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Panel's Gateway West plan avoids private ground

Segments 8-9 face another round of BLM, public scrutiny

One observer was ecstatic to the point of tears. Another was guarded in his

outlook.

Considering the roller coaster that the Gateway West power line siting journey has been, both emotions after last week's Resource Advisory Council presentations were valid.

The Bureau of Land Management Boise District RAC subcommittee tasked with

finding a consensus on routing Segments 8-9 through Owyhee, Canyon and Ada counties made two reports to the full RAC on Thursday in Boise.

With all but one of the subcommittee members supporting the report, routes that would avoid private property in Owyhee County were forwarded to the RAC.

"I'm just so happy, I can't even see straight," Oreana resident and Owyhee County Task Force member Robin Thompson said. "This is what we had in February 2012."

The subcommittee brought forward routes similar to those that appeared to

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45th annual Outpost Days



At the creek without a pan

A young boy, center, looks on as two others try their hand at panning for gold Saturday at Outpost Days in Murphy. Horned Toad Race results, **Page 2**. 5K run results, **Page 17**. Photo by Karen Bresnahan

Commissioners want OCHS to develop employee handbook

FY 15 funding may hinge on policy, MOU

county Prosecuting Attorney Douglas D. Emery said in a June 5 letter that the meeting was closed because a confidential personnel matter was discussed.

The Avalanche also sent a letter to the OCHS board, but received no response; however, the night of the May 30 meeting, the directors issued a statement:

"The purpose of the meeting was to move forward and consider new opportunities. (District 1) Commissioner Jerry Hoagland clarified the Commissioners' expectations for the Board and was present to answer questions. We

It took an official protest, but county officials have stepped forward to shed some light on why an Owyhee County Historical Society meeting was closed to the public last month.

It also has been made clear that the county commissioners expect some formal steps from the OCHS before fiscal year 2015 funding is decided.

Responding to a June 4 inquiry from The Owyhee Avalanche,

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Brothers win national Basque title

Txoko Ona to host 2015 mus nationals after Urangas' victory

A national tournament is coming to Homedale next year thanks to the success of Darren and Tony Uranga.

The brothers won the North American Basque Organization National Mus Tournament on May 31 in California, securing a trip to October's world tournament in Cancun, Mexico, and locking in the Txoko Ona Basque Center as the site for the 2015 national tournament.

The club that the national championship team represents earns the right to host the tournament the following year.

"It feels good because (club members have) been talking about it for quite a while that they want to bring the national tournament to Homedale and Txoko Ona," Darren Uranga said Monday.

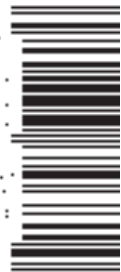
The Urangas battled through a 42-team card tournament at St. Vincent's School for Boys in San Rafael, Calif., on May 31 to become the first national championship team from Idaho in more than two decades.

Stan Zatica and Ramon Ocamica also represented

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Brothers Tony Uranga, center, and Darren Uranga, right, accept the championship trophies in San Rafael, Calif. Submitted photo



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Four people face drug trafficking charges

Idaho State Police troopers found 1.4 pounds of marijuana hidden in a sport utility vehicle Thursday on U.S. Highway 95 outside Marsing.

Four people were booked into Owyhee County Jail on varying charges:

- Charles Helton and Marcelino Lombera were charged with marijuana trafficking and destruction of evidence, both felonies, as well as possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to use, which is a misdemeanor.
- Lisa Summers and Jerry Alexander were arrested on felony trafficking charges and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia.

Troopers stopped a 1998 Chevrolet Suburban for a traffic infraction near milepost 17 on U.S. 95. A K-9 performed what ISP described as a “free air sniff” of the vehicle and indicated the presence of illegal drugs.

According to ISP, the marijuana was found in a hidden compartment in the Suburban.

The Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office seized the vehicle.—JPB

WAED chief to meet with Marsing council

The Marsing City Council meeting at 7 tonight at City Hall, 425 Main St., will include a visit from Western Alliance for Economic Development executive director Tina Wilson.

Public works superintendent John Larsen will provide an update on the Idaho Department of Commerce \$50,000 Gem Grant for the methane gas project. The grant requires a 20 percent match. The system is expected to be in operation by December.

The project, which siphons naturally occurring methane from city water and converts it to energy, could save the city about \$5,000 annually, Larsen has said.

City engineer Amy Woodruff will give updates on the East Bruneau trunk line sewer project and the Island Park waterways grant application.

It’s unknown whether the city’s transportation plan will be reviewed. The Planning and Zoning Commission recently reviewed the plan, which is being updated.

—KB

Labor Dept. could help Homedale hire

Council to hold second budget session Monday

As Homedale City Council members look toward their second budget workshop of the year, they’ll hear about a way to hire personnel without it affecting the fiscal year 2015 appropriations.

Police Chief Jeff Eidemiller is scheduled to discuss the state Department of Labor’s Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) at tonight’s regular council meeting.

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

Through SCSEP, the city can hire for up to 20 hours per week someone who is currently unemployed. The program picks up the tab for wages and worker’s compensation, Eidemiller said. The job position is funded for four years.

City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said the state program pays the part-timer \$7.25 per hour.

According to the meeting agenda, the council could vote to join the program tonight. The Department of Labor would then assign someone to Homedale.

Eidemiller said if the council supports the idea, he would like to bring someone in to assist on city ordinance and code enforcement as well as with the department’s animal control program.

Currently, Officer Andrew Arnold, a full-time HPD employee, serves as the city’s code enforcement official.

Also at tonight’s meeting, Bill Pastoor, owner of Westowns Disposal Inc., is scheduled to provide more information on his company’s proposed transfer station in Homedale.

The council began looking at the FY 2015 budget in a workshop Thursday. A second workshop is planned for 6 p.m. on Monday at City Hall.

Workshops are open to the public.

Preliminary numbers emerging from the first workshop show a proposed budget of about \$3.5 million, which is 2.93 percent larger than the current budget. The FY 14 budget was 5.13 percent larger than the FY 13 appropriations.

Proposals in the FY 15 preliminary budget include:

- A second payment on the 2006 sewer bond. The city has made two payments on the water bond each year, but this year will look to start that trend for the sewer bond. The extra payment is \$110,000, and the net increase on the budget is \$86,600 (13.8 percent over FY 14).
 - A \$25,000 line item in the police department budget for a new patrol car. This is the first time in two years that HPD will purchase a new car, and the appropriation accounts for the bulk of a 9 percent increase to \$436,349.
 - A 15 percent increase in the sanitation budget to \$115,000. City Clerk and Treasurer Alice Pegram said the increase is merely a bookkeeping move to ensure 12 months of payments to garbage contractor Westowns Disposal Inc. come out of the FY 15 budget. In the past, the city has made only 11 months of payments during a given appropriations year with the 12th payment coming out of the following budget.
 - With the city using a \$50,000 grant to develop a municipal airport master plan in FY 14, the FY 15 airport budget could shrink 31 percent to \$110,025.
- JPB

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anticipate advertising and filling the Director’s position in the near future.”

Hoagland attended the meeting at the Owyhee County Historical Museum along with the OCHS board of directors and three visitors. Nick Ihli, one of the directors for the non-profit historical society, asked that the meeting be closed on the basis that a confidential letter from the Board of County Commissioners would be discussed.

Outside the meeting, one of the visitors, who was unidentified, said he would reconsider future donations to the historical society because of the lack of

transparency.

Last month, the BOCC fired museum director Joe Demshar. The directorship is a full-time position paid for by the county with taxpayer funds.

Other museum staff members, all part-timers, are paid with OCHS funds.

Because Demshar’s dismissal is a personnel matter, the county hasn’t revealed any specific details, much to the chagrin of District 3 Commissioner Joe Merrick, who has said he would like to talk about the situation but is legally prohibited from doing so. But both he and District 2 Commissioner Kelly Ab-

erasturi have said “inappropriate actions” hastened the decision.

Emery said the commissioners are trying to determine whether the museum director position will be a full-time or part-time job going forward.

The commissioners also appropriate taxpayer money to help with operation of the museum.

Details of county financial support of the historical society will be determined during fiscal year 2015 budget talks, Emery said.

“The Owyhee County Board of Commissioners (is) supportive of the historical museum in Owyhee County and in preserving the in-

tegrity of Owyhee County historical ideals,” Emery wrote.

“The precise FY 2015 funding is presently uncertain and will be determined in the weeks ahead.”

Emery also said that the commissioners have requested the OCHS board adopt policy similar to the county’s personnel handbook.

Merrick, who also serves as BOCC chair, said the commissioners are waiting for the historical society to enter in an agreement or memorandum of understanding before making a financial commitment.

He said he would like to see

the adoption of an employee handbook, too.

“We need an MOU or they need to adopt rules as a safeguard for the county, the historical society and the employees,” Merrick said.

Merrick said an employee handbook would outline a grievance process for the OCHS’ part-time employees.

“I have no problem with the museum,” Merrick said. “It’s a good program. I like what they’re doing or what they’ve done.

“We’re preserving history, and that’s very important.”

— JPB

✓ Gateway West: Conservation group only thing preventing consensus

have been accepted by district- and state-level BLM officials previously but were nixed by the national office in Washington, D.C.

“If it’s going to unravel, it’s going to unravel in D.C., not Idaho,” Thompson said, “and (if it does), I’m here to fight.”

Thompson figures deferment on Segments 8-9 from last year’s Record of Decision on the Idaho Power Co.-Rocky Mountain Power project is a sign that the national office is willing to let the power line go through the Morley Nelson Birds of Prey National Conservation Area.

She and husband Ernie Breuer remain optimistic that Thursday’s report will hold up through the National Environmental Protection Act and public scoping processes ahead. The final decision on Segment 8-9 routes apparently rests with BLM Boise District manager Jim Fincher.

“We’re moving into our new house,” Thompson said cheerfully. Under the preferred alternative in the draft EIS, the power line was set to run right above their newly constructed home.

Breuer said that a field trip to the areas proposed for line siting went a long way toward showing the subcommittee how Gateway West would impact the various areas of concerns. He thanked John Chatburn from the governor’s Office of Energy Resources for coordinating the trip.

“They did a real good, thorough job,” Breuer said of the subcommittee.

Board of County Commissioners chair Joe Merrick said he was “cautiously optimistic still.”

“We’ve heard a number of times during this six-month period that the local BLM will have final say on this; that Washington will let

them make the decision,” Merrick said.

Danielle Murray of the Conservation Lands Foundation delivered a “minority conclusion,” in which she encouraged the RAC not to accept the report. She said the subcommittee didn’t have the expertise to interpret BLM policy and relied on only one raptor study (produced by Murphy biologist and subcommittee co-chair Karen Steenhof, she said) when drawing a conclusion on the benefits of power lines in the NCA.

A CLF subcommittee representative cast the only dissenting vote last month when a report was finalized to send on to the full RAC. Murray said the CLF’s mission is to protect, restore and expand national conservation lands.

The lack of a consensus didn’t come as a surprise. Subcommittee co-chair Neil Rimbey said that CLF’s original subcommittee rep, Betsy Buffington, told the group in December that she couldn’t support a route through the NCA.

“We knew with that caveat there was no way we could get a consensus, so we agreed to let Betsy and her successors prepare a minority report,” Rimbey said.

The CLF has voiced concerns about the precedent routing power lines through National Conservation Lands would set. Proponents of running the project through the Birds of Prey NCA point to existing power lines in the area as justification to follow that route.

The subcommittee’s report includes several sections of the proposed 500-kilovolt transmission line that are double-circuited with existing power lines, including a 138-kilovolt line down the Baja Road in the Birds

of Prey NCA.

Double-circuiting allows two power lines to be strung on the same towers, and the subcommittee said that became more of a possibility when the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) relaxed its requirement on distance between power lines from 500 feet to 250 feet after the BLM draft

Environmental Impact Statement was released.

Double-circuiting also will take place at the Snake River crossing near Idaho Power’s Hemingway substation and at another water crossing near CJ Strike Reservoir.

The new WECC policy is part of the new information that the subcommittee came up with by

following its charter, which was set forth in Fincher’s November memorandum.

“You guys have done a great job in terms of diplomacy and collaboration,” Fincher told the group before the presentations. “You respected each other’s opinions and acted with decorum in every meeting.”

— JPB

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3.99 to 3.5 — Burright, Kennedee R., 3.857; Christoffersen, Cobey L., 3.857; Packer, Jesse M., 3.857; Smith, Cortnee J., 3.857; Martell, Gabriella M., 3.833; Jacobson, Faith T., 3.75; Bowman, Andrew D., 3.714; Fisher, Lauryn P., 3.714; Granden, Quade K., 3.714; Hernandez, Maria I., 3.714; Salutregui, Lyndsey N., 3.714; Santiago, Julia, 3.714; Thatcher, Kendra J., 3.714; Turner, Kayden J., 3.714; Morgan, Riley S., 3.667; Page, Jessie L., 3.667; Elordi, Cody J., 3.571; Packer, Jordan M., 3.571; Raine, Alicia M., 3.571; Milburn, Miely D., 3.5; and Oakley, Meryssa J., 3.5

3.49 to 3.0 — Albor, Carlos, 3.429; Evans, Jessica M., 3.429; Kirk, Kaylie L., 3.429; Burks, Lindsey S., 3.333; Bell, Jeremy J., 3.143; Bernabe, MA Carmen, 3.143; Egusquiza, Hannah R., 3.143; Hernandez, Isabel L., 3.143; McGee, Dana J., 3.143; Vargas, Josue O., 3.143; Hilton, Jaylon L., 3.0; and Vega Martinez, Juan, 3.0
Seventh grade
4.0 GPA — Deal, Drew J.; Downum, Courtney M.; Gonzales, Taylor D.; Grant, Alexandria K.; Hall, Josey L.; Hernandez, Monique J.; Hernandez, Monique J.; Rose, Jaegar L.; Rupp, Jenna D.; and Taylor, Kelsey L.
3.99 to 3.5 — Bowman, Morgan J., 3.857; Shippy, Madeline B., 3.857; Mitchell, Taylor A., 3.833; Schild, Randi D., 3.833; Brown, Carson R., 3.714; Carter, Paige D., 3.714; Kraupp, Annie J., 3.667; Rupp, Reigan Y., 3.667; Carter, Amaya N., 3.571; Martinat, Jesse V., 3.571; Monreal, Melanie, 3.571; and Mullins, Gwynneth K., 3.571

3.49 to 3.0 — Albor, Cindy, 3.429; Atkins, Lane S., 3.429; Bauer, Madison B., 3.429; Cornwall, Nathan G., 3.429; Parker, Zion E., 3.429; Villa Ojeda, Jose B., 3.429; Farrell, Nathaniel J., 3.333; Kelly, Makayla G., 3.333; Rupp, Kyle L., 3.333; Campbell, Gunner H., 3.286; Dobler, Collin R., 3.286; Hernandez, Mellyssa J., 3.286; Phariss, Lindy R., 3.286; Pigeon, Kelsie A., 3.286; Rojas, Chelsea, 3.286; Stark, Sarah, 3.286; Pukhalskaya, Gloria A., 3.25; Kent, Emily M., 3.167; Navarrete, Edgar, 3.167; Steinmetz, Brady J., 3.167; Cardenas, Olivia J., 3.143; Kincheloe, Mason R., 3.143; Soto Aguilar, Enrique G., 3.143; Vincent, Jaiden R., 3.143; Vincent, Michael T., 3.143; Zamora, Dazsha N., 3.143; Cole, William O., 3.0; Conant, Austin, 3.0; Cortez, Ivan, 3.0; Denney, Ashton E., 3.0; Jerome, Charley R., 3.0; Redburn, Noah J., 3.0; and VanWinkle, Courtney A., 3.0
Sixth grade
4.0 GPA — Farris, Isham

B.; Gomez, Julia D.; Guzman, Christina; Johnson, Maggie E.; Johnson, Nyelah T.; Purdom, Gage C.; Randall, Matthew L.; Trout, Brady J.; and Uranga, Daniel S.
3.99 to 3.5 — Beckman, Amaya L., 3.833; Larzelier, Juliette C., 3.833; Padilla, Edgar, 3.833; Rountree, Mason M., 3.833; Woodman, Kacey L., 3.8; Fisher, Spencer D., 3.667; Franko, Lexus K., 3.667; Schamber, Elizabeth R., 3.667; Tayler, Rachel D., 3.667; Hernandez, Ricardo, 3.5; and Zavala, Jazminne A., 3.5
3.49 to 3.0 — Ankeny, Samuel J., 3.4; Albor, Lisbed, 3.333; Elordi, Garrett C., 3.333; Infante, Bernardo, 3.333; Kerbs, Austyn E., 3.333; Kirk, Braden E., 3.333; Babcock, Michael, 3.167; Butler, Kaitlyn L., 3.167; Conner, John A., 3.167; Downum, Brandon M., 3.167; Waters, Natalia A., 3.167; Albor, Yuleydi, 3.0; Buckley, Savana R., 3.0; Garcia, Omar A., 3.0; King, Grace E., 3.0; Llamas, Arnulfo, 3.0; Monreal, Graciela D., 3.0; Montejano, Nayeli V., 3.0; and Orris, Keyana F., 3.0

3.857; Atkins, Tye K., 3.833; Campbell, Bowen C., 3.833; King, Gwendolyn L., 3.833; Love, Jace P., 3.833; Parker, Emma P., 3.833; Symms, Thomas K., 3.833; Carter, LouAnn M., 3.75; Robinson-Hopson, Alexandra J., 3.75; Bedolla, Julian A., 3.714; DeWitt, Makenna R., 3.714; Jaramillo, Dulce N., 3.667; Jerome, Katelyn S., 3.667; Lowder, Jase M., 3.667; Miramontes, Lizbeth, 3.667; Mendoza, Irma E., 3.6; Baez, Fabian M., 3.571; Cornwall, Bryce D., 3.571; Jeppe, Meagan E., 3.571; McKay, Kenna M., 3.571; Dunn, Tyson L., 3.5; Jimenez, Francisco J., 3.5; Nelson, Abigale M., 3.5; Ramirez Lomeli, Cesar A., 3.5; Sanchez, Esmeralda, 3.5; Strack, Barton R., 3.5; and Young, Savanna L., 3.5
3.49 to 3.0 — Craft, Emily J., 3.429; Gonzalez, Daniela, 3.429; Martinez Sanchez, Ventura, 3.429; Rogers, Jannessa M., 3.429; Vega, Oscar, 3.429; Beason, Emilyyna R., 3.41; Briano Rivas, Joaquin A., 3.333; Albor, Andres, 3.286; Garrison, Emilee F., 3.286; Hernandez, Aaliyah A., 3.286; Pate, Caitlyn D., 3.286; Riddle, Jaired L., 3.286; Vega, Oswaldo, 3.286; Villa Ojeda, Eloisa, 3.286; Garcia, Veronica M., 3.2; Aguilera, Giovanni, 3.167; Badiola, Skylr J., 3.167; Ford, Charlie E., 3.143; Sheley, Destiney A., 3.143; Neri, Uriel C., 3.125; Bernabe-Albor, Osue G., 3.0; Grant, Slade F., 3.0; Houser, Owen M., 3.0; Maravilla, Dulce K., 3.0; Maybon, Ashley A., 3.0; Ramos, Victor G., 3.0; Rios-Salas, Cristobal A., 3.0; and Sosa, Yuridia G., 3.0




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Community prayer gathering
7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Owyhee Lanes Restaurant, 18 N. 1st St. W., Homedale. (208) 337-3464

Elementary summer reading program
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 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

Summer reading program
3:30 p.m., ages 4-9, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

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

Thursday

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

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

Owyhee Gardeners monthly meeting
1 p.m., Community Room, Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing

Rimrock Food Pantry preparation
4 p.m., Knight Community Church, 630 Idaho St., Grand View. (208) 834-2314

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

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

Our Lady Queen of Heaven mass
9:30 a.m., Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Oreana Loop Road, Oreana. (208) 466-7031

The Queen's Barbecue
Following mass at Our Lady Queen of Heaven, \$6 adults, \$3 children 12 and younger, Oreana Community Hall, Oreana Loop Road. (208) 466-7031

Connor Rhodes benefit
5 p.m., dinner (\$9 per plate), raffle and auctions, Sandbar River Park, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing. (208) 401-4964, (208) 989-1081 or teamconnorsfight@gmail.com

Sunday

MHS reunion picnic
11 a.m., potluck, all classes invited, Marsing City Park, 1st Avenue West and 2nd Street North, Marsing. (208) 861-6137, (208) 899-6037 or (208) 896-4087

Monday

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

Vacation Bible school
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., age 4 to completion of fourth grade, donations accepted, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-6496 or (208) 337-4757

Tuesday

Foot clinic
8 a.m., \$12, appointment necessary, Homedale Senior Center, 224 W. Idaho Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-3020

Vacation Bible school
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., age 4 to completion of fourth grade, donations accepted, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-6496 or (208) 337-4757

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

Marsing Lions Club installation dinner
7 p.m., Sandbar Riverhouse Restaurant, 12 Sandbar Ave., Marsing.

Wednesday, June 18

Vacation Bible school
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., age 4 to completion of fourth grade, donations accepted, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-6496 or (208) 337-4757

Elementary summer reading program
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Lizard Butte Library, 111 S. 3rd Ave. W., Marsing. (208) 896-4690

Summer reading program
3:30 p.m., ages 4-9, Homedale Public Library, 125 W. Owyhee Ave., Homedale. (208) 337-4228

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

Thursday, June 19

Vacation Bible school
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., age 4 to completion of fourth grade, donations accepted, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-6496 or (208) 337-4757

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, June 20

Vacation Bible school
9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., age 4 to completion of fourth grade, donations accepted, Owyhee County Fairgrounds, 420 W. Nevada Ave., Homedale. (208) 880-6496 or (208) 337-4757

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

Saturday, June 21


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

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

Sunday, June 22

Txoko Ona Basque picnic
Noon, food and games, Txoko Ona Basque Club, 333 S. Main St., Homedale.

Owyhee
Then & Now



Michael F. Hanley IV

Owyhee Graffiti, Vol. 1

The Remount, Part 2

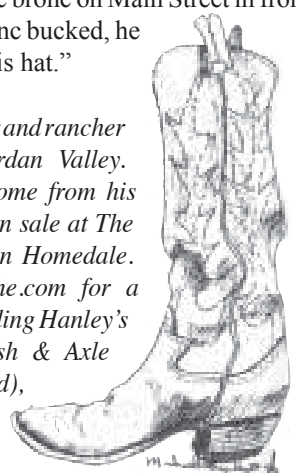
Selecting stock for the remount pretty much followed the same pattern down through the years. Conformation was an important item, but it was also a requirement that the horse had been ridden. As for mules, they preferred that they had not been touched.

The buyers worked on a commission but had to come across the good stock or lose their clients. To insure against “ringers,” they had a good bronc rider hired to check out the horses. To make the best possible show, the horse owner would lasso the potential remounts just before the buyer showed. The broncos were saddled up and ridden in this subdued condition and when the buyer came, his man would mount the “rung-out” broncos. Most of the time, he found them satisfactory and the terms of the government contract were met. By the time the government took delivery, the new remounts had rested up and gave their handlers a real tassel. As time passed the name for bronco revolved among the remount bronc stompers as “Jordan Valley broke.” Translated that meant, “Just choked down.”

Frank Swisher told of a time in World War I when John Smeed and Jim Mills and a bunch of them were drinking in a bar at Jordan Valley. There was a wild horse that only Jack Swisher had ridden, and Jim Mills bet that no one could ride him. Smeed bet them \$100 and said he had a cowboy down in the valley that could ride him. John had a bunch of cowboys riding U.S. Calvary horses for him and every rotten horse in the country was sold to the army. Jim Mills said, “Your barbed wire cowboys couldn’t ride him.”

“Smeed brought up his chief rider, Glenn Wolcott, who had won bronc riding at Walla Walla and Pendleton shortly before. Wolcott mounted the bronc on Main Street in front of the bar and while the bronc bucked, he waved to the crowd with his hat.”

— 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.



Death notices

FRANK TADASHI ITANO, 78, a Caldwell resident who was born in Marsing, died Friday, May 30, 2014 at a Caldwell hospital. A memorial service was held on Friday, June 6, 2014 at Kohlerlawn Cemetery in Nampa.

JOYCE M. PAINTER, 85, of Jordan Valley, Ore., died Sunday, June 1, 2014 at home. Cremation is under the care of Flahiff Funeral Chapel, Caldwell. (208) 459-0833

DAN LEE DOWNS, 56, of Marsing, died Wednesday, June 4, 2014 at home. A viewing was held on Thursday, June 5, 2014 at Dakan Funeral Chapel in Caldwell. A graveside service will be held on Friday, June 6, 2014 at Peaceful Valley Cemetery.

Read all about it
in the Avalanche!

You can find a comprehensive listing of local events online at www.theowyheeavalanche.com. Click on the “Calendar of Events” link on the left-hand side of the page.

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

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Three Creek

by Lola Blossom

The summer meeting of the 71 Livestock Association is scheduled for June 17, 2014. The tour will begin at Lud Drexler (Salmon Dam) at 9. The tour will follow the loop road. No low-clearance vehicles and car-pooling is advised. Lunch followed by the meeting will be held at the Three Creek school.

We are sorry to hear that our good neighbor Kathy Jones has moved to Buhl. She has spent the last 10 years or so at the Kip Gould ranch on Cherry Creek.

Nathan Liesen and Mya Draper were married at Mountain Home on May 17, 2014. They are now living in Boise. Nathan came to Three Creek at the age of 3 weeks in 1990 and spent many years here.

J. R. Robinson spends lots of time helping Ira Brackett move his herds hither and yon. He has

cattle in Colorado, Wyoming, California, Idaho and Nevada.

I had a fun excursion on Memorial Day when Bob and Marilyn Ramsey took me to Bruneau with them.

We first attended the big meeting at the Bruneau Cemetery. It is beautiful with trees and grass setting among the gray sandy hills. After the big bangs of the guns, we went into town to the American Legion Hall where a fabulous potluck dinner was served, after which we went to the nice home of Becki Janousek where we rested.

Then on to the Hot Springs Cemetery, which is really quaint. No lawn or trees but real works of art with rocks, horseshoes and etc. I saw tombstones of people I'd remembered my grandparents speak of. We ended up with a nice visit with the friendly Hall family.

Senior menus

Homedale Senior Center

Salad Bar daily: lettuce, tomatoes, egg salad along with either beet salad, apricots or mandarin oranges

June 11: Fish, potato, broccoli, bread

June 12: Salisbury, mashed potatoes/gravy, beets, bread

June 17: Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes/gravy, beets, bread

June 18: Sausage & biscuits w/country gravy, potato, carrots

Marsing Senior Center

Breakfast orders all come with meat, eggs, fruit, juice and milk; Salad bar available daily, green salad, veggies, fruit, etc.

June 11: Taco pie, refried beans, tossed salad, garlic bread, pudding

June 12: Ham, potatoes w/gravy, Brussels sprouts, baked beans, cabbage slaw, fruit, corn bread, pumpkin bars

June 16: Breakfast to order, biscuits & gravy, eggs

June 17: Chicken & fried rice, macaroni salad, oriental vegetables, beets, carrot cake

June 18: Sloppy Joes, potatoes, carrot salad, cookies

Rimrock Senior Center

June 12: Ham, potato salad, baked beans, veggie sticks, fruited jello, roll

June 17: Sweet & sour chicken, rice, cole slaw, peaches, pudding

June 19: Taco salad w/ground beef and beans, corn, chips/salsa, apple crisp

June 24: Chicken bits, macaroni & cheese, green beans, tossed salad, fruit, cookies

June 26: Roast beef, mashed potatoes/gravy, mixed vegetable salad, fruit cobbler, roll/butter

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PROGRAM

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Through the month of June, children can earn prizes by
reading and attending planned programs each Friday at 3:30 pm.
The program will help keep your child reading and learning while
school is out. Children are invited to sign up and join in the fun!

Parents are welcome to help and attend programs.

The Wilder Library District is located at
207 A. Avenue, Wilder. Call 482-7880 for more info.

Saturday event to help Marsing boy

Dozens of donated items will go to the public either through auctions or a raffle Saturday for the Connors Rhodes family benefit in Marsing.

Rhodes is a 17-year-old Marsing High School student recently diagnosed with leukemia.

A tri-tip dinner will be served beginning at 5 p.m. on Saturday at the Sandbar Riverside Park, 12 Sandbar Ave., in Marsing. The cost will be \$9 per plate.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each, three for \$10, seven for \$20 or 20 for \$50.

A benefit bank account also has been set up through US Bank.

A list of items that will be available during the benefit appears on Page 5 as part of an advertisement promoting the benefit. Sponsors also are listed.

Among the items available are

season tickets for The College of Idaho football; gift certificates for food and services from various area businesses; artwork from county artists; Boise State football and basketball tickets; a gun safe; gift baskets; custom meats and more.

Contact Jess at (208) 401-4964, Tammy at (208) 989-1081 or email teamconnorsfight@gmail.com for more information.

Flag disposal ceremony set for Saturday

American Legion Post 128 is holding a Flag Day ceremony at 7 p.m. Saturday at Island Park in Marsing.

The public is invited to attend the ceremony, which is for the disposal of unserviceable U.S. flags. Unserviceable flags are those that are old and worn out and "have served their purpose," according to Post 128 Cmdr. Julie Sterling.

About 500 flags will be disposed, she said.

Many American Legion posts across the country conduct official unserviceable flag ceremonies each year in the evening on Flag Day, she said.

During the Post 128 ceremony, post members will line each side of the ceremony area, sergeant-at-arms Garry Qualman and Sterling will speak, chaplain

George Greenwood will say a prayer, and the flags will be burned.

Sterling said the ceremony is a "dignified and solemn occasion for the disposal of flags."

Anyone who has a flag to dispose may bring them to the ceremony; however, those flags received the night of the event will be used for next year's ceremony.

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Homedale girl hurt at Jump Creek

A 17-year-old girl was LifeFlighted to a Boise hospital last Wednesday after being seriously injured in a fall at the Jump Creek Falls Recreation Area.

Citing restrictions because of the federal Health Information Privacy Act, authorities would not release the girl's name or specific details on her injuries.

The Owyhee Avalanche later learned that the girl had recently completed her junior year at Homedale High School.

According to the Owyhee County Sheriff's dispatch log, the accident was reported as a medical trauma call at 8:58 p.m.

Marsing Ambulance

spokesperson Betty Ackerman confirmed that the girl fell approximately 70 feet and was found about 50 feet from a trail.

Ackerman said the girl was flown to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center in Boise.

Sheriff's Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said responders cleared the scene at 10:23 p.m.

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Former Homedale student becomes a doctor

2005 HHS graduate Marcus Eby plans to be trauma surgeon

Marcus Eby has been traveling a long, steep road in the nine years since his graduation from Homedale High School, but he is well on his way to realizing his dream of becoming a trauma surgeon.

However, Eby said he doesn't view his path as "a long, narrow tunnel, where he is attempting to reach a light at the other end."

"It's my passion," Marcus said. "I am simply doing what I am good at. I have a natural affinity to work in science. It has always been my favorite subject."

At this point in his journey, he has been through eight years of schooling, and still has another seven years to go, in order to become a trauma surgeon.

"I feel motivated," he said. "The path I am on is a path I enjoy. It's not an easy path, but this has been a slow and steady process and I am excited to see where it leads."

Eby just graduated from New York Medical College with a Doctor of Medicine degree, and is beginning a five-year general surgeon residency position at the University of Miami Hospital in West Palm Beach, Fla. He says his graduation on May 22 was a "major highlight" of his life.

Prior to medical school, Marcus obtained his Bachelor of Science degree from Seattle Pacific University in biology and pre-medical studies, with emphasis in molecular biology. He then spent a year applying to medical schools. During that year, he also worked for the Seattle Children's Hospital Mobile Science Lab.

Marcus, 27, is the son of Gary and Vicki Eby of Homedale. He has two other siblings, Michael, 30, who lives in Fort Collins, Colo., and plays professional arena football, and Michelle Endicott, 28, who is a first-grade teacher in McCall. Gary owns a trucking company operating in Boise and



Marcus E. Eby recently graduated from the New York Medical College and is a resident surgeon at the University of Miami Hospital in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Vicki is director of the Homedale School District's food service program. The Eby family has lived in Homedale for 21 years.

"We couldn't be prouder of our son," Vicki said. "This is way beyond anything we could have imagined for him," she said. Mar-

cus's choice of profession was not a surprise for his parents. "He's always been a good student," Vicki said. She describes her son as "the total opposite of the quiet, nerdy science kid."

"He's easy going, enjoys life, is outgoing and loves to travel,"

she said.

Vicki believes that becoming a surgeon is "a good fit" for her son. "He's always been quick thinking and quick acting, so I am sure he will do well."

She recalls the enthusiasm expressed by Marcus's first grade teacher at Homedale Elementary after he completed a science project. "He should be a doctor," Jan Reiner told Vicki. Now she laughs when she remembers that day long ago.

The Ebys traveled to New York to attend Marcus's graduation, which was held in Carnegie Hall. Afterward, Gary and Vicki took a road trip with their son through the New England states.

Marcus said he started seriously thinking about being a doctor toward the end of his freshman year in college. "The human body is very interesting to me," he said. As a surgeon, he plans to focus on either trauma surgery or plastic surgery.

"I've chosen a path of lifelong learning. I am definitely a people person. I love people and I love doing things with my hands and problem solving," he said.

"Surgery works for me because I can work with people and make diagnoses, and then I have the skills necessary to fix the problems that they have. I'm a to-do-list kind of person. I like to see results. That is very gratifying to me."

He said one of the greatest challenges of going to medical school was "attempting to balance the academic rigor of undergraduate education while maintaining a personal life."

Marcus lists his major interests as "studying medicine, traveling, astronomy, snowboarding, working out, relaxing at the beach with friends, and watching live music."

He reviewed some of the highlights of the past nine years:

"At the age of 27, I have been fortunate enough to travel to four

different continents and see two wonders of the world, which include Machu Picchu in Peru and the Taj Mahal in India."

"I took a medical mission trip to a small town in rural Peru located in the Andes mountain range where I helped provide medical care to underprivileged Peruvians at a local clinic. During this time I was able to summit Mt. Salcantay at an elevation of over 18,000 feet and also spent a month staying in small villages and exploring the Amazon rainforest in western Brazil."

"I also enjoy road trips, and I have personally driven the same Jeep I bought in early college to the furthest most north/south-western and north/south-eastern corners of the continental states, which include Neah Bay, Wash., Imperial Beach, Calif., Lubec, Maine, and Key West, Fla."

Marcus talked about his professional and personal goals.

"Professionally, I plan to submerge myself in the operating room and medical literature in order to continually advance my medical knowledge and improve my abilities in providing the best possible patient care. Personally, I wish to acquire my pilot's license and continue to travel to new and exotic places whenever I have vacation time."

Since leaving Homedale he misses "being able to attend the crash derby each Fourth of July and enjoying a good, old-fashioned home-cooked meal with my family."

"I would also like to personally thank my father, mother, brother, and sister for always being supportive of my decisions and inspiring me in each of their own wonderfully unique way to help me reach my goals," he said.

Story by Karen Bresnahan

Dr. Eby's advice for high school graduates

"College should be spent enjoying the transition from adolescence into adulthood but should also serve as the platform to begin cultivating the skills and work ethic necessary to succeed in the workforce. For high school graduates beginning to embark on the next stage in life, I would implore them to go to college and continue with higher education, enroll in classes with an open mind, and explore subjects that intrinsically captivate them."

"I also recommend to everyone, no matter what stage of life, to travel to places you have never been before, gain appreciation for cultures that see the world in a different perspective than you, and, of course, enjoy each step along the way!"

—Marcus E. Eby, MD

Oreana church fundraiser planned; Mass in Silver City

This is a big weekend for two historic Catholic churches in Owyhee County.

On Saturday, the Queen's Barbecue will raise money to support Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church in Oreana.

The barbecue at Oreana Community Hall will follow the monthly mass, which starts at 10:30 a.m. at the church on Ore-

ana Loop Road.

The cost for the barbecue is \$6 per adult and \$3 for children 12 and younger.

The Nampa chapter of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the luncheon, which includes a menu of chorizos, hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and ranch fries.

Mass is being pushed back an

hour later than its usual start time because of the barbecue.

Mass is celebrated once a month year-round at the church in Oreana and usually begins at 9:30 a.m. Remaining dates this year are July 12, Aug. 23, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 22 and Dec. 27.

With the opening of Silver City Road, the first summer Mass at Our Lady of Tears Catholic

Church in the historic mining town is set for Sunday.

Mass begins at 1 p.m., and Fr. Jerry Funke will be the celebrant. A potluck is planned at Dave Wilper's home following the Mass.

Sunday's service also serves as a farewell of sorts for the pastor, who becomes rector at Boise's St. John Cathedral next month.

Fr. Jairo Restrepo, who will become pastor of St. Paul's Parish in Nampa, will replace Funke as pastor in Silver City.

Both Owyhee County Catholic churches are considered chapels in the St. Paul Parish.

For more information on either event, contact St. Paul's Catholic Church in Nampa, (208) 466-7031.

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Notes from a HHS Gates scholar

Cornell College junior wants to inspire people to care about nature and conservation

Jarod Armenta has had some “exciting and interesting experiences” since his graduation from Homedale High School in 2011, when he was awarded the Gates Millenium Scholarship, a ticket that pays for his education, including a masters degree.

He is a young man who has expanded his horizons, has traveled around the country and overseas, is a leader on his college campus, and is involved in high-level scientific research. He says he is motivated about expanding his education, helping others, and working on solutions to some of the problems facing society.

His biggest dream is to be a “world-renowned researcher and to inspire people to care about nature and understand the connectivity of everything.”

Jarod is immersed in the world of academia, but he hasn’t forgotten the important things about friends and family that he learned from growing up in the small town of Homedale.

Today he is a junior at Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa, where he is an environmental studies major with a concentration in wildlife ecology and conservation, with a biology minor.

He graduated from HHS with a 4.0 grade point average. He was senior class president, in the Business Professionals of America, National Honor Society, the science club, and The Idaho Science and Aerospace Scholars program. He also worked in the elementary school’s after-school program, earned his CNA certification, and competed on the varsity tennis and cross country teams.

Jarod is now actively involved at Cornell College and describes it as “super exciting.”

He is tour guide and manager in the Cornell admissions office, secretary and sporting events co-chair in the Get Outta Town group, treasurer of the environmental club, and orientation leader for new student orientation, co-leader of the Alternative Spring Break program, and student alumni ambassador.



Jarod and his parents, Nathan, left, and Teresa Armenta. His sister, Brooke, (not pictured) will be a senior at Homedale High School next year.

“College is turning out to be even more than I expected it to be,” Jarod said. “These past three years have been wonderful. I never expected to have such close relationships with not just students, but the faculty at Cornell. I have been exposed to all sorts of issues that we are going through as a society today, ranging from feminism, to marriage equality, to environmental issues.”

“More importantly,” Jarod said, “I have learned how seemingly separate topics are truly, at the heart connected.”

Cornell College has a unique class scheduling system called the “block plan” where students remain focused on only one subject area for about a month at a time, before changing courses. Jarod said being at Cornell has allowed him to be active out of the classroom and he is “extremely grateful” for those opportunities. “The schedule can be really hard, but very rewarding,” he said.

Jarod describes himself as “very timid” in high school, but says the past three years have given him the chance to experience “immense growth as a leader.”

Highlights of his college days have been participating in the Alternative Spring Break program, doing research with the head of the Biology department, traveling to Guatemala for a Spanish language course and

to the Boundary Waters of Minnesota for an ecology study.

His long-term goal is to be a professional researcher in Latin America and work on conservation of species diversity. “I want to study how humans are affecting the evolution of species and their ecosystems,” he said.

This past year, Jarod did research on “the evolution of three cryptic species of yellow fruit flies.” He and his undergraduate research partner, Maren Dines from Omaha, Neb., presented their findings at the Iowa Academy of Science’s annual meeting, and also at Cornell College’s Student Symposium.

“Our presentation went extremely well, and we got some ‘well done’ responses from faculty members,” he said. In the study, he and his partner analyzed data collected on a fruit fly species, *Strauzia longipennis*, that use the sunflower Jerusalem artichoke as their host plant.

“The species is extremely interesting because it has been named as 27 different species, but is currently recognized as one species,” he said.

Jarod’s presentation data supported the notion that the species is a complex of three different types within the species.

This summer Jarod will be studying the “generic basis of burrowing owl mating systems”

at Boise State University.

Jarod said he feels like he could “talk for hours” about how college has changed him.

He has participated in the Cornell College Alternative Spring Break program for three years on 10-day trips to various places to focus on social awareness issues.

He studied disaster relief by working in Missouri to rebuild tornado-damaged homes, went to South Dakota to study poverty at an Indian reservation and made heat efficiency improvements to Native American housing, and studied animal rehabilitation in New Jersey at a wolf preserve and raptor research facility.

In the “Get Outta Town” group, he helps plan large-scale trips for groups of students to events like Broadway musicals, and places like amusement parks, and other locations throughout the Midwest.

He lives in a dormitory house called “Eco House” where a group of students of diverse ages and majors work on projects that promote sustainable living and do activities that teach conservation of natural resources.

Jarod is the son of Nathan and Teresa Armenta. He has a sister, Brooke, who is 17. He says the most important thing he learned from his parents is “that life is hard, but you have to keep on

Advice for high school graduates

“Don’t stress about college grades. Professors are looking for robust students who participate in what they are good at.”

“Going to college as ‘undecided’ is not a bad thing. If you don’t know what you want to do, try everything and really find where your interests and strength lie.”

“I think the best advice I have for seniors is to always be skeptical. Never accept things at face value. Ask questions if you have them, and check the facts yourself to form the base of your own opinion.”

— Jarod Armenta

truckin’ and to keep your friends and family close.”

He said his parents have stood behind him 100 percent and have been “extremely supportive” even when he changed his major.

Jarod said everything he has done in college goes back to having the Gates scholarship. “I can’t even begin to express how grateful I am for that,” he said. “It’s like winning the lottery, after working really hard to buy the ticket.”

After graduation, Jarod is contemplating either joining the Peace Corps, heading for graduate school, or doing another home-stay in Latin America.

He continues to study scientific and social trends relating to conservation issues.

“It will be interesting to see where technology takes us,” he said. “I’m open to anything.”

Story and photo by Karen Bresnahan

NNU releases Dean’s List

Five people who attended high school in Owyhee County have earned spots on Northwest Nazarene University’s Dean’s List.

Local honorees are (listed by hometown):

- Homedale — Nicole Keller
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New courthouse exhibit features local artists

County employee starts program

Some people just seem to make a difference wherever they go. Wendy Johnson is that type of person.

She works in the maintenance department at the Owyhee County Courthouse, but she has gone above and beyond her expected duties.

Wendy has executed an idea to liven up the atmosphere in the hallway near the officers for county assessor and treasurer in the Murphy courthouse.

One particular wall is decorated with barn wood, and Wendy has started an “Artist of the Month” series through which local artists can display and sell their work on that rustic wooden wall.

She already lined up several artists and plans to continue the program throughout the year. All the artwork is posted each month on the Owyhee County Facebook page.

“I just looked at that wall and thought it would be kinda cool to put up some different pictures there,” she said. “It was hard at first because some Blenda Lewis artworks of Lane Frost, the bullrider, had been there for many, many years.”

She resolved the issue of attachments to the former artworks by getting permission from her boss, County Clerk Angie Barkell, to donate the Lewis pieces to the Owyhee County Historical Museum.

“I just feel like I have changed things for the best,” she said. “Now, I just like to watch people stop and look at what is there and take an interest in what they see. It’s been fun.”

Four artists have had their work displayed on the barn wood wall.

June’s artist is sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman.

“I just think we have some great artists in this area who can use the exposure,” she said. There is no fee charged to the artists.



Wendy Johnson

“I know this sounds really cliché, but it makes me feel really good that I am doing something for the courthouse,” Wendy said.

The first artist to display her work was Toni Gruenwald, who works in the assessor’s office. Toni’s Southwest acrylic and oil paintings went up in March.

Wendy’s acrylic landscapes and ocean scenes were featured in April.

Last month, sheriff’s dispatcher Lindsey Fuqua displayed her fine art pencil and lithograph drawings.

July’s featured artist will be Betty Goode, while Cody Hammond will hang his creations in August.

Anyone who wishes to display art at the courthouse can contact Wendy at (208) 495-2817, ext. 145, or email her at wjohnson@co.owyhee.id.us.

In addition to the artwork on the barn wood wall, Wendy has also made some changes throughout the courthouse.

Since coming to work at the courthouse a few years ago, she has spent time doing research at the museum in search of old photographs.

Wendy has arranged copies of old photographs on the walls throughout the building, and organized them by themes, a project she completed about a year ago.



Wendy Johnson’s landscapes and ocean scenes were featured in April.



Owyhee County Sheriff’s Office dispatcher Lindsey Fuqua’s art was displayed in May.

“People seem to really like it. Now the walls look really presentable and inviting. It’s so neat to see people walk down the hall and stop to look at the photographs. They can see the history,” she said.

The various themes on the walls are: Murphy in the early 1900s, the town of Dewey, stages that ran the route to Silver City, people moving freight to Silver City, portraits of local people, elected officials of the past, and area cowboys at work.

— KB

Sheriff’s chief deputy shows his artistic side this month

Owyhee County Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman would rather not be in the spotlight. In fact, he doesn’t even want his picture taken, and he’s not looking for fame.

But folks up in Murphy and in the Marsing area are giving him a little extra attention lately because of some custom barn wood frames he has made.

Lynn has been named Owyhee County “Artist of the Month” for June, and three of his barn wood creations are on display in the county courthouse in Murphy.

“I’m more of a hobbyist,” Lynn said of his work. “It keeps me busy.”

He recently constructed a custom four-part frame that was requested by Kimberly Moore, the mother of Austin Williams, after she saw some of his other ones.



Lynn Bowman

The frame, which took about seven hours to make, incorporated pieces of rope around openings for four photos.

The Bowman frame was presented at the school district’s Success Banquet as a gift of appreciation to Marsing High School rodeo advisor Darin Miller by Austin Williams, Hudson Sauer, and Josh and Ricky Sullivan, all graduating students who together started the Marsing rodeo club.

The gift was a surprise to Miller, according to Kim, because he had been busy making a frame for his co-advisor Clay Sauer with the same four photos, as a gift from the boys.

Most of Bowman’s frames are done at the request of family or friends, but he is open to building more for anyone interested.



Darin Miller, right, shows of the Lynn Bowman-framed photos he received as Clay Sauer shows his frame, which was made by Miller. Both received the photos as gifts of appreciation from their Marsing rodeo club athletes.

Lynn started making frames at the age of 14, and says his dad, Jerry, gave him the inspiration.

“My dad used to construct memory boxes, which included coins, badges, patches and other items for display,” he said.

“We used to own the onion shed in Marsing, and my dad would use old onion sacks as a

backdrop for the items he put in those boxes.”

“I sort of stole his concept,” he confessed with a grin.

Lynn’s frame making has been an “off and on” activity over the past 30 years.

“I’m real particular about the pieces of wood I use,” he said, noting that the corner pieces don’t always connect perfectly, but he said that is done intentionally.

“I don’t want my frames to look perfect,” Lynn said. “I want them to look older and more rustic.”

Each frame he makes is unique and based upon the kind of picture it will hold.

Bowman’s frames were on display in the county courthouse during Outpost Days last weekend. For more information, contact Bowman at the sheriff’s office at 495-1154.

—KB

Herb Churruca named Lion of the Year

Marsing man honored for continued support of community events

Story and photos by Karen Bresnahan

For the past two years, Herb Churruca has had his hands into everything the Marsing Lions Club has done. Last month, at the charter anniversary dinner, the club voted to honor him as Lion of the Year.

“Herb quietly takes on all kinds of projects and makes sure things get done,” Dave VanWassenhove said.

He is the Lions’ treasurer, bingo chairman, and is involved in the Easter egg hunt, Third of July barbecue, Christmas baskets for the needy, vision screening at the schools, and many other activities involving the Lions.

Herb said he feels grateful for the award, and in his quiet, soft-spoken manner said, “I just like to help out wherever I am needed.”

That one sentence can describe much of Herb’s philosophy of life. He is involved in the lives of others and understands the importance of community involve-

ment. His family has a history of it. goes on there. He belongs to the Samuel C. Phillips III Post 11065 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, based in Wilder.

The senior center is another place the Churrucas have contributed their energy.

“We try to help them get whatever they need,” Herb said.

The couple also has helped the Marsing community through the ambulance service. They were active as emergency medical technicians (EMTs) from 1993 to 2004. Their names are on a call list should a major disaster happen.

Herb started Marsing’s youth football program for fifth- and sixth-grade boys, and ran it for eight years. They played in the Snake River Valley League, in which Marsing, Melba, Adrian and Nyssa participated. After the first six years, the Optimists took over, but Herb stayed on to help for another five years.

Herb smiles with pride as he announces that he was the first



Herb displays one of his trophies, the head of a javelina that he shot in the Superstition Mountains of Arizona. He said the animals are in the rodent family.

dale Community College, taking business courses, before joining the Army for three years. He was trained in air-frame repair, and spent one tour in Vietnam. He says he considers himself lucky to have survived the Vietnam experience.

Herb and Donna met at a church camp in Prescott, Ariz., and have been married for 46 years. They are a close couple and do everything together. It’s interesting talking with them because they often finish each other’s sentences.

The couple has two grown children, Denise, who lives in Virginia, and Frank, who lives in Phoenix. They have seven grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

The Churrucas moved to Idaho in 1992, after their children were grown. Donna says, “it was just natural for him to come back here, because of his family’s roots.”

Even though Herb grew up in Arizona, he and his family often made trips up to Idaho, and he says, “I fell in love with the place.”

He has many fond memories of visiting his grandparents’ place down by the Snake River, and helping out his uncle Julio at the gas station, which was located on the curve of Idaho highway 55 near the Marsing bridge.

He made friends with boys in town, and the young men spent time working on farms, riding horses, picking peaches in the orchards, and hunting and fishing.

Herb remembers that it was

always “a big treat” to come to Idaho and partake in the elk chorizos his relatives cooked. He has never forgotten the “amazing food” that was served.

The Churrucas say they are very fortunate to live in Idaho. They appreciate the people, the weather, the hunting and fishing and outdoor lifestyle. He is a fisherman and avid hunter of deer, elk, ducks and pheasants.

Herb had a career as an electrician. He has been teaching CPR and first aid classes for electrical apprentices at the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union’s Boise office since 1996. Over the years, he has trained many apprentices.

“I had really great teachers,” he said. “I just feel like if I can be a good teacher to other apprentices, I can give back to those who taught me.”

Herb retired in 2009, when he had some serious health issues, from which he has now recovered. Herb often volunteers for friends who need help with electrical projects.

The Churrucas are working on remodeling their house, which was the homestead of his Basque grandparents, Frank and Carmen Churruca.

Herb says he and Donna both enjoy “having the freedom to do what we want to do and help out whenever we can.” They are grateful for having good health.

“Retirement is not for wimps,” he says, laughing.

“We are doing all the things we put aside our whole lives, and we stay busy.”



Herb and Donna Churruca, at their home near Lizard Butte.

ment. His family has a history of it.

Although Herb and his wife Donna live just across the river in Canyon County, they are in the Marsing Fire District, and Marsing has become their life.

They are well-known in the community for their tireless efforts promoting the Marsing Disaster Auction, and both have served as chairpersons of the event. In fact, Herb is the person who came up with the slogan now used by the auction committee, “Neighbors Helping Neighbors.” His uncle, Julio Churruca, was part of the group that started the first disaster auction.

The Churrucas are also deeply involved with the Marsing American Legion because he is a Vietnam veteran. They volunteer their time for everything that

coach of Shea McClellin, who now plays for the Chicago Bears in the NFL. McClellin excelled at the sport in high school, went on to play at Boise State University, and was the Bears’ first-round pick in the 2012 draft.

Herb still remembers the first day he met McClellin.

“He was a really tall kid, and his grandmother told me, ‘He doesn’t know whether he wants to play football.’” Herb told him, “Well, let’s just give it a try and see how you do.”

“I’m so proud of how well he has done,” Herb said.

Herb was born at the old Mercy Hospital in Nampa. His family moved to Phoenix, Ariz., when he was four years old, so he grew up there. His dad was a heavy equipment mechanic.

Herb spent two years at Glen-



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Marsing Lions to hold officer installation

The Marsing Lions Club will install new officers Tuesday at 7 p.m. dinner at the Sandbar Riverhouse restaurant, 18 Sandbar Ave.

New officers will include president Jolyn Green, first vice-president and treasurer Herb Churruca, second vice-president Mike VanWassenhove, third vice-president Eric Stansell, secretary Becky Salove, Tail Twisters David VanWassenhove and Mike VanWassenhove and Lion Tamer Jeannie Drennon.

Other board members are Roman Usabel, Laura Bowman and past president Thomas Ineck.

A representative from Lions Club District 39W will deliver the oath of office and hand out district awards.

After the installation, there could be a short regular meeting during which the membership could discuss plans for the Third of July barbecue at Island Park and the Percifield Memorial Coed Softball Tournament at Marsing High School in late July.

The Lions Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Marsing Senior Center, 218 W. Main St.

Homedale Legion Auxiliary tabs Girls Staters

The George VanDerhoff Post 32 Homedale American Legion Auxiliary has chosen Kerigan Morris as Homedale High School's Girls State candidate, along with Maricruz Villegas-Espanoza, from Wilder.

Marsing High School does not have a candidate this year.

Morris, 17, is the daughter of Brian and Melissa Morris. Villegas-Espanoza, 17, is the daughter of Jose and Maria Villegas-Espanoza. Both Morris and Villegas-Espanoza will be attending the 2014 Syringa Girls State from Sunday to Friday, June 20 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa. Several hundred girls from throughout Idaho will be there.

The weeklong event is a long-time tradition for high school junior girls and teaches the basic ideals and principles of American government through the American Legion Girls Nation citizenship training program. According to the Girls State web page, the focus is on learning responsible citizenship and love for God and country.

Students at Girls State are divided into mock cities where they split into the "Federalist party" and "Nationalist party". They learn about political processes through volunteers. The goal, as stated on the web site, is to raise awareness of the importance of service, par-

ticularly to veterans, their families and communities. The program has been carried out since 1937. For more information call 342-7066.

Morris is active in basketball, is captain of the track team, sergeant of arms of her class, president of the Business Professionals of America (BPA), in Honor Society, and National Technical Honor Society. She participates in TRiO and Strive, two college preparation groups. She also is involved as a mentee in the Boise State University mentoring program at HHS. She is active in FFA, and her team placed third in both the veterinary science and floral categories at the state competition this year.

She is a member of Health Occupations Students of American (HOSA) chapter at the Canyon-Owyhee School Service Regional Professional Technical Center in Wilder. Morris won a state award for a community awareness project. She and her teammates Michele Castro and Hattie Mertz, also of Homedale, will travel to the national HOSA competition



Kerigan Morris

in Orlando, Fla., later this month. The community awareness project was a taco feed benefit for Michele's mother, Myrna Castro, a Homedale cancer patient.

She has also received the Barbara Jones HOSA community service award for the taco feed benefit.

Morris earned the Congressional Bronze Medal, which is awarded on the basis of self-improvement, healthy activity and community service. Her participation in track qualified her for the self-improvement portion, she made homemade jam for healthy activities and participated in the cancer benefit for community service.

She plans to get a scholarship for college, start a non-profit organization someday, and wants to study to be a dental hygienist.

"It's hard to decide. There are so many opportunities available," she said.

The best thing she has learned so far in high school is how to work with others in group activities.

Villegas-Espanoza is a junior at Wilder High School. She has two



Villegas-Espanoza

younger brothers and two older sisters.

She is junior class vice-president, active in Future Hispanic Leaders of America (FHLA), cheerleading, is a member the Young Adult Partnership (YAP), a group that works on pregnancy prevention, and is on the Academic Decathlon team. She won a bronze medal this year in the science category.

She participated in community service during the Rake Wilder event, and works as a Spanish translator. She is also active in the Tobacco Correlation group for Project Filter, and speaks to students of all grade levels about the dangers of smoking. She also volunteers at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic church in Caldwell for youth group activities.


Her favorite subject is math. "Some kids think it's boring, but I think it's really fun and keeps me busy," she said.

Villegas-Espanoza's favorite hobby is horseback riding. She hopes to train horses and join a local horse performance group.

She says her school counselor encouraged her to apply for Girls State. Villegas-Espanoza hopes to learn new leadership skills at Girls State.


Her goals are to become a nurse and to study to be an occupational therapist. —KB

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Bethany Steinmeyer, left, and Jake Piercey won the Michael Sterkenberg Memorial prizes for getting the first fish of the day.

Breshears fishing winners announced

It didn't take long for children to catch the first fish at the 15th annual Leroy Breshears Kids Fishing Day on Saturday at Island Park in Marsing.

First fish awards were rod-and-reel packages named the Michael Sterkenberg Memorial for the 15-year-old son of county Division of Motor Vehicles employee Edith Sterkenberg. Michael died in a car accident in December.

A Nampa boy, 11-year-old Jake Piercey, caught the first fish at 9:01 a.m. Piercey also caught the boys' biggest fish with a 2-pound, 6-ounce, 16³/₄-inch trout.

Marsing 5-year-old Bethany Steinmeyer was the first girl to land a trout at 9:04 a.m.

- **Biggest fish, girl** — Klohe Buell, 2, of Caldwell, 2 pounds, 5 ounces, 17 inches
- **First limit, girl** — Elizabeth Marsh, 14, Homedale, 10:19 a.m.
- **First limit, boy** — Tristan

Holmes, 7, Nampa, 10:44 p.m.

Idaho Department of Fish and Game Sr. Conservation Officer Craig Mickelson said 108 children showed up to fish for 400 two-pound trout the Owyhee County Sheriff's Posse bought from Ark Fisheries and 1,000 catchable-size rainbow trout stocked by IDFG.

Young anglers and their parents (about 100 adults, Mickelson said) came from Homedale, Marsing, Murphy, Jordan Valley, Caldwell, Nampa and Meridian.

Sponsors included Whitehouse Drive-In, Logans Market, the Owyhee County Sheriff's Office, Howard's Tackle Shoppe, Pepsi, Subway, Paul's Market, Ark Fisheries, The Worm Factory, IDFG, Matteson's, Gus's Gas, the Fishing Hole, Homedale Lions, the Breshears family, CableOne, Meadow Gold, American Legion Post 128, Arvella Breshears and the City of Marsing.

Bruneau-GV district plans fee increases

Budget hearing slated Thursday

The 2014-15 budget for the Bruneau-Grand View School District is one-fifth smaller than the current amended budget.

The board of trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed \$4,089,916 budget at 7 p.m. Thursday. The hearing will take place during a school board meeting at the Rimrock Jr.-Sr. High School boardroom.

Nearly \$1.09 million has been cut from the current appropriations to build the 2014-15 proposal.

Patrons rejected a two-year, \$1.2 million supplemental levy proposal last month, triggering the slimmed-down budget.

The school board will consolidate the district into one campus

at Rimrock and close elementary schools in Bruneau and Grand View. Trustees will cut jobs and have proposed increased student fees.

Among the fees that will rise:

- Activity card from \$20 to \$30
- Sports participation fee from \$20 to \$100 for high school athletes and \$15 to \$75 for junior high school athletes
- Cabinetmaking class fees will rise, too, including from \$14 to \$20 for the introductory course and from \$16 to \$20 for Cabinet-making II and III.
- Ag education fees will increase from \$15 to \$20 per class.
- Lab fees for chemistry will go from \$10 to \$15.
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics-related classes will now have a \$20 fee.

Marsing '74 graduates play host to all-class picnic

The Marsing High School Class of 1974 wants members of all graduating classes to attend a reunion picnic Sunday.

The potluck starts at 11 a.m. at Marsing City Park, which is at the corner of 1st Avenue West and 2nd Street North.

Attendees should bring a main dish and one side or dessert as well as drinks and table service.

For more information, call Lonnie at 861-6137, Patti at 899-6037 or Becky at 896-4087.

Wrecks knock out power, start fire

A 25-year-old Sandy, Utah man was arrested on suspicion of marijuana possession Saturday after the truck he was driving destroyed a power pole on milepost 22 on Idaho 78 near Guffey.

Roy Gundersen was booked into Owyhee County Jail on Saturday night on a misdemeanor after Owyhee County Sheriff's Deputy David Green apparently found a substance that came back "presumptive positive" as marijuana. OCSO Chief Deputy Lynn Bowman said the bag and the substance weighed 10.5 grams.

Gundersen also was cited for passing on a hillside.

Bowman said the suspect told authorities he had fallen asleep while driving at 2014 Ford F-450 truck. The impact caused "major damage" to the utility pole, Bowman said.

Idaho Power spokesperson Stephanie McCurdy said 177 customers lost power at 5:18 p.m. with 46 getting back online within 90 minutes. Electricity service was completely restored at 9:39 p.m. after a crew replaced the pole, she said.

Crash sparks range fire

Fire crews from the Bureau of Land Management Boise District doused a 15-acre fire where a 2001 Dodge pickup crashed Friday on Bachman Grade Road.

The driver, 44-year-old Thomas William Proctor of Nampa, was uninjured, Bowman said.

BLM Boise District spokesperson Josh Renz said the agency dispatched 30 personnel, seven engines, a water tender, a dozer and a single-engine air tanker. Crews stayed overnight and cleared the scene at 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Avalanche Sports



Owyhee Rivercats right-hander Caleb Oviedo pitches with the lead during Thursday's American Legion game at the Homedale High School field. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Rivercats struggle at start

County's Legion team shoves off with new skipper

The Owyhee Rivercats have started their American Legion Single A baseball season. Homedale High School baseball coach Burke Deal is in his first year as the Rivercats' coach. He took over for Marsing's Jerry Stacy. The Rivercats play their home games on the HHS field at the corner of East Owyhee Avenue and North 4th Street

East. The Rivercats were 1-4 before playing the Caldwell Bobcats on Friday and the Treasure Valley Stars on Saturday. Results from those games weren't reported before press time. Owyhee is scheduled to play host to the Rocky Mountain Avalanche at 6 p.m. today. The Rivercats started the season with a two-game losing streak, dropping their May 29 home opener, 11-7, to Middleton, then losing the first game of a May 31 doubleheader to host Columbia, 12-5. Matthew Thatcher helped the Rivercats to their first victory, 10-6, over Columbia in the

second half of the May 31 twin bill. Several Trojans are on the squad, which also features players from the surrounding area. Some of the other athletes include Marsing's Charlie Galvez, Melba's Tee Archuleta, Vallivue's Wyatt Dorsey and Charlie Chapman, who is home-schooled. The Rivercats play host to Rocky Mountain at 6 p.m. today, and take on Vallivue in Homedale at 6 p.m. Thursday. **Thursday: Canyon County 5, Rivercats 2** — The Cobras

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Jake Deal thinks bunt during the early going of Thursday's game. Photo by Jon P. Brown

Trojans softball dominates All-SRV first-team roster

Larry Corta named coach of the year again

The rest of the 3A Snake River Valley coaching community stood up and took notice of the Homedale High School softball team earlier this month. The Trojans, who came within one win of a second straight 3A state championship, occupied seven of the nine all-conference first-team slots. Larry Corta, who just completed his 11th season at the helm, earned 3A SRV coach of the year honors for the second consecutive season after guiding the Trojans to a 25-4 record and a conference championship and the 3A District III crown. Third baseman Destiny Long was the only senior of the first team for Homedale.

She led the team with a 1.245 OPS and posted a .416 batting average while clubbing five home runs, knocking in 34 runs and scoring a team-high 51 runs.



Larry Corta

Sophomore Gardenia Machuca joined junior Elise Shenk in the first-team outfield. Machuca led the team in most offensive categories, including a .531 batting average, 1.401 OPS, .854 slugging percentage, six home runs, 57 RBI and 51 hits. She also had 40 runs scored. Shenk hit .391 with eight doubles, 29 runs scored and 16 RBI. Catcher Tori Nash and cousin Morgan Nash, a pitcher, earned

— See *Softball*, page 17

Underclassmen dot Homedale's All-SRV baseball selection list

Only three seniors among team's 10 honorees

A baseball season that included the program's first trip to the state tournament in 15 years was capped when Homedale High School received 10 spots on the All-3A Snake River Valley conference team. Only one of the Trojans on the first team was an upperclassman. Senior Caleb Oviedo was selected for his exploits as a right-handed pitcher. He was 5-4 with a 1.89 earned-run average and 83 strikeouts. He also threw a no-hitter against Parma. "Caleb was great on the mound this year, and sometimes unhit-table," HHS coach Burke Deal said. "He will really be missed." Sophomore Connor Carter earned first-team status after hitting .400 with team-high totals of 22 RBI, 26 runs scored and seven doubles. Carter had the second-most innings pitched for Homedale, notching five wins and 53 strikeouts with a 3.35 ERA. "Connor was our workhorse on the mound again," Deal said.

"He led the team in most offensive categories and was not far from being Player of the Year. He will be fighting for that next year."



Connor Carter

"He's a super young man, and we're looking for leadership from him next year." Junior Blake Patton earned a first-team nod after a season in which he was only one of four players to see action in all 26 games. He hit .329 and knocked in 18 runs while scoring 16 times. "Blake really finished well and had some big hits down the stretch," Deal said. Matt Thatcher is another 10th-grader who landed on the first team after notching a .347 batting average with 20 runs scored and 14 walks. He also got a win and struck out 19 while amassing a 1.69 ERA in 20 2/3 innings on the mound. "Matt was awesome with great stats on the hill and at the plate,"

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US Bank employees spruce up BLM rec site

US Bank Homedale branch employees Roger Haines (top) and Lora Ingram (right, watching her 4-year-old son, Wade, sweep) completed a service project at the North Fork Recreation Site in the North Fork Owyhee Wilderness. The May 20 project included cleaning barbecue stands and fire pits, trimming overgrown brush and sweeping the cement pads. Haines packed out the garbage and trimmings to the Bureau of Land Management's Owyhee Field Office in Marsing. Anyone wanting to perform a service project must contact BLM outdoor recreation planner Ryan Homan at the Owyhee Field Office, (208) 896-5925 or rhoman@blm.gov.



Sports

MHS hoops team Portland-bound

Camp will build teamwork, provide experience

Marsing High School boys' basketball players will travel to a summer camp in Portland next week. Coach Tim Little said the students will ride in a district van for the four-day camp scheduled to run next Wednesday through June 21. The squad will play 12 games over the four days. Players making the trip include Seth Hardy, Dakota Hardy, Juan Garcia, Jose Ponce, Rodrigo Acuna, Sam Galligan, Jose Gutierrez, Garret Briggs

and Nicholas Lankow. Little said he was able to set up the camp through some connections he has in the Portland area, where he coached prior to coming to Marsing. The camp will focus on fundamentals and building team chemistry, Little said. "All in all, it's a positive thing. It will unify the group and give them the opportunity to play against some good competitors and gain experience," the second-year Huskies coach said. Little said his players will attend three other camps and playing 40 games over the summer. — KB

Outpost Days 5K

Top finishers in Saturday's 5-kilometer fun run held in Murphy:
Men — Doug Ebbers, Boise
Women — Ellen Cossel, Melba
12 and younger — Emma Strommen, Meridian

Baseball: Coach sees potential for 2015

From Page 16 Deal said. "He was solid all year and came up with clutch hits and was solid in the field." Freshman Jake Deal rounded out the first-team Trojans after season in which he hit .310 with 25 runs scored and 16 RBI. He struck out 15 in 22 innings and picked up two victories during Homedale's 13-13 season. Support from Fruitland coach Russ Wright and Payette coach Tracy Bratcher was key in getting him on the first team, Burke Deal said. "Jake was great. Only Trey Corta and Connor have had better years as freshmen since I have coached, and at a real tough spot," the HHS coach said. "He was vital for us in the field, at the plate and on the hill." Homedale's second-teamers were a pair of sophomores.

Jacob Falls hit .406 in 14 games with eight RBI and five runs scored. His OPS of .941 was second to Carter's 1.033 on the team. "Jacob would have been first team had he had more at-bats with the varsity," Deal said. "He had some really clutch hits. "He's a great kid, a tough kid and a great hustler. He has big things ahead for him in this program." Deal expects Nash Johnson to emerge as one of the conference's best catchers next season and said that low offensive numbers kept him from a first-team slot this year. "He will take the challenge and battle head-to-head with Fruitland's Patrick Murphy for best catcher in our league," Deal said. "Nash was awesome this year and will just get better. He will

be a real shutdown guy behind the plate for the next two seasons." Johnson led the Trojans' starters with a .990 fielding percentage, committing only two errors and notching 27 assists in a team-high 194 chances. He picked up a save and struck out 11 in 11 innings on the mound. Seniors Lane Sale and Talon Frelove joined sophomore John Collett on the honorable mention list. Sale hit .362 with 15 RBI and 16 runs scored in 23 games. Frelove also played in 23 games with five doubles, 11 RBI and 21 runs scored. He was hit by a pitch an team-high 11 times. Collett hit .293 in 14 games with four doubles and 15 runs scored. He also had the only home run of the Trojans' season. — JPB

Rivercats: Home games played on HHS diamond

From Page 16 scored three runs in the fifth inning to complete a comeback at the HHS field. An error, a hit batter and a passed ball helped Canyon County mount the winning rally. Jake Grissom's two-run double snapped a 2-2 tie. Caleb Oviedo took the loss despite striking out 12 and giving up only three hits. The Rivercats committed three errors. Owyhee used speed and power to take a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning. Matt Thatcher led off with a single, moved around to third on a stolen base and passed ball and scored on a balk by Canyon County starter Alex Byron. Will Elordi took a Byron pitch in the shoulder and then scored on Blake Patton's double. John Collett and Michael Magdaleno had two singles each for the Rivercats. June 3: Rocky Mountain 5, Rivercats 1 — Rocky Mountain scored five runs to erase Owyhee's 1-0 lead in Meridian. Thatcher and Mike Mavey picked up singles against Rocky Mountain starting pitcher Joey Tuccinardi, who struck out nine in a complete-game two-hitter. The Rivercats took a 1-0 lead in the third inning when Bo Jenkins drew one of his two walks and scored on a two-out error by third baseman Tyler O'Donnell. Jenkins got the start and struck out six in five innings. He pitched into the sixth inning, when Rocky

Mountain struck for five runs. May 31: Columbia 12-6, Rivercats 5-10 — In the first game of a doubleheader played in Nampa, Columbia surged ahead with eight runs in the bottom of the fifth. Owyhee grabbed a 3-0 lead in the top of the first, and held a 4-2 lead when Columbia tied the game in the fourth. The Rivercats went ahead again with a run in the top of the fifth. Mavey knocked in two runs. Thatcher and Dorsey doubled. In Game 2, Owyhee put together back-to-back three-run rallies over the second and third innings and held a 10-1 lead before Columbia tried to come back. Jenkins tripled and scored twice, while John Collett was 2-for-3 with an RBI and Mavey went 2-for-3 with two RBI and two runs scored. Jake Deal struck out five in the first five innings to pick up the victory as he teamed with Collett and Archuleta to limit Columbia to five hits. May 29: Middleton 11, Rivercats 7 — Middleton scored five times in the top of the fifth inning to snap a 1-1 tie on the Rivercats' field. Connor Carter scored three runs, and Carter, Gunner Clapp and Thatcher had RBI. Clapp doubled twice.

Softball: Power hitters get their due

From Page 16 first-team honors after their junior seasons. Tori hit .404 and led the team with 13 doubles. She notched 35 RBI and scored 38 runs. Morgan was 11-2 and had a save. She struck out 62 in 76.1 innings and posted a 2.47 earned-run average.

Sophomores Makayla Aberasturi (first base) and Tristan Corta (utility) also earned first-team accolades. Aberasturi scored 31 runs and drove in 19 while hitting .364. She hit five doubles. Corta saw time at second base and in the pitching circle. At the plate, Corta hit .354 with 35 runs

scored and 15 RBI. Corta went 6-2 as a pitcher. She struck out 28 and notched a 3.94 ERA in 44 1/3 innings. Senior shortstop Katie Deal was the lone HHS second-team selection. Deal hit four home runs and knocked in 33 runs. She scored 37 times and hit .379.

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Commentary

Baxter Black, DVM



On the edge of common sense

Don't forget the cowboy and the horse

Sometimes, when we go to our livestock meetings and see all the technology, we forget about the cowboy and the horse.

In the PowerPoint presentation, it all looks so orderly as the healthy steer standing in the hydraulic chute smiles at the camera while the hired hand in a clean shirt demonstrates a procedure with music playing in the background. I will remind you, there are still places where a cowboy and a horse are an essential part of management. For example, feeder cattle on wheat grass or ranches where they still calve “outside” or summer mountain pastures. These are examples where it is more expedient to treat the critter where you find it, rather than try and drive or haul them to a squeeze chute or trap two miles away.

If you have the luxury of a two-man crew, the method is obvious: head and heel them. But for the lone rider, his skills must be at a higher level. The beast, a cow with a wire around her foot or a steer with pink eye, must be 1) caught, 2) restrained, 3) treated, 4) released.

Depending on 1) the terrain, 2) the disposition of critter, and 3) its size, the job can be 1) hard or 2) harder! In real life, catching can mean the head, the horns, the heels, one hock, or the head and front leg together. Restraining the animal usually means putting them on the ground. Because this lecture could take 10 more pages, illustrated, I will discuss the case of a 300-pound bull calf that needs doctored or branded and cut. Regardless of the appendage you’ve roped, you can drag him slowly till he eventually lies down.

The next step is restraint. Your horse must keep the rope tight while you dismount. Tie a half-hitch over the dally around the saddle horn. Throw the coils on the ground away from the action. Wrap a rein around the tight rope and secure it. This will keep the horse’s head pointed to the calf.

Pounce on the calf, making sure the correct side of the calf is dorsal if he’s going to be branded. Slip the piggin’ string loop over the calf’s down-side front leg. Slide your body back far enough to push both his hind legs forward with your thigh. Arrange his two hind feet to cross over the attached front leg. Make three wraps around the three feet and pull them together tight! Very tight. Then another tight wrap and a hooey around the attached front leg. The critter is ready to be treated. You can ease your horse up.

This description of our skilled cowboy making the perfect catch and tie-down holds true, unless, of course, your horse lets slack out of your line when he shouldn’t, gets tangled in the coils, the dally slips, you loop the piggin’ string over your wrist, the calf gets loose and runs under the horse’s belly and the horse then deserts you three miles from the pickup and loses your rope somewhere along the way.

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Letter to the editor

Letter-writer: U.S. prisoner swap for “deserter” wrong

What a wonderful country to trade five Taliban terrorists for a deserter. America, what is wrong with this story?
P. T. Rathbone
Marsing

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Frank Priestley — Idaho Farm Bureau

Voice of Idaho ag EPA’s proposed “waters” rule is unworkable for ag industry



The American Farm Bureau Federation recently reviewed the Environmental Protection Agency’s March 25 release of the “waters of the U.S.” proposed rule. The results of the review are dismaying.

The EPA proposal poses a serious threat to farmers, ranchers and other landowners. Under EPA’s proposed new rule, waters — even ditches — are regulated even if they are miles from the nearest “navigable” waters. Indeed, so-called “waters” are regulated even if they aren’t wet most of the time. EPA says its new rule will reduce uncertainty, and that much seems to be true: there isn’t much uncertainty if most every feature where water flows or stands after a rainfall is federally regulated.

Under this proposed rule, farmers, ranchers and every other landowner across the countryside will face a tremendous new roadblock to ordinary land use activities.

This is not just about the paperwork of getting a permit to farm, or even about having farming practices regulated. The fact is there is no legal right to a Clean Water Act permit — if farming or ranching activities need a permit, EPA or the Army Corps of Engineers can deny that permit. That’s why Clean Water Act jurisdiction over farmlands amounts to nothing less than federal veto power over a farmer’s ability to farm.

EPA accompanied its proposal with a new “interpretive rule,” claiming to clarify certain statutory exemptions for agricultural conservation practices, including activities as commonplace and essential to farming as building a fence. But these exemptions apply only to “dredge and fill” permit requirements. They do not protect farmers from

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Sen. Mike Crapo

From Washington Idaho’s recreation trails good for citizens’ health and wallets



Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote, “The influence of fine scenery, the presence of mountains, appeases our irritations and elevates our friendships.” Fortunately, in Idaho, we have many opportunities to benefit from fine scenery and reflect on historical, nation-shaping events that took place along Idaho’s trails.

For example, Idaho’s section of the Lewis and Clark National Trail stretches across north-central Idaho from Lolo Pass to Lewiston. A number of historic sites and trails can be accessed along it. According to information provided by the Idaho Secretary of State, a visitor seeking the true Lewis and Clark experience can hike a five-mile trail up a ridgeline in the Whitehouse Pond area. Additionally, the Oregon and California National Historic Trails, which generally track the Snake River through southern Idaho, were utilized by miners and farmers heading to California in the 1840s and 1850s. The Nez Perce National Historical Trail stretches from Wallowa Lake, Oregon to the Bear Paws Mountains in northern Montana and crosses through Idaho as it follows the course taken by a group of Nez Perce in 1877 and the U.S. military, who pursued them over 1,500 miles for 3½ months.

These examples are a small fraction of Idaho’s abundant outdoor recreation opportunities that make our great state a desirable place to live and raise a family. Bicycling,

walking and running trails contribute to our quality of life and support economic development throughout the state. The Economic Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that total earnings per resident in counties with recreation are higher than in other rural counties. Additionally, researchers at Harvard Medical School found that spending time outdoors has physical and mental health benefits and identified five specific potential benefits: increased vitamin D levels; more exercise; elevated moods; improved concentration; and faster healing potential. Our trails provide these opportunities and more.

Our access to these resources would be limited without the help of the many volunteers who clear the trails and prepare them for users. Volunteers provide critical help in maintaining the trails so that they are safe and accessible. A number of organizations, such as the Northwest Youth Corps, the Back Country Horsemen of Idaho and the Idaho Outfitters and Guides Association, assist with conservation and maintenance projects, including trail construction, clearing hazardous forest fuels and enhancing wildlife habitat. These Idahoans help enable our access to the outdoor recreation opportunities that we enjoy.

At the federal level, the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) enhances outdoor opportunities by helping states

— See *Trails*, Page 19

Commentary

Financial management

Put off big wedding anniversary trip until you’re clear of debt

Dear Dave,
Would it be OK to go on a 10th anniversary honeymoon while we’re working on our debt snowball?
— Karen

Dear Karen,
I don’t think so. I mean, it’s not against the law or anything like that. I just don’t think it’s a good idea. I wouldn’t do it, and I wouldn’t suggest taking the trip then rolling it into your debt snowball either. I know this probably sounds mean, but I’m just not a big romantic when it comes to people who are deeply in debt.
A rare exception may be a situation where you have a really small debt snowball and a nice, fat income. But most people in your shoes have average incomes and mountains of debt. On top of that, they want to take a big celebration vacation? I would say no.
At some point you have to stop the spending and concentrate

on getting your finances in order. Besides, you’ve got a lifetime together to take romantic vacations and celebrate your marriage. Just wait until you can afford something like that. Trust me, you’ll enjoy it even more!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
We have three children, ages 15, 10 and nine. With our oldest starting high school and just being a teenager, we’re spending lots more money on her than the others. It’s almost like she’s the favorite child. Should we spend more on the other kids to make things seem a little more fair?
— Julie

Dear Julie,
I don’t think so. In five or six years, it’ll be their turn, and you guys will be spending that kind of money on them, too. That’s the way it is with teens.
Here’s a question for you. When



the 15-year-old is 23, and you’re buying prom dresses and all the other teenage stuff for the younger kids, are you going to turn around and give the older child extra money just to “even things up”? Of course not — that would be silly. She had her moment in the sun, and now it’s their turn.
Just make sure you hug on all of

them equally, and let them know you love them!
— Dave

Dear Dave,
How should I handle my 401(k) when moving from one job to another?
— Tracy

Dear Tracy,
I would roll it to an IRA. Your new company, if you move it there, will have limited choices for your 401(k). You’d also probably have a lengthy waiting period for verification and the potential add-on fees and taxes.
Plus, with an IRA you can cash it out if something really bad happens. But I rarely ever advise people to cash out their IRAs. The only exceptions are extreme cases, like to avoid bankruptcy or foreclosure. Even then, hardship withdrawals are very difficult to get. And again, this kind of thing should never be done except in an

absolute, worst-case scenario.
Just roll your money into a traditional IRA, Tracy. It’s called a direct transfer IRA, and that way there will be no taxes on it. You want the money to go directly from the 401(k) to the IRA. Then, you’ll have the freedom to choose from about 8,000 mutual funds and move the money around, if you like.
In other words, you’re in control. That’s the way it should be when it comes to your money!
— Dave

— Dave Ramsey has authored four New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover and EntreLeadership. His newest book, written with his daughter Rachel Cruze, is titled Smart Money Smart Kids. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

✓ EPA: Bureau urges producers to comment

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federal veto power over pest and weed control, fertilizer application, and other essential farming activities that may result in the addition of “pollutants” to “navigable waters,” — providing one views every ditch and wet spot across the landscape as “navigable waters.”
The American Farm Bureau Federation will dedicate itself to opposing this attempted end run around the limits set by Congress and the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has ruled repeatedly that Congress meant what it said: “Navigable waters” does not mean all waters. This proposed rule shows that EPA refuses to accept those limits.
For more information on this issue, go to www.ditchtherule.fb.org. All Idaho landowners, farmers and ranchers are encouraged to fill out a comment form and send it to EPA.
— Frank Priestley has been Idaho Farm Bureau president since 1997.

✓ Trails: Volunteers essential to maintain system

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develop and maintain recreational trails for motorized and non-motorized trail uses. Common trail usage includes hiking, running, bicycling, equestrian use, snowmobiling, four-wheel driving, all-terrain riding and other off-road vehicle use. The program has proven popular in many communities to enhance public access and use of public lands. Recently, I worked with my Senate colleagues to maintain the RTP in the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee’s recently approved highway reauthorization bill. As Congress continues its work this summer on addressing our nation’s transportation and infrastructure needs, I will continue to advocate for this important program.

Throughout Idaho, there are many opportunities to take to the trail for recreation, fitness, exploration, a walk through history, views of Idaho’s scenery and wildlife and to get inspiration. These outlets are an important part of our communities and way of life. I will continue to work with Idahoans, my colleagues in Congress, and federal, state and local agencies to develop and execute effective and efficient land management policies that protect the environment and provide adequate and safe access to our public lands.
— Republican Mike Crapo is Idaho’s senior member of the U.S. Senate. He is in his third six-year term and has served in the Senate since 1999. Prior to that, he was a three-term Idaho Second District congressman.

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Looking back...

from the files of The Owyhee Avalanche and Owyhee Chronicle

25 years ago

June 14, 1989

Owyhee Soil Conservation sixth-grade poster winners

Homedale sixth-graders who won the Owyhee County Soil Conservation District poster contest this year are David Vance, first prize and \$15; Josh Paul, second prize and \$10; and Sarah Ellis, third prize and \$5. The kids got their awards from Ray Mansisidor, chairman of the OCSCD, and Steve Belknap, soil conservation supervisor.

Sixth-grade teachers Leslie Parker, Russ Mitchell and Arlene Eidemiller helped supervise the program, with Parker serving as its coordinator.

Telleria misses on try for big loot

Robert Telleria enjoyed an exciting trip to Portland where he appeared on the “Money Game” on live TV. According to viewers here, Robert was one of 10 selected to be on stage and actually play the game.

At one point, he had won several hundred dollars plus a car and had to make the choice of taking his winnings or risking it all for the grand prize of \$50,000.

It must have been a tough decision, but Robert opted for the chance at the big one and lost it all to a woman from Boise.

Two JV 4-H’ers top 10 out-of-area judges at contest

Two Jordan Valley 4-H’ers were among the top 10 out-of-area judges at the recent Canyon County 4-H Livestock Judging Contest.

Jill Terry of Jordan Valley placed third, while Christine Burgess of Jordan Valley placed sixth.

Area youth from Canyon, Ada and Malheur counties’ 4-H clubs and several FFA chapter teams recently judged sheep, swine and beef at the Canyon County Fairgrounds.

Brown wins MMS 1988-89 Student Academic trophy

The Marsing Middle School’s 1988-89 Student Academic Trophy was awarded to Craig Brown, the son of Jim and Rosemary Brown, by Principal Ron Hutter at the recent awards assembly.

Brown has maintained a 4.0 GPA for the past seven years, according to Hutter.

“Craig not only did well in academics, but was very active as student body president this past school year,” he said.

Hutter added, “Sports is also a high priority, and Craig proved himself both on the football field and basketball court.”

“We count it an honor to be able to present such fine students striving for academic excellence.”

Boys State may result in political careers for some

Several area high school students are home from Boys State held in Boise from May 27-June 3 with a new appreciation for the art of politics and the law-making process, and the experience may have prompted at least one or two of them to run for public office someday.

Representing Homedale at the 46th annual statewide gathering of over 300 delegates were Joe Mansisidor, son of Ray and Mary Louise Mansisidor, and Tony Uberuaga, son of Pete and Monica Uberuaga. Representing Wilder was Juan Carrillo, son of Merced and Maria Carrillo. All three student leaders were sponsored by Homedale American Legion Post No. 32, with the Wilder School District also helping send Carrillo.

Andy Percifield, son of the Tim and Cindy Percifield, represented Marsing, under the sponsorship of Marsing American Legion Post No. 128.

Rimrock High School’s delegates were Corey Munro, son of Larry and Kathy Munro of Grand View; Roger Bachman, son of Larry Bachman of Oreana; and John Frisch, son of Kent and Tangie Frisch of Grand View. They were sponsored by the Grand View American Legion Post No. 134 and Bruneau American Legion Post No. 83.

50 years ago

June 11, 1964

Oinkari Dancers set to perform at World’s Fair

The Oinkari Basque Dancers, who won the plaudits of crowds at the Seattle International Fair when they represented Idaho there two years ago, are set to perform at the New York World’s Fair on Monday, June 15, designated as Idaho Day.

The troupe of nearly 50 dancers, ranging in age from 14 to 32, will officially represent Idaho that day on a program that will bring Gov. Robert E. Smylie, other state officials and prominent citizens of the state to the Fair. Members of the group from this area are Ray Mansisidor, Homedale, Henry and Carmelo Urza of Melba, and Maitie and Inaki Urza of Kuna.

Taking its name from a word difficult to translate Oinkari — “people who do things fast with their feet” — the group is dedicated to an ancient tradition of folk dancing, probably unique in the world.

Idaho Day ceremonies are scheduled for 11 a.m. at the New York State Pavilion at the fair. They are programmed for a half hour, during which the dancers will perform briefly twice.

Owyhee Lake up

Owyhee Lake contained 635,280 acre-feet of water on Wednesday, June 10, reports Felisa Echevarria, treasurer of Gem Irrigation District. This compares with a total of 373,000 acre-feet on this date last year, and is the highest figure reached this year, up 4,210 acre-feet from the 631,070 acre feet reported last week.

Benefit rodeo brings \$150

About \$150 was received at the benefit rodeo at the John Wright arena at Murphy Sunday. Jackpot team roping and calf roping were the events.

The benefit was for Hugh Ridley, Grand View, vice-president of the Owyhee County Sheriff’s Posse, who broke his leg at the annual cancer rodeo sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Milt Carrothers at their ranch on Castle Creek.

Everett A. Colley is candidate for Idaho Senate

Everett A. Colley announced this week that he has accepted the nomination from the Owyhee County Democratic Central Committee as a candidate for the Idaho Senate. “For this expression of confidence given me by the party, I am deeply grateful,” Colley said.

“If I am elected I will represent all of Owyhee County to the best of my ability and join with others at the legislative sessions to achieve laws for the good of Idaho and its people, protect water rights and help develop natural resources.”

He has been a resident of Owyhee County since 1941, engaged in publishing the weekly newspaper, The Owyhee Chronicle, at Homedale. He grew up on a homestead in Canyon County, near Homedale, attended Central Cove grade school, Wilder, Nampa and Boise high schools, The College of Idaho, Caldwell, and graduated with a degree in journalism from the University of Idaho, Moscow.

Colley has been a member of the Owyhee County Selective Service board more than 15 years. He is past president of the Idaho Press Association, a charter member of the Homedale Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Caldwell Elks Lodge.

Homedale H.S. yearbook dedicated to Supt. Bell

Homedale High School’s yearbook, “The Trojan,” has been dedicated to Supt. Deward Bell.

Presentation and announcement of the dedication were made at a “scribble party” and dedication event at the Washington grade school multi-purpose room. Darlene Byington, editor of “The Trojan,” made the presentation to Supt. Bell.

Members of this year’s yearbook staff were Darlene Byington, editor; Judy Markley, assistant editor; Kenny Lewis, business manager; Vicky Sibert, art editor; Sue Eidemiller, layout editor; Merry Dawn Stewart, activities; Alfonso Salutregui, Rick Roland and Art Solis, sports editors; and Dean Vance, advisor.

140 years ago

June 13, 1874

INVENTOR OF THE CIRCULAR SAW. In a lonely, secluded position in the northwest corner of the cemetery near the ever beautiful little village of Richmond, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, the historian can find (on a pure white marble slab, nearly concealed from view by a large cluster of lilac bushes) engraved the simple name of “Benjamin Cummings, born A.D. 1772, died A.D. 1848.” And who was Benjamin Cummings? He was the inventor of the circular saw now in use in this country and Europe. Nearly sixty years ago, at Burtonsville, N.Y., near Amsterdam, this man hammered out at his own blacksmith’s anvil the first circular saw known to mankind. He was a noted pioneer in Michigan, a first cousin to one of the Presidents of the United States, a slave-owner in New York State, a leading Mason in the days of Morgan, and at whose table the very elite of the then great State of New York feasted and drank freely of his choice liquors and wines. A vessel owner on the North River before the days of steamboats, a captain in the War of 1812, where, after having three horses shot under him, with one-stroke of his broad-sword he brought his superior officer to the ground for an insult and because he was a traitor and a coward, and, after having been court-martialed, instead of having been shot he was appointed a colonel in his place. And in this lowly grave are the ashes of the man who, nearly seventy years ago, at Albany, New York, took up and moved bodily a large block of brick buildings, and to the then wonder and astonishment of the world, and who also subsequently constructed a mile and a half of the Erie Canal through a bed of rock, and who also built per contract those low bridges over the same. He also aided in the construction of the first ten miles of railroad built in the United States, and founded both the villages of Esperence and Burtonsville, on the old Schoharie, near Amsterdam. He was twice married, and the father of twenty-two children; the last wife is still surviving him, and his posterity are scattered over the entire Northwest, he having emigrated to Michigan in 1831, when that State was a wilderness; therefore, his life was not a failure.

SALE OF RISING STAR PROPERTY. The entire mill property of the Rising Star Silver Mining Company, at Flint District, Owyhee County, Idaho Territory, was sold at auction in San Francisco, on the 9th inst. to M. J. McDonald for \$8,100. The original cost of the property was \$68,000. We have not learned what the buyer proposes to do with the property. One report says that he will take the machinery to Virginia City, Nevada; another, that it will be brought over and put in operation somewhere on Jordan Creek. If the Rising Star Company had erected a 10-stamp, instead of a 30-stamp mill in 1868, Flint would have been a good little mining camp today. The Company overreached itself, failed, and discourages everybody else.

JUSTICE’S COURT. On Wednesday George Stoddard was brought before Justice C. S. Leonard to answer the charge of pounding a big Chinaman, named Ah Ty. He had a jury trial and was acquitted. It appears that the Chinaman attempted to take four sacks of grain from Ragan & Catalow’s stable without permission and that Stoddard, who was working there, had to pound him with a club before he would give up the grain.

Charles Stanley stole a dollar from Schaffer & Little’s saloon last Wednesday, for which offense he was brought before Justice James Lynam on Thursday and sentenced to 30 days in the county jail.

Wm. Little was arrested and brought before Justice Lynam last Thursday for beating Charles Stanley, who stole a dollar from his saloon the day before. He had a jury trial and was acquitted, it being proved that he ceased beating Stanley after he gave up the dollar.

LOCAL HINTS AND HAPPENINGS. An agricultural paper recommends a quart of brandy to cure the staggers. We have thought brandy was the cause of staggers.

Public notices

SECOND NOTICE OF SALE
Case No. CV-2013-2969
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
STATE OF IDAHO, COUNTY
OF OWYHEE
SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
BARRY D. KENDALL and HEIDI A. KENDALL, Husband and Wife; DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; WHISPERING HEIGHTS WATERUSERSASSOCIATION; and JOHN DOES 1-1 0; Defendant(s).
DATE OF SALE: June 19, 2014
TIME OF SALE: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE OF SALE: Owyhee County Courthouse front entrance, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho

Under and by virtue of an Writ of Execution by Sheriff issued on the 30th day of April 2014, out of and under the seal of the above-entitled Court on a Judgment recovered in said Court in the above-entitled action on the 24th day of September 2013, in favor of the above-named plaintiff and against the Defendants, I am commanded and required to proceed to notice for sale and to sell at public auction the property described in said Order of Sale and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the satisfaction of said Judgment of Foreclosure with interest thereon, and attorney fees and costs for sale, and my fees and costs. **The minimum bid is \$210,546.53, plus accrued interest and costs.** A credit bid may be entered by the judgment holder in any amount less than or up to the minimum bid plus accrued interest and costs. A third party cash bid may be entered in any amount equal to, or above, the minimum bid plus accrued interest and costs.

The property directed to be sold is situate in Owyhee County, State of Idaho, and is described as follows, to wit:

Lot 22, Block 1, Whispering Heights Subdivision No. 2, Owyhee County, Idaho, filed for record November 8, 2000 as Instrument No. 234317 and Affidavit to correct recorded November 22, 2000 as Instrument No. 234425, Owyhee County records.

This property is commonly known as: 5964 Whispering Hills Drive, Marsing, Idaho.

The Sheriff, by Certificate of Sale, will transfer the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in and to the property at the time of the execution or attachment was levied. The Sheriff will give possession, but does not guarantee clear title nor continued possessory right to the purchaser

Following issuance of the Sheriffs Certificate of Sale

there is a statutory six month redemption period, during which time the Judgment Debtor or any redemptioner may redeem the above property. If no redemption is made within that six month period, the sheriff, upon expiration of the redemption period, shall issue its Deed conveying title to the above property

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on the 19th day of June 2014, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. at the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, Idaho, I will attend, offer and sell at public auction all or so much of the above-described property thus directed to be sold as may be necessary to raise sufficient fund to pay and satisfy the Judgment of Foreclosure as set out in said Order for Sale by Sheriff to the highest bidder therefore in lawful money.

DATED THIS 20th day of May 2014.

SHERIFF, Owyhee County, Idaho
By: Luisa Basabe, Deputy
CHARLES C. JUST, ESQ. - ISB 1779, KIPP L. MANWARING, ESQ. - ISB 3817, JUST LAW OFFICE, 381 Shoup Avenue, P.O. Box 50271, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83405, Telephone: (208) 523-9106, Facsimile: (208) 523-9146, Attorneys for SunTrust Mortgage, Inc.
5/28;6/4,11/14

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
NO. CV-14-040
IN THE DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT
OF THE STATE OF
IDAHO IN AND FOR THE
COUNTY OF OWYHEE

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, AS TRUSTEE FOR NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2003-2, NOVASTAR HOME EQUITY LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2003-2, Plaintiff,
v.

CLINTEN M. NIELSEN AKA CLINT M. NIELSEN; MARY LINDA NIELSEN AKA LINDA NIELSEN; AND UNKNOWN PERSONS IN POSSESSION OR CLAIMING RIGHT TO POSSESSION, Defendants.

To: MARY LINDA NIELSEN AKA LINDA NIELSEN; AND UNKNOWN PERSONS IN POSSESSION OR CLAIMING RIGHT TO POSSESSION,

You have been sued by THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, AS TRUSTEE FOR NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2003-2, NOVASTAR HOME EQUITY LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2003-2, the Plaintiff, in

the Third District Court in and for Owyhee County, Idaho, Case No. CV-14-040.

The nature of the claim against you is foreclosure of a Deed of Trust encumbering certain real property located at 5122 Sage Road, Homedale, ID 83628.

Any time after 20 days following the last publication of this summons, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, including the Case No., and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 20381 State Highway 78, Murphy, ID 83650 and served a copy of your response on the Plaintiff's attorney at Robinson Tait, P.S. 710 Second Ave, Suite 710, Seattle, WA 98104, (206) 676-9640.

A copy of the Summons and Complaint can be obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the attorney for Plaintiff. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter.

DATED: May 28, 2014
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT, Angela Barkell
Tina Aman, Deputy
Craig Peterson, ISB #9434, Lisa McMahon-Myhran, ISB #8963, Jennifer Tait, ISB #8243, Robinson Tait, P.S., 710 Second Avenue, Suite 710, Seattle, WA 98104 Phone: (206) 676-9640 Facsimile: (206) 676-9659, Attorney for Plaintiff
6/11,18,25;7/2/14

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Tuesday, the 30th day of September, 2014, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. of said day in the lobby of the Owyhee County Courthouse, 20381 State Hwy. 78, Murphy, in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, Ryan M. Fawcett, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Owyhee, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit:

A parcel of land located in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 2 West of the Boise Meridian, Owyhee County, Idaho, described as follows:

Commencing at a brass cap monument at the Northwest corner of said Section 19; thence

South 89°42'39" East, 1525.00 feet along the North line of said Section 19 (centerline of Upper Reynolds Creek Road) to a PK nail set at the POINT OF BEGINNING, said point also marked by a one-half inch rebar set 25 feet Southerly from said point; thence

South 89°42'39" East, 150.00 feet along said North section line (centerline of said Upper Reynolds Creek Road) to a PK nail, said point also marked by a one-half inch rebar set 25 feet Southerly from said point; thence

South 01°22'27" West, 172.54 feet to a one-half inch rebar set in an existing fence line; thence North 89°33'45" West, 151.02 feet along said existing fence line to a one-half inch rebar; thence North 01°43'02" East, 171.17 feet along said existing fence line to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

The Successor Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 60-113, Idaho Code, the Successor Trustee has been informed that the street address of 13718 Upper Reynolds Creek Rd., Melba, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said real property.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by JASON Z GARNER, an Unmarried Man, Grantor, to Ryan M. Fawcett, Successor Trustee, for the benefit and security of DL EVANS BANK, recorded January 7, 2009, as Instrument No. 267122, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho; and assigned to the IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION by Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded on April 9, 2009, as Instrument No. 267894, Mortgage records of Owyhee County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTOR IS NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1506 (4)(a), IDAHO CODE. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT HE IS, OR IS NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION.

The default for which this sale is to be made is the failure to pay when due, monthly installment payments under the Deed of Trust Note dated January 2, 2009, in the amount of \$504.00 each, for the months of December, 2013, through May, 2014, inclusive; and for each and every month thereafter until date of sale or reimbursement. All delinquent payments are now due, plus accumulated late charges, plus any costs or expenses associated with this foreclosure. The accrued interest is at the rate of 5.48% per annum from November 1, 2013. The principal balance owing as of this date on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$56,149.42, plus accrued interest at the rate of 5.48% per annum from November 1, 2013.

DATED This 30th day of May, 2014.

RYAN M. FAWCETT, a Member of the Idaho State Bar, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE
6/11,18,25;7/2/14

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
CASE NO. CV-2014-0152

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN under Idaho Code section 15-3-801 that, in connection with the foregoing case number in the Owyhee County District Court, STEVEN DEAN KENNEDY has been appointed Personal Representative of the probate estate of CLIFFORD EARL KENNEDY, deceased. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned attorney at number 101 Eagle Glen Lane, Eagle, Idaho 83616 (telephone no. 208-939-2600), and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 21st day of May, 2014.

/s/Barry Peters, Attorney at Law
5/28;6/4,11/14

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED TO APPROPRIATE THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF IDAHO:
2-10504

GRANDVIEW MUTUAL CANAL CO, PO BOX 9, GRANDVIEW, ID 83624

Point of Diversion L10 (NWSW) S34 T05S R04E OWYHEE County Source SNAKE RIVER Tributary COLUMBIA RIVER

Use: IRRIGATION 03/01 to 11/15 37 CFS

Total Diversion: 37 CFS
Date Filed: 3/7/2014

Place of Use: IRRIGATION within the authorized boundary.

Total Acres: 2914

Applicant proposes irrigation (conveyance loss) for existing canal system. Applicant states this use has existed for many years but lacks water right coverage. Now seeking that coverage within Trust Water application processing. No new irrigated acres proposed.

Permits will be subject to all prior water rights. For additional information concerning the property location, contact Western Region office at (208) 334-2190; or for a full description of the right(s), please see www.idwr.idaho.gov/apps/ExtSearch/WRFiling.asp. Protests may be submitted based on the criteria of Idaho Code § 42-203A. Any protest against the approval of this application must be filed with the Director, Dept. of Water Resources, Western Region, 2735 Airport Way, Boise ID 83705 together with a protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before 6/23/2014. The protestant must also send a copy of the protest to the applicant.

GARY SPACKMAN, Director
6/4,11/14



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Roll ends: Great for packing material, building fires, lining birdcages or for your kids to doodle on. The Owyhee Avalanche, Homedale

YARD SALE

2 Large Yard Sales! Hwy 95 Self Storage &/or Pioneer Rd/ Homestead (follow signs), Homedale. 8am-6pm on Friday & Saturday

Yard Sale, 8am-6pm, Friday & Saturday at 1015 Edwards Street in Marsing.

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