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Three JV seniors face graduation

Diplomas to be awarded Saturday

Three seniors will graduate Saturday afternoon in commencement exercises at Jordan Valley High School.

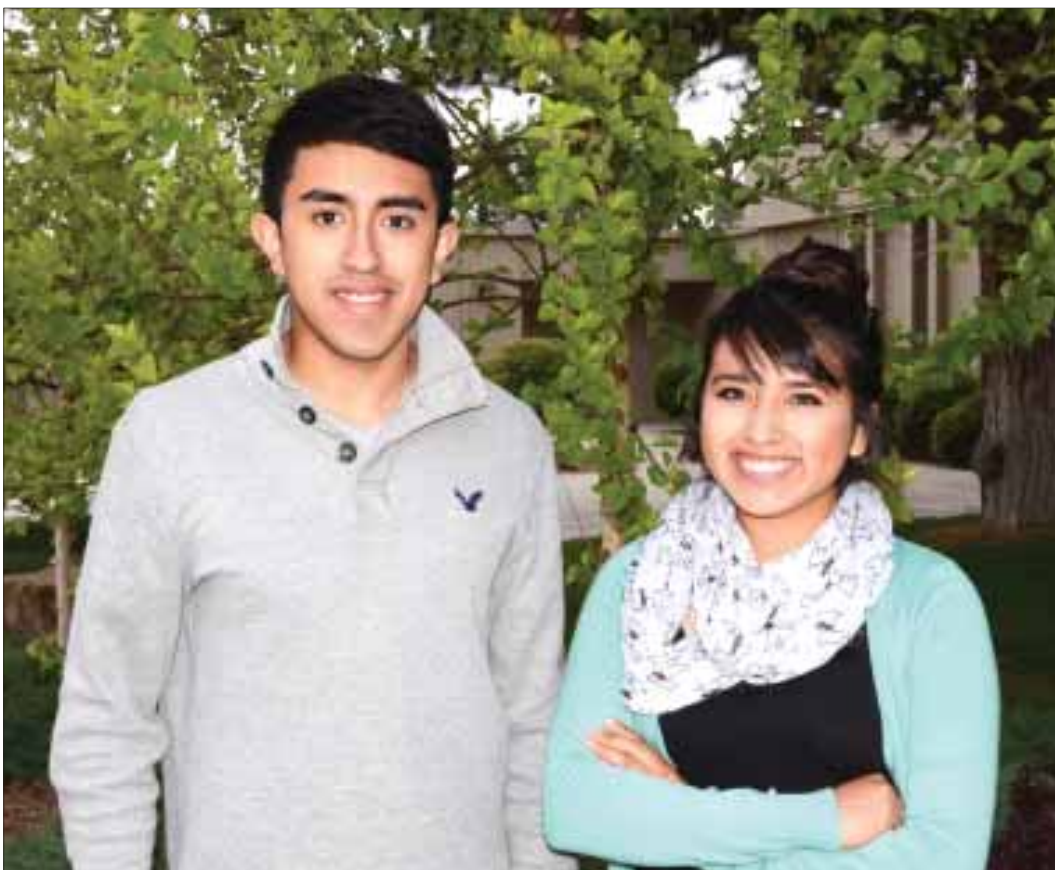
Salutatorian Wyatt Trautman and valedictorian Ben Telleria lead the class. Natasha Keller also will receive her diploma.

The ceremony begins at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10, 2014, inside the high school gym, 501 Bassett St.

District superintendent Jennifer Pettit and board of trustees chair Kelli Williams will present diplomas, and the grads will speak.

Fittingly, the Class of 2014 song is "The Three Best Friends" by Zach Galifianakis.

Several scholarships from local organizations will be awarded, including the memorial scholarships given in names of Pat Wroten, Jim Anderson and Clayton Wilson, the Jordan Valley Junior Rodeo Scholarship, Sage Hens Scholarship, Jordan Valley High School scholarship, Jordan Valley Booster Club scholarship and the National Honor Society scholarship.



Cousins Eric Sanchez, 17, left, and Edmy Vega, 18, made history by becoming the first Homedale High School seniors to win Gates Millennium Scholarships during the same school year. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Seniors add names to Gates roll

Selection of cousins makes school history

Edmy Vega and Eric Sanchez pulled off an historic feat when the Homedale High School seniors earned Gates Millennium scholarships.

Vega and Sanchez, who are cousins, become the fourth and fifth Homedale students to earn the scholarships, which will fund their college educations through graduate school. This is the first year that two HHS students have earned the

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Angel Walk headlines Homedale's huge day

With the preparation and perspiration all but completed, it's time for the fourth annual Angel Walk 5-kilometer fun run, walk and roll in Homedale.

The fundraiser for 21-month-old Tristen Thomas and her family shoves off from Bette Uda City Park at 10 a.m. Saturday.

This year's route is the same as last year — North 4th Street East to Riverside Drive, south on North Main Street, west on Idaho Avenue then repeat the route in reverse to wind up at City Park for post-event festivities.

Some of the activities planned include face painting, balloon animals, children's games and DJ music.

Children in fourth grade and younger will be allowed to ride their bicycles along the route.

Check-in begins at 9 a.m. at the park, and entries are still being taken. It costs \$15 per person and \$40 for a family to participate.

For more information, call 941-4163.

For the second year in a row,

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Taylor Sauer's family brings message to hometown

Monday's first-ever event at Marsing High gym open to public

The family of Taylor Sauer will be giving their Put It Down anti-texting and driving presentation on Monday, beginning at 2 p.m. at the Marsing High School gymnasium on Main Street.

The no-charge event will be done for

middle school and high school students and the public is invited to attend. Well over 500 students and parents are expected.

Taylor Sauer was killed on Jan. 14, 2012 on Interstate 84 near Mountain Home, while texting and driving.

The Sauer family has been giving "No-Texting" presentations throughout the Northwest for the past two years. The talks have been given in Idaho, Oregon and Utah at high schools, colleges and church groups.

The first presentation was made by the family on Taylor's birthday, April 19, 2012, and they have made about 30 presentations altogether.

Monday afternoon's program will be the first to take place in Marsing. The community is invited because many parents have expressed to the family they want to know more about the presentation, Shauna Sauer, Taylor's mother said.

"We expect it to be pretty emotional, because everyone knew her," she said.

Family members taking part in the program will include Taylor's father, Clay Sauer, Shauna, Taylor's younger brothers Hudson, 17, who is a senior, and Emerson, 13. Shauna's brother, Brad Warr will also speak, and Kyla Loucks, Taylor's best friend is tentatively scheduled to speak.

The presentation will include several speakers, three different videos, including accident scenes, a texting demonstration

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Audience gets active in final forum

After seeing only four people show up the night before, candidates probably didn't know what to expect last Wednesday when the third Owyhee County forum rolled around in Murphy.

Republican primary hopefuls Kelly Aberasturi and George Hyer (District 2 seat on the Board of County Commissioners) and Pete Nielsen and Steve Millington (Seat B from District 23 in the state House of Representatives) were greeted by a strong and inquisitive crowd inside Courtroom 1 at the county courthouse.

Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) also attended the Murphy event although he is unopposed in the May 20 election for another two-year term in the state Senate.

Reports put the audience at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School on April 29 at four people.

Needless to say, there was much discussed in Murphy even though the main topics of building the economy through more jobs and finding a solution to the intrusion of the federal government on Idaho life remained steadfastly prevalent.

Aberasturi said the biggest challenges to Owyhee County are the Bureau of Land Management and grazing permit restrictions as well as finding a way to diversify the county's economy, which is 70 percent agricultural.

"When the BLM doesn't do what they're supposed to do, and that's coordination, then I call them on it," he said.



District 23, Seat B House of Representatives incumbent Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home), left, listens as challenger Steve Millington (R-Buhl) addresses the audience last Wednesday in Murphy. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Hyer agreed the BLM was the problem, going a step further to put a fine point on the argument.

"We're having the trouble (with the BLM) because what party is in control?" Hyer asked rhetorically.

"We've got to be proactive before this thing hits us in the face," Hyer said.

Nielsen offered a solution that is gaining momentum throughout the West—putting BLM-managed lands under state control.

He said with state control of the land would remove the uncertainty

of the federal government continuing Payment In Lieu of Taxes funding.

He also wants to remove federal involvement in local education.

Millington said the answer to school funding lies, for now, in the local communities.

"We'll get back up to proper funding in time, but in the meantime, you'll have to help yourself," he said.

Millington said there's a fine line between government overreach and a responsible amount of government involvement, especially when it comes to roads.

"It's fundamental to have a good, solid transportation system, especially in District 23 because of its diverse geography," the challenger said.

But, he added, "The best thing we can do as a Legislature, is to get out of your way."

— JPB

Teacher resignations trigger late-year shuffle in Homedale

Sauer, Flaming back in classroom

Just weeks before the end of the school year, a couple Homedale School District administrators have had their schedules altered abruptly.

Superintendent Rob Sauer and high school principal Dion Flaming returned to the classroom after the resignation of two teachers in their first years with the district.

According to Flaming, sophomore-junior English teacher Tiffany Pavey chose to resign rather than face administrative leave as discipline for using inappropriate language in the classroom. Her husband, economics and social studies teacher Brett Pavey, also resigned.

"At the end of the day, we felt like it was the right move for the teacher and the district to move forward without her in that teaching role," Sauer said.

"Once Mr. Flaming and I were aware of the situation, we moved fairly quickly."

The couple apparently planned to leave their posts at the end of the year anyway and move back to Arizona.

Apparently some of Tiffany Pavey's students were also allowed to behave inappropriately in class. Flaming said the situation came to light when some students uploaded video to the Internet in which Pavey was using inappropriate language in class. No students will be disciplined, Flaming said.

News of the resignations and how the district was handling the instructional situation was broadcast to the parents of affected students through the Lumen email system last week.

"We dealt with it. They resigned," Flaming said. "We're finishing out the classes for the year."

Flaming said the transition from the Paveys to other teachers, including Flaming, Sauer and substitute Robbie Busse at the high school and Janee Brumfield

at the middle school, hasn't caused disruption among the students.

"As far as affecting instruction, it's going well," the principal said. "The kids came in the first day. We said this is what happened and it's a done deal."

HHS student services specialist Debbie Flaming is assisting Busse, who is certified to teach English.

Flaming, who last taught a class five years ago in the Meadows Valley School District, has assumed three periods of Government with 12th-graders.

"I wanted to work with the seniors, being that we're almost done," Flaming said. "It allows me to touch base every day and make sure they're in line to graduate."

With the end of their high school careers looming, the seniors' behavior could have made the situation more difficult.

"I think there is a little added challenge to the fact that they are ready to graduate and have that senioritis, so we do appreciate them taking it one day at a time," Sauer said.

"It's also good for our students and staff members to see our administrators step up into this situation."

Sauer hasn't had a full-time classroom assignment in 11 years. Now he is teaching World Cultures and Economics, which were Brett Pavey's responsibility.

"Hat's off to the kids because they responded very well," Sauer said. "They've done a good job in the transition because they've made it easier for the adults in the process."

Sauer continues to cope with his administrative duties as well.

High school teacher Harley Miller has picked up Brett Pavey's other U.S. History classes, while Brumfield is teaching Pavey's middle school students.

Even though the three classes have added to Flaming's workload ("It's a juggling act," he said.), the principal is enjoying the return to his roots.

"I love it," he said. "To be honest with you, if I could teach every day, I would."

— JPB

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Marsing Ambulance personnel prepare to load Leslie Satre for transport to a Nampa hospital. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Woman lands in ICU after being struck by car outside Marsing

A California woman was still in a Boise hospital’s intensive care unit Monday after she struck her head on the pavement when she was hit by a car late Thursday afternoon.

The woman, identified as Leslie Satre, was walking from the gas pumps to the convenience store at the Gem Stop outside Marsing when the accident occurred.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Deputy David Green said the woman, who is approximately 55 years old, was knocked over when a red 2007 red Volkswagen Jetta driven by 37-year-old Marsing resident Shannon Freeman backed into her.

Green cited Freeman for misdemeanor driving without privileges and infractions of unsafe backing and failure to provide proof of insurance.

The deputy said only the yells of witnesses may have stopped Freeman’s progress backwards, possibly preventing even more serious injuries for Satre.

Satre, whom Green said is planning to move to Idaho from California with her parents, was transported to Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Nampa by Marsing Ambulance with head and back trauma. She was later transferred to St. Al’s in Boise.

Owyhee Gardeners continue plant sale

Owyhee Gardeners member Wanda Ferguson, right, discusses a Parks Whopper tomato plant with Wilder resident Patricia Benedict during Saturday’s sale in Homedale.

The Owyhee Gardeners will continue their spring sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. both Friday and Saturday at the Marsing greenhouse on 8th Avenue West.



Woman injures back in ATV rollover

A 30-year-old Nampa woman was transported to a Nampa hospital after an ATV accident Sunday afternoon.

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Back-country Deputy Kenny Hoagland

said 30-year-old Amanda Zoubi complained of lower back pain after her four-wheeler tipped and rolled over her.

Hoagland said Zoubi was traveling uphill when she hit a small

ravine and rolled the ATV down a cliff near the summit at Reynolds Creek.

Marsing Ambulance transported Zoubi to Saint Alphonsus Medical Center in Nampa.



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Marsing students ready to help during city cleanup

Marsing School District students will be available to the community for a city-wide cleanup effort from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, May 15.

Students and school staff will work to beautify public areas, parks and schools.

“This is a positive event which will give kids an opportunity to give back to the community,” district superintendent Norm Stewart said. “It will also give the community an opportunity to see kids doing positive things.”

Students from all grades will do basic yard work for seniors or disabled individuals.

Folks can call and provide information on those needing help. Call Pete Smit at 863-8742 or Stewart at 896-4111, ext. 1.

Free well water testing planned

Two agencies have teamed up to provide free well water testing in Homedale next Wednesday.

The Idaho Rural Water Association and Southwest District Health will provide the tests at Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

The nitrate-only testing will be available between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

“We will be educating people on nitrates and providing advice on how to lower nitrates in drinking water, as well as how to protect the regional aquifer from contamination,” IRWA source water protection specialist Adrianna Hummer said.

Residents who want their private or community well water test should collect a sample size of at least a pint in a clean container. Officials say a pint- or quart-sized canning jar does the trick, and people should be sure to wash the container in warm, soapy water and rinse it well.

Those people with water softeners or filtration systems should collect their sample from a source not connected to the filtering system, such as an outside faucet.

Test strips will be used, and results are immediate.

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Homedale man admits to taking pine from national forest in Ore.

A Homedale man and his father have entered guilty pleas stemming from a federal indictment handed down last year.

Brent L. Burton, 22, and his 46-year-old father, Terry Kevin Burton, entered their pleas to stealing timber from public lands last Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Boise.

According to their plea agreement, the men admitted to making several trips into the Malheur National Forest to unlawfully cut lodgepole pine post and poles in May 2013 with the intent of selling them commercially. Neither had a commercial timber license or contract to authorize the taking of the posts and poles.

They pled guilty to the charge

of theft of government property last week.

The father and son created an illegal trail through the forest to access the timber and last week agreed to pay \$3,880 in restitution for the timber they removed and to restore the damaged area.

The pair will be sentenced on July 9 before Chief U.S. District Judge B. Lynn Winmill. The

charge is punishable by up to one year in prison, a fine of up to \$5,000 and no more than one year of supervised release.

On Oct. 9, a federal grand jury indicted the Burtons on several felonies including conspiracy to commit theft of government property, injury to government property and six counts of theft of government property.

Corrections

The new Marsing Family Dollar store hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays, and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Sundays.

The Marsing High School softball player sliding home on Page 16 of the April 30 edition of The Owyhee Avalanche was Alicia Barkell.

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Homedale’s younger kids present concerts

The community is invited to a pair of school concerts at Homedale Middle School.

Both shows will start at 6:30 p.m. inside the HMS gymnasium.

First up is Thursday’s annual concert for fifth and sixth-graders.

Homedale High School music director Skyler Krall and kindergarten through sixth-grade music teacher Tony Bradshaw will co-direct the program.

Songs include: “If you build it,” “You can help,” “Responsible,” “Yes or No,” “No Drugs For Me,” “Forever Friends,” “We’ll Figure it Out,” “Listen to the Beat of My Heart,” “The Future’s Calling Us,” “Forever Learning,” “Everybody Needs A Friend,” and “Never Stop Learning.”

On Tuesday, Homedale third- and fourth-graders will perform in their “Rockin’ Spring” concert with Bradshaw leading the way.

Songs on the program will include: “We Rock,” “Rockin’ Frere Jacques,” “Education Rocks,” “Rock Band,” “Moo Tube,” “A Whacky Winter Song,” “Whacky Birthday,” “When the Saints Go Marching In,” “When Johnny Comes Marching Home,” “Yankee Doodle,” “Sol Mi La Sol Mi,” and a new original song written especially for the Homedale students titled “Rock Boom BAG (huh).”

Annual tractor pull returns to Homedale

The annual Homedale Antique and Modified Tractor Pull will take place on Saturday, the same day as the Angel Walk.

The tractor pull activities are free of charge and the public is invited.

Events will take place at the Amalgamated Sugar Co. Beet Dump at the corner of East Idaho Avenue and Industrial road.

The tractor pull is sponsored by the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association. Donations are welcomed.

For more information call Guy Stauffer at 573-4049 or (541)724-5252.

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✓ Message: Two years later, no-texting assemblies still drain emotion from Sauers

and obstacle course, and a video tribute to Taylor.

Sauer said the family has gotten tons of feedback from the people who have viewed the program, as well as the huge response her facebook page has gotten.

“We feel like, If we can help one kid, then it’s worth it,” She said. “We also want people to realize this is not just a teenage problem, but a social problem.”

“We’ve done these mostly when students have called and asked us to,” Shauna said. The family has not advertised or charged for the events. Many presentations have been given as senior projects, she said. The family plans to keep making the presentations “as long as people keep wanting to hear them,” Shauna said.

“It’s hard to keep doing this, but we feel like it’s our duty,” she said. Carrying out the presentation is just like reliving the event, which makes it hard on family members, she said.

“Some of us this has helped, but for some of us, it doesn’t seem to help the grief.”

“It’s tough to put yourself out there, because sometimes the comments people make whenever an article is printed are hard to take,” she said. “Some people can be horrible in the things they say. Now we have a glimpse of what life is like for people in the spotlight.”

The family is considering taking the no-texting campaign to a national level, but not until their children are out of school.

Shauna said the presentations have grown in length over the past two years and the emphasis has changed slightly.

“It used to be like, ‘This is what has happened to us’, and now it’s more like ‘How is something like this going to affect you?’ kind of approach,” Shauna said.

“We have our memories of our daughter that are precious to us, and we want people to know about the tragedy of her death and the outcomes of her choice,” she said.

“But we also want people to see that we are a normal family, and this could happen to anyone.”

Taylor was a 2011 graduate of Marsing High School and was enrolled in classes at Utah State University, in Logan, at the time of her death. She was majoring in elementary education and was planning on becoming a teacher.

Taylor was salutatorian of her graduating class, and was an honor roll student, active in FFA and community-wide activities, and was first baseman on the MHS softball team that won the program’s first state championship in 46 years. As a senior, she won the United Dairymen’s Distinguished Student Award and was interviewed on KTVB.

Memorial bricks can be purchased for “Taylor’s Corner,” which is a community garden on the Marsing Elementary school grounds. For more information contact Shauna Sauer at 867-8725.

—KB

✓ Angel Walk: Car show returns for another year, too

Angel Walk participants will run, walk or bike ride through rows and rows of classic cars as the featured attraction for the Angel Walk car show.

Organizers anticipate 150 vehicles to be on display between 10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on the west side of town.

West Idaho Avenue will be closed to traffic Saturday to make way for the vehicles.

Up for grabs are 11 trophies sponsored by several businesses and individuals, including Angel’s Choice, the winner of which will be chosen by Tristen and her family.

A poker walk designed to bring more business into downtown establishments also will be held in conjunction with the car show.

Several local businesses also have donated prizes for a drawing.

All proceeds from the car show will go to the Angel Walk fund.

Car show entry is by donation. For more information, call 880-5782 or 412-8782.

Several off-road vehicles will be on display at the Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., as part of the organization’s fundraiser breakfast and lunch planned for the day of Angel Walk.

Pancakes and sausage will be served for breakfast beginning after 7 a.m. Around 11 a.m., the fare turns to hamburgers and hot dogs. Proceeds will help operate the senior center.

TEAM Mazda/Subaru on the Nampa-Caldwell Boulevard also has gotten in on the Angel Walk act.

Car show officials announced last month that the car dealership will donate a vehicle to be raffled at next year’s Angel Walk. Tickets will be sold between now and next May.

✓ Gates: Family boasts four recipients

prestigious scholarships in the same year.

The students are among 1,000 Gates recipients nationwide that were announced last week.

Edmy, 18, is the daughter of J. Ventura and Yolanda Vega.

Eric, who turns 18 on Friday, is the son of Abdencio and Concepcion. His siblings Samuel (2008) and Corina (2010) are also

Gates scholars from Homedale.

The scholarship program, financed by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, began in 1999. All four HHS recipients have been selected in the past six years.

Samuel Sanchez was the first Homedale senior to earn a Gates scholarship in 2008.

Corina Sanchez, Samuel’s sister, earned a scholarship in

2010.

The following year, Jarod Armenta become the third HHS recipient. He currently attends Cornell College in Iowa.

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Obituaries

Pamela Jean Hall

Pamela Jean Hall, 59, passed away April 29, 2014, at her home after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born May 28, 1954, in Boise to Bonnie and Michael (Chris) McCabe (deceased). Her mom married LeRoy Ryska and he was the father she knew.

She graduated from Meridian High School and participated in track, football and was on the High School Rodeo District 2 team in goat tying. She graduated from Peacock Beauty School and worked at Sherwood Plaza in Boise, then did hair for the mentally challenged at the Idaho State School. She worked at various restaurants as a cook. She went

to night school at Boise State University to become a CNA. She worked at Sun Bridge Nursing Home and the Elks Hospital and Rehab. After a back injury, she became a caregiver to Jack Williamson until March 17, 2011, when she was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. After undergoing a long siege of treatments, she was told in May of 2013 that the cancer had spread so she went to Huntsman Cancer Institute where she volunteered for experimental treatments. Because of the study, one of the drugs is now on the market.

She married her best friend, Jay Hall, Aug. 27, 1976, at the



along the Snake River in Opaline. They have two children, Jason and Carissa. She loved to accompany Jay and Jason hunting and shot deer, elk and even got a bull moose.

She was preceded in death by grandparents; her father, Chris; numerous aunts and uncles.

She is survived by her husband, Jay Hall; son, Jason; daughter, Carissa; parents, LeRoy and Bonnie Ryska; siblings, Jim (Teresa), Brenda (Alan), Tony (Priscilla); brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Howard and Nona Donaldson; aunts; uncles; many nieces and nephews, cousins; adopted grandson, Ryder; and a special dog,

“LuLu.”

Graveside services will be Saturday, May 10, 2014, at 1 p.m. at Pioneer Cemetery on Highway 78, mile marker 12 behind the Tipping Station near Givens Hot Springs.

The family would like to thank the many doctors and caregivers who helped throughout her illness.

In Pam's words, "Thanks to the many angels who prayed for me and my family. We didn't walk alone. The Lord Jesus was with us every day."

Condolences to the family may be sent to www.flahifffuneralchapel.com.

Louisa (Louise) Molly Panzeri Maher

Louisa (Louise) Molly Panzeri Maher was born into Italian immigrants Ernesto and Mary Gianera Panzeri in Silver City, Idaho on February 18, 1919. At an early age she moved with her family to the Panzeri Homestead on Duck Creek near Jordan Valley. Ernesto later bought the fort on Jordan Creek where the family lived. Louise attended elementary school on Flint Creek. In 1928, Ernesto died and Mary Panzeri died in 1952. Her oldest brother was away in Utah working in the mines. The younger kids came together and ran the ranch themselves. When Louise was ready to head into high school, she and Mary moved to Jordan Valley where they rented an apartment behind the Elorriaga Boarding House. Later she rented a room at the Gluch's ranch. She and Annabelle Gluch were the same age and became lifelong friends as she was with Pilar Elorriaga.

Louise graduated Valedictorian of her class at Jordan Valley High. While in high school, she met a handsome buckaroo by the name of Frank Maher. They were married April 3, 1938. Their first home was at the Brewster Ranch near Cliffs, Idaho and the Owyhee



River. The oldest two children, Charlie (Tuffy) and Anita were born. Later, they purchased the Foster Ranch on Juniper Creek where they completed their family with Ilene and Tony.

Mom was no stranger to hard work. She could do whatever needed to be done; driving pull-up, irrigating, and working right along with the men. However, she was also a wonderful caretaker, cook and especially mother.

other. Lisie was the sister Louise never had.

The trip moving cattle from Strodes Basin to Indian Meadows was a nine-day trip and covered more than 100 miles. She drove the camp wagon, set up camp every afternoon, packed everything up and moved to the next campsite each of the nine days. She also did all the cooking on the sheepherder stove. She always had a leppy calf or an orphan colt or one of Ilene's cats to accompany her. Summers spent in Indian Meadows were her favorite.

Louise taught herself how to type when she went to work for Crookham Company in the research department. She weighed sugar beet trucks in the fall. She then went to work for Paul Zatica



and worked for him for 25 years. She started as a checker and worked her way up the ladder and became the bookkeeper. When she retired, Paul took both she and Frank to Mexico City as a retirement gift.

Throughout the years, she was Frank's constant companion and helper. She learned to ride a horse and buckaroo. She had a special love for cooking for her family. That love always came through in the taste. She spent the little bit of peaceful time she had knitting and crocheting. Each child received a crocheted bedspread set for their wedding gifts. Throughout her life, she became an accomplished seamstress, making clothes for her family.

She and Frank, along with their lifelong friends Ben and Adell, danced 3 to 4 nights per week at various square dance and round dance clubs around the valley. Louise loved to bowl and belonged to various bowling leagues.

Louise lived a selfless life. She lived for her family and friends. She served the ones she loved her entire life. She will be missed and celebrated.

Louise Maher is survived by her children: Charley (Jean) Maher, Anita (Tom) Gluch, Ilene (Jerry) Canning and Tony (Cindy) Maher. Also her grandchildren:

Tyra Gluch, Dan Gluch, Todd (Shelley) Gluch, Toni (Chris) Siegner, Crissy (Rob) Rea, David Maher, J.T. Canning, Ryan Canning, Scott Maher. Great-grandchildren: Chelsea and Charli Siegner, Emily, Nick, and Trea Gluch, Cassidy and Kelsey Gluch, Lane Maher, Alec Rea and Nicholas Maher.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers: Carlos, or Charley, who died in Italy; Pietro, or Pete; Ernesto, or Mig; and William, or Willy, and a sister Angelina, who died in Silver City when she was only three; her loving husband Frank and grandson Nicholas Sullivan Maher.

We, her family would like to extend a special 'Thank You' to Ann and the staff at Canyon West for the loving care and kindness shown to our mother during her stay.

Memorial services were Friday May 2, 2014 at 7:00PM at Flahiff Chapel in Homedale, Idaho. Memorial Mass was celebrated on Saturday May 3, 2014 at 1:00PM at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Jordan Valley, Oregon. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Bernard's Church at P.O. Box 186 Jordan Valley, OR 97910.

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Stan “Butch” Nylander

Stan "Butch" Nylander, 54, beloved husband, son, father, grandfather, brother and friend, passed away on April 28, 2014 after a courageous battle with cancer. Butch was born August 29, 1959 in Nampa, Idaho.

He was preceded in death his father Jim and both paternal and maternal grandparents.

He is survived by his wife Kathy, mother Lois, his son Paul (Sammy), grandson James, stepson Jeff Rudd (Jenny), grandsons, Zane and Calvin, stepdaughter Sarah Rule



Death notice

MARY P. NOBLE NEWLIN, 94, a Bruneau native, died Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2014, in Marysville, Calif. A family gathering will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 26, 2014 at the Bruneau Cemetery.

Mother’s Day tale planned for Homedale’s Story Time

The unique nature of each child will be showcased Friday for the Homedale Public Library’s preschool Story Time.

“I’d Know You Anywhere, My Love” by Nancy Tillman will be read at the 10:15 a.m. activity at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

The special Mother’s Day story will be accompanied by crafts, snacks and songs. For more information, call 337-4228.

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

Calendar

Today

- Military veterans coffee**
9 a.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing
- Story Time**
10:30 a.m., for preschoolers, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Homedale Highway District meeting**
7 p.m., Homedale Highway District office, 102 E. Colorado Ave., Homedale

Thursday

- Blood pressure clinic**
10 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Senior center exercise class**
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting**
1 p.m., Community Room, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing
- Rimrock Food Pantry preparation**
4 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2314
- Homedale Middle School concert**
6:30 p.m., Homedale Middle School, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.
- Taking Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) meeting**
6:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 320 N. 6th St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3867

Friday

- Owyhee Gardeners plant sale**
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Marsing High School ag shop greenhouse, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.
- Story Time**
10:15 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
afternoons Monday through Saturday

Saturday

- Angel Walk car show**
8 a.m., registration, 10 a.m., event, downtown Homedale. (208) 880-5782 or (208) 412-8782
- Rimrock Food Pantry distribution**
8:30 a.m. Knight Community Church 630 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2314
- Angel Walk 5K fun run**
9 a.m., registration, 10 a.m., event, Homedale. www.angelwalk.blogspot.com or (208) 355-6024 or (208) 941-4163
- Owyhee Gardeners plant sale**
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Marsing High School ag shop greenhouse, 8th Avenue West, Marsing.
- TVAPA tractor pull**
Noon, Amalgamated Sugar Co. sugar beet dump, East Idaho Avenue and Industrial Road, Homedale. (208) 573-4049 or (541) 724-5252
- Jordan Valley High School graduation**
3 p.m., Jordan Valley High School gymnasium, 501 Bassett St., Jordan Valley
- 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

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 Public Library board meeting**
11:30 a.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228
- Homedale Fire District board meeting**
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale.
- Owyhee County Democrats meeting**
1 p.m., The Spot, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 250-2458
- Homedale School board meeting**
7 p.m., district office board room, 116 E. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4611

Tuesday

- Well water testing**
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 392-3576
- Senior center exercise class**
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Marsing Senior Center board meeting**
12:30 p.m., Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St., Marsing. (208) 896-4634
- Senior center board meeting**
1:30 p.m., open to public, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- Homedale Senior Center board meeting**
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020
- After-school Story Time**
4:30 p.m., up to third-graders, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690
- Lori Idsinga farewell open house**
6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Homedale High School ag shop, corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 2nd Street West. (208) 337-4226 or (208) 337-5600
- Homedale Elementary School concert**
6:30 p.m., third- and fourth-graders, Homedale Middle School, 3437 Johnstone Road, Homedale.
- Jordan Valley City Council meeting**
7 p.m., City Hall, 306 Blackaby St., Jordan Valley, Ore. (541) 586-2460
- Homedale Friends of the Library meeting**
7 p.m., Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale.
- American Legion Post 128 meeting**
7 p.m., Phipps-Watson American Legion Hall and Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N., Marsing.

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

Owyhee
Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley

Tales of the ION Country

Smart

One of the hired men was talking at the dinner table about how much smarter buckaroos were than sheepherders.

My uncle had just hired a former sheepherder of John Stringer’s and this particular buckaroo did his best to give him a hard time.

My grandmother quietly said, “My uncle was a sheepman and so was my husband. When my husband came to this country he wanted to be a buckaroo, but buckaroos were only getting 25 dollars a month and sheepherders 30. He went where the money was, so now tell me who’s so smart?”

Resting

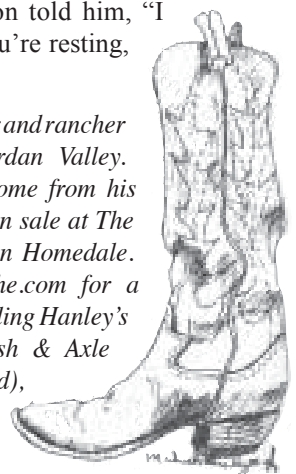
A cowman hired a kid to break broncos for him who’s savvy more than made up for his lack of experience.

When the old boy watched the kid try to mount the bronco, he couldn’t stand it any longer. Each time the horse would flinch, the kid would jump, spooking he horse even more.

Finally the boss jumped over the fence and said, “Heck! Let me show you how to do it.” He grabbed the reins and got himself pawed in the stomach for his efforts. After dragging himself slowly up the fence, the boss gasped as he tried to get his air.

The “green” bronc stomper who was setting on the fence taking in this lesson told him, “I know one thing, while you’re resting, so is he.”

— 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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Lori Idsinga, Homedale FFA Agricultural teacher and FFA advisor.

Lori Idsinga: A teacher dedicated to FFA

After 10 years of building
Homedale program, Idsinga
will take time for her family



From left, Tyson Furlott, Chad Hungate and Trace Cline watch and learn about engine disassembly from Lori Idsinga.

For Lori Idsinga, her biggest accomplishments aren't the plaques on the walls of her classroom. She believes the "best days are those when kids overcome their greatest fears, when they improve, or when they learn a new skill."

She cares about the individuals that make up the Homedale High School FFA program, one that she had a hand in building over the past 10 years.

Idsinga will be leaving her position at the end of the year to concentrate on raising her family, but plans to continue her support by doing volunteer work.

She has held such a strong role in the school district that her leaving creates a vacancy that may be difficult to fill. Earlier this year, Idsinga lobbied before the Legislature for passage of the Ag Initiative, which ensures that ag departments will receive extra funds for new programs. She said the Ag Initiative eases the workload on teachers, and may encourage more college students to go into ag education programs.

In looking back over the years, Idsinga lists funding as the "biggest challenge" she faced. The school district paid for chairs, tables, a computer and shop stools, but she says classroom supplies, machinery and projects were left up to her "creative ability" to find.

"I am eternally grateful for the way the community has always stepped up to fund the FFA program," she said.

She describes the FFA program as the biggest change that has happened at HHS.

"I think driving home after our first banquet and realizing that, yes, we were a real chapter was probably one of the most rewarding moments for me out of the last 10 years."

"A lot of other teachers didn't have much faith in it in the beginning, or were upset when the kids went to convention," she said. "In the past 10 years, the overall acceptance and approval from the administration and the other teachers has been amazing."

Idsinga has seen a lot of growth in the FFA program. In the past

five years, HHS had five teams qualify for nationals, and one win the national competition (2008 rangeland evaluation team, Kortney Bahem, Alysha Bahem and Annamaria Salas). FFA has give over \$20,000 in scholarships to members and completed literally thousands of hours of community service," she said.

"The greatest part of my job is when students come in years later and tell me how easy their first job interview was because of classroom experience, or when they excel at their first job because of experience that started in my classroom," she said.



Alyx Christensen, left, works on welding a dragonfly yard ornament with Lori Idsinga's help.

"Those individual stories trump any shiny plaque or trophy that has ever been made."

In thinking about the future, Idsinga said the program needs to continue to adapt kids to the environment they will encounter when they graduate. When FFA first started, when the housing market was booming she offered a landscape design class. And now, with the current increase in food industries in the area, she is offering a Food Science class.

"As time goes on, our program must change with the demands that will be put on our students," she said.

Idsinga grew up in Paul, as a fourth-generation farmer/rancher. She was involved in 4-H and FFA and helped run the family operation.

"From the beginning, I loved agriculture and the opportunities it gave me," she said.

After graduating high school,

she received her bachelor's degree in ag education from the University of Idaho, with endorsements in ag, natural resources, economics and speech. Since then, she has worked on her master's degree in rangeland management.

She has been married three years to Greg Idsinga and they have one son, Harrison, (her maiden name) with a baby due in September.

Idsinga says she is not leaving permanently from the Homedale School District. "I live in the area, so I am hoping to volunteer as much as I can." She said once her children are a little older she would welcome the opportunity to come back.

"I'm not going away forever," she told her students last week. "I will come visit you."

Stories and photos by
Karen Bresnahan

Clara-Leigh Evans also leaving position

FFA teacher shared duties with Idsinga

Clara-Leigh Evans has worked part-time in the agriscience department at Homedale High School this past year. She shared the FFA teaching position and advisor role with Lori Idsinga.

Clara-Leigh also taught eighth-graders an introduction to agriculture course and 10th grade speech.

She and Lori are both leaving their positions at the end of the school year.

Clara-Leigh will be unavailable during the fall semester because of a custom harvesting business operated by her family and she felt it "would not make sense" for the district to hire another part-time person.

She plans to finish obtaining her teaching certificate and return to the classroom when her children are older. She has been teaching with an industry certificate good for three years while finishing certification through the University of Idaho. Clara-Leigh has a bachelor's degree in agricultural leadership education from the University of Florida.

"My favorite part of the job has been the students," she said. "I like taking unconventional approaches and bringing real-life to the classroom as both my courses allow students to develop life skills that will pay off quickly."

She appreciated the "extremely supportive" administration in the district office and both schools.

"I am really going to miss teaching," she said.

Clara-Leigh was born and raised in Alabama. When she was an FFA officer in 1995-96, she visited Idaho and spoke at FFA events. "I fell in love with the state," she said.

She said she never imagined that 15 years later she would be married with three children and would need to come to Idaho.

One of her children has a form of muscular dystrophy, so they needed to move out of the South because the heat and humidity were not beneficial for him.

"We found Homedale and took a risk moving here where we knew no one," she recalled.

"It has been a great blessing to be a part of a community that is so inclusive, friendly and caring."

She said her son's health has improved because of the climate change and her family has received "great support" for



Clara-Leigh Evans, Homedale FFA teacher.

his education, safety and personal growth in the three years they have lived here.

Homedale FFA hands out scholarships, awards

by Jennifer Bautista
Chapter reporter

The Homedale FFA chapter wrapped up its year April 28 with its annual banquet and District 10A Rep. Gayle Batt (R-Wilder) as the keynote speaker.

The banquet also served as a farewell to Lori Idsinga, who is leaving the FFA advisor position after 10 years.

Batt shared memories that former FFA members and friends had of Idsinga, who has established herself as one of the most respected FFA advisors in the state.

More than \$4,350 in scholarships were handed out as well as annual chapter awards and other honors.

Discovery Degree — Cobey Christoffersen, Kaylee DeWitt, Laurny Fisher, Dakota Kelly, Peyton Kerbs, James Legacy, Gabby Martell, Kendall Nash, Jesse Packer, Jordan Packer, Lindsay Salutregui, Allison Shenk, and Kayden Turner

Greenhand Degree — Conner Carter, Garrett Carter, Ryan Criffield, Andrea Greeley, Misty Ellis, Hanna Estes, Riley Haun, Lindsey McRae, Megan Maxwell, Blake Patton, Derek Pfof, Ryan Randall, Carlie Sawyer, and Dylan Westrand

Chapter Degree — Makayla Aberasturi, Manny Balteirrez, Jennifer Bautista, Ben Cardenas, Trace Cline, Riley Christoffersen, Jacob Christensen, Wylee Cooper, Lance Eaton, Madison Fisher, Coty Ford, Michael Lejardi, Derek Pfof, Justine Rose, Adrianna Salutregui, Sydnee Shanley, and Caleb Smith

State FFA Degree — Devin Fisher, Morgan Nash, Carlie Purdom, Elise Shenk, and Edmy Vega

Star Greenhand — Riley Haun

Star Chapter Farmer — Madison Fisher and Michael Lejardi

Work Horse — Devin Fisher

Dekalb Award — Shelby Lee

Top Shop Student — Trace Cline

Agribusiness Awards — Lydia Aman and Brennym Kilby

Proficiency Awards — Devin Fisher, Madison Fisher, and Riley Haun

Scholarships

Tamura Memorial — Ben Cardenas, Brennym Kilby, Maddy Maxwell, Jace Turner, and Edmy Vega

Steven Harrison Memorial — Esteban Lejardi



Ken Tamura Memorial Scholarship recipients included, from left: Brennym Kilby, Maddy Maxwell, Ben Cardenas, Edmy Vega and Jace Turner. Submitted photo

Batt Promise FFA and Apex Electric — Shelby Lee and Esteban Lejardi

Conner Landa Memorial — Esteban Lejardi

Scholarship Award — Lydia Aman, Ben Cardenas, Tell Hyer, Shelby Lee, Esteban Lejardi, Kaylee Rupp, Edmy Vega, Hattie Mertz, Kerrigan Morris, Morgan Nash, Tori Nash, Carlie Purdom, and Elise Shenk

Letter award recipients

First year — Makayla Aberasturi, Brady Brown, Garret Carter, Ryan Criffield, Andrea Greeley, Riley Haun, Lindsey McRae, Derek Pfof, Ryan Randall, Justine Rose, and Jesse Watson

Second year — Jennifer Bautista, Ben Cardenas, Trace Cline, Riley Christoffersen, Lance Eaton, Madison Fisher, Michael Lejardi, Adrianna Salutregui, Caleb Smith, and Sam Woods

Third year — Devin Fisher, Hattie Mertz, Morgan Nash, Carlie Purdom, Elise Shenk, and Edmy Vega

Fourth year — Lydia Aman, Tell Hyer, Brennym Kilby, Shelby Lee, Esteban Lejardi, and Jace Turner

Community awards

Slave Auction Top Buyer — Chris and Virginia Landa

Honorary Degrees — Darryl and Leesa Kilby, Annie Mueller, Steve and Margaret Lejardi, Luke and Lori Lee, and John and Marilyn Richards

Farewell open house to honor Homedale FFA chapter advisor

Those who have been influenced by Homedale FFA advisor Lori Idsinga are invited to a farewell open house Tuesday.

The gathering for the Homedale High School ag teacher takes place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. inside the ag shop behind the high school.

“Everyone whose lives have been touched by Lori — farmer and current students, parents, community members, co-workers and former ag advisory members — are invited to attend,” Homedale FFA Ag Advisory Committee chair Sue Williams said.

“Come help us thank her for all of the countless hours she has put in building one of the top Vo-Ag/FFA programs in the state.”

At the end of the school year, Idsinga will leave her post as Homedale FFA advisor after 10 years. She was hired as advisor when the town’s FFA program was reinstated.

For more information on the open house, which is being sponsored by the Ag Advisory Committee, contact Williams at 337-4226 or Gayle Batt at 337-5600.

Homedale FFA notches several top-five finishes at state confab

Homedale FFA reports a successful trip to the state leadership conference, which was held at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls last month.

The Farm Business team of Esteban Lejardi, Riley Christofferson, Jacob Christofferson and Shelby Lee finished fourth in the state competition.

Lee and Lejardi tied for the fifth individually.

Led by Carlie Purdom’s second place individual finish, the Horse Judging team placed seventh. The rest of the team included Andrea Greeley, Lindsey McRae and Samantha Woods.

Homedale finished sixth in the Landscape Career Development Event (CDE).

Tell Hyer placed fifth individually. The rest of the team included Ryan Randall, Ben Cardenas and Edmy Vega.

Also competing for Homedale were Brennym Kilby, Kerigan Morris and Adrianna Salutregui in the Floral team competition. Advisor Lori Idsinga complimented the team on its hard work.

Madi Fisher finished fifth in Prepared Public Speaking.

“Homedale FFA was so proud to have watched her on that stage,” Idsinga wrote in an email.

Fisher and Justine Rose captured fourth for their chapter scrapbook.

In the National Chapter competition, Rose and Jennifer Bautista teamed up for a seventh place gold showing.

State Degree recipients included Edmy Vega, Devin Fisher, Morgan Nash, Elise Shenk, Carlie Purdom and Hattie Mertz.

“Homedale FFA commemorates all those who worked hard at the 2014 State Leadership Conference,” Idsinga wrote. “Good work, team.”

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May 13th / 6:30 p.m. / Spot Pizza
12 Sandbar Avenue, Marsing, Idaho

Jack and Belva Lawson of Grand View are living their dream

Story and photos by
Karen Bresnahan



A little piece of Owyhee heaven

One day Jack Lawson asked his wife Belva, “Honey, you know all that tractor stuff I’ve got? Do you mind if I park it along our driveway?” She thought for a minute and answered, “Sure dear, if you’ll build me a little western town for all my stuff.”

The deal was made, and it was the beginning of an adventure that neither one could have guessed what the outcome would be. That was 17 years ago.

Today the couple operates a unique type of museum called “The Emu-Z-um” a few miles from Grand View, on the banks of the Snake River.

No, it’s not an E-Museum and it’s not an online store. These folks don’t even own a computer.

This is a real place and something you would never expect to find out in the middle of the Owyhee desert. This is no small collection that grandma keeps in the china hutch, or grandpa throws on a shelf in the garage. This is an extraordinary collection of thousands of historical artifacts, many from the Grand View, Bruneau and Silver City areas.

The Emu-Z-um is a walk back 100 years in history for the serious or not so serious, the avid collector or the casual looker. For the uninspired, it’s an inspiration. For the history buff, it’s a gem. For the treasure hunter, it’s a jackpot. For the photographer, it’s hog heaven. There’s a little bit of everything to please everyone at this “little oasis” in the desert.

The Emu-Z-um includes about a dozen buildings that are decorated on the outside and filled on the inside with anything and everything that can be collected. The displays are meticulously arranged and organized by types of items in beautifully decorated rooms that would put-to-shame any resort.

You can’t call what the Lawsons do a hobby, because they completely build their life around it. You can’t call it work, either, because they claim to enjoy it too much. But, you can call it a passion, because it is their labor of love to create these historical displays. This is a lifelong dream that has been created by two people who are obviously meant for each other.

Jack and Belva Lawson are high school sweethearts who have been together 54 years. Neither one ever dated anyone else. He was a shy kid who spotted her out on the basketball court and noticed her as a cheerleader. He was born and raised in Bruneau, she in Grand View. He was a Bobcat and she was a Devil. His family were cattle ranchers, hers were farmers. It

was a match made in heaven.

Today they still live in the same area they grew up in, and neither one has any desire to go anywhere else. They are home, and home is where their hearts are.

The Lawsons have spent most of their lives collecting things. They started collecting before collecting antiques was popular. For years, they collected all kinds of things that nobody else wanted.

“We got started in this because I always went to all the farm sales,” Jack says. “I always needed nuts and bolts and then at the end of the sale, they would sell a pile of junk for just two or three dollars. My wife thought I was crazy for bringing home all that extra stuff, but I would always find a few treasures in there,” he said.

“And now, what we are doing is a lot more fun than farming,” Belva added. “I’ve always told him, the harder you work, the longer you’ll live.”

Each of them credits the other with making the Emu-Z-um a success. It’s a team effort, for sure. “She’s the real brains of the outfit,” he says. “He can build anything,” she says.

The Lawsons have found their little piece of heaven near the Owyhees. They’ve got peace and quiet, a beautiful view of the river on the east side and the lovely sunsets on the Owyhee mountains to the west. After a life of farming and ranching, the couple has two grown children and six grandchildren. All they want to make their life complete, is a few more people to stop by and take a look at what they have built.

By the way, the dream they have now had its origins in a very different dream. One day, back in 1989, they saw an advertisement in a magazine about a “hot new trend

of raising and selling Australian birds, called emus. The Emus were introduced in this country as an animal with lean meat, which was low in fat and cholesterol. But the real attraction of the Emu’s was their oil, which is valued as a healing ointment for cuts, scrapes and burns.

The Lawsons started with six baby birds, and eventually they raised more than 300. The animals were supposed to sell anywhere from \$800 to \$1,500 per mating pair. But about the time they got started in the business, the economy dipped and the market wasn’t there, so they sold all but a

few of the birds, at lower prices. Today they still have one bird that is 25 years old, and it is their last one.

The small buildings in the western town are made from former birdcages. The town’s boardwalk is made from the wood fencing that housed the birds. The Emu-Z-um

is a play on words, because of the Lawsons’ bird business.

Jack and Belva have continued to add new collections and buildings over the years. They have welcomed motorcycle clubs, Corvette clubs, military groups, church groups, students and visitors from all over the country. Six couples had weddings on the property. But Jack and Belva are always ready to welcome new visitors to the Emu-Z-um.

Jack is a devoted collector. Since he was a boy, he has collected bottles of all kinds, arrowheads and knives. Belva is gifted with knowing how to organize and create displays. She is the ultimate decorator. “I’m the kind of person who wakes up in the middle of the night with an idea,” she says.

Much of what they have acquired has come to them through family, friends and neighbors. Some of the memorabilia on

display are about people they have known over the years.

“People always ask what my favorites are, but I don’t have a favorite. I like everything,” she said.

As Jack and Belva happily embark on a tour of the premises, it is obvious how each of them takes a tremendous amount of pride in what they have accomplished.

They have a general store, barbershop, doctor’s office, a seafaring room, animal trophy room, old hotel rooms, a 1950s kitchen, a church, a western town with a saloon, sheriff’s office, bank, tool room, post office, jail and school house, sports displays, a model railroad, horse racing displays, carriages, bottles, toys, Native American displays, a 1950s ice cream parlor, antique furniture, a mining display and old mine shaft, cameras, clocks, army uniforms, a driftwood wall, dishes, dolls, and more.

The couple has been collecting so long that they eventually converted their original house into a museum and built a newer house about six years ago overlooking the river. The barber shop building is the original homestead on the property. They are not worried about running out of space for any new collections. “We’ve got plenty of space,” Jack says cheerfully. They just recently raised the visitor’s price from \$5 to \$10 and they offer tours.

Some of the most valuable of the Lawsons’ collections are from the Silver City School House Museum, which was privately owned. The owner passed away a few years ago and the Lawsons purchased the entire collection, to ensure that it would stay completely intact and remain in Owyhee County.

The most recent addition to the property is a doctor’s office complete with old examination tables, x-ray equipment and various medical instruments that belonged to a Dr. Proctor who practiced in Grand View in 1907.

The Lawsons are knowledgeable on the history that belongs to each of the items they have at the Emu-Z-um and they eagerly share their knowledge with newcomers.

“Pull up a chair on the porch and we’ll sit and visit awhile,” Jack says.

“Come on out, anytime and we will be here,” Belva says with a smile.

“We are easy to get along with,” Jack says as he offers a handshake.

This little oasis feels so comfortable. Here are two people who welcome you, just like family to their home, their beautiful home that they call the Emu-Z-um.



The Lawson’s Emu-Z-um is located at 22142 River Road about one mile off Idaho highway 78 between Oreana and Grand View. The museum is open weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and weekdays by appointment. Call (208) 834-2397.

Library backers sweeten survey incentive with prize drawing

Homedale Public Library supporters are taking the pulse of the community on what the future of the library should look like, and they've kicked off a contest to get results.

The library's board of directors and the Friends of the Homedale Library organization have launched a survey, which can be found elsewhere on this page, to gain direction from local patrons about the future of the library at 125 W. Owyhee Ave., and to determine what services should be provided there.

Survey forms also are available at the library.

Each person filling out a survey and returning it to the library will be entered in a drawing to win a gift certificate Paul's Market, Matteson's or Jacksons Food Stores.

The drawing will take place at the end of the Friends of the Homedale Public Library book sale, which is scheduled to run from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 17 at the library. Entrants need not be present to win.

The spring book sale will feature dozens of titles for 50 cents per pound.

Award-winning Emmett artist hangs work in Marsing library

An Emmett watercolorist with more than 40 years at the easel is the featured artist this month at the Lizard Butte Library in Marsing.

Tom Cunningham has been selected as the May artist in the ongoing series sponsored by the Friends of the Lizard Butte Library.

Cunningham's work will be on display at the library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., from noon to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Cunningham lived in Juneau, Alaska from 1960 to 2001 and frequently presented one-man shows and participated in juried shows.

One of his paintings now hangs in the Juneau Historical Society's Permanent Collection.

A merit member of the Idaho Watercolor Society, Cunningham's work has won numerous awards in both Alaska and Idaho, including:

- The Eggenhofer Award, Best Western Art, Cody Country Art League (an international show), 1988
- Second Place Award, Watercolor Division, Cody Country Art League, 1989
- Judge's Award, Nampa Art Guild show, 1989
- Second place, Idaho Watercolor Society statewide show, 1989
- The Ruth Clark Award, Idaho Watercolor Society statewide show, 2006



Tom Cunningham stands near his work. Submitted photo

Homedale LDS youth plan taco feed

Raising money for youth outings will be the focus of a taco feed in Homedale next Wednesday.

The youth groups of the LDS 2nd Ward will benefit from the event, which runs from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Mormon church, 708 W. Idaho Ave. (Idaho highway 19).

There will also be a live and silent auction.

The menu includes tacos, scones and water.

Admission is \$6 per person or \$22 per family.

The Homedale Public Library board and the Friends of the Homedale Public Library are seeking information and suggestions from local residents.

The results of the following survey will act as a direction to offer and improve library services to local patrons. Please take the time to fill out the survey and return it to the library at 25 W. Owyhee Avenue. Each person returning a survey will receive a ticket to win a gift certificate from Paul's, Matteson's or Jackson's. The drawing for the certificates will be at the conclusion of the Friends of the Homedale Public Library book sale to be held at the library on May 17th from 10 AM to 3 PM. Library hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 1 to 5 PM, Wednesday, 1 to 8 PM, Friday 11 to 5 PM and Saturday, 1 to 4 PM. Winners need not be present to win. Please feel free to use a separate paper to answer the survey.

- How often do you visit the library?
- How often do you attend Story Time?
- Do you attend summer reading?
- How often do you use the library computers?
- What do you usually use the computers for?
- Do you have any other access to a computer?
- Do you live within the Homedale city limits?
- What changes would you like to see in the library?
- What hours and days would you like the library to be open?
- What programs would you like to see implemented?
- Who uses the library most in your family: children or adults?
- How often do you check out DVDs and electronic books?
- Are you in favor of a library district instead of a city-run library?
- What other suggestions do you have for the library that we can pass on to the city?

Please drop off your survey at the library and stop by for some great books for summer reading. Please respond only if you live in the Homedale School or Fire District

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Marsing Senior Center
May 7: Fish wedges or chef's choice, potato wedges, carrots, peas, tossed salad, orange juice, roll
May 8: Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes/gravy, carrots, cranberry sauce
May 12: Breakfast special, pancake
May 13: Fried chicken, potatoes w/milk gravy, 4 bean salad, baked squash, cornmeal roll
May 14: Navy beans w/ham, cheese plate, stewed tomatoes, apricots, cornbread

OCHS field trip to take in GV museum

The Lawson's Emu-Z-um near Grand View is the destination for the Owyhee County Historical Society's field trip Saturday.

Russ Hutchison, the OCHS field trip chair will lead this excursion, which begins at 9 a.m. at the Owyhee County Historical Museum, 17085 Basey St., Murphy.

The OCHS members and their guests will caravan to the museum, but Hutchison encourages folks to show up early at the museum to socialize.

The Emu-Z-um contains antiques and memorabilia from Idaho's colorful past, including mining town exhibits. Museum owners Jack and Belva Lawson have waived the admission fee for the OCHS group, but donations to help defray costs of maintenance of the exhibits are encouraged. The typical admission price is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child.

Hutchison says this is one of the easiest field trips of the year for the society. Folks are invited to make it a family excursion and bring children old enough to appreciate the significance of the historical exhibits and animals. No pets are allowed.

There will be a potluck lunch, and attendees must bring their own plates, utensils, beverages, tables, chairs and sacks to pack out the garbage.

For more information, call Hutchison at (208) 465-7313.

Learn more on the Emu-Z-um, Page 10A

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Bruneau-GV schools 10K takes off Friday

Registration continues for the 2014 Bruneau-Grand View Healthy Schools 10K.

The race, which will have a 10-kilometer and 5-kilometer version, also dubbed "Healthy Schools, Healthy Soles," pushes off at 8:30 a.m. on Friday at Grand View Elementary School, 205 First St.

Runners, walkers, joggers and skippers are all invited to take part in the event with the theme "See ya later, Li'l Raider," which was selected by a student vote.

Registration is \$20 per individual and \$35 for a family of four. Families of more than four people who register must pay \$7 for each additional T-shirt. A limited supply of shirts is available.

Proceeds will promote healthy lifestyles in the schools as part of the Healthy Schools Action Plan through the Idaho Coordinated School Health program.

For more information, visit www.sd365.us.

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The cast for the Rimrock Drama Club's play this week includes: **Front row, from left:** Sinyeong Kim (Chuck), Megan Mondoux (Aunt Maggity) and Winslow Steele (Humphries). **Back row, from left:** Nick Bennett (Ozzie), Iris Wang (Francine), Zai Lowe (Dreardon), Anthony Mowery (Lola), Carmela Bazan (Chloe), Sanjuana Zaragoza (Lavinia), Julianne Mori (Jenny) and Aileen McDaid (Amelia). **Not pictured:** Adam Johnson (Richard). Submitted photo

Rimrock actors to produce play

Mystery, intrigue and humor are promised when the Rimrock Drama Club presents "Aunt Maggity's Dark and Stormy Night."

The Edith Weiss play has performances at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday inside the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School auditorium, 39678 State Hwy. 78, Bruneau. Kathy Mori directs the play, which is being produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., of Englewood,

Colo.

Admission is \$3 for seniors and students and \$5 for adults.

Aunt Maggity (played by Megan Mondoux), who writes horror novels, summons her four estranged nieces, Lavinia (Sanjuana Zaragoza), Lola (Anthony Mowery), Chloe (Carmela Bazan) and Francine (Iris Wang) to her mansion for the reading of their parents' will.

After the untimely death of their parents years ago, they

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Bruneau Valley Library board cancels May meet

The Bruneau Valley Public Library board of directors meeting for May has been cancelled.

The meeting was scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on Sunday at the library, 32073 Ruth St.

The directors will meet again at 2:30 p.m. on June 8 at the library to resume their monthly schedule.

For more information on the library, call (208) 845-2131.



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Two HMS records fall, girls win SRV eighth-grade title

Mertz sets boys' triple jump mark

Lainey Johnson broke a decades-old school record in the 1,600 meters Saturday as Homedale Middle School won a 3A Snake River Valley conference track and

field championship.

An eighth-grader, Johnson ran a 5-minute, 59-second race to finish second in the 1,600 meters to Fruitland's Lauren Hillam. Angie Shelton set the previous record at 6:02 in 1986.

Ashley Burks also got in on the history-making act, breaking the school record with

her 30-foot, 5-inch triple jump, which was good for second place.

Johnson and Eva Symms picked up two victories apiece as the Trojans built a 46-point lead to win the team championship over host Parma.

Johnson won the 400 meters in 1:05.88 and edged Burks by three inches to win

the long jump with an effort of 14 feet, 4 inches.

Johnson also was runner-up in the 800 at 2:46.98.

Symms swept the throws.

She won the shot put with a 25-5 throw

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Homedale takes top softball seeding

District tourney resumes Thursday at Sundance

Homedale High School captured the top seed in the softball district tournament in a game that — to no one's surprise — was a classic battle of heavyweights.

"Anytime you play Fruitland, you know it's going to be a battle," HHS coach Larry Corta said after his team's 6-4 victory in eight innings on April 28 in Fruitland.

"Fruitland has a rich winning tradition, so when you beat Fruitland, it means a lot."

The Trojans earned the No. 1 seed in the 3A District III Tournament.

They played a semifinal game Tuesday after deadline at Sundance Park in Homedale. (Check www.owyheevalanche.com to see what's next for the team).

The tournament concludes Thursday at Sundance with the champion and runner-up moving on to the 3A state tournament next week at West Park in Nampa.

The Trojans narrowly captured the top seed through a run-differential tiebreaker.

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The 3A Snake River Valley conference champion Homedale High School junior varsity softball team included: **Front row from left:** Rian Beebe, Megan Aman, head coach Tony Sifuentes, assistant coach Mitch Snyder, Cierra Wiltshire. **Middle row, from left:** Makayla Steinmetz, Taylor Kerbs, Kirstan Egurrola, Abbi Kleppinger, Megan Maxwell. **Back row, from left:** Diana Gonzalez, Adrianna Salutregui, Natalie Jimenez, Alyssa Troxell. **Not pictured:** Assistant coach Nichole Orosco

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Trojans win SRV JV softball crown

Late-season stumble in conference play doesn't affect fortune

There was no conference tournament, but that didn't water down first-year Homedale High School junior varsity softball coach Tony Sifuentes' glee.

Despite a late-season loss to Parma, the Trojans were crowned 3A Snake River Valley conference champions last week.

Fittingly, the championship status came after a 13-10 victory

over Fruitland on April 28 at Sundance Park.

"I just would like to thank all our young ladies on the our team for their hard work and dedication to our team, and the support from their parents, family and friends," Sifuentes said. "You all were great. I can't wait for next season."

Homedale (12-6 overall, 7-1 in the 3A SRV) wrapped up

the season April 28 with a 13-10 victory over Fruitland at Sundance Park.

April 28: Homedale 13, Fruitland 10 — The Trojans scored three times in the bottom of the sixth inning to snap a 10-10 tie and set up the championship-clinching win.

Natale Jimenez capped a 3-for-4 day with the only hit in the sixth inning. Megan Maxwell scored the winning run on a stolen base after getting hit by a pitch to lead off the inning.

Winning pitcher Kristen

Egurrola and Abbi Kleppinger walked and scored insurance runs.

Taylor Kerbs, Diana Gonzalez and Adriana Salutregui chimed in with two hits apiece in the top three spots in the batting order.

Salutregui knocked a pair of runs with a triple in the first inning as Homedale tied the game, 3-3.

The Grizzlies grabbed early control with a six-run outburst in the second inning.

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Adrian boys place 5th at Heinz

Walker wins twice in Ontario

Two victories pushed Adrian High School to a fifth-place tie Saturday in the Heinz Invitational boys' meet.

Junior Chase Walker played a role in both of the Antelopes' victories as they scored 58 points to tie with Union during the meet in Ontario, Ore.

Walker won the 200 meters in 23.26 seconds, and ran the third leg in Adrian's 4x400-meter relay.

Jett McCoy, Reagan Shira and

Bryson Shira teamed with Walker to win the relay race in 3 minutes, 36.5 seconds.

Walker was also fourth in the 100 at 11.49.

Bryson Shira, a sophomore, was runner-up in the 400 meters at 51.92, while his brother was second in the 300 hurdles at 42.52.

Reagan also finished third in the 110 hurdles at 16.23.

Bryson and Walker teamed with Troy Villarreal and Lucas

Pecoraro to finish fifth in the 4x100 relay at 45.84.

Reagan was sixth in the long jump (19 feet, 10½ inches), and Mike Griffin was eighth in the triple jump (39-3).

Tane't Campbell had the Adrian girls' top two finishes.

The senior was sixth in the javelin with a 98-5 effort. She was also sixth in the 100 at 13.84.

Junior Emilee Hutchings finished seventh at 26-3¼.

Senior Marieke Frerichs cleared 4-6 for seventh in the high jump.

MHS' Tank gets 2nd in 800

Huskies head for district meet in New Plymouth

Going up against some of the toughest small-school competition the region has to offer, Marsing High School's Emily Tank put her best foot forward Saturday.

The junior finished second in the 800 meters at the Heinz Invitational in Ontario, Ore.

Tank had the Huskies' best finish of the afternoon at 2 minutes, 36.3

seconds.

She also ran 10th in the 400 at 1:06.45.

Senior Ofelia Herrera had two top-10 finishes in the distance races. She was seventh in the 3,000 meters at 12:21.8 and ninth in the 1,500 at 5:39.79.

Marsing's athletes begin the 2014 wind-down Friday and Saturday at the 2A District III championship meet in New Plymouth.

Herrera and Tank got their week started Thursday in Fruitland at

— See **MHS**, page 5B

Sports

HHS' Lee locks down Marsing on 4-hitter

Trojans end regular season on nine-game streak

Two big innings helped Homedale High School to its ninth consecutive victory last Wednesday. The Trojans scored all their runs before Marsing got on the board in a 15-1 non-conference win at Sundance Park. The game was halted after the top of the fifth inning because of the 10-run rule. Homedale (20-2 overall) scored five times in the bottom of the first

and capped its offense with seven runs in the bottom of the fourth inning. Shelby Lee threw a four-hitter and fanned four. Gardenia Machuca and Tory Lane knocked in two runs each, with Machuca coming up with a double. Katie Deal also knocked in a run. Mariah Kinney, Marissa Hardy, Carey Dines and Audra Kendall laced singles for Marsing.



Shelby Lee



Lane Sale, right, greets Homedale High School baseball teammate Nash Johnson in the on-deck circle during a non-conference game against Vale, Ore., earlier this season. Both Johnson and Sale scored runs in Thursday's shutout victory over Parma. Photo by John L. Braese / Malheur Enterprise

Trojans end SRV on Carter's gem

Fielding letdowns lead to losses vs. NC, Fruitland

Homedale High School halted a four-game losing streak Thursday to end the 3A Snake River Valley conference baseball season. Conner Carter's four-hit shutout and nine strikeouts fueled the Trojans' 8-0 home victory over Parma. The Trojans (11-10 overall, 5-3 in conference) nailed down the No. 2 seed in the 3A District III Tournament. They faced Weiser in the semifinals Tuesday after deadline. While Carter didn't issue a walk, Homedale's offense took advantage of two Panthers errors, nine hits and two walks. Carter helped his own cause with a groundout to shortstop to bring home Lane Sale in the third inning. Talon Freelove scored on a wild pitch earlier in the inning. Tyson Furlott had his best offensive game of the season, going 2-for-3 with two RBI. He

knocked in Jacob Falls with an infield single, and Sale came home on the same play in the bottom of the fifth inning. Homedale scored another two runs in the sixth inning with a rally that began with back-to-back doubles from William Elordi and Nash Johnson. Johnson scored on Falls' groundout later in the inning. Last Wednesday: Nampa Christian 5, Homedale 2 — Nine errors doomed Homedale on the road in the final non-conference game of the regular season. Blake Patton lifted a sacrifice fly and Carter scored on a wild pitch as Homedale took a 2-0 lead in the top of the fourth inning, but it was short-lived. After giving up one run, Homedale seemed prepared to get out of the inning when Johnson sparked a double play from his catcher position. But Homedale wound up committing five errors in the inning, and Nampa Christian took control with a four-run rally. Only one of Nampa Christian's five runs was earned.

Pitchers Ben Harris and Harrison Neidemeyer limited Homedale on a pair of hits. Freelove doubled, and Carter singled. April 28: Fruitland 8, Homedale 5 — The Trojans scored five runs in the top of the fifth inning, but the Grizzlies rebounded quickly to resume their 3A SRV dominance against Homedale. Fruitland collected four of its 10 hits and scored three times in the bottom of the sixth inning to snap a 5-5 tie. Conner Benear scored the go-ahead run on an error by Homedale freshman shortstop Jake Deal. Homedale's game-tying rally came with two outs. Matthew Thatcher singled for the first of five base hits in the inning, while Freelove and Johnson reached base on back-to-back walks. Thatcher scored on Blake Patton's line-drive single. Lane Sale and Tyson Furlott also had RBI singles in the inning, while Freelove scored on Johnson's bases-loaded walk. Johnson also scored on a wild pitch.

Emry wins two for UM

Austin Emry added two inches to his season-best marks in two jump events and won two events Saturday in the Montana Open at his home Dornblaser Field. The 2009 Homedale High School grad nipped University of Montana teammate Jacob Leininger to win the 110-meter with a season-best 14.44-second run. Leininger had the same time, which was a career-best. A fifth-year senior for the Grizzlies, Emry thrilled the home crowd in Missoula by adding two feet to his season-best long jump attempt. He flew 23 feet, 9 inches to win the event. Emry added two inches to his season-best mark in the high

jump. He broke free to clear 6-8¾. The second-place height was two inches better than the 6-6¾ he had achieved twice previously in 2014. He ran the opening leg during the Grizzlies' runner-up 4x100 relay performance. With Leininger running the anchor leg, the Grizzlies turned in a time of 41.93, which was two-thousandths of a second slower than Carroll College's winning time. Emry and the rest of the Grizzlies compete in the Tom Gage Classic on Friday at their home facility before the May 14-17 Big Sky Conference Championships at the Northern Arizona University campus in Flagstaff.




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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Destiny Long, sr., softball

The Play – The third baseman's two-run home run in the eighth inning on April 28 sent the Trojans to the 3A Snake River Valley conference regular-season championship and the No. 1 seed in the 3A District III Tournament. Long also scored a run earlier in her team's 6-4 win over archrival Fruitland.

Baseball
Varsity
3A District III Tournament
Killebrew Field, Payette
Wednesday, May 7 vs. TBA, 2 p.m. or 5 p.m.
Thursday, May 8 vs. TBA (runner-up game, if nec.), 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
Season complete

Softball
Varsity
Wednesday, April 30, home vs. Marsing, 5 p.m.
3A District III Tournament
Sundance Park
Thursday, May 8 vs. TBA, 1 p.m. (loser-out) or 3 p.m. (championship)
Thursday, May 8 vs. TBA (runner-up game, if nec.), 5 p.m.
Junior varsity
3A Snake River Valley conference champions (12-6 overall, 7-1 3A SRV)

Track and field
3A District III Championships
Wednesday, May 7 at Parma H.S., 4 p.m.
Thursday, May 8 at Parma H.S., 4 p.m.

Golf
Varsity
3A District III Tournament
Thursday, May 8 at TimberStone G.C., Caldwell, 9 a.m.

Tennis
3A District III Tournament
Thursday, May 8, 4 p.m.
At Parma H.S. — Boys' and girls' singles
At Fruitland H.S. — Girls' doubles
At Payette H.S. — Boys' doubles and mixed doubles
Friday, May 9, 9 a.m.
At Parma H.S. — Boys' and girls' singles
At Fruitland H.S. — Girls' doubles
At Payette H.S. — Boys' doubles and mixed doubles
Saturday, May 10, 9 a.m.
At Parma H.S. — All championship matches

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Sports

Fruitland wrests 3A SRV golf crown from Homedale

Trojans take aim at another state berth Thursday

Casey Grove expects his Homedale High School golfers will encounter a tight battle Thursday in the 3A District III championship tournament. The 18-hole event takes place Thursday at TimberStone Golf Course outside Caldwell, which is the Trojans’ home course. Homedale, though, enters

looking up at regular-season champion Fruitland, which grabbed the 3A Snake River Valley conference title by finishing ahead of the Trojans in last Wednesday’s final nine-hole tournament at Rolling Hills Golf Course in Weiser. “Fruitland, I would say, is the favorite,” Grove said. “They don’t have the best individual golfer, but they definitely have the five most consistent golfers in the league, which is the reason they won the regular season.” Grizzlies No. 2 Tucker Craig

fired a 40 last week to finish third individually behind medalist Matt Hurd (even-par 36) and Parma’s Arron Haziltine. Fruitland’s top golfer, Nathan Foss, and No. 3 Jessie Vest and No. 4 Johnny Howard all carded 43s. Grove predicts a close district tournament with his team, Fruitland and Weiser battling for the two team berths into the 3A state tournament. This year’s state tourney is at Buhl’s Clear Lake Country Club, and golfers who shoot 75 or better this week should qualify as individuals for

the boys’ tournament. The girls’ tournament qualifying cut is 81. Weiser won last week’s tournament. Medalist Matt Hurd’s even-par 36 fueled a team score of 166 and a three-stroke win over Fruitland. Homedale and Weiser tied for second in the regular-season standings after the Trojans slipped to fourth in last week’s finale. No. 1 Gabe Maurer and No. 3 Bryan Johnson, both seniors, shot 6-over-par 42s, while No. 5 Kyler Landa came in at 47 and No. 4 Lawsen Matteson carded a 49.

“Hopefully our 3, 4 and 5 golfers pick it up for (the) district tournament,” Grove said. “The tournament is at our home course, so one would think we should have somewhat of an advantage, but with 16- to 18-year-old boys you just never know what you are going to get.” In last week’s conference finale for the girls, Homedale’s Maddi Maxwell shot a 59, which placed her 13th in the individual standings. Teammate Kylee Jenkins fired a 69, and Stephanie Kennedy came in at 70.

✓ JV softball: Trojans rally from wild loss to Parma

From Page 1B “The game started off slow for us with some costly errors in the second inning, but the girls never gave up and came back to win the game with good hits and base running,” Sifuentes said. **April 26: Homedale 18-17, New Plymouth 2-5** — Homedale rebounded from its only conference loss of the season with a non-conference doubleheader sweep on the road against the Pilgrims from the 2A Western Idaho Conference. Gonzalez, Egurrola and Makayla Steinmetz collected two RBI apiece in the first game. Gonzalez tripled and Salutregui and Steinmetz had singles as the Trojans opened the day with a six-run rally in the first inning. Egurrola was 2-for-5 with a pair of doubles to back up her pitching effort. “After the loss to Parma, and a good couple of days of practice the ladies came out ready to play against New Plymouth,” Sifuentes said. “We were hitting the ball well and making goods stops in the first game.”

Maxwell was 3-for-4 with three RBI and three runs scored to lead the offense in Game 2. She also doubled in the second inning as the Trojans added to a 7-0 lead with a five-spot. Egurrola smashed a two-run double in the second inning, and Kerbs and Gonzalez scored three runs each. **April 22: Parma 19, Homedale 18** — The host Panthers poured on the offense in the final three at-bats to win a wild conference game. Trailing 16-10 after four innings, Parma won the game with three runs in its final at-bat. “We had an early lead but just couldn’t hold on to it,” Sifuentes said. “The ladies were dealing with weather, errors and the bats went cold. We just went flat after the third inning. “After the game I told the girls that we needed to go back to the basic fundamentals and learn from this loss.” Gonzalez was 3-for-6 with a first-inning triple. Steinmetz knocked in a pair of runs on 2-for-5 hitting.

Nash delivers seventh-grade titles in middle school track and field

Sophie Nash captured two championships Saturday in the 3A Snake River Valley conference seventh-grade girls’ track and field meet. The Homedale Middle School student ran a 1-minute, 9.48-second 400 meters on the Parma track to win one championship and returned to take the top spot in the triple jump with an effort of 28 feet, 8 inches. Nash was also third in the long

jump at 13-3. Courtney VanWinkle ran a 6:43.27 race to snag runner-up status in the 1,600. MaKayla Kelly flung the discus 64-7 for third place in the discus. She was fifth in the high jump at 3-10. Shelby Anders was fourth in the 200-meter hurdles at 38.06.

Boys Jason Puri dotted the finish

sheet for the Trojans with his best finish coming in the triple jump. He soared 30-½ to finish second. Teammate Jose Ojeda was fourth in the triple jump at 26-6½. Puri and Ojeda were in close proximity in other events, too. Puri finished fifth in the 400 at 1:06.07, and Ojeda was eighth at 1:14.78. In the long jump, Puri was sixth with an effort of 14-2½, and Ojeda went eighth at 13-½.

✓ Records: Several second-place finishes

From Page 1B and took the discus at 78-8. Kaylee DeWitt’s 23-9 in the shot put was good for second, and Meryssa Oakley went 22-3 for fifth. Oakley was also fifth in the discus at 60-11. Ember Christensen (28-0) was third in the triple jump. Christensen was runner-up in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 18.82, and she finished fifth in the 200 hurdles at 33.93. Burks was second in the high jump at 4-2, and teammates

Jessica Evans and Amaya Zamora tied for fourth at 4-0. Evans and DeWitt teamed with Hannah Egusquiza and Kendall Nash to finish third in the sprint medley relay. Evans and DeWitt ran the 100s, Egusquiza the 200 and Nash the 400 as the team racked up a 2:14.49. Christensen joined Egusquiza, Evans and Nash to finish third in the 4x200 relay in 2:02.34. Burks and Oakley teamed with Egusquiza and DeWitt to finished

fourth with a time of 58.35 in the 4x100. **Boys** Max Mertz set the HMS boys’ triple jump record with a winning effort of 35 feet, 6 inches. He also won the 800 meters in 2:30.18. Mertz also was second in the 400 at 59.28 and third in the long jump at 16-5. Cobey Christoffersen picked up two bronze medals with third-place finishes in the 200 hurdles at 30.98 and the 800 at 2:38.10.

✓ Homedale: Home run barrage sends Trojans to crucial win vs. Grizzlies

From Page 1B Homedale’s two-run victory last week trumped Fruitland’s 6-5 triumph on April 8. “This win ... gives us a lot of confidence and momentum going into district,” Corta said. “Also, having district at Homedale is a huge boost for us. “We love playing at home. We get a great crowd behind, and (playing at home) gives the girls a lot of Homedale pride and makes them give a little extra.” Although the Trojans were on the road last week, a little extra was to be expected in the showdown of the top two Class 3A high school teams in the state. Like boxers on the biggest stage, the two squads felt each other out for the first five rounds of their 3A Snake River Valley

conference season finale. Then both teams — who between them own the past three 3A state championships — went on the offensive. The reigning state champion Trojans scored more points in the bout as Makayla Aberasturi, Gardenia Machuca and Destiny Long threw haymakers in the form of home runs off Grizzlies ace Kendal Cox. Last week’s game marked the fourth time in the past six encounters that a Trojans-Grizzlies game was decided two or fewer runs. Homedale has won three of the past four outings against Fruitland dating to the first game of the championship round in last year’s state tournament. “The game was very rewarding to the girls,” Corta said. “They’ve

been busting their tails all season knowing they were going to have to beat Fruitland. “I think anytime you beat Fruitland in any sport, it gives the school a bit of pride and success.” The game was originally scheduled for April 25, but was moved back because of rainy conditions, but Corta was fine with that because it may have sharpened the players’ focus by eliminating the distraction of the school’s April 26 prom. “Going to the game, the girls were very focused on the bus,” Corta said. “Lots of them had their headphones on, and they looked very relaxed and confident. “One thing about our girls, they never give up and feel like they can play with anyone. Our girls knew going in they needed play

flawless ball, and we played pretty darn well.” Aberasturi’s solo home run in the seventh inning sent the classic battle into the eighth inning with the score tied, 3-3. Elise Shenk, placed on second base because of the international tiebreaker, stole third base and scored the go-ahead run when Grizzlies shortstop Cassie Galemore dropped Tristan Corta’s fly ball. “We know anytime we face Fruitland, its’ going to be a dogfight,” Larry Corta said. “It usually comes down to who will get the breaks.” The next batter, Long, provided needed insurance with a two-run shot to left field off Cox. “(Cox) is going to pay at the next level, so we knew we had to be able to hit her,” Corta said.

“She is a very good pitcher, and it takes a little time to get her figured out, but once again, our girls are very competitive and do not give up.” After getting the first two outs in the bottom of the inning, Trojans junior Morgan Nash dodged an unearned run to lock up the victory. Machuca’s two-out, two-run homer broke a scoreless tie in the top of the sixth. Nash led off with a single to cap a 2-for-3 day. Fruitland used four hits in the bottom of the inning to grab a 3-2 advantage. Grace Kelso picked one of her two RBI in the inning. Cox was Fruitland’s leading hitter, going 2-for-4 with a run scored.

Sports

Symms chimes in with strong discus for HHS track

Trojans tackle district meet today

Richard Symms picked a good time to register one of his best performances of the year. The Homedale High School sophomore posted the Trojans' top finish Friday at the Moke Strong Canyon County Classic at Caldwell High School. Symms uncorked a discus throw of 132 feet, 1 inch — his second-best toss of the season — to grab runner-up status in the event. His throw was less than five feet behind meet champion Marcus Choate of Vallivue. Symms' season-best is only 3 feet, 5 inches farther than his Friday effort, which is good news for the Trojans, who will compete in the 3A District III championship meet today and Thursday at Parma High School.

Mustangs' Telleria leaps to fourth place in Heinz triple jump

Jordan Valley High School senior Ben Telleria finished fourth Saturday in the Heinz Invitational triple jump. Telleria hop, skipped and jumped to a distance of 40 feet, 1½ inches during the meet in Ontario, Ore. The other senior on the Mustangs' squad, Wyatt Trautman, teamed with Telleria and juniors Nick Eiguren and

The meet starts at 4 p.m. each day. The Trojans' second-best finish came in the boys' 4x400-meter relay with a 3-minute, 48.2-second time for fifth place. Senior Luke Flaming kicked things off, and sophomores Jacob Christensen and Josh Tolmie finished it off. Junior Riley Portwood ran the second leg. Junior Jennifer Hernandez had Homedale's best finish in the girls' meet. Her 13.5-second sprint placed seventh in the 100. Hernandez, Lexie Doss, Alyx Christensen and Alissa Martin teamed for a seventh-place time of 2:06.8 in the sprint medley relay. Doss and Christensen opened with 100s, while Martin ran a 200 and Hernandez wrapped things up with a 400. Martin was seventh in the triple jump at 29-6½. Junior Cole Hungate finished seventh in the boys' 3,200 at 10:36.8.

Homedale youth wrestlers collect seven Middleton titles

Hunter Thornton named tournament's outstanding wrestler

Hunter Thornton led a charge of seven champion wrestlers for the Homedale Wrestling Club at the Middleton Freestyle Tournament last month. Wrestling at 145 pounds in the Cadet division, Thornton racked up three pinfalls and a technical fall to capture a championship and nail down the Cadet Outstanding Wrestler Award for the April 19 meet. It was the first Outstanding Wrestling Award of Thornton's career. Thornton's run to the championship included a pin in 1 minute, 19 seconds of Homedale teammate Quentin Thornton in the final round of the day. That was his third consecutive pin in the tournament, following pins of Austin Rumble (1:31) and Sean Stanford (1:33) of the Capital City Outlaws. He started his run through the bracket with a 10-0 technical fall against Nampa Freestyle's Mason Kinzer. Other Homedale champions included: • **Jaegar Rose, Schoolboy/Girl 105** — Rose registered technical falls against Giovanni Roggio of Suples (12-2) and Martin Flores of Mat Rat Wrestling Club (19-6). • **Spencer Fisher, Novice 105/112** — Fisher defeated two teammates (Owen Houser by 50-second fall and John Conner by 10-0 tech fall) to complete his championship run. He started the tournament with a 10-0 technical fall victory over Trevor Dockstader of the Idaho Rattlers. • **Brayden Christoffersen, Novice 85** — Christoffersen beat teammate Keagan Christensen with a 10-0 technical fall to kick off his march to gold. He also pinned Palmer Galloway of Patriot Wrestling in 54 seconds before wrestling to a 6-0 decision over Kaden Hine of the Idaho Rattlers. • **Trenton Fisher, Intermediate 87** — Fisher had two pins (14 seconds against Adam Miller of Middleton and 34 seconds over Hunter Nye of Idaho Rattlers) and two tech falls (11-0 against Michael Sanders of Grizzly Freestyle and 12-2 over Fruitland's Levi Crawford). • **Jeffrey Layne, Intermediate 70** — Layne needed 44 seconds to pin Middleton's Gage Heck in the championship match. Af-

ter a quarterfinal bye, Layne pinned teammate Zander Hyer in 1 minute, 26 seconds in the semifinals. • **Caden Layne, Bantam 75-and-over** — Wrestling in the heaviest division for his age group, Layne beat Arrow Rock's Daniel Seityadeh twice (19-8 tech fall and 11-6 decision) to win the championship. Runners-up for Homedale included: • **Tristian Critchfield, Junior 126** — Critchfield lost both his matches to Suples' DeVaughn Sapien (pinfall, :58; tech fall, 10-0). • **Sierra Pesnell, School Boy/Girl 175** — After losing to independent wrestler Cameran Smith in the second round, Pesnell rallied to beat teammate Megan Houser, 7-4, to get runner-up. Houser finished third. • **Tyce Fisher, Pre-Bantam 50** — Fisher beat teammate Ty Cooper by technical fall, 10-0, in the second-place match to cap three consecutive victories to medal. After losing his quarterfinal match to start the meet, Fisher advanced out of the consolation semifinals with a 10-0 technical fall victory against Lincoln Gibbs from Nampa. Cooper ended up third. He fell into the second-place match after losing the championship to Idaho Bearkatz wrestler Dallin Chesley in a 10-0 tech fall. Cooper pinned Gibbs at the 45-second mark of their quarterfinal and reached the title match with a 12-1 technical fall against Cole Thompson of Idaho Rattlers. Homedale's other third-place wrestlers were: • **Quentin Thornton, Cadet 145** — Thornton beat Kinzer of Nampa (10-0 tech fall) and Rumble (pin, 1:34) as part of his 2-2 day. • **John Conner, Novice 105/112** — Conner pinned teammate Owen Houser in 39 seconds to start his tournament. • **Joseph Egusquiza, Novice 75** — Egusquiza edged Nampa's Ryland Silvis with a 15-14 decision in the semifinals then lost the championship match to Suples' Bodie Clements in a 14-4 technical fall. Another tech fall to another Suples wrestler (10-0 to Preston Owens) sealed Egusquiza's third-place finish. • **Chase Cooper, Intermedi-**

ate 80 — Cooper rallied after an opening loss to pin Middleton's Bowdy Heck (1:58) and Anthony Buchanan of Nampa (1:14) before an injury default cost him the fifth-round match against Hudson Sparks of Idaho Bearkatz. • **Zander Hyer, Intermediate 70** — Hyer pulled off three wins to finish third, but lost the second-place match after a pin in 1:05 by Gage Heck of Middleton. Hyer's victories included a quarterfinal decision (12-3) against Nampa's Keighton Johnston-Kelly, a high-scoring 18-14 consolation semifinal decision over Troy Turner of Nampa and a 10-5 win over Johnston-Kelly in the third-place match. • **Terry Volk, Bantam 70** — Volk was 0-2. • **Isaac Silva, Bantam 50A** — Silva pinned Nathan Hull of the Idaho Rattlers at the three-minute mark of the third-place match, but lost the second-place match by rule to Braeten Jorgensen, who had beaten Silva in the semifinals earlier. Silva's other victories were a 10-0 technical fall against Darian Pentland of Patriot in the quarterfinals and a 43-second pin of Middleton's Jace Waggoner in the consolation semifinals. • **Matthew Sheley, Pre-bantam, 45A** — Sheley's first loss of the tournament cam in the championship match Team Bullcatcher's Dylan Frothinger registered a 13-0 technical fall. Sheley then lost the second-place match to Nampa's Kartez Hernandez, who pulled out a 90-second pin. Sheley reached the title match with a 38-second pin of Middleton's Michael Wilson and a semifinal pin of Zane Sparks from Idaho Bearkatz. Fourth-place finishers were: • **Owen Houser, Novice 105/112** — Houser lost to teammates John Conner and Spencer Fisher by pinfall before Trevor Dockstader of the Idaho Rattlers pinned him in the last round of bouts. • **Cole Kushlan, Intermediate 75** — Kushlan finished fourth after an 0-3 tournament. • **Quade Christensen, Pre-Bantam 40B** — Christensen beat Kuna Klub's Caiden Curtis, 9-5, in the consolation semifinals to reach the third-place match. Arrow Rock's Kyler Sauvageau pinned Christensen in 51 seconds to grab third. Christensen's other victory came in the quarterfinals with an 11-7 decision over Cyrus Beeson of Idaho Rattlers.

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Sports



Hayden Dines connects on a pitcher earlier this season against Homedale. He knocked in two runs Friday for Marsing against New Plymouth. Photo by Jon P. Brown

New Plymouth finalizes district top seed with win over Marsing

Casey Yiengst and Hayden Dines knocked in two runs each Friday, but Marsing High School couldn't avoid slipping into the path of the 2A District III baseball tournament's top-seeded team. New Plymouth capped its 2A Western Idaho Conference regular-season championship run with a 6-2 win over the visiting Huskies.

The Pilgrims broke open a 1-0 game with five runs in the bottom of the third inning. Tyler Powell spun a four-hitter at the Huskies, who didn't get on the board until the fifth inning and scored again in the seventh. Lane Sevy gave up five earned runs on 10 hits in six innings to take the loss, while Junior

Gonzalez and Austin Williams rounded out Marsing's offense. Marsing beat McCall-Donnelly, 8-6, on Austin Williams' home run in the opening round of the district tournament Monday. The Huskies played top-seeded New Plymouth for a berth in the 2A state tournament Tuesday after deadline.

Pilgrims ride softball errors past Huskies

Kinney's fourth HR accounts for Marsing's run

Four errors hampered Marsing High School in its 2A Western Idaho Conference softball finale Friday. New Plymouth scored two unearned runs in the third inning to snap a deadlock and take control for a 5-1 home victory. Marsing's Mariah Kinney smacked a solo home run with one out in the third inning to tie the game, 1-1. It was the senior's fourth homer of the season. But the Huskies couldn't maintain the momentum. New Plymouth scored two runs

with two outs in its next at-bat. Kinney and Marissa Hardy picked up two hits apiece as Marsing out-hit New Plymouth, 7-5. Carey Dines also notched a double. Hardy scattered five hits, but was stung by three unearned runs. The Huskies play host to the 2A District III Tournament Friday and Saturday. As of Tuesday morning, Marsing and Nampa Christian were battling for the No. 3 seed. If Marsing prevails as the No. 3 seed, the Huskies will play No. 2 New Plymouth at 3:15 p.m. Friday. As the No. 4 seed, Marsing would face No. 5 McCall-Donnelly in a play-in game at 1:30 p.m. Friday.

✓ MHS: Malmberg captures fifth in Grizzly triple jump

From Page 1B the Grizzly Invitational. Herrera finished fifth in the 3,200 at 13:21.63. She was sixth in the 1,600 at 6:09.94. Tank was seventh in the 800 at 2:38.09. In the boys' meet, Marsing finished seventh in the 4x100

relay in 48.23 seconds. Senior Tyler Malmberg finished fifth in the triple jump with a season-best mark of 38 feet, 8 inches. He was eighth in the long jump with an 18-foot effort. That performance was 10 inches off his season best.

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MARSING HUSKIES



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Emily Tank, jr., track and field

The Play – Tank achieved two season-best times at Saturday's Heinz Invitational at Ontario (Ore.) High School. She posted a runner-up time of 2 minutes, 36.3 seconds in the 800 (the fastest of her career) and was 10th in the 400 at 1:06.45. She also achieved a season-best 13 feet, 7 inches in the long jump. She ran her fastest 200 of the year on Thursday at the Grizzly Invitational in Fruitland with a 30.54.

Baseball

2A District III Tournament
At Nampa Christian H.S.
Thursday, May 8 vs. TBA (if nec.), 2 p.m. or 5 p.m.
State play-in game
Saturday, May 10 vs. 2A District I/II rep (if nec.), time and location TBA

Track & Field

2A District III Championships
Friday, May 9 at New Plymouth H.S., 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 10 at New Plymouth H.S., 11 a.m.

Softball

2A District III Tournament At Marsing H.S.
Friday, May 9, games at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:15 p.m. and 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 10, games at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. with a second championship game, if nec., to follow

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM

On the edge of common sense
High price of food?



How should we as food producers interpret the media’s looming concern about headlines saying “Rising Food Prices Bite Budgets!” Examples given from previous 12 months’ list of percentages increases show: Ground Beef 4.9%, Eggs 5.7%, Tomatoes 6.9%, Pork Sausage 8.7%, Potatoes 9.2%, Fresh Fish 9.9% and Oranges 12.2%.

The causes of the increases are different: drought, freezing weather, disease, government regulations, EPA, loss of farm ground to suburbia, etc.

It all boils down to a reduction of product vs. its demand. We producers justify the prices of the basic commodity, food, because it has lagged unfairly behind almost all other life essentials such as oil, wood, coal, ore, and fresh water. We repeat the statistic that people in our nation spend less than 10 percent of their income on food, 40 percent of it eating out. That is lower than either housing, transportation or health care, which together account for 52 percent. And the Department of Labor, which did the survey, didn’t even include income tax!

Another factor is that with most foodstuffs, the farmer’s cut is less than the grocer or restaurant middlemen, from 5 percent for grain products (bread) to 50 percent for milk. And that’s eating at home. Anyone who eats out 40 percent of the time and complains about the cost of French fries, orange juice, hamburger, Ben & Jerry’s or Starbucks is hard to take seriously. In addition, today’s modern middle-income shoppers are accustomed to “Seasonal” fresh produce always being available. If it’s not available in the produce section they can find it canned, bottled or frozen on the shelves. Still others are willing to pay more if they think it is organic. We are very spoiled shoppers.

However, single-parent families working two jobs or those who are receiving welfare and/or unemployment checks are much more aware of the increase in the price of food. To our credit, the Farm Bill aids 46.7 million Americans (1 in 5) who are receiving food stamps to the tune of \$72 billion a year, to ensure that none go hungry. This life-saving program, as well as all of the entitlement programs, are paid for by the taxes collected from the 90 percent who are working. It is not the government that makes money; the government takes money from those who earn it and redistributes it.

The jobless and the middle-income groups are less affected by the food prices. But caught in the vise are those single-parent, geographically challenged, low-middle income Americans holding down a job and paying their own way. These workin’ moms do shop thriftily, and if the price of salmon or strawberries or asparagus or chuck roast is too high, they can do without. The supermarket is full of nutritious, generic-brand, fresh meat and vegetables that are affordable, especially if you know how to cook. However, these workin’ moms are tempted by the ease and low cost of “fast food” meals vs. the ever-present exhaustion that accompanies the effort of fixing a home-cooked meal for the kids at the end of a workday. Nothing is easy.

So what about the “Rising Food Prices Bites Budgets?” Most producers do their best to grow their crop as cheaply and efficiently as they can. They like to make a profit, sometimes they get lucky and sometimes they go broke, but the consumer never runs out of something to eat.

— 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.

Jon P. Brown, managing editor

Eyes on Owyhee
Pride and participation



Homedale is ready for its close-up Saturday, thanks to the work of a small band of people.

For the past two Saturdays, volunteers have fanned out on the riverfront to clear brush and spruce up.

More cleaning is planned when city public works supervisor Bret Smith unleashes the street sweeper on the pavement downtown.

The cleanup effort showcased the level of volunteerism in the town, and it wasn’t very high.

Sure, there were youth groups out helping city officials — including policemen, the mayor, council members and public works employees. But everyday joes were few and far between.

You won’t hear anyone complain publicly, but one has to think that those who came out to neaten the town were highly disappointed with the lack of public involvement.

It’s a shame, really, that more people didn’t show up to earn the badge of being a person who helped improve the scenery for the hundreds of folks who will take part in the Angel Walk 5-kilometer fun run and walk that will raise money Saturday to help young Tristen Thomas and her family.

On the other hand, the women who have worked for a fourth straight year to organize the Angel Walk deserve

recognition for creating one of the biggest community events in Owyhee County.

April Binford, Marcy Hibbs and Michelle Larzelier have worked tirelessly to keep the idea alive and kicking.

For the second consecutive year, a classic car show also will raise money for the Angel Walk fund. The inaugural show brought more than 100 vehicles to the west end of downtown as business owners graciously welcomed the intrusion of shiny chrome and impressive Detroit iron upon their storefronts.

Some of those businesses also opened their doors to a poker walk for the car show contestants or donated merchandise or gift cards for door prizes.

This year, organizers anticipate 150 vehicles.

And then there’s the Treasure Valley Antique Power Association’s annual tractor pull at town’s east entrance.

Saturday will be Homedale’s opportunity to shine when dozens of people from other parts of the Treasure Valley will make the trek to town to either take part in the car show or the Angel Walk or both.

The town is already a jewel, though, because of the people who take pride and participate in the events and preparation for the events.

Barry Peterson, Idaho state GOP chair

Republican reasoning
State’s elected officials
on edge of GOP platform



Nearly every Republican candidate claims to be “conservative.” Apparently all want the “badge.”

It has been reported that the Idaho Republican Party is conservatively extreme in its political views. So, it seems appropriate to examine the extremity of those views.

The current issues getting the most attention are the Obama health exchange, who should manage all the public lands in Idaho and Common Core.

Every Republican federal representative and senator, including those from Idaho, voted against the government health exchange.

Idaho Farm Bureau and the Farm Bureau from other states oppose government-run health exchanges as reported in their policy statements.

Polled Republicans around the nation still oppose government-run health exchanges.

The Idaho Republican Central Committee, from the beginning of the government-run health exchange debate, has at every meeting voted against the exchange, including a call again for its repeal in January.

It is reported that there are 14 states that have government-run health exchanges. Idaho is the only Republican state with the governor, all its constitutional officers and over 80 percent of the Legislature Republican that has installed a government-run health exchange.

So, it begs the questions: Who is on the edge of the Republican Party and why are they there?

Relative to the management of public lands in the western states, Nevada is more than 90 percent public land, Idaho is more than 62 percent and the other nine are averaging more than 60 percent.

Idaho Farm Bureau, in its policy statement, wants the state to manage all the public land within Idaho boundaries.

The Idaho Association of County Commissioners has passed a resolution calling for state management of all public land within its boundaries.

The National Association of County Commissioners has passed a resolution calling for states to manage all the public lands within their respective boundaries.

The National Republican Party, at its winter meeting in Washington, D.C., in which Idaho National Committeewoman Cindy Siddoway and National Committeeman Damond Watkins participated in January, passed a resolution supporting the western states’ management of public lands within their respective boundaries.

And, the Idaho Republican Party has passed resolutions supporting the position that the state should manage all the public land within its boundaries.

This same action has happened in other western states.

Idaho’s constitutional officers have not yet come out in support of public lands management by the state.

Again, it begs the question: Who is on the edge of the Republican Party?

Common Core is an issue that the state party and the NRC have passed resolutions in opposition. The future will yet determine the sagacity of this position. This resolution, along with the others, has been shared with our elected officials in the Legislature.

The Idaho Republican Party Central Committee is made up of representation from all 44 counties in the state, and at any given meeting there are 80 percent or more of the counties that are represented.

If Gov. C. L. “Butch” Otter is involved in recruitment and campaigning against incumbent Republican precinct committeemen across the state, it would be deeply disappointing to me.

The Idaho Republican Party has made every effort to support and cooperate with Gov. Otter as appropriate. We acknowledge that Gov. Otter does not support the Idaho Republican positions on several key issues. However we all agree that the proper role of government is best defined by the Idaho and RNC platform, which includes smaller government, lower taxes and preservation of our liberty or right to choose.

As we move forward, the Idaho Republican Party is committed to electing Republicans.

— Mountain Home businessman and resident Barry Peterson is the Idaho Republican Party’s state chair.

Commentary

Financial management

When it comes to debt, don't mess with the IRS

Dear Dave,
I owe the IRS \$6,000, and currently I'm making monthly payments. Should I roll this debt into my debt snowball, and then really attack it when it gets to the top of the list?
— Jared

Dear Jared,
My advice would be to put the IRS at the very top of your debt snowball. Usually, when it comes to paying off debt, I advise people to arrange their debt snowball from smallest to largest, then start with the smallest one and work their way up. This doesn't always seem to make mathematical sense, but the truth is personal finance is 80 percent behavior and only 20 percent head knowledge. Paying off some small debts quickly energizes you and gives you motivation. It makes you feel like you can really

do it. Besides, if you were such a math genius you wouldn't have debt in the first place.
But the IRS is a different animal altogether. Their interest rates and penalties are ridiculously high. Plus, they have virtually unlimited power to collect. So put them at the top of the list, and get them paid off as fast as you can!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
I'm 23, transitioning jobs, and I make \$32,000 a year. I have \$11,000 in a 401(k), and about \$15,000 in debt. Should I cash out the 401(k) to pay down my debt?
— Cody

Dear Cody,
I don't think so. When you take money out of a 401(k) they charge you a 10 percent penalty, plus your tax rate. Your tax rate



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is about 20 percent, so that means you're going to take a 30 percent hit. While I love dumping debt, your idea would be kind of like saying, "I want to borrow \$11,000 at 30 percent interest to pay off my debt." That doesn't make a lot of

sense, does it?
I never tell folks to cash out a 401(k) or IRA to pay off debt, unless it's the only way to avoid foreclosure or bankruptcy. You're not facing either one of those situations, Cody. So my answer is no.
— Dave

Dear Dave,
What do you think about making bi-weekly mortgage payments?
— Jeremiah

Dear Jeremiah,
I think it's an awesome idea. By doing that, you can pay off a 30-year mortgage in about 22.8 years, on average, depending on the interest rate.
However, I would never pay someone a fee to set up bi-weekly mortgage payments. All you do on a bi-weekly schedule is make half

a payment every two weeks. Since there are 26 two-week periods per year, that equals 13 whole payments. It's nothing magical, and it's not difficult.
Go for it, Jeremiah. Get rid of that house payment as fast as you can. Just don't pay extra fees to make it happen!
— 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. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Americans for Limited Government
Selective repeal keeps Obamacare alive; middle class still hurting

by Tom Toth

Senators and Representatives are working tirelessly to repeal the Affordable Care Act — sort of. Actually, most of them aren't lifting a finger to repeal any portions of the law that are worsening the lives of everyday Americans.
In the meantime, special interests are getting priority insider treatment.
As of this week, corporate executives were added alongside international manufacturing giants, Congressional staffers, and labor unions as priority victims of Obamacare who will be bailed out from the disastrous healthcare reform law.
Since its covert early-morning passage on Christmas Eve in 2009, Obamacare has been a collection of scandalous rollout disasters, shameless selective changes, and arbitrary delays. It seems like every corporate and special interest and their mothers have all been awarded an exception in one form or another from Obamacare.
Almost everyone has been exempted, that is, except for one vital demographic: middle class families.
The fact of the matter is that Obamacare is a bad deal for everybody.
Labor unions were among the first to figure this out, when the first-rate health insurance coverage that businesses were previously offering union members was replaced by the shoddy Obamacare exchanges. But, as large political contributors, they were given a multi-year reprieve from the law's damaging provisions.
Congressional staffers, who are forced to enroll in the

Obamacare exchanges under the language of the ACA, know intimately how bad forced participation in Obamacare would be for them and their families, which is why Congressional offices moved so quickly in a failed attempt to repeal the law for themselves.
Then, weeks before the individual mandate began imposing burdensome insurance limitations on both businesses and private insurance-holders, President Barack Obama pushed back the insurance mandate — for the businesses. People purchasing private insurance plans were left out to dry to the tune of 4.7 million insurance cancellations for the crime of purchasing insurance policies that Obamacare now deemed to be unworthy.
The medical device tax, a job-killing provision that costs General Electric alone about \$100 to \$150 million annually, is on the bipartisan chopping block, promising to repeal Obamacare for giant corporate interests.
Now the Expatriate Health Coverage Clarification Act of 2014, a bill shielding insurance policies used predominantly by corporate executives working overseas and requiring access to international healthcare, promises to repeal Obamacare for expatriate businessmen.
But what about American families?
Reports indicate that Obamacare mortally threatens tens of millions of insurance policies and the overall quality of the healthcare system in the coming months and years, but even mainstream Republicans are seemingly giving up on the idea of repealing Obamacare for American families:

as recently as last week, Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-Wash.), when asked whether Obamacare is here to stay, said that it "probably" was.
It's easy for politicians to jump on board with niche interests affected by Obamacare and nitpick from portions of the law that appease K Street's elite, but fighting for the American people is a much tougher and a thankless job — the job members of Congress are elected to do.
Every time Obamacare is repealed for societal elites and special interests, another powerful opponent to the law is appeased, serving as a functional loss to the national coalition of Americans determined to see the law abolished. Until the Affordable Care Act is removed from the United States Code in its entirety, the American people are on the losing side of Washington politics.
Obamacare, since its corrupt conception and shady passage, has been the enemy of millions of American families across the nation. There was never a day that the law was favored by a majority of the American people and continues to cost families greatly. Repealing the law may be a challenge, but it's certainly not the most insurmountable one that faces the people's Congress.
Obamacare is a bad deal for every American, and everyone deserves a full repeal, not just those who can afford Gucci-shoed former congressional staffers to lobby on their behalf.
— Tom Toth is the social media director for Americans for Limited Government.

Election letters

The Owyhee Avalanche will accept letters to the editor pertaining to the May 20 election until noon on Friday.
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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 10, 1989

Marsing boatramp, Island Park work delayed

The City of Marsing’s desire to relocate the boatramp in Island Park will have to wait at least another year.

Harvey Grimme, Marsing councilman and parks commissioner, had hoped the city could get the project completed this summer.

“Due to the three- to four-mile current in the Snake River by the current boatramp, it is difficult for elderly boaters to launch their boat,” Grimme told The Owyhee Avalanche.

Also, he said, the boatramp is washed out or damaged by the heavy spring runoff due to being right on the river.

Therefore, the city would like to build a new boatramp in the lagoon below the Sandbar River House Restaurant, Grimme said.

Homedale teachers receive 5% salary hike for ’89-90

The Homedale School Board okayed salary hikes for teachers for the next school year, set dates for two special meetings later in the month, and handled a variety of other matters at Monday night’s regular monthly session.

Superintendent of Schools Ed Marshall said the new money provided by the state allowed for “about a 5 percent salary increase” for teachers.

Homedale Jaycees disband, parcel out funds to groups

The Homedale Jaycees have officially disbanded, according to a club member.

Before disbanding, the club spokesman said, the club divided its \$2,000 left in its account amongst various community entities.

“This money was raised from the community, so we wanted to give it back to agencies and organizations that would carry out the original intent of the money,” the Jaycees spokesman said.

The Jaycees gave \$600 to the City of Homedale for the City Park beautification project; \$250 to the Homedale High School Fireworks Fund for Homecoming ’89; \$200 to the Homedale American Legion Post for Boys State; \$200 to the Homedale American Legion Auxiliary for Girls State; \$200 to the Homedale Library; \$100 to the Homedale Ambulance Service; \$100 to the Homedale Volunteer Fire Department; \$50 to the Ron Hinojos Fund; \$100 to the Homedale Senior Citizens; with the rest to be divided up in the same manner.

A small amount will be kept in an account in case the Jaycees are reactivated in the next couple of years.

Students learn building skills working on real projects

A unique hands-on learning program offered by the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency, COSSA, for teenagers interested in careers in the building trades, is helping in the construction of a new home for an area family.

Gregg and Randee Garrett in Central Cove have provided all the materials for their family’s new residence in Central Cove. They’ve also hired licensed professionals to handle the specialized jobs required on the construction project, such as electrical and plumbing work.

But approximately 10 area high school students have also provided key help in putting up the spacious three-bedroom structure with attached garage, under the supervision of their building trades instructor, Bill Hood. They’ve performed much of the carpentry on the project, including hanging and taping the sheetrock and preparing it for texturing. Their on-the-job training began about Aug. 25, and continues to run from 12:30 to 3 p.m. five days a week.

In the process, the students have been learning the fundamentals needed to work as carpenters, concrete workers and sheet metal workers, involving heating, ventilation and air conditioning tasks. They’ve also learned some basics associated with the work of electricians and plumbers.

Area teenagers participating in the COSSA program funded by five area school districts, including Homedale, include: Rob Anderson, Steve Atkins, David Freelove, Steve Lawler and Rick McBride, all of the Homedale area; Ismael Lopez of Marsing and Lonnie Rodriguez of Wilder.

50 years ago

May 7, 1964

Trojans count sixth win; down Wilder 7-4 Tuesday

Homedale upped its Snake River Valley B baseball record to 6-3 Tuesday by handing Wilder a 7-4 setback in a loop fray as young Carl Hays limited the Wildcats to three hits.

Wilder (4-4) had six-hit pitching from loser Larry Coonts, but the Cats committed seven errors. Glen Kushlan collected three hits in three trips and Fred Batt had two safeties for Wilder. Homedale is 8-3 for the year to 5-5 for the Wildcats.

Idaho National Guard jet crashed near Marsing

An Idaho Air National Guard supersonic fighter plan crashed and burned in sagebrush-covered country six miles southwest of Marsing Thursday, but the pilot ejected safely.

First Lt. Gordon Marlow of Boise, the only occupant of the F102 Delta Dart plane, parachuted, landing in a plowed farm field a mile and a half from the spot the plane landed.

He was unhurt and was picked up quickly. The plane hit not far from US Highway 95 and was destroyed.

Sheriff Al Barberis of the Owyhee County said the plane crashed about 400 yards from the farm home of Ray Meininger.

Marsing voters turn down levy for 3rd time

Patrons of Marsing School District 363 turned down for the third time Thursday a maintenance levy. Up for the decision of the voters was an additional nine mills. In two previous elections, 11 mills were asked.

Out of a total vote of 250, 159 yes votes were cast against 91 no votes. The 159 figure missed the required majority by seven votes, according to George Baalson, board clerk.

The nine mills would have been above the basic 30-mill levy, Baalson said.

Baalson said that since the levy was defeated, the district can expect to hire fewer teachers. He said there will have to be more students per teacher in grades one through eight than would have been the case had the levy passed.

Parkins says: ‘Will not file for re-election’

Democratic state Sen. Arlie J. Parkins said Thursday he will not be a candidate for re-election from Owyhee County because he is “vitally interested” in problems “outside of the State Legislature.”

Parkins has served three terms in the Senate. In a statement, he said: “I will not file for re-election to the state Senate from Owyhee County.”

“The problems of reclamation and conservation of which I am most vitally interested are largely outside of the State Legislature. I believe it was necessary to name a Water Committee to determine just what Idaho’s responsibility is and to make recommendations for developing her water resources.”

Parkins is a member of Gov. Robert E. Smylie’s Water Problems Study Committee and is an officer of the Idaho State Reclamation Association.

He left Monday morning for Washington, D.C. to testify before Senate and House appropriations committees concerning Bonneville Power Administration’s proposed transmission line into southern Idaho.

High school news

Student body officer elections were held at Homedale High School on Thursday, according to principal Darrel Reisch. Elected were: Brian Johnstone, president; Elaine Eidemiller, vice-president; Linda Cegnar, secretary; Kathy Brown, historian; and Art Solis, sergeant-at-arms.

Millie Nash, Carol Parker, DyAnne Carson and Teri Wilson were chosen as cheerleaders for the ’64-65 school year, at tryouts last Wednesday at the high school.

Homedale locals

Dale Smith returned Monday to Pocatello, where he attends Idaho State University after spending the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Smith.

140 years ago

May 9, 1874

EATING WHEN EXHAUSTED. When the strength, or nerve power is already worn out, or used up, the digestion of food only makes a fresh demand upon it, and if it be unable to meet the demand, the food is only a burden upon it, producing mischief. Our bodies have been compared to steam engines, the food being the fuel, and the steam produced, the nerve power. The analogy holds good to a certain extent. If when the steam is low, because the fire is low, you pile in too fast a quantity of coal, you put out your fire, and if you have depended upon steam power to fan your fires, that is also extinguished.

Beyond this, the comparison falls. You may clean out your furnaces and begin again, but in the body the consequences of this overloading are dangerous and sometimes fatal. No cause of cholera is more common than eating freely when in an exhausted state.

The rule should be to rest for a time, and take some simple refreshments, a cup or a part of a cup of tea, a little broth, or even a piece of bread, anything simple and in small amount, just to stimulate the stomach slightly, and begin to restore its power. After a rest, a moderate meal will be refreshing and safe.

Never eat a full meal when you are exhausted. Take first a small quantity of anything simple, which may be at hand, and rest. Then, after a time, proper food will be a blessing, not a burden. The fires will burn, the steam will be up, and you can go on your way without fear of harmful results.

It is not amiss in the connection to say that children would avoid many a feverish night, and many an attack of disease, which too often results fatally, if mothers would follow this rule.

THE PRESIDENT’S VETO. We regard the veto of the inflation bill as the bravest and grandest act of the President’s civil life, and nothing has occurred since the fall of Richmond to give the nation, as a whole, such profound satisfaction. It has removed a cloud from the popular mind, and restored confidence in legitimate business circles. The insecurity and certain fearful looking for monetary disaster no longer exists. The long agony is over, and the country is saved from the evils which would inevitably attend the inauguration of a new era of irredeemable paper money. The veto means a stoppage of the shinplaster factory; it means the adoption of a financial pulley that will look to the redemption of our national pledges, a gradual return to real money as the popular medium of exchange, a restoration of confidence, at home and abroad, in our Government’s promises to pay, and with it the appreciation of our national credit and bonds. In other words, it means that the high-flyers in Congress will not be permitted to flood the country with a redundancy of irredeemable paper currency, or to set the nation adrift in a financial era without pilot or compass.

THE EGG. Our egg item has been going the rounds of the press in every State of the Union, and, having reached New York, here is what Crofull’s Western World, says about it:

The editor of the Avalanche, Silver City, Idaho reports having seen a hen’s egg which measured 6½ inches in the lesser, and 8½ inches in the larger circumference. It was a Silver City hen — and we suppose an “Old 49er” — and she is claimed to be the “Champion egg-layer of the world.” Our friend Pearsall a la Daniel declares that “should such eggs ever be introduced into New York, they would bust both caterers and customers. The hens in New York don’t aspire to lay the largest eggs — quite the contrary. P. says: “It’s the climate, sir, everything depends on the climate.”

BULLION SHIPMENT. Superintendent Keown shipped, by Wells, Fargo & Co.’s Express to San Francisco, last Wednesday, 5 bars of Golden Chariot bullion, valued at \$13,025.40.

LOCAL HINTS AND HAPPENINGS. Sunshine, snow and rain, mingled together in about equal proportions, constituted the weather programme during the past week.

Public notices

SYNOPSIS OF OWYHEE COUNTY COMMISSIONER MINUTES April 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2014

April 7
Approved payment of bills from the following funds: Current Expense \$83,072, Road & Bridge \$29,553, District Court \$11,253, Probation \$3,195, Health District \$4,486, Historical Society & Museum \$1,206, Indigent & Charity \$59, Jr. College Tuition \$22,800, Revaluation \$864, Solid Waste \$17,801, 911 \$2,201, Waterways \$58, OHV \$401, Economic Development \$2003.

Approved a Certificate of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for Mykal Hill, and to College Southern Idaho for Jared Lemieux.

Approved hiring of John Robinson to Road & Bridge #1 as operator at \$14.76 per hour effective April 14, 2014.

Approved Resolution 2014-14; Schedule a hearing to amend Ordinance 07-06, adopting the 2012 International and Existing Building Codes.

Approved an Addendum to the existing agreement with contracted building inspector Dave Curl regarding pay rate and mileage reimbursement.

Approved Resolution 2014-15; Dispose or donate old office equipment and supplies.

Approved Resolution 2014-16; Setting rate of pay at \$37.50 per hour and \$.55 per mile for independent contracted building inspector Dave Curl.

Approved hiring of James Doucet as Sheriff’s jailer at \$13.87 per hour beginning April 14, 2014. Approved a letter to Owyhee County EMS Services, Robert Troxel. Placed liens on Indigent & Charity cases 14-07, 14-08 and 14-09. Re-affirmed denial of 12-22-13 for Indigent & Charity case 13-64.

Re-affirmed denial of 1-21-14 for Indigent & Charity case 13-69. Approved withdrawal of Indigent & Charity case 13-48. Approved Indigent & Charity case 14-05. Approved Indigent & Charity case 14-07.

Approved forgiving Owyhee County Historical Society on the March water bill for their trailer.

Approved a comment letter to Todd Grim with USDA APHIS Wildlife Services regarding the recent EA on predator damage management in Southern Idaho.

Approved a letter to Jen Meekhof with University of Idaho to fund the Socio-Economic Study, Input-Output Model for \$12,500.00 and the Social Qualitative Assessment for \$14,355.00.

April 14
Approved Certificates of Residency to CWI for Noah Shaw, and to CSI for Brittany Rahier.

Approved Resolution 2014-17; sell, donate or dispose of old CML 911 Rescue Star unit no longer of use and no nominal value.

Approved Resolution 2014-18; Schedule a public hearing to amend OC Ordinance 07-06, and to rescind and replace Resolution 2014-14.

Approved a letter to Idaho Emergency Medical Services Bureau in support of Marsing Ambulance grant.

Approved re-appointment of John Liable to the Owyhee County Historic Preservation Committee.

Approved the State Dept. of Ag CWM cost share agreement. Approved modification of the MHAFB P00004 Contract. Approved the following polling places for the 2014 primary and

general elections:
North Homedale South Homedale North Marsing South Marsing Wilson
Pleasant Valley Oreana Murphy Grand View Bruneau Riddle
Three Creek Absentee
Senior Citizens Center
Magistrate Court Building
Marsing Community Center
County Extension Office
Wilson Fire Station
Mail Ballot Oreana Community Hall
Owyhee County Courthouse
Eastern Owyhee Library
American Legion Building
Mail Ballot Mail Ballot Owyhee County Courthouse

Placed a lien on Indigent & Charity case 14-10. Rejected all bids received for the Road & Bridge District 3 crushing project.

Approved a Scope Of Work from Paragon Consulting in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the newly purchased gravel pit site on Tyson Road.

Approved a BLM letter to Loretta Chandler and Jim Fincher regarding coordination.

April 21
Approved payment of all outstanding bills from the following funds:
Current Expense Road & Bridge District Court Fairgrounds Probation
Hist. Soc./Museum Indigent & Charity Jr. College Revaluation
Solid Waste Tort Weeds 911 Waterways OHV
Econ. Develop.
\$38,400 \$4,284 \$57,598 \$30 \$1,436 \$1,032 \$9,423 \$150 \$1,438 \$1,771 \$3 \$2,759 \$4,957 \$566 \$26 \$526

Approve Certificates of Residency to the College of Southern Idaho for: Mickie Newman Jacquelyn Newman Austin Meyers
Porter Simper Ayde Cortex
Approved 1 Certificate of Residency to the College of Western Idaho for Jerijo Craig.

Approved a 2015 Retail Alcoholic Beverage License for Rock Valley Inc. DBA Grand View Store.

Approved a 2015 Retail Alcoholic Beverage License for A.H. Schade, Inc. DBA Gem Stop #13. Approved final denial of Indigent & Charity case 14-04.

Approved tax cancellation for parcel MH03N05W15322A in the tax amount of \$39.78 and a penalty of \$.84.

Approved a letter to Codie Martin w/ Jarbidge Field Office regarding Interested Public Lists.

Approved a letter sent to Georgia Henry, in care of Jeanine B. Olsen / Black Sands Resort, proposing improving, managing and maintaining the existing boat launch ramp.

April 28
Approved the (6) following Certificates of Residency for the College of Western Idaho: Cuihony He Stetson Gilbert Nola Boone
Sami Bachman Selena Moyer Caitlin Troxel
Approved a grade increase to 8 and pay increase to \$15.00 per hour for Lead Dispatcher Jessica Ferdinand.

Approved the following (14) 2015 Retail Alcoholic Beverage Licenses: Z Inc. DBA Paul’s Market – Homedale Owyhee Motor Sales DBA Owyhee Motor Sales – Homedale Y Bar Café LLC DBA Y Bar Café – Grand View
The Fishin’ Hole, LLC DBA The Fishin’ Hole – Bruneau Jackson’s Food Stores, Inc. DBA Jackson’s

CITY OF GRAND VIEW, IDAHO
Quarterly Expenditure & Revenue Report
FY 2014 - Quarter Ending 03/31/2014
As required by Idaho Code 50-1011

	2014 Budget	Actual Expenses	% of Budget Expenses	Actual Revenue	% of Budget Revenue
2nd Qtr - FY 2014					
ADMINISTRATION (CITY)	\$75,004.22	\$11,269.89	15%	\$10,747.43	14%
STREET & ROADS	\$128,340.67	\$11,965.11	9%	\$8,187.34	6%
PARKS	\$51,750.00	\$7,017.25	14%	\$1,964.00	4%
TOTAL	\$255,094.89	\$30,252.25	12%	\$20,898.77	8%

The General Public is invited to inspect all support documents for the above financial statement at City Hall, 425 Boise Ave, Grand View, Idaho, during regular business hours.
Tammy Payne- City Clerk/Treasurer
4/28/2014

Food Stores #4 – Homedale Arva M. Hunt DBA Square Deal Store – Grand View Dixie Black – DBA The Cowboy’s Pastime – Bruneau Idaho Hotel, Inc. DBA The Idaho Hotel Linda Gustavson DBA Gus’s Gas – Grand View Farmer’s Inn, LLC DBA Farmer’s Inn – Homedale Trans –Denco, LLC DBA Last Chance Saloon – Homedale How-Soel, Inc. DBA Logan’s Market – Marsing Salvador Salinas DBA Salinas Raiders Express Café – Grand View Manuel Ramos DBA Del Rio Restaurant – Homedale

Placed a lien on Indigent & Charity case 14-12. Denied Indigent & Charity case 14-08. Denied Indigent & Charity case 14-09. Denied Indigent & Charity case 14-11.

The complete minutes can be viewed online at www.owyheecounty.net or in the Clerk’s office.
5/4/14

LIEN SALE
J-1, David Lomeli, PO Box 164, Wilder, ID 83676. California king box spring and mattress set. Unit will be sold by sealed bids on 5/10/2014 at 1:00 p.m. Buyer can view the unit between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at Hwy 95 Self Storage, 3685 Hwy 95, Homedale, ID 83628. Sales are cash only and all sales are final. All items must be removed from unit including but not limited to trash. We do not provide a trash service.
4/30;5/7/14

INVITATION TO BID NOCWMA of Owyhee Conservation District
NOCWMA invites chemical suppliers to bid for 2014 chemical weed management contract. Interested bidders should call Owyhee Conservation District at 208-896-4544 or Email gina.millard@id.nacdnet.net Call for chemical list and bid requirements. Application deadline May 12, 2014
4/30;5/7/14

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROPOSE OR PROMULGATE NEW OR CHANGED AGENCY RULES
The following agencies of the state of Idaho have published the complete text and all related, pertinent information concerning their intent to change or make the following rules in the latest publication of the state Administrative Bulletin.
The written comment submission deadline is May 28,

2014 unless otherwise noted.
Public hearing request deadline is May 21, 2014 unless otherwise noted.
(Temp & Prop) indicates the rule is both Temporary and Proposed.
IDAPA 16 – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0036
16-0612-1401, Rules Governing the Idaho Child Care Program (ICCP). Removes reference to a percentage based co-pay for non-working students for the cost of child care and changes the state’s co-pay structure to be income based.
IDAPA 26 – DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, PO Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0065
26-0121-1401, Rules Governing the Administration of Park and Recreation Areas and Facilities. (Temp and Prop) Complies with SB1346aa by clarifying and delineating lease terms for Cottage site leases and for Float Home Moorage site leases within Heyburn State Park.
NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING
IDAPA 07 – DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY
07-0106-1401, Rules Governing the Use of the National Electrical Code
07-0107-1401, Rules Governing Continuing Education Requirements.
07-0501-1401, Rules of the Public Works Contractors License Board
IDAPA 10 - BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS
10-0101-1401, Rules of Procedure
10-0102-1401, Rules of Professional Responsibility
IDAPA 16 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
16-0310-1401, Medicaid Enhanced Plan Benefits
16-0311-1401, Rules Governing Intermediate Care Facilities for People with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/ID)
16-0322-1401, Residential Care or Assisted Living Facilities in Idaho
IDAPA 35 – STATE TAX COMMISSION
35-0102-1401, Idaho Sales and Use Tax Administrative Rules
35-0103-1401 – Property Tax Administrative Rules

IDAPA 37 – DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
37-0311-1101, Rules Governing Conjunctive Management of Surface and Ground Water Resources
Please refer to the Idaho Administrative Bulletin, **May 7, 2013, Volume 14-5,** for the notices and text of all rulemakings, public hearings schedules, information on negotiated rulemakings, executive orders of the Governor, and agency contact information.
Issues of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin can be viewed at www.adminrules.idaho.gov/
Office of the Administrative Rules Coordinator, Dept. of Administration, PO Box 83720, Boise, ID 83720-0306
Phone: 208-332-1820; Fax: 334-2307; Email: rulescoordinator@adm.idaho.gov
5/7/14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE No. CV-2014-0150 IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF OWYHEE
In the Matter of the Estate of ELDON V. EVANS, Deceased.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned have been appointed personal representatives of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of the Notice to Creditors, or within 60 days after the undersigned mailed or delivered a copy of this Notice to such persons, whichever is later, or said claims will be forever barred.
Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the addresses indicated, and filed with the Clerk of Court.

DATED this 19th day of April, 2014.
/s/Russell V. Evans, 18999 S. Cloverdale Road, Kuna, Idaho 83634
/s/Nancy Williams, 414 River Meadow Drive, Alpine, Utah 84004
5/7,14,21/14

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE

Idaho Code 45-1506 Today’s date: April 1, 2014 File No.: 7699.20503 Sale date and time (local time): August 1, 2014 at 11:00 AM Sale location: in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho 83650 Property address: 12755 Trail Drive Lane aka 12755 Trail Drive Rd Melba, ID 83641 Successor Trustee: Northwest Trustee Services, Inc., an Idaho Corporation P.O. Box 997 Bellevue, WA 98009 (425) 586-1900 Deed of Trust information Original grantor: Sherry L. Horton and Frank J. Horton, wife and husband Original trustee: Alliance Title and Escrow Original beneficiary: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Pacific Republic Mortgage Corporation Recording date: 06/25/2003 Recorder’s instrument number: 244023 County: Owyhee Sum owing on the obligation: as of April 1, 2014: \$99,983.41 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day to day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. Hence, if you pay the amount shown above, an adjustment may be necessary after we receive your check. For further information write or call the Successor Trustee at the address or telephone number provided above. Basis of default: failure to make payments when due. Please take notice that the Successor Trustee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for certified funds or equivalent the property described above. The property address is identified to comply with IC 60-113 but is not warranted to be correct. The property’s legal description is: A part of the Southeast quarter Northwest quarter of Section 14, Township 1 South, Range 3 West of the Boise Meridian in Owyhee County, Idaho, more particularly described to wit: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the said Southeast quarter Northwest quarter, the Initial Point of this description; thence South 89 degrees 20’40” East 662.96 feet along the North line of the said Southeast quarter Northwest quarter, to a point which is North 89 degrees 20’40” West 662.97 feet from the Northeast corner of the said Southeast quarter Northwest quarter; thence South 0 degrees 48’05” East 328.56 feet; thence North 88 degrees 59’55” West 671.54 feet to a point on the West line of the said

Southeast quarter Northwest quarter; thence North 0 degrees 41’34” East 324.40 feet along the said West line to the Initial Point of this description. Except: A fifty (50) foot wide access road which lies on the Eastern boundary of the above described property as conveyed to the County of Owyhee as evidenced in Quitclaim Deed dated April 25, 2000, recorded May 8, 2000 as Instrument No. 232259, records of Owyhee County, Idaho. The sale is subject to conditions, rules and procedures as described at the sale and which can be reviewed at www.northwesttrustee.com or USA-Foreclosure.com. The sale is made without representation, warranty or covenant of any kind. (TS# 7699.20503) 1002.266911- File No. 4/16,23,30;5/7/14

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:

55-13918, US DEPT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 1387 S VINNELL WAY, BOISE, ID 83709-1657
Point of Diversion SENW S3 T12S R03W OWYHEE County Source LONG MEADOW CREEK Tributary CASTLE CREEK
Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 5.2 AF
Total Diversion: 5.2 AF
Date Filed: 1/24/2014
Place of Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE
T12S R03W S3 SENW 55-13919, THUNDER MOUNTAIN RESOURCES INC, 11770 W PRESIDENT DR STE F, BOISE, ID 83713
Points of Diversion SWNE NESE NWSE SWSE SESE S14 T07S R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER
Points of Diversion NENE NWNE SWNE SENE S23 T07S R05W OWYHEE County Source GROUND WATER
Use: DIVERSION TO STORAGE, DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL 01/01 to 12/31 0.25 CFS
Use: INDUSTRIAL STORAGE, DOMESTIC STORAGE, FIRE PROTECTION STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 0.3 AF
Total Diversion: 0.25 CFS
Date Filed: 12/27/2013

Place of Use: DOMESTIC, INDUSTRIAL, FIRE PROTECTION STORAGE, DOMESTIC STORAGE, INDUSTRIAL STORAGE
T07S R05W S14 SWNE SE(ALL)
T07S R05W S23 NE(ALL)
55-13920, US DEPT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 1387 S VINNELL WAY, BOISE, ID 83709-1657
Point of Diversion NWNE S30 T06S R02W OWYHEE County Source BRIDGE CREEK Tributary MEADOW CREEK
Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 3.3 AF
Total Diversion: 3.3 AF
Date Filed: 2/6/2014
Place of Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE
T06S R02W S30 NWNE SWNE 55-13921, US DEPT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 1387 S VINNELL WAY, BOISE, ID 83709-1657
Point of Diversion SENE S30 T06S R02W OWYHEE County Source BRIDGE CREEK Tributary MEADOW CREEK
Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE 01/01 to 12/31 7.7 AF
Total Diversion: 7.7 AF
Date Filed: 2/6/2014
Place of Use: STOCKWATER STORAGE, WILDLIFE STORAGE
T06S R02W S30 SWNE SENE
Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRFiling.asp. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 5/27/2014. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.
GARY SPACKMAN, Director 5/7,14/14

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Sports

Trojans run out of comebacks in JV baseball semis

Homedale High School’s hopes to reaching the 3A Snake River Valley conference junior varsity baseball championship game ended with the winning run on second base Saturday.

Trailing by a run, the Trojans loaded the bases at home in the bottom of the seventh inning, but couldn’t push across a run in an 8-7 semifinal loss to Payette.

The Pirates lost to Fruitland, 7-6, with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning of Monday’s championship game in Homedale.

The top-seeded Grizzlies reached the title game with a 14-3 destruction Saturday of Weiser.

Homedale’s seventh-inning uprising was the second time in as many at-bats that the Trojans tried to come back.

Using two walks and two errors, Payette took an 8-2 lead in the top of the sixth inning.

In the bottom of the frame, Homedale started off with three consecutive hits, including a leadoff double from freshman Craig Romriell.

Pounding six hits, including a two-out double from junior Bo Jenkins, the Trojans scored five runs, but left two runners in scoring position.

Michael Lejardi, Jose Lopez and Dayne Jacobs opened the seventh inning with consecutive singles, but Payette’s Tristin Stacy was able to pitch out of the jam to preserve the win.



Sam Lorta dives into home plate with the Trojans’ first run Saturday in the 3A Snake River Valley conference tournament semifinals at Homedale’s field. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Sam Lorta singled, stole second and scored on a delayed steal with Jakobee Osborn as Homedale tied the game in the first. Payette grabbed a 3-1 lead with two runs in the third inning against Drew Taylor. After the Pirates scored an insurance run in the top of the fourth inning, Romriell walked, stole third and scored in the bottom of the frame.

Kincheloe only winner in Trojans’ final conference match

District tourney begins Thursday at three sites

Kincade Kincheloe was the lone bright spot Friday in Homedale High School’s final tennis match of the conference season.

He battled back from a lopsided second-set loss to beat Fruitland’s No. 1 boys’ singles player, Kooper Crow, in the 3A Snake River Valley conference season finale for both teams at Bette Uda City Park.

Kincheloe’s 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 victory was the only win for the Trojans in an 11-1 loss to the Grizzlies, who finished second in the conference race to Parma.

“I am proud of the way Kincade played (Friday),” HHS coach Scott Michaelson said. “He played great and maintained consistency through three sets to earn a big victory.”

Kincheloe looks to carry the momentum from Friday into the 3A District III Tournament. The action starts at 4 p.m. Thursday at three locations.

Kincheloe and No. 1 girls’ player Hattie Mertz are the top Trojans heading into the singles tournament, which takes place at Parma High School.



Kincade Kincheloe returns a shot earlier this season against Ontario. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Marissa Guzman and Edmy Vega lost, 6-1, 6-0, to Fruitland’s Abby Tesnohldek and Brooke Teunissen on Friday. The Trojans’ No. 1 girls’ doubles team will play in the district girls’ doubles tournament in Fruitland.

The boys’ doubles and mixed doubles portions of the tournament will be held at Payette High School.

Homedale’s top boys’ team, Andrew Randall and Michel Bethge, lost, 6-1, 6-1, to Fruitland’s Jaxxton Claton and Joel Van Patten.

Homedale’s No. 1 mixed duo of Delaney Phariss and Alec Egurrola fought hard in the second set but fell Friday to Fruitland’s

Jessica Russell and Trey Nattress, 6-1, 7-6.

The district tournament continues at all three locations at 9 a.m. on Friday before shifting to Parma for all the finals beginning at 9 a.m.

Thursday: Homedale 6, Weiser 6 — Randall and Bethge wrested control of their doubles match after dropping the first match, sprinting to a 4-6, 6-0, 6-2 boys’ doubles win over Jake Child and Jaren Tolman in a conference dual meet on the road.

Dylan Phariss and Orion Cardenas won the No. 2 boys’ doubles match, 6-1, 6-1, against the Wolverines’ Jon Shaber and Alek Bonder.

Delaney Phariss and Alec Egurrola rolled to a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Weiser’s No. 1 mixed doubles team of Marlen Lopez and Brenana Westover.

On the singles side, Kincheloe routed Dominic Aubrey, 6-0, 6-2, at the No. 1 boys’ spot, and Mertz won a second-set marathon for a 6-1, 7-6 win over Maggi Laan in the No. 1 girls’ match.

No. 2 boys’ player Ben Holloway got a win in straight sets.

April 29: Homedale 9, Nyssa, Ore., 3 — Randall and Bethge came away with one of their biggest wins of the season in a non-conference dual meet at Bette Uda City Park.

The Trojans’ No. 1 doubles team rallied from a tight first-set loss to beat Erasmo Gaona and Daniel Vinyard, 6-7, 6-3, 6-4, to highlight Homedale’s sweep in the boys’ ladder.

Kincheloe rolled in the top boys’ singles match, 6-0, 6-1, and No. 2 Coy Gardner blanked Nyssa’s Devin Rindlisbacher, 6-0, 6-0.

Ben Holloway won the No. 3 match by a 6-4, 6-0 count against Ryan Benjamin.

Dylan Phariss and Orion Cardenas swept Andy Esplin and Monson Vinyard, 6-2, 6-1, at No. 2 doubles to close Homedale’s dominance of the boys’ matches.

Nyssa’s only victories came as forfeits in the girls’ ladder.

Mertz held off a determined Becky Benjamin in the second set of a 6-1, 7-5 victory at No. 1 singles for Homedale.

Guzman and Vega won the top doubles match, and Homedale swept the mixed doubles matches.

No. 1 Delaney Phariss and Alec Egurrola needed an extra game in the first set of their 7-5, 6-2 win, while Jasmin Zegger and Ryan Randall needed extra games to win the No. 2 match, 6-4, 7-6.