.

"We were just going to do that one fundraiser, and we had so much fun," Strang said. "About a week after that, we became an official band."

Since then, Betty and Ozark Mountain Music has toured different parts of the country and produced five albums.

"We have the same membership now as we did when we started. We're like a big family," Adams said.

However, the group said it doesn't travel as much as it used to. Part of that is because hard economic times reduced the number of requests for performance, and part of it is because the band — comprised of retirees except for one — doesn't feel like traveling so much anymore.



Members of Betty and Ozark Mountain Music will perform at the Family Fair and Round Up this Sunday at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene. Members are, from left to right, Lorinda Yamamoto Norton (vocals), Betty Adams (vocals and guitar), Bill Cates (vocals and banjo), Harry Strang (upright bass and vocals), and Kent Craig (fiddle). Submitted photo

"We used to do a lot more, but we're still very active," Adams said. "I don't want to be on the road as much as I used to. I enjoy my home, my grandkids. I don't want to be consumed by road and the demands of being on the road. I'm just enjoying the music and the people. I'm loving the people, and I love what I do."

The band now plays mostly in churches, assisted living facilities and civic events. They practice together roughly every week and perform a few times a month. But Adams said coming to Homedale is especially momentous.

"It's home. We're touching our roots and touching people who supported me when I started, and that's very special to me. There's no place like going home. It's a real blessing to me to still have the love and support of those people," Adams said.

Adams said her brother, Woodie Purdom, was a musician too. He passed away in Homedale a few years ago, but his sons and grandkids still live in the area. Homedale has a historical draw for Adams.

"I got my first standing ovation in Homedale when I was 16 at a play in junior class, so how could I not love going back to Homedale?" she said with a laugh.

—RAD

Irrigation election filing period begins Friday

While the municipal election filing deadline is Friday, that's the day when the irrigation district election season will kick off.

Hopefuls can file for the Nov. 5 election in the Gem and Grand View districts from Friday until Sept. 26.

District directorships carry three-year terms. If only one person files for a seat, then no election is necessary.

In the Gem district, the Division 3 position currently held by board chair Dennis Turner could be on the ballot. Nominations will be accepted at the Gem District office, 118 S. 1st St. W., in Homedale.

The Grand View district has announced an election for Division 3 as well. Vice-chair Arnie Hipwell holds the position now. It carries a three-year term.

Nominations forms can be obtained and then returned to the district office, 645 Idaho St.,

Grand View.

Division 3 director Jerry Hoagland is up for re-election in the Reynolds Irrigation District. In the Snake River Irrigation District, Division 3 director George Bennett Jr. also is up for re-election.

No formal announcement has been released about those elections yet.

In the Ridgeview Irrigation District, board chair Bret Nielson also is up for re-election. Oregon irrigation district elections are mail ballot only.

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Preschoolers’ Story Time back at library

Story Time returns to the Homedale Public Library on Friday morning.

“Ha, Ha, Baby” by Kate Perry will be featured during the 10:15 a.m. event that is geared for preschoolers and typically includes crafts and singing.

The story is about a baby who won’t laugh despite the efforts of mother, grandmother and the family dog and cat.

The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave. For more information, call 337-4228.

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.

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✓ PILT: Commissioner: Pay fair market

at trimming Secure Rural Schools payments, too.

District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi took the opportunity to speak about his feelings of the federal government controlling 78 percent of Owyhee County’s acreage.

“The federal government should pay fair market value if they want to control federal land,” Aberasturi said.

“If they don’t want to pay fair market value, they should release the land.”

Aberasturi also suggested counties should attach tax liens to force the Department of Interior to pay the full amount of fair market value.

Quagga checkpoints set to close after Labor Day

Sheriff Perry Grant told the commissioners that the two invasive species boat check stations in the county were to close after the Labor Day weekend.

Grant said that 57 citations had been written this season, as opposed to none in 2012.

The sheriff said the citations were for infractions ranging from failure to obey the boat check sign to stop sign violations.

He pointed out that the presence of Level 1 reservists at the check stations in Marsing and Bruneau had provided extra enforcement of traffic laws.

The check stations, which the Bruneau Water and Soil Conservation District runs for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, had been operating since April. Level 1 reservists and other Level 1 law enforcement officers had manned the station inspecting boats for the presence of quagga mussels and zebra mussels in the state’s ongoing effort to keep the species out of Idaho waters.

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Sheriff updates injured marine deputy’s status

Grant said that doctors brought waterways deputy Brent Boster out of the induced coma he had been in since shortly after his motorcycle accident on Aug. 13.

The sheriff said Boster remains hospitalized but is showing movement in his arms.

Idaho Fish and Game conservation officers Charlie Justus and Craig Mickelson have filled in for the sheriff’s office during Boster’s absence.

— JPB



Guillermo Machuca, left, who joined the Homedale Fire Department’s volunteer crew on Aug. 26, and Sage Badiola, 8, stand with the Traeger barbecue-smoker combination to be given away. The daughter of Antone and Sumr Badiola and granddaughter of HFD member Dennis Pruett, Sage is a third-grader at Homedale Elementary School.

HFD feed set for Sept. 14

Dinner and raffle tickets are on sale now for the Homedale Fire Department’s second annual prime rib feed.

The all-you-can-eat feed will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St. The doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m.

Dinner tickets cost \$30 and are available from any Homedale volunteer firefighter.

A prize drawing for a Traeger barbecue-smoker combination will be held during the prime rib feed. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20.

For more information, call Brandon at 337-8317 or Dennis at 880-4194.

Corrections

There were a handful of incorrectly identified champions and other placers in the Owyhee County Fair results published in the Aug. 21 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. Following are the correct results and/or spellings:

Photography Department Grand Champion — Sherry Penny

Photography Department Reserve Champion — Mike Condrack

Art Department Senior Division Champion — Margie Isaguirre (first name also incorrect in several other art categories)



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✓ Levy: Opponents continue to ask for more efficiency in district budget

levy in an attempt to fund a school resource officer, reduce athletic participation fees, create fund balance recovery and stabilize the budget and restore employees, including three teachers, a counselor, a librarian and two paraprofessionals. A successful levy also would have returned two contract days to the school year.

The wish list was identical to the May proposal's objectives.

"We're disappointed with the results because we do believe that these are needs that we have as a district," superintendent Rob Sauer said. "At the same time, we still have a job to do, and that's to provide the best education possible for our students, and we're still going to work hard to do that."

The district has the option to try the levy again on Nov. 5, but that wasn't discussed during last week's special school board meeting. Trustees have until Sept. 13 to get a measure on the ballot.

"I think we need time to process it and figure out what that message was, but obviously the majority said no," Sauer said.

"We need to take a look at what we're asking for, the amount we're asking for, the items we're asking for and drill down and see if there is a difference for those that would have supported it if that's what we were looking for as opposed to those who automatically voted no."

Opponents of the levy had said that the district needed to look at tightening its operational budget before asking property owners to pay an additional \$257.88 per \$100,000 of property value (after all exemptions were applied) each year for the 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years.

Homedale Floral owner Lynn Phelps, whose family owns a farm in the district, too, suggested trimming the superintendent's salary and de-emphasizing athletics as ways to reduce the district's financial need.

The business owner, who displayed a sign opposing the levy on Election Day, said people may have rejected the proposal because they were thinking about their pocketbooks.

"People can't afford the taxes," she said. "Seniors are on fixed incomes, and farms aren't making as much as they used to."



Above: Joann Mason, left, signs up to vote while her husband, Norman, fishes through his wallet for his driver's license. Volunteers (from front to back) Elsie Kushlan, Carol Ebbers, Roxie Atkins, and Mary Louise Mansisidor ran the polling place at the Homedale Senior Center during the Aug. 27 Homedale School District supplemental levy election. **Below:** Citizens wait in line to vote inside the magistrate courtroom.



Phelps said she received a nasty anonymous phone call in reference to her sign after the May levy election. This time around, she said new Zone 3 Trustee Dwayne Fisher dialed her up to learn why she opposed the levy and get her ideas on how the district could operate more efficiently — exactly what her sign had suggested.

Sauer said Friday morning that cuts, including teaching positions and extra-curricular activities, and more fees such as athletic participation cost increases will be back on the table when trustees begin examining the 2014-15 budget. But he said increasing fees could be a double-edged sword.

"We already charge \$75 per activity for the kids. If we charge more than that, kids don't participate and maybe they leave the district to play elsewhere," Sauer said.

That could mean a drop in enrollment and lead to less state funding.

During last Wednesday's spe-

cial board meeting, Fisher expressed his frustration about the lack of overall support for the levy option. He pointed out that patrons in his area — Canyon County — have voted in favor of the levy each of the past two elections.

He spoke after Holly Reynolds, the parent of a district first-grader, complained about large class sizes and a lack of personnel to help with the overload.

"I didn't get much work done today because I have been on the phone all day today with people pretty concerned (and) sharing most of the same views as what we've heard tonight that if we really need another first-grade teacher and if we really need another counselor — and I believe we need those two things very desperately now — that we as a school board need to take the steps to do that immediately."

School officials discovered later in the week that board chair Kurt Shanley's suggestion of an emergency levy wasn't an option because the district hasn't seen a big enough increase in enrollment.

Fisher said he has been in contact with the District 11A Rep. Gayle Batt (R-Wilder) about fighting for more state funding for the schools.

"It's unfortunate that we have a lot of people that want government out of things, but when we turn to the communities to self-support and they know exactly where it's going and they don't do it, then we're forced to go back to the government and ask them to help our cause," Fisher said.

After hearing from his constituents, Fisher also said that all options should be on the table.

"We're going to have to set our budget accordingly and move forward for the next year in making sure that we're fully staffed, make sure that we're taking care of our things, and at the end of the day whatever's left I think we need to learn from the other districts that have been successful in passing their levies and say, 'These things are now officially cut, there's a levy in place, if you would like us to reinstate them you need to pass this levy. If not, this is where the budget's at.'"

— JPB

✓ Family: Prizes, entertainment, spiritual message on tap this Sunday

• Door prizes and a grand prize of a black angus beef quarter donated by an anonymous local rancher

• A drawing for a queen-size commemorative quilt, hand made by Eulah Dunn

• Free registration for \$100 gift

certificates to Paul's Market or Matteson's Phillips 66, or two gift certificates to The Grace Place

• Free concerts by Paul Ellis from Meridian and Betty and Ozark Mountain Music

• Games, prizes, and activities for young children

• Cal and Marla Clevenger of Wagons Ho will teach and entertain

• Vintage rifle and trap display by Elite Rifle Works of Nampa

This year, there will be another non-perishable item food drive for Love INC., which is adding


school supplies to the list of acceptable donations. People will receive extra door prize tickets for each bag of donations given. The Love INC. booth will also be giving out free tickets to the Melody of Love concert — which features Chicken Dinner Road

Bluegrass Band — on Monday. It will be at the College Church of the Nazarene, at 504 E. Dewey Ave. in Nampa. Tickets for that show are only available to people who sign up to go.

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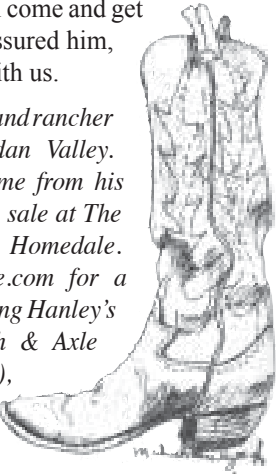
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Callahan Bridge to Willow Springs

When we pulled out this morning, it was for Willow Springs, over a good road that veered southwest. It was hot, but the dust didn't bother us because we didn't move fast enough over the gravel road to kick up any. Linda and Hugh, our novice drivers, are doing great. Linda had difficulties with my pack horse (Doug), which was soon renamed Dougie by members of the train. He would not lead, so I had to turn him loose. Why bother? I have his pack loaded with materials for on-site repairs, including extra straps, rivets and a shoeing outfit. When something happens, he's always close by, and today when a shoe was loose on a saddle horse, he showed up just in time for me to use his tools and tighten the shoe. However, Dougie bothers Linda, not because he insists on walking up and down the train, checking out the wagons for hand-outs and other goodies, but because he walks in front of her team, then wanders back and forth. Periodically something attracts him, and he trots past her, causing her team to spook. I finally attempted to lead him again, but he was too slow so I tied him behind Hugh's wagon, and he pulled back, breaking the halter. I turned him loose again, which was the only alternative. He won't lead and he won't run off, but for marital bliss I must keep him away from Linda.

About seven miles out to the right of the road was an historic landmark known as Haystack Rock. To the pioneers it resembled a stack of hay, which, in their desperate state, they could have used. Unlike we modern emigrants, they had sparse feed and little water for at least sixty miles across one of Nevada's bleakest places, the Black Rock Desert. In anticipation, the wise cut hay on the Humboldt where we camped last night, and loaded up kegs of water for the crossing, which wasn't enough, but an assist. We have the dependable water buffalo and hay is hauled to us; water for noon and both water and hay at night.

As we were watering at noon, I went over to see how Mattole was doing, and he told me, "I had a close call last night ... I could have died, but with the Lord's blessing I survived." He thanked me for allowing him to continue on, but I said, "Mattole, I don't know if the Lord took care of you or if it was luck, but I do know a lot of people helped, and that's why you're with us now. Also, I'm the Wagon Master, and I'm going to do my best to see that you make it." "Praise the Lord," he sighed. "Mattole, I'm going to let you know right now that it's up to you to care for your needs, but if you die out here, we're going to bury you alongside the road, and as I see it you have two choices. I can have you buried in your wagon or put the wagon over your grave as a monument. What do you want me to do with Jessie if you don't make it?" "Carney has my wife's telephone number, and she'll come and get him." "Oh, by the way," I assured him, "we'll take your horse on with us."

— 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.owyheeeavalanche.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*.



Calendar

- Today**
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“Annie” auditions
3:45 p.m. to 7 p.m., Marsing School District cafeteria, 8th Avenue West, Marsing. (208) 697-7115
Homedale Highway District meeting
8 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale.

Thursday
Blood pressure clinic
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Lizard Butte Library board meeting
4 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
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. 1st 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

Friday
Story Time
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228; call afternoons Monday through Saturday

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
Flea market and craft fair
9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Dr., Homedale

Sunday
Family Fair and Roundup
8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3151
Flea market and craft fair
9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Dr., Homedale
Gospel music concert
6 p.m., free, Marsing First Church of the Nazarene, 12 S. 2nd Ave W., Marsing.

Monday
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. 1st 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 boardroom, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
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. 2nd 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 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111

Wednesday
Senior center board meeting
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Laughter Yoga
1:30 p.m., \$3, open to everyone, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641
Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday
Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4122
Three Creek School Board meeting
7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

Thursday, Sept. 12
Blood pressure clinic
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday, Sept. 13
Story Time
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228; call afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday, Sept. 14
Homedale Farmers Market
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bette Uda City Park, East Idaho Avenue. (208) 840-0440 or ddixon222@msn.com
Silver City Open House
Noon to 5 p.m., \$10 adults, \$5 children younger than 12, tickets sold until 4 p.m., Silver City. (208) 583-4104
Homedale Fire Dept. prime rib fundraiser
5 p.m., doors, 6 p.m. dinner, \$30 all-you-can-eat, Txoko Ona Basque Center, 333 S. Main St., Homedale. (208) 337-8317 or (208) 880-4194

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

School menus

Homedale Elementary

Sept. 4: Crispito, taco salad, applesauce
Sept. 5: Nemo sandwich, sweet potato fries, strawberries, jello
Sept. 6: Pizza, tossed salad, pineapple
Sept. 9: Mini corn dogs, steamed carrots, broccoli, peaches
Sept. 10: Spaghetti, green beans, celery sticks, pears
Sept. 11: Oven fried chicken, baked beans, veggies, mandarin oranges

Homedale Middle

Sept. 4: Toasted cheese sandwich or rib-b-que, corn, grape tomatoes, orange wedges
Sept. 5: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cauliflower, mandarin oranges, cinnamon roll
Sept. 6: Pizza hot pocket or corn dog, tossed salad, baby carrots, applesauce
Sept. 9: Chicken & noodles or popcorn chicken, baby carrots, grape tomatoes, mixed fruit, goldfish crackers
Sept. 10: Sloppy Joe or grilled chicken sandwich, tater tots, baked beans, pears
Sept. 11: Mini corn dogs or ham/cheese hot pocket, green beans, side salad, apple

Homedale High

Sept. 4: Lasagna or rib-b-que, French bread, mixed veggies, salad bar, fruit choice
Sept. 5: Nachos or corn dog, salad bar, fruit choice
Sept. 6: Crispito w/taco salad or hot pocket, corn, salad bar, fruit choice
Sept. 9: Pizza or ham/cheese sandwich, salad bar, fruit choice
Sept. 10: Chicken tenders or pork chop, scalloped potatoes, roll, salad bar, fruit choice
Sept. 11: Enchilada or hot pocket, salad bar, fruit choice

Marsing

Sept. 4: Hamburger or chicken nuggets, roll, potato wedge, salad bar (6-12)
Sept. 5: Malibu chicken or fish taco, steamed carrots, pudding, salad bar (6-12)
Sept. 9: Chicken fried steak or BBQ roasted chicken w/mashed potatoes, roll, buttered corn, salad bar (6-12)
Sept. 10: Hot dog, baked beans, egg roll & fried rice, green beans, jello, salad bar (6-12)
Sept. 11: Orange chicken & rice or ham/cheese sandwich w/chips, steamed carrots, salad bar (6-12)

Bruneau-Grand View

Sept. 4: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruit cocktail, whole wheat roll
Sept. 5: Beef & bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn, fruit
Sept. 6: Ham/cheese on a bun, potato wedges, broccoli, fruit
Sept. 10: Stromboli, spinach salad, steamed carrots, fruit
Sept. 11: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes/gravy, steamed broccoli, wheat roll/jelly, fruit

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Sept. 4: Hot dog/bun, baked beans, potato
Sept. 5: Lasagna w/cheese, meat & sauce, string beans
Sept. 10: Oven baked chicken, peas & carrots, mashed potatoes/gravy, bread
Sept. 11: Ham & beans, corn bread, spinach

Death notices

PHYLIS JOY ACKERMAN, 78, of Marsing, died Thursday, Aug. 29, 2013 at home of natural causes. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. A celebration of life was held Monday, Sept. 2, 2013 at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center. (208) 459-0833

CLARENCE “CLAY” E. WEBB, 82, Adrian, Ore., mayor, died Monday, Aug. 26, 2013. Arrangements are under the direction of Haren-Wood Funeral Chapel, Ontario, Ore.

Obituary

Norris Lineberger

Norris Lineberger, 87 of Meridian, formerly of Marsing, passed away of natural causes on August 22, 2013.

Norris was born on December 24, 1925 in Caldwell, Idaho to Ira H. and Vera Lineberger. He began his education at Last Chance School, advancing to Homedale Grade School, and graduating from Homedale High School.

Norris received a securities license from attending night classes at Boise State. He served in the Army during World War II. On February 14, 1947, he married his high school sweetheart, Freda Olsen. They lived on the family farm until 1999 and then retired to Meridian.

During retirement, Norris and Freda enjoyed traveling, which included several cruises. Norris was a lifetime member of the BPOE Caldwell Lodge #1448. He had a dynamic sense of humor, a love for cars, an amazing artistic talent for drawing, and a devoted love of his family.



Norris is survived by his wife, Freda; daughters, Rhonda Lineberger and Helen Schweitzer (Rick); grandchildren, Kari Schweitzer Prange (Casey), Emily Akins, Erik Schweitzer; and one great-grandson, Cooper Ryan Prange.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Lawrence and Ralph.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital in Boise, Idaho in the memory of Norris Lineberger.

Private family services are under the direction of Dakan Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.dakanfuneralchapel.com

Nashville musicians to visit Marsing

Jeff and Sue Duffield are progressive and inspirational gospel musicians for more than 37 years who will perform at the Marsing First Church of the Nazarene at 6 p.m. Sunday.

The Christian-value themed couple performed at the church a year and a half ago as guests of Ann Downing.

“We’ve wanted them back ever since, and now we’re happy to be able to share them with our community,” Pastor Bill O’Connor said in a prepared statement.

The concert is free and open to the public at Marsing First Church of the Nazarene, located at 12 S. 2nd Ave. W.

Jeff Duffield is a keyboardist

and arranger who has backed artists such as Anita Bryant, the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir, Dave Boyer, and others.

Sue Duffield is a songwriter, vocalist, conference speaker, and comedienne.

She’s a former Oldies Radio DJ and freelance writer. Her most recognized song is “LOL,” a song about the acronym Laughing Out Loud, used commonly in text messages.

Her humorous stories and inspirational writings are featured in SJ Magazine, based in New Jersey, her home state.

She’s also been featured on the Absolutely Gospel Network out of Nashville, and she was a guest

comedy writer for “Laugh Lines,” a part of the National Women’s Ministries of the Assemblies of God.

“Our people loved them, and we had a blast laughing at Sue’s pointed humor. She’s hilariously funny, and her vocal talents are amazing. Jeff is an outstanding pianist, and a great straight man for his wife,” O’Connor said.

Jeff and Sue were high school sweethearts, and married in 1974. They lived in Delaware, N.J. until three years ago, when they moved to Nashville.

They have spent most of their lives working full-time in the music ministry. They have two adult children, David and Annie.

Owyhee DU sets Friday pig roast

Raffles, auctions, games and gun giveaways are the order of the day for Friday’s fall pig roast and party sponsored by the Owyhee County chapter of Ducks Unlimited.

The event at the Homedale


Municipal Airport begins with a 5 p.m. special sponsor social followed by the pig roast and party at 6 p.m.

There will be special ladies’ prizes in addition to the raffle and

gun giveaways.

Registration is available at www.ducks.org/idaho.

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



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Homedale Highway Dist. changes meeting date

Homedale-area Snake River RV park to host annual flea market this weekend

The Homedale Highway District has changed the date of its September commissioners meeting. Usually scheduled to meet on the first Wednesday of the month, the board will convene at 8 p.m. next Wednesday at the highway district office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., in Homedale.

The Snake River RV Resort presents the sixth annual Flea Market and Craft Fair from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at 4030 River Resort Dr. in Homedale. The flea market has more than 60 vendors this year, selling everything from food to homemade crafts and jewelry. Some vendors include: Cacia's Cucinas Old World Sicilian Foods, Pampered Chef, Oasis Honey, Pink Lady Jewelry and much more. Music will be performed by Les and Nancy, a group that plays dance music, pop, spiritual, classics, and decade-era music.

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Auditions for “Annie” set today in Marsing

Open auditions will be held today 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. inside the Marsing School District cafeteria on 8th 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.

Leigh Short, a mother volunteering with the district’s after-school program, is coordinating the play, which will be performed on Nov. 15, Nov. 16, Nov. 22 and Nov. 23.

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.

Rehearsals will begin Monday.

Call Short at 697-7115 for more information.

Silver City open house around the corner

The Orchid Award-winning Stoddard House is among the buildings that will be open to the public for the annual Silver City Open House.

The open house takes place Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14-15 in the historic mining town. The Stoddard House recently won a Preservation Idaho Orchid Award from the Idaho Historic Preservation Council.

Ten privately owned buildings will be open for the weekend in Silver City. Open house tickets will be available by donation from noon to 4 p.m. both days. Show hours are from noon to 5 p.m.

Suggested donations are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children younger than 12.

Proceeds help with the preservation of the historic values of the town and to support community needs, according to a pamphlet outlining the open house.

Food service, snacks, drinks and lodging will be available at the Idaho Hotel.

For more information, call the Idaho Hotel at (208) 583-4104.

OHR funds free lunch for Homedale seniors

Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center has stepped up to provide another free luncheon at Homedale Senior Center.

The free meal will be served from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 12 at the senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

Other September events at the center include:

- Blood pressure clinics on Thursday and Sept. 12
- The monthly senior center board of directors meeting at 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday
- A foot clinic with appointments beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17. The cost is \$12. Call 337-3020 to book an appointment.

The senior center is open Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The thrift store is open during center hours.

Clothes and shoes are for sale in the thrift store for \$1 per grocery bag.

Vendor spots available for Rimrock fall bazaar

The Rimrock Senior Center will hold its Fall bazaar next month.

The traditional chicken and noodles lunch with a roll will be available during the bazaar, scheduled to run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 5.

Dessert also will be available. Vendor tables are available for \$10.

The senior center is located at 525 Main St., in Grand View.

For more information or the reserve a spot, call Willie Roby at (208) 834-2171.

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Owyhee at 150

County’s early settlements served as footnotes in larger historical events

by Joe Demshar

Early settlers began to establish cattle ranches on the north slopes of the Owyhee Mountains, which would later become Oreana, in the mid-1860s. A building was then moved from Silver City in 1882 and remodeled into the Oreana Hotel. A post office was established in Oreana in 1885. In the 1890s, a general store made of native stone, a saloon, a blacksmith shop, a livery barn, a school, and several residences were added.

In 1961, the general store, which had fallen into disrepair, was donated to the Roman Catholic Church and was repaired and remodeled into Our Lady, Queen of Heaven Catholic Church. The church is arguably the biggest draw to the community and services are still held there several times a year.

Farther southeast lies the small area of Three Creek. While never considered a town, Three Creek has had some memorable moments.

It is actually the area that the famous Kitty Wilkins made her fortune in horses. It also had a run-in with some famous bandits.

In the days prior to Sept. 19, 1900, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, along with Will Carver, traveled from their hideout at Power Springs, on the Wyoming-Colorado border, through Three Creek on their way to rob the bank at Winnemucca, Nev. In Three Creek (population 32) there was a general store made out of rocks quarried from nearby creeks, which was owned by Jim Duncan and his wife Lizzie. According to Sundance, they got Jim out of bed, and at gunpoint he filled their order, loading two pack horses with grub. The grub, along with horses, were cached along the 200-plus miles to Winnemucca, and used in their escape after the bank robbery.

Butch Cassidy had promised to pay Jim Duncan for the grub, and as they passed through Three Creek late at night on their return trip, they figured up the bill for the grub, and doubling it, they left it in a sack by the store.

— Joe Demshar is director of the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy. For more on county history, visit the museum at 17085 Basey St., in Murphy. It’s open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Demshar used the website www.ghosttowns.com/states/id/idowyhee.html as a reference for this column.



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People on both sides of levy wonder about poll tactics

Poll-watchers in RVs, opening senior center during election questioned

About 10 people who wanted to see the Homedale School District supplemental levy succeed organized a “poll-watching” effort last week.

A recreational vehicle was parked across the street from the Homedale Senior Center and another was set up in the parking lot of the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, which served as the Canyon County polling place. Supporters stationed in a private building across the street from Homedale City Hall also watched voters walk in and out of that polling station.

The two RVs were within 100 feet of the polling place entrances.

School board chair Kurt Shanley said that acting as a concerned citizen he was among the people who devised the strategy. He said the school board did not sanction the effort. Superintendent Rob Sauer said no district employees took part in the poll watching.

Parent Teacher Organization member Michelle Larzelier was stationed at the Nazarene church. She told The Owyhee Avalanche that supporters, whom she characterized as “concerned moms,” merely were keeping score and took pains to make sure that no state electioneering laws were broken.

Volunteers at each location were furnished with a list of voters who had been surveyed on how they would vote. Larzelier said watchers checked off the names as people voted and anyone who had committed to vote yes hadn’t cast a vote yet were called and reminded of the election.

There was no effort made to persuade those who had already said they would vote against the levy, Larzelier said.

Larzelier said about 10 people were stationed in shifts at the three polling places.

Owyhee County Clerk Angela Barkell said a few voters mentioned the “unofficial poll-watchers” to election officials at the senior center, but that there was no reference to the watchers at City Hall.

Poll workers at the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene, however, told a different story. An unidentified poll worker was offended by the tactic and called it intimidation.

Senior elections judge Docia Bevan called Canyon County Clerk Chris Yamamoto after some voters complained about the motorhome. She said the poll-watchers moved the vehicle back a few spaces after she asked them. The rig originally was visible from inside the polling area.

Yamamoto and his chief deputy, Brand Jackson, visited the polling place in the afternoon and discussed the situation first with Bevan and then with Larzelier.

“Our main worry is how they’re interacting with the polling place,” Jackson said.

The county officials determined that no electioneering laws had been broken because the supporters weren’t displaying signs and weren’t impeding voters’ access to the polling place.

Jackson and Yamamoto encouraged Larzelier to register as an official poll-watcher in the future. Written requests to serve as



Above: Michelle Larzelier (center), a Homedale PTO member who volunteered to watch the Mountain View Church of the Nazarene polling place, listens to Canyon County Clerk Chris Yamamoto, left, as his chief deputy, Brad Jackson, looks on. **Left:** A poll watcher raises a notebook while monitoring the magistrate courthouse polling location during the Aug. 27 election.

in May when the levy failed by 20 votes.

But voting results suggest opening the center didn’t have an impact on the Aug. 27 outcome.

There was a difference of only three votes — 124 no to 121 yes — at the North Homedale precinct (senior center), while voters at South Homedale (magistrate courtroom) rejected the measure by a count 159 opposed and 115 in favor.

— JPB

Homedale trustees amend budget, hear about class size

Math teacher, coaches also hired

Even though no formal discussion of the failed supplemental levy was on the agenda, the Homedale School Board still heard about problems caused by lack of funding during a special meeting last Wednesday.

Trustees gathered to amend the 2013-14 budget. There were no levy funds to add, but the board did insert nearly \$1,300 from two out-of-district revenue sources.

The district will receive a few hundred dollars in restored operating property tax revenue that had been suspended after PacifiCorp sued the state over its assessments. The utility company lost its court battle.

The district also will get about \$960 from the Canyon-Owyhee

School Service Agency. District business manager Faith Olsen said COSSA is paying a portion of school nurse Aundra DeWitt’s salary because of the special medical needs of some Homedale Elementary School students.

No public comment session was planned, but parent Holly Reynolds spoke up at the start of the meeting.

Reynolds, who said she moved her children from a charter school back to the district for this school year, complained to the board about the large first-grade class size her son must deal with and the lack of a teacher’s aide.

District superintendent Rob Sauer told Reynolds that had the levy passed, the district would have assigned more personnel to the elementary (specifically a paraprofessional or aide was planned).

There are 27 children in her son’s class, and school board chair Kurt Shanley said the district had frozen enrollment for first-graders because of the spike in that segment of the student population.

“We have target (class size) numbers that we don’t want to get above, but at the same time when you have cut 20 percent of certified staff over a five-year period, six-year period you’re going to run into that,” Sauer said. “That’s where we are right now.”

Reynolds also addressed the funding spent on extra-curricular activities.

“It’s my opinion that it’s better to have school safety officers and teachers and librarians and people that actually educate rather than extra-curricular activities,” she said, admitting that she wasn’t sure if cutting athletics had been considered.

Shanley informed her that sports had been eliminated and that pay-for-play fees had been instituted. He also invited her to return for the Sept. 9 regular meeting to provide more public comment.

In addition to restoring educational positions, the supplemental levy would have been used to reduce sports participation fees. Golf and cross country — two of the sports eliminated with previous budget cuts — were restored after community members raised money to make the programs self-sufficient. Soccer programs, however, haven’t been restored.

In personnel action last Wednesday, the school board declared a hiring emergency because some of the new personnel — including DeWitt and middle school Math teacher Valentin Samano — don’t have the proper certifica-

tions yet.

“Provisional certifications are not ideal, but they’re not uncommon,” Shanley said. “They happen from time to time.”

DeWitt has one year to become a registered nurse, Sauer pointed out.

After declaring the hiring emergency, the board held an executive session and then re-emerged to hire Samano, who has been teaching at Homedale Middle School since Aug. 21.

Also hired last week were Luke Ankeny as a Title 1 paraprofessional, Erica Dines as Homedale High School freshman volleyball coach, Wendy Aberasturi as cheer advisor, Heidi Nash as seventh-grade volleyball coach and food service part-timers Rhonda Hoadley and Agnina Vega and full-timer Kim Ashliman.

— JPB

New Homedale staff features to appear next week

Originally slated for publication this week, the biographical thumbnails of new Homedale School District teachers and staff members has been delayed a week because of space constraints. The package will appear in the Sept. 11 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche.

US Bank manager retires after 39 years

Sheila Leavitt
excited for
retirement, sad to
say goodbye

When she was in eighth grade, Sheila Leavitt moved to Homedale. That was 1964. Now, she is retiring from her position as branch manager of US Bank in the same city.

Although she will still be in Homedale, Leavitt said she is sad to depart from the life she's known for so many years. She promises to visit the bank and her friends in the community often, but after nearly 40 years at the bank, it's time to hang up the gloves.



Sheila Leavitt

After graduating Homedale High School, Leavitt got a job at Frosty Palace. Then in 1974, she got a job as a teller at the bank, which at the time was Idaho First National.

"Everything was done manually back then," Leavitt said. "We posted (transactions) on a huge posting machine and had to copy all the work before we left the bank. We had to have a big journal of accounts, and when someone wanted to know how much money they had, we would open the journal and look for it."

To say the least, technology has changed the way Leavitt approaches her job.

"Oh, yes. Technology has evolved," she said.

Leavitt remembers when Idaho First became West One because business spread into other states. Then it was First Star, then it was bought out by US Bank, which is what it is today.

During these transitions, Leavitt went from being a teller to a loan secretary, then operations manager, then finally branch manager. She had no institutional training after high school, but instead learned everything on the job as the bank grew and evolved.

"I was very shy when I started," Leavitt said. "But it's so easy to work in Homedale. People here are extremely nice to you. I wouldn't even consider transferring. I've always loved it right here."

Leavitt and her husband, Kelly, have been married for 44 years and have four children, seven grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. Her daughter Lori lives on the same block as Leavitt, and Leavitt's

three adopted children, Shawn, Kristina and Joey, live in Parma, Emmett, and California, respectively. Kelly Leavitt farms and works at SMX, Inc., and will soon semi-retire. Leavitt says she will use her retirement time to "enjoy life," spending time at a cabin in Cascade, traveling, and spending more time with grandchildren.

Sal Villegas is the incoming branch manager, taking over for Leavitt.

"He's a very nice guy," Leavitt said. "He's young, so he'll have lots of energy. I think he can do it. I think Homedale will like him."

Leavitt's work philosophy is that great customer service means no problem should be left unsolved. Hopefully that continues in the legacy she leaves behind.

—RAD



Co-workers and customers gathered Thursday afternoon to bid longtime US Bank manager Sheila Leavitt well wishes upon her retirement from the Homedale branch. Leavitt is in the center embracing a co-worker during the party.

Incoming manager embraces challenge

Sal Villegas has assumed the position of bank manager after the retirement of Sheila Leavitt, who had been working with the bank for 39 years.



Sal Villegas

Villegas grew up in Caldwell and graduated from Bishop Kelly High School in Boise. He completed his under-

graduate work at The College of Idaho in Caldwell in political science, economy, and philosophy in 2003.

He got his master's of business in management from Western Governors University, based in Salt Lake City.

Villegas has been banking for nine years, most recently opening an Idaho Central Credit Union branch in Caldwell. He previously managed a bank in Nampa for five years.

"It's exciting," he said about coming to the US Bank in

Homedale. "It's a unique challenge, a unique opportunity as well. I look forward to getting to know Homedale and I hope it does to me, too."

Villegas lives in Caldwell with his wife, LeAnn, and their two sons, Benjamin, 6, and Daniel, 4. His wife is a preschool teacher at Caldwell Parks and Recreation.

"I'm really excited to get to know the people here, and I encourage anyone with questions or thoughts to come to me. My doors are always open and so are my ears," Villegas said.

Departing words for Sheila

"It's been so nice working with her. ... She works helping any problem that any customer may have. And she also works with the community, and I like that about her."

— Griselda Morales,
teller at US Bank for seven years

"She's been a really great boss. She cares about us and our families. If there's something we need to take care of she understands and she always works around time off."

— Susan Pfeifer,
teller at US Bank for three years

"I want to tell her thanks for being an amazing boss. A boss like her we will never find. Sheila, enjoy retirement and shop 'til you drop."

— Irene Valdez,
teller at US Bank for two years

"You can see how important of a person and leader she has been. Past clients, teachers, parents come in to wish her well. It shows how integral she was. It was more than just managing accounts."

— Sal Villegas,
US Bank incoming branch manager

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Rimrock FFA judging team wins Western Idaho Fair championship

The Rimrock FFA judging teams collected a pair of top-three finishes at the Western Idaho Fair in Garden City.

The livestock judging team finished first with Jackie Newman collecting a silver belt buckle for her first place individual finish.

Sami Bachman finished fourth, and Nick Bennett placed fifth. Other livestock team members were Mickie Newman and Zach Tindall.

Rimrock placed third in dairy judging with three top-10 individuals, including Bachman (fifth), Travis Erwin (sixth) and Mickie Newman (seventh). Bennett, Tindall and Analeise Mills rounded out the dairy judging team.



Rimrock FFA chapter members who competed at the Western Idaho Fair in livestock and dairy judging included, from left, Analeise Mills, Travis Erwin, Nick Bennett, Sami Jo Bachman, Jackie Newman, Mickie Newman, and Zach Tindall. Submitted photo

Marsing man booked into Ada County Jail on lewd charge

A 34-year-old Marsing man the Boise Police Department, with previous drug convictions has been detained in Ada County Jail on suspicion of lewd conduct with a minor under 16.

An Owyhee County Sheriff's deputy arrested Gabriel J. Hamilton on a felony warrant on Aug. 27. He was transferred to Ada County soon afterward.

According to information from the well-known to the victim.



the warrant was issued after an investigation into allegations of inappropriate sexual conduct between Hamilton and a boy younger than 10. Boise detectives learned from the victim that there was more than one incident inside a Boise home a decade ago.

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Adrian football loses season opener

Avalanche Sports

Marsing volleyball falters vs. Parma



Parma High School running back Jimmy Dawson chases after an errant pitch as Raul Garcia and other Marsing defenders close in during Friday's game on the Huskies' field.

Huskies shake off rocky start to beat Parma

Marsing High School's football season got off to a slow start Friday night. Then, Rodrigo Acuna and Tristan Jacobi turned on the jets. A senior wideout, Jacobi showed off his legs and his hands in catching a pair of touchdowns as the Huskies used a second-half barrage to post a 28-12 non-conference win over Parma.

Playing its first game since a 2A state

semifinal loss, Marsing struggled early against the visiting Panthers. In the first quarter on a first down at the Parma 29, sophomore quarterback Acuna made a low pitch while being brought down by Parma linebacker Marco Gonzalez. The football bounced on the turf before Jacobi could get a handle on it and the Panthers recovered to quell the Huskies' first threat with 5 minutes, 21 seconds to go.

Parma would go on to score twice in the first half. Making his varsity debut engineering the Huskies' new Pistol-Wing T offense, Acuna accounted for three of his team's four scores after the intermission. He fired touchdown passes to Jacobi and tight end Charlie Galvez and also ran for a score. No statistics were provided.

Trojans' late PAT topples Cougars

Holtry's faith in defense sets up game-winning drive by soph

Veteran leadership has become something of a cliché in high school football, but on Friday it was the veterans and their memories that carried Homedale to a big victory.

A senior-led defense held Caldwell on a fourth-and-long situation with 80 seconds left on a hostile field, setting up last-minute heroics from the Trojans' offense in a 22-21 non-league victory over the 4A Cougars.



Lane Matteson

"I saved all my timeouts when we were on defense because I felt they'd come through," fifth-year coach Matt Holtry said.

After the defense stopped the Cougars, senior tight end Nathan Leslie epitomized the team's determination and resilience with a gutsy 29-yard catch-and-run to the end zone with 55 seconds left to get Homedale within a point.

Sophomore quarterback Lawsen Matteson hit Angel Cardenas on a quick-out for the two-point conversion that thrust the Trojans to a season-opening victory.

"It's huge for the community, and it's huge for the program," Holtry said. "The expectations when I got to Homedale wasn't where it's been in the past.

"I think we've turned the corner, and that expectation to win every game is back."

A heart-wrenching 32-26 overtime loss to the Cougars at Deward Bell Stadium to open the 2012 season also may have played a motivational role, although Holtry downplayed recent history.

"We didn't really talk much about last year's game because we didn't want to talk about that we lost," Holtry said. "I think, deep down, the kids remembered it, and

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Gregory inherits volleyball talent to mold

Young team tries to build a legacy for Homedale

First-year coaches like to build foundations. One look at Julie Gregory's roster, and it would appear the Homedale High School volleyball coach has just the right ingredients.

The daughter of longtime Nampa High School girls' basketball coach John Gregory, Julie Gregory walks into a Trojans' program featuring just four seniors.

The rest of the group is comprised of underclassmen — albeit underclassmen that are used to winning at a high level. Several played on last year's 3A state championship softball team.

"While I am not expecting this to be a rebuilding year, I know that it will take a lot of hard work from the girls and me to have a successful year," Gregory said.



First-year Homedale High School volleyball coach Julie Gregory high-fives players in a timeout during last week's season opener against Baker City.

Two seniors — middle hitter Kaylee Rupp (5-foot-9) and back-row passer Katie Deal (5-7) — are expected to make a big impact and also lend to the Trojans' strengths. "Size and passing ability are

our strengths," Gregory said. The tallest player on the team is 5-11 junior Hattie Mertz. The rest of the seniors are 5-6 Destiny Long and 5-3 Mykal Hill. Deal teams with 5-foot junior

Tori Nash, who is a newcomer to the varsity.

"Although this is Tori Nash's first year, we have high hopes she will join an already successful backcourt," Gregory said.

"These girls are the backbone of our team. With their greatly ability to start plays and come up with big digs, it will help create success for our team."

Joining Rupp up front is outside hitter Gardenica Machuca, a 5-7 sophomore who was a key contributor to the softball title run.

"With her young, raw talent, we look at her as not only a valuable asset for this team but an anchor for the years to come," Gregory said.

Although Gregory is concerned about the team's lack of consistent communication, she said fans can expect competitive and hard-fought games. That claim bore out in Thursday's season-opening 27-25, 25-18, 16-25, 25-18 non-conference win over visiting

— See *Volleyball*, page 16

Sports



Braden Fillmore looks for running room during Jordan Valley High School's season-opening football game Friday at home. Photo by Tara Echave

Young Mustangs score early in football opener

With only nine athletes out of the team, Jordan Valley High School nearly pulled off a victory in its opener Friday afternoon. Silas Skinner has taken over as head coach for Jerry Wroten, and he and assistant coach Jeff Anderson watched the Mustangs jump out to an early lead in a 14-6 non-league loss to visiting Pine Eagle from Halfway, Ore. The Spartans scored twice after halftime, including a touchdown and go-ahead PAT early in the third quarter. Pine Eagle scored in the final two minutes of the contest. "With only having nine boys, they played really well," Ander-

son said. "With being a young team, only one senior member, they all played really hard for the entire game, they gave it their all." The Mustangs are playing a junior varsity schedule this season because of the lack of depth and experience. "We are really looking forward to the younger players becoming more seasons and looking forward to what our senior, Benny Telleria, has in store for us this year," Anderson said. Next up for the Mustangs is a Sept. 13 road matchup against non-league foe Greenleaf Friends Academy.

Senior-less JV volleyball loses debut

Much like their football counterparts, Jordan Valley High School's volleyball players are young. The Mustangs started the season Friday with a four-game loss to visiting Pine Eagle. "We didn't come out with a win, but the girls looked good for their first game," Mustangs coach Sarah Carson said. The Spartans rallied from a second-set loss for a 25-21, 18-25, 25-12, 25-17 non-league triumph. "We have some really motivated players this year; however, we have a young team with no seniors," Carson said. "We have a freshman setter (Alisha Rogers) that played really well in the first game, and I am looking forward to what she can do the rest of the season." Julie Mackenzie is serving as assistant coach for the squad, which features just eight players. The Mustangs hit the road for a 6 p.m. Thursday match against Idaho City and then are back home Tuesday for their tradition non-leaguer against McDermitt, Nev.



Jordan Valley High School's Morgan Caywood makes a play during the volleyball team's opener Friday. Photo by Tara Echave

Parma sweeps Marsing volleyball

After a back-and-forth first set, Marsing High School couldn't get its footing in a non-conference volleyball loss Thursday. Visiting Weiser of the 3A Snake River Valley conference notched a 25-23, 25-15, 25-14 victory behind four kills and six aces by Alecia Lundberg.

Game 1 was tied, 23-23, before the Wolverines finally broke through for the win. Lily Bowers led the Huskies' offense with four kills. Teammate Kieya Buckley served three aces to go along with three kills, and Morgan Hall notched two aces, two kills and a dig.

The Huskies also played in the Kuna Klassic tournament on Friday and Saturday. Results were not provided.

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MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week



Rodrigo Acuna, So. Football

The play — Making his debut at quarterback in a new offensive scheme for the Huskies, Acuna shook off an early mistake to power Marsing to a season-opening victory over Parma. He threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score as the Huskies rallied with four touchdowns in the second half against the Panthers.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Sept. 13, at Glens Ferry, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity
Friday, Sept. 13, at Glens Ferry, 4 p.m.

Cross Country

Thursday, Sept. 5 at New Plymouth Invitational, 4 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Thursday, Sept. 5 at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at Cole Valley Christian, 7 p.m.
Junior varsity A
Thursday, Sept. 5 at Nampa Christian, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 7 at Payette Tournament
Tuesday, Sept. 10 at Cole Valley Christian, 6 p.m.
Junior varsity B
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Sports

✓Trojans: Senior transfer Sale racks up 100 yards receiving in HHS debut

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“He’s a heck of a kid and a bright athlete. He’s got a heck of a future ahead of him, and I’m just excited to work with him.”

Holtry has taken over the offensive coordinator duties this season, and his first game out of the gate featured 365 yards total offense and 23 first downs (eight more than the Cougars) but four turnovers.

Sale caught eight balls for 105 yards and a 17-yard touchdown near the end of the first quarter.

Leslie finished with 65 yards on four catches, and Dayne Jacobs a 24-yard scoring pass that helped Homedale achieve a 14-14 halftime tie.

Caldwell kept pace with two short touchdown runs. The Cougars tied the game, 7-7, on Cameron Gabiola-Weitz’s 80-yard kickoff return immediately after the Trojans’ first-quarter score.

Caldwell managed 255 yards total offense, but only 68 through the air as Dakota Horsewood completed just four of 16 attempts.

“I was very pleased with our defensive front – Jakobee Osborn and Colton Grimm on the inside and Luke Flaming and Britt Eubanks at defensive end,” Holtry said.

“They only gave up the two scores.”

— JPB

Leslie was able to get into the end zone in part because of that attitude. He got a block from 6-foot-5, 190-pound senior transfer Lane Sale (Vallivue), but also broke a tackle on his way to the pivotal TD.

Matteson, who was making his varsity debut as starting quarterback implementing a new offensive philosophy, had some rough patches while completing 20 of 36 passes for 269 yards, three touchdowns and three interceptions.

Holtry said Matteson made a “great” throw on the crossing pattern that got Leslie into the end zone, but he also needed some time to adjust to the speed of the varsity game after only one year of high school football.

“He had some times that he made some throws and decisions that were rookie mistakes, but at the same time, he made some veteran throws and veteran decisions,” Holtry said.

Caldwell comes from behind for football victory vs. Homedale JV

A turnover-filled second half doomed Homedale High School’s junior varsity football team in its season opener Thursday.

Caldwell scored 14 unanswered points for a 20-12 non-conference victory at Deward Bell Stadium.

The Trojans built a 12-6 half-time lead behind two Jake Deal touchdown passes.

Deal tied the game with a 34-yard scoring strike to Garrett Carter with 63 seconds left in the first quarter.

A TD pass to Conner Carter on fourth down from the Cougars’ 16-yard line put Homedale in front at the break.

Caldwell’s Donovan Sanchez intercepted Deal three times in the second half and the Cougars used two big scoring plays to take control.

Austin VanHorne, who also picked off Deal, fired a 30-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Jerome to put Caldwell ahead for good in the third quarter.

Deal completed seven of 22 passes for 146 yards with Chase Martell hauling in a 54-yard gainer and the Carters combining for 57 yards on five receptions.

Martell led Homedale’s ground game, picking up 49 yards on nine carries.

Amos Aguilera notched eight tackles and three assists to lead Homedale’s defense. Garrett Carter and John Collett had six tackles each.



Jake Deal

HHS looks for different result vs. NC in '13

Homedale High School football coach Matt Holtry was quick to remind his players that Friday’s big win over Caldwell was just the beginning.

After all, HHS must hit the road again Friday to face non-league rival Nampa Christian and veteran coach Bill Barr.

“After our game Friday night, I said sometimes the worst thing about a big win is there’s a relaxed feeling or you take a deep breath and think you’ve accomplished something and the next week it bites you in the butt,” Holtry said.

Bottom line: Homedale can’t afford to let down its guard against Nampa Christian. Barr’s squad shellacked Glens Ferry, 39-0, in its season opener last week.

NC also edged Homedale, 26-21, in a Week 1 matchup at Deward Bell Stadium last season. It was Nampa Christian’s fourth win in six years against their former 2A Western Idaho Conference rival.

“Bill Barr does a great job with his program every year to make sure they’re ready to compete,” Holtry said.

“He does a great job with in-game adjustments.

“They’re going to do what they do well. We’ve got to prepare just like we did last week and go back to work.”

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Athlete of the Week

Nathan Leslie, sr., Football

The play — Starting at inside linebacker and tight end for the Trojans, Leslie made an impact on both sides of the ball in Friday’s big win over 4A Caldwell. His 29-yard catch-and-run late in the fourth quarter — culminating with a broken tackle — scored the Trojans’ final touchdown and set up the game-winning two-point conversion. He finished with four catches on 65 yards and also made key blocks to keep other plays alive. At linebacker, Leslie made six tackles and assisted on three other stops.

Football

Varsity
Friday, Sept. 6 at Nampa Christian, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Thursday, Sept. 5, home vs. Nampa Christian, 6:30 p.m.

Volleyball

Varsity
Tuesday, Sept. 17, home vs. Fruitland, 7 p.m.

Junior varsity
Tuesday, Sept. 17, home vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.

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Thursday, Sept. 5 at New Plymouth Invitational, 4 p.m.

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Sports

Adrian loses football opener in final two minutes

Bryson Shira tops 100 yards rushing

Imbler High School scored 24 fourth-quarter points Friday to squeak past visiting Adrian in 1A Oregon eight-man season-opening football.

After the Antelopes scored four consecutive touchdowns to take a 22-point lead, the Panthers scored the non-league game's final 24 points to collect a 46-44 victory.

Imbler's Kyle Johnson threw a two-point

conversion for the winning points after firing a 35-yard scoring pass to Joe Griffin with 94 seconds left in the game.

All four of Johnson's completions went for touchdowns, covering 118 yards. Austin Insko caught two of the TD passes, while Riley Merrigan had the other.

Reagan Shira's first start at quarterback for Adrian produced 195 yards and two touchdowns on 7-of-16 passing. He was picked off once.

After Griffin ran 49 yards for the game's first score, Shira found Shane Miller for a 54-yard touchdown then tied the game with

a two-point PAT pass.

Thirteen seconds after Johnson hit Merrigan with a 23-yard scoring strike, Adrian was in the end zone again when Chase Walker returned Anu Kancho's ensuing kickoff 75 yards to pay dirt.

Griffin scored his second TD and Imbler held an eight-point lead when the Antelopes went on their scoring spree.

Tyler Reay caused a fumble when he hit Johnson and the Adrian defense pounced on the ball for a score with 2 minutes, 3 seconds left in the first half.

Twenty-nine seconds before intermission,

Shira lofted an 18-yard TD pass to Bryson Shira, and Adrian took a 28-22 lead.

Bryson Shira (three yards) and Morgan White (39 yards) had rushing touchdowns in the second half for Adrian.

Bryson Shira led the way with 111 yards on 20 rushes.

Walker had two catches for 57 yards.

Defensively, White led Adrian with eight tackles.

Adrian has a bye this week, but returns for its home opener at 7 p.m. Friday at Ward Field. Cove visits for a non-league game.

Trojans' Correa 13th in cross country debut

Sophomore Maya Correa's first high school cross country meet resulted in a top-15 finish Friday in the Skyview Invitational.

Running for the reinstated Homedale High School squad, Correa clocked a 22-minute, 37.11-second time across the five-kilometer course at Skyview Park.

The Trojans' only other female competitor in the season opener — Kathryn Thatcher — finished 35th at 25:17.11.

"Maya and Kathryn were the only two girls that ran and they did a fantastic job," HHS coach Heidi Ankeny said. "They both ran hard and had a very strong, consistent pace through the whole race."

The Homedale boys' squad ran with a smaller group than anticipated, and Ankeny said some of the athletes had an epiphany about what to do with their offseason time.

"It was hot and, for the majority



Maya Correa

of the kids, it was their first meet ever, so considering that, I am happy," the coach said.

"The boys are realizing that running in the summer really would have helped their conditioning, so we have some catching up to do, but I know they will get there."

A pair of juniors led the boys' effort.

Riley Portwood was the first Trojans male to finish, crossing the line with the 64th-best time of 21:34.52. Kincade Kincheloe, another 11th-grader, was 10 spots back at 21:55.8.

Also running for the HHS boys were sophomore Benny Schamber (23:19.37), seniors Adam Hotchkiss (23:45.68) and Caleb Oviedo (24:54.52) and freshman Ryan Randall (27:45.78).

A larger boys' contingent is expected out for Thursday's New Plymouth Invitational, Ankeny said.



Senior Kaylee Rupp had a team-high 14 kills in Thursday's season-opening victory over Baker City on Homedale High School's court.

✓ Volleyball: On-court communication will be key

From Page 13

Baker, Ore.

Building up the communication falls to everyone on the court, but the presence of 5-4 junior setter Morgan Nash could remedy the quietude quickly.

"Being a setter requires leadership, quickness and the ability to handle pressure in all situations on the court," Gregory said.

Gregory also threw down the

gauntlet when it comes to starting the 3A Snake River Valley conference season off right.

The Trojans play host to bitter rival Fruitland in the conference opener on Sept. 17.

"They will be tough competitors, but nothing we can't handle without working as a team," she said.

— JPB

HHS volleyball starts first year under Gregory with victory

Squad finishes second in bracket at Kuna tourney

Senior Kaylee Rupp had 14 kills Thursday as Homedale High School started the season under a new coach with success.

After a hard-fought first set, coach Julie Gregory's squad beat visiting Baker City, 27-25, 25-18, 16-25, 25-18, in a non-conference contest on the Trojans' floor on Aug. 29.

Morgan Nash dished 24 assists and eight service points. Fellow

junior Hattie Mertz chipped in seven kills, while senior Destiny Long served an ace and pounded four kills.

Rupp led the team with 24 points, adding two aces and 10 service points from the back line.

Michelle Castro fired four aces in the fourth set to help Homedale clinch the victory.

"We came out into the third set and ran into lack of communication, which Baker too full advantage of," first-year HHS coach Julie Gregory said.

"With that happening, it made the girls even more determined to come out and take that fourth set

for the win. Our serves played a huge role in that fourth set."

Other statistical standouts included Gardenia Machuca with six kills. Elise Shenk chipped in five assists and four kills.

"The girls were true Trojan warriors, and I am very excited to watch us grow as the season continues," Gregory said.

Homedale also took part in the Kuna Classic on Friday and Saturday.

The Trojans finished second in the bronze bracket then lost in Saturday's single-elimination, single-game championship round, 15-12, to Melba.

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25 years ago

September 7, 1988

Homedale school bond vote sparks activity

Preparations by local school authorities are moving full speed ahead following the successful passage by Homedale School District patrons on Aug. 30 of a \$1,210,000 special bond issue to fund construction improvements in local elementary school facilities.

The architect, Design West of Boise, began work Aug. 31 on detailed blueprints needed before construction bids can be sought, according to Homedale Superintendent of Schools Ed Marshall. The school district’s bond agent is hoping to advertise and sell the bonds on or before Oct. 1, he said.

Under the prospective timetable, Marshall reported, the Homedale School Board wants to obtain bids from various building constructors by early February, and hopes to see construction started sometime next March. The work performed will merge Washington and Lincoln schools into a larger single school with additional classrooms and other space.

The project’s completion is expected on or before the latter part of November 1989, although some work must be completed before school starts next fall, such as the readiness of the renovated kitchen facilities.

School Board trustees will meet Monday night, Sept. 12, at the high school to review the plans and specifics.

In the bond election, the final tally showed 404 voters in Canyon and Owyhee Counties voted for it against 152 voters opposed, with 14 spoiled ballots, according to Jim Duncan, clerk-treasurer of the Board, the 70.88 percent winning majority was several percentage points above the two-thirds vote required by law.

Grand View-Bruneau news

Bob and Julie Burghardt of Grand View are the parents of a new daughter who arrived last week in Boise. Annette Lodder, age 17 of Rhoon, The Netherlands will be attending Rimrock High School as a Senior on a foreign exchange student program. Annette will be attending school and community functions with the Burgharts for this entire school year. Bob and Julie have three children, Greg, 11, Geoff, 13, and Katie, 8. Welcome to our country, and to Grand View, Annette!

Walt and Lucy Yarbrough just returned recently from a two-week visit through Canada. Lucy reports that they enjoyed their trip and were happy to be home.

Kenyon and Marianne Millet of Grand View are the parents of a new baby girl born August 29 at St. Luke’s Hospital in Boise. Melani Millet weighed 7 lbs, 1 oz. upon arrival and measured 21¼” long. She joins Crystal, age 7, Savannah, 5, and Dustin, 2½ at home. Grandparents Joyce Hansen of Boise and Frank & Ann Millet and Darwin Hansen, all of Grand View, wish all the best for little Melani.

Tros get rest before Baker matchup

The Homedale Trojans will rest on their laurels this Friday, with a bye, after shellacking the Middleton Vikings 35-8 last week. Then they’ll take on another A-2 division team from a bigger school on Sept.16 when they host the Baker Bulldogs at Deward Bell Stadium at 7:30 p.m. in a game likely to prove to be a thriller.

The Trojans, rated the top A-3 team in the state by the Associated Press since before the season even began, extended their win record to 2-0 in Friday’s romp over Middleton. Their next opponent, Baker, was giving the same playful treatment to Mountain Home on Friday, winning 46-24 in their first outing of the season.

News from the Jordan Valley area

Construction on the new Jordan Valley Postal Building is moving along rapidly with Darlene Swisher, Postmistress, looking forward to a grand opening around the middle of October. She said that she is not relishing the hassle of moving but will appreciate and enjoy the extra room and storage place that the new facility will have. Since the present mailboxes are obsolete, the postal patrons will have new boxes with a key to replace the combination locks.

50 years ago

September 5, 1963

Pow Wow field trip brings rockhounds to Homedale

Homedale was host to about 150 rockhounds who registered Wednesday at the fair grounds, according to membership secretary, Hazel N. Nichols, also queen of the Pow Wows. The last meeting of the Pow Wow Organization was held Friday at the fair grounds.

They arrived in campers, trailers, and by car. Some set up tents. Tailgaters sold their material from the back of their campers.

Two field trips were made: one to Stewart’s Claim near Graveyard Point and the other through the BLM land near Succor Creek, where their search for thundereggs, agates, and other gemstones was carried on.

These field trips were guided by Harold Doak and S. H. Robinson Jr. of Puyallup, Wash., Pow Wow chief, Mrs. Doak made the arrangements for the 3-day gathering.

The Pow Wow Organization is 14 years old this year with a membership ranging from 3,000 to 3,500, Mrs. Nichols said. Membership dues to the Pow Wows is only 50 cents yearly with three main meetings held. This club was primarily organized for digging and collecting and field trips.

Lonnie Wright, Murphy, wins Owyhee all-around

Lonnie Wright, Murphy, won the all-around buckle at the Owyhee Rodeo at Homedale during the fair, according to John Wright, secretary.

The average for two head of stock are as follows:

Bull Riding-1 Jerry Patterson, Jordan Valley; 2 Dean Bledsoe, Reno; 3 Jim Steen, Glenns Ferry; 4 John Quintana, Homedale; 5 Larry Dixon, Colegate, Okla.; 6 Ron Martin, Nampa.

Saddle Bronc- 1 LeRoi Dick, McDermitt; 2 Jim Siebel, Caldwell; 3 Ronnie Koll, Jerome; 4 Lonnie Wright, Murphy.

Team Roping-1 John Wright and W. H. Scott; 2 Don Dennie and Dan Staples; 3 Delbert Jim and George Walker; 4 Walt Love and Dee Wehrley.

Calf Roping-1 Bud Ingram, Haines, Ore.; 2 Larry Sisler, Emmett; 3 Chuck Tyson, Star; 4 Lonnie Wright, Murphy.

Barrel Racing-1 Nelma Muller, Melba; 2 Diana Hazen, Eagle; 3 Alice Williams, Caldwell; 4 Connie Neider, Nampa.

School enrollment expected near 800

A total of 581 elementary and 209 high school students enrolled in Homedale schools Sept. 3, for a total enrollment of 780. With about 20 registering late Sept. 4, the total this year will reach approximately 800, Mr. Bell thinks.

Storm sewer resolution presented to City Council

A resolution concerning a cooperative agreement between the state highway department and the city to construct a storm sewer along Idaho Avenue was presented at the regular city council meeting Tuesday night, delayed from Monday by the Labor Day holiday.

Highway Engineers Norman Crosley and Ted Bell presented the resolution. The city council has the proposal under advisement, according to City Clerk Kenneth Downing.

The agreement calls for installing 18-inch concrete pipe from Main Street along Idaho Avenue to the drain ditch which empties into the river near the airport. Catch basins would be installed at each intersection from Main Street to 4th Street East.

Under the agreement, the state would do the surveying, furnish the pipe, perform all excavation and backfill, replace surfacing of street and furnish equipment and an operator for handling and placing manhole sections.

The city would perform fine grading for laying the pipe and setting the manholes and catch basins, place and join pipe, furnish and install catch basins and grates, install manholes complete with concrete bases, rings and covers, make water and sewer line changes which may interfere with construction, arrange relocation of any utility facilities which interfere, and perform routine maintenance such as removal of trash or debris from catch basins, manholes, pipes and the drain ditch.

140 years ago

September 6, 1873

SHOOTING SCRAPE AT FAIRVIEW. Times are getting lively at the youthful town in Fairview on War Eagle Mountain. About day-break, last Tuesday morning, a terribly lively shooting scrape took place, in Owens & Williams’ saloon, at that burg, between two gamblers, named Jim Combs and Chas. Griffin, alias “Saxie.” It appears, from what we can learn of the affair, that the two men, who were playing at faro and drinking freely during the night, had a dispute concerning a bet, which resulted in calling each other hard names, finally terminating in the shooting. Combs fired five shots at Saxie who, it seems, was unarmed, but, succeeding in snatching a pistol from George Merrill, the dealer of the game, he shot three times at Combs in return. As both of the shootists were only a few feet apart during the entire affray, they must have been greatly excited or else very poor shots, from the fact that Saxie was only hit once — receiving a bullet through the right arm — while the only injury that Combs received was the grazing of his temple by a bullet which, according to the statement of a bystander, “knocked Jim as cold as a wedge.” The bullet entered Saxie’s arm above the elbow, passing through about eight inches of flesh outside of the bone, and lodging near the armpit. It was extracted by Dr. Burgi, who informs us his patient is doing well. Combs was not hurt much, and is now going about as well as usual. No complaint has been made against either of the parties, and they have, as yet, not been arrested. Who was originally to blame in the matter we know not, but we do know that this drawing of pistols and shooting, where innocent outside parties are liable to be killed, should not be tolerated. Fortunately there were but few people in the saloon at the time, but it would have been all the same, had the house been crowded, in which case it would have been a miracle, if one or more innocent parties had not been killed or crippled for life. Our camp has borne a good reputation for a long time past, and the sooner those who are ever ready to flourish the knife and pistol upon the slightest provocation are checked in their career, the better it will be for the peace and good order of the community.

SOUTH AMERICA. South America is undoubtedly destined, before many years, to an influx of hardy pioneers and adventurers from the United States who will begin the work of thoroughly developing her resources and making known to all the world her possibilities. Too long has this portion of the Western hemisphere remained in the peaceful quiet of a land unknown to civilization, and now that the lines of telegraph and railway begin to climb the mountains and cross the valleys, the restless population of the northern portion of the continent will begin to emigrate in dozens, and scores, and hundreds, until at last a steady stream of new life pours into the country. A correspondent of the New York World, writing of the great Southern Transandine railway, of Peru, and which ultimately is to be one of many trans-continental lines, is now, at the end of three years, completely graded two hundred and twenty miles, and in active operation one hundred and forty-six miles. The contract figures, \$150,000 a mile, indicate somewhat the task that was undertaken, but the writer assures the World that “only a personal inspection of the work can give any man anything like an adequate notion of American sagacity, skill, and determination with the stubborn heart of the Andes.” The building of this railway illustrates what enterprise citizens of the United States are destined to accomplish in South America before the lapse of many years.

FATAL MINING ACCIDENT. A miner named John Trimble was killed by a cave-in while engaged in cleaning out an old air passage in the Mahogany mine last Tuesday. Deceased was a native of Ireland, and aged about 35 years. He was a member of the Fairview Miners’ Union, in good standing, and highly esteemed by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. The funeral took place on Wednesday, under the auspices of the Union, at the new burying ground near the Oro Fino mine. Resolutions of respect to the memory of deceased will be found in our column to-day.

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Labor Day on the farm

Labor Day was created by unions to recognize the American worker. It did not include ranching and farming; if they did, it would destroy the ability of a farmer to get a loan. If a farmer included the cost of his daily labor on a financial statement, no banker could find a way to show a profit. But things have changed. “Haying” used to be a full-time job for teens in the summer. Tossing bales onto a flatbed, stacking them on the truck, hauling them back to the hay yard or the barn, throwing bales off and restacking them. It was always hot, sticky, scratchy, sweaty and hard. But if you were on the football team in high school you’d finish the last cutting with money in the bank and muscles like Arnold Schwarzenegger! Oh, and the suntan was free.

Fast forward to today. Teenagers in farm communities now have to go to the gym all summer to get in shape. Because one farmer with a round baler, a self-propelled inline bale wrapper, and a tractor with a bale spear can do the work of a full teenage hayin’ crew in half the time.

One of the most labor-intensive chores on the ranch is building fence. I worked for a big outfit that had several large ranches with miles of fence. We had a four-man crew. They would set the corners and the brace posts with post-hole diggers and tamping bars. The roll of barbwire would be strung out, carried by two men often walking for miles when the country was too rough to drive along the fence line. Then the wire was stretched and the steel posts were driven in the ground with 15-pound post pounder every 20 or so feet. Stays and clips were spun on to finish. Sometimes they could do a mile a day.

Today, we have a tractor with a posthole digger on the three-point hitch and a post pounder (or pusher in places where it rains). For those who still want to “rough it,” there is the hand-held hydraulic post driver. Some handwork always has to be done — stretchers, inline strainers, corner braces, and a good eye for a straight line — but we have reduced the amount of sweat work and the need for a crew of four strong men.

How about the old days of chopping weeds in the row crops? I remember the Bracero program along the Mexican border where workers legally came into the U.S. to chop weeds, hand plant and harvest crops. The U.S. government stopped the program because it was supposedly taking work from able-bodied Americans. The very next year every cotton farmer in the Rio Grande Valley had bought a McCormick cotton-picking machine. Now we spray for weeds or use genetically modified crops that resist insects, weeds and disease.

When I was a lad, we milked one cow. It supplied butter and milk for our family. Most farmers kept five to 10 milk cows. It took an hour or two every morning. It was the longest part of “doing the chores.” Farmers sold their milk and cream or traded it for goods. Even today in highly automated dairies milking thousands of cows, it is still an intensive, hands-on part of agriculture. The only thing they don’t have to do is milk them!

There are many more examples of the amount of “labor” required in farming and ranching, then and now, but it is that last one that comes to mind.

On my wall is a painting of my grandfather walking from the “cooling room” (where the fresh milk was kept in running water to stay cool) carrying a bucket to the pump at the windmill. Then he would walk back and feed the hogs, scatter grain to the chickens, turn the draft horses out, then up to the house for breakfast.

If they painted that picture today, he would be on his four-wheeler and probably weighing another 20 pounds!

Letters to the editor

Government spending is out-of-control at all levels

I’ve read these past few weeks of pay raises to several local community mayors. How they worked many hours (and) deserve pay increases.

My question is: Besides the pay isn’t it an honor to serve your community?

I keep reading how we should raise all our civic duty employees’ pay — fire, police, city, and county workers. “They deserve it.” “The cost of living is up.” “They need to keep pace with their retirement income.” “We need to give them competitive wages.”

Our elected county officials say revenues are up. State revenue-sharing is increasing, yet they do not give us an amount. The only example they give is taxes are increasing four percent. What other revenue is increasing other than what’s charged for county and local service fees?

As I read The Owyhee Avalanche, all I saw was more spending. “Give everyone a raise and make sure we have enough money for a company picnic.”

Have employees’ hours increased? Have their duties increased?

Let me ask the people that pay these salaries. Did your wages go up? Are you making four percent more to pay your taxes and cost of living? Has the cost of gas and groceries gone down?

My final question to county and local governments: If you have so much EXTRA money to increase wages, why not give us all a raise and cut the COST of county and city services instead of increasing taxes?

I think our federal, local and state governments are out of control.

As a taxpayer, I’m not for any pay increases to any entity at any level.

Officials’ fiscal responsibility is to their community and state and to those who elected them.

When do we stop the never-ending spending? Get control of the out-of-control spending. Make elected officials understand we can’t afford them.

Mary D. Waite
Homedale

The letter writer’s “quotations” are fictionalized quotes from government officials. In the case of at least The Owyhee Avalanche article, the Board of County Commissioners never said those specific words.

— Ed.

Letters to the editor

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Letter-writer eagerly awaits Lincoln and liberty debate

I am looking forward to the upcoming debate on Abraham Lincoln’s legacy and attempt to answer the question: Was Lincoln a friend or foe of liberty?

This debate will feature Idaho’s own Lincoln expert, David Leroy, and noted author and Lincoln scholar Thomas DiLorenzo.

Mr. Leroy recently gave an excellent talk on Lincoln at the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.

Mr. DiLorenzo’s books posit a radically different view of Lincoln than that of Mr. Leroy, which should provide a great show. DiLorenzo’s books note that every other western nation was able to abolish slavery without war.

Lincoln’s imposition of punishing trade restrictions (the tariff) and invasion of the southern states resulted in more than 600,000 American deaths. It also gave birth to the modern, omnipotent federal government.

President Lincoln clearly demonstrated his view that the individual states were not sovereign but rather were administrative provinces of an all-powerful central government. Those states that disagreed with his view were invaded and conquered.

The debate will take place Sept. 10, 2013 at the Morrison Center in Boise at 8 p.m. It is sponsored by the private, non-profit Smeed Memorial Foundation, and admission is free.

Dan Symms
Sunny Slope

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington

New legislation could spur more hydropower development



We are fortunate that Idaho is home to extensive hydroelectric resources that offer reliable and renewable energy. Hydropower is the source of more than 75 percent of Idaho’s electricity generation, and hydropower efficiently and cleanly provides approximately seven percent of the nation’s electricity. Recent action in Congress will better enable the expansion of this important energy source.

To better employ our nation’s hydroelectric resources, I co-sponsored two pieces of legislation that were recently enacted into law. S. 545, the Hydropower Improvement Act, which was introduced by Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) and also co-sponsored by 12 of my Senate colleagues, including Jim Risch (R-Idaho), would increase the United States’ hydropower capacity in an effort to expand clean-power generation and spur domestic job creation. The bipartisan legislation would expand the production and capacity of hydropower by streamlining review of small conduit projects and extending power production potential to existing non-powered dams. The

legislation also calls for the U.S. Department of Energy to study the technical flexibility and grid reliability benefits that pumped storage facilities could provide to intermittent renewable energy and the range of opportunities for conduit hydropower potential. Importantly, the legislation helps increase hydropower capacity without increasing the country’s out-of-control deficit.

S. 306, the Bureau of Reclamation Small Conduit Hydropower Development and Rural Jobs Act, which was introduced by Sen. John Barrasso (R-Wyo.) and also co-sponsored by Sen. Risch, would authorize development of small conduit hydropower at U.S. Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation facilities. Estimates indicate that this hydropower development could power 30,000 homes.

The U.S. House of Representatives passed companion versions of these two bills — introduced as H.R. 267 and

— See *Hydropower*, Page 19

Commentary

Financial management

Credit report, interview, instincts can weed out bad tenants

Dear Dave,

I have a townhouse I'm preparing to rent. Do you have any advice for evaluating potential tenants?

— Chris

Dear Chris,

The first thing I'd do is pull a credit bureau report. I'm not really worried about their credit score; I just want to see if they have a history of late or missed payments. Talk to some local property management firms and see who they use to pull these reports. I'd also recommend doing a background check on the potential renters. Talk to the owner of the last place they rented as well as the one before. I advise this because there are some dishonest landlords out there who will tell you that a bad tenant is wonderful just to get them out of their property.

A lot of things, though, are simply common-sense measures. Have them fill out an application,



which includes their income and a list of their debts. If they make \$2,000 a month and have \$2,500 a month in debt payments, you don't want them as tenants. In this scenario, a smile and "I promise I can pay it" won't work.

Spend some time just talking with them, too. Really listen to what they say and how they say it. Get a feel for what kind of people they are, and, if they have children, pay special attention to the kids. Are they well-behaved, or do they run around and act like a bunch of wild animals? If it's the latter, then they're going to tear up your house. And guess what? If the parents can't discipline their kids, there's a good chance they

can't discipline themselves either. You don't want to get mixed up with that. People who let kids run the household don't make good tenants.

Finally, remember to trust your gut instincts. If you get a weird vibe from someone, or if things just feel strange, don't rent to them. Chances are, there's a reason you have those feelings.

— Dave

Dear Dave,

My husband was recently denied term life insurance because he has a criminal record from a long time ago. The good news is that, in a year, he'll be far enough removed from the incident that he'll be eligible for a policy. He has a whole life policy for \$75,000 from before, which he doesn't plan to cancel. We have two small children, so is there another kind of policy he could get in the interim?

— Dana

Dear Dana,

If you can't get term life insurance, you can't get whole life. It's the same underwriting process. I only recommend term policies, but under these circumstances I'd keep the whole life in place because he's basically uninsurable.

There are a couple of things you can do in this kind of situation. One thing is to get a mortgage life insurance policy. These are usually available without any kind of major inspection, and they pay off your mortgage, in full, in the event of death. It's about 10 times more expensive than regular term insurance, but at least it will pay off the house.

Another thing to look into is an automatic issue-type policy. Lots of banks offer these when you open an account. Usually, they'll send you an offer for a \$10,000 life insurance policy. But if you pick up four or five of these, then he's got another \$50,000 on top

of the \$75,000 already in place. It's still not enough, but it's better than nothing.

But I wouldn't spend a lot when he's only got a year left until he can get some good, proper coverage. I recommend people have eight to 10 times their annual income in life insurance coverage. So, if he makes \$50,000 a year, he needs to have \$400,000 to \$500,000 in a good, level term policy. That's what you guys need to shoot for a year from now!

— Dave

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Americans for Limited Government

Unconstitutional tax would fund Obama's school Internet plan

by Robert Romano

What's a president to do when he wants to implement an ambitious five-year program to provide high-speed Internet access to every single school in America, but lacks congressional support or funding?

Apparently, in the case of Barack Obama, it is to just assume the authority to raise taxes to fund the program into existence, and then just arbitrarily spend the money to implement it.

Under the 1996 Telecommunications Act, Congress outsourced to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) the power to tax telecommunications carriers a "contribution" to help provide so-called "universal service" for underserved consumers.

So, Obama's new plan to fund ConnectEd — a program that he unveiled in a June 6 speech without explicit congressional approval — is to have the FCC raise fees on cell phone users to raise anywhere from \$4 billion to \$6 billion to pay for the program.

Leaving aside the fact that up to 94 percent of instructional classrooms already have Internet access according to the Department of Education, the Obama plan — and the 1996 Telecommunications Act for that matter — has a big problem.

Namely, Article 1, Section 7 of the Constitution, which states, "All bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives." Congress cannot outsource its taxing power to the FCC — or to any other agency. Yet, in 1996, that is exactly what it saw fit to do.

As for ConnectEd, Congress never explicitly authorized

the program, instead giving the FCC unilateral authority to change its mission and services offered arbitrarily. For example, it defines the concept of universal service as "an evolving level of telecommunications services that the Commission shall establish periodically under this section, taking into account advances in telecommunications and information technologies and services."

Meaning the agency can set whatever policy goal it likes, create a budget for it, and then fund it with increased cell phone user fees — all without any vote in Congress. Pretty neat racket.

Except it's brazenly unconstitutional. In this case, Congress has ceded not only its taxing power, but its legislative powers as well to an agency of unelected, faceless bureaucrats. It's not the first time.

Congress has created \$2.2 trillion of so-called "mandatory" spending programs that operate on autopilot without any annual appropriations votes in Congress.

The Environmental Protection Agency in 2009 implemented the "carbon endangerment" finding, essentially rewriting the Clean Air Act without a congressional vote to define carbon dioxide — a biological gas necessary for the very existence of life — to be a harmful pollutant regulable under the law.

Government Sponsored Enterprises (GSEs) Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and the Federal Reserve — whose administrative control of housing finance and low interest rates policies helped cultivate the housing bubble that almost wrecked the global economy without any vote in Congress.

Then there's the Fed's quantitative easing programs, which because such policies are not subject to congressional authorization, clearly abrogate Congress' constitutional power to coin money.

In that context, if the proposed FCC cell phone tax is implemented without congressional approval, it will just be the latest in a long line of usurpations of the executive branch taking on legislative authority. Fortunately, there is still a way that Congress could fight back.

Obama has two nominees to fill positions at the FCC: Tom Wheeler and Michael P. O'Rielly. To register their dissatisfaction with the proposed FCC cell phone tax, members of the U.S. Senate might consider blocking Wheeler and O'Rielly through the use of a Senate Rule XXII filibuster.

The proposition on Wheeler and O'Rielly would be simple: any vote invoking cloture is a vote to raise everyone's taxes. Pure and simple. No "I voted against him on final passage." No, "I made a deal and they promised not to" Invoke cloture, and you are for taxes. Oppose cloture, and you are standing with the American people.

The last thing cell phone users need is another tax on their bill that they have no idea where it came from and that their representatives will claim they did not vote for. To stop it, the American people will need to tell their representatives to block Wheeler and O'Rielly, but also to defund in the FCC and eliminate its unconstitutional taxing and legislative authorities.

— Robert Romano is the senior editor of *Americans for Limited Government*.

✓ Hydropower: New development can help U.S. with energy efficiency

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H.R. 678 — earlier this year. The U.S. Senate passed both measures prior to the August state work period. On Aug. 9, President Obama signed both pieces of legislation into law. The enactment of this legislation will broaden energy production and job opportunities.

An obvious lesson of America's energy situation is that the U.S. must not become overly reliant on one form

of energy, and we must be as conservative, efficient and as careful in the utilization of our energy as possible. A successful national energy policy should be shaped like a financial portfolio made up of many different energy sources, including needed hydropower initiatives.

We must continue to seek ways to better utilize this important resource. According to the U.S. Department of Energy, the U.S. has the potential for 300 gigawatts of

additional hydropower. Enactment of this legislation is a step in the right direction for better utilizing that energy source.

— 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

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
On September 25, 2013 beginning at 10:00 AM the Owyhee County Planning and Zoning Commission will hear testimony in the Annex Building of the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho on the following matters at the times listed below.
Beginning at 10:00 am, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Robert Thomas seeking to establish a second single-family residence on a 360 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP04S01E284500A. The property is located at 18233 Shortcut Rd. Oreana, Id., approximately 2 miles east of the Oreana multiuse zone. The property is in an Agricultural zone and includes the SENW, W2SWNE, of Section 28, Township 4 South, Range 1 East, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 11:00 am, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Duck Ranch, LLC represented by Mike Ihli seeking to develop a noncommercial recreational site on five acres of land owned by Mike Ihli. The parcel numbers included in this application are: RP04S01E131800A and RP04S01E130550A. The subject parcels are located in an agricultural zone approximately 5 ½ miles northeast of the Oreana multiuse zone in a portion of the NE ¼ of Section 13, Township 4 South, Range 1 East, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 1:00 pm, the Commission will hear a Conditional Use Permit application filed by Owyhee Gold Trust, LLC seeking to establish an industrial mining operation. The subject property is approximately 326 acres and is located in an agricultural zone including the South Mountain Mine and mining claims in Sections 3, 4, 9, and 10 of Township 8 South, Range 5 West, and Section 33 of Township 7 South, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 2:00 pm, the Commission will hear a Conditional Use Permit application filed by Owyhee Gold Trust, LLC seeking to establish an industrial milling operation on approximately 360 acres of land located in an agricultural zone. The parcels included in this application are RP07S05W231201A, RP07S05W230001A, and RP07S05W141201A including the NE ¼ of Section 23, the SE quarter of the NE quarter, and the SE quarter of Section 14 Township 7 South, Range 5 West, Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 3:00 the Commission will hear a request for a time extension filed by Cameron and Jamie Macdonald seeking to extend their conditional use permit approval for two years. The previously approved conditional use permit allowed a single family residence on approximately 20 acres of land. The subject property is located in an Agricultural zone at 30433 C Tindall Road in Bruneau Idaho. The site is approximately 2 miles northwest of the edge of the multiuse zone located in Section 9, Township 6 South, Range 5 East, Boise meridian, Owyhee County Idaho.
Copies of the proposed projects

are available for review in the Planning and Zoning office. For additional information please contact the Planning and Zoning office at 495-2095 ext. 2.
9/4/13

NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGE
THE REGULAR HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR Sept. 4th HAS BEEN CHANGED.
THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE HOMEDALE HIGHWAY DISTRICT WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, Sept. 11TH 2013, AT THE HIGHWAY DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED AT 102 E. COLORADO IN HOMEDALE, AT 8 P.M.
DATED THIS 29TH DAY OF August, 2013
Terri Uria, Secretary
9/4/13

MARSING RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That declaration for the candidacy for one Commissioner from Subdistrict 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 6th 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 20th, 2012.
Election Date: November 5, 2013.
Robert D. Carter, Secretary-Treasurer, Marsing Rural Fire District
8/28;9/4/13

NOTICE OF ELECTION
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 3 of the Gem Irrigation District, will be held on November 5, 2013 to elect Directors for a term of three (3) years from the first of January 2014, and until their successors are elected and qualified.
Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed by at least twelve (12) electors of the District qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of the election. Petitions may be obtained from Connie Chadez, Secretary of the District, 118 S.W. 1st Street, Homedale, Idaho. (Petition due date is September 26, 2013)
In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominated within a Division, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.
Dated: August 19, 2013
G E M I R R I G A T I O N DISTRICT
Connie Chadez, Secretary
9/4,11/13

AMENDED NOTICE OF CANDIDATE FILING DEADLINE
CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the general election to be in and for the City of Grand View,

Idaho will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2013.
The Grand View Mayor’s position, a four year term; City Council Seat #1, a four year term; Council Seat #2, a two year term; and, Council Seat # 3, also a two year term, are up for election.
Candidates for the 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 Grand View, 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 to file is September 6th, 2013
Grand View residents can pick-up a Declaration of Candidacy form from the City Clerk at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave in Grand View, from August 26th through September 6th, between 9 AM to 3 PM. The last day to file as a write-in candidate for the city election is October 8th.
Tammy M. Payne, Grand View City Clerk
Posted August 28, 2013
9/4/13

NOTICE OF ELECTION GRAND VIEW IRRIGATION DISTRICT
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to IDS 43-201 to 43-207, inclusive, the election of one Director from Division 3 of the Grand View Irrigation District, will be held on November 5, 2013 to elect a Director of the term of three (3) years from the first of January 2014 and until their successors are elected and qualified.
Nomination for Director may be made by Petition, signed by at least six (6) electors of the District, qualified to vote for the candidate nominated and filed with the Secretary of the District, not less than 40 days nor more than 60 days before the date of election. Petitions may be obtained September 6, 2013 from Dixie McDaniel, Secretary of the District, 645 Idaho Street, Grand View Idaho. (Petition due date September 26, 2013 by 3:30 p.m.)
In the event more than one (1) candidate is nominate within a Division, notice of the time and place of election will be posted as is required by IDS 43-206.
Dated August 26, 2013
Dixie McDaniel, Secretary
Grand View Irrigation District
9/4,11/13

INVITATION TO BID
PROJECT: Addition and Remodel for Bruneau American Legion Hall, Post #83. Bruneau, Idaho. Job# 12202
PROJECT SIZE: 475 sq.ft. addition – up to 2132 sq.ft. remodel
PROJECTED COST: \$130,000
DESCRIPTION: ADA restrooms addition, foundation shoring and repair, kitchen remodel, flooring replacement
BIDDING REQUIREMNTS:

5% Bid Bond
100% Labor, Material, Performance, and Payment Bonds
Public Works License
Davis-Bacon Wages
PLAN DEPOSIT: \$100.00, refundable (Only a predetermined number of plan sets will be printed. When all plan sets have been issued, bidding documents will be available in electronic format only. Printed plan sets are only available to qualified Public Works Contractors.)
PLANS AVAILABLE: September 6, 2013, 9:00 AM @ GJZ Architecture Office
PRE -BID CONFERENCE: September 13, 2013, 10:00 AM @ Project Site
BID OPENING: September 24, 2013, 3:00 PM @ GJZ Architecture Office
GOWLAND JOHANSON Z I M M E R M A N ARCHITECTURE, INC., 400 SOUTH MAIN STREET, PAYETTE, IDAHO 83661. PHONE: (208) 642-4452 houstonh@gjzarchitecture.com
9/4,11/13

NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, regular school board meetings of the Pleasant Valley School District No. 364, Owyhee County, Idaho, will be held the 2nd Tuesday of the month. May through September meetings to begin at 8:00 pm, October through April meetings to begin at 7:00 pm. All meetings will be held at the Pleasant Valley School.a
Rosa Maria Lowry, Clerk - Pleasant Valley School District No. 364, Owyhee County, Idaho
9/4/13

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

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO: 57-11834
CALLOW, SUSIE LOW, 21101 OREANA LOOP RD, MURPHY, ID 83650
Point of Diversion NWSW S35 T04S R01E OWYHEE County Source CASTLE CREEK Tributary SNAKE RIVER
Use: DIVERSION TO STORAGE 11/16 to 02/28 3 CFS
Use: IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE 03/01 to 11/15 98 AF
Use: IRRIGATION STORAGE 03/01 to 11/15 98 AF
Total Diversion: 3 CFS
Date Filed: 9/21/2012

Place of Use: IRRIGATION FROM STORAGE
T04S R01E S35 NENE NWNE
Place of Use: IRRIGATION STORAGE
T04S R01E S35 SWNE
Total Acres: 79
Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRFiling.asp. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 9/23/2013. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director
9/4,11/13



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Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROPOSE OR PROMULGATE NEW OR CHANGED AGENCY RULES

The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.

*Deadline for submission of written comments is September 18, 2013, unless otherwise noted. Deadline for public hearing requests is September 25, 2013, unless otherwise noted. (Temp & Prop) indicates the rule is both Temporary and Proposed. (*PH) indicates that a public hearing has been scheduled.*

IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, PO Box 790 Boise, ID 83701

02-0214-1301, Rules for Weights and Measures. Establishes a minimum \$12 annual license fee for devices; adds new categories for devices emerging into the market place; increases certain license fees to more accurately reflect inspection costs.

02.03.03 – Rules Governing Pesticide and Chemigation Use and Application

02-0303-1301, Allows for a one-year time period for new or renewing licensees to obtain an applicator license without penalty and provides a cut-off time for inactive licensees to renew their licenses before they will be required to retest.

02-0303-1302, Allows pesticide use on certain new seed crops without the need for an established residue tolerance.

02-0420-1301, Rules Governing Brucellosis. Establishes a process for obtaining a permit that is required before a producer can move cattle out of a Designated Surveillance Area (DSA).

02-0421-1301, Rules Governing Importation of Animals. Requires compliance with the National Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Herd Certification Program (HCP) prior to domestic cervidae importation into Idaho; clarifies and defines equine infectious anemia (EIA) import testing (Coggins test) requirements for horses destined for slaughter.

02-0613-1301, Rules Relating to Rapeseed Production and Establishment of Rapeseed Districts in the State of Idaho. Consolidates the various growing districts to reflect the current status and practice of growing edible and industrial rapeseed in Idaho.

IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0078

07.03.01 - Rules of Building Safety.

07-0103-1301, Updates incorporation by reference of the International Residential Code and the International Energy Conservation Code with amendments related to allowing day care facilities within a residence and providing for alternate methods of compliance with the energy code.

07-0103-1302, Adds an alternate method of bracing walls in one- and two-family dwellings by including the most recent edition of the APA System Report SR-102 as an additional standard.

07-0103-1303, Allows an owner-occupied lodging house occupancy (bed and breakfast) with 3 or fewer guestrooms to be constructed or remodeled using

the Residential Code and allows same to be operated without fire sprinklers but requires installation of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

07-0103-1304, Deletes from the Residential Code the requirement that floors in residences not already fire resistance rated to be enhanced with an additional structural fire protection on the underside of the floor assembly.

07-0311-1301, Rules Governing Manufactured/Mobile Home Industry Licensing. Per Idaho law removes licensing requirement for individuals and companies providing service and repair work on manufactured and mobile homes; clarifies definitions.

IDAPA 09 – DEPARTMENT OF LAROR, 317 W. Main St., Boise, ID 83735

09-0130-1301, Unemployment Insurance Benefit Administration Rules. Adds enhanced work search reporting requirements to the Department’s existing internet-based reporting system for unemployment insurance benefit claimants; amends “reasonable length of time” job attached classification standard with a maximum 12-week standard.

09-0135-1301, Unemployment Insurance Tax Administration Rules. Requires employers to report contributions online unless a waiver is granted by the Department; revises current “independently established” prong of the independent contractor test for unemployment insurance tax purposes with an economic reality test.

IDAPA 11 – IDAHO STATE POLICE, 700 S. Stratford Dr., Meridian, ID 83652

11-1101-1301, Rules of the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training Council. Defines and clarifies the character qualifications for applicants in the area of moral turpitude, drug use, and criminal record; allows students who are applicants to attend college training programs to appeal denial of application to the POST Council Hearing Board.

IDAPA 15 – OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL COMMISSION, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0066

15-0401-1302, Rules of the Division of Human Resources and Personnel Commission. Per Idaho statute revises definition of ‘veteran’ and defines ‘disabled veteran’; further defines and clarifies ‘administrative leave’, ‘salary equity increase’, ‘merit increase’ and ‘underfill’.

IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0036

16-0501-1301, Use and Disclosure of Department Records. Aligns rule with recent changes in HIPAA to permit a covered entity to disclose or use health information, as allowed by the Privacy Rule.

16.05.06 - Criminal History and Background Checks.

16-0506-1302, Clarifies application and fingerprint submission requirements and process; provides an appeal process for individuals whose records are disputed; updates crime list for disqualifying crimes, and conditional and unconditional denials; clarifies when a clearance may be revoked and actions for noncompliance with rules; and clarifies reporting changes to the Department for change in ownership, location, or name.

16-0506-1303, Assesses a fee for missed fingerprint appointments on individuals who are required to have a Department criminal history and background check to help reduce the no-show rate.

16-0601-1302, Child and Family Services. Establishes a process for individuals to obtain confidential information from the child protection registry; imposes a \$20 fee for a name-based registry check.

***16-0717-1301, Alcohol and Substance Use Disorders Services. (*PH)** Provides on a case-by-case basis an administrative review process for individuals who do not receive a criminal history clearance to help establish a peer recovery system for providers of alcohol and substance use disorders services.

***16-0720-1301, Alcohol and Substance Use Disorders Treatment and Recovery Support Services Facilities and Programs. (*PH)** Provides on a case-by-case basis an administrative review process for individuals who do not receive a criminal history clearance to help establish a peer recovery system for providers of alcohol and substance use disorders services and recovery programs.

***16-0733-1301, Adult Mental Health Services. (*PH)** Provides on a case-by-case basis an administrative review process for individuals who do not receive a criminal history clearance to request a waiver to help establish a peer delivery system for providers of adult mental health services.

IDAPA 18 – DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, 700 W. State St., Boise, ID 83720

18-0104-1301, Rules Pertaining to Bail Agents. Deletes section from rule that relates to allowable charges and fees to conform the rule to an Idaho Supreme Court’s ruling.

IDAPA 20 – IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0063

***20-0201-1301, Rules Pertaining to the Idaho Forest Practices Act. (*PH)** Defines new minimum standing tree requirements for both sides of all Class I and Class II streams in Idaho forestlands; eliminates the current streamside-protection rule sections defining required tree retention in riparian, streamside areas; defines forestry terms ‘Forest Type’ and ‘Relative Stocking’.

IDAPA 23 - BOARD OF NURSING, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0061

23-0101-1301, Rules of the State Board of Nursing. Deletes specific functions that a licensed nurse cannot delegate to an unlicensed assistive person; allows a licensed nurse to engage in interfaces other than delegation in certain settings.

IDAPA 24 – BUREAU OF OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES, PO Box 700, Boise, ID 83720-0063

24-0601-1301, Rules for the Licensure of Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapy Assistants. (Temp & Prop) Complies with HB 33 which allows the Board to issue a limited permit for a period of 6 months or as extended by the Board.

24-0701-1301, Rules of the Idaho State Board of Landscape Architects. Allows the Board to approve exams prepared and administered by CLARB and any other exams it deems appropriate; requires proof of successful

passage of exam approved by Board for licensure applicants; addresses inactive applications; Board must meet twice yearly and whenever deemed necessary by the Board.

24-0801-1301, Rules of the State Board of Morticians. Adds alkaline hydrolysis as an approved cremation process; clarifies that funeral directors can sign certain records; adds funeral directors to the discipline rule.

24-1401-1301, Rules of the State Board of Social Work Examiners. (Temp & Prop) Allows experience obtained in any state by an Idaho licensee to qualify for supervisor registration; clarifies that the supervision rule only applies to those individuals in Idaho pursuing licensure.

IDAPA 28 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, 700 W. State St., Boise, ID 83720

28-0301-1301, Idaho Opportunity Fund. (Temp & Prop) New chapter establishes and administers the award and disbursement of grants provided to cities and counties through this fund.

28-0304-1301, Rules of the Business and Jobs Development Grant Fund. (Temp & Prop) Chapter is being repealed and the program replaced by IDAPA 28.03.01, “Idaho Opportunity Fund.”

IDAPA 35 – STATE TAX COMMISSION, PO Box 36, Boise, ID 83722-0410

35-0105-1301, Motor Fuels Administrative Rules. Per HB 20 allows the Tax Commission to sell gaseous fuel decals; clarifies records required for exempt sales at manned and unmanned pumps; clarifies the records required for taxable and nontaxable use from a single storage tank when sing the proration percentages or alternate percentages; clarifies when motor oils, other than new motor oils, are received in the state and subject to the transfer fee.

IDAPA 39 – IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, PO Box 7129, Boise ID 83707-1129

39-0271-1301, Rules Governing Driver’s License Violation Point System. Per HB 274 provides the option for cities to establish a Traffic Safety Education program that a driver, when issued an infraction citation for a moving violation, may elect to attend as an alternative to receiving violation points and insurance rating charges; adds certain moving violations to the list of convictions to eliminate discrepancies between ISTARS and ITD.

39-0312-1301, Rules Governing Safety Requirements of Overlegal Permits. (Temp & Prop) Amends lighting and signing requirements on towing and oversize vehicles and loads to provide greater flexibility to the industry.

IDAPA 46 – BOARD OF

VETERINARY MEDICINE, PO Box 7249, Boise, ID 83707

46.01.01 - Rules of the State of Idaho Board of Veterinary Medicine.

46-0101-1301, Clarifies the continuing education requirements for a certified veterinary technician; authorizes when certified technicians can dispense and deliver certain previously prescribed antibiotics and medications; provides veterinarians 3 business days to respond to a records request from an animal owner or another treating veterinarian; specifies procedures, passing grades and clarification on certification processes for certified euthanasia technicians.

46-0101-1302, Authorizes continuing education credits for course presenters and clarifies credit hours awarded for continuing education panel presentations.

IDAPA 59 – PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0078

59-0106-1301, Retirement Rules of PERSI. Adds new section to rule that sets out PERSI’s good faith interpretation of the pre-ERISA vesting requirements specified under the Internal Revenue Code.

NOTICES OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

IDAPA 35 – IDAHO TAX COMMISSION

35-0103-1302 and 35-0103-1303, Property Tax Administrative Rules.

Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **September 4, 2013, Volume 13-9**, for the notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings schedules, information on negotiated rulemakings, executive orders of the Governor, and agency contact information.

Issues of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin can be viewed at www.adminrules.idaho.gov/

Office of the Administrative Rules Coordinator, Dept. of Administration, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0306. Phone: 208-332-1820; Fax: 332-1896; Email: rulescoordinator@adm.idaho.gov

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NOTICE

The Idaho Unclaimed Property Program posts an updated list of Idaho Unclaimed Property owners on the internet daily. This online list can be viewed at sto.idaho.gov (click on “Unclaimed Property”). Anyone without Internet access can view the list on computers at most public libraries. Unclaimed Property consists of abandoned bank accounts, forgotten refund checks, utility deposits, gift certificates, and more.

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Owyhee County Church Directory		
	Golden Gate Baptist Church Wilder Pastor Robert Potter, Jr., CLP Corner of Second and "B" Streets Church time is 11:00 am on Sunday Call (208) 880-4308 for information	Our Lady of Tears Church Silver City 2012 Mass Schedule - the following Sundays June 10 @ 1pm • July 22 @ Noon August 12 @ Noon • Sept. 2 @ 1pm All are welcome! For more information, call St. Paul's Church, Nampa 466-7031
Iglesia Misionera Biblica Homedale Pastor Silverio Cardenas Jr. 132 E Owyhee • 337-5975 Servicios: Mar - 7pm - Oracion Mier - 7pm Predicacion Dom - 10am Esc. Dom y 6pm "Una Iglesia Diferente."	Knight Community Church Grand View Pastor Ivan Shetler 630 Idaho Street 208-834-2639 Sunday School 9:30am Worship Service 10:45am	Crossroads Assembly of God Wilder Pastors Ron & Martha Hwy 19 & 95, 482-7644 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening Worship 6pm Wed. Bible Study 7pm
Assembly of God Church Homedale 15 West Montana, 337-4458 Pastor George Greenwood Sunday School 9:30am Sunday Morning Worship 10:30am Sunday Evening Service 6:00pm Wed. Bible Study 7:00pm	Friends Community Church Wilder - Homedale 17434 Hwy 95, 337-3464 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Services: 10:45 am Sundays Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 5:30 pm Wednesday CLC: 3:15 pm	Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church Caldwell 1122 W. Linden St. 459-3653 Mass: Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:30 am Spanish Mass: Saturday 7:00 pm Spanish Mass: Sunday Noon
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Homedale 337-4248 Sunday Services 10am Pastor Sean Rippey Adult and Children Sunday School 9-9:45am Visitors Always Welcome! Call Church for Prayer requests	Chapel of Hope Hope House, Marsing Look for the Blue Church South Bruneau Hwy at the Hope House Welcoming Families, especially those with special needs children. Keith Croft, Pastor 880-2767 Jake & Alisha Henriouille, Youth Pastors 761-6747 Sunday Services at 10 am	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Homedale 708 West Idaho Ave 337-4112 Bishop Travis Kraupp Bishop Robert T. Christensen Sunday 1st Ward 1pm Sunday 2nd Ward 9am
Homedale Baptist Church Homedale 212 S. 1st W. Sunday School 10am-11am Sunday Worship 11am-Noon Wednesday Evening 7pm Pastor James Huls	 Wilder Church of God Wilder 205 A St. E., 469-7698 Pastor Ray Gerthung Sunday School 9:45am Sunday Service 11am Sunday Eve. 6:00pm Wed. Eve. 7:00pm	Mountain View Church of the Nazarene Wilder 26515 Ustick Road 337-3151 Sunday School 9:30 Worship 10:30 Adult & Youth Bible Class: Wednesday 7:00 pm
 MARSING APOSTOLIC ASSEMBLY Asamblea Apostolica de Marsing 107 W. Main • Marsing, Idaho Pastor Jose Gutierrez 208-461-9016 or 880-6172 Sunday School 10:00 am Sunday Service 1 pm • Wednesday Service 7 pm Bilingual Services/Español	Iglesia Evangelica Wilder 317 3rd st., Pastor Ramiro Reyes 10 am Sunday School 11 am Service 482-7484 Bilingual	
Christian Church Homedale 110 W. Montana, 337-3626 Pastor Maurice Jones Sunday Morning Worship 11am Church school 9:45	Bible Missionary Church Homedale West Idaho, 337-3425 Pastor Ron Franklin Sunday School 10am Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Wednesday Evening 7:30	Assembly of God Church Marsing 139 Kerry, 965-1650 Pastor Rick Sherrow Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am & 6 pm
Lizard Butte Baptist Church Marsing Pastor David London 116 4th Ave. W., 859-2059 Sunday worship: Morning: 11am-Noon• Evening: 6-7pm Sunday school 10 am-10:55am Wednesday evening 6pm-7pm	Nazarene Church Marsing Pastor Bill O'Connor 896-4184 12 2nd Avenue West Worship Services - Sunday 11am and 6pm Sunday School - 9:45am Mid Week TLC Groups	Trinity Holiness Church Homedale 119 N. Main Pastor Samuel Page 337-5021 Sunday School 10am Sunday Morning Worship 11am Sunday Evening 7pm Thursday Evening 7:30pm
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Marsing 215 3rd Ave. West, 896-4151 Sunday 1st Ward, 9:00 a.m. Bishop Jensen Sunday 2nd Ward, 12:30 p.m. Bishop Parry	Vision Community Church Marsing 221 West Main Marsing, Idaho 208-896-5407 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Adult, Kids & Youth Meetings Wed. 7:00 p.m.	United Methodist Church Wilder Corner of 4th St. & B Ave. 880-8751 Pastor Dave Raines Sunday Services 9:30am
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Adrian mayor dies of cancer

Clay Webb had worked as mayor, deputy sheriff, carpenter, businessman, volunteer firefighter

On Aug. 26, the small town of Adrian, Ore., lost its mayor. But more importantly, it lost “quite the character,” according to City Councilmember Keith Baldwin.

Clarence “Clay” E. Webb, 82, died after a hard-fought battle with colon cancer exacerbated by late-stage West Nile virus.

Webb was a carpenter who still fiddled with woodworking while he was mayor, and a former volunteer firefighter and deputy sheriff. He has also owned a ranch, a service station, and a restaurant.

Webb was well-known for his wily sense of humor and caring heart. Perhaps his most famous comedic act was to take an outhouse from his backyard and place it on the main drag in Adrian with a sign that reads, “Adrian City Hall.”

Sources agree it wasn’t so much a political statement as

it was a comedic effort, and it has become a popular tourist attraction nonetheless. People stop by often to get their picture taken with it.

“As many as 10 to 12 people a day” stop to visit the faux City Hall, Baldwin said. And because Baldwin ran an electric wire to the outhouse, it lights up at night, and is bedazzled with Christmas lights during the winter. Webb even used to put a snowman family and Santa with his reindeer and sleigh by the outhouse to make it more festive.

Hats and T-shirts were made with “I sat in session” and “Adrian, Oregon” written on them for people visiting the outhouse.

Webb spent his adolescence in Nevada, but graduated from Venice High School in California. In 1967, Clay and his brother Phil moved to Adrian as strapping young men in their 30s. Their parents and sisters moved here with them. Clay, who was 2½ years older than his brother, completed a carpenter apprentice school, and a few years later, Phil did the same.

“He was a very talented man,” said City Councilman Vince

Bingham. “If he decided he could do it, he could do it. He was a super good carpenter. Very knowledgeable and talented person.”

Clay Webb married Mickey in 1949 — a marriage that was only days away from reaching its 64th anniversary. Together, the couple had four children: Shawn, Rory, Chris, and Kim. All the children still live in or near Adrian.

“He had a great sense of humor,” Bingham said.

“He was jolly. Whenever anyone would visit with him, it was always positive. He was never negative.”

Clay Webb had been mayor for the majority of the past 27 years, and still held the position at the time of his passing.

“He could do just about whatever he wanted as long as he put his mind to it,” Phil Webb said.

Adrian will have to get along without a mayor, as the city council will first look for someone to fill the councilmember seat, then look for a new mayor.

Current councilmembers are: (president) Adele Dokter, Mike Heller, Keith Baldwin, and Vince Bingham.

As of deadline, there was a tentative memorial service planned for Saturday at Two Rivers Park in Adrian.

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In a January 2013 photo, Mayor Clay Webb, left, and city council president Adele Dokter stand near the “Adrian City Hall” parody Webb built years ago.

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