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First of three candidate forums tonight

Citizens urged to bring questions for hopefuls

A series of forums featuring local candidates in the May 20 primary elections begins tonight in Homedale.

The Owyhee County Republican Central

Committee and The Owyhee Avalanche are sponsoring the three forums open to all candidates.

The public is invited to come and ask questions at the events, all three of which begin at 7 p.m.

Other candidates nights are scheduled for Tuesday at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High

School, 39678 Hwy. 78 in Bruneau, and next Wednesday at the Owyhee County Historical Museum's McKeeth Hall, 17085 Basey St., in Murphy. The Murphy location was incorrect in last week's Avalanche.

Candidates for county office as well as the legislative District 23 races have been invited to the forums.

There is only one contested county race this year as District 2 Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi faces a challenge from his predecessor, George Hyer, in the GOP primary. The two Homedale men are vying for a two-year term.

All other county races see the incumbents

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Deputy finds pot, not eggs, on Easter traffic stop

Bright headlights led a sheriff's deputy to find a large amount of marijuana during a traffic stop on Easter Sunday.

Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant said two Kodiak, Alaska, residents were arrested early Sunday morning after Deputy Terry McGrew stopped their rented 2014 Ford Escape on U.S. Highway 95 near Graveyard Point Road outside of Homedale.

Grant said McGrew found eight pounds of marijuana and drug paraphernalia after searching the vehicle with Oregon plates.

John Robert Ryan, 58, and Laura Jean Korn, 51, face felony drug trafficking and misdemeanor paraphernalia charges, Grant said. Both were in custody in Owyhee County Jail on Monday.

Grant said McGrew pulled the car over after the driver failed to dim the vehicles headlights.

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Grand View man arrested on DUI and marijuana charges for second time in five days.

An Owyhee Easter



Communities hold annual egg hunts

A girl in the 3-years-old and younger category seemingly has her pick of the crop during Saturday's Marsing Lions Club Easter egg hunt on the Marsing High School football field. Egg hunts on Friday and Saturday gave way to sunrise services on Sunday. Photo by Jon P. Brown. For more photos, see Page 11 and www.owyheeavalanche.com

Water flows in S. Canal

Water allotment now 1.7 acre-feet

The full Owyhee Project irrigation system is operational for the watering season.

Water from the Owyhee Reservoir was released into the South Canal on Thursday, signaling the final piece to the puzzle for irrigators in the Ridgeview district and part of the Gem district.

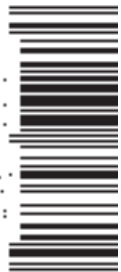
The Owyhee Project Joint Board settled on Thursday as the turn-on date for reservoir water during their meeting in Nyssa, Ore., on April 15.

Water officials also bumped the 2014 water allocation slightly during that meeting.

Irrigators will receive 1.7 acre-feet of water this year, which is a bump from the 1.5 acre-feet announced on April 1.

The allotment is still 56.7 percent of the three acre-feet farmers were allowed to use last year. Prime water years result in four acre-feet usually.

The charging of the South Canal also meant that all Homedale residential irrigation users now have water.



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Saturday is first Homedale community cleanup day

Local businesses provide lunch for volunteers

Folks who care about the appearance of the city are encouraged to pitch in Saturday and May 3 during Homedale’s cleanup efforts.

The city’s riverfront is the focus Saturday as preparations begin for Homedale to host several events on May 10, including the fourth

annual Angel Walk 5-kilometer fun run and walk, the second annual Angel Walk classic car show and the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association’s annual tractor pull.

Volunteers will begin gathering at Riverside Park both Saturday and next week for the cleanup at around 8:30 a.m. The work starts at 9 a.m. both days.

Riverside Park is a focus because the Angel Walk route will pass along the Snake River again this year. Crews also will be

out on Idaho Avenue to clean the area that will be used for another part of the route as well as the site of the car show.

The cleanup won’t be confined to public property, though, Mayor Gheen Christoffersen has urged residents and business owners to take pride and clean up their commercial and residential spaces.

According to a flyer developed by Councilperson Kim Murray, the city truck will be available to help with cleanup on a first-come,

first-serve basis. Volunteers may also be available to help haul off large items.

Two Treasure Valley Metal recycle bins have been set up in Riverside Park so folks can drop off their unwanted appliances and other scrap metal.

Tire recycling will be available in the Deward Bell Stadium parking lot, but there will be fee charged. The fee for light truck and passenger car tires is \$1.50 each, Councilperson Kim Murray said. Larger ties will require larger fees.

Volunteers will enjoy a lunch during each cleanup day. Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation Center and Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant are sponsoring the meals, and Paul’s Market will donate refreshments.

The law firm of Moore Smith Buxton & Turcke, which provides city attorney Paul J. Fitzer, will donate funding to buy equipment and trash bags for the cleanup, but volunteers are encouraged to bring their own tools to help with the cleanup.

Burglary suspect nabbed in California

Woman admits to breaking into relative’s home after arrest

A woman suspected of taking part in a Marsing-area burglary was arrested Friday in California.

Krista Hartley, 35, was arrested by Ventura County Sheriff’s deputies in Thousand Oaks, Calif., on an Owyhee County Sheriff’s warrant, according to OCSO Sgt. Jeff Wasson.

Hartley’s husband, 45-year-old Kyle Hartley, was supposed to turn himself in earlier this week,

the Owyhee County detective said.

After Ventura County authorities arrested Krista on the \$50,000 Owyhee County warrant, she admitted to burglarizing a relative’s home in California, Wasson said. He said phone records indicated the couple had fled to Southern California.

Once the California case is resolved, Krista could be

extradited to Owyhee County to face four counts of felony grand theft by possession of stolen property.

The Hartleys, who were living in a house on Old Bruneau Highway in Marsing, are suspected of stealing items from a nearby home.

Wasson said Krista became a suspect after she pawned some of the stolen items at a pawn shop in the Nampa-Caldwell area.

Wasson said the Hartleys are suspects in two other Marsing-area break-ins.

— JPB



Video of theft suspect Tamara Carraway Meyer was distributed to TV stations last week. Photo courtesy HPD

Man arrested for DUI, pot again

Two arrests in span of five days

A 62-year-old Grand View resident was arrested on charges of driving under the influence twice in the span of five days.

Steven Max Collett was arrested Thursday for felony DUI, according to Owyhee County Sheriff Perry Grant. Court records indicate the DUI charge is a misdemeanor, but Grant said it was Collett’s third DUI.

Deputy Scott Snyder, who also

arrested Collett for DUI on April 12, also filed a misdemeanor marijuana possession charge after the latest stop.

JV man sentenced for DUI

A Jordan Valley resident must enter a treatment program and won’t be able to drive for six months after a driving under the influence conviction.

Magistrate Judge F. Randall Kline sentenced Mark J. Mackenzie for misdemeanor DUI on April 9.

Homedale Police Officer

Christopher Jacob arrested Mackenzie on Nov. 13 after stopping him for suspicion of speeding. City prosecutor Paul J. Fitzer dropped the speeding infraction.

Mackenzie spent 10 days in Owyhee County Jail. Kline credited him for that stay and suspended the remainder of a six-month jail sentence.

Mackenzie was placed on a year’s probation and had his driver’s license suspended. He also must pay \$100 in restitution and \$682.50 in fines and court costs.

— JPB

Burglary suspect sees herself on TV, surrenders

Publicity of a recent burglary in Homedale netted an interesting response — from the suspect.

Tamara Carraway Meyer, 54, of Boise turned herself in Friday evening. She called authorities after the local television newscast of surveillance video showing her inside the gift shop at the Moxie Java in Homedale on April 6.

Meyer was arrested on burglary and petty theft charges. She’s accused of stealing a purse and other merchandise totaling \$840.

“Because of the cooperation between all the local media and social networking, this case was solved in a quick, timely manner,” Homedale Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller said.

Eidemiller also said his department received numerous phone-call tips from witnesses who remembered seeing Meyer in the area.

Homedale Police is continuing the investigation.

Meyer’s daughter, 18-year-old Kendall Meyer, was arrested on a failure to appear warrant, also out of Homedale, when she tried to visit her mother in Owyhee County Jail on Saturday morning.

Battery suspect arrested

Homedale Police arrested a woman wanted on a \$2,500 warrant for failure to appear.

Tasha Anne Miller was arrested at 2:53 p.m. on Thursday on a bench warrant issued when she didn’t show up for a Jan. 13 hearing at the Owyhee County Courthouse in Murphy.

Miller was charged with misdemeanor battery on Feb. 27, 2013. She was scheduled for a pretrial conference Monday before Magistrate Judge Dan C. Grober.

Ashley Ponce was also arrested with Miller on another warrant.

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Homedale losing longtime FFA leader

Trustees move Holtry into Dean of Students role

Homedale school trustees have signed off on some big personnel changes.

During its April 14 meeting, the school board accepted several resignations, created a new position and terminated two contracts.

The most shocking development was the departure of veteran agricultural and professional-technical teacher Lori Idsinga.

Idsinga tendered her resignation a decade after helping reinstate the district's FFA program. More recently, she fought for additional funding as a proponent of the Idaho Agricultural Education Initiative.

"I think she definitely sees the bigger picture of ag education standards and the value to the students," superintendent Rob Sauer said.

"She's been a product of that as a student and a teacher, and she's passionate about it and wants more students to have access to those opportunities."

Idsinga said she is stepping away because she is pregnant with her second child and is due in September, which would require a substitute teacher for an entire semester. She also said it wouldn't be financially logical to continue

working while paying for daycare for two children and commuting to work.

Clara-Leigh Evans also stepped down as part-time ag educator, which would have meant Idsinga would have to return to a full-time position until a replacement was found.

"It seemed like the best thing for me and my students," Idsinga said of the decision to resign.

Rob Sauer said the district hopes to fill the position in the next week, but the talent pool may be shallow because of other ag programs adding educators around the state.

"Those are some very big shoes to fill. There's no doubt about it," Sauer said of the ag educators' departures.

"(Idsinga has) built a fantastic program, and Clara-Leigh has been a great partner in taking it to the next level."

Sauer said although Idsinga and Evans are both stepping away, they won't go very far.

"I'm sure we'll be able to tap into these two ladies in the future," he said.

Dean position created

The trustees appointed Matt Holtry to the new position of Dean of Students, which means the math teacher will leave the classroom beginning with the 2014-15 school year.

Holtry, who already spent two

periods each day concentrating on duties as Homedale High School's athletic director, will spend the remaining four periods in the dean role.

While acknowledging Holtry's skill as an educator, Sauer said he may have more value to more students in the new role. He'll work with at-risk students on dropout prevention, character education and instructional support. Sauer said Holtry may also play a role in disciplinary decisions, but that's not the original intended focus of the position.

"I think he'll have a bigger impact on more students," Sauer said.

"Having Matt in the classroom is an asset as well, but we're really trying to have him connect with even more students."

Sauer said Holtry seemed like the best candidate for the job because of the respect he has with the children as well as the fact that he already had two administrative periods each day.

"Anytime you can have a person of Matt's quality and character, that's a good thing for kids," Sauer said.

Holtry will concentrate on the high school and middle school students, splitting time between the two campuses each day. Sauer said he will spend time each week with third- and fourth-graders to help ease the transition to middle school.

— JPB

District moves

Resignations — Lori Idsinga and Clara-Leigh Evans, ag educators; Nick Schamber, middle school activity director; Janee Brumfield, junior varsity girls' basketball coach; and Zack Kimball, seventh-grade boys' basketball coach

Retirements — Vicky Landa and Glenda Watts, food service

Hires — Matt Holtry, Dean of Students; Nick Ketterling, middle school activity director; Rhonda Hoadley, promoted to full-time food service; Kellie Trout, food service; and Karen O'Neal, bus aide

Coaching hires — Holtry, football coach (renewed); Erica Dines, junior varsity volleyball coach (renewed) and Diana Asumendi, frosh-soph volleyball coach (new)

Terminations — The board voted to not renew the contracts of two employees, but neither person was identified.

2014-15 school budget workshops scheduled

Now tasked with developing expenses for a four-day school week, the Homedale board of trustees has set its first budget workshop.

The board will convene at 6 p.m. next Wednesday to begin examination of the 2014-15 budget.

Another workshop could be scheduled when the trustees meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 12 for their regular monthly meeting.

During their April 14 meeting, the trustees also set June 9 as the date for hearings on the amended 2013-14 budget and the 2014-15 budget.

Wilder Fire to hold fundraiser

Wilder's volunteer firefighters will benefit from a dinner and auction Saturday at the Wild Heart Springs Event Center.

Tickets are \$35, and include entry into a drawing for a rifle.

Appetizers will be served at 4 p.m. when the silent auction and non-host bar and music begin.


Dinner is at 6 p.m. followed by a live auction, music and dancing.

Purchase tickets by calling (208) 482-7563 or online at www.wilderfiredistrict.org/volunteers.




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Homedale FFA plant sale starts

The Homedale FFA greenhouse is open for business for another spring.

Chapter members have grown a variety of vegetables and flowers for the annual fundraiser, and they’ve spent time prepared hanging baskets and 4-inch pots. Six-packs of plants also are available along with vegetable starts.

The greenhouse opened Monday. It’ll be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on two Saturdays — May 10 and May 17.

Hanging baskets cost \$15 each and include wave petunia, ivy geranium and million bell.

Potted plants include geraniums, bacopa, assorted grasses, coleus and assorted succulents.

Among the featured six-packs are marigolds, moss rose, verbena, snapdragon, petunia, pansy, alyssum, molten fire and more.

Pots and six-packs are available



Students Alec Egurolla, center, and Delaney Phariss, right, hand a tray of plants to FFA advisor Lori Idsinga. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

for \$2 each.

Garden varieties for sale include vegetables such as Basque peppers, assorted tomatoes, squash and herbs. Those packs cost \$2 each.

Proceeds help the chapter

with its expenses, including travel costs to conventions and competitions.

The chapter holds its year-end banquet at 7 p.m. Monday inside the Homedale High School cafeteria.

Classmates, community rally for badly burned Adrian boy

Genaro Robles’ teacher says the Adrian sixth-grader has a heart of gold. Now his classmates and the community are opening their hearts for him.

Robles remains in a Salt Lake City hospital with second- and third-degree burns suffered April 13 when a gas can ignited as he was trying to rekindle a bon fire from the night before at his family’s Ridgeview residence.

The boy suffered burns on his arms and legs from about mid-thigh down, according to Malheur County Sheriff’s Deputy Casey Walker, who lives nearby.

The son of Ramiro and Azucena Robles underwent surgery on his arm Friday. It’s unclear if he will lose any limbs.

“Genaro is just one of those kids that’s always happy and makes everyone smile,” his teacher, Kelsey Zimmerman, said. “He has a heart of gold and he’s really funny.”

There are a handful of fundraisers planned to help Genaro’s family with medical expenses. His father works for Nederend Dairy in Marsing.

On Saturday, friends and family

put on a car wash at Luby Park in Caldwell.

Adrian school secretary Krissy Walker, who is also a neighbor, said Thursday afternoon that at least \$1,200 raised at the school in the days after accident was sent to the family in Utah.

A taco feed, silent auction and live auction is planned for Wednesday, May 28 at the Adrian schools cafeteria. The event will run from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Organizers are looking for donations for the auctions, and anyone who wants to help out can call the Adrian grade school at (541) 372-2337.

“Everybody is pitching in,” Zimmerman said. “The high school kids will do a penny drive.”

Genaro has been instrumental in several sixth-grade class community service projects.

In late November, the sixth-graders raised nearly \$225 as part of the \$1,700 that the school sent to victims of Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines.

Zimmerman said the sixth-grade class also donated funds

that would have paid for their Christmas party to the Ronald McDonald House in Boise.

When news of Genaro’s accident broke, the sixth-graders swung into action to help their classmate, too. They put together money immediately for the family, Zimmerman said, to go along with a wider school and community fundraising effort.

Last week, Genaro’s classmates videotaped a reading of a Hunger Games novel. Zimmerman said that’s the boy’s favorite book series and he has been unable to finish the latest installment, so his classmates did it for him.

“This class is really unique in that they have a huge heart,” Zimmerman said. “I’m just really proud of everything.”

“They’ve really come together because they love him so much.”

Donation jars have been set up around Adrian, and Genaro’s football and soccer teammates also have helped out, Zimmerman said. Donations also are being accepted at the school.

— JPB



Murphy cafe under new management

Guffey residents Marianne Draper, left, and Leah Trent stand in the Murphy Store and Cafe on Monday. The mother and daughter began leasing the business from the previous owners on April 1. They’ve changed the menu and serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. The restaurant is still open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday through Saturday. Sunday hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The phone number is (208) 495-1144.

Spring craft sale slated Saturday outside Marsing

More than 25 vendors selling homemade items are expected to attend the fourth annual “Showgyrlz Marketplace” will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday near Marsing.

The craft sale will be held at the Red Rock House, 6128 State highway 55, approximately one mile west of Marsing. Five Marsing women who are involved in furniture renovation and other crafts organized the event.

Sale items will include furniture, jewelry, clothing, felt hats, crafts, western items, handmade soaps, bucket liners and photography.

A “Glamper Rally” (glamour camping) will have small decorated campers on display.

A dutch oven cooking demonstration will take place.

There will be cookies for sale and free lemonade and coffee.

For more information, call Sue Showalter at 896-4331.

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Homedale council to discuss daycare

The Homedale City Council could make the final decision to allow another daycare facility in town Thursday.

Kathy Watson already has gone before the city’s Planning and Zoning Commission regarding a special use permit to operate a daycare out of her home located at 505 S. 1st St. W. Another daycare operation has been open on East Wyoming Avenue.

The council meeting begins at 6 p.m. inside City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The P&Z will hold another special use permit hearing at 7 p.m. Monday at City Hall when Jason Conant asks to operate a remote-control car racetrack on property near his residence on Barbara Street.

Council members are scheduled to set an Aug. 13 public hearing for the city’s fiscal year 2015 budget.

OCSO reminds producers to keep water off roads

Habitual violators may face penalty

With irrigation systems approaching full capacity, the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office is reminding producers to keep an eye on where their water is spraying.

Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the sheriff’s office is bracing for what has become something of a ritual — phone calls from citizens complaining about water on county roadways. According to dispatch logs, deputies responded to three water-on-the-road calls between April 14 and April 15.

There is a state law requiring agricultural producers to make sure they are watering their crops and their fields and not public highways. The first offense is an infraction, while subsequent violations can result in a misdemeanor charge.

Producers can be fined up to \$50 and could be responsible for paying court costs, Bowman said.

Water on the roadway is more than just a nuisance for motorists; it can be a safety concern and also undermines the integrity of the road’s surface.

In addition to phone calls from folks angry because a stray pivot doused their freshly washed car, OCSO also gets calls from the Idaho Transportation Department and local highway districts.

Sheriff’s deputies received numerous complaints last year but wrote fewer than 10 citations, Bowman said.

“We give a couple of warnings first,” he said.

Farmers are asked to make sure that the end guns on their pivots reach are screened to prevent water from drifting onto the roadway. Calibrating the pivots to spray only as far as the property line is another precaution producers can take.

— JPB

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running unopposed for four-year terms, including:

- Wilson’s Jerry Hoagland as District 1 commissioner
- Brett Endicott of Marsing as county assessor
- Reynolds Creek resident Brenda Richards as county treasurer
- Angie Barkell of Givens Hot Springs as county clerk
- Homedale resident Aaron Tines as county coroner

Barkell and Tines are completing the final terms of their predecessors — Charlotte Sherburn and Harvey Grimme, respectively — who retired midway through their four-year terms.

In District 23, all three incumbents are seeking re-election, including state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson), District 23A Rep. Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry) and District 23B Rep. Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home).

Brackett and Wills are running unopposed in the Republican primary, while Nielsen faces a challenge again from Buhl’s Steve Millington. “Spike” R. L. Ericson (D-Oasis) is running on the other side of the ticket, while independent CJ Nemeth of Mountain Home will appear on the November ballot.

Homedale-area resident Mary Ann Richards will run in the Democratic primary for the District 23A seat in the House of Representatives.

Marsing, Homedale welders finish 1-2 in Pocatello contest

Two local welding students took top honors at the Rocky Mountain Shootout.

Marsing High School student Skye Shore and Doug Klein, a home-school student from Homedale, are part of the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Agency welding team that competed in two meets last week.

Shore won a \$500 scholarship to the Idaho State University welding program with his championship at the pipe-welding contest held Thursday in Pocatello.

Shore had the highest written test score at the contest and finished second in the Tig welding category.

Klein was second overall in the contest and received a \$350 ISU welding scholarship.

Both boys took home prizes.

“I am very proud of my team I took to ISU,” COSSA welding instructor Mark Bauer said of the six-person squad that made the trip.

COSSA welding also competed in the Skills USA contest last week with welders taking seventh in the fabrication contest and 10th and 11th in the welding division.

Also making the trip from Homedale were Darren Klein and Cole Hungate.



Skye Shore



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Homedale library launches survey

The Homedale Public Library board of directors has launched a survey to find out just who uses the facility and how it helps them.

The 14-question form is available at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

“The library board decided they wanted to do a survey and find out from people what they would like from their library service,” library director Margaret Fujishin said.

She added that the board wants to reach people who aren’t using the library and find ways to change services to attract new patrons.

“The people we really want to reach are the ones who aren’t coming through the door,” Fujishin said, conceding that circulation of the survey is inadequate at the moment.

The survey isn’t directly tied to the ongoing investigation of starting a taxing district for the library, Fujishin said, but one of the questions does try to gauge the public’s stomach for such an idea.

Currently, the library is funded through memorials and general fund money from the City of Homedale.

A taxing district would broaden the revenue base. One idea is to tax property owners on both sides of the Snake River within the boundaries of the Homedale School District.

Nancy Belknap of the Friends of the Homedale Public Library organization said her group would like to help get the survey out in general circulation. The Friends of the Library, which meets inside the building at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, isn’t affiliated with the library board.

The library board recently wrapped up its annual usage report about the facility.

According to the report:

- 438 families from within the

- city limits and in rural areas, used the library in fiscal year 2013.
- The library has seen an average of more than 600 city residents come through its doors each of the last three years.
- In that same time span, nearly 200 non-residents have visited the library each year.
- There were nearly 7,300 individual visits to the library last year, including more than 1,800 instances of computer use.

The computers were used for many reasons, including completing homework either with research or using the word processor; searching for employment; applying for government services such as unemployment benefits; researching medical topics; accessing public school websites; booking travel; checking email or using social media; and online purchases.

- Nearly 6,000 children’s books, audiobooks and movies were checked out in FY 2013.
- Almost 5,000 adult titles were checked out.
- More than 1,000 children visited during 52 separate program days, including school visits.
- The library’s inventory grew by a net of 118 items, with 547 new titles replacing 429 withdrawn items.
- Library staff answered more than 150 reference questions.
- The library borrowed more than 300 items from other libraries, while loaning 139 items requested by other libraries. The lending program is initiated when a patron requests an item that the library doesn’t possess.
- At the end of the fiscal year, the Homedale Public Library had an inventory of 8,900 books, 236 DVDs and 324 audiobooks.

The library’s inventory is available for browsing online at <http://homedale.bibliunix.com>.

— JPB

School menus

Homedale Elementary

April 23: Fish nuggets, green beans, side salad, banana, fruit snack
April 24: Chicken patty sandwich, coleslaw, celery sticks, pears
April 25: Beef nuggets, steamed broccoli, baby carrots, strawberries, fireman cookie
April 28: Corn dog, corn, side salad, applesauce
April 29: BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, baby carrots, peaches, roll
April 30: Chili, baby carrots, broccoli, apple, cheese cracker

Homedale Middle

April 23: Mini corn dogs or ham/cheese hot pocket, green beans, side salad, apple
April 24: Crispito or PBJ, taco salad, celery sticks, peaches
April 25: Personal pepperoni pizza or Philly beef/cheese hot pocket, tossed salad, baby carrots, tropical fruit
April 28: Popcorn chicken or beef nuggets, steamed carrots, broccoli, banana
April 29: Ham/cheese sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, cucumbers, applesauce
April 30: Pork chop or chicken tenders, mashed potatoes/gravy, side salad, mixed fruit, roll

Homedale High

April 23: Enchilada or hot pocket, salad bar/fruit choice
April 24: Hamburger, cheeseburger or chicken patty, potato wedges, salad bar/fruit choice
April 25: Chicken or fish tacos, corn, cookie, salad bar/fruit choice
April 28: Personal pepperoni pizza or roast beef sandwich, salad bar/fruit choice
April 29: Orange chicken or chicken nuggets, steamed rice, fortune cookie, green beans, salad bar/fruit choice
April 30: Spaghetti w/French bread or corn dog, salad bar/fruit choice

Marsing

April 23: Spicy chicken & rice w/roll or burritos, steamed carrots, salad bar 6-12
April 24: Rib-b-que or mac & cheese w/breadstick, buttered corn, salad bar 6-12
April 28: Chicken fajita or chicken sandwich, steamed carrots, chocolate chip cookie, salad bar 6-12
April 29: French dip sandwich or beef taco w/rice & beans, mixed vegetables, salad bar 6-12
April 30: Teriyaki chicken bowl or corn dog, buttered corn, salad bar 6-12

Bruneau-Grand View

April 23: Little smokies, scalloped potatoes, green beans, fruit, whole wheat roll
April 24: Beef & bean burrito, romaine & tomato, corn, fruit
April 25: Ham/cheese on bun, potato wedges, broccoli, fresh fruit, rice krispie treat
April 29: Stromboli, spinach salad, mixed veggies, fruit
April 30: Cook’s choice

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

April 23: Sausage & biscuits, carrots, potatoes/country gravy
April 24: Fish, broccoli, potatoes, bread
April 29: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy
April 30: Hot dog/bun, potato, tossed salad

Marsing Senior Center

(All breakfast orders come with meat & eggs, fruit, juice & milk)
April 26: Mock filet mignon, potatoes, green beans, salad bar, roll, pineapple pudding cake
April 27: Scalloped potatoes & ham, buttered broccoli, pickled beets, rye bread, fruit w/sauce
April 28: Breakfast to order, pancakes
April 29: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes/gravy, brussel sprouts, carrot raisin salad, bread, pineapple
April 30: Roasted pork loin, navy bean soup, spring veggies, stewed tomatoes, oranges, cornbread, pudding

Rimrock Senior Center

April 24: Cheesy tuna casserole
April 29: Liver & onions or chicken nuggets

C.J. Strike bridge, ramp closed

Idaho Power renovation project will last into July

The wooden bridge below C.J. Strike Dam is closed through July 31 so Idaho Power Co. crews can undertake a major renovation.

The closure began Monday and will require folks to find an alternate route to travel between the north and south sides of C.J. Strike Reservoir.

Signs are being posted on area roads to alert drivers of the closure. Local businesses and residents also are being notified.

Construction on the bridge will include replacing the wooden deck with concrete slabs.

All of Idaho Power’s parks at the reservoir will remain open during construction, but the boat ramp adjacent to the bridge will be closed.

The bridge is on Strike Dam Cutoff Road, which connects Idaho highway 167 (Grand View Road) on the north to Black Sands Road and River Road on the south. Alternate routes include continuing west on Grand View Road, which crosses the river to the west at Grand View, or Idaho 51, which crosses the river to the east, several miles north of Bruneau.

“Idaho Power recognizes that this closure will be an inconvenience for those who live in the area, and for campers, anglers and others taking advantage of our parks and the wide range of recreational opportunities in the area,” C.J. Strike Dam generation specialist Doug Thurman said.

“These repairs are necessary for the safety and longevity of the bridge. Hopefully providing advance notice will allow people to plan alternative routes. We appreciate everyone’s patience.”

More information, including a map of the area, is available online at www.idahopower.com/cjstrike.

C.J. Strike Dam was completed in 1952 and has three generators with a total generating capacity of 82.8 megawatts.

Death notice

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Benefit account, brownies help leukemia patient

Friends of a Homedale woman battling leukemia for a second time are coming to her aid.

Audrey Brown is in Salt Lake City undergoing chemotherapy and awaiting a bone marrow transplant after her leukemia returned four years after she first contracted the cancer.

A benefit account has been set up at US Bank.

Donations can be made at any branch to the Audrey Brown Fund.

More information, call Lesa Folwell at 249-9727.

Homedale resident Andrea McRae is selling her famous “Mama McRae” brownies with proceeds going to help the Brown family, too.

The brownies are available individually at the Owyhee Scoop ice cream shop on East Idaho Avenue or by the sheet by contacting McRae at 880-6086.

Audrey Brown was first diagnosed with leukemia four years ago when she was six months pregnant with her daughter.

Calendar

Today

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

Candidates forum
7 p.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st W. St., Homedale

Thursday

Blood pressure clinic
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

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

Homedale Elementary L'il Pantry distribution
4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Homedale Elementary School pantry, 420 W. Washington Ave., Homedale.

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

Friday

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

Saturday

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

Senior center dance
6 p.m. to 9 p.m., public welcome, \$5, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Sunday

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 P&Z public hearing
7 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

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

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

Candidates forum
7 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 Hwy. 78, Bruneau

Wednesday

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

Candidates forum
7 p.m., McKeeth Hall, Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy

Thursday, May 1

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

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

Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting
6:30 p.m., 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, May 2

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

Saturday, May 3

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

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, May 4

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, May 5

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

Book club for adults
7 p.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690


Tuesday, May 6

Senior center exercise class
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.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

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Tales of the I.O.N. Country

Unattended Horses

A liking for unattended horses made the neighbors of a wayward rancher more than a little concerned. This activity oftentimes led to corrective measures administered at the end of a rope or over the sights of a Winchester.

In central Oregon, a man was known for picking up horses from his neighbor’s stud bunches or caviattas. He’d ride into an outfit and lasso a good-looking gelding and take it home. He’d keep it for several months, and if nobody said anything he’d trade it off. One time, the neighbors were working a bunch of range horses in a corral and noticed an outstanding young thoroughbred-type stud in the bunch. He had a mark on his withers that looked like saddle marks. A stud evidently had bit him on the withers and left the mark, which presented an opportunity too good to pass up. They lassoed the stud, castrated him, trimmed his mane and tail, and turned him loose with the wild bunch.

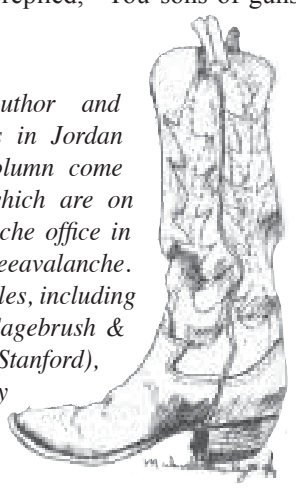
As expected the coyote neighbor ran this bunch into a trap looking for new horse flesh and noticed right away the good-looking gelding. Lassoing a locomotive would have been the same by comparison for the mustang jerked his horse down and he lost his dallies in the wreck. The last he saw of the gelding was a blur in the dust as it took off with his seagrass rope.

One of the neighbors not long afterwards saw this horse out on the range dragging what was left of the rope.

The next time he saw long rope, he commented, “I saw a horse dragging a seagrass the other day.”

The indignant neighbor replied, “You sons-of-guns set me up.”

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



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SENIOR PROJECT: SET UP A MEDICAL FAIR

(with a little help from a mentor)

Three HHS seniors organize seven-vendor event

It's that time of year again for senior projects to be done at Homedale High School. But, this year three senior girls put their heads together and came up with an original idea.

In fact, their ideas were a little too big and had to be toned down some, according to Aundra DeWitt, their project mentor.

Cheyenne Steinmetz, Kylee Jenkins and Abigail Rice sponsored a Medical Career Fair in the old gymnasium of the school last week.

"We just all thought this would be a good idea because we all want to be in the medical field," Abigail said. She has plans after high school to become a certified midwife.

"Ever since I was a little girl, I've wanted to be a nurse," Cheyenne said. She plans to become a registered nurse and to work in all areas of a hospital.

"This was a good idea," Kylee said. She plans to someday become a surgical technician.

The old gym was full of students on Thursday exploring their options and visiting with vendors at the various tables that were set up. Representatives came from the College of Western Idaho, Treasure Valley Community College, West Valley Medical Center, Southwest District Health, the COSSA chapter of the HOSA

might have thought there was an emergency taking place.

"We all just wanted to focus on the health resources available in the area, so students could learn about them," Abigale said. Project requirements included spending a minimum of 15 hours of outside school



Kylee Jenkins receives instruction from EMT Lauren Craft about gurneys.

time, and following the advice of a mentor, she said.

The three girls have been working on the Medical Fair since January.

"I enjoyed it because we learned to work as a team and I learned a lot of responsibility," Abigale said. "It was a real learning stretch for me, but I like to push myself."

"Putting this together helped me feel a little more certain about wanting to be a nurse," Cheyenne said. "It was stressful and we had to keep in contact with the vendors. I also had to overcome some of my shyness because I had to call people I didn't

know and ask them to come." Some of the hardest steps she had to take for the project was going to the principal to get approval and going to the school district to get permission to use the gym.

"But, it's exciting and I am extremely pleased with the outcome," she said. "I liked working with my friends, but we all had different ideas, so that made it hard work."



The three senior project members are congratulated by their mentor; from left, Kylee Jenkins, Cheyenne Steinmetz, Aundra DeWitt, and Abigail Rice.

time, and documenting what they did, she said. "It was great. These girls had some very big ideas, but because they didn't have experience, they learned how to be realistic and make it more manageable," she said.

"They basically did it all. I just gave them guidance and made some suggestions."

DeWitt said she felt it was very successful, but the girls were disappointed that not all the vendors they planned on showed up. The project taught them how to set goals and how to juggle their other responsibilities in order to reach them, DeWitt said.

The most beneficial thing about the project for the students was learning time management, because of their other activities, DeWitt said.

Kylee is on the HHS golf team.

Abigail and Cheyenne are cheerleaders and are also part of the COSSA nursing program, so they have been working on completing 40 hours of clinical time by working at Owyhee Health and Rehabilitation.

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Abigail Rice uses a bullhorn for announcements.

(Health Occupations Students of America) and Homedale EMTs.

It was a crazy scene as the boys were practicing basketball in one half of the gym, and the other half was full of students, rushing around trying to take in all the vendors. Outside, an ambulance was parked on the grass, as students gathered around to inspect it and take an inside tour.

Anyone who just happened to drop by



Cheyenne Steinmetz, right, visits a table manned by members of COSSA HOSA. From left are: Leslie Albor, Stephanie Aguilera, Maria Castro, Stephanie Hurtado.



Firefighters work to douse the fire that made the roof of storage shed collapse in Grand View last week. Photo by Larry Kendrick / Owyhee County Sheriff's Office

Storage shed burns in Grand View

Six volunteer firefighters responded to a blaze last Wednesday in Grand View.

The fire destroyed a 15-foot-by-20-foot storage shed located on residential property on the corner of Third Street and Riverside Avenue. The roof was destroyed

and damages were estimated at \$2,500, according to Grand View Fire Chief Charles Enszt.

Enszt said the fire was caused by items burning in a trash barrel situated too close to the building, according to Grand View fire chief Charles Enszt.

Easter festivities abound



Children sprint toward plastic eggs filled with candy at the start of the Homedale Chamber of Commerce Easter egg hunt Saturday at Sundance Park. Photo by Rob Aman



Marsing Lions Club member Herb Churruca and the Easter bunny (Peyton Green) prepare to kick off the 3-years-old and younger hunt at the Marsing High School football field. Photo by Jon P. Brown



Clockwise from top: Sean, Whitless and Halle Burch, Blaise Warn, Sean Roe, and Ezra Greenfield check out the finds of the day after the Jordan Valley FFA-sponsored Easter egg hunt at the high school on Friday. Photo by Jennifer Trautman



A highly successful youngster looks for more eggs during the Murphy Easter egg hunt Saturday on the Owyhee County Courthouse lawn. Photo courtesy of the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office



Homedale eighth-graders Payton Kerbs, left, and Hannah Egusquiza help stuff plastic eggs in preparation for the Homedale Chamber of Commerce hunt that was held Saturday. The girls teamed up with the Homedale High School junior varsity softball players to build hundred of eggs last Wednesday at Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant. Photo by Jon P. Brown



Above: Hundreds of people make their way off Lizard Butte after the 77th annual sunrise service Easter Sunday. Below: Sunrise over Lizard Butte. Photos by Jennifer Stutheit





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Marsing baseball tries to hold in 2A WIC

HHS baseball stays hot in conference

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Flanked by her mom Kathy (left) and father Burke, Katie Deal signs her letter of intent to play softball at Wenatchee Valley College. Also looking on are, standing from left, Homedale High School softball coach Larry Corta, Katie's brothers Jake and Drew and Trojans' assistant coach Steve Nash. Photo by Jon P. Brown

It's a Deal for Wenatchee Valley

HHS senior shortstop attracted to school's softball success

What began as essentially an afterthought has turned into the place where Katie Deal will spend the next two years studying and playing softball. The Homedale High School senior shortstop signed a letter of intent to attend Wenatchee Valley College last Wednesday. Surrounded by friends, family and softball mentors, the daughter of HHS baseball coach Burke Deal and Kathy Deal signed with the junior college in Washington state inside her school gymnasium's foyer. "She'll be outstanding because she listens and she's very coachable," Trojans softball coach Larry Corta said. "They're getting one heck

of an athlete and one heck of a person. "She's got a good work ethic and she'll fit in great." Katie Deal looked at six schools in her research to find a post-secondary home. She said she didn't know she'd become a Lady Knight until she visited the campus in Wenatchee, Wash. "I didn't have any plans of going there at all," she said. The visit came as part of a road trip to other schools, but Deal was sold on Wenatchee Valley when she stepped on campus and met Shelly Pfulgrath, a two-time national coach of the year who is in her eighth season with WVC. "She has a really good reputation for starting girls off

and getting them ready for a bigger school," Deal said. The Lady Knights are reigning Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges, which includes Ontario, Ore.'s Treasure Valley Community College. Wenatchee Valley is the top seed in the NWAACC Tournament, which begins May 18 in Portland, after winning their seventh consecutive Eastern Region championship. Wenatchee Valley is scheduled to take on the University of Washington and Western Washington in preseason action in the U of W Fall Showcase in Seattle in October. No wonder Deal picked WVC over the likes of George Fox, Pacific University, Puget Sound, Eastern Oregon and Northwest Nazarene.

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Adrian cowboy atop District 2 high school all around standings

Locals look to protect leads in Homedale

Local competitors have made quite an impression on the District 2 high school rodeo season. Adrian's Tyler Reay carries the top ranking in the boys' all-around into the fifth and sixth events of the season, which take place Saturday and Sunday at the Owyhee County Fairgrounds in Homedale. The action starts at 9 a.m. each day inside the rodeo arena. Reay has a 24-point lead in the boys' all-around standings over Homedale's Bo Pickett, while Marsing's Austin Williams is third in the hunt and Jordan Valley's Nick Eiguren ranks ninth.

Four local cowgirls are in the top 10 of the all-around standings, including sixth-place Sami Jo Bachman of Rimrock, Adrian's Quincy Pendergrass (eighth) and Marsing's Ria Kent (ninth) and Shelby Dines (10th). Reay has surged to the top of the standings in two events, and is one of four local competitors to hold down event leads thus far. He holds a 12-point lead in steer wrestling after sweeping the April 5-6 events to go with a win on Oct. 12. Homedale's Bo Pickett is third with 10 points after winning the Oct. 13 rodeo. Reay has the two fastest times of the season thus far with his 5.3-second run on Oct. 12 and a 7.56 performance on April 6. Reay won on April 5 with a

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Gardenia Machuca accepts congratulations from coach Larry Corta at third base after hitting a three-run home run Saturday against Vale, Ore., at Sundance Park. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Trojans steam into softball showdown

HHS, Fruitland poised for another battle to end

Dodging four errors, the Homedale High School softball team kept Fruitland in its sights Thursday. The Trojans survived a late surge to beat Payette, 8-5, in a 3A Snake River Valley conference game played at Sundance Park. Homedale (15-2 overall, 5-1 in conference) played Parma in a 3A SRV game after deadline Tuesday. The Trojans entered Tuesday's game with the inside

track on the No. 2 seed in the district tournament, and coach Larry Corta's squad goes hunting for revenge against Fruitland in the conference finale Friday. Senior right-hander Shelby Lee delivered seven innings from the circle Thursday, allowing five unearned runs in the Pirates' final two at-bats. Homedale was flagged for four errors, but Lee stifled the Pirates early with seven strikeouts while allowing just one walk. Gardenia Machuca doubled and drove in three runs, while Makayla Aberasturi was 2-for-3 with two RBI and a double.

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Wrestlers place in big tourneys

Grossman takes fourth in Vegas Greco-Roman

Noah Grossman showed his versatility last week in Las Vegas. The Marsing wrestler pulled off a fourth-place finish in the Greco-Roman portion of the Western Junior Regional. A member of Team Suples, Grossman went 1-3 in the tournament. He competed but didn't place in the Western Junior Regional freestyle tournament. He pinned Bailey Rodriguez of California in

Christoffersen earns runner-up at Reno Worlds

For at least the third time in recent history, a Homedale wrestler placed at the Reno Worlds tournament. Brayden Christoffersen was runner-up in the 17-wrestler 90-pound bracket for wrestlers 10-and-under. Christoffersen was the only Homedale Freestyle Club member competing at the April 11-13 tournament. It was held inside the Reno Livestock Events Center.

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Sports

Patton, Falls powers Trojans to key conference victories

HHS in good shape as final SRV game looms

Homedale High School's bats woke up in a big way Thursday in a 3A Snake River Valley conference baseball rout.

Blake Patton continued his tear and Conner Carter was unstoppable as the middle of the order helped the Trojans unload for a five-inning 15-3 victory over visiting Payette.

Trailing 1-0 in the bottom of the first inning, Homedale (10-6 overall, 4-2 in conference at week's end) scored 13 runs before the Pirates were able to cross the plate again.

The Trojans played Parma in its second-to-last 3A SRV game Tuesday after deadline. Homedale travels to Fruitland to wrap up the conference season Thursday.

Homedale scored seven runs with none out in the bottom of the second inning. Patton and Lane Sale had two-run singles in the uprising, while Talon Frelove drove in Patton with an infield hit and Carter chimed in with an RBI single.

Patton was 3-for-4 with four RBI. His first single chased home Carter to start Homedale's four-run first inning. Carter had doubled with two outs to ignite the rally. Carter was 3-for-3 with three runs scored.

Frelove and Matthew Thatcher knocked in two runs apiece. Sale finished with three RBI.

Carter picked up the win with



Jacob Falls dives into home plate Saturday as Vale catcher Gage Fortin scoops a low throw Saturday. Photo by Jon P. Brown

four strikeouts over four innings.

Saturday: Homedale 8, Vale, Ore. 6 — A flurry of activity with two outs in the third inning turned into an avalanche against the Vikings and a game-breaker for the Trojans.

Jake Deal led off the inning with a single and tied the game when Vale left fielder Andrew McLaughlin dropped Conner Carter's fly ball.

That was only the beginning for Homedale, though, as 11 batters visited the plate and the Trojans scored six runs to take control.

Vale's starting pitcher, Colton Friend, plated a pair of runs with the bases loaded when he walked

Lane Sale and hit Riley Qualls with a pitch. Deal's second hit of the inning brought home Sale and Jacob Falls, who beat a throw from the outfield with a head-first slide into the plate.

The Vikings mounted a sixth-inning comeback, scoring four unearned runs against Deal, who held on for the win. All six Vale runs were unearned as the Trojans committed five errors.

Before Homedale's big inning, Vale had taken a 2-1 lead in the top of the frame, but the damage could have been worse if not for Patton's defense at third base. Josh Schoorl led off the inning with a triple into the right-center field

gap, but Patton was able to erase him when Friend ripped a sharp grounder down the line. Patton snared the ball and dove to apply the tag before Schoorl could slide back to the base.

Thatcher was 3-for-4. Deal was 2-for-4 with two RBI, and Falls was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBI.

April 8: Homedale 5, Weiser 3 (9) — After losing in the ninth inning earlier in the day, the Trojans exacted some revenge on the Wolverines in a regularly scheduled 3A SRV contest.

Falls drove home Talon Frelove with the go-ahead run in top of the ninth, and Nash

Johnson scored on an error by pitcher Hustin Roth.

Falls was 2-for-4 with an RBI.

Thatcher was the winning pitcher after throwing four innings in relief of Caleb Oviedo. Thatcher struck out five and allowed two hits during his stint, while Oviedo fanned six and scattered three hits in the first five innings.

Weiser scored three unearned runs in the third inning to tie the game, 3-3. Homedale committed seven errors in the contest.

Frelove, Conner Carter and Jake Deal scored in the top of the first inning as the Trojans grabbed an early lead. Patton had a sacrifice fly, and Frelove and Carter scored on wild pitches.



April 8: Weiser 12, Homedale 10 (9) — The Wolverines scored twice in the top of the ninth inning to get the win in a game that had been suspended because of darkness on March 18.

The Trojans had fought back to tie the game, 10-10, in the bottom of the seventh at home before umpires suspended play.


Homedale had the winning run on second base with one out in the bottom of the eighth, but Weiser's pitcher was able to get a couple groundouts to strand Nash Johnson in scoring position.

Caleb Oviedo, who took the loss, pitched his way out of a jam in the top of eighth, but Weiser broke through in the ninth.


Austin Grothaus doubled to right field to bring in Jax Whitehurst with the winning run then scored an insurance run before Homedale could get the first out of the inning.




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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Bryan Johnson, sr., golf

The Play – Johnson became the second consecutive Trojan to capture medalist honors in a 3A Snake River Valley conference meet as Homedale won the weekly tournament at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser on April 14.

Johnson fired a 2-over-par 38 in the nine-hole meet.

Baseball Varsity

Friday, April 25 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 26, home vs. New Plymouth (2), noon and 2 p.m.

Monday, April 28 at Emmett, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, April 25, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 26 at New Plymouth (2), noon and 2 p.m.

Monday, April 28, home vs. Emmett, 5 p.m.

Golf Varsity

Wednesday, April 23 at Ontario Invitational (18 holes), Ontario (Ore.) Golf Club, 11 a.m.

Monday, April 28 at Baker tournament, Quail Ridge G.C., Baker, Ore., 2 p.m.

Wednesday, April 30 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Rolling Hills G.C., Weiser, 3 p.m.

Junior varsity

Monday, April 28 at 3A Snake River Valley conference meet, Rolling Hills G.C., Weiser, 3 p.m.

Softball Varsity

Friday, April 25 at Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 26, home vs. New Plymouth (2), noon and 2 p.m.

Monday, April 28 at Emmett, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, April 29 at Marsing, 5 p.m.

Junior varsity

Friday, April 25, home vs. Fruitland, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 26 at New Plymouth (2), noon and 2 p.m.

Monday, April 28, home vs. Emmett, 5 p.m.


Track and field

Friday, April 25 at Viking Invitational, Vale, Ore., 4 p.m.


Tennis

Thursday, April 24, home vs. Payette, 4 p.m.


Tuesday, April 29, home vs. Nyssa, Ore., 4 p.m.




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Sports

Marsing softball owns the road after two lopsided wins

A barrage of extra-base hits in the second inning allowed Marsing High School to even its conference softball record Friday.

The long haul to McCall-Donnelly didn't seem to faze the Huskies, who used two big innings to crush the Vandals, 21-7, in a 2A Western Idaho Conference game in Valley County.

Sheyann Glorifield and Shannon Clover both tripled as Marsing (10-3 overall, 2-2 2A WIC at week's end) batted around during a seven-run second inning. The Huskies scored seven runs with two outs to take an 8-0 lead.

Clover tripled into center field to bring home Glorifield and start the rally. Ellie Folwell's double chased home Mariah Kinney, and Alicia Barkell plated Destiny Reynolds with a double.

Ten batters came to the plate as Glorifield ripped a triple to bring in Carey Dines and Barkell.

Twelve batters stepped into the



Marsing tries to execute a bunt in Thursday's home loss to New Plymouth. Photo by Dan Pease

box during Marsing's nine-run seventh, which was fueled by a slew of Vandals mistakes. Marissa Hardy scored on Kinney's double to start the rally. Barkell had an RBI single in the inning.

Saturday: Marsing 22, Weiser 7 (5) — Kinney slammed two

home runs and drove in four runs in the Huskies' lopsided non-conference road victory against the Wolverines.

Audra Kendall and Marissa Hardy combined to throw a two-hitter, and Marsing took advantage of nine Weiser errors.

Reynolds scored on Kinney's first homer during a four-run third inning. Kinney drilled another two-run shot with Reynolds aboard in the seven-run fifth.

Kinney and Reynolds were both 2-for-3 and scored four runs each. Kendall and Carey Dines

knocked in two runs each.

April 15: New Plymouth 12, Marsing 1 (6) — The Pilgrims buried the Huskies under the weight of three four-run innings in a 2A WIC game in Marsing.

The Huskies committed seven errors that triggered eight unearned runs for New Plymouth.

Brittany Verigan smashed a pair of solo home runs from the leadoff spot in the Pilgrims' lineup.

New Plymouth led, 8-0, before Marsing broke through against Kaylee Forsberg. She scattered six hits and struck out eight.

Reynolds scored an unearned run for Marsing with two outs in the bottom of the fifth inning.

Reynolds singled and moved to third on Hardy's double before scoring when New Plymouth center fielder Kiah King misplayed the ball.

Hardy was 2-for-3 with a double, while Glorifield went 1-for-2 with a double.

Huskies sweep Vandals, keep district high-seed hopes alive

Marsing gets first wins of WIC baseball season

Lane Sevy pitched with urgency Saturday as Marsing High School climbed back into the race for a top-three seed in the 2A District III baseball tournament.

The right-hander scattered three hits and walked only one batter when the Huskies' 11-0 victory over McCall-Donnelly

in the first game of a 2A Western Idaho Conference doubleheader.

Marsing (11-4 overall, 2-3 in conference at week's end) used the five-inning game to fuel a sweep of the Vandals. The Huskies eked out a 6-4 victory in the nightcap. The action was scheduled for McCall, but had to be switched to Marsing because of a snowstorm in Valley County on Thursday.

Hunter Gibson, Austin Williams and Charlie Galvez chimed in with multiple-hit games in both ends of the twin bill.

More importantly in coach Jerry Stacy's eyes, though, the sweep put Marsing back in the battle for one of the top three seeds into the district tournament. Finishing fourth or fifth in the conference means an extra game come tournament time.

The Huskies began an important stretch of conference games Tuesday after deadline with a home game against Melba. They'll take on Nampa Christian on Friday in Canyon County.

"We need to sweep these teams

this week to get into position to nail down one of those top three seeds at District," Stacy said. "I'd much rather play in a 'win and you're in' semifinal game, that's for sure."

April 15: New Plymouth 4, Marsing 1 — An error-filled third inning gave the Pilgrims the momentum to win a conference game on the road and wasted another stellar outing from pitching ace Austin Williams. The senior allowed four hits and didn't walk anyone.

It was the third consecutive loss to start the conference season.

"All three of our conference games so far have the same storyline," Stacy said. "We pitch well but have a disastrous inning in the field that costs us the game."

"District is right around the corner so we have got to get it fixed immediately."

Junior Gonzalez was 2-for-3 with an RBI double that tied the game, 1-1, in the first inning. Williams also went 2-for-3.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Sheyann Glorifield, fr., softball

The Play – Glorifield had the strongest week of her young career, getting three extra-base hits among her four hits and scoring six runs. The catcher, who was 3-for-5 with two triples, six runs scored and two RBI in victories over McCall-Donnelly and Weiser, also stole five bases in those victories.

Baseball

Friday, April 25 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.

Softball

Friday, April 25 at Nampa Christian, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, April 29, home vs. Homedale, 5 p.m.

Track & Field

Wednesday, April 23 at 2A Western Idaho Conference meet, Melba, 4 p.m.

Go Huskies!

Sports

Different day, different medalist for Homedale golfers

Johnson sparks another SRV win

The team won another golf tournament, and Homedale High School found another medalist last week.

Bryan Johnson fired a 2-over-par 38 to edge Fruitland's Nathan Foss by one shot during a 3A Snake River Valley conference meet at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell.

The nine-hole tournament was played April 14.

"Bryan keeps on surprising me each week with his progress and his confidence

in his game," HHS coach Casey Grove said.

The Trojans finished at 173, four strokes ahead of the Grizzlies.

Maurer, like Johnson a senior, was third in the individual standings with a 40.

"Bryan and Gabe are playing some good golf right now," Grove said.

"Gabe played well. He just struggled on the first and the last hole, double-bogeying both holes."

Chase Martell shot a 46, and Kyler

Landa added a 49 to round out Homedale's scoring.

Weiser, which finished one stroke behind Homedale two weeks ago, was third at 181, followed by fourth-place Parma (219).

Girls

Three players teed off for Homedale in the girls' tournament with Kylee Jenkins leading the way with a 70 against some strong competition.

"They continue to gain experience every week," Grove said. "It is just hard in our league because we have two really good

girls teams (Weiser and Fruitland)."

Led by second-place golfer Kate Rose Hamilton's 45, Weiser won the tournament by two strokes over Fruitland, which sported medalist Abigail McKinney, who shot a 42.

Homedale's Maddi Maxwell fired a 73, and teammate Stephanie Kennedy carded a 78.

"Our scores might not show it yet, but they are getting better each week," Grove said.

"Hopefully we can get them to be semi-competitive by districts."

No. 1 Kincheloe shows his mettle

Trojans fall to Parma, split with Weiser

Kincade Kincheloe has emerged as a scrappy No. 1 for the Homedale High School tennis team.

Last week, he stretched two of the state's best Class 3A players to three sets.

On Thursday, Kincheloe won the first set in a tiebreaker but fell to Parma's Tanner Kramer, 6-7, 6-3, 6-3, in the Trojans' 12-0 loss to the Panthers at Bette Uda City Park.

Kramer finished third in the 3A state tournament last season, and was just the latest big challenge for Kincheloe. He took 2013 3A state runner-up Dominic Aubrey to three sets on April 15 as the Trojans split with Weiser.

Kincheloe was the only Homedale player able to win a set against Parma on Thursday. The Panthers were runners-up to Fruitland last year in the 3A state

tournament.

Andrew Randall and Michel Bethge, who have put together a strong confederation this season, fell, 6-3, 6-3, to Parma's Clay Nielsen and Parker Lewis at No. 1 boys' doubles.

The Trojans' top mixed doubles team, Delaney Phariss and Alec Egurrola, fell 6-2, 6-4 to Kaelynn Flaherty and Jacob Brown.

At No. 3 boys' singles, Ben Holloway rallied from a shutout to win two games in the second set of a 6-0, 6-2 loss to Parma's Logan Rohrbacher.

April 15: Homedale 6, Weiser 6 — The Trojans prevailed, 4-2, in a tough boys' ladder that featured three matches that went the maximum three sets.

Andrew Randall and Michel Bethge pulled out a clutch 7-6, 4-6, 6-3 victory at No. 1 doubles to help Homedale win the boys' meet.

Weiser had built some equity with three-set comeback victories in singles matches. No. 1 Dominic Aubrey rallied from a first-set loss

to beat Kincheloe, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2. Aubrey was the 3A state runner-up last year.

Second-seeded Mackey Aubrey also shook off an opening-set setback for a 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Homedale's Coy Gardner.

Delaney Phariss and Egurrola picked up a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Morlen Lopez and Brenon Westover in No. 1 mixed doubles.

Homedale was also helped in the boys' meet by two forfeits because Weiser didn't have enough competitors.

On the girls' side, Hattie Mertz and a mixed doubles squad notched the only wins for Homedale.

A top-seeded junior, Mertz steamrolled Weiser's Tatiana Morales, 6-1, 6-0.

The Wolverines won the other two matches — No. 2 singles and No. 1 doubles — in routs and picked up two forfeit victories.

Jasmin Zegger and Ryan Randall beat Alek Bondar and Kryshna Sylvia, 6-2, 6-3, in No. 2 mixed doubles for Homedale's other victory in the girls' meet.



Homedale's top girls' singles player, Hattie Mertz, returns a shot in last week's match against Weiser. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Match days smoother with courtside shed

A project two years in the making finally is making life easier for the Homedale High School tennis team.

Earlier this year, an 8-foot-by-12-foot Tuff Shed storage unit was erected between the two sets of tennis courts at Bette Uda City Park.

The project was funded by \$3,000 in grants, including \$2,000 from the Caldwell Community Foundation and \$1,000 from Northwest Farm Credit Services.

"The shed has helped us by providing more practice time as we are able to get started quicker having balls and other equipment already at the site rather than rounding them up and transporting them," HHS tennis coach Scott Michaelson said.

The Trojans also have had more time with the ball machine because it is accessible right there on site during practice days.

"Match days are much smoother with score signs and cleaning equipment already there, and I was able repair a net during a match because the materials were



Homedale High School tennis players gather in front of the new storage shed at Bette Uda City Park prior to a recent match. Trojans assistant coach Zel Mertz stands in the doorway ready to hand out match balls that are stored there. Photo by Jon P. Brown

there," Michaelson said.

The City of Homedale approved the location of the shed and requested a color that matches the other structures in City Park, Michaelson said.

An HHS student carried out construction of the foundation as

part of his senior project.

— JPB

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✓ Deal: Senior credits dad, coach for shaping approach

From Page 12

Signing with Wenatchee Valley was the culmination of a dream for the Deal, who has heard stories from her father about his college playing days.

"He taught me to play at a level where I could go to college, and he's coached me ever since I could walk," the 18-year-old said. "He has helped me fulfill my goal of going to college and playing."

Deal spent parts of four years with the HHS varsity, including the past three seasons as a starter. She got her first start in the outfield as a sophomore, but found a home at shortstop the past two seasons.

She tipped her cap to Corta for shaping her current on-field

demeanor.

"He's helped me with being more outgoing and being a better leader for my team," Deal said.

"He taught me the skills to become a better player all around and become someone my team can rely on."

Through 15 games this season, Deal was hitting .367 with six doubles, a home run, 15 RBI and 19 runs scored. She has been part of five double plays from the shortstop position.

As a junior, when the Trojans won the 3A state championship, Deal hit .444 with 10 doubles, three homers, 38 RBI and 31 runs. She struck only seven times in 90 at-bats.

— JPB

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Sports

Trojans log PRs at Middleton meet

Homedale High School athletes impressed their coach Thursday with personal bests at the Middleton Invitational.

“We had a great meet at the Middleton Invitational,” first-year track and field coach Heidi Ankeny said.

Sophomore Josh Tolmie continued to improve in the boys’ 400 meters. He ran a 54.04-second race and finished third.

Senior Britt Eubanks finished fifth in the triple jump with a mark of 38 feet, 10 inches.

Richard Symms notched two top-six showings in the throws. The sophomore was third in the discus at 130-8, and sixth in the shot put with an effort of 36-9.

Junior Bryan Villarreal was 15th in the shot put preliminaries with a personal record of 34-6.

The Trojans’ 4x400 boys’ relay team won their heat handily, according to Ankeny. The team includes Tolmie, Luke Flaming, Andy Martinez and Riley Portwood.

Senior Alissa Martin had the best finish for the HHS girls when she soared 29-11½ for fifth place in the triple jump.

Distance runner Maya Correa, a sophomore, was consistent with sixth-place finishes in the 1,600 (6 minutes, 24.26 seconds) and the 3,200 (13:36.97).

Sophomore Lexie Doss blew away her previous long jump PR with a 13-11¼ for seventh.

Herrera leads MHS top-10s at N.P. Invite

Pearson continues as top performer for Rimrock

Ofelia Herrera continued as a bright spot in Marsing High School’s track and field rebuilding year, placing second in the 3,200 meters in Thursday’s New Plymouth Invitational.

The senior ran a 13-minute, 12.21-second race. She was seventh in the 1,600 in 6:06.25.

The Huskies’ boys’ 4x100 relay team finished sixth in 49.09 seconds.

Other top-10 placers for the MHS boys’ squad included senior Tyler Malmberg with a 17-foot, 11-inch effort for sixth place in the long jump. He went 36-4 to finish ninth in the triple jump.

Sophomore Alexandre Heidt was fifth in the 100 (11.74) and seventh in the 200 (24.49), while teammate Tristan Jacobi, a senior, ran a ninth-best 12.04 in the shortest sprint.

Rimrock

Sophomore Hailey Pearson was clocked at 13.82 in an eighth-place finish in the girls’ 100.

Julianne Mori cleared the 4-2 mark for 10th in the high jump.

Adrian boys dominate

Adrian High School athletes pulled in a bushel of first-place finishes Friday as both teams finished second in the Ranchers Invitational in Crane, Ore.

Chase Walker, Bryson Shira and Reagan Shira played a part in three titles in the boys’ meet.

A junior, Walker swept the sprints (11.38 seconds in the 100 and 23.08 in the 200) and ran the third leg of the 4x100 relay, which the Antelopes won in 45.8.

A sophomore, Bryson Shira opened the 4x100, won the 400 (52.11) and the long jump with an effort of 18 feet, 5 inches.

Reagan Shira, also a sophomore,

ran the second leg of the 4x100 then won the 300 hurdles (43.48) and the triple jump (40-1).

Senior Tane’t Campbell and sophomore Clara Feldman were winners in the girls’ meet.

Campbell won the 100 in 13.75, and Feldman took the 800 in 2 minutes, 43 seconds.

Junior Jett McCoy was a runner-up in the shot put at 38- 2½.

Campbell and Feldman served on the second-place girls’ 4x100 relay with junior Jillian Nielson and freshman Selina Villarreal.

Marieke Frerichs, another senior, was runner-up the 1,500 (5:53.34) and the 3,000 (13:21.0).

Homedale 8th-graders win meet

HMS plays host to SRV foes Thursday

Homedale Middle School’s eighth-grade girls team won its track and field meet Thursday.

The meet, which also featured Parma and host Weiser, was the second of the 3A Snake River Valley conference season.

All four HMS teams are in action at Deward Bell Stadium on Thursday afternoon for the third meet of the conference season for the Trojans.

The eighth-grade girls’ championship run was highlighted by eight event victories.

Kendall Nash, Hannah Egusquiza, Meryssa Oakley and Jessica Evans teamed up to win the 4x200-meter relay in 2 minutes, 7.64 seconds. Another team comprised of Mindy Padilla, Ember Christensen, Lainey Johnson and Cortnee Smith, finished third.

Johnson also won the 400

meters (1:08.35) and the 1,600 (6:33.22).

Ashley Burks also was a three-time winner, capturing the high jump (4 feet, 2 inches), long jump (15-10) and triple jump (28-1½).

Eva Symms swept the throws with a 27-4 toss in the shot put and a 74-3 effort in the discus.

Runner-up finishes included:

- The medley relay team of Kaylee DeWitt, Evans, Egusquiza and Nash
- DeWitt in the shot put
- Amaya Zamora in the high jump
- Johnson in the long jump
- Evans in the triple jump

Max Mertz was a three-time winner on the boys’ side, taking the 400 (1:01.37), long jump (17-0) and triple jump (34-1).

Cobey Christoffersen won the 100-meter hurdles in 18.99 and was runner-up in the 200 hurdles and the triple jump.

Skyler Durrant finished second in the 800, while Tony Baltierrez finished the Trojans’ top-three sweep in the triple jump.

Seventh-graders

In another meet held in Weiser, Sophie Nash captured two events for the HMS girls, and Jason Puri won the 1,600 meters for the boys.

Puri was clocked at 6:00.76, winning a two-person race by nearly 22 seconds.

Nash and Courtney VanWinkle went 1-2 in the girls’ 400.

Nash had a winning time of 1:12.08, and VanWinkle was nearly five seconds behind her teammate.

Nash also led a 1-2 HMS showing in the triple jump. Her winning effort was 28-3, and Shelby Anders soared 23-5. Janae Volk was fourth at 20 feet.

Nash also finished third in the long jump, while Anders was third in two hurdles races.

Amber Allen was runner-up in the girls’ 800 and 1,600.

Puri finished second in the triple jump and claimed third in the high jump and long jump.

Jose Ojeda was third in the boys’ discus.

Small JV boys’ squad finishes 5th

The Jordan Valley High School track and field team competed in the Ranchers Invitational in Crane, Ore., on Friday.

With only four boys on the team, the Mustangs finished fifth in the 15-team meet.

Wyatt Trautman placed seventh in the boys’ shot put, throwing 34 feet, 5½ inches. Fabian Mendoza was 17th in the event at 26-7.

Braden Fillmore placed second in the discus with a personal-best 107-5. Ben Telleria, the fourth member of the boys’ team, finished fourth with an effort of 103-4, while Mendoza as 19th at 64-0.

Mendoza also competed in the javelin, taking 25th with a heave of 63-7.

Telleria was second in the triple jump at 39-4, while Fillmore was second in the long jump at 18-½.

Telleria was runner-up in the 100-meter dash at 12.18 seconds, while Fillmore finished second in the 400 at 55.58.

Telleria, Trautman, Mendoza and Fillmore ran a 52.87-second race in the 4x100 relay for fourth place.

Sharayah Sausser, one of two girls competing this spring for Jordan Valley, finished 11th in the triple jump at 24-9.



Ben Telleria prepares to stick the landing on a jump during Friday’s Ranchers Invitational in Crane, Ore. Photo by Sharayah Sausser

Sausser was fourth in the 200 in 32.02, while Breeanna Keller finished fifth in the 1,500 meters.

✓ Grossman: Marsing High School senior’s fundraising drive continues

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1 minute, 6 seconds of their opening-round match but suffered setbacks against the top three wrestlers in the tournament. Champion Dallas Goodpaster of Washington state wrapped up his title run with an 11-0 technical fall over Grossman in the fifth round of action.

In addition to competing, Grossman was able to watch Olympians such as Jordan Burroughs and David Taylor wrestle in a tournament that attracted athletes ranging in age from 6 to 65 years old.

Grossman has other tournaments scheduled throughout the West this spring and summer.

He competes in the state tournament Friday and Saturday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell before regionals and nationals later this year.

His fundraiser efforts continued with an event set for 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, May 9 at The Spot Pizza in Marsing.

The Marsing High School senior is still

selling raffle tickets to win two airfare tickets, too. He’ll sell tickets through May 14. Tickets are available for purchase at The Spot and Caba’s in Marsing.

For more information on the fundraisers, contact Grossman at grossmannoah.wrestling@yahoo.com or Sarah Grossman at (208) 908-1773.

Sports

Homedale JV upends Payette’s softball run in 3A SRV

Trojans score 44 runs in twin bill

Homedale High School’s junior varsity softball team made a big leap Thursday in sweeping a conference doubleheader against Payette.

The Trojans out-slugged the Pirates, 25-20, in the first game then returned for a 19-3 rout in Game 2 to had Payette its first two losses of the 3A Snake River Valley conference season.

“The girls played a hard first game,” first-year HHS coach Tony Sifuentes said. “Both teams struggled with errors and both teams were hitting the ball.

“Our team was running the bases well.

Our pitching wasn’t on for the first game, but came around on the second.”

In the first game Kristen Egurrola went 5-for-6 with two doubles, three runs scored and nine stolen bases at the bottom of the order.

Homedale had 24 hits in the free-for-all, and Taylor Kerbs, Diana Gonzalez and Megan Maxwell scored four runs apiece.

Egurrola scattered three hits over five innings in the second game, which was ended by the 10-run rule.

“The second game started like we have been playing this year,” Sifuentes said. “We came out focused, and the girls were having fun.”

The Trojans scored seven times in the bottom of the first inning then tacked on

seven more runs in the second as Gonzalez tripled and scored.

Sydney Shanley was 4-for-4 with three doubles and three steals. Adrianna Salutregui and Maddi Conant also had doubles.

Mckayla Steinmetz and Kerbs scored three runs each.

April 15: Homedale 14, Weiser 2 — The Trojans’ defense stifled most of Weiser’s chances at Sundance Park in a conference victory.

Egurrola walked 12 Wolverines and gave up five hits, but her defense came through to end every rally without runs except when Weiser scored in the first and fourth innings.

The Wolverines left the bases loaded in the first, third, fourth and fifth innings with

Egurrola ending the third-inning threat with one of her three strikeouts. She also had the assist on the out that ended the fourth-inning uprising.

Homedale rallied quickly after Weiser’s first-inning run.

Alyssa Troxel had a two-out single in the bottom of the inning for the Trojans’ only hit in a three-run rally. Salutregui, one of three girls hit by a pitch in the inning, scored on Troxel’s hit.

Troxel was 2-for-3 on the day, and Salutregui went 2-for-3 and scored three times.

Gonzalez was 3-for-4 with a third-inning triple and two runs scored.

Conant tripled in the third inning and scored two runs during the game.

✓ District 2: Rimrock, Marsing competitors also hold down top spots

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10.12-second run and finished second on April 6 to move into first in tie down roping with 35 points. He has the district’s best time at 9.72 when he won on Oct. 13. A winner on Oct. 12 and runner-up on April 5, Pickett is in second place seven points back.

Homedale’s Lawsen Matteson finished fifth on April 5 and April 6, while Jordan Valley’s Nick Eiguren was fourth on April 5.

Williams leads the bareback standings, but the senior has been the only cowboy to compete in the event in four rodeos. His only

competition is in the judges box at this point, and he continues to improve his score each time out.

During the April 5-6 rodeos at Badiola Arena in Homedale, Williams posted his best rides of the season. He scored 73 points in the Saturday go-round and came back with a 63 on Sunday.

Other local leaders include:

- Marsing’s Ricky Sullivan won the April 6 bull riding with a 68-point ride and owns a 10-point lead in the event standings. Sullivan also won the Oct. 13 event with a 62.
- Bachman holds a slim one-

point lead over Vallivue’s Rainy Robinson in pole bending. Robinson cut into Bachman’s lead during the April 5-6 weekend, but Bachman has been steady by placing in all four rodeos this season.

Homedale’s Carlie Purdom is sixth followed by Kent (seventh) and Pendergrass (eighth).

There are other local competitors who are in the running for a championship with six rodeos left in the season.

Marsing’s Shelby Dines rides into the weekend two points out of the lead in breakaway roping.

She has two wins in four rodeos this season (Oct. 12 and April 6) and trails leader Janey Reeves of Melba (29 points) and second-place Danyelle Williams of Vale, Ore., (28).

Pendergrass is fifth in the standings, and Bachman is seventh.

Reeves leads the goat tying with Dines moving up to fifth place after placing in three consecutive rodeos.

Kent is third in barrel racing, and trails Robinson by five points. Kent won the April 6 event to move to 22 points on the season.

Marsing teammate Carey Dines is fifth. She was third on April 5.

Pickett and Notus cowboy Judd Buckingham are third in the team roping, 10 points off the pace. Eiguren and Steve Duby are fourth, and Reay and Matteson sit in sixth.

Bachman and New Plymouth’s Nathan Duckworth are ranked ninth after a second-place showing on April 5.

In saddle bronc, Rimrock’s Zach Tindall is listed as one of four competitors in the standings. Only Duckworth has had qualifying rides and has 20 points.

✓ Softball: Elise Shenk delivers game-winning grounder against Vale

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Tristan Corta was 3-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored, and Morgan Nash scored twice out of the leadoff spot.

Saturday: Homedale 7, Vale, Ore., 6 — Elise Shenk wouldn’t be denied when it counted in a non-conference game against the Vikings at Sundance Park.

The Trojans’ center fielder had a couple questionable baserunning decisions earlier in the game and got thrown out at the plate to touch of an inning-ending double play in the second inning.

But in the sixth inning with her

team on the cusp of completing a late comeback, Shenk delivered a ground ball that brought in Makayla Aberasturi with what turned out to be the winning run.

With the game tied, 6-6, Aberasturi led off the inning with a double and moved to third base when Tory Lane grounded to second base.

The modest and monumental rally was just the latest in the game for Homedale.

After Vale scored five times in the fourth inning to take a 6-3 lead, the Trojans struck for three runs with two outs in the bottom

of the fifth.

Gardenia Machuca, who swatted a three-run homer earlier in the game, brought home Destiny Long, who had started the uprising with a two-out triple. Machuca was 3-for-3 with four RBI.

Katie Deal, who earlier in the week had signed to play college ball at Wenatchee Valley, clubbed a two-run homer to knot the score.

Morgan Nash pitched out jams in the sixth and seventh innings to get the win.

Amanda Trenkel went 2-for-4 with a double and three RBI from

the leadoff spot for the Vikings.

April 15: Homedale 13, Weiser 3 (6) — The Trojans capitalized on four Wolverines errors to score six times in the top of the first inning and cruise to a conference victory in Washington County.

Corta doubled with one out to spark the first-inning rally. Aberasturi came through with a two-run single to bring home Katie Deal and Tori Nash with the big hit of the inning.

Aberasturi, who finished with three RBI, later scored on Elise Shenk’s two-out triple to right

field.

Nash had an RBI double in the sixth inning and stole home to establish the 10-run margin.

Destiny Long led off the Trojans’ three-run fourth inning with a home run.

Morgan Nash had little trouble in picking up the pitching victory. She struck out seven, walked one and allowed three runs all in the bottom of the fourth.

Theresa Moyle drilled a two-run homer in Weiser’s only scoring rally. The Wolverines picked up four of their six hits against Nash in the inning.

✓ Christoffersen: Tournament season just starting for wrestler, teammates

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Christoffersen lost the championship match by pinfall to California’s Joseph Martin. The ninth-ranked wrestler in the nation pulled off the win at the four-minute mark.

“He was holding his own until one minute into the third round,” Brayden’s father, Jeff, said. “He got into bad position and ended up getting pinned.

“That is, by far, the biggest tournament he has hit so far.”

The Reno Worlds attracted nearly 2,800 wrestlers from 32 states. Action took place on 20 mats.

After an opening-round, Brayden Christoffersen reeled off three pins in a total of 2 minutes, 13 seconds. Jeff Christoffersen said that placed the one-boy Homedale team 161st

out of 360 teams in the pinfall category.

The boy’s road to the championship match included at 40-second pin of California’s Diaz Diaz in the second round, a 37-second pin of Utah’s Lucas Cochran in the quarterfinals and a 58-second pin of California’s Sebastia Espinoza to reach the championship match.

Christoffersen joins former Homedale High School wrestlers Jeremy Ensley and Tyler Hardy as athletes with Homedale ties to place at the Reno Worlds.

The Homedale Freestyle Club will continue its season Friday and Saturday at the Cadet and Junior State Tournament at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. Other tournaments on the horizon include Kids State in Idaho Falls next month followed by Western Regionals in Pocatello and Nationals in Orem, Utah, in June.



Brayden Christoffersen, center, shows off his runner-up award with father, Jeff, right, and cousin Tyler Christoffersen, who is holding his son Colton. Submitted photo

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Nebraska mule

Rarely do I hear a bad mule story, especially in conversations comparing mules to horses. Mules are held up most often as having common sense, calmness in a wreck, not having a sense of humor, and sleight of hand (or hoof) tricks.

Hank was wintering some big steers on corn stalks in the corn stalk state of Nebraska. On the day of the “great ride,” Hank had climbed aboard his big saddle mule, 16 hands tall, ears as big as swinging doors on the Gatorade refrigerator in the Cornhuskers locker room, and could accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in the time it takes to spell Thayer County Fair!

He named the mule Tom, after a revered football coach. Hank made a pass through the steers. The ground was covered with three inches of snow. There was a layer of frozen ice covering the field, but the soil was still soft and moist. A hot wire kept the steers from drifting into the road.

Hank was a former rodeo man and capable with a rope. He spotted a steer that was not lookin’ too good. It needed a shot. All of you who have rode wheat grass pasture realize most set-ups have a trap into which you can drive a sick steer, but if you are like Hank and are a member of the Senior Trippers, there’s a better way.

He roped the steer around the horns and laid the trip. The steer flipped around and flopped to the ground. Hank jumped down and tied the steer’s feet together with a piggin’ string. He reached up to peel the rope off the steer’s horns. Tom spooked! The rope came tight and pinned Hank’s right hand in a vise grip, not unlike a bull rider’s hand when the bull takes its first deep breath!

Tom took off running, taking long strides, dragging the steer across the ice-covered terrain of corn stubble! The steer floated like a sled behind him. Hank was anchored to the steer’s head, stretched out head-first like a luger in the Olympics! Occasionally he would flop from one side to the other and flattened his own share of the corn stubble.

It was more of a sprint than a long-distance course. When the mule pulled up at the pasture gate and stopped, Hank managed to free his hand and the rope. He staggered to one knee. The trail behind them was littered with his hat, medicine bag, and the right leg of his chinks. His right pocket was ripped off his jeans and he was pock-marked from the pelting of mud divots that clung to his face like manure on the inside of his trailer gate!

The steer was no worse for the wear and Tom had gotten his brains back. Hank crossed himself and gave thanks that the gate was closed or they would have been drug another quarter-mile to the house.

— Visit Baxter’s Web site at www.baxterblack.com for more features and to purchase Baxter Black merchandise, including his newest compilation, “Poems Worth Saving,” other books and DVDs.

Letters to the editor

All letters to the editor submitted to The Owyhee Avalanche must be no longer than 300 words, signed and include the writer’s address and daytime phone number.

The deadline for submitting letters is noon on Friday. Letters can be submitted in these ways:

- E-mailed to jon@owyheeavalanche.com
 - Faxed to (208) 337-4867
 - Mailed to P.O. Box 97, Homedale ID, 83628
 - Dropped off at the Avalanche office at 19 E. Idaho Ave., in Homedale
- For more information, call (208) 337-4681.

Kelly R. Aberasturi, District 2 commissioner



County business It’s time to pressure lawmakers to do something about BLM

I’m writing this letter in response to the Bundy saga in Nevada and our own issues we are having here in Owyhee County. The Bundys state that they do not recognize the BLM’s authority on the land, claiming instead it belongs to the State of Nevada. I don’t totally disagree with them on that, but the federal government is claiming these lands as public lands. My issue with this is that they have not paid for the resources consumed by their livestock.

We are experiencing numerous issues here with the BLM in that our ranchers are facing 50 percent reductions in their AUMs (animal unit monthly) and having season of use changed to the dead of winter where they cannot graze because of snow. The big difference here is our ranchers are paying for the resources and following the rules as they are supposed to do.

Ranchers here in Owyhee County are now having to litigate against the BLM to at least maintain their AUMs. The Owyhee County Commissioners meet monthly with the BLM. We have asked them repeatedly to coordinate with the County on these issues and repeatedly they say that they are, but I say they absolutely are not. They use science from Arizona and New Mexico to base some of

their decisions on grazing conditions here. I find that quite interesting when we don’t share the same climate region, weather patterns, grasses or other forages.

The BLM does not use any of the recommendations that the County puts forward. We have a rangeland consultant at every meeting. He is Dr. Chad Gibson. Since I have been a county commissioner, the BLM has not used one of his recommendations. The social economic aspect of the decisions of the BLM have not been addressed either. If the decisions by the BLM are upheld in court, the economic effect on the county will be devastating. Currently, research is being done to determine the financial toll this will take on our County resources.

I’m asking the citizens of Owyhee County to contact our state and U.S. senators and representatives and put pressure on them to stop this out-of-control agency. Contact U.S. senators and representatives in every state. We can make a difference if we all work together and show the bureaucrats that we are united behind our ranchers and we will support them.

— Kelly R. Aberasturi (R-Homedale) is in his second term as District 2 county commissioner.

Idaho Power’s role on the Snake Utility works to keep river life flowing, too

by Chris Randolph

When you think about Idaho Power employees, who comes to mind? You probably think about the linemen you see every day repairing, upgrading and maintaining the wires and other equipment that keeps electricity flowing to your home or business. Maybe you think of our customer service professionals who answer when you call with a question about your bill or to change service.

With more than 2,000 employees across our 24,000-mile service area, we’re easy to find. But there’s a whole group of lesser-known Idaho Power employees out there working to protect and enhance wildlife habitat, increase recreational opportunities, improve your camping experience and make the fishing a little better.

If you live in southern Idaho or eastern Oregon, chances are good that folks in our environmental department have touched your life in some way. Here are a just a few things Idaho Power employees do beyond generating and delivering electricity.

Raptor protection: With hundreds of miles of power lines running through prime habitat for hawks and eagles, Idaho Power works to make sure our equipment is as safe as possible for these majestic and important birds. Our employees regularly patrol our power lines for signs that birds have been injured and proactively make these lines safe for raptors.

We are an industry leader in protecting raptors from contact with electrical equipment.

Salmon and steelhead preservation: Idaho Power owns four hatcheries dedicated to raising Chinook salmon and steelhead and returning them to the Snake River.

Fish stocking: Each spring and fall, we put tens of thousands of rainbow trout at various locations along the Snake River for the benefit of anglers. We also stock catfish in Milner reservoir.

Fish sampling and monitoring: We conduct regular surveys of protected white sturgeon, tagging and releasing these iconic fish. We monitor their growth rates and reproduction levels and share information with



wildlife management agencies to ensure their continued survival.

We recently completed a survey of native bull trout in Hells Canyon. The data will help us manage habitat in that region.

Endangered snail monitoring: The Bliss Rapids snail and other mollusk species serve as food for other inhabitants of the river and as indicators of the overall health of the habitat. We conduct regular sampling of these federally protected species and take steps to make sure our operations don’t harm the population.

Parks and other recreational sites: Idaho Power owns and maintains more than 50 campgrounds, picnic shelters and boat ramps on the Snake River. We also staff the U.S. Forest Service’s Hells Canyon Visitors Center.

Why is the power company involved in these things? It’s who we are; it’s what we do. We care for the environment. Yes, the federal licenses that allow us to operate our hydro facilities from American Falls to Hells Canyon require us to provide recreational opportunities along the river, as well as monitor, protect, restore and enhance wildlife habitat impacted by our operations. Our dams produce clean, renewable power at a cost lower than any other resource in our portfolio. Maintaining those licenses is vital to keeping our electricity costs down.

We do it because the people who work in Idaho Power’s Environmental Affairs department care deeply about the river that provides electricity and supports farms, businesses and the unique way of life here on the Snake River Plain. Many of us are avid boaters, anglers and hikers. We are parents who enjoy watching our children land their first rainbow trout. We live and work in the communities the river supports just like you do, and we feel a special obligation to care for it.

So the next time you see one of our crews loading a boat, performing park maintenance or unloading trout into your favorite fishing hole, give us a wave. We’re your neighbors, and we’re here to keep the Snake River working for you.

— Chris Randolph is Idaho Power’s environmental affairs director.

Commentary

Financial management Simple savings accounts suffice for small children

Dear Dave,

Would it be a good idea to open CD accounts for my two small children?

— Abe

Dear Abe,

No. A CD is a Certificate of Deposit. Basically, they're not much more than savings accounts that carry early withdrawal penalties. They earn about the same as a regular savings account, too, which at the moment is next to nothing. There's no reason to open them for your kids.

Now, is it a good idea to save money on behalf of your children? Of course, it is. But if the idea is simply to teach and help them save money, I'd recommend simple savings accounts. If you're talking

about wanting to save money for them — like for a college fund — I'd suggest an Educational Savings Account (ESA) with good, growth stock mutual funds inside.

Even if you want to put aside college savings, I'd urge you to go ahead and open regular savings accounts for each of them. We did that for our kids, and I can tell you from experience, you'll find tons of teachable moments about saving, giving and life in general!

— Dave

Dear Dave,

I'm 20 years old, and I'm trying to get out of debt. However, I'm concerned about what might happen when I'm older and don't have a credit score. My girlfriend



says I won't be able to get a job or rent an apartment without a good one. Is this true?

— Ian

Dear Ian,

No, it's not true. I'm sure your girlfriend is a sweet person, but she has no clue what she's talking about in this situation.

In either case you can simply explain that the reason you don't have a credit score is because you have no debt. Since you don't have any debt, you have something known as money. That makes you very stable, and it makes you a fantastic candidate as an employee or tenant.

Listen to me, Ian. I'm a landlord, and if I had my choice between a tenant with no debt and no credit score and someone with a high credit score but lots of debt, I'd take the one who has no debt in a heartbeat. Why? Because that's the one who is most likely to pay.

Besides, you already have a good credit history if you've paid your bills on time. Show them proof of that, if necessary. But taking on a pile of debt to have a high credit score or increase your current score is just plain stupid!

— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover and EntreLeadership. His newest book, written with his daughter Rachel Cruze, is titled Smart Money Smart Kids. It was released Tuesday. The Dave Ramsey Show is on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government Proposed media shield law threatens journalistic freedoms

by Robert Romano

The ill-titled “Free Flow of Information Act” — supposedly a bill that will protect journalists’ confidential sources often as it relates to the publication classified information — has enough votes in the Senate to pass, sponsor Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) has proclaimed.

They’re calling it a media shield law. It is anything but.

Rather than protecting journalists’ sources as it relates to the publication of classified materials — think, cases like the Pentagon Papers or the Justice Department’s recent tapping of the Associated Press’ phones — it provides the federal government with the legal basis for compelling those sources be revealed by a court order.

To wit, right in the bill’s enacting clause, it states the purpose is “providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media.”

To get at the sources, under the bill, the government need only show it has “exhausted all reasonable alternative sources (other than a covered journalist) of the protected information,” that “there are reasonable grounds to believe that a crime has occurred,” that “the protected information sought is essential to the investigation or prosecution or to the defense against the prosecution,” and it is certified by the Attorney General.

As a defense, the journalist would have to show “clear and convincing evidence that disclosure of the protected information would be contrary to the public interest, taking into account both the public interest in gathering and disseminating the information or news at issue and maintaining the free flow of information and the public interest in compelling disclosure (including the extent of any harm to national security).”

But, there is a grand old exception on all matters related to national security if the case involves the “unlawful disclosure of properly classified information” and the government shows the disclosure of sources would “materially assist the Federal Government in preventing or mitigating an act of terrorism; or other acts that are reasonably likely to cause significant and articulable harm to national security.”

That should not be too hard for the government to show, especially because courts will have to accept the essential premise of the legislation that disclosure of classified information by its virtue harms national security.

In any event, is there any other type of disclosure by media outlets besides the unlawful variety where sensitive documents are leaked to journalists?

This is the critical question, because the scope of the legislation is not at all intended to protect the “free flow of information.” It is designed to crack down on the unlawful disclosure of classified information, and to force journalists, whether they’re “covered” or not, to disclose their sources in any case as it relates to the publication of classified material.

In the aforementioned national security cases, “the public interest in gathering and disseminating the information or news at issue and maintaining the free flow of information” does not apply.

That is, unless the government or the court waives a potential claim that national security was directly harmed by the disclosure of classified information. But why would they do that? Even if they did, a journalist would still be forced to furnish “clear and convincing evidence that disclosure of the protected information would be contrary to the public interest.”

The implications of this provision cannot be overstated.

Since when do journalists need “clear and convincing evidence” they serve some vital public interest in order to exercise their First Amendment rights? Why would we let federal judges be the final arbiter of what leaks of classified information were in the public’s interest? Isn’t it for the public to decide what was in their interest?

The outcome will be that the Justice Department targeting of the Associated Press’ phone records will be legalized because that case involved the disclosure of information that resulted in a story about a foiled Yemen terrorist plot. The government has argued that it was an “unauthorized and dangerous disclosure of classified information,” precisely the argument the new legislation anticipates and legitimizes.

Moreover, under the bill, “a judge of the United States may find a covered journalist to be in civil or criminal contempt if the covered journalist fails to comply with an order of a judge of the United States compelling disclosure of protected information.” So, failure to disclose confidential sources will be punishable as a criminal offense by journalists.

Perhaps more importantly, a “covered” journalist “does not include any person or entity — whose principal function, as demonstrated by the totality of such person or entity’s work, is to publish primary source documents that have been disclosed to such person or entity without authorization.”

Sorry, Glenn Greenwald, that probably means you, and your new news organization, firstlook.org and The Intercept — which was founded to continue publication

of the Edward Snowden documents that blew the lid off the National Security Agency (NSA) mass surveillance scandal. As bill sponsor Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) has already admitted, “It’s probably not enough protections to (cover) him.”

It seemingly also applies to any national security journalist that principally depends on anonymous sources leaking classified information.

Because they would not be covered under the act, would this make it possible for the government, at its discretion, to prosecute journalists for publishing classified documents under the Espionage Act — even if the journalists were not the original source of the documents?

Perhaps in the future that could mean James Risen really could be charged as a “criminal co-conspirator” when he publishes stories based on any classified information, too. Or James Risen could not only be compelled to testify to reveal his sources or be held in criminal contempt, if his reporting depends on too many classified sources, perhaps he could be prosecuted, too. All Schumer would say about Risen was “Under our bill, Risen would have his day in court.” Very reassuring.

Even if judges ultimately attempt to protect journalists on a case-by-case basis under the act, the threat of prosecution of journalists will undoubtedly have a chilling effect on speech.

As Trevor Timm, co-founder and the executive director of the Freedom of the Press Foundation, wrote of similar legislation in 2013, “virtually the only time the government subpoenas reporters, it involves leak investigations into stories by national security reporters. So it’s hard to see how this bill will significantly help improve press freedom. Worse, there’s a strong argument that passing the bill... will weaken rights reporters already have and make it easier for the government to get sources from reporters.”

This has the potential to dry up the publication of any documents that in the past have proven to be critical in exposing government abuses by intelligence and military agencies.

This is not the “Free Flow of Information Act” or a media shield law of any kind — Orwellian newspeak at its best. Instead, this legislation will create a legal firewall around the worst abuses of executive power that threaten every American’s civil liberties.

Why any media outlet would support such legislation that will ultimately be used to undermine their own First Amendment press freedoms is baffling, to say the least.

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

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

April 26, 1989

Homedale takes on cleaner, prettier look

While Homedale’s Beautification Week didn’t officially get started until Monday, last Saturday four volunteers laid the sprinkler line in City Park.

With that pipe in, Mike Matteson, Homedale Chamber of Commerce president, said, the Chamber members and LDS volunteers can plant the 125 shrubs on the northeast and east sides of City Park.

Matteson, Joe Favinger and Larry Bauer installed the sprinkler line in the park last Saturday after Ric Uria used his equipment to dig the trenches needed.

Last Friday Leonard Young donated his services, also, and rototilled the area where flowers and shrubs will be planted by the volunteers this Saturday.

Matteson also urged “businesses to donate an equal amount of flowers that they purchase from Homedale Feed & Seed to plant in their planters to the Chamber for use in City Park.”

He also urged all of Homedale’s business owners to make sure that the area around their business is cleaned up this week to help in the citywide beautification project.

Murphy woman’s entry selected as Centennial logo

Merry Taylor of Murphy has been selected as the winner in the Owyhee County Logo Contest held by the Owyhee County Centennial Committee.

The logo features an outline of the county behind a bald eagle in flight with the Snake River in its talons.

The OCC Committee awarded Taylor, a 15-year resident of Owyhee County, \$100. She and her husband, Jim, have four children and five grandchildren.

Taylor said she was inspired to draw the logo by a very special song, “You Are The Wind Beneath My Wings,” which talks about how a person can soar higher than an eagle and find unlimited adventure.

“Owyhee County offers an unlimited array of things to do, many of which even longtime residents don’t think about,” she said.

In her free time Taylor enjoys oil painting, playing the piano and gardening.

Taylor said this was the first time she had entered a contest like this. “I’ve never done anything like this before and was very surprised and proud that I won,” she said.

The second-place logo was designed by JoAnn McDaniel of Murphy, who received \$50; third place went to Marilyn Lees of Nampa, who got \$25; and honorable mention went to Kasey McBride of Bruneau, who also got \$25.

The winning design will be used to represent Owyhee County on a 44-county quilt, a plaque on Capitol Boulevard in Boise and possibly a county flag.

People in uniform

Shane Muir, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Muir of Homedale, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force’s Delayed Enlistment Program, according to Ssgt. Gregory Gempler, Air Force recruiter, Boise.

Shane, a 1989 graduate of Homedale High School, is scheduled for enlistment in the Regular Air Force Nov. 20.

Homedale’s track teams continue to win

Homedale T&F hustlers head to Oregon on Saturday for the Ontario Relays that begin with field events at 11 a.m. and running events that start about 1 o’clock.

The boys’ team heads into action bolstered by a peppy first-place team score of 121 against 19 other schools at Parma last Saturday, and a runaway performance at the sunny relay meet here a week ago, where the Big Red competitors took six firsts among 10 events. They would have had a seventh blue ribbon but for the disaster of a dropped baton in the final leg of the 4x100 run.

The Lady Trojans had a third-place team score 69 at Parma, behind Rimrock and Nampa West, but acquitted themselves with seven firsts at their debut on the home field, where they outscored competitors from Parma, Fruitland, Melba and Greenleaf in all but three events.

50 years ago

April 23, 1964

Proposed school expansion plans told in detail

A 4-room building to provide classrooms for music, commercial department and office machines, biology and science, and chemistry and physics laboratory is part of a high school improvement plan which will be accomplished under a proposed bond election to be called soon, according to Deward Bell, school superintendent.

The building, constructed of cinder block with brick veneer, and tile floor, will be 98x70 feet, constructed on the northeast corner of the block across from the high school on the west.

It will face south, with entrance on the east next to the high school. A boiler room with oil furnace, toilets, and storage area would also be included in the building.

A second building containing an industrial arts area, classroom, boys and girls dressing facilities, and coaches room and storage space for athletic equipment is part of the plan.

It will be 70x84 feet and be built just east of the present gymnasium, with about seven feet separating the two buildings.

Trojans move into 2nd place with 5-4 decision Tuesday

A pair of freshman hurlers, Jim Townsend and Carl Hays, combined to hurl Homedale to a 5-4 decision over New Plymouth Tuesday and the Trojans vaulted into second place behind Middleton in the Snake River Valley B standings.

Townsend picked up the win in a starting role while Hays worked the seventh and stopped the Pilgrims after Homedale had rallied for three runs in the fifth to take the lead.

Glen Kushlan swatted a homer for the Trojans and Bert Gray had a roundtripper for the Pilgrims. Ted Sharp was the loser for New Plymouth.

Lake Owyhee reading

Lake Owyhee contained 600,420 acre-feet of water Wednesday, according to Felisa Echevarria, treasurer of the South Board of Control. This compares with the figure of 380,200 acre-feet of water at this time last year. It takes 715,000 acre-feet to fill the lake.

Mrs. Breshears is named dist. director

Mrs. Helen Breshears, past president of the Owyhee County Home Demonstration Council, has been elected District Director for the Western Idaho Home Demonstration Council for the next two years, according to Nancy A. Palmer, Owyhee County extension home agent.

Mrs. Breshears was elected by 186 delegates attending the spring home demonstration meeting in Payette last week. Seven delegates from Owyhee County attended the meeting.

Mrs. Barbara Vance, president of the Owyhee County Home Demonstration Council, presented a report for the convention of the year’s activities in Owyhee County.

Marcia Richards wins 1st in district, state essay contests

Homedale W.C.T.U. received word this week that Marcia Richards, recent 1st prize winner of the local Temperance Essay contest, had not only won another 1st prize in the district, but also had won 1st prize in the State of Idaho with her essay.

Another Homedale winner is Steve Higgins, who won a place in the state temperance poster contest.

Homedale has now had at least two 1st place state winner in the last few years, and several 2nd state winners of the state temperance essay contests. The teachers have due them a major share of credit for their part in this contest.

Homedale locals

Mrs. Don Davis and Mrs. Tom Hall and daughter Marianne of Bruneau spent Monday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Adams. In the afternoon, they helped celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Hilda Davis at her home in Ridgeview.

140 years ago

April 25, 1874

CONFIDE IN YOUR CHILDREN. In American society there is an amazing separation of old people from the young. It comes, as we believe, from the lack of family intimacy between old and young. To most parents, children are incapable creatures, to be taught, provided for, ruled, disciplined, mentally condescended to, from babyhood to that astonishing morning when they discover that the babies are young men and women in whose schemes of existence they have little vital part. The mother buys the daughter’s handkerchiefs and pins, up to the time her trousseau is needed. The father decides all questions for his boy till the boy is ready to leave the home roof. Boy and girl go outside the household for their intimates and interests. They are not expected to bear their part in the entertainment of guests, or cast a vote in the household committee of ways and means. The deep social questions of the time, which are troubling the mother’s heart, she does not discuss with her daughter. The issues of war and peace, of politics, hard times, private suits or public dangers, the father talks over with his stupid neighbor, but not with his quick-witted, eager sons. Not making their children their companions and friends, parents are yet smitten with pain and a bitter sense of ingratitude when they find that their children, young men and women, do not care to make companions and friends of them. Perhaps. The parental reserve is a legacy of the stern puritan days, when the parental office and authority were so magnified that the statute books permitted those children to be put to death who “cursed their orderly parents,” after the age of 16. But whatever its source, its effect is infinitely mischievous.

SANTA ANNA. Santa Anna is in Mexico. Can’t the old fellow give that country a rest? The miles he has traveled in going out of and returning to Mexico, in the course of his somewhat protracted life, defy computation. General Taylor sent him away and he returned. The people of Mexico kicked him out and he crept back. Marreplitian welcomes him and Juarez expelled him. Back again, he was condemned to death and pardoned on condition that he would remain in perpetual exile. And now President Laredo allows him on Mexican soil, upon his promise to behave himself. He is nearly 77 years old, but he can no more remain quiet than Vesuvius at eruption time. It will not be long before he will again be on an outward-bound-voyage or occupying abut six feet of the soil of his native land.

CANDIDATES, ATTENTION! On the 3d of November — about six months from now — our people will be called upon to decide who shall be the public servants for the next two years. Of course there are no lack of aspirants for the various offices, and the Avalanche is ready to publish the announcement of any candidate, from now till the meeting of the County Conventions, for \$10 in advance. Come forward with your coin, and let the people know what office you want. As stated by us some time ago, we do not want, nor will we accept any office within the gift of the good people of Owyhee. We shall faithfully attend to the duties of the Sheriff’s office, until the expiration of the term for which we were elected, after which our undivided attention will be devoted to the newspaper business. We desire to see the various offices filled by honest and capable men. Therefore, we say unto the candidates — Republican, Democrats and Independents — send in your names, accompanied with the \$10, whenever you get ready, and you will all get a “square deal” so far as the Avalanche is concerned.

IOOF ANNIVERSARY. Prof. Gilbert Butler will deliver an oration, in Old Fellow’s Hall, at two o’clock tomorrow afternoon, which day, viz: April 26th, is the 55th anniversary of the institution of the Independent Order of the Odd Fellows in the United States. The proposed ball will not take place, on account of the large amount of sickness prevailing among the children of this neighborhood. Everybody is invited to attend the oration.

Public notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING:

Owyhee County Resolution No. 2014-18 set a public hearing for proposed changes to Ordinance No. 07-06, relating to Owyhee County Building Codes and regulations, to be held at 10:00 am (MDT) on May 12, 2014 in Courtroom Number 2, Owyhee County Courthouse. The proposed changes to the Ordinance are related to format corrections and revision of code reference numbers. A copy of the proposed changes may be obtained from the Owyhee County Clerk, Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy, Idaho, or from the county website at owyheecounty.net 4/23,30/14

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held before the Homedale City Council on Thursday, April 24th at 6:00 pm at Homedale City Hall, 31 West Wyoming Ave, Homedale, Idaho. The subject matter of this hearing is the Application for Special Use Permit filed by Kathy Watson requesting that she be allowed to operate a daycare at the property located at 505 S 1st St. West, Homedale, Idaho. The public is invited to attend and offer input. Alice E. Pegram, City Clerk, City of Homedale 4/23/14

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV2014-104 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: Maizy Lucinda Downing. A Petition to change the name of Maizy Lucinda Downing, a minor, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court in Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Maizy Lucinda Wagstaff. The reason for the change in name is: because her father is in jail and hasn't seen her since she was born I am changing back to my maiden name of Wagstaff and it would be best for the family to have the same last name. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 o'clock a.m. on 4/28/2014 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change. DATE: 3/21/14 Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court /s/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk 4/2,9,16,23/14

NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE CASE NO. CV-2014-013 IN THE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE

IN RE: Xana Sue Downing A Petition to change the name of Xana Sue Downing, now residing in the City of Marsing, State of Idaho, has been filed in the District Court of Owyhee County, Idaho. The name will change to Xana Sue Wagstaff. The reason for the change in name is:

NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUANCE OF TAX DEED GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT P.O. Box 67, Homedale, ID 83628 Owyhee County, Idaho

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Title 43, Chapter 7, of the Idaho State Code, on December 31, 2013, the period of redemption for delinquent entries made January 1, 2011, shall expire and the Gem Irrigation District, or its assign, shall be issued a tax deed or lien for the property described below, upon which such delinquent entries were made. The property described below may be redeemed on or before May 30, 2014, by paying to the Gem Irrigation District at its office in the City of Homedale, County of Owyhee, the delinquent assessments for which the delinquent entries were made, plus a penalty of two percent (2%) thereon, interest on the total at the rate of one percent (1%) per month from the day said delinquent entries were made until the day of redemption, and recording and publication costs. Any inquiries direct to Gem Irrigation at the above named address.

| Person Assessed | Property Description | Year Assessed | Delinquent Assessment & Penalty | Interest to 12/31/13 | Misc Costs |
|------------------------|--|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Kevin/Janet Grochowski | Sec. 28, T3N, R4W PT Lots 25 & 26, Lot 2 Larsen Est. | 2011 | 66.64 | 30.92 | 81.08 |
| Darrin/Ramona Jerome | Sec. 28, T3N, R4W PT SWNW | 2011 | 104.46 | 38.10 | 81.08 |
| Dana Rivera | Sec. 32, T3N, R4W, PT SESE | 2011 | 84.91 | 31.36 | 81.08 |
| Merville Robinson | Sec. 3, T2N, R4W, PT SENW | 2010/2011 | 389.80 | 235.32 | 81.08 |

Dated this 4th day of April, 2014
4/9,16,23,30/14
GEM IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Connie Chadez, Treasurer

because I divorced my spouse. A hearing on the petition is scheduled for 10:30 o'clock a.m. on 4/28/2014 at the Owyhee County Courthouse. Objections may be filed by any person who can show the court a good reason against the name change. Date: 3/21/14 Angela Barkell, Clerk of the District Court /s/Lena Johnson, Deputy Clerk 4/2,9,16,23/14

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, the 17th day of July, 2014, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: LOT 4 IN BLOCK 1 OF MORNING DOVE ESTATES SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED OCTOBER 15, 1998, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 226300, AND AMENDED BY AFFIDAVIT RECORDED FEBRUARY 8, 1999, AS INSTRUMENT NO. 227448, OFFICIAL RECORDS OF OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO.

The Successor 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 Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 507 Morning Dove Way, Marsing, Idaho, 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 VAN R. BRANDON and JANICE E. BRANDON, Husband and Wife, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION, recorded July 11, 2007, as Instrument No. 261670, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS 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 this sale is to be made is (1) the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated July 1, 2007, in the amount of \$1,005.00 each, for the months of October, 2013 through March, 2014, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement; and (2) the failure to occupy the premises as required by the Addendum to the Deed of Trust. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 6.50% per annum from September 1, 2013. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$128,559.68, plus accrued interest at the rate of 6.50% per annum from September 1, 2013. DATED This 18th day of March, 2014 RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE 4/2,9,16,23/14

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, the 29th day of July, 2014, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: LOT 4, BLOCK 53, AMENDED TOWNSITE PLAT OF HOMEDALE, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER FOR OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO. The Successor 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 Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 113 W. Oregon Ave., Homedale, Idaho, 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 SUZANNE I MCNIEL, an Unmarried Person, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of HOME FEDERAL BANK, recorded March 3, 2006, as Instrument No. 255438, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on March 17, 2006, as Instrument No. 255602, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT SHE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated March 2, 2006, in the amount of \$529.00 each, for the months of October, 2013, through March, 2014, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 5.40% per annum from September 1, 2013. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$75,856.12, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.40% per annum from September 1, 2013. DATED This 27th day of March, 2014. RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE 4/9,16,23,30

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE At 10:00 o'clock A.M. (recognized local time) on July 01, 2014, On the front steps of the Owyhee County Courthouse, located at, 20381 St Hwy 78, Murphy, Idaho, First American Title Company Inc., as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in Owyhee County, Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot 6 and the East One-Half of Lot 7 of Block 84 of the Amended Townsite Plat of Homedale, Owyhee County, Idaho, according to the official plat thereof filed August 9, 1911 as No. 7284 on

file in the office of the Recorder for Owyhee County, Idaho. Information concerning the foreclosure action may be obtained from the Trustee, whose telephone number is (208) 785-2515. According to the Trustee's records, the street address of 222 East Colorado, Homedale, Idaho 83628 is sometimes associated with said property. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust for Idaho executed by, Jody Usabel, a single person, as Grantor(s), First American Title Insurance Company of Idaho, as Trustee, for the benefit and security of, The United States of America acting through the Rural Housing Service or successor agency, United States Department of Agriculture, as Beneficiary; said Deed of Trust for Idaho was recorded December 29, 2006 as Owyhee County Recorder's Instrument No. 259322. The default for which this sale is to be made is as follows: Failure to make the monthly payment of \$878.46 due for the 28th day of March, 2013 and a like sum of \$878.46 due for the 28th day of each and every month thereafter; 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. As of January 22, 2014 there is due and owing on the loan an unpaid principal balance of \$122,506.87, accrued interest in the amount of \$6,605.28, subsidy granted in the amount of \$8,307.90 and fees currently assessed in the amount of \$1,212.66 for a total amount due of \$138,632.71. Interest continues to accrue on the Note at the rate of 6.00% per annum with a per diem rate of \$20.30 after January 22, 2014. All delinquencies are now due together with any late charges, advances to protect the security, and fees and costs associated with this foreclosure. The Beneficiary elects to sell or cause said property to be sold to satisfy said obligation. DATED February 26, 2014 FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY, INC., SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE /s/Dalia Martinez, Trust Officer 4/2,9,16,23/14

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THE MISTRESS OF THE MUSIC...



Jeannie Marie Drennon, singer, guitarist and drummer, has lived in Marsing for almost 20 years.

For Jeannie Marie Drennon, singing is as natural as riding a bike or driving a tractor. She grew up with it.

The wife of Roman Usabel, a longtime Marsing farmer with strong ties to the community, has built a strong career of her own as a singer.

In her younger years, she was the opening act for several big-name singers, such as Merle Haggard, the Bellamy Brothers, Johnny Paycheck, and Freddy Fender. She has performed at such major country-western nightspots as the Crazy Horse Steak House in Newport Beach, Calif., The Palomino in Los Angeles, and the White Elephant Saloon in Fort Worth, Texas.

In the early 1980s, she released a record called “Decorate The Night” to 1,200 radio stations in the country.

In 2000, Jeannie Marie released her first CD, “Kiss on the Wind,” which includes 12 songs. Seven of them are originals, including “His Other Woman”; “I’ve Got Ramblin’ Fever”; “Without You”; “Missing That Feeling”; “You’ve Got A Lotta Nerve”; “Kiss on the Wind”; and “Keith’s Song”. Her CD can be heard on CDBaby.com.

At 60, Jeannie Marie continues to perform as a professional vocalist, guitarist and drummer. She is lead vocalist, music organizer, promoter and long-term member of the Caldwell Centennial Band, which has been performing since the 1990 Idaho Centennial. She does vocals, timpani drums, tambourine, cymbals, shakers, triangles and snare drums for the group.

The group affectionately calls her “the dark mistress of the music,” because she is in charge of which songs they play.

Some of her favorite songs to sing with the Centennial band are: “Over the Rainbow”; “Someone to Watch Over Me”; “More than You Know”; “Blue Moon”; “As Time Goes By”; “Stardust” and “My Heart Will Go On”.

“Kiss On The Wind”
by Jeannie Marie

*Released in 2000 *Originals*
*“His Other Woman”
“Easy from Now On”
*“I’ve Got Ramblin’ Fever”
*“Without You”
“I Love to Dance”
*“Missing That Feeling”
“Green Fields of France”
*“You’ve Got A Lotta Nerve”
*“Kiss On The Wind”
“Way Out There”
*“Keith’s Song”
“Forever Young”

She also sings and plays guitar for weddings, parties and special occasions in the local area.

Jeannie Marie enjoys country folk music, more than any other type, especially the slow songs.

“Music gets into your soul,” she said. “What keeps every musician going is that the ability to play gives people joy.”

Jeannie Marie has become well-known at two of her regular spots. She sings every Friday night in the spring and summer at Orphan Annie’s Lounge in Caldwell, and the Pour House Lounge in Marsing, where she will celebrate her 24th year there this summer as a singer and disc jockey for karaoke music on Saturday nights. They call her the “human jukebox.”

She has energy and enthusiasm for something she has loved since she was a young girl. She grew up near Fort Worth, where her father worked for General Dynamics and her mother was a bookkeeper for Sears and Roebuck Co. She has a younger brother and two older sisters.

“My parents and family used to sing all

the time, as we drove around in the car,” Jeannie Marie said. “My dad especially loved to sing the Army-Navy songs. We all sang all the harmonies to ‘Sentimental Journey,’ which was one of our favorites.”

“I grew up thinking I wasn’t that special,” she said, “because I didn’t know that everybody couldn’t sing.”

In grade school she took up the violin and then the clarinet, but she never learned to read music.

“Paul McCartney and I have that in common. Neither one of us can read a note of music,” she said laughing.

“I can’t read notes, but I can read a drum chart.”

By the time she reached high school, Jeannie Marie became interested in playing the drums and joined the band. It was a non-traditional role for a girl, in those years, but that didn’t matter to her.

After high school her mom encouraged her to play in a duo at a local club. “She was the fingerprint in my back,” Jeannie Marie said.

She taught herself to play the guitar and then after her mom bought her some lessons, the guitar teacher told her she didn’t really need lessons.

She spent two semesters at Tarrant College in Fort Worth and then made a living as a singer. Over the years she worked as a soloist, and played in a variety of duos and trios in bands that played all over the country. She traveled and toured the U.S. and even went to Germany and Switzerland to perform.

In 1995, on a pheasant hunting trip to Idaho, she met some friends and decided to move to Marsing. She worked as a “hired hand” on the farm of Bob and Sharon Larsen. Jeannie Marie is a hands-on type of person who has done all kinds of farm work and driven all kinds of equipment.

After meeting Roman Usabel and getting

JEANNIE MARIE

Marsing singer/musician
is an experienced performer

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Jeannie Marie at the Usabel farm near Marsing.

married in 1996, she helped him raise three children, Joe, Ramona and Michael. The couple has been married for 18 years and they have six grandchildren.

“He robbed the cradle,” she says about her husband who is 20 years her senior. What she loves the most about this area is “Roman”. His favorite song she sings is “The Rose.”

She and Roman have been heavily involved in the Marsing community for many years with the fire department, Lions Club, school district and all types of community events and fundraisers. In the Christmas parade last November, Roman was grand marshal.

Jeannie Marie is a person who pours her energy into whatever she is doing, or whatever cause or event she is cheerleading.

She began singing locally in 1997 and became involved in a Marsing community band when the school district did not have a formal band. She and a small group of other local musicians used to play at the football and basketball games. Often they would invite youngsters to join the group and then after the district started up a band again, the group was no longer needed, she said.

Jeannie and Sue Showalter from the Marsing community band joined the Caldwell Centennial Band, so they could continue playing together, she said.

As for her many years performing at the local clubs, Jeannie Marie said, “the Pour House is just a neighborhood bar. We have a lot of the same people coming in there and we just try to have fun.”

Local musicians perform with Caldwell Centennial Band on Monday

A group of local musicians from the Marsing and Homedale areas will be showing off their talents during a Caldwell Spring Fling Concert at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Jewett Auditorium on The College of Idaho campus.

Monday’s Caldwell Centennial Band concert is a fundraiser to finance the group’s summer outdoor concert series, which

begins the end of June and continues every other Monday at the Caldwell city park.

The event is sponsored by The College of Idaho and the Caldwell Fine Arts Association.

Admission fee is \$5 per person at the door.

Claudia Weatherman will announce the music. The group is co-directed by Jodi Nelson and

Josie Call, and features vocalist and percussionist Jeannie Marie Drennon of Marsing, and about nine other area musicians.

Owyhee County commissioner Kelly Aberasturi plays bass drum and his wife Robin plays mallet percussion for the group. The couple lives outside Homedale.

Kim Doan of Homedale plays tenor saxophone.

From the Marsing area, other musicians featured will be: David VanWassenhove, trombone, Sharon VanWassenhove, clarinet, Thomas Ineck, saxophone, Sue Showalter, bassoon, Bruce Greenhalgh, tenor saxophone, and Dawn Sandemeyer, Marsing schools music teacher, who plays the French horn.

They will perform a variety of popular hits from the 1940s Big

Band music, to Broadway tunes, marches and movie themes.

One highlight will be a medley of Beatles music to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the British band’s first American tour.

The band last performed in Owyhee County at the Marsing Spring Festival in the 1990s. For more information call Drennon at 573-1193.