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WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2014

Another year of Angel Walk smiles and success

Homedale helps out

Right: Homedale resident Stephenie Thomas holds this year's Angel, her daughter Tristen. This year's event collected \$13,500.

Below: A group of Homedale High School students power their way through the early stages of Saturday's 5-kilometer fun run on Riverside Drive near the Snake River.

Photos by Karen Bresnahan
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Jordan Valley Big Loop arrives

Town braces for three days of rodeo

While law enforcement may be preparing for threatened protests from out-of-the-area activists, Jordan Valley is focused on the 55th annual Big Loop Rodeo, which starts Friday.

Today is the final day to enter

and pay entry fees for the rodeo. Call the rodeo office at (541) 586-2551 for more information.

The rodeo, which is sponsored by the Jordan Valley Rodeo Association, begins at approximately 1:30 p.m. Friday with team roping and the Big Loop. Friday admission is free.

Rodeo events will be staged beginning at 1:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for

children ages 6-13. Children 5 and younger get in free.

The weekend events include stock saddle bronc riding, calf roping, saddle bronc, bull riding, barrel racing (junior and senior divisions), junior steer riding and cow riding.

The winning Big Loop team wins saddles donated by a consortium of the rodeo board, Intermountain

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Few local races in Tuesday's primary

While statewide races are crowded, voters will have few decisions to make in the Republican primary election for Owyhee County and District 23 offices.

Election Day is Tuesday. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at nine precincts throughout the county. Mail ballots for the Riddle, Three Creek and Pleasant Valley precincts must be received at the county elections office in Murphy by 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The only contested county race is for a two-year term as District 2 commissioner. Board of County Commissioners incumbent Kelly Aberasturi is seeking a second term against the man he succeeded, George Hyer. Both men are from Homedale.

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The candidates answer the *Avalanche's* questions.

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Ballot features two property tax votes

Marsing-Homedale Cemetery district seeks \$30,000 override levy

Voters in the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Maintenance District are being asked to approve a \$30,000 override levy Tuesday.

Two-thirds of the levy, or \$20,000 per year, will be dedicated to the purchase or maintenance of lawn equipment as well as cemetery grounds maintenance.

The remaining \$10,000 in annual property tax revenue would help pay bills and other expenses.

Board member Valerie Dines said the district's revenues have dwindled, triggering the need for a levy to help make ends meet.

This is the first time the board has sought an override levy. Taxes would increase about \$5 for every \$100,000 of net property value, Dines said.

Bruneau-GV school cuts loom even if levy OK'd

Election Day on Tuesday won't be reserved for choosing political leaders. Voters in the Bruneau-Grand View School District will decide the fate of a second attempt at passing a supplemental levy.

Polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at these locations:

- American Legion Post 83 Hall, 32536 Belle Ave., Bruneau
- Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road
- Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View

Patrons rejected the same two-year, \$1.2 million supplemental levy proposal in a March election.

Afterward, the school board decided not to run another election, but levy supporters brought nearly 250 signatures to

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Homedale council to discuss Westowns garbage rate hike

A light Homedale City Council meeting agenda tonight will include discussion of a requested fee increase for Westowns Disposal Inc.

Bill Pastoor, owner of the city's garbage contractor, requested a rate hike during the April 24 council meeting. He said he was considering asking for a 50-cent increase, but left the amount to council's discretion.

Although the agenda calls for either discussion or action on the part of the city council, a public hearing would have to be held if the increase is more than five percent of the current rate.

Residential customers now pay \$9.25 per month and \$2.50 per garbage tote. Businesses that use Dumpsters pay directly to Westowns.

The last base rate increase came in 2008. The council increased customers' bills by \$1 per month for both residential and commercial customers after a July public hearing.

Tonight's meeting starts at 6 inside the magistrate courtroom portion of City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

Departmental reports and reports from the mayor and city council also are on the agenda.

Marsing council to meet

The Marsing City Council will meet today at 7 p.m. at City Hall at 435 Main St.

Agenda items include updates on the city's transportation plan, the East Bruneau Trunk Line Sewer Rehabilitation Project, and a progress report on the new Subway restaurant on the corner of Main Street and Idaho highway 78.

The council will hear about a new auto body shop that plans to open at 932 Main St. Amigo

Auto Body owner Alberto Olivo of Nampa has purchased a non-resident business license.

Owyhee Gardeners member Ellen Dines is scheduled to speak.

The council will also hear updates on code enforcement and the methane gas project.

The city council has been asked to donate \$500 for the Leroy Breshears Memorial Kids Fishing Day, which is scheduled for Saturday June 7.



Homedale High School art projects shown
Homedale High School juniors Rosio Ojeda, left, and Maria Cortez stand by their "Cheetos People" artwork on display inside the old gymnasium. They said it took 300 bags of Cheetos to make the project. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Free immunizations offered in Homedale

A free vaccination clinic for children ages 4-18 will be held Saturday in Homedale. The immunizations will be given from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Terry Reilly Health Services clinic, 108 E. Idaho Ave. Email opimmune@pharmacy.isu.edu for info.



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Taxes - Reducing taxes will enhance your **LIFE, LIBERTY and PURSUIT** of **HAPPINESS**. Socialism and government redistribution of your wealth must be reversed and reined in orderly.

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Pro Life - Life begins at conception and is sacred.

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Homedale music students sing song written for them

Homedale music teacher Tony Bradshaw asked a question and his question was answered in a big way.

While planning this year’s two spring concerts, Bradshaw was having difficulty deciding on a final number for his elementary program. He searched his regular sources, but couldn’t find a song that would utilize both boom-whackers (colorful tubes that are played) and recorders.

The middle school concert was held Thursday, while the third and fourth grades performed a Rockin’ Spring concert on Tuesday.

During his search, Bradshaw went to a music site called musick8kids.com and put in an on-line request for help in locating a song.

The musick8kids.com site is operated by the owners of Plank Music, a nearly 25-year-old company that puts out a magazine five times a year that is used by music teachers all over the country. It has 12,000 subscribers.

“The Music K-8 magazine is known as ‘the elementary teacher’s bible,’” Bradshaw said. “It’s huge. Everyone in elementary music education knows about it.”

After reading Bradshaw’s request, the company owners responded by writing a song especially for Bradshaw and his students and surprised him by including it in the May issue of the Music K-8 Magazine.

The song is called “Rock Boom BAG (huh)” and Homedale third- and fourth-graders performed it after deadline Tuesday.

“All of a sudden the magazine showed up in the mail, and I couldn’t believe it,” Bradshaw said. “I was not expecting this at all, and I was jumping up and down with excitement.

“It’s awesome to think they wrote this song just for us.”

When Bradshaw told his students about the new song, they were really excited about it, he said.

Bradshaw says he is very happy working as a music teacher.

He is inspired by the children and lets them participate in the creative process by letting them decide which actions to use with the songs.

“I just enjoy the children singing and dancing. I like to watch them and see what they do,” he said. By including the children’s ideas, he says the concerts turn out better than what he could have imagined on his own.

He also enjoys it when his students sing the words and get their minds on the meaning of them. His goal is to “change their lives



Tony Bradshaw



Homedale’s Middle School fifth- and sixth-grade choir performers are, top row from left: LouAnn Carter; Arianna Larzelier; Trinity Thornton; Rachel Taylor; middle row from left: Mia Navarro; Reagan Hoadley; Liberty Shippy; Karina Corrales; Dustin Mansidor; front row from left: Sarai Villarreal; Katelyn Jerome; Tommy McGuire; Devyn Mansidor. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

forever for the better.”

Bradshaw is completing his second year at Homedale.

Previously he student taught at the Idaho Arts Academy in Nampa, and worked for five years with disabled adults at the Idaho State School and Hospital in Nampa.

“Then one day, I said to myself: ‘it’s a free world, if I could do anything, what would I do,?’” he said.

That was the moment he realized he wanted to be a teacher.

Bradshaw says he was the most unlikely of children to end up in a music career. He calls himself “the tone deaf music teacher” because he was actually tone deaf as a youngster.

“I sang terribly,” he admits, laughing.

But, when he got into high school, he learned to play the trombone and his band teacher taught him how to hear music and then he began singing. He went on to be a member of the choir and became drum major.

He plans to continue teaching elementary music as long as he can.

His lifelong goal is “to motivate people to do what they are supposed to do” because he feels like he spent too much time trying to find a direction in his life.

Bradshaw was born in Utah and received his education degree from San Jose State in California.

He and his wife Emily live in Caldwell. They have three children and a fourth on the way. Their daughter Liahona is 7, and their sons are Micah, 5, and Adam, 2. Emily is a professional artist who draws portraits.

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✓ Primary: Most county races uncontested

Other county officers up for re-election include District 1 commissioner Jerry Hoagland, Clerk Angie Barkell, Assessor Brett Endicott, Treasurer Brenda Richards and Coroner Aaron Tines. All five are unopposed in their bids for four more years.

The only primary race in District 23 is for Seat B in the state House of Representatives.

Incumbent Pete Nielsen (R-Mountain Home) is facing a challenge from Buhl Republican Steve Millington for the second election cycle in a row. "Spike" R.L. Ericson (D-Oasis) is listed as a general election challenger to the winner of Tuesday's primary.

District 23 is comprised of Owyhee County, Elmore County and the rural portion of western Twin Falls County.

District 23A Rep. Rich Wills (R-Glenns Ferry) is unopposed in the Republican primary, but will face a general election challenge in November from Homedale Democrat Mary Ann Richards.

District 23 state Sen. Bert Brackett (R-Rogerson) is unopposed in his bid for re-election.

Tuesday's polling places are:

North Homedale — Senior center, 224 W. Idaho Ave.

South Homedale — City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave.

North Marsing — Phipps-Watson Marsing American Legion Community Center, 126 W. 2nd St. N.

South Marsing — University of Idaho Owyhee County Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave.

Wilson — Murphy-Reynolds-Wilson fire station, 10427 Johnston Lane

Murphy — Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy 78

Oreana — Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Road

Grand View — Eastern Owyhee County Library, 520 Boise Ave.

Bruneau — Post 83 American Legion Hall, 32536 Belle Ave.

Absentee — Owyhee County Courthouse, Murphy

Mail-in — Pleasant Valley, Riddle and Three Creek

Find election results at www.owyheeavalanche.com Tuesday night.

✓ School: Some patrons asked for 2nd run

an April 3 special meeting and changed trustees' minds.

The levy failed by 44 votes when 48 percent of the registered voters in the vast district went to the polls in March.

The district is trying to replace a two-year, \$1.4 million supplemental levy that will expire at the end of the school year. That levy was approved in August 2012 after a smaller levy was rejected in March 2012 by the same number of votes as this year's first levy election.

Campus consolidation and job losses are possible if the levy doesn't succeed Tuesday.

Board chair Lori Bennett said last month that even if the levy passes, trustees will have to look at budget cuts of some sort.

✓ Big Loop: Several events scheduled

Community Bank, Pruett Tire, the Walt Morgan Memorial, WT Bruce Photography, MGM Contractors, Superior Livestock Auction and Owyhee Gold Trust, which operates the South Mountain mine and mill.

Owyhee County artist Delwyne Trefz has created trophy buckles for event champions, and the Tex and Agnes Payne Memorial donates all around trophies.

Other events held in conjunction with the Big Loop include:

- A Lions Club fundraiser dance held Friday and Saturday at the Jordan Valley High School gymnasium.
- The Jordan Valley Booster Club tri-tip barbecue after Saturday's rodeo performance
- A buckaroo breakfast from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday at St. Bernard's Catholic Church
- A Cowboy Church service beginning at 9 a.m. Sunday at the high school

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DAVE LINDEN, TREASURER

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

Obituary

Wilma Stansell

Wilma Stansell, 88, of Homedale, went to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on May 8, 2014.

Wilma was born April 12, 1926 at Prague, Oklahoma. She was the daughter of John Albert and Claris (King) Lamb. The family moved to Homedale in 1940 and Wilma graduated from Homedale High School in 1945. Wilma married Jack B. Stansell on June 2, 1945 and after farming at Helena, MT for a short time, returned to Homedale to farm and raise their family.

She was a member of the Empress Rebekah Lodge #121 of Homedale and was a longtime member of the Homedale Friends Community Church where she taught Sunday School.

Wilma is survived by one sister, Lola McDowell of Randle, WA, her three sons, Kenneth and Albert (Kimberly) of Homedale, ID, Richard (Debra) of Aberdeen, ID



and her daughter, Connie (Richard) Foy of Spokane, WA, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren as well as a large extended family of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, her sister, Una Belle Smith and her brother, John Wayne Lamb.

A viewing will be held from 5:00-8:00PM on Wednesday,

May 14, 2014 at Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Homedale. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, May 15, 2014 at the Homedale Friends Community Church (17434 Highway 95, Wilder, ID 83676). Interment will follow at the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery, Marsing, ID.

Guests may sign the guestbook or share memories at www.flahiff-funeralchapel.com.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

- May 14: Beef stew, bread
- May 15: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, string beans, bread
- May 20: Election day, center closed.
- May 21: Chicken salad, lettuce & tomato, pasta salad, bread

Marsing Senior Center

- May 14: Navy beans w/ham, cheese plate, stewed tomatoes, apricots, cornbread
- May 15: Salisbury steak, broccoli, potatoes, beet salad, apricot juice, brown bread
- May 19: Breakfast special, waffles
- May 20: Baked chicken, au gratin potatoes, broccoli, carrots, cabbage/raisin slaw, orange juice, beets, roll, prunes
- May 21: Beef tips over noodles, peas & carrots, roll, oranges

Rimrock Senior Center

- May 15: Beef chili pie, tossed salad, fruit, pudding, cornbread
- May 20: Baked chicken, corn, apple salad, breadsticks, cookies

School menus

Homedale Elementary

- May 14: Crispito, corn, side salad, orange wedges
- May 15: Pizza hot pocket, tossed salad, grape tomatoes, tropical fruit
- May 16: Hamburger, potato chips, baby carrots, apple, cookie
- May 19: Wiener wrap, potato wedges, baked beans, peaches, fruit rollup
- May 20: Chicken nuggets, mixed vegetables, grape tomatoes, mandarin oranges
- May 21: Homemade chicken burrito, corn, broccoli, grapes
- May 22: PB&J, potato chips, baby carrots, apple, cookie

Homedale Middle

- May 14: Grilled cheese or rib-b-que, corn, grape tomatoes, orange wedges
- May 15: Chicken or beef nuggets, broccoli, cauliflower, mandarin oranges, rice krispie treat
- May 16: Pizza hot pocket or corn dog, tossed salad, baby carrots, applesauce
- May 19: Chicken & noodles or popcorn chicken, baby carrots, grape tomatoes, mandarin oranges, animal crackers
- May 20: Crispito or PB&J, taco salad, celery sticks, peaches
- May 21: Mini corn dogs or ham/cheese hot pocket, green beans, side salad, apple

Homedale High

- May 14: Lasagna w/French bread or rib-b-que, mixed vegetables, salad bar/fruit choice
- May 15: Nachos or corn dog, salad bar/fruit choice
- May 16: Crispito w/taco salad or hot pocket, corn, salad bar/fruit choice
- May 19: Personal pepperoni pizza or ham/cheese sandwich, salad bar/fruit choice
- May 20: Chicken tenders or pork chops, scalloped potatoes, roll, salad bar/fruit choice
- May 21: Enchilada or hot pocket, salad bar/fruit choice

Marsing

- May 14: Orange chicken w/rice or ham/cheese w/chips, steamed carrots, salad bar 6-12
- May 15: Spaghetti or beef nuggets, Italian breadstick, green beans, salad bar 6-12
- May 19: Pizza or chili cheese fries, roll, tossed salad, salad bar 6-12
- May 20: Cheesy noodle bake or fish sandwich, mixed vegetables, salad bar 6-12
- May 21: Spicy chicken & rice w/roll or homemade burritos, steamed carrots, salad bar 6-12
- May 22: PB&J, turkey sandwich, carrot sticks

Bruneau-Grand View

- May 14: Chicken patty/bun, black beans, steamed broccoli, fruit
- May 15: Cook's choice
- May 16: Teriyaki chicken rice bowl, oriental veggies, fruit
- May 20: Chicken wrap, romaine/tomato, steamed carrots, pudding
- May 21: Cook's choice
- May 22: Cook's choice
- May 23: Pig in a blanket, sweet potato fries, broccoli, fruit, chocolate chip cookie

Death notice

HENRY “HANK” DAVID GERDES, 70, of the Murphy-Melba area, died Sunday, May 4, 2014, at home of natural causes. A viewing and funeral services were held on Thursday, May 8, 2014 at Zeyer Funeral Chapel, Nampa. (208) 467-7300

NOCWMA has herbicide for white top weed

With white top blooming, the Northwest Owyhee Cooperative Weed Management Area is prepared to help with control. NOCWMA administrative assistant Gina Millard announced that property owners can obtain herbicide in Marsing.

No spray days will be scheduled, but Escort is available by contacting Millard at (208) 896-4544, ext. 102 or gina.millard@id.nacdnet.net or Lauri Moncrief at lm.nocwma@gmail.com.

The NOCWMA office is located inside the U.S. Department of Agriculture Service Center, 250 N. Bruneau Highway, Marsing.

Homedale library group stages book sale

Proceeds from a Saturday book sale will help provide support for the Homedale Public Library.

The Friends of the Homedale Public Library spring book sale takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday on the front lawn of the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Dozens of titles will be available, and books will be sold for 50 cents per pound.

At the conclusion of the sale, the winning entries from the library survey participation contest will be drawn.

Gift certificates for Paul’s Market, Matteson’s and Jacksons Food Stores are up for grabs to anyone who filled out a survey

and returned it to the library.

The library’s board of directors launched the survey to find out how patrons would like to see the library progress in the future. The Friends of the Homedale Public Library also have been active in promoting the survey.

The survey appears on Page 5A of this week’s edition of The Owyhee Avalanche. Survey forms are also available at the library during regular hours.

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

Wild time planned for Homedale’s Story time

A tiger gets in touch with his native roots during Friday’s Story Time at Homedale Public Library.

“Mr. Tiger Goes Wild” by Peter Brown will be read for preschoolers at 10:15 a.m. at the library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave.

Living in a prim and proper world accented by suits and stuffy tea

parties, Mr. Tiger gets a wild idea and drops to all fours and growls and roars. Find out how the townspeople react to his new attitude.

There will be snacks, songs and crafts, too.

Call 337-4228 for more information. The library is open in the afternoons Monday through Saturday.



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Calendar

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Community Prayer Gathering
7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, N. 18 St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3464

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

Senior center board meeting
1:30 p.m., Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Homedale City Council meeting
6 p.m., Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4641

Grand View City Council meeting
6 p.m., Grand View City Hall, 425 Boise Ave., Grand View, (208) 834-2700, Monday through Thursday

Marsing City Council meeting
7 p.m., Marsing City Hall, 425 Main St., Marsing, (208) 896-4122

Three Creek School Board meeting
7 p.m., Three Creek School multipurpose room, Three Creek

Thursday

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

Friends of Lizard Butte Library board meeting
6 p.m., Lizard Butte Library community room, 111 W. 3rd Ave. S., Marsing. (208) 455-2550

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

Friday

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

Saturday

Senior center fundraiser breakfast
7 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$6, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Treasure Valley Classic Junior Beef Show
8 a.m. weigh-in, noon show, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 459-2013 or kkholt1@msn.com

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

Adult game night
7 p.m., \$1 cover, Rimrock Senior and Community Center, 525 Main St., Grand View. (208) 834-2808

Sunday

Rimrock High School graduation
2 p.m., Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School gymnasium, 39678 State Hwy 78, Bruneau.

Monday

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

Homedale High School graduation
7 p.m., Homedale High School gymnasium, 203 E. Idaho Ave., Homedale.

Tuesday

Foot clinic
8 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, 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

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

Wednesday

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

Grand View Chamber of Commerce meeting
5:30 p.m., Grand View Firehouse, 720 Roosevelt St., Grand View.

Thursday, May 22

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

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

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

Friday, May 23

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

Marsing High School graduation
5 p.m., Marsing High School gymnasium, 800 Main St., Marsing.

Saturday, May 24

Bowfishing tournament
Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Drive, Homedale. (208) 869-5024 or (208) 365-8216

Youth outdoor fair
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Drive, Homedale. (208) 590-1548

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

Ducks Unlimited Sportsman’s Party
5 p.m., \$25, Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Drive, Homedale. (208) 869-5024

Sunday, May 25

Bowfishing tournament
Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Drive, Homedale. (208) 869-5024 or (208) 365-8216

Youth outdoor fair
10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Snake River RV Resort, 4030 River Resort Drive, Homedale. (208) 590-1548

Tuesday, May 27


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

Homedale Chamber of Commerce meeting
Noon, Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant banquet room, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3271

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

Owyhee
Then & Now

Michael F. Hanley IV



Owyhee Graffiti, Vol. 1

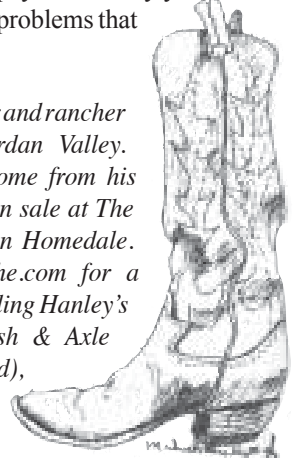
Stretching hay

Two ranchers were visiting in the fall and were discussing whether it was time to feed yet or not. Winter was coming on, but hay was short and one of them wanted to stretch it as far as he could. He told his friend, “My cows are Roosevelt cows. Once they get a handout they stop rustling.”

The matter of feeding cows has long been a controversial area. My grandfather gauged his feeding of cattle by the experience he had with sheep. He told me that “when you winter ewes, feed them so they are in good flesh; not poor nor too fat. It’s the same with cattle because if they go out on grass in the spring poor they will have a lot of ground to cover gaining what they didn’t get in the winter and will raise a poor calf. If they’re too fat, they’ll fall off and might have a good calf, but they’ll go to heck themselves.”

How much feed a cow or horse gets depends on two things: How much is on hand and how much money the operator has to buy extra feed with. I think feeding cows is a skill that can only be learned after many years of experience. It is a fact that you can’t starve anything out of a cow and those that try pay for it every year with a reduced calf crop and other problems that they shouldn’t have.

— 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.



Homedale LDS taco feed tonight

A taco feed scheduled today in Homedale will raise money for LDS youth activities.

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

The menu includes tacos,

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District 23 House Seat B

Pete Nielsen, incumbent

Pete Nielsen has a simple reason for seeking a seventh term in the Idaho House of Representatives.

“To protect your life, liberty and pursuit of happiness, to reverse current socialistic trends so all our children can enjoy life liberty and the pursuit of happiness,” he wrote in response to The Owyhee Avalanche’s candidate questionnaire.

“I have the time and desire to serve and to give back to the people and country I love.”

Nielsen said he has “seriously studied” the U.S. Constitution and the making of America since 1975.

Compare your political philosophy to that of your opponent

I took an oath of office as required both by the U.S. Constitution and state Constitution. I am a Constitutional conservative. It is not for me say about my opponent.

What improvements are needed in the Idaho Legislature, and how would you go about accomplishing that?

Follow closely both constitutions. Teach by actions, debate in committees and on the



Pete Nielsen

About Pete Nielsen

Age: 76
Occupation: District 23B representative, farmer, part-time life and disability insurance agent
Family: Wife, Connie; children: Robin Jo Woekman, Milton Arlow Nielsen (“Bub”), April Bate, Heather Nielsen, Celeste Lundberg, Clint Peter Nielsen, Ivan Ray Nielsen and Desarae Nielsen Baxter
Years residing in district: 46 in Mountain Home
Background: Nielsen has served for 12 years in the Idaho House of Representatives ... past chair or president of the Elmore County GOP central committee, District 12 GOP, Elmore County National Farmers Association, Elmore County Growers Association and Elwyhee Sugarbeet Growers Association

floor, communications with the people, all in the spirit of non-contention to promote cooperation.

What are the most crucial issues facing the state?

Education, health care, control and management of all public lands, reform of the state prison system.

How will you address those challenges?

Education: Seek choice and more local control for education;
Health care: Return Idaho back to the proper role of government gradually to avoid chaos;
Public lands management: Work with other western states for control and management;
Prison system: The work has started, and

I will continue to help

What is the biggest challenges for a Dist. 23 legislator to represent a vast area?

Distance

What will you do to make sure all issues throughout the district get an equal voice in the Legislature?

Communicate by phone, email, travel when possible, all to listen and learn what the people are feeling and to help all to understand the issues including myself.

What can the Idaho Legislature do to ensure that volunteer emergency medical services organizations have an adequate and stable workforce now and in the future?

Promote the good Samaritan act and

make sure the laws reflect this. Discover what funding may be needed and listen to these folks about their problems.

How can you, as legislators representing rural areas, build support for rural issues, such as the volunteer EMS plight, in an increasingly urban-centric Legislature?

By reminding (colleagues) where our basic wealth and industry comes from and where our farming, ranching, mining and other natural resources come from. By working to establish a senator from every county just like every state has two senators.

What will it take to ensure school districts won’t have to rely on supplemental levies or modified schedules to survive?

Increase revenue by less (regulation state and federal, taxes), return more control and discretionary money to local school districts. The state should avoid the word ”shall” and use the word “may” and allow more real choice locally.

What can state legislators do to protect public lands access against federal agencies’ policies?

Secure control and management of all public lands as stated above. I will work for this.

Steve Millington, challenger

Buhl resident Steve Millington is making his second run at District 23B incumbent Pete Nielsen.

“I believe that District 23 deserves the best and most effective representation,” he said. “Effective first, noisy second. I need to be sure that other Legislators listen to me and me to them.”

He also says that government must have a responsibility to the citizens without overreach.

“The stronger the local government units, the better the State of Idaho becomes,” he said.

Compare your political philosophy to that of your opponent

Idaho issues first not some agenda that may be nice but not necessary. Education, water, natural resources and transportation. Not in that order perhaps, but all of them are on the page. My agenda is driven by District 23 not someone else.

What improvements are needed in the Idaho Legislature, and how would you go about accomplishing that?

It seems to me that during the past



Steve Millington

legislative session there was more bipartisan effort. That might be due to more funds for projects and less to fight about. However real progress comes when after the compromise no one is really happy. Everyone had to give too much to reach a deal.

What are the most crucial issues facing the state?

Education, water, natural resources and transportation. Can’t forget social welfare (about 20 percent of the general budget).

How will you address those challenges?

Education: Otter’s 20-point plan is a five-year process. Year one is on track — now let’s get the other four years.
Water is more ongoing and will require careful consideration. How can we use more of our water before it leaves?
Transportation: where do we raise taxes to fund the chronic lack of money to maintain roads?
Social welfare: Is there any way to control spending?

What are the biggest challenges for a District 23 legislator who has to represent two full counties and part of a third?

You must stay in touch with the individual governing units — school districts, cities,

About Steve Millington

Age: 71
Occupation: CPA, real estate investor
Family: Wife, Natalie; seven children, 21 grandchildren
Background: Twin Falls County GOP central committee chair ... active in church ... Eagle Scout and Silver Beaver awards

and counties. They will have the best feel for major needs. Don’t skip everyone else but be sure to contact local governments.

What will you do to make sure all issues throughout the district get an equal voice in the Legislature?

Not all issues will get equality. They will be prioritized and then adjusted based upon the conditions. Things will be reviewed as situational versus structural and then new priorities established.

What can the Idaho Legislature do to ensure that volunteer emergency medical services organizations have an adequate and stable workforce now and in the future?

“Volunteer” is not something that the large urban areas even know about. This

is a “rural” issue. Getting the Legislature to understand the problem is going to be tricky.

How can you, as legislators representing rural areas, build support for rural issues, such as the volunteer EMS plight, in an increasingly urban-centric Legislature?

Maybe it is as simple as putting them in the pickup and taking them for a ride — although I doubt that is going to work. The influence of the rural legislators is under pressure simply because there are fewer of us.

What will it take to ensure school districts won’t have to rely on supplemental levies or modified schedules to survive?

Some of the problem will go away as the funding for Otter’s 20-point plan continues — not all of the problem goes away but most will. And, additionally, the state may have to simply find more funding.

What can state legislators do to protect public lands access against federal agencies’ policies?

Force the feds to come to the table before they mess around with the regulations. Not easily done, but it must be pushed.

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In order to keep well- educated, well-trained people in Idaho we must bring good jobs that provide employees the opportunity for growth. The State of Idaho needs to develop a long-term, strategic plan to encourage and inspire people to live and work here. If this is done carefully, with great attention to critical requirements, Idaho wins.


AGRICULTURE

Agriculture is the principal economic activity in District 23. We must continue to encourage and assist wherever possible, and at the same time develop additional businesses. Agriculture is the mortar that holds the bricks together.

WATER

Resolution to Idaho's water issues is of utmost importance. All options must be carefully considered. It will be difficult to get all the water we need and are entitled to, while meeting outside interests. But the fight has already begun and I believe that we cannot go quietly into the sunset—we must fight for our legal rights. Our water should stay and be used right here.

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District 2 commissioner election

George Hyer, challenger

Homedale resident George Hyer has served as District 2 county commissioner on two previous occasions. He says he's ready to jump back into the fight for Owyhee County issues.



George Hyer

"There are many issues facing Owyhee county and with my past experience I feel that I can deal with them efficiently with the best interest of the county in mind," he said.

Compare your philosophy of a commissioner's role to that of your opponent's

I believe that keeping the lines of communication open is crucial, and I feel that the best results are achieved by keeping a civil tone with all agencies, while maintaining a firm stance on the issues. In the past, I have maintained open and respectful communications with the BLM and other federal agencies without yielding any ground.

What would you like to improve about the county, and how would you go about accomplishing that?

I feel that Owyhee County must be much easier for businesses to access and relocate to. In order to do that, we must work with local businesses to encourage growth

and also work closely with the individual towns and provide support to them, so they can in turn encourage new growth.

What are the most crucial issues facing the county?

The most crucial issues we face are related to the intrusion and overreach of federal agencies (i.e. Owyhee 68 grazing allotments and the mistreatment of our ranchers, the Clean Water Act, which pertains to the runoff of water from private lands, and lastly the final location of the Gateway West powerline, which still may be placed through private property).

What are your plans to address those challenges?

First, I intend to work with the other commissioners to rebuild a solid and united BOCC. I intend to reopen lines of communication with all agencies that the county interacts with, and lastly I intend to build a committee based upon the citizens of this county. We have a lot of people in this county with a great deal of experience in a multitude of areas. It is sad to see all of this knowledge wasted when it could be put to use to protect our county. This committee's basis is to be proactive to anticipate any threats or issues pertaining to the resources of the county.

In what areas has the efficiency of Owyhee County's government improved in recent years?

I feel like the sheriff's office

About George Hyer

Age: 57
Occupation: Livestock Producer
Years residing in county: 57 years in Homedale Idaho
Background: Twenty years on the Owyhee County Sheriff's Posse ... two terms as county commissioner ... served on the Homedale school board ... currently on Owyhee County Rodeo Board

has drastically improved since Sheriff Perry Grant has taken office. Also the new county clerk, Angie Barkell, has done an excellent job stepping into the shoes of Charlotte Sherburn.

Where can there be improvement in the county's government?

Well, I obviously feel that the BOCC needs improvement, and that is why I am running for office.

A contracted building inspector from Canyon County now does all permits in Owyhee County. How does that help Owyhee County?

It doesn't. It takes fees from the county. I feel that this is an issue that needs to be looked over with a great deal of attention and scrutiny.

Would Owyhee County receive more revenue from building permits if it re-established an in-house building inspector?

Yes, assuming of course that the economy continues to improve.

What should the county do to ensure public access to public lands for both recreationists and ranchers?

Again, we need to keep the lines of communication open with those agencies and also remind the public that they have a very loud voice in these issues if they choose to use it.

What more can be done in the ranchers' fight against the BLM, and how can Owyhee County help?

The county needs to go on the offensive in our battles with extreme environmental groups and other agencies. The current strategy of waiting until a lawsuit is filed is a losing battle. The county needs to be bold enough to sue these groups as well as federal agencies to protect the interests of our county. Being proactive is the key to winning.

What are your stances on the following issues facing the county?

• **County road maintenance** — I feel that the county has an excellent staff with excellent managers and they are doing the best they can with the funds that they have been allotted.

• **The Owyhee Initiative and its implementation** — It has not been implemented to the standards of the original agreement, and so we must rely on our U.S. senators and representatives to help sort this disagreement out. At this stage, it is beyond the authority of the commissioners as the Initiative was voted on in Congress. All resolutions must pass at the national level.

• **Budget** — The budget is stable and we hope for an increase in the budget as the economy turns around, but I will deal frugally with increased funds and encourage citizen participation in the budget process. I have always been fiscally conservative and oppose increasing the budget with increased taxes. The citizens of this county are burdened with enough taxes as it stands. I will not add to that burden.

• **Law enforcement** — I am a proud supporter of Sheriff Grant and am extremely pleased by the job that he and his staff have done in protecting the citizens of our county. I will work with him to my utmost ability. As a 20-year Posse member, I understand what it takes to put your life on the line in fulfilling the duties of law enforcement. I believe that the sheriff is the highest law enforcement officer in the county as outlined by the U.S. Constitution and all outside agencies must have Sheriff Grant's approval before operating in Owyhee County.

Marsing educator wins top-performing teacher balloting

John Barenberg awarded gift card from Boise mall

In recognition of National Teacher's Day on May 6, Boise Towne Square mall awarded third-grade teacher John Barenberg of Marsing Elementary School a \$500 gift card.

The Boise Towne Square mall asked its Facebook followers

to nominate and vote for top performing teachers.

Barenberg received the most votes from April 10 to April 22.

"Mr. Barenberg of Marsing Elementary School was nominated for his continuous encouragement he provides his students, including technology in the classroom, making reading fun, and his dedication to his students," Boise Towne Square mall marketing manager Tina Kierce said.

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Homedale High School holds its spring concert

Homedale High School music director Skyler Krall leads the concert band through a performance last week inside the old gymnasium. The spring concert also included a performance from the school's choir.

Photo by Rob Aman

Marsing offers ‘College Fridays’

Program open to all high school students

Marsing High School has begun a project to give students a head start on preparing for college. The project, called College Fridays, went into operation in September. It is offered as part of the GEAR UP program, which is funded by a Federal grant.

“We want kids to be able to progress at a faster rate, if they so choose,” said Pete Smit, high school GEAR UP Coordinator.

“It’s all about making students aware of the opportunities available to them,” he said.

Students at the freshmen level up to the senior level can make use of the project, which takes place in the high school computer lab from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Fridays. Students can receive tutoring help on academic issues or they can learn about online classes available for earning college credits while in high school.

The College Fridays project is supervised by Smit and Lennie Freeman, literacy instructor. They both act as guides or mentors to any student who is interested in expanding their horizons.

Thirty-three students made use of the opportunity last semester and about 20 students are visiting the computer lab this semester.

Smit said he has noticed that some students respond well to online classes, while others do not. The “face-to-face teaching experiences are the most powerful and most effective,” Smit said.

“We just want to make sure they are challenged.”

The high school also currently offers some dual-credit courses to students, where the curriculum is enhanced, so that courses will allow some students to graduate with some college credits. Dual-credit classes are available in the subjects of science, math and English.

When students are interested in doing online courses, they work directly with counselor Robin Simpson, who helps them choose appropriate online classes.

Online classes are offered by the Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA).

Another state program offered is called “Eight and Six,” for students who want to finish high school early, Smit explained. The “Eight and Six” program helps students pay for online classes.

“This is really a joint effort between the state offering money for classes and the district helping them select which classes to take,” Smit said.

The GEAR UP and College Fridays are the means for students to be able to complete their goals of learning above the high school level.

“It’s all about the kids having more opportunities to learn,” he said.

Because of the high cost of education in the new technology age, Smit said high school college credits are given at a rate of \$65 per credit, while current college prices can be around \$200 or more, so college credits earned during high school are cost beneficial.

—KB



Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Biology students tour an early settlement during the Bureau of Land Management’s Science Float. Submitted photo

Rimrock students take to river in BLM educational outreach

Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School Biology students were among those who took an educational float trip on the Snake River as part of the Bureau of Land Management’s second annual Science Float.

The event, which included 33 children from Rimrock and Kuna’s Reed Elementary School, took place April 23-24 on the river between Swan Falls Dam and Celebration Park.

“We had a great time on the Science float. All of my students enjoyed the trip and came away with new knowledge of their ‘backyard’ area,” Rimrock Biology teacher Katie Stirm said.

“We gained a working knowledge of how to take care of our water and campgrounds, and we learned some cool information about the local birds and plant life. We also learned how to tell if a large event changed the surrounding rock formations.”

Golden eagles flying in the Snake River Canyon were among the sights the students took in

during two rafting expeditions. Teachers and BLM guides supervised the floats each day after BLM wilderness river rangers taught the students about the importance of boating safety.

Students saw evidence of Native American and early homesteader occupations.


They learned about plant identification, traditional plant uses by Native Americans and what happens to plants and the ecology of the area after a wildfire.

They learned about the canyon’s geology and how to identify raptors in the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area (NCA).

The students learned about the crags and crevices, deep canyon walls, thermal updrafts and broad plateau rich in small wildlife that sustain the greatest concentration of nesting birds of prey in North America.

“Everyone is excited about doing this again in 2015,” NCA Manager Patricia Roller said.

Re-Elect Kelly Aberasturi
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Two Homedale High events geared to motivate students

BSU football players visit Go On assembly

Two events held Thursday at Homedale High School were intended to motivate students.

The first was a Go On school-wide assembly. The student body heard remarks by Boise State University assistant athletic director Brad Larrondo and brief talks by BSU players Dillon Lukehart, Corey Bell, and Jake Hardee.

The BSU players created quite a bit of excitement as they posed for pictures with students afterward.

Principal Dion Flaming said: "I was just extremely pleased. I think it was one of the best assemblies we have held all year. It was great to hear the three players talking from their hearts about the obstacles they have faced and how they are still working on their goals."

The Go On program comes from a J.A. and Kathryn Albertson's Foundation grant, and is used to help students prepare for a college education by facing their obstacles and setting goals, Flaming said.

The second event coincided with the assembly and was a gathering of Big Brothers and Big Sisters, which is a pairing up of eighth-graders from the middle school and high school students. The Big Brother Big Sister program is in its second year at the school.

Nearly a hundred students from Homedale Middle School arrived for the Big Brother Big Sister event, which was the second



From left: High school juniors Tori Nash and Hattie Mertz, eighth-grader Kennedy Wiltshire, Boise State players Dillon Lukehart, Corey Bell and Jake Hardee, sophomore Taylor Kerbs, and eighth-graders Cortnee Smith and Payton Kerbs. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

gathering of its kind this year. Students visited the high school in March for an event that included a career fair.

Thursday's gathering brought middle school students to the school to meet their older mentors, to watch the assembly and afterward to preview a school-wide art show.

"The purpose of the Big Brother Big Sister program is to help prepare the incoming freshmen for high school, to give them a positive role model they can communicate with on a regular basis and to help with academic support if the student needs it," student services specialist Debbie Flaming said.

Dylan Phariss is an HHS student who is a Big Brother to eighth-graders Aaron Macias and Cody Elordi.

"I think it's a good program," Dylan said. "My sister helped start it, and it helps the incoming freshmen."

He said his goal is to inspire the younger students and to help them with all their subjects.

"We really had fun on the school tour," Cody said.

The career fair held in March is a tradition that was started last year by students Delaney Phariss, Hattie Mertz, Katlin Carbone, and Elise Shenk to help incoming freshmen learn about getting the most out of high school and pre-

pare to Go On to post-secondary education opportunities.

The applications to become Big Brothers and Big Sisters were taken in January, and about 50 students met all the requirements and were selected to participate.

Debbie Flaming organized both the March and May school events with Janee Brumfield, who coordinated the middle school students.

"The goal is to help the eighth-graders with the fear and anxiety they may have about coming to the high school by helping them with establishing a relationship with an older student who cares and is looking out for them," Debbie Flaming said.

"The purpose of the extra-curricular fair was to introduce the eight-graders to opportunities to get involved. When students have positive relationships and are involved in extra-curricular activities, it has a positive impact in helping students be successful in their academics and behavior, which in turn will open the door to post-secondary opportunities to go on," she said.

During visits, each high school student was assigned to about one to three eighth-graders.

The students were given a chance to get to know each other by answering a questionnaire and participating in games.

"It was exciting listening to the conversations between the high school students and the eighth-graders as they got to know one another," Debbie Flaming said.

The March event included a school tour in addition to the extra curricular fair, which was held in the old gymnasium. At the fair, students representing sporting teams, band, drama, cheerleading, FFA, Industrial Arts, GEAR UP, TRIO, Future Hispanic Leaders of America and honor society met the younger students. A panel of Big Brothers and Big Sisters were on hand during the event to answer questions.

"When monitoring the number of students failing classes each quarter, the first quarter of the freshmen year has the highest number of students generally. The hope is that the extra support from programs like the Big Brother Big Sister program will help to reverse this trend," Flaming said.

—KB

Ducks Unlimited event set

Ducks Unlimited (DU) and the Idaho Bowfishing Association are teaming up for another Memorial Day weekend of fun at the Snake River RV Resort outside Homedale.

A bowfishing tournament will be held on the Snake River on Saturday, May 24 and Sunday, May 25. The entry fee is \$100 per two-man team and \$50 for each additional shooter.

Participants who register by next Wednesday will be entered into a early-bird gun drawing held in conjunction with the DU Sportsman's Party set for Saturday

night, May 24 at the resort.

For more information on the bowfishing tournament, call (208) 869-5024.

To reserve space at the resort, call (208) 337-3744.

Tickets for the Sportsman's Party are \$25 and includes a barbecue, unlimited beverages, raffles, games and other giveaways. Registrations received by May 22 will include entry into the early-bird gun drawing.

A youth outdoor fair will be held May 24-25 at the resort. For more information on that event, call (208) 590-1548.

Free meals planned at Rimrock this summer

The Bruneau-Grand View School District has announced plans to institute a summer food service program through the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Free meals will be provided to all children ages 1-18 during

specific days during summer school at Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School, 39678 Hwy. 78, in Bruneau.

The meals will be served June 17-19, June 24-26, July 8-10, July 15-17 and July 22-24.

Breakfast will be served from

8 a.m. to 9 a.m., and lunch will be available from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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Second annual

Angel Walk

classic car show

The second Angel's Choice top car show award, which was chosen by Tristen Thomas and her family, went to Homedale's Bob and Mary Sonke for their 1972 Chevrolet pickup.

Bob Sonke, second from right, accepts the trophy, which was made by Homedale's Mark Bauer, from car show volunteer Ron Reolle of Wilder.

At left is the Thomas family, including Preston Hutchings (brother of Stephenie Thomas), Stephenie Thomas (holding 2014 Angel Tristen) and Kade Thomas (holding won Wyatt Thomas).




Clockwise from above:

A car show in Homedale wouldn't be complete without some farm trucks. Children run and bike past one of the displays during Saturday's Angel Walk.

The 1967 Chevy Camaro owned by Brandy Horsley Krajnik of Nampa won the best interior award.

A group of mud bog racers gathered at the Homedale Senior Center, too.

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Would-Be Demolition Derby Champions -

Please contact Jeremy Townsend at Owyhee Auto Supply in Homedale (208-337-4668) to register and secure your car number for the 2014 Homedale Lions Club 4th of July Demolition Derby.

Jeremy also has the 2014 Pickup Build Rules available. Rule book will soon be available at www.homedalelionsclub.com

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Fourth annual

fun run



Children participated in the Angel Walk by strollers, bikes, and skateboards and this girl traveled on her roller blades.



Homeale High School student Elise Shenk got into the spirit with a little face-painting.



Betta Uda City Park in Homedale was filled with people, music, food, dancing and balloons for Saturday's fourth annual Angel Walk 5-kilometer run, walk, bike and stroll.

PHOTOS BY KAREN BRESNAHAN

Event nets \$13,500

Organizers reported a successful Angel Walk despite cloudy skies in downtown Homedale on Saturday.

The fourth annual fun run brought in \$12,400 through donations, sponsorships, the school pledge drive and registrations.

Another \$1,100 was raised with the second annual car show, which featured 66 vehicles whose owners braved rain and hail to stick around.

“We’re so grateful to everyone who helped behind the scenes and those who participated,” Angel Walk committee member April Binford said. “It’s nice to have a community that cares.”

Angel Walk is organized by the Homedale Friends Community Church’s Mom’s Group.

This year’s recipient is Tristen Thomas, the 21-month-old daughter of Homedale residents Kade and Stephenie Thomas.

Angel Walk fun run winners

First girl bicycle — Belisia Larzelier

First boy bicycle — Josh Brown

First mom — Sam Taggart

First dad — Justin Phipps

First family — Wilson family

First female teacher — Mrs. Sauer (Rob’s wife)

First male teacher — Nick Schamber

First team — HHS softball

First teen boy — Riley Portwood

First teen girl — Karlie Beumeler

First stroller — Greg Idsinga with Harrison

First infant — Blake Garrett

First couple — Katie Deal and Talon Freelove

Spirit award (best costume) — Lizzie Egusquiza

Raffle winner — Shawn Maybon (Grove Hotel and Steelheads tickets)

All winners were awarded donated prizes.

Angel Walk car show winners

Angel’s Choice — 1972 Chevrolet pickup, Bob and Mary Sonke, Homedale

Best 1930s or older (Sunny Slope Market) — 1936 Ford sedan, Rob and Jane Hurd, Boise

Best 1940s (Bowen Parker Day CPAs) — 1940 International panel, Jack Murphy, Boise

Best 1950s (Perfection Repair) — 1951 Chevy sedan delivery, Larry Livesay, Caldwell

Best 1960s (SMX Trucking) — 1962 Ford Galaxie Sunliner, Donald Zeimantz, Nampa

Best 1970s (Matteson’s) — 1970 Dodge Super Bee, Scott Zimmerman, Notus

Best truck (Owyhee Lanes and Restaurant) — 1953 Ford pickup, Mike Matteson, Homedale

Best wagon (The Owyhee Avalanche) — 1972 GMC Suburban, Dennis Blackstone, Boise

Best import (Steve Atkins family) — 1962 Volvo, Tony Farnetti, Caldwell

Best paint (Body by Alan) — 1937 Ford hardtop convertible, Ron and Karen Reolle, Wilder

Best motor (NAPA Owyhee Auto Supply) — 1967 Chevrolet pickup, David VanWassenhove, Marsing

Best interior (KJM Artistic Design) — 1967 Chevrolet Camaro, Brandy Horsley Krajnik, Nampa

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Worldwide raptor conservation to be discussed in Bruneau

Idaho’s impact on raptor conservation around the world will be discussed next Wednesday in Bruneau.

Dr. Rick Watson’s appearance will mark the final Bruneau and Beyond speaker luncheon for the spring season.

The free presentation and light luncheon takes place at noon at the Bruneau Valley Public Library, 32073 Ruth St., in Bruneau. Admission is free, but RSVPs are requested to ensure enough food is prepared. Call (208) 845-2131 or (208) 845-2282 by Monday to reserve a spot.

A native of South Africa, Watson will present a talk titled “Global Raptor Conservation from Boise.” He is vice president and international programs director for the Peregrine Fund at the World Center for Birds of Prey in Boise.

Educated in the United Kingdom and Africa, Watson is a naturalized U.S. citizen who has spent the past 24 years directing raptor conservation projects around the world for the World Center for Birds of Prey.

The Bruneau and Beyond series is made possible through an Idaho Power Powering Tomorrow grant.



Marsing Elementary School third-graders Lexi Sevy, left, and Cole Goodwin show off the bikes they won in a schoolwide reading contest. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Bikes for books program big hit at Marsing Elementary School

School principal awards two new bicycles to students after contest

Marsing Elementary School principal Tyson Beggs decided last winter to “raise the bar” on reading goals, and now the students are celebrating their reading achievements as one boy and one girl were selected in a drawing as the winners of two new bicycles.

In a drawing last month, one

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girl and one boy were selected as winners of the two bicycle prizes.

They were: Lexi Sevy and Cole Goodwin, both third graders at the school.

Last winter, Beggs began a contest that extended from Christmas break to Spring Break. He partnered with the school’s librarian, Heidi Kendall, to launch a reading contest with three goals in mind:

- Each student to read for 20 minutes each evening for a goal of 1 million minutes.
- Students to read 20,000 books.
- Students to score 5,000 Accelerated Reading (AR) points on a test at the end of the contest, and for the students to score 70 percent or higher on the tests.

Not only did the students surpass all of the goals, but they exceeded the expectations of the teachers, he said. The school’s reading tallied up to 1.4 million minutes and more than 20,000 books read, and the Accelerated Reading points reached 5,076.

241 students took the quizzes, and those who scored 73 percent or higher were included in the drawing.

“I’m very happy with my students,” Beggs said.

“I want to give two great big thank-yous,” Beggs said. “First to Heidi Kendall because she really knows her stuff and she did a great job.”

“Second, I’d like to thank the superintendent, Norm Stewart, for contributing the bicycles for the winners.”

“The bikes helped a lot, in motivating students,” Kendall said. “They loved the idea of getting something big for reading, and they did really well.”

Some teachers took the contest one step further and held contests in their classrooms.

Fourth-grade teacher Loretta Rost got her 24 students to read 1,924 books. Ethan Freeman read 205 books, while Regan Stansell took second place with 197 books.

“This whole thing was a lot of fun,” Rost said. “It turned into a contest between the boys and girls, and I found that they motivated each other. I’ve got a very competitive group of kids this year.”

Rost said she added the challenge for each student to read 50 books and 20 of the 24 students in her class read that amount.

“I’m really proud of them,” she said.

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Homedale FFA expo gets children excited about ag

*by Jennifer Bautista
Chapter reporter*

More than 400 elementary schoolchildren and chaperones visited the Owyhee County Fairgrounds on May 2 for the Homedale FFA chapter's annual Ag Expo.

The children and adults received a hands-on education about agriculture.

The kids got to learn about animals, products, and careers at stations taught by some of the 62 members of the Homedale FFA chapter. The event kicked off at 8:30 a.m. and lasted until 2 p.m.

Each class was broken into small groups and escorted by an FFA member through stations, including baby chicks, bees, cows, fish, goats, horses, rabbits, butter, by-products, coffee, ice cream, wheat, and a veterinarian station.

During their station stops, the children had a chance to meet and pet the animals, learn about essential products we use every day, and to make their own butter and ice cream.

The FFA members explained their stations, providing visual aids if needed, and answered any questions the children had.

The Homedale chapter's goal through the Ag Expo was to get elementary-schoolers excited about agriculture. Each year, the Homedale FFA chapter plans out which stations are vital and organizes such a big event with the hopes of making a difference in a kid's life and getting them excited about agriculture. The hard work pays off when you seeing the excitement of the children, and having them leave with smiles on their faces is just all part of the experience.



Third-graders learn about veterinary science from Annie Muller DVM.
Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Above: FFA member Riley Haun gives a presentation on beef cattle.
Left: Devin Fisher holds out a lamb.
Photos by Karen Bresnahan

Marsing FFA ag expo



Above: Shelby Dines explains about her goat to the children at her booth. Below: Janice Winn prepares to comb a pony's mane. Photos by Karen Bresnahan







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HHS' Portwood wins district 1,600 crown

Avalanche Sports

Six Trojans heading for state tennis meet

Homedale makes history Trojans halt state baseball drought

Homedale High School's baseball team finally broke through Thursday. The Trojans ended the school's 15-year absence from the state tournament with a 3-1 victory over Weiser at Harmon Killebrew Field in Payette.

Thursday's victory in the 3A District III tournament runner-up game marked the second time in three days that Homedale got past Weiser in a dramatic game.

More importantly, it sent coach Burke Deal's squad to the first 3A state tournament in program history. Homedale hasn't visited the state tournament since the 1999 Trojans won the A-3 (now 2A) district and state championships.

"I'm very excited," the seventh-year coach said. "It was very exciting. The guys really came together the last week or two. It was very exciting and a lot of fun."

Homedale (13-11) opens its first 3A state tournament at 10 a.m. Thursday at Fruitland High School against District IV champion Kimberly. The tournament was moved from Treasure Valley Community College because the Chukars' baseball team will host junior college playoff baseball in Ontario, Ore.

"I think we are coming together at the right time," Deal said.

Homedale will be without Nash Johnson for State, though, after the sophomore catcher suffered a non-baseball-related eye injury.

Jake Deal will move to catcher, and Talon Freelove will replace

— See *Baseball*, page 21A



Relief pitcher Tristan Corta celebrates after the final out of Thursday's 3A District III championship game at Sundance Park. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Softball team beats surprise guest for 3A championship

That the Homedale High School softball team has reached another state tournament may not come as a shock to many.

Who the Trojans beat to secure their fourth consecutive appearance in the 3A state tournament is.

The reigning state champions rallied from another late-season slow start to throttle Weiser, 13-4, to win the school's first 3A District III softball title and the first district title at any classification for the program since the late 1990s under coach Jim McMillan.

"I was happy, but at the same time Weiser was playing

its best ball and peaking at the right time," senior third baseman Destiny Long said of her frame of mind heading into the championship game.

"They were as much of a challenge as Fruitland."

Homedale (21-2) opens the 3A state tournament with an 11 a.m. Friday contest against District IV representative Buhl (16-10) on Field 2 of the West Park softball complex in Nampa. Buhl wiped out Bonners Ferry, 12-0, in a state play-in game Saturday.

"It's a good feeling," Corta said of the ability to play near home. It's always nice to get

— See *Softball*, page 21A

No-hitter launches Marsing baseball into state tourney

Huskies meet Wendell Thursday

Austin Williams capped a busy day with the biggest baseball game of his life Saturday.

Marsing High School's senior right-hander came within a strike of a perfect game then within 180 feet of losing before completing a no-hitter to send the Huskies to their third 2A state tournament in four years.

"I've had the pleasure of watching Austin pitch for four

years, and I've seen him shut down teams plenty of times, but not like he did (Saturday)," MHS coach Jerry Stacy said. "He had a different look of determination in his eyes."

Marsing (17-7) opens the state tournament against District IV champion Wendell at 4 p.m. MDT on Thursday in Orofino.

Williams' 13-strikeout performance in a 1-0 state play-in game victory over 2013 state champion Grangeville in Payette came hours

— See *Marsing*, page 20A

Maurer shoots 75 to open 3A golf state tournament

Gabe Maurer found himself six shots off the lead after Monday's first round of the 3A golf state tournament.

The Homedale High School senior finished with a 3-over-par 75 on the Clear Lake Country Club course in Buhl and held down fifth place by one stroke.

Hometown golfer Kade Crossland led the pack with a 3-under 69. His Buhl teammates shot well enough for a 15-stroke lead over Shelley in the team standings.

Homedale was fifth in the team lineup, 58 strokes back. The tournament concluded Tuesday after deadline.

HHS senior wins golf title in sudden death

Homedale team qualifies for state tourney again

The stars aligned Thursday to send Homedale High School's golf team to the state tournament for the second consecutive season.

Playing on his home course for the final time in his prep career, senior Gabe Maurer won the school's second consecutive 3A District III medalist championship to spark the Trojans' second-place finish at TimberStone Golf Course in Caldwell.

"The course conditions were perfect for scoring," HHS coach Casey Grove said. "There was no wind, and it wasn't really too warm. The greens weren't overly fast."

Homedale finished four strokes behind champion Weiser, which had three golfers at 82 or better in the 18-hole tournament.

Maurer shot a 5-over-par 77, but

needed two playoff holes to beat one of the 3A Snake River Valley conference's most consistent golfers, Fruitland's Nathan Foss, for the championship.

After they tied on the first playoff hole, Maurer drained a 10-foot birdie putt to win medalist honors.

Another HHS senior, Bryan Johnson, shot 79 but settled for fourth place when Weiser's Matt Hurd beat him on the first playoff hole in a battle for third place.

Chase Martell's season-low 89 and Kyler Landa carded a 94 as Homedale scored 339. Weiser had a 335. Fruitland was well back with a 360.

Sophomore Lawsen Matteson, a late-season addition for Homedale, fired 95.

In the girls' tournament, Weiser ended Fruitland's 14-year reign as district champion.

Homedale put four golfers in the field with Maddy Maxwell's 133 leading the way. Kylee Jenkins shot a 140, Stephanie Kennedy at 146 and Brenny Kilby a 190.



Homedale shortstop Jake Deal makes his way down the line as the throw skips past Weiser first baseman Evan Loomis during a May 6 district semifinal. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Sports

Portwood bounces back, blazes to 1,600 championship

Trojans send 11 to state meet

A little inclement weather couldn't keep Homedale High School's track and field athletes from shining through at the 3A District III championship meet. Junior Riley Portwood rebounded from first-day disappointment to win the 1,600 meters district title Thursday.

He led 11 qualifiers for the 3A state meet, which takes places Friday and Saturday at Middleton High School.

"Today was much nicer without the wind, so finals went really well," first-year coach Heidi Ankeny said after Thursday's second day at Parma High School.

"It did start to rain a little towards the (1,600) but didn't affect anyone."

Portwood and fellow junior Cole Hungate teamed up to attack the pending elements and

what Ankeny classified as "tough competition" during the 1,600. They both posted personal records with Portwood running a 4-minute, 50.3-second race and Hungate finishing 2.15 seconds behind him.

In establishing the sixth-fastest Class 3A time in the state (tied with Sam St. Mars of Timberlake), Portwood ran nearly 14 seconds faster than his previous best 1,600, while Hungate ran nearly eight seconds quicker than the personal best he had set five days earlier at the Moke Strong Canyon County Classic.

"Riley and Cole ran an amazing (1,600)," Ankeny said.

The teammates set a fast pace with Hungate leading the first



Riley Portwood

three laps and Portwood drafting on his shoulder.

"I found out after the race that they were talking the entire time. Cole really showed what it means to be a friend and teammate by pulling Riley along and keeping him right there in the front, encouraging him the whole way so that he could win the race," Ankeny said.

"When they hit the last lap, they both said 'Let's go get this' and kicked it into another gear. It was an impressive race to watch."

Both qualified for the state meet, with Hungate picking up his second runner-up finish of the meet. He was second with a time of 10:33.39 in the 3,200 last Wednesday.

Portwood's championship run came a day after he had to abort his 3,200 run three laps in because of illness. Ankeny said he was on pace to snag a state berth in the longer race, too.

"After Riley didn't finish the

(3,200 last Wednesday) due to illness, he went into (the 1,600) determined to redeem himself," Ankeny said.

Portwood also qualified for State in the 1,600 last year.

Trojans will compete in 15 events during the state meet this week, but even those who weren't able to finish in the top four of the individual races or top two in the relays impressed their coach.

"Many kids who did not qualify for finals or state still got personal records," Ankeny said. "I am proud of the effort they all put in to this meet and season."

Three girls joined Hungate as double-qualifiers.

Fellow distance runner Maya Correa, a sophomore, was second in the 3,200 in 13:14.21. She finished third in the 1,600 at 6:09.84. She competed in the state meet as a freshman in the 3,200.

Another sophomore, Elizabeth Vargas, will compete in the throws after achieving a runner-up dis-

tances in the shot put (30 feet, 6½ inches) and discus (89-10).

Jennifer Hernandez will compete in the sprints. The junior ran a 13.54-second 100 for third, and 28.55 for fourth in the 200.

Sophomore Josh Tolmie continued his breakout season in the 400 meters. He missed the district title by less than half a second, finishing in 53.68.

Junior Kerigan Morris made the state meet in the shot put for a second year in a row with a third-place effort of 30-3.

Sophomore Richard Symms qualified for the boys' discus with a throw of 135-8.

Senior Luke Flaming will join Tolmie in the 400 field after his fourth-place time of 54.79.

Sophomore Lexie Doss reached the state met with a fourth-place finish in the 100 (13.72).

Junior Alyx Christensen will compete in the girls' 800 after her fourth-place district time of 2:45.07.

Homedale youth wrestlers capture Kids State crowns

Three Homedale youth wrestlers captured championships at the Kids State Freestyle and Greco-Roman tournaments.

Spencer Fisher, wrestling at 105 pounds in the Novice division, and Jager Rose, a 105-pounder in the Schoolboy/girl division, won Greco-Roman state championships.

Tyce Fisher won the Pre-Bantam 50-pound championship in the freestyle tournament.

The tournaments were held May 2-3 at Skyline High School in Idaho Falls.

State runners-up included:

Greco-Roman — Trenton Fisher, Intermediate 87; and Brayden Christoffersen, Novice 90

Freestyle — Cade Lane, Bantam 75-plus; Brayden Christoffersen, Novice 90; and Spencer Fisher, Novice 105

Third-place wrestlers were:

Greco-Roman — Sierra Pesnell, Schoolboy/girl 175

Freestyle — Trenton Fisher, Intermediate 87; Jager Rose, Schoolboy/girl 105; and Sierra Pesnell, Schoolboy/girl 175

Fourth-place wrestlers were:

Greco-Roman — Joseph Egusquiza, Novice 70

Freestyle — Megan Houser, Schoolboy/girl 175

Fifth-place wrestlers were:

Greco-Roman — Owen Hous-

er, Novice 105

Sixth-place wrestlers included:

Freestyle — Joseph Egusquiza, Novice 70; and Owen Houser, Novice 105

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Homedale Trojans

Congratulations, District Champions!

HHS Varsity softball

HHS golfer Gabe Maurer

Baseball
Varsity 3A District III Tournament
Runner-up
3A state tournament
Fruitland H.S.
Thursday, May 15 vs. Kimberly, 10 a.m.
Friday, May 16 vs. Timberlake or Snake River, 10 a.m. or 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 17: Opponent and time TBA (if nec.)

Track and field
3A District III meet
Riley Portwood, 1,600 meters champion
3A state meet Middleton H.S.
11 qualifiers, 15 events
Friday, May 16, sessions start at Noon, 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Saturday, May 17, sessions start at 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Golf
Varsity 3A District III Tournament
Gabe Maurer, champion; team, runner-up
3A state tournament
Played Monday and Tuesday at Clear Lake Country Club, Buhl

Softball
Varsity 3A District III Tournament
Champion
3A state tournament
West Park, Nampa
Friday, May 16 vs. Buhl, Field 1, 11 a.m.
Friday, May 16 vs. Timberlake or Sugar-Salem, Field 2, 1:30 p.m. or 3:30 p.m.
If in consolation bracket: 5:30 p.m., Friday, Field 2; 10 a.m., Saturday, Field 1
If in championship bracket: 10 a.m., Saturday, May 17, semi-final, 10 a.m., Field 2; 2 p.m., Saturday, championship; 4 p.m., Saturday, championship (if nec.)

Tennis
3A state tournament - Six qualifiers
Friday, May 16, boys' singles, 8 a.m.; girls' singles, 9:30 a.m., Vallivue H.S., Caldwell
Friday, May 16, boys' doubles and mixed doubles, 8 a.m. or 9:30 a.m., Caldwell H.S.
Saturday, May 17 (if nec.), same start times and sites; championship matches, 2 p.m.

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Sports

Marsing’s softball season ends short of state tourney

A rally from the brink brought Marsing High School to the brink of the 2A softball state tournament, but it wasn’t enough.

Playing on home soil, the Huskies won two consecutive games to stay alive in the 2A District III Tournament before Melba ended their season Saturday in the third-place game.

Saturday: Melba 4, Marsing 2 — After giving the Huskies (13-8 overall) an early lead, the Mustangs galloped to their third win in as many outings against Marsing this season.

Melba’s two-run rally in the fourth inning proved pivotal as Marsing tried to come back in the sixth.

Trailing 4-1, the Huskies pushed across an unearned run as Ellie Folwell came home when freshman catcher Sheyann Glorifield reached on center fielder Randee Schlapia’s error.

Glorifield reached third, but was stranded

when Shannon Clover grounded out.

Marsing put the tying run on base in the seventh inning when Taylor Brown walked and Marissa Hardy singled with two outs, but Mariah Kinney’s fly ball to left field ended Marsing’s season.

The Huskies wasted little time in the top of the first inning to grab an early lead. Hardy started the game with a triple and beat the throw home when Kinney bunted.

Melba took a 4-1 lead in the fourth inning with a two-out rally that included Nicole Hoagland’s RBI single and a sacrifice fly from Jordan Warfield. Frost scored the first run after she doubled with one out.

The Mustangs went ahead in the third inning when Hoagland scored after Hardy walked Brook Bozeman.

Saturday: Marsing 21, McCall-Donnelly 3 (5) — The Huskies eliminated the Vandals from the district tournament with a come-from-behind victory that featured

a 14-inning second inning.

McCall-Donnelly jumped out to a lead with three unearned runs in the top of the first, but Hardy allowed only one hit over the next four innings. Hannah Hunt smashed a two-out, two-run homer for the big blow in the inning.

After Audra Barkell and Folwell scored in the bottom of the first, Marsing returned with a vengeance in its next at-bat.

Folwell doubled twice, and Hardy had a single and a double as 17 Huskies came to the plate.

Folwell was 4-for-4 with four RBI, while Hardy helped her pitching cause with three RBI and three runs scored. Kinney also knocked in three runs and scored three times, while Destiny Reynolds went 3-for-4 and Brown scored three runs.

Friday: Marsing 2, Nampa Christian 1 — Glorifield scored both of Marsing’s runs, including an unearned run with two

outs in the bottom of the sixth inning to keep the Huskies’ season alive.

Nampa Christian committed two errors in the inning.

Glorifield motored to third base on a three-base error in the fourth inning and tied the game with a steal of home.

Hardy pitched a perfect sixth and seventh to wrap up the win. She struck out five and surrendered an unearned run in third.

Friday: New Plymouth 4, Marsing 1 — The Pilgrims scored three times on two home runs in the bottom of the first inning to set up an opening-round win.

Kaylee Forsberg scattered three hits and allowed an unearned run for the win.

Audra Kendall scored after Hardy’s single in the third inning.

Brittany Verigan led off the bottom of the first against Hardy with a home run, and Cherokee Leppert drilled a two-run shot with two outs in the inning.

✓ Marsing: Gonzalez’s base-running helps Huskies reach 2A tournament

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after he had competed in another District 2 rodeo at the Payette County Fairgrounds in New Plymouth.

The bareback rider certainly took his baseball coach for a wild trip in the seventh inning.

Williams was one strike away from a perfect game when he issued two walks around an error to load the bases and put the go-ahead run at second base.

But Williams was able to preserve the no-hitter and extend the baseball season for Marsing.

“This was his last year, and it was easy to tell very early in that game that he wasn’t going to let this be his last game,” Stacy said.

“He wasn’t ready to go home yet.

“I couldn’t have been prouder of him and the whole team for the way they battled Grangeville all day.”

The Huskies had just as much trouble scoring runs Saturday against Jasper Sabatino, who won two games in last year’s state tournament to clinch MVP honors. Williams and Casey Yiengst were the only Huskies to secure hits Saturday.

“Both pitchers were bringing it all game long,” Stacy said.

Speedy Junior Gonzalez scored the game’s only run on Seth Hardy’s bunt in the sixth inning. Sabatino had a perfect game

before walking Gonzalez to start the inning.

Stacy implemented small ball to get the decisive run home, but Gonzalez turned in a huge play to speed up the process.

After walking, Gonzalez roared around to third base on Lane Sevy’s bunt.

Thursday: Marsing 5, Melba 4 — The Huskies overcame three errors in the first inning and won the game with two outs in the seventh inning. Gonzalez stole second base after a walk and scored the winning run on Lane Sevy’s base hit.

Williams struck out the side in the bottom of the seventh to clinch the win.

Marsing rallied from a 3-0

deficit when Seth Hardy smashed a bases-loaded double in the fifth inning.

May 6: New Plymouth 9, Marsing 2 — Handcuffed by the top seed’s pitching ace, the Huskies fell into the consolation bracket in Nampa. Led by Kyler Harris’ two-hit, 15-strikeout performance, the Pilgrims earned a spot in the state tournament.

Marsing finally broke through in the top of the sixth inning, right after New Plymouth had hung five runs on starting pitcher Sevy in the bottom of the fifth to take an 8-0 lead.

Williams and fellow senior Charlie Galvez had the only hits for the Huskies, who committed

four errors.

May 5: Marsing 8, McCall-Donnelly 6 — Williams’ two-run home run in the seventh won the district tournament opener at home.

The Vandals had rallied to tie the game, 6-6, in the top of the fifth inning.

Williams finished 3-for-4 with a double, homer and four RBI. He also struck out six in two innings of hitless relief to get the win.

Marsing grabbed a 3-1 lead in the bottom of the first inning.

Gonzalez doubled twice and knocked in two runs, and Hunter Gibson was 2-for-4. Gonzalez got the start on the mound, giving up six runs on seven hits.

MARSING HUSKIES

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Alexandre Heidt, so., track and field

The Play — Heidt finished second in the 2A District III 100 meters final to become the only Huskies athlete to qualify for the 2A state meet. Heidt ran an 11.78-second race Friday in New Plymouth, .21 seconds off the pace set by champion Daniel Kim of Nampa Christian.



Austin Williams, sr., baseball

The Play — Williams made most of the big plays as the Huskies nailed down another trip to the 2A state tournament. He came within one strike of a perfect game Saturday and finished with a no-hitter in a 1-0 win over Grangeville in a state play-in game in Payette. It was his second consecutive complete game. On Thursday, he struck out 13 in a 5-4 win over Melba that got the Huskies into the play-in game. His two-run homer on May 5 was the difference in an 8-6 victory over McCall-Donnelly that got Marsing into the district tournament.



Baseball

Baseball
2A District III Tournament
Third place
2A state tournament
Orofino

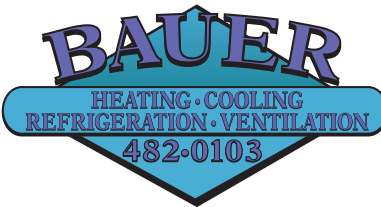
Thursday, May 15 vs. Wendell, 3 p.m.
Friday, May 16 vs. Orofino or Soda Springs, 12:30 p.m. or 6:15 p.m.
Saturday, May 17: Opponent and time TBA (if nec.)

Track & Field

2A state meet
Middleton H.S.
Qualifier: Alexandre Heidt
Friday, May 16, 100 meters preliminary, 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 17, 100 meters final, if nec., 12:30 p.m.

Softball

Season complete: 13-8 overall



Sports

Six Trojans head to state tennis

Homedale High School will have four entries in action when the 3A tennis state tournament begins Friday.

Hattie Mertz and Kincade Kincheloe will compete in the girls' singles and boys' singles tournaments, respectively. They both won fifth-place matches Saturday in the 3A District III Tournament in Parma.

Alec Egurrola and Delaney Phariss battled into the third-place match of the mixed doubles district bracket, but lost to the top-seeded team. The Homedale pair still qualified for the state tournament.

Andrew Randall and exchange

student Michel Bethge of Germany will represent the Trojans in the boys' doubles state bracket.

The boys' doubles team of Orion Cardenas and Dylan Phariss just missed a shot a State when they lost a tough three-set decision, 6-4, 6-7, 7-5, to Weiser's top duo.

State tournament singles play begins Friday at Vallivue High School in Caldwell. The boys' tournament starts at 8 a.m., and the girls' matches will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Other portions of the tournament will be played at Caldwell High School on Friday. The tournament concludes Saturday.



Delaney Phariss, left, and Hattie Mertz hug after making the state tournament. Photo by Machele Randall

Rimrock's Pearson makes State in 2 events

Mori makes 1A field as freshman

Two Rimrock High School underclassmen have qualified for the 1A track and field state meet.

Sophomore Hailey Pearson will complete in two events Friday at Middleton High School after a pair of third-place finishes at the 1A District III championship meet Thursday in Horseshoe Bend.

Freshman Julianne Mori

qualified for the girls' high jump with a third-place mark of 4 feet, 2 inches. She'll compete at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Middleton.

At the district meet, Pearson was third in the 100 meters in 13.74 seconds, and also finished third in the triple jump, soaring 29 feet, 20¼ inches.

Pearson is set for noon Friday triple jump competition and then will take part in the 100-meter heats at 1:30 p.m. The 100 final is set for 12:30 p.m. Saturday.

✓ Softball: First district title since 1990s

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away and let the girls do some bonding, (and) last year, they had a handful of people (at their State games).

"(But) now they know they're going to get the backing. You always play better when you get the backing of the people."

Trailing 4-1, top-seeded Homedale put away the Wolverines with a 10-run fourth inning, but the packed house at Sundance Park probably began the week expecting another showdown with Fruitland.

Weiser changed all that with its 3-2 upset win over the Grizzlies in a May 6 semifinal.

"We were all pretty happy because we're not very friendly with Fruitland," Thursday's win-

ning pitcher, Tristan Corta, said of hearing of Fruitland's fall. "It was nice not to have to play Fruitland for the championship."

Homedale and Fruitland have played in each of the past three 3A state championship games and sit on opposite sides of the bracket again this year.

In beating Weiser, the Trojans pounded 15 hits. Morgan Nash shook off a shaky starting pitching assignment to go 4-for-5 with three RBI. Tori Nash was 3-for-4 with a double (Homedale's only extra-base hit), and McKenna Calzacorta was 3-for-4 with three RBI.

Corta came into the game with Weiser leading, 4-1.

"It's hard to beat any team three times, and we were a little nervous knowing that and that Weiser was

peaking and playing good ball," Larry Corta said. "We knew it wasn't going to be a pushover."

"I think (the Trojans) were wanting it so bad, I guess, they were tight and kind of keyed up and not as relaxd. Once the hits started coming, they started relaxing."

May 6: Homedale 11, Payette 1 (5) — Calzacorta blasted two of her team's four home runs and went 3-for-3 with a season-high five RBI in the semifinal.

Long and Tori Nash also homered as HHS rapped 12 hits.

Shelby Lee limited the Pirates on two hits.

Katie Deal got Homedale on the board with a two-out single to left field to bring home Long in the bottom of the first inning.

— JPB

Soph sprinter is lone MHS state track rep

Alexandre Heidt missed a 2A District III 100 meters title by .21 of a second.

But the Marsing High School sophomore's 11.78-second sprint put him in the 2A state meet.

Heidt is the only member of the

Huskies' track and field team to qualify for the meet.

He'll run in the preliminaries at 1:30 p.m. Friday at Middleton High School.

The district final is set for 12:30 p.m. Saturday in Middleton.

Emry aims at Big Sky track championships

Homedale High School graduate Austin Emry tuned up for the Big Sky Conference track and field championship meet with a win Friday.

The University of Montana senior won the 110-meter hurdles in 14.68 seconds during the Tom

Gage Classic at Dornblaser Field on the UM campus in Missoula.

Next up for the son of Stuart and Lori Emry is the Big Sky meet, which runs today through Saturday on the Northern Arizona University campus in Flagstaff, Ariz.

✓ Baseball: First state tournament appearance since 1999 A-3 title run

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him at shortstop.

"It's going to deplete our pitching," Burke Deal said, referring to Johnson and his son both being part of the staff.

"Nash has been just incredible this year. I bet he's probably had less than five passed balls and thrown out 30 percent of his baserunners."

Thursday: Homedale 3, Weiser 1 — The Trojans rebounded from last Wednesday's 13-5 loss to Fruitland in the district championship game behind senior Caleb Oviedo's pitching.

"When it comes to baseball, he just kind of comes and does his business," Deal said of his ace pitcher, who will start Thursday's State opener.

"He's kind of a quiet leader just as far as that goes. He does his business and has a great attitude."

After struggling early in a May 6 semifinal win over Weiser, Oviedo stymied the Wolverines on three hits in the runner-up game. He fanned the last two batters he faced to finish his second complete game in three

days with seven strikeouts and just two walks.

The Trojans' defense rose up to quell Weiser's last threat, a two-out rally in the sixth inning. Jacob Rowley's single sent Hustin Roth to third base, but Trojans' second baseman Matthew Thatcher took the cut-off throw from right fielder Jacob Falls and fired a strike to Jake Deal to catch Rowley trying to pick up an extra base and end the inning.

Homedale staked Oviedo to a 3-0 lead over the third and fourth innings.

The Trojans got all the runs they would need in a two-run third inning.

Nash Johnson led off with a single, stole second and scored on an error by Weiser catcher Jacks Whitehurst. Deal, who had moved Johnson to third with a bunt single, came home on Conner Carter's sacrifice fly.

Johnson's two-out RBI single brought in John Collett for a 3-0 lead in the fourth inning.

Weiser broke through for its only run in the fifth inning.

Last Wednesday: Fruitland 13, Homedale 5 — Seven

Grizzlies runs in the bottom of the fifth inning put the Trojans' dream of a district championship out of reach in Payette.

Homedale had rallied for three runs in the top of the inning to pull within two runs, 6-4, before Fruitland used four extra-base hits to capitalize on two Matthew Thatcher walks and errors by third baseman Blake Patton and left fielder Lane Sale. Conner Benear smacked a two-run double and Jeremy Alvarado hit a two-run homer over the left-field fence at Killebrew Field. Alvarado, who also homered in the third inning, knocked in four runs as Fruitland won its ninth consecutive district title.

Homedale scored the game's first run in the top of the first when Deal drew a walk and later scored on an error by third baseman Mike Odell when Patton rapped an infield single.

Fruitland wasted little time in the bottom of the inning against starting pitcher Carter. Leadoff batter Jerred Seamons homered to left to tie the game, and Tristan Bones doubled. Later in the inning, Bones scored on Matt

Murphy's double and Casey Rodriguez, who had walked, scored on an error by Collett in center field.

Homedale's fifth-inning rally featured a leadoff double from Talon Frelove and Carter's run-scoring single. Carter scored on Murphy's balk, and Patton scored on Odell's error.

Sale was 3-for-4, while Carter and Patton had two hits apiece for the Trojans.

May 6: Homedale 6, Weiser 3 — After spotting the Wolverines three runs with defensive lapses and ineffective pitching, the Trojans rallied to reach the district championship game.

Carter drilled a double into right field to send home Deal with the go-ahead run in the bottom of the fifth inning. Carter finished 2-for-4.

Deal reached base to lead off the inning when Weiser center fielder Austin Grothaus dropped his fly ball.

Homedale added two insurance runs in the sixth inning. Thatcher started the rally with a walk and scored on Johnson's base hit. Lane Sale, who also walked, scored on

Deal's sacrifice fly.

Homedale awoke with a little help in the third inning, and Deal was in the middle of the action. He scored when William Elordi smoked a double down the left-field line to cap a rally that tied the game, 3-3.

Johnson, who went 2-for-3, led off with a single. The catcher's courtesy runner — Collett — scored when Deal bunted and Roth skipped his throw over the glove of first baseman Evan Loomis. The play was ruled a single, and Deal picked up the first of his two RBI.

Talon Frelove took a Roth pitch in the upper arm and later scored on Patton's sacrifice fly.

"With Weiser, for some reason, we've developed a real rivalry with them," Burke Deal said.

"The guys have rallied around that, and so I think a rivalry has developed and Weiser sees that, too. Those games have been real close and tight."

Oviedo shook off a rocky start to get the complete-game victory. He surrendered three unearned runs and walked three batters early in the game.

— JPB

Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense Bronc to Breakfast

Bronc to Breakfast is my favorite Charlie Russell painting. The scene represents the typical roundup out west. In the foreground is a campfire with cooking pots and pans on the fire or hanging from the cross bar. A cowboy is sitting with his plate of beans, Cookie's in an apron standing by the chuck wagon, and in the background are some cowboys by the horses on a picket line.

The focal point is a bald-faced horse in an arcing trajectory, hind feet in the fire, front legs off the ground and reachin', doin' a nose dive, with his mouth open squallin'! Astride this beast is a cowboy. He's lost one stirrup, his hat and his grip. Chaps and shirttail flappin', he's comin' off the left side, lookin' down as if there was a way out.

In his wake, the campfire cooking area is an explosion of smoke, fire and kitchen utensils! The cowboy with the plate of beans is flying backwards like he has been shot! In the background, every horse and every cowboy, cook and all, are watching this buckin' horse tornado tear through camp.

Horse people are familiar with the term, "feelin' frisky." The condition is common, but not limited to mornings after the horse has been fed, the weather has turned coolish, and the cowboy is absentmindedly saddlin' his horse and jumpin' on like it was any other day.

Last fall, I had my own version of a *Bronc to Breakfast*. In my painting, it might show my horse buckin' under a mesquite tree. It would be hard to see the rider because of the limbs. Or me lookin' like Charlie Russell's cowboy bursting out of the tree, eight feet off the ground with branches in my mouth! Or the final ejection, me resembling an Olympic diver in some kind of horizontal half-gainer with a rein still in one hand tight enough to hang clothes on!

Now, in the cowboy world, if you survive one of these bucking horse displays, you can earn a little "cowboy cred." That's regardless of if you get bucked off or not. Matter of fact, getting bucked off is a better story. My friend Jim's story would put him in that elevated status.

He needed to gather a small pen of Corriente steers and ship them. He saddled his horse. His wife told him he didn't need a horse, they could use the four-wheeler. They were in a hurry. Well, the four-wheeler spooked the steers, so he went back, got his horse, jumped on and touched him lightly with a spur.

In the time it took for him to think, "Did I pull the cinch tight?" he was sitting on the pommel, then back on skirts, then leaning to the port like a yacht sailor, then straddling the horse's neck, as the normally gentle, dead-broke, 10-year-old gelding fired him over the fence and into the machine shed.

Jim was no match for the three-point hitch on his tractor. He spent several days in the hospital with CAT scans, radiographs, catheters, IV stands and listening to the whistling, binging, ringing, ticking and buzzing music of the monitoring devices.

He was strong and brave and soon healed up. But he has never gotten over the humiliation that he felt every time one of his cowboy friends came to visit. When they looked at the records posted on the end of his bed, they all saw his diagnosis, "FELL OFF OF HIS HORSE."

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Election letters

Dist. 2 commissioner's race

The Homedale Senior Citizens would like to thank the Owyhee County Commissioners for all the support that they have given to us.

We especially want to thank Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi. His support and advice this past two years has been invaluable. He personally supports our fundraisers and congregate meals.

In the coming year, when we become independent of CCOA, we look forward to the support of the people of our community.

Board of directors
Homedale Senior Citizens, Inc.

With the upcoming primary elections nearing, we would like to express our appreciation and support for Commissioner Kelly Aberasturi in his re-election bid. Kelly has been an advocate for the people of Owyhee County in many different ways. If you attend a function within the county, Kelly will be there supporting the cause, listening to the citizens' concerns and learning what he can do to aid the county. He has been a very strong ally for the senior citizens centers of the communities. He has supported the Owyhee County Fair, putting in countless hours prior to and during his time as commissioner.

Kelly is very passionate in his fight for the private property rights as well as holding the federal government to their constitutional role. He has been involved in the Gateway West turmoil, working to keep the transmission lines off of our private property and out of our beautiful canyons and deserts of Owyhee County.

As ranchers we appreciate his dedication and passion in working with us to protect our grazing rights and not just rolling over and complying with big government. We have spent too many years trying to compromise, and each time we lose a little more.

Kelly understands the lifestyle and freedoms we all hold dear in Owyhee County as well as in the State of Idaho. He has spent countless hours traveling to meetings across the county and state to meet with private citizens, businessmen

and government officials to better his knowledge of the issues at hand.

There is no better advocate for Owyhee County than Kelly Aberasturi.
John and Lorna Steiner
Oreana

I am writing in support of re-electing Kelly Aberasturi for Owyhee County Commissioner. Whenever I have called Kelly concerning county issues, he has been available to take my calls or call me back timely.

I am a member of the Marsing-Homedale Cemetery Board and the past few years have been difficult for us to meet our financial obligations and to insure the cemetery grounds are maintained sufficiently. This is due to a decrease in income and the levy rate we are required to operate with. I have had to call Kelly several times asking for his advice and support in obtaining the maximum amount of finances available to help. He has always helped the cemetery board obtain additional assistance as much as he can and more recently suggested we conduct a levy override to be placed on the May ballot. His support and encouragement has been a key factor in keeping the cemetery viable the past few years.

I have also seen Kelly's support in many other areas in the county, some bigger and some smaller. The important thing is Kelly is there for all our needs. I urge you to vote for Kelly Aberasturi May 20th.

Valerie Dines
Homedale

The Collett Ranch would like to thank and endorse Kelly Aberasturi for County Commissioner District 2.

Kelly is a staunch supporter of the cattlemen of this county. He attends many meetings regarding the issue of grazing on public lands in this support. But his support of this county does not stop there.

Recently he agreed to be a volunteer at a fundraiser for the Oreana Community Hall. Not only did his family provide many of the auction items, but Kelly himself agreed to be our auctioneer. He did a great job.

— See **Letters**, Page 23A

Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington

New EPA regs seek jurisdiction over water on private land



Idahoans know the value of environmental stewardship. Access to abundant, clean water is a central pillar of our state's agricultural and natural resource heritage, providing numerous outdoor recreational opportunities and a uniquely Idaho way of life. For these reasons, you will not find people more connected or more committed to water quality and quantity than Idahoans.

Unfortunately, recent moves by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) threaten the very control of our water that is so important to our state. The EPA has released a new plan to invalidate Supreme Court rulings and assert greater control of the management of water on private property — even intermittent streams that may flow for only a day or two. The so-called "Waters of the United States" rule vastly expands federal control over private landowners and represents a blatant power grab by the federal government. It must be stopped.

I have joined a number of my Senate colleagues to write directly to President Obama about this rule, noting the federal government is attempting "to obtain *de facto* land use authority over the property of families, neighborhoods and communities throughout the United States."

Under this plan, the EPA would work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to extend its reach beyond navigable waters to intermittent wetlands and other water bodies. The stated reason by the agency is to provide

greater clarification of water bodies subject to regulation under the federal Clean Water Act (CWA). However, this proposal will only create more questions than answers. By expanding the scope and reach of the CWA, this regulatory change will create greater uncertainty and litigation and increase the role of the federal government in the lives of property owners across the country.

This rule is not only aimed at industry or businesses, large and small, but at individual citizens as well. A significant expansion of federal authority under the CWA will permit the government to exert more control over private landowners by deeming portions of their lands as "jurisdictional" and therefore subject to regulation.

Idahoans are right to be skeptical about the practical implications this rule will have on our water sovereignty. Efforts to expand the federal government's jurisdiction over our waters threaten to upset the proper balance between state, federal, local and private parties in effective water quality management policies. As a member of the Senate committee with oversight of the EPA, I look forward to working with all Idahoans to stop this federal overreach.

— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho's senior member of the U.S. Senate. Crapo is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

Commentary

Financial management

A loan is only one way to help someone in need

Dear Dave,

My wife and I have a friend we met through the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. She has a 1-year-old child, and she recently asked us for some money. We don't really approve of how she's choosing to spend her money — she's spending a lot of it on alcohol and cigarettes — but she does need financial help. What should we do?

— Mike

for their own good.

One of two things will happen when you handle things in this manner. They'll welcome the help and graciously accept your conditions, or they'll get mad and act like you have no right interfering in their business. I don't have a problem helping people who have a good heart and really need a break. But if someone cops an attitude with me in this situation, I wouldn't break out my wallet anytime soon.

Dear Mike,

I have a very simple rule for situations like this. If someone is bold enough to ask me for my money, I can be bold enough to attach requirements to the money

Regardless, if you choose to do this, I'd make the money a gift and not a loan. Concentrate on trying to get her on a path where she thinks a little straighter, and, as a result, she will make better choices. Teach her how to make and live off a budget



or help her enroll in a personal finance course. But right now, just

handing her money is like giving a drunk a drink.

This whole situation is a lot bigger than giving someone \$35 for diapers. The answer to that is easy. It's yes. But in this case I'd probably give it to her in the form of a grocery store gift card. Many of those don't allow alcohol and cigarette purchases. Or, I'd just go buy diapers and baby food and take them to her. Actually helping people is a lot more work than just throwing money at them. To really help someone, you have to get down in their mess and walk beside them.

Financially speaking, her problem is just as much mismanagement of money as it is a lack of money.

Anyone who chooses smokes and alcohol over diapers for their kid needs to be smacked. But since you can't really do that, you can put conditions on your help that are designed to help her improve her decision-making abilities and, by doing that, improving her life.

— 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. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

Letters to the editor

From Page 22A

We have known Kelly prior to his involvement and commitment to our county, and through all of his political involvement, his personality and convictions have not wavered. He is bound and determined to do right by all of the people of this great county.

So please join us and vote for Kelly Aberasturi for County Commissioner District 2 on May 20.

Brian and Christine Collett
Collett Ranch
Oreana

We would like to publicly thank Mr. Kelly Aberasturi, commending him as an advocate for the farmers, ranchers and recreationalists regarding access to our multiple-use public Bureau of Land Management lands.

Owyhee County is 74 percent economically agriculturally based. Only 17 percent of the land in Owyhee County is privately owned.

It is essential for the ecology and the economy of Owyhee County that we continue grazing these public lands and impress upon the BLM that all roads stay open for access. Ranchers must be able to transport and check on their livestock as well as maintain fences and transport supplies for cattle.

Firemen need roads open; they serve as fire breaks and are obviously essential for the transport of emergency equipment to stop raging wildland fires.

The flawed policies of the federal government of “lock it up and burn it up” can no longer be tolerated.

Kelly has been on the front line of this ongoing debate. We are grateful he is willing to stay engaged with his tireless efforts to keep our multiple-use public lands open.

Ernie Breuer and Robyn Thompson
Oreana

Governor’s race

Now is the time for the good people of Idaho to come together and look into the policies of Butch Otter. Why have Idaho borders, Mr. Otter?

Your policies have invited the federal government to control our healthcare with Obamacare and our schoolchildren’s education with Common Core. We are fast becoming part of the federal government with the Bureau of Land Management controlling over 60 percent of our state lands. Once again, the Feds are dismantling another part of our economy by suppressing ranching and farming with the BLM restricting grazing rights.

It seems the only way to stop this giveaway of our state sovereignty is to “vote the bums” out of office.

Russ Fulcher is not a politician. His policies will restore our states’ rights. He will reduce healthcare costs through

competition. His plans are to demand, through legislative actions, the federal government have minimum control over our state rights.

State Sen. Russ Fulcher will advance the people of Idaho and enhance the natural resources of our great state.

Jerry Proud
Homedale

Legislative District 23

Rep. Pete Nielsen deserves to be re-elected for District 23B. He has kept his Republican Liberty Caucus pledge to restore liberty, not restrict it, shrink government, not expand it, reduce taxes, not raise them, work to reduce government interference, observe the limited, enumerated powers of our Constitution, not ignore them, and promote the freedom and independence of all Idaho citizens. His opponent has not signed this pledge.

Pete has been endorsed by Idaho Chooses Life over his opponent. Rep. Nielsen is ranked 10th on pro-constitutional issues out of the 70 state representatives by the Idaho Freedom Foundation.

Rep. Nielsen is a man of integrity working to preserve individual liberty and freedom and deserves to be re-elected. Please vote Pete Nielsen in the May 20th Republican primary.

Adrian L. Arp, Ph.D.
Filer

Any consideration of individual rights would be an exercise in futility if there was not first an affirmation of the right to life upon which all other individual rights are contingent.

Sen. Bert Brackett and Rep. Pete Nielsen recognize that the first and most important role of government at any level is the protection of the right to life. They acknowledge that this right is affirmed and mandated in the U.S. Constitution, in the Fifth Amendment: “No person shall be ... deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law ...”, and cannot be superseded by any laws, foreign or domestic. They support the reinstatement of anti-abortion laws, which by their very nature, protect the lives of those innocents least able to defend themselves.

Sen. Bert Brackett and Rep. Pete Nielsen are opposed to euthanasia, the so-called “mercy killing,” of the aged, ailing or infirm, by the administration of drugs, or the withholding of food, water, and medication essential to the patient’s comfort or possible recovery.

I strongly encourage pro-life/pro-family constituents to support and assist Sen. Bert Brackett and Rep. Pete Nielsen in their pursuit to serve the people of the West End. I believe that these individuals’ pro-life/pro-family principles define the quality of their character and that these

values will assist them as they discern the many challenges that elected members of government tend to.

Rick Martin
Buhl

I encourage voters in District 23 to re-elect Pete Nielsen. Pete has a proven record as an honest and upstanding citizen of our state and a responsible and strong constitutional-oriented state representative. Pete is the only state representative who voted against the Idaho health care exchange to be implemented in Idaho.

His opponent and the current chairman of the Twin Falls Republican central committee is a man with whom I have served for the past two years as precinct No. 4’s committee person. I can assure voters there is a huge political contrast in these two candidates.

If you want a representative with a proven respect for the constitution and laws of Idaho; a representative who will in fact stand on principle and not just talk about it; a representative who will bring the concerns of citizens in his district to the forefront and not just concerns of the political elite in Twin Falls County; if you want a strong and true Republican to represent you, please consider re-electing Pete Nielsen for District 23 state representative on May 20. District 23 cannot afford to give this race to his opponent.

Billie Norton
Buhl

Canyon commissioner’s race

My support for Sid Freeman for District 1 Canyon County commissioner is based on his actions.

He has time and again demonstrated his love for agriculture by giving back through the Idaho FFA Foundation.

His past is a testament to his integrity, and his public involvement in numerous capacities speaks for itself. He is open, genuine, friendly and accessible.

Sid is my friend and I have always been impressed with his scope of knowledge. He has a free-market mentality and excellent business sense.

I encourage folks in Canyon County to get to know the candidate Sid Freeman by either visiting with him or folks who know him personally. It would be a disservice to the Canyon County community to let his opponent, Steve Rule, or his supporters define Sid or his character.

Let the candidates’ past history and statements as they relate to their “actions” speak; an individual’s “actions” become history and undeniable fact. One case in point: the handling of the “John Bujak” scandal as it relates to leadership.

Dave Shenk
Homedale

Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

May 17, 1989

Troxel enjoyed trip he won to Hawaii at grocery meet

Rob Troxel, longtime manger of Morfitt’s Store in Marsing, is home from Hawaii wearing a fresh bronze suntan and an appreciative smile.

Both features are a natural consequence of having won the free trip to Honolulu in a drawing at an Associated Food Stores trade show in Boise in late February attended by some 500 merchants. Since Troxel’s grand prize was a trip for two, he took along a buddy, Kevin Grimme, to see the sights. Grimme recently returned to Marsing after service in the U.S. Army.

Troxel reported that, “the most fun I had was snorkeling at Hanauma Bay,” an old volcanic crater that’s home to a variety of tropical fish. It was the first time he’d ever snorkeled, but hopefully not the last, he said.

Homedale boys, girls track and field are WIC champs

The new 1989 Western Idaho Conference track and field champions — both the boys’ and girls’ teams — haven’t had much time to enjoy their No. 1 status.

Qualifiers from the WIC finals at New Plymouth went back into action yesterday against winners from the Long Pin Conference at the District III A-3 and A-4 track meet at Nampa High.

Homedale’s classy first-place team finishes among 11 schools for the WIC championship trophies at New Plymouth in windy, teeth-chattering conditions should give extra momentum to the local fireballs as the district meet winds up. The Trojan girls topped the field with 101 points, with Rimrock second with 77 points and Melba third with 76. The boys took top-dog status with 114 points, with New Plymouth placing second with 100 points and Fruitland third with 93.

A lot of local lightning streaks contributed to the Trojan victories, chalking up 10 points for each first-place win, eight points for each second-place finish, six for third, four for fourth, two for fifth and one for sixth.

In the first-place ranks for Homedale at the WIC finals were: Dusty Linder, Brad Kushlan, Brad Dines, Brian Tarr, Mike Lowder, Laura Eguia, Barbi Prow, Stefanie Leslie, Lupe Ayala and Wendi Muir. Linder took the boys’ 100-meter run in 11:38, the 200 in 23.21 and was a sturdy leg for the winning 400 in 52.25. Lowder high-jumped to a 6-foot-2 victory. Eguia set a new WIC record in girls’ discus with a mighty heave of 133-2. Prow sped to victories in the girls’ 100 in 13.27 and the 200 in 27.32, while helping her teammates, Leslie, Ayala and Muir, to win the 400 relay in 53.34.

Huskies had good year despite loss in 1st round

For the Marsing Huskies baseball team, the end of the season came May 6 in the opening round of the WIC A-3 & A-4 District Tournament.

In this round, the Huskies faced Fruitland, which had beaten them twice previously during league play.

Benji Bowers kept the Huskies in the game the first five innings scattering three hits and fanning six batters and giving up only one run.

The game, tied 1-1 going into the sixth, suddenly tilted in favor of Fruitland when the Fruitland batters got to Bowers. After getting the first two batters out in the top of the sixth, Bowers gave up five consecutive hits, including a two-run homer, as Fruitland scored five runs in that inning to take a 6-1 lead.

Cory Uria birth

Dennis and Teri Uria proudly announce the birth of a baby son, Cory Wayne Uria.

Cory was born at 9:15 p.m. Thursday, May 11, in Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

Kenne and Darlene Metzger of Homedale are the maternal grandparents, while Harold and Irene Markley of Homedale are the maternal great-grandparents.

Chuck and Roma Marshall of Sumter, Ore., are the paternal grandparents. Marguerite Moss of Homedale is the paternal great-grandmother.

50 years ago

May 14, 1964

School board canvasses votes in election

The regular meeting of the Homedale school board was held Monday evening, according to Jim Duncan, clerk, with votes for trustee from district No. 2 being canvassed.

Dan T. Morris was elected for a term of three years with a total of 23 votes. Edward Chadez received 18 votes. Lawrence Kent 14 votes, and there were two write-in votes for Fred Wood. Election judges were Dora Upton, Emma Henry and Verda Johnston.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved and bills amounting to \$1373.05 were paid.

The senior trip to Zims Plunge on May 25 was approved by the board.

Mrs. Shade Coombs was hired to do maintenance on the high school building during the summer for \$300.

Superintendent Deward Bell gave a report on the proposed summer maintenance cost of the high school building and a report on the driver’s training classes to be held this summer. Herb Fritzley was re-hired to instruct the classes.

The board authorized Superintendent Bell to sell one electric stove. The resolution to borrow money on tax notes was approved.

Bus maintenance for the summer will be performed by Owyhee Motor Sales.

Dazey elected int’l director of Wash. State Jr. C of C

Philip Dazey, who formerly resided in the Homedale and Ridgeview area, was elected to the position of International Director for the Washington State Junior Chamber of Commerce at the State Convention held April 23, 24, 25 in Yakima, Wash.

His local club of Lake Hills where he now lives was his sponsor. He is a charter member of his club and has held virtually every office in the club, including president. He has served this past year as a state chairman of “Operation Friendship,” which included international relations between Washington State Jaycees and Jaycees throughout the world.

Philip is the father of three boys and a baby girl born April 25 while he was attending state convention. His wife is the former Norma Billings.

Mrs. Dazey is this years’ District 6 state vice-president for the Washington State Junior Chamber Auxiliary. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Dazey of Homedale and her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Billings of Payette.

Flahiff chapel completed, now in operation

The colonial-style building at Owyhee Avenue and First Street East, the new Homedale Flahiff Funeral chapel, received the workmen’s finishing touches this week and is now in operation, Leonard Flahiff announced.

Complete services are being offered. Seating for 160 people is provided in the main area with an additional 40 seats in the family room. A specially designed casket display room is an added convenience.

Mr. Flahiff, his wife, Jane, and son, Bryan, recently moved to Homedale from Caldwell where he has been associated with the Flahiff Funeral Chapel there.

The public will be able to visit the new building next week when an open house will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 23 and 24.

Homedale locals

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Orr attended the Apple Blossom parade in Payette Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Orr of Watsonville, Calif., went with them. Mrs. Frank Orr’s son, Ted Daws, drove one of the wagons in the parade and his daughter, Janie rode with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl VanDerhoff and son, of Summit City, Calif., returned home Friday. They attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Caroline VanDerhoff while here. Mrs. Nellie Kelson of Carlton, Ore., accompanied them to her home.

140 years ago

May 16, 1874

MINING SUIT. The Mahogany Mining Company Sues Some of the Directors. (From the San Francisco Stock Report on May 9th)

The Mahogany Gold and Silver Mining Company commenced suit in the Fourth District Court yesterday against Henry G. Blankman, Thomas J. Owens and Joseph B. Blankman. The complaint alleges, that on the 9th of April, 1874, the Board of Trustees was composed of O. H. Bogart, J. B. Cooper, E. Hale and the defendants. At a meeting of the Trustees, held on that day, at which O. H. Bogart and the defendants, Henry Blankman and Thomas J. Owens, were present, Owens suggested the purchase of a number of the shares of the Challenge Mining Company, on the pretense that it would be of advantage to plaintiff. He was supported by Blankman, but Bogart, Cooper and Hale, were opposed to it. Owens and Blankman were owners of the Challenge stock, and the suggestion is supposed to have been made in their interest.

Finding that they could not purchase the Challenge stock, it is alleged that Owens and Blankman entered into a conspiracy to get possession of the books, etc., of the Company, and take proceedings to remove Bogart from the office of President, and put Joseph B. Blankman, a son of Henry G. Blankman’s, in his place, the object being to reconstruct the Board so as to obtain a majority. On the 10th of April Owens and Blankman met as a Board of Trustees, at which Blankman, Jr. was elected, when possession was taken of the books, papers, etc. On the 15th of April, H. G. Blankman, T. J. Owens and Joseph G. Blankman, pretending to be Trustees, made a contract to purchase for the Company 7,725 shares of the Challenge at \$1.25 per share, or for a total of \$9,656.25, and the purchase was made. On the 5th day of May they agreed to surrender, provided the Company purchased from them 2,500 shares or the Mahogany, at \$7 per share, \$17,500, which sum they received, while the stock was only worth \$5 per share.

The plaintiff demands judgment for the sums paid for stocks — \$9,656.25, and \$17,500 — and also for \$10,000 damages sustained by the Company through the acts of the defendants.

SADLY TRUE. How the Editor Reads the Paper – His Daily Agony and Suffering Dire.

The sensation of an editor on first glancing over his paper and detecting errors are somewhat different to those experienced by the reader on making like discoveries. The latter is either amused at the blunder or incensed at the carelessness which caused it, and in both cases arrives at the conclusion that the trouble is avoidable, and that the editor is to blame for not avoiding it. He never saw an editor take his first glance over the copy of an edition. Perhaps the edition is worked off before this opportunity is afforded the weary man. He has either trusted the proofs to some one else, or read them himself, but the feeling of dread is just as great in the latter as is the former case. The proofreader may not have consulted the copy and so perpetrated the blunder of the compositor, and perhaps the compositor may neglect to undue the wrong he has done, although his attention may be plainly called to it on the proof. When the editor is about to make this preparatory survey, he does not take a cigar in his mouth and elevate his heels to the desk, as is the popular tradition. Dying men don’t do that way, you know, and we have come to the conclusion that an editor examining his paper feels like a man about to pass into eternity. He reads along carefully and slowly, like a man feeling his way across a piece of doubtful ice. Suddenly his face becomes distorted with an awful pain. He does not cry out, he doesn’t rant, the anguish within him is so broad, deep, and intense, that he dare not trust it to words. He just simply reaches up and takes a handful of his own hair, and tugs at it till the tears come to his eyes. Then he picks up the paper, which he has taken the precaution to kick across the room on discovering the error, and resumes the torturing search. – *Danbury News*

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE OF 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION IN OWYHEE COUNTY

The Owyhee County Primary Election will be held May 20th, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following precinct polling places:

Precinct 01 North Homedale – Senior Citizen Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale

Precinct 02 South Homedale – Homedale City Hall, 31 W. Wyoming Ave., Homedale

Precinct 03 North Marsing – Marsing Community Center, 126 2nd St. N., Marsing

Precinct 04 South Marsing – Extension Office, 238 W. 8th Ave., Marsing

Precinct 05 Pleasant Valley – Mail Ballot

Precinct 06 Wilson – Wilson Fire Station, 10427 Johnston Lane, Wilson

Precinct 07 Murphy – Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy

Precinct 08 Oreana – Oreana Community Hall, 18092 Oreana Loop Rd., Oreana

Precinct 09 Grand View – Eastern Owyhee Library, 520 Boise Ave., Grand View

Precinct 10 Bruneau – American Legion Building, 32536 Belle Ave., Bruneau

Precinct 11 Riddle – Mail Ballot

Precinct 12 Three Creek – Mail Ballot

5/14/14

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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS CASE NO. CV2014-162-H 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 Estate of SUSAN A. SEVY, Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named estate. All persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.

Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (PO Box 44), Caldwell, ID 83606. Phone 208-459-4574 Fax 208-459-4573

/s/SUFFRONA F. SEVY, Personal Representative

5/14,21,28/14

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 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

SAMPLE PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT
DEMOCRATIC PARTY
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO
MAY 20, 2014

SAMPLE PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT
OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO - MAY 20, 2014
Vote for each candidate as you desire by placing an X in the small square at the right of the names, or by writing in the names of the persons you desire to vote for, and place an X in the square at the right of their name.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY		
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES OFFICES	CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICES (Continued)	CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICES
FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)	FOR STATE TREASURER (Vote for One)	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER First District—Four Year Term (Vote for One)
William Bayle	Deborah Shott	(Write-In)
Nick Mitchell	W. Lane Martin	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Second District—Two Year Term (Vote for One)
(Write-In)	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS First District (Vote for One)	FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for One)	FOR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT (Vote for One)
Ryan Andrew Brown	Bruce R. Wolfson	(Write-In)
Shirley G. Hogg	(Write-In)	FOR COUNTY TREASURER (Vote for One)
(Write-In)	FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (Vote for One)	(Write-In)
CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICES	Jana Jones	FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR (Vote for One)
FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
A.J. Hahnemann	CANDIDATES FOR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OFFICES	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for One)
Terry Herr	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 23 FOR STATE SENATOR (Vote for One)	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	(Write-In)	FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN (Vote for One)
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 24 FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE Position A (Vote for One)	Mandy Holmgren
Bert Marley	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	Mary Ann Richards	
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for One)	(Write-In)	
Hell Mordant	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 25 FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE Position B (Vote for One)	
(Write-In)	(Write-In)	
FOR STATE CONTROLLER (Vote for One)	"Spide" R.L. Erickson	
(Write-In)	(Write-In)	

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REPUBLICAN PARTY		
CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES OFFICES	CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICES (Continued)	CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICES
FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)	FOR STATE TREASURER (Vote for One)	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER First District—Four Year Term (Vote for One)
Johnny "T" Anderson	Ron Crane	Larry L. Haggard
Jim Koch	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for One)	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Second District—Two Year Term (Vote for One)
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS First District (Vote for One)	C.T. "Chris" Thompson	Kelly R. Anderson
Steve Blackwell	Lawrence Woods	George Hart
Michael Greenway	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
Paul R. Schneider	FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (Vote for One)	FOR CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT (Vote for One)
Lisa Marie	(Write-In)	Angela Burkhardt
Brent G. McCallister	John H. Sprain	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	Andrew Grover	FOR COUNTY TREASURER (Vote for One)
CANDIDATES FOR STATE OFFICES	Bruce Jones	Brenda Richards
FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	Steve Vasson	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	CANDIDATES FOR LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OFFICES	FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR (Vote for One)
Walt Hayes	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 23 FOR STATE SENATOR (Vote for One)	Brent Endicott
Shirley D. Brown	(Write-In)	(Write-In)
Renell M. Feltner	Bert Brackton	FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Vote for One)
C.L. "Butch" Ottar	(Write-In)	Aaron Tines
(Write-In)	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 24 FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE Position A (Vote for One)	(Write-In)
FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for One)	Rich Wale	FOR PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN AND VOTER DELEGATE TO THE PARTY'S COUNTY AND DISTRICT CONVENTIONS (Vote for One)
Joe Chumble	(Write-In)	Jana Mason
Bruce Little	LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT NO. 25 FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE Position B (Vote for One)	(Write-In)
(Write-In)	(Write-In)	
FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for One)	Bruce McElroy	
Lawrence E. Donny	Pete Nelson	
Tom R. Frazier	(Write-In)	
Paul McGowan		
Mark Thompson		
(Write-In)		
FOR STATE CONTROLLER (Vote for One)		
Todd Haddock		
Bruce D. Wolf		
(Write-In)		

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GARY SPACKMAN, Director

5/7,14/14

Public notices

SAMPLE BALLOT

TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE COMMISSIONERS OF MARSING-HOMEDALE CEMETERY DISTIRIC, OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO TO LEVY A PERMANENT OVERRIDE LEVY

Shall the Commissioners of Marsing-Homedale Cemetery District, Owyhee County, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a property tax increase per Idaho Code 63-802(g) by a permanent override levy in the amount of **TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000.00)** per year for lawn equipment purchases and / or maintenance and maintenance of cemetery grounds and **TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000.00)** per year for an increase in department financial business affairs expense for a total increase of **THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00)** per year.

Are you in favor of the Permanent Override Levy in the amount of **THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000.00)** per year?

IN FAVOR of authorizing the permanent override levy in the amount of \$30,000.00 per year ☐

AGAINST authorizing the permanent override levy in the amount of \$30,000.00 per year ☐

SAMPLE

OFFICAL BALLOT

TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF BRUNEAU-GRAND VIEW JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 365, ELMORE AND OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO TO LEVY A SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY

Shall the Board of Trustees of Bruneau-Grand View Joint School District No. 365, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a supplemental levy, as permitted by law in Section 33-802(3), Idaho Code, in the amount of **SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$600,000.00)** for the next two years, for the total of **ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,200,000.00)**. The full amount of which will be collected in full during each of the next two (2) fiscal years, for the purpose of paying lawful and necessary expenses to operate and maintain the District for the two (2) fiscal year(s) beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2016.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:
To vote "FOR" the levy, place an "X" in the box marked YES
To vote "AGAINST" the levy, place an "X" in the box marked NO

Are you in favor of the Supplemental Levy in the amount of **SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$600,000.00)** for both of the next two (2) fiscal years:

IN FAVOR of authorizing the levy in the amount of up to \$600,000.00 per year for two years ☐

AGAINST authorizing the levy in the amount of up to \$600,000.00 per year for two years ☐

OFFICAL BALLOT

SCHOOL SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY ELECTION
GLENN'S FERRY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #192
ELMORE & OWYHEE COUNTIES, IDAHO
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014

QUESTION:
Shall the Board of Trustees of Glenn's Ferry Joint School District #192, Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to levy a supplemental levy, as permitted by law in Section 33-802(3), Idaho Code, in the amount of \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) each year for a period of two (2) years for a total of \$1,000,000 (One Million Dollars) commencing with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2016 for the purpose of paying all lawful expenses of operating the schools of the district as provided in the resolution of the Board of Trustees of Glenn's Ferry Joint School District #192 adopted on March 13, 2014.

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS:
To vote "FOR" the levy, place an "X" in the box marked YES
To vote "AGAINST" the levy, place an "X" in the box marked NO

ANSWER:

IN FAVOR of authorizing the levy in the amount of up to \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) per year for two (2) years YES ☐

AGAINST authorizing the levy in the amount of up to \$500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Dollars) per year for two (2) years NO ☐



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SOUTHWEST DISTRICT HEALTH

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PUBLIC HEARING: Residents of Adams, Canyon, Gem, Owyhee, Payette, and Washington Counties are invited to comment on the proposed county contributions to the Southwest District Health Fiscal Year 2015 budget. Such hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, 11:00 a.m., at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho.

At the conclusion of this hearing, the estimated cost to each county for FY2015 will be submitted to the Budget Committee by the District Board and approval of a final budget of county funds will be requested, as determined by the provisions of §39-424, Idaho Code.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: The Southwest District Board of Health and Budget Committee will meet in open public forum on Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. (or directly following the Public Hearing) at Southwest District Health, 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell, Idaho, for the purpose of finalizing the budget of county funds for Southwest District Health's Fiscal Year 2015 budget.

The following tables set forth the amounts of county funds to be appropriated and contributed to Southwest District Health by each county within the boundaries of said district, and the estimated amounts expended for "salaries & wages, and other expenses," during each of the three previous county fiscal years by said department.

AMOUNT TO BE APPROPRIATED BY COUNTY, FY 2015

	Adams	\$25,452		
	Canyon	\$874,556		
	Gem	\$75,633		
	Owyhee	\$54,372		
	Payette	\$106,899		
	Washington	\$54,502		
	Total	\$1,191,414		
	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
	Budget	Budget	Budget	REQUEST
Salaries & Wages	\$ 829,820	\$ 842,267	\$ 867,535	\$ 893,562
Other Expenses	276,607	289,756	289,178	297,852
Total	\$ 1,106,427	\$ 1,123,023	\$ 1,156,713	\$ 1,191,414

The proposed budget offered by the District Board of Health may be examined at any of the Southwest District Health offices located at: 13307 Miami Lane, Caldwell; 1008 East Locust, Emmett; 1155 Third Avenue North, Payette; 46 West Court, Weiser; or 132 E Idaho, Homedale.

5/14/14

OFFICIAL

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OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

Precinct Name

No. _____

MAY 20, 2014

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OWYHEE COUNTY, IDAHO

MAY 20, 2014

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TO SUCCEED JUSTICE		TO SUCCEED JUDGE	
Joel Horion		Sergio A. Gutierrez	
(Vote for One)		(Vote for One)	
Joel Horion	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sergio A. Gutierrez	<input type="checkbox"/>
William "Brock" Seiniger	<input type="checkbox"/>		
TO SUCCEED JUSTICE			
Warren E. Jones			
(Vote for One)			
Warren E. Jones	<input type="checkbox"/>		

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGES

TO SUCCEED JUDGE		TO SUCCEED JUDGE	
Bradly S. Ford		Molly J. Huskey	
(Vote for One)		(Vote for One)	
Bradly S. Ford	<input type="checkbox"/>	Molly J. Huskey	<input type="checkbox"/>
TO SUCCEED JUDGE		TO SUCCEED JUDGE	
George A. Southworth		Susan E. Wiebe	
(Vote for One)		(Vote for One)	
George A. Southworth	<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan E. Wiebe	<input type="checkbox"/>
TO SUCCEED JUDGE		TO SUCCEED JUDGE	
Junel C. Kerrick		Thomas J. Ryan	
(Vote for One)		(Vote for One)	
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Lizard Butte Library field trip to Boise Zoo planned on Friday

Reduced admission price for participants

The Lizard Butte Library is hosting a field trip/story time to

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Zoo Boise on Friday. The cost is \$2.50 per person for entrance to the zoo for the event.

The price is reduced from the regular Zoo Boise admission fees of \$5 per child and \$7.50 for adults.

Those interested in the field trip will meet at the Boise Zoo at 10 a.m. on Friday. After touring the zoo, the group will walk to the park to eat lunch and hear a story.

Anyone interested in the field trip needs to register at the library and pre-pay by Thursday.

Payment is non-refundable if you are unable to attend.

The public is welcome and you do not have to be a library patron to qualify. Each family is responsible for transportation to the zoo and lunch afterward. Lunch can be purchased at the zoo.

“We are excited to offer this opportunity to the community to have a chance to visit the zoo and gather with friends,” library director Jana Streibel said.

—KB

HP picks Marsing as its 2014 project city

Volunteers to help at the school and Island Park

A busload of about 30 Hewlett-Packard employees will arrive in Marsing on Friday.

Their objective is not to open a new branch of the company, but to provide volunteer work for the city and the school district.

“This is a wonderful opportunity for both the community of Marsing and the Marsing School District,” superintendent Norm Stewart said. “We really appreciate the time and effort that the volunteers from HP are dedicating to the Marsing community.”

The volunteers will be working in the city and at the school from about 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Two scheduled projects are painting a school shed and landscaping work at Island Park.

Mayor Keith Green said: “I think it’s great they have chosen Marsing for their volunteer work. We never turn down free labor.”

The City of Marsing was selected earlier this year by HP as a “project city.” The company has started a new tradition of selecting one city outside the Boise area on which to focus volunteer efforts

each year.

The HP employees are paid for their efforts and the chosen city benefits with the manual labor that is provided. Last year, HP volunteers worked in Notus.

This year’s volunteers are from the laser printer developing and testing division.

“Part of our logic in doing this is that those communities don’t get the same level of involvement from corporations like HP that the metropolitan area communities do,” HP representative Jim Reppell said.

In the fall, HP will host a group of students from Marsing High School for a visit to the HP Boise campus.


“We want to show them the type of work we do and open their minds to opportunities that are available to them,” Reppell said.

Company representatives are planning to meet with city and school district officials to identify other projects that need done later in the year.

The company plans to schedule some of the volunteers to make presentations at the schools to talk about career opportunities with HP and to share personal experiences with students.

—KB

MARSING



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To the Patrons and Supporters of the Marsing Joint School District:

In an effort to conserve resources and District funds, the Marsing Joint School District Newsletter will no longer be printed and sent out as a bulk saturation mailing. The newsletter will only be published on the School District website – www.marsingschools.org. You can read the newsletter by hovering over the word “District”, selecting “School District Newsletter”, and then selecting the edition you wish to read.

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Homedale High School

Several speakers slated for Monday night commencement

Seventy-four students will walk the line when Homedale High School holds its commencement ceremony for the Class of 2014.

Two foreign exchange students and 72 seniors will take part in graduation inside the main gym at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2014.

The ceremony will include several speakers as well as musical selections performed by the school's choir members.

Teacher and athletic director Matt Holtry will serve as the keynote speaker. Holtry will become the school district's dean of students next school year. Student body president Edmy Vega and senior class vice-president Trey Lane will introduce Holtry.

The ceremony begins with a class video produced by Jace Turner followed by the processional to the song "Forever Young" by Alphaville.

Senior class president Katie Deal will provide the welcoming address, and fellow seniors Shelby Lee, Esteban Lejardi, Eric Sanchez and Kathryn Thatcher will serve as student speakers.

HHS principal Dion Flaming will present the Class of 2014 after which district superintendent Rob Sauer will hand out diplomas. School board chair Kurt Shanley will cap the ceremony by accepting the graduates before Deal presents her closing remarks.

Other senior officers included secretary-treasurer Leslie Albor and sergeant-at-arms Maria Castro.

The balance of the student body officers were vice-president Tori Nash, secretary Hattie Mertz and treasurer Lydia Aman.

Senior class advisors included Casey Grove, Janee Brumfield, Katie Anzalone, Darrin Cook and Lori Idsinga.

HHS senior advisor makes rapid impact



Katie Anzalone showed her dedication to making a difference when she jumped in as an advisor to Homedale High School's senior class during her first year on campus. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Former flight attendant connects to Homedale students

Katie Anzalone earned district's monthly Award of Excellence in first year

Katie Anzalone used to dream of traveling the world as a flight attendant, but she has landed with both feet at Homedale High School.

The English teacher says she is honored by the school district's Award of Excellence.

"She's been very active with the students," Homedale High School principal Dion Flaming said. He commends Anzalone for overseeing the honor society and its community service projects. "She's willing to give her time and resources to help the students succeed."

Katie is in her first year at HHS, and teaches four classes of English, including a course for college credit. She has been teaching for eight years and is experienced at all levels of secondary education, which includes grades 9 through 12.

Before coming to Homedale, she taught for seven years at Patterson High School in Patterson, Calif.

Katie says she enjoys most her "connections" with students that keep bringing her back to the classroom.

"I really like teenagers," she said. "One minute they can be funny and the next minute you can have a serious conversation with them about their goals."

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Homedale High School honor graduates

A list of this year's honor graduates, which is based on cumulative grade-point averages through seven semesters of high school:

Highest honors

4.0 — Shelby Ann Lee; Esteban Juan Lejardi; Eric Calderon Sanchez; and Kathryn Camille Thatcher

Others — Lydia Marie Aman, 3.98; Tell Rosdahl Hyer, 3.98; Edmy Vega, 3.98; Leslie C. Albor, 3.94; Trey Braedon Lane, 3.86; Destiny Nashai Long, 3.84; Mykal Valentine Hill, 3.83; Lizett Chavez, 3.82; and Jedidiah Jones, 3.8

High honors

3.74 to 3.5 GPA — Cheyenne Nicole Steinmetz, 3.65; Britt Anthony Eubanks, 3.6; Benjamin Jose Cardenas, 3.57; Kaylee Nicole Rupp, 3.57; Luke Jamison Flaming, 3.54; Alissa Dawn Martin, 3.54; Cameron Dean Brandhagen, 3.53; Brenda Vega Vega, 3.52; and Maria De Lourdes Castro, 3.5

Honors

3.49 to 3.25 GPA — Kylee Olivia Jenkins, 3.44; Stephanie Corral Aguilera, 3.43; Abigail Marie Rice, 3.42; Katie Ann Holly Deal, 3.41; Cristian Padilla, 3.4; Brenlyn Elaine Kilby, 3.38; Stephanie Hurtado Martinez, 3.37; Angel Eduardo Cardenas, 3.36; Emileen Isabella Noblit, 3.35; Madelon Rain Maxwell, 3.33; and Quincy Danielle Hall, 3.32

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Marsing High School

Honor grads share dreams of running own businesses

Morgan Hall and Noelle Muller named for honors

The two top honors at Marsing High School are being filled by senior girls.

Morgan Hall, will be valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class, and Noelle Muller is salutatorian.

Morgan, GPA 4.0, is the daughter of John and Holly Hall.

Noelle, GPA 3.8, is the daughter of Lisa Hoagland and Rick Muller.

Both girls have lived in the Marsing area for eight years.

Morgan’s favorite subjects in school are psychology and English. She is president of the student council, has been an FFA officer for the past three years, placed first in state for individual practicum, competed at FFA nationals, and earned school letters in basketball and volleyball. She

has done community service through club activities and church groups.

She also enjoys four-wheeling with her family, mountain biking, horseback riding and camping.

Morgan says her best achievement was receiving the Young Women’s Medallion award at the LDS church.

“It was an achievement that I have worked for the past six years towards. I put a ton of time and effort into specific values and projects that have shaped me into who I am today,” she said.

Her plans after graduation are to attend BYU Idaho to major in nursing and minor in business management and psychology.

Her ultimate goal, she says, is “an old-fashioned one. I just want to be a mom.” She hopes to get married someday and raise a family and run an in-home business.

For her senior project this year, Morgan took classes in the “foot

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Noelle Muller, left, is the Marsing High School salutatorian, and Morgan Hall is valedictorian.

School board trustee to give keynote at commencement

A woman who has faced her own personal challenges to become a community leader to address Marsing High School’s Class of 2014 graduates.

School board member Michelle Jacobi, who lives with multiple sclerosis, will serve as keynote speaker during the commencement ceremony. Jacobi is the Zone 4 trustee and mother of 2014 graduate Tristan Jacobi. She also serves on the City of Marsing’s

Planning and Zoning Commission.

The graduation ceremony begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, May 23, 2014 inside the MHS gymnasium on Main Street.

A total of 66 seniors will receive their diplomas from high school principal Tim Little.

Senior class advisors included Dustin Gochenour, Holly Hall and Ed Pfeifer.

Jordan Valley High School


Three friends graduate together

The class song, though brief, was probably the most fitting tune for the tiny graduating class at Jordan Valley High School.

“The Three Best Friends,” a

short song penned by comedic actor Zach Galifianakis gets the point across about graduates Ben

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Jordan Valley High School Class of 2014

Left to Right:
Wyatt Trautman
Natasha Keller
Ben Telleria

Graduation Date:
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Rimrock High School

Former football coach to serve as guest speaker

Rodriguez named valedictorian; Johnson graduates salutatorian

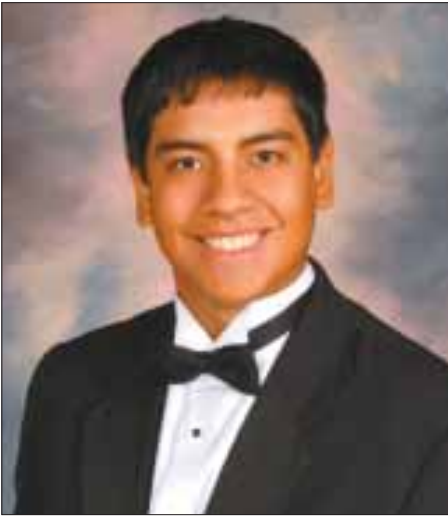
Cruz Rodriguez is poised to live the dream that his parents envisioned when they immigrated to the United States.

The Rimrock High School valedictorian will graduate with 25 classmates during a ceremony planned for 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 18, 2014.

Bruneau-Grand View School District superintendent Dennis Wilson and school board chair Lori Bennett will award 26 diplomas. The seniors selected former Rimrock football coach Juan Colunga has the keynote speaker.

High school administrative assistant Jodi Jewett, counselor Melissa Kohler and family and consumer sciences teacher Celia Tindall served as senior class advisors this year.

The son of Jesus and Maria Rodriguez, Cruz Rodriguez has spent 14 years in the area, moving through his all grades in the Bruneau-Grand View School District. He attained a 3.9 grade-point average in high school.



Cruz Rodriguez, valedictorian

The 18-year-old says his proudest achievement is “graduating high school and going to college; pursuing the life my parents had intended for me coming to this country.”

He plans to attend the University of Idaho.

Rimrock’s salutatorian is 18-year-old Adam Johnson, the son of James and Lori Johnson.

Rodriguez was a track and field athlete



Adam Johnson, salutatorian

and played football during his time at Rimrock. The track season helped him enjoy one of his pastimes of long-distance running.

Other extra-curricular activities for Rodriguez included the student council, the National Honor Society, the Future Hispanic Leaders of America and Idaho Drug-Free Youth.

Outside of school, he organized friendship feasts and participated in the Adopt-a-

Highway cleanup program and took part in the Giving Tree community service.

Rodriguez’s other pastime, playing guitar, led to his best high school memory when he played the instrument before the entire student body in the school’s talent show last year.

Favorite quote — “Nothing is certain in life except death and taxes.” — Benjamin Franklin

Like Rodriguez, Johnson participated in track and field and took part in the Adopt-a-Highway program. He’s also a musician, enjoying the piano and guitar.

After achieving a 3.78 GPA, Johnson will move on to college where he wants to pursue a nurse practitioner or psychology degree.

The eight-year area resident was a member of the Rimrock drama club and the National Honor Society during his high school career.

Johnson also helped out at Lawson’ Emu-Z-um as part of his community service projects.

Proudest achievement — “Not dying with appendicitis.”

Best high school memory — “Graduating because it took 12 years, and I never thought it would end.”

COSSA Academy

Handful of locals ready for C of I event

Five seniors from the Homedale-Marsing area will graduate from the Canyon-Owyhee School Services Agency (COSSA) Academy this year.

The graduation ceremony takes place at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 inside the Jewett Auditorium on The College of Idaho campus, 2112 E. Cleveland Blvd., in Caldwell.

There will be 21 graduates, and locals include:
Homedale — Matthew Hetrick, Johnathan Hinkley, Isabel Mendoza-Cardenas and Yesinea Reyes

Marsing — Adrian Garcia
COSSA chief executive officer Dr. Harold Nevill and COSSA board of trustees chair Sonny Sarceda will hand out diplomas.

Guest speakers include student body president Sydney Knapp from Parma and senior class president Jessica DeLeon of Parma. DeLeon will be joined at the podium by COSSA student Nathan Duckworth of New Plymouth, who is an out-of-district student at the Wilder campus.

COSSA serves five school districts, including Homedale, Marsing, Wilder, Notus and Parma.

Connects: Teacher strives to make a difference

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Anzalone appreciates the open-mindedness of high school students.

“I love the conversations I have with students. Teenagers can be so funny,” she said.

Her goal as a teacher is to “be able to make some kind of a difference in their lives and to try and inspire others as long as I can.”

She tries to share with her students a lot of personal stories, so they in turn will open up to her.

A few years ago, she noticed something wrong with a student, so she stayed with her and called the parents, only to find out the student had taken drugs. Today she still keeps in contact with the young woman, who is now in college.

The challenge of teaching is to “try and understand why a student is not focused on learning and help them.”

Teaching is “not always a job with instant gratification,” she said, noting that it sometimes comes years later.

Success as a teacher is “knowing

“She’s willing to give her time and resources to help the students succeed.”
— **Dion Flaming**, Homedale H.S. principal

that my students feel like they can talk to me.” She tries to make teaching a balance of fun and hard work.

Katie calls her classroom her “little community.”

One difference she has noticed about teaching in Idaho, as opposed to her experiences in California, is “how close the kids are to each other. They may disagree with each other, but they are always willing to work with each other.”

When asked about her other interests, she said, “I’m just a worker. If I’m not teaching, I’m putting my energy into being a mom.”

She prides herself on being well organized in all her activities and says she came from a family where a strong work ethic was taught.

Katie was born in Sonora, Calif. and raised in Turlock, Calif. and got her undergraduate degree in theater arts from Chico State University. After working as a flight attendant for a short time to gain travel experience throughout the United States, she obtained her Education Degree and a Masters in Education from Chapman University, with emphasis on curriculum and instruction.

She and her husband Rian have two boys, Michael, 4 and Mathew, 1. They moved up to Idaho because he has family in Nampa and it was important for them to raise their children near the grandparents.

Katie enjoys watching her children grow, viewing action movies, barbecuing and relaxing with friends. —KB

Grads: Honor students were active in several areas

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zoning” method of holistic health and received training to be certified in it. The method helped her resolve some personal health issues.

Noelle plans to attend the University of Idaho after graduation and to major in business management.

She is secretary of Business Profes-

sionals of America, secretary of the National Business Honor Society, secretary of the National Honor Society, senior class secretary, and involved in a peer mentoring group.

She competed as a junior in Marsing’s BPA global marketing team and placed sixth in the state competition.

Noelle is active in track and does dis-

cus, shot put, and 100-meter sprinting.

Her favorite topics in school are English and psychology.

Her biggest dream is to own her own business or be involved in marketing.

She enjoys swimming and horseback riding. —KB



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Stacy Woods of Homedale has been active in helping place foreign exchange students for years. During the 2012-13 school year, the family hosted Olivia Langrell, left, from Sweden. Standing with Langrell are Woods' daughters Kari and Samantha. Submitted photo

As exchange students exit, hosts needed for next year

Stacy Woods of Homedale connects local families with students

Since her positive experience hosting a foreign exchange student, Stacy Woods of Homedale has decided to do more. She works for the EF (Education First) Foundation and arranges student placement with host families in this area.

Woods is recruiting new host families in the Homedale and Marsing areas. She has already placed one student from Denmark at Homedale High School for next year and is looking for host families for two other incoming students.

One is from Denmark, who is 16-year-old and interested in gymnastics. Another student is from Germany and is interested in horses. Host families will need to be signed up by the end of June, Woods said. Anyone interested in finding out more, is invited to call her at 250-0855.

"I would love to find someone in Marsing who wants to host a student," she said. "There are plenty of opportunities." Marsing High School currently does not have any foreign exchange students.

Stacy and her husband Kenny hosted 18-year-old Olivia Langrell from Sweden during

the 2012-13 school year. The Woodses have two daughters, Kari, 13 and Samantha, 17.

"My experience was fabulous," she said. "It gave my kids an education and extended their horizons. I am excited about the program because I gained another daughter and my student gained sisters."

Since her hosting experience, Woods has decided to share her knowledge and enthusiasm for the program by working for EF. The foundation brings in about 3,000 foreign exchange students to live with host families in the U.S. every year.

The company has been around for almost 50 years, and has 16 divisions offering educational travel, cultural exchanges, language training and academic degrees.

Woods visits schools and talks to families about hosting students, and then she monitors and supervises the students' progress. She currently monitors Michel Bethge and Lia Hollenstein at Homedale High School.

Woods is also working on plans to start an "ambassador" program at HHS, so that students

who live here can assist the incoming students and help them adjust to life in America. A small group of students here will meet with foreign students and act as one-on-one mentors. Any student interested in mentoring incoming students can contact counselor Debbie Flaming at the high school or Woods.

"The greatest challenge of hosting a student is discovering the cultural differences that exist and learning how to cope with them," she said. "You add culture to your own family."

She said the best thing about her experience was the personal enjoyment of gaining another member of her family.

"I feel very lucky to have learned so much and to have a long lasting relationship with someone from another country. I hope my kids can travel there someday," she said.

Some of the benefits of being a host family, as stated on the EF website are: bringing another culture to your home, opening your children's eyes to see a wider world, feeling a sense of pride in sharing your community with someone outside it, and forming lasting relationships with someone across the globe.

—KB

Departing 2013-14 Homedale exchange students
Michel Bethge, Germany
Lia Hollenstein, Switzerland
Jiseok (Han) Jung, South Korea
Jasmin Zeggarr, Germany

JVHS: Telleria, Trautman cherish value of small town

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Telleria, Wyatt Trautman and Natasha Keller in few words. The chorus is "We're the three best friends that anyone can have."

Coming from a small community and graduating from a small high school, the three 12th-graders probably shared a tight bond throughout high school.

The three of them went out together Saturday, May 10, 2014, in an afternoon commencement inside the high school gymnasium.



Ben Telleria, valedictorian

Telleria was named valedictorian, and Trautman graduated as salutatorian.

The son of Scott and Chris Telleria, Benjamin Scott Telleria achieved a 3.7 grade-point average in high school. He will attend Linn-Benton Community College in Albany, Ore., to begin his pursuit of a career.

The 18-year-old was active throughout high school, including competing for the Mustangs in football, boys' basketball and track and field.



Wyatt Trautman, salutatorian

He was All-1A High Desert League boys' basketball player of the year after his junior and senior seasons.

Telleria also served as student body president and participated in FFA. He was National Honor Society member and regularly appeared on the honor roll and competed on the Jordan Valley Academic Team.

Telleria understood the value of his small-town upbringing. He helped with clean-up projects in town, at the historic Pelota court and at the Jordan Valley Rodeo Grounds. He also helped out the community by shoveling snow in the winter.

"I am glad I was raised in Jordan Valley," he said. "It's a great place to grow up."

Favorite quote — "If life tastes bad, guess who's cooking?"

Hobbies or pastimes — Play sports, hang out with friends, ride dirt bikes and "Make my own fun."

Best high school memory — "Winning the district tournament in basketball since it as a great accomplishment that I shared with friends."

Wyatt Jacob Trautman, 18, is the son of Tal and Jennifer Trautman, and he values the

family bond.

"I plan on working for my parents for a year or two," he said of life after graduation. "After that, I would like to move to Anchorage, Alaska and attend college to get a degree in Marine Biology."

He moved to Jordan Valley 11 years ago, and cherishes the small-town atmosphere.

"Having grown up in Nampa for part of my life, I am thankful for moving to Jordan Valley and how it has benefitted me," Trautman said.

Trautman completed his high school career with a 3.10 GPA, but he still found time for fun, saying his best high school memory was scaring Natasha Keller, the only girl in the Class of 2014, with a petrified frog.

Like his athletic teammate Telleria, Trautman participated in the town cleanup and also played football and basketball and competed in track and field.

He earned his state degree in FFA and also ran for state office in the Oregon FFA.

Favorite quote — "Yes, I am that good looking."

Hobbies or pastimes — Snowboarding, fishing, hunting and swimming



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