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Disaster Auction nets \$75K

The 53rd Marsing Disaster Auction brought the whole town out to the Phipps-Watson American Legion Community Center on Saturday, where \$75,000 was raised to help needy families cope with hardships.

"This was an enormously successful auction this year," chairman James Ferdinand said. "I am very humbled by the outpouring of support by our amazing community. Without all the support, there would be no auction, and this great fund for helping those in need would simply not exist. I would like to personally thank all of the volunteers that worked hard to bring the auction to a reality. We want to express our grateful thanks to everyone that helped make it possible," he said.

There was standing room only, as steady crowds filled the hall all day long. From the young to the old, families gathered at the auction as they have

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Marsing FFA member Angie Draper displays items representing a horse services package, including a shoeing, during Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction. Photo by Karen Bresnahan See Page 11A for more photos from Saturday.

Young volunteers make impact

Several youth groups participate
in event each year

The Marsing Disaster Auction is one of those wonderful events that involves the whole family. It is a community-wide affair that brings out the best in people. From the young to the old, everyone participates, including several youth groups.

As part of the fanfare every year, youngsters from the grade school level to the high school take part in the auction. Their roles may not be a highlight of the event, but their part is certainly necessary for the accomplishment of the task at

hand — raising as much money as possible.

Young people could be seen throughout Saturday's event helping move the items to the auction block, carrying items for bidders, serving refreshments, or just pitching in wherever they were needed.

The long tradition of

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BLM dominates OCA meeting

Grazing decision
appeals filed

By what was called "mutual agreement," Bureau of Land Management officials didn't attend Saturday's Owyhee Cattlemen's Association winter meeting.

That didn't prevent the federal agency from being a major topic of discussion inside the Oreana Community Hall.

The percolating troubles and chilling relationship drew a packed house and led longtime OCA member Paul Nettleton to remark that in 50 years of meetings he has attended, the BLM had never been absent.

With Public Lands Council executive director Dustin Van Liew serving as keynote speaker, the BLM's recent decisions regarding Owyhee Resource Management Area permit

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Pursuit suspect's trespass at Marsing H.S. sparks changes

After high-speed chase,
man runs through faulty
door before lockdown

A missed phone call and a faulty door were among the things that contributed to a man pursued by sheriff's deputies gaining access to Marsing High School on Thursday.

William Raymond Calvillo, 21, of Lodi, Calif.,

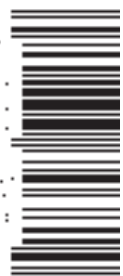
was arrested behind the agricultural shop shortly after running through the halls following a high-speed chase into town.

Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said it appears Calvillo gained access to the school through a slightly open door. Marsing School District superintendent Norm Stewart confirmed Calvillo was in the building moments before all three schools in the district complex were put on lockdown.

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A Canyon County Sheriff's K-9 and her handler check out a vehicle in the wake of Thursday's pursuit. Photo by Jon P. Brown



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Idea to change Homedale eastern entrance scuttled

New plan apparently would maintain approach from Canyon County

It appears Homedale’s eastern entrance won’t change to accommodate a new King’s Department Stores location. Mayor Gheen Christoffersen told Homedale Chamber of Commerce members last week that the Burley-based store chain now was looking at a deceleration lane that would preserve the dedicated sweeping right-hand turn into

town from Canyon County. “They’re still trying to figure out if they can get (the Idaho Transportation Department) to agree to the deceleration idea,” Christoffersen said during the Chamber’s monthly luncheon on Jan. 28. King’s representative John Blaye of Aurora Development confirmed the development in a Thursday phone conversation, reiterating that Homedale is a desired location for the store chain. “(Chain owner) Tom King wants to build a store, and he’s also talking to two other retail

stores that want to build on the property,” Blaye said. The news came six weeks after a handful of Homedale business owners denounced the idea of eliminating the right-hand lane in favor of a four-way intersection similar to the Industrial Road-U.S. Highway 95 confluence just south of the U.S. 95-Idaho Avenue spot. Blaye said the change of plans came after discussions with people such as Owyhee Sand and Gravel owner Chuck Maxwell, who was opposed to the intersection change because of traffic safety concerns. “They would like to see a deceleration lane,” Blaye said. “We still have to meet with Dave

Jones of the Idaho Transportation Department. We don’t know what the technicalities are.” Blaye said the deceleration lane would be constructed on the parcel store chain owner Tom King bought last year and would not affect the grassy triangle that now separates the free right-hand turn and the southerly traffic flow of U.S. 95. It’s too early to determine where the driveway into the old Homedale Auto Wreckers property would be cut off Idaho Avenue. Christoffersen said other businesses in town won’t be affected if the deceleration lane idea moves forward. The biggest concern of business owners during a Dec.

11 public hearing was choking the flow of potential customers further by eliminating the free right turn. Under the original intersection plan, ITD was examining the possibility of declaring the grassy island surplus property, which would have made the land available for purchase by either King’s or the city. Christoffersen said last week that — if ITD went through with the plan to sale — he would be in favor of the city acquiring the property to preserve the current entrance to town. “If we can get it cheap enough, I think the city should buy it,” Christoffersen said. — JPB

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Bruneau firm hired to cap landfill

Closure of the Bruneau-Grand View Landfill should be completed by mid-April, according to a letter in which Owyhee County asked health officials for an extension on the timeframe for sealing the 40-acre parcel. The Board of County Commissioners last week asked Southwest District Health to extend the six-month period allowed for closure. Owyhee County wants the deadline for complete closure to coincide with the end of its lease with landowner Kent Kohring, which is May 4. During a Jan. 27 meeting, the commissioners awarded the contract for final closure to Skyline Construction of Bruneau. Sky-

line’s proposal price of \$57,199.94 was low bid, according to the county’s notice of award. The closure includes earthmoving, construction and vegetative seeding. In a letter to SWDH, commissioners said a notice to proceed will be issued on Feb. 17. The commissioners also sent Kohring a letter reiterating the landowner’s responsibilities under Idaho Code once the landfill

is capped and the lease ends. The letter to Kohring includes an Aug. 9 letter from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality in which he was informed that post-closure care must be carried out by Kohring or subsequent property owners for at least 30 years. Post-closure care includes monitoring methane emissions and maintaining the final cover, including vegetation. — JPB

Marsing Lions bingo set Saturday

The Marsing Lions Club’s February bingo night will be held Saturday. Bingo begins at 6:45 p.m. with the early game at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion

Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N. Regular games begin at 7 p.m. For more information on one of the club’s major fundraising projects, call (208) 454-7820.

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2 counties, 2 days, 2 DUI sentences for Nampa woman

Jail imposed in
two HPD drunk
driving cases

A Nampa woman's driving under the influence sentencing in a Homedale courtroom earlier this month marked her second such disposition in two days.

Susan E. Romero, who was born in 1965, must serve two days in Owyhee County Jail before Feb. 15. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober sentenced her on Jan. 15.

A day later, Romero was sentenced to 49 days in jail for her Oct. 4 DUI arrest by Nampa Police.

On Oct. 26, Homedale Police Officer Christopher Jacob arrested Romero for her second DUI of the month.

The rest of the Owyhee County

sentence includes two years' probation, a 178-day suspended jail term and \$650 in fines and court fees.

As part of Romero's Canyon County sentencing, the court retained discretion on a 30-day jail term and imposed a year of probation and \$710 in fines and fees.

Another DUI suspect arrested by HPD received his sentence before Grober on Jan. 15.

Wilder resident Antonio Evangelista-Ramirez, who was born in 1968, was sentenced to two days in county jail, fined \$652 and received a year's probation.

Arrested Nov. 16 by Homedale Police Officer Andrew Arnold, Evangelista-Ramirez also was cited for not signaling while making a turn.

He was fined \$90 for that infraction on Dec. 4.

Probation in Marsing domestic violence case

A Marsing man originally arrested on suspicion of domestic battery in the presence of a child has been sentenced to an amended charge.

Jose Ramirez-Antunez, who was born in 1971, entered a guilty plea to misdemeanor assault on Jan. 13. Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober sentenced him to 18

months probation the same day.

Grober also gave the defendant credit for one day spent in Owyhee County Jail after Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy Karl Kingston made an Oct. 13 arrest.

The judge suspended the remainder of a 90-day jail sentence and imposed \$300 in court fees and fines.



Homedale's Future City team wins award

Homedale Middle School's Future City entry won a special award at last month's state competition in Boise. Four of the 17 students on the team included, from left, Kaylee DeWitt, Kaden Henry, Nalleley Gonzalez, and Daniel Uranga. The team received an award for the Most Sustainable Resources. The city, dubbed Eydis, was built completely out of recycled materials. HMS Science teacher Lindsay Miller is team advisor. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

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County GOP prepares for Lincoln Day meet

The biennial Lincoln Day banquet sponsored by the Owyhee County Republican Central Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Hopefuls for the May primary election usually announce their intentions at the banquet.

This year's banquet will begin at 11:30 a.m., at McKeeth Hall inside the Owyhee County Historical Museum in Murphy.

Several state officers are expected to attend, and spokesman Lindsay Nothorn confirmed that Sen. Mike Crapo also will be on hand.

County officials up for re-election are District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi (two-year term), District 1 Commissioner Jerry Hoagland, Treasurer Brenda Richards, Assessor Brett Endicott and appointed officers Angie Barkell (county clerk) and Aaron Tines (county coroner).

This is also an election year for District 23 legislative incumbents).

The price of the luncheon is \$20 per person. Call central committee chair Shawn Dygert at 250-9882 for more information.

County Waterways Committee returns to full strength

There is hope that the boat dock near the Black Sands Resort will receive attention as stability returns to the Owyhee County Waterways Committee.

The Board of County Commissioners appointed Givens-area resident Steve Carlin to fill the third spot on the volunteer advisory board during Monday's meeting.

Now, the three-man committee headed by chair Mike Beavers, will concentrate on waterways improvements, including the CJ Strike Reservoir boat dock near Black Sands that actually stands on Bureau of Land Management ground.

The third committeeman is Meridian resident Brian Flatter, who patrols the Bruneau-Grand View area for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game. Flatter was appointed on Aug. 20, 2012.

A Reynolds Creek resident, Beavers was appointed Feb. 25 to

fill the vacancy created by Jerry Benson's death. Flatter replaced longtime chair Bob Aldrich of Marsing.

Last week, the Board of County Commissioners supported the Waterways Committee's commitment of \$5,000 to the City of Marsing's Island Park Boating Facilities Reconstruction Project. The Waterways Committee sent a Jan. 27 letter to the state Waterways Improvement Fund advisory committee outlining that the money would be used to build new docks.

Turning its attention to the Black Sands dock, the county Waterways Committee will convene as part of a BOCC-Bureau of Land Management Boise District coordination meeting on Feb. 18 in Murphy.

The county needs a permit from the BLM to continue its improvement plan for the boat dock.

The project apparently has been on the radar since at least April when Beavers and then-committee member Dave Ellis met with county commissioners to discuss completion of boat docks in Homedale and Grand View as well as the Black Sands renovation.

Six months later, Ellis resigned after six years on the committee.

At the time, the Snake River RV Resort owner said he was ready to try something new and that his exit did not stem from frustration over a lack of progress on the Black Sands project.

But there seemingly has been a series of fits and starts to the project.

In an October meeting during which Ellis' departure was discussed, District 2 county commissioner Kelly Aberasturi said the BOCC had received a Waterways Committee proposal on the dock and had begun working with the BLM. But, Aberasturi said, the project fell by the wayside in part because BLM representative Cecil Werven left his position in the Boise District to accept another assignment in Montana.

Also in October, Dennis Hardy of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game said he offered to write a Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation waterways grant to seek money to help with the Black Sands work.

He also said an IDFG engineer had studied the site and come up with a plan.

"It was just a way of helping put angles on the water," Hardy said.

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✓ Auction: Lindemann’s Basque-themed painted saw blade fetches \$2,000

done for many generations.

A lot of friendly, happy faces were evident as people pulled together to raise money for the worthy cause.

The auction funds are used to build up a disaster relief fund intended for needy families who suffer sudden losses because of fire, accident, or medical emergencies. Last year, the auction raised \$80,000.

People of all ages pitched in to set up the event and carry it out.

“Every single person is an important part of this event,” Ferdinand said.

Some of the groups involved in making the auction a success were: the Marsing FFA, three 4-H groups including Wilson Butte, Pony Express and Owyhee Silver Spurs, the Marsing High School Business Professionals of America chapter, Marsing teachers, the Marsing Senior Center, The Bailey Bean, the Riverside Ladies, Marsing LDS Church 2nd Ward, the MHS cheerleaders, Baker Auctions, and the Marsing Disaster Auction Committee.

The affair became an all-day picnic and there were plenty of home-baked goodies for the whole family, including hot dogs, chorizos, nachos, donuts, cakes, pies, cupcakes, cookies and cold drinks.

The call of the auctioneers, who are also volunteers, brought bidding on hundreds of items.

One of the top items sold was a large hand-painted saw blade with a Basque sheepherder scene by Mona Lindemann, which brought in \$2,000.

Lindemann, who hand-paints a saw blade every year for the auction, said she started the project in January and just finished it on Friday.

“I can’t believe it, the elated artist said. “I’m really surprised that it sold for that much. It was wonderful. I’m so excited and happy.”

“That little lady is thrilled,” committee member Betty Ackerman said. The artist is barely able to paint anymore because of health issues, according to Ackerman, so making the saw blades is difficult for her.

The buyers of the saw blade, which measured about 2 feet in diameter, said they had not planned on purchasing the item beforehand.

The item was purchased by Brion and Sue Showalter, who said they couldn’t resist it, and bought it for their son and daughter-in-law, Caleb and Katie.

“We were really excited, because it is a Basque scene and Katie is Basque, Sue Showalter said. The artist is also Katie’s grandmother.

For information on any specific auction item, and what it sold for, contact Ferdinand at 794-7270 or Sheila Carter at 337-2100.

The auction will need more volunteers, so anyone interested in helping out in the future can contact any Disaster Auction committee member. For additional information visit the webpage at marsingdisasterauction.org.

—KB

✓ Volunteers: School groups provide auction models, concession sellers

“neighbors helping neighbors” reflects not just the efforts made by adults in the community, but the efforts made by young people who learn good values from their parents and who will continue to carry on the Disaster Auction for many years.

“It is important for students to realize they are not just part of a school, but part of a community as well, because both impact each other,” Marsing High School teacher Lennie Freeman said.

In addition to the youngsters of parents, who do whatever is needed to help, there are youth groups who take part, including the FFA, the Wilson Butte, Pony Express and Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H groups, the Marsing High School cheerleaders, the BPA (Business Professionals of America) students and the Academic Decathlon students.

The FFA students are “front and center” at the auction, and they work all day, carrying items down the aisles for bidders to view.

They line up in a rotation near the auctioneers and take turns holding the items. A total of 26 students worked at this year’s auction.

“This is a good deal because it helps the community in every way,” Marsing FFA president Tanner Fisher said. “It’s good for me because it brings me face-to-face with people in a positive way, and I really like to help out.”

FFA member Caitlyn Line said she enjoys the event because it is fun. “Not only does it help me develop people skills, but it brings everyone together to make sure things get done,” she said.

Amity Witt has been participating in the Disaster Auction with her family since she was 6 years old.

“This is a good thing because it supports the community,” she said.

People who have lost their homes or suffered other disasters need the help, she added.

“I really like helping people, and this event lets me give back to my community.”

Amity also said helping at the auction will look good on applications.

“It shows that I’m not a greedy person and that I give more than I take,” she said.

Makenna Renteria said, “I like helping at the auction because it’s fun.”

Ethan Aponte was an FFA student working at the auction for the first time. “I just moved here, but this is really a good event,” he said.

The Owyhee Silver Spurs 4-H club was stationed at the dessert window. The 4-H kids did their part by serving up the cakes, pies, cupcakes, and cookies and taking money for the items.

“I like this a lot because I get to meet people,” Regan Stansell said.

Taylor Fisher has been working at the auction with the 4-H for five years.

“I do this because it’s a lot of fun, and I like helping out,” she said.

Other 4-H kids who participated were Llee Loucks, Adrianna Salutregui and Mila Astoriquia.

The MHS cheerleaders were also active at the auction in the face-painting booth in a corner of the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center. Advisor Shonie Jarvis said it is her first year being involved with the auction, and the girls were enjoying it.

Tiffany Beagley was volunteering this year, but she is a former cheerleader and helped at the auction in past years. She was showing the other girls how to face paint.

Angelina Noblett is a sophomore varsity cheerleader.

“I like doing this because it’s fun,” she said. “We do it because it helps little kids be happy so they can have fun.”

Bailey Reyes said she enjoys working at the auction because “it helps little kids feel more comfortable around a big crowd of people.”

Cheerleader Tiauna Scheffer said the auction is good “because it gives the cheer team bonding time and it’s fun.”


Angie Draper is another cheerleader who took part in the face painting.

The BPA students helped out by serving food and drinks at the auction.

The Academic Decathlon students were unable to attend the auction this year, because of a district competition in Middleton.

All of the students who helped at the auction this year were enthusiastic about contributing their time to the fundraiser.

—KB




Austrian Settlement 100th Anniversary

The Owyhee Avalanche will be running a section looking back on the history of the Austrian Settlement.

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Rimrock Sr. Center needs new stove

Money from annual Valentine’s dinner will build fund

Officials want to replace the Rimrock Senior Center’s 30-year-old cook stove, and Saturday’s annual Valentine Dinner is a big part of that drive.

“A new commercial stove for our purposes runs around \$8,000 to \$10,000, so we are doing everything we can to raise money for this,” center coordinator Karon Nichols said.

The Valentine Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. at the center, 525 Main St., in Grand View. Pit-barbecue roast beef will be served.

Maxine Rathbun will provide live music.

Tickets cost \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$4 for children ages 6-12. Tickets are available at the

center, which is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Dinner proceeds are earmarked for the purchase of a new stove.

Nichols said the stove the center uses for its Tuesday and Thursday meals has been in place since 1984 and has become unreliable.

“We no longer can find parts for it,” she said.

For more information about the dinner or other senior center activities, call (208) 834-2808 on Tuesday or Thursday each week.

Calendar

Today

ORFPA fire training
10 a.m. to 5 p.m., University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (541) 586-3000 (day), (208) 583-2269 (night) or (208) 583-4444

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

Christian Life Club
3:15 p.m. to 5 p.m., kindergarten to sixth grade, transportation provided, Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy. 95, Wilder. (208) 337-4757, (208) 353-6024 or (208) 337-3464

Parenting class
6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., free, Homedale Elementary School library, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4033 or (208) 337-5780

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

Thursday

ORFPA fire training
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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

Marsing Chamber First Thursday
5:30 p.m., public invited, location TBA, Marsing. (208) 318-3982

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., 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 W., Homedale. (208) 921-6578 or (208) 283-0431 or homedalegunclub.com

Friday

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

Saturday

Rimrock Food Pantry distribution
8:30 a.m. Knight Community Church 630 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2314

Teens and Tweens program
4 p.m. to 5 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
afternoons Monday through Saturday

Rimrock Senior Center Valentine Dinner
6 p.m., \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, \$4 ages 6-12, Rimrock Senior Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808

Marsing Lions bingo
6:45 p.m. early game, 7 p.m. regular games, Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing. (208) 454-7820

Sunday

Bruneau Valley Library board meeting
2:30 p.m., Bruneau Valley Library, 32073 Ruth St., Bruneau. (208) 845-2131

Middle school youth group
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Homedale Friends Community Church, 17434 Hwy 95, Wilder. (208) 697-1409

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
11:30 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

Homedale Fire District commissioners 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 board room, 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

After-school Story Time
4:30 p.m., up to third-graders, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Marsing Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., public invited, location TBA, Marsing. (208) 318-3982

Jordan Valley City Council meeting
7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby St., Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 586-2460


Homedale Friends of the Library meeting
7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.

Marsing School Board meeting
7 p.m., Marsing School District office, 209 8th Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4111

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Owyhee
Then & Now



Tales of the ION Country

Drinking water

We want our drinking water as pure as possible and are reluctant to quench our thirst with water that is questionable. I have an idea that way back, people started mixing coffee and tea with water to mask its unpleasant features and probably got on to using perfume for the same reason.

I would never as a kid take a chance with what I thought was bad water, but then I hadn’t been tested either. Most of our beliefs are based on learned behavior that can be set aside when the situation warrants it ... survival comes first ... I don’t care what some psychologists say. My fears were broken down one hot June day while buckarooing near White Horse Butte. We had left camp at the Ambrose Maher place well before daylight and trotted about 15 miles before Frank Maher, the buckaroo boss, began to scatter the riders.

I was sent with Dave Castro. We were to pick up a bunch of cattle at Indian Canyon and drive them back to camp. Along about 2 p.m., the sun became unbearable and I got so dry I couldn’t stand it any longer, but Castro told me to hold on because we were approaching the Lower Long Canyon Reservoir. While the cattle and horses were drinking, Castro dismounted and asked me if I was going to get a drink. I looked in the reservoir and about 100 feet out floated a big, bloated, dead cow. He assured me that all I had to do to make the water drinkable was to take my scarf and lay it flat on the water and drink the strained water that seeped through. I was only nine years old, but his reasoning never sounded too scientific but I was drier than cautious and took several good swigs.

Several hours later we came to the lower trails at Cherry Creek where the water was as stagnant, or worse, than it was at Long Canyon. Instead of a dead cow floating, it had a brown alkali color that resembled manure run-off from a barnyard. The water was warm with gobs of floating green stuff moving around like icebergs in the slight breeze. Castro said that in a situation like this, you stick your head under and drink from the bottom. I followed his example and found that the water was certainly cooler and the advantage was that I couldn’t see what I was drinking.

Several days after, Castro introduced me to drinking bad water, Charley Loveland and I were driving cattle to the upper country. I was hurting for a drink again, and my sun-burned lips were afire. He asked me if I would like a drink and I nodded my head, willing to drink anything wet.

To most, the desert looks like an inhospitable place. It is the shortage of water that creates this image, but if you know where to look, even the scarce item can be found.

White Horse Butte rises out of the range just north of Three Forks and about three-fourths of the way up on the east side, a natural cistern exists. This lava tube contains water, but in the dry years it receded back under an overhang, and to get a drink you must crawl to get it. A handy tin can was lying on a rock just above the opening, and I started to dip. “Castro crawled in one time and found he wasn’t the only one who needed a drink,” Charley commented just before I reached the water. “While Castro drank, a rattlesnake crawled off to the side and watched.” I was scared to death of snakes, but once again, need ruled over matter and the water was cool and clear.

You might think the way to solve the water problem would have been to carry a canteen. This was wise in principle, but not practical. First of all no buckaroo or aspiring one carried water with him, tradition, you know. Secondly, if you had water, everybody else would hit you up for a drink and you would be worse off than before, just watching it disappear down someone else’s throat. Charley told me that he drank all he could hold before pulling out in the morning and that would hold him all day. I tried that and it worked. The only problem was that trotting out in the morning with a full load of water was very uncomfortable but better than drinking from a desert water hole.

OWYHEE CATTLEMEN'S WINTER MEETING

OCA receives donations to carry out permit appeals

Industry colleagues came out in force Saturday to offer support to the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association in its unified appeal of Bureau of Land Management-ordered grazing reductions. One after another, representatives presented checks to help with the legal defense fund. Homedale rancher Doug Burgess, who is part of the Owyhee Cattlemen's Heritage Fund's voluntary assessment committee, said about \$50,000 has been raised since the assessment was established after the OCA's meeting last summer in Silver City in anticipation of litigation. "What we're trying to do is help the producers settle the issues so maybe we can set some ground

rules on what (BLM officials) can shove down our throats," Burgess said. Burgess also urged solidarity among the crowd of cattlemen congregated at Oreana Community Hall. "Whether this affects you or not, if we can head some of these things off, (BLM officials) will have to write different decisions in the future," he said. Jordan Valley Rodeo Board chair Vern Kershner presented a \$10,000 check gleaned from proceeds from last year's Owyhee Rope and Ride. The board has donated \$100,000 in the 15 years of the September event, Kershner said. Owyhee County Farm Bureau president John Richard made a

\$3,500 contribution on behalf of the county's Farm Bureau members. Tucker Shaw of the Caldwell-based Shaw Cattle Co., said his family's firm would donate \$68 for every bull sold to an OCA member during a Feb. 19 bull sale. More money was raised during the rollover auction of a heifer at the Burgess Ranch's recent sale, and South Mountain Ranch will hold a similar auction during its annual sale Feb. 11 in Melba. Don Barnhill followed through by contributing two percent of the sales from his Git-R-Posted no trespassing fencepost covers. No total donation amount was announced. — JPB



Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president Kenny Kershner, left, accepts a \$10,000 donation from Jordan Valley Rodeo Board president Vern Kershner, his father, on Saturday. Photo by Jon P. Brown



Owyhee Cattlemen's Association Life Member Walt Nilles holds the silver bit he won during the membership drawing Saturday. Photo by Jon P. Brown



Former Owyhee County Fair beef superintendents Bev White, left, and her husband Bill, accept a distinguished service award from Scott Jensen on behalf of the fair and the University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office. The Whites served as beef superintendents for 13 years. "The most rewarding time we had was working with everybody's kids," Bev White said. "That was a lot of fun." Photo by Jon P. Brown



Taylor Thomas Fisher selects a card in the Deck o'Cards raffle Saturday as OCA secretary Scott Jensen holds the deck. Teresa Kershner and Chad Gibson were the winners. Photo by Jon P. Brown

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✓ OCA: Cattlemen, county commissioners fire back at BLM manager

renewals already were expected to dominate the afternoon. But OCA president Kenny Kershner introduced another twist when he broached the subject of a "drought letter" BLM Owyhee Field Office manager Loretta Chandler issued to permittees just days before Saturday's crucial meeting. In the letter, dated Jan. 29, Chandler recommended public lands ranchers implement a 30 percent minimum reduction on their allotments because of extreme to severe drought conditions in Owyhee County. "You should be prepared to remove a portion or all of your livestock from the allotment with short notice," Chandler wrote. The ranchers also learned that

BLM range staff will be out monitoring forage and water conditions "frequently." And they may visit allotments without prior notification. "I have directed my staff to take utilization measurements if they observe developing issues, which may mean that you as the permittee do not receive advance notice that utilization will be measured," Chandler wrote. Chandler did urge permittees to be proactive and contact their range management specialist if they believe they are reaching their utilization limits. Natural resource and public lands attorney Paul Turcke, who has been retained to represent ranchers in their appeals of the Owyhee 68 permit renewal

decisions, called Chandler's letter "retaliatory." He also hinted that the letter was premature. "I've only lived in Idaho for 20 years, and I know we get most of our precipitation in March, so I'm not ready to proclaim the end of the world as we know it," he said. The OCA membership authorized the board of directors to send a letter to the Owyhee Field Office protesting Chandler's correspondence. On Monday the Board of County Commissioners drafted a letter supporting the cattlemen and criticizing the tone and timing of Chandler's letter. During Saturday's discussion, it was pointed out that if the ranchers cut their animal units

monthly (AUMs) voluntarily by 30 percent, it could mean fewer AUMs in subsequent years regardless of resource conditions. In the past, the agency had cut AUMs based on real usage in a previous grazing season when ranchers voluntarily reduced their utilization. Turcke, a shareholder at the Boise firm of Moore Smith Buxton & Turcke Chtd., didn't pull any punches when he discussed the BLM's basis for the grazing reductions in the six groups that comprise the Owyhee 68. In the past two weeks, Turcke has filed approximately 15 appeals to the decisions. "That's almost as much paper as the BLM crammed out in the last two weeks of December," he

told the membership. Turcke indicated the affected cattlemen may have a strong appeals case because of the lack of visits that range management staff made to allotments. He said in some cases, range conservationists had visited a specific allotment only once in a five-year span, which — he pointed out — doesn't lend itself to an accurate analysis of conditions. He also said that while the BLM's stated objective in the decisions is resource management, it's actually the ranchers' resource usage that's helping sustain forage levels. "It's not going to help the resource," Turcke said of the BLM's AUM reduction decisions. — JPB

OWYHEE CATTLEMEN'S WINTER MEETING

Cattlemen learn of ICA and PLC's preservation efforts

Dustin Van Liew gives legislative update

Ranchers who turned out in force Saturday heard about the efforts people outside the county are doing to help preserve the way of life promoted by the Owyhee Cattlemen's Association.

Public Lands Council executive director Dustin Van Liew, a Californian, and his Idaho Cattle Association counterpart, Wyatt Prescott, an Arizonan, outlined how they are fighting for the county's cattlemen on several fronts.

The biggest issue was the Owyhee 68 grazing permit renewal decisions, for which Van Liew said the ICA has served the Owyhee cattlemen well.

"You're kind of at the epicenter at this point, but we know this could go West-wide," Van Liew said of the precedence that could be established.

Van Liew said the PLC continues to be active in other issues either through lobbying, regulatory analysis or litigation, including:

- Grazing Improvement Act, which aims to bring flexibility to the renewal process, although it won't help the current permittees involved in the Owyhee 68.

Van Liew said there has been some positive movement on the legislation, including the possibility of extending future permits from 10 to 20 years. But there are other developments that the PLC opposes such as the addition of permit retirement language and environmentalists' attempt to attach National Environmental Protection Act analysis to transfer of preference, which Van Liew said is akin to a property right.

He said work continues to shape the legislation more favorably for livestock producers.

- The Catastrophic Wildfire Prevention Act would allow grazing and timber thinning on lands with excessive fuel loads as well as establish a 180-day hard deadline for NEPA analysis after which time the proposed action would move forward even if the BLM or U.S. Forest Service was unable to complete studies.

- The Farm Bill is expected to be sent to President Obama's desk by the end of the week. The bill passed the House of Representa-

tives last week and the Senate was supposed to take up the bill Tuesday.

The bill extends Payment in Lieu of Taxes funding (PILT) to counties for one more year and also makes disaster assistance funding for producers retroactive for the past two years, meaning producers affected by recent wildfires in the region can get relief.

- The PLC also has been following the Equal Access to Justice Act reform and the progress of the Judgment Fund Transparency legislation.

At this point, there is no public report on how much money is paid out of the Judgment Fund to reimburse organizations that take the federal government to court.

The Government Litigation Savings Act would close a loophole and set a net worth limit for non-profit organizations, such as Western Watersheds Project, that apply for reimbursement of legal fees.

- Van Liew announced that the recently adopted Omnibus Appropriations Act had some good news for ranchers, including blocking the Obama administration's attempt to increase grazing fees by 74 percent and the Department of Interior's Wild Lands secretarial order, barring for two years appeals and protests on trailing and crossing NEPA analysis and extending the grazing rider through Fiscal Year 2015.

Van Liew said the sage-grouse land use plan, for which comments closed Friday, is also a pivotal issue because the Bureau of Land Management alternative that reduces grazing in affected areas contradicts findings by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. In precluding the bird from the Endangered Species list, the USFWS said there wasn't enough information to determine if livestock grazing was detrimental to the sage-grouse.

Prescott's address served as a pep talk of sorts for the ranchers.

"This industry is in my background and my blood," he said. "It's a labor of love. It's a passion for the industry and to make it a better industry in the years to come."

"You've got to have passion in this fight, and if we don't we're going to lose it. Without passion, it's a losing fight."

—JPB



Nancy and Pete Jackson, center, receive a standing ovation from convention attendees Saturday as they make their way to the front of Oreana Community Hall to accept their OCA Life Member Award. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Jacksons finally get their due

OCA bestows Life Member Award upon Nevada-Idaho ranchers

It took a while, but Matt Tindall finally was able to say "thank you" to Pete and Nancy Jackson.

The former Owyhee Cattlemen's Association president presented the 1974 OCA president and his wife for the organization's Life Member Award on Saturday in Oreana.

"I will always be grateful for those three summers and what it did for my cowboy career," Tindall said.

The boy who spent three summers on the Jacksons' Riddle ranch became the man who was able to pay tribute to them inside the Oreana Community Hall during the OCA's winter meeting.

But admiration for the Jacksons goes beyond Tindall. Former OCA board member Brenda Richards said the couple is well-known and well-respected for their contributions to the county's cattlemen's organization and their community.

The Jacksons were supposed to receive their award during

the 2013 summer convention in Silver City, but were unable to attend the meeting.

On Saturday, they graciously accepted their plaque in front of an unusually large crowd of colleagues.

And, as many of their friends probably expected, the award was received with humility.

"It's quite an honor," Pete Jackson said. "I don't know if I deserve it or not."

"Lately I'm not as active (in the OCA). I've just been around a long time."

The Jacksons have been married nearly 56 years, Nancy said.

Both grew up on ranches. Pete's family had operations in Santa Barbara, Calif., and in Elko County, Nev. Nancy was born on a ranch in Los Alamos, Calif.

Pete graduated from Yale University in 1957. He was the first person from Elko County, Nev., to receive a degree from the Ivy League school.

Pete's family had a winter ranch in Santa Barbara and a summer

ranch near Tuscarora, Nev. His family founded the Petan Co. YP Ranches.

In 1959, two years after returning from Yale, Pete acquired ranch operations in Riddle by going into a partnership with the Riddle family.

He wound up in Sports Illustrated when the iconic magazine sent a photographer from San Francisco and writer from New York to examine a horse gather on a ranch. Pete was the only cowboy quoted in the story, and to this day he doesn't necessary relish that moment in the spotlight.

Now his son, Peter, runs the Riddle ranch. Son John continues to operate the Nevada ranch, and Pete and Nancy live in Nevada.

The newest OCA Life Member has known ranching his entire life, but he doesn't think there has been much change to the basics of the lifestyle.

"I don't think it has changed all that much," he said. "Of course, we were way out in the middle of nowhere and didn't have the pressure of city folks (being around)."

—JPB



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Florence Paxton shows crocheting done by her and her mother.

Florence Paxton remembers what life was like growing up in the 1930s on a farm near Homedale.

“Well, we went barefoot a lot,” she says.

Florence is a direct descendant of one of the original Austrian Settlement families that came to Homedale in 1914 and carved a life out of a dry desert full of sagebrush.

“I’m 88. I’ve got a lot of history to tell,” she says proudly.

Her parents were John and Mary (Marchek) Chadez. Mary was 15 when she arrived in Homedale with her family by train from Rock Springs, Wyo., with the six other families who would make up the Austrian Settlement.

Those families — Slovenians Marchek, Cegnar, Demshar, Dolence, Jesenko and Kushlan and the German family Bahem — who played a major part in the development of Homedale will be remembered in the upcoming Austrian Settlement Centennial planned for Feb. 14-15 at the Homedale Armory.

Florence has three siblings that are living: Mary Chadez (Cegnar), 95, Eddie Chadez, 90 and Ted Chadez, 72.

Florence has a lot of memories of the early years, when the Slovenian families made their homes. They had a lot of struggles because most of them did not speak English, so basic communication with the people in town was difficult.

John Chadez was 5 feet, 9 inches tall, but Mary was much shorter at only 5-foot-3. Florence is the same height as her mother.

John and Mary Chadez had six children on the homestead, four of whom were birthed in the small house. Florence’s sister Mary was born with the umbilical cord wrapped around her neck and Mr. Chadez had to cut it.

Her dad used to say that more men should see what women go through, Florence said.

Times were hard, but Florence has many happy memories of those years.

She remembers her dad being a hard worker, and very fun to be around. On Saturday mornings he would “sing away” while he was shaving and he wore good-smelling aftershave, she said.

Her dad used to play games with the family in the evenings. She remembers him teaching them how to make a crow out of paper, a star out of toothpicks, and after sticking a pheasant feather in a corn cob, they would throw it up in the air.

“It used to fall so pretty,” she said.

They all did a great deal of walking all the time, she said. Florence often walked the 3 1/2 miles to school.

“We just cut through the fields,” she said.

After her dad bought a Whippet car, he would drive them to school on occasion.

She remembers the great big irrigation boots the men wore, and instead of socks, they would stuff the boots with rags, so when they got wet, they could just pull them out.

The children, who were often barefoot, would sometimes step on nails and their feet would get infected. “It was hard to pull those nails out of our feet,” she said. Each child had one good pair of Oxfords for school, so they didn’t want to wear them out on the farm.

Her mother, Mary, was a bit on the shy side and was a good seamstress, Florence said.

“She was always doing fancy work,” she said, referring to crochet and sewing.

Florence asked her one day, ‘Mom will you teach me to crochet?’ and her mother held up her fingers and wiggled them around, as if she was doing it.

A daughter remembers ... her Austrian roots

Second-generation Homedale woman recalls families helping each other

Story and photos by Karen Bresnahan



Florence during her high school years in Homedale.

Florence laughs, as she describes what her mother did. But ever since that day, she learned to do the ‘fancy work’ herself, and she has continued the tradition all her life.

Florence recalls that her mother once cut up her wedding dress to make dresses for the little girls.

Mary Chadez had a rocking chair, and whenever she sat down, little Florence would jump up on her lap. Mary only had a third-grade education, “but she could read and write pretty good,” Florence said.

She recalls her mother singing to the children and reading from the Idaho Capper’s Farm magazine.

“Mom was special. She wanted us to be kind to other people,” Florence said.

One traumatic thing that happened to Florence was when the schoolhouse in town burnt down. She was only 7 years old. The new school was built in a hurry and by the time school started, they hadn’t finished the bathrooms, so there

were outhouses behind the school to use.

In the third grade, Florence had a problem that was very painful. After a few bouts of crying, she was taken to the doctor and had to have her tonsils out.

The children learned music in school, so Florence was able to take violin lessons and she played in the orchestra.

“We always had to go home after school and milk the cows,” she said. The family had about seven cows, but the milking took much longer than it does today, she said.

Another chore that belonged to Florence was bringing in the coal bucket for the stove. As a young girl that coal was pretty heavy and she could only carry so much.

The children also brought sagebrush into the house to be used as starter for the stove.

The Chadez family also had a great deal of chickens, and eventually they had about 200.

Florence said they used the eggs to trade for other groceries in town. Her mother also took homegrown raspberries and strawberries to town to trade for other goods.

The farm was 80 acres and they grew hay, barley, corn, potaoes, sugar beets, lettuce and carrots.

Florence’s job as a teenager on the farm was working as a

“tripper”. They used a derrick to pull the hay bales up and she would release it, and then help stack the bales.

When the work was finished on their farm, they went over to the next farm and helped them finish.

“It was tough, but we managed,” she said.

Dancing was a big part of life in those days. They had dances at the school and at the church on Sundays. The women would make sandwiches, pies and cakes.

“My dad would always dance with me,” Florence said.

Florence hopes the Austrian families will be remembered “for the way they worked together and helped each other out.”

The families supported each other in the good times and bad times, she said.

Florence is full of energy and very active. Her home is full of mementos and pictures and artwork from a lifetime of creativity. She and her husband, Bob Paxton were married 39 years, before he passed away in 2004.

When the Austrians celebrated their 50th anniversary, Bob and Florence were in charge of planning the event.

Today, she is on the committee that is working to plan the Centennial celebration. She is thankful for the work that has been done by the families to build the Austrian monument.

“We’ve worked for that and succeeded,” she said.

Florence has been collecting and saving articles about the Austrian families as long as she can remember.

She has four children, Colleen, Bob, Matt, and Jim, all of whom live in the area. She has 12 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, but you would never know it, because she looks so young.

Her sons, Matt and Jim are also treasuring the family history and have written articles about the families for the Owyhee County Historical Society.

She has clippings and scrapbooks full of items going back to the 1930s. She has kept the records and treasured the photographs that are part of the heritage she comes from.

Will she dance at the 100-year Celebration?

“I don’t think I can do a polka, but I might be able to do a waltz,” she said.



Sold! To the highest bidder...

53rd Marsing Disaster Auction brings in \$75,000



Tanner Fisher holds an item at the auction for bidders to see.



Auctioneer Chris Brown kicks off Saturday's auction.



Gina Mayer and daughter Hannah deliver their caramel apple cupcakes to the auction.



The standing-room-only crowd watches the bidding at the Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center on Saturday.



FFA member Amity Whitt volunteers at the auction by carrying an item for viewing by bidders.



Brion and Sue Showalter purchased Mona Lindemann's saw blade.

Photos by
Karen Bresnahan

Auction season continues with Grand View Lions' event

Club plans work on Idaho 167 pedestrian bridge

The Grand View Lions Club will hold its annual auction Saturday at Grand View Elementary School, 205 First St.

The auction starts at 1 p.m. inside the gymnasium.

During the auction, the winning raffle tickets will be drawn for prizes including a Savage Axis .243 bolt-action rifle with a Bushnell scope and a Traeger BBQ pellet grill and smoker.

Raffle tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5 and can be purchased from fourth- and fifth-graders attending Bruneau and Grand View elementary schools. Tickets also are available at Gus's Gas and Square Deal in Grand View.

Several auction items will go up for bid, too. Among the highlights is hay donated by George Bennett and a quilt donated by Jackie Lucas.

Anyone interested in donating items to the auction can call Lions Club member Doug Thurman at (208) 834-2442.

The Grand View Lions Club formed in 1956. More than \$10,000 is raised each year during the club's auction.

The Lions will begin pouring concrete for the Idaho highway 167 pedestrian bridge later this month.

Among the community events that the Lions sponsor is the annual Easter egg hunt.

Past auctions have furnished proceeds to finish a cement pathway through downtown Grand View, fund scholarships for Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School graduating

seniors, help landscape the area around the Eastern Owyhee County Library, buy books for Grand View and Bruneau Elementary schools, fund little league basketball and baseball programs, fund Eagle Scout projects, fund local 4-H programs, help build a covered patio at the American Legion Post 134 Hall and continue the Lions Club's commitment to provide eyeglasses to Treasure Valley children.

The Grand View Lions Auction is the second such event of the month in Owyhee County. The Bruneau Booster Club caps the season with its auction on Feb. 22. Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction kicked off the string of community events.

The Lions Club meets on the second Friday of the month at the Grand Owyhee Café, 230 Main St., in Grand View



This quilt made and donated by Jackie Lucas is among the items that will be up for bid Saturday during the Grand View Lions Club's annual auction. Submitted photo

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Feb. 5: Baked fish, macaroni & cheese, carrots & onions, bread
Feb. 6: Pulled pork, potatoes, peas & carrots, bread
Feb. 11: Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, broccoli, bread
Feb. 12: Hot dog/bun, beets, macaroni & cheese
Feb. 13: Chicken chow mein, stir fry veggies, fried rice
Feb. 18: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, string beans, bread

Marsing Senior Center

Feb. 5: Grilled ham/cheese sandwich, soup, tomato, basil salad, pasta primavera, mandarin oranges
Feb. 6: Hearty beef stew, flaky biscuit, tossed salad, fruit, vanilla pudding
Feb. 10: Breakfast, waffle, ham, egg, fruit, juice
Feb. 11: Hawaiian pork over brown rice, vegetables, fruit salad, bread, coconut crème pie
Feb. 12: Baked fish or chef's choice, rice pilaf, California vegetables, coleslaw, citrus sections, brownie
Feb. 13: Salisbury steak, broccoli, potatoes, gravy, beet salad, juice, brown bread, combo delight
Feb. 17: Closed

Rimrock Senior Center

Feb. 4: Potato bar
Feb. 6: Chili
Feb. 11: Roast beef
Feb. 13: Ham & cheese casserole
Feb. 18: Turkey

Marsing Sr. Center looks at changes

Directors want to know what community wants building's services

Changes may be coming to the Marsing Senior Center.

The board of directors recently expanded, and the members are looking for ways to transform the building at 218 W. Main St., into a community hub.

"We're looking at reworking the senior center to turn it into more of a family community center," director Pete Smit said.

The idea is to broaden the center's use and broaden its revenue stream to make the operation more self-sufficient.

The senior center has struggled financially, and the board wants to keep the operation viable by opening it to other demographic groups.

"We want to get a broader base of folks that use it," Smit said.

To gauge what the community wants out of the center, the board of directors began a public outreach program during Saturday's Marsing Disaster Auction.

A survey is being circulated to find out how people want to see the center used and to gather suggestions on developing a more sustainable income, Smith said.

The short questionnaire is available at Logans Market. Smit said the directors would like to have responses back in two to three weeks so they can begin to analyze the data.

The survey asks respondents what they think the senior center's current function in the community is and also seeks to gather information on what services currently offered they would find appealing.

The senior center now offers:

- home-delivered meals Monday through Thursday

- congregate breakfast on Mondays and lunches Tuesdays through Thursday as well as to-go meals during those times

- transportation for elderly or special needs individuals for appointments and shopping

- a monthly foot clinic
- property tax circuit breaker discount seminars led by Owyhee County Assessor's Office personnel

- hall rental for catered and uncatered events

- card games daily after meals

The survey also asks which days and hours of the week respondents would most likely utilize services.

Respondents are asked whether they believe Marsing has a need for childcare, elderly care or special needs care during the day.

Whether there is a need for home-delivered meals for people 60 and older is also asked.

Classes are listed, such as exercise, crafts, painting, quilting,

computers, cooking, woodworking and CPR, and respondents are asked if they would be interested if community classes were offered at the senior center. There is also space to specify a class not itemized in the survey.

The survey also gauges the community's acceptance of a name change and offers some suggestions such as Marsing Hub, Owyhee Center, Lizard Butte Center and Marsing Family Center as well as an opportunity to come up with another suggestion.

If expansion is met favorably, the board would seek grants to make it happen, and the survey asks for suggestions on where to look for money.

Smit also pointed out that the board of directors hold a monthly meeting that's open to the public. The meeting is held at 12:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the center.

Roman Usabel is the board chair, and he can be reached at 573-3824. Nina Collett (896-4628) is treasurer and Betty Ackerman (407-0300) is secretary. John Chase serves as the vice-chair.

There are about 15 other board members, including Smit. He said that anyone wanting more information about the center or the survey can call any of the executive board members or him at 863-8742.

Alana Squires serves as Marsing Senior Center coordinator.

—JPB

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Marsing Chamber changes leadership

The Marsing Chamber of Commerce changed board members at its January meeting. US Bank branch manager A. Luke Burbank succeeds Jolyn Green as president.

Mike Sprinkel is a director. He is part owner women's clothing outfit Cindy's Doodads, which is operated by his wife in Idaho and California.

Another director is Adam Percifield, owner and manager of the recently renovated and reopened Sandbar Riverhouse restaurant.

Board treasurer is Susan Watson, owner and manager of The Spot Pizza in Marsing.

Secretary is Ellen Boatman, US Bank teller coordinator.

Green said she will definitely volunteer to help the group, although she is no longer a business owner in Marsing. The Chamber is in need of more volunteers to help with events, she said.

"I loved being on the Chamber. It was very rewarding and very productive," she said.

Green said the Chamber is still working on some things.

She hopes the Chamber will get its website redesigned to highlight

and promote local businesses.

"We are really thrilled with the First Thursday event that has gone very well," she said.

The Chamber's First Thursday event is set for 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, at the Sandbar Riverhouse. US Bank mortgage officer Alberto Godoy will speak about the local mortgage and housing economy.

Meetings are at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday each month.

The location and topics change each month, but the board meets for three reasons: To provide a comfortable place for members to network with each other; to spotlight a different business each month; and to hear speakers with local personal and small business interests in the community.

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Homedale Chamber searching for V.P.

The Homedale Chamber of Commerce is renewing its quest to round out the executive committee.

President Gavin Parker told business leaders at the monthly luncheon that Maleta Henry resigned as the Chamber's treasurer because she transferred from the Homedale Rehab Authority location to the chain's Caldwell clinic.

During the Jan. 28 meeting at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, Parker also announced that he would like to fill the long-vacant vice-president position.

Developer Ron Mayhew was the last vice-president, but left the post nearly four years ago when he took a job in another state.

Parker and secretary Sheila Matteson have held down the executive committee duties. Matteson will also continue as the interim treasurer. There are no plans to fill that position with someone else.

Parker also announced that the 2014 membership drive has begun. Businesses that employ one to five people can join for \$35 annually. The dues for a business with 6-10 employees is \$45, and companies with 11 or more workers pay \$60.

Chamber membership entitles businesses to access to the organization's announcement and event calendar on the joint website shared by the Chamber and the City of Homedale. Member businesses also receive special billing in the online business directory, including publication of a link to their website.

Parade successful

Because last week's meeting was the first gathering since the Homedale for the Holidays Parade, Parker gave an update on how the event went off.

"It went quite well, given the weather. People braved the cold to come out," he said. "The entrants were on par, but the number of spectators was down because of the cold."

Parker said the 2014 parade will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13, but there was some discussion during last week's meeting to move the parade to the event and unveil a Night Light format.

Attending his first Chamber meeting as Homedale mayor, Gheen Christoffersen suggested that the Night Light parade could coincide with an official city Christmas tree lighting ceremony. He said that school and church choirs could be invited to perform during the event.

While he liked the idea of a tree lighting event, Parker suggested an earlier date for that because Dec. 13 would be too late in the season to light the Christmas tree.

No decisions were made, and Parker asked the members to think about what they'd like to see out of the holiday celebration this year.

Parker also deemed the Santa Bucks promotion a success.

"We kept \$500 in town that would have gone elsewhere," he said.

Of the 48 \$10 certificates that were awarded in a drawing during the Homedale Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization Santa Brunch, 30 were redeemed at Paul's Market, three at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant and four at Subway.

"This was a great first year and a smooth transition from the turkey raffle," Parker said.


Businesses donated \$20 each for two Santa Bucks, and the Chamber used the fund pool to reimburse the merchants who received them as payment.

Not all the Santa Bucks have been redeemed. Although the redemption deadline was set at Dec. 31, Parker urged businesses to continue to honor the ducats for a few more weeks.

He also said that there are a handful of businesses that haven't paid the \$20 for the Santa Bucks promotion.


— JPB

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| 01/29 | 1.6 | 2 | 5.1 | 41 | 22 | 32 |
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| 01/31 | 1.4 | 1 | 5.9 | 35 | 23 | 29 |
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Water report

The Bureau of Reclamation website showed that the Owyhee Reservoir was 11 percent full and that water was flowing in the Owyhee River above the reservoir at Rome, Ore., at a rate of 401 cubic feet per second. Water is flowing out at Nyssa, Ore. at a rate of 21 cubic feet per second. The reservoir held 79,451 acre-feet of water on Monday.

The following statistics were gathered from the Natural Resources Conservation Service website at noon Monday (Year-to-date precipitation is measured from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.)

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

Restless groundhog Story Time topic

Preschoolers will learn about the groundhog during Friday's Story Time at the Homedale Public Library.

"Go to Sleep, Groundhog" by Judy Cox will be the featured story at 10:15 a.m. The library is located at 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

There also will be crafts, songs and snacks.

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

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

Teens and Tweens meet

Boys and girls ages 10-17 are invited to the library from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday to take part in the Teens and Tweens program.

The group will design Happy Valentine's Day door hangers and then walk across the street and deliver them to the residents at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center.

For more information, call Teens and Tweens coordinator Teasha Harris at the library.

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Austrian Settlement 100-year celebration nearing

The ground still won't allow construction of the anticipated monument, but Joe Demshar and friends are still on course for the Austrian Settlement Centennial.

Demshar shared some details for the two-day celebration, set for Feb. 14-15, during last week's Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting.

"We're hoping for a large

group to be coming into town to bring in a lot of business for you," Demshar told the business leaders gathered for the monthly luncheon at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant.

The Austrian Settlement Centennial planning committee held its final organizational meeting last Wednesday.

The celebration, planned for the Homedale Armory on the

Owyhee County Fairgrounds, will be two-fold.

On Friday, Feb. 14, a potluck reunion will be held for all descendants of the original seven families who arrived in Homedale in February 2014. The event starts at 6 p.m.

The public celebration starts at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15. Admission is \$5 for people ages 14 and older.

Authentic food from Slovenia and the surrounding region will be available Saturday, including garlic sausage, bratwurst, sauerkraut and potica bread, a type of Austrian pastry. Authentic Slovenian beer and wine also will be available.

From 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, an Edelweiss band will play live music.

Frozen ground in Bette Uda

City Park has delayed placement of a large monument paying tribute to the Austrian Settlement families until after the Centennial celebration.

A smaller monument is set up on the original Demshar family homestead on Johnstone Road before Graveyard Point Road, Demshar said.

— JPB

Honor roll Homedale Middle School

First semester
Eighth grade
4.0 grade-point average
— Burks, Ashley B.; Burks, Lindsey S.; Cook, Diana L.; Correa, Julia C.; Flores, Veronica M.; Henry, Kaden I.; Johnson, Lainey J.; Muir, Alexis S.; Nash, Kendall N.; Pfof, Dillon S.; and Symms, Eva J.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA — DeWitt, Kaylee E., 3.857; Morgan, Riley S., 3.857; Packer, Jesse M., 3.857; Jacobson, Faith T., 3.846; Page, Jessie L., 3.846; Evans, Jessica M., 3.833; Burright, Kennedee R., 3.714; Gonzalez, Nallely, 3.714; Kelly, Dakota M., 3.714; Martell, Gabriella M., 3.714; Christensen, Ember E., 3.667; Oakley, Meryssa J., 3.667; Salutregui, Lyndsey N., 3.667; Smith, Cortnee J., 3.667; Christoffersen, Cobey L., 3.571; Fisher, Lauryn P., 3.571; Kirk, Kaylie L., 3.571; Santiago, Julia, 3.571; Hernandez, Maria I., 3.5; and Mertz, Maxwell W., 3.5

3.49 to 3.0 GPA — Butler, Bradley D., 3.429; Egusquiza, Hannah R., 3.429; Milburn, Miely D., 3.429; Raine, Alicia M., 3.429; Thatcher, Kendra J., 3.429; Vega Martinez, Juan, 3.429; Beckman, Ian S., 3.333; Turner, Kayden J., 3.333; Elordi, Cody J.,

3.286; Granden, Quade K., 3.286; McGee, Dana J., 3.286; Durrant, Skyler S., 3.167; Earl, Kayla M., 3.167; Baltierrez, Antonio, 3.143; Bowman, Andrew D., 3.143; Hernandez, Isabel L., 3.143; Hilton, Jaylon L., 3.143; Packer, Jordan M., 3.143; Wiltshire, Kennedi D., 3.143; Angeles, Jesenia O., ; Bell, Jeremy J., ; Cortez, Brenda Y., 3.0; Kerbs, Payton T., 3.0; Shenk, Allison T., 3.0; Sickinger, Mia A., 3.0; and Womack, TaLynn J., 3.0

Seventh grade
4.0 GPA — Deal, Drew J.; Gonzales, Taylor D.; Kraupp, Annie J.; Nash, Sophia; and Rose, Jaegar L.

3.99 to 3.5 GPA — Atkins, Lane S., 3.857; Carter, Paige D., 3.857; Hall, Josey L., 3.857; Rupp, Jenna D., 3.857; Hernandez, Monique J., 3.833; Taylor, Kelsey L., 3.833; Downum, Courtney M., 3.714; Grant, Alexandria K., 3.714; Mitchell, Taylor A., 3.714; Monreal, Melanie, 3.714; Navarrete, Edgar, 3.714; Rupp, Kyle L., 3.714; Kent, Emily M., 3.667; Rupp, Reigan Y., 3.667; Brown, Carson R., 3.571; Carter, Amaya N., 3.571; Miklancic, Mathew L., 3.571; and Villa Ojeda, Jose B., 3.571

3.49 to 3.0 GPA — Puckett, Jacob R., 3.464; Bauer, Madison B., 3.429; Bowman, Morgan J., 3.429; Martinat, Jesse V., 3.429; Rojas, Chelsea, 3.429; Vega Aguilera, Maria A., 3.429; Zamudio, Joseph C., 3.429; Vincent, Jaiden R., 3.333; Cardenas, Olivia J., 3.286; Cornwall, Nathan G., 3.286; Fruehling, Megan M., 3.286; Pigeon, Kelsie A., 3.286; Zamora, Dazsha N., 3.286; Pukhalskaya, Gloria A., 3.25; Campbell, Gunner H., 3.167; Hernandez, Mellyssa J., 3.167; Mullins, Gwynneth K., 3.167; Puri, Jason I., 3.167; Conant, Austin, 3.143; Cortez, Ivan, 3.143; Farrell, Nathaniel J., 3.143; Morse, Tell R., 3.143; Phariss, Lindy R., 3.143; Rodriguez, Gemma N., 3.143; Schild, Randi D., 3.143; Shippy, Madeline B., 3.143; VanWinkle, Courtney A., 3.143; Doyle, Alyssa M., 3.0; Glanzman, Hatty M., 3.0; Kelly, Makayla G., 3.0; Luna, Emmanuel, 3.0; Redburn, Noah J., 3.0; Soto Aguilar, Enrique G., 3.0; Steinmetz, Brady J., 3.0; and Vincent, Michael T., 3.0

R., 3.833; Buckley, Savana R., 3.667; Butler, Kaitlyn L., 3.667; Eells, Bryce D., 3.667; Franko, Lexus K., 3.667; Gomez, Julia D., 3.667; Tayler, Rachel D., 3.667; Ankeny, Samuel J., 3.6; Albor, Lisbed, 3.5; Bueno Magallanes, Paloma Y., 3.5; Kerbs, Austyn E., 3.5; Llamas, Arnulfo, 3.5; and Monreal, Graciela D., 3.5

3.49 to 3.0 GPA — Albor, Cristina, 3.333; Elordi, Garrett C., 3.333; Garcia, Omar A., 3.333; Montejano, Nayeli V., 3.333; Vargas, Caleb I., 3.333; King, Grace E., 3.2; Albor, Yuleydi, 3.167; Corrales, Karina, 3.167; Lomeli, Nelson, 3.167; Montes, Aliyah, 3.167; Neil, Kaytlynne R., 3.167; Padilla, Edgar, 3.167; Waters, Natalia A., 3.167; Garcia, Sandra M., 3.143; Albor, Noe, 3.0; Beebe, Jake A., 3.0; Downum, Brandon M., 3.0; Flores, Jose M., 3.0; Infante, Bernardo, 3.0; Puckett, Nicholas H., 3.0; Rountree, Mason M., 3.0; Thornton, Trinity N., 3.0; and Wilkerson, Adison L., 3.0

M., 3.857; Bauer, Kylee E., 3.833; Christensen, Keagen B., 3.833; Egusquiza, Joseph D., 3.833; Salazar, Roberto A., 3.833; Carter, LouAnn M., 3.75; Robinson-Hopson, Alexandra J., 3.75; Baez, Fabian M., 3.714; Puckett, Josephine A., 3.714; King, Gwendolyn L., 3.667; Zavala, Jesus A., 3.667; Cornwall, Bryce D., 3.571; Farrell, Nicole A., 3.571; Vega, Oscar, 3.571; Briano Rivas, Joaquin A., 3.556; Campbell, Bowen C., 3.5; Parker, Emma P., 3.5; Ramirez Lomeli, Cesar A., 3.5; and Strack, Barton R., 3.5

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✓ Marsing: Several charges field against man also wanted in California

The door apparently has been difficult to close for some time. District maintenance personnel made repairs Saturday.

Shortly before 9 a.m. Thursday, Calvillo led sheriff's Deputy Terry McGrew on a high-speed chase toward Marsing from near the U.S. Highway 95-Idaho highway 55 intersection. Grant said Calvillo turned off Idaho 55 into a cornfield and eventually drove onto the west perimeter of the school complex, crashing his silver Chevrolet passenger car into a pile of dirt and gravel about 20 yards from the back fence of the elementary school.

Grant called for the lockdown shortly before Calvillo wrecked, but Stewart said no one was in the high school's front office to answer the call from Owyhee County dispatch. Stewart said district personnel inside the high school initiated lockdown of that building.

"The call went to voicemail

because the secretary wasn't at her desk," Stewart said. "(A dispatcher) had to call through to the elementary school to get word to the school district that we needed to go on lockdown."

A new protocol instituted after Stewart took over the top job puts all three schools on lockdown at the same time. Prior to this year, each school had independent security policies, he said.

Stewart, school security personnel and emergency responders, including an OCSO representative, were supposed to meet Tuesday to discuss protocols. One change already in the works, Stewart said, was placing radios with building administrators and in other key locations among the district's property to ensure that emergency dispatchers can be in touch immediately without relying on landline communication.

"The safety of our students has to be the No. 1 concern, and we're



William Calvillo

taking all measures possible to ensure that our kids are safe and, as we move forward, that this situation never has an opportunity to duplicate itself," Stewart said.

A more timely order to lockdown has been discussed.

"Something we had tentatively talked about when speaking with a member of the sheriff's office is that in the future if there is any kind of pursuit that is even heading toward Marsing that we automatically put the schools in lockdown and that would prevent any situation such as this from arising," Stewart said.

Grant said Calvillo exited the vehicle and ran south into the high school. He encountered some students in the hallway and peeked into an occupied second-floor computer lab before trying to ditch his keys and trench coat in a nearby bathroom and running back out of the school. Grant said he arrested Calvillo behind a greenhouse near the ag shop.

Grant said that no children or school personnel were harmed during Calvillo's jaunt through the halls.

The lockdown was called off a short time after Calvillo's arrest, and elementary schoolchildren could be seen running on the

playground while law enforcement investigated the scene.

Calvillo, who was highly agitated, was transported to a Boise hospital when emergency medical technicians on the scene wouldn't release him for transport to Owyhee County Jail.

On Monday, Owyhee County Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery charged Calvillo with three felonies and two misdemeanors.

The felonies include eluding a police officer and driving under the influence as well as malicious injury to property for ramming an Idaho State Police vehicle. The misdemeanors are driving on a suspended license and disruption of the educational process.

Emery said Calvillo also has an outstanding warrant out of Contra Costa County, Calif., and has a substantial criminal record in California.

Calvillo remains in Owyhee County Jail on a \$250,000 bond. His preliminary hearing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Monday in Murphy.

Homedale Police Sgt. Mike McFetridge and four Canyon County Sheriff's Office deputies assisted in the pursuit and subsequent investigation.

Although a Canyon County Sheriff's drug detection dog may have hit on contraband in the car, nothing was found.

No drugs were found when authorities recovered Calvillo's coat. Grant said the suspect apparently tried to flush his car keys down the toilet. Calvillo had no identification on him when he was taken into custody. The Canyon County K-9 unit made a pass through the school after Calvillo was apprehended, but no contraband was found, Stewart confirmed.

Sheriff's dispatch was first alerted to Calvillo when a trucker reported a car with California plates had made a reckless U-turn and was frantically trying to run off the road a car with Idaho plates driven by a woman. Grant said that incident occurred about 10 miles inside the state line.

Calvillo drove at speeds in excess of 100 mph after McGrew began pursuit, Grant said in a press release.

At one point, deputies lost sight of Calvillo's vehicle, but a 911 call from Marsing-Homedale businessman Tom Gaskins helped authorities re-engage the search.

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Homedale boys stretch streak to nine

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HMS student advances to Elks Hoop Shoot state tourney

Town's local winners announced

Homedale Middle School's Courtney Van Winkle will participate in the Elks Hoop Shoot state championships Saturday in Moscow after winning a district title in the girls' 12-13 division. "I'm really nervous," she said about going

to the Moscow contest.

Courtney has participated in the Hoop Shoot for the past three years and was surprised she won the district championship in a tournament held Jan. 25 in Nampa. She made 18 out of 25 possible shots.

The local Hoop Shoot competition turned up a group of winners at Homedale Elementary School, and four winners at Homedale Middle School, including Van Winkle.

The local round of the was held at Homedale Elementary School on Jan. 16, and 60 students participated, Dan Moore, HES physical education teacher, said.

Winners of the first stage of the Hoop Shoot competition from HES were:

In the 8-9 girls' division, Tea Uranga placed first, Esmeralda Santana second, and Michelle Martinez third. In the 8-9 boys' division, Andres Waters placed first, Baltazar

Vega second, and Rylan Love third.

In the 10-11 girls' division, all participants were listed as first place winners. They were Jessica Juan, Daniella Hurtado, Mariana Hurtado, Natalia Martinez, and Yasmin Gonzalez.

In the 10-11 boys' division, Cody Liebschwager was first, Jose Lomeli second, and

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Rodger Nash Duals



Homedale High School wrestling coach Toby Johnson, left, and Mil Shanley — sister of Rodger Nash — unfurl the banner proclaiming Saturday's tournament the Rodger Nash Duals. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Trojans' Sale is sold on Weber State

Senior will sign to play football at Utah school today

Now Lane Sale can put his full concentration toward basketball.

Homedale High School's 3A Snake River Valley conference offensive player of the year has given a verbal commitment to play football for Weber State.

He made his decision Thursday night, and Trojans coach Matt Holtry said the 6-foot-5, 200-pound senior will sign his national letter of intent at 2:45 p.m. today in the HHS gymnasium foyer.



Sale, who is contributing to Homedale's second-ranked boys' basketball team, said it was hard to keep his mind on the hardwood while dealing with the magnitude of the decision and trying to make up his mind between offers from Weber State, Boise State and the University of Idaho.

"The next four years are definitely going to change the person I am and who I'm going to be," he said. "Now I can go back to that focus and say, 'OK, it's time to go get a state championship.'"

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Trojans wrestlers dominate home meet

Homedale starts week with big SRV triumph

Homedale High School wrestling fans will be hard pressed to come up with which triumph was bigger.

On Saturday, the Trojans went unbeaten during the Rodger Nash Memorial Duals inside the HHS gymnasium.

Two days earlier, Homedale took a giant step in the 3A Snake River Valley conference dual meet season with some

clutch performances in a 45-27 home win against Parma.

In Saturday's duals tournament, Homedale seemingly had comfortable margins in all five of its victories and earned a trophy. Vale, Ore., and Weiser I also went 5-0 in the 13-team tournament.

"We had an awesome day. The kids wrestled tough," HHS coach Toby Johnson said.

Five wrestlers went unbeaten as the Trojans defeated Baker, Ore., 61-21, Wendell, 69-6, Weiser II, 48-27, Mac-Hi of

Milton-Freewater, Ore., 54-24 and Crane, Ore., 45-32.

Mac-Hi is Johnson's alma mater.

Sophomore Nash Johnson went 5-0 at 126 pounds with two pins and a technical fall.

Senior Jovan Cornejo used three pins to build a 4-0 performance at 170.

Colton Grimm (195) had three pins during his unbeaten run.

Curtis Stansell (182) and Caleb Meligan

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Huskies take down top seed ahead of districts

Marsing opens tourney at home vs. McCall on Thursday

The seeding may not have fallen where coach Jaime Wood would have liked, but the Marsing High School girls' basketball team has a home playoff game just the same.

The Huskies won their 2A Western Idaho Conference season finale Friday, knocking off top-seeded New Plymouth, 42-37, on Senior Night.

But even with the big win, Marsing came out on the short end of a three-way tie for the No. 2 seed.

As a result, Marsing is the fourth seed and will play host to No. 5 McCall-Donnelly on Thursday.

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HHS girls get big rest before districts

No. 1 Trojans play Saturday in semifinals at TVCC

By the time the tournament semifinal tips off Saturday, Homedale High School will have gone 11 days without playing a girls' basketball game.

Trojans coach Joe Betancourt doesn't seem too worried.

"It's a long time between games, but we'll get a great week of practice in and we'll be ready for whoever our opponent will be," the second-year coach said after last week's regular-season

finale.

Third-ranked Homedale needs two wins in the 3A District III Tournament to return to the 3A Real Dairy Shootout state tournament for the second consecutive season.

The Trojans play a semifinal game against either Weiser or Payette at 8 p.m. Saturday at Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

Homedale clinched the dis-

trict tournament's No. 1 seed with a 53-32 shell-lacking of Payette in the Trojans' 3A Snake River Valley conference finale on Jan. 28 in Homedale.

"To this point, it's been a great season," Betancourt said. "We've

— See *HHS girls*, page 2B



Joe Betancourt

Sports

Second-ranked Trojans clobber Grizzlies for 9th straight

HHS boys sweep SRV series vs. Fruitland

Two days after Lane Sale got his college plans out of the way, he helped put away Homedale High School's old rival. The second-ranked Trojans rallied from a first-quarter deficit to pound Fruitland, 72-52, for the second time in the 3A Snake River Valley conference boys' basketball season. Sale and Caleb Oviedo racked up double-doubles for visiting Homedale (15-2 overall, 5-0 in conference before Tuesday's home game against Parma), which extended its win streak to nine games.

A 6-foot-6 senior, Sale celebrated signing a letter of intent to play football at Weber State by hanging 15 points and 14 rebounds on the Grizzlies (7-10, 3-2). He also had a season-high nine blocked shots, dished four assists, deflected five passes and registered three steals. "Lane had the best stat line I have ever seen in a high school game," HHS coach Casey Grove said. Oviedo had his third consecutive double-double. Ten offensive rebounds helped him to 14 boards overall, and he led three Trojans



Garrett Carter

seniors in double figures with 16 points. "It all started with Lane Sale and Caleb Oviedo," Grove said. "Those two had monster games." Talon Frelove chipped in 11 points. Homedale trailed, 22-16, after the first eight minutes, but outscored Fruitland, 32-13, over the next two quarters. The Trojans shot a season-low 30 percent in the first half and missed six layins and still managed to hold a slim one-point lead at the break. "The Fruitland game was a tale of two halves," Grove said. "We shook off all the misses at half-time and came out and explored in the second half, shooting 50 percent." The Trojans had a rare poor

shooting night, hitting only 46 percent of their attempts, but still managed 31 field goals on 67 shots. Homedale's rebounders played a key role in second-chance shots as the Trojans had 22 boards on their end. Garrett Carter had the sharpest eye of the bunch, coming off the bench to down four of six shots for 10 points. Homedale broke the 1,000-point barrier for the season in the win. The Trojans have outscored their opponents by an average of 61-43 this season. Jan. 28: Homedale 55, Nampa Christian 33 — Caleb Oviedo notched a double-double, and Homedale ratcheted up its defense on the road in a non-conference blowout. Homedale took control of the

game with an 11-4 rally in the second quarter and held its opponent from the 2A Western Idaho Conference to 21 points over the final 24 minutes. Oviedo hit a three-point goal and converted eight of nine field goals overall as part of his career-high 22 points. He also grabbed seven of his 10 rebounds on Nampa Christian's end of the floor and led the team with four steals. With Lane Sale and Connor Carter snagging five defensive boards each, Homedale collected 33 of its 46 rebounds on Nampa Christian's glass. Further illustrating Homedale's dominance inside, Sale scored eight points and front-court mate Britt Eubanks added six. Braden Brothers led Nampa Christian with 13 points.

Homedale High School junior Gardenia Machuca puts up a shot between Payette defenders Robyn King, left, and Tiff Weimar during a Senior Night game Jan. 28 on the Trojans' floor. Photo by Jon P. Brown




✓ HHS girls: Mertz scores 15 points, and Trojans get opportunistic in second quarter


From Page 1B had some tough losses, but we've had a lot of great wins. "The good definitely has outweighed the bad. I believe the losses we've had this year helps us get ready for what's going to be a very tough conference tournament." The Trojans (15-4 overall, 6-2 in conference) bounced back from one of those tough losses — a one-point 3A SRV setback at Weiser on Jan. 25 — with a dominating performance against Payette on Senior Night. Junior Hattie Mertz's 15


points led all scorers, and sophomore Tory Lane chipped in 11 points. Homedale swamped the Pirates with an opportunistic transition game in the third quarter. The Trojans turned several steals into fast-break opportunities during a 13-0 run. Lane closed out her team's 15-5 third quarter with a pair of fast-break layups and Homedale built a 19-point lead, 41-22, heading into the final eight minutes. Sophomore Gardenia Machuca had seven rebounds, three assists and three steals. Her play in Pay-


ette's paint in the third quarter helped sparked a few runs to the other end. Elise Shenk added five points, while fellow junior Morgan Nash delivered four points. Destiny Long, one of three seniors playing her final home game, registered four points, four rebounds and three steals. Seniors Kaylee Rupp and Mykal Hill both notched two points and a rebound. Shelby Belvoir scored nine points to lead Payette, while teammate Amberlee Couch chipped in eight.





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Athlete of the Week

Nash Johnson, so., wrestling

The Play — Johnson went 6-0 on the week, capping his performance with a unbeaten run in the duals tournament named to honor his grandfather, Rodger Nash, on Saturday inside the HHS gymnasium. The 126-pounder had two pins and a technical fall as Homedale went 5-0. On Thursday, he pinned Chandler Mitchell to help Homedale get a big 3A Snake River Valley conference win over Payette.

Girls' Basketball

Varsity

Saturday, Feb. 8 vs. Weiser or Payette, 3A District III Tournament, Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore., 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 3A District III Tournament, Treasure Valley CC, Ontario, Ore., opponent and time TBA

Junior varsity

Wednesday, Feb. 5, home for 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament (if nec.), opponent and time TBA

Frosh-soph

Wednesday, Feb. 5, home for 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament (if nec.), opponent and time TBA

Boys' Basketball

Varsity

Friday, Feb. 7, home vs. Weiser, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12, home vs. Payette, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, Feb. 7, home vs. Weiser, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12, home vs. Payette, 6 p.m.

Frosh-soph


Friday, Feb. 7, home vs. Weiser, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12, home vs. Payette, 4:30 p.m.


Wrestling

Thursday, Feb. 6, home vs. Fruitland, 6 p.m.


Saturday, Feb. 8 at Husky Duals, Marsing, 10 a.m.




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Sports

Marsing's Grossman wrestles to another tourney title

Williams reaches 160 final in New Plymouth

Noah Grossman moved into No. 2 on the state's pinfall list for his weight class en route to a championship at the R.D. Brown Invitational in New Plymouth.

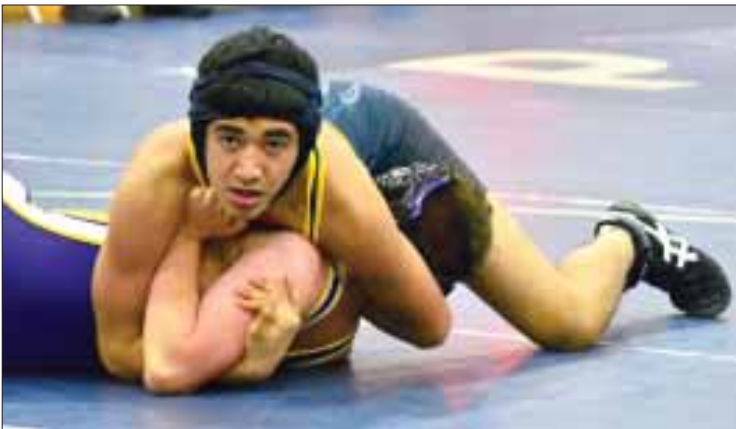
The Marsing High School junior captured one of the Huskies' three medals Saturday by pinning Fruitland's Christion Ketchu in 4 minutes, 32 seconds.

Senior Austin Williams was runner-up at 160 pounds, and Brad Labit finished fourth at 170 for his second medal in as many weeks.

Grossman wrestled into the championship match with a pinfall against Fruitland's Garrison Grant six seconds before the end of the first round in their semifinal bout.

Grossman has 21 pins this season, which ties him with Borah of Boise's Eric Thrift for the second-most falls by a 220-pound wrestler in the state this season.

Williams had to settle for



Oscar Gonzalez prepares to pin one of his opponents during Friday's 1A-2A Western Idaho Conference pod tournament in New Plymouth. Photo by Sarah Grossman

a silver medal at 160 when Kuna's Levi Perry got a pin 39 seconds before the end of their title match. Williams reached the championship round by pinning New Plymouth's Roy Massey (2:39) and edging Fruitland's Bailey King, 3-1, in the semifinals.

Labit's only losses of the tournament came at the hands of Bishop Kelly of Boise's Mark Greene.

Greene pinned Labit in 2:32 in the opening round and then put the senior on the mat at the 4:02 mark

of their third-place match.

In between, Labit pinned Fruitland's Braden Phillips in 2:11 to extend his tournament.

The Huskies' other varsity entrant, 195-pounder Nick Lankow, was pinned near the end of the first round in both of his matches. Marsing's junior varsity wrestlers came away with a pair of fourth-place showings, including Oscar Gonzalez at 145 and Cody Barrett at 120.

1A-2A WIC pods

The Huskies tuned up on the

Husky Duals set Saturday

Next up for the Marsing High School wrestling team is Saturday's Husky Duals on the team's home mat.

Homedale and Melba varsity wrestlers will join Marsing, and junior varsity athletes from Columbia of Nampa, Vallivue of Caldwell and Ontario, Ore., also will compete.

A team champion will be crowned, and there will be an outstanding wrestler trophy

awarded in each weight class.

Weigh-ins take place at 8:30 a.m. at the MHS gymnasium on Main Street with the wrestling action taking off an hour later.

Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. Concessions will be available.

Contact MHS coach Jon Nelson at 989-334 or Jon_Nel@msn.com for more information.

✓ Sale: Wildcats recruit 6-6 all-stater to play tight end

From Page 1B

Holtry said the All-Idaho selection made an official visit to Weber State's campus in Ogden, Utah the weekend before he made his commitment.

"He had some interest from some other schools, but Weber State truly did a great job of coming to Homedale and took the time to recruit our area. When they watched his film, they were very impressed and were very involved with him throughout this recruiting process," Holtry said.

"Coach (Colton) Swan from Weber State did a great job of keeping in touch with Lane and was very supportive."

Swan is listed as the Wildcats' tight ends coach. Weber State hired Jay Hill as its new head coach in December.

"I liked the coaching staff. It really seems they know what they're doing to turn the program around, and I want to be a part of that," Sale said.

Weber State recruited Sale as a tight end. He made his mark in his only year with the Trojans as a wide receiver, catching 50 passes for 769 yards and 11 touchdowns as Homedale won its first 3A SRV title and reached the 3A state semifinals.

He also was a force on defense, racking up first-team all-conference linebacker numbers with 68 tackles, including 47 solo stops, two interceptions and

a fumble recovery.

"Lane is one of the hardest workers and determined players I have coached on the football field," Holtry said. "He has a great attitude and great work ethic."

"I'm very excited for him and his opportunity to play college football at Weber State."

Sale could have an opportunity to play soon with the FCS (Div. I-AA) Wildcats, who play in the Big Sky Conference with Idaho State.

"If I stick to it and get there this summer and put on some weight, (the coaches) said I could see the field in my freshman year," Sale said.

That's one of the reasons he picked Weber State.

"I like where it's at and the atmosphere and the environment they have there," he said.

Boise State and the University of Idaho also had interest, Sale said. He said the Broncos wanted him to consider a spot as a preferred walk-on.

The Vandals also wanted Sale to walk on.

Sale is the second tight end from an Owyhee County school to commit to Weber State in the past two seasons.

Jason Galligan, a 6-4, 230-pounder from Marsing, appears as a redshirt freshman on the Wildcats' roster. He made his mark with the Huskies as a defensive end and also played tight end.

—JPB



Senior wide receiver Lane Sale pulls in a pass along the sideline during Homedale High School's 67-0 3A state quarterfinal win over Bonners Ferry at Deward Bell Stadium on Nov. 9. Photo by David Hann

Other Trojans have their eyes on EOU

Lane Sale may be just the first Homedale High School football player to cement his college plans.

Trojans coach Matt Holtry confirmed Friday that 3A Snake River Valley conference Defensive Player of the Year Nathan Leslie, a linebacker, is "leaning towards" Eastern Oregon University.

On Monday, Holtry said after speaking with Leslie that reports elsewhere in the media that the senior had committed to EOU were incorrect.



Nathan Leslie



Bryan Johnson



Talon Frelove

Holtry also said that receiver Talon Frelove and defensive back Bryan Johnson will be in LaGrande, Ore., this week for a visit to the EOU campus. Eastern Oregon is an NAIA program.

Eastern Oregon is the site of the team

camp that the Trojans attend each summer. It's also the alma mater of Homedale graduate Michael Eby, who went on to a championship professional career in the Indoor Football League.

Sports



Homedale Middle School champions

From left: Devin Mansisor, Carlos Ibarra, Courtney Van Winkle and Grace Dines. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

✓ Hoop Shoot: Homedale Elementary student advances as far as the third round

From Page 1B

Beeg Hosckenhull was third.

In the local round at HMS, four students won, including Grace Dines in 10-11 girls and Devin Mansisor in 10-11 boys.

In the 12-13 category, Courtney Van Winkle won the girls' competition and Carlos Ibarra was the boys' champion.

The second stage of the Hoop Shoot was held on Jan. 18 at Syringa Middle School in Caldwell.

Nine-year-old Andres Waters (8-9) was the only student from HES who competed in the Caldwell contest. Waters won first place in his age group at the Caldwell event.

The four HMS winners — Dines, Ibarra, Van Winkle and Mansisor — claimed championships in the Caldwell competition, too.

The third stage of the Hoop

Shoot was the district contest, which took place Jan. 25 at Nampa Christian School in Nampa. Waters did not place.

Ibarra placed second in the boys' 12-13 division, and Van Winkle won the girls' 12-13 title. Dines was unable to attend.

Moore said there is a definite lack of participation in this area for a couple of reasons. Some kids who are already on basketball teams have their games on Saturday, and this has been an ongoing conflict with the Hoop Shoot Contest.

Also some PE teachers do not choose to promote the program and there has been problems getting the information from the Elks communicated to the schools each year, he said.

"This has never been much of a big deal," Moore said.

"It's very sad, because every year there are only two or three

kids that compete from this area and it should be about 50-60 kids," Moore said.

Moore encourages his students every year to take part because "it's a good program and some of these kids never get to be on a team or compete and it's good for them."

Following the state championships in Moscow, regionals will take place in Portland, and nationals will be held in Springfield, Mass.

Kids who compete learn about respect, dedication, loyalty and self-esteem. The motto of the program is "yes to hoop shoot, no to drugs." One boy and one girl in each of the three age categories (8-9, 10-11, 12-13) will win a national title. The top six national finalists' names are inscribed in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

— KB



Homedale Elementary School champions

Front row, from left: Baltazar Vega, Andres Waters, Michelle Martinez, Jose Lomeli, Rylan Love, Mariana Hurtado and Daniella Hurtado. Back row, from left: Beeg Hosckenhull, Cody Liebschwager, Tea Uranga, Esmeralda Santana, Natalia Martinez, Jessica Juan and Yasmin Gonzalez. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Homedale boy wins big wrestling title

A Homedale boy brought home a championship from the Jay Winn Memorial Hi Desert Buckle Classic.

Brayden Christoffersen, the 10-year-old son of Jeff and Jodie Christoffersen, captured the 85-pound championship in the Novice Division during the tournament held Jan. 25 in Burns, Ore.

Christoffersen, who competes for the Homedale Freestyle Club, beat Oregon wrestler Cannon Potts, 4-2, for the championship. The 2013 80-pound champion at the Hi Desert, Potts is from the Deschutes Mat Club.

The Homedale Middle School fifth-grader rolled through the bottom half of the bracket to the final, pinning two other Oregonians quickly.

In his opener, Christoffersen finished off Kylen Ward of the Lakeview Mat Club in 21 seconds.

Justin Hodge of the Grant County Wrestling Club was next in the semifinal, and Christoffersen dispatched him in 45 seconds.

Christoffersen was one of seven



Brayden Christoffersen

Idahoans to win championships during the tournament that attracted wrestlers from Idaho, Oregon, Washington state and Wyoming.

Jaeger Rose also represented Homedale in the School-boy/Schoolgirl division at 105 pounds.

The Homedale club will host its annual tournament March 14-15 at Homedale High School. Nearly 280 wrestlers turned out for last year's tournament.

JV knocks off 3A Vale

The Jordan Valley High School boys' basketball team is making all the right moves heading into the final week of the 1A High Desert League season.

The Mustangs piled on Class 3A Vale's horrible season Jan. 28, pulling out a 62-55 non-league win at home.

Jordan Valley (16-4 overall) rallied from the Vikings' 20-point first quarter to hold Vale (4-17) to four points in the third quarter.

Wyatt Trautman scored 25 points, while Ben Telleria added 11 and Lee Stanford 10.

The Mustangs take a 5-1 league record into Thursday's 1A High Desert League showdown with archrival Adrian (9-10, 4-2) then closes the regular season Friday at home against Crane (11-7, 5-2).

Saturday: Jordan Valley 76,

Burnt River 46 — Four Mustangs reached double figures in a lopsided league win in Unity, Ore.

John Echave led the way with 14 points, while Nick Eiguren and Telleria scored 11 apiece. Stanford added 10.

Steven Duby hit five three-pointers for a game-high 22 points for the Bulls.

Friday: Jordan Valley 69, Harper-Huntington 40 — Two three-pointers apiece from Telleria and Jett Warn powered the Mustangs' game-breaking 28-point second quarter on their home court.

Telleria finished with 19 points, followed by 16 from Eiguren and 13 by Wyatt Trautman.

The Loco-Nets were led by Brandon Addlemen's 15, while Nathan Joyce added 14.

Adrian girls get key win vs. Crane

Quincy Pendegrass' season-high 24 points helped Adrian High School hand Crane its first girls' basketball loss in 1A High Desert League play, 48-42, on Saturday.

The Antelopes (12-7 overall,

5-1 1A HDL) trail the Mustangs (6-1 in league) by a half-game with games against Jordan Valley (10-9, 4-2) and Harper-Huntington (7-8, 1-5) coming up on Thursday and Friday, respectively.

Emry wins hurdles at Holt

Homedale High School graduate Austin Emry won on his home soil Saturday — sort of.

The fifth-year senior for the University of Montana track and field team won the indoor 60-meter hurdles during the Mountain State Games in Pocatello.

Emry ran an adjusted time of 8.14 seconds inside Holt Arena.

He'll be back in Pocatello for the Big Sky Conference championships on Feb. 27-March 1, but first will compete the next three weeks in meets at Montana State in Bozeman, Mont.

Sports

✓ Huskies: Team has won four of last five

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with the winner heading to the 2A District III Tournament’s semifinals Saturday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell against New Plymouth.

“The girls have been playing the exact same way for the last few games,” Wood said. “They’re playing really well at the right time.”

Marsing (11-9 overall, 8-4 in conference) won four of its last five games to close out the regular season.

Friday’s win on Senior Night marked a rebound from a 37-31 loss to Melba on Jan. 25 that most likely cost the Huskies the No. 2 seed, but Wood is focusing on what’s going right.

Holding a five-point halftime lead, Marsing led by as many as 12 points in the second half against the Pilgrims, who lost only to Marsing and Melba during a 12-game conference campaign.

The Huskies shut down Kylee Garrick, considered the conference’s top offensive player, allowing just three points to the perimeter player.

Marsing junior Shannon Clover, meanwhile, scored 14 points to lead the Huskies. New Plymouth’s Brittany Verigan scored 15 to lead all players.

“We’ve changed our defense a little bit, and they’ve bought into it and they just do a good job,” Wood said.

Wood also was pleased with the way the team held together in the fourth quarter. New Plymouth mounted a charge



Marsing High School senior Morgan Hall (3) blocks out against a New Plymouth defender as sophomore teammate Shelby Dines lines up a jump shot on Senior Night. Photo by Dan Pease

when the Huskies committed three consecutive turnovers, but Marsing was able to keep steady and hold serve.

Sophomore Shelby Dines fired in a pair of three-point goals for part of her 10 points. Emily Tank had a trey for half of her six.

Destiny Reynolds chimed in with eight points.

Senior Kieya Buckley scored Marsing’s first basket of the game, and Morgan Hall hit two clutch free throws down the stretch for the only points of her final regular-season game on the Marsing hardwood.

Other seniors in action included Marissa Hardy and Ofelia Herrera.

Scrappy Marsing boys can’t hold back NC

Trojans erase 10-point deficit in fourth quarter of OT win

The Marsing High School boys’ basketball team hasn’t been able to close out many wins this season, but coach Tim Little feels the disappointments are only making the Huskies stronger.

The latest brick in the path came Friday when host Nampa Christian rallied late to force overtime then grabbed a 58-54 2A Western Idaho Conference victory.

“I think the kids are understanding things,” Little said. “We are getting better and still improving, and I think we’re going to peak at the right time.”

“The support from the community keeps getting bigger and bigger, and the team’s discipline has increased tenfold.”

The Trojans’ Kaden Erickson hit a three-point shot to tie the game, 50-50, with 5.4 seconds left in regulation. Marsing was unable to convert a set play at the buzzer, and the overtime ensued.

This year, the Trojans have victories against Homedale, the No. 2 Class 3A team in the state, and 2A WIC leader Melba, who

is just out of the state media’s top five.

“We talked about parity in our league,” Little said. “From top to bottom, anyone can win on any night.”

For most of Friday’s game, it appeared the Huskies would be the team on this given night.

With Jose Acuna cruising toward 25 points, Marsing led by 10 points after the first quarter and held a 31-19 advantage at halftime.

“We came out and shot the ball well and played really good defense,” Little said. “It was probably the best defense we’ve played all year.”

The Huskies still led by 10 points in the fourth quarter when Nampa Christian utilized a pressure defense to force five consecutive turnovers that blossomed into a 20-10 run through the final eight minutes.

“We’re typically OK with the press; we had practiced it all week,” Little said. “But the crowd was huge and we had great, supportive crowd from Marsing.”

“I think the kids weren’t used to that pressure.”

Les Loucks continued a strong stretch run with 15 points and eight boards for Marsing, and Rodrigo Acuna had eight points.

Peyton Brothers scored 13 points for Nampa Christian and sibling Braden Brothers added 12.



Jose Acuna

MARSING HUSKIES

Athlete of the Week

Shannon Clover, jr., girls’ basketball

The Play — In her team’s only game of the week, Clover scored 14 points to lead the Huskies past 2A District III Tournament No. 1 seed New Plymouth on Senior Night in Marsing. The game gave Marsing a first-round home tournament game and stands as only the second loss for the Pilgrims in conference play this season.

Boys’ Basketball

Varsity

Wednesday, Feb. 5 home vs. Cole Valley, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12 at McCall-Donnelly, 7:30 p.m.

Junior varsity A

Wednesday, Feb. 5 home vs. Cole Valley, 6 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12 at McCall-Donnelly, 6 p.m.

Junior varsity B

Wednesday, Feb. 5 home vs. Cole Valley, 4:45 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 7 at Melba, 4:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12 at McCall-Donnelly, 4:45 p.m.

Girls’ Basketball

Varsity

Thursday, Feb. 6, home vs. McCall-Donnelly, 2A District III Tournament, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8 at 2A District III Tournament, Vallivue H.S. Caldwell, opponent and time TBA

Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 2A District III Tournament, opponent, time and location TBA

Junior varsity

Season complete

Wrestling

Thursday, Feb. 6 at Parma, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8, home for Husky Duals, 10 a.m.

Go Huskies!

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense I can't believe it!



There continues to be a “mind-separation” from reality regarding the high price of cattle. We cattlemen ease around each other, secretly not believing we just sold 13 heifers weighing 480 pounds for \$840 each. Or sold a cull bull weighing 1,605 pounds for 74 cents a pound. He brought \$1,200. Or sold 600 weight steers for over \$1,000 apiece, or bought 20 bred first-calf heifers for \$1,680 each.

It is the happiest coffee shop table talk I’ve heard since Osama went down! The most common comment, said with a sideways grin and the shake of the head that I hear is, “Man ... I can’t believe it!”

Most of the analysts discuss the drop in cow numbers as the reason for high prices. But the coffee shop economist is always ready to caution his cronies that it can’t last. People won’t continue to buy it if it gets too high. But, how high is too high?

A quarter-pounder hamburger costs \$3. The cost of the meat patty, I’m guessing, is less than 50 cents. Even if you doubled the price of the meat, making the burger cost \$3.50, it would not affect sales much. Especially if the buyer often upgrades to a Big Mac EVM (extra value meal) for \$4.95 or a McChicken for \$4.34, not to mention a 16-ounce Coke for \$1, a small latte for \$1.60 or a medium shake for \$1.80 in addition. Where else are you going to get a full meal for less than \$5 ... Starbucks? I don’t see protesters picketing fast food places. The USDA (2012) says Americans spend 10 percent of their income for food. Another 50 cents on a burger doesn’t affect us near as much as a \$1.50-per-gallon increase in gasoline. And in the steakhouses from Outback to Ruth’s Chris, the cost of the meat is even a smaller percentage of the cost of the meal.

But the statistics on how beef (and food) prices for cattlemen have lagged far behind the cost-of-living increases for other necessary commodities show we have plenty of room to move up. All the beef that is being produced is being eaten. As price increases, it will still be eaten.

My favorite gauge is to compare the number of fed cattle that it takes to buy a new pickup. I use 1,000-pound steers and half-ton pickups to compare. In the 1970s it took 12. In the 1980s it took 16. In the 1990s it took 22. In the 2000s it took 26. In 2013, it still takes 26. For a moment in time, beef is keeping up with the cost of living expenses.

So, for those who can’t accept the justification of increased beef prices as a long-overdue inflation correction, or see the changing buying habits of the modern eat-out-microwave 2014 pop up consumer ... then sell every critter on your place and wait for the price to go down.

Me, I think I can take a positive outlook and buy some more bred heifers ... ’cause, “Man, I just can’t believe it!”

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Letter to the editor

Ranch’s cattle chute protected Charbonneau’s resting place

My father was born in 1922 at Danner, Ore., by the old post office across the road from the (now) Charbonneau memorial. My mother was born in 1927 in Pleasant Valley at the Gusman Ranch now owned by Forrest and Nancy Fretwell. They moved to Nampa in 1954.

In the mid-1960s, my father received a phone call asking “Where is the Charbonneau grave?” As I only heard one side of the conversation, my dad said “There is a reason the Ruby Ranch built a loading chute to the middle of the road, and that was to protect two graves.

One is Charbonneau’s.”

So, underneath beer cans, cow horns, cut waddles and other discarded stuff from cattle ranching were the graves marked by rocks.

Credit the old timers for protecting the site and others for remembering.

Thank you to Mike Hanley for the historical information. History is in the “pen” as we remember.

Grant Danner
Nampa

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington President poised to take wrong path in problem-solving quest



I watched President Obama’s State of the Union speech interested to see what his view is on the current condition of our nation and the challenges he plans to address in the weeks and months ahead.

President Obama’s current economic approach seems to include adding to the tax and spending increases that have caused much of our nation’s serious challenges. His comments about his plans to use executive power to bypass Congress if Congress does not enact the policies he recommends are a step in the wrong direction. We must break the gridlock in Washington, but we also need to change the course in Washington. Our nation needs a work-together, not a partisan go-it-alone, approach to address our debt crisis, reform the burdensome tax and spending policies and grow our economy.

We must focus harder on our massive national debt. Now at a staggering \$17 trillion, this level of debt is irresponsible, unacceptable, and quite frankly, dangerous. An overwhelming majority of voters want the president and Congress to spend more time addressing the national debt, and while modest progress in cutting discretionary spending has been made over the past few years, these cuts still fall woefully short in addressing our country’s deteriorating fiscal picture. Our focus should be on implementing true reforms that fix our broken tax code, stop the federal spending machine and control the explosion of regulations that are choking our economy.

Thousands of Americans are struggling to find work, and many have given up looking altogether. Now is not the time to double down on Washington’s tax-and-spend mentality. Jobs are created in the private sector by shrinking government and getting Washington out of the

way. Starting construction on the shovel-ready Keystone XL pipeline project, overhauling the train wreck in our health care system and passing trade-related bills are all actions that could quickly be taken and would lead to positive economic growth.

Lowering the tax burden on Americans should be a top priority of this administration and Congress. That would spur economic growth and job creation. There is large bipartisan support for comprehensively reforming our tax code, but “reform” should not be mistaken for endless increases in taxes on hard-working Idahoans. True reform means simplifying the tax code by eliminating its vast complexities and lowering the rates for all individuals, families and businesses.

Many Idahoans are among the millions of Americans who have lost health care coverage and are facing much higher premiums because of the health care law. Repealing and replacing the failed policies with achievable reforms that result in affordable health care coverage and improved access to quality care is what people want and deserve.

Our country will continue to face serious challenges in the months and years ahead. These challenges might seem daunting, but the solutions are achievable. Now is the time for cooperation, not polarization and executive actions. We must work together to put the United States on a sustainable, prosperous path for current and future generations.

— 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.

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Commentary

Financial management

Diversification best shock-absorber against volatile market

Dear Dave,

I'm a little worried about investing in the market because of volatility. Are there safer investments?

— **Matt**

Dear Matt,

You're right; the market is volatile. It's not as volatile as some things, but you have to remember that anywhere there's money to be made — including long-term investing — there are ups and downs.

For instance, I like real estate. It's not as volatile as the stock market, but there are no guarantees. We experienced that big dip over the past few years, and it was probably one of the largest dips ever in the real estate market, except for the Great Depression.

Aside from real estate, I also like mutual funds. When it comes to these, one way to smooth out the

volatility of the market is through diversification. That means you spread your money around instead of investing in one or two things. That's how I handle my mutual funds, and I recommend others do the same. Spread your investments across these four types of mutual funds: growth, growth and income, aggressive growth and international.

I can't say it enough, Matt. There are no guarantees when it comes to long-term investing. But diversification can help make the ride a little bit smoother!

— **Dave**

Dear Dave,

I've heard you say to never give collectors access to your checking account. Does that include payments with a debit card, too?

— **Susan**



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Dear Susan,

Absolutely! If you're doing something like scheduling utility payments to come through your debit card or out of your personal checking account, that's perfectly fine. But collectors are

looking to get as much as they can on a bad, late debt. Never, under any circumstances, give them electronic access to your account.

I've been doing financial counseling for a long time now, and I've seen numerous situations where collectors have taken more than the agreed-upon amount from someone's account once they gained access. This sleazy move left people without the money to pay their rent, the electric bill or even groceries. In fairness, the collection business does have a few good people in it, but it also has a high percentage of people who are scum — especially on the credit card side of collections. Some of them will lie and even make threats. It's a huge problem.

There are other, much safer ways to handle these kinds of situations.

Send a money order overnight or wire the cash to them. You can also send a cashier's check. Some folks have even used a pre-paid debit card that isn't attached to any of your accounts.

This isn't my favorite way to handle things, but it's better than giving them the opportunity to clean you out and mess you over!

— **Dave**

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Americans for Limited Government

What wasn't said speaks louder than Obama's boasts

by Rick Manning

Last Wednesday morning the Washington, D.C. area shoveled another round of global warming with schools, local, state and federal government delays and closures.

The night before, in the State of the Union, the President did some heavy shoveling of his own.

In a vintage Obama campaign speech that was heavy on rhetoric and short on specifics, there is one thing he did right — recognizing the sacrifice and courage of U.S. Army Sgt. First Class Cory Remsberg, who was grievously injured during his 10th tour of duty serving our nation.

It was sad that Obama did not choose to open his campaign-style speech featuring the heroism of Sgt. Remsberg as he and those he represents are truly the best and the brightest of their generation.

Of course the reason for closing with this American hero is that nothing that could be said afterward holds a candle to the ongoing efforts of our men and women in the military to keep us safe from Islamic terror emanating from the Middle East.

Every American owes our military more than a casual salute, but instead these heroes have earned a robust thank you, and our government should devote the necessary resources to give them every chance at achieving a full, productive civilian life.

However, Obama's speech wasn't about supporting American heroes who have put everything on the line for the country they love. Instead, it can be encapsulated by his presumption that, "Most Americans want for Congress to focus on their lives."

Nothing could be further from the truth, and it is this core misunderstanding of the American public that explains the chasm between Obama's vision for our nation and that of those who love personal freedom without government interference.

In his speech, Obama pointed to a pizza owner who voluntarily raised the wages of his workers believing that he could still make a profit on his pies even with the higher labor costs. That is that employer's personal choice to make, and it might or might not prove to be a successful business risk.

What the President apparently does not understand

is that it is a choice that many local employers cannot make as they struggle with increased costs because of Obamacare and other price increases that directly impact their bottom line.

Here is how a minimum wage increase really works. The price of items that a shop produces or sells cannot be raised above what purchasers are willing to pay. If an employer is forced by the government to increase the cost of labor, this forces either a price increase or cuts elsewhere in the company, including making up for the minimum wage increase through layoffs.

It may not be the lowest wage worker who gets the ax, but instead it might be an office manager, customer service representative or someone else who is on a salary career path as the employer decides that cutting one middle-income worker from the payroll makes the most sense to offset the increased costs of the lower-wage workers. After all, the other salaried workers can just work a little longer and harder to pick up the slack.

Unfortunately, politicians like Obama live in the unreal world of government where you can always just spend other people's money to achieve your ends. In the private sector, you risk and invest your own money, and you have to make tough decisions that impact friends' and co-workers' lives to offset government-imposed wage mandates.

Not shockingly, the president also had the audacity to claim responsibility for the dramatic increase in private-sector natural gas and oil production.

The Institute for Energy Research puts this fairy tale to rest writing, "Though the president is right on the numbers, what he fails to acknowledge is that the domestic energy renaissance is happening despite the Obama administration's policies, not because of them. Oil and natural gas production has indeed soared in recent years, but only on state and private lands, where the administration has little input. On federal lands controlled by the Obama administration's Interior Department, fossil fuel production has fallen to a 10-year low.

America's declining oil imports are a direct result of domestic production on state and private lands. In October 2013, crude oil production surpassed imports for the first

time since 1995. This was driven almost exclusively by surging production on lands over which the Obama administration has almost no control. Production on state and private lands increased 14 percent from 2010 to 2012. Over the same period, production on federal lands declined by 18 percent.

In a nutshell, Obama and his cronies have actually harmed domestic energy production through their policies, and to claim any credit for the results of the vision, sacrifice and economic courage of those who are driving our nation's fossil fuel energy renaissance is nothing less than a cynical manipulation.

Never missing the chance for making a gender-based appeal, Obama went to great lengths to call for equal pay for equal work for women. It will be interesting to see if the mainstream media points out that in Obama's White House, women staffers are paid only 87 percent of what their male counterparts are. Perhaps before this president lectures the rest of us, he should stop discriminating against women workers himself.

While there are ample other examples of political soundbites getting in the way of the truth, perhaps the most egregious goes back to our nation's men and women who fought and in too many cases were injured or died fighting in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Obama drew great applause from the left side of the aisle when he reminded that American troops were no longer engaged in Iraq.

What he didn't say is that since Obama withdrew from Iraq, Al Qaida has defeated Iraqi forces and the Al Qaida flag now flies over the town of Fallujah — the very site that cost so much of the most precious American treasure — the blood of our fighting men.

Sometimes what a politician fails to say is far more important than their boasts, and it is a shame that while Obama saluted a true American hero to end his annual performance, the war he fought is being lost through political bungling by the Commander-in-Chief.

That is the sad state of the union — 2014.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

February 8, 1989

Land swap may solve Marsing park controversy

Is a happy ending in sight for Marsing in patching up its sometimes-bumpy relationship with state and federal park authorities due to the city’s unilateral decisions involving its parks? There are signs that Marsing is getting a little more smoochy with its bigger government girlfriends, named Idaho and U.S. Interior Department. Whether a newly blooming romance survives the demands of these two bigger sobersides remains to be seen.

At a meeting in Marsing on Jan. 31, Mayor Gene Showalter and several members of the City Council proposed a land exchange to a representative of the Idaho Parks and Recreation Department (IPRD) and the proposal drew an initially favorable response. The proposal would allow the city to swap some land it owns one-half mile downstream from Island Park for the approximate 30-foot area of its main municipal park now occupied by satellite receiver dishes and related equipment owned by Chambers Cable Co.

It was allowing the satellite apparatus to be placed in the park that landed the city in difficulties with state and federal park authorities. In developing the municipal park site, the city had pledged to use it strictly for outdoor recreation purposes in perpetuity, and the installation of the television enhancement facilities violated that commitment.

In order to force Marsing to act to remedy the violation, the National Park Service in the U.S. Interior Department is withholding reimbursement of \$23,187 owed to the IPRD for funds it advanced to Marsing for recreational development and a fish pond at a second city site, Island Park, along the Snake River. The fish pond development was completed in 1982.

Gem project gets 1989 Hydromania Award

The American Whitewater Affiliation announced Jan. 30 that it was awarding its second annual Hydromania Award “for a hydroelectric project qualifying as an environmental insult of national magnitude” to the Western Power Co. of Boise, which is working with the Gem and Ridgeview Irrigation districts locally in an effort to build a hydro dam on the North Fork of the Payette River.

The AWA announcement drew an indignant response from Clyde Hutton, manager of the South Board of Control, the administrative operating authority for the two irrigation districts. “I don’t think we should even respond to those kinds of things. They’re not worth wasting our time on,” Hutton said.

The AWA announcement sent to The Owyhee Avalanche said the proposed project on the North Fork “exhibits the highest degree of insensitivity to a natural river environment.” Among potential recipients of the Hydromania Award in California, New York, Idaho, Pennsylvania, Maryland and elsewhere, according to the AWA, “Western Power was the hands-down winner in recognition of the permanent, irreversible damage its project would do to the world-renowned whitewater, the fishery, natural resources, and the picturesque scenery of the North Fork of the Payette.”

Kettle places third in state wrestling at 130 lbs.

Levi Kettle, a 130 lb. junior, placed third in his weight class at the state A-3 wrestling championships, making him the top finisher for the Homedale Trojans wrestling team at the statewide meet in Moscow on Feb. 3-4.

“He had a rough first day, but the second day he wrestled like a true champion,” reported Russ Mitchell, head wrestling coach at Homedale.

Dwayne Orr, a 112 lb. freshman, placed fourth in his weight class. “He was fantastic,” Mitchell said. “He beat the number 3, 4 and 5 seeds to finish fourth. He really came through.”

Leroy Schoonover, a 145 lb. senior, also placed fourth. “He was like Levi, kind of off to a slow start, but he came back and beat the champions from three other districts” to capture fourth, Mitchell related.

Roger Kramer, a 125 lb. senior, took a fifth-place medal. “In his final match, he beat the Parma kid who was our District 3 champion, 1-0, in a very close match,” Mitchell said.

50 years ago

February 6, 1964

Council sets tentative budget at \$65,170

The regular meeting of the City Council was held Monday night at city hall and the tentative budget set at \$65,170, reports City Clerk Kenneth Downing.

The payroll scale for the year was set, with \$50 per year increase granted as follows:

The chief of police will receive a salary of \$400 a month and the patrolman will receive \$350.

The watermaster will receive \$455 monthly and assistant watermaster, \$380. Third member of the city water crew will receive \$355 per month.

The city clerk and police judge salary will be \$365 monthly.

A total of \$2,947.83 in bills was approved by the council.

Mayor Orville Soper and Councilman George Murray will meet Monday with the school board to discuss definite routes for the school buses through Homedale.

Open house for the new LDS church to be held Friday, 1 to 9 p.m.

Open house for the new LDS church will be held Friday from 1 to 9 p.m. according to Bishop Howard E. Bergeson. The public is invited.

Finishing touches were applied last week in completing the kitchen cupboards and a few minor jobs here and there.

A film titled “What Is A Mormon?” will be shown during the open house. The film is from Brigham Young University and relates the story of how the church was organized, its activities, what the church offers young people and others.

Refreshments will be served by the Relief Society under the direction of Mrs. Wendell Hyer. Organ music by Mrs. Elmer Frank and Mrs. Laurel E. Leavitt will be heard throughout the building over a public address system.

The church is located in west Homedale on a five-acre plot. The parking area surrounding the churchyard on all sides is completely black-topped. Landscaping was done by ward members early last fall.

Homedale residents recall the night of Dec. 9, 1961, when the original LDS church, located across from the high school grounds, was burned to the ground by fire. Spectators stood helplessly by as towering flames razed the building. The Homedale Fire Department fought the blaze all night in bitter cold.

Members of the church have since been holding services in the former M and L Implement building on South Main Street.

Trojans nip Wilder quintet

Wilder closed the gap to two points with two minutes to play, but Homedale held its lead and went on to defeat the Wildcats 57-51, in a Snake River Valley B league Southern Division basketball game at Wilder Friday night.

Tony Maher got 18 for Homedale and Ted Coontz the same number for the Wildcats.

Succor Crik Same Sez: “Don’t seem like 50 yars since them Austrians come — seems more like a hundred.”

Interest shown in sand dunes

Interest displayed in the proposed development of the park in the sand dunes area of Owyhee County, near Bruneau, was cited Tuesday as proof that “more and more Idaho residents are realizing the importance of recreation and tourism in our state economy.”

The Owyhee County Planning Commission arranged the “on the scene” session to gather information from state and federal agencies. The planning committee will meet again next Monday at Murphy to formulate its recommendations.

The sand dunes now are under jurisdiction of the federal Bureau of Land Management as part of the public domain. It has been suggested that the dunes be included in the National Park System or be made into a state park.

140 years ago

February 7, 1874

NATCHEZ ARRESTED. We learn from W. F. & Co’s messenger, Captain Bledsoe, who is just up from Winnemucca, that Natchez, the Piute Chief, was arrested at that place by the military authorities and taken to San Francisco on the 28th ult. It appears that the Piutes in the vicinity of Winnemucca have never received any portion of the Government annuities distributed among the Indians. Hearing a few days ago that blankets were to be distributed by Indian Agent Ingalls, at Stone House, Natchez and his Indians went up to receive their share, Ingalls wouldn’t give them anything at Wadsworth. They later told Natchez that he had nothing to do with them, and that they must go to Ingalls. Natchez didn’t relish the idea of being bandied about in that manner, and angry words passed between him and Bateman. The latter threatened to have Natchez arrested and sent away from his tribe where he could never come back. This scared Natchez, and he immediately returned to Winnemucca and related his troubles to the editor of the Register. We quote as follows from that paper:

When Natchez returned from Wadsworth he wanted to know of us if we thought Bateman would carry out his threat, declaring that all he had done was, that he got angry and used some insolent language to Bateman. We told him that we did not think Bateman would do anything if he would behave himself hereafter. It seems, however, that Bateman immediately informed Gen. Schofield, at San Francisco, that Natchez was endeavoring to incite the Indians against him, and to leave the reservation. A written document purporting to have been signed by several of the Indians at Wadsworth, with their X mark, and witnessed by Spencer G. Berck, to the effect that they wanted to remain on the reservation, and that Natchez was trying to create trouble among them, and that they wanted him to keep away from them. Captain Wagner, Commander of Camp McDermitt, went to Wadsworth, and investigated the matter, and obtained evidence to warrant him, under the instructions of General Schofield in arresting Natchez and sending him to San Francisco, to General Schofield’s headquarters, for trial, or investigation into the affair. We have known Natchez since 1863, and we know him to be a quiet and peaceful Indian, and during all of the continued Indian troubles from 1863 to 1869, and ever since he has proved himself a firm and undeviating friend to the white man, all of which every old Humboldt, and person acquainted with him will attest.

DEATH OF DR. LIVINGSTONE. This world-renowned explorer died in Lobisa, in the interior of Africa, on the 15th of August last. He had been traveling over a partially submerged country, and after wading four days in the water, he was seized by the illness of which he died. His perilous travels and explorations in search of the source of the Nile have been continued for many years, and he has at last met his death in the field of his labors. It is hardly probable that any one can be found who will risk his life in exploring with as much persistence and self-denial as Dr. Livingstone, the great unknown country of Central Africa.

TERRITORIAL APPOINTMENTS. A Washington dispatch, dated Jan. 30th, says that the President sent in the following recommendations to the Senate: E. J. Curtis, as Secretary of the Territory of Idaho; Joseph Pinkham, as United States Marshal of Idaho; Jos. W. Huston, United States Attorney for Idaho. These gentlemen are the present incumbents of the offices named, and we hope the nominations will be confirmed.

RANDOM GLEANINGS. If you want to make a bustle in the world, take five newspapers and a piece of tape.

In pocket-picking, as in everything else, a man never succeeds until he gets his hand in.

A newspaper, published in a Western State, speaks of telegraph operators “jerking the forked lightning.”

Public notices

REQUEST FOR BID
Owyhee County is currently seeking competitive bids to replace 2 (two) 9-1-1 dispatch work stations and add a third located at the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office.
The bids are to include all materials and installation. A workers compensation certificate, public works license and proof of liability insurance must be provided prior to the start of work. The bids are to be sealed and mailed or physically delivered to the Owyhee County Clerk no later than close of business on Thursday, February 6th, 2014.
Opening of bids will commence at 10:00 am, February 11th, 2014 at the Owyhee County Courthouse, Courtroom 2. Owyhee County reserves the right to accept the most appropriate bid or reject any and all bids submitted.
Mailing address: Angela Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk, P. O. Box 128, Murphy, ID 83650. Physical address 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy ID 83650
Additional information and specifications may be obtained by contacting Christine Ballard 9-1-1- Coordinator at 208-495-1154 ext. 101 or cballard@co.owyhee.id.us
1/29;2/5/14

BEFORE THE OWYHEE COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
On February 26, 2014 beginning at 2:00 PM 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 matter at the time listed below.
Beginning at 2:00 pm, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Joe Mansisor seeking to establish a second single-family residence for his parents on an 8.2 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP03N05W1543011. The property is located at 3644 Market Road, in Homedale. The property is in a multiuse zone, located in the SW ¼, SW ¼, SW ¼, of the SE ¼ of Section 15, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 3:00 pm, the Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Stan Bybee and David Henninger on behalf of Bybee Air Service seeking to establish an airstrip on a 12 acre parcel of land, parcel number RP06S03E100010A. The property is located at the intersection of A&A Road and Mudflat Road. Approximately 3.5 miles south of Grand View. The property is in an agricultural zone, located in the E ½, E ½, E ½, section 10, Township 6 South, Range 3 East, Boise meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho.
Beginning at 4:00 pm, the

Commission will hear a request for a conditional use permit filed by Tom Basabe on behalf of Simplot Livestock Company seeking to construct a single family residence on a 400 acre parcel of land located in an agricultural zone approximately 1.5 miles South of Grand View. The parcel RP05S03E272400A includes the W ½ and the S ½ of the SE ¼ of section 27, Township 5 South, Range 3 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.
2/5/14

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATUS OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES
Owyhee County received an Idaho Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$150,000 from the Idaho Department of Commerce. This funding is allocated to the State of Idaho from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These funds are currently being used to construct improvements to the Bruneau American Legion Hall in Bruneau, Idaho.
The hearing will include a review of project activities and accomplishments to date, a summary of all expenditures to date, a general description of remaining work and any changes made to the scope of work, budget, schedule, location or beneficiaries.
The hearing has been scheduled for **February 18, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy, Idaho. Verbal and written comments will be accepted up to and at the hearing.
Information provided at the public hearing will be available, upon request, five days prior to the hearing. Special accommodation or alternative formats for non-English speaking persons and persons with disabilities will be available, upon request, with minimum of five (5) days’ notice prior to the hearing. The hearing will be held in a facility that is accessible to persons with disabilities. For more information, contact Angie Barkell at 208-495-2421.

This Notice can be provided in a format accessible to persons with disabilities and/or persons with limited English proficiency upon request.
Se le puede proveer esta notificación en un formato accesible para las personas discapacidades y/o personas con conocimientos limitados del inglés a pedido.
Angie Barkell, Owyhee County Clerk, 20381 State Hwy 78, Murphy, ID 83650
2/5/14

| AMENDED ELECTION CALENDAR FOR 2014 | | |
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| Notice is hereby given: That the following elections will be held in Owyhee County during calendar year 2014. | | |
| NAME AND ADDRESS OF TAXING DISTRICT | ELECTION DATE | DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FILING DEADLINE |
| COUNTY PRIMARY ELECTION 20381 State Highway 78 Murphy, Idaho 83650 | May 20 | 5:00 P.M. March 14 |
| COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION 20381 State Highway 78 Murphy, Idaho 83650 | November 4 | 5:00 P.M. March 14 |
| OWYHEE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 250 North Bruneau Highway Marsing, Idaho 83639 | November 4 | 5:00 P.M. September 1 |
| BRUNEAU RIVER SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT 45260 State Highway 78 Bruneau, Idaho 83604 | November 4 | 5:00 P.M. September 1 |
| Balanced Rock Soil Conservation District 1441 Fillmore Street, Suite A Twin Falls, ID 83301 | November 4 | 5:00 P.M. September 1 |

NOTICE
Pursuant to Idaho Code 25-2301, the State Brand Inspector is holding 2 Black x heifers, approx 850 lbs, found River Road in the Homedale area. They will be sold on Friday 2/14/14 at Treasure Valley Livestock Auction. May be claimed with proof of ownership and paying all expenses. 459-4231
2/5,12/14

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION CASE NO. CV-2013-0003139
Notice is hereby given under Idaho Code Section 15-3-801 that, in connection with the foregoing case number in Elmore County District Court, that CLARE LILLIAN LIVINGSTON has been appointed Personal Representative of the Probate estate of LUTHER H. LIVINGSTON, deceased. All persons having claims against the Decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned attorney at 154 N. 2nd East, Mountain Home, Idaho (tel.:(208) 587-0799), and filed with the Clerk of the Court.
Dated this 6th day of January, 2014
/s/ Michael J. Crawford, Attorney at Law.
1/22,29;2/5/14

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Loan No.: 2176280 T.S. No.: 11-04269-6A On May 2, 2014 11:00 AM, in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 Highway 78, Murphy in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, on behalf of Wells Fargo Bank NA , the current Beneficiary, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, in lawful money of the United States,

all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows: LOTS 1, 2 AND 3 OF BLOCK 59 OF THE AMENDED PLAT OF THE TOWNSITE OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of: 219 N. MAIN STREET , HOMEDALE, ID, is sometimes associated with said real property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrance to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by ELIDIA P. NONATO, A SINGLE PERSON AND LUZ N. RAMIREZ AND DANIEL A. RAMIREZ, WIFE AND HUSBAND, as original grantor(s), to PIONEER TITLE COMPANY, as original trustee, for the benefit and security of NORWEST MORTGAGE INC, as original beneficiary, dated as of August 23, 1996, and recorded August 26, 1996, as Instrument No. 219700 in the Official Records of the Office of the Recorder of Owyhee County, Idaho. Please Note: The above grantor(s) are named to comply with section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation set forth herein. The current beneficiary is: Wells Fargo Bank NA , (the “Beneficiary”). Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express

or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining unpaid balance of the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in the Idaho Financial Code and authorized to do business in Idaho, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. The default(s) for which this sale is to be made under Deed of Trust and Note dated August 23, 1996 are: Failed to pay the monthly payments of \$721.06 due from July 1, 2011, together with all subsequent payments; together with late charges due; together with other fees and expenses incurred by the Beneficiary; The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$54,526.47, plus accrued interest at the rate of 8.50000% per annum from June 1, 2011. All delinquent amounts are now due, together with accruing late charges, and interest, unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, and any amounts advanced to protect the security associated with this foreclosure and that the beneficiary elects to sell or cause the trust property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. Dated: December 19, 2013 Fidelity National Title Insurance Company, Trustee 11000 Olson Drive Ste 101, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 916-636-0114 Megan Curtis, Authorized Signature
SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.lpsasap.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION please call 714-730-2727 A-4435210
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE
Trustee’s Sale No. ID-MWB-14002677
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on **May 19, 2014**, at the hour of **11:00 AM**, of said day, **ON THE STEPS OF THE OWYHEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HIGHWAY 78 AND HAILEY STREET, MURPHY, ID**, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real and personal property (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Property”), situated in the County of OWYHEE, State of Idaho, to-wit:

A portion of Government Lots 2 and 3 of Section 3, Township 2 North, Range 5 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northwest corner of said Government Lot 2, a found 5/8 inch diameter rebar; thence North 89°56’24” East along the North boundary of said Government Lot 2 a distance of 425.14 feet 1/2 x 24 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L.S. 3627; thence South 12°24’21” East a distance of 1293.25 feet to a point on the South boundary of said Government Lot 2, a 5/8 x 30 inch rebar set with a plastic cap stamped L.S. 3627; thence North 89°59’00” West along said South boundary a distance of 510.73 feet to a point on the East boundary of the parcel shown on the Record of Survey filed as Instrument No. 222656, a found 1/2 inch diameter rebar; thence traversing said East boundary as follows:

North 17°01’48” West a distance of 587.38 feet to a found 1/2 inch diameter rebar;

North 88°03’15” West a distance of 87.24 feet to a found 1/2 inch diameter rebar;

North 00°34’44” East along said East boundary a distance of 697.92 feet to a point on the North boundary of said Government Lot 3, a found 1/2 inch diameter rebar; thence leaving said East boundary South 89°59’04” East along said North boundary a distance of 59.92 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced Property but, for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113 of Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that the address of 3695 CEMETERY ROAD, MARSING, ID 83639, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JAMES H. KING AND JACKY A. KING, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as

Grantor, to ALLIANCE TITLE & ESCROW, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of MOUNTAIN WEST BANK, as Beneficiary, dated 6/3/2008, recorded 6/5/2008, under Instrument No. 265250, modified under Instrument No. 277442, further modified under Instrument No. 277612, Mortgage records of OWYHEE County, IDAHO, the beneficial interest in which is presently held by MOUNTAIN WEST BANK.

THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506(4) (A), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which is sale is made is the failure to pay when due under the Deed of Trust Note dated 6/3/2008, FAILURE TO PAY THE MONTHLY PAYMENT WHICH BECAME DUE ON 11/1/2013, AND ALL SUBSEQUENT MONTHLY PAYMENTS, PLUS LATE CHARGES AND OTHER COSTS AND FEES AS SET FORTH. IN ADDITION, THE BENEFICIARY WILL REQUIRE AS A CONDITION TO REINSTATEMENT THAT YOU PROVIDE RELIABLE WRITTEN EVIDENCE THAT ALL PROPERTY TAXES AND HAZARD INSURANCE PREMIUMS ARE PAID CURRENT AS PROVIDED IN THE DEED OF TRUST.

All delinquencies are now due, together with unpaid and accruing taxes, assessments, trustee’s fees, attorney’s fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. The principal balance is \$370,440.16, together with interest thereon at 5.000% per annum from 10/1/2013, until paid.

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

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

DATED: 1/10/2014
Pioneer Title Company of Ada County, dba Pioneer Lender Trustee Services
Trustee By Ronald W. Jantzen c/o Pioneer Lender Trustee Services, 8151 W. Rifleman Street, Boise, ID 83704 Phone: 888-342-2510 1/22,29;2/5,12/14

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:
2-10499 BLACKSTOCK FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP, 6754 OPALINE RD, MELBA, ID 83641-4217
Point of Diversion L4(SWSE) S26 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source SNAKE RIVER Tributary COLUMBIA RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 2.98 CFS
Total Diversion: 2.98 CFS
Date Filed: 12/17/2013
Place of Use: IRRIGATION T01N R04W S2 L3(NENW) T01N R04W S3 L1(NENE) L2(NWNE) SWNE SENE
Total Acres: 149
2-10500 BLACKSTOCK

FAMILY LTD PARTNERSHIP, 6754 OPALINE RD, MELBA, ID 83641-4217

Point of Diversion L4(SWSE) S26 T02N R04W OWYHEE County Source SNAKE RIVER Tributary COLUMBIA RIVER
Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 0.62 CFS
Total Diversion: 0.62 CFS
Date Filed: 12/17/2013
Place of Use: IRRIGATION T02N R04W S34 NENE NESE NWSE

Total Acres: 31
55-13912 ANITA L GLUCH, THOMAS R GLUCH, PO BOX 257, JORDAN VALLEY, OR 97910

Point of Diversion SWSE S14 T06S R06W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER
Use: IRRIGATION 04/01 to 10/31 4.7 CFS
Total Diversion: 4.7 CFS
Date Filed: 2/27/2013
Place Of Use: IRRIGATION T06S R06W S13 NWSW T06S R06W S14 NWNE SWNE SENE NENW SENW SE(ALL)
T06S R06W S23 NENE NWNE SWNE
Total Acres: 236

PROPOSED CHANGE OF WATER RIGHTS

Chris and Catherine Unruh of 25289 Hipwell Lane, Grandview, ID 83624, filed Application Nos. 78382 and 78383 to transfer two water rights with 1962 and 1967 priority dates from the Snake River totaling 3.28 cfs and 787.5 afa. The purpose of the transfer is to change the points of diversion pursuant to a request by the Bybee Canal Co., to a point 0.4 miles south of the current points of diversion. Water will be used at the current place of use approximately 1 mile south of Grandview.

Celia C. & Charles Raymond Draper of 24964 Draper Lane, Grand View, ID 83624 filed Application No. 78941 to transfer a portion of three water rights with 1969 to 1970 priority dates from the Snake River currently diverted near C.J. Strike Dam at the Grand View Mutual Canal (GVMC) diversion. The purpose of the transfer is to move 3.64 cfs (182 inches) from the GVMC diversion to the nearby Bybee Canal Co. diversion. The remainder of the authorized rate under the three rights, 1.00 cfs (50 inches), will remain diverted at the GVMC diversion.

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 rights &/or proposed transfer, please see www.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRFiling.asp. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Sec 42-222 and 42-203A, Idaho Code. Any protest against the approval of this application(s) 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 2/24/2014. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
2/5,12/14

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City of Homedale has an opening for a full time Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Dept. Full job description available with application at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming, Homedale. Application with a Resume must be in by 5:00 p.m. February 12th, 2014



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Sports

Rodger Nash Duals



Above: Homedale’s Jacob Furlott controls the 120-pound match against Baker’s Cody Bingham on Saturday inside the HHS gym. Furlott won, 9-0. Left: Colton Grimm tries to roll Baker’s Matt Siddoway on his back during the 195-pound match. Grimm was ultimately successful, getting the pin with 1 minute, 2 seconds. Photos by Jon P. Brown



Adrian’s Luke Campbell tries to pin Homedale’s Dylan Sharp in both wrestlers’ first match of the morning Saturday. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Undermanned Adrian continues growth

Six Adrian High School wrestlers competed as free agents of sorts, helping other teams at Saturday’s Rodger Nash Memorial Duals in Homedale.

“With six wrestlers, it is difficult to compete as a dual team, so this weekend was more about gaining experience,” Antelopes coach Eddie Kinkade said. “Everybody is wrestling really well right now.”

Shane Miller wrestled with Baker, Ore., and came away with a 4-1 record wrestling at both 145 and 152 pounds. At 145, he had two pins against Alex Nebeker of Wendell and William Dibben of Parma. He moved up to 152 in his final match and beat Thomas Larsen of the Baker-Powder

Valley conglomeration, 6-3.

“Shane is the only senior and is really stepping into the role of the team leader,” Kinkade said. “He is battling through some early injuries and really starting to wrestle as a state-quality wrestler.”

Luke Campbell, a 138-pounder, bounced back from a wild 16-14 loss to Homedale’s Dylan Sharp while wrestling for Baker to beat two other Trojans — Adrian Monreal, 14-11, and Drew Taylor, 6-4 — in subsequent matches.

Kinkade said Bryson Shira, a 152-pounder, continues to gain strength after returning from an elbow injury. He wrestled five matches for Crane along with Adrian teammates Marcus Furtado (2-3 at 98 pounds) and Drake Marquez (2-2 at 160).

“Marcus is wrestling tough as a small freshman, giving up 10 to 20 pounds depending on the weight class that he wrestlers,” Kinkade said.

“He is really working on technique and speed to beat his opponents.”

Marquez pinned Homedale’s Tyson Furlott in 3 minutes, 35 seconds for his only victory on the mat.

Ramon Dalla pinned Weiser’s Jaren Tolman in a 160-pound match while wrestling for the Pine Eagle-Union squad.

The Antelopes are in Heppner, Ore., on Saturday for the Bank of Eastern Oregon Tournament.

✓ Trojans: Hometown squad one of three teams to post perfect records on the day

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(113) went 2-0 with two pins.

Andy Montes wrestled at 106 and notched three pins and a technical fall during a 4-1 day.

Jakobe Osborn (220) also had three pinfalls during a 3-1 showing.

Michael Deleon went 3-2 at 132.

Jesse Watson (138) and Tyson Furlott (160) earned both their wins by pin.



Andy Montes

Jacob Furlott (120) and Dylan Sharp (145) both had a pin during two-win tournament showings, and Shane Keller also had a pair of victories at 152.

Homedale’s medal-winners from Saturday included Nash Johnson, Meligan, Cornejo, Stansell and Grimm.

Thursday: Homedale 45, Parma 27 — A freshman, Meligan pinned state tournament placer Dakota Whittaker at 113 pounds to kick off the Trojans’ big victory.

Jacob Furlott also had a pin at 120 against Sheldon Gentry.

“The wins at 113 and 120 were huge,” Toby Johnson said. “They got us off to a strong start.”

Homedale won the meet’s first matches with Nash Johnson pinning Panthers 126-pounder Chandler Mitchell and Coty Ford getting a forfeit at 132.

Sharp went the distance against Chase Gries at 145, but fell, 11-5.

“Dylan Sharp really battled well against one of their best kids,” Toby Johnson said.

After a series of forfeits and losses in the middle weights, the Trojans got back on track when Cornejo out-muscled Codi Negri, 6-2, at 170.

Homedale then collected 18 points by forfeits before Osborn suffered a pinfall loss at 285 to state placer Oscar Camacho.

Rodger Nash medalists

- 98 pounds — Alex Raby, Weiser
- 106 — Jorge Juica, Vale, Ore.
- 113 — Caleb Meligan, HHS; Tristan Hinkley, Weiser; and Kevin Munoz, Vale
- 120 — Dustin Ramge, Crane, Ore.; Christian Oyervides, Weiser; and Pepe Rayo, Vale
- 126 — Nash Johnson, HHS
- 132 — Jake Clark, Crane
- 138 — Cole Skramstad, Mac-Hi (Ore.) and Austin Roath, Crane
- 145 — Alyx Shaw, Mac-Hi and Lane Cummings, Vale
- 152 — Jeffrey Jones, Mac-Hi
- 160 — Dustin Kistenmacher, Weiser
- 170 — Jovan Cornejo, HHS and Chad Witty, Union, Ore.
- 182 — Curtis Stansell, HHS; Andrew Williamson, Weiser; and Colebee Ransom, Payette
- 195 — Colton Grimm, HHS; Anthony Baker, Weiser; and Sage Delong, Vale
- 220 — Zach Hall, Emmett; and Michael Casey, Crane
- 285 — Hayden Herrick, Weiser; Oscar Camacho, Payette; and Sitni Kavaulea, Payette